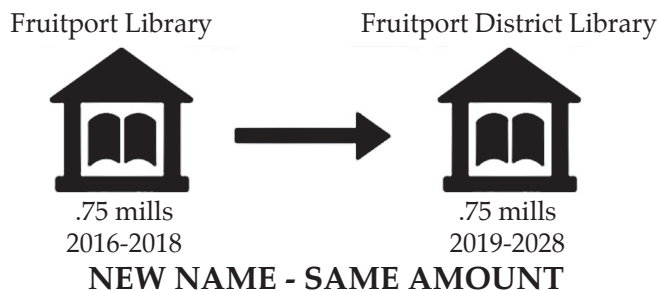


Fruitport District Library 2018 Ballot

On the August 2018 Primary Election Ballot, the Fruitport District Library will ask for a Millage Renewal. Libraries are not allowed to move directly from one district to another, and so the 2015 ballot had to read "Fruitport Library." Now that we are a separate library, the ballot is allowed to say "Fruitport District Library." Because of this change, the ballot must also read "new additional millage" (see below). As this language may confuse some, we wanted to assure you that it is not a new additional millage, but rather more like a millage renewal.



*Shall the Fruitport District Library, County of Muskegon, Michigan, be authorized to levy a new additional millage in an amount not to exceed .75 mills (\$.75 on each \$1,000 of taxable value) against all taxable property within the Fruitport District Library district for a period of ten (10) years, 2019 to 2028, inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for all district library purposes authorized by law? The Estimate of the revenue the District Library will collect in the first year of levy (2019) if the millage is approved and levied by the District Library is approximately \$366,000.

Our Fruitport Community, our staff and many volunteers have worked to get us where we are today. Thank you all, for your support as we continue to grow our library. For hours of operation and program listings, visit Fruitport District Library Face Book and www.fruitportdistrictlibrary.org. Your FDL Board of Trustees has worked very hard to ensure we have a community library and has never received compensation. They are appointed by the Township Board and Village Council. They elect officers annually at their January meeting. Please contact any Board members and/or the Library Director, Adam DeWitt with questions. Join our meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at the Fruitport Township Hall at 5:30 p.m.

Township Appointed

Rose Dillon, President
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Marjorie Stonecypher, Vice President

Village Appointed

Donna Pope, Trustee
Laura Oldt, Trustee
Lorri Essenberg, Trustee

New Right to Life of Michigan Legislative Director



Genevieve Marnon

Lansing, Mich. - Genevieve Marnon has been appointed the new legislative director of Right to Life of Michigan (RLM). Marnon will succeed Ed Rivet, who has served the organization as legislative director for more than 30 years.

Marnon currently serves as RLM's public affairs associate in Lansing. She will officially take over for Rivet on May 14, following Rivet's last day on May 11.

Marnon said, "RLM has a tremendous reputation of advocacy for the unborn, medically vulnerable and elderly. Our legislative record is among the best in the country. We've made great strides in providing legal protections for the unborn, but until Roe v. Wade is overturned, there is more work to do."

Letter to the Editor - Planned Parenthood: a Non-Political Political Organization?

As Planned Parenthood's health services and client figures continue to decline every year, their involvement in the political system continues to expand. And that's not all.

On February 27 it was reported by Buzzfeed News that Planned Parenthood was getting involved in the gun control debate. Planned Parenthood has pledged their support to the March for our Lives event on March 24.

CNN reported on March 1 that Planned Parenthood is planning on spending \$20 million in eight battleground states as part of their 2018 election plan, including Michigan.

And then on March 8, the Government Accountability Office (GAO) released a report to Congress showing that the abortion industry received more than \$1.5 billion in federal tax funding and federal-state matching funding from 2013 to 2015. That includes Planned Parenthood Federation of America, International Planned Parenthood Federation, and Marie Stopes International.

Can you imagine the outcry if the National Rifle Association received \$500 million taxpayer dollars a year for hosting gun safety trainings? Would that fact not be reported on a near-constant basis? What about National Right to Life? The howling would be deafening and unending.

Here's a question that's not been properly discussed lately: what does a women's healthcare provider have to do with gun control? If Planned Parenthood's mission is simply to provide healthcare to women, why get involved in other political issues?

Their mission creep goes beyond gun control. In the last year Planned Parenthood has involved itself in nearly every major public policy issue. They've been lobbying and making public statements on immigration laws, tax laws, and even telecommunication regulatory policy. Planned Parenthood is a de facto political party now; they have a platform that extends to every major policy issue.

It's perverse to see a major political player receive an incredible chunk of their budget from the taxpayers. Without your tax dollars, Planned Parenthood would have to drastically rethink their business model. Your money affords Planned Parenthood the opportunity to spend \$20 million on elections you vote in and lobby your legislators about what Planned Parenthood thinks your tax rates should be.

Planned Parenthood is treating the U.S. Treasury as a political slush fund to help them flex their muscles into every aspect of your life. Even people who don't necessarily object to taxpayer funding of the abortion industry should be concerned about the terrible precedent continued tax funding creates for our national politics.

Chris Gast
Director of Communication/Education
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RUMMAGE SALE & SOME BAZAAR ITEMS

Friday, May 25 & Saturday, May 26 from 9 to 5
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- Coffee
- Punch
- Chips



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