

April  
2022

— THE CITY OF —  
**CHARLOTTE**  
— MICHIGAN —

## Charlotte Chronicles

### CURBSIDE LEAF AND BRUSH PICK UP

The Department of Public Works will be conducting the annual spring leaf and brush curbside collection the week of April 11th through April 14th. Please place leaves in brown, yard



waste bags and stack any brush in neat piles at the curb. We cannot collect leaves in plastic bags.

Miss curbside collection? You may take your yard waste to the DPW Garage Monday through Friday from 8am to 4pm. Saturday drop-off hours will resume in May.

### RELEAF MICHIGAN BIG TREE HUNT

ReLeaf Michigan's 15th Biennial Michigan Big Tree Hunt Contest is now open. Submissions will be accepted until August 19, 2022 . It's free to participate, just complete the entry form on their website [by clicking here](#) to submit your tree. Last year, the Big Tree Hunt had more than 700 submissions from all over the state.

ReLeaf Michigan created the Michigan Big Tree Hunt in 1993 to celebrate our state's beauty and create a fun way to gather information about Michigan's biggest trees. All age groups are encouraged to get out and join the hunt!



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# CITY MEETING CALENDAR

## April

- Monday, 4 City Council, in-person and remotely via Zoom and Facebook Live.
- Tuesday, 5 Planning Commission
- Tuesday, 5 Parks Advisory Board, in Community Room (basement of City Hall).
- Thursday, 14 City Council workshop meeting, in-person and remotely via Zoom and Facebook Live.
- Monday, 18 City Council, in-person and remotely via Zoom and Facebook Live.
- Tuesday, 19 Downtown Development Authority, 6:30PM.

## May

- Monday, 2 City Council, in-person and remotely via Zoom and Facebook Live.
- Tuesday, 3 May Election
- Tuesday, 10 Planning Commission
- Tuesday, 10 Parks Advisory Board, in Community Room (basement of City Hall).
- Thursday, 12 City Council workshop meeting in-person and remotely via Zoom and Facebook Live.
- Monday, 16. City Council, in-person and remotely via Zoom and Facebook Live.
- Tuesday, 17 Downtown Development Authority, 6:30PM.
- Monday, 30 Memorial Day—City Hall Closed.

## June

- Monday, 6 City Council, in-person and remotely via Zoom and Facebook Live.
- Tuesday, 7 Planning Commission
- Thursday, 9 City Council workshop meeting, in-person and remotely via Zoom and Facebook Live.
- Monday, 20 City Council, in-person and remotely via Zoom and Facebook Live.
- Tuesday, 21 Downtown Development Authority, 6:30 PM.

Agendas, meeting details, and zoom links are available online at [www.charlottemi.org](http://www.charlottemi.org).

Meetings are in-person at City Hall Council Chambers at 7pm unless noted otherwise.

# NEWS FROM CITY HALL



**Election Information** April 17th is the voter registration deadline for any registration in any manner other than in-person for eligibility to vote in the May 3rd election. From April 18th through 8:00 p.m. on May 3rd, voter registration must be in-person at the clerk's office with the proper documentation.

Voters can find more information on their current registration status, or update their voter registration information by visiting this State of Michigan website page:

<https://mVIC.sos.state.mi.us/Home/RegisterToVote#how>

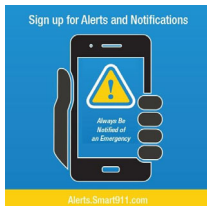
Questions? You may contact the City Clerk's Office by emailing [clerk@charlottemi.org](mailto:clerk@charlottemi.org) or by phone at 517-543-2750.



**Blight, Weeds, or Junk Vehicles** Properties must be kept in good repair, including exterior siding and roofs, and free of junk/debris. Additionally, city code states that vehicles must be registered and operable. If you see a property in your neighborhood in need of maintenance, please call 517-543-8837, [ccummings@charlottemi.org](mailto:ccummings@charlottemi.org), or report it online at [www.charlottemi.org/contact-us/](http://www.charlottemi.org/contact-us/).

