Police & Fire OPEN HOUSE

FALL CRAFTS for Adults and Kids

U.S. CENSUS
WARREN STILL THIRD LARGEST CITY IN STATE

PLUS: PARKS AND RECREATION FALL EVENTS
If your business can be done by phone instead of coming to City Hall, see common department phone numbers below:

- Mayor's Office - (586) 574-4520
- Treasurer's Office - (586) 574-4542
- Clerk's Office - (586) 574-4557
- Water - (586) 759-9200
- Building (Permits, City Certifications, Certificate of Occupancy) - (586) 574-4504
- Rental (Rental License Paperwork) - (586) 574-4633
- Engineering - (586) 759-9300
- DPW - (586) 759-9270
- Sanitation - (586) 775-1400
- Assessing (Principal Resident Exemptions, Property Transfers) - (586) 574-4532
- Property Maintenance (Blight, Inspections) - (586) 574-4662
- Public Service - (586) 574-4604

The Newsbeat is a publication of the City of Warren Communications, Library and Parks & Recreation Departments.
Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Warren is a tough city. We are a city that helped build the middle class, put America on wheels, the central hub of the arsenal of democracy and the home to great families that have accomplished so much.

Like so many industrial cities across America, Warren has had to deal with many issues that stifled growth and challenged our path toward a brighter future. Between 1960 and 1970 Warren experienced exponential growth as many families escaped the instability in the city of Detroit, particularly following the civil unrest of the 1960s including the 1967 riots. In the four national censuses after 1970 Warren turned backward. In 1980 our population dropped 10%, in 1990 it dropped 9.9%, and in 2000 4.8%. In 2009 I was honored with the trust of the people of our great city to turn it around, stabilize and restore our city, and ultimately lead to a path to growth.

When I first took office as Mayor we immediately had to deal with the fallout of the Great Recession when every aspect of our life and livelihood was at risk. We gathered together, rolled up our sleeves and got to work. In 2020 after advertising our MI Warren campaign to encourage people to move into the city, we reversed the downward trend of more than 50 years and gained population. This is the first census since 1970 that we gained population, that is due to among other things that our police and fire departments are rated #1 in the state.

Since that time we have rebuilt our police and fire departments into the best in the state of Michigan, behind the leadership of Police Commissioner Bill Dwyer and Fire Commissioner Skip McAdams. As a result, national rating firm WalletHub.com now rates Warren as the safest big city in Michigan and number 17 in the nation. We’ve made investments in safe neighborhoods, kept taxes low to protect families and small business, improved city services at every level, and attracted new private investment and jobs.

I also understand that making certain every Warren resident is counted in the census is vital to ensuring the return of tax dollars our hard working residents send to Washington. Every person missed is $3,800 per year in tax dollars lost, or over $38,000 over 10 years. I also understand that making certain every Warren neighborhood, kept taxes low to protect families and small business, improved city services at every level, and attracted new private investment and jobs.

The results of the 2020 Census are in and the City of Warren is still the most populated city in Macomb County! Warren also remains the 3rd largest city in the state!

During this last census, Warren reversed a 60-year decline in population going back to 1960. Warren’s 4% increase in population for the 2020 census is much larger than the state increase of only 2%. Surrounding cities did not do as well. Detroit’s population dropped by 10.5% and Flint lost 21%.

Warren was able to reverse the trend in part because of the #MIWarren campaign on broadcast and cable TV sponsored by the DDA. Our aggressive advertising campaign encouraged people and businesses to move to Warren.

The census is important because it helps the government decide how to distribute funds and assistance to states and localities.

The only thing standing in the way of shovels going into the ground and work beginning, is approval of this investment in a new downtown, funded without any tax dollars from residents. This project would make a $170 million investment in a new downtown, funded without any tax dollars from residents. This project would stand as a shining new example of our recovery and rebirth and attract additional growth. The Downtown Development Authority and Economic Development have done an excellent job working with nationally respected planner Robert Gibbs Planning Group to develop this great project. It has earned the support of Macomb County leaders like Executive Mark Hackel, Public Works Commissioner Candice Miller, Prosecutor Pete Lucido, Clerk Anthony Forlini, Sheriff Anthony Wickersham, Treasurer Larry Rocco, and County Commissioners; Chairperson Don Brown, Michelle Nard, and Mai Xiong. It is also supported by many of our great private sector companies including General Motors, Chrysler, Warren Chamber of Commerce, Macomb County Chamber of Commerce and many others. The Towne Center will provide 1,000 construction jobs, and hundreds of commercial jobs. According to Robert Gibbs, the foremost planner in Michigan and the United States, the new Towne Center will generate $250 million of new investments in the city; that means new businesses and new jobs. This new Towne Center will include a new grocery store and it will be a destination place for Warren residents and visitors to attend. This will encourage more business investment in the city and more new residents moving in. This will put Warren on the map!

I'm ready to get to work, and excited about the prospects for a great future!

Sincerely,

James R. Fouts
Warren Mayor
One City Square, Ste. 215
Warren, MI 48093
586-574-4520
mayor@cityofwarren.org

MAYOR’S CORNER
The Warren Towne Center is a mixed-use development featuring 500 market-rate apartments, a 200-room Marriott Tribute Hotel, over 60,000 square feet of retail and dining, upscale lofts and a full-service grocery store. All of this is walkable green space for millennials and seniors who prefer to walk rather than to drive.
City of Warren Policy for Halloween

The City of Warren encourages trick or treating for children on Halloween!

The city will continue its enhanced community policing effort in Warren neighborhoods. A strong emphasis will be placed on combating speeding on the streets in advance of trick or treat activities.

“Warren residents, particularly children, deserve to be safe,” said Warren Mayor Jim Fouts. “Those who speed in our neighborhoods should expect enhanced enforcement and issuance of tickets.”

Trick-or-Treating Basics

Kids under age 12 should:
- Always go trick-or-treating with an adult
- Know how to call 911 in case they get lost
- Know their home phone number or parents’ cellphone number

Older kids who go out on their own should:
- Know their planned route
- Carry a cellphone
- Go in a group and stay together
- Only go to houses with porch lights on
- Stay away from candles and other flames
- Never go into strangers’ homes or cars

When kids get home:
- Adults should make sure all treats are sealed. Candy in torn packages, and homemade treats made by strangers, should be thrown away.

