



Focus on Fraser

33000 Garfield • Fraser, Michigan 48026

WHY MUST WE VOTE?

During the history of our great nation, thousands and thousands of Americans (over 43 million) have fought against the enemies of freedom with no alternative but to succeed. When faced with such perilous challenges, men and women have risked everything with tremendous courage, hope and perseverance to protect these freedoms. The most basic of these freedoms for Americans is **"THE RIGHT TO VOTE!"**

One way to instill the importance of voting in this and every election is to make sure that we all remember that over 1 million



Americans have given their lives so that we may vote without fearing for ours. Millions of our nations best men and women have sacrificed it all while bearing arms in the defense of this inherent, yet fragile, right. Our soldiers do and did fight for our future and our security, but when we brush aside political and democratic participation and do not vote at the local level, you and I are rendering their sacrifices meaningless.

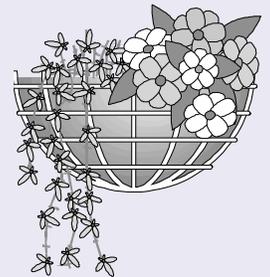
- **SO, WHY MUST WE VOTE . . .** because if we don't we are not honoring our American troops, past and present, living or dead!
- **SO, WHY MUST WE VOTE . . .** because it is a privilege one must exercise in order to continue to make democracy work for all!
- **SO, WHY MUST WE VOTE . . .** because voting is power. It means that your individual input makes a difference; you have a say in our future.
- **SO, WHY MUST WE VOTE . . .** because it teaches our children what it means to be an American. It shows them that it will be their future right and responsibility as a citizen to cast an informed vote for the individual of their choice.
- **SO, WHY MUST WE VOTE . . .** because it is an act, a gesture of loyalty which we share with our neighbors, in the privacy of a voting booth, that says . . . "I have the courage to stand shoulder to shoulder with you, no matter what the odds, no matter who the foe, and together WE will be the guardian of our constitution and the driving force behind America as a free nation."

Doug Hagerty, Mayor

Hanging Flower Baskets

The Downtown Development Authority truly appreciates your support of the 2014 Hanging Flower Basket Project. Donations for these baskets were received from:

- McCalley Family
- Rodney & LaRue Berkley in memory of 1st Lt. Todd W. Lambka
- Barbara Jennings in memory of her husband, John
- Matthew Berger/Integrity Steel
- Jan Wilson in memory of her husband, Bob
- Connie Welch
- Lowell & Diane Mitchell
- Hanover Grove Cooperative in memory of Cathy Raymond & Sandy Caloia
- Albert & Gerry Kremer
- Sharon Rose in memory of Edna McPherson
- Jan Hooper in memory of her husband, Chuck
- Terry Dobbelaer in memory of Fred, Betty & Linda Dobbelaer



Thank You

City Offices Phone List

Assessing Department	293-3100
Building Department	press 1
City Manager's Office	press 2
Clerk's Office	press 3
Finance Department	press 4
Public Works – D.P.W.	press 5
	press 6

39th District Court	293-3137
Parks and Recreation	296-8483
Public Library	293-2055

Fraser Public Safety Phone List

Emergency	9 1 1
Non Emergency Dispatch	293-1425
Police Records	293-2000

City Website: www.micityoffraser.com

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

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!

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Crafternoon

First Saturday of the Month at 11 am

September 6th, October 4th, November 1st

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.

Youth Flag Football

Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning September 9th, and registration ends September 2nd

1st & 2nd Grade Clinic at 5:30pm

Grades 3 & 4, Games at 6:30pm

Grades 5 & 6, Games at 7:30pm

Games are Tuesdays and Thursdays in Steffens Park. Drop-in format will be used if there are not enough for at least 4 teams. Practice will be determined by the volunteer coach's availability. Interested in coaching? Call the Recreation Department to let us know! Cost is \$55 residents/\$65 non-residents. Cost includes instruction, program t-shirt, mouthguard and end of season participation award.

