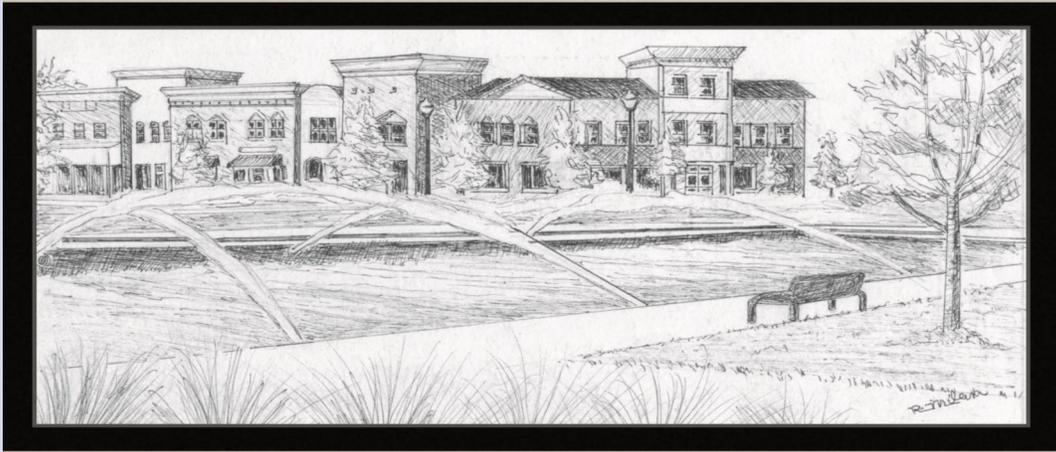


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January-April 2017

Official Newsletter of the City of Wixom



FROM THE MAYOR

Happy New Year to all Wixom Residents and Business Owners! The elections are well over and hopefully things have settled down a bit. Our important millage was renewed and we have a New President of the United States in Donald Trump. Myself and the rest of Wixom City Council would like to thank all those individuals who exercised their right to vote in this year's all important election cycle.

The holiday season has once again come and gone. We all have given thanks and set forth new goals for the New Year. I would like to thank our City staff for putting on a flawless election, Holiday Markt, and Tree Lighting along with the Fire Fighters' Annual Breakfast with Santa.

As your Mayor, and along with the City Council, our City Manager and staff, we will begin the difficult job of balancing our budget and continue to reduce costs while providing our tax payers with the same service that you have come to expect. In April when we have our OPEN Public Budget Study Sessions, I encourage you to come to City Hall and participate in the process, along with asking any questions you might have as a tax payer.

I have been your Mayor now going on my tenth year, and on City Council six years prior to that. We have accomplished many municipal, economical, and recreational benefits to this City together. I look forward to another great year, our New President has taken office and I believe the best is yet to come, to the greatest city in America Wixom, and the greatest country, God Bless Wixom and our country!

Sincerely,
Your Mayor

Kevin W. Hinkley

State of the City Address

Thursday, March 2, 2017

7:00 pm

Community Center

Mark your calendars!

WIXOM HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS AND NOTES

2016 has been quite a year for the WHS. Certainly our focus was, and still remains, on the Wixom-Wire Museum and its needed repairs. It is important for the community to know its beginnings and to protect them for future generations.

Although the museum has been our focus for over 40 years, it does not provide the needed facilities in which to carry out the important areas of research, archiving and preservation. Through the years we have been fortunate to have the support and work areas provided by the Library and City Hall. All this changed during this past year. The City has entrusted us with the stewardship of the Gibson House. We are delighted with this trust and welcome the opportunity to have a truly functioning headquarters. Bear with us since this is a work in progress. Anyone willing to lend a hand in this community endeavor is welcome...there are many areas that need helping hands, some of which are yet to be identified.

For those not familiar with the Gibson House, it is the location of the City's Annual Founder's Day Festival at 49805 Pontiac Trail, just west of Old Wixom Road.

Welcome to 2017 WHS programs offered to all without charge. Please note **locations may change due to space needs.**

Annual Winter Pot Luck Dinner Monday, January 16 @ 6:30pm Gibson House

Bring a favorite dish to pass and enjoy the social setting with friends and neighbors. Included with the annual meeting and election of officers is **"share a treasure, a story, or an article that escapes your identification."** Sure to be a pleasant introduction to 2017.

