



Focus on Fraser



Let's see if you can find just a few of the things that make Fraser an **AWESOME** place to live during the summer ...

Fraser Summer Fun

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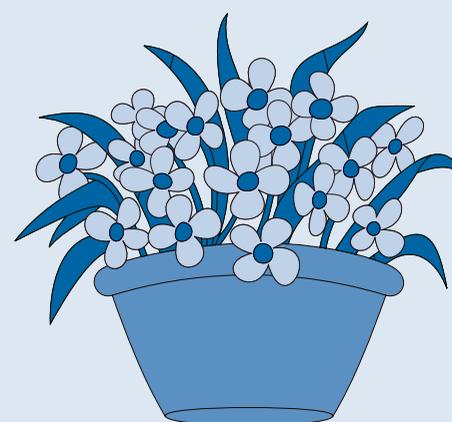
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I am certain that there are countless summer activities that we could add to this list. Hope that you can participate in many of them, and that you have as much fun with this puzzle as I did making it! Have a great summer!
Best Regards, Doug Hagerty, Mayor

Hanging Flower Baskets will once again be hung from light poles along 14 Mile and Utica Road.



If you would like to donate to this project, the cost of each flower basket is \$45. Forms are available at City Hall, Library and Activity Center.

34th Annual City Picnic

Sunday, July 14, 2013
 Noon – 11:00 p.m.
 Steffens Park



Begins with a parade at NOON!
FIREWORKS AT DUSK

Fraser Parks & Recreation

34935 Hidden Pine Drive • Fraser, MI 48026 • (586) 296-8483

Office Hours: M-Th 9-4:30 pm, F 9-2:30 pm • FraserActivityCenter@MiCityofFraser.com

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Check out our latest news at www.MiCityofFraser.com

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!

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Programs begin the week of June 17th and end August 17th (exception of 5 week programs). Registration ends Friday, May 31st. You will receive a schedule with your program t-shirts. Schedules as well as updated information will be available online. In case of inclement weather call our rain-out number at (586) 871-3658. We will try to reschedule rainouts at the director's discretion. Don't miss out! Register online at www.MiCityofFraser.com!

Little Kickers – Ages 4&5

Days: Mondays & Wednesdays

Time: Session I at 9 am, Session II at 11:30 am

Location: Willow Tree Pavilion in Steffens Park (off Park Lane, near Tennis Courts)

Basic soccer instruction and shirt provided. This program is staff coached. Cost: \$55 Resident, \$65 Non-resident

Little Sluggers – Ages 4&5

Days: Mondays & Wednesdays • Time: Session I at 10:15 am, Session II at 12:45 pm

Location: Willow Tree Pavilion in Steffens Park (off Park Lane, near Tennis Courts)

Basic T-ball instruction, shirt and hat provided. This program is staff coached. Cost: \$55 Resident, \$65 Non-Resident

T-Ball – Ages 6 & 7

Days: Saturday • Time: 9:30 am

Location: Steffens Park Baseball Diamonds 1 & 2 (nearest to 14 Mile Road)

Basic T-ball instruction, shirt, shorts and hat provided. This program is staff coached. Cost: \$55 Resident, \$65 Non-Resident

Co-Ed Coach Pitch Baseball - Ages 8-10

Days: Saturday • Time: 10:45 am

Location: Steffens Park Baseball Diamonds 1 & 2 (nearest to 14 Mile Road)

Coach pitch baseball, instruction, games, shirt, shorts and hat provided. Cost: \$55 Resident, \$65 Non-Resident

Swimming – Ages 3 to 15

Days: Mondays & Wednesdays • Times will vary between 9 am and 11: 45 am.

Location: Somerset Swimming Pool (outdoor pool on Masonic near Kelly)

Basic swim instruction provided. This program is staff instructed. Cost: \$55 Resident, \$65 Non-Resident

Tennis – Ages 5 to 12

Days: Mondays & Wednesdays or Tuesdays & Thursdays

Time: Beginners ages 5-8 at 10 am, Intermediate ages 9-12 at 11 am

Location: Fraser High School Tennis Courts

Basic tennis instruction and shirt provided. This program is staff coached. Participants will be responsible for their own racket. This is a 5 week program.

Cost: \$55 Resident, \$65 Non-Resident

Playground Program – Ages 6-13

Days: Monday through Thursday • Time: 10 am to 3 pm

Location: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday at Steffens Park Fort Fraser Pavilion,

Wednesday at Somerset Pool (Masonic & Kelly)

Playtime for ages 6-13 which include daily activities such as arts and crafts, swimming, sports, games, etc. Children are to be signed in and out by a parent/guardian, and it is recommended that they bring a lunch or snacks. On Wednesday children have the option of purchasing lunch for \$3 per child. Cost: \$195 Resident, \$215 Non-Resident (one-time fee) Additional shirts may be purchased for \$6 per shirt.

Girls Sand Volleyball – Grades 4-8

Days: Tuesdays & Thursdays

Time: Grades 4 & 5 from 9 am –11 am, Grades 6-8 from 11 am – 1 pm

Location: Steffens Park sand volleyball courts (by the Fraser VFW)

Basic sand volleyball instruction and shirt provided. This program is staff coached.

Cost: \$55 Resident, \$65 Non-Resident

1st & 2nd Grade Basketball Clinic

Days: Mondays & Wednesdays • Time: Grades 1 & 2 at 9 am

Location: Steffens Park Basketball Courts

Co-ed Basketball instruction, practice games and shirt provided. This program is staff coached. Cost: \$55 Resident, \$65 Non-Resident

3v3 Basketball Clinic & Games – Grades 3-12

Days: Mondays & Wednesdays

Time: Grades 3 & 4 at 10 am, Grades 5 & 6 at 11 am, Grades 7 & 8 at 12 pm

Location: Steffens Park Basketball Courts (off 14 Mile Road)

Basketball instruction, drills, games and shirt provided. This program is staff coached.