Individuals in need of assistance can find resources on our website at [www.charlottemi.org/assistance-programs-available/](http://www.charlottemi.org/assistance-programs-available/)

**Michigan Homeowner Assistance Fund (MIHAF).** The Fund was established under section 3206 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (the ARP) to mitigate hardships associated with the coronavirus pandemic by providing funds to prevent homeowner mortgage delinquencies, defaults, foreclosure, loss of utilities or home energy services and displacements of homeowners experiencing financial hardship on or after January 21, 2020 or for those homeowners who experience a coronavirus pandemic financial hardship that began before January 21, 2020 but continued after that date. For more information, visit [www.charlottemi.org](http://www.charlottemi.org)



**Rave Alerts.** The City of Charlotte is now using Rave alerts! Get notified with important information about what is happening in the community such as street closures, water system work, or emergencies that may affect you. There are several ways to register: Text CHARLOTTE to 67283; Download the Smart911 app; or Register for a free and secure safety profile online at [Smart911.com](http://Smart911.com).

## NEWS FROM CITY HALL



**From the Police Chief** We are seeing an increase in scam phone calls involving callers stating that they are from your local police department and are requesting money. No police agency will ever call you and ask you for money over the phone and you should never give out that kind of information to anyone over the phone. If it sounds too good to be true, it is! Always call to report suspicious calls like this to US.

Business Owners—scan the QR code to update the police department keyholder contact information quickly and easily.



**Parking Permits for Downtown Residents**—Parking permits expire April 30th, please make sure to complete an application online at [www.charlottemi.org](http://www.charlottemi.org) to get your updated 6m permit.

Please call 517-543-1552 with any questions on parking permits.



**From the Fire Chief** Did you know—careless smoking is the leading cause of fire fatalities in Michigan. Never smoke around medical oxygen. Medical oxygen can explode if a flame or spark is near. Even if the oxygen is turned off, it can still catch on fire.



### Smoking and Medical Oxygen

**Never smoke or allow anyone to smoke where medical oxygen is used.**

Medical oxygen can cause materials to ignite more easily and make fires burn at a faster rate than normal.

Source: NFPA



# 2021 Water Quality Report for City of Charlotte

Water Supply Serial Number: 1340

This report covers the drinking water quality for City of Charlotte for the 2021 calendar year. This information is a snapshot of the quality of the water that we provided to you in 2021. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and state standards.

Your water comes from 3] groundwater wells, each over 100 feet deep. The State performed an assessment of our source water to determine the susceptibility or the relative potential of contamination. The susceptibility rating is on a seven-tiered scale from "very-low" to "very-high" based on geologic sensitivity, well construction, water chemistry and contamination sources. The three (3) wells obtain ground water from an "unconfined" aquifer. Unconfined aquifers possess a "high geological sensitivity". The susceptibility of our source is "High".

There are no significant sources of contamination include in our water supply. We are making efforts to protect our sources by participating in a wellhead protection program, which is annually updated and has been approved by the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE).

If you would like to know more about this report, please contact: Matt Griffith, at (517)543-8860, located at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, 1005 Paine Drive, Charlotte, MI 48813 or by Email at [mgriffith@charlottemi.org](mailto:mgriffith@charlottemi.org).

**Contaminants and their presence in water:** Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

**Vulnerability of sub-populations:** Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised

persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune systems disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. USEPA/Center for Disease Control guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

**Sources of drinking water:** The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. Our water comes from wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

**Contaminants that may be present in source water include:**

- **Microbial contaminants**, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- **Inorganic contaminants**, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- **Pesticides and herbicides**, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture and residential uses.
- **Radioactive contaminants**, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.
- **Organic chemical contaminants**, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.





To ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the USEPA prescribes regulations that limit the levels of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Federal Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which provide the same protection for public health.

## Water Quality Data

The table below lists all the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the 2021 calendar year. The presence of these contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done January 1 through December 31, 2021. The State allows us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. All the data is representative of the water quality, but some are more than one year old.

### Terms and abbreviations used below:

- Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL): The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG): The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- Treatment Technique (TT): A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
- N/A: Not applicable
- ND: not detectable at testing limit
- ppm: parts per million or milligrams per liter
- ppb: parts per billion or micrograms per liter
- ppt: parts per trillion or nanograms per liter
- pCi/l: picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
- Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.
- Level 1 Assessment: A study of the water supply to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.
- Level 2 Assessment: A very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an *E. coli* MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.