Police & Fire Open House

September 12, 12 - 4 PM
Warren Police Department (next to City Hall)
FREE Hot Dogs, Chips, Refreshments and more!
FREE Gun Safety Locks, Child Safety ID Kits, and Bicycle Helmets for Kids (while supplies last)

- Warren Police Chaplains
- Warren Crime Commission
- Warren Police Explorers
- CERT
- Evidence Technician Demonstrations
- HAZMAT & Tech Rescue Unit Display
- SWAT Team, Tank & Motorcycle Display
- K-9 Unit Demonstration

Activities for Kids of All Ages
- Emergency Vehicle Displays
- Junior Firefighter Challenge
- Smoke House
- Building Tours
- Antique Fire Truck
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FALL CLEANUP

COMPOST SEASON RUNS APRIL 1 - DEC 1

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WARREN ANTI-BLIGHT SWEEPS FALL SCHEDULE

Each section will be canvassed by city inspectors. Inspectors will look for:

- Trash storage (no overflowing trash cans)
- Tall grass including at fence lines
- Overgrown vegetation
- Unlicensed vehicles
- Trailer/recreational vehicle storage

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SLUMMLORD ARRESTED AND JAILED

The City of Warren is getting tough on slum landlords. After a 24-hour stakeout at a rental home, Warren police apprehended a bad landlord who had at least 69 outstanding tickets for blighted homes over the past three years:

Albert Thrower, a resident of Cleveland, Ohio and a one-time millionaire, owns four homes in Warren. All are in disrepair. Mr. Thrower also had violations of the International Property Maintenance Code and a failure to apply for city certifications.

Mr. Thrower was hiding in the basement of one of his illegally occupied homes before he was apprehended. This arrest demonstrates loud and clear that bad landlords will be apprehended and will face jail time for property maintenance violations in the City of Warren. The city has a list of at least seven more chronic landlords that are facing the same charges and jail time.

City of Warren Guidelines for Curbside Compost Collection

Place Yard Waste at the Curb on your Regular Trash Day

- Compost season runs from April 1 to December 1. There is no curbside pickup for compost from December 2 to March 31. Compost is accepted at the Recycling Center year round.

- Compost must be assembled on the grass at the curb by 6:00 a.m. or no earlier than 6 p.m. the evening before your scheduled collection day. Until this time, store compost in rear yard. Place compost material five feet from other garbage at curbside.

- All yard waste (i.e. grass clippings, leaves, garden/flower bed debris & small brush) must be in the blue 95-gallon compost cart (brown lid) OR 30-gallon biodegradable brown paper bags. NO PLASTIC BAGS.

- TREE BRANCHES & SHRUBS must be tied securely in small bundles for easy removal. Branches must be four feet or less in length, under two inches in diameter and light enough for one person to lift. Tree trunks and stumps must be cut to firewood-sized pieces (18 inches in length and under 10 inches in diameter) and brought to the Recycling Center.

- ROOTS must be cut off shrubs, dirt removed, and placed with the garbage. The cutoff bundled shrub can then be placed with the compost.

- LOGS, TREE TRUNKS, and TREE STUMPS will not be collected curbside.

WARREN RECYCLING CENTER
25801 Flanders Ave.
Warren, MI 48089
On July 23, 2021 the City of Warren Police Department held its first in-person Promotion and Appointment Ceremony since January 2020. The ceremony was held at the Woodside Bible Church at 27300 Hoover Road in Warren.

Warren Police Commissioner Bill Dwyer recognized 46 officers who have been promoted or newly hired since January 2020. Ceremonies for these officers had been delayed due to COVID-19.

The Warren Police Department recognized and promoted two lieutenants to the rank of captain, four sergeants to the rank of lieutenant, seven corporals to the rank of sergeant, and eleven officers to the rank of corporal.

Click below to view the entire ceremony on TV Warren:
https://vimeo.com/578638621

The Warren Police Honor Guard was established in March of 2000 with 10 founding members. Each member donates his/her own time to respond to the various details and ceremonies. The goal of the Honor Guard is to represent the Police Department at various events to enhance the professional image of all Warren Police Officers. Warren Police Honor Guard members shall bestow honor and pay respect to fallen Officers and their families and give tribute to the memory of those Officers.
Have Laptops - Will Travel

The Warren Public Library has received a $25,000 grant to provide free computer training to senior citizens, and others in need, in the Warren area.

Warren librarians Jamie Babcock and Lynn Bieszka authored the LSTA Improving Access to Information grant through the Library of Michigan.

“The grant enabled us to purchase 22 laptops with Microsoft Office licenses,” said Lynn Bieszka, Branch Librarian Supervisor at Warren’s Civic Center Library. “We also got two heavy-duty cases to transport them, and a cabinet to charge them in.”

This past summer library staff John Robertson and Sharon Lindsay packed up the laptops and traveled to Stilwell Manor, a senior housing complex in Warren, to teach the following four-course series to seniors:

• Introduction to Computers
• Introduction to the Internet
• Introduction to Microsoft Word
• Find Information with Google

“It’s a way for us to bridge the digital and educational divide by providing outreach to senior centers, schools, and other community locations within the library’s service area,” said Bieszka.

The “Have Laptops - Will Travel” project is expected to help not only seniors, but Warren’s underserved residents and students as well.

“We would like to see individuals gain efficiency in schoolwork, searching for employment, creating a resume, or learning computer skills for recreational purposes,” said Bieszka.

Warren Public Library staff can provide computer training when requested and appropriate. The library also has facilities that may be used for training if preferred.

Stilwell Manor
The minimum age for residency is 60. Applicants must meet the two-year Warren residency requirement. Yearly income cannot exceed $20,000 for a single person and $28,000 for a couple. Units include: Stove, refrigerator, garbage disposal, and air conditioner. Rent: includes all utilities except the telephone and cable television.

• Efficiency: $317 per month
• One bedroom: $416 per month
• Two bedroom: $515 per month

(preferably rented to couples)

Joseph Coach Manor
Individuals aged 60 or older with an income of $14,000 or more are welcome to apply. Rent: gas, electric, telephone and cable are not included.

• One bedroom: $541 per month
• Two bedroom: $613 per month

For more information or to tour a facility, call 586-758-1310 or click online for a Senior Housing Application.
Nonstop Fun Returns to Warren
Popular attractions to entertain thrill seekers

The time has come! Nonstop family fun is back in Warren!

Formerly Allegiant Nonstop, Universal Nonstop Entertainment is now open! The center features the same attractions that fun-seekers enjoyed previously, including go-karts, laser tag, bowling, virtual reality rides, a huge arcade, and more. There are even escape rooms - a feature that was added shortly before Allegiant Nonstop closed its doors.

Similar to the previous business, entry to the center is free. Patrons then load money onto a Play Card which is used to play games and access the attractions. Bonuses are awarded depending on the amount of money you add to your Play Card. The more money you add, the higher the bonus play.

If you're interested in celebrating your birthday or holding a gathering at Universal Nonstop Entertainment, call to book a reservation today!

Universal Nonstop Entertainment is located in the Universal Shopping Center at 12 Mile & Dequindre, at 28300 Dequindre Road in Warren. The fun center's current hours are Thursday through Sunday from noon – 10 p.m.

For more details, head to Nonstop-Fun.com.

To stay in the loop on happenings at Universal Nonstop Entertainment, make sure you are following them on Facebook at Facebook.com/UniversalNonstopEntertainment.

Left: The 100,000 square foot adventure playspace includes a wide variety of attractions to entertain thrill seekers of all ages.

Louisiana Crab Shack
Cajun Grill & Oyster
Now Open in Warren!