Cost: \$55 Resident, \$65 Non-Resident

Dodgeball – Grades 4-12

Days: Wednesday Evenings

Time: Grades 4-6 @ 6pm, Grades 7 & 8 @ 7 pm, Grades 9-12 @ 8 pm

Location: Fraser Activity Center Gym

This dodgeball program is high-energy fun! We will be varying teams each session.

Cost: \$55 Resident, \$65 Non-Resident

Kickball – Grades 3-12

Days: Saturday Afternoons • Time: Grades 3 & 4 at 12:30 pm, Grades 5 & 6 at 1:30 pm, Grades 7 & 8 at 2:30 pm Grades 9-12 at 3:30 pm

Location: Steffens Park Baseball Diamonds 1 & 2 (nearest to 14 Mile Road)

This Kickball program includes instruction and games for grades 3-12. Cost: \$55 Resident, \$65 Non-Resident.

Airtime – Ages 7-13

Date: Friday, June 28th

Time: Van departs at 11:30, Returns 3:30 pm

Location: Airtime Trampoline and Game Park in Troy

Airtime Trampoline and Game Park is a high-flying fun experience! Bounce around and play games like basketball in a completely new way! Cost is \$25 resident, \$28 non-resident and includes transportation and 3 hour admission.

Great Skate – Ages 6-13

Date: Friday, July 19th

Time: Van departs at 12:30, Returns 4:15 pm

Location: Great Skate in Roseville

Skating is lots of fun, especially when you are with friends! Cost is \$10 resident, \$12 non-resident. Includes transportation, admission, skates.

Red Oaks Water Park – Ages 7-13

Date: Friday, July 26th

Time: Van departs at 10:30, Returns 3:30 pm

Location: Red Oaks Waterpark

Red Oaks Waterpark is always a favorite! Cost is \$19 resident, \$23 non-resident. Includes transportation and admission.

Michigan Science Center – Ages 6-13

Date: Friday, August 2nd

Time: Van departs at 10:00, Returns 4:00 pm

Location: Michigan Science Center in Detroit

The newly renovated Michigan Science Center is full of exciting exhibits! Cost is \$16 resident, \$19 non-resident. Includes transportation, admission and an IMAX movie or Planetarium showing!

Sterling Lanes – Ages 6-13

Date: Friday, August 9th

Time: Van departs at 11:30, Returns 3 pm

Location: Sterling Lanes

Practice your bowling skills at Sterling Lanes! Cost is \$13 resident, \$15 non-resident. Includes transportation, 2 games, shoes, pizza, pop, and a future game pass.

Detroit Zoo – Ages 6-13

Date: Friday, August 16th

Time: Van departs at 10:00, Returns 3:30 pm

Location: Detroit Zoo

Who doesn't love the zoo! Cost is \$19 resident, \$23 non-resident. Includes transportation and admission.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Belly Dancing Classes

Tuesdays, Starting May 7th at 6 pm

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 5 sessions is \$50/participant, \$45/participant for groups of 2, and \$35/participant for groups of 3-5.

Adult Yoga

Mondays at 6 pm and 7:15 pm, Starting May 27th, August 12th

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 \$80 for 10 sessions. Ages 16yrs and up are welcome.

Fraser Buddies

Select Wednesdays from 6 pm – 8 pm Starting in September

The Buddies Club is for adults with cognitive impairment to get together to play games, socialize, make crafts and have fun! Cost is \$60 for the year. Call the Activity Center for more information (586) 296-8483.

Self Defense Class for Adults 13+

Saturday June 1st 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

SPECIAL EVENTS

Crafternoon

First Saturday of the Month

Ages 5-7 at 1 pm • Ages 8-13 at 2:30 pm

May 4th, June 1st, July 6th, August 3rd, September 7th

Each month will feature a new craft! Must register by the Monday before the program.

Cost is \$6 resident, \$8 non-resident. All supplies will be provided.

Self Defense Class for Children Ages 7-12

Saturday June 1st at the Fraser Activity Center • 1 hour class from 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. Cost is \$15 for a 1 hour class. Class sizes are limited so register soon! Classes taught by Live Safe Academy

Babysitting Class

Tuesday, June 18th and Wednesday, June 19th

9am-3 pm at the Fraser Department of Public Safety (33000 Garfield, Fraser 48026)

The class will prepare boys and girls ages 11-14 for the adventures of babysitting! They will learn the basics of caring for infants, toddlers and small children, as well as basic first aid. Students will participate in scenarios involving emergency situations. Cost is \$10 residents, \$15 non-residents. Applications due by June 1 at 4pm. Applications can be picked up at the Public Safety Department and the Parks and Recreation Department starting May 1st.

Mom and Son Bowling

Saturday, May 11th 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 \$13 resident/ \$16 non-resident. Must show ID at time of purchase.

Art in the Park

Saturday, May 18th • Beginning at Noon at Steffens Park

Join us for a day of arts in our very own Steffens Park! We will have art displays and performances by students of Fraser High School and Arts Academy in the Woods, as well as an art station for the kids to create their own art. While you're in the park, check out 3 of the 5 DIA Inside|Out art installations! Concessions will be available during this event. Come out to support the Arts in Fraser!

The Detroit Institute of Arts Inside|Out program has come to Fraser! Fraser has 5 replicas of famous paintings placed in public areas til Mid June. Find more information at www.dia.org/insideout

Fraser Crafter and Vendor Show

Sunday, July 14th

Crafters and Vendors can reserve a space at our Fraser City Picnic to display their wares! Cost is \$60 for a 10x10 sq. ft. area. Any shelter or tables are your responsibility. Only one representative from each vendor organization will be allowed. You can apply online at www.micityoffraser.com or in person at the Activity Center office. Registration deadline is Wednesday, July 3rd. Absolutely no submissions will be taken after the deadline, so get your registration in today!

