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Complete the grid so every row, column and 3 x 3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

Today's puzzle solution

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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

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Crossword Time

Universal Crossword

Edited by David Steinberg July 27, 2025

ACROSS

- 1 Indonesian province known for tourism
5 Small dollops
9 Chooses
13 Important toggle on an alarm clock
14 "Exodus" actor Sal
15 Twinkie alternative
16 Person who forgets to save?
18 Snatch
19 "What's it gonna be?"
20 Safely removes, as a USB drive
22 Took the show on the road
24 Aged beef?
25 Cut quickly
27 The short end of the
29 Vanilla plant feature
31 Asexual reproductive cells
33 Before-tax fund for medical expenses, for short
34 Cake level
35 Welcome break from doomscrolling
38 Nailed
39 Paving substance
40 Passport that doesn't fly, perhaps
41 Coffee alternative

- 42 Animated ogre who lives in a swamp
44 Exam
45 Bug that buzzes
47 Gothenburg's country
49 Searches (through)
51 Gestures of exasperation
55 Cookie that's about 29% creme
56 "This is an amazing bargain!"
58 ___ B (emergency contraceptive)
59 Hearing-related
60 Make simpler
61 Ciudad del ___, Paraguay
62 Bar brew
63 Distort, as data

DOWN

- 1 Future toddler
2 Petite ___ (girlfriend, in French)
3 Lydia Ko's sports org.
4 "That was exhausting"
5 Bahraini bills
6 "... but somehow this is still our reality"
7 Insect that produces royal jelly
8 Like muscles after a workout
9 "Well, golly!"

- 10 Prickly critters
11 "OK, now I'm actually mad!"
12 Experiences catharsis, say
14 List at a restaurant
17 Push forward
21 N.Y. airport with a post-security outdoor lounge
23 Part of CD
25 Best-selling female group of all time
26 Far from an easy task
28 Its muscles are strengthened by tiptoeing
30 Plaintiff Scott in an infamous 1857 case
31 "ASAP!"
32 Jedi's enemy

- 34 "Watch and learn"
36 MAC competitor
37 Word after "picky" or "Odor"
42 Abbr. in some office addresses
43 Prince's Purpleaxe, for one
46 Solo
48 "I agree to these terms"
49 Tug-of-war need
50 Part of an at-home COVID
52 Unauthorized release of a song, e.g.
53 Zap with a beam
54 Large amount
57 Pistachio or salmon

PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER

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COLUMBIA CHARTER TOWNSHIP

Request for Proposal

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Statement of Purpose

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Tasks to be Accomplished

The Township has parking lots at 8500 Jefferson Road (Township Hall) and 113 Lane Street (Sewer Building. Proposals should depict all costs associated with the separate parking lot as shown below on Attachment “A” under “WORK” and noted on the attached maps and bid sheets.

Contract Details

Contractors that are selected to do work for Columbia Charter Township shall provide the following documentation to Columbia Township prior to the start of the project.

1. A Valid State of Michigan License (If applicable)

2. A Valid Certificate of Liability / Workers Compensation Insurance

3. A Valid MIOSHA Compliant Safety Program

How to Submit a Proposal

Bid documents are available at the township office or on the website at www.twp.columbia.mi.us. Proposals should be submitted to Columbia Charter Township, 8500 Jefferson Road, Brooklyn MI 49230, Attn: Mike Trout, by 4:30 p.m., Thursday, August 7, 1024. Proposal questions should be submitted to mtrout@tvp.columbia.mi.us. All proposals must be signed by an official agency or representative of the company submitting the proposal. If the organization submitting the proposal must out-source or contract any work to meet with the requirements contained herein, this must be clearly stated in the proposal. Additionally, all costs included in the proposals must be all-inclusive to include any outsourced or contracted work. Any proposals which call for outsourcing or contracted work must include a name and description of the organization being contracted. All costs must be itemized to include an explanation of all fees and costs. All contractual terms and conditions will be subject to review by Columbia Charter Township's legal department and will include scope, budget, schedule, and other necessary items pertaining to the project. The township reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, portion of bid, or modify any element of this request for proposals.