<sup>1</sup>Monitoring Data for Regulated Contaminants

Regulated Contaminant	MCL, TT, or MRDL	MCLG or MRDLG	Level Detected	Range	Year Sampled	Violation Yes/No	Typical Source of Contaminant
Arsenic (ppb)	10	0	ND	N/A	2017	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
Barium (ppm)	2	2	0.06	N/A	2017	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge of metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate (ppm)	10	10	2.1	N/A	2021	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	0.61	N/A	2021	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Sodium <sup>1</sup> (ppm)	N/A	N/A	81	N/A	2021	No	Erosion of natural deposits
TTHM Total Trihalomethanes (ppb)	80	N/A	30	N/A	2021	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
HAA5 Haloacetic Acids (ppb)	60	N/A	9.39	N/A	2021	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
Chlorine <sup>2</sup> (ppm)	4	4	1.66	0.75-2.15	2021	No	Water additive used to control microbes
Alpha emitters (pCi/L)	15	0	1.2	N/A	2021	No	Erosion of natural deposits
Combined radium (pCi/L)	5	0	ND	N/A	2015	No	Erosion of natural deposits
Total Coliform (total number or % of positive samples/month)	TT	N/A	N/A	N/A	2021	No	Naturally present in the environment
<i>E. coli</i> in the distribution system (positive samples)	See <i>E. coli</i> note <sup>3</sup>	0	0	N/A	2021	No	Human and animal fecal waste
Fecal Indicator – <i>E. coli</i> at the source (positive samples)	TT	N/A		N/A			Human and animal fecal waste

<sup>1</sup> Sodium is not a regulated contaminant.

<sup>2</sup> The chlorine "Level Detected" was calculated using a running annual average.

Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS)

Regulated Contaminant	MCL, TT, or MRDL	MCLG or MRDLG	Level Detected	Range	Year Sampled	Violation Yes/No	Typical Source of Contaminant
Hexafluoropropylene oxide dimer acid (HFPO-DA) (ppt)	370	N/A	<2.0	N/A	2021	No	Discharge and waste from industrial facilities utilizing the Gen X chemical process
Perfluorobutane sulfonic acid (PFBS) (ppt)	420	N/A	<2.0	N/A	2021	No	Discharge and waste from industrial facilities; Stain-resistant treatments
Perfluorohexane sulfonic acid (PFHxS) (ppt)	51	N/A	2.6	N/A	2021	No	Firefighting foam; Discharge and waste from industrial facilities
Perfluorohexanoic acid (PFHxA) (ppt)	400,000	N/A	<2.0	N/A	2021	No	Firefighting foam; Discharge and waste from industrial facilities
Perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA) (ppt)	6	N/A	<2.0	N/A	2021	No	Discharge and waste from industrial facilities; Breakdown of precursor compounds
Perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS) (ppt)	16	N/A	<2.0	N/A	2021	No	Firefighting foam; Discharge from electroplating facilities; Discharge and waste from industrial facilities
Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) (ppt)	8	N/A	<2.0	N/A	2021	No	Discharge and waste from industrial facilities; Stain-resistant treatments
Inorganic Contaminant Subject to ALs	AL	MCLG	Your Water <sup>4</sup>	Range of Results	Year Sampled	Number of Samples Above AL	Typical Source of Contaminant
Lead (ppb)	15	0	1 / 1	0-2 / 0-3	2021	0	Lead service lines, corrosion of household plumbing including fittings and fixtures; Erosion of natural deposits
Copper (ppm)	1.3	1.3	0.8 / 0.8	0.0-1.3 / 0.0-1.3	2021	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits

<sup>3</sup> *E. coli* MCL violation occurs if: (1) routine and repeat samples are total coliform-positive and either is *E. coli*-positive, or (2) the supply fails to take all required repeat samples following *E. coli*-positive routine sample, or (3) the supply fails to analyze total coliform-positive repeat sample for *E. coli*.

<sup>4</sup> Ninety (90) percent of the samples collected were at or below the level reported for our water.



**Information about lead:** If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The City of Charlotte is responsible for providing high quality drinking water but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you have a lead service line, it is recommended that you run your water for at least 5 minutes to flush water from both your home plumbing and the lead service line. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Infants and children who drink water containing lead could experience delays in their physical or mental development. Children could show slight deficits in attention span and learning abilities. Adults who drink this water over many years could develop kidney problems or high blood pressure.

