



THE BINGHAM FARMS POST

Spring, 2013

Construction on 13 Mile Rd. Bridge Begins Soon

Consider yourself warned. Construction work on the new Thirteen Mile Road Bridge will begin in just a few months. Here's the latest schedule:

- Traffic Control signs/Detour signs are placed on June 1
- Road Closure begins June 17
- Road not expected to open until October 18
- Public Meeting to be held in May

The Road Commission for Oakland County is the project manager. The general contractor will be Z Contractors from Shelby Township.

A federal grant will cover most of the costs for this project. The Village will incur costs associated with extending the sidewalk from the bridge west to Telegraph Rd. and east to the school and aesthetic finishes.

The bridge will look totally different and sport a number of safety improvements.

The bridge will be much more prominent than the existing one, so

Council has approved funding for modest aesthetic finishes which will soften the impact.

Here are the anticipated improvements:

First Improvement. The bridge height will be raised approximately five-feet. This means that the current dip in the road will be smoothed out. This should give residents pulling out from Bingham Woods and Bingham Road onto Thirteen Mile Rd. better visibility of oncoming traffic.



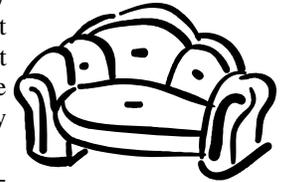
Second Improvement. The bridge will be wider. There will be a real shoulder on both sides of the roadway so bike riders have more room.

Third Improvement. A pedestrian walkway will be added as an extension to the bridge. It will be
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Large Item Pick Up Scheduled

Get ready. The Village's semi-annual, free, large item pick up is set for **Thursday, June 6th.** All items should be at the street by 7:00 a.m. Large bulky items may be placed at the street the weekend before the pick up.

For new residents, the Village contracts with its rubbish contractor twice a year to haul away large items that normally are not included in the regular Thursday pick up.



This includes sofas, washing machines and hot water heaters.

It does not mean that it's time to clean out all the rubbish stored in your home. In the past, residents who were moving out of their home figured they could put everything out at the street. One resident had boxes and rubbish lined all along the street and half way down the driveway.

Car Trucking has the authority to
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State Changes Dates For Village Elections

Not unexpected, the State has abolished the local elections normally held in September of odd numbered years. The legislation mandates that Village elections be held in November of even numbered years.

Here's the interesting part. The bill automatically extends the terms of all elected officials.

The Village Council operates under staggered four year terms So what happens is that each elected position is extended 14 months.

Those trustee terms that would have expired in September 2013 will now expire in 2014. Trustee terms that

expire in 2015 now will expire in 2016.

After these two elections (November 2014 and November 2016), terms revert back to four years.

The State enacted this legislation on a cost-related issue, saying this change would save money for local units of government. Oakland County was in support of the legislation as it saves them money in terms of late night staffing for Village elections and cost of certifying the results.



To be fair, there were just a handful of municipalities still holding local elections in September.

Opponents of the move cited concerns of elimination of local control and placement of local municipal candidates towards the end of the ballot.

The last national election had so many issues, many voters did not finish the ballot. Municipal candidates appeared just before the ballot proposals.

Another change will be that candidates will be submitting their Nominating Petitions directly to Southfield Twp. The Village office will be nominally involved.

Check Contractors Working in your Home

The Franklin - Bingham Farms Police Department has noted an increase in reported thefts allegedly conducted by workers who are completing jobs inside homes.

Recently there were investigated incidents where construction workers, maintenance personnel and domestic helpers have allegedly stolen property from inside the homes of Franklin residents.

The Department would like to remind everyone that, before hiring a contractor, to please check with your neighbors and the Better Business Bureau (<http://detroit.bbb.org>) for references. Also call the Southfield Building Dept. (248.796.4100) to make sure that the contractor is licensed, that he has pulled the proper permits and that the work is set up for the required, inspections.



Note that in Bingham Farms, construction cannot begin before 7:00 AM and must stop at dusk.

Finally, take some simple actions to secure your valuables when workers are in your home; such as locking up jewelry, currency and other valuable items so that they are not visible and not easily stolen.

The Franklin Bingham Fire Department has put together a small plastic bottle, the contents of which will aid them to properly respond to a senior medical emergency.

