

WHAT'S HAPPENING ON

SALINE MAIN STREET I

Well wonderful neighbors and friends, hope really does have wings. Things are looking up! And, foliage is bursting with color all around us. It's just one of the magical things we love about our little tree city. Another Michigan season means more amazing things to do and people to connect with, so you can imagine that every single person in Downtown Saline has been working hard to bring fun activities and events back to the Salt City. Read on for a list of great things happening that you simply won't want to miss!

TRUNK OR TREAT RETURNS FOR 2021!

Saline Main Street's Halloween Family Event | Wednesday October 27, 2021, 6:30 to 8:30PM

Our kooky spooky Downtown Halloween party is on! Calling all #groovyghoulies to come celebrate at one of our all-time favorite holiday events - it's time for Saline Main Street's funky Trunk or Treat. Our fabulous volunteers have been working nonstop to plan a family-friendly, safe and spacious goodie fest for Saline's little ghosts and goblins, and on October 27th it's all happening right here in Downtown Saline!

Won't you join us?

Saline Main Street's volunteers have rounded up a great bunch of local sponsors and groups to park their autos in the lots behind the corner of W Michigan Ave. and N Ann Arbor St. (alternating spaces), and all along W McKay St. (alternating sides). Their trunks will be filled with goodies and prizes for great scads of trick-or-treaters. DJ Aaron from Throw Yo Hands Up Entertainment will be spinning music with a cool dance area for kids and adults alike. There will be lots of games, yummies and family fun for everyone! City of Saline fire truck and police car - and did



we mention shows by Magic Joe?

The event will be located in the parking lots behind Hartman Insurance and Key Bank and all along neighboring McKay Street, which will be closed for ideal spacing and strolling.

Find parking and the official drop off area at the corner of N Lewis and W McKay streets in

the St. Paul's Church gravel lot.

Enter the event all along closed W McKay St. at the Key Bank ATM. There will be no lines. People will be invited to stroll along, maintain social distancing and visit trunks in any order with the ability to avoid crowding.

Portable restrooms will be

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placed at the entrance and inside the event.

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Mark your calendars - and, check us at www.salinemainstreet. org or on Facebook for more details!

SUMMER 2021 | A LOOK BACK

Oh, what a time we had in Downtown Saline this summer! The great comeback of Salty Summer Sounds was a ridiculous amount of fun - and with the best weather we could have possibly hoped for. People literally danced in the streets and kids played their hearts out over the yellow lines. We saw the opening of 4 amazing businesses! A cool gallery / artist space at Whitepine Studios, Italian pops and candies at Eleanor's Sweets and Sodas, a great little bookstore with incredible titles and authors at Fine Print Bookshop, and a fabulous new fun and witty toy store by Rock Paper Scissors Junior! We closed the street and enjoyed an actual public park in the heart of our downtown



for the 2nd year in a row called Umbrella Square where we dined and danced every week.

The Summerfest folks threw a beautiful party with live music and

a rad car rally. We celebrated Miss Saline and the Saline Fiddlers, and saluted our local hometown heroes. We illuminated the sky with colored lights on the gateways of Michigan Avenue for Luminous Saline. And we saw the Arts and Cultural Committee hang art on nearly on every

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EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

SARAH MASSEY PR Generalist

Sarah Massey has worked in many different roles in the City of Saline. She started as the Marketing and Communications intern at the Saline Rec Center, came back and worked as a Rec Receptionist, and now works for the City as PR Generalist.

The PR Generalist role is a new job in the City which oversees all communication to the community

from City Hall. Sarah manages social media pages, updates the website, and works closely with the Mayor and Department Heads to write press releases and other statements.

Sarah grew up in Saline, graduating from Saline High School in 2015. She then attended Ferris State University where she graduated with an Associate's degree in Graphic Design and a Bachelor's degree in Public Relations. After college, she moved back to the Ann Arbor area.

When she's not working, Sarah enjoys spending time with her friends, family, and cats. She looks forward to her yearly trip up to Michigan's Upper Peninsula where she relaxes and spends time outside hiking and exploring.





CHRISTMAS TREE

COLLECTION

Residents can set out Christmas trees for curbside collection on scheduled trash collection days starting Saturday, December 30, 2021.

Items such as ornaments, tree stands, plastic bags, or any other object must be removed from the tree. Trees that are over 6-feet tall <u>must be cut in half</u>.

The final collection of Christmas trees will be on Friday, January 21, 2022. Trees placed at the curb for collection after January 21 will not be collected.

OVERNIGHT

HYDRANT FLUSHING

The City of Saline will begin flushing hydrants as part of a routine maintenance program to achieve the highest water quality for residents.

Starting October 4, 2021, the

Department of Public Works (DPW) will flush various hydrants throughout the City. Hydrant flushing will continue through early Friday, October 15, 2021.

October 4-15, 2021

Although it may appear that hydrant flushing is 'wasting water,' hydrant flushing is an important preventative maintenance step for the City's water distribution system.



