

Fraser Parks & Recreation

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Don't let a good program get cancelled!

Don't wait till the last minute to register! At some point we need to make a decision about programs that have low participation. We reserve the right to combine or cancel classes if there is low participation. Cancellations will receive refunds.

Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers ages 14+! Do you have a skill that you would like to share or are you looking to help enrich your community? Give us a call at (586)296-8483 or email us at FraserActivityCenter@MiCityofFraser.com to be added to our volunteer list!

Seasonal Recreation Staff

We will be accepting applications for Seasonal Staff in April for our summer programs. Applicants must be 17+ years of age. Check www.MiCityofFraser.com in April for more up to date information.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Crafternoon

First Saturday of the Month at 11 am
January 4th, February 1st, March 1st, April 5th
Each month will feature a new craft! For ages 5-13. Must register by the Monday before the program. Cost is \$6 resident, \$8 non-resident. All supplies will be provided.

Parent and Tot Playschool

January 3rd at the Fraser Activity Center
Fridays 10 am - 10:45 OR 11:15 am - Noon
This all new program for ages 2 1/2 to 5 years encourages parents and tots to learn preschool routines, make new friends and enjoy quality time with each other! Weekly sessions are planned around different themes and will include stories, songs, music movement and fun! Cost for 5 sessions is \$45 resident/\$55 non-resident

Self Defense for Kids

Saturday, February 8th 1-2 pm
Staying safe should be a priority no matter what age! Our safety instructor will provide real-life scenarios and teach effective strategies to staying safe! Participants will also learn self-defense maneuvers and be able to practice one-on-one with an instructor. Class sizes are limited so register soon! Cost is \$15 for a 1 hour class. Minors must be accompanied by an adult. Classes taught by Live Safe Academy

Simply Sports Ages 4-5

Wednesdays at 6 pm Beginning Wednesday, January 8th
This 8 Week Program is for ages 4-5 covers a variety of sports- Tennis, basketball, football, soccer, dodgeball, and MORE! Cost is \$55 Residents, \$65 non-residents, shirts and instruction included.

Youth Floor Hockey Leagues

Games are on Saturday Mornings beginning Saturday, March 15th
Register now for Youth Floor Hockey Leagues for grades 2-6! Practices for leagues will be based on volunteer coach's availability. Drop in format will be used if there are less than 4 teams for each league. No additional practice times for clinic or if we do not have enough teams for a league. Cost is \$55/Residents, \$65/Non-residents. Register by Friday, March 7th. If you would like to coach, please call 586.296.8483.

Kindergarten & 1st grade Floor Hockey Clinics

Wednesday at 6 pm Beginning Wednesday, March 12th
Kindergartners and 1st graders will have an opportunity to learn the fundamentals of floor hockey, develop skills and play games. Program lasts 8 weeks. Register by Friday, March 7th. Cost is \$55/Res, \$65/Non and will include team shirt and instruction.

Summer Programs

Check back in March for more information on our Youth Summer Programs!

ADULT PROGRAMS

NEW! Craftin' Meet-ups!

Crafting is much more fun in a group! Attend any of our meet-ups with a \$2 drop in fee. There will not be an instructor at these meet-ups, however you might learn new skills from others in the group! NEEDED: Have craft items that you don't need? Donate them to our crafting groups!

Sewcializers – 1st Monday of the month 6-9pm Starting in February

This drop-in meet-up is for sewers of all kinds! Work on your quilt or sewing project while chatting with other sewers! Bring your own machine and supplies, ironing board and iron will be available.

Scrap Happy – 2nd Monday of the month 6-9pm Starting in February

This drop-in meet-up is for all fellow scrappers and general crafts! Give yourself 3 hours of un-interrupted crafting time and meet new people!
Yarnies – 1st Thursday of the month 6-9 pm Starting in February
Knitting, crochet and embroider is no fun to do alone! Gather your yarn and embroidery projects and meet up with people who share the same love for the yarn arts!

Anyone Can Paint!

Thursday, January 16th, February 20th, March 20th 6:30-8:30 pm
At the Activity Center
Join television artist Steve Wood as he leads you through creating a canvas painting! Anyone can do it! All supplies included. Cost is \$23 residents, \$27 non-residents. Register by the Friday before the scheduled class.

Adult Yoga

Mondays at 6 pm and 7:15 pm, Starting January 6th, March 24th
At the Fraser Activity Center
Yoga helps calm the mind, body, and spirit and also has many health benefits! Our yoga class is taught by a master of yoga and is available for people of all abilities. Cost is \$90 for 10 sessions. Ages 16 yrs and up are welcomed.

ZUMBA

NEW! Zumba Tuesdays at 6:30 pm
NEW! Zumba Kickboxing Tuesdays at 7:30 pm
Zumba Thursdays at 6:30 pm

Zumba Tone N Tighten Thursdays at 7:30 pm
Working up a sweat has never been so fun! Join us for our newest dance program- ZUMBA! Be ready for a fantastic workout, great music and fun! Dress comfortably, wear dance sneakers or tennis shoes, bring two bottles of water and a face towel. Cost is 7 per class, \$25 for 4 classes \$48 for 8 classes. Register with CC Plus when you come to the program.

