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"Festival of Lights" All day activities: breakfast with Santa @ Fire station, photo op with Santa @ Depot, hot chocolate, silent auction wreaths, ornament-making, cookie tour passports @ Lost Railway Museum, the Fairy Garden, shops downtown, craft show/ Senior's sales @ Methodist Church, hay wagon rides, music, and more. After the Parade of Lights at 6:00 pm, see Santa light the Historic Whistlestop Park Christmas tree.

"Missy's" After 25 years, December 7 will be Missy's Grass Shack's last day; don't miss the get together after the

parade. AND a "must-have" T-shirt will be for sale. **Thank you, Missy,** for providing Grass Lake a "must-experience" friendly spot to patronize. for 25 years.

- A. FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS Dec. 7, all day.
- B. Electronic Waste Collection Dec. 7, 9 am-noon.
- C. Designs by Judy Open House Dec. 7, 9-3 pm.
- D. Missy's Little Grass Shack , Dec. 7, post parade.
- E. Cheerleaders WRAP IT UP Dec. 10, 5-8 pm.
- F. Living Nativity, Dec. 15, 6 pm.

Living Nativity": the story of the birth of Jesus, complete with live animals, and beautiful music, will be on display Sunday, December 15 at 6:00 pm and with an opportunity for children to pet the sheep and donkey after the program. Hot Chocolate and cookies will be served after the program as well. The Pious Union/Shrine of Saint Joseph is located at 953 E. Michigan Ave, Grass Lake, 49240. All are welcome.

December Government and Community Meetings

GOVERNMENT

December 3, 7:00 pm (following a Budget Workshop at 6:00 pm): Village of Grass Lake, Village Council Regular Meeting, Village Hall

December 5, 7:30 pm: Planning Commission Meeting, Village Hall

December 9, 6:30 pm: Village Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Meeting, and the 2nd 2024 DDA Informational Meeting, Village Hall

December 10, 6:30 pm: Grass Lake Charter Township Board Meeting, Township Hall

December 17, 7:00 pm (following a Budget Workshop at 6:00 pm): Village of Grass Lake, Village Council Regular Meeting, Village Hall

Note: Village Council Budget workshop meetings will take place on December 3 and 17, at 6 pm, in conjunction with its regular meetings

COMMUNITY

December 12, 8:00 am: Grass Lake Regional Chamber of Commerce, Village Hall



VILLAGE NEWS



Newly elected Trustees to the Village Council, Jane E Fitzgerald, Gina Lammers and Cindy Popovitch, were sworn in on November 19, 2024: Joel Grimm had not run for re-election. He was given a certificate of appreciation for his eight years of service and as President Pro Tempore.



On behalf of the Village of Grass Lake, we wish you all the joys of the season and happiness throughout the coming year.

GRASS LAKE CHARTER TOWNSHIP

NOTICE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION ORDINANCE REGULATING SHORT-TERM RENTAL DWELLING UNITS

Grass Lake Charter Township
Jackson County, Michigan
ORDINANCE NO. PPO-16

Please take notice that on October 8, 2024, the Township Board of Grass Lake Charter Township adopted Ordinance No. PPO-16, which regulates short-term rental dwelling units within the Township. Copies of the Ordinance may be obtained from Gail Harris, Grass Lake Charter Township Clerk, at 373 Lakeside Drive, Grass Lake, MI 49240.

The Ordinance provides, in summary, for the regulation and licensure of short-term rental dwelling units within the Township. The Ordinance has the following sections and catch lines: Section I: Title of Ordinance, indicates that the Ordinance is the "Grass Lake Charter Township Short-Term Rental Ordinance"; Section II: Purpose, indicates the purpose is to protect the health, safety, and general welfare of the Township by regulating short-term rentals and preserving residential neighborhoods; Section III: Applicability, applies to any person seeking to operate a short-term rental in the Township; Section IV: Definitions, defines the relevant terms under the Ordinance; Section V: Regulation and Licensing Required, which requires licensure to operate a short-term rental in the Township; Section VI: Application, which sets forth the application requirements and criteria; Section VII: Local Contact Person, which requires a license holder to designate a local agent; Section VIII: Regulations, which sets forth the operational requirements for short-term rental dwellings and uses; Section XI: Required Postings, which requires certain documentation to be posted in a prominent location near the front door of the short-term rental; Section X: Penalties and Revocation, which sets forth the penalties associated with violating this Ordinance; Section XI: Severability; Section XVI: Repeal; Section XVII: Effective Date, which shall be the date of publication or posting as required by law; and Section XVIII: Savings Clause, which notes that the remainder of the Township's Ordinances shall remain the same unless expressly amended.

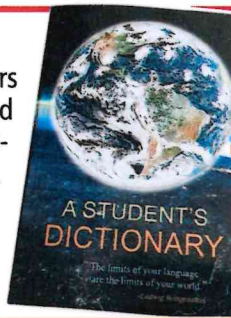
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Dictionaries for Kids

On Friday November 8th, several members of the Grass Lake Kiwanis club delivered student dictionaries to the 3th Grade students at George Long Elementary school.

The students were excited to receive the dictionary, which also has a large reference section in the back of the book!



From EGLE:

Stormwater carries everything it meets, introduces it into local surface waters. Awareness and small actions can help For the article: <https://www.michigan.gov/egle/newsroom/mi-environment/2024/11/15/stormwater-carries-everything>

Page 3 of this pdf is our gift for you: Enjoy a moment to re-visit a civic class memory with this illustration of "The Passage of a Bill" A paper copy may be obtained at the Village office.