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Newsletter

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Summer

2024

Holland Square Getting a Potential Facelift!

Our community just received great news! We are being awarded a grant from the Michigan State Housing Development Authority towards the construction of the Holland Square Project. This means we will be pushing forward with a crowdfunding campaign to support installation in 2025, pending final design and approval. Please keep this project in mind for future donations. We are seeking a leading donor that may be interested in naming rights! (Total estimate for this project is \$250,000).

This investment will make a monumental difference in the aesthetics and functionality of downtown Swartz Creek. The structure will provide partial protection from the elements, power for vendors/musicians, dynamic lighting, a sound system, and additional landscaping. Once complete, this should be a driver for more events, fun, and memories for Swartz Creek families!



Find the community calendar and service information online at:
www.cityofswartzcreek.org

Office Hours: Monday 8am-6pm, Tues & Thursday 8am-4:30pm, Wednesday 8am-4pm, Friday by appointment

Call 911 For After-Hours Emergencies:

*Do so for water and sewer problems such as water main breaks or sewer backups.
Messages at the office are not checked on the weekends or after hours.*

**Swartz Creek Area Fire Department Welcomes New Firefighters
and Honors Former Chief Lost in Line of Duty!**

Please join me in congratulating the two newest members of our Fire Department. Callahan Marr and Aldreaque King were hired as probationary firefighters on June 19, 2023. They have both successfully completed their probation and have completed over 250 hours of state required training and are both State of Michigan Certified Firefighters. They are both enrolled in the MFR course and are set to complete that in July.

On August 11th at 10am, the Fire Department will be holding a short ceremony in the memory of Fire Chief Edward Pavlica. Chief Pavlica died in the line of duty on June 3, 1971, after a fire truck rolled on top of him as he was responding to a home on fire. Chief Pavlica had just celebrated 25 years of service and 10 years as chief. The community mourned his passing and, to honor him, dedicated the High School football field in his name. The monument that once stood by the flagpole will now be returned home to the fire department. Please follow us on Facebook for details.

-Chief Plumb

Swartz Creek Makers Market



Second Tuesday of the Month

May – September

May 14, June 11, July 9

August 13, September 10



Located at Holland Square; 5-8pm; Vendors, food trucks, and activities!

Hydrants to be Painted

Blastek will be in the city this summer to strip and paint most of the city's hydrants. You will see them operating sandblasting equipment, applying a temporary rust inhibitor, then returning to apply a durable coating. Note that older hydrants will be undergoing lead abatement, just in case original paint is still intact.

2024 Family Movie Night

Swartz Creek Family Movie Nights are ongoing at the Pajtas amphitheater this summer. We are actively recruiting sponsors for bounce houses and other fun activities, as well as food trucks! Pre-movie fun starts at 7:30, with the movie starting at dusk.

July 12th: Trolls Band Together, 92 min, PG

July 26th: Migration, 82 min, PG

August 9th: The Goonies, 114 min, PG

(Rain dates will be the following Friday)



If you are interested in helping volunteer with set-up, sponsoring the event, or something else to make this a great community collaboration, please reach out to Samantha Fountain at sfountain@cityofswartzcreek.org or (810) 922-5283.

Elms Park Slip and Slide Returns for 2024

The Elms Park 2024 Slip and Slide will be held on Saturday, July 27th, from 11am to 3pm at the sledding hill. A \$5 donation is recommended!

Community Waste Hauler Changes Hands, but Services Will Remain Unchanged

Priority waste is going to be taking over for GFL in southeast Michigan, including Swartz Creek. This is a result of an acquisition of the residential business functions by Priority. The collection days, routes, carts, and services will remain unchanged. However, the contact information is different.

Phone: 586.228.1200

Live Chat: [Prioritywaste.com](https://www.prioritywaste.com)

Email: SwartzCreekLDC@Prioritywaste.com

Building Department

For building/trade permits, reviews, and questions call or stop by city hall or Mundy Township Hall.

Permits: In accordance with the Michigan Building Code, the City of Swartz Creek requires you to acquire a permit for the following reasons: to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish or change the occupancy of a building or structure, or to erect, install, enlarge, alter, repair, remove or convert any electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system or to cause any such work to be done.

A permit is required for a demolition, re-roof, stand by generators, decks, etc.

Permits are not required for everything: There are many projects that do not require a building permit. If you are not sure, the best thing to do is call the city to find out.

Code Enforcement: Call city hall to report structural issues, blight, or other nuisances.

Greetings from your Metro Police Authority,

Please mark your calendar for Wednesday, August 7th when we will host our annual National Night Out and Open House event at our headquarters from 5:00pm-8:00pm. This event has been moved one day later than usual due to August 6th being the Michigan Primary election date. Once again, we will be partnering with the Redwood Steakhouse and many local and Federal law enforcement agencies as well as local Fire Departments, EMS and others. Our Open House is a great event for the whole family and we would be honored with your presence!

-Chief Matthew Bade

Summer Concert Series Shows Continue!

Free concerts start at 7pm at the Pajtas Amphitheater

- ◆ July 16: Sea Cruisers bring 1950-70s dance
- ◆ July 23: Fire Lake as a Bob Seger tribute band
- ◆ July 30: Street Angels provide Michigan's Stevie Nicks experience
- ◆ August 6: Itchycoo Park is the Woodstock Classic Rock show and Annual Bob Smeets coney night!
- ◆ Concessions available onsite
- ◆ Check Facebook for weather cancellations

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