

October November 2010

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Clare, Michigan

A COOL CITY MICHIGAN MAIN STREET COMMUNITY



Main Street

Spook-Tacular

Something to Howl About

Saturday, October 23, 2010

10 am – noon

Downtown Clare 4<sup>th</sup> Street

**Kids Costume Parade**

**Skeleton Search**

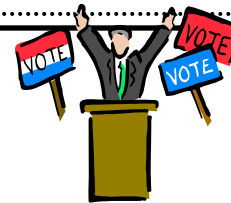
**Face Painting, Pumpkin Painting &**

**More!**

**For More Information Contact:**

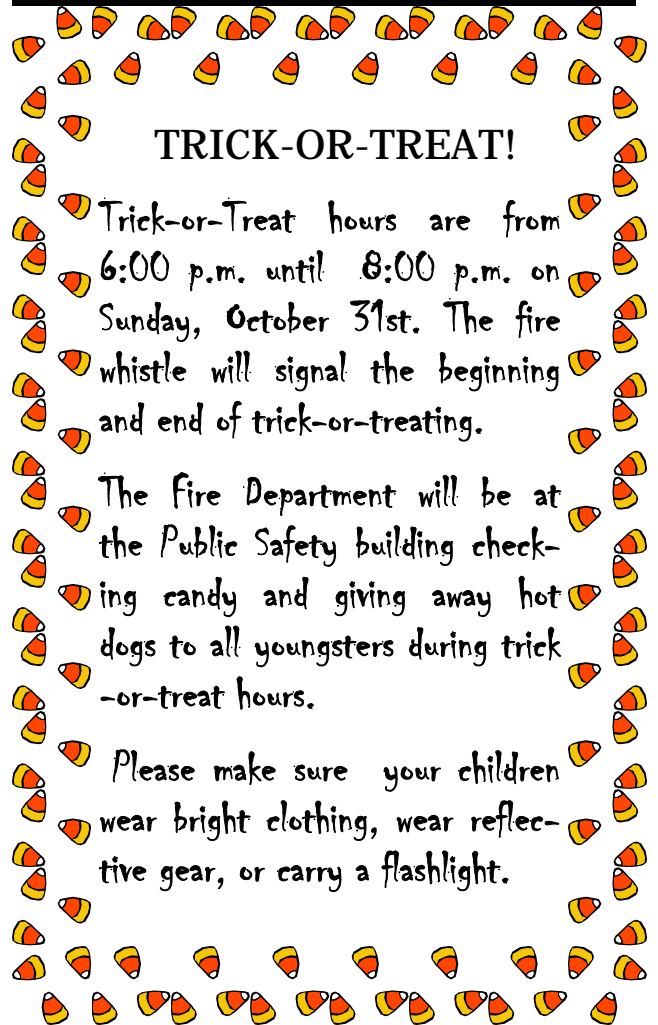
**Lori Schuh at 989-386-9190**

**All Activities are FREE!!**



**Don't Forget to  
Vote!!!**

The Election will be held  
November 2nd with polls open  
from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.



**TRICK-OR-TREAT!**

Trick-or-Treat hours are from  
6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on  
Sunday, October 31st. The fire  
whistle will signal the beginning  
and end of trick-or-treating.

The Fire Department will be at  
the Public Safety building check-  
ing candy and giving away hot  
dogs to all youngsters during trick  
-or-treat hours.

Please make sure your children  
wear bright clothing, wear reflec-  
tive gear, or carry a flashlight.

Halloween Safety

It is that time of year again when our little ghouls and goblins will be making their annual pilgrimage for tricks and treats. While the hallowed eve is generally a safe and fun time for kids of all ages, there are a few things that parents can do to make this a safe and happy event.

First, make sure the little ones can be seen! Even the most dark and evil costume can be made more visible with the help of a small flashlight with a red or other colored lens.

Other ideas are glow sticks the kids can carry or wear, or reflective tape. Secondly, make sure the costumes are not so long as to be caught up in little feet. We actually see this a lot while patrolling trick or treat areas. You would be surprised how many bed-sheet ghosts end up face down on the sidewalk at some point during the night.

The third tip is to have the kids walk in groups and stay together. This is always a good idea and the kids will have the added benefit of sharing the evening with friends.

The Clare City Police Department would like to wish all citizens a safe and happy Halloween.

# Don't Forget to Vote November 2nd



City Offices will be closed on November 25th & 26th to celebrate the Thanksgiving Day

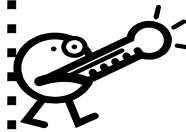
## Veteran's Day

In observance of Veteran's Day, City Offices will be closed on Thursday, November 11, 2010.

