

Currently Clare



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Hours of Operation: Monday through Friday
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed holidays.



ELECTION DATES FOR 2010

**State Primary Election
Tuesday, August 3, 2010**

**General Election
Tuesday, November 2, 2010**

The last day of voter registration for the
August primary is July 6th

The City-Wide Garage Sale will take place on:

Thursday, July 1st; Friday, July 2nd;
and Saturday, July 3

For more information please call Chamber of
Commerce at (989) 386-2442

The Library Board has an upcoming vacancy for
a one year term beginning July 1, 2010. If inter-
ested, please submit an application to: The City
of Clare, Attention: Mayor Humphrey, 202 West
Fifth Street, Clare, for consideration. Applica-
tions and board and committee descriptions are
available at City Hall or on our website at
www.cityofclare.org

Deferment of Summer Taxes

Did you know that Summer Taxes can be deferred if
you qualify? The process is simple. Just complete an
Application for Deferment of Summer Taxes and sub-
mit it to the City Treasurer by September 15, 2010.
Please remember that applications must be submitted
annually. Application forms are available online at
www.michigan.gov/treasury or you can pick up an ap-
plication at Clare City Hall, 202 W. Fifth St., Clare MI
48617

City Offices will be closed on Monday,
July 5, 2010, in observance of
Independence Day!

The City Commission meeting will be held on
Tuesday, July 6th, at 6:00 pm

Please also note that there will be **no** change in garbage
pick-up. Garbage will still be collected on



YOUTH POLICE ACADEMY

The City of Clare Police Department
is proud to announce the dates for its annual
Youth Police Academy. This 2 week academy
starts July 12th and concludes with Gradua-
tion on July 22nd. The classes will be Monday
through Thursday starting at 9:00am and
ending at 3:00pm. Lunch will be provided.
The cost of this year's academy is only
\$5.00. Students starting 5th grade through 8th
grade as of this fall are encouraged to
participate. Classes will include, first aid, K9
procedures, Crime Scene Investigation and
many more law enforcement duties will be
taught. Don't miss out!

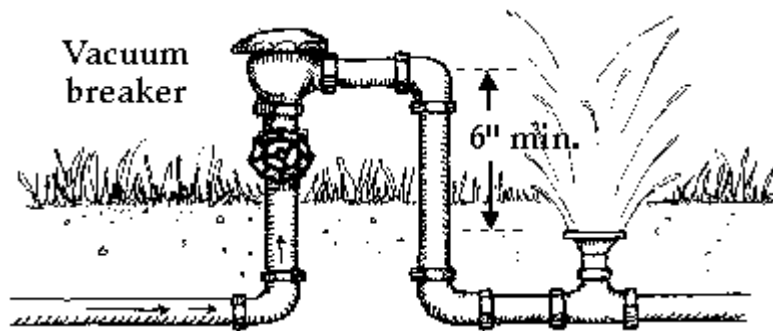
Contact the Clare Police Department for
further information.

Monday through Friday 8am to 4pm.
386-2121

What is that thing in the yard?

Maintenance on Your Lawn Sprinkler: Testing the Backflow Protection.

Each season the backflow prevention device on your lawn sprinkler system must be tested. This is required by the plumbing code of the State of Michigan. So what is it? This is a device that stops any water surrounding the sprinkler heads or piping from being drawn back into the drinking water system. Do I need one? Yes, these devices are required by law, plumbing code and City ordinance to be placed on all lawn sprinklers before the sprinkler heads. Can I really contaminate the drinking water? In 1969, 90 of the 97 football team members and coaches of Holy Cross University became infected with hepatitis A from a lawn sprinkling system. Water use during fire fighting in the local area caused puddle water contaminated with the hepatitis virus to be drawn into the drinking water system of the practice field. Luckily no one died, but the Holy Cross football season was cancelled. What does the device look like? The typical device found on a lawn sprinkler is a vacuum breaker. It is attached to a pipe coming out of the ground and has another pipe reentering the ground. It has a cap on top with several test ports on the side of it. Where can I find it? Usually, it is found along side of your home. These devices are normally placed in areas that are hidden from view. Look behind bushes, shrubs, a shed or it may even be in a corner of your basement or utility room. How do you have them tested? A licensed plumber that is certified in backflow prevention may test the device. For a list of certified plumbers is available or for any questions you may have contact the Department of Water and Wastewater Treatment at 386-2321.



For more information on incident: <http://departments/publicaffairs/hcm/fall04/features/feature1.html>

the Holy Cross University
www.holycross.edu/

BRUSH CHIPPING

Brush Chipping is strictly a "Time & Weather" permitting activity, and is a service provided by the City of Clare (not the refuse contractor). As time & weather allow, we normally begin chipping brush on the Monday of the week where the first day of the month falls. If you are unsure, you can check the listing on the Clare Informational Access Channel (Cable TV – Channel 97) or call 989/386-2182, x202.

The City of Clare chips brush for **properties where an existing structure is already in place**. Brush to be chipped should:

Be placed at the curb before 7:00 a.m. of the first scheduled day of chipping;

Be placed within 2 feet of the curb with large ends facing same direction;

Be not longer than 6' in length nor larger than 8" in diameter; AND

Not include Stumps, Roots, or Vines. The property owner is responsible for disposing of these as they will not go through the chipper.