Abe Lincoln in Song and Story Monday, February 20 @ 7pm City Hall

Continuing a WHS February tradition celebrating the life of Abraham Lincoln, this outstanding program is designed not only for adults but especially students. This one-man show is presented by Chris Vallillo, award-winning folksinger/ folklorist and Illinois State Scholar for the Smithsonian Institution's traveling exhibit on Root Music. The life of Abraham Lincoln spanned a period of change, growth and struggle and the music of his era characterizes these remarkable times. Using Lincoln's own words and stories teamed with contemporary folk music and period songs sheds light on one of history's most beloved figures. A totally entertaining meeting not to be missed, it has been called a musical journey making history come alive.

Basically Bats—The Bat Conservancy Monday, March 20 @ 7pm Gibson House

A popular program presented by the Bat Conservancy offers insight into these unique, beneficial and misunderstood creatures that have been on Earth for more than 50 million years. A variety of bats will be our guests as we learn their habitat, how they benefit nature and how we can help them. This educational program is fascinating for all ages.

Wixom's Connection to the Civil War Monday, April 17 @ 7pm Gibson House

Historical Society President Laure Dorchak presents this intriguing journey of Wixom men entering the Civil War. After extensive research, Dorchak found at least 13 men who volunteered for the Union Army, many of whom are at rest in the Wixom Cemetery. A colorful story teller, Dorchak will trace their steps, share their stories and help us envision their bravery in an era that shaped our nation.

DPW NEWS

WIXOM'S SNOW POLICY



The City of Wixom Department of Public Works (DPW) strives to provide unmatched snow and ice control services keeping roads

drivable for all Wixom residents, businesses and visitors during the winter season. Because of the critical nature of this task, the City has developed a snow removal policy designed to prioritize roadway clearing efforts and make efficient use of staff and financial resources.

The first priority is clearing the main roadways such as Charms Road, Loon Lake Road, Potter Road, Beck Road, West Maple Road, Pontiac Trail, West Road and Alpha Tech Drive. Once the main roads are cleared, the neighborhood and industrial subdivisions are completed next. Lastly, the main sidewalks and bike paths are cleared.

As a resident and homeowner, you can aid our community during the winter months by keeping sidewalks clear of accumulated snow and ice, as required per City Ordinance. When clearing your sidewalks and driveways, keep in mind it that is a violation of City ordinance to shovel snow into public roadways; this could potentially cause vehicular accidents and/or obstruct safe and free movement of automobiles.

Additionally, please do not park in the street during snowfalls. Cars parked in

Cold Weather Creates Pothole Problems in Michigan

Winter weather can cause damage to our City streets. Potholes are rapidly appearing and are most prevalent during freeze/thaw cycles. During this time, water penetrates the pavement through pores, cracks, or joints and then expands when it freezes causing the pavement to fail.

To report potholes:

Wixom Roads

DPW: (248) 624-0141 Mon.-Thur. 7am-5pm.

County Roads (Wixom Rd. & Pontiac Trail)
RCOC: (877) 858-4804

State or Federal Roads

- MDOT Pothole Hotline: (888) 296-4546
- Online at www.michigan.gov/mdot
- MDOT Transportation Service Center (TSC) or region office at (248) 483-5100

roadways hinder the ability of the DPW to plow roads. Once a snowfall reaches 2", it becomes an automatic snow emergency and **NO PARKING** is allowed on City streets until the roads have been cleared. Please realize when the DPW plows, some snow will be deposited at the end of your driveway, or up against your mailbox and it is your responsibility to clear these areas.

In Wixom, it is a rare occurrence for a snowplow to actually hit a mailbox, but the excess of heavy snow can knock down an unstable or shaky mailbox and/or posts. By taking certain inspection, maintenance and repair steps, your mailbox winter mishaps can be minimized. In many cases, damage to posts and receptacles can be avoided by routinely checking the post and mailbox for stability, tightening screws, repainting and replacing hinges.

The cost of salt is continuing to rise every year. One of the innovative ways the DPW has saved tax payers' money is by performing anti-icing techniques before a snowstorm. Under certain weather conditions, the plow trucks will apply salt brine with a beet juice additive to the roads. The mixture, which appears brownish in color, is harmless to the environment and washes off your vehicle with water. The brine is also applied to the salt, making it more effective, which also allows the City to reduce salt usage and reduce costs and impact on the environment.