Belly Dancing

Tuesdays at 6 pm, Starting January 7th, February 4th, March 4th, April 1st
This class is designed to teach Belly Dance combinations and drills for Beginners and Intermediate dancers, ages 16 and up. This is a wonderful way to build self-confidence, strengthen your core, and build agility while having a great time with friends! Cost for 4 sessions is \$40 or drop-in for \$12/session

Self Defense Class for Adults 13+

Saturday February 8th 2014 at the Fraser Activity Center
2 Hour class from 2:30 – 4:30 pm
Staying safe should be a priority no matter what age! Our safety instructor will provide real-life scenarios and teach effective strategies to staying safe! Participants will also learn self-defense maneuvers and be able to practice one-on-one with an instructor. Class sizes are limited so register soon! Cost is \$30 for a 2 hour class. Minors must be accompanied by participating adult. Classes taught by Live Safe Academy

Men's 18+ Adult Softball Leagues

Men's Softball Tuesday evenings

Games are played at Steffens Park, season to start late April. Regular Season is 7 weeks of double headers and one day double elimination tournament. Cost is \$576 per team, ASA fees and softballs included. Umpire fees will be paid by each team before game, fees TBD. Register now and reserve a team spot with \$100 deposit before League is filled.

18+ Co-Ed Kickball League

Wednesday Evenings

Games are played at Steffens Park, season to start late April. Regular Season is 7 weeks of double headers and playoff tournament. Cost is \$375 per team and includes games, balls, and winning team t-shirts or trophy. Umpire fees to be paid by each team before game, fees TBD. Register now and reserve a team spot with \$100 deposit before League is filled.

Couch to 5K Meetup

Beginning April 29th, Tuesday and Thursday at 6 pm, Saturday at 9 am at Fraser High School Track (unless games are scheduled, then location will be at the Arts Academy in the Woods Track)

The Couch to 5K is a great program for anyone who has wanted to take up running but didn't know how! This is a FREE community group! To join, submit your email address to christinaw@micityoffraser.com to be added to the group. All participants are encouraged to register for the Families Against Narcotics 5k in July to support drug abuse prevention in our community! This is a great way to stay motivated and get in shape for summer!

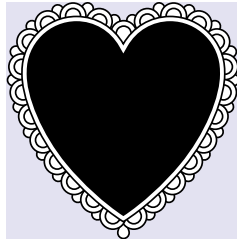
SPECIAL EVENTS

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

Thursday, January 16th at the Activity Center 4 pm – 7 pm
Don't worry about what's for dinner... Support the Fraser First Booster Club in their fundraiser for the Barrier Free Park by bringing the family out for some great spaghetti! Menu: Coffee, Lemonade, Spaghetti with meat sauce or marinara, rolls, salad, and dessert! Cost is \$8 before 12pm on January 16th, \$10 at the door. Seniors and children under 10 only pay \$8. Tickets available at the Fraser Activity Center.

6th Annual Fraser First Booster Club Valentine Dance

Friday, February 8th at Zuccaros in Clinton Township
Doors at 6:30 pm, Dinner at 7 pm
Take your sweetie out for a wonderful dinner and dancing! Tickets are \$32 and include a full dinner and open bar. We will also have raffles and auctions. Proceeds will go towards supporting the Barrier Free Park. Tickets available at the Fraser Activity Center, no tickets at the door.



What is the Fraser First Booster Club?

Fraser First Booster Club, Inc. is a non-profit organization to benefit parks in the City of Fraser. Currently, Fraser First Booster Club is working with the Fraser Parks and Recreation to create a barrier-free park and playground at McKinley Park, which is located on Grove Street between Masonic and 13 Mile Road just east of Hayes. What is a barrier-free park? A barrier-free park is a park which all of the design elements are accessible to all children and their families. So no matter the individuals' ability, there will be a place for them to not only play but move through the park without barriers. To learn more about McKinley Barrier-Free park Visit www.fraserfirst.com or check us out on facebook at Fraser First Booster Club, Inc.

Daddy Daughter Dance

Thursday, February 13th at the Vintage House in Fraser
Doors at 5:30, Dinner at 6 pm
Our Annual Daddy Daughter Dance is always lots of fun! Fathers and Daughters of all ages are welcome! Event includes dinner, dancing, and gift for the daughter. Dressy attire is recommended. Tickets are available beginning January 2nd. Cost is \$18 resident/ \$23 non-resident. Must show ID at time of purchase. Photos will be available for an additional charge.

Mom and Son Bowling

Sunday, May 4th at 12pm At Fraser Lanes
Have some Mom & Son bonding at our Bowling Party! Moms and sons of all ages are welcome! Event includes pizza, pop, shoes, 2 games of bowling and a special gift for mom! Tickets are available beginning Monday, March 3rd. Cost per person is \$10 resident/ \$12 non-resident. Must show ID at time of purchase. Get your tickets before Friday, April 25th.

Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 12th at the Fraser Activity Center 11:00 am or 1:30 pm sessions
The Easter Bunny is coming to town! All Fraser children are invited to hunt for Easter eggs, make an Easter craft, enjoy a hot dog lunch and more! Don't forget to bring a camera to take a picture with the Easter Bunny! Tickets are FREE but limited. Tickets available starting Monday, February 3rd. Tickets available to Fraser residents, limited to six per household. ID required at time of pick-up.

Easter Coloring Contest

Coloring sheets for ages 2-8 and special needs will be available beginning Monday, February 3rd. Contest winners will be announced at the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 12th. A first place and runner up prize will be given to each age. All submissions must be in by Friday, April 11th.