Parent and Tot Playschool for Ages 3-5

New! Saturdays, September 13th – October 18th at the Fraser Activity Center 11:15am to 12:15pm for Ages 3-5 (Children must be 3 by Dec. 1st)

Come enjoy some quality time with your child in Ms. Cindi's Parent and Tot Class! Each weekly session will include stories, songs, music & movement, and fun learning activities to enjoy together! You and your child will have fun learning some simple school routines, make new friends and get some quality one-on-one learning time together! Cost is \$45 Residents/\$55 Non-residents. Register early! This class is limited to 10 children. Parent and Tot is limited to one parent and one registered tot. No additional family members please due to space limitations.

Youth Bowling Leagues for Grades K-2 & 3-6

Saturdays, 10am to noon beginning September 20th at Fraser Star Lanes Grades K-2 use bumpers, Grades 3-6 will bowl traditionally.

Enjoy 12 sessions of youth bowling at Fraser Star Lanes! Teams will practice the first half of the season and have a tournament towards the end of the season. This program is parent coached. Teams require a minimum of 3 participants. To volunteer as a coach, please contact the Fraser Recreation Department at (586) 296-8483. Cost for this program is \$60 and includes shirt, admission, shoe rental, ball usage and award. Bowling Sign up party will be held September 13th at 10am at Fraser Star Lanes- Free bowling with sign-up!

Self Defense for Kids

Saturday, October 11th 9am-10am

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 and pre-registration is required. Cost is \$15 for a 1 hour class. Minors must be accompanied by an adult. Classes taught by Live Safe Academy

Self Defense for Ages 13+

Saturday, October 11th 10am-12pm

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 and pre-registration is required. Cost is \$30 for a 2 hour class. Minors must be accompanied by an adult. Classes taught by Live Safe Academy

Basketball Grades 3-8

Dates to be determined – Practices begin in December, Games on Saturdays starting in January

Times will vary by grade and location, based on number of teams participating. Drop-in format will be used for less than 4 teams per league. Leagues determined by Grade and gender. This basketball program will strengthen and enforce skills, and full games will be played. Cost includes shirt. Residents \$55 / Non-Residents \$65

Winter Basketball Clinic 1st & 2nd Grade

Wednesdays at 7pm at the Fraser Activity Center beginning in January! Participants will have a ball learning early basketball skills! Program will be divided between practices, drills and scrimmages. Cost includes shirt and 6 weeks of play. Residents \$55 / Non-Residents \$65

Simply Sports for Ages 4 & 5

Wednesdays at 6pm at the Fraser Activity Center beginning in January! Participants will learn a different sport each week in this fun, interactive program! This program will run for 6 weeks and children will learn the basics in floor hockey, basketball, tennis, baseball and more! Cost is \$55 Resident or \$65 Non-resident and includes instruction and shirt.

Master K's Young Dragons Karate for Ages 6-10

This beginner course is a positive introduction to the martial arts that trains children on basic stances, kicking, blocking, balance, coordination and self-defense. Please visit our office or website at www.micityof-fraser for class dates, prices and times. Classes taught at Master K's Studio on Garfield/17 Mile.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Adult Yoga

Mondays at 6 pm 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 16yrs and up are welcomed.

ZUMBA

Zumba Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:30 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.

Master K's Karate for Children and Adults ages 11+

Karate and self defense are taught in this fun weekly class. You will work at your own level and increase focus, balance, control and strength. Please visit our office or website at www.micityoffraser.com for class dates, prices and times. Classes taught at Master K's Studio on Garfield/17 Mile.

Co-ed Core-Fit Boxing Workout for Ages 12+

Learn boxing fundamentals, footwork and drills for amateur level boxing. This is a great core workout in addition to improving cardiovascular fitness. Please visit our website at www.micityoffraser.com for class dates, prices and times. Classes taught at Master K's Studio on Garfield/17 Mile.

Women's Kickboxing Ages 14+

This high energy class introduces women to kickboxing techniques and exercises. Women will learn the proper way to kick, punch and perform combinations taught by a black belt instructor. Please visit our website at www.micityoffraser.com for class dates, prices and times. Classes taught at Master K's Studio on Garfield/17 Mile.

