

Fall is Here!

Fall is here and we are loving the break from the summer heat. Aside from going the cider mill and touring our beautiful state to see the fall colors- we've found some fun events for everyone!

Movie in the Cemetery, annual Movie in the Cemetery is a fundraiser held at the historic Redford Cemetery. Come out for a creepy night of Halloween fun! Oct 8, 2022, 7:30 PM - 11:30 PM. Location: Redford Cemetery, 15940 Telegraph Rd, Redford Charter Township, MI.

28th Annual Appleumpkin Festival, October 8th and 9th, 2022, Festival Hours: Sat. 9-6 and Sun. 10-5 Tecumseh, MI. Fun for the entire family! Midway rides & carnival games, inflatables (fee), Bungee Jump (fee). Make-it-take-it crafts, corn box and kid's putt putt golf, helicopter rides - (fee) and monster truck rides (fee).

Scarecrow Fest, Frankenmuth, October 15, 16, 2022 and October 22 and 23, 2022. The first weekend of Scarecrow Fest is Dogs Weekend on Saturday, October 15 and Sunday, October 16, with the Rock N Roll K9s Performance Team putting on shows. Scarecrow Fest will also be held the weekend of October 22 and 23, 2022, with the theme of Kids Weekend! Family-friendly festival at Frankenmuth River Place Shops!

Terror on Tillson Street - Tillson Street is located in Romeo, Michigan. If you are near Romeo Michigan, you need to drive down Tillson street after dark...if you dare. This street is famous for their outrageous Halloween decorations during the month of October. Decorating starts mid October and all the finishing touches will be done by October 31, 2022! This group of homeowners come together each year to put together a spooktacular display!

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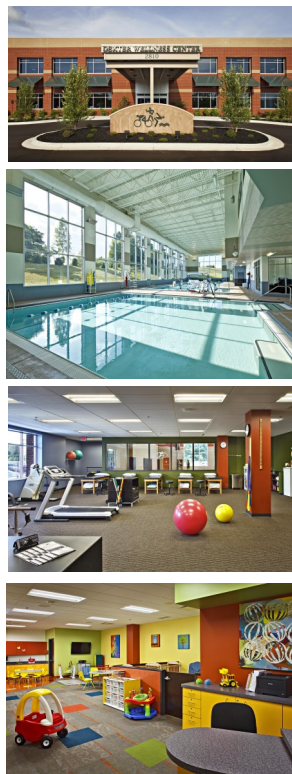
Founded in 1998 by Steve Brouwer, A.R. Brouwer Company is a full service commercial design/build, construction management and general contracting firm that serves southeastern Michigan. By offering a variety of construction solutions, we match our services to your specific requirements. Whether it is for retail or industrial use, a renovation or new construction, your project will be done right by an experienced team of professionals dedicated to your success.

We understand that just as every project is unique, so is every client. A.R. Brouwer Company will customize its services to meet your individual requirements. Budget and schedule, as well as a building's functionality and aesthetics, receive equal consideration in our construction process.

Whether your project has already been designed, or is simply an idea that you're considering for the future, we welcome the opportunity to discuss it with you. Contact us to become another of A.R. Brouwer Company's satisfied clients.

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Winter Generator Maintenance

News of impending winter storms can be daunting, and the potential loss of heat and power creates a major threat to both residences and businesses alike.

Generators can help mitigate this danger, but they're not a magic solution. You can't just wave your wand or sprinkle some fairy dust, and expect your generator to work perfectly at the drop of a magician's hat.

Your generator needs maintenance, even in the cold winter months, to function properly, and the longer you leave it sitting untouched, the less reliable it becomes. Follow our maintenance tips to keep your generator running effectively throughout the winter and into the warmer weather.

1. Stabilize Your Fuel

If your generator is in storage for the winter, you'll want to stabilize the gas with a fuel stabilizer, which is a liquid solution that keeps your fuel fresh during storage. You'll want to rotate your fuel supply by emptying out old fuel and pouring in fresh gasoline to maximize the life of your generator. Stabilizers work to extend the life of your fuel, so that you'll have reliable power when you do turn your generator on again.

2. Change the Oil

Just like your car, your generator needs clean oil to run. And since oil tends to accumulate build-up, you'll want to make sure it's changed at approximately 50-hour intervals, and that the filter is changed at 100-hour intervals. You should also keep a close eye on your oil levels to ensure your generator has sufficient oil to function properly.

3. Conduct Regular Maintenance Checks

You shouldn't wait until the next power outage before giving your generator a once-over. Instead, you'll want to conduct more regular generator maintenance checks and pay particular attention to the oil, fuel, and filters to ensure that your generator is well-lubricated and running as it should. If you don't, you run the risk of your generator not working efficiently, or worse, not turning on at all.

4. Consider Installing a Transfer Switch

For safety throughout the winter months, you'll want to consider getting a transfer switch, which is an electrical device that allows you to safely connect a generator to your household wiring. A transfer switch prevents the utility power and the generator power from sharing household circuits at the same time.

When engaged, a transfer switch isolates the generator power from the incoming utility lines and serves to safeguard the generator while eliminating the inconvenience of running multiple extension cords from the generator into the house. Having a transfer switch also eliminates the risk of back-feeding the electrical utility, which can cause injury to utility workers as well as property damage.

5. Provide a Clear Area

Your generator needs to ventilate so that it can work correctly, so it's important to clear the area around your generator from any debris such as leaves or snow that may have built up during the cold weather.

If it has snowed recently, you'll also want to create a clear path to your generator by shoveling or snow blowing. This will create easy access to it should a generator technician need to perform any repairs, maintenance, or even emergency service.

6. Exercise Your Generator

You're not the only one who needs to keep things moving to stay healthy - your generator needs regular exercise as well! Sure, you're not going to throw your generator on the treadmill or ask it to drop and give you twenty, but you should run it for about ten minutes after long periods of inactivity during cold weather.



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