Fraser Fun Fest

Sunday, March 2nd 1-3 pm at the Fraser Activity Center
Cost is \$1 per resident, \$2 per non-resident
Come out to the Fraser Activity Center for an afternoon of fun! We will have a bounce house, spring craft, face painting, magician and more! Concessions will be available at a reasonable price. Get your tickets now! Must show ID at time of purchase.

Mom-to-Mom Sale

Friday, March 14th from 6-8 pm and Saturday, March 15 from 9-12 pm
At the Fraser Activity Center
Stop by for some good deals at our Mom-to-Mom Sale! No door fee for shopping, however there will be concessions for purchase. Interested in holding a table? Cost is \$15 for a 10x10 ft. space for both days, one table included. A maximum of two big-ticket items allowed at a time. Set up will be Friday, March 14th between 4:30-6 pm. We allow strollers! Contact the Activity Center for more information or for a registration form (586) 296-8483

Rentals

Facility Rental

Looking for a place to host your next party or just want some time in our indoor gym? The Activity Center has rooms available for rent including a beautiful banquet room that seats 100 people, indoor gym that can be set up for basketball, volleyball or dodgeball, and a meeting room that can seat 35 people and has a large flat screen TV and dry erase board for meetings. Call the Center for date availability and pricing.

Pavilion Rentals

Pavilion Rentals for the 3 pavilions in Steffens Park begin on Monday, April 1st at 8 am for Fraser residents, Wednesday, May 1st at 9 am for non-residents. Dates fill on a first come, first served basis. Rentals must be made in office during business hours. Must show ID upon reservation.

Pavilion Rental Rates

| | Resident | Non-Resident |
|--|----------|--------------|
| Fort Fraser - 75 person capacity | \$80 | \$90 |
| Steffen's Shelter - 40 person capacity | \$55 | \$65 |
| Willow Tree - 30 person capacity | \$55 | \$65 |
| Bounce house/tent addition | \$15 | |

Senior Activity Center • Senior Activities - Weekly Events

Call us at (586) 296-8483 or e-mail us at FraserActivityCenter@live.com to be added to our e-mail updates

Coffee and Crafting

Tuesdays at Noon

This brand new crafting group will meet at the Activity Center! We'll provide the coffee, you provide the craft! You are welcome to bring a craft you would like to work on- sewing, yarn arts, jewelry, scrapbooking, whatever! Drop in fee applies.

Coffee and Donuts

Every 3rd Tuesday of the month from 9am-11am

March 19th, April 16th, May 21st

Come in and enjoy a donut made fresh by the Daily Dozen Bakery at 9 Mile & Schoenherr and a cup of coffee for just \$1.00! Bring some friends along too!

Wii Games

Every Monday at 1 pm

Join the Wii video game craze! This game is great to help improve hand-eye coordination and movement, and can be done while seated. Drop in fee applies.

Bunco

3rd Tuesday of the Month at 12:30 pm

January 21st, February 18th, March 18th, April 15th

Bunco is a fun dice game that anyone can play! Cost is \$2 for prizes for High Game, Low Game and Buncos. Drop in fee applies.

Bingo

Every Thursday at 9:30 am

Come and try your luck at BINGO! Cost is \$2 for 3 cards. Snacks donated by American House Sterling II. Drop in fee applies.

Movies

Every Friday at 12 pm

Relax and watch a new feature movie on our big screen TV! Movies donated in part by Family Video in Sterling Heights. Drop in fee applies.

18 + Euchre Tournament

First Friday of the Month, Sign in at 6:30 pm, Game at 7 pm

January 3rd, February 7th, March 1st, April 5th

Come in and use your skills at the Euchre Tournament! Cost is \$5 per person, with an optional \$1 high game. Two 50/50 raffles available, water and coffee are provided.

Anyone Can Paint

January 8th, February 5th, March 5th, April 2nd

At the Fraser Activity Center, 10am – 12 pm

This is a great program for beginners, or people who just love to paint! Join television artist Steve Wood as he guides you through painting a wonderful 11"x14" canvas painting in just a matter of two hours! All materials are provided, sign up in advance as space is limited. Cost is \$23 members, \$25 non-members



Blood Pressure Checks

Blood Pressure checks are provided every 1st and 3rd Monday of the month at 11:45 am. This service is brought to you by New Century Home Health Care.

Reflexology & Massage

Mondays by Appointment

Roberta Eggart has been a certified practitioner for 20 years. She uses pressure points on the hands, feet or back to massage, relax and promote good health. Call for an appointment (586) 445-9944

Men's 55+ Volleyball

Mondays & Wednesdays at 10 am

Volleyball is drop-in. Drop in fee is \$1 members, \$2 non-members.

Seniors 55+ Pickleball

Tuesdays & Fridays at 10 am

This fun program is co-ed drop-in and seniors from every community are welcome to play at the Activity Center. Don't know how to play? Call the Center to set up a lesson! Drop-in fee: \$1 members, \$2 non-members.

Chair Yoga

Tuesdays at 11 am, Starting January 7th, February 11th, March 18th

Chair yoga focuses on increasing movement and using a chair assures that people of all abilities are able to participate. Call (586) 296-8483 for more information. Cost for 5 sessions is \$20 members, \$25 non-members.

Zumba Gold

Thursdays at 11:30 am at the Fraser Activity Center

This lower impact, easy to follow Latin-inspired dance fitness party keeps you in the groove of life! Try this new class today! First class is free! Drop in is \$6, 4 classes for \$20 or 11 classes for \$55. Sign up with CC Plus before the program.