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 three pavilions in Steffens Park has begun and dates fill on a first come, first served basis. Rentals must be made in office during business hours. Must show ID upon reservation. Two hour baseball diamond use is included in price upon availability. Any bounce houses, tents, etc. must be approved by the Director at least two weeks in advance with a letter in writing. Pavilions are non-refundable, however a transfer is available no later than one week before scheduled date.

Pavilion Rental Rates

	Resident	Non-Resident
Tent/Bounce House Permit	\$15 per item	
Fort Fraser – 75 person capacity	\$80	\$90
Steffens Shelter – 40 person capacity	\$55	\$65
Willow Tree – 30 person capacity	\$55	\$65

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!

Monday

Reflexology by appointment-
Call Roberta at (586) 445-9944
Blood Pressure Checks every 1st and
3rd Monday of the month at 11:45 am
Blood Sugar Checks
3rd Monday of the month at 11:45 am
Pinochle 12:30 pm
Wii Games 1 pm

Tuesday

Casino – First Tuesday of the Month
Exercise and Pickleball 10 am
Coffee and Donuts Third Tuesday
of the Month from 9 am – 11 am
Scarlet Ladies Meeting
2nd Tuesday of the month at 11 am
Bunco 3rd Tuesday of the
month at 12:30 pm
Chair Yoga- 11 am

Restaurant Rovers –
Last Tuesday of the Month

Wednesday

Pinochle 12:30 pm

Thursday

Bingo 9:30 am
Exercise 10 am
Euchre 12:30 pm

Friday

Pickleball 10 am
Bridge 10 am
Movie 12 pm
Euchre Tournament-
First Friday of the
month, 7 pm game



Euchre Tournaments

May 3rd, June 7th, July 12th, August 2nd, September 6th
Sign-in begins at 6:45 pm, Game 7 pm
Come and test your skills at the euchre tournament! Cost is \$5 per person with \$1 for high game. Ages 18+ welcome, rules are available at the Center.

Gardening Class

Tuesday, June 4th at 11 am
Join our very own Dianne Samov as she discusses information and tips on gardening and flowers! Find out what type of flowers you should plant and take home a flower pot with a variety of flowers that you make in class. Cost is \$12 member, \$15 non-member and includes class, flower pot, flowers, and supplies to use.

Senior Safety Day

Tuesday, June 25th • 10 am – 11 am
Staying safe is important, especially for senior citizens. Join Fraser Officer Campion as she discusses personal safety, fire safety, crime prevention, ambulance services, and phone and mail scams. This is a free program, but pre-registration is necessary.

Summer Picnic

Tuesday, June 25th • 11:30 am Lunch
Enjoy the good weather and have a summer picnic with friends! We will have spaces to lunch inside and outside and serving a traditional summer feast! Hot dogs, potato salad, pasta salad, garden salad and chips with dessert. Cost is \$5 members, \$7 non-members.

Lifeline Screening

Wednesday, July 10th
Most people can't identify a single risk factor or a warning sign of stroke, yet over 750,000 Americans will be affected by a stroke this year alone! Life Line Screening will be at Fraser Senior Center performing a day of preventive health screenings on. These non-invasive, inexpensive and painless ultrasound tests help people identify their risk for stroke, vascular diseases or osteoporosis early. Appointments spaces are limited and pre-registration is required. Sign up now by calling toll free to 1-888-653-6441

TRIPS AND TOURS

Motor City Casino

May 7th, June 4th, July 2nd, August 6th • Departs at 9 am, Returns at 3:30 pm
Cost is \$17 members, \$20 non-members. Includes transportation and \$25 in reward play. Sign up will start the Monday following the previous trip. Spaces are limited to members only for the first week of sign-up, then open to all. Sign up is first come, first served, no sign up without payment.

A Day in Stratford

Monday, May 20th • Bus departs at 7:45am returns 8:00pm
Cost is \$139.00 per person and includes roundtrip deluxe motorcoach transportation, lunch at the Church Restaurant in Stratford, Ontario, Admission to Fiddler on the Roof at the Festival Theater (Category A seating!) *A valid passport or enhanced driver's license is required to board bus. Make check payable to Capital Tours Worldwide

Senior DIA Trip

Wednesday, May 29th • Bus departs at 10am, Returns around 3 pm
This FREE trip is made possible by the DIA for seniors 55+! Wander around the fantastic exhibits at the DIA and enjoy a lunch at their gourmet Café. Transportation and general admission provided, lunch on your own. Pre-registration is necessary.

Tigers vs. Tampa Rays

Thursday, June 6th • Bus departs at 11:30 am for a 1:05 pm game
Support your Tiger! Trip includes transportation, lower baseline box seat, hotdog and drink! Cost is \$43 member, \$48 non-member.

Mackinac Island Lilac Festival

Tuesday, June 11th – Thursday June 13th
Enjoy a 3 day, 2 night trip to the Lake View Hotel on Mackinac Island! Trip includes motorcoach transportation, roundtrip ferry service, continental breakfast daily, 2 hour narrated carriage tour, and various festivities on the island for lilac festival! Cost is \$355 (double occupancy). Make check payable to Capital Tours Worldwide.

Lansing Princess Cruise & Soaring Eagle Casino

Thursday, June 20th • Bus departs 9am, returns 8:30pm
Cost is \$75.00 per person and includes roundtrip deluxe motor coach transportation, a 2 1/2 hour scenic cruise on the Michigan Princess complete with a hot buffet lunch and riverboat entertainment, 4 hours of gambling at Soaring Eagle Casino, \$10 in coin and \$10 in food. Also receive \$10 bonus in coin after 500 points of play. Make check payable to Capital Tours Worldwide.

