

Luther Community Newsletter

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Library Hours

 Monday
 10:30am-6:00pm

 Wednesday
 10:30am-6:00pm

 Friday
 10:30am-6:00pm

 Saturday
 10:30am-1:30pm

DECEMBER 2020

Community Calendar

- Dec. 3 Fire Board Meeting, Fire Barn, 7pm
- Dec. 8 Elk Township Meeting, 7pm
- Dec. 8 Village of Luther Meeting, 7pm
- Dec. 9 Handfuls of Purpose Community Food Pantry, Edgetts Wesleyan Church, 8 am 11 am
- Dec. 9 Dover Township Meeting, 7pm
- Dec. 10 Library Board Meeting, Luther Library, 4:30pm via Zoom
- Dec. 14 Ellsworth Township Meeting, 7pm
- Dec. 14 Sauble Township Meeting, 7pm
- Dec. 15 Newkirk Township Meeting, 7pm
- Dec. 16 Peacock Township Meeting, 6:30pm
- Dec. 17 Feeding America Food Truck, Luther's Lions Club, 3:30pm or earlier
- Dec. 17 Eden Township Meeting, 7pm
- Dec. 23 Handfuls of Purpose Community Food Pantry, Edgetts Wesleyan Church, 8 am 11 am
- Dec. 25 Merry Christmas!
- Dec. 25 Luther Library Closed
- Dec. 26 Luther Library Closed

Library News

- The Library will be closed December 25th and 26th in observance of the holidays.
- Paper copies of the Lake County Internet Growth Survey are available to fill out at the Library.
- We have an assortment of Take-It-And-Make-It Christmas crafts. Come to the library to choose yours.

Do you know about **Libby**? Libby is a free app that allows you to borrow e-books and audiobooks from the Up North Digital Collection. With a library card in good standing, items may be read through an internet browser or downloaded onto a computer or digital device (Kindles, iPads, smartphones, etc.) Come to the library to get started today!

Luther Lions Club News

- December Monthly Breakfast and Supper are cancelled due to the MDHHS Emergency Order.
- There will be no Monthly Meeting for the months of December through February, at this time.

"To the American People: Christmas is not a time or a season but a state of mind. To cherish peace and good will, to be plenteous in mercy, is to have the real spirit of Christmas. If we think on these things, there will be born in us a Savior and over us will shine a star sending its gleam of hope to the world." ~Calvin Coolidge

Recycle or trade-in your used electronics and appliances regardless of where you bought it, how old it is or who made it. Limited to 3 items per holdhold per day at Best Buy. Check out their website at www.bestbuy.com

Lake County Internet Growth Survey - Broadband Initiative

The Lake County Broadband Committee is comprised of local community leaders from various sectors with a common mission of enhancing and expanding broadband internet **access**, **adoption**, and **use** throughout the county for the benefit of residents and businesses. To that end, the Committee has partnered with Connected Nation Michigan and their "Connected Community" program to assess the present state of broadband in Lake County and establish a broadband planning process and plan to address our current and future broadband needs.

To perform an assessment of Lake County's current broadband environment, the Committee will be conducting surveys of residents, businesses, and other organizations across the county. Responses to these surveys will help us better understand the existing resources and capabilities we now have to support our **access**, **adoption**, and **use** of broadband technology in our homes and businesses. After a structured evaluation of this assessment, we'll then develop appropriate action plans and projects to improve our broadband environment most effectively.

Our Community Broadband Assessment and related surveys will be launched on October 15th and continue into January 2021. Results from this work will be shared with the public, followed by additional work to develop a county-wide Action Plan to address identified areas of need.

Your participation in the broadband survey and overall support of the efforts of the Lake County Broadband Committee are very important in developing an accurate assessment of broadband availability and related needs in Lake County. To take the survey as a resident, a business owner or designated representatives of another organization, please go to:

2020LakeCounty.com

and select the appropriate option. Please share this information with your peers and encourage others to take the survey! If you need assistance, come to the Luther Area Public Library, and we will help.

Free 4-H Learning Kits

Free Learning Kits for all 4-H youth as a way to support families during COVID-19. The kits are packed with STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) activities. All activities come with instructions and supplies, and you'll receive a new kit every month. To sign-up, you'll need to enroll at **4honline.com** or you can come into the Luther Area Public Library for a paper application. If you have any questions, contact Laurie at **platteb1@msu.edu**.

"Christmas gift suggestions:

To your enemy, forgiveness.
To an opponent, tolerance.
To a friend, your heart.
To a customer, service.
To all, charity.
To every child, a good example.
To yourself, respect."

-- Oren Arnold