The Department of Public Works (DPW) oversees the trash collection services for single-family residences. We hope you will find the following information useful.

Rules and Regulations for Single-Family

Residences Refuse Collection

The City of Wixom contracts with Waste Management for the collection of municipal refuse. The City of Wixom's collection day is Wednesday. **All items for trash collection must be placed at the curb by 7am the day of collection; however not earlier than 4pm on the day before scheduled collection. Empty receptacles must be removed from curb by noon of the day after pick-up.** Collection services include: trash, recycling, yard waste (compost) and bulk items. Please place containers, bags, and bundles at the curb or at the edge of the street in front of your home.

In accordance with our contract with Waste Management, refuse material must be placed in approved containers, and/or bundles as applicable.

MIXED WASTE – Mixed waste is a mixture of garbage and rubbish (not yard waste or recyclables). Mixed waste can be placed at the curb in any of the following containers:

- **Metal or Plastic Containers**—Must not be less than 10 gallons or more than 35 gallons in capacity. Total weight of containers and contents must not exceed 60 pounds. Please do not fill containers above the rims.
- **Plastic Bags**—Must not be less than 10 gallons or more than 35 gallons in capacity. Total weight of bag and content must not exceed 40 pounds. Cardboard boxes are not acceptable containers.

BULK ITEMS – Bulk items such as furniture, refrigerators (with the doors removed), stoves, etc., will be picked up on collection day if they are placed at the curb by 7am. You do not need to call in advance for bulk pick up.

CARPETING/RUGS – Old carpets and rugs must be free of all nails or staples, and securely tied in bales no more than 2 feet high and 4 feet long.

LATEX PAINT – Latex paint can be thrown with the trash once it has been solidified. In order to dry out latex paint, put it in a well-ventilated area, open the can and add kitty litter or commercially available hardener. The paint will solidify in a few days. Once it is completely solid, place the can of dry paint either into a plastic garbage bag or out on the curb with the lid off on your regular trash day.

COMPOSTABLES/YARD WASTE – Compost includes grass, weeds, leaves, shrub and plant clippings, plant materials, twigs, and small limbs. **Compost service will be provided each year from the beginning of April through the end of November.** Christmas trees will also be collected and composted in January. Compost can be placed at the curb in any of the following containers:

- **Metal or Plastic Containers**—Must not be less than 10 gallons or more than 35 gallons in capacity with a yard waste sticker adhered to it. Total weight of containers and contents must not exceed 60 pounds. Please do not fill containers above the rims. Yard Waste stickers are provided by the City at no charge. Please do not place stickers on the brown compost bags.
- **Brown Compost Bags**—Total weight of bag and content must not exceed 40 pounds. Cardboard boxes and/or grocery bags are not acceptable containers.
- **Bundles**—Bundles of small branches must be tied and not exceed 4 feet in length, 6 inches in diameter, and 60 pounds in weight.

SPECIAL REQUESTS, CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS, ETC. – A *Special Pick-Up* is required of construction debris or similar items, contact the DPW to arrange a cost quotation (minimum charge is \$75).

**If you have any questions, you may reach us
Monday-Thursday from 7:00 am - 5:00 pm at
(248) 624-0141; or feel free to visit us at
2041 Charms Road.**

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE CALENDAR YEAR 2017



New Year's Day

Sunday, January 1, 2017
Monday & Saturday Collection is on schedule.

Memorial Day

Monday, May 29, 2017
Monday - No collection scheduled.
Collection one day behind Tuesday - Saturday.

Independence Day

Tuesday, July 4, 2017
Monday - Collection on schedule.
Tuesday - No collection scheduled.
Collection one day behind Wednesday-Saturday

Labor Day

Monday, September 4, 2017
Monday - No collection scheduled.
Collection one day behind Tuesday - Saturday

Thanksgiving Day

Thursday, November 23, 2017
Monday - Wednesday collection on schedule.
Thursday - No collection scheduled.
Collection one day behind Friday and Saturday

Christmas Day

Monday, December 25, 2017
Monday - No collection scheduled.
Collection one day behind Tuesday - Saturday.

If you have any questions, please contact Waste Management Customer Service at CustomerService_MIOHIN@wm.com or (866) 797-9018.

2017 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event Schedule

All Events are Saturdays from 9am-2pm.

April 8 - Wixom

Wixom DPW
2041 Charms Rd.