Trips

Motor City Casino

January 7th 9 am – 3:30 pm

Cost is \$17 for members, \$20 for non-members for transportation and includes \$25 in reward play! Check with the Center for more up to date information. Trip fills very quickly. Register at the Fraser Activity Center.

Restaurant Rovers

Last Tuesday of the Month, Van Departs at 11 am

January 28th, February 25th, March 25th, April 29th

Every month features a new restaurant. Cost is \$4 for transportation; cost of lunch is on your own. Menus will be available at the Center upon request.

Flavors of Frankenmuth

Sunday, June 1st – Monday June 2nd

Enjoy the Flavors of Frankenmuth in this 2 day/1 night trip! Accommodations will be at the Bavarian Inn Lodge, 1 Breakfast, lunch and dinner included, and a visit to the Frankenmuth brewery, FunShips cruise, and Yule Love it Lavender Farm tour. Cost is \$285 per person/double occupancy. Register by Monday, April 28th, 2014. Wheelchair lifts subject to availability.

Tulip Time Festival in Holland Michigan

Saturday, May 10th 2014

This one day trip is packed with Dutch culture! Lunch will be supplied by the Alpen Rose restaurant, shop at the Dutch Marktplaats, and enjoy the Meijer Musiek Parade and Veldheer tulip gardens. Cost is \$93, register by March 10th. Wheelchair lifts subject to availability.

Hollywood Casino

Thursday, May 15th

The Hollywood Casino brings in many visitors with its 2,000+ Vegas-style slots, fine dining and red carpet service! Included is transportation in a motor-coach and \$10 in coin. Cost is \$28, register by Monday, April 28th. Wheelchair lifts subject to availability.

Special Events

Winter Tea

Tuesday, February 18th at 11am

Join us for a fun filled early afternoon full of a variety of different teas, scones, desserts and pinwheel sandwiches! Please bring your favorite place setting to use and show off (small plate, tea cup and saucer). We will enjoy great company, yummy food, and make potpourri sachets. Please register by Tuesday, February 11th at the senior office. Cost is \$7 members or \$10 non-members.

Spring Senior Spelling Bee

Tuesday, March 18th at 10 am

Put on your thinking caps for our Second Spring Senior Spelling Bee! A word list will be available at time of registration with the words used in the spelling bee. Prizes will be given to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place and a continental breakfast will be served for all. Cost is \$5 member, \$6 non-member and registration begins Monday, January 13th.

Senior Spring Fling

Wednesday, May 21st Doors at 4:30, Dinner at 5 pm

Shake it up at our spring fling! We'll have entertainment, door prizes, and great food! Wear semi-dressy attire as this will be a fun night out! Get your tickets before Wednesday, May 14th. Cost is \$10 member/\$14 non-member

Services and Membership

Fraser Community Transit Service

Our van service is operated under a Community Partnership Program with SMART Transit Services. Cost is 25¢ each way within the City of Fraser, and \$1 each way for 5 mile radius or up to 10 mile radius for doctor appointments only. We are a curb to curb service and our vans are wheelchair accessible. To be eligible you must be a Fraser resident and unable to drive per a doctor's note. Call (586) 294-4611 for more information.

Senior Center Membership

Like what you see? Our Senior Center Members enjoy weekly events and discounts on trips and programs! Ages 55+ are eligible for membership. Lifetime membership and name badge is \$25 for Fraser residents, \$35 for non-residents. Call us at (586) 296-8483 for more information!

Senior Newsletter

We offer a senior newsletter, the "Gazette", which promotes all of our upcoming trips and events, a monthly calendar of events and even a birthday list! This is a monthly publication which comes out the first week of each month. You may stop into the Center or City Hall for a free copy, join our e-mail list at no cost, or we can mail all 12 issues to your home (one issue per month) at a cost of \$10 per household. To sign up to have the Gazette mailed to your home, please contact (586) 294-4611.

Greeting Cards

The Senior Center offers a variety of Greeting Cards for purchase! Cards are 25¢ each and proceeds go toward senior programs.

We need your help!

We can use donations of: unused greeting cards, craft supplies, decorations, books, and puzzles. If we have a surplus of items and are unable to use your donation, we will make sure it goes to a place where it will be utilized.

Fraser Building Department/Code Enforcement

293-3100 Prompt #2

SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL

Each owner or occupant of any premises abutting a sidewalk shall remove all snow and ice from the sidewalk and keep it free from obstructions, encroachments, encumbrances, filth, rubbish, and other substances likely to cause injury to a person.

No person shall deposit snow, ice, or slush onto any street roadway, highway, public sidewalk, or public right-of-way.

No person shall deposit, place, shovel, or plow snow in such a manner as to block passage of pedestrian traffic on public sidewalks, streets, or right-of-ways. Fraser Ordinance prohibits snow, ice, or other obstructions from remaining on the above-mentioned areas and requires immediate removal. Failure to comply will require the City to remove this obstruction at your expense. The actual cost of removal will be charged to you plus an administrative fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per parcel.

Code Enforcement Complaints

In order to best accommodate and act on code enforcement complaints, all complaints must be submitted with an exact address where possible violation (s) exists. Without an exact address, we cannot efficiently address a complaint in a speedy manner. The Code Enforcement process may at times be a lengthy process, but the end result promotes pride in our town and encourages a higher level of property maintenance.