Copper is an essential nutrient, but some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over a relatively short amount of time could experience gastrointestinal distress. Some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over many years could suffer liver or kidney damage. People with Wilson's Disease should consult their personal doctor.

Our water supply has 229 lead service lines and 2050 service lines of unknown material out of a total of 3850 service lines.

Monitoring and Reporting to the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) Requirements: The State of Michigan and the USEPA require us to test our water on a regular basis to ensure its safety. We met all the monitoring and reporting requirements for 2021.

We will update this report annually and will keep you informed of any problems that may occur throughout the year as they happen. Copies are available at City Hall, 111 East Lawrence Avenue, Charlotte, MI 48813. This report will not be sent to you.

We invite public participation in decisions that affect drinking water quality. Regularly scheduled meetings are held on the second (2) and fourth (4) Monday of each month at 7:00pm at City Hall. For more information about your water or the contents of this report, contact Matt Griffith, at (517) 543-8860, located at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, 1005 Paine Drive, Charlotte, MI 48813 or by Email at [mgriffith@charlottemi.org](mailto:mgriffith@charlottemi.org) or <http://www.charlottemi.org>. For more information about safe drinking water, visit the USEPA at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater>.

# EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS

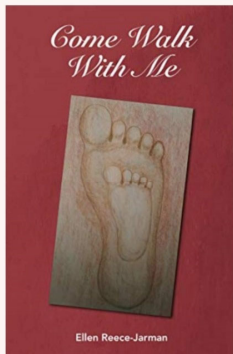
## CHARLOTTE PUBLIC LIBRARY EVENTS—APRIL

### Local Author Visit

Ellen Reece-Jarman

**Saturday, April 2nd at 1pm**

Ellen will discuss her two latest books: *Come Walk with Me* and *Come Lean on Me*.



*Come Walk with Me* is an autobiography of how a child who came from an abusive home, sold for men's pleasure, and put into care for most of her growing up years, one day fell to her knees in front of God and let His love turn her from - RECKLESS to REDEEMED.



Adult Programming

517-543-8859  
charlottelibrary.org

**The Library will close  
at 12pm on  
Friday, April 15th in  
honor of Good Friday.**



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### StoryWalk®



Join Rachel as she and her adorable puppy look for signs of spring in the garden. Crawl like a caterpillar, buzz like a bee, and flutter like a butterfly. Discover spring, explore movement, and learn the colors of the rainbow.

**StoryWalk® is located  
at ALIVE's PRESERVE.**

The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. StoryWalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.



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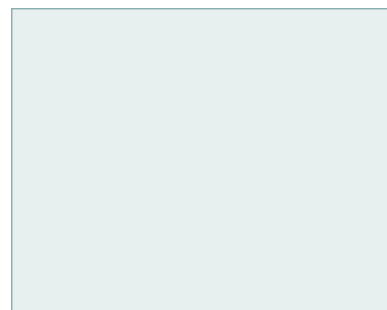
# DIY Flavored Salt

Cheesy Garlic Popcorn Seasoning  
Lemon & Thyme Salt

**Friday, April 22nd**  
**@ 5:30pm**  
Pre-registration required.



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# Minecraft

Thursday, April 21st, 4-5 pm  
for students 3rd grade and up



Pre-registration is required.

Play on the library's private Minecraft server.  
Laptops provided.

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charlottelibrary.org



# Craft Club!

**Take and Make Glitter Slime Kits!**  
**Kits will be available Monday, April 25th.**  
**First come, first serve.**  
*For students in 4th-12th grade.*



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# SEED SWAP

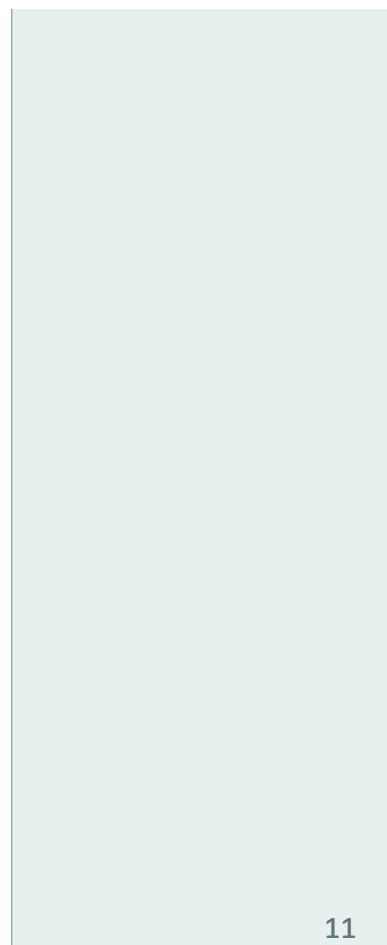
Saturday, April 9th  
11am-1pm  
Charlotte Community Library Parking Lot