April 22 - Southfield

RRRASOC MRF—Truck Entrance
20875 Mapleridge Ave.

May 6 - Farmington Hills

Oakland Community College
Orchard Ridge Campus—Lot 8
27055 Orchard Lake Rd.

May 20 - Milford

Milford Civic Center
1100 Atlantic Street

October 7 - Novi

Novi Civic Center
45175 W. Ten Mile Rd.

October 21 - Southfield

RRRASOC MRF—Truck Entrance
20875 Mapleridge Ave.



FORBIDDEN ART

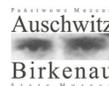
An exhibition of photographs of camp art | from the collections of the Auschwitz Memorial



Wixom Public Library | Exhibit March 20 - April 6, 2017 | Reception March 19, 2017

The City of Wixom is proud to announce the traveling exhibit entitled *Forbidden Art*, a collection of images of artwork created by concentration camp prisoners imprisoned by the Nazis in World War II. The collection includes twenty large color photographs of drawings and sculptures made by prisoners of the Auschwitz, Buchenwald, and Ravensbrück concentration camps. An Almost-Black-Tie reception will be held at the Wixom Community Center on Sunday, March 19, 2017 with a guest speaker from Poland's famed Auschwitz-Birkenau Museum. For more information, visit the City of Wixom website at www.WixomGov.org.

Made possible by the Wixom Downtown Development Authority, the Wixom Community Foundation, and local sponsors. Presented in North America by The Polish Mission of the Orchard Lake Schools in exclusive partnership with the Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum. If you have questions about the exhibit, please contact Stacey Banks at sbanks@wixomgov.org.



Forbidden Art Exhibit, March 20 - April 6, 2017

The City of Wixom is proud to announce that they will host the traveling exhibition entitled *Forbidden Art*, a collection of images of artwork created by concentration camp prisoners while imprisoned by the Nazis during World War II. The exhibition originated at Poland's Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum (A-B Museum) and is made up of twenty large color photos of drawings and sculptures made by inmates of the Auschwitz, Buchenwald, and Ravensbrück concentration camps. Each of the photographs is accompanied by a historical commentary and a narrative account as to why the piece was created. The original objects are permanently housed at the A-B Museum and are far too delicate for public display.

The mere act of producing these works was highly dangerous: Creating art was illegal in the Nazi concentration camps. "The uniqueness of all people was precisely the thing that the former camp administration sought to destroy," states JJ Przewozniak, Curator of Collections for The Polish Mission of the Orchard Lake Schools. "The inmates were acknowledged by a number, not a name: their clothes were exchanged for uniforms; their hair was removed. Every aspect of life in the camp sought to remove one's own identity. This artwork defies all of that. It's truly a testament to the human spirit."

Forbidden Art will be installed at the Wixom Public Library from March 20 through April 6, 2017. The exhibit is made possible by the Wixom Downtown Development Authority, the Wixom Community Foundation, and local sponsors. The exhibit was developed and is presented in North America by The Polish Mission of the Orchard Lake Schools in exclusive partnership with the Auschwitz-Birkenau Museum. It has been displayed at prominent institutions such as the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidential Library, West Point, the Hoover Museum, and UCLA. The City of Wixom exhibit is funded in part through a grant provided by the Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs and the Anton Art Center.

Forbidden Art Reception

When: Sunday, March 19

Time: 5:00pm - 9:00pm

Where: Community Center

Cost: \$20 through April 30

\$25 March 1 and after

Please join us for an opening reception to welcome this extraordinary exhibit. This evening's almost-black-tie reception is sponsored by the Wixom Downtown Development Authority, the Wixom Community Foundation, and local Wixom businesses. We will be honored by the presence of a speaker from Poland's famed Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum who will provide intimate details of this moving artwork. The reception includes refreshments and hors d'oeuvres, music, and exhibit viewing. To purchase tickets, please see the City website's Activities & Events Registration Page or call 248-624-2850.

LIBRARY NEWS

The Library is gearing up for another great winter of fantastic programs, including our long-time favorites and some new programs that we hope will inspire your children's creativity and peak your curiosity to learn something new. Remember to check us out 24/7 on our website at wixomlibrary.org to place holds and renew items, to register for programs and to download audiobooks, eBooks, digital magazines, music, movies, and more.

Adult Programming

Game Day Foods for Hungry Fans

Wednesday, January 18 @ 6:30 pm

Culinary instructor Mary Spencer will demonstrate recipes and provide generous samplings of Super Bowl party foods!

