



CASCADE CONNECTIONS

A NEWSLETTER FROM CASCADE CHARTER TOWNSHIP



Cascade Celebration!

It's time for the annual Cascade Township July 4th celebration. This year the parade, celebration and fireworks will be held on Tuesday July 4th. The day will start with a bike parade at 10 am, once it is completed the parade of vehicles, floats, fire trucks and much more will start at 10:30 am and travel from Cascade Road and Burton to 28th Street and end at 28th and Thornhills. Following the parade join us for rides, games, food and more at the property by the Township Library.

Roads will be closed for these events from 9:30 to approximately 12:30pm. The roads effected will be Cascade Road from Burton Street to Thornapple River Drive, 28th Street from Cascade to Thornhills and all of old 28th Street.

* Reminder if you or your child will be in the bike parade and is 14 years old or younger, they must wear a bike helmet, as per Cascade Township Ordinance.*

Fireworks will be held Tuesday night July 4th at dusk. Location of the fireworks will be at 6206 Ada Dr at Ada Christian School

Cascade Township July 4th Celebration!

CELEBRATION EVENTS

BOOK SALE 8:30 am – 3:30 pm

Presented by the Friends of Cascade Library. Located in the Township Library parking lot.

PARADE 10:00 am – 11:30 am

Bike parade starts at 10:00am at the Cascade Fellowship Christian Reformed Church (6655 Cascade Rd). Parade begins immediately following the bike parade. Parade route starts at Cascade & Burton and ends at 28th & Thornhills.

GAMES, RIDES & MUSIC

11:30 am – 3:30 pm

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| Dual Zipline | Ultimate Challenge | Fun Train Station |
| Dixie Twister | 100' Extreme Obstacle Course | School Bus Combo |
| Turbo Tubs | Rocket Turbo Slide | High Striker |
| Pirates Revenge | Bungee Run | Rings of Pony Rides |
| Bumper Cars | Ahoy Matey | Face Painters |
| Quad Bungee | Dragon Hide-n-Slide | Airbrush Artists |
| Trackless Train | Bounce House | All Sports Arena |
| Rockwalls | Rescue Squad | 3-in-1 Carnival Game |
| The Edge Slide | | ...and much more! |

FIREWORKS! at dusk Tuesday, July 4th

Located at 6206 Ada Dr at Ada Christian School.

SPONSORS

Fire Cracker Sponsors:



Sparkler Sponsors:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> William Bos Greenhouses & Farms Quality Air R-Athletics Kingsland Ace Hardware Noah's Pet Cemetery | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ada Bible Church esmilis - Cascade Family Dentistry Family Friends Veterinary Hospital & Pet Care | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recycling Concepts of West MI, Inc. First Wok Cascade Medawar Fine Jewelers Culver's Applied Imaging | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cascade Fellowship CRC Betten Imports Bagger Dave's Burger Tavern College H.U.N.K.S. |
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Other Sponsors:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CU *Answers Grand Rapids Griffins | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Great Clips Cascade Carwash | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rob Beahan Cascade Township Supervisor |
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July 4th @ Township Library



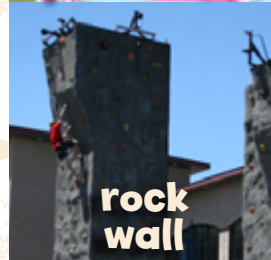
Dual Zipline!



fun train!



face painting



rock wall



bumper cars

JULY 4 PARADE FLOAT CONTEST

It's time for families, churches, businesses and neighborhoods of Cascade to be creative as we get closer to July 4th. Come up with a unique and fun float to entertain our Cascade Township residents and visitors who watch our parade.

The float contest has two (2) categories – Family and Neighborhood floats are in one category while Churches, businesses and other Organizations are in another. The parade contest has inspired many new neighborhoods to join together to build a float. It has also encouraged Churches to use their floats as an outreach tool and it has inspired just plain fun for all friends and neighbors to attend our parade.

You are probably wondering what do I win if I come in first? The winners in each category win a trophy to keep plus you get to put the "Winner" banner on your float during the parade.

Once again Pat Vredevoogd Combs of Coldwell Banker AJS Schmidt Realty is sponsoring the Float Contest. No sign ups are necessary, just show up at the parade staging area (parking lot of the Forest Hills Schools Administration Building on the corner of Cascade Road and Burton Street) at 8:30 a.m. on the morning of July 4th.



