

City of Marinette
CITYLINES QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER
WINTER EDITION 2019



PUBLIC KICK-OFF

Friday, January 25, 2019

4PM - 6PM

**FOLLOWED BY A FREE M&M THUNDER
HOCKEY TOURNAMENT**

COMMUNITY

**Self guided tours available Saturday & Sunday
Regular business hours begin
Monday, January 28, 2019**

REC CENTER



The **Marinette Police Department** would like to remind area residents that the overnight parking ban has been in effect since December 1, 2017 at 1:00 a.m. There does not need to be snow on the ground for this ordinance to be enforced. The ordinance states that there will be NO overnight parking on City of Marinette streets from the hours of 1:00 a.m. – 7:00 a.m. from December 1st – April 1st. Residents are reminded that the parking violation penalties are \$20.00 and they double if not paid within 72 hours.

Façade Improvement Program (FIP) Applications are Due Before March 1st

The goal of the Façade Improvement Program (FIP) is to encourage improvements that stress the historic significance and uniqueness of downtown structures through building restoration. The City's financial participation is 50% of the rehabilitation costs up to a maximum per project of \$10,000.00. Additional eligibility information and application is available at the City website: www.marinette.wi.us under Culture & Recreation-Residents/Forms, Lic & Permits/Brochures FIP or by contacting Jan at 715.732.5139.

Room Tax Grant Applications are Due Before February 28

Grant applications for projects/events promoting City of Marinette tourism must be postmarked by February 28th or submitted at the City Hall Mayor's Office by end of day, February 28th to be considered for review by the City of Marinette Room Tax Commission.

Nonprofit organizations or groups partnered with nonprofits are eligible for the Room Tax Grants. The Room Tax Commission is responsible for determining appropriate expenditures for the development and promotion of tourism in the City of Marinette. An eligible event/project may be a new event, a one-time event, or an existing event/project. Decisions of the Commission will be based on the likelihood of visitors from out of town staying overnight in lodging facilities as a result of the event/project. The overnight stays will generate additional room tax funds to support grants in the future.

Samples of eligible grants may be marketing projects, including advertising media buys, creation and distribution of printed or electronic promotional tourist materials, efforts to recruit conventions, sporting events, or motor coach groups. Additional eligibility information and application is available at the City website: www.marinette.wi.us under Culture & Recreation-Residents/Forms, Lic & Permits/Room Tax Grant or by contacting Jan at 715.732.5139.

Winter Maintenance Can Save Lives

"Happy Holidays" to all from the Marinette Fire Department. Winter is once again upon us and that means the inevitable arrival of snow. Please help us serve you better in an emergency by keeping walks and areas around entrances free from snow and ice (as best as you can). This helps prevent slips and falls by you and us.

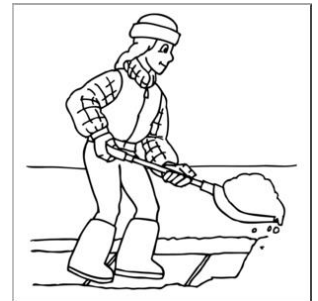
If you have a fire hydrant in front or near your residence, please take the extra time to clear snow from around it so it is clear to the street. This will save precious minutes by eliminating the need for our personnel to unbury the hydrant when we need it. If you see a hydrant that is buried in an area that has no residences please let us know so that it can be taken care of.

This is also the time of year when we receive numerous calls for Carbon Monoxide alarm activations. When you replace batteries, please take some time to read the back of the detector or the booklet that comes with it. It will explain what the different alarms or sounds mean. Kidde Nighthawk detectors use several different “beep” patterns to identify different conditions. For example, when CO is detected the detector will sound 4 quick beeps every 5 seconds while the CO condition exists. A low battery condition is signaled by 1 quick beep with a LED flash every 15 seconds and, if equipped, a display that reads “Lb”. If there is a unit error there will be an intermittent audible alarm every 25-30 seconds. A display that reads “END” indicates the life of the unit has been reached. Seven years from when the unit is first powered up the Kidde Nighthawk unit will chirp every 30 seconds to indicate it is time to replace the unit. PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS INFORMATION IS BASED OFF THE KIDDEE NIGHTHAWK AND WILL VARY WITH UNITS BY OTHER MANUFACTURERS. Please remember a CO Detector that is in alarm and/or is displaying a reading may indicate a CO emergency-DIAL 9-1-1 immediately and move to fresh air. **Do not** ventilate the residence, this will help us determine if a CO condition exists. Our standard operating guidelines for CO emergencies is to respond with an engine, four personnel and metering equipment. This is for our safety in the event we detect and must enter a hazardous atmosphere. Please don't let our response dissuade you from reporting an alarm activation. If you have any questions please feel free to contact us at 715-732-5178.Thank you and have a safe and happy holiday season.