Welcome to the all-new Louisiana Crab Shack located right here in the City of Warren on the corner of Twelve Mile and Mound! If you have a taste for New Orleans style food this is the restaurant for you.

With over 30 locations across the USA, Louisiana Crab Shack offers a variety of traditional Cajun seafood dishes, including crawfish, lobster tail, king crab, clams, scallops, mussels, and more.

Pricing for snow crab, blue crab, Dungeness crab, and king crab will be set at market price but if you're looking to get a meal, prices range from $15 – $65. (See Menu for more pricing)

Visit Louisiana Crab Shack, located at 5702 E. 12 Mile Road, Monday-Thursday 3 p.m. – 10 p.m., Friday – Saturday noon – 10 p.m., and Sunday noon – 5 p.m. Call (586) 619-9434 for more information or check out their website at louisianacrabshackwarren.com

Above: Crab from Louisiana Crab Shack
The City of Warren's Lead Hazard Control Program makes grants available to eligible "low" and "moderate" income households occupied by children under age 6 or pregnant women. These grant funds may only be used to pay for eligible lead hazard remediation. Applications are processed in the order they are received. Households with a child having an elevated blood lead level above 5 mg/dl will be given priority.

Contact Community Development at (586) 574-4686 or www.cityofwarren.org to complete an application today.

The City of Warren is an Equal Opportunity Lender.

Household Size

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Need a Loan for a New Roof or Furnace? Make Your Home Improvement Dreams a Reality!

City of Warren is offering 0% to 4% Interest Home Repair Loans to Warren Homeowners

The City of Warren's Residential Rehabilitation Program is accepting applications from income eligible households for low or no interest loans. The loans are used to bring the home up to code and make repairs to owner-occupied single-family residences.

The maximum loan amount is $30,000. To qualify for the Program, applicants must own and occupy the home, have homeowner's insurance, have a history of making house and property tax payments (including the water bill) on time, and have a household income that is below the limits established by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD):

Visit www.cityofwarren.org to complete an expression of interest form today.

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City of Warren Planning Department Receives the 2021 Daniel Burnham Award for a comprehensive Master Plan

The Warren Planning Department won the 2021 Burnham Award for a comprehensive Master Plan which focused on the Warren Towne Center project outlining a half century dream of creating a walkable downtown in the city.

The Daniel Burnham Award for a Comprehensive Plan recognizes a plan that advances the science and art of planning. The award honors America’s most famous planner, Daniel Burnham, for his contributions to the planning profession and to a greater awareness of the benefits of good planning.

Entries are judged on a plan’s originality and innovation, quality, engagement, implementation and effectiveness, and promotion of planning.

Congratulations to the City of Warren, the Planning Department led by Ron Wuerth and the Downtown Development Authority led by Tom Bommarito for their great work on the Warren Towne Center Project.

To see a complete list of the 2021 Award Recipients, go to: HTTPS://WWW.PLANNINGMI.ORG/2021-AWARD-RECIPIENTS

Click below to review Warren’s Master plan: HTTPS://WARRENMASTERPLAN.ORG/

WARREN MASTER PLAN
WHILE THERE,
CHECK OUT OUR LOCAL VENDORS 9:30AM:
FARM FRESH PRODUCE, CREATIVE FOOD, CRAFT ITEMS,
UNIQUE SPECIALTY PRODUCTS & FOOD TRUCKS.

THERE WILL BE ALL KINDS OF ACTIVITIES FOR
GRANDPARENTS TO TEACH THEIR GRANDKIDS AND
VICE VERSA. A GOOD DAY TO GET TO KNOW
EACH OTHER BETTER TOO!

THE WARREN PARKS
& RECREATION
DEPARTMENT
WANTS ALL
GRANDKIDS TO
BRING AND ENJOY
A DAY WITH THEIR
GRANDPARENTS.
IT’S A FAMILY
AFFAIR!!!
DOG DAY!!
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26
11AM - 1PM
@ WARREN CITY SQUARE (IN FRONT OF CITY HALL)

BRING YOUR LOVABLE DOG (on a leash)
WARREN PARKS & RECREATION WILL HOST A DOG WALK AROUND THE SQUARE! (11:15AM)

WE WILL HAVE:
• PET STORE
• LOCAL PET SHELTER (adopterable pets available)
• VETERINARIAN
• PET GIVEAWAYS

ALSO ON SITE: OUR SUNDAY VENDORS
• FARM FRESH PRODUCE • CREATIVE FOOD • CRAFT ITEMS
• UNIQUE SPECIALTY PRODUCTS • FOOD TRUCKS

NEW YEAR! “NEW DIRECTION”! NEW EVENTS!

FALL FINALE
SUNDAY, OCT 10
10AM - 2PM
@ WARREN CITY SQUARE (IN FRONT OF CITY HALL)

PARTICIPATE IN FUN FALL ACTIVITIES!
BLAKE’S ORCHARD WILL PROVIDE:
CIDER & DONUTS

DON’T FORGET TO GET THOSE LAST MINUTE GIFTS OR TRY NEW FOOD. STOP BY OUR LOCAL VENDORS (9:30AM-2PM) AND SUPPORT THEM, LIKE THEY HAVE SUPPORTED US THIS SEASON.
Are you ready to shoot some hoops?

The basketball court at Miller Park, on Masonic between Schoenherr and Hayes, is painted and ready for some free-throws!

Everything on the entire court is brand new! The glass boards and nets are new, and the court is freshly painted. The new blue, red and white colors are a nod to our hometown Detroit Pistons!

The basketball court renovations are just one of many recent updates at Miller Park. The park pavilion is freshly painted and the grills are brand new.

Other renovations at Miller Park include new fencing, benches and baseball diamonds. The bathrooms were also completed gutted and painted over the summer and new stainless steel stalls were installed.

Many of these improvements took place during the Covid lockdowns, while the new play structure and basketball court went up earlier this year.

For a list of upcoming projects and repairs at all of Warren’s parks, please check out the Parks and Recreation Master Plan and keep an eye on our Facebook page for updates.

And don’t forget - if you plan to host an outdoor event - the City of Warren has numerous pavilions available for rent in various parks around the city.

Call (586) 268-8400 or click the link below for more information:
cityofwarren.org/departments/parks-and-recreation/
Warren Public Library Virtual Computer Classes

The Warren Public Library is pleased to offer virtual computer classes through Zoom for those who need more assistance. Class size is limited. Registration is required. To register please call 586-751-5377 or visit our online calendar at warrenlibrary.net. An email account is required when registering so that Zoom meeting information can be sent.

GET TO KNOW EBOOKS AND OVERDRIVE – VIRTUAL EVENT (ZOOM)
Increase your ability to find the information you need with the world’s most popular search engine.
6:00 pm Tuesday, September 7, hosted by the Miller Branch Library
Registration begins August 12.

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Adult Programs - Fall 2021

Due to the popularity of our programs, registrations will be limited to Warren library card holders first. Registration begins one month prior to the event unless specified. Please call the library branch or visit our online calendar at warrenlibrary.net to register.

