



The Clay Connection

Live everyday with enthusiasm, faith, and positive thinking!

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If you can't tear it, Don't Flush it

The Algonac/Clay/Ira Waste Water Treatment Plant is operated to provide a safe, efficient and cost-effective sanitary disposal system to serve the local communities. Residents can assist in this endeavor by refraining from flushing certain items not meant for disposal into the sanitary system. Disinfecting/ cleaning wipes, dental floss, diapers, reinforced paper toweling, cloth and plastics do not break down when discarded into the sanitary system. These items will cause obstructions, which are labor intensive to remove and can damage equipment, ultimately increasing the cost of the wastewater treatment. Avoid flushing items that cannot be easily torn with your bare hands; **if you can't tear it, don't flush it.** Following this simple rule of thumb will greatly assist in maintaining the local wastewater sanitary system efficiently and economically, for yourself and your neighbors.

**THANK YOU
GOODFELLOWS**

Blessing Boxes

We have blessing boxes around in our community. They are for people short on funds that need some food, it is there to help them out. There is one at the Clay Twp park along Lakepointe, in front of Amiels Enterprises at 5256 Pte Tremble Rd and Dr Megan Bradford on Michigan St in Algonac. Donations for the boxes can be made at any of the locations or the Clay Twp offices.

We also installed a pet blessing box also in the Clay Twp Park. It will be used to house pet food for our pet owners that need help taking care of their furry friends. Donations for the pet box can also be made at the Clay Twp Offices.

Smoke Detectors

It's time to change your batteries in all your smoke and CO2 detectors. If you have problems on ladders, call the Clay Fire Dept at 810.794.9347. We will come out to change the batteries, and make sure everything is working right.

**GOD BLESS OUR FIRST
RESPONDERS!**

Emergency Sirens

We have been looking for a while to increase the number of emergency sirens in the Township, with a goal of getting most of the area and bays covered. Currently, we only have 3 along M-29 that the DDA has installed. We have a plan to install 6 sirens that would cover the Township, including the popular bays in the summer.

After meeting with our County Commissioner Dave Vandebossche, we have developed a plan where the County will pay for 2/3 of the cost, saving the township over \$120,000. 5 of the 6 are installed and soon will be on line. This will cover most if not all of the Township to keep us safe.

Hazard Material Waste

The Twp. has the only Haz Mat waste site in South St Clair County, located behind the Mainland Fire Station. We accept and properly dispose of all Haz Mat items including oil base paint, medical syringes, chemicals, batteries, and mercury. Please, no latex paint. To dispose of latex paint,

Support the Goodfellows

The Goodfellows do so much for our community. Not only do they make sure that no child goes without a Christmas, they are around all year long helping. God forbid, if someone gets burned out of their home, they will provide people temporary lodging, clothes and other necessities to get people's lives back to normal as it can be. **At Clay Twp. you can round up your water bill or kick in an additional amount and the money will go directly to the Goodfellows.** Just put in a short note telling us what to give to them. From the generosity of our community, we have raised thousands of dollars over the past 2 years for our Goodfellows. The Goodfellows help people out when they need it the most.

take the lid off and put cat litter or sand in it and let it dry. Then you can dispose of it with your household trash. Our natural resources and waters are very important to our Township. We take every step possible to protect the largest fresh water delta in the Northern Hemisphere.

**Happy New Year!
Keep in touch with
Family and Friends**