## Calling All Worn or Tired Flags!!

With Veteran's Day fast approaching, please consider checking your American flag for wear and tear and replacing it if necessary. If you have a worn or tired flag, it may be dropped off at City Hall for proper disposal.

**Daylight Savings Time** ends at 2:00 a.m. on November 7th. Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour! Also, please remember to change the batteries in your smoke detectors!



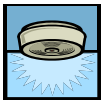
CDC recommends a yearly flu vaccine as the first and most

important step in protecting against this serious disease.

## October is Fire

### Prevention Month!!!

Please take the time to replace your smoke alarm batteries.



**No Parking on City Streets  
November 15th  
thru April 1st**



## **Support Clare Soccer !**



**Clare Youth Soccer League** and **McGuire Chevrolet** are proud to announce our new sponsorship in conjunction with Chevy Youth Soccer. Chevy is providing a new Malibu or Chevy Equinox to be raffled off soon. Raffle tickets are just \$5.00 a ticket, and are available at Clare City Hall. **100%** of ticket sales support Clare Soccer. Contact Amanda Green at City Hall for ticket information—386-7541 ext. 213.

City Code, Chapter 126, Section 8.25, prohibits parking on City Streets from 3:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. between the dates of November 15th through April 1st of each year. The price you will pay for untimely parking is \$30.00 per offense.





## LEAVES, LEAVES, AND MORE

Just a brief reminder that residents should **never** rake leaves into the street. We do not currently have the ability to vacuum leaves from the gutters. Raking leaves into City streets plugs storm sewers as well as the street sweeper.

Paper lawn & leaf bags are available at City Hall for five for \$2.01 and sold in increments of 5. Waste Management collects lawn waste on Thursdays through November 26th or the first substantial snow fall—whichever comes first. Please remember that yard waste must be placed at the curb by 6:00 a.m. on Thursday morning, and Waste Management enforces their 35 lb limit on all lawn waste containers and bags. If you have questions regarding leaf collection, please call 386-2182 x 201.

### **REMINDER:**

**PURSUANT TO CITY CODE SECTION 22-3, BURNING OF LEAVES AND YARD WASTE IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED WITHIN CLARE CITY LIMITS.**

## CEMETERY CLEAN-UP

All summer decorations should be removed by October 16th. Cemetery cleanup will take place October 16th thru November 1st. Grave Blankets may be placed in Cherry Grove Cemetery on or after November 15th, and shall be removed prior to April 1st. Any questions please call DPW@ 386-2182 ext. 201 or 202.

## HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR GARBAGE PICK-UP

***THANKSGIVING - PICKUP WILL BE  
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH.***

***CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR—REGULAR  
THURSDAY PICKUP***

## BRUSH CHIPPING

Brush Chipping is strictly a “Time & Weather” permitting activity, and is a service provided by the City of Clare. As time & weather allow, we normally begin chipping brush on the first Monday of the month. If you are unsure, you can check the listing on the Clare Public Access Channel (Cable TV – Channel 97) or call 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.

For vacant lots or if you have a large amount of brush, please call 386-2182 (x202).

Upcoming tentative dates are:

**November 1st, December 6th  
and January 4th**





# FALL DOUGHNUT FESTIVAL

October 22nd-23rd

Saturday events include:

Duck Race

9am at Pettit Park

(tickets available at City Hall)



Parade— 1pm

Hoe Down— 5-9pm at Shamrock Park

Many more fun activities for all ages.

For more information please contact Clare Chamber of Commerce at 386-2442, Clare Main Street at 386-9190, or City of Clare Recreation Department at 386-7541, ext. 213.



*CLARE'S*

*CHRISTMAS*

*OPEN HOUSE*

NOVEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup> FROM 11 AM - 3 PM.

ACTIVITIES IN THE CITY PARK INCLUDE DECORATED TREES, REINDEER, CARRIAGE RIDES, AND SANTA'S ARRIVAL AT HIS HOUSE! DOWNTOWN STORES WILL BE OPEN OFFERING RETAIL SPECIALS AND ENTERTAINMENT. FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS EVENT PLEASE CONTACT THE CLARE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AT 386-2442 OR CLARE MAIN STREET AT 386-9190.



## DON'T FORGET TO VOTE NOVEMBER 2ND



The City Clerk's office will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 30, 2010 for registered voters who need to complete an absent voter ballot application form for one of the following reasons:

Registered voter will be absent from the community for the entire time the polls are open on election day.

Registered voter is physically unable to attend the polls without assistance.

Registered voter cannot attend the polls because of the tenets of their religion.

Registered voter has been appointed an election inspector at a precinct other than the precinct in which they reside.

Registered voter is 60 years of age or older.

Registered voter is confined to jail awaiting arraignment or trial.