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Waste fills trucks at Glen Lake



MORE THAN 400 Leelanau households participated in a household hazardous waste collection Saturday at Glen Lake School.

Three semi-trucks and two large trucks were filled at the county household hazardous waste collection Saturday, which was held for the first time at Glen Lake School

"I thought having this event at the school was a tremendous success — great site, great people, great support made for a great event," said Ed Dawkins, vice president of ERG Environmental Services, the contractor for the event.

Some 406 households participated in the collection , with households dropping off paints, chemicals, fertilizers, pesticides, TVs, computers, printers, and medicine.

Volunteers for the collection included Glen Lake softball players McKenzie Bowens and Katie Scott,; football players Rob Dezelski, Cade Peterson, Max Guilbeau, Josh Sterzer, Isaac Sterzer, Max Lerchen and Henry Lerchen, who volunteered for the six-hour collection.

Planning director Trudy Galla noted that the collection ran smoothly thanks to all the volunteers and student athletes who stepped forward just days before the event, when it was realized there was a shortage of volunteers.

Others helping out were Eric Lind, Amanda Elliott, Tim Bolin, JoAnn Benjamin, Pat Scott, Patricia Soutas- Little and staff from the Planning Department.

The next collection for households in Leelanau County is set for Saturday, Aug. 19, at Peshawbestown. The final collection for 2017 will be held in Elmwood Township on Saturday, Oct. 7.

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