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PETITION OF NAME CHANGE

TO ALL PERSONS, including those whose address is unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following:

TAKE NOTICE: Benjamin Allen Groves has filed a petition for name change. A name change hearing will be held on Aug. 12, 2025 at 11 a.m. at 312 Jackson St., Jackson, MI on the fourth floor before Judge Hon. Jennifer M. Kelly, P47168, to change the name of Benjamin Allen Groves to Benjamin Allen Hurd.

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WOODSTOCK TOWNSHIP

Zoning Board of Appeals, Public Meeting

Date Posted 7/23/2025

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Woodstock Township Zoning Board of Appeals will consider 3 Variance requests, in one meeting, beginning at 7pm on Tuesday, August 19th, 2025 at 6486 Devils Lake Hwy.

1) Review Application for Appeal for 14095 Sanford Rd, Addison. WDO-123-3290-00. Variance request to construct a barn closer to the side property boundary, than permitted by ordinance

2) Review Application for Appeal, immediately following the 7 pm Meeting, for 8040 Clarks Cove, Addison. WDO-510-0030-00. Variance request to replaced and build new on existing foundation, closer to side lot lines, than permitted by ordinance.

3) Review Application for Appeal, immediately following Meeting #2, for 7188 Walnut Hill, Manitou Beach. WDO-465-0570-00. Variance request to remove existing structure and rebuild, closer to side lot lines, than permitted by ordinance.

Michael Holmes

ZBA Chair

Copies of documents are available for review at 6486 Devils Lake Hwy.

Any written comments relating to these meetings can be forwarded to:

Woodstock Township

Attn. Zoning Board of Appeals

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Matthew SeGraves,

Zoning/Ordinance Administrator

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COLUMBIA CHARTER TOWNSHIP

NOTICE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION

COLUMBIA CHARTER TOWNSHIP

JACKSON COUNTY, MICHIGAN

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Columbia Charter Township Board has adopted Ordinance No. 2025-0219.9, an Ordinance to amend Ordinance 2019-0218, as amended, commonly referred to as the 2019 Columbia Charter Township Zoning Ordinance, to rezone approximately 5.54 acres of one parcel in the northwest quarter of Section 31, from the AG Agricultural District to the I-1 Light Industrial District. The amendment was adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Board on Monday, July 21, 2025, at 7:00 pm at the Columbia Charter Township Hall, located at 8500 Jefferson Road, Brooklyn, MI 49230. Said Ordinance No. 2025-0219.9 will take effect eight (8) days after publication, after adoption. The descriptions of the land rezoned as part of Ordinance No. 2025-0219.9 are described as follows:

The Official Zoning Map of the 2019 Columbia Charter Township Zoning Ordinance is amended by the reclassification of the following described property in the northwest quarter of Section 31, from the AG Agricultural District to the I-1 Light Industrial District: PARCEL NO. 000-19-31-151-001-03

Land situated in Columbia Township, Jackson County, Michigan, in the West 1/2 of the Southwest Fractional 1/4 of Section 31, Town 4 South, Range 1 East, further described as: Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of Section 31; thence North 00°46'16" West 26.39 feet along the West line of Section 31 to the East 1/4 corner of Section 36, Town 4 South, Range 1 West; Thence North 00°42'28" West 1056.41 feet along the West line of Section 31 for a point of beginning; thence 89°23'42" East 1070.56 feet; thence South 02°26'50" East 225.12 feet; thence South 89°23'42" West 1077.39 feet to the point of beginning.

A complete copy of Ordinance No. 2025-0219.9 is available at the office of the Township Clerk at 8500 Jefferson Road, Brooklyn, MI 49230 on regular business days during regular business hours, or by appointment, and has been posted on the Township's website at https://twp.columbia.mi.us/.

Cathy Hulburt

Columbia Charter Township Clerk

WOODSTOCK TOWNSHIP

Planning Commission, Public Meeting

Date Posted 7/21/2025

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Woodstock Township Planning Commission will hold 3 meetings on Thursday, August 14, 2025 at 6486 Devils Lake Hwy

1) 5:30 pm- Public Meeting to review Site Plan for 3 Tiny Cabins (rentals) at 10691 Cement City Hwy, Addison, WDO-116-1900-00. Project already preapproved by ZBA Hearing on Jan. 9, 2025. Variance granted was for 1.8 acres, rather than required 5 acres. Property Zoned Recreational Open Space.