Pewabic Pottery

Wednesday, March 8 @ 6:30 pm

Learn about the 100 year old artistic community in Detroit. Kimmie Dobos, an archivist, will share a presentation as well as current and historic pieces of pottery.

How to Balance Family Financial Planning Goals

Saturday, April 22 @ 10:30 am

Learn about personal finance in this educational seminar by Sandy Adams, CFP, from the Center for Financial Planning. She'll discuss topics such as saving for education versus saving for retirement.

Children's Programming

Sensory Days

One Friday each month @ 10:30 am

January 20 February 17

March 31 April 28

Drop in for lots of fun sensory activities aimed at kids ages 0-5.

Wildlife Safari

Saturday, January 28 @ 10:30 am

Get ready for a new animal experience with Wildlife Safari! Enjoy animals both furry and scaly. For families with children ages 2-10.

Bedtime Math

Tuesdays February 7-March 28

Grades K-2 @ 5:00 pm

Grades 3-5 @ 6:30 pm

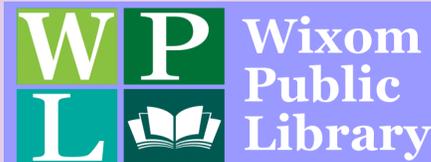
Join us for Bedtime Math's Crazy 8's where we'll build, run, jump, and more. It's a fun math club that lasts 8 weeks.

Teen Program Highlight

Breakout!

Saturday, March 18 @ 2:00 pm

Teens can test their puzzle-solving skills with this immersive escape room game. The only way to break out is to follow the clues!



New Service: Hoopla

We are excited to announce a new service for Wixom residents called Hoopla! Hoopla offers movies, TV shows, music, audiobooks, eBooks and comic books for download and/or streaming on your computer, tablet or mobile device. There is no wait time and no holds on Hoopla items – everything is available instantly and returned automatically. To access Hoopla, you just need to go to hoopladigital.com with your Wixom library card and PIN. If you have questions, please email us at wixom@wixomlibrary.org or call us at (248) 624-2512 for assistance. *Hoopla is generously provided by the Friends of the Wixom Library.*

Registration is required for most library programs. Please feel free to register for library programs online, in person or by calling the Library at (248) 624-2512. Please visit our website at wixomlibrary.org for detailed program descriptions and a complete listing of all of our library programs.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Members Wanted -- The Friends are always looking for new people to join our ranks. It's a great way to fill the void once you've retired or become empty nesters. Whether you're young or young at heart, you'll love working with friendly folks sorting books, organizing book sales & silent auctions, and baking cookies for the annual tree-lighting ceremony. And you'll find satisfaction knowing all proceeds from Friends' activities benefit patrons of the Wixom Library. Spend as little or as much time as you'd like. Membership applications are available at the checkout counter. Come join us.

Recognition Tree -- Looking for a way to honor or memorialize a family member or loved one? Look no further than the Recognition Tree in the lobby of the Library. Embossed bronze leaves--as well as acorns and stones--can be purchased starting in denominations of \$100. People wanting to make donations on behalf of the Library will also be recognized. You can pick up an application in the lobby or at the checkout counter.

Upcoming Events:

Spring Book Sale -- This year's spring sale will take place the first week in May, so mark your calendar and be on the lookout for posters announcing specific times. Books and multi-media donations can be dropped off in the lobby. We can always use some volunteers to help us move boxes in preparation for the sale (pizza and homemade cookies provided). Leave your name and phone number or email at the front desk.

Spring Auction -- The Spring Book Auction will take place the two weeks before the Book Sale. Details will be posted.