Bay City Tall Ships

Friday, July 12th
Come see the grandeur of the Bay City Tall Ships! Trip includes motorcoach transportation, guided tour of historic Bay City, admission and viewing of the Tall Ships, afternoon narrated scenic cruise on the Islander, and chicken dinner at the Bavarian Inn in Frankenmuth. Cost is \$99 per person, make check payable to Capital Tours Worldwide.

Port Huron Adventure

Wednesday, July 31st
Spend a day in beautiful Port Huron! Cost is \$85 and includes motorcoach transportation, Knolton Ice Museum, historical tour of the Fort Gratiot Lighthouse, visit to the Thomas Edison depot, lunch at Quay Street Brewery and an afternoon cruise on the Huron Lady II. Make check payable to Capital Tours Worldwide.

Fraser Community Transit Service

Our van service is operated under a Community Partnership Program with SMART Transit Services. Cost is free within the City of Fraser, 50¢ each way for 5 mile radius, and \$1 each way for 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.

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.

Senior Newsletter

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 Card & Book Sale

The Senior Center offers a variety of Greeting Cards and books for purchase! Cards are 25¢, softcover books are 25¢, and hardcover books are 50¢. Proceeds go toward senior programs. We can use donations of unused greeting cards, craft supplies, decorations, books, games, 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.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

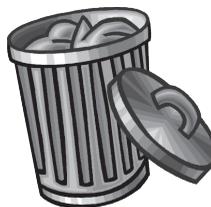
THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OFFICE IS LOCATED AT CITY HALL IN THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT
THE OFFICE CAN BE REACHED AT (586) 293-3100 EXTENSION 126.

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 started March 25th, 2013 and will continue through the December 6th, 2013.

- 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.

Trash Pickup - Holiday Schedule

Memorial Day: May 27th Monday- Rizzo will be one day behind and will be picking up trash on Saturday.

Independence Day: (July 4th) Rizzo will collect garbage on the regular scheduled days Monday through Wednesday- Thursday and Friday Rizzo will be one day behind and will be picking up trash on Saturday.

Labor Day: September 2nd Monday- Rizzo will be one day behind and will be picking up trash on Saturday.

If a holiday falls on a week-end day, trash will be picked up on your schedule day.

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) 469-7923 in advance for disposal hours and for list of items accepted which also includes medication disposal.

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, 33000 Garfield, Fraser, MI 48026. Failure to provide the required notice will prevent recovery of damages. Contact the Fraser DPW immediately upon discovery

of backup (586) 293-3100 extension#126. The DPW will provide you with the necessary forms to make a claim.

BRUSH AND MISCELLANEOUS PICKUP

The Department of Public Works is making every effort to pick up all brush on Thursday and 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 Thursday and Friday of the following week. 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 and no longer than 6 foot long. 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.

MATERIAL PRICES

Topsoil, slag, crushed stone and fill sand are available for purchase for Fraser residents. The cost of topsoil will be \$30 per yard, slag will be \$20 per yard, crushed stone will be \$13 per yard and fill sand will be \$15 per yard. There will be a delivery fee of \$10.00 with each delivery. 12" culvert is available at \$25.00/per foot installed and bands are \$20.00 each installed. The culvert can be ordered by calling the DPW office at (586) 293-3100 extension #126 between the hours of 7 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

TREE CITY USA

The City has received the Tree City USA/Growth award for the year of 2012. These stickers and signs were placed out on Arbor Day. It is the nineteenth year the City of Fraser has received this national recognition.



ARBOR DAY

The City of Fraser celebrated Arbor Day on Friday April 26th, 2013. In honor of Arbor Day, the City planted a tree in Reindel Park. The Activity Center and City Hall had 200 free seedlings available to residents that wanted them.

City Clerk's Corner

Upcoming Election Information



Tuesday, November 5, 2013 – City's General Election.

The positions of three (3) City Council seats will be open for the Election.

► August 13, 2013 – Filing deadline for City Council candidates. If interested in a city council position, please contact the Fraser Clerk's Office or visit our website www.micityoffraser.com for further information. Click on city departments tab and select Clerk's Office.

2012 CONSUMERS ANNUAL REPORT OF WATER QUALITY

CITY OF FRASER

The 2012 Consumers Annual Report on Water Quality shows the sources of our water, lists the results of water quality tests, and contains important information about water and health. The City of Fraser will notify you immediately if there is ever any reason for concern about our water. The City is pleased to show you how the water delivered to you have surpassed water quality standards as mandated by the Environmental Protection Agency and the State of Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENTS

Lake Huron Plant

Your source water comes from the lower Lake Huron watershed. The watershed includes numerous short, seasonal streams that drain to Lake Huron. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality in partnership with the U.S. Geological Survey, the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department, and the Michigan Public Health Institute performed a source water assessment in 2004 to determine the susceptibility of potential contamination. The susceptibility rating is a seven-tiered scale ranging from very low to very high based primarily on geologic sensitivity, water chemistry, and contaminant sources. The Lake Huron source water intake is categorized as having a moderately low susceptibility to potential contaminant sources. The Lake Huron water treatment plant has historically provided satisfactory treatment of this source water to meet drinking water standards. If you would like to know more about this report or a complete copy of this report please contact the Fraser Department of Public Works at (586) 293-3100 extension 126.

Detroit River Plant

Your source water comes from the Detroit River, situated within the Lake St. Clair, Clinton River, Detroit River, Rouge River, Ecorse River, in the U.S. and parts of the Thames River, Little River, Turkey Creek and Sydenham watersheds in Canada. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality in partnership with the U.S. Geological Survey, the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department, and the Michigan Public Health Institute performed a source water assessment in 2004 to determine the susceptibility of potential contamination. The susceptibility rating is on a seven-tiered scale from moderately low to very high based primarily on geological sensitivity, water chemistry, and contaminant sources. The susceptibility of our Detroit River source water intake were determined to be highly susceptible to potential contamination. However, all four Detroit water treatment plants that use source water from Detroit River have historically provided satisfactory treatment of this source water to meet drinking water standards. DWSD has initiated source-water protection activities that include chemical containment, spill response, and a mercury reduction program. DWSD participates in a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit discharge program and has an emergency response management plan. If you would like to know more about this report or a complete copy of this report please contact the Fraser Department of Public Works at (586) 293-3100 extension 126.