2) Second Public Meeting to begin immediately after the 5:30 pm Meeting, to review Site Plan for machine storage addition at Lauren Faye Properties, LLC, 16720 US 12, Cement City. WDO-109-3200-10. Zoned C-1.

3) Third Public Meeting will begin immediately after the Second Meeting, to hold the regular PC Quarterly Meeting, to consider PC related business.

John Nicholl

PC Chair

Copies of documents are available for review at 6486 Devils Lake Hwy.

Any written comments relating to these meetings can be forwarded to:

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COLUMBIA CHARTER TOWNSHIP

SYNOPSIS

COLUMBIA CHARTER TOWNSHIP

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The regular meeting of July 21, 2025, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge to the flag and invocation. Roll call showed members present: Beamish, Tackett, Hulburt, Calhoun, Church, Deland, Marsh. There was public comment from Kip Hilbert, Ronald June, Zachary Kanaan Sr., Flip Reynolds, Michelle Studer, Tim Studer Sr., Tim Studer Jr., John Demming, Arthur Sconochia, Daniel Malone, Charles Timberlake, Jill Bentley, Diana Potts, Patsy Hill Sanders, Judy Kelly, Karen Gaston, Wendall Heaton. There was motion and support to remove items 8c and 8e from the consent agenda. There was motion and consent to approve the agenda as amended. There was motion and support to approve the consent agenda as amended. The controller/ financial Director gave the controller's report and provided the Board with preliminary budget amounts. The Police Chief gave the Police report and introduced Shaun Fluker as a new Police Officer. There was motion and support to approve the accounts payable in the amount of \$302,766.84. There was motion and support to approve a Township Park grant request. There was motion, support, and a roll call vote to approve a Zoning map amendment on parcel 000-19-31-151-001-03. There was motion, support, and a roll call vote to approve changes to the Cemetery Ordinance. There was motion, support, and a roll call vote to approve a resolution to set an alternative date for the Board of Review. There was motion and support to approve the 2025 tax rate request. There was motion and support to approve a building permit refund. There was motion and support to approve an RFP for paving of parking lots. There was public comment from Zachary Kanaan Sr., Arthur Sconochia, James Dale, Christina Johnson, Jill Bentley, Kip Hilbert, Deana Hilbert, Elizabeth June, Ronald June, Tim Studer Jr., Tim Studer Sr., Eric Anderson. There was final Board comment from Treasurer Calhoun and Supervisor Marsh. There was motion and support to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Cathy Hulburt

Columbia Charter Township Clerk

NAPOLEON TOWNSHIP

NOTICE

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The Napoleon Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing August 13, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at the Township Hall 6755 Brooklyn Road, Napoleon, MI 49261.

At this time all interested parties will be heard on the request of Justin Mitchell of 7137 Foxmoore Ct. The addition will increase the maximum square footage permitted for accessory structures allowed in the zoning district. All other requirements will be complied with including setbacks. The property and request are more particularly described and on exhibit at the Township Office.

Napoleon Township Office is open Monday thru Thursday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. during which time the Zoning Ordinance/Zoning Map may be examined. Written comments regarding the above may be directed to the Township, or by calling (517) 536-8694 Extension 209. Napoleon Township will provide any necessary or reasonable auxiliary aids at the meeting for persons with disabilities, upon ten (10) days' written notice to the Township.

John Worden,

Zoning Administrator

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VILLAGE OF GRASS LAKE

RESOLUTION NO. 07102025-1
GRASS LAKE PLANNING COMMISSION
RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION GRASS LAKE HOUSING
ACTION PLAN (ADDENDUM TO 2020 MASTER PLAN)
Village of Grass Lake
Jackson County, Michigan

The following Resolution was offered by Planning Commission Commissioner and supported by Planning Commission Commissioner David Keener.

