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**RECYCLING, WE HAVE A PROBLEM**

We are losing money, because some people are not thinking. Please look at the pictures.



The tubs each cost the system \$70 per month, and \$270 for Transport to dump them. That cost is part of everyone's bill. The plastic bags in the tub, and the paper bag in the wrong tub, will cause that tub to be dumped as regular garbage. That is not a joke. We'd have saved money & been better off if all of the recyclables in those tubs were put in the regular garbage. We've had multiple recycling tubs rejected because people aren't thinking about what they are doing. We've even received calls from the Landfill about it.

**PLASTIC BAGS CANNOT GO INTO THE RECYCLING TUBS. NOT WHITE, GREEN OR PURPLE WITH PINK POLKADOTS. NO PLASTIC BAGS. NO PAPER BAGS IN THE RIGIDS TUB.**

We always have the fiber (paper) tub on the left side, when you are looking from Kloman Ave. The rigids (plastic/tin) are always on the right (river side) GAD has been bringing tubs that are premarked, and sometimes they are the wrong tubs for the type of recyclable. Paper on the left, plastic on the right (side closest to the river).

To date, Republic Township has recycling a total of 49.28 tons of material. 37.91 tons of fiber. 11.96 tons of rigid. Landfill tipping fees saved on all material = \$1999.53

- 37.91 tons of fiber = 341 cyds of saved landfill airspace
- 11.96 tons of rigid = 358 cyds of saved landfill airspace.

700 cyds of total landfill air space saved

Republic Township Recycling Rate= 2% because of the contaminated (wrong material) -tubs.

PLEASE SUBMIT REQUESTS FOR PRE-PUBLISHING NOTIFICATION TO [republictownship@gmail.com](mailto:republictownship@gmail.com)

**BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Senior Friendly is December 10th at Noon

**CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE**

Christmas Sunday School Program is December 13th at 10:30 am during Worship.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship is at 5:00 and 7:00 pm

Pastor Kevin Kaiser



**ST. AUGUSTINES. CHURCH**

**CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE**

Christmas Eve Mass - 5:30 P.M. - St. Augustine, Republic

Christmas Eve Mass - 7:30 P.M. - Sacred Heart, Champion

No Masses on Christmas day.

Sister Margey.

The Republic United Methodist Church will celebrate on Christmas Eve with Candlelight Service at 4:00 P.M.

Everyone is welcome to join us.

We wish a blessed Christmas to all.

**REPUBLIC COMMUNITY SERVICE**

The Christmas party for the kids 12 and under will be held Saturday Dec. 12, 2015 1-3

There will be games, door prizes, cake walk, 50/50 raffle,

Chinese raffle, music, lite lunch and pictures with Santa and Mrs. Clause

Public is welcome.

The 80 and older baskets will be delivered Thursday Dec. 17, 2015 afternoon. If you aren't going to be home please call 376-8041 Dec. 15, 2015 so we can make arrangement for someone to accept this for you.

Dr Carlson holds clinic hours every Thursday at the Non-profit Housing complex. Due to the number of patients being seen please call his Negaunee office for an appointment.

A Foot Care Clinic will held at the Non-profit Housing complex in the South Republic Housing unit, December 17th.

Next meeting of the Housing Authority will be February 15, 2015 at 1:00 P.M.

### What is happening with the dam?

Being unable to pin down a concrete price for the dam from the current owners of the dam, the TIFA Board had found a grant for \$100,000 to offer for the purchase. A promise of a second grant was also received, for the repairs, if the TIFA Board took ownership. The owners rejected the offer.

County Commissioner Joe Derocha ambassadored discussions between the two sides. Per information received from Commissioner Joe, the owners of the dam said they were going to keep the dam. Further, that they intended to fix the gates and maintain the water level for the good of the community.

The TIFA Board was told they will be receiving a letter from the owners spelling out their intent.

### TART SALE, COFFEE AND MUSIC

Chinese Raffle & a Door Prize

At the Town Hall on Saturday, December 19th

10:00 a.m.

Come early and listen to Christmas Music

Hosted by **The Republic Historical Society.**

If anyone is willing to donate tarts or cookies,

it would be great! This is a fund raiser.

Thank you to all our members and support-

"Historical Society Members will be at the town hall on Friday December 18th in the morning. They are donating their time and supplies to wrap gifts for the school children who are shopping at St Vincent de Paul that day.

