



# Town of Marilla



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Dear Residents,

December, 2007

## TOWN NEWS

The Town Board would like to wish everyone a safe and happy New Year. We would like to reflect on this past year's accomplishments, as well as what 2008 may bring.

The landscaping and colors have been updated at the Town Hall and the Town Highway Department has put up an addition at the recycling center. We also added a new shelter at the Marilla Town Park, with a donation from the Pierce family.

Many residents enjoyed our Concert Series at the beautiful Gazebo and Veteran's Park, the Civil War Reenactment at the Town Park, the Car Show, Memorial Day, Veteran's Day, Ag Day, and the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony.

2008 should be another busy year with many of the same programs returning. In partnership with the Fire Company we will be upgrading the current communication system. The Fire Company received a \$78,000 grant toward this project.

Financially the Town of Marilla should be debt free in 2008 and still maintain a healthy surplus.

We would like to thank Town Supervisor John Foss for his 26 years of hard work and dedication to the Town of Marilla and at the same time, we would like to welcome our newly elected Supervisor, George Gertz.

## BUILDING PERMITS

Residents making any changes to their home or property i.e.; sheds, porches, ponds, driveways, additions, in-ground pools, fireplaces or pellet stoves, and any demolitions must first contact the Town's Building Inspector at 652-5350 and inquire what the proper procedures and permits are needed.

## MARILLA FREE LIBRARY

The Meeting room is available for residents to use, please contact the Marilla Free Library at 652-7449 for more information.

## CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL

On **Monday, January 7th** Christmas tree pickup will begin. The Town Highway Dept. will begin collection if the trees are at the **roadside by 7:00 a.m.** All decorations and any plastic wrappings used to carry them outside must be removed. If you prefer, you may bring them to the Recycling Center on Eastwood Rd. during normal hours of operation.

## SENIOR CITIZEN EXEMPTION

Property owners that are 65 years or older prior to December 31, 2008 and had an annual gross income in 2007 of \$32,400 or less may qualify for this exemption. Please contact the Assessors Office Tuesday evenings from 7-9 p.m. at 652-5497 for more information.

## STAR PROGRAM

Property owners (**including mobile home owners**) that are 65 years or older prior to December 31, 2008 and had an annual adjusted gross income under \$70,650 for the 2006 tax year, may qualify for the **Enhanced Star Exemption** on their primary residence. If you have received the **Enhanced STAR exemption** in 2007, you will receive a renewal notice in the mail that must be filed by **May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008**.

If you recently purchased a home (including a mobile home) as a primary residence in the Town of Marilla, you qualify for the Basic STAR Exemption. **Property owners that received the Basic STAR exemption last year and are under 65, do not need to renew their application.**

First time applicants must apply prior to **May 1, 2008**. Applications are available in the Assessor's Office and the Town Clerk's Office. Please contact the Assessors at 652-5497, Tuesday evenings between 7:00-9:00 p.m. with any questions you may have

## RECYCLING CENTER

Just a reminder that the hours of operation at the Recycling Center on Eastwood Rd. are every **Tuesday from 1:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.** and the **second and last Saturday** of the month from **9:00 a.m.** until **3:00 p.m.** We are accepting additional recycling items at the center. The new bins will be as follows: cardboard, tin cans, mixed papers and plastics, these items will not be picked up at the curb, they are recycled only when brought to the facility on Eastwood Rd. by residents. The Sanitation Department will only continue to pick up daily garbage, glass and newspaper (tied in bundles or in paper bags). Items acceptable at the Center are: motor oil, metals, newspapers (all newspaper must be tied in bundles or in paper bags or it cannot be recycled), glass (all metal rings, caps, etc. must be removed by residents), plastic, cardboard, tin cans, mixed papers and yard waste ie: grass, leaves and brush. New stickers for the Center will be available in the Town Clerk's Office after the first of the year upon proof of registration.

## SANITATION DEPARTMENT HOLIDAYS

Enclosed is a list of holidays that the Sanitation Dept. will be observing in 2008. If a holiday falls on a Monday, all weekly pick-ups will be delayed by one day. When a holiday falls later in the week – Example: Thanksgiving Day, which falls on a Thursday, will affect only those who have a Thursday pick-up; all others will follow normal schedule, etc. **PLEASE SAVE YOUR CARD FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.** Reminder: The safety of our Sanitation Workers is important; therefore **no container or item will be picked up weighing over 50 lbs. The use of hydraulically lifted trash containers will no longer be permitted for use in garbage or recycling container.**

**Garbage pick-up will only be delayed for holidays listed on the Holiday Card**

## RURAL TRANSIT SERVICE

RTS is a non-profit transportation service for eligible residents who reside in the service area. Trips are for shopping, human services and employment with highest priority given for medical and health services. A wheelchair lift-equipped van and toddler seats are available. **You may be eligible for Rural Transit** if you reside in the Town of Marilla and your annual income is within the HUD guidelines. You can call 549-5098 for more information on the income limits. You are eligible if you are 62 and older or disabled. You may be eligible if you don't have available transportation and cannot access existing bus routes and have no other way of getting around. An application will be completed with you when you wish to start service. The hours the van will run are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Dispatch should be called 48 hours in advance and up to two weeks in advance for medical appointments. Individuals may schedule up to two rides per week. For more information Please call **652-2527**.

## DOG CONTROL

Residents needing assistance from the Dog Warden should call the following cell phone number:

**863-5816** – from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. weekdays and on call on weekends.

## ATTENTION VETERANS!

The Marilla Veterans Club are looking for a few good men or women to join our club. We meet every third Thursday of the month, except July and August at the Marilla Grill at 8:00 pm. Bring a copy of your DD-214 or call Dave at 652-7467.

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Sincerely,  
John R. Foss, Supervisor

Councilman Fred Specht  
Councilman George Gertz

Councilman Barbara Spanitz  
Councilman Warren Handley

