

MARATHON TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER

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OFFICE HOURS

**MONDAY & THURSDAY 9AM TO 4PM,
& WEDNESDAY 9AM TO 5 PM**

DECEMBER 2007 (WINTER)

**DROP BOX -FRONT DOOR
AT TOWNSHIP HALL**

TAX BOARD OF REVIEW: The property tax Board of Review for Marathon Township will meet on the Monday, March 10, 2008 10am-4:30pm and on Thursday, March 13, 2008, 3:00-9:00pm. At 4575 Pine Street, (township hall) Columbiaville. You may protest by letter to P.O. Box 457, Columbiaville, MI 48421. Members of this board are: Carl Ludwig, Elvin Ruby, and Lisa Dykes. Secretary of the board is Dale Fuller, Township Supervisor.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS: Many changes are occurring in election laws. We are no longer allowed to ask if you would prefer to be on the permanent absentee ballot list for upcoming elections. If you would like to be on this list you would need to request it. Those of you who are currently on this list will remain and continue to receive them.

BUILDING PERMITS: Building permits for Marathon Township and the Village of Columbiaville are issued at the Township Hall during regular business hours. This application can take up to 30 Minutes, so please call ahead and see that you have all the papers and info that is required. Click here to download forms.

BURN PERMITS: A permit must be obtained in person the first time at Marathon Township Hall, during regular business hours. Afterward, a telephone call (810)793-2002 during business hours can renew the permit. There is no charge for the permit.

ACADEMY DRIVING SCHOOL is conducting a driving course at Marathon Township Hall. The first session, Segment I, will be December 3 - December 20 3:00-5:00PM; February 11 - February 28 3:00-5:00; April 7 - April 24 3:00 - 5:00. Segment II will be December 10, 11&12 5:00 - 7:00; February 11, 12&13 5:00 - 7:00; April 14, 16&17 5:00 - 7:00. Please call for information 810 245-4500 or visit www.academydrivingschool.org.

SOUTHERN LINKS TRAILWAY is 10.2 miles of non-motorized trail connecting Columbiaville and Otter Lake. The first phase has been completed and the construction company will return to the township around the middle of April 2008 to finish this link. The culmination of this project has been realized by a group of people who have given hours and hours of time to this endeavor. The amount of paper work, required signatures and stress has been staggering although all will be worth it when we complete this asset in our community. Local support is needed to maintain the trailway for everyone to enjoy. **Friends of the Southern Link Trailway** is a 501c (3) organization, so your donation is tax deductible. Their address is P.O. Box 18, Columbiaville, Mi. 48421. You may also visit the website at www.southernlinkstrailway.com

MARATHON TOWNSHIP & LAPEER COUNTY OFFICES will be closed on the following days:

Memorial Day - Monday, May 26, 2008
Labor Day - Monday, September 1, 2008
Columbus Day - Monday, October 13, 2008
Thanksgiving Day - Thursday, November 27, 2008
Christmas Eve - Wednesday, December 24, 2008
Christmas - Thursday, December 25, 2008
New Years Eve Day - Wednesday, December 31, 2008
New Years Day - Thursday, January 1, 2009

ROAD WORK: Marathon Road between Otter Lake Road and Howell Road was recapped at a cost of \$82,943.47. Hollenbeck Road between Marathon Road and North Lake Road was also recapped, cost \$69,202.45. Three solid brines \$28,951.25, Mowing \$4,490.00. Along with several other small projects which totaled \$50,732.83. These road projects were done in 2007.