IS OUR WATER SAFE TO DRINK?

The City of Detroit treatment facilities operate 24 hours a day seven days a week. The Detroit Water and Sewerage Department, tests hundreds of samples each week in their certified laboratories by a highly trained staff. Detroit water not only meets safety and health standards, but also ranks among the top 10 in the country for quality and value. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least a small amount of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential effects may be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800-426-4791).

REGULATION AND CONTAMINANT INFORMATION

In order to ensure that the tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations, which limits the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health. The state and EPA require us to test our water on a regular basis to ensure its safety. We have met all requirements for 2012.

The sources of drinking water (both tap and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

1. Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewerage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
2. Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.
3. Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.
4. Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organics, which are by products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water, runoff and septic system.
5. Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be in the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

CRYPTOSPORIDIUM

Cryptosporidium is a microbial pathogen found in surface water throughout the U.S. Although filtration removes Cryptosporidium, the most commonly used filtration methods cannot guarantee 100 percent removal. Our monitoring indicates the presence of these organisms in our source water. Cryptosporidium was detected once, during a twelve-month period at our Detroit River intake plants. Current test methods do not allow us to determine if the organisms are dead or if they are capable of causing disease. Ingestion of Cryptosporidium may cause cryptosporidiosis, an abdominal infection. Symptoms of infection include nausea, diarrhea, and abdominal cramps. Most healthy individuals can overcome the disease within a few weeks. However, immuno-compromised people such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, infants and small children are at greater risk for developing life-threatening illness. We encourage immuno-compromised individuals to consult their doctor regarding appropriate precautions to take to avoid infection. Cryptosporidium must be ingested to cause disease, and it may be spread through means other than drinking water. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800-426-4791).

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UNREGULATED CONTAMINANT MONITORING

Unregulated contaminants are those for which EPA has not established drinking water standards. Monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants.

LEAD

Since 1992 the City of Fraser's Water Department has been testing homes with plumbing systems that may contribute to their household water supply. Of the five homes tested in 2008, none were found to have lead levels above the action level. Homes in Fraser do have copper pipes that prior 1988 were connected by lead solder. Lead solder was widely used prior to being banned in 1988. The actual presence of lead connections does not indicate that there is a lead problem, and over time a protective coating builds up inside the pipe. This coating can reduce the amount of lead that might dissolve in your water. If your home was built prior to 1989, it may have piping that has lead soldered joints. You can take the following precautions to minimize your exposure to lead that possibly may leak into your drinking water from your pipes. Run your water for 30 seconds to two minutes, or until it feels cold. This practice should be followed anytime your water has not been used for more than 6 hours. Always use cold water for drinking, cooking or making baby formula. Use faucets and plumbing material that are either lead free or will not leak unsafe levels of lead into your water. If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The City of Fraser Water Department is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. If you are concerned about lead in drinking water, testing methods and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>, or by contacting the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800-426-4791).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

We will update this report annually and will keep you informed of any problems that may occur throughout the year, as they happen. Additional copies of this report are available at City Hall, Senior Center, Senior Housing and the Public Library, as well as the Public Works Department. We also invite the public to participate in decisions that affect drinking water quality at our monthly council meetings. For more information about your water, or the contents of this report please contact the City of Fraser Department of Public Works at (586) 293-3100 extension 126. The State allows us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. All of the data is representative of the water quality, but some are more than one year old.

Key to Detected Contaminants Table

MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal	The level of contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health.
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level	The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
MRDLG	Maximum Residual Disinfectant level goal	The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLG's do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
MRDL	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level	The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
ppb	Parts per billion (one in one billion)	The ppb is equivalent to micrograms per liter. A microgram = 1/1000 milligram.
ppm	Parts per million (one in one million)	The ppm is equivalent to milligrams per liter. A milligram = 1/1000 gram.
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units	Measures the cloudiness of water
ND	Not Detected	
TT	Treatment Technique	A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water
AL	Action Level	The concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
HAA5	Haloacetic acids	HAA5 is the total of bromoacetic, chloroacetic, dibromoacetic, dichloroacetic, and trichloroacetic acids. Compliance is based on the total.
TTHM	Total Trihalomethanes	Total Trihalomethanes is the sum of chloroform, bromodichloromethane, dibromochloromethane and bromoform. Compliance based on total.
pCi/l	picocuries per liter	a measure of radioactivity
n/a	not applicable	
>	Greater than	

**Lake Huron Water Treatment Plant
2012 Regulated Detected Contaminants Tables**

Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Units	Health Goal MCLG	Allowed Level MCL	Highest Level Detected	Range of Detection	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Inorganic Chemicals – Monitoring at Plant Finished Water Tap								
Fluoride	8/14/2012	ppm	4	4	0.71	n/a	no	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive, which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Nitrate	8/14/2012	ppm	10	10	0.32	n/a	no	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
Barium	6/9/2008	ppm	2	2	0.01	n/a	no	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
Disinfection By-Products – Stage 1, 1st Quarter Monitoring in Distribution System								
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	Feb 2012	ppb	n/a	80	18.3	15.0	no	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	Feb 2012	ppb	n/a	60	11.9	9.8	no	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Disinfection By-Products – Stage 2, 2nd - 4th Quarters Monitoring in Distribution System								
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2012	ppb	n/a	80	n/a	26ppb	no	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2012	ppb	n/a	60	n/a	12ppb	no	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Disinfectant Residuals Monitoring in Distribution System								
Disinfectant (Total Chlorine residual)	Jan-Dec 2012	ppm	MRDGL 4	MRDL 4	0.76	0.71-0.80	no	Water additive used to control microbes

2012 Turbidity – Monitored every 4 hours at Plant Finished Water Tap			
Highest Single Measurement Cannot exceed 1 NTU	Lowest Monthly % of Samples Meeting Turbidity Limit of 0.3 NTU (minimum 95%)	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
0.13 NTU	100%	no	Soil Runoff

Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system.