Forms are available at the Building Department or on the City of Fraser website to submit your complaint in writing. Complaints can also be submitted via email at: buildingdept@micityoffraser.com

Fee schedules, permit applications, and all city ordinances are available on our website: www.micityoffraser.com

Neighborhoods That May Experience a Rodent Problem

Rodents are a problem that could impact an entire neighborhood. This is usually a result of only one or two property owners doing something improperly that contributes to the situation. Usually, these people are not even aware that they are part of the problem. Please be a part of the solution. Help keep your neighborhood RODENT-FREE by:



~~ Keeping garbage bags with foodstuffs enclosed in covered containers that have no holes. Plastic bags are not rodent proof. ~ Keeping firewood and other materials properly stored at least 12 inches above the ground. ~ Cleaning up animal droppings daily. ~ Clearing vegetation from below decks and replacing ground cover with a thin layer of visqueen or weed fabric, covered with peastone. ~ Keeping bird feeders elevated at least 48 inches above ground ~ Not leaving pet food outdoors or storing in a garage or shed. ~ Not allowing overgrowth of weeds, grass, or brush. ~ Not leaving brush or rubbish piles on the ground. Dispose of grass clippings properly. ~ Removing any sheds that were constructed without a ratwall. Don't leave anything directly on the ground that is large enough to allow tunneling below, creating harborage areas for rats.

If you see any signs in your neighborhood that could be a potential problem, please call the Fraser Building Department at (586) 293-3100 option #2.

Due to liability issues the Fraser Building & Code Enforcement Department will no longer provide rat poison to its residents and businesses.

Residents & Property Owners of the City of Fraser

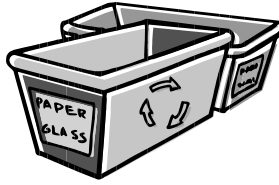
Weeds, grass, wild growing brush, and/or underbrush exceeding one foot in height on your property will be considered a violation of city ordinances and may result in the issuance of tickets and fines.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OFFICE IS LOCATED AT CITY HALL IN THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT.
THE OFFICE CAN BE REACHED AT (586) 293-3100 EXTENSION 126.

CURBSIDE RECYCLING

Curbside recycling is continuing in the City of Fraser. The items that can be placed in the recycling bins are as follows: (#1 and #2) plastics (flattened), glass jars and bottles (clear, green and brown), household plastics (#3 through #7) empty containers only, kitchen cookware (pots and pans), metal and aluminum cans, steel & tin cans, empty cans only (flattened), newspapers (remove string and rubber bands, bundled or in brown paper bags), paperboard (no waxed coated paperboard i.e. cereal boxes), junk mail (envelopes, flyers, brochures, postcards, etc.) office paper, plastic bags, phone books, magazines & catalogs (no glossy covers), cardboard (flatten cardboard and cut into pieces). Clear plastic bags can be used for additional items if your bin is full. Please remember to rinse out all containers and remove the labels if possible before placing them in your bin. Used motor oil, Styrofoam and batteries can be dropped off at the Department of Public Works, 31250 Kendall Monday through Friday between the hours of 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. New residents that have not received a recycling bin can call the office and the bin will be delivered to your home. Residents that need a replacement bin will be charged a \$10.00 replacement fee. Unacceptable items are as follows: paper milk or juice cartons, Styrofoam containers/packing, garbage, propane tanks, paint cans (Latex paint can be placed out with regular refuse as long as the paint is dried up with sand or kitty litter. Oil base paint must be taken to the Hazardous Waste Division), colored glass, medical waste, flammable liquids, household cleaners and wood items.



BRUSH AND MISCELLANEOUS PICKUP

The Department of Public Works is making every effort to pick up all brush on Friday of each week. Therefore, any brush to be picked up must be called into the DPW office before 3:30 p.m. on Thursday of each week. Any calls after 3:30 p.m. on Thursday will be held for pickup on the Friday of the following week. Because of the large amount of calls received, pickups that are not called in will not be picked up. Please do not place items out until the DPW has been notified and date has been set for pickup. All brush shall be neatly piled at the curb with the butts of the limbs all facing the street. This pertains to tree limbs up to 3" in diameter. There shall be no other rubbish, thorns or bushes in this pile; otherwise, it will not be picked up. **There will be a \$35.00 fee for brush pickup for the first half hour and an additional \$35.00 for every half hour after.**

Small twigs and branches can be cut in 3' lengths, then place the bundles at the curb. Smaller bush trimmings can be placed in the brown compost bags or in garbage containers marked compost and placed out on your regular garbage day.

All bushes which are removed from the ground with roots must have the roots removed. Stumps will not be picked up by the DPW. It is the responsibility of the homeowner to dispose of the stumps.

GARBAGE AND COMPOST COLLECTION

Rizzo Services is contracted by the city to pick up the garbage, compost and recycling. There is a separate truck for each collection. Rizzo Services also picks up the bulk items such as stoves, furniture, refrigerators, wood (50 lbs or less, nails removed or pounded down), carpeting (rolled and tied under 4 ft). If a problem arises with your pickup, please call Rizzo Services at (866) 772-8900. Rizzo Services will automatically pick up the items as long as they are set out with your regular garbage before 7 a.m. that morning. Items that are not set out will not be picked up until the following week. Appliances must either have the doors removed or tied shut for safety.

If you do gather grass clippings for collection, please follow this guideline. Due to state regulations for compost pickup, the following procedures must be complied by. The compost pickup program will start March 25, 2014 thru the end of November 2014.