Seeds will be available for you to take home and harvest this growing season with the hope that you will save harvested seeds for our January 2023 launch.

Seed donations will also be accepted during the event. Please contact [charlottecommunityseedshare@gmail.com](mailto:charlottecommunityseedshare@gmail.com) with questions.



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## ALIVE! EVENTS—APRIL

### **April 4 (Monday) – Gift of Heart Support Group**

**6:00-8:00PM | FREE**

A support group for foster, adoption and kinship families in Eaton County and the surrounding areas. Free childcare provided.

Please contact Amy Nierenberger at 517.749.4136 for more information.

### **April 7 (Thurs) – Essential Oils: Supporting Your Immune System**

**6-7PM | \$20/person**

Join us in learning how essential oils can support your immune system throughout the year. Ask questions while making an immunity roller and homemade all-purpose cleaner. Class includes 1 immunity roller and 1 bottle of cleaner. \$5 for additional immunity rollers.

### **April 9 (Saturday) – Easter Egg Extravaganza**

**10-10:30AM: Ages 3 and under**

**10:30-11AM: Ages 4-7**

**11-11:30AM: Ages 8-12**

**\$5/child, pre-registration | \$10/child, day-of registration**

Come experience the magic of Easter. This exciting event includes hunting for eggs, a photo-op and a visit with the Easter Bunny, StoryWalk®, prizes, and holiday-themed refreshments. The special golden eggs are the ultimate find to earn unique, age appropriate prizes. This event is appropriate for ages toddler through 12 years, and will be divided up into age groups of 3 years and under, 4-7 years and 8-12 years.

### **April 12 (Tuesday) – Make Your Own Macrame**

**6-8PM | \$25/person**

Learn how to begin a macrame piece, including an overview of necessary materials (all provided for you). How to work macrame knots, create a design, texture, and pattern within your piece, and take home your very own handmade wall hanging! This class is made for beginners in a step-by-step tutorial style setting.

### **April 19 (Tuesday) – Guided Morning Meditation**

**10:00-10:30AM | \$10/person or \$5/person for MOVE Members**

Feeling the need to be a bit more present? Wanting to become more calm amid the chaos? Join Jen as she guides you through a meditation to help center yourself and cultivate the calm.

### **April 27 (Wednesday) – Clean Eating Lunch: Mediterranean**

**12:15-12:45PM | \$12/person**

*Book Wednesday lunch breaks over tasty, heart-healthy, world fare. Eat while you watch how to easily prepare dishes at home.*

### **April 28 (Thursday) – Professional Speaker Series: Arm Numbness**

**Presenters: Chet LaFave, OTR/L, CHT & Cole Christiansen, OTR/L, OTD**

**11:45AM-1:00PM | FREE, includes lunch**

In honor of Occupational Therapy Month, join our Occupational Therapists as they present about common conditions that can cause numbness/tingling in your arm and provide you with tools and exercises to help manage this at home. ***Complimentary lunch will be provided for those who register by Tues., Apr 26.***

### **April 28 (Thursday) – Diabetes Support Group**

**1:00-2:00PM | FREE**

Assistance for all individuals with diabetes and their families. Healthcare professionals and speakers present topics ranging from new medications and treatments to healthy eating. For more information about this monthly offering, con-

tact [deborah.dillon@sparrow.org](mailto:deborah.dillon@sparrow.org).



All programs are held at 800 W. Lawrence Avenue, Charlotte, MI unless otherwise noted



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## OTHER CHARLOTTE AREA EVENTS

### Eaton Area Senior Center “The Center”

The Senior Center invites one and all to join as a member and support the non-profit's mission. All ages can join! Please contact 517-541-2934 or visit <https://www.eascmi.org/> The Center is located at 804 S Cochran Ave, Charlotte, MI 48813.