- WATER DISCOLORATION • No need to be alarmed, water discoloration is normal during flushing and is not harmful.
 - Discoloration is caused by mineral deposits that have settled in the water main being stirred up during flushing.
 - Running cold water for a few minutes will allow clear water to work its way from the water main into your pipes clearing up any discoloration. If discoloration still occurs, wait a few more minutes and try running the cold water again. It is best to run the lowest cold water tap (basement) closest to where your water line enters your house.

LOW WATER PRESSURE

- This may occur if various nearby hydrants are flushed at the same time you access your water.
- This may occur if built-up sediment from the flushing is trapped in the faucet screen.

HYDRANT FLUSHING WILL TAKE PLACE OVERNIGHT TO MINIMIZE THESE PROBLEMS.

For more information regarding hydrant flushing, please contact the Department of Public Works at (734) 429-5624.

COMMUNITY

EVENTS CALENDAR

OCTOBER 2021

- 01 Water/Sewer Bills Mailed
- 04 City Council Meeting 7pm
- 04 Overnight Hydrant Flushing Begins
- 06 Historic District Commission 7pm
- 06 Saline Area Fire Executive Board 7pm at Fire Hall
- 07 Zoning Board of Appeals 7pm
- 09 Fireworks at Crabtree Field
- 10 Fireworks at Crabtree Field (Back-up in case of Rain Delay)
- Columbus Day 11
- 12 Cable Commission 1pm at Liberty School 13 DEI Task Force 5:30pm
- 13 Planning Commission 7pm
- Regular Trash Collection 14-15
- 15 Overnight Hydrant Flushing Ends
- 18 City Council Meeting 7pm
- 19 Youth Council 5:30pm
- Parks Commission 7pm at City Hall 19
- 20 Arts & Culture Commission 5:30pm **Environmental Commission 7pm** 20
- 21 Fall Loose Leaf Collection Begins
- 24 Code Review Task Force 4pm
- 25 Health Care Task Force 7pm
- **DEI Task Force** 27
- Planning Commission 7pm 27
- 30 City Hall Open for Absentee Ballots 8am-4pm
- 31 Saline Trick or Treating 6-8pm

NOVEMBER 2021

- Water/Sewer Bills Due 01
- City Council Meeting 7pm 01
- 02 Election Day Polls Open 7am-8pm Historic District Commission 7pm 03
- 04 Zoning Board of Appeals 7pm
- 09 Cable Commission 1pm at Liberty School
- 10 DEI Task Force 5:30pm
- 10 Planning Commission 7pm
- 11 Veterans Day - City Offices Closed

- 11-12 Regular Trash Collection (No Delay)
- 15 City Council Meeting 7pm
- 16 Youth Council 5:30pm
- 16 Parks Commission 7pm at City Hall
- 17 Code Review Task Force 4pm
- 17 Arts and Culture Committee 5:30pm
- 17 **Environmental Commission 7pm** 22 Health Care Task Force 7pm
- 24 DEI Task Force 5:30pm
- 25 Thanksgiving Day
- No Trash Collection-Holiday Delay 25
- 25-26 City Offices Closed
- Trash Collection
 - Final Loose Leaf Collection North of Michigan Ave.

DECEMBER 2021

- 01 Tax Bills Mailed Out
- Historic District Commission 7pm 01
- Saline Area Fire Executive Board 7:30pm at Fire Hall 01
- Zoning Board of Appeals 7pm 02
- 02-03 Final Loose Leaf Collection – South of Michigan Ave.
 - 04 Holiday/Christmas Parade 5:30pm Downtown Saline
- 06 City Council Meeting 7pm
- 80 DEI Task Force 5:30pm
- 80 Planning Commission 7pm 09-10 Final Curbside Yard Waste Collection
- 15 Arts and Culture Committee 5:30pm
- 15 **Environmental Commission 7pm** City Council Meeting 7pm
- 20
- 20 Health Care Task Force 7pm 21 Youth Council 5:30pm
- 21 Parks Commission 7pm at City Hall
- 22 DEI Task Force 5:30pm
- 23-24 Regular Trash Collection – No delay
- 24 Christmas Eve/City Offices Closed
- 27 Christmas Observance - City Offices Closed 30-31 Regular Trash Collection (No delay)/ Christmas Tree
 - Recycling Begins
- 31 New Year's Eve - City Offices Closed

AUTUMN LEAVES

BY THE BOOK

Autumn in Saline is a special time of year; cooler nights, sports, and amazing fall colors are hard to beat. For most residents, nature's color show eventually becomes a yard full of fallen leaves. Managing that mountain of seasonal biomass is always a challenge for our DPW workers, but you can help. Here are some tips for a good fall cleanup:

LOOSE LEAVES

Most leaves are collected from city streets at the curb. These are known as "loose leaves" and should not be put into yard waste bags. Residents should rake or blow their leaves to the curb but not into the street or near storm drains. Leaf-choked storm drains can lead to flooding and other issues so please keep the drains on your street clear.

LEAF COLLECTION DATES

Loose leaf collection begins this year on October 21st and ends December 3rd. Any leaves you want collected should be at the curb by November 28th.

