

Dates to Remember

Board of Review - Tuesday
April 7, 9am to 10am

City Council Meeting, Thurs-
day, April 9, 7:00pm - Village
Hall

Severe Weather Awareness
Week April 13th thru 17th.
Tornado Drill April 16th 1:45
& 6:55 pm.

Compost Site -Sat April 18
weather permitting

Village Center Task Force
meeting April 22, 6:00pm -
Village Hall

Planning Commission Tuesday
April 28, 7:30pm - Village
Hall

Heavy Metal Day - Saturday,
May 9, 9am - Noon

City Council Meeting Thurs-
day May 14, Village Hall -
7:00pm

Paper Shredding - Saturday
May 16, 9 to 11:30am

Mill Stream Day—Sunday
May, 17 12 noon - 4pm

Office Closed Monday May 25
-Memorial Day

Stone House Museum Opens -
May 25 Saturdays & Sundays
11am to 2pm-Memorial Day
through Labor Day

Planning Commission Tuesday
May 26, 7:30pm - Fire Hall

Progressive Dinner - Saturday,
June 6th

Village Center Task Force
workshop June 22, 6:00pm,
Village Hall

City Council Meeting - Thurs-
day June 11, Village Hall -
7:00pm

Fireman's Street Dance
Saturday June 20, 2015 -
5:30pm to 10:30pm

Planning Commission Tuesday
June 30, 7:30 pm Village Hall

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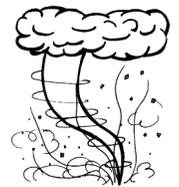
Assessment Notice

The Board of Appeal and Equalization of the City of Marine on St. Croix in Washington County, MN will meet at City Hall from 9:00am to 10am on Tuesday, April 7 2015 for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the assessment of said Real Estate for the year 2014.

Severe Weather Awareness

Severe Weather Awareness Week is coming! (Yes, that week with all the sirens!) If you didn't change your smoke and CO detector batteries with the change of the clock, here is another great memory helper to change them now!

Severe Weather Week—April 13th - 17th
Tornado Drill Day - April 16 - 1:45 & 6:55 pm



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Burn Permits



The cost per permit is \$5.00 for piles or \$15.00 for a prescribed burn permit. Each permit is good for up to 3 consecutive days. You can contact the City office during regular business hours Monday thru Thursday to obtain a permit.

Permits Required with less than 3 inches of snow.

COMPOST SITE OPENS APRIL 18, 2015

Weather Permitting

Only Leaves and Grass will be accepted until further notice.

Weather Permitting

The City compost site will be open during the following hours: Wednesdays, noon to 7pm and Saturdays from 9am until 4pm.

The City asks that you please abide by the following rules:

1. No garbage bags. (Please take all paper and plastic bags home with you)
2. No sticks or brush!
3. No Trash! (This is NOT a dump. Please keep all glass, metals and plastics out of the compost pile)
4. As always, the compost site will close during weather when there is thunder and lightening.
5. Questions or comments? Please call the City office at 433-3636.

Heavy Metal Day

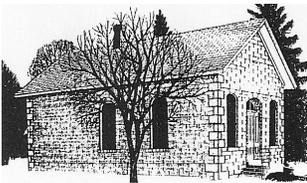
Heavy Metal Day will be held on Saturday, May 9 from 9:00 A.M.—12:00 NOON

Collection will be behind Security State Bank at the Wayside Park. You can find the list of items that will be collected, along with their prices, posted on the bulletin board in front of the Village Hall and on the City's website.

Security State Bank of Marine - Shred Day - Open To Public

May 16, 2015 - 9am to 11:30am

Security State Bank will have a truck available for paper shredding in front of the Bank.



STONE HOUSE MUSEUM

The Stone House Museum Opens Memorial Day

When you read that the Stone House Museum is planning its season opening, you know that winter might finally be near an end.

The museum (located on 5th Street just north of the church) will be open from Memorial Day Saturday and Sunday afternoons from 1 – 4 pm until Labor Day. For questions or suggestions for the museum, or to plan a visit to the museum on a weekday, please contact Mary Smith, the current volunteer museum manager, at 651-430-1239 or email: museumstonehouse@gmail.com

Accepting Applications for:

Museum Intern. Please consider volunteering at the museum to learn about local history, for fun with fun folks or for a free cup of coffee! See you at the old stone house.

County Road 4 Project

There will be an open house for the County Road 4 project on Thursday, May 21st from 6-8pm. It will be held at Christ Lutheran Church.

As a result of the upcoming County Road 4 construction project, you may see maintenance and survey crews around over the next few months. These crews will be performing preliminary work such as surveys and soil borings in preparation for the upcoming construction project.