**BINGO!** Every Tuesday from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM the Center hosts Bingo games. All are welcome to attend and join in the fun!

**The Center is available for rent—banquets or special events; fundraising!**  
Call Cindy for details, 517-541-2934



### Eaton County Fairgrounds

The events at Eaton County Fairgrounds are managed by the Eaton County Agricultural Society. The Eaton County Agricultural Society is a Non-Profit 501(c)(5) corporation established in 1855. ECAS is operated by the Board of Directors, AKA the Fairboard. The Fairboard consists of 15 members who make the majority of the decisions regarding the operation of the Eaton County Fair and the grounds. Learn more here: <https://eatoncountyfair.com/pageserver/ag-society>.

The Fairboard has a full slate of exciting events planned for 2022. The tentative schedule is below:

*February 25-27: Michigan Nordic Fire Festival*

*April 15-16: Eaton Conservation District Tree Sale pick-up*

*April 30-May1: Eaton County Home & Business Expo*

*May 5-8: Spinsanity Flow Down*

*May 7: Horse Show*

*May 7: Llama Show*

*May 21: Cattle Show*

*May 29: FFA Elite Lamb Show*

*May 30: FFA Elite Hog Show*

*June 4-5: Magical Realm Fantasy Faire*

*June 10-11: Horse Show*

*June 23-25: Charlotte Bluegrass Festival*

*July 9-16: Eaton County Fair*

*July 30: Horse Show*

*August 6: Dairy Goat Show*

*August 6: Horse Show*

*August 12-14: Mid-Michigan Gospel Fest*

*August 26-27: Horse Show*

*September 7-11: Charlotte Frontier Days*

*September 16-18: Dog Show*

*September 23-24: Horse Show*

*October 1: Horse Show*

*October 14-15: Horse Show*



## CITY OF CHARLOTTE

**Michael Armitage**—Mayor

**Tammy Weissenborn**—Mayor Pro-Tem/  
Councilmember

**Branden Dyer**—Councilmember

**Anthony Rodriguez**—Councilmember

**Adrianne Van Langevelde**—Councilmember

**Christopher Lake**—Councilmember

**Ronald Horvath**—Councilmember

**Erin LaPere**—City Manager

**Mary LaRocque**—City Clerk

**Eric Smith**—Finance Director/Treasurer

**Amy Gilson**—DPW Director

**Paul Brentar**—Police Chief

**Robert Vogel**—Fire Chief

**Bryan Myrkle**—Community Development  
Director

**Randy Jewell**—Assessor

## MESSAGE FROM THE CITY MANAGER



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Spring is upon us and as we begin yard clean up please utilize the city curbside leaf and brush pick up the week of April 11-14th or drop off at the DPW garage Monday through Friday from 8a-4p.

For those of us who are struggling with property maintenance due to physical, financial or other hardships, please visit the city's website for resources or dial 2-1-1.

Are you looking to give back? The City is looking for residents to serve on an advisory committee about our water infrastructure. A team of three residents and two Council members will work with administrative staff to review options for infrastructure improvement, hold public forums and conduct input surveys, and provide a recommendation to City Council on available options. Interested? Complete an [online application by clicking here](#).

You can also learn more about what's happening in Charlotte online at the city's website: [www.charlottemi.org](http://www.charlottemi.org); facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/CityCharlotteMI>; or twitter: @CityCharlotteMI

*- Erin E. LaPere*

### City Hall

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### Bennet Park and Camp Frances.

Planning an event this year? Look no further than our own Bennet Park or Camp Frances for the perfect location.

Bennet Park is home to a number of recreational opportunities from the playgrounds to hiking trails. Groups can rent a pavilion for their event. More information and application is available here: <https://www.charlottemi.org/serviceadministration/parks/park-reservation-applications/>

Camp Frances is a small rustic cabin located at 1501 S. Cochran Avenue at the south end of Bennett Park in Charlotte. Groups can rent the facilities for day or overnight use. More information and rental application form can be found here: <https://www.charlottemi.org/serviceadministration/parks/camp-frances/>

Questions about rentals? Contact Deputy Clerk, Mikayla Densmore at 517-543-2750 or [mdensmore@charlottemi.org](mailto:mdensmore@charlottemi.org).