The vial holds valuable medical information for a resident. It includes an information sheet and 2 personal profile sheets that hold critical information regarding medical history and current medications. Fill out the profile

Review Underway on Senior Center Funding

The Birmingham Area Senior Coordinating Council (BASCC) has been providing programs and activities for seniors ages 55+ since 1978. Thirty-four years later, BASCC serves over 1000 members, from Birmingham, Beverly Hills, Bingham Farms and Franklin.

The Center operates in the former Midvale School, located behind Seaholm High School. The Birmingham Public Schools provides the space free of charge. For the rest of its expenses, the Center relies on financial support from the municipalities, grants, member dues and donations.

The Senior population is expected to skyrocket in the next few years. That puts pressure on BASCC to seek more permanent funding to support the anticipated increased needs.

A Joint Senior Services Committee was created to study the current make up and service offerings of the Center and identify options for the future.

Focus Groups were formed to elicit thoughts and concerns from seniors relative to what services they would like to have.

The entire Focus Group report is available on the Village website www.binghamfarms.org.

More information on BASCC is available on their website www.bascc.org.



Local Road Work Set for the Summer

Latest news on the road construction front. For the past several years, the Village has postponed major road work due to falling revenues. However, this year, the Village has two road projects on the drawing boards.

One project impacts Brooks Lane. The road will be resurfaced to eliminate existing potholes and depressions. The work will involve just that part of the road that abuts residential properties in Bingham Farms.

Soil borings have been taken and analyzed to assess the condition of the base road. It is expected that bids will be solicited in the spring with construction to begin some time before the fall.

The second project involves the southern portion of Bingham Rd. along the ravine. The work will concentrate on the embankment area.

Unfortunately, it means closing this section of Bingham Rd. for about a month.

Residents will have to access their homes from either Fourteen Mile or Thirteen Mile roads.

The Village cannot delay work on this. It will coincide with the Thirteen Mile Rd. Bridge Project.

Kindly pay attention to the posted detours.

Vials of Life Free for Seniors

sheet, place the vial in the freezer and make sure it is easily visible when the freezer door is opened.

The vial also contains 2 display magnets that alert first responders that you have a Vial of Life completed. Place one magnet on your refrigerator



door. Place the sticker adjacent to the a window by the front door.

The Vial of Life is available at the Village office. Stop by and pick one up.

These vials shave off minutes for first responders trying to assess your situation.

President's Letter

The State of Michigan has changed the schedule for elections to the Bingham Farms Village Council. Municipalities originally had a choice when to hold local elections. The Village Council chose to hold elections in September of odd-numbered years. Council terms were changed to 4-year terms to accommodate this cycle.

The State of Michigan, as part of a recent continuing drive to reduce costs, has mandated that municipalities adapt to the federal and state even-year election cycle. For the Village, this move equates to an annual savings of approximately \$2500 which covered publication and programming costs as well as payment to election inspectors.

A side effect is the need to extend the terms of current Council members by 14 months (one-time only) to coordinate with the even year schedule. Village Council is an unpaid position but none of us were comfortable seizing additional time in office when the switch was optional. The committees that constitute the Village's operations front consist of appointed volunteers.

Oakland County Mobile Office coming to Southfield Township

The Oakland County Clerk/Register of Deeds Office will be setting up a local office at the Southfield Township Hall on Thursday, June 6, 2013. They will be operating from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

Residents will have an opportunity to:

- obtain copies of birth and death certificates and
- property documents such as mortgages and deeds.

Additionally, residents can also do the following:

- apply for a marriage license



There is always some attrition at the Council and committee levels as residents move on or feel it's time to have new representation. We had a good response to my last call for volunteers to restock our bench but we have already dipped into that pool and urge residents with a potential interest to give their names to our Village Clerk, Kathy Haganman. Applications are available on the Village website at

www.binghamfarms.org.

A final note on Village finances. The Village is working on its next fiscal year budget (July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014). As of this writing, it appears the Village will be able to maintain the current 7.7 mill rate while continuing an excellent level of service to our residents and keeping the Village in sound, financial shape.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey D. Modell, Esq.
Village President

- register to vote,
- Renew a business name
- File to become a notary
- Access or record a military discharge form or
- Renew a concealed pistol license.