WHEREAS, The Village of Grass Lake has established a Planning Commission under the Planning Enabling Act, State Public Act 33 of 2008, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, The Village Planning Commission is required by Section 7 of said Act to make and adopt a master plan as a guide for the physical development of the village; and,

WHEREAS, The Village adopted a Master Plan in December 2020 as a guide for the physical development of the Village; and,

WHEREAS, The Village Planning Commission recognizes housing as a key issue in the community; and,

WHEREAS, The Village Planning Commission has prepared a Housing Action Plan which evaluates housing needs and opportunities and establishes an "action plan" containing recommendations to support increased housing supply, diversity, and affordability within the Village; and,

WHEREAS, The Village Planning Commission desires to adopt the Grass Lake Housing Action Plan as an addendum to the 2020 Master Plan (with all chapters and content of the 2020 Master Plan remaining unchanged); and,

WHEREAS, The Grass Lake Housing Action plan was presented to the public at a hearing held on July 10, 2025, before the Planning Commission, with notice of the hearing being

provided in accordance with Section 43 of Public Act 33 of 2008, as amended;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, The Village of Grass Lake Housing Action Plan, with the revisions as noted this meeting, is hereby adopted by the Planning Commission as an addendum to the 2020 Master Plan this 10th day of July, 2025.

AYES: Rich Rabeler, David Keener, Diane DeBoe, Kevin Caldwell
NAYS: 0
Absent: Susan Cobb

RESOLUTION 07102025-1 DECLARED ADOPTED.

**Kevin Caldwell, Secretary
Village of Grass Lake
Planning Commission**

**Rich Rabeler, Chairman
Village of Grass Lake
Planning Commission**

**STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF JACKSON)SS
CERTIFICATION)**

I, Kevin Caldwell, Secretary of the Village of Grass Lake Planning Commission, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of Resolution No. 07102025-1 adopted by the Village ofGrass Lake Planning Commission on July 10, 2025.

**Kevin Caldwell,
Secretary
Grass Lake Planning Commission
July 17, 2025**

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NAPOLEON TOWNSHIP

Notice of First Public Hearing on the Special
Assessment Roll for Country Estates
Napoleon Township, Jackson County, Michigan

TO THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF NAPOLEON TOWNSHIP, JACKSON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, OWNERS OF LAND WITHIN COUNTRY ESTATES SPECIAL ASSESSMENT, AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSON:

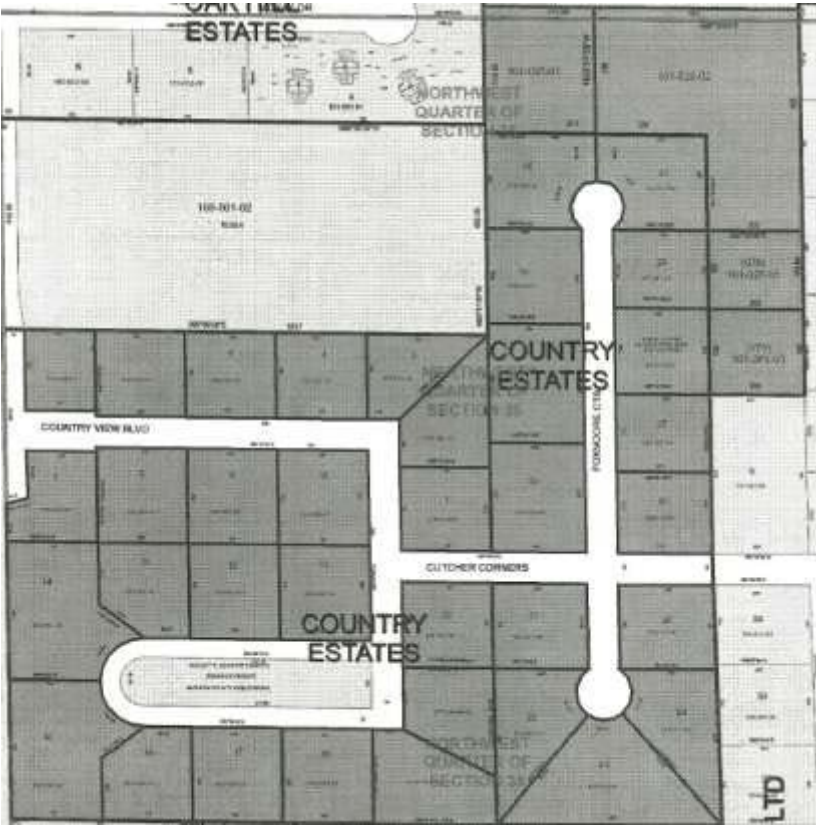
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that as a result of the petition of property owners within the township signed by the record owners of land whose road frontage constitutes more than 50 percent of the total road frontage of the hereinafter described Country Estates Special Assessment District (the Special Assessment District), the Township Board of Napoleon Township has determined to make certain public improvements consisting of crushing, shaping, and compacting the existing roadway and placing new asphalt surface on that portion of