Have a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a New Year! "



### Assessment information

The question was asked in one of the "informational" sheets that were passed around by residents, what would happen with the AMAR inspection, and the "tax maps" ?

The Township's assessing department received a 94% possible out of 100% score, with 80% being the minimum passing score, and the tax maps, at \$350 for the two, scored 100%. At that price, they are not left out for the public, but are available to view, by appointment request.

At the UP Assessor's training workshop, Wed. Dec. 2nd, the question was raised, how many units had passed the test? Republic Township was one of only four who raised their hand as having passing grade. One unit had the same 94%, the other two had lower percentages.

After March 2016, the Township will go back to one assessor. With the tax roll being completely transferred from the old field card system to the computerized BSA program, the need for the assistant has passed, and that will be absorbed into one position.

The entire tax roll is on line at BSA.com, and any individual can look at their own property information on the site for free. There is a fee for looking at other individuals parcels.

# REPUBLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES AND YOUTH ORGANIZATION.



**REPUBLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES & YOUTH ORGANIZATION**

The group is a primary community organization that sponsors a host of Republic community activities.

Republic Community Services was chartered in 1958 through the United Way of Michigan and has been operating as a charitable organization since that time. All members serve on a voluntary basis and no fees or wages are paid to members. New members are always welcome! Seventy percent of all donations are used in the Republic area for local activities and emergency situations. The remaining thirty percent is disbursed to other worthwhile charitable organizations on a county, state and national basis: United Way of Michigan, Cancer Care for Marquette County, Republic St. Vincent De Paul, Bay Cliff Health Camp, Ishpeming Salvation Army, Ishpeming Commission of Aging, and Excellence in Education, just to name a few.

Republic Community Services supports local youth activities such as Little League, basketball programs, camping scholarships, elementary swimming program, and the children's Easter and Christmas party. RCS also helps people in distress such as illness and fire victims. We also distribute Christmas food baskets to the elderly and shut-ins. Donations are also given to the National Night Out community picnic, welcome baskets and have supported WWII Veterans along with their chaperones on the honor flight to Washington DC.

The present Board of Directors include: President Gayle Ritola, Vice-President Tom Feldhusen, Secretary Diane Perry, Treasurer Faye Mattila, Distress Co-Chairs Carol Nicholas & Tammy Kaminen, Sunshine Chair Donna Venn. Trustees are: Millie Alatalo, Cyndi Armitage, Patty Feldhusen, Kaye Mitchell, Richard Nicholas, Dave Allain and Mike Kolasa..

To contribute to this fundraising effort, mail your contribution to Republic Community Services, PO Box 265, Republic, MI 49879, or deposit contributions in the RCS account at the TruNorth Community Credit Union. Contributions can also be made through payroll deductions.

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**REPUBLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES DONATION FORM**

YOUR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT \$ \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK HERE IF YOU NEED A RECEIPT

THANK YOU!!

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A government survey crew came to Uno's farm one Fall day and asked permission to enter his property. Uno agreed, and Lina even served them a nice meal at lunch time.

The next Spring, the crew returned and told Uno, "Because you were so kind to us, we wanted to give you this bad news in person instead of by letter."

Uno replied, "What's the bad news?"

The surveyors said, "Well, after reviewing our work here, we discovered that your farm is not in Michigan but is actually in Wisconsin!"

Uno looked at Lina and replied to the surveyors, "That's the best news I have heard in a long time. I just told Lina this morning that I don't think I can take another winter in the U.P."

If con is the opposite of pro, it must mean Congress is the opposite of progress?

I am a nobody, nobody is perfect, therefore I am perfect.

Used to like my neighbors, until they put a password on their Wi-Fi.

What's the difference between a smart man and a stupid man? Nothing. They both think they know everything.

If practice makes perfect, and nobody's perfect, why practice?

Why is Christmas just like a day at the office? You do all the work and the fat guy with the suit gets all the credit.

What happens when you get scared half to death twice?

When a man opens the car door for his wife, you can be sure of one thing, either the car is new or the wife is.

Always remember you're unique, just like everyone else.

Crime doesn't pay? Does that mean my job is a crime?

I haven't spoken to my wife for 18 months- I don't like to interrupt her.

Never argue with a fool, they will lower you to their level, and then beat you with experience.