For more information, please contact Southfield Township at 248.540.3420. They will be able to help you figure out what type of documents you will need and what type of identification will be accepted. Or log on to the County website at

<http://www.oakgov.com/clerkrod/Pages/services/mobile.aspx>

Service will be first come, first served. There will be no appointments made.

Mobile Watch Has Record Year in 2012

In our last article for this newsletter, we commented on our December Holidayfest, (champagne, hors d'oeuvres, etc.) but we really couldn't celebrate a victory over the number of tours our members made until the December results were in at the end of the year.

Now those numbers are in and we did it. Mobile Watch members made 353 patrols during 2012, up from 348. While the victory was a margin of 5, a win is a win. And we will officially celebrate this coming December.

Hats off to our 30 members who have worked diligently patrolling the Village. We're always looking for new members and right now there is an incentive for our existing members to increase our membership. The one bringing in the most new members will get a free car wash.

The residents of Bingham Farms are fortunate that we live in a safe community. Some of that hopefully is a result of the Mobile Watch Village tours each week.

Now we have two new challenges: Make 2013 another record in tours taken and increase our membership.

Our new president is Kathleen Strettar who has announced there will be a special speaker at our May meeting discussing home security. We also will continue with our summer picnic with a prize drawing for our police and fire personnel and close out the year with our Holidayfest in December.

It promises to be another good year and if you would like to participate, come visit with us on the first Wednesday of any month at 7:30 p.m. at the Bingham Woods Clubhouse. You will hear an interesting police report, including non-newspaper news, have a sweet and coffee, and be home by nine. Call Dick Holloway at 248.644.2622 for more info.

New Fiscal Year Budget in the Works

The chart below helps show the negative impact of falling property values. While some economists believe the worst is over, it's going to take a long time for the Village's finances to reflect that.

Last year, the Village raised the millage rate to 7.7 mills and it appears that 7.7 mills will be approved by Village Council for the current tax year as well.

The taxable value of real property has fallen considerably from 2008 when it reached its high of \$199,584,000. The chart below reflects the precipitous drop. The most recent estimates from Oakland County of

this year's total taxable value is \$153,241,070. This is yet another year where total taxable value in the Village has dropped.

The Village Council and staff have worked diligently to keep costs under control. The Village has been a leader in using shared services to control costs while maintaining quality level services, especially police and fire services, DPW services and library privileges.

Police and Fire services are shared with Franklin and Beverly Hills provides much of the everyday maintenance requirements of Bingham Farms.

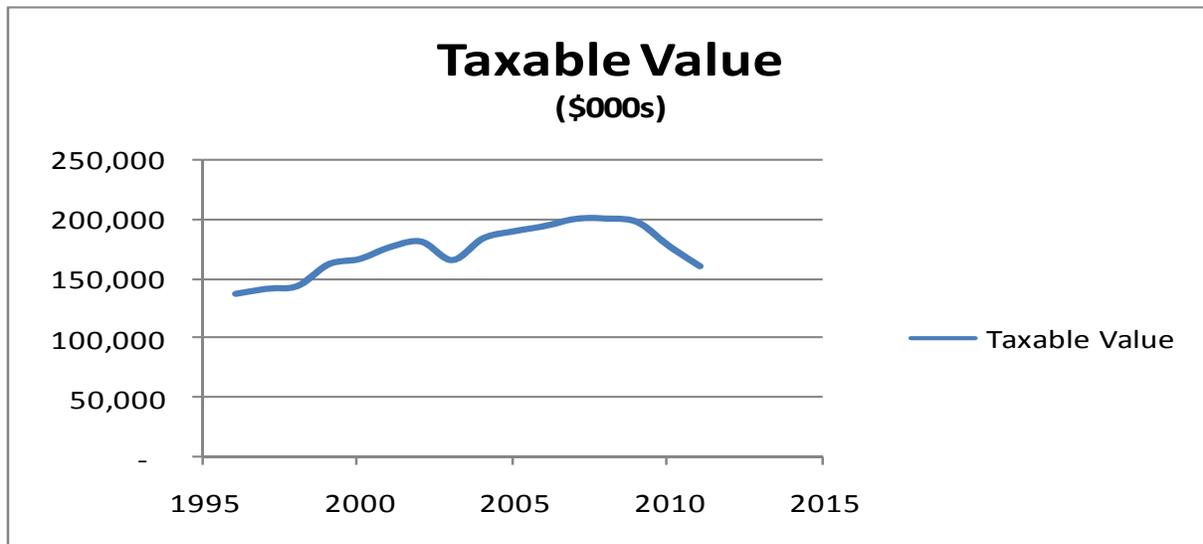
The Village contracts with

Baldwin Library. Outside contractors are used for rubbish collection, roadside maintenance and engineering.