Fraser Buddies

The Fraser Buddies program is intended for individuals ages 18 and up with cognitive impairments or developmental delays. The Buddies group meets 14 times per year to play games, make crafts, socialize and have fun! Cost is \$60 per year and most meetings are held at the Fraser Activity Center. A full schedule will be provided at the first meeting in September. Please contact the Fraser Activity Center for further information (586)296-8483

SPECIAL EVENTS

Family Fall Fest at Steffens Park

Join the City of Fraser and its many departments and supporters as we have some fall fun! There will be games, food and more! Please check the City website for more detailed information including event date and time.

NFL Punt Pass and Kick

Saturday, September 20th at 11:30am Steffens Park
This is a FREE event and is open to boys and girls ages 6-15
Please stop by the Fraser Activity center to register your child. Registration Deadline is Friday, September 12th. For more information on Punt, Pass and Kick, please visit www.nflppk.com

Mom to Mom Sale

Friday October 17th 6pm to 8pm, and Saturday, October 18th 9am to 1pm
Held at the Fraser Activity Center – 34935 Hidden Pine Drive, Fraser
Admission for shoppers is FREE! Strollers are welcome! Concessions available! Childcare will be available for those parents who want to shop independently. Table rental is \$15 for a 10' x 10' space for both days, one table included. Big ticket items allowed, but limited to two at a time. Register now!

Lions Club Children's Halloween Party

Sunday, October 26th 11:30am or 1:30pm
This annual event is FREE to Fraser Residents! Tickets are limited to 6 per household, and proof of residency is required for all adults. Tickets will be available at the Fraser Activity Center beginning in September.

Facebook Family Challenge: National Visit a Park Day!

Are you up for the Challenge Fraser? Celebrate National Visit a Park Day on October 4th by taking a photograph of yourself or your family enjoying a Fraser park and tag the Fraser Activity Center on Facebook to enter. The most "likes" will win a prize basket that includes games and sports equipment! Contest ends October 31st at 4pm. Fraser Parks include: Blanke Park, Boris Park, Harrington Trails, McKinley Park, Pompo Park, Reindel Park, Somerset Park and the home of First Fraser...Steffens Park!

Second Annual Ladies Night Out and wine Tasting event

Thursday, November 13th 6pm to 9pm at the Fraser Activity Center
Ages 18+ are welcome for Ladies Night, and 21+ for Wine Tasting!
Wine Tasting is with Champagne's Wine Cellar and is \$20 per person to try multiple white and red wines, along with a few Hors D'oeuvres. Wine tasting is from 5pm to 6:30pm in the Activity Center Banquet Room.

Join in the fun of Ladies Night for demonstrations geared towards healthy living, hair and makeup tips and more! We will also have a variety of vendors, souvenirs

and more! Cost is \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door. Price includes admission and a paint your own beverage glass souvenir. Door prizes will also be raffled off!

Vendors for this event are needed. Cost is \$15 and a door prize donation, for a 10' x 10' space, 8' table and 2 chairs. Please call or stop in the Fraser Activity center to register or with any questions (586)296-8483.

Christmas in Fraser

Saturday, December 6th at 6pm
Fraser City Hall

Join us as we ring in the Holidays by lighting up City Hall! We will sing Christmas carols, enjoy refreshments and welcome Santa to Fraser! All ages are welcome and encouraged. This is a free event. Please dress for the weather.

Letters to Santa

Deliveries accepted from Wednesday, November 26th to Sunday, December 21st. Mailbox located at the Fraser Activity Center. Mail your letter to Santa this season! For a response from Santa himself, place a self-addressed stamped envelope along with your letter.

2015 Daddy Daughter Dance

Thursday, February 19th 6:30pm to 8:30pm at the Vintage House in Fraser
Girls of all ages and the special man in their life are welcome to join us for our "Vintage Carnival" themed event! Cost is \$18 per person for Residents, or \$23 per person for Non-residents. Cost includes buffet dinner with dessert and beverages, dancing, and a special gift for the girls! Tickets go on sale Monday, December 1st and are first come first served until sold out.

City Clerk's Corner - (586) 293-3100

**General Election will be held
Tuesday, November 4, 2014**

**Polls are open from 7:00 a.m.
until 8:00 p.m.**



If you would like to vote in this election and are not yet a registered voter, you must register by October 6th. Registrations are taken at the Fraser City Clerk's Office or any Secretary of State Office.