LEAVE OUT THE LIMBS

During Fall cleanup, residents often dispose of tree branches, ornamental corn stalks, dead shrubs, and other woody matter in their leaf piles. This is very hard on DPW mulching equipment and should be avoided. Instead, dispose of branches and tree trimmings in paper yard waste bags or cut into 3 ft. lengths and tie in bundles for normal waste pickup.

NO BURNING

Remember that open burning, including the burning of leaves and other yard waste is prohibited in Saline. Open burning does not include small fires made with LP, natural gas, charcoal, or wood chips for the purpose of cooking. These fires must be contained in a metal, brick, or other fireproof container and should be at least 25 ft. from any structure. Any backyard recreational fire that leads to a complaint for smoke, ash, or other noxious conditions, will be ordered extinguished, so please be a considerate grill master.

KEEP YOUR BIOMASS AT HOME

Turning your leaves into great mulch or free garden compost material is easy with the average mulching mower. A good mix of brown leaves and green grass is the perfect recipe for great compost. It takes a bit more work than simply raking leaves to the curb, but it's the green thing to do and you'll be rewarded with a great lawn or garden amendment.

Have a great Autumn season!

GOOD NEIGHBOR

CODE COMPLIANCE

FALL LEAF COLLECTION

Residents may dispose of fallen leaves through the following leaf disposal programs.

LOOSE LEAF COLLECTION

'Loose Leaf Collection' offers residents the ease of raking leaves into piles onto their extension without bagging. The Department of Public Works (DPW) will utilize equipment to collect the loose leaf piles and deliver to nearby fields for composting.

Beginning Thursday, October 21, the DPW will collect leaves north of Michigan Avenue on Mondays/Tuesdays and south of Michigan Avenue on Thursdays/Fridays. Residents are not guaranteed that their leaves will be picked up each week. Occasionally other work demands will prevent the DPW from clearing the entire City in a given week.

Residents will need to have all leaves out at the curb by Sunday, November 28. Starting Monday, November 29th, the DPW will make a final pass through each street collecting leaves.

Leaves placed on the curb after Sunday, November 28 will not be collected.

- Move vehicle from street on collection days.
- <u>Do not</u> rake leaves over catch basin grates.
- <u>Do not</u> put tree brush, limbs, bushes, plants, flowers, etc. into leaf piles. Leaves will not be collected if any of these items are placed in leaf pile.

- <u>Do not</u> park over leaf piles.
- Do not bag leaves for loose leaf collection.

YARD WASTE COLLECTION

Residents also have the option of putting leaves in reusable containers or brown paper yard waste bags and placing out for weekly curbside yard waste collection.

- Weekly yard waste collection will continue through Friday, December 10, 2021.
- Leaves must be placed in reusable containers identified with yard waste stickers or brown paper yard waste bags.
- Yard waste stickers on reusable containers must be visible to collector. Yard waste stickers are available at City Hall and DPW.
- <u>Do not</u> put leaves in plastic trash bags (only reusable containers or brown paper bags).
- Bags/containers must be placed 5' from trash and recyclables.
- No bag/container should weigh more than 60 lbs.
- Maximum of six (6) bags/containers of yard waste per week.
- Yard Waste <u>does not</u> include sod, pet waste, branches over 4-inches in diameter, tree stumps, logs, wood, dirt, rocks, and/or trash.

SNOW PLOWING

As snow will soon start to fall, please keep in mind that city snowplows will be out clearing snow from city streets.

City trucks plow the snow from the roadway to the side of the road, generally making at least two passes through each street. The first pass that the City plow will complete is typically during the storm or soon after. Subsequent passes, which are typically completed several hours after the first pass, are done to move the snow as close to the curb as possible. There will be two occasions where City plows will leave snow from the roadway onto residential drive approaches.

Residents clearing their driveway approach,

should pile the snow on the grass area of their yard. This will keep snow from obstructing the roadway, and will minimize the amount of snow pushed back into the driveway by City plows. Residents should also make certain that their trash and recycling containers are placed off the edge of the road but close enough for the garbage collector to pick up the containers from the street without having to walk or climb through snow banks. The best and easiest time to remove the snow from the drive approach is immediately after the City snowplow passes.

Do not plow, shovel, or blow the snow back into the street.

We would like to remind property owners and private snow removal contractors that **State** Law (Act 82 of 1978, vehicle code 257.677A) prohibits the plowing, shoveling or blowing of snow, ice or slush onto or across roadways or highways, as it can present a serious traffic hazard and fines and costs for court conviction could be up to \$500. In addition, snow must not be piled in such a way as to obstruct motorists' vision

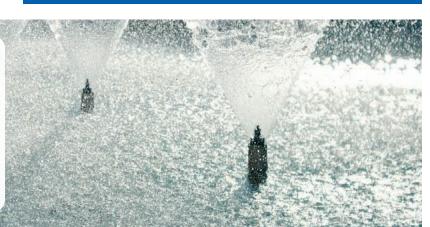
If you have any questions, please contact the Department of Public Works Monday through Friday from 7:30 AM to 3:30 PM at 734-429-5624.

