

APRIL 2008

SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY / TRASH SERVICE:

The annual Spring Clean-up Day is scheduled for **Saturday, May 17th** and will once again begin at 6:00 a.m. The following rules apply as they have in the past:

- **Only Village residential** customers are eligible. Please do not allow others from out of town to abuse this service.
- All smaller debris must be boxed or bundled.
- Nothing in lengths longer than six feet will be picked up.
- **Absolutely NO** – tires, concrete/stone/brick items, yard waste-tree limbs, railroad ties, wet paint cans, pesticides, antifreeze, hazardous waste, gas cans or motor oil.
- Appliances and other metal items will be picked up

Please be sure to have everything out to the curb area by **6:00 a.m.** as the entire village will be covered in one day and there will be no call backs. Also, please follow the above rules in order for the Village to maintain this as a service to our residents without any additional charge.

Other News from Maharg's Trash Service: The recycling company has asked that we remind residents that they still utilize the 2-bag system, one for paper products and the other for metal, plastic (#1 & #2 only), and glass items. No plastic bags, Styrofoam egg cartons, paint cans, light bulbs, ceramics or other treated glass. Thank you for your cooperation.

BRUSH PICKUP:

With the spring weather arriving, we have returned to our regular schedule of doing brush pickup on the 1st Monday of each month. As in the past, it is not necessary to call the Village office to let us know you have brush to be picked up...we will get to it on our scheduled date and as the weather allows.

Please remember the following basic rules regarding brush pick-up:

- If you have your trees trimmed or cut down by a paid tree serviceman, it is their responsibility to remove all brush. Our Village service is designed to pick up those branches that fall during storms or the small amount that individuals trim on their own trees.

- It is not the Village workers responsibility to rake your piles up. All the smaller debris should be placed in yard waste bags.
- Do not use this service to put out your grass clippings, leaves, shrubs, plants, flowers, fruits, acorns, walnuts, etc. These items will not be picked up.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Note: The Village does not do leaf pickup in the spring...you must use the Yard Waste bags from Maharg's for any spring yard waste including leaves.

PARK NEWS:

The 8th Annual Parks Work Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 26th from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. This is an opportunity for community groups or individuals to come out and provide some volunteer labor to clean-up our parks for the upcoming summer. Anyone who can assist that day is asked to report to Community Park / Ambassador Pool parking area. A lunch will be served at 12 noon in Shelterhouse 4 at Community Park for all those who helped compliments of the Park Board. On another park note, if your child did not get signed up for summer baseball or softball, please be sure to contact John Rammel (baseball – 419-375-2789) or Marie Osterholt (softball-419-375-2523).

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES:

We continue to work on various funding sources in order to begin the sewer separation project as required in our permits with the Ohio EPA. The time table on these projects looks to be to complete the planning over the next year and move into actual construction projects beginning in 2009/2010. The first phase of this project will be to complete the separation on S. Wayne Street, in which we will also plan to include street reconstruction at the same time. A couple other phases will follow to include work on both highways and in those neighborhoods that have not previously been separated. Village workers along with the engineering company will be doing much field work in order to identify as many existing sewer taps as possible, thus many of you will be contacted directly to help us in our planning. We will continue to get out information on this very large and necessary project as we progress. Your patience and cooperation will be a huge asset as we move along in completing the sewer separation.

A note for the George/Wiggs Street residents involved with last year's street project – Chuck Samples Construction is to be back during April to complete touch up work on the dirt and seeding where necessary. If you prefer to do this yourself, please call Randy and let him know. Also, the final date for payment on the sidewalk/curb assessments is July 1, 2008. Anything not paid by that date will automatically be assessed to the property taxes. A final notice will be sent around June 1, 2008 as a reminder.

This summer we will be completing repair work on the east section of Blue Jacket Drive along with various other small projects. As most of you are aware, Janet McCain, our Clerk/Treasurer of 20+ years, retired as of March 31st and we are happy to have Roberta Staugler as our new Fiscal Officer. Thank you Janet for your many years of service to the Village!

We continue to make available growth opportunities for our local industries in our Industrial Park. Our local businesses continue to be the backbone of our community and we appreciate their ongoing commitment to Fort Recovery. Anyone needing any additional information concerning industrial lots should contact Randy at the Village Hall at 419-375-1056.

The Fort Recovery Friends of the Arts have once again put together a great listing of Sunday evening concerts beginning June 8th. Continue to come and enjoy an evening with friends and neighbors while being entertained by some great shows. Also don't forget to mark your calendars for this year's Jubilee scheduled for June 19-22nd. All this information is or soon will be on the village website.

As always we welcome your input and invite you to our Council meetings on the first and third Mondays of each month, 7:30 p.m. in the Village Hall. If you have any specific concerns or questions, feel free to contact Randy, Mayor Broerman or any of the Council Members.

Upcoming Dates of Interest: (Check out the website at www.fortrecovery.org for a list of all local events)

Saturday – April 26th – Park Work Day (9 am-12pm)

Friday – May 9th --- Merchants & Car Club's Cruise In on the Brick Street

Saturday – May 17^h – Village wide Spring Clean-up Day

Friday – May 23rd – Memorial Day Parade & Ceremony

Monday – May 26th – Swimming Pool opens

June 19-22 – Fort Recovery Harvest Jubilee