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.

Recreation Commission

The Fraser Recreation Commission helps to advise and assist the Recreation Department with their programs and events. The Commission meets at 7pm the first Tuesday of every month in the Fraser City Council Chambers. Everyone is welcome to attend the meetings to show their support and share their ideas. .

Parade Committee

Looking to be more active in Fraser? Why not join our Parade Committee! We are looking for individuals to help us plan the 2015 City of Fraser Parade. Interested? Contact Christina Woods at christinaw@micityoffraser.com

Fraser First Booster Club

Fraser First Booster Club is excited that McKinley Park is ready for the construction. Fraser DPW has removed all old equipment, fencing, and is ready to start the beginning construction of phase one of the Michigan Natural Resource Trust Fund Grant. Stay up to date with our process or get involved by going to www.FraserFirst.com.

First Annual Legacy Event Dinner

Benefit McKinley Barrier-Free-Playground and Park In Memory of Sandy Caloia September 18th, 6:30 - to 11:00 pm.

At Fern Hill Country Club, 17600 Clinton River Road. Clinton Twp MI 48038 Our executive board member, the late Sandy Caloia, will not be with us to see the start of phase one of the McKinley Barrier-Free Park. To honor Sandy's Legacy and support the plan she was so passionate about, Fraser First Booster Club will to celebrate all the hard work and time that Sandy has given to this project and our city with a Legacy Event Dinner. Dinner, Entertainment from The Island Doctor, and raffles will be available. Tickets: \$100.00 each available through the Fraser First Booster Club. For more information go to our website or contact Vania Apps 586-453-4081

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

Leisure

Cards

Monday and Wednesday at 12:30pm – Double Pinochle

Thursday at 12:30pm – Euchre

Friday at 10am - Duplicate Bridge

Drop in fee applies. Game entrance fee varies among groups and is paid out in prizes.

Coffee and Donuts

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

Come in and enjoy a donut and a cup of coffee for just \$1.00! Bring some friends along too!

Wii Games

Every Wednesday 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. This drop-in program is a lot of fun! 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 Meadows. Drop in fee applies.

Movies

Every Friday at 12 pm

Relax and watch a new feature movie on our big screen TV! This is a free program! 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

September 5th, October 3rd, November 7th, December 5th, January 2nd, February 6th, March 6th, April 10th

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.

Health and Wellness

Reflexology & Massage

Mondays by appointment only

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

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.

Seniors 55+ Pickleball

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 10 am

This fun program is a co-ed and drop-in program. Seniors from every community are welcome to play at the Fraser 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, Check office for start dates

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 per month: \$4/week for members, \$5/week for non-members (month must be paid in full at time of registration).

Low Impact Aerobic Exercise Class

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10am

Join us as we exercise along with the Richard Simmons Silver Foxes videotape. This class features a low impact, aerobic workout for the beginner or intermediate exerciser. Each session is designed to increase flexibility, stamina and balance. Drop in fee applies.

Co-ed Volleyball for Ages 55+

Mondays and Wednesdays at 10am beginning in October

Join us as we play volleyball on our indoor court. This group is perfect for the beginner or advanced play. All are welcome to join! Drop in fee: \$1 member, \$2 non-member.

Trips

Greektown Casino

September 8th, October 6th, November 3rd, December 1st

Time: 9:30am-3:30pm

Cost is \$18* for round trip transportation and includes \$20 in reward play! Check with the Center for more up to date information. Trip fills very quickly and spaces are limited. Register at the Fraser Activity Center. *Times and cost are subject to change.

Restaurant Rovers

Last Tuesday of the Month, Van Departs at 11 am

September 30th, October 28th,

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.

Ethnic Dine Around

September 16th 9:45am to 4pm

This tour includes appetizers at Moro's Italian Restaurant, main course at the Hungarian Rhapsody Restaurant, and dessert at Union Street Restaurant. Cost is \$70 per person, register by September 1st.

