



# At A Glance...

## April 2025

Your Guide to events, programs and news from the Fife Lake Chamber of Commerce and its Members

### Chamber News



Local Leaders! You're invited to attend the **Fife Lake Leaders Connect on April 22, 2025, at 5:30 pm**. You and/or your representative are invited to join other community leaders for this social gathering. Get to know one another, network and enjoy light refreshments. This quarter the event will be hosted by the Fife Lake Food Pantry at the Fife Lake Community Church at 206 Boyd Street in Fife Lake. Learn about the Food Pantry and what happens behind the scenes. To show your appreciation and support for this community service, please consider bringing a non-perishable food item or a cash donation for the pantry. Please RSVP to [abridson@forestarea.com](mailto:abridson@forestarea.com) or 231.879.4154, ext 1020.

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**Chamber meetings** are on the second Thursday of each month at 6:00pm at the Village office, 616 Bates Street. Meetings are open to the public and we welcome your participation!

The meeting schedule is posted on our website ([fifelakechamber.org](http://fifelakechamber.org)) and any changes/special meetings will be posted there.

Our next meeting will be **Thursday, April 10**.

Plans are underway for the Best 4<sup>th</sup> in the North, so come to a meeting and find out how you can volunteer!

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**Saturdays 9:00am - 2:00pm**  
**Beginning May 10!!!**  
**Memorial Park**

**FARM &**  
**CRAFT**  
**MARKET**



Market Manager: **Jane Roesemeier**.

If you are a business owner who specializes in handmade items, a baker, a crafter, a gardener, or a farmer who is interested in this market opportunity, please email Jane at [janeroesemeier@yahoo.com](mailto:janeroesemeier@yahoo.com).

We're planning live music and special events throughout the 2025 market season!  
Non-profit groups are encouraged to have a booth at the market with no booth fee!

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Become a Chamber Sponsor (\$250), Chamber Member (\$75), or Chamber Friend (\$35) and help us make a difference in our community. Membership forms are available to download from our website or email us at [fifelakechamberinfo@gmail.com](mailto:fifelakechamberinfo@gmail.com) with any questions about the membership levels or to request that a form be mailed to you. Join us in bringing our community together!

These first months of 2025 we have focused on our local governing groups and organizations so you can know who to contact with questions or concerns and when meetings are held.


Last month we featured the Fife Lake Area Utility Authority and this month we provide information about the Village of Fife Lake DDA.

## ***Village of Fife Lake - Downtown Development Authority***

Vision: Supporting and encouraging a positive business climate

Mission: To improve and enhance the DDA District for our citizens and visitors alike

### DDA Board




Linda Forwerck, Chair  
Stan Patrick, Vice Chair  
Kristine Benke, Treasurer  
Alicce Aldridge, Secretary  
Jennifer Armstrong  
Gary Blaszak  
Linda Deeren  
Larry Johnson  
Mike Tornow

### Meetings

Required to be held quarterly (highlighted months).  
All meetings are held at the Village Office, 616 Bates  
Street in Fife Lake at 6:30pm

Remaining 2025 Meetings:

**April 15**, 2025 (Annual Meeting)  
May 20, 2025  
June 17, 2025  
**July 15**, 2025  
August 19, 2025  
September 16, 2025  
**October 21**, 2025  
November 18, 2025  
December 16, 2025



## ***Fife Lake Public Library***

### National Library Week April 6-12, 2025

As our library services and programs have continued to grow since moving into our beautiful building in 2006, we've simply run out of the space needed to continue to serve our community well. In 2023 the Library Board approved plans for a \$1.2 million expansion project that includes a two-story addition with a basement. We are in the fundraising and engineering/design phase of the expansion project. When completed, the expansion will include the following improvements: larger selection of materials for all ages, library of things, maker space, quiet meeting rooms, genealogy room, larger community room, storage space and expanded parking.

Visit the library today!



Fife Lake Public Library

## **Help Write the Next Chapter for Fife Lake**

Your support brings new resources, more space, and greater opportunities for everyone in our community.



Invest in Knowledge, Invest in Your Community!  
Donate now by scanning the QR code or mailing your gift to Writing the Next Chapter Fundraising Campaign, PO Box 254, Fife Lake, MI 49633.

# Community Events

- April 2** Genealogy Society Mtg 10:00am at the Library
- April 3** Forest Area Federal Credit Union's Fraud Prevention Class, 12pm at the Library, 77 Lakecrest Lane
- April 3** American Legion E-Z Meal **Every Thursday** - 5:00pm until gone
- April 3** Special Village Council Mtg - 6:30pm, 616 Bates St
- April 8** Springfield Township Board Mtg - 7:00pm, Twp Hall, 5253 Ingersoll Rd SW
- April 8** Fife Lake Area Planning Commission - 6:30pm at Twp Office, 134 Morgan St
- April 9** Fife Lake Library Board Mtg - 6:00pm at the library, 77 Lakecrest Ln
- April 14** Forest Area Community Schools Board Mtg - 6:30pm, 7661 Shippy Rd
- April 15** DDA Annual Meeting - 6:30pm, 616 Bates St
- April 16** Fife Lake Area Utility Authority - Twp Office, 134 Morgan St
- April 21** Village Council Mtg - 6:30pm at the Village Office, 616 Bates St
- April 21** Walton Junction Sportsmen's Club Mtg - 6:30pm at 11207 E County Line Rd
- April 24** Fife Lake Township Board Meeting - 6:00pm at the Twp Office, 134 Morgan St



***If you have news or an event that you would like to appear in our May newsletter, please email us at [fifelakechamberinfo@gmail.com](mailto:fifelakechamberinfo@gmail.com). All information for the May newsletter must be received by Monday, April 28, for publication on April 1.***

***To have this newsletter delivered to your email, notify us at [fifelakechamberinfo@gmail.com](mailto:fifelakechamberinfo@gmail.com).***

## **Communicate**

The Chamber offers information and educational opportunities to support local business. We are a critical communications link between our members and issues that impact the business environment, providing an opportunity to make informed and strategic decisions for the future.

## **Connect**

In business, success is often determined by having the right connections. The Chamber provides opportunities for members to make those connections with each other and with resources that advance professional development, the bottom line and the overall community.

## **Influence**

The Chamber takes action to advocate for a business friendly, positive environment. We advocate for issues that build our quality of life and promote economic development and we endorse and support elected officials who share those values.

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***“Elevating our community one  
sunset at a time ...”***