Timely Snow and Ice Removal

All City of Marinette residents and business owners are reminded that it is their responsibility to clear sidewalks of snow and ice within twenty four (24) hours of the cessation of a snowfall, and sidewalks should be kept clear of ice and snow thereafter.

Residents and business owners are also reminded that it is unlawful for any person clearing snow from parking lots, driveways, garages, or other areas, to pile or distribute snow in a city street or alley.



City Ordinance 6-2-7 “Snow and Ice Removal” states as follows: “Owner’s Responsibility. The owner, lessee, occupant, or person in charge of each and every building or structure or unoccupied lot in the City of Marinette fronting or abutting any street shall clean, or cause to be cleaned, the sidewalk in front of or adjoining each such home, building, or unoccupied lot, as the case may be of snow or ice to the width of such sidewalk within twenty four (24) hours of the cessation of such snowfall and shall cause the same to be kept clear from ice and snow...”

City Ordinance Section 6-2-8 “Deposit of Snow and Ice on Streets Prohibited,” states it is unlawful for any person in clearing snow from parking lots, driveways, filling stations, garages, or other areas, to pile or distribute snow, or cause snow to be piled or distributed in a city street or alley.

The city has the right to clear such snow at the property owner’s expense **at a minimum rate of \$100.00 per hour (1 hr. minimum)**, or the city may impose a penalty for any violation of this ordinance.



*****PLEASE REMEMBER TO STAY BACK 200 FEET WHEN BEHIND A SNOW PLOW*****



Spring Election

City of Marinette Spring Election will be held Tuesday, April 2, 2019. All voters will vote at the REC Center facility located at 2501 Pierce Ave.

Early in-person absentee voting at the City Clerk's Office commences on Monday March 18, 2019. For more information as to voter registration status go to the following voter information website: <https://myvote.wi.gov/>



Removal deadline for winter grave decorations in City of Marinette Cemeteries

As a public reminder all WINTER GRAVE DECORATIONS must be removed from graves within Forest Home, Woodlawn, Calvary, Congregation Montifiore, Sons of Jacob and Pine Grove Cemeteries prior to Sunday April 1st, 2019. Cemetery grounds maintenance staff shall dispose of all decorations left on graves starting on that date. At the conclusion of spring clean-up activities and winter burial-site restoration is completed an announcement in local media will be made establishing the date when summer decorations may be placed on graves prior to Memorial Day. Cemetery grounds maintenance staff shall dispose of any summer decorations set upon graves prior to that time. Decorations are prohibited anytime within Forest Home Mausoleum without prior permission of Mausoleum attendant. The City of Marinette is not responsible/liable for any memorial items placed by grave lots within City of Marinette Cemeteries.



Frozen Pipes

What are some common reasons for frozen pipes?

Water pipes will usually be more susceptible to freezing when the outdoor air temperature is below freezing for more than a few days. Special attention should be given when the outdoor air temperature does not rise above zero degrees during the daytime hours.

Some reasons include:

- Unheated basement where the water meter and pipes are located.
- Uninsulated pipes which are against outside walls.
- Open windows near water meters or pipes.
- Openings or cracks which allow cold outside air near the water meter or pipes.
- Water meter pipes enclosed or boxed in against outside wall.

How do I know if my pipes are frozen?

Generally, when a pipe which feeds a certain fixture such as a shower, sink or toilet freezes, you will no longer be able to get water through that fixture. This would be the case if the pipe is frozen solid. Remember, it is possible for only one or two fixtures to freeze with the rest of the home's fixtures still flowing.

Why do frozen water pipes break?

When water freezes within a pipe, the volume of the water expands. That is, the same amount of water takes up more space as a solid than as a liquid. This causes the pipes to expand and possibly break at a weak point. This may not be noticed immediately, however. The pipes may thaw from the inside out with the pipe actually breaking only when the full water pressure is restored.

Do only pipes inside the house freeze?

No. Not only is your inside plumbing susceptible to freezing, but your water service could also be subject to freezing. This is caused by frost in the ground encasing your service in ice, thereby freezing your service. This is especially typical of shallow (less than five feet deep) services.

What should I do if my pipes freeze?

If your pipes freeze, your best course of action is to call a licensed master plumber. Improper thawing could cause your pipes to burst. There are, however, some procedures that you can follow to try to thaw them. The quicker the problem is recognized, the better chance that damage will be minimized.

Some techniques for thawing frozen pipes include:

- If possible, expose a boxed-in area to the inside heat.
- Use a heat gun. However, be extremely careful as the heat from the heat gun will ignite any wood or paper it contacts.
- DO NOT use torches to thaw pipes!
- Rubbing the pipes with warm, damp rags may slowly thaw the line.
- If you do not have water for an extended period of time, special attention should be given to water heaters and boilers.

How can I prevent my pipes from freezing?

There are many ways to help prevent your water pipes from freezing in extreme weather.

Some suggestions include:

- Keeping the water meter area or pipes exposed to outside walls heated.
- Providing ventilation to pipes allowing warmer air to circulate around them.
- Insulating your pipes.
- Caulking and sealing any openings near your water pipes.
- Keeping some tap water running. (Moving water is more difficult to freeze, but this will affect your bill.)
- If no one will be home for an extended period in extreme weather, it is best to turn your main valve off and have a plumber drain your system. This way, there will be no water in your pipes to freeze. Even if your pipes have not frozen in the past, severe cold can cause electricity blackouts and thereby disable your furnace.

Waste Water Reminders

No Wipes Down the Pipes!

Even if products in stores say they are "flushable"... Unless it is toilet paper, it **SHOULD NOT** be flushed!

Examples of such products that should not be flushed are, Diapers (cloth, cotton, disposable, or plastic), "Flushable" cleaning or baby wipes, Paper towels or any type of rags, Feminine hygiene products, and Facial Tissues.

The products listed above can cause clogs and backups in the Wastewater Collection system and pumps at the Wastewater Treatment Plant which can all be prevented with your help!



Mercury Recycling to Protect Our Environment!

As part of our efforts to keep Mercury out of the environment, the Marinette Wastewater Treatment Plant is proud to offer our low cost mercury recycling program. The most common mercury containing devices found in the home today is in all fluorescent lightbulbs as well as older home heating thermostats.

***Please bring your used **fluorescent lightbulbs** or **thermostats** to 1603 Ely Street for proper recycling between the hours of 7:30 AM and 2:30 PM. For any questions please call: 715-732-5192.

The charges for recycling are as follows: 4 foot, Circular, U-Shape: \$0.25/bulb; 5 foot and over: \$0.60/bulb; Compact Fluorescent: \$0.55/bulb; HID bulbs (High Pressure Sodium) (Mercury Vapor) (Metal Halide): \$1.15/bulb



Municipal Court – Pay Fines or Fees Online

For your convenience, payment of Traffic & Ordinance Citations can now be made online - 24 hours / 7 days a week using your credit, debit or pre-paid debit card at www.GovPayNow.com. You will need your citation number and Marinette Municipal Court's Pay Location Code (PLC) of 5001. All major credit cards are accepted. GovPayNet is an independent company that charges a fee for its services. Marinette Municipal Court receives no part of the service fee which is paid by the customer. For more information, call Government Payment Service at 1(888) 561-7888 or Marinette Municipal Court at 715-732-5125 (M-F 7:30 AM – 4:00 PM).

The Marinette Senior Center



Are you 50 years of age or older? Then you qualify to become a member and join in on the activities, resources and benefits of the Marinette Senior Center. A yearly membership costs only \$5.00 per person or \$9.00 for a couple! Want to join a class but you're not of age? No problem. We offer several intergenerational programs too!

