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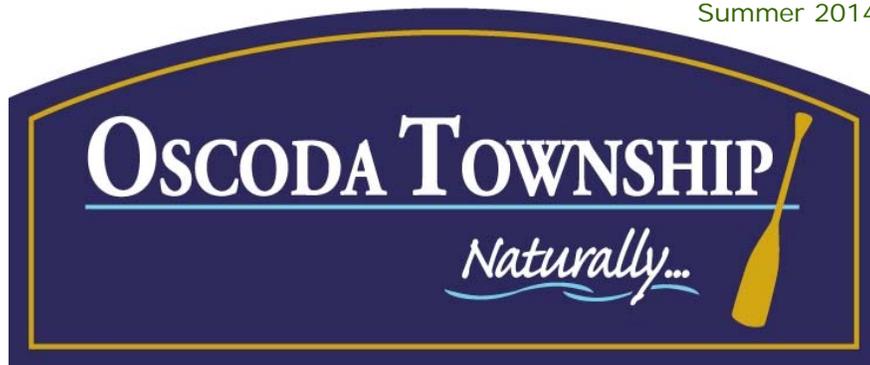
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Summer has arrived in Downtown Oscoda and we're looking forward to an exciting season filled with fun, friendship and family! As we welcome people into our community to experience what we get to enjoy every day, we would like to take this opportunity to mention a few of the exciting projects that were recently completed and share information about some events that are happening in and around our community this summer.

Last summer sidewalks were replaced in the **Downtown** area from Division Street north to Furtaw Field. The sidewalk replacement project included all the sidewalks along Lake Street and each side street in the downtown between US-23 and Lake Street. Improvements were also made in the public parking lot between Division and Park Streets and eleven of the lighting fixtures that were removed from the US 23 Road Reconstruction Project were refurbished and retro-fitted to a more energy efficient LED technology. They now illuminate the west side of Lake Street inviting night time strolls in the downtown area.



Looking for an excuse to come **downtown**? Well Thursday just might be the weekly night to mark your calendars... come on down, do a little shopping, grab some dinner, have an ice cream for dessert and then head down to the beach park and listen to the music at 7 pm at the Band Shell brought to you by our local Rotary Club.

The Oscoda Township **Community Center** would like to take this opportunity to thank all of its members and visitors for another GREAT season! The staff hopes that you have a wonderful summer and are able to get out there and enjoy our community! We hope to see you again next fall when the Center Re-Opens on Wednesday October 15, 2014. For information on rates and activities at the Oscoda Community Center please check out the website at www.oscodatownshipmi.gov.



GO VOTE **ELECTION NEWS** - There are two upcoming elections. The first, the Primary Election, is on August 5, 2014. Please be aware you may vote in one party section only (Democrat or Republican). You cannot "split" your ticket. If you vote in more than one party section your ballot will be rejected. The second, the General Election, is on November 4, 2014. You may vote a "straight ticket" (the party of your choice) a "split ticket" (a straight ticket and individual candidates) or a "mixed ticket" (vote for individual candidates of your choice in either party). Absentee ballots will be available at the Clerk's Office. To request one please call 989-739-4971.

What if you had the power to change the place you live, work & play for the better? When you support Oscoda & AuSable businesses you strengthen the fabric of our community... Shop Local, Dine Local, Live Local!

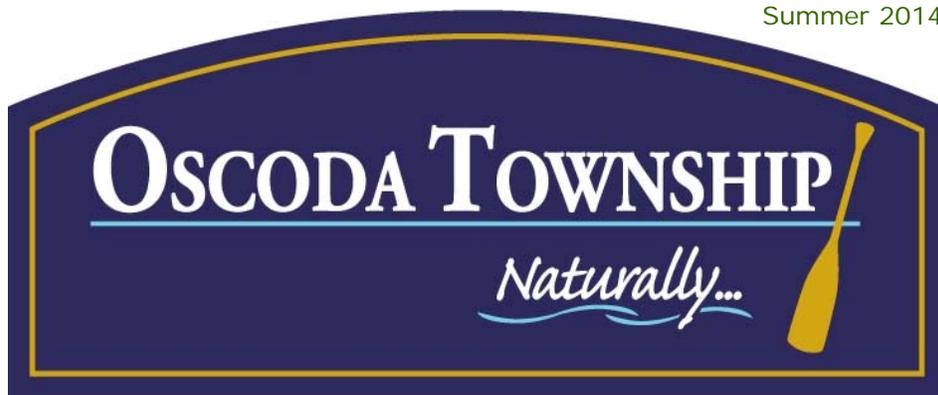
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A Community is not a community without the help of it's people...