www.wixomlibrary.org

2017 COMMUNITY SERVICES EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



www.wixomgov.org
248-624-2850



Date	Day	Time	Event	Location
January 19	Thursday	6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Skate Night	Community Center
February 9	Thursday	6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Daddy Daughter Dance	Community Center
March 2	Thursday	7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	State of The City Address	Community Center
March 15	Wednesday	1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Red Cross Blood Drive	Community Center
March 31	Friday	7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Annual Wine Tasting - Colasanti's	Community Center
April 8	Saturday	9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day	Wixom DPW
April 9	Sunday	12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Easter Egg Hunt	Gilbert Willis Park
April 10 - June 5	Mondays	6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.	Wixom Soccer Buddies Starts (8 weeks)	Gunnar Mettala Park
April 13	Thursday	5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Bunny Hop	Community Center
May 21	Sunday	1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	16th Annual Founders Day Festival	Gibson Park
May 27 - Oct. 14	Saturday	8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Community Gardens Open	Gibson Park
June 4	Sunday	1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Historical Society Ice Cream Social	Gibson House
June 8	Thursday	7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Summer Concert Series Starts	Sibley Square Park
June 8	Thursday	6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Sr. Graduation & City Employee/ Volunteer Appreciation Picnic	Sibley Square Park
June 8, 9, 10	Thurs.-Sat.	8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.	City Wide Garage Sale	City Wide
June 14	Wednesday	1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Red Cross Blood Drive	Community Center
June 15 - Aug 3	Thursday	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Wixom Family Fun Night	Sibley Square Park
June 15	Thursday	7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Summer Concert	Sibley Square Park
June 16	Friday	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	T.E.A.M. Golf Outing	Coyote Golf Club
June 22	Thursday	7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Summer Concert	Sibley Square Park
June 29	Thursday	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.	Lite the Night Fireworks	Sibley Square Park
July 6	Thursday	7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Summer Concert	Sibley Square Park
July 13	Thursday	7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Summer Concert	Sibley Square Park
July 20	Thursday	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.	Hot Blues & BBQ	Sibley Square Park
July 27	Thursday	7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Summer Concert	Sibley Square Park
August 3	Thursday	7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Summer Concert	Sibley Square Park
August 4	Friday	8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.	Movie in the Park	Sibley Square Park
August 10	Thursday	7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Summer Concert (Eagle Riders & Food Drive)	Sibley Square Park
Sept. 11 - Oct. 30	Mondays	6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.	Wixom Soccer Buddies Starts (8 weeks)	Gilbert Willis Park
September 13	Wednesday	1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Red Cross Blood Drive	Community Center
October 14	Saturday	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Fire Station Open House	Wixom Road Fire Station
October 14	Saturday	5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Fall Fest & Panther Hunt	Gilbert Willis Park
October 19	Thursday	5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Monster Mash	Community Center
December 1	Friday	6:15 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Tree Lighting	Community Center
December 1	Friday	5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.	Wixom Holiday Markt	Sibley Square Park
December 2	Saturday	12:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.	Wixom Holiday Markt	Sibley Square Park
December 3	Sunday	4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Historical Society Wassail Open House	Gibson House
December 9	Saturday	8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Breakfast with Santa	Community Center
December 13	Wednesday	1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Red Cross Blood Drive	Community Center

PARKS & RECREATION EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

SKATE NIGHT

Who: Everyone
When: Thursday, January 19
Time: 6-7:30pm



Where: Community Center
Free! Bring your skates and listen to some great music! Dress for the weather. Hot chocolate and cookies will be served. Weather permitting and no pre-registration required.

OPEN ICE SKATE

Where: Civic Center Ice
49015 Pontiac Trail

You are welcome to skate on the Civic Center pond! Get outside and enjoy the winter weather. Dress up warm, lace up your skates for frosty fun and maybe even grab a sled for some fun behind the Library. You may even want to bring a thermos of hot chocolate! Skating will be available after scheduled classes, weather permitting and per pond maintenance.

FIT & HEALTHY IN THE NEW YEAR!

Wixom Community Center will have a number of opportunities for those who want to improve their health in 2017. Shape up with **PiYo Live**, de-stress with **Gentle Flow Yoga** or learn how to eat healthier with **The Shift: Healthy Eating and Weight Management**. For a listing of dates and times please go to the Activities Page at www.wixomgov.org or call Parks & Recreation at (248) 624-2850.

RED WINGS BUS TRIP

Who: Everyone
When: Friday, February 3
Time: Bus departs Community Center at 6:15pm for 7:30pm game
Fee: \$69 (sec 216b, rows 19-20)



Last chance to see the Wings at "The Joe!" Come see them take on the NY Islanders. Get geared up for the game and enjoy door-to-door service.

DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE

Who: Girls age 2-12
When: Thursday, February 9
Time: 6-8 pm
Fee: \$25/couple, \$5 additional child
Calling all girls, join us for an enchanting evening spent with your dad! Dress up to enjoy a pizza dinner, DJ and dancing. Fee includes goodie bag, picture & corsage. Bring your camera to capture your memories of your date night. **Pre-register early - limited to first 100 girls.**

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE



Who: Age 17+/ 110 lbs
When: Wednesday, March 15
Time: 1-7 pm
Please log on to www.redcrossblood.org (sponsor code: wixom) or call Kathy at (248) 624-2850 to make an appointment. Walk-ins are also welcome.

15th ANNUAL WINE TASTING

Who: Age 21 and up
When: Friday, March 31
Time: 7-9 pm
Fee: \$20 per person



Come enjoy a great night exploring wines from around the world! Colasanti's will bring a delicious assortment of wines which will be complimented by an array of cheeses, crackers and fruit. Receive a discount on all wine ordered at the event. The Drafting Table Brewery will also be on hand with an assortment of craft beers for tasting. This year Wine Tasting participants will also have the opportunity to view the **Forbidden Art Exhibit** at the Library. Pre-register by 5 pm March 23.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Who: Age 2-12
When: Sunday, April 9
Time: Registration starts at noon
Hunt starts at 1:00 pm

Where: Gilbert Willis Park
Fee: \$3 per child
The Easter Bunny will hop into Wixom with lots of candy filled eggs for children to hunt in this traditional Easter Egg Hunt. There are 2 areas for different age groups. To be sure everyone leaves happy, limited to 10 eggs per child. Fee includes basket. Easter Bunny will be on site for hellos and pictures; be sure to bring your camera! Rain or shine event. No personal baskets, please.

BUNNY HOP

Who: Everyone
When: Thursday, April 13
Time: 5:30-7:30 pm
Fee: \$8 per person
Come hop about and the Easter Bunny will hop out to shake his tail, too! Fun family dance with pizza dinner & DJ. Bring your camera for photo-op with Bunny and wear your Sunday best! Must pre-register by 3 pm April 12. Registration limited to the first 200 people.

SENIOR CENTER EVENTS

AARP Tax Preparation

When: Mondays, 2/20, 3/6, 3/20, 4/3
Time: 9am-2pm—BY APPOINTMENT ONLY
Cost: Free of charge
Please sign up at the Senior Desk or call (248) 624-0870. Space for this service is limited and appointments fill quickly so sign up now!

Bring your lunch and we'll provide dessert for these informational sessions. PLEASE PRE-REGISTER!

Shopping for Healthy Foods

When: Tuesday, January 10
Time: 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm
Cost: No Charge

Choosing the Right Doctor

When: Wednesday, February 8
Time: 1:00 pm
Cost: No Charge

Stress, Hormones and Health

When: Thursday, February 23
Time: 1:00 pm
Cost: No Charge

Silly Auction

When: Wednesday, January 18
Time: 1:00 pm
Cost: No Charge

Provided by Enriched Life Home Care

Valentine's Day Party

When: Tuesday, February 14
Time: 12:00 pm
Cost: \$8.00/member
\$10.00/non-member



St. Patrick's Day Party

When: Friday, March 17
Time: 11:00 am
Cost: \$10.00/member
\$15.00/non-member



For more information or for a full list of activities and events, please visit www.wixomgov.org or call the Center at (248) 624-0870.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

16th Annual Founder's Day Festival

When: Sunday, May 21
Time: 1-4 pm
Where: Gibson Park
Interested vendors and participants should contact the Parks and Recreation Department at cs@wixomgov.org or (248) 624-2850 for information.

JANUARY 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 	2 City Offices Closed	3 Senior Commission Mtg. 10am	4 Planning Commission Mtg. 7:30pm	5	6	7
8	9 P & R Mtg. 6pm ZBA Mtg. 7:30pm	10 City Council Mtg. 7pm	11	12	13	14
15	16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day WHS Potluck 6:30pm	17	18	19  Skate Night 6:00-7:30pm	20	21
22	23 Planning Commission Mtg. 7:30 pm	24 DDA Mtg. 7:30am City Council Mtg. 7pm	25	26	27	28
29	30 Joint City Council, DDA, Planning Commission, ZBA Mtg 7:30 pm	31	Check website for full listing of classes & activities at www.wixomgov.org			

