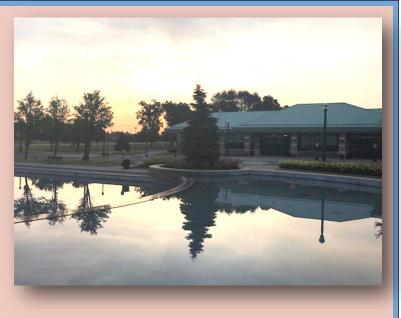
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Official Newsletter of the City of Wixom

## FROM THE MAYOR

I hope everyone enjoyed this wonderful Michigan summer we were blessed with. And I hope you were able to attend one of our Family Fun Night/Summer Concert series our Parks and Recreation Department presented this summer. As usual, they did an amazing job with these events.

To find out about upcoming events, like Barkin' in the Park (September 15th at Gilbert Willis Park), go to the City's website <a href="www.wixomgov.org">www.wixomgov.org</a> to stay updated with everything happening in Wixom.



Please remember to support the local businesses, be safe and enjoy the Fall Michigan weather.

Your Mayor,

Pat Beagle

## Halloween Safety

Trick or Treat Hours: 6pm-8:30pm October 31, 2024

Halloween is a cherished tradition but the excitement of the night can cause children to forget to be careful. There is no real "trick" to making Halloween a real treat for the entire family. The major dangers are not from witches



or spirits but rather from falls and pedestrian/car crashes. Both children and adults need to think about safety on this annual day of makebelieve.

#### **Motorists**

- The Wixom Police Department urges motorists to be especially alert
   on Halloween.
- Watch for children darting out from between parked cars, walking on roadways, medians and curbs.
- Enter and exit driveways and side streets carefully.
- At twilight and later in the evening, watch for children in dark clothing.

#### **Parent**

**Before** children start out on their "trick or treat" rounds, parents should:

- Make sure that an adult or an older responsible youth will be supervising the outing for children under age 12.
- Plan and discuss the route trick-or-treaters intend to follow. Know the names of older children's companions.

Instruct your children to travel only in familiar areas and along an established route.

- Teach your children to stop only at houses that are well-lit and never to enter a stranger's home.
- Establish a return time.
- Tell your youngsters not to eat any treats until they return home.
- Review all appropriate trick-or-treat safety precautions, including pedestrian/traffic safety rules.

HAVE A SAFE & HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

## **DPW**

## Managing Nonpoint Source Pollution from Households

Nonpoint source (NPS) pollution is the leading source for water quality degradation in the United States. Nonpoint source pollution is runoff from urban residences, agricultural fields, impervious surfaces, construction activity and any other over land flow that enters our waterways while accumulating pollutants. Detrimental outcomes such as eutrophication, sedimentation and contamination can severely affect aquatic and terrestrial habitat in addition to impact drinking water supplies. There are several proactive measures a homeowner can take to help reduce the amount of NPS pollutants entering local lakes, streams, and rivers. These preventive measures include:

- Keeping litter, pet waste and lawn waste out of storm drains.
- Control soil erosion on your property by planting vegetation.
- Immediately clean up any oil and grease spills when maintaining your vehicle.
- Apply lawn and garden chemicals sparingly. Alternatives for chemicals and fertilizers include low phosphorous brands.
- Properly dispose of household chemicals, cleaners, paints and other hazardous Here's how you can help: chemicals. Do not dump these harmful chemicals down your drain or sewer.

For more information on nonpoint source pollution, please visit the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) website at www.epa.gov or the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) website at www.noaa.gov.

## Small Actions Make Big Impacts in Your **Watershed**

Just because you may not live next to a watershed, doesn't mean your actions can't directly impact them. EVERYONE living within a watershed can either have a positive or negative affect on their watersheds, depending on the choices made. A watershed is an area of land where all of the water that is under it or drains off of it goes into the same place.

Contrary to popular belief, industry causes only about 2% of all pollution entering our rivers and lakes, which means that individuals contribute the majority of pollutants to our waterways from storm water runoff. Storm water can carry pollutant sources If you still have leaves after your pickup has occurred, here are such as fertilizers, detergents, oils, greases, grass clippings and leaves. There are many actions you can take year-round to help protect our waterways.