2012 Microbiological Contaminants – Monthly Monitoring in Distribution System					
Regulated Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Highest Number Detected	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Total Coliform Bacteria	0	Presence of Coliform bacteria > 5% of monthly samples	in one month 0	NO	Naturally present in the environment.
<i>E.coli</i> or Fecal Coliform Bacteria	0	A routine sample and a repeat sample are total coliform positive, and one is also fecal or <i>E. coli</i> positive.	entire year 0	NO	Human waste and animal fecal waste.

2011 Lead and Copper Monitoring at Customers' Tap								
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Units	Health Goal MCLG	Action Level AL	90 th Percentile Value*	Number of Samples Over AL	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Lead	2011	ppb	0	15	1.1PPB	0	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing system; Erosion of natural deposits.
Copper	2011	ppm	1.3	1.3	46.5PPB	0	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing system; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives.

*The 90th percentile value means 90 percent of the homes tested have lead and copper levels below the given 90th percentile value. If the 90th percentile value is above the AL additional requirements must be met.

Regulated Contaminant	Treatment Technique	Running annual average	Monthly Ratio Range	Violation Yes/No	Typical Source of Contaminant
Total Organic Carbon (ppm)	The Total Organic Carbon (TOC) removal ratio is calculated as the ratio between the actual TOC removal and the TOC removal requirements. The TOC was measured each month and because the level was low, there is no requirement for TOC removal.				Erosion of natural deposits

2012 Special Monitoring

Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Level Detected	Source of Contamination
Sodium (ppm)	n/a	n/a	4.74	Erosion of natural deposits

**Northeast Water Treatment Plant
2012 Regulated Detected Contaminants Tables**

Contaminant	Test Date	Units	Health Goal MCLG	Allowed Level MCL	Highest Level Detected	Range of Detection	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Inorganic Chemicals – Monitoring at Plant Finished Water Tap								
Fluoride	8/14/2012	ppm	4	4	0.76	n/a	no	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive, which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Nitrate	8/14/2012	ppm	10	10	0.43	n/a	no	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
Barium	6/9/2008	ppm	2	2	0.01	n/a	no	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Selenium	6/9/2008	ppb	50	50	1.0	n/a	no	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines.
Disinfection By-Products – Stage 1, 1st Quarter Monitoring in Distribution System								
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	Feb 2012	ppb	n/a	80	22.2	5.8	no	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	Feb 2012	ppb	n/a	60	16.3	4.3	no	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Disinfection By-Products – Stage 2, 2nd - 4th Quarters Monitoring in Distribution System								
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2012	ppb	n/a	80	n/a	26ppb	no	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2012	ppb	n/a	60	n/a	12ppb	no	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Disinfectant Residual – Monitoring in Distribution System								
Disinfectant (Total Chlorine Residual)	Jan-Dec 2012	ppm	MRDGL 4	MRDL 4	0.71	0.61-0.81	no	Water additive used to control microbes

2012 Turbidity – Monitored every 4 hours at Plant Finished Water Tap			
Highest Single Measurement Cannot exceed 1 NTU	Lowest Monthly % of Samples Meeting Turbidity Limit of 0.3 NTU (minimum 95%)	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
0.19 NTU	100%	no	Soil Runoff

Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system.

2012 Microbiological Contaminants – Monthly Monitoring in Distribution System					
Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Highest Number Detected	Violation Yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Total Coliform Bacteria	0	Presence of Coliform bacteria > 5% of monthly samples.	in one month 0	NO	Naturally present in the environment.
<i>E.coli</i> or Fecal Coliform Bacteria	0	A routine sample and a repeat sample are total coliform positive, and one is also fecal or <i>E.coli</i> positive.	entire year 0	NO	Human waste and animal fecal waste.

2011 Lead and Copper Monitoring at Customers' Tap								
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Units	Health Goal MCLG	Action Level AL	90 th Percentile Value*	Number of Samples Over AL	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Lead	2011	ppb	0	15	1.1ppb	0	no	Corrosion of household plumbing system; Erosion of natural deposits.
Copper	2011	ppm	1.3	1.3	46.5ppb	0	no	Corrosion of household plumbing system; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives.

*The 90th percentile value means 90 percent of the homes tested have lead and copper levels below the given 90th percentile value. If the 90th percentile value is above the AL additional requirements must be met.

Regulated Contaminant	Treatment Technique	Running annual average	Monthly Ratio Range	Violation Yes/No	Typical Source of Contaminant
Total Organic Carbon (ppm)	The Total Organic Carbon (TOC) removal ratio is calculated as the ratio between the actual TOC removal and the TOC removal requirements. The TOC was measured each month and because the level was low, there is no requirement for TOC removal.				Erosion of natural deposits

2012 Special Monitoring					
Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Level Detected	Source of Contamination	
Sodium (ppm)	n/a	n/a	5.21	Erosion of natural deposits	

Collection and sampling result information in the table provided by Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) Water Quality Division, ML Semegen.

Fraser Building Department/Code Enforcement

293-3100 Prompt #2

PERMITS REQUIRED FOR:

POOLS	DECKS	SIDEWALKS	FENCES
ROOF: TEAR OFF	SHEDS	FURNACES	CENTRAL AIR

It is not often that the Building & Code Enforcement Department has the opportunity to welcome new residents to the City. We are excited to share our knowledge with you regarding building codes, home improvements, building and trade permits, property maintenance concerns and code enforcement procedures. Our staff is a perfect blend of seasoned professionals who take great pride in our city and its services. We are a stand-alone entity not combined with neighboring communities in the area. Within the Building Department & Code Enforcement office, the staff consists of a building official, code enforcement officer, electrical, mechanical, plumbing inspectors and clerical staff. We will do our very best to provide the residents of Fraser the service they deserve.