Country Estates which is within Napoleon Township (The Improvements) and to create a special assessment for the recovery of the cost thereof by special assessment against the properties benefited therein.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the assessing officer has further reported that the assessment roll sets forth the relative portion of the cost of said improvement which is to be levied in the form of a special assessment against each benefit lot and parcel of land in the Special Assessment District.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Special Assessment District within which the foregoing Improvements are proposed to be assessed is more particularly described as follows:

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| 078-14-35-101-001-00 | 078-14-35-101-002-00 | 078-14-35-101-003-00 |
| 078-14-35-101-004-00 | 078-14-35-101-005-00 | 078-14-35-101-006-01 |
| 078-14-35-101-006-02 | 078-14-35-101-007-00 | 078-14-35-101-008-00 |
| 078-14-35-101-009-00 | 078-14-35-101-010-00 | 078-14-35-101-011-00 |
| 078-14-35-101-012-00 | 078-14-35-101-013-00 | 078-14-35-101-014-00 |
| 078-14-35-101-015-00 | 078-14-35-101-016-00 | 078-14-35-101-017-00 |
| 078-14-35-101-018-00 | 078-14-35-101-019-01 | 078-14-35-101-019-02 |
| 078-14-35-101-020-00 | 078-14-35-101-021-00 | 078-14-35-101-022-00 |
| 078-14-35-101-023-00 | 078-14-35-101-024-00 | 078-14-35-101-025-00 |
| 078-14-35-101-026-00 | 078-14-35-101-027-00 | 078-14-35-101-028-01 |
| 078-14-35-101-029-02 | 078-14-35-101-030-01 | 078-14-35-101-031-00 |
| 078-14-35-101-032-00 | 078-14-35-101-033-00 | 078-14-35-101-001-01 |



PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the township board has received plans showing the improvements and an estimate of the costs and has placed them on file with the township clerk from the date of this notice through the date of the public hearing and may be examined at such public hearing.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a public hearing on the petitions, plans, Special Assessment District, and estimate of costs will be held at the Napoleon Township Hall, 6755 Brooklyn Road, Napoleon, Michigan, commencing at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 12, 2025.

PROPERTY SHALL NOT BE ADDED TO THE PROPOSED SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT AND THE ORIGINAL ESTIMATE OF COST SHALL NOT BE INCREASED BY MORE THAN 10 PERCENT WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE AND PUBLIC HEARING.

Periodic re-determinations of the costs of the improvement may be necessary, without a change in the Special Assessment District, and

in that event, such re-determinations may be made by the township board without further notice to record owners or parties in interest in the lands in the Special Assessment District, in accordance with the provisions of Public Act 188 of 1954.

At the hearing, the township board will consider any written objections to any of the foregoing matters filed with the board on or before the hearing as well as revisions, corrections, amendments, or changes to the plans, estimates, and cost of the Special Assessment District.

All interested persons are invited to be present at the hearing and to submit any comments they may have.

**Napoleon Township
Traci Spring, Clerk
6755 Brooklyn Road
Post Office Box 385
Napoleon, MI 49261
(517) 536-8694**

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NORVELL TOWNSHIP

NORVELL TOWNSHIP
300 Mill Road
Brooklyn, MI 49230
(517)-536-4370
Fax (517)-536-0110

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Synopsis of Regular Meeting-June 11, 2025

Present: William Sutherland, Supervisor, Dan Goerke, Clerk, Deserre Sauers, Treasurer, Andrew Haystead, Trustee, Paul Francis, Trustee, Norvell Township, Jackson County

The Regular Meeting of the Norvell Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Bill Sutherland at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Items Approved:

Agenda
May 21, 2025 Regular Meeting minutes
May 28, 2025 Special Meeting minutes
Consent Agenda
Payment of Bills
Purchase of Electronic Poll Books
MTA Dues 2025-26
Approval of Pest Control Contract
Public Hearing – Streetlight SAD
Public Hearing – Fire & Rescue SAD
Public Hearing – 2025-26 Budget and L-4029
Resolution 2025-07 – Vineyard Lake Sewer Rate Schedule
Resolution 2025-08 – Establish Township Personnel Wages for 2025
Resolution 2025-09 – Establish Township Statutory Wages for Supervisor
Resolution 2025-10 - Establish Township Statutory Wages for Clerk
Resolution 2025-11 - Establish Township Statutory Wages for Treasurer
Resolution 2025-12 - Establish Township Statutory Wages for Trustees
Adjournment at 7:31 p.m.