FEBRUARY 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Check website for full listing of classes & activities at www.wixomgov.org			1	2	3 Red Wings Bus Trip 6:15	4
5	6 Planning Commission Mtg 7:30 pm	7	8	9 Daddy Daughter Dance 6pm	10	11
12	13 ZBA Mtg. 7:30pm	14 Valentine's Day  City Council Mtg 7pm	15	16	17	18
19	20 Presidents' Day City Offices Closed WHS Program 7pm	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 Planning Commission Mtg 7:30 pm	28 DDA Mtg 7:30am City Council Mtg 7pm				

MARCH 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Check website for full listing of classes & activities at www.wixomgov.org			1	2 State of the City Address 7pm	3	4
5	6 Planning Commission Mtg 7:30 pm	7	8	9	10	11
12 Daylight Saving Time Begins 	13 ZBA Meeting 7:30pm	14 Sr. Comm. Mtg 10am Document Shred 10am-12pm City Council Mtg 7pm	15 Blood Drive 1-7pm	16	17 St. Patrick's Day 	18
19 <i>Forbidden Art</i> Reception	20 	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 Planning Commission Mtg 7:30 pm	28 DDA Mtg. 7:30am City Council Mtg 7pm	29	30	31 Annual Wine Tasting 7-9pm	

APRIL 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Check website for full listing of classes & activities at www.wixomgov.org						1
2	3 Planning Commission Mtg 7:30 pm	4	5	6	7	8 DPW Hazardous Waste Collection 9am-2pm
9 Easter Egg Hunt 12:30-2pm 	10 P&R Mtg. 6pm ZBA Meeting 7:30pm	11 City Council Mtg 7pm	12	13 Bunny Hop 5:30-7:30pm	14	15
16 	17 WHS Program 7pm	18	19	20	21	22 Earth Day 
23	24 Planning Commission Mtg 7:30 pm	25 DDA Mtg 7:30am	26	27	28	29
30		City Council Mtg 7pm				

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

Mayor/Council Nominating Petitions

Please be advised that nominating petitions for the City General Election which is to be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2017 will be available at the City Clerk's Office for circulation by individuals who wish to seek an elected office in the City of Wixom. Offices that will be included on the November ballot include one (1) Mayor, three (3) City Council members and two (2) Library Board Trustees. The deadline for submittal of nominating petitions is **4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 25, 2017**. Wixom's charter mandates that the number of valid petitions received will determine whether an August Primary will need to be held this year.

Passport Info

Are you planning a trip for Spring Break? Do you need a passport? The Wixom City Clerk's Office can help you! We are a Passport Acceptance Facility and we accept passport applications between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday thru Thursday, unless other arrangements have been made in advance. Currently, the processing times are four to six weeks for routine delivery and two to three weeks for expedited delivery (with an additional fee). Please call us at (248) 624-4557 if you have any questions.

Dog Licenses

In December, the Oakland County Animal Control sent out reminder cards concerning dog licenses. Watch your mail for your 2017 license reminder, and be sure to purchase your dog's license before the June 1st deadline to avoid being assessed late charges. You will need to provide proof of current rabies vaccination (and spade/neutering, if applicable) when licensing your dog.



City Seeks Residents for Boards and Commissions

Many residents serve the community and assist the overall communication process between the City and its residents by serving on various boards and commissions. These groups meet on a regular basis and develop recommendations to the City Council.

The City is seeking a number of residents to participate in various boards and commissions, including the following:

- 1 vacancy on the Downtown Development Authority
- 1 vacancy on the Senior Citizen Commission
- 1 vacancy on the Tax Abatement Review Board

If you are a Wixom resident and are interested in serving on one of the boards and commissions, visit the City's website to read more about the commissions or call the City Clerk at (248) 624-4557 for more information.

Applications forms for Volunteers can be found on the City's website (<http://www.wixomgov.org/government/boards-and-commissions/boards-and-commissions-application>) or at the City Clerk's Office.

FIRE NEWS

FIRE HYDRANTS

Fire hydrants must be visible and readily accessible to the Fire Department. Hydrants on your property must be clear of snow. Residents in need of assistance in clearing the snow should call the Fire Department at (248) 624-1055 to make arrangements.



SMOKE DETECTORS AND CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS SAVE LIVES

Every home should have working smoke and carbon monoxide (CO) detectors on each floor. Carbon monoxide is odorless, colorless and it kills. Warning signs of carbon monoxide poisoning are headache, nausea, 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.

If you do not have working smoke detectors, please contact the Fire Department at (248) 624-1055 to make arrangements for one. Test your smoke detectors monthly. "Working detectors save lives!"

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