#### **Become Pro-Active**

- Compost yard and kitchen waste.
- Read labels. Use low-phosphorus or phosphorus-free dishwashing detergents that are sold commercially.
- Consider using deicing alternatives, which are less corrosive and environmentally friendly.
- Pick up after your pet.
- Be efficient when watering outdoors.
- Use earth-friendly fertilizers.
- Dispose of Household Hazardous Waste properly. A map of disposal sites can be found on Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy's (EGLE) website www.michigan.gov/egle
- Never dump any yard debris or materials down storm drains.
- Become a member or volunteer your time and efforts to events sponsored of a local environmental stewardship non-profit in your area. A few examples of organizations are:

Friends of the Rouge (FOTR) 734-768-2180 Alliance of Rouge Communities (ARC) 734-272-0291 Huron River Watershed Council (HRWC) (734) 769-5123

## 2024 Leaf Collection

As one of the few remaining communities to offer the service, the City of Wixom is proud to bring you Curbside Leaf Pick-up again for 2024! This service involves bringing a truck with a vacuum trailer along residential public street curbs within the City limits and vacuuming leaves that have been left curbside by residents. This is a six-week long process that is challenged by many factors:

- Weather (can cause leaves to drop much earlier or later than average)
- Traffic and parking (sometimes residents or visitors unknowingly park on a street being serviced)
- Age and species of trees (some trees drop their leaves much earlier or much later than average)
- Time required to provide the service
- Equipment impacts when leaves are wet or filled with debris

- Know the schedule and follow it (sign up for e-mail notifications or look for signage in your neighborhood and refer to the table on the next page)
- Rake leaves to the curb the week prior to pickup (where curb meets street—but avoid covering storm drains)
- Keep debris out of leaves (pet waste, branches, rocks, metal, lawn clippings) this damages the machine
- Be patient DPW will make every effort to pick up leaves before the snow falls

#### **Incorrect Placement Correct Placement**







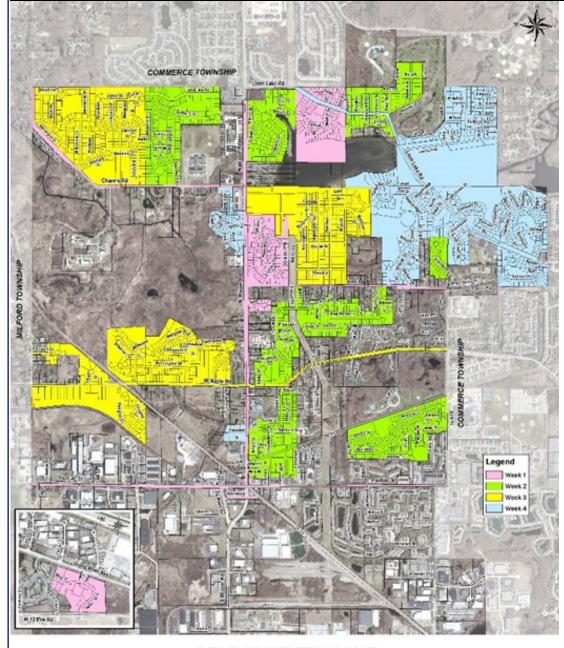
your options:

- Put leaves in yard waste bags or bins for pickup by Priority Waste up until the morning of December 11, 2024
- Bring bagged leaves to SPURT located at 2041 Charms Road, Wixom, MI 48393 (they will compost your leaves)
- Hire a contractor to remove leaves
- Compost your leaves for soil enrichment
- Shred leaves with mulching mower and spread as mulch around plants, bushes and trees
- Mow leaves into lawn for soil improvement (visit www.theimpatientfarmer.com or www.socwa.org for more information on mulching and composting)

If you have questions or comments:

- Refer to schedule
- Follow Facebook for updates
- Watch our informational video at https:// www.voutube.com/watch?v=lg4t0isz2xA
- See our website at www.wixomgov.org
- Make sure you're signed up for e-notifications
- Check signs in your neighborhood
- Call DPW at (248) 624-0141

