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# The Village News

October 2017



## From the Village President, Bob Getz

I hope everyone has had a wonderful summer. Hard to believe it is the first of October already.

If you have been by the park lately, I'm sure you noticed some awesome improvements. Jacob and Joshua Mattner painted the pavilion and the playground equipment, built five handicap picnic tables, added mulch and weeded around the trees, plus some general painting and weeding for their Eagle Scout project. The Village Council would like to extend a sincere thank you, not only to Jacob and Joshua, but to their entire family and scout troops for all their help to make our park look amazing.

The Village engineering firm Wightman & Associates, has just completed our sewer and waste water assessment; which was paid for by a SAW (stormwater, asset management, wastewater) Grant through the state. The good news is our storm and sewer system is in pretty good shape.

The bad news is we have about one million dollars in maintenance repairs that will need to be done over the next 20 years. We are in the process of planning financially for the repairs now so we can take the bite out of the repairs as we need to.

I would also like to extend a thank you to Leonard "Bubber" Krone who retired in July. Thank you for all your years of service and dedication to the Village!

Tony Cochran has taken over Bubber's place as D.P.W. Supervisor and all the water and sewer. Neal Zech is our newest D.P.W. employee and he will be assisting Tony in day to day operations.

# Happy Halloween

## Join Us at Hess Lake Park For Trail & Treat

**When:** Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

**Where:** Baroda Township Park at Hess Lake  
(new pavilion/trail)  
640 W. Lemon Creek Road, Baroda, MI

**Bring the Whole Family!!**



Dress in your favorite (non-scary) costume or come as you are

**You can walk the trail and collect treats!**

Or -

Just have treats and snacks in the new pavilion!

**There will be FREE VISION SCREENING for Kids  
1yr and older**

**Provided by: Lion's Project Kid Sight**

**This Is A Family Friendly Event**



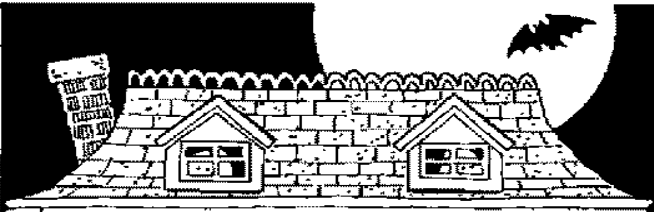
**(NO MASKS or SCARY COSTUMES PLEASE)**

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# Trick or Treat Hours

Tuesday, October 31  
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.



**The Baroda Twp. Fire Dept. will be hosting an open house on Tuesday, October 31 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Baroda Fire Station on First Street in Baroda.**

There will be beverages and treats for children and parents alike, as well as safety materials for the children.




## HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS

As Halloween is not far away, it's time to remember some of the safety issues concerning Halloween. Parents should review these safety tips with their children:



- Make sure small children are accompanied by an adult.
- Trick or treaters should never carry pumpkins or other objects with a real flame or fire in them. Use artificial lighting.
- Costumes should be reflective, should not obscure the vision of the wearer, and not cause the wearer to trip and fall. Children should never carry sharp or unsafe props. Use fake props.
- Children should carry flashlights and have flashing lights or glow sticks attached to their costumes.
- Trick or treaters should obey all traffic rules, such as not walking in the street, walking against the flow of traffic and crossing the street at intersections, if possible.
- Do not accept candy or other food objects that do not have a protective covering or wrapper. *All* treats should be checked, regardless, before being consumed.
- Homeowners: If you wish to participate in Halloween, please have the front of your house well lighted. Remove any obstacles that someone could fall over.
- Trick or treaters: respect the property of others. Do not damage or vandalize someone's property.



*The 4th Annual Party on the Pavers was held Saturday, August 5th and was a fantastic time! Thanks to all that came out and shared the great music, food and drinks! Pictures can be found on the BABA Facebook page!*

*Many thanks to the Party on the Pavers Committee and the awesome volunteers for all their hard work and dedication!*

*A special thank you also to our amazing Village Maintenance Crew! We couldn't have done it without you!*



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## Friendly Reminders

There continue to be many new and exciting things happening around the Village. As we grow, and continue to welcome new residents and businesses to the area, it is important for us to also take care and continue to beautify our existing neighborhoods and downtown area.

As you may or may not have noticed, there has been some clean up going on. We have been enforcing our ordinances in an effort to keep the Village looking nice for everyone.

Please keep in mind, you have an obligation as a home/business owner to keep your yard mowed and clean. Also, all exteriors of buildings need to be maintained; and if you are doing work on your home that requires a permit, those have time restrictions. If you are unsure about them, you can contact the office or the building inspector.

Please also remember that pets need to be kept in your yard or on a leash at all times. There are also restrictions on the kind and number of pets you have. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Village office.



We also want to remind you to be careful what you put down your toilets and drains. Tooth floss, baby wipes, string, things of this nature all wreak havoc on our water and sewer systems. Please do your part and let's keep our pipes, drains, and lift stations working well for many years to come!.

# Baroda Happenings!

## Fall Leaf Pick-Up

The Village Maintenance Department will pick up your leaves IF they are placed in a container that can be easily dumped or you may rake leaves to the edge of the street. Please separate your leaves and limbs into separate piles.

You may also use the green recycling bags to bag your leaves and set out for pick up with your Thursday trash. The bags are available for purchase at the Township Office for \$1 per bag. Please note that our Maintenance Department does not pick up the green recycling bags.

## Remaining 2017 Baroda Events



- Oct. 12 Large Trash Pick Up
- Oct. 15-20 Cemetery Clean up
- Oct. 28 Trail & Treat & Hess  
Lake Park
- Oct. 31 Trick or Treating
- Dec. 3 Christmas In The Village

Be sure to check the Community Calendar on our website for updates of events.



## Christmas in the Village!

Mark your calendars now for Christmas in the Village! We will be holding our 8th Annual Christmas celebration at the Fire Station Hall on Sunday, December 3 from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

More information will be on it's way soon!

