

# What/who is on the Ballot this November 5?

## Each vote counts!

Grass Lake Township Precinct 3 (the Village) sample ballot is available online now at <https://mVIC.sos.state.mi.us/PublicBallot/Index> and it includes wording for all the referendums as well – Jackson District Library millage renewal proposal, Jackson College millage proposal, and County of Jackson jail operations millage question.

And, there are choices to be made. Within our Township alone, four Trustee positions

for the Township Board are on the ballot (with 5 candidates), along with three Trustee positions on the Village of Grass Lake Council (with 5 candidates), and three local school board members for Grass Lake Community Schools (with 9 candidates).

Five positions in the Township have single candidates running unopposed.

This ballot offers eight possibilities from which to pick one choice for US President.

It is a large ballot, and gratefully there is at least one name listed for each elected po-

sition such as for County Prosecutor or Sheriff. Those races were really decided at Primary time last August.

Still, if you do not know who the people listed are, then your vote could be less beneficial for you. Learning about those running in advance of casting your ballot is a good thing. Vote411 is one of many websites that lists candidates and lets you compare their answers to a series of questions asked.

On Thursday, October 10, consider attending an event at the Grass Lake Events Pavilion to **“Meet the Candidates”** and ask them questions. Many your fellow citizens running for local offices will be there from 6-8 pm as well as some running for County wide positions.

**VILLAGE OF GRASS LAKE**  
 Mark your calendars — bring your questions & comments; this meeting is for you.

**TOWN HALL MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 7PM VILLAGE HALL**

## Homecoming 2024

Grass Lake High School Homecoming Parade will take place on Friday, October 11. It will begin at 5:30 pm at the Grass Lake Middle School (1000 Grass Lake Road), travel, north on East Avenue, turn west onto E. Michigan Avenue, turn left onto S. Union Street at the traffic light,

and continues to its finish at the High School football field.

This year’s Homecoming float theme is **Horror Movies**. Additional information about events surrounding Homecoming and the participants of the Homecoming Court were not available at press time.

### Meetings open to all.

#### GOVERNMENT

October 1, 6:30 pm: Village of Grass Lake (VGL) Council Regular Meeting, Village Hall

October 3, 7:30 pm: Planning Commission Meeting, Village Hall

October 8, 6:30 pm: Grass Lake Charter Township Board Meeting, Township Hall

**October 14: Village office is closed—Federal holiday**

October 15, 7:00 pm: VGL Council Regular Meeting, Village Hall

October 23, 7:00 pm: VGL 4<sup>th</sup> Town Hall Meeting in 2024, Village Hall

#### COMMUNITY

October 10, 8 am: Grass Lake Regional Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting, Village Hall

October 10, pm - 8:00 pm, **Civics:** Meet the Candidates, Grass Lake Events Pavilion, 110 Brown St.

# VILLAGE NEWS

## It's Time for Village Leaf Pick-Up

DPW staff are ready to collect throughout the Village, and will go where the leaves are piled up. Once leaf fall speeds up, staff will try to include every street for leaf pick ups at least once a week. Please, do your part:

- Rake leaves into long, narrow piles along the road's edge.
- NO leaves in the roadways or curbs.
- NO sticks or rocks in leaf piles.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**WAVE's** transportation service for the Grass Lake area is to begin in October; the Chamber of Commerce will host a ribbon cutting for WAVE on Thursday, October 24. Check out the Chamber website for more details: <https://grasslakechamber.org>.

**October 5 – Oktoberfest.** See notice at right. For this event, Michigan Avenue from N. Lake St. to Wolf Lake Rd. will be closed to through traffic from 8:00 am – 3:00 pm on that Saturday.

**October 5 –The Coe House will be open** 12 noon – 6pm during the Oktoberfest celebration, and is also hosting its Fall Sale with access/exit coordinated with the Oktoberfest.

**October 11– GLHS HOMECOMING.** There will be various celebrations to include a parade in town and the football game.

**Halloween.** Local buzz indicates plans for a number of events surrounding Halloween, such as pumpkin carving at the Grass Lake Depot and a Chamber Halloween night at the Pavilion, but with no firm information at press time. Visit the Grass Lake Depot's and Grass Lake Chamber's Facebook pages in October for particulars.

**Attention Geocachers:** Most Geocaches located in/near the Village have been updated to include Halloween-themed stickers.

## Good Information to keep handy

Michigan 211: If you need assistance locating long-term mental health resources, talking through a problem, or exploring mental health treatment options, call 211 or visit [mi211.org](http://mi211.org) to speak with a live person who can help.

There are several treatment facilities for mental and substance use disorders. One treatment center close to Grass Lake is at 4328 Page Avenue, Michigan Center, MI, 49254, 517-764-3609.

Michigan Community Mental Health Services Programs provide

**Get Your Tickets Today**  
**Saturday, October 5, 2024**  
**Grass Lake, Michigan**  
**Noon - 6:00pm**



**GRASS LAKE OKTOBERFEST**  
 EST. 2024

Breweries  
 Wineries  
 Cideries

Music  
 Vendors  
 Food Trucks

Fun for the Whole Family

Authentic Bavarian Food

**\$100 VIP Ticket:** VIP tasting ticket, VIP parking and area admission, buffet dinner in VIP tent, hat, mug, and 10 tokens

**\$30 General Admission Ticket:** General tasting ticket, admission to the event, a souvenir glass, and 10 tokens.

**\$10 Designated Drivers Ticket:** Entrance to event  
 Additional Tokens: \$3.00

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a comprehensive range of services and support to children, adolescents and adults with mental illnesses, developmental disabilities and substance abuse disorders, in all 83 Michigan counties. Jackson County's local program is at LifeWays, 1200 N. West Avenue, Jackson, 49202, 517-789-1208.