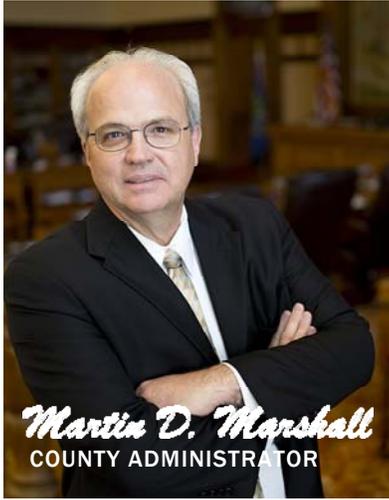




MAY 2019

# LENAWEE COUNTY NEWSLETTER



*Martin D. Marshall*  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

The month of April was busy and provided some changes in Lenawee County government. A change occurred in Circuit Court occurred on April 1<sup>st</sup>, when attorney Michael Olsaver was sworn in as Judge Michael Olsaver, Judge of the 39<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court. Governor Gretchen Whitmer appointed Judge Olsaver and a formal investiture ceremony occurred on April 3<sup>rd</sup> in Judge Olsaver's courtroom.

At the April 10<sup>th</sup> Board of Commissioners meeting, the Crime Victims' Rights Office, a division of the Prosecutor's Office, presented commendations to Hudson PD Officer Shawn Sandy and Adrian PD D/Sgt. Lamar Rufner, in recognition of their compassion for the victims they have served. The commission also recognized the service of emergency dispatchers by passing a proclamation for National Telecommunications

Week. Police officers and dispatchers work with county residents in many situations and, at times, under challenging circumstances; the Board of Commissioners is grateful for their service.

A special presentation was delivered by Jason Allen, State Director of the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development Office. Mr. Allen explained the services and programs offered by USDA to rural residents, businesses and local governments. Every community in Lenawee County is eligible for some program or service offered by the agency and our area director, Lisa Hewitt-Cruz, is very familiar with Lenawee County having worked for the City of Adrian Community Development office in the past.

The annual Equalization Report was presented at the April meeting by Equalization Director Shelly DeLong. The total county value reported by Ms. DeLong is a new record high valuation for the county, exceeding the previous high set in 2008. The total tax base also set a new high, exceeding the taxable value set in 2009. The new values came on a general growth in property value and the addition of the two natural gas pipelines installed in the county over the last two years.

The Board of Commissioners will host a legislative dinner, on May 30<sup>th</sup>, with the primary focus on water issues important to Lenawee County residents. Water quality, conservation and sustainability will be addressed and discussed by a panel and attendees. Information about the dinner can be found at [www.lenawee.mi.us](http://www.lenawee.mi.us).

**DON'T FORGET**  
**The Parks SURVEY will be open through May 10th!**

Take the Lenawee County Park's Commission is updating its Parks Master Plan and we need your help.

Please visit [www.lenawee.mi.us](http://www.lenawee.mi.us) to complete our short online park survey; a printable version is also available. Information collected will help in determining park priorities, identify county needs, and assist in obtaining funding for recreation and conservation projects. The questionnaire will remain open through April 31, 2019 and your input is vital to a successful County Park's Plan.

Thank you!

**MEMORIAL DAY**

*Remember & Honor*  
 County business offices will be closed Monday, May 27, 2019

# LENAWEE COUNTY NEWSLETTER | LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The Board of Commissioners adopted the following at the April meeting

**Green Initiative Policy:** in order to minimize environmental impacts and to support recycling and green ethics, Lenawee County will use its best efforts to commit to environmental, economic, and social stewardship through green practices for County facilities, buildings, supplies, and services.

**Personnel Handbook:** personnel policies, procedures and fringe benefit programs covering the employees of Lenawee County.

**Information Technology & Information Security Policy:** setting a standard regarding the confidentiality, integrity, availability, authentication, and nonrepudiation of Lenawee County's network infrastructure, and information technology assets.

**Clean Air Ordinance:** After review of the Board of Health request and a review of the ordinance, the Clean Air Ordinance Review Committee is forwarding the amended ordinance to the Board of Commissioners for introduction and 30-day review before discussion and action at the May 8, 2019, board meeting.

**Special Elections On  
Tuesday, May 7, 2019  
Lenawee County, Michigan**  
[ElectionLenawee.com](http://ElectionLenawee.com)

**To The Qualified Electors:**

Of the City of Morenci and Townships of Adrian, Cambridge, Dover, Fairfield, Franklin, Hudson, Medina, Rollin, Rome, Seneca, and Woodstock, and who also reside in the below school districts.

Notice is hereby given that a Special Election will be held for the following school districts:

**Morenci Area Schools:** Operating Millage Renewal

**Onsted Community Schools:** Bonding Proposal

**Waldron Area Schools:** Sinking Fund Millage Proposal

## 2019 Equalization Report

The Equalization Department has completed review of the 2019 Assessment Rolls as submitted by the township and city assessors.