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. Email: buildingdept@micityoffraser.com

Fee schedules, permit applications, and all city ordinances are available on our website: <http://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

Keep garbage bags with foodstuffs enclosed in **covered** containers that have no holes. (Plastic bags are not rodent proof). ~ Keep firewood and other materials properly stored at least 12 inches above the ground. ~ Clean up animal droppings daily. ~ Clear vegetation from below decks and replace ground cover with a thin layer of visqueen or weed fabric, covered with peastone. ~ Keep bird feeders elevated at least 48 inches above ground. ~ Do not leave pet food outdoors or store in a garage or shed. ~ Do not allow overgrowth of weeds, grass, or brush. ~ Do not leave brush or rubbish piles on the ground. Dispose of grass clippings properly. ~ Remove any sheds that were constructed without a rat wall. Don't leave anything directly on the ground that is large enough to allow tunneling below, creating harborage areas for rats. Rodents need food and a place to nest. Without either of these, they will move away from the area. Proper, cautious applications of poisons are also effective means of elimination but please read the label and follow directions. 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.

Fraser Department of Public Safety

293-1425

Pill Drop Off Box

As a reminder, the public safety department has a pill drop off box in the lobby of the department. Just drop your pills off in the box without any questions. We do not accept illegal drugs, syringes, liquid substances, or hazardous materials.

2012 Public Safety Statistics

A copy of the 2012 Public Safety Annual Report is available at City Hall and is on the city website.

Ambulance

The public safety department purchased a 2012 Chevrolet Medtec ambulance with a new power-load and hydraulic stretcher system. The entire project was paid for with illegal gambling forfeiture funds. The new stretcher system will load a 700 pound individual with the press of a button. Once the patient is secure on the stretcher, the power-load system will lift the legs on the stretcher and slide it into the back of the ambulance until it is locked into place. This new technology will reduce duty related injuries and will protect the patient. The power-load system is the only system of its kind in Macomb County.

Door Tag Program

If a rash of crimes transpire in certain neighborhoods, the public safety department will be placing a door tag at your residence to notify you of the crime(s) that are taking place. The focus of the program is to make people aware of their surroundings and report any suspicious activity to the public safety department.

NIXLE Community Information Service

Fraser Public Safety will begin utilizing a new service to access important, valuable community information when you need it, using the latest technology.

Our agency will create and publish messages through the Nixle Community Information Service. Nixle will then deliver this information to you instantly via text, email and/or web message. Notifications can also be accessed online at Nixle's web site at www.nixle.com.

Example messages may include (Road closings, school lockdowns, emergency situations) as well as other relevant safety and community information. The service is secure, reliable and easy for our group to use. YOU decide what information you want and whether you want it sent to your cell phone, email, or just simply over the web. There is NO FEE to sign up or use this service. Please register now at the company's main web site: www.nixle.com. There you can also access their Frequently Asked Questions. New communication forms continue to evolve and we believe this service will allow us to keep you informed in the most convenient, reliable way possible.

Crime Prevention Tips:

- Remember to lock your vehicle doors at all times when it is parked.
- Keep porch and garage lights on at night to deter trespassers.
- Keep garage doors shut when not outside.
- Be aware of your surroundings at all times.
- If you observe an erratic driver call the police. Be ready to give the make and model of the vehicle, license plate number, color, direction of travel. We apprehend many drunk drivers because of citizens calling.
- Call in any suspicious activity to our main line 586-293-2000. If it is an emergency call 911!

With the warm weather approaching there is always more activity outside and unfortunately this is also a time when crime rises. Be proactive and watch your neighborhoods for any suspicious activity. If you see something do not hesitate to call the police. Community involvement is a key to crime prevention in our city.

Drug Abuse Resistance Education Program

Officer Renee Campion – The D.A.R.E. program had a successful year with over 240 graduating students. This year the students were introduced to a new curriculum from DARE called Keepin' it Real. It was received very well and the kids had a great experience. We are one of the few communities in Macomb County to still have the DARE program. This program is important because teaches kids how to make good choices, report and respond to bullying, deal with peer pressure and how to communicate with one another.

Every year our department hosts an annual DARE golf outing. The proceeds from this outing fund the program and make it possible to continue educating kids on making good choices.

We are happy to host our **22nd Annual D.A.R.E. Golf Outing Scramble** on:

Monday, August 12th 2013
At Sycamore Hills Golf Club • 48787 North Avenue Macomb, MI

\$125 per golfer/\$500 foursome
Price includes continental breakfast, lunch, beverage cart all day, dinner w/open bar, door prizes & raffle prize drawing! Please visit the city website and click on Department of Public Safety DARE for more information or contact Officer Campion at 586-293-2000 ext. 214 or email campionr@fraserdps.com.

STRAWBERRY PRESERVES



BAUMGARTNER GARDENERS

Volunteer help is needed every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. in our garden, in back of the Hemme Barn. Bring your garden gloves, kneeling pad and shovel. Contact our Master Gardner, Betty Slominski at 293- 8753 for more information.

RUMMAGE SALE & FLEA MARKET

The Historical Commission's spring outdoor Flea Market will be held on Sunday June 9th (rain date June 16th). Spaces to rent are \$15.00 for a 10' x 10' area. Our Fall Flea Market will be held on September 8th (rain date September 15th). For an application to participate please call Chairwoman Marilyn Wright at 293-7477.

DINNER SHOW

The Historical Commission's 22nd annual Dinner Show will be held at the Vintage House on Wednesday October 9th. We are in need of donated prizes and Chinese Auction items. Call Betty Slominski at 293-8753 for more information.

