

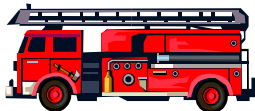
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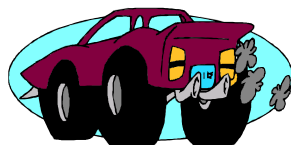
Otter Lake Fire Department

The Otter lake Fire Department is at it again. Writing successful grants for much-needed equipment for the department. The department was recently awarded a \$173,000 grant to purchase a 2500 gallon tanker. In 2003 they were awarded a \$164,000 grant to replace their pumper; in 2004 they received \$43,000 which was used to purchase a breathing air compressor, 4 hand-held radios, helmets and a thermal imager; in 2005 they received \$56,000 to replace all of their breathing apparatus; and in 2007 they received a grant of \$32,200 that allowed them to replace all of their turn-out gear which included coats, pants, boots, gloves and hoods. What a blessing these grants have been. Great going guys!



Motor Vehicle Extravaganza

The Winterfest Committee will be hosting the 4th Annual Motor Vehicle Extravaganza in downtown Otter Lake on July 20, 2008 from 9am to 4pm. They expect 100+ vehicles. Breakfast will be served from 8-11am with refreshments available all day. Come check out all the awesome automobiles, motorcycles and trucks and meet their devoted owners.



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Home Improvement Assistance Seminar

The Village of Otter Lake will be hosting a Home Improvement Assistance Seminar on Wednesday, April 9, 2008 at 6pm-8pm at the Village Hall. Please join representatives from several area programs for information on how you can get a home-improvement loan at a very low interest rate.

To reserve your spot please contact Linda Kucharski at 810-793-0039.



THANK YOU DPW!!

A big thank you goes out to the Otter Lake DPW department for their quick response to heavy snows and all the work they do to keep our Village safe and clean! Many thanks to Carl and Tim for all their hard work!

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Rails to Trails Updates

The Southern Links Trailway Committee has been very busy raising funds and moving mountains to get the trailway back on track and headed towards completion.

Please attend one of their fabulous dinners, auctions or their golf event on May 17 with a One Million Dollar Hole-In-One prize.

The trailway will benefit everyone by having a safe, pleasant place to walk or ride bikes or horses. It will also benefit the local communities by bringing people into our communities where they can see what a beautiful place we live in and all the wonderful things our cities have to offer.

For more information on the fundraisers, meetings and other trailway information visit their website at www.southernlinkstrailway.com. Also look for their quarterly newsletter which will be available in local stores.

Otter Lake Planning Commission

The Otter Lake Planning Commission has been very busy, meeting every 2 weeks to combine the Genesee and Lapeer maps of the village into one map. They are also working on re-zoning the Village into several different categories. If you are interested in attending call the Village office at 793-5624 for meeting information.



Don't forget to visit The Village Market on Genesee Street. You can find most anything you need there.



Farmers Market

The Otter Lake Farmers Market will be holding a Flower Power Day on Friday, May 16 from 3-7pm. Vendors will have starter plants, flowers and other spring-like items for sale. If anyone is interested in selling items, helping at the event or doing a fundraiser please contact the Market Director, Linda Kucharski at 810-793-0039.



Weed Control

Ray Benson, newly elected council member, has proposed a 3-year special assessment for all village residents to help control the weeds in Otter Lake. This will provide for spraying the lake and introducing a natural weevil (beetle) into the lake that will eventually control all weed growth without chemicals. If you would like more information on this proposal contact one of the Village Council members or the Village office at 793-5326 or attend the council meeting on the first Monday of the month at 7pm at the Village Hall.



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