WINTERIZING YOUR

IRRIGATION SYSTEM

As winter approaches many property owners are preparing to shut down their irrigation systems. Most systems need to be blown out to clear water from the exterior lines. Please make sure you close the inside valve when your system is blown out. In the past there have been multiple incidents

of air being forced into the water main because contractors did not close the inside valve to properly isolate the irrigation system. One of these incidents resulted in a home temporarily losing water service and thousands of gallons of water were wasted to flush air from the mains.



PLASTIC BAG &

IFILM RECYCLING

Rena McRoy, WRRMA Intern

You may have seen the recycling detectives walking through your neighborhood recently, helping WRRMA (the Washtenaw Regional Resource Management Authority) learn what questions residents still have about recycling. The detectives identified a major source of confusion - plastic bag and plastic films. Plastic films are items like air pillows, product wrappings from water bottles and paper towels, bubble wrap, and produce bags. 89% of recycling carts found to be contaminated (containing non-recyclable items) had plastic bags or plastic film!

Plastic bags and plastic film are recyclable, but not in your curbside cart. Plastic bags and plastic film tangle in the machines at the recycling sorting facilities, which slows operations down and creates a safety risk for workers as they stop the processing lines to cut the tangled bags and film out of the machine. One facility recently told us that for each working shift they need to shut down processing for two hours and use six workers just to clean out the tanglers! This is one of the many reasons cleaner recycling helps ensure the materials you work hard to recycle are ultimately able to be recycled.

The best option to combat the problems presented by plastic films is to avoid them where you can, which is a difficult task since they are seemingly everywhere.

You can reduce plastic films by choosing reusable substitutes over single-use plastics when possible, or saving and reusing items like plastic grocery bags to get the most out of the material. Even after reducing and reusing, you may still have plastic bags or plastic film you need to dispose of – do it responsibly by recycling them at drop-off locations.

Plastic bags and plastic film can be recycled at various drop-off bins around your community. Many grocery stores and some large retailers, such as Meijer, Kroger, Target, and Wal-Mart, maintain plastic bag and plastic film recycling bins in their front entryway. Plastic-FilmRecycling.org has an online directory for finding nearby dropoff locations like these, as well as educational resources to learn more. The Washtenaw Regional Resource Management Authority has a Waste Wizard recycling search at WRRMA.org that shows your local drop-off stations and Recycle Ann Arbor also runs a network of drop-off bins throughout

the county as part of their Plastic Pollution Solution program.

Even after you've reduced and reused your plastic bag and plastic film as much as possible, you'll probably still have some remaining. It's important that you then make the effort to dispose of it responsibly. When they are recycled properly – they can be repurposed into useful items like composite lumber instead of ending up in a landfill, polluting the environment, or causing problems at recycling facilities.

RECYCLE empty, clean & dry plastic bags & wraps at store drop-offs

NOT in Curbside Recycling



NO candy bar wrappers • chip bags • six-pack rings • degradable bags • prewashed salad bags



Find drop-off locations at PlasticFilmRecycling.org/drop-off



VOLUNTEERING FOR THE

CITY OF SALINE

The City of Saline is looking for men and women who would like to volunteer their time and energy and give back to their community. The City has vacancies on their Boards and Commissions from time to time. If you have an interest or passion for the environment, the parks, history, arts and culture, or economic development, the City would like to hear from you. Most of the Boards and Commissions meet once per month in the evening and some have projects and/or programs that they sponsor, such

as Park Clean-up Days, Build a Rain Barrel workshop, Drinking Water Taste-Testing, and many more. If a board or commission has no vacancies at this time, your application will be saved for consideration when future vacancies occur. Applications for City Boards and Commissions are available at Saline City Hall or on the City's website at www.cityofsaline.org. Please contact the clerk's office with any questions at 734-429-4907 ext. 2209 or email troyal@cityofsaline.org.

STREETLIGHT OUTAGE

REPORTING



Residents can report streetlight outages online or by phone.

Online:

Visit DTE at outage.dteenergy.com/

Phone:

Call DTE at (800) 477-4747 or the DPW at (734) 429-5624.

Please have the following information available when reporting the streetlight outage:

- Location of Outage

 (address pages areas)
- (address, nearest crossroads, etc.)

 Pole Material
- Pole Material
 - (wood or metal/fiberglass)
- Pole Number (approximately 8 feet from bottom/street side of the pole)
- Outage Details (stays off during night, stays on during day, etc.)

Report emergencies or service disruptions to DTE at (800) 477-4747.

PEOPLE'S EXPRESS

PUBLIC TRANSIT

Public transportation is available to City of Saline residents through *People's Express*. A local bus will transport residents around the City and to limited local destinations located outside of the City limits.

Reservations:

- Reservations must be made two (2) business days in advance.
- Call 1-877-214-6073 to schedule a reservation.