- Place at curb on your regular trash collection day
- Place grass in open rubbish containers marked "COMPOST" or large paper recycle bags.
- Compost put in plastic bags will not be picked up – no exceptions.
- Place grass clippings separate from regular refuse collection.
- Make sure there is no other material mixed with grass, e.g. garbage or animal

waste. If this material is present, grass clippings will not be collected.

- Rizzo will also take bushes without roots no longer than 3 foot. Place the bush at the curb on your garbage day.

The most cost efficient way to keep grass out of the waste stream is by mulching your lawns.

DISPOSAL OF UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

The following companies accept the items listed. Call the companies for their hours of operation and disposal fees as there is NO DUMP in the City of Fraser. Items such as concrete, bricks, sod and dirt may be taken to Marsack Sand and Gravel, 20900 14 Mile Road, Roseville, (586) 293-4414. Clean broken concrete may be taken to Clancy Concrete, 29950 Little Mack, Roseville, (586) 294-2900. Items such as brush, wood chips, sod, broken concrete, asphalt and dirt may be taken to Uni-dig., Inc., 21600 Quinn Road, Clinton Twp., (586) 791-4010. Wood and logs may be taken to Mid Michigan Recycle, 24935 21 Mile Road, Macomb, (586) 598-5807.

HAZARDOUS WASTE MATERIALS

The Macomb County Health Department Household Hazardous Waste Program, located at 43524 Elizabeth Road, Mt. Clemens, will accept gardening, automotive and household products. Oil base paint must be taken to the Hazardous Waste Division. Call the hotline number at (586) 469-5236 in advance for disposal hours and for list of items accepted which also includes medication disposal. (Latex paint can be placed out with regular refuse as long as the paint is dried up with sand or kitty litter).

MATERIAL PRICES

Topsoil, slag and fill sand are available for purchase for Fraser residents. The cost of topsoil is \$30 per yard, the cost of slag is \$20 per yard and fill sand is \$15 per yard. There is a \$10 delivery fee. Call the DPW at (586)293-3100 extension 126 for delivery.

CULVERT

12" culvert is available at \$25/per foot installed and bands are \$20.00 each installed. The culvert can be ordered by calling the DPW office between the hours of 7 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

SANITARY SEWER BACK UP

If you experience a back up of a sewage disposal system, you must file a written claim with the City of Fraser Department of Public Works within 45 days after the back up was discovered. Notice should be mailed to City of Fraser DPW, 31250 Kendall, Fraser, MI 48026. Failure to provide the required notice will prevent recovery of damages. Contact the Fraser DPW immediately upon discovery of backup and the DPW will provide you with the necessary forms to make a claim.

SNOW REMOVAL

Please be advised no person shall park any motor vehicle on any residential street within the City of Fraser between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. between Monday and Friday if there is snow or ice on the ground to allow the Department of Public Works to salt and plow the streets. This parking prohibition on residential streets for motor vehicles shall not apply to the Christmas holiday season from 12:01 a.m. December 24 through 12:01 January 2.



Your cooperation in moving your vehicles off the streets during inclement weather would be appreciated so that the entire street can be salted and/or plowed.

Whenever a vehicle becomes disabled for any reason on any street during a parking prohibition or snow emergency, the owner or person operating the vehicle shall take immediate action to have the vehicle towed or pushed off the street. No person shall abandon or leave the vehicle on the street, except for the purpose of securing immediate assistance; in such cases the person securing assistance shall leave the vehicle only for the time absolutely necessary to make contact for assistance and shall return to the vehicle immediately thereafter without delay.

READING YOUR WATER METERS

Please be kind to your water meter readers. Remove hoses and keep the meter accessible to read during the winter months.

CHRISTMAS TREE PICK UP

The Department of Public Works will be picking up Christmas trees on your garbage day. Please be sure to place your tree at the curb before this date.

ARBOR DAY

The City of Fraser will celebrate Arbor Day 2014, on Friday April 25th, 2014. In honor of Arbor Day, the City will plant a tree in a city park. The Activity Center, Fraser Library and City Hall will have free seedlings available the week of April 21st through the 25th to residents that would like them. The seedlings are limited and will be given out on a first come first serve basis. Check out the cable station for further updates.

TREE CITY USA

Fraser was named Tree City USA for 2013. It is the nineteenth year Fraser has received this national recognition.

FRASER SENIOR HOUSING

The City of Fraser has a Senior Housing Building. This is a 3 story, 75 units building with one and two bedroom rental apartments for independent senior living. Each apartment has a refrigerator, electric stove, dishwasher, microwave, stacked washer-dryer and a patio or balcony. Each unit has individually controlled heat and air conditioning. A one bedroom unit is 600 sq. ft. and the monthly rent is \$535.00. A two bedroom unit is 775 sq. ft. and the rent is \$615.00. Water and maintenance is included but tenant pays all other utilities. There is a security deposit equal to one month's rent; this is returned to you when you move out. Also, there is a non-refundable clean fee, equal to one month's rent. No pets are allowed. Rentals are not subsidized. On the second floor we have a community room where the tenants can gather to watch big screen TV, DVD movies, play cards, read, work puzzles or join in other activities with friends or family.

We are located at 34950 Hidden Pine Dr off of 15 Mile Road and West of Utica. Currently there is a waiting list, but you are encouraged to submit your name as early as possible. The phone or fax number is (586) 792-3633. You may stop in or leave a phone message. You may also download an application from the City of Fraser's website. www.micityoffraser.com.