MUSEUM PATHWAY BRICKS

Become a part of Fraser's history by purchasing a pathway brick in honor of a loved one or a special event or just show your support of the Baumgartner House. Bricks are \$60.00 for a 4" x 8" brick. The bricks are placed in the pathway at the museum in front of the Hemme Barn. If you would like a brick order form, please give us a call at 294-6633. Funds raised from the sale of the bricks are used to maintain the Baumgartner House and garden.

BIG THANK YOU TO ROBERT BRANNON – Many thanks to Robert Brannon for organizing and producing a DVD of the Baumgartner House.

Fraser Party Time!

by Linda S. Champion, Historical Commissioner & Recording Secretary, with the help of Marilyn Wright, Chair

What says summer more than Fraser's annual City Picnic with the carnival and fireworks display marking the end of it? This year the event is slated from Thursday, July 11-14, with the fireworks beginning around 10 pm on Sunday, July 14. By-the-way, July 14 marks France's Independence Day or Bastille Day. On this date in 1790, the peasants first stormed and overtook the Bastille, France's prison and iconic symbol of repression in that country.

What is it about fireworks that draw us to watch them? They produce 4 primary effects: noise, light, smoke, and floating materials like confetti from some types. They are designed to burn with flames and sparks colored orange, red, yellow, green, blue, purple and silver. The use of fireworks dates back to 7th century China, the country which invented them. Today, it is the largest manufacturer and exporter of the world's fireworks.

Fraser's traveling carnival brings residents and visitors from afar to attend. It has amusement rides, food and merchandise vendors, games of chance and skill, and other sundry offerings. Carnival roots are similar to the 19th century circus, both being set up in open fields near or in a town, and eventually moving on to another location. The 1898 Chicago World's Columbian Exposition (or Chicago World's Fair) was the impetus for the development of the traveling carnival. Because of some of the acts and use of dishonest business practices, traveling carnivals got a bad reputation and

were soon looked down upon by many communities. Often, the end of any carnival is marked by a fireworks display, which Fraser still continues to do.

Along with the carnival comes Fraser's annual Lions Homecoming Parade. Oftentimes in parades one will see politicians (especially during election years!), clowns, balloons, floats representing themes or local or regional businesses, and organizations such as the Lions Club, the Library, and even the Historical Commission! The Hof Brau has been participating at least as long ago as 1939 when its float entry had on it a piano and "pub" customers downing Altes Beer! An off-shoot of this larger one is the "Pet Parade," where residents' children show off their beloved pets and march them through town, either on their own accord, in wagons, on floats, or holding them. It is a great way to involve our children in community activities at an early age.

These City summer activities sometimes are used to commemorate other special events. In 1940, the City Park was dedicated by a Village Council proclamation with trees planted to mark the occasion.

The Fraser Historical Commission hopes that all our residents and supporters have a wonderful summer. Perhaps we'll see each other at some of the fun events the City has planned for us. The Commission wishes all a Happy 4th of July!

Fraser Public Library 16330 Fourteen Mile (586) 293-2055

June 7th – IN PERSON REGISTRATION STARTS FOR THE SUMMER READING PROGRAM.

"Dig into Reading" with the summer Reading Program beginning June 7th through August 7th. Register in person.

- The preschool program **Wiggle Worms** is for ages 3 to 5. Parents and child keep track of titles read together and turn in list. Child receives a paperback book.
- The school age program **Gophers** is for grades 1 – 6. They will read 5 different subjects, list them, and receive a paperback book.
- Teens -- grades middle school through high school will read 1,500 pages of whatever they choose. They will get a Barnes and Noble gift card for participating.
- Adults will fill out an entry blank to register to win a Barnes and Noble gift card.

June 1st – Classic Book Discussion (Saturday @ 11:00 a.m.):

June 8th – Knitting/Crocheting Group (Saturday @ 10:00 a.m.)

June 21st – Summer on the Farm (Friday @ 1:30 p.m.):

Meet Margaret Schmidt the Farm Lady and her farm friends. No registration needed. Ages 3 ½ and older. No strollers.

June 25th & June 28th – Summer Preschool Story time (Tuesday @ 1:30 p.m. or 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 June 7th.

June 26th – Canine Crew "Digs Into Reading" (Wednesday @ 1:30 p.m.): Watch Chris Kloski's talented dogs as they perform a variety of tricks. Ages 3 ½ and older. No registration needed.

July 6th – Classic Book Discussion (Saturday @ 11:00 a.m.):

July 9th – What's Underground? (Tuesday @ 1:30 p.m.): Lake St. Clair Metro Park naturalists will be here to share a story and play a game. Ages 3 to 7. Sign up begins June 11th.

July 13th – Knitting/Crocheting Group (Saturday @ 10:00 a.m.)

July 17th – Intro to Sign Language (Wednesday @ 6:30 p.m.):

Instructor Lois Springnether Keel will give an introduction on Sign Language for teens and adults. Sign up begins June 21st.

July 30th – If You Could Live Underground (Tuesday @ 1:30 p.m.):

Find out which animals like to live in the dirt! Make a craft with the Metro Beach Nature Center naturalists. Ages 7 and Older Sign up begins July 9th.

August 3rd – Classic Book Discussion (Saturday @ 11:00 a.m.)

August 10th – Knitting/Crocheting Group (Saturday @ 10:00 a.m.)

August 13th – Dinosaur Craft (Tuesday @ 1:30 p.m.):

Create some dinosaurs with Miss Yvonne and Miss Carolyn. Ages 5 and Older. All materials provided. Sign up begins July 31st.

August 20th – Pirate Craft (Tuesday @ 1:30 p.m.):

Learn about pirate life, treasure maps, and make some simple pirate crafts. Ages 5 and Older. All materials provided. Sign up begins July 31st.

End of Summer Special Event: (Tentative) Wildlife Safari Returns!