After review of the 2019 assessment rolls of the twenty-two (22) townships and four (4) cities in Lenawee County, the Equalization Department recommends adoption of the equalized value of real and personal property as follows:

|   |                      |
|---|----------------------|
| Real Property                             |                      |
| Agricultural Class                        | 962,898,575          |
| Commercial Class                          | 416,847,149          |
| Industrial Class                          | 111,411,100          |
| Residential Class                         | 2,730,115,784        |
| Developmental Class                       |                      |
| <b>Total Real Property</b>                | <b>4,221,272,608</b> |
| <b>Total Personal Property</b>            | <b>346,257,732</b>   |
| <b>Total Real &amp; Personal Property</b> | <b>4,567,530,340</b> |

These equalized values are recommended in compliance with MCL Section 211.34, as amended.

The full 2019 Equalization Report is available online!  
[Lenawee.mi.us/179/Equalization](http://Lenawee.mi.us/179/Equalization)

## Come EXPLORE - County Parks OPEN Memorial Day Weekend!

Fresh air, clean trails, and new adventures await your visit.  
A quick retreat while staying close to home.

**Bicentennial Park**-5543 Tipton Hwy, Tipton 78 acres

**Gerber Hill Park**-14360 Carroll Rd, Blissfield 40 acres

**Ramsdell Park**-1957 Glen Hill Hwy, Clayton 180 acres

**Media Park**-7901 Warwick Rd, Canandaigua 40 acres

**Taylor Road Park**-2060 W. Taylor Rd, Franklin Twp 80 acres

**Iron Lake Boat Launch**-12401 Egan Hwy, Brooklyn 1 acre

[Lenawee.MI.US/162/Lenawee-County-Parks](http://Lenawee.MI.US/162/Lenawee-County-Parks)

# LENAWEE COUNTY NEWSLETTER DEPARTMENT UPDATES



In honor and recognition of our  
Telecommunicators and the vital contributions they make to  
the safety and well-being of our citizens, THANK YOU!



Lenawee Sheriff's Office  
Central Dispatch  
113 W. Front Street  
Adrian, MI 49221  
517-263-0524



Working as a Dispatcher requires both physical skills and mental abilities. A dispatcher must be able to make decisions and act on them with limited time and information in situations where there is an element of danger. He or she must be able to deal with people in a variety of emotional states, while remaining calm and professional.

## Do you have what it takes?

Lenawee Central Dispatch is looking for a few good candidates with strong communication skills, clarity, and confidence.

Check out this job posting along with other available openings online. [Lenawee.mi.us/574/Employment-Opportunities](http://Lenawee.mi.us/574/Employment-Opportunities)

## 2019 Crime Victim Service Award Recipients

D/Sgt. Lamar Rufner goes above and beyond his call as a police officer and has compassion for all victims he deals with. D/Sgt. Rufner recently acted quickly on and stopped a perpetrator from luring teenage girls into using snapchat for the suspect's sexual gratification. Due to D/Sgt. Rufner's thorough investigation, he was able to help other states that the perpetrator was acting in the same manner. The suspect was sentenced to 60-120 months to the Michigan Department of Corrections.

Officer Shawn Sandy's attention to duty and regard for human and was recognized for his recent actions taken to life during an attempted murder incident. He was able to apprehend the suspect and get the situation under control safely and effectively. Whereby potentially saving the lives of three family members; including the suspect.

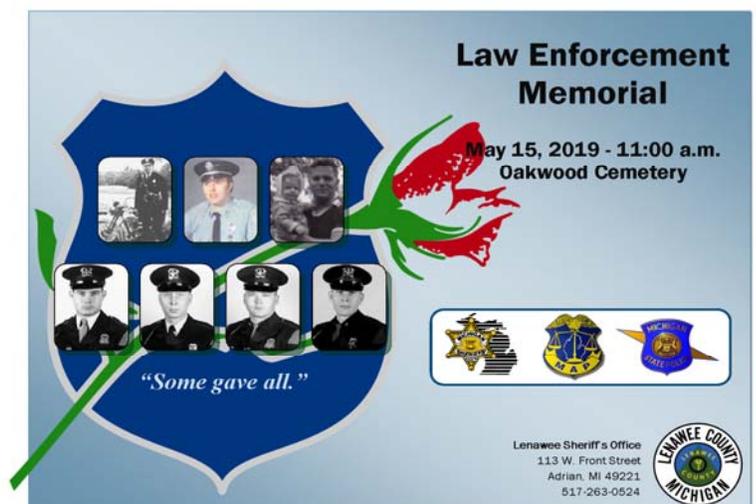
Congratulations to both D/Sgt. Lamar Rufner and Officer Shawn Sandy for being recognized with the 2019 Crime Victim Service Award!



## Nation Police Week is May 12-18, 2019

Again this year, communities across the United States will come together during National Police Week—May 12-18—to honor and remember those law enforcement officers who made the ultimate sacrifice, as well as the family members, friends and fellow officers they left behind.