Fraser Historical Commission 2013 Accomplishments

by Linda S. Champion, Historical Commissioner & Recording Secretary

with the help of Marilyn Wright, Chair

What a roller-coaster ride the Commission had in 2013! Although most of the time we were consumed conducting regular business, we had a few major events of which we can boast!

City Council finally granted us permission to build the addition to the Depot Visitor Center. While we could always use MORE space for our belongings and donated items, the addition gave us some extra space which was desperately needed. The men of the Commission were largely responsible for seeing over the details of that project such as the painting and electrical wiring of the interior

After two years of intense labor and love, the Fraser Historical Project Committee, responsible for writing, editing, and selecting pictures, finally saw the fruits of said labor completed when Arcadia published Fraser, a pictorial history of our city. It was scheduled for release the week of October 7; it arrived almost two weeks early! This amazing feat is usually unheard of in the publishing world, and the early publication date should be attributed to Nancy Ehrke, Chair of the Committee & Historical Commissioner, for keeping her authors on task and keeping to Arcadia's deadlines for written materials. Alan Naldrett must also be profusely thanked for scanning, editing, and submitting all of the authors' chapters and corrections in a timely fashion. A tip of the hat must be given to all of the authors: Linda S. Champion, James Chamberlain (who came to the project a year late, but wrote up a bang-up chapter!), Jan Dolland, Gary Nizio, and Marilyn Wright (of course, Nancy and Alan wrote items also!). The FHP would like to thank the City Departments, our local and near businesses, and organizations for helping to sell our book. We have sold many copies already, but if you haven't gotten yours yet, they are still on sale at the Fraser Public Library and City Hall; Schott's Supermarket; Reindel's Hardware; Fraser Flowers & Gifts; Walgreen's; and New Horizons Book Store, as well as at the Baumgartner House Museum on the first Sunday of each month, 1-4. Stop at any one of these locations to buy your copy for a modest price!

A Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) grant was written for window tinting and although we were not awarded it, we made great contacts with Suzanne Harris, Chapter Regent of the Alexander Macomb Chapter DAR NSDAR #827601, along with local Fraser resident and DAR member, Janet Calabrese. A second DAR grant was written, submitted at the end of this past year, of which we are awaiting news. This grant would be used to waterproof the Baumgartner basement. Because of water problems, we have had to discard valuable items due to black mold and other water-related issues.

Sharon Rose, Fraser business entrepreneur, graciously wrote of her "Antiques Road Show" experience when the program staff filmed in the Detroit area. It was featured in the last issue of "Focus on Fraser." Hope you caught it!

As for general business, Commissioners have been busy reorganizing our historic photographs. Many were out of order, or in a totally wrong album! Thanks go to the women who spent their time doing this task. We had

another financially successful dinner show at the Vintage House in October, featuring "Elvis." Two Flea Markets were held, one in June, the other in September. Both garnered a lot of money for the Society's coffers.

The Fraser Historical Society was reorganized, naming Lorraine Fradle and Catherine Huetter as Co-Chairs. Since their placement, they have been busy as bees getting membership together, conducting business meetings, hosting guest speakers, and reordering new T-shirts with the Baumgartner House logo on to raise money. The shirts are available for sale at the Gift Store within the Baumgartner House for \$14 each, in an assortment of sizes. Come and get one—or more and help the cause!

In July, the Commission had an emergency meeting. We had to accept, with regrets, the resignation of Commissioner Beverly Kucharski, who still volunteers for various Commission-related events. She was replaced by Vince Calabrese, after the Commission submitted his name to the City. Jean Slivka, the Commission's City appointed liaison from the Library, was bid a sorrowful and sad farewell from the Commission at the end of the year. We will miss her wry sense of humor and fairness immensely, but bid her good luck in future endeavors.

The Commission agreed to have the "Fraser First" group hold its fundraiser on our property, behind the Hemme Barn. A professional photographer came and took family portraits to raise money for Fraser's boundless park. We were happy to participate with this other local organization in its fundraising endeavors. We were able to sell some of our merchandise that day as well, so it was a win-win for both groups! This was not the first time, and hopefully not the last time, the Commission has teamed up with Fraser First.

Future projects include trying to waterproof the basement, expanding the parking lot, as well as adding lighting it, getting the Parlor windows tinted, and eventually re-roofing the old House. Check our projects by continuing to visit your Fraser Museum and reading future articles in the "Strawberry Preserves" section of Focus on Fraser.

As always, the Commissioners wish all of you the very best in this new year of 2014. Visit the Baumgartner House and Museum often and show your support of what we try and do to make your City the best one in the County!

FRASER HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____

Telephone # _____

Return to Fraser Library

Fraser Public Library 16330 Fourteen Mile (586) 294-2055

Winter Activities 2014

January 2nd – Library reopens after Holiday break at 10:00 a.m.

January 4th – Classic Book Discussion (Saturday @ 11:00 a.m.): Book to be determined.

January 7th – Grief Counseling (Tuesday @ 6:30 p.m.)

January 10th – Winter Preschool Story time (Friday @ 10:30 a.m.): Children ages 3 to 5 will listen to stories, play games, and make an occasional craft in each 45 minute story time session. Sign up now. Story time lasts 6 weeks.

January 11th – Animals in Winter (Saturday @ 1:30 p.m.): A Lake St. Clair metro beach nature center program for children ages 4 and older. No registration needed.

January 15th – Estate Planning (Wednesday @ 6:30 p.m.): A free program for adults; help to get your final affairs in order. No registration needed.

