



Town of Marilla

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Dear Residents;

December 2010

GEORGE GERTZ TOWN SUPERVISOR

I would like to extend Happy Holiday wishes to all of you from my office and the Town Board. We encourage you to check out the beautiful Town Christmas tree in the Pavilion, and the trees in front of Town Hall that have been decorated by our local youth groups. I'd also like to thank all of you who attended Christmas in Marilla on December 11th, it was a huge success.

As you know, winter arrived with a wallop in December. Our Highway Department has done, and continues to do, a great job in keeping Town roads plowed. For your safety, and that of the plow drivers, please be courteous and cautious when sharing our roads with the snowplows.

The Town tested its Code Red Alert System (reverse 911) at the end of November by sending automatic telephone messages to all Town residents. If you did not receive such a message, please go to our website at townofmarilla.com and click on the Code Red logo, or stop by the Town Hall and we can help you register.

The Town Board recognized the importance of the Marilla Library to Town residents, and we have increased Town funding to help the Library maintain its current level of service. The Town is also working on a Farmland Protection Plan and is updating its Comprehensive Plan. We will be sending out a survey and looking for residents to serve on committees in connection with this work, and hope that you will respond.

Thank you for your continued support, I am in the Town Hall every weekday morning, and I welcome you to visit if you have thoughts or concerns about Town matters that you would like to discuss, or feel free to call me at 652-7293 ex. 403.



Christmas in Marilla

CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL

On **Monday, January 10th** Christmas tree pickup will begin, all trees must be at **the roadside by 7:00 am. 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. are Tuesday from 1:00 pm to 3:15 pm and every Saturday from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. 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 pickup 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 and license plate #.

SANITATION DEPARTMENT HOLIDAYS

Enclosed is a list of holidays that the Sanitation Dept. will be observing in 2011. If a holiday is 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 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.

STAR PROGRAM

Property owners (including mobile home owners) that are 65 years or older prior to December 31, 2011 and had an annual adjusted gross income under \$79,050 for the 2009 tax year, may qualify for the **Enhanced Star Exemption** on their primary residence. If you have received the **Enhanced STAR Exemption** in 2010, you will receive a renewal notice in the mail that must be filed by **March 1st, 2011**.

If you recently purchased a home (including a mobile home) as a primary residence in the Town of Marilla, and have an annual adjusted gross income less than \$500,000 you may 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, 2011** Applications are available in the Assessor's Office and on the Assessor's page on townofmarilla.com . **Please contact the Assessor at 652-5350 ext 405 with any questions you may have.**

SENIOR CITIZEN EXEMPTION

Property owners that are 65 years or older prior to December 31, 2011 and had an annual gross income of \$32,400 or less, including Social Security, may qualify for this exemption. Please contact the Assessor's Office for more information. **652-5350 ext 405**

*****All Exemptions are due March 1st, 2011*****

MARILLA FREE LIBRARY

New hours will go into effect at the library for 2011. These hours reflect cuts which were made in the Buffalo & Erie County Library budget. Beginning January 1st the Library hours will be: Monday 10:00 – 6:00, Tuesday 1:30- 8:30, Wednesday 10:00-6:00, Thursday 1:30- 8:30, and Saturday 10:00- 3:00. The library will be closed on Fridays and Sundays. Please contact the library at 652-7449 for further information.

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.

A book club for adults meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 2:00 p.m. The next title to be discussed will be *Book Thief* by Markus Zusak. New members are invited.

Please call 652-7449 for further information or visit the library or the library web site at www.buffalolib.org.

TAXES

Taxes can be viewed, printed and paid online at: www.townofmarilla.com

- Click on - Taxes-Pay online from the main page
- Click on - Enter your Real Property Tax Search Page and follow instructions.

Please note: fees do apply for this service.

- 2.5 % of payment
- E-check payment is a flat fee of \$1.00

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