Every week our center offers a variety of activities such as Sheepshead, Pinochle, Bridge, Bingo, Po-ke-no, Hand & Foot, Smear and Mahjong. Wii Sports and a variety of other games are also available to play! A "Just for Fun" Bowling group bowls every Wednesdays at 1:00 at the Dome Lanes. New members are always welcome!

Your Center offers several exercise opportunities for different fitness levels. The Strength and Balance exercise groups include our chair exercise Class and Chair Yoga. For those wanting more, you can choose from Modified Zumba, the Zumba Core & Glutes, Yoga, Tai Chi and Ballroom Dance. Enjoy at your level!

Join our group of crafters that meet weekly for knitting, crocheting, quilting and conversation. We offer a variety of programs and classes such as; oil painting with our Painting with Vicki class, Stain Glass with Carrie Jo Martin, Jewelry and a monthly featured craft. Our newest program is String Instrument Build or Repair Workshop! Make a string instrument! No experience necessary! Relax in the lounge and enjoy a book, magazine or puzzle, watch one of your favorite daytime shows or read the daily paper from our library. There's always something to do!

We enjoy celebrating holidays with live music and parties and you'll find we usually have at least one party per month! Make sure to check out our monthly newsletter for educational speaker programs on legislative issues or topics of concern for adults over 50. You'll see there are also Camera & Computer classes; wellness clinic such as the Foot Care Clinic held every month. We also have an in house partnership with Marinette County Elderly Services. They prepare and serve delicious meals Monday through Friday on site at a very reasonable cost. Home delivery is also available for people in need.

Become a member or volunteer! Our members get special discounts on classes and are invited to the Membership Extravaganza Party each spring. Discover the Marinette Senior Center; your community's adult resource center! Stop in today! We are located at 1603 Ludington Street in downtown Marinette.

For more information, or to rent the center for your event, phone 715-732-1280 or email seniorcenter@czo.net.

Recreation Department

Open Skate Hours:*

Monday: 10 am – 3:45 pm

Tuesday: 10 am – 3:45 pm

Wednesday: 10 am – 3:45 pm & 5:45 – 7:45 pm

Thursday: 10 am – 3:45 pm

Friday: 10 am – 5 pm & 7 – 9 pm

Saturday: 6 – 8 pm

Sunday: 4 – 6 pm

* Call for up-to-date hours.

Cost: Youth Admission - \$2.50, Adult Admission - \$4.00; Skate Rentals: Youth: \$1.00, Adult \$2.00

Weekday \$1.00 Specials: (Includes skating and rentals!)

Senior Skate (50+): 8 am – 12 pm

Noon Hour Skate: 12 – 1 pm



Stay up to-to-date on the Marinette Recreation Department at
<https://www.facebook.com/MarinetteRec/>



Beginner Skate Lessons:

Beginner lessons for ages four and up, held on Mondays from 4 – 4:30 pm, followed by 15 minutes of practice, finishing at 4:45 pm.

January 14 – February 18

Cost: \$40 (includes use of rental skates, if needed)

American Girl® Tea Party:

Share in the American Girl® doll experience! Make mini-sized arts and crafts for your doll, have a tea party, and share in the fun of our American Girl® dolls. Be sure to bring your dolls to the Tea Party! (Don't have an American Girl®? No problem – bring your favorite doll or stuffed animal and join in the fun.)

Saturday, February 2, 10 am – 11:30 am

Ages: 4-13

Cost: \$5/child



Skate & Dance:

February 22, 7 – 10 pm

Cost: \$5/person plus skate rentals if needed


Marinette
expanding horizons



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CITY OF MARINETTE		SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
JANUARY 2019								
				01 HOLIDAY	02 Dump Open 8:30AM - 4:30PM	03	04	05 Dump Open 8:00AM- 2:00PM
	CHIPPER WEEK	06	07	08	09 Dump Open 8:30AM - 4:30PM	10	11	12 DUMP CLOSED ON SATURDAYS FOR WINTER (OPEN WEDNESDAYS)
		13	14	15	16 Dump Open 8:30AM - 4:30PM	17	18	19
	JUNK WEEK	20	21	22	23 Dump Open 8:30AM - 4:30PM	24	25	26
	27	28	29	30 Dump Open 8:30AM - 4:30PM	31			
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