Marine Community Library

121 Judd Street, Marine on St. Croix, MN. Phone: 651-433-2820

Monday 10 - 1 * Tuesday 4 - 7 * Wednesday 4 - 7 * Thursday 10 - 1 & 5 - 8 * Friday 5 - 8 * Saturday 9 - 12

The Marine Community Library continues to offer a welcoming space for books, films, magazines, fabulous programs for all ages, and much more. To find out what's new, to look for a particular book or author, or to see upcoming events, go to our website: www.marinecommunitylibrary.org, follow us on the library Facebook page, or use the "contact us" tab to request to be on the library e-mail list.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

New! Story-time at the library: Bring your young ones to hear talented story-tellers each Saturday in April at 10AM.

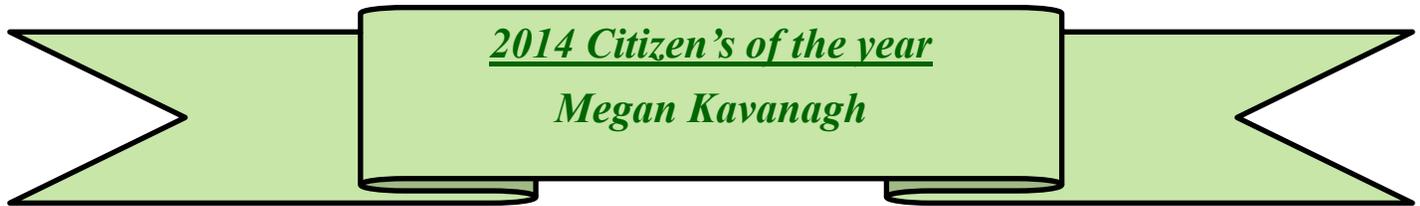
In addition to spring showers, April will bring a number of programs related to "The Big Read," a one book, one community program that brings together residents from throughout the St. Croix Valley around a common book. This year's book is *Love Medicine*, by Minnesota author Louise Erdrich.

Marine Library will join other libraries throughout the St. Croix Valley in hosting Big Read book discussions around *Love Medicine*. The library has nine copies available for book clubs to borrow.

The Big Read kick-off event, "Crossing the Water," will be held at the Marine Village Hall on Saturday, April 11 from 1 to 4PM. This family-friendly event begins with a welcome by Ojibwe activist Sharon M. Day, includes an activity for young people based on Ms. Erdrich's children's book, *Chickadee*, and will culminate with a musical performance by Troubadour Larry Long at 3PM.

Scandia Community Center will be the venue for a Big Read highlight, the play "Jack's Back Door Café," Saturday, April 18 at 7PM. It is a tale about community, spiritual connection and our relationship with the natural world. This free event is co-sponsored by the library and the Scandia-Marine Lions. The Big Read in the St. Croix Valley is presented by ArtReach St. Croix under a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with Arts Midwest.

Finally, watch for details of another summer full of literary fun for "kids" of all ages. And do stop in to get your free Marine Community Library card today!



Megan has been an active volunteer in the community for well over a decade, holding various positions on the Restoration Society Board and also as the co-Chair and Chairperson for the Public Safety Street Dance.

Please join us in recognizing Megan at the Memorial Day celebration on May 25, 2015 at Oakland cemetery

Village Center Task Force Update

For 2015, the VCTF will be focusing their efforts on:

Evaluating opportunities for informational signage which may include:

Signage at the trail down to the river.

Historical signage coinciding with the historical walking tour map

Welcome to Marine highlighting local businesses

Reducing the visual impact of the large dumpsters in the community.

Enhancing the trails and evaluating a Fund a Bench initiative.

Coordinating 3rd Street improvements with the CTH 4 project.

The next Village Center Task Force workshop will be on April 22 with the City Council and the Planning Commission.



Marine to host Raingarden Workshop

Committee Members:

Mary Lusher, Anne Reich, Kirsten Vadheim, John Goodfellow and Andy Kramer

Marine on St. Croix, MN – The riverside community of Marine On St. Croix is offering its residents a wonderful opportunity this spring thanks to generous funding from the Clean Water Fund. Residents are invited to gather in the Village Hall on Tuesday, April 14th at 6:00p.m. for an evening devoted to clean water, beautiful gardens, and sustainability. To begin, Council Member Mary Lusher will give an update on Marine's efforts in becoming a GreenStep City, a program of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) which is designed to challenge, assist, and recognize Minnesota cities that are "green stars." Cities are challenged to work through a series of steps — and be recognized for steps they've already taken — that increase the community's sustainability.

Then, Jim Shaver, Administrator of the Carnelian-Marine-St. Croix Watershed District, will be present to share information about the \$98,000 grant awarded to Marine by the Board of Water and Soil Resources for vital storm-water management improvements. The District and Town partnered together to develop a win-win strategy for protecting clean water.

