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Marysville... A nice place to visit, a better place to live.

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**Our Vision**... The Marysville City Government will continue to provide a safe, stable and contented community.

**Our Mission**... By the application of the latest technology in providing quality services, innovative and environmentally sound practices while maintaining fiduciary responsibility and small town atmosphere.

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### MARYSVILLE CITY COUNCIL

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### MARYSVILLE GOLF COURSE

The Marysville Golf Course Opened on March 13 to a beautiful sunny day, with temperatures reaching 72 degrees.

Get your season passes today at the Marysville City Hall - Treasurer Department. The Treasurer Department is open Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. For tee times contact the Marysville Pro Shop at 364-4653 (364-GOLF).

#### 2012 Marysville Golf Course Membership Rates

Single	\$450
Senior Single	\$405
Married Couple	\$655
Senior Married Couple	\$590
Student under age 18	\$180
College Student thru age 25	\$260
Family	\$925

For Senior Passes you must be 55 years or older by April 1, 2012.

### YAC brings "Kids Golf Free" Program to the Golf Course

Enjoy a round of golf with your kids this summer. For ten consecutive Sundays beginning June 24, kids ages 18 and under can golf for free at Marysville Golf Course during our Kids Golf Free program. This program runs through Sunday, August 26 and is good for tee times on or after 3 p.m. Reservations recommended, please call 364-4653 for a tee time. Kids Golf Free is courtesy of the Community Foundation of St. Clair County's Youth Advisory Council (YAC).

### Open Gym at the Middle School

Residents have been asking for a gym to shoot baskets or play volleyball with their kids, so we're opening the old gym up to those residents for drop in play and fun. Join us at the Middle School old gym on Tuesday and Thursday nights with your parents or friends for a game of volleyball or basketball (This program is for ages 8 & older). The new gym is available to players 18 & older for drop-in games of basketball and volleyball. Enjoy!!

**TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 7:00-9:30pm**  
(Gym open until May 31)

New Gym - 18 & Older Basketball/Volleyball  
Old Gym - 8 yrs. & older Basketball/Volleyball

**Daily Fee:** \$2 School District/ \$4 Non-School District  
\$5 Family School District/\$10 Non-School District  
**Individual Pass:** \$25 School District Resident /\$50 Non-Res

### 2012 Summer Picnic Pavilion Reservations

The picnic pavilion reservation rental system starts April 2nd, 2012. Marysville Residents must come to the Recreation Department located in City Hall with their Marysville Driver's License. A non-refundable \$25 fee will be charged to Marysville Residents for reserving a picnic pavilion in the Marysville City Park. On May 1st, non-residents may reserve a picnic pavilion for \$50. Reservations will be accepted for all five picnic pavilions in the city park. Reservations are taken for Saturdays & Sundays, Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day Weekend, including Memorial Day, 4th of July, and Labor Day.

If you have questions, please contact the Recreation Department 810-455-1302. Reservation Rentals cannot be taken over the phone. Payment must be made with cash or a check.

### Come SWIM at the High School Pool

Marysville High School Pool is open for lap swimming and open swim. Swimmers may purchase a season pass (pass expires Aug. 2012) or pay a daily fee each night.

#### Lane/Open Swim Times until June 8

**Mondays: 5:30—6:40 p.m. & 7:45—8:45 p.m.**

**Tuesdays, Wednesday, Thursday: 5:30—8:45 p.m.**

**Fridays: 5:00—8:00 p.m.**

#### Season Passes:

*Individual Pass:* \$25 School District Resident / \$50 Non-Resident.

*Family Pass:* \$40 School District Family / \$75 Non-Resident

#### Daily Fee:

*Individual:* \$2 School District/\$4 Non-School

*Family:* \$5 School District/\$10 Non-School District

**The pool will be CLOSED on the following dates:**  
April: 6 & 9

Summer Pool Hours will be listed in the Summer Recreation Brochure

Check us out on the web for more programs:  
[www.cityofmarysvillemi.com](http://www.cityofmarysvillemi.com)  
Click on Departments, then click on Recreation!

Marysville Recreation Department: (City Hall): 364-6613  
ext. 1302 • 1111 Delaware Ave., Marysville MI 48040  
Discount Amusement Park Tickets will be available this Spring/Summer through the Recreation Department.

### City Manager's Comments

**The 2012-13 budget process started March 19th.**

The city council will start reviewing, analyzing and making decisions on the fiscal annual budgets that will start on July 1, 2012 and will end on June 30, 2013. The council will meet through the month of April and May with a final budget public hearing set for Tuesday May 29, 2012 at 7:30 at City Hall.

As it has been publicized in the news media, local governments have to deal with budget deficits for the last 3 years due to a major decline in property values. The City of Marysville has the same issues to deal with, as every community in Michigan and across the United States. City of Marysville fathers and administration has historically been very prudent and conservative in financially planning the city's future. This year will be no different. During budget discussions in March through May, the Mayor and council will evaluate a number of options presented by administration with an aim to develop a balanced budget and continue to provide the services that city residents have enjoyed and have come to expect.

We will continue to work towards the goal of providing city services that are second to none, and yet maintain a very healthy financial standing in these uncertain times. The Mayor and members of the city council as well as the city's administrative staff welcomes your input and opinions during the budget process. Have a great spring.

### Roof Shingle Replacement

Due to the severe storm that dissected the town last August, there have been an unusual number of roof replacement jobs being done throughout the city. Permits are required for all roof replacements and contractors are required to have State of Michigan license, liability insurance and workmen compensation insurance. Please have your contractor obtain the required permit to ensure we have record of this business information. Remember, the permit holder is responsible for code violations.

There have been cases of "pressure sales" tactics being used to solicit shingle jobs. In order to protect yourself, carefully read any document prior to signing. Should you have any problems with sales people, contact the City of Marysville Police Department. Any questions or concerns regarding swimming pool regulations may be made to the City Building Official at 810-455-1310.

### Marysville Trash Guidelines

**Your pick-up schedule:** *Your pick up day is Wednesday, but the time of day it will be removed may vary depending on volume. Trash, recycling, compost, and bulky items will be picked up on the same day. Therefore, all items must be placed at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday and it will be removed that day. Our ordinance prohibits placement before 6:00 p.m. the night before. No larger than a 32-gallon trash can is permitted.*

**Yard Waste-April through November:** *Grass, leaves and small twigs must be placed in a trash container marked with an "X" or compost bags that does not exceed 40 lbs. Pick-up begins for 2012 on April 4. The "X" on trash container no larger than 32-gallon must be faced towards the road. The "X" can be put on with duct tape, masking tape or paint. These containers can only be used for compost. Branches 2 inches or less in diameter can be broken down and put in "X" container. Grass material will not be accepted in plastic bags. Branches need to be 4 feet in length and in a neat pile.*

**Large Items:** *Bulky items can be placed to the curb year round, but it must be placed to the curb before 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday also. Call ahead if you are not sure if item is acceptable.*

**Paint:** *Paint will be picked up if it is completely dried up. You must leave lid off and put cat liter in can to absorb paint. Set it next to your trash, so they can see that it is completely dried up.*

**Recycling:** *Glass-clear, brown or green food or beverage bottles or jars, rinse clean and discard lids, labels do not to be removed. Cans-Soup, vegetables, fruit cans etc., rinse clean and remove labels. Plastic-Milk, water jugs, etc. with the #1 or #2 plastic -rinse clean and discard caps. Newspapers-No glossy prints, black ink only No cardboard at all. No pizza boxes, cereal boxes, or beverage containers are accepted in the blue bin. Corrugated cardboard only can be dropped off at our DPS yard at 200 East 14th Street, boxes only with no packaging inside.*

**Any questions call the Department of Public Works between 7-4:30 at 810-364-8340.**

### Michigan Property Taxation

The 2012 Taxable Value and Notice of Assessment's were mailed out February 27, 2012.

On March 15, 1994 Michigan voters approved a constitutional amendment known as Proposal A. This amendment was designed to limit the growth of property taxes to the Inflation Rate, until the ownership of the property is transferred. Prior to Proposal A, property taxes were based on the State Equalized Value (SEV). On October 31, 2011 State Tax Commission Bulletin # 14 of 2011, determined the Inflation Rate Multiplier (IRM) for 2012 to be 1.027%. The taxable value cannot exceed the SEV.

**Actual selling price is not necessarily the true cash value of a property**  
The law defines True Cash Value as the usual selling price of a property. The Legislature and courts have stated that the actual selling price of a property is not a controlling factor in the true cash value or state equalized value as calculated by the assessor.

The following is a basic example of how to calculate your annual property tax for those with 100% Principle Residence Exemption (PRE) status:

<b>TAXABLE VALUE</b>		<b>(TENTATIVE) MILLAGE RATE</b>		<b>(TENTATIVE) TOTAL YEARLY TAX</b>
75,000	X	41.8309/1000	=	\$3,137.32

\*MILLAGE BASED UPON 2011 TOTAL P.R.E. MILLAGE RATE

*Tax & Assessing information is available on line!*

*Plus - Pay your bills on line!*

*Simply go to the City's website at [www.cityofmarysvillemi.com](http://www.cityofmarysvillemi.com), and use the link for "Tax/Assessing/Utility Records".*

### CRIME REPORTS

The Marysville Police Department would like residents to go to [www.crimereports.com](http://www.crimereports.com) and search for Marysville, MI. Crimereports.com is now displaying incidents in Marysville within 24 hours of occurrence to better inform you what is happening in your neighborhood. You can set up an alert to notify you when a crime happens in your neighborhood and please notify the police department of any information you may have about these crimes or suspicious activity.

### CITY EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

**5 Years**

- ANN EISEN.....REC
- RANDY SMITH.....DPS

**10 Years**

- STEVEN McNEIL.....FIRE
- RICHARD TAYLOR.....DPS
- TINA WEGLARZ.....CITY CLERK/FINANCE DIRECTOR

**15 Years**

- CURTISS BABB.....POLICE
- KEITH WALTER.....FIRE
- KEITH WAYBURN.....FIRE
- BARI WRUBEL.....WATER/WASTEWATER

**20 Years**

- CHRISTINE RYAN-SASS.....FIRE

**25 Years**

- MARK FRENDT.....WATER
- RANDY WHEELER.....DPS
- BRIAN WILSON.....DPS

**30 Years**

- TIMOTHY BUELOW.....POLICE

## When the Sirens Sound



Community warning sirens are placed around the area to provide citizens with early notification of emergencies affecting the community.

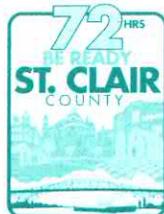
During a tornado, storms with wind over 70 mph, chemical releases or other community emergencies the outdoor warning siren that covers the affected area will sound for 3 minutes. Upon hearing a siren, citizens are advised to go

indoors and tune to local radio stations WSAQ 107.1 FM or WGRT 102.3 FM, where they will be provided with detailed instructions and updates as the situation progresses.

### Outdoor warning sirens tested the first Monday of the month at 12:30 p.m.

Unless you have an emergency, please do not call 911 or the Police and Fire Departments for information. Emergency personnel are busy handling the situation in addition to other emergencies that maybe ongoing.

St. Clair County in partnership with Lambton County Ontario have installed an community alerting network. When officials identify a need to alert the community, they access the messaging system through a computer interface. Once a text message is developed and the groups needing to receive that message are selected, the message is sent to the AlertFM receiver via a FM radio broadcast. Within minutes of an emergency, information can be sent to all the receivers in the system giving people more time to safely respond to the situation. AlertFM receivers are available for purchase from local resellers. More information is available at <http://www.bereadystclaircounty.org/AlertFM.aspx>



## Marysville Election Information **VOTE**

### May 8th, 2012 - School Election

The City will be conducting the school election for the Marysville School District. Everyone planning on voting through the Absentee Voter process will need to contact the City Clerk's office to request an Absentee Voter application. The last day to request a ballot is by 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 30, 2011.

### Election Information On-Line

The State of Michigan has set up an excellent website providing election information to the voter. To access it, go to website [www.michigan.gov/vote](http://www.michigan.gov/vote). There, you can enter your name (first and last) birth/month/year and zip code. Following that step, your polling place, as well as other pertinent information will be available from this menu. Be sure to try it before the May election and be ready to vote!

## Planting Day 2012- Saturday June 3rd.



Please join us at the north boat launch to help plant beautiful flowers around Marysville.