#### 2024 LEAF COLLECTION SCHEDULE 11/4-11/8 10/21-10/25 10/28-11/1 11/12-11/15 Charms Road Northridge/Palmer Estates W. Maple Road Loon Lake Road Hillsborough/Castlewood **Potter Road Hickory Hills** Loon Lake Woods Pontiac Trail Quail Hollow Millstream Estates Finn Camp Wixom Road Courts of Highgate **Indian Springs** Maple Run Wainstock **Indian Wells** Nissen Court Highgate on the Green Highgate on the Lake Terra Court Hidden Creek **Cameron Court** Cliffs of Loon Lake Sibley Court **Wexford Mews** Theodore Road **Cliffs North** Wildwood **Wexford Woods Norton Creek** Trails of Loon Lake Anthem/Tribute Birch Park Leisure Co-Op (Helfer)







LEAF COLLECTION MAP

City of Wixom
OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN



## SENIOR CENTER

Wixom Senior Center is a great place to meet new friends, stay active, keep informed and have fun! We offer a variety of programming, activities, enrichment classes, fitness classes, crafts, trips and so much more!

Membership for 2024-2025 opened in July. It is a rolling annual membership so it is effective for 1 year after you sign up. Membership duration is for 12 months from the date of issue.

Resident Membership Fee: \$10 Non-Resident Membership Fee: \$15

We like to have a good time here at the senior center! We have parties almost monthly, enrichment programs, classes and trip opportunities.

Enjoy playing cards and games? We play Hand and Foot, Euchre and Mahjong weekly. We also have a closet full of games. You are more than welcome to bring some friends and enjoy the afternoon dealing your favorite hand.

The Wixom Senior Center maintains an equipment closet for our seniors. We have wheelchairs, walkers, canes and crutches that can be loaned out free of charge.

## **Upcoming Special Events:**

Wild West Party September 12, 2024

Veterans Luncheon September 17, 2024

Kroger Flu Shot Clinic September 30, 2024

Smart Driver TEK Class

October 7, 2024

Halloween Party October 24, 2024

Jukebox Bingo October 30, 2024

Thanksgiving Luncheon November 14, 2024

Gingerbread House Contest November 18, 2024

Christmas Party December 12, 2024 **Upcoming Trips:** 

Detroit Princess Riverboat September 20, 2024

Ark Encounter September 30- October 2, 2024

OPC 'The Broken Badge' Show October 29, 2024

Firekeepers Casino October 29, 2024

Detroit Institute of Arts November 20, 2024

Meadowbrook 'A Christmas Carol' December 4, 2024

Firekeepers Casino December 31, 2024

# WIXOM HISTORICAL SOCIETY

It doesn't seem possible that summer has slipped away but Mother Nature leads us into another glorious fall season, ablaze with color and cooler nights. We do hope you've had the opportunity to view the colorful blooms and charming additions to the landscape at the Wixom-Wire Museum tended to by our Garden Angels. Thanks to our Garden Angels for a great Garden Party event complete with fun crafty things for the younger crowd. Our Rummage Sale in August, our major fund-raising event, was successful, with thanks to all those who donated to the cause and also to the volunteers who displayed the treasures for the sale.

#### Remembering the Edmund Fitzgerald Monday, October 21 Wixom Community Center

Ric Mixter, former TV anchor, videographer, author and outstanding narrator joins us to tell the story of the sinking of the Edmund Fitzgerald during a ferocious Lake Superior Storm five decades ago. The song written about the ship immediately comes to mind. Whether you remember that time or have an interest, the program is one you won't want to miss.

#### Windows to Christmas Beginning Friday, December 6 Gibson House

All are invited to view the windows at the Gibson House from the outside and cheer Santa as he once again visits the house. The lights and décor are scheduled to remain until mid-January.

#### The Historical Society Wassail Saturday, December 7 4:30pm – 8pm Gibson House

Enjoy "Windows to Christmas" from the inside as once again the society presents Wassail. Wassail is a tradition from merry ole England when the serfs visited the manor house with song and received bread and drink in return. This year we welcome back Valerie Said and her band of Christian school carolers for a delightful evening of song and light refreshments. All are welcome to this cheerful setting to the holiday season.

All programs of the society are open to the public without charge. Donations in support of the society and future programming are appreciated.

Greetings and best wishes for a Merry Christmas and happy New Year. 2025 will mark the 50th anniversary of The Wixom Historical Society.

# **Wixom Senior Center**

49015 Pontiac Trail (248) 624-0870 Monday - Thursday 9am-3pm



## WIXOM LIBRARY

The Library is gearing up for another great fall of programs, including our favorite long-running programs and some new selections that we hope will inspire your children's creativity and peak your curiosity to learn something new. Visit our website at <a href="https://www.wixomlibrary.org">www.wixomlibrary.org</a> for detailed program descriptions and for a listing of all of our programs. Register for programs online, in person or by phone.

#### **FALL READING CHALLENGE**

Fall into reading and join the all ages reading challenge from September 3 through November 30! Register and log your reading with Beanstack at <a href="wixomlibrary.beanstack.org">wixomlibrary.beanstack.org</a> or on the Beanstack Tracker app. Everyone who completes the challenge will be entered into a gift card prize drawing.

**Kids:** Read 8 hours (HINT: reading for school counts!) **Teens & Adults:** Read 2 books of your choice

#### 2024 COMMUNITY READ: CHEVY IN THE HOLE

Join us for our annual Community Reads event. This fall, seven area libraries (Commerce, Lyon Township, Northville, Novi, Salem-South Lyon, Walled Lake and Wixom) encourage our readers to check out a copy of *Chevy in the Hole* by Kelsey Ronan. We'll host a special Community Read Book Discussion on Tuesday, November 19 for the Meet the Author event (registration required). Copies of the book are available on the New Book shelves. This great multi-community event brings neighboring libraries together to strengthen community ties and promote literacy. To learn more, please visit <a href="https://nlacommunityreads.weebly.com">https://nlacommunityreads.weebly.com</a>

#### **FEATURED PROGRAMS**

## Story-Times

Multiple story-time options are available based on your child's age. Story-times feature stories, songs and lots of fun. Adults remain with children and siblings are welcome to attend.

## Preschool Story-Time | Ages 2-5

Tuesdays at 10:30am | September 3 - December 10

#### Baby Days | Ages 0-2 (Registration required)

Wednesdays at 10:30am | September 4 - December 11

#### **Moonlight Story-Time | Ages 2-5**

Thursdays at 6:30pm | September 5, October 3, November 14, December 5

## The Haunted Great Lakes Tuesday, October 8 | 6:30pm | Adults

Join Author Shetan Noir as she discusses the Haunted Great Lakes with subjects like ghost ships, devil's triangles, haunted lighthouses and more! Registration required.

## Monster Math with Sloan Longway Saturday, November 16 | 10:30am OR 1pm| Ages 4-7

Examine the history and present in the Straits of Mackinac. Hear the incredible history from Indigenous peoples to fur trade and logging to 19<sup>th</sup> century battles and fudge production. Registration required.

## Halloween Happening Saturday, October 28 | 10:30am | Ages 2-10

Come dressed in your costume to trick-or-treat throughout the Library, along with crafts! Registration required.

## Teen Volunteer Council Mondays | 6:30pm | Grades 7-12

Join the volunTEENs and earn 1 volunteer hour for attending! Registration required.

September 16: Cards for Elderly

October 21: Bookmark Recommendations
November 18: Cards for Kids in the Hospital
December 16: Snowy Craft for Teen Book Display

# FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

This fall is going to be busy so mark your calendars.

## Silent Auction September 30-October 12

Dozens of nifty books and special items for you to bid on. It's not to early to start shopping for holiday gifts. The highest bid wins.

## Used Book Sale October 16-19

Thousands of books, puzzles, games, CD's and DVD's to choose from. Something for all ages and all interests. Advance sale for members only is on Wednesday, October 16 (memberships available at the door). Try new authors or stock up on old favorites at very reasonable prices.

## **Holiday Packages**

Starts after Thanksgiving and runs until Christmas. These delightful bundles of books are tied up with a bow, and add a candy cane. Perfect for giftgiving. Prices generally range from \$3-\$10.

Volunteers and new members are greatly appreciated. Stop by the front desk for an application form. We're a great, fun group and may help fill a void in your life.