Fares:

- \$2.00 for each one-way trip in the local service area.
- Cash only accepted.
- Aide or Personal Assistant rides free.



ART AROUND SALINE:

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR I

The Art Around Saline project, organized by the Saline Arts and Culture Committee, completed its fifth year in 2021.

A tremendous thank you goes out to all the building owners who have agreed to have the art installed on their buildings for the public to enjoy: McPherson Local; Cobblestone Rose; Hensel Kenpo Karate; Brecon Grille; Earth Elements; Mac's Acadian Seafood; Grossman Building; Rock, Paper Scissors; Pineapple House; and Benny's Bakery.

Another thank you to the new businesses where



several legacy pieces from 2019 have moved: Ann Arbor Saline Music Center; Woodland Family Dentistry; Mickey's Dairy Twist; Select Flooring; Saline Recreation Center; Quantum Signal/Union School; and City Hall (North Side).

If you are a building owner and would like artwork displayed on your building in 2022, please contact co-chairs Jennifer Judge Hensel (jjudgehensel@gmail.com) or Tamara Moore (tamamoo@gmail.com).

Our Call for Artists for new Art Around Saline artwork submissions to be installed in late Spring/



early Summer 2022 will open in October 2021. Details can be found on our website beginning in October.

Stay in the know on all things Art and Culture in Saline by following our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/SalineArtsAndCulture/.



A MESSAGE FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

PET WASTE DISPOSAL

WHY?

- To keep our dogs and ourselves healthy by preventing disease transmission
- To keep our families and neighbors happy by preventing SIP (Step In Poop) incidents on sidewalks and lawns
- To keep our lawns and gardens happy because dog poop is toxic to green, growing things and soil
- To keep canoeists and kayakers happy and healthy on our streams and rivers by keeping poop out of storm drains that flow to the river
- To help keep beaches open by keeping pet waste bacteria, viruses, and parasites out of the lakes
- And, oh yeah, it's one of the City's rules

WHAT TO DO?

- Pick it u
- Double-bag it to protect our essential trash collectors from contact with it
- Put it in the trash

SCOOP THE POOP!



COME CHECK OUT THE

SALINE FARMERS MARKET

Every Sat. 8am-noon at 100 S. Ann Arbor St., Parking Lot #4.

What a lovely summer we have had! The market averaged 800-1000 customers every Saturday who enjoyed learning activities, music and the public space on Ann Arbor Street. The Market Manager, vendors and volunteers would like to thank the Saline community for their continued support and loyalty through the season! With a great balance of vendor types, we were able to be the go-to for all the freshest local food around.



We will be having our first indoor market starting November 20 at the Liberty School on N. Ann Arbor Street, Saturdays from 9am-noon. There will continue to be our great balance of food vendors including produce all winter (not just potatoes!), meat, poultry, cheese, prepared foods and we will be featuring crafters for all your holiday gift needs! We look forward to seeing your familiar faces as we transition to another abundant Michigan winter season.









SALINE PARKS AND RECREATION



FOR MORE INFORMATION 429-3502

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TALES ON THE TRAILS Friday, October 8

FLY FISHING TUNE UP AT MILL POND PARK Saturday, October 9

PUMPKIN HUNT Tuesday, October 12

FALL SPOOKTACULAR
FAMILY EVENT
Saturday, October 16

NATURE SERIES AT CURTISS PARK Thursday, October 21

FUN DAY MINI CAMP Friday, October 22

GREAT PUMPKIN ROLL Saturday, November 6

ROCK & BOWL Saturday, November 13

NATURE SERIES AT TEFFT PARK

Thursday, November 18

FUN DAY MINI CAMP Wednesday, November 24

NATURE SERIES AT WILDERNESS PARK Thursday, December 9

WINTER BREAK CAMP Monday – Friday, December 20-24 and 27-31

TOM "TJ" JOHNSTON

SCHOLARSHIP FUND



Tom Johnston was a long-time swim instructor at the Rec Center, as well as many other places in the community. He was passionate about water safety and making sure youth (and adults) knew how to swim.

To honor his memory, the Rec Center is collecting funds for the Tom "TJ" Johnston Memorial Scholarship Fund. Money raised will go towards providing scholarships so everyone is able to take swim lessons at the Rec Center as well as fund improvement projects in the aquatics center to enhance the experience for everyone who visits.

If you would like to donate to the fund, please scan the QR code below or visit our website, cityofsaline.org/parks for a direct link. If you have any questions about the scholarships, please contact Carla Scruggs, Parks and Recreation Director at cscruggs@cityofsaline.org.



