

Marion Township 2877 West Coon Lake Road Howell, MI 48843 (517) 546-1588

The Board of Trustees meets the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm. The Planning Commission meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm. The public is encouraged to attend. The meeting schedule is posted on the township's website, <a href="https://www.mariontownship.com">www.mariontownship.com</a>.

# From the Treasurer's Office

Checks are deposited on the day received. We have had an unusual amount of NSF checks. Please do <u>NOT</u> post date your check. If you do, it will be returned.

The treasurer's office will be closed on December 24-25 and will be open on December 26-27. The treasurer's office will be open from 10 am-2pm on December 31. If your tax payment is in the drop box by 8 am on Wednesday, January 2, 2013, it will be processed for 2012. February 28, 2013 is the final day that we will be accepting 2012 tax payments at this office.

If you do not receive a receipt in the mail, please call us to verify that we have received your payment. You can also check on the township's website.

## **WINTER TAX DEFERRAL**

A taxpayer who is a senior citizen, paraplegic, quadriplegic, hemiplegic, eligible service person, eligible veteran, eligible widow or widower, or who is totally and permanently disabled or blind may be able to delay paying the winter taxes on his or her homestead until April 30 of the first year of delinquency. If eligible:

- Taxpayer must apply for homestead property tax credit before February 15
- Taxpayer must present a copy of his/her homestead property tax credit form to the County Treasurer
- Taxpayer cannot have received his/her homestead property tax credit refund before March 1

Please contact the Livingston County Treasurer, (517) 546-7010, or your local treasurer if you have any questions regarding the winter tax deferral.

# 2013 DOG LICENSES—THREE-YEAR OPTION

You now have the option to purchase a one-year license or a three-year license that will expire in the MONTH of the current rabies expiration date. However, the rabies vaccination must be valid for the entire three year period in order to purchase the three-year license. Rabies vaccines can be renewed any time in the MONTH in which it expires. You are then eligible to purchase a dog license before the end of the MONTH.

If you do NOT purchase a dog license by the end of that MONTH, a late fee of \$15 will be added to the price of the license.

MALE/FEMALE		SPAYED/NEUTERED	PUPPY
1 year	\$25	\$7	\$7
3 vear	\$60	\$21	N/A

## Marion Township Park #2

Brick pavers are still for sale to fill in the area around the gazebo next to the township hall. Pavers can be engraved, and are available in three different sizes: single/\$50, double/\$75, and large/\$100. Order forms are available at the hall or on the website.



## FROM THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

Property data is available to all residents upon request, and is also available on the township's website. The assessing office is available to review property record cards and answer any questions. If you have any questions, feel free to contact us during regular business hours.

Assessing staff is currently out in the field doing inspections. Field inspections may include taking photographs, measuring structures, etc. Staff will have identification, including photo name badges.

#### **DPW DEPARTMENT**

Water/sewer connections, special assessments, or REU questions should be directed to Cindy during business hours, or email <a href="mailto:mariondpw@ameritech.net">mariondpw@ameritech.net</a>. Additional information is available on the website's DPW page at <a href="https://www.mariontownship.com">www.mariontownship.com</a>.

MHOG accepts online payments with MasterCard or Visa for water and sewer billing. You can set up an account through Genoa Township's website, <a href="www.genoa.org">www.genoa.org</a>. If you have any questions about your bill, contact Carol at 800-881-4109. The water emergency number is 800-441-4991. For sewer emergencies, call 517-546-7150 weekdays 8 am-4 pm; after hours, weekends and holidays, call 911.

## **Township Website**

The Calendar of Events page is a new feature. The calendar lists each of the township board meetings, as well as events taking place around Livingston County. Additional information about each event is listed on the Community Events page. If you would like to have your event listed, email <a href="mailto:mariondpw@ameritech.net">mariondpw@ameritech.net</a> with the details. Events may include association meetings, local charity fundraisers, garage sales, etc.

## **NOTARY SERVICES**

Notary services are available at the township hall during regular business hours. The service is free to Marion Township residents.

#### **CLERK'S NEWS**

Our 5<sup>th</sup> annual *Trusk or Treat* was moved inside due to inclement weather. Nonetheless, it was very well attended; we had about 18 residents handing out treats and over 225 ghosts, goblins, and princesses collecting treats.

#### **Elections**

The 2012 election cycle is behind us with a total of 75% turnout for the Presidential election. Thank you to everyone who worked the polls and those who so patiently waited in line and made the effort to vote.

#### **Heritage Days**

This year's event is June 8-9, 2013, with lots of fun planned. If you are interested in volunteering or just want to get involved with the festival, give the Clerk's office a call.

#### **Treasure Sales**

This winter, we are planning indoor craft/garage sales one Saturday a month. The space is free, but you must call ahead to reserve your table. Watch our website for more information on dates!

#### **Recycle Items**

In the main entrance to the township offices, you will find recycle bins for special items we are collecting. There are bins for household batteries and hearing aids, prescription eyewear, and cell phones. We also collect seasonal items such as used Christmas lights during the holidays.

The township collects non-perishable food items for Gleaners year round. There is a box in the lobby for donations.

# FOR THE GOOD OF THE TOWNSHIP

The township hosted seven community sales, April through October, in the parking lot. A shredding event was also held at the April sale. We're planning on the same for next year.

There are two computers with Internet access available to the public at no charge during regular business hours, Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am-5:00 pm.

We also have wireless Internet access for those of you with wireless devices.

The township will be hosting Archery Club meetings for all ages at the township hall, and will include indoor and outdoor activities. For more information, contact Josh Howe at 517-376-2471 or Bob Hanvey at the township hall, 517-546-1588.

Marion Township cookbooks, *Sharing our Heritage*, are available for \$10 at the township hall. The book contains over 200 favorite recipes from staff and residents. Proceeds benefit the Heritage Days event.

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