**Dan Goerke,
Township Clerk**

Minutes approved at the June 11, 2025 Regular Meeting

SUPPORT GROUPS

Alzheimer's Support Group meeting- at Brooklyn Presbyterian Church every 3rd Wednesday from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. for more info call 517-999-300 4. 25tf

JACKSON AL-ANON MEETING – Mon. & Fri. 10:30 a.m. First Presbyterian Church, 743 W. Michigan Ave. 937-9500 for more info. tf

IF YOU WANT TO DRINK that's your business. If you would like to stop, please call 517-789-8883. AA Jackson area, local intergroup. tf*

Brooklyn AA meetings, Tue. & Fri. 7:30-8:30 p.m. All Saints Church hall, Brooklyn. tf*

Al-Anon meets Thursdays at 7 pm at All Saints Episcopal Church Guild Hall, 151 N Main Brooklyn. tf*

Springville Church AA – Mondays 1 p.m. at Springville Methodist Church, Springville Hwy. & M-50. tf*

Irish Hills AA Meeting at St. Mark's Church, 11151 U.S. 12, Brooklyn on Wednesdays & Saturdays at 8 p.m.

Dedicated cat loving volunteers needed, 4 hours once a week, to provide quality care at our rescue. Complimentary purred! Call/text Lynn at 734-748-6251.



WOODSTOCK TOWNSHIP

Tax Abatement Notice

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Woodstock Township will hold a public hearing on a Tax Abatement request pursuant to P.A. 198 of 1974 from Ross Design & Engineering, 16720 E. Chicago Rd., Cement City, MI 49233. The public hearing will be held on August 11th,2025 at 6pm in the Woodstock Township Hall.

COLUMBIA CHARTER TOWNSHIP

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
THURSDAY, AUGUST 14, 2025, AT 7:00 P.M.

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Columbia Charter Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on August 14, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the Columbia Charter Township Hall at 8500 Jefferson Road, Brooklyn, MI 49230, to consider the following variance request:

Variance 25-005
Owner/Applicant: Paul & Doreen Ruede
Location: 126 Archwood Circle Brooklyn, MI 49230 (Tax ID #: 000-19-33-280-004-00)
Request: Variance application to permit a 456-square foot elevated deck on the east side of the existing dwelling on an approximately 10,000-square foot property. The elevated deck will be setback 46-foot from the water's edge of Lake Columbia, requiring a 4-foot variance. The Columbia Charter Township Zoning Ordinance requires a 50-foot setback from the water's edge, Article 3: Table 3-4.

Information associated with the scheduled Public Hearing is available for public review at the Columbia Charter Township office during the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays. Comments will be heard from the public at the hearing, or you can submit comments in writing to the: Columbia Township Zoning Board of Appeals, 8500 Jefferson Road, Brooklyn, MI 49230. All written comments will be entered into the public record and should be received by 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the scheduled hearing date. Columbia Charter Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services at the public hearing to individuals with special needs upon five (5) days' notice to the Township Clerk (517)-592-2000.

Cathy Hulburt,
Columbia Charter Township Clerk



Lightening: Dangerous, beautiful and fascinating

Summertime is the time of many thunderstorms, which often produces lightning. There are two main types of lightning; intra-cloud lightning and cloud-to-ground lightning. Cloud-to-ground lightning appears to travel from the sky downward, but the visible flash we see is actually an upward return stroke. If conditions are right, it can initiate from a tall structure.

Lightning is essentially a giant spark caused by the buildup of electrical charges within a thunderstorm cloud and the ground. Lightning seeks the path of least resistance to neutralize the electrical charge imbalance between storm clouds and the ground.

It's best to stay away from trees or other tall objects and water during a thunderstorm. Recently there have been deaths in the U.S. caused by lightning strikes.

* July 17: a 28-year-old man was struck and killed by lightning while golfing in Hamburg, New Jersey.