Remember it's always a good time to remember or honor someone by purchasing a leaf on our Memory/Recognition Tree.

Thanks everyone for supporting the Wixom Public Library.



Wixom Public Library

Read, Discover, Connect.

## **PARKS & RECREATION**

## **Adult Fitness Classes**

HATHA YOGA When: Mondays

Where: Community Center

Time: 6pm-7pm

A. Sept. 9-30 (4 classes, \$36) B. Oct. 14-28 (3 classes, \$27) D. Nov. 18-Dec. 16 (5 classes, \$45)

Hatha Yoga provides poses for stretching and strengthening while using the breath to calm and energize body and mind. A great class for new and experienced yogis and everyone in between. Bring a mat and water.

**SLOW FLOW YOGA** 

When: Mondays

Where: Community Center

Time: 7:15pm-8:15pm

A. Sept. 9-30 (4 classes, \$36) B. Oct. 14-28 (3 classes, \$27) D. Nov. 18-Dec. 16 (5 classes, \$45)

Looking for more of a challenge in your yoga practice? Slow Flow is a slightly quicker paced class than Hatha. We will focus on connecting breath with movement as we flow through a series of poses. We will balance strengthening and stretching. Bring a mat and water.

#### HATHA/YIN FUSION

When: Tuesdays Where: Via Zoom Time: 7pm-8pm

A. Sept. 3-24 (4 classes, \$34)

B. Oct. 1-29 \*omit 10/8 (4 classes, \$34)

C. Nov. 5-26 (4 classes, \$34) D. Dec. 2-17 (3 classes, \$25.50)

This class combines two types of yoga to get you moving and help you relax! The first half of the class will focus on movement, balancing and gentle strengthening. Then we'll slow it down, focusing on stretching deeply into the muscles and relaxing the body and mind.

**BARRE FUSION** When: TUESDAYS

Where: Community Center

Time: 7pm-8pm

A. Sept. 17- Oct. 22 (6 classes, \$66)

B. Nov. 12-Dec. 17 (6 classes, \$66)

Barre Fusion is a totally unique approach to barre workouts as you've seen them. Fusing the best of Pilates, yoga, aerobics, and elements of strengthening exercises dancers do. Barre Fusion delivers a result driven workout that is not only fun and dynamic, but it will sculpt your body and get you into absolutely amazing shape! Please bring a mat. Inst. Renee 8 min./20 max.

## Youth Programs WIXOM SOCCER BUDDIES



When: Mondays, Sept. 9 - Oct. 28

Time: 6pm-6:45pm

Where:Gunnar Mettala Park \$85 - Residents \$95 - Non-Residents

Parent Tot class that teaches the fundamentals of the game through fun games and drills. Wixom Soccer Buddies is for children who are 3 and 4 years old. No jewelry-for safety. Must have shin guards. Soccer shoes not required. Fee includes jersey. Inst: Coach Don

## Special Events

**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE** When: Tuesday, Sept. 10 Tuesday, Dec. 10

Time: 1pm-7pm

For an appointment call (248) 624-2850 or go to live music, food trucks and more! www.redcrossblood.org.

BARKIN' IN THE PARK When: Sunday, Sept. 15 Time: 12:00pm-4:00pm Where:Gilbert Willis Park

Bring the whole family including the furry members out for a fun day in the park. There will be pet adoption/rescue, pet -centered vendors, and the Rock -n-Roll K9s will perform. Come

ready for the Pet/Owner Costume Contest and the Pet Talent Contest! Pets must be on a leash.

## FREE DOCUMENT SHREDDING

Who: Wixom Residents When: Tuesday, September 17 Tuesday, December 17

Time: 10:00am - 12:00pm

Where: Community Center Parking

Bring your documents for on-site shredding. Limit of 100 lbs. per household please.

