



Town of Marilla



S-1740 Two Rod Road
Marilla, New York 14102
(716) 652-5350
townofmarilla.com

Dear Residents,

December, 2009

GEORGE GERTZ TOWN SUPERVISOR

Once again, it is time to extend best wishes for a safe and happy holiday season on behalf of the Town Board and the Town Hall staff. We encourage you to check out the Town Christmas tree in the Pavilion, and the trees in front of Town Hall that have been decorated by our local youth groups.

The town has subscribed to a reverse 911 system which will enable us to send general or emergency messages to the whole town or specific areas. There will be a phone test later on this month. If you do not receive a test message by January, or if you want to receive the messages on your cell phone, please contact the Town Hall. We are also going to set up a registration site for this on our town web site www.townofmarilla.com.

Notices of meetings of the Town Board and of town committees are now appearing in the "Around Town" column of the Sunday *Buffalo News*, in addition to the local newspapers. The information also is posted on our web site.

I would like to thank you for your continuing support. My door at Town Hall is always open, feel free to call me at any time @ 652-7293 Ext. 403.

CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL

On **Monday, January 11th** Christmas tree pickup will begin, all trees must be at the **roadside by 7:00 a.m.** **Please do not wait for your regular garbage pick up day.** 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.

RON UNVERDORBEN HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

Just a reminder the winter weather has arrived and snowplows will be on the roads. Please use caution when approaching the plow trucks, as many of our roads are narrow. Also when following a plow truck please stay back at least 200 feet and be aware of trucks turning around at intersections.

RECYCLING CENTER

Just a reminder that the hours of operation at the Recycling Center on Eastwood Rd. have changed they are every **Tuesday from 1:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.** and **every Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.** Items accepted at the Center are: cardboard, tin cans, mixed paper, plastics, batteries, motor oil, metals, newspapers, glass (all metal rings, caps, etc. must be removed by residents), and yard waste ie: grass, leaves and brush. The Sanitation Department will only pick up daily garbage along with glass and newspaper (tied in bundles or in paper bags) at the curb. New stickers for the Center will be available in the Town Clerk's Office free of charge, after the first of the year upon proof of residency.

SANITATION DEPARTMENT HOLIDAYS

Enclosed is a list of holidays that the Sanitation Dept. will be observing in 2010. If a holiday is on a Monday all weekly pickups will be delayed by one day. When a holiday falls later in the week ó Example: Thanksgiving Day, which is on a Thursday this will only affect a Thursday pick-up. **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 as garbage or recycling containers.**

TOWNWIDE DOG CENSUS

In the upcoming year we will be conducting a town wide dog census. Please make sure your dog is licensed and rabies vaccination is current. State Law requires all dogs, 4 months and older, to be licensed. The fee for a spayed/neutered dog is \$5. A non-spayed and non-neutered dog is \$13. You must provide a proof of rabies vaccination when licensing. 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

SENIOR CITIZEN EXEMPTION

Property owners that are 65 years or older prior to December 31, 2010 and had an annual gross income 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. *****All Exemptions are due March 1st, 2010*****

STAR PROGRAM

Property owners (**including mobile home owners**) that are 65 years or older prior to December 31, 2010 and had an annual adjusted gross income under \$74,700 for the 2008 tax year, may qualify for the **Enhanced Star Exemption** on their primary residence. If you have received the **Enhanced STAR exemption** in 2009, you will receive a renewal notice in the mail that must be filed by **March 1st, 2010**.

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 **March 1st, 2010**. 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.

MARILLA FREE LIBRARY

Print copies of Federal and New York State Tax Forms will be available at the library through tax season. Other tax forms can be obtained online.

Eight computers with internet access including 2 laptops are available for use in the library free of charge. Guest passes are issued for those without library cards. Anyone over 18 is eligible to use a computer. Those under 17 must have parental permission.

WiFi service is free for those who wish to access the internet with their own laptops.

Over 2000 dvds are available for loan. The loan period is 7 days and there is no charge if items are returned on time.

Storytime will be held on Thursday mornings at 10:30 for children ages 3-5 beginning February 4 through February 25. Activities will include stories, rhymes and a simple craft to take home. Other Children's programs will be scheduled throughout the year.

A book club for adults meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 2:00 p.m. New members are invited.

The Marilla Free Library, located at 11637 Bullis Road, is open Monday 10-3, Tuesday 10-8, Wednesday 10-3, Thursday 10-8 & Saturday 10:00 to 3:00. Please call 652-7449 for further information or visit the library or the library web site www.buffalolib.org

Sincerely,
George Gertz, Supervisor

Councilman / Deputy Supervisor
Warren Handley

Councilman Fred Specht

Councilman Daniel Handy

Councilman Barbara Spanitz