Busch Book Group
6:30–7:30 pm, Wednesdays, September 1, October 6, and November 10, Busch Branch Library
Join us in discussing this month’s book. Copies will be available at the circulation desk one month prior to each discussion. Please contact the branch for book titles. Discussions will be held in the large community room and will be socially distanced.

No Sew Sweater Pumpkins – Take and Make Craft
6:00 pm, Tuesday, September 7, Burnette Branch Library
Cut the sleeves off old sweaters and turn them into pumpkins you can use to decorate your home for Fall. Sweaters will be provided.

IRA Planning – Virtual Program (Zoom)
6:00 pm, Thursday, September 9, Hosted by the Miller Branch Library
Join Charles E. Dillon of Innovative Investment Services for a talk about IRA (Individual Retirement Account) planning.

Wine Cork Pumpkin Craft
5:30 pm Wednesday, October 6, Civic Center Library
Let’s get creative with this year’s autumnal décor by making a fun wine cork pumpkin.

Craft Workshop @Home: Hanging Terrarium – Take and Make Craft
Wednesday, September 22, Busch Branch Library
Create a beautiful hanging terrarium out of macramé to house an air plant. Please reserve your kit August 25 – September 13. (Kits are limited.)

Autumn Leaves Wall Decoration
5:30 pm Wednesday, September 22, Civic Center Library
The library will use our amazing Glowforge printer to cut and finely etch a variety of leaves. You will have the opportunity to decorate the leaves to give them a personal touch. Soon we will show you how to gather them up and tie them in an attractive bundle with ribbon and twine.

Author Visit: Deborah Goodrich Royce
6:00 pm Wednesday, September 29, Civic Center Library
Deborah Goodrich Royce’s latest novel, Ruby Falls is a nail-biting tale of a fragile young actress, the new husband she barely knows, and her growing suspicion that the secrets he harbors may eclipse her own. Join her as she returns to the Civic Center Library to discuss her newest work. Copies of the book will be available for purchase.

Cows in the Opera House and Other Museum Mysteries – Virtual Program (Zoom)
6:00 pm Monday, October 4, hosted by the Civic Center Library
The many mysteries of the Detroit Institute of Arts include stories and images, newly discovered meanings, and issues of authenticity. This virtual program is part of the museum’s Behind the Seen series.

Raffia Bowl – Take and Make Craft
5:30 pm Wednesday, November 17, hosted by the Miller Branch Library
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American Sign Language (ASL) Introductory Course
5:30 pm Tuesday, October 5, 12, 19 and 26, Burnette Branch Library
Join us for an introductory American Sign Language course to learn some basic ASL communication skills. Spots are limited to ensure a more one-on-one learning experience. Please plan on attending all four sessions.

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5:30 pm Wednesday, October 6, Civic Center Library
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Yarn Pumpkin Garland – Take and Make Craft
Thursday, October 7, Miller Branch Library
Make a pumpkin garland perfect for autumn decorating.

Fake News: Truth Decay
6:30 pm Thursday, October 14, Civic Center Library
Who’s telling the truth anymore? It’s getting difficult to separate fact from fiction in the news. Professor Garry Gilbert, the director of journalism at Oakland University, will present a program on truth in journalism and how we can better spot “fake news.”

Mysterious Michigan
6:00 pm Tuesday, October 19, Civic Center Library
Amberrose Hammond returns to the Civic Center library to discuss her latest book on the spookiness of our state. She has actively researched legends, ghost stories, haunted places, old true crime, and other mysterious topics in Michigan since 2000.

Craft Workshop @Home: Raffia Bowl – Take and Make Craft
Wednesday, October 27, Busch Branch Library
Brighten up your home with a fun raffia bowl. You’ll blend together raffia in a variety of colors to create a pretty decorative piece. Please reserve your kit September 22 – October 18. (Kits are limited.)

Snowflake Puzzle Piece Ornaments – Take and Make Craft
Thursday, November 4, Miller Branch Library
Create a beautiful ornament using puzzle pieces and glue. These would make adorable gifts.

DIY Lip Balm
6:00 pm Tuesday, November 9, Burnette Branch Library
Melt a mixture of beeswax, coconut oil, and shea butter together to pour into a small tin to create your own DIY lip balm. Essential oils will be provided if you choose to add scent to your lip balm but feel free to use your own essential oils as well.

Protecting Six Presidents
6:00 pm Tuesday, November 9, Civic Center Library
Former U.S. Secret Service agent Radford Jones will provide a brief history of the U.S. Secret Service and his experiences while protecting six presidents and foreign heads of state.

Meditation with Meon
6:00 pm Tuesday, November 16, Civic Center Library
Let go of any stress you may be feeling in a Zen, relaxing environment. Wash your mind and release that pent-up bad energy. Be sure to bring your yoga mat or pillow and an open mind.

Healthy Holidays – Virtual Program (Zoom)
6:30 pm Wednesday, November 17, hosted by the Busch Branch Library
This fun-filled class will teach you simple tips and tricks to stay healthy during holiday parties and events.

This program will be presented by the Michigan State University Extension via Zoom. Please register October 11 – November 15; Zoom login information will be sent to you upon registration.

Book Page Turkey Craft
6:00 pm Thursday, November 18, Civic Center Library
Make a fun, autumn themed centerpiece or decoration using recycled book pages to create a turkey for fall.

Civic Center Library
One City Square, Suite 100
Warren, MI 48093
586-751-0770

Burnette Branch Library
23333 Ryan
Warren, MI 48091
586-353-0580

Busch Branch Library
23333 Ryan
Warren, MI 48091
586-353-0580

Miller Branch Library
5460 Arden, Suite 303
Warren, MI 48092
586-751-5377
Teen Programs - Fall 2021

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WPL Teen Book Box

All Library Branches

Ages 12 to 17

The library has launched a teen book box subscription for teens. Each box contains 1-2 books and some extra goodies. Subscriptions last for three months and are available to teens ages 12-17 with a Warren Library Card. Please visit www.warrenlibrary.net/teen-book-boxes for more information and to fill out a book preference survey to get started.

Autumn Adventure Challenge

Pick up will be available throughout the month of September. All Library Branches

Scratch off an adventure on this fall bucket list. Then go out and enjoy the season with your friends, family, or on your own. The only catch is that once you scratch off an adventure, you have to follow through.

Washer Necklaces – Take and Make Craft

Tuesday, September 7, Civic Center Library

Create a simple necklace with nail polish, twine, washers, and beads.

Break-in Bags – Take and Make Craft

Wednesday, September 15, Burnette Branch Library

Use critical thinking skills to solve puzzles and find the number code needed to “break in” to a locked bag filled with treats.

Make It!: T-Shirt Tote Bag – Take and Make Craft

Thursday, September 16, Busch Branch Library

Create your own reusable tote bag out of an old t-shirt. Please reserve your kit August 19 – September 7. (Kits are limited.)