SPONSOR A LAP LANE

AT THE REC CENTER

Have you ever wanted to have a street named after you? How about a pool lane? We are kicking off our aquatic center fundraising with an opportunity to have a lane line named after you, in honor of someone special or to recognize a busi-

ness or organization. An authentic street sign will be made with your name. In addition, you will be recognized on a special sponsor board. All sponsorship funds will be used for enhancements to the Aquatic Facility, specifically for a new tile floor on the pool deck. If you have questions, would like to sponsor a lane, or would like to donate to the Aquatic Facility improvement project, please contact Carla Scruggs at cscruggs@cityofsaline.org or (734) 429-3502 ext. 2509

SALINE REC CENTER OFFERS HEALTH AND WELLNESS

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL

There's something for everyone at the Saline Rec Center! The aquatics center features lap swim, group water exercise classes, swim lessons and open family play. The fitness center has a free weight room, cardio fitness room, Nautilus room

and group fitness studio. A full gymnasium is available for pick-up basketball, volleyball leagues, walking track and general use. Finally, there's a racquetball court, locker rooms, meeting spaces and more. Stop by for a tour today. Discounts are avail-

able for those who live or work within the Saline Area School District boundaries. Annual and monthly memberships are available as well as day passes. The Rec Center is open Monday – Friday from 5:30am-8pm and Saturday from 6am-4pm.

For more information on these and other great programs, contact Saline Parks and Recreation at 429-3502

CITY OF SALINE

PARKS & REC SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

Have you ever thought about volunteering time to your community, but don't know where to start? Saline Parks and Rec would like you to start with us. We welcome anyone, from families to youth groups, church groups, work groups, scout troops and more to volunteer for park stewardship activities.

Examples include removing inva-

sive vegetation within our parks such as pulling garlic mustard, garden bed clean up, tree/bush trimming, trash pickup, painting and more. Walk to your local park and check it out. Even better, walk to a number of our beautiful parks. Look for things you feel need some attention and that you may be interested in. Let us know and we'll provide you the ma-

terials and guidance needed to make things look nice. You will get a sense of satisfaction every time you visit that park knowing that your time and effort helped make that park even better

We have projects that are as little as 1 hour or up to several days. We can also fashion a project to help with scouting badges. For more information about our Parks and volunteerism, see cityof-saline.org and click Saline Parks. A map of the Saline Parks System and a Volunteer Application can be found down the right side under Related Downloads. Or you can contact Parks and Recreation Director: Carla Scruggs 734-429-3502 x 2509 or cscruggs@cityofsaline.org.

OAKWOOD MAUSOLEUM

CREMAIN NICHES ARE AVAILABLE



Cremains niches for inurnment of cremains are available in the alcove area inside of historic Oakwood Mausoleum. The interior columbarium was installed in November 2011, and it contains a total of 139 niche spaces concealed by single or double Georgian marble fronts. Niche spaces vary in size with 2-urn, 3-urn, or

4-urn spaces. The City of Saline has adopted columbaria regulations and rates, and has established administrative policies regarding the sales and operation of the niche system.

AVAILABILITY AND PURCHASING PROCESS

Individuals or families interested in Oakwood Mausoleum niche spaces may request information by contacting the offices of the Saline City Clerk at City Hall, 100 N. Harris Street, Saline, MI 48176, or by telephone at 734-429-4907 extension 2209 or 2216.

NICHE SALES, INURNMENT, AND ENGRAVING RATES

Niche rates are adopted by the Saline City Council and the current rates can be obtained from the city website at www.cityofsaline.org. They are located in the City Feebook in the Resources/Informational Downloads section of the website.

GENERAL NICHE RULES AND REGULATIONS

Adopted rules for Columbaria and Niches are located in Section V of the *Oakwood Cemetery Rules and Regulations*. The rules regulate Purchase, Transfers, Interment (Inurnment), Engraving, Decorations, Niche sizes, Containers, and Removal of Cremains, and are implemented through administrative procedures. Detailed standards and regulations for the marble front engraving process are explained on Attachment B of the *Oakwood Cemetery Rules and Regulations*.

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corner. The 109 Cultural Exchange became the meeting spot for Salt Valley Arts artists, the Saline Area Historical Society and became an incubator for Yogacentric.

Through it all, you kept coming downtown – our neighbors and friends, downtown employees, small biz owners and more. You got things done, amped up your style, played in the street and made memories over great food and live music. For that and more, we thank you heartfully! It was a summer for the history books, and one we will never forget.

CELEBRATING OUR LOCAL VETERANS AND ACTIVE DUTY HEROES

We invite our hometown heroes, their families, and their friends this fall to take a sidewalk stroll along Michigan Avenue for a heartfelt trip down Memory Lane. This Veteran's Day, Saline Main Street is once again very proud to present the Active Duty Military and Veterans Banner Tribute - a boulevard ban-

ner project to recognize and honor locals who have served or are currently serving as members of the United States Armed Forces. This homage will be posted along Michigan Avenue and Ann Arbor Street in Downtown Saline and will remain up until Thanksgiving Week. We hope you will join us here for a visit



to see the face of Saline patriotism - to share in this experience of supreme gratitude, and to revere the lives and sacrifices made by our locally connected veterans and active duty military people.

SHOP & DINE DOWNTOWN SALINE | THE GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING

Winter wish lists are being prepared and get-togethers planned. We think longingly about the people who are missing from us. We pull out boxes from storage and try to set the stage for something uniquely wonderful. Each year. Every holiday. We want to make a little magic.