The Village has again postponed reconstruction of Timber Trail and Deauville Ct. Maintenance on them will continue.

The Village's fund balance remains well within the state guidelines for a healthy municipality.

Once approved, the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year Budget will be available online.



Large Item Pick Up Cont. from Pg. 1

bypass homes that have an excessive amount of rubbish. If you are in need of a roll-off, call Car Trucking.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Village office or Car Trucking at 586.791.8480 to avoid any problems on the big day.

SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK

APRIL 7—April 13, 2013

SPECIAL SIREN TEST OF OUTDOOR WARNING SYSTEM

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2013

AT 1:00 P.M.



The Fight Continues Against The West Nile Virus

Just when we thought the battle with West Nile virus was winding down, out comes the data that last year cases of West Nile Virus increased significantly from the prior year.

2012 closed out with more than 200 cases; 23 of those in Oakland County.

The West Nile Virus is spread to humans when bitten by a mosquito that carries the virus.

With the number of cases rising, it's even more important to protect oneself. The best defense is a good offense.

So take the following steps to lower your chances.

- ♦ Reduce areas where mosquitoes breed,
- ♦ Repel to protect against mosquitoes, and
- ♦ Report potential mosquito breeding areas.

Other measures that can reduce the risk of contracting the virus include:

- ♦ Repair all holes in windows and screens to keep mosquitoes out of your home.
- ♦ Empty water from mosquito breeding sites such as buckets, barrels, cans, old tires, or similar sites.
- ♦ Avoid being outdoors when mosquitoes are most active (dawn and dusk).

13 Mile Rd. Bridge Cont. from Pg. 1

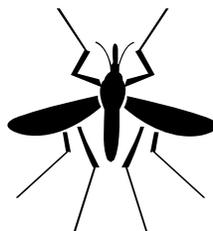
located on the north side of the bridge and will extend west from the bridge to Bingham Rd. and east to Cardinal Lane.

So, it's going to be another summer of detours for Village residents. Please be patient.

- ♦ Wear light colored, long-sleeved shirts and long pants when outdoors.

- ♦ Apply insect repellants that contain the active ingredient DEET to exposed skin or clothing.

- Always follow the manufacturer's directions for use. Avoid applying repellent containing DEET on children less than two years of age.



Dead birds can also be an indicator of West Nile Virus infected mosquitoes are in the area. To report dead birds, call the Oakland County Health Division Hotline at 1.877.377.3641. Wear gloves to protect yourself from direct contact with the bird and dispose of it properly.

For updates on West Nile Virus, log on to:
www.michigan.gov/westnilevirus
or
www.oakgov.com.

Village Needs Help From Residents

The question on the minds of a number of residents is, who is littering the Village roadways? Unless one sees someone do it, it's impossible to track down the culprits.

So, what to do? This is one area where residents can help. When you are out and about, if you would pick up a few pieces of litter, it would be a great help. If everyone did this, the problem would be taken care of and the Village would look great.



If you should see someone toss anything, get a description of the vehicle and a license plate. Call the police and relay the information.

The number for dispatch is 248.626.5444 and the police office is 248.626.9672.

Bits N Pieces

- Get email blasts from the Village office or the Police Department. Log on to the Village website, and click on the link "Stay Informed" at the bottom of the home page.
- Latex Paint is not a hazardous material. Use kitty litter to dry it up and dispose with regular trash.
- Tax Bills will be mailed out on June 30. They are due by August 31st without penalty.
- Have rubbish out at the street by 7:00 a.m. every Thursday morning.
- Fences are not allowed unless around a pool enclosure.
- Dog runs totaling no more than 250 sq. ft. and no more than 4-feet in height are allowed with Council approval.