Taste of Northern Michigan

October 13th – 15th

Trip includes transportation in a motorcoach, 2 night stay in Petoskey, MI, 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 2 dinners, historical city tour of Petoskey, Cruise on Lake Charlevoix and Lake Michigan, Guided Historical Tour of Castle Farms and Gardens, Guided Tour of Charlevoix, and a scenic drive through the Tunnel of Trees. Cost is \$439, register by September 22nd.

Turkeyville "Ring of Fire"

October 14th – 9am to 7pm

Trip includes a complete turkey lunch buffet and a Turkeyville Theater presentation of "Ring of Fire". Cost is \$75 per person, register by October 1st.

Niagara Falls Getaway

October 19th-20th

Trip includes transportation in a motorcoach, 1 night stay at the Hilton Niagara Falls, Breakfast Buffet, \$20 in casino credit at Niagara Fallsview Casino and free time in Niagara Falls, Canada. Cost is \$179, register by October 6th.

Special Events

Senior Harvest Party

Tuesday, October 21st at 11:30am

Join us as we welcome in the fall with great food and friends! A catered meal of soup, sandwich, drink and dessert will be served. Sign up begins August 1st! Cost is \$13 members, \$15 non-members.

Christmas in Fraser

Saturday, December 6th at 6pm

Fraser City Hall

Join us as we ring in the Holidays by lighting up City Hall! We will sing Christmas carols, enjoy refreshments and welcome Santa to Fraser! All ages are welcome and encouraged. This is a free event. Please dress for the weather.

Senior Christmas Party

Friday, December 12th at 11:30am

Celebrate the holidays with your friends at the Fraser Activity Center! We will have a full catered holiday meal complete with dessert and drink, a special gift for those in attendance and a lovely choir performance that is sure to put a smile on your face!

Senior Winter Tea

Tuesday, January 20th at 11:30am at the Fraser Activity Center

Join us as we sample teas and finger foods, do a fun craft together and more! This event is always a hit! Please check the Gazette or website in November for pricing information and further details.

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! 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 per year. To sign up to have the Gazette mailed to your home, please contact (586) 294-4611.

Greeting Cards and Books

The Senior Center offers a variety of greeting cards for purchase, along with gently use hardcover and soft cover books! Cards and book are 25¢ each and proceeds go toward senior programs.

We need your help!

We can use donations of: unused greeting cards, dvds, complete board games for all ages, craft supplies, party and holiday decorations and centerpieces, tea cups and saucers, serving trays, 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.

Huzzah to the Daughters of the American Revolution!

by Linda S. Champion, Historical Commissioner & Recording Secretary

with the help of Marilynn Wright, Chair

A sigh of relief was breathed by all of the Fraser Historical Commissioners & Society members when the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) awarded \$1,100 to the Fraser Historical Society from a grant proposal which it had written, for a basement waterproofing project. The Alexander Macomb Chapter of the DAR, headed by Regent Suzanne Harris, was an immense help in securing this grant award, specifically Janet Calabrese, the recording secretary of Macomb's local DAR chapter. Ms. Calabrese, along with Linda S. Champion, recording secretary of the Historical Commission, drafted a written proposal that won us the award, not an easy feat considering that it is a national program! This work was a much needed improvement for the Baumgartner House & Museum. Rain water and melted snow should no longer be a problem in the House's basement, which wreaked havoc with storage items and damaged some of them. Mold was also a problem as a result of water and dampness.

Lorraine Fradle, President of the Fraser Historical Society, said, "This [the project] is going to preserve our building because it's disintegrating

around the foundation, and the basement's flooded several times and it's causing a leaking problem...We need to protect historical artifacts and donations." Without the funding from the DAR, this project would have drained the financial resources of both the Society and the Commission's small budget. The Society is matching the DAR's award to complete the project. No tax dollars from the City will be used for the improvement at all.

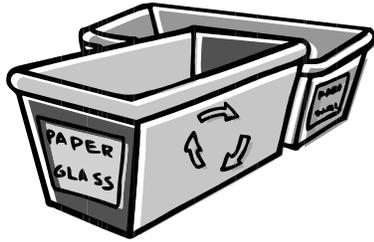
Work on the basement began the week that the Fraser Lions' Carnival came to town (mid-July), and was completed in a short amount of time. As Ms. Fradle said, "We're going to need a new roof soon, but we need the foundation so it doesn't crumble." An old house certainly has its share of problems, but the historic Baumgartner House & Museum is definitely worth the upkeep. We don't want to lose any more of Fraser's historic buildings or areas because of lack of concern or maintenance of them. And, with the help of the DAR, we shouldn't have to lose more landmarks. ***Huzzah***, we say, to the DAR chapter members for keeping the Baumgartner House & Museum, literally, "high and dry."

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 - #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.



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 24th, 2014 and will continue through 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.

BELOW ARE THE HOLIDAYS THAT FALL ON A WEEK DAY FOR 2014 THAT COULD CHANGE YOUR TRASH PICK UP TO A DIFFERENT DAY. THE REST OF THE YEAR RIZZO TRASH PICKUP WILL BE THE NORMAL SCHEDULE DAYS:

- **Labor Day: September 1st Monday- Rizzo will be one day behind all week and will be picking up trash on Saturday.**
- **Thanksgiving Day: November 27th Thursday- Rizzo will collect garbage on the regular scheduled days Monday through Wednesday - Thursday**

will be picked up on Friday and Friday will be picked up on Saturday.

- **The weeks of Christmas and New Years – Rizzo will pick up garbage on the Mondays through Wednesdays and will be one day behind and will be picking up trash on Saturday of each week.**

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 (586) 469-5236 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 backup 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 and 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 Friday of each week. Therefore, any brush to be picked up must be called into the DPW office at (586) 293-3100 extension #126 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 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.

LEAF PICKUP PROGRAM

The 2014 leaf pickup program will begin on Monday October 6th, 2014 and will continue until Friday December 5th, 2014. The leaves can either be raked into the street or the leaves may be placed in open garbage containers or paper recycle lawn bags. We would urge the residents to use containers or recycle bags to help our program run smoothly and efficiently. Each container or bag must not exceed 50 lbs.

MATERIAL PRICES

Topsoil, slag, crushed stone and fill sand are available for purchase for Fraser residents. The cost of topsoil is \$30 per yard, slag is \$20 per yard, crushed stone is \$25 per yard and fill sand is \$16 per yard. There will be a delivery fee of \$10.00 with each delivery.

CULVERT

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 between the hours of 7 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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. **IF YOU ARE LEAVING YOUR HOME FOR THE WINTER, PLEASE CALL 586-3100 EXT 132 TO HAVE YOUR WATER METER SHUT OFF FOR THE WINTER.**

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.

FRASER SENIOR HOUSING

The City of Fraser has a Senior Housing Building. This is a 3 story, 75 unit 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 months' 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 Building Department/Code Enforcement

293-3100 Prompt #2

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.

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.

BUILDING PERMITS REQUIRED FOR:

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



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.

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

Friends of the Library Membership Meeting September 10th 1pm

Interested in volunteer work and helping out your local library? The Friends group is looking for moms and dads of school-age children to add balance to the group and they also welcome any new faces!

Storytime with Denise Ciaramitaro. September 10th 6:30pm

Local author Denise Ciaramitaro has published two books: *Would YOU like to Be a Turtle?* and *I Like to Draw Witches*. She will be at Fraser Public Library to read her books, take orders, and even give out a prize!

Ages 4-8. No registration required.

Archery Club

Thursdays beginning September 11th (no session October 2nd)

Call for times Want to work on your archery skills? Simply obsessed with Katniss from *The Hunger Games*? Come and learn with others, rain or shine. This club offers a chance to learn archery skills and to practice them in a safe and monitored environment under excellent teachers. Sessions usually last 1.5-2 hours. Ages 12+. Cost is \$50/person. Registration begins August 14th.

Storytime

Fridays beginning September 12th 10:30am

Children ages 3-5 will listen to stories, play games, and make an occasional craft in each storytime session. Registration begins August 15th.

Fairy Tea in the Garden.

September 15th, 2014 6:30pm

Join us at Fraser Public Library as we wrap up the summer season with a twilight tea in the garden. There will be sparkling lights, fairy stories, and perhaps a visit from a live fairy! Perfect for mothers and daughters and those who believe in fairy

magic!

