

Milford Community News



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Village Council receives recognition from Congresswoman Haley Stevens, Senator Jim Runestad, Oakland County representatives Phil Weipert and Dan Hunter and the Milford Historical Society.

Road Construction

With the weather warming up, road construction barrels will soon start to appear in the Village. As a result of voter approval of the revised road millage in November 2018, the Village has been able to pursue the issuance of bonds in order to move a few projects up in the cycle, in addition to the planned paving of Peters Rd. in 2020. Projects that are currently planned for 2019

include:

- S. Milford Rd. from the Village limits to General Motors Rd. will be resurfaced this year. This project is partially funded with Federal funds.
- N. Milford Rd. from Concrete Dr. to the Village limits will receive a preservation overlay. This project is intended to last 5-7 years and will allow the Village to continue pursuit of Federal funding for a more intensive resurfacing project in the future.
- Resurfacing of Hickory St. between Commerce Rd. and George St.
- Resurfacing Commerce Rd. from the Village limits to Friar St.
- N. Main St. between Summit St. and George St.

In addition to the above projects, the Village will continue to make repairs to concrete and asphalt surfaces throughout the Village. Routine maintenance including crack sealing and drainage repairs, will start this spring.

Village Parks and Recreation Survey

The Village Parks & Recreation Commission is in the process of updating the 5-year Parks & Recreation Master Plan and needs your input! Please take a few minutes to complete a short survey that is available at www.villageofmilford.org

2019 Milford Garden Walk

The Milford Garden Club presents its 24th Annual Garden Walk and Marketplace on Friday, June 21, 5:30 - 8:30 PM and Saturday, June 22, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM.

Advance tickets may be purchased beginning in June.

For more information email Janie Cryderman at the Milford Garden Club website www.themilfordgardenclub.org.



A permit is required to have a garage sale. Permits are free of charge and are available at the Township and Village offices and online.

Go to www.milfordtownship.com or www.villageofmilford.org

REMINDER - Burning is only permitted in Milford Township and you must obtain a burning permit first from the Township office. There is no burning allowed in the Village of Milford except for recreational campfires.



All residents must notify the Milford Police Department at 248-684-1815 before burning.



5061 N. Duck Lk. Rd., Highland 248-889-0347

www.community-sharing.org

A Year of Celebration!

The Milford Historical Museum has been very busy, come see the new displays that spotlight three milestones for the community.

For a list of events, hours of operation and more visit: www.milfordhistory.org or call 248-685-7308. The museum opens for the season May 11.

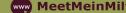


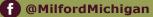
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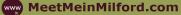
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2019 Township Summer Taxes

2019 July **TOWNSHIP** tax bills will be mailed to you on July 1. Taxes are due and payable until September 14 each year. This year the 14th falls on a Saturday so the due date will be extended until **September 16th** without interest. On September 17th 1% interest will accrue on the unpaid balance each month the tax goes unpaid.

The township has provided a dropbox to the right of the front doors for your convenience. It is strongly suggested that if you are close to the due date and can't come into the office, use this box rather than the Postal Service.

VILLAGE taxes are due and payable August 31 each year. Since the 31st falls on a Saturday, the due date will be *September 3rd*.

Veterans Tax Exemption

P.A. 161 of 2013 is now a law. This means the Real property used and owned as a homestead by a disabled veteran who was discharged from the armed forces of the USA under honorable conditions may be exempt from property taxes. A veteran must meet one of the following:

- 1. Veteran must have been determined by the United States Department of veteran's affairs to be permanently and totally disabled as a result of military service and entitled to veteran's benefits at the rate of 100%.
- 2. Veteran has a certificate from the United States veteran's administration, or its successors, certifying that he or she is receiving or has received pecuniary assistance due to disability for specially adapted housing.
- 3. The Veteran has been rated by the United States department of veteran's affairs as individually unemployable.

Also included in this exemption is the "<u>unremarried</u>" <u>surviving spouse</u> of an honorably discharged veteran who is deceased.

You must provide to the treasurer's office a copy of your DD214, the letter from the VA describing your benefit, and fill out the application form. You must file every year no later than December 31st of any given year with the treasurer's office to keep the exemption. Please contact Cynthia Dagenhardt, Milford Township Treasurer if you feel you may qualify. 248-685-8731

Recipe for Earth-Friendly Compost



- 1. Assemble yard wastes and clippings. Mow your leaves; cut yard clippings into small pieces.
- 2. Start with a layer of organic materials such as shredded leaves and grass.
- 3. Water the layer until it is as moist as a wrung-out sponge.
- 4. Add a 2-3 inch layer of garden soil or compost mix.
- 5. Continue layering, watering, and mixing as you go.
- 6. Every 2-3 weeks, mix the compost material to add air for microorganisms.
- 7. Check to make sure that the composting mixture is moist.
- 8. In 5-6 months, harvest the finished compost!

INGREDIENTS FOR COMPOSTING:

YES NO Grass Clippings **Dairy Products** Garden Waste, Old Flowers Oils & Fats Soil and Compost Diseased Plants Cooked Food Leaves Fruit & Vegetable Peelings Bread Pine Needles Pet Manure; Cat Litter Coffee Grounds & Filters Meat. Fish. Bones Old Fertilizer; Weeds with Seeds Wood Ash from Fireplace Treated Wood Clean, Ground Egg Shells Charcoal & Ashes



HELP PROTECT OUR CENTRAL PARK IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING

We are very fortunate, as a community, to have a place like Central Park for residents and guests of all ages to enjoy. Recent additions of the LaFontaine Family Amphitheater as well as the public restrooms is drawing more and more people to our community for recreation and relaxation.

Officers patrol Central Park as often as time permits. This past year, cameras were installed in various locations around the park and the feed goes directly back to the Police department. While cameras do not always prevent poor behaviors, they can be useful in identifying subjects responsible for causing damage or other problems.

Though we work tirelessly to protect our community's prized asset, the Milford Police Department needs your help. "IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING" Please call 911 if you see someone committing a crime or something suspicious. If you don't feel it is an immediate emergency please call our business phone at 248 684-1815.

Do Not Feed the Waterfowl



When visiting our community parks, please remember – do not feed the waterfowl. Feeding ducks and geese can compromise their natural ability to forage in the wild and may also at-

tract a concentration of wildlife beyond the capacity of the habitat. Plus, feeding waterfowl bread and other human food is not good for the birds' digestive systems.

Waterfowl waste contains a high level of E. coli bacteria, the kind that can close beaches and be harmful to public health.

Estimated Water/Sewer Bill?

If you have received an estimated water/sewer bill take a minute and see if you have a note explaining why. Most of the time we are unable to access the remote reader that is located on the outside of your



home. If you have one of these remote boxes please make sure that the meter reader has access to it. Keep bushes, flowers and other outdoor items at least two feet from the remote box. Also, if you have any work done on your home make sure the

remote stays intact, otherwise a fee will be charged to replace it!

Dog Licenses

Dog licenses are available for purchase at the Milford Township Offices for all Township and Village residents. Current prices are \$18.00 for an unaltered dog or \$10.50 for spayed or neutered. Seniors 65 years and older receive discounted pricing. Three-year tags are also available. You must bring a valid rabies certificate each time you purchase a tag, the Township does not keep copies from prior years! After June 1 licenses are considered delinquent and the cost is \$33.00. For more information go to www.milfordtownship.com under "Resident Services".

Milford Township accepts cash, checks and credit cards (fee applies).

If you find a lost dog wearing a tag call Oakland County Animal Control at 248-858-1090 and they can contact the dog's owners.



Leash Ordinance

Please remember, under Village ordinance Section 14-37, when off the premises of its owner or custodian all dogs must be leashed. This includes in any park or on the Milford trail. Also, please be a good pet owner and clean up after your pet.



Dog Park Project

A fundraising effort is currently underway to create a dog park in the Village near the Milford Trail (off of General Motors Rd.) If \$20,000 is raised by May 31st, the Michigan Economic Development Corporation will provide a matching grant to double the funds available for this project. See details & donate at:

www.patronicity.com/milforddogpark

Sewer Backups

The leading cause of backups in the sewer system is improper disposal of non-flushable items. Wipes, such as baby and cleaning may be labeled flushable *BUT THEYARE NOT*! Feminine products are also not flushable. Only human waste should enter the sewer system!

Sewer Credits

If you water outside and do not have a separate meter for irrigation you may qualify for a watering credit. Applications are available online at

www.villageofmilford.org/forms or at the Village office.

Reminder, credits are not reviewed until after you receive your bill starting in September.

Milford Transportation Service

Milford Township and the Village of Milford offer a transportation service that is available to ALL Milford residents. The service is operated by our partners at **People's Express**. Residents can arrange transportation for work, medical, appointments, shopping and more.

For information and to schedule a ride contact People's Express at 877-214-6073.

2019 Milford Township Parks & Recreation Schedule

2019 Summer Concert Series 7 pm - 9 pm

June 6	Jon Fett Quartet	Rock and Roll
June 13	Phoenix Theory Band	Classic Rock, Top 40
June 20	Persuasion Band	High Energy Dance Hits
June 27	Kari Lynch	Country, Americana
July 11	Trilogy	Classic Rock, Pop & Jazz
July 18	Fifty Amp Fuse	Pop/ Rock
July 25	Rockstar	80's Rock
August 1	Mainstreet Soul	Variety Hits
August 15	Magic Bus	Late 60's Tribute

Burgers, Hot Dogs, Fries, Drinks and Ice Cream available for purchase! Parking is very limited and fills up fast. Please take notice of new signage for parking and be mindful of concert workers.

Picnic & Movies

June 1	Picnic	4 pm
July 10	Movie, Sing (PG)	Dusk
July 24	Movie, Alexander & the Terrible, Horrible, No Good Day (PG)	
July 31	Movie, <i>Trolls (PG)</i>	Dusk
Sept. 8	Drive-In Movie, (Janowski Park), Hook (PG)	Dusk
Sept. 29	Picnic & Movie, <i>Peter Rabbit (PG)</i>	Picnic at 4 pm/movie dusk











Performance Dashboard

Each year Milford Township and the Village of Milford must meet certain requirements in order to qualify for the full City, Village and Township Revenue Sharing payment from the State of Michigan. One of the requirements is that documents be made available to the public for viewing. These documents can be found at www.milfordtownship.com

(Departments/Supervisor/Citizens Guide/Peformance Dashboard) and www.villageofmilford.org/budget

Memorial Day Parade Monday, May 27 11 a.m.

Remember their Sacrifices

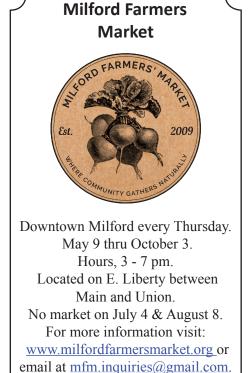
All American Citizens.... Your presence is requested to honor and remember those who lost their lives while serving in the Armed Forces of America. Set aside your work and activities to support and say "Thanks" to all those who served or are still serving in the military services.

Parade starts at 11:00 am at the American Legion Post 216, 510 W. Commerce Road. For information contact Joe Salvia, 313-701-8000 or www.milfordlegion216.org.



REMEMBER, RAIN OR SHINE WE MARCH!

downtown milford side walk SALE FRIDAY/SATURDAY, JULY 12&13 10am-9pm





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VILLAGE OF MILFORD

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Asst. Manager/Clerk - Deborah Frazer
Treasurer/Finance Director - Penny Ray
DPS Superintendent - Robert Calley
Police Chief - Thomas Lindberg
Building Official - Randy Sapelak
DDA Director - Ann Barnette
Newsletter Editor - Penny Ray



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www.milfordfiredept.com

Supervisor: Don Green
Clerk: Holly Brandt
Treasurer: Cynthia Dagenhardt

Fire Chief: Thomas Moore

Building Official: Timothy Brandt

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Board Members: Randall Busick William Mazarra Brien Worrell Dale Wiltse

Dates to Remember

- May 18 Household Hazardous Waste Day, Milford Civic Center 9 am - 2 pm 248-208-2270
- May 27 Memorial Day Parade, downtown Milford 11 am Village/Township offices closed
- June 1 Community Picnic, Central Park 4 pm
- June 30 Tax bills mailed
- July 4 Village/Township offices closed
- September 3 **VILLAGE** taxes due
- September 16 TOWNSHIP taxes due

FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE!

Fourth Fridays; Center Street Park Downtown Milford, 7-9 PM