This is your Township – Your parade – Let's make it a great parade with lots of new and exciting floats

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR JULY 4TH

Cascade Township is planning our annual July 4th parade and celebration. This year the event will be held on Tuesday July 4th.

There is a lot that happens the day of the event so things run smoothly. This cannot be done without the help of township staff, Kent County Sheriff Department and volunteers from our community.

Cascade Township would like to invite individuals, groups, businesses and other organizations to volunteer your time to help during the celebration. There are numerous areas where you could help at various times during the day. Listed below are areas you can volunteer:



Parking Detail:	7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
Direct traffic in various parking areas prior to the library book sale	
Parade Marshals	9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Work alongside the parade route to keep the parade moving and alleviate large gaps, safety of all participating in the parade.	
Parade Route Clean up	12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Clean up trash along parade route	
Street Fair roamers	11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Work in zones on the grounds to keep area clean	
Event break down	3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Help break down tables, chairs and clean up at end of event	

If you are able and willing to help your community a few hours on this day, please **call Ron Rowland at 949-1320** or e-mail at RRowland@cascadetwp.com. Please indicate where you can help with the event and reply by June 23.

Thank you for your consideration!

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY – SATURDAY, JULY 15, 2017



In conjunction with Kent County's Household Hazardous Waste Program, Cascade & Ada Townships are sponsoring a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day on Saturday, July 15. Township residents wishing to dispose of their unused or unwanted household chemical waste are encouraged to bring them to this one day event. Chemicals such as weed killers,

bug sprays, antifreeze, gasoline, oil-based paint, wood preservatives, paint thinner, pool chemicals, deck cleaners, fluorescent light bulbs, and mercury thermometers & thermostats can all be brought in for disposal.

The collection will run from **9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** and will be held at the Cascade Buttrick Station, 2990 Buttrick Ave. SE.

Latex paint, medical waste, pharmaceuticals, ammunition and fireworks are not accepted through this program.

This Household Hazardous Waste Collection is for Ada and Cascade residents only. No materials from business, schools, institutions or commercial farmers can be accepted. Please be prepared to show your driver's license for proof of residency.

Additional questions on what's accepted for disposal may be directed to Kent County at (616) 336-2570 or 1-888-217-2850 or go to the County's website at www.recyclekent.org and click on hazardous waste.

ANNUAL CASCADE TOWNSHIP LUNCH FOR SENIORS – AUGUST 4, 2017



We hope you will join us for a catered lunch compliments of Cascade Township. We will enjoy this day at the Wisner Center inside the Cascade Library. This annual event is hosted by Cascade Township, in cooperation with Forest Hills Community Services. The luncheon will provide an opportunity for our

senior citizens to enjoy some good food and music, mingle, relax and reminisce. The luncheon will be held Friday, **August 4th, 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.** Please contact the Cascade Township Clerk Susan Slater (sslater@cascadetwp.com) if you have any questions.

To make your reservation, stop by the Forest Hills Community Services or call (616) 493-8950. This lunch is offered to our senior Cascade residents by the Township at no charge. Space at the luncheon is limited to the first 135 guests who register.



Details: The Cascade Library is located at 2870 Jacksmith S.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49546 just one block south of 28th Street. Lunch and entertainment begin at noon...hope to see you there. Again, please make reservations by July 26th (616) 493-8950. Regards,

Susan B. Slater
Cascade Township Clerk

THE FRIENDS OF THE CASCADE LIBRARY NEED YOU ON JULY 4TH

Come join the fun on July 4th and help the Friends of the Cascade Library with our ginormous used book sale!

From 6:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m., we'll be setting up tables, loading them with tons of great, cheap reads, and welcoming thousands of customers to our little slice of heaven for book lovers (a.k.a. the Cascade Library parking lot) before it's time to close up shop and call it a day.

But it takes a small army of volunteers to pull it off, and we could really use your help. Pick your shift, pick your job, and pick up a few books along the way (once the work is done, of course).

Sound like something you could devote a few hours to on the Fourth of July? Then please contact Debbie Straub at (616) 897-6404 or by email at EditorDAS@aol.com for details on how to take part in this community-wide event that supports the Cascade Library. Proceeds from the sale go to purchase new books, CDs, Blu-ray discs, and other materials and help underwrite the costs of numerous popular



programs, including Sunday Afternoon LIVE music performances and the Summer Reading club for kids. So give Debbie a call or send her an email and become a July 4th book sale volunteer!

Cascade Branch of the Kent District Library
2870 Jacksmith Ave. S.E.
Grand Rapids, MI 49546
www.cascadefriends.org