If you have a large amount of brush, please call 989/386-2182 (x202).

For vacant lots, you should contact the D.P.W. at 989/386-2182 (x202) for further information.

TENTATIVE CHIPPING DATES

June 28th August 2nd August 30th October 4th November 1st December 6th
(all time and weather permitting)

SUMMERFEST 2010!

On July 1st, Summerfest kicks off with Night Shift playing from 6-8 p.m. as part of the Summer Concert Series in the Clare City Park. Join us on Friday, July 2nd, when Clare will be celebrating the 22nd Annual Summerfest. As always, there are lots of fantastic events planned for this year's celebration. And, as usual, City employees will be cooking hotdogs, provided by Witbeck's Family Foods, at the Free Family Picnic at 6:00 p.m. Clare Police Department will again be conducting their Bicycle Safety Event from 6pm to 9pm. Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy the music of the Gateway Community Band at 8pm. The evening wraps up with a fireworks show at dark. Come join us for a great evening! City-wide garage sales are back again, and residents do not need to obtain a permit for a garage sale if it falls on July 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

If you would like a complete listing of events, you may contact the Clare Area Chamber of Commerce at 386-2442 or go to www.claremichigan.com.

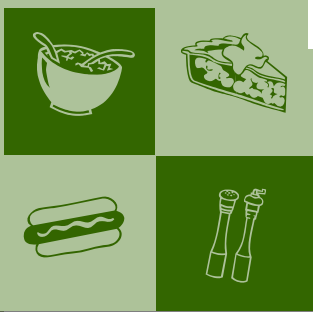


Saturday, July 17, 2010

Main Street Clare Car & Bike Show

Show: 11am-3pm on W. 4th St.
Registration: 8am-10am
Judging: 11am—2pm
Award Ceremony: 2:30pm
Car & Bike Cruise: 3pm

Additional Activities
Kid's Cardboard Car Show
Street Faire Craft Show
Main Street Dining and Shopping
Sidewalk Sales



RECREATION



Summer Parks Program

8:30—12:30 M-F at
Clare (new) Middle School Gym

Cost: \$35/week for City Residents
\$40/week non-residents

Daily rates: \$8/ day for City Residents
\$10/ day for non-residents

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| Week 1: June 7-11 | Week 2: June 14-18 |
| Week 3: June 28-July 2 | Week 4: July 5-9 |
| Week 5: July 12-16 | Week 6: July 19-23 |
| Week 7: July 26-30 | Week 8: Aug. 9-13 |
| Week 9: Aug. 16-20 | Week 10: Aug 23-27 |

The Summer Parks program offers daily activities including sports, arts and crafts, group games, and community service.

Registration: Registration for the Summer Parks Program is at Clare City Hall.

Please send a sack lunch for your child.

DISCOUNTED AMUSEMENT PARK TICKETS

The City of Clare Parks and Recreation Department is proud to announce that they are selling discounted amusement park tickets at Clare City Hall for Cedar Point and Michigan Adventure.

Tickets will be on sale until September 1, 2010.
Ticket prices are:
Cedar Point Adult \$37.25, Cedar Point Child \$18.00, Michigan Adventure \$25.00

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Load up your lawn chairs and the kids and come to downtown Clare to enjoy a nine week long outdoor concert series in the Clare City Park!

- June 3 — The Johnny Gross Variety Show
Sponsored by Gateway Pharmacy
- June 10 — Sunshine String Band (Folk/Bluegrass)
Sponsored by Chemical Bank & Schumacher Agency Inc.
- June 17 — The Colmus Family (Country/ Gospel)
Sponsored by MidMichigan Medical Center Clare
- June 24 — Young at Heart (Folk/Polka/old Country) Sponsored by Jaynie Smith Hoerauf, P.C. & Pere Marquette District Library
- July 1 — Night Shift (Rock)
SUMMERFEST KICKOFF
Sponsored by Central Michigan Community Federal Credit Union
- July 8 — Kevin Chamberlain (Country)
Sponsored by Clare Moose Family Center, LOOM 2268, WOTM 1038, & Horizon Senior Living
- July 15 — Clare Super Star - showcasing local talent
Sponsored by 104.3 WCZY, Herrick House & Mulberry Café, & Schuh's Cleaning Services
- July 22 — Hurry the Jug (Celtic/Folk) Sponsored by Clare County Arts Council
- July 29 — T-Bus (Alternative-Teen Rock Group)
Sponsored by Firstbank

LETS WALK WITH MOMS ON THE MOVE!

The program is simple; we'll meet at 7:00 p.m. at Shamrock Park every Tuesday evening June 1-August 17 for a one-hour walk throughout Clare.

Discover our beautiful little town by getting out of the house and giving yourself some time to relax. Parks and Recreation will provide a route; you come prepared to walk and get in a little girl time. There is no cost for the program and if you can't make it, no problem. If you're interested, meet us at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday June 1st. We'll sign up there and walk. See you then! Everyone is welcome. Dogs on leashes also permitted.