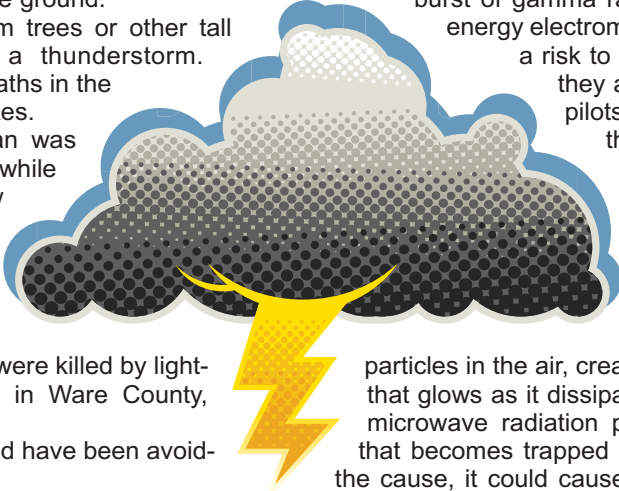
* July 16: A man was killed by lightning at an archery range in Ocean County, New Jersey.

* July 10: Two teenage boys were killed by lightning while on a fishing trip in Ware County, Georgia.

These deaths possibly could have been avoided.

Being near water and holding metal objects while in stormy weather poses a risk to be struck by lightning. Lightning comes in many colors, shapes and sizes. The four basic types you may see during a thunderstorm are: 1) Staccato-cloud to ground, a single and very bright stroke that is very short in duration and very intense. 2) Forked-specifically cloud to ground lightning where the stroke zigzags downward in a branching forked pattern. 3) Bead-it appears to break up into a series of luminous segments resembling a string of beads. 4) Ribbon-this occurs in high wind which displaces successive return strokes causing them to appear ribbon-like.

There are also many colors of lightning: 1) Purple-caused by the interaction of lightning with atmospheric particles such as oxygen and nitrogen. 2) Pink-less common, often appears during snow storms. 3) Green-caused by the excitation of oxygen molecules, which super heats the air, causing it to appear green as the air cools. 4) Black-this is the most dangerous lightning



because it carries a lot of energy and is hard to catch on radar. Because it's preference to metal pilots call it "dark thunder in the sky."

The rarest form of a lightning strike is gigantic jets. They form when a positive strong cloud to ground strikes all the way to the ionosphere. They can only be seen from space or specialized cameras. There are two more rare forms of lightning-dark lightning and ball lightning. Dark lightning is invisible to the human eye. It is triggered by intense electrical fields within a thunderstorm, which accelerates to near the speed of light. It produces a burst of gamma rays, which are a form of high-energy electromagnetic radiation. It could pose a risk to pilots and airline passengers if they are in the direct path of it. Most pilots will avoid flying directly in thunderstorms.

Ball lightning is a rare type of lightning that appears as a ball of lightning that moves slowly through the air at walking speed. Scientists are not sure what causes it. One theory is that it is ionized particles in the air, creating a clump of ionized plasma that glows as it dissipates. Another theory is that it is microwave radiation produced by a lightning strike that becomes trapped in a plasma bubble. Whatever the cause, it could cause severe burns or an electrical shock and even death if one comes in contact with it. In 1963 a group of scientists observed ball lightning that emerged from the pilot's cabin on an Eastern Airline flight. It floated slowly down the aisle and disappeared at the rear of the aircraft. It is thought that it originated from preceding corona discharge from metallic diverted strips on the aircrafts radome, which are designed to redirect lightning strikes away from the radar antenna towards the fuselage.

Regardless of what causes it, ball lightning is a mysterious phenomenon. One ball lightning was even reported floating through a house by a lady that lives in Manitou Beach many years ago. I spoke to her about it a few years ago when nobody believed what she witnessed.

Bottom line, lightning is both fascinating and potentially dangerous. Stay away from windows, water and tall, pointed objects like trees during a thunderstorm. After all, this IS Summertime in Michigan.

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Fair shows off skills

By Michelle McLemore
Staff writer

The Lenawee County Fair ran July 20-26. 4-H youth and families showcased skills they had learned throughout the year in both static exhibits as well as interviews, performances, and livestock competitions.

Left: Paige Daniels, 13, of Rome Blue Ribbons 4-H club earned a blue ribbon for decorated wall hangings featuring shells.