Serving Others: Plarn – At Home Project

Mondays, September 20, October 18, and November 22, Busch Branch Library

Grades 7-12

Earn community service hours from home while helping those who are homeless. Learn how to recycle plastic grocery bags into plarn (plastic bag yarn) which is used to make sleeping mats. You’ll receive one hour of community service for each ball turned in. Registration runs September 1 – November 3. Drop-off days for completed plarn balls will be September 20, October 18, and November 22. A maximum of 6 hours can be earned per person.

Fall Drink Themed Bath Fizz – Take and Make Craft

Monday, September 20, Civic Center Library

Sign up for our take home fall drink themed bath fizzy. Teens and tweens will be able to mix their own powdered bath fizz in a covered drink container complete with a loofa for “whipped cream” on top.

Fall Terrariums

6:00 pm, Tuesday, September 21, Miller Branch Library

Create your own fall terrarium to bring a little of autumn’s changing color inside. This program will take place outside in the Library Courtyard, weather permitting.

Mystery Kit

Pick up will be available throughout the month of October. All Library Branches

Calling all teen (and tween) sleuths in Warren. This is your chance to try out a mystery kit completely free of charge. Crack codes, access secret emails, sift through private diaries, police reports, historical documents, and more as you attempt to solve this spooky, seasonal mystery.

Craft and Treat Month

Mondays, October 4, 11, 18, and 25, All Library Branches

No tricks, just treats. Stop by the library each week in the month of October for a different seasonal craft and a treat.

Spooky Halloween Candle Holder – Take and Make Craft

Wednesday, October 20, Burnette Branch Library

Cut out the eyes in old photos and attach them to a glass candle holder to create your own spooky Halloween décor.
Children's Programs - Fall 2021
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Busch Book Group
6:30-7:30 pm, Wednesdays, September 1, October 6, and November 10, Busch Branch Library
Join us in discussing this month's book. Copies will be available at the circulation desk one month prior to each discussion. Please contact the branch for book titles. Discussions will be held in the large community room and will be socially distanced.

Simple STEAM
September, October, November, Busch Branch Library
Ages 5 to 9
Pick up a different take-home activity kit of simple supplies each month.
September: 3D Paper Shapes. Explore shapes by making 3D models.
October: 5 Little Pumpkins STEAM. Read the "5 Little Pumpkins" poem and construct a gate for pumpkin candies.
November: Leaf Rubbing. Learn the science of leaves while creating leaf art.

Bookmark Contest
September 1-30, Civic Center Library
Grades K-5
Children can stop by the library for a bookmark template to draw a library themed design and return to the library by October 1. One lucky winner will receive a gift card and certificate and have their bookmark displayed in the library.

Grandparents Day – Take and Make Crafts
September 1, Civic Center Library
Ages 3-9
Reserve your kit to make a card for your grandparent(s) or other special person in your life.
Miller Branch Library
Ages 3-10
National Grandparents Day is September 12. Pick up a craft to make for your special person and show them how much they are loved.

Back to School Bookworm – Take and Make Craft
September 7, Burnette Branch Library
Ages 3 to 9
Just in time for back to school make an adorable bookworm.

Farm Animal Puppets – Take and Make Craft
Tuesday, October 5, Burnette Branch Library
Ages 3 to 9
Make some farm animal puppets that you can use to sing your own version of Old MacDonald.

Halloween – Take and Make Craft
Monday, October 11, Miller Branch Library
Ages 2-10
Pick up a spooky and fun craft for Halloween.

Paper Pumpkin Art
Week of October 11, Busch Branch Library
Ages 3 to 9
Make a beautiful pumpkin with paper strips and other supplies.

Candy Corn Man – Take and Make Craft
Tuesday, October 12, Burnette Branch Library
Ages 3 to 9
We see lots of candy corn this time of year. This week we will provide all the materials to make your very own candy corn man.

Halloween Marshmallow Candy STEM Experiment – Virtual Program (Zoom)
6:00 pm, Wednesday, October 13, hosted by the Civic Center Library
Grades K-5
What do you think will happen if you leave candy ghosts soaking in liquid overnight? Register to pick up a kit and join our experiment to find out! Kit pick up begins October 4.

Pumpkins To Go – Take and Make Craft
Monday, October 18, Civic Center Library
Ages 3-9
We will provide a small pumpkin and craft items for you to take home and decorate.

Halloween Light and Virtual Storytime (Facebook)
Wednesday, October 18, Burnette Branch Library
Ages 3 to 9
In celebration of the spooky season, pick up a Halloween luminaria craft and join Ms. Jamie on the library's Facebook page for a Halloween storytime. Video will be posted on Monday at noon.

Purely Pumpkins
Week of October 25, Busch Branch Library
Ages 3 to 9
Unleash your creativity with a small pumpkin and a mystery bag of assorted craft supplies for decorating.

Craft 'n' Treat
Monday, October 25, Civic Center Library
Ages 3-9
Children can stop by the library to pick up a Halloween craft and choose a treat. Crafts are available while supplies last and no registration is required.

Halloween Bats – Take and Make Craft
Tuesday, October 26, Burnette Branch Library
Ages 3 to 9
Pick up all the materials needed to make a bat or two for your Halloween decorations.

Halloween Grab & Go
Friday, October 29, Miller Branch Library
Ages 3-11
Happy Halloween. Stop in the library for a Halloween treat.

Halloween Craft 'n' Treat
Saturday, October 30, Busch and Burnette Branch Libraries
Ages 3 to 9
No tricks. Children can stop by for a Halloween craft and a treat. Costumes are welcome.

Cast Your Vote – Take and Make Craft
Week of November 1, Busch Branch Library
Ages 3 to 9
Make your voice heard. Fill out a kid-friendly ballot and take home an election-themed craft, a coloring page, and trivia. We'll announce the voting results on Facebook the following week. Registration is not required. Please note that all library locations will be closed on Election Day (Tuesday, November 2).

Perler Bead – Take and Make Craft
Monday, November 1, Civic Center Library
Grades K-5
We will provide the beads and the pegboards, you design it. An iron is required to complete the project at home.

Monster Puppet – Take and Make Craft
Tuesday, November 2, Burnette Branch Library
Ages 3 to 9
Create a silly or scary monster puppet.

DI November STEM – Take and Make Craft
Monday, November 8, Civic Center Library
Grades K-5
Learn about the anatomy of a dinosaur with a fun T-Rex puzzle to put together and display in your house.

DINovember Preschool – Take and Make Craft
Monday, November 8, Civic Center Library
Ages 3-5
Pick up supplies to make a dinosaur fossil creation at home with your preschooler.
Children’s Programs - Fall 2021

Fall Corn – Take and Make Craft
Tuesday, November 9, Burnette Branch Library
Ages 3 to 9
Fall corn is a popular decoration this time of year. Create a colorful corn picture using pom poms.

Week of November 15, Busch Branch Library
Ages 3 to 9
Craft a wise owl from a pinecone and other supplies.

Thanksgiving Craft – Take and Make Craft
Monday, November 15, Civic Center Library
Ages 3 to 9
Reserve your kit to make a turkey craft at home.