This year, the names of 371 officers killed in the line of duty are being added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, DC. These 371 officers include 158 officers who were killed during 2018, plus 213 officers who died in previous years but whose stories of sacrifice had been lost to history until now.



# LENAWEE COUNTY NEWSLETTER | COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

## Selma Larson Caregiver Conference May 16<sup>th</sup> 2019



Keynote speaker Amanda Snow-Bulgarelli will present on the topic of moving from caregiver to care partner.

Amanda Snow-Bulgarelli is a member of the Teepa Snow's Positive Approach to care (PAC) team. This team provides dementia care training, services, and products around the world.

This conference is made possible by a grant from Region 2 Area Agency on Aging in support of the Lenawee Department on Aging.



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Phone: 517.264.5280  
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## UPCOMING WORKSHOPS



**Paper Flower Basket**  
May 6<sup>th</sup>

**Felted Flower Pins**  
June 17<sup>th</sup>



MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY  
MSU Extension  
Lenawee County

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Adrian, MI 49221  
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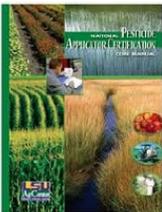


MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY Extension

## Pesticide Core Manual Review Class

To register go to:

<https://events.anr.msu.edu/515PestReview/>



**May 15, 2019**  
8am-5pm Cost \$20.00  
MSU Extension Washtenaw  
705 N. Zeeb Rd,  
Ann Arbor, MI 48107  
734-997-1678

## Right-of-Way Review Class

for Commercial Pesticide Applicators

June 5, 2019 8:00 am to 5:00 pm  
Cost: \$20.00 Manual: \$10.00 (additional)

This class will review the Right-of-Way Pest Management training manual for Commercial Pesticide Applicators. Bring your own Right-of-Way training manual (2017) or purchase one with the class. Eight RUP credits will be available for Category 6. A one-hour break will be given for lunch on your own.

To register go to:

<https://events.anr.msu.edu/RoWreview2019/>



**LENAWEE COMMUNITY  
MENTAL HEALTH AUTHORITY**

The 5th Annual E-race the Stigma 5k will be held on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019 in downtown Adrian, MI. Our goal is to increase the awareness of mental health issues with a focus on overall health and wellness; mind, body, and spirit.



## May 11<sup>TH</sup> Collection Day Household Environmental Waste

### TIRES

Car, pickup, & motorcycle

### STYROFOAM

Egg cartons, meat trays, cups, coolers

### PACKING MATERIAL

Peanuts, bubble wrap, air pillows

### TANKS

Empty fire extinguishers,  
Propane & industrial gas cylinders

### APPLIANCES

Working & non-working  
NO commercial or frozen-based



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2 locations 8am - 12 pm Saturday, May 11, 2019  
Open to ALL Lenawee County residents  
lenawee.mi.us

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## BOATER SAFETY CLASSES

The Lenawee County Marine Patrol, through Sheriff Troy Bevier, is announcing the following Boater's Safety Classes, to be held at the Lenawee County Airport at 2651 West Cadmus Road, Adrian, MI, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 25, 2019

Saturday, June 8, 2019

Saturday, June 22, 2019

Visit the Sheriff's Page of the County website

Did you know. . . .



## Home Delivered Meals Program

It can be very confusing to describe eligibility when talking about the Home Delivered Meal program. Sometimes it is assumed that the meals are "free" and that we will deliver to anyone over the age of 60. Still adding to the confusion, we have those that believe that the meal can be left if no one is home.

The message that we need help sharing is that **meals are offered on a donation basis**. Making a donation does not effect the delivery of the meal, but regular contributions assist us in continuing to provide the service to those that qualify.

**To qualify** for a home delivered meal, one must be over the age of 60, live in Lenawee County, and be home bound. Homebound means that the client requires a special effort to get out of the house and can no longer prepare meals safely for themselves. They may leave on occasion for special events, doctor visits, church, and the trip to the beauty shop.

If a client is unable to be home, they are responsible to alert the center staff or the office. SOMETIMES there can be arrangements made to have the driver leave the meal, but this is the exception to the rule. One of the main purposes of Home Delivered Meals is to check in with a client for social and safety awareness.

Every six months the client is visited by the Assessors. It is their job to review eligibility and need of each client. We are always pleased when a client improves and may be able to now prepare a meal or get out of the home safely. It is then that the Assessor will assist the client in formulating a plan to transition to making meals or getting to their local senior center for a hot nutritious meal.

If you know of someone that may benefit from Home Delivered Meals, please have them call the office for more details.



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**Cari Rebottaro, Director**

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Thursday  
May 30, 2019 ~ 5:30 p.m.  
River Raisin Room of the  
Human Services Building

Cost: \$20 per person

Checks Made Payable to:  
Lenawee County  
301 N. Main St.  
Adrian, MI 49221

Panel discussion on WATER resources and  
WATER quality concerns from around the county.

**517-264-4508**