January 18th – A New Year, A New You! (Saturday @ 1:00 p.m.): Meet dietician Barbara Delpy Burns who will discuss diets and healthy living. No registration needed.

January 24th – Fraud Program (Friday @ 11:00 a.m.): Rodney Bohanan from the U.S. Postal Service will discuss mail fraud and how to prevent scamming. No registration necessary.

January 25th – Hunters of the Sky (Saturday @ 1:30 p.m.): Children ages 5 and older will learn about

Birds of Prey and meet an owl, a peregrine falcon and a bald eagle. Sign up begins January 4th. No one under the age of 5 will be admitted.

February 1st – Classic Book Discussion (Saturday @ 11:00 a.m.): Book to be determined.

February 1st – Let it Snow Craft (Saturday @ 1:30 p.m.): Children ages 5 and older will learn how to make it snow. All materials provided. Sign up begins January 11th.

February 4th – Grief Counseling (Tuesday @ 6:30 p.m.)

February 8th – Science Alive! (Saturday @ 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.): The first program (1:00 p.m.) is designated for children ages 3 to 5. The second program (3:00 p.m.) is designated for school age kids 6 and older. Sign up begins January 23rd. Limit 25 per program.

February 12th – An Evening with Cole Porter (Wednesday @ 6:30 p.m.): Stu Johnson will present the music of Cole Porter. Adults only. No registration necessary.

February 17th – LIBRARY CLOSED FOR PRESIDENT'S DAY

February 19th – Quilts and the Underground Railway (Wednesday @ 6:30 p.m.): Did you know that quilts played a part in American history concerning the Underground Railway? Find out the details in this program presented by Pat McGuire.

February 22nd – Science Wonders Part 3 (Saturday @ 1:30 p.m.): Join Dominic Crea as he educates and entertains children ages 5 and older. Sign up begins February 1st.

March 1st – Classic Book Discussion (Saturday @ 11:00 a.m.): Book to be determined.

March 4th – Grief Counseling (Tuesday @ 6:30 p.m.)

March 8th – "Magic of March" (Saturday @ 1:30 p.m.): Celebrate the coming of spring with Magician Ming. This program is designed for children ages 4 and older. No registration needed. No strollers.

March 12th – Chinese Cooking Class (Wednesday @ 6:30 p.m.): Adults learn how to make egg rolls that will melt in your mouth and get tips on how to make a great Chinese meal from Ming Louie. Sign up begins February 21st.

March 21st – Spring Preschool Story time (Friday @ 10:30 a.m.): Children ages 3 to 5 will listen to stories, play games, and make an occasional craft in each 45 minute story time session. Sign up begins February 28th. Story time lasts 6 weeks.

Tentative Program

March 22nd – Joy, Wonder and Fun of Math (Saturday): Mathematician Bill Hart will make math easier and more fun for school age kids.

Coming Events

Pysanky Easter Egg Decorating
Spring Fling

STRAWBERRY PRESERVES

Thanks to everyone that generously donated to our Barn sales in June and September, also the people that made a donation in September to the food concession: Vania Apps, Lori Bargowski, Sandy Caloia, Don Coveny, and Jean Slivka.

Our Elvis Dinner Show was a big success thanks to the following people for their donations: Vania Apps, Marge Schales, Ed Adamczyk, former Councilwoman Kathy Blanke, Linda & Kay Champion, Christine & Joe Chimenti, Fraser Library, Catherine Huetter, Just Delicious Scones, State Representative Marilyn Lane, Carol Martin, Councilman William Morelli and Jan Wilson.

Have you purchased your very own copy of our new book "Fraser" written by Linda S. Champion, James Chamberlin, Jan Dolland, Nancy Ehrke, Alan Naldrett, Cary Nizio and Marilynn Wright for the Fraser Historical Society? The books are \$22.00 and are for sale at the Baumgartner House and the Fraser Public Library.

Thanks to the following Master Gardeners and volunteers who have worked in the Baumgartner garden throughout the long and very hot summer: Betty Slominski, Karen Small, Nancy Ehrke, David Greer, Sara Lynn and Karen Hodges, Harry Hodgson, Colleen Huntsman, Kurt Kleiner, Shannon McCalley, Jeff Meirow, Diane Moshaluk, John Palmer, Pam Pitts, Diane Reynolds, Terry Ryder, Sally Smogoh, Lori Tiseo, and Carol Watson. We really do appreciate all the hard work you did to make the museum grounds and garden look nice,

Special thanks to Jean Ice, for the nice donation of vintage glass and pottery items that are for sale inside the museum. Thank you also to Kathy Semon for donating all her time in cleaning the Depot and Museum. We were able to do many improvements this year thanks to everyone who supported all of our Fund Raisers in 2013.

Department of Public Safety

24/7 Drug Disposal Box in our police lobby

Discard unused or expired prescription and over the counter medications.

NO LIQUIDS, NEEDLES, AEROSOLE'S or PACKAGING.

We provide bags to put your pills in before placing them into the bin.

We have drug testing kits for sale:

Single panel \$6 (marijuana, cocaine, opiate)

4 panel \$16 (marijuana, cocaine, opiate, methamphetamine)

8 panel \$21 (marijuana, cocaine, opiate, amphetamine, methamphetamine, benzodiazepine, barbiturate, oxycontin)

K2 \$11

FAN Families Against Narcotics Meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of every month at Christ United Church located at 34835 Garfield across from Fraser High School. Meetings are from 7pm-9pm. All are welcome.