Thankful Tree
6:00 pm, Tuesday November 16, Miller Branch Library, Ages 5-10
What are you thankful for? We’ll create a Thankful tree to share all things you are grateful for.

Thanksgiving Creations – Take and Make Crafts
Tuesdays, November 16 and 23, Burnette Branch Library
Ages 3 to 9
Stop by the library to pick up Thanksgiving craft kits.

Gobble Gobble Crafts
Week of November 22, Busch Branch Library
Ages 3 to 9
We’re thankful for crafts. Stop by to pick up a few with a Thanksgiving theme.

Torn Paper Collage – Take and Make Craft
Tuesday, November 30, Burnette Branch Library
Ages 3 to 9
Tear some paper into small pieces, glue them on to a picture, and you will have a work of art.

Databases Available with your Warren Library Card

Ancestry Library Edition - Remote Access Available through December 31, 2021
This genealogical database is used by many to look up census records from 1790-1940, draft cards, ship passenger lists, and much more. This database was only available for in-library use, but Ancestry is now offering remote access to Warren Public Library cardholders for a limited time. Follow the steps below to access Ancestry Library Edition from home. 1. Visit our online library catalog at www.warrenlibrary.net and click on: Search the Library Catalog and Access Your Account.

2. This takes you to our library catalog. Check the upper-right portion of the screen. If logged in, you will see your name. If not, click Log In. 3. After logging in, the Ancestry link will be revealed. Click the Ancestry - Remote Access Link at the top of the left-hand box to access Ancestry Library Edition.

Pronunciator - Language Learning Database
With Pronunciator, you can learn over 80 languages as well as study English (ESL) for 50 languages. It features speech recognition, scored quizzes, a virtual coach, downloadable MP3s, and virtual conversations. You can log into this database at home using your Warren Public Library card. To access Pronunciator, visit the library’s website at www.warrenlibrary.net, click on the Research tab and select Databases.

Tutor.com
Did you know that Tutor.com can help you get your homework done, write your paper, or study for your test? If you are getting frustrated, Tutor.com can help you get unstuck. Students and parents can get help with any kind of academic question in math, science, English, social studies, and writing. Export tutors work with students in kindergarten through 12th grade and can even help with AP®-level and intro-level college coursework. Connecting with a tutor is easy. You just need your library card number, PIN, and any Internet-connected device. To access Tutor.com, visit the library’s website at www.warrenlibrary.net, click on the Research tab and select Databases.

Creativebug features thousands of online art and craft classes taught by expert instructors. Login to Creativebug and create an account with your library card number. You will then be able to access classes on knitting, quilting, painting, and much more. Watch the classes anytime, anywhere. Since the classes never expire, you can start and stop projects at your own pace. No pressure, just possibilities. To access Creativebug, visit the library's website at www.warrenlibrary.net, click on the Research tab and select Databases.
COVID-19 Vaccinations
For Homebound Warren Residents

Homebound Vaccination List Now Open.

Warren residents who are homebound, or are unable to come out to a vaccination clinic for any reason, and would like to receive the COVID-19 vaccine can contact the Mayor’s Office to be added to the homebound vaccination list.

Please call the office of Mayor Jim Fouts at (586) 574-4520.

FREE COVID-19 TESTING
Drive-thru / Walk-up Outdoors
EVERY THURSDAY 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
WARREN CITY HALL

- SEPTEMBER 2
- SEPTEMBER 9
- SEPTEMBER 16
- SEPTEMBER 23
- OCTOBER 7
- OCTOBER 14
- OCTOBER 21
- OCTOBER 28
- NOVEMBER 4
- NOVEMBER 11
- NOVEMBER 18

Please RSVP at: https://www.cityofwarren.org/covid-19-testing-at-city-hall/
or by calling Mayor Fouts’ Office at 586-574-4520

FOR MORE INFORMATION REGARDING COVID-19 RESOURCES, PLEASE VISIT:
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COVID-19 Vaccines are Safe and Effective
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Make sure the escape routes are clear of items blocking the path, and doors and windows can be opened easily.

Choose an outside meeting place (i.e. neighbor’s house, a light post, mailbox, or stop sign) a safe distance from your home where everyone can meet after they’ve escaped.

Go outside to see if your street number is clearly visible from the road.

If there are infants, older adults, or family members with mobility limitations, make sure that someone is assigned to assist them in the fire drill and in the event of an emergency.

If windows or doors in your home have security bars, make sure that the bars have emergency release devices inside so that they can be opened immediately in an emergency.

Be fully prepared for a real fire. When a smoke alarm sounds, get out immediately. Once you’re out, stay out! Under no circumstances should you ever go back into a burning building. If someone is missing, inform the fire department dispatcher when you call.

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Baked Pecan Crusted Dijon Salmon

A healthy meal:
Salmon is one of the best sources of vitamin B12. It is also low in saturated fat and a good source of protein.

Why baked?
Oven-baking is considered one of the healthiest ways to cook fish. Salmon retains more vitamin D when baked as opposed to fried.

Heart Healthy Options:
Serve with fresh steamed vegetables and/or a side salad of your choice.

INGREDIENTS
(serves 4)
• 3 T butter, melted
• 2 T Dijon mustard
• 1-1/2 T honey
• 1/4 cup dry, plain breadcrumbs
• 1/4 cup finely chopped pecans
• 4 teaspoons chopped, fresh parsley
• 4 (4 oz) salmon fillets
• salt & pepper to taste
• lemon for garnish

INSTRUCTIONS
Preheat: Oven to 400°
In a small bowl, stir together butter, mustard & honey.
In a separate bowl, mix together breadcrumbs, pecans & parsley.
Brush each salmon lightly with honey mustard mixture.
Sprinkle with the breadcrumb mixture.
Bake uncovered 12-15 minutes or until the salmon flakes easily with a fork.
Season with salt & pepper.
Garnish with lemon.

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Left: Battalion Chief Ron Laszczak of the Warren Fire Department and Firefighter/Paramedic Greg Ford demonstrate a recipe submitted by TV Warren viewer Joann Beste.
We are a nationally recognized expert in empowering students to succeed through mentoring, life skills development, goal setting, job readiness training, and career exploration.

GET INVOLVED

• Mentoring - Empower local high school students for success by mentoring three to four students in our structured, evidence-based Workforce Prep program. Mentoring takes place virtually and in-person.
• Scholarship Judging - Help us choose scholarship recipients by interviewing students who apply or judging their application essays.
• Mentoring Presentation - Have your employees or members learn about mentoring and our programs through a mentoring presentation.
• Career Plan Pitches - Help students develop career plans by listening to their five-minute career presentation, asking questions, and coaching through constructive feedback.