**BINGHAM FARMS
RESIDENTS
FREE
HOUSEHOLD DOCUMENT
SHREDDING
AT
SOUTHFIELD TWP.
18550 W. 13 Mile Rd.
May 4, 2013
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon**

Help Stop Illegal Dumping

Every year the Village picks up the tab to haul away debris dumped in the Village rights-of-way. It ranges from a truck full of old tires to wood chips to tree trunks.

If you see anything suspicious, such as a slow-moving, fully loaded truck, call police dispatch at **248.626.5444** immediately. Getting the license number or a description of the car or truck will help police track down the scofflaws.



If caught, the culprits face stiff fines, and must remove the debris or reimburse the Village for its costs to remove the materials.

County Parks News

Oakland County Parks is now offering gift cards. The cards are good for vehicle permits, greens fees, water park, merchandise and programs at any of the County's 13 Parks.

A minimum of \$10 is required for each card. Cards may be reloaded at any time. The gift card expires 5-years after last use.



Did you know, there's even fun things for Fido?

There are three dog parks located at Lyon Oak, which has a 13 acre site, Orion Oaks with a 24 acre park or Red Oaks, which has a five acre park.

Get more information from the Parks & Recreation website at www.destinationoakland.com.

**LARGE ITEM PICK UP
JUNE 6, 2013**

**ALL ITEMS TO THE
STREET BY
7:00 A.M.
See Pg. 9 for details**

Public Notice Noxious Weeds

It does not happen often, but there are times when property owners move away and the property is not maintained, especially mowing the grass. Grass that reaches a height of eight inches or more is considered a noxious weed.

Before the Village steps in to remove the violation, an annual notice is published in the Eccentric newspaper advising owners of the noxious weed ordinance. After the newspaper notice, the Village has the ability to act.

When an infraction occurs, a letter is sent to the property owner giving him ten days to rectify the situation. If not resolved within that time period, the Village will contract with a landscape company to cut the lawn as many times as needed during the course of the season.

The notice reads:

"Pursuant to Section 95.36(A), the Village hereby publishes notice to property owners that noxious weeds existing on a property as of May 1, 2012 may be cut, mowed or removed by the Village, with the property owner charged with the Village's actual and administrative costs and expenses in doing so, as many times that calendar year as neces-

sary to keep the property free from noxious weeds.

Specifically, the Village will provide written notice to owners of property upon which noxious weeds exist, and to occupants and agents of said owners known to the Village: (i) to cut, mow or remove the noxious weeds within 10 days of the date of the notice, (ii) to thereafter maintain the property free from noxious weeds, (iii) that upon a failure or refusal to do so, that the Commissioner, by Village employees or contractors, will enter upon the property and perform the required cutting, mowing or removal, (iv) that payment of the Village's actual and administrative expenses incurred in cutting, mowing or removal is the responsibility of the property owners and is secured by a lien on the property, (v) that the existence of noxious weeds is a public nuisance and (vi) notice of any public nuisance hearing that may be scheduled before the Village Council under Section 95.08."



WANT TO BE INFORMED AND RECEIVE SPECIAL ALERTS?

Register by way of the Village
website at

www.binghamfarms.org

Click on the "Stay Informed" link

Receive warnings, water alerts,
police notices and more via
email.

Sign up today.

STUDENTS, DO YOU NEED COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS?

We need volunteers to help pick
up trash along Village roads.

Your hours, your schedule.

Call the Village office for more
info.

248.644.0044



Activities abound at The Baldwin Library

The Semi-Annual **Friends of the Baldwin Public Library Book Sale** is coming up.

Friday, May 3 from 7 pm to 9 pm. (Member preview night, reserved for members of the Friends)

Saturday, May 4 from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm.

Sunday, May 5 from 12 noon to 4 pm (Half price day)

Monday, May 6 from 10 am to 2 pm. (Bag day, buy a bag for \$5.00 and stuff it to the brim with books)

Join us for the annual **Summer Reading Kick Off** on Thursday, June 13 from 1 pm to 5 pm. Fun for all ages! You are invited to an Open House and to Sign-Up for all of the Summer Reading Programs. Be sure to include the Library in your summer plans. See you there!



Bring the entire family for the third annual **Musical Heritage Concert at the Museum Featuring Fiddlers ReStrung** on Sunday, June 16 at 2 pm. Takes place at the Birmingham Historical Museum & Park in downtown Birmingham at 556 W. Maple Rd.

Baldwin provides priority registration for Library programs to residents of Birmingham, Beverly Hills, Bingham Farms and Bloomfield Hills.

LAWN & GARDEN TIPS

For years, the Village of Bingham Farms has been working with other municipalities to stop pollution of the Rouge River.

One way every resident can help is to choose carefully when buying fertilizer, hiring a landscape company or signing up for weed and mole control.

SOCWA (Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority) provides useful information on these topics on their website, **www.socwa.org**. It contains a wealth of information on having a Healthy Lawn & Garden without the use of harsh chemicals.

They also offer workshops throughout the year. A few workshops coming up shortly are:

- **Healthy Lawn Care Workshop**
April 8 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Bloomfield Twp. Library
- **Sustainable Landscapes & Rainwater Recycling**
April 22 from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Bloomfield Twp. Library
- **SOCWA Gardens Open House**
Saturday, May 4 from 9:30 - Noon
SOCWA gardens; 3910 W. Webster,
Royal Oak.

The Healthy Lawn Care & Sustainable Landscapes workshops **require registration**. Call 248.288.5150 to register or by email LFDean@aol.com.

Need more information, log on to the SOCWA website at www.socwa.org

Having a Graduation Party - Play It Safe

Senior Prom and graduation are landmark events in most teenagers' lives. Though these two special moments symbolize both maturity and pending adulthood, parents must remember that when it comes to drinking, teens are still legally underage.



The Birmingham Bloomfield Community Coalition along with the other Oakland County coalitions is again launching the "Parents Who Host, Lose the Most: Don't be a party to underage drinking" public awareness campaign. It is designed to help parents consider the dangers of teenage drinking parties.

Simply stated: Parents who provide alcohol to their children's friends under any circumstances, even in their own homes, are breaking the law; parents who knowingly allow a person under 21 to remain in their home or on their property while consuming or possessing alcoholic beverages can be prosecuted; and parents can be sued if they give alcohol to anyone under 21 and they in turn hurt someone, hurt themselves or damage property.

Also, please remember, if there's going to be a large number of cars parked on the street, ask your guests to park on just one side of the street. This allows emergency vehicles to easily get to someone who may need attention.

PLEASE
WATCH OUT FOR
FOLKS ON BICYCLES

They rarely abide by the Rules of the road and seem to come out of

NOWHERE



**PLEASE REMEMBER:
PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG
IF HE LEAVES A MEMENTO
ON SOMEONE'S PROPERTY.**

GUIDELINES FOR DISPOSING OF LATEX PAINT

In response to questions regarding what to do with old latex paint, SOCRRA has developed a few simple guidelines. Latex paint is technically not a Household Hazardous Waste, but it is considered a liquid and therefore cannot be placed in with the trash. It must be turned into a solid. To do this, the paint must first be dried or hardened before it is disposed of in the trash, and the empty paint cans placed in the recycling bin. **Because oil-based paint contains dangerous solvents, it is important to remember that these procedures can only be used with latex paint.**

Natural Drying - With latex paint cans that are less than a quarter full, simply remove the lid and place the can in a well-ventilated area. The remaining paint should be dry within a few days. Once dry, the hardened paint can be chipped out and placed with the trash. The empty paint can, whether metal or plastic, should be placed in the recycling bin.



For paint cans that are more than a quarter full, you'll need:

Paint Hardener - You can pick up paint hardener at any local hardware or paint store. Once you have your paint hardener there are a few simple steps to follow:

1. Cover your work surface to protect it from paint splashes
2. Add a paint hardener to the can – read the directions on the packet to find out how much hardener you need to add. Typically one packet will harden up to 2/3rds of a gallon of paint.
3. Stir and mix thoroughly. After a few minutes, the paint will have a chunky, oatmeal-like texture.

You can now dispose of the dried paint in the trash. The empty paint can be placed in the recycling bin.

Kitty Litter - This common, household absorbent works well in removing the moisture from latex paint. How much kitty litter to add depends on the makeup and age of the latex paint. In most cases, start with a cup or two and add as needed. Stir thoroughly and after a short time, the paint will thicken. Dispose of the hardened material in the trash and recycle the empty paint cans.