Ages 3-8. Registration begins August 25th. Rain date Tuesday, September 16th at 6:30pm.

Book Sale

September 20th, 22nd and 23rd

Friends of the Library Book Sale in upstairs meeting room. Come support the Friends, the library, and literacy by purchasing used books!

Built in Detroit with Robert Morris

September 24th 6:30pm

Robert Morris presents his book *Built in Detroit: The Story of the UAW, a Company and a Gangster*. "In this new book, "Built in Detroit," Morris explores the beginning of the United Auto Workers, the battles with the companies, the union's internal struggles and the company-instigated violence that followed. Additionally, it shares Ken's journey of working in Detroit's toughest auto plant, his active participation in the fledgling union and, after World War II, when he became a victim of mob violence against the United Auto Workers."

Book sales and signing following presentation.

Michigan Mysteries and Oddities

October 21st 6:30pm

Michigan Road Trip Presenter Ron Radenmacher presents on historic oddities and small town museums within our grand state of Michigan. Ages 10+. Registration begins October 1st.

Teen Halloween

October 24th 6-9pm

Teens take over the library after hours to celebrate in spooky style. Food, games, and more! Grades 7-12. Registration begins October 1st.

Wee Halloween

October 28th 6-7:30pm

Join the costume parade as we trick-or-treat around the library. Story and craft. Ages 3-12. Registration begins October 7th.

Explore Recycling on Recycling Day!

November 15th all day

Rizzo Environmental Services joins Fraser Public Library with several age-appropriate presentations all about recycling.

10:30 -- am Children Preschool-7 focus on the 3Rs and what you can put in the recycling bin.

11am -- Children 8-11 learn where the recycling goes and which materials are recycled.

1pm -- Pre-teen to senior citizens learn about what can be recycled from a home/school standpoint, where it goes, and the benefits to recycling.

No registration required.

Gourd-y Stories

November 19th 6:30pm

Seasonal storytime for children, after which we will be decorating small gourds for the holiday season. Ages 3-12. Registration begins November 1st.

Teen Holiday Giftmaking

December 4th 6-7:30pm

Unsure of what to give your family and friends this holiday season? Come craft with fellow teens and make truly unique gifts for the holidays. Grades 7-12.

Christmas Caper

December 13th, all day

All ages are invited to come celebrate the holidays with the Fraser Public Library. Come see Santa, hear a story from Mrs. Claus, shop our bazaar, and enjoy our numerous activities. No registration required.

Library Closures:

August 30

September 1

November 11

November 26 closing at 5pm

November 27-29

December 24-January 1

STRAWBERRY PRESERVES

We still have a few more vendor spaces available for our Flea Market which will be held on September 6th (rain date September 7th). Spaces to rent are \$20.00 for a 10 X 10 area. Call Marilynn Wright at 293 – 7477 for more information.

Our Dinner Show will be on October 15th at the Vintage House on Utica Road. The show will feature Rennie Kaufmann the "One Man Band". His show has been highly recommended to us and he is really good. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the Fraser Library or from any Historical Commission member. Contact Betty Slominski at 293 – 8753 for more information.

Special thanks to the Alexander Macomb Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution in Mt. Clemens for the sponsorship of a Historical Preservation Grant that was awarded to us for the waterproofing in the basement of the Baumgartner House.

A big thank you to Mike Sassin of Farmers Market on South Gratiot in Clinton Township, for the donation of 9 flats of annuals that were planted on the museum

grounds. Also thanks for all of the many perennials that will be sold on September 6th at our Flea Market/Barn Sale.

Thanks to Tim Horton's, on Fifteen Mile Road in Fraser, for the donation of donuts for our Flea Market that was held in June.

Thank you to Vania Apps for her generous cash donation that was given to the Historical Society in June.

Thanks to Betty and Al Slominski for the donation of buns, bread and ice for our Food Concession at our Flea Market in June.

Thank you to the Fraser VFW Ladies Aux. Post 6691 for the presentation of an American Flag and the nice ceremony they had for us.

Thanks to all of the many volunteers that helped us at the June Flea Market. We really appreciate all your help.