Fall CONSTRUCTION UPDATE in Warren

2021 Joint and Crack Sealing
Project Description – Cleaning and sealing of joints and random cracks, various locations throughout the city
• Estimated Start Date – July 2021
• Status – Pre-Construction Stage
• Estimated Completion – August 2021

2021 Pavement Repairs
Project Description – Concrete section repairs, City Wide
• Start Date – June 2021
• Status – Construction Phase
• Estimated Completion – October 2021

Alvin Avenue
Project Description – Finwood to Hayes, Pavement Reconstruction and Water Main Replacement
• Estimated Start Date – July 2021
• Status – Pre-Construction Stage
• Estimated Completion – September 2021

Arden Avenue
Project Description – Chalfonte to Exeter, Pavement Reconstruction and Water Main Replacement
• Estimated Start Date – August 2021
• Status – Design Phase
• Estimated Completion – November 2021

Beierman Avenue
Project Description – Nine Mile to Stephens, Pavement Reconstruction and Water Main Replacement
• Estimated Start Date – July 2021
• Status – Pre-Construction Stage
• Estimated Completion – November 2021

Chicago Road
Project Description – Van Dyke west to Thirteen Mile Road, Pavement Reconstruction and Water Main Replacement
• Estimated Start Date – August 2021
• Status – Bid Stage
• Estimated Completion – July 2022

Cosgrove Drive
Project Description – Fenwick to Martin, Pavement Reconstruction and Water Main Replacement
• Estimated Start Date – August 2021
• Status – Design Stage
• Estimated Completion – October 2021

Frazho Road
Project Description – Warner to Wexford, Pavement Reconstruction and Water Main Replacement
• Start Date – June 2021
• Status – Construction Stage
• Estimated Completion – September 2021

Knollwood Drive
Project Description – Drainage Corrections and related Pavement Replacement
• Start Date – July 2021
• Status – Pre-Construction Phase
• Estimated Completion – October 2021

Panama Street
Project Description – Stephens to Ten Mile Road, Pavement Reconstruction and Water Main Replacement
• Start Date – July 2021
• Status – Pre-Construction Stage
• Estimated Completion – October 2021

Toepfer Road
Project Description – Eight Mile to Toepfer, Water Main Replacement
• Estimated Start Date – September 2021
• Status – Design Stage
• Estimated Completion – May 2022

Waltham Road
Project Description – Eight Mile to Wexford, Pavement Reconstruction and Water Main Replacement
• Estimated Start Date – September 2021
• Status – Design Stage
• Estimated Completion – May 2022

Warner Avenue
Project Description – Stephens to Ten Mile, Pavement Reconstruction and Water Main Reconstruction
• Estimated Start Date – April 2022
• Status – Design Stage
• Estimated Completion – July 2022

Yvonne Drive and Yvette Drive
Project Description – Schoenherr to DeMott, Pavement Reconstruction and Water Main Replacement
• Estimated Start Date – September 2021
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• Estimated Completion – November 2021

PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENT
ENGINEERING DIVISION
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Using healthy lawn care practices is one step towards cleaner rivers and lakes — even if you don’t have waterfront property.

Making sure you are watering responsibly and disposing of your yard waste correctly can do a lot to help keep our water clean.

A lot of sediment and algae problems we see in our waterways can be relieved by keeping lawn clippings out of street catch basins. Instead, sweep them back on your lawn. Clippings are mostly water and break down quickly to return valuable nutrients to the soil.

Local municipalities are doing their part by collecting yard waste or accepting it at drop-off locations. \textit{Do your part by disposing of yard waste correctly can do a lot to help keep our water clean.}

### FALL LAWN CARE & COMPOSTING FOR WATER QUALITY

#### STEPS TO A SUCCESSFUL HEALTHY LAWN:

- **Mulch Your Grass Clippings:** Let short clippings fall back on to your lawn. The clippings are a good source of nitrogen so you can reduce your fertilizer use.
- **Cut High:** Leave at least 3 inches on the grass blade after cutting. Tall grass promotes root growth and reduces the need for fertilizer.
- **Soil Organic Matter should be at least 5%:** Healthy soil consists of at least 5% organic matter. Organic matter provides a natural reservoir of nutrients and holds water. To assess your soil, test for basic nutrients and organic matter every one or two years.
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### FLOOD RESOURCES

If you experience flooding on your property, in your basement or street, please contact the mayor’s office at (586) 574-4520. The Water Department is actively working on neighborhood streets, and you can call them at (586) 759-9200. This phone number is also used after hours. You can assist the Water Department by making sure your catch basins are clear of any debris.

#### SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN FLOOD SURVIVOR RESOURCES

**Department of Insurance and Financial Services**

Questions about insurance related issues can be answered by the Department of Insurance and Financial Services. Assistance with insurance-related questions is available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 877-999-6442.

Information and resources at [michigan.gov/DIFS](http://michigan.gov/DIFS).

**Michigan State Housing Development Authority Housing Counseling Agency**


**Michigan Department of Health and Human Services**


**Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy**


**www.michigan.gov/eagle/0,9429,7-135-3313,584,725-9380--00.html**

**www.michigan.gov/egle/0,9429,7-135-3313,3684,725-9380--00.html**

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**Drinking Water Testing:**

[www.michigan.gov/mdhda/0,5885,7-339-71548,103194-553242-00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/mdhda/0,5885,7-339-71548,103194-553242-00.html)

**Emergency Services – Relocation Services:**

[https://www.michigan.gov/EGLE/0,9429,7-135-3313,3684,725-9380--00.html](https://www.michigan.gov/EGLE/0,9429,7-135-3313,3684,725-9380--00.html)

Information about state programs that can help with healthcare coverage, food assistance, child development and care, cash assistance and state emergency relief. Visit the MIBridges website at [newmibridges.michigan.gov](http://newmibridges.michigan.gov)

**Michigan 2-1-1**

For more information about local resources, dial 2-1-1.

#### While torrential rains pounded the Metro Detroit area this past summer, Warren residents did not see the impact like our neighbors to the south. Many local communities experienced horrific flooding, but fortunately Warren did not. Due to upgrades at the treatment plant and to the sewer system, Warren’s plant was able to prevent flooding and effectively treat all of the rain that Mother Nature could throw at us.

“**The staff at the treatment plant was well prepared for the storm and did an amazing job protecting the citizens of Warren,**” said Bryan Cior, Division head of the City of Warren Water Recovery Facility.

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**For Right: Bryan Cior, Division head of the City of Warren Water Recovery Facility with Michelle LaRose, President of the Michigan Water Environment Association**

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_Fall 2021 | Newsbeat_
New Interpretive Markers Reflect History of the Warren Community Center

New interpretive signs are on display at the Warren Community Center commemorating the rich history of a property that was once home to Murthum School and the Warren High School.

William E. Murthum Elementary School opened its doors back in 1926. In 1931, an addition was added for the high school. Due to increasing enrollment, a cinder block building was constructed in 1944. It was paid for with World War II bonds and named the "Victory Wing." Warren High School was housed in the Victory Wing from 1944-1950. Once again, enrollment grew and a new high school building was constructed on land next to Murthum. Murthum was then Murthum School and the History of the New Interpretive Markers building.

Center on the south side of the entrance to the Warren Community Center. You can check out one of the interpretive signs near the main building.