The act of giving and the feel-

ing one gets from the warmth and kindness of strangers – this is the way of the sidewalk in Downtown Saline.

Shopping small is a meaningful way to make your holidays one to remember. Our downtown boutiques and eateries are known for rolling out the red carpet all year long, but this is truly the season

when everyone shines. For thoughtful gifts and Michigan style, there simply is nowhere else that does the holidays quite like Downtown

Retail and dining events here will make your winter a little more Midwest, a lot more stylish and especially memorable. From decorating ideas to wrapping, hosting parties and storytelling - let our imaginative shop keeps, party gurus, studio artists and wizard chefs help you compose the holidays your own special way! You can make your wish list come true with a little help from your Downtown Saline friends.

Mark your calendars! Small **Business Saturday is November**

THANK YOU!

As we head into Winter 2021, we'd like to give a big shout out and thank you to all of our amazing

Oktoberfest volunteers, our Main Street teams, the City of Saline's Department of Public Works, City

Manager Colleen O'Toole, Mayor Marl, Chief Hart, fire and city staff and, to everyone who works on behalf of Downtown Saline business and services! We wouldn't be here - couldn't be here - without you.

Saline Main Street is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to guiding Downtown Saline toward its most vibrant future! For more information about our work in the community please visit our new website and blog at www.salinemainstreet.org or contact Holli Andrews, Executive Director at (734) 717-7406. Check in with us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/salinemainstreet) Twitter (@DowntownSaline) and Instagram (@salinemainstreet), too!

CITY OF SALINE:

ELECTION INFORMATION

ELECTIONS

The General Election is fast approaching. Tuesday, November 2, 2021, voters will be voting for three (3) City of Saline Council Members. Visit www.michigan.gov/vote to view the ballot in its entirety.

You can go on-line to www.michigan.gov/ vote to find your voting information including if you are currently registered to vote and the location where you will vote. Remember to bring photo identification with you to the polls and have it out and available as part of the check-in process. Make sure you are in the correct polling location and precinct before getting in line.

You may register at any Secretary of State office, Washtenaw County Clerk's Office, or at Saline City Hall located at 100 N. Harris Street, Saline. City Hall is open Monday thru Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

POLLING PLACES ARE LOCATED AS FOLLOWS, and all are handicapped accessible and have braille instructions available:

The Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 2, 2021. Polling places for city residents are as follows:

> Precinct #1 & #2 Liberty School (Gym) 7265 Saline-Ann Arbor Road

Precinct #3 First United Methodist Church 1200 N. Ann Arbor, corner of Woodland

Campaign or Candidate information including buttons, stickers, apparel, literature, etc. are NOT permitted within 100 feet or inside the polling location. Voters may be permitted to use cell phones while waiting in line at the processing table if not disruptive to the voting process. The use of cell phones by voters who have entered a voting station to vote is prohibited except for the purpose of taking a photograph of their voted ballot.

ABSENTEE BALLOT INFORMATION

Absentee ballots for the General Election are now available in the Clerk's office. Saline City Hall will be open on Saturday, October 30th from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for the purpose of issuing absentee ballots or receiving voted absentee ballots. If you know you will need an absentee ballot, please don't delay in applying for your ballot. October 30th is the last day an absentee ballot can be taken out of the Clerk's office for voting. On Monday, November 1st an absentee ballot may be applied for and voted in the Clerk's office up to 4:00 p.m.

All absentee ballots must be received in the Clerk's office by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day to be counted.

Applications and ballots can be returned by being placed in the drop boxes behind Comerica Bank or in the City Hall parking lot drop box, or the drop box at the City Hall counter.

Any questions regarding voter registration, where you vote, or application for an absentee ballot should be directed to the City Clerk's office by calling 429-4907, extensions 2209 or 2216.

FIRE DETECTION AND

SECURITY SYSTEMS

October 3rd-9th is Fire Prevention Week. This is the perfect time to check your fire detection system within your home, whether you rent or own. If your system is battery-operated, replace the battery at this time. A properly working system is essential to protect your home and loved ones.

Saline City Ordinance requires that all owners of leased dwellings or dwellings with a common shared wall, must make an annual inspection of their fire detection systems as well as security lighting in parking areas and security devices on all exterior windows and doors. A full copy of the ordinance is available in the Clerk's office.



Don't delay, check your fire detection system today, so you can sleep easy tonight!

MINUTES

ON DEMAND

To better serve the residents of the City of Saline, the City has implemented a program in which citizens can view meeting agendas and minutes, called Minutes on Demand. This program allows you to view the AGENDAS and MINUTES of various City Boards, Commissions,

and Council. Not only will you be able to see the upcoming meeting information, you may also search previous meetings for specific meeting details.

Residents can be notified when new agendas and minutes are added, by going to the City's website

at www.cityofsaline.org and clicking Minutes and Agendas on the left hand side under Quick Links. This will take you to the Minutes on Demand page where you will see the different boards and commissions. To sign up to automatically receive e-mail notifications, put in your e-mail address and create a password. A confirmation email will be sent to you. Once you receive that email, you can log in and sign up to receive Agendas and Minutes for the various boards/commissions that you are interested in.