**VERSITI BLOOD DRIVE** When: Wednesday, Oct. 2

Time: 2pm-6:30pm

appointments visit For https:// donate.michigan.versiti.org/donor/schedules/



**PANTHER HUNT** Who: Age 2-10

When: Saturday, October 12

Time: 5pm 8pm

Registration begins @ 4:30

Where:Gilbert Willis Park Fee: \$15 per child

Includes Halloween tote, trickor-treat trail, hayride trail, DJ, pony rides, and a pumpkin for each child. Cider and donuts

available for purchase. Event limited to first 500

#### TREE LIGHTING

When: Friday, December 6

Time: 5pm - 10pm

Tree Lighting @ 6:30pm Where: Community Center

A fun-filled outdoor event as we welcome the holiday season to Wixom. Our giant tree will come alive as Santa arrives! Activities for kids, visits with Santa, ice sculpting, beer tent with



## PARKS & RECREATION IS **GETTING AN UPGRADE!**

We will soon be upgrading our recreation software! This new software will come with many benefits including a streamlined registration process, advanced customer security, improvements in communications and a whole new look! Please note that you will be required to create a new account when you first register in the new system. This should be a quick and easy process but we are here to help if you have questions! Just reach out to any Parks & Recreation staff member at (248) 624-2850.

# **Parks & Recreation** www.wixomgov.org (248) 624-2850

#### FIRE

# NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION WEEK OCTOBER 6th-12th

Fire Prevention Week commemorates the **Great Chicago Fire** in 1871. The two-day blaze on October 8-9, killed more than 250 people, left 100,000 people homeless, and destroyed more than 17,000 buildings. That tragedy inspired reform across America, spurring new fire safety codes and public awareness campaigns. Each October the **National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)** sponsors a fire prevention campaign to highlight the importance of fire safety. This year's theme is: **Smoke alarms: Make them work for you!** 

#### FIRE PREVENTION WEEK OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, October 12th, 10am-2pm Fire Department Headquarters on Wixom Road Join us for demonstrations, activities and a BBQ picnic lunch. Kids of all ages are welcome.

#### SMOKE DETECTORS

This year we "fall back" to Eastern Standard Time on Sunday, November 3rd. Mark your calendar now to *change your clock and change your smoke detector battery*. Smoke detectors do *SAVE LIVES*. **Smoke alarms should be replaced every 10 years.** 

#### CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS

As fall settles in and the home heating season is upon us, residents need to test carbon monoxide detectors. If you don't own a detector, consider purchasing one. CO detectors save lives. Carbon monoxide is odorless, colorless and it kills. Warning signs of carbon monoxide poisoning are headache, nausea and/or vomiting and fatigue. Severity of symptoms varies with age, existing medical conditions and physical size. If your detector activates, leave the house immediately, then call 911. Do not open doors or windows to ventilate the house. Fire Department personnel will test your home for the presence of carbon monoxide and evaluate your family for symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning.

## WIXOM FIREFIGHTERS FOUNDATION

**PRESENTS** 

## 44<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL BREAKFAST WITH SANTA SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2024

8:00 A.M. — 11:00 A.M. Wixom Community Center 49015 Pontiac Trail, Wixom, MI 48393



Pancake Breakfast and a Visit with Santa Fee: Non-Perishable Food Children 10 & Under Wixom Residents Only Registration Deadline: December 1, 2024

WRITE # OF CHILDREN IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX:

AGE	INFANT	1-2	3-4	5-7	8-10
BOY					
GIRL					

# **SEPTEMBER 2024**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Labor Day	3	<b>4</b> No Trash Pickup	<b>5</b> Put your trash out!	6	7
Library Closed	City Offices & Library Closed		Planning Commission 7pm			
8	9	10 Blood Drive 1pm-7pm City Council 7pm	11	12	13	14
Barkin' in the Park 12pm-4pm	16 Senior Commission 11am Planning Commission 7pm	17 Document Shred 10am-12pm	18 DDA 6:30pm	19	20	21 DDA Block Party 3pm-8pm
22 Autumn Begins	23	24 City Council 7pm	25	26	27	28
29	30					

# **OCTOBER 2024**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
			Blood Drive 1:30pm-7pm			
6	<b>7</b> Planning Commission 7pm	8 City Council 7pm	9	10	11	12 Fire Station Open House 10am-2pm Panther Hunt 5pm-8pm
13	P&R Commission 6pm ZBA 7pm	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Leaf Collection Begins Planning Commission 7pm	22 DDA 7:30am City Council 7pm	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 Halloween		