Center commemorating the rich time.”

Paul Peck, a ninth grader, took this little boy’s life. This is something that should not have happened and it speaks loudly against those who disregard public safety in order to be on something that should not have happened.

Street named after Boy Killed by Speeding Motorist

A memorial name has been added to the intersection of Stephens Road and Van Dyke Avenue where a toddler on a bike was struck and killed.

5-year-old Preston Singleton was killed on July 2 by a hit and run driver who was reportedly late for work and tried to beat a red light at the intersection.

Witness statements and surveillance video aided authorities in locating the suspect.

“I’m proud of the Warren Police for their quick apprehension of the suspect,” said Warren Mayor Jim Fouts. “I spent some time with both parents of Preston, the uncle, the aunt and the grandfather. All shared with me their shock, anger, and deep sadness at the accident that took this little boy’s life. This is something that should not have happened and it speaks loudly against those who disregard public safety in order to be on something that should not have happened.”

City of Warren Passes State Audit with Flying Colors

The Warren Assessing Department achieved a perfect score from the Tax Management Association for a recently conducted Audit of Minimum Assessing Requirement (AMAR) on behalf of the State Tax Commission.

The audit included ensuring the assessed values were correctly calculated fair and equitably, property exemptions had standard operating procedures, land values were properly calculated, personal property procedures were being followed, and poverty exemptions being properly executed.

Further, this audit reviewed the July and December Board of Review to ensure the laws were being followed and only legally allowable issues were handled by these Board of Reviews.

Based on their review, the City of Warren’s Assessing Department continues to ensure that all laws are followed and instituted fair and equitably.

This ensures that all of Warren’s taxpayers are properly and fairly assessed for their taxes.

Congratulations Warren Assessor Jennifer Czeiszperger and the entire assessing team.

City of Warren Citizen of the Month

Congratulations to the Citizen of the Month: Bishop John Kish.

Bishop John Kish is always helping out everyone. For the last 16 years he has helped out his elderly neighbor by changing her lights outside, cooking for her, and shopping for her. He has helped numerous families, especially during this pandemic, with groceries, diapers and wipes.

Bishop Kish tells everyone he helps “don’t thank me and don’t give me any recognition on Facebook, but give all the thanks to God for him allowing me to do this.”

In the winter, he shovels the sidewalks from his own house and two houses to the left and two houses to the right. He said it is because he doesn’t want anyone falling, and he is always looking out for their mail carrier. It is for these reasons he is being nominated. Even if he is not recognized, the families that he has helped know his Godly intentions.

If you would like to nominate a resident for Warren Citizen of the Month, please e-mail Mayor Fouts at Mayor@cityofwarren.org, or contact the Mayor’s Office at (586) 574-4520 and tell us why you would like to nominate a fellow resident. The Citizen of the Month will be announced in the monthly Water Bill insert, on TV Warren and on the City’s website.

Help Wanted: Work for the City of Warren

The following positions are available within the City of Warren:

- PARKS & RECREATION Immediate Positions Available
  - Lifeguards
  - General Workers

- SANITATION Immediate Positions Available
  - Temporary Laborer, CDL drivers and Non-CDL loaders

- PROPERTY MAINTENANCE Immediate Positions Available
  - Temporary Inspectors

Contact Human Resources at (586) 574-4670 or apply at https://www.cityofwarren.org/departments/human-resources/employment.

Volunteers Needed

All Boards and Commissions in the City of Warren are looking for volunteers. If interested, please call the Mayor’s Office today at (586) 574-4520.

Food Assistance Programs in Warren

Forgotten Harvest

Forgotten Harvest distributes food at Warren City Hall every Monday from 9 a.m. until noon (or while supplies last). The parking lot opens at 8 a.m. Please do not arrive before this time. Warren residents that are unemployed, or in need, can go to the south parking lot of City Hall where volunteers will distribute free food packages in the trunks of vehicles.

Emergency Food Hotline

Warren Mayor Jim Fouts’ Emergency Food Hotline is available for senior Warren residents, as well as those with pre-existing conditions, who are in need of food. Assistance will be coordinated with local food pantries and volunteers from Warren. Call (586) 574-4526.

If you would like to volunteer to help, please call the hotline and leave a message indicating that you are able to assist, along with your phone number.
Warren Communications Department
5460 Arden
Warren, Michigan 48092

James R. Fouts
Mayor
(586) 574-4520

Sonja Buffa
City Clerk
(586) 574-4557

Lorie Barnwell
City Treasurer
(586) 574-4542

Ronald Papandrea
Councilman
District 1
(586) 925-2580

Jonathan Lafferty
Councilman
District 2
(586) 804-9156

Mindy Moore
Councilwoman
District 3
(586) 703-5177

Garry Watts
Councilman
District 4
(586) 215-2222

Eddie Kabacinski
Councilman
District 5
(586) 339-4772

Patrick Green
Councilman
At-Large
(586) 524-1315

Angela Rogensues
Councilwoman
At-Large
(586) 209-4964

Ambulance Service
(9-1-1)

Animal Control
(586) 574-4806

Assessing
(586) 574-4532

Attorneys
(586) 574-4671

Building Inspections
(permits, inspectors)
(586) 574-4504

City Clerk (Voter registration, birth certificates, dog licenses, garage sale licenses)
(586) 574-4557

Communications Department
(586) 258-2000

Controller
(586) 574-4600

City Council Office
(586) 258-2060

Community Center
(586) 268-8400

Court (traffic fines)
(586) 574-4900

DPW (road repair, snow removal)
(586) 759-9270

Economic Development
(586) 574-4519

Engineering (permits for sidewalks)
(586) 759-9300

Fire (administration)
(586) 756-2800

Forestry
(586) 759-9270

Gas Leaks
1-800-477-5050

Human Resources
(586) 574-4670

Insurance Division
(damage to personal property)
(586) 574-4653

Labor Relations
(586) 574-4696

Library:
Civic Center Library
(586) 751-0770
Burnette Branch
(586) 353-0579
Busch Branch
(586) 353-0580
Miller Branch
(586) 751-5377

Mayor’s Office
(586) 574-4520

Parks and Recreation:
Community Center
(586) 268-8400
Owen Jax
(586) 757-7480
Fitzgerald Recreation Center
(586) 759-0920

Planning
(586) 574-4687

Poison Control
1-800-222-1222

Police (administration)
(586) 574-4700

Property Maintenance (complaints)
(586) 574-4662

Recycling Information
(586) 775-1400

Sanitation (trash pickup)
(586) 775-1400

Senior Housing
(586) 758-1310

Streetlights Out
(586) 574-4662

Traffic Signals
(586) 574-4700

Treasurer (tax information)
(586) 574-4542

TTY (telecommunications for the deaf)
(586) 574-0412

Waste Water Treatment Plant
(586) 264-2530

Water Department
(water bills, sewage and flooding)
(586) 759-9200

Water Main Leaks
(586) 759-9200

Wires Down/Power Outage
1-800-477-4747