Saw Dust, Mulch, Small Animal Bedding, & Sand – These are other common absorbents that can be used to thicken and solidify latex paint. Use them the same way you would use kitty litter. Remember to recycle empty paint cans **and lids** after disposing of the hardened paint.

Some general tips to consider before drying latex paint:

- To limit waste buy only what you need – ask at the paint stores, they are the experts!
- Store cans in a proper place, properly sealed, so the paint doesn't leak or dry out.
- Storing paint cans upside down can help keep paint fresh.
- Try to use all of the paint.
- Donate any leftover paint to local schools, churches or theatre groups.

LARGE ITEM PICK UP REGULATIONS

Date: Thursday June 6, 2013

Time: All large items at street by 7:00 a.m.

Please Note: For the large item pick up ONLY, items such as couches, washing machines etc. may be placed at the curb as early as June 1

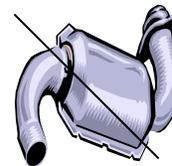
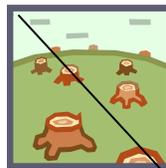
ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- * Large appliances, furniture and hot water heaters
(Refrigerators & freezers must have Freon removed prior to pick up) (Doors must also be removed)
- * Only small tree stumps
- * Brush and tree branches must be bundled and the length may not exceed four feet
- * Rolls of carpet and linoleum must be tied together with the length not to exceed four feet
- * Disposal of construction materials is limited to one 32-gallon trash container



UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- * Large tree stumps
- * Hazardous waste
- * Automotive parts
- * Tires
- * Loose gravel
- * Large amounts of construction material & loose items



Car Trucking has the right to refuse to pick up excessive amounts of materials. If you have a large quantity of items, please call Car Trucking at **586.791.8480** and make special arrangements. Car Trucking does have dumpsters (roll-offs) available.

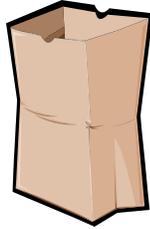
Compost season begins

Now that the snow has melted and spring is officially here, the weekly pick up of compost begins on April 4 and will run through the end of November.

Compost materials include leaves, grass, plants and small bushes.

All compost should be placed in **brown paper bags**. Compost placed in plastic bags will go in with the regular trash as the plastic does not disintegrate quickly.

Tree limbs and branches should be tied into bundles no more than 4' in length. Car Trucking will not pick up anything that is not tied.



VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING DATES

April 22

May 28 (Tuesday)

June 24

All meetings begin at 8:00 p.m.

Happenings Around Town

Birmingham

Farmer's Market - every Sunday May 5- October 20 9:00 am-3:00 pm. Municipal Lot 6 - North Old Woodward

Art Birmingham - May 11& 12- Shain Park 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

50th Birmingham Village Fair- May 30 - June 2 Shain Park

In the Park Summer Concerts - Wednesdays, June - August 7:00 p.m. Shain Park

Movie Nite in Booth Park - June 21—7:30 p.m. Movie begins at dusk

Fireworks - Lincoln Hills Golf Course - July 3 Gates open at 7:30 pm. Rain date July 5.

Beverly Hills

Park Clean Up - May 11 at 10:00 a.m. - Rain Date May 18 10:00 a.m.

Memorial Day Parade & Carnival - May 27 Beverly Park - starts at 11:00 am.

Rouge River Day - June 2

Free Household Shredding - May 4 - 10 am - Noon Parking Lot 18550 W. Thirteen Mile Rd.

What kind of Spring will it be?

Goodbye wet winter, hello spring.

The Farmer's Almanac came out with its spring forecast and it's calling for a wet and soggy spring right into June.

April

1st-3rd. Gradual clearing.

4th-7th. A wet spell.

8th-11th. Pleasant; partly cloudy skies.

12th-15th. Squally, especially over the Great Lakes.

16th-19th. Mild and dry.



20th-23rd. Gusty winds and showers

24th-27th. Very unsettled.

28th-30th. Clearing skies, pleasant

May

1st-3rd. Wet weather as far east as Ohio.

8th-11th. Becoming unsettled.

12th-15th. Mainly sunny.

16th-19th. Showery and breezy, .

20th-23rd. Heavy rains.

24th-27th. Mostly fair; a dry track for the Indy 500.

28th-31st. Turning wet across the Great Lakes.

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