CITY OF SALINE

DIRECTORY

ADMINISTRATION

City Manager — Colleen O'Toole 429-4907 x2211 cotoole@cityofsaline.org General Administration, Grants, Human Resources, Insurances, Downtown Development

CITY CLERK

Terri Royal, City Clerk 429-4907 x2209 troyal@cityofsaline.org Elections/Voter Registration, Cemetery, Records, City Council, Passports, Fire Records

CITY ASSESSOR

Pat Zamenski 429-4907 x2208 pzamenski@cityofsaline.org Property Assessment Records, Principal Residence Exemption Affidavits

CITY TREASURER

Mickie Jo Bennett, Treasurer 429-4907 x2203 mbennett@cityofsaline.org Finance, Tax & Utility Billing, Collections, Payroll, Accounts Receivable/ Payable, Website and Tech Support

PARKS & RECREATION

Carla Scruggs, Director 429-3502 cscruggs@cityofsaline.org Parks and Recreation Programs, Classes, Special Events, Saline Recreation Center

COMMUNITY **DEVELOPMENT**

Mike Greene, Assistant City Manager Community Development Director 429-8296 mgreene@cityofsaline.org Building Services, Planning, Zoning and Code Enforcement

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Director — Larry Sirls

429-5624 Streets and Parks Maintenance, Public Utilities, Solid Waste, Street Lights, Water Distribution System, Sewer System, Sidewalks, Cemetery Maintenance, Community Events, Engineering

POLICE

Jerrod Hart, Police Chief 429-7911 jhart@cityofsaline.org Public Safety, Emergency Management, Parking **Enforcement**

WASTEWATER/WATER TREATMENT PLANTS

Superintendent — Bill Briggs 944-2003

Wastewater Treatment and Water Treatment Plants

SALINE CITY

ICOUNCIL



SALINE CITY COUNCIL: Jim Dell'Orco, Jack Ceo, Mayor Pro Tem Dean Girbach, Kevin Camero-Sulak, Janet Dillon, Mayor Brian Marl, Dawn Krause

100 North Harris Street Saline, Michigan 48176-1642 **Office Hours:**

Mon. — Fri. 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. www.cityofsaline.org

Office: 734-429-4907 Fax: 734-429-0528 Police: 734-429-7911 Fire: 734-429-4440 **Emergency Calls: 911**

CITY OF SALINE BUILDING

PERMIT PROCESS

Before you plan property or building improvements or relocate/set up a new business:

Before you plan residential or commercial building improvements, to move a business to a new location, or to start a new business,

please contact the Community Development Department to discuss the process. City code requirements include:

PASSPORT

- A Zoning Compliance Review to determine if a business use is permitted in a zoning district
- Building Code compliance to obtain an occupancy permit
- Determine needs for parking, utility metering, addresses, or special
- Determine if Historic District, Condo Association, or other special requirements apply
- Some Commercial and Residential work items can obtain exemption, and those are listed in a link at www.cityofsaline.org

Please contact the Community Development Deptment at 734-429-8296 ext 2221.

PASSPORT

APPLICATIONS

Saline City Hall Passport Service **Hours:**

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Monday – Friday (Hours are subject to change according to staff availability)

Passports are taken by appointment only. Please call to schedule an appointment:

734-429-4907 ext. 2216 or 2209 or online at https://calendly.com/city-ofsaline-passport

Please read the application instructions and

follow them carefully. Use black ink and capital letters when completing the form. If you make a mistake, you must start over on a new form. Be sure that you have all the required documentation with you. The application form is explicit on the type of documents that are acceptable.

All applicants, including infants & children, must be present at the time of executing the application. Both parent's consent is required for minors under the age of 16, as well as photo ID. Photo ID is required for applicants 16 and over. We strongly encourage you to complete the application before your appointment. Do not sign the application. It must be signed in the presence of the Passport Agent.

FEES:

All fees are nonrefundable, credit card as not accepted

CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO "<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE</u>" PASSPORT BOOK\$110

• Age 16 and Over PASSPORT BOOK\$80

• Age 15 and Younger PASSPORT CARD\$30

- Age 16 and Over
- · Land/sea travel only
- PASSPORT CARD \$15

• Age 15 and Younger • Land/sea travel only

EXPEDITE SERVICE.....\$60 Per application

1-2 DAY EXPRESS MAIL \$17.56

• From the Passport Agency to your address

CASH OR CHECK PAYABLE TO "CITY OF SALINE"

EXECUTION FEE\$35

• Per application

1-2 DAY EXPRESS MAIL \$26.35

• From City Hall to Passport Agency

PROCESSING TIMES

Routine service is up to 18 weeks Expedite service is up to 12 weeks

Questions may be directed to the Clerk's office by calling: (734) 429-4907 ext. 2216 or 2209. Information is also available from the National Passport Information Center at 1-877-487-2778 or on their website: www. travel.state.gov