Please be aware that all voting precincts are now located in downtown Oscoda. For more details please call our office. **VOTE!**

If you haven't already made plans that include spending your **4th of July** in downtown Oscoda this year to watch the fireworks... you still have time to adjust your itinerary and line up those beach chairs. No matter where you sit along the shoreline this year you're bound to get a spectacular view of the show. Thanks to both Oscoda and AuSable Township boards and the newly formed Friends of the Fireworks committee this years' budget has been increased by \$5,000 to purchase additional "Oohs and Awes" for everyone's enjoyment!

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 Treasurer - 989-739-7471
 Clerk - 989-739-4971
 Supervisor—989-739-3211
 Superintendent - 989-739-8299
 Utility Billing - 989-739-7532
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 Assessor - 989-739-7071



DISABLED VETERANS PROPERTY TAX EX-EMPTION

Last November Governor Snyder signed into law P.A. 161 of 2013. This act amends MCL 211.7b regarding Veterans Exemptions from property taxes. Real property used and owned as a homestead by a disabled veteran who was honorable discharged from the armed forces of the United States may be exempt from property taxes. To qualify the disabled veteran must have a service related disability, be a resident of the State of Michigan and meet 1 of the following conditions: A) Has been determined by the VA to be permanently and totally disabled and entitled to veterans benefits at the 100% rate. B) Has a certificate from the VA certifying that he or she is receiving or has received pecuniary assistance due to disability for specially adapted housing. C) Has been rated by the VA as individually unemployable. The qualified Disabled Veteran's surviving spouse may also be eligible for this exemption. To receive this exemption an Affidavit MUST be filed annually with the assessor and approved by the Board of Review. For 2014 taxes this affidavit needs to be received by the assessor prior to July 21, 2014 or December 5, 2014. For anyone who may have been eligible but did not receive the exemption for 2013, you must file the Affidavit with the assessor by July 21, 2014. If you have any question please do not hesitate to call (989) 739-7071.



Last minute VACATION! Enjoy all the amenities of Oscoda and stay local! The **Old Orchard Park Campground** offers both modern and primitive sites, where the camp store is stocked with necessities, kids' toys and of course the ice cream counter is full and ready to serve many delicious flavors. Enjoy craft time for kids every Saturday and Friday and Saturday evening HAYRIDES. Or stay at the **Van Etan Lake Campground** which offers quiet and relaxing primitive sites where you can launch your boat for a peaceful evening ride. For more information contact 989-739-7814.



The last full weekend of July will be the **67th Annual AuSable Canoe Marathon** with activities all week before. Wednesday July 23 is the H.U.P (Hurry up and Paddle) Race where kits (\$60 entry fee) will be provided to build your own canoe and race for the fastest time...it's a great family fun activity. New this year check out the Blind Canoe Race on Thursday July 24- teams will consist of 3 people- 2 of which are blind folded-so grab someone you know and come have some fun! Paul Bunyan Days returns this year with a bang! Its location will be center stage on Furtaw Field September 27 & 28 and will feature Schmidt Amusement Carnivals. These are just a few of the many events happening in our area this summer... for specific details about all the events please check out the chamber's website at www.oscodachamber.com or call 739-7322!



ATTENTION all property owners, business and residential, in the downtown area along the US 23 corridor. In order for our community to look its best we need everyone to do their part and maintain the upkeep of their landscape and buildings. Depending on where you are located in the downtown you might have a patch of grass or public sidewalk or maybe a combination of both... remember the way it looks is the first impression your business is making to a potential customer or visitor to our community. So lets all work together and get out there and keep our downtown clean...try to set aside 10 minutes every day to go out front and sweep, rake, mow, pull weeds, pick up garbage, dust spider webs from awnings, wash windows etc... And citizens alike, while enjoying a walk in town if you see litter please take the time to pick it up. Our town will be sure to SHINE and portray an image of community pride if we all do our part!

Code Enforcement Reminder - Per Township ordinance, no inoperable, junked, wrecked or abandoned motor vehicles shall be present on public or private property. This also includes vehicles that do not have a valid and current license plate and/or registration within the last calendar year.

"Spring has sprung, the grass has risen, this is where the mowing is". Grass/ weeds can be no higher than 6". Thank you.

Boat Launch Permits daily \$5 seasonal \$35 available on site or at the Treasurer's Office

Burn Permits 866-922-2876 yard rakings and brush ONLY

Farmers Market - Open Wednesday 9 AM – 2 PM Chamber of Commerce