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Council Corner

The village council approved the budgets for the year 2014 at the December meeting. The council also passed a resolution to reduce the millage for village taxes from 8.3692 mills to 7.000 for the coming year. This is a 16% reduction in village property tax. Members were also appointed to the L.M.R. Fire board, Library board, Recreation committee, Planning commission, and Zoning board of appeal.

Acknowledgement was given to Rick Becker and the staff of Stoneco for receiving the Ambassador Award, Central Division, for outstanding community service. They were one of four receiving the honor in the United States.

Santa came to town

Nearly one hundred children braved the cold on Tuesday night to visit with Santa and turn in their want list for Christmas. Santa made the rounds throughout the village riding on the L.M.R. fire truck and finally made it to the fire hall to greet all of the youngsters. There was hot chocolate and cookies, singing by the Floral City Harmonizers (sponsored by J and K again) bags of candy and lots of pictures. This tradition has been a part of village life for many decades and we hope that it never stops.

Pictures will be on the website in January.



The people that make it all possible
Great job

**MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR
TO THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY FROM
THE
VILLAGE OF MAYBEE
COUNCIL**

The Library Table 734-587-3680

Christmas Cheer--Maybe Branch Library

Event Type: Arts & Crafts **Age Group(s):** All Ages

Date: 12/14/2013 **Start Time:** 11:00 AM **End Time:** 12:30 PM

Description: -Crafts! -Tasty Treats! -Holiday Fun and Games!

Lego Building--Maybe Branch Library

Gaming **Age Group(s):** All Ages

Date: Saturdays (21st & 28th) **Start Time:** 11:00 AM **End Time:** 1:00 PM

-Open play for anyone who loves to build with Legos. -Legos will be provided

Health Insurance Marketplace Help

Event Type: General **Age Group(s):** Adult, Seniors

Date: 1/6/2014 and 1/13/2014 **Start Time:** 6:00 PM **End Time:** 7:30 PM

Description:

The Family Medical Center of Michigan will have a representative here to help you sign up for insurance or answer any questions you may have regarding the Health Insurance Marketplace. Please call with any questions.

A message from
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Christmas time is approaching, that time of year when most traditionally shop until they drop buying presents for family and friends. The Christmas season leads to an increase in stress and anxiety along with the amount of waste generated. It is estimated that every year between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day, 25 million extra tons of trash is generated in the United States, or about 1 million extra tons per week. That is all the boxes, wrapping paper, instructions, bubble wrap, ribbons, tinsel and cards that get ripped off and then discarded. There are many ways you can give without filling another landfill and celebrate the holiday season without having a negative impact on the environment.

- Give a gift certificate for a much-needed service, such as a massage, fancy homemade dinner, house cleaning or babysitting; or for a day out such as golfing.
 - Give donations to an environmental organization, charitable group or animal shelter. Or donate a book to the library in the person's name.
 - Shop for gifts at antique stores, estate sales or flea markets, since one person's trash is another's treasure.
 - Don't forget the rechargeable batteries for electronic items, and to recycle any unwanted electronics.
- Visit www.co.monroe.mi.us/recycling for information on the county's e-waste recycling program.
- For kids, start a savings account or give stocks and bonds. It's fun to watch money grow and it teaches children the value of financial conservation.
 - Buy a gift certificate to a local nursery for a tree to be planted in the spring.
 - When shopping, bring your own shopping bags or consolidate your purchases into one bag rather than getting a new bag at each store on your shopping rounds.
 - If you are shopping through catalogs or on-line, choose gifts that are easy to ship and won't require excessive packaging.

· **Don't forget to recycle your Christmas Tree at one of the following collection sites:**

- o Bedford Township – Carr Park, 9240 Lewis Ave, Temperance – 734.847.6791
- o Berlin Charter Township Hall – 8000 Swan View Drive, Newport – 734.586.2187
- o Ida Township Hall – 3016 Lewis Avenue, Ida – 734.269.3045
- o Monroe Charter Township Hall – 4925 West Dunbar Road, Monroe – 734.241.5501
- o City of Petersburg/Summerfield Township – 87 Railroad Street, Petersburg (behind the DPW Yard) 734.279.1210

The Monroe County Recycling & Green Community Program, the Monroe County Road Commission and participating local municipalities offer this service free of charge to all Monroe County Residents. All tinsel and decorations must be removed from the tree prior to depositing it at one of the above sites. Please call the numbers listed for each site for times and additional information. Christmas trees will be accepted December 26, 2013 through January 19, 2014.

There are many ways to make this an unforgettable Christmas season while protecting the environment!

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