# **NOVEMBER 2024**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
<b>3</b> Daylight Savings Time Ends	4	5 Election Day	6 Planning Commission 7pm	7	8	9
10	Veterans Day City Offices & Library Closed THANK YOU VETERANS	12 City Council 7pm	13	14	15	16
17	ZBA 7:30pm Planning	19 DDA 7:30am	20	21	22	23
24	25	26 City Council 7pm	27	28 Thanksgiving City Offices & Library Closed	29 Library Closed	30 Library Closed

# **DECEMBER 2024**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Planning Commission 7pm				Tree Lighting 5pm-10pm	
8	<b>9</b> ZBA 7pm	Board of Review 9am Blood Drive 1pm-7pm City Council 7pm	11	12	13	14 Breakfast w/ Santa 8am-11am
15	Senior Commission 11am Planning Commission 7pm	17 Document Shred 10am-12pm City Council 7pm	18	19	20	21 Winter Begins
22	23	24 Christmas Eve City Offices & Library Closed	Christmas Day Hanukkah Begins City Offices & Library Closed	26	27	28
29	30	New Years Eve  City Offices & Library Closed	AR & City Offices & Library Closed			

## **CITY CLERK**

#### **Election News**

## November 5, 2024 - Presidential Election

## Vote by Absentee Ballot:

You can apply for your ballot today at: <a href="https://mvic.sos.state.mi.us/avapplication">https://mvic.sos.state.mi.us/avapplication</a> Absentee Ballots will be mailed the first week of October. The Post Office will NOT forward Absentee Ballots so if you plan on being out of town, please verify the Clerk's Office has the correct address to mail your Absentee Ballot. Email the Wixom Clerk's Office at: clerkadmin@wixomgov.org or call (248) 624-0865. Absentee Ballots can be dropped off 24/7 at the drive-up drop box located directly across from the Wixom Police Department entrance.

## Vote In-person Early:

The City of Wixom's Early Voting Site is located at Commerce Township Library, 180 E. Commerce Street in Commerce Township. The Early Voting dates and times for the Presidential Election are

October 26, 2024 - November 3, 2024 from 8:30 am - 4:30 pm., except on Thursday, October 31, 2024 when the hours are 12:00 - 8:00 pm.

## Vote on Election Day:

Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 5, 2024. Precincts 2 & 4 are located inside City Hall, 49045 Pontiac Trail, and Precinct 1 & 3 are located inside the Community Center, 49015 Pontiac Trail. Please bring your photo ID with you to the polling place.



## Passport Processing



The Clerk's Office suspended passport processing services temporally so the office can securely and accurately administer the upcoming election in November. Services will resume mid-November. We appreciate your understanding. Find a local passport acceptance agent at www.travel.state.gov.









## **POLICE**

Summer was a busy time for our community and our Police Department as well. The City works hard to provide many opportunities for families to come out and enjoy themselves while providing a strong police presence to keep everyone safe. From the weekly family nights and concerts to the fireworks and of course the bike patrol along the airline trail, the Wixom Police Department enjoyed participating and helping with the residents who came out to have fun. We appreciate everyone taking time to stay safe and follow the guidelines set up so that all can enjoy the seasons with family.

June brought the graduation of our newest cadet from the Police Academy. He was sworn in by the City Clerk at a recent City Council meeting, and he is now Wixom's newest Police Officer. Please join us in congratulating and welcoming Officer Brandon Romero to his new position with the Wixom Police Department!

Be safe.

Phil Langmeyer Your Chief of Police



# Crossroads

Sept-Dec 2024



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Steven Brown

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## City of Wixom **Phone Directory**

EMERGENCY	
Fire, Police, Ambulance	911
NON-EMERGENCY	
City of Wixom	(248) 624-4557
Fire Admin	(248) 624-1055
Police Admin	(248) 624-6114
City Manager	(248) 624-0894
City Clerk/Voting	(248) 624-0865
Senior Center	(248) 624-0870
Parks & Recreation/ Community Center	(248) 624-2850
Finance/Taxes	(248) 624-0885
Library	(248) 624-2512
Public Works, Garbage, Recycling, Roads	(248) 624-0141
Water/Sewer	(248) 624-6421
Construction & Development	(248) 624-0880
Business Development	(248) 624-3223