Help is needed, questions contact the Recreation Department at 455-1302

## Earth Fair

Friday, April 27, 9am – 5pm

Saturday, April 28, 10am – 4pm

Goodells County Park - **Free parking & admission**

**Visit St. Clair County's largest Earth Day celebration!** Earth Fair is a two-day extravaganza that offers eco-smart choices for you and your budget, good-for-you organics and more. It is a blend of companies, artisans, demonstrations, displays and entertainment acts as well as specialty attractions, novelty vendors and furry friends that's fun for the whole family. Earth Fair also coincides with the St. Clair Conservation District's annual spring tree sale where a variety of trees and shrubs are available for purchase. **NEW THIS YEAR...** Reduce your carbon footprint and ditch your vehicle in the spirit of Earth Day! Free shuttles will be running from the Vantage Point Maritime Center and Wadhams Dollar Store to Goodells County Park. For the complete list of Earth Fair exhibitors, schedule of hands-on workshops, shuttle details, and maps to Earth Fair, see [www.EarthDayFair.com](http://www.EarthDayFair.com).

## River Day – Saturday, June 9

**Get out and show some love to the water!** River Day returns for one day – June 9 – with a full day of free activities on land and water for the entire family! Since 2004 the St. Clair County Health Department has been organizing recreational activities in early June that allow everyone to celebrate, enhance and protect our beautiful rivers, lakes and bays. So whether you like to stay dry, get wet, play, learn or relax, it won't cost you a thing to have fun on River Day! For a complete list of River Day activities, such as nature hikes, clean-ups, canoe trips, and fishing clinics, stay tuned to [www.RiverDayFun.com](http://www.RiverDayFun.com).

## 2011 Battle of the Bulbs Christmas Decorating Winners!

Patty & Steven Tuffin ..... 302 Connecticut  
 Michael, Mary Jo & Abigail Morgan ..... 739 Alexandria  
 Brian & Laura Gwisdala ..... 727 Alexandria  
 Henry & Judy Hincherrick ..... 331 Sandpiper

### KIDS' CHOICE

David & Demra Collingwood ..... 769 Carolina  
 Joel & Dawn Endelman ..... 2798 River Rd.  
 Jason & Stacey Brockdorff ..... 665 Applegate  
 Greg & Janet Lachon ..... 977 18th St.  
 Dennis & Vickie Lansky ..... 1542 Minnesota

## City of Marysville - Dates to Remember

- March 31** Last Day for Wreaths at Riverlawn Cemetery
- April 1** ALL WREATHS must be removed from Riverlawn Cemetery
- April 1-2** Picnic Reservation System Starts - Rec. Department
- April 9** Fire Hydrant Flushing this Week on River Rd. Dow area and Davis Rd.
- April 4** Yard Waste in containers marked with an "X" or compost bags begins today
- April 6** City offices closed due to Good Friday
- April 16** Fire Hydrant Flushing this Week between Huron Blvd., Cuttle Rd. & W. of Michigan
- April 23** Fire Hydrant Flushing this Week N. of Gratiot
- April 27** Arbor Day - Gardens School
- April 30** Fire Hydrant flushing this week N. of Gratiot
- May 7** Fire Hydrant flushing this week on Michigan, Gratiot & Cuttle Rd. area
- May 18** Flowers allowed on graves at Riverlawn Cemetery for Memorial Day
- May 28** City Offices Closed due to Memorial Day (observed)
- May 30** No Refuse Removed Today
- May 31** Wednesday's May 30 Refuse removed Today
- June 7** Flowers must be removed from Riverlawn Cemetery
- June 27- July 1** Marysville Days
- July 4** City Offices Closed-Independence Day
- July 5** Wednesday's July 4th refuse removed today

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## City Phone Numbers

E-mail: [mvillecity@cityofmarysvillemi.com](mailto:mvillecity@cityofmarysvillemi.com)

Website: [www.cityofmarysvillemi.com](http://www.cityofmarysvillemi.com)

- Administrative Offices ..... 364-6613
- Fax ..... 364-3940
- Police Department ..... 364-6300
- Fire Department ..... 364-6611
- Golf Course Pro Shop ..... 364-4653
- Library ..... 364-9493

### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES

- D.P.S. .... 364-8340
- Wastewater Department ..... 364-6110
- Water Department ..... 364-8460

**EMERGENCIES ONLY - DIAL 911**

## New Employee



The Community Development Department is pleased to welcome its new secretary Julie Sobkowski. Julie is a Marysville native and relocated back to the community with her husband Henry and daughter Lindsey in 2007. A graduate of Michigan State University, she enjoys spending time with her family, gardening, biking and the band Duran Duran.

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