People who register late are more than welcome to come, but we cannot guarantee an aerial map will be available. If you are looking for more information about grant programs visit www.cmscwd.org or contact Jed Chesnut at jed.chesnut@mnwcd.org or 651-330-8220 x. 25 to schedule a free site visit.

Managing Storm Water

The State of Minnesota's Board of Water and Soil Resources announced a grant to support a program to manage storm water runoff in Marine. Program goals are to reduce the amount of sediment and chemicals flowing downstream, especially as they contribute to algae and other impediments to enjoying the Mill Stream and St. Croix River. The grant is for \$98,000, directed to the Carnelian Marine on St. Croix Watershed District. The City and the District will share in the required 25% match through cash or in-kind contributions.

The grant funds a novel approach, specific to Marine's already developed small lots. While state law gives power to the local watershed districts to require that property owners pay for needed facilities, Marine's City Council and the Watershed district observed that this approach would yield only small solutions but place large cost and space burdens on local owners. Instead, they proposed an alternative that applies solutions to a whole neighborhood rather than burden the individual property owner. It is this approach that is being funded.

The facilities employed, in general, return part of the storm water into the ground close to where it drains from our roofs and streets, thus reducing erosion, and filter out materials such as silt and excess lawn fertilizer before they get to the streams and river. The grant application suggests potential designs such as rain gardens and swales, and also suggests neighborhood and facility locations.

Coincidentally, the Washington Conservation District was planning a workshop, open to Marine and area residents, to explain methods of handling storm water and the reasons for doing so. This workshop will be held at 6-8 pm, April 14, 2015 at the Village Hall. Take a look at the enclosed flyer and come to the workshop to get a good introduction to handling storm water.



Raingarden Workshop

April 14th - Marine on St. Croix
Village Hall
121 Judd St.

Design a Native Garden

Create a Raingarden

Stabilize Streambanks



Native gardens are beautiful, save water and your time.



Raingardens filter dirty stormwater from streets and rooftops before it enters creeks and rivers.



Long roots of native plants anchor soil and filter out pollutants.

April 14, 6-8p.m. - FREE

Learn how to add some beauty to your yard using native plants, raingardens and streamside plantings at this free design workshop while also hearing an update on Marine's goal of becoming recognized as a GreenStep City. Get inspired by stories and photos of nearby neighborhood raingardens and then sit down with landscape designers from the Washington Conservation District and Master Gardeners to plan a raingarden or native planting for your own home using an aerial photo of your property. Best of all, thanks to the Clean Water Fund, you may qualify for a cost-share grant* to make your garden design come to life!

Learn more about watershed grants for raingardens at: www.mnwcd.org

Learn more about raingardens at: www.BlueThumb.org

Learn more about GreenStepCities at: greenstep.pca.state.mn.us

Please RSVP by April 7th:
tinyurl.com/MarineRaingarden2015

Contact Jenn Radtke for more info:
jradtke@mnwcd.org
651-330-8220 x.44

*Grant assistance dependent upon location within Priority Management Zones and may be subject to additional requirements.

This free workshop is sponsored by The City of Marine on St. Croix, Carnelian Marine-St. Croix Watershed District, the East Metro Water Resource Education Program, Washington Conservation and the Legacy Amendment.



Mill Stream Day in Marine On St. Croix

Come celebrate spring as it blooms in the St. Croix Valley.

Mill Stream Day will happen on Sunday, May 17th, from Noon to 4:00 PM in Burris Park. Fresh brook trout, layered with dill, lemon and butter, cooked to perfection, is offered for lunch, along with brats and side dishes. Food offered until it is sold out, so come early! This ever-popular trout lunch brings back aficionados year after year!

Ribbon weaving of the Maypole is scheduled for 2:00 PM, and the exciting Morris Dancers are fun to watch all day. Music by Jim Shaver and friends. Also featured are exhibits on etymology, fly tying, history, and various topics of interest. Bake sale with every brownie and cupcake a treat for young and old.

Chuck Arnason and Jack Warren on film!

The Minnesota Historical Society (MHS), the owner the Marine Mill Site, is making a short film documenting what Chuck, Jack and others did in the late 1960's to make sure this historic site, the first commercial lumber mill is what was to become Minnesota, ended up in the hands of MHS, rather than becoming a commercial development.

Interviews with Chuck and Jack were filmed by MHS in February with local Jim Maher conducting the interviews. Anne Reich and Gayle Knutson were also involved. This documentary will be available on the MHS website this summer.

Marine Village Canoe Landing

The National Park Service (NPS), the city of Marine, the Village Center Task Force and the Mill Site Committee have agreed to include the river trail behind the Marine General Store as a canoe landing on a new edition of the NPS St. Croix River map. Informational signage will also be created for the trail. The new map and signage should be in place by fall.

Vegetation Developments

We will reach a significant milestone this summer when we begin to remove the deer proof cages from some of the taller trees in the Mill Site. For those who have contributed trees and for all of those who have worked so hard to improve the Mill Site, this is a sign of our progress since beginning our restoration work in 2010.

We will continue to develop the short grass prairie around the upper ruins and removal of invasives throughout.

**You're
Invited**

2015 Safety Department Street Dance

Saturday, June 20th

5:30pm - 10:30pm.

Please reserve Saturday, Saturday, June 20, 2015, 5:30-10:30, to support and celebrate the community spirit in Marine on St Croix!

The street dance is your best chance to recognize the heroic efforts of our neighbors who volunteer on the Fire and Rescue Departments and spend a summer evening with your friends and neighbors in downtown Marine. You'll enjoy Gordy's famous ribs and sides. *The High and Mighty*, a high energy R&B, pop, funk and soul dance band is returning this year. There should be music to suit a variety of tastes and games for children.

Invite friends and family to join you for one of the safety department's main fund raisers, the success of which helps offset the department expenses in the City's budget. Anyone can be involved to help with this event! Contact the city office if you are interested. But most importantly, show your support by attending the Street Dance.



Mailing address PO Box 131

President - Ann Myers

Vice President - Megan Kavanagh

Treasurer - Stacia Rivers

Secretary Jane Powel

Member at Large Jennifer Holloway

Next Meetings : To be announced.

Restoration Society

All Town Progressive Dinner

June 6, 2015

Join old friends and new neighbors for the 27th Annual Marine All-Town Progressive Dinner to benefit the Marine Restoration Society. This year's event will be held on Sat. June 6th. Every year, citizens of Marine are invited to participate in the annual event. Participants spend an evening getting to know neighbors and friends while progressing from house to house to enjoy appetizers, soup/salad, and dinner courses. The entire group gathers for dessert at the Marine Village Hall. Information will be mailed in late April. Please consider joining us.

Legacy Amendment Grant Update

In conjunction with, and with financial support from the Marine Restoration Society, the City of Marine has been awarded an Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund Grant to work on stabilization of the foundation at the Village Hall. Work was completed on the interior walls of the basement with some exterior work and landscaping to be done later in the spring. Look for our final update in the Summer newsletter.

July 3-4 , 2015

Activities to look forward to:

Friday, July 3 - Fireworks at dusk

Saturday, July 4 - **7 am** Clean up Marine. Volunteers needed and welcome to clean up Marine before the parade!

Bring a leaf blower, a broom, gloves and a good attitude to join your neighbors in cleaning up downtown!

Coffee and donuts provided by the Marine General Store.

9:15 am Running Race

12 noon Parade

4th of July Race Information

The Marine on St. Croix 4 mile race and 2 mile walk/run will take place July 4th at 9:15. Watch for information on a new website, which will include pre-registration instructions and other details. Prices are expected to be in line with last year. Please join us for this family-friendly event to benefit the Marine Restoration Society!

Check out the events website at www.marinsonstcroix.org for more information when it becomes available.

Historic Walking Tour Maps

Historical Walking Tour Maps are still available at Marine General Store and City Hall. Maps are \$3.00 a piece and proceeds from the sale of the map support the work of the Marine Restoration Society. We also have a limited supply of flat maps (unfolded) suitable for framing. If you are interested in these please contact The City of Marine.

Public Trail Announcement

While the City encourages all residents to use and enjoy the City trails, there are a few guidelines to remember which will help improve safety and enhance the beauty of the trail system. If you have any concerns please contact Council member Chris Mowery at 651-433-4957.

General User Guideline:

The City of Marine on St. Croix Trail System consists of natural trails and walking paths which are susceptible to damage and erosion despite efforts to maintain them.

Heavy traffic, such as vehicle and horse traffic, can damage the trails by creating erosion and/or markings, hoof prints, tire tracks, etc.

In order to regulate the usage of the trail system, the Public Works Director is authorized to post public trails to: Limit, gate or prohibit use of the trails when conditions are conducive to damage, erosion, fire or other harm.

The Public Works Director shall post signs at the ingress and egress of each trail stating the type of travel or vehicle prohibited at that time.

- ◆ Keep right so others can pass.
- ◆ Obey traffic signs and rules.
- ◆ Respect adjoining landowners rights and privacy.
- ◆ Share the trail with others
- ◆ Enjoy the beauty of nature and do not disturb the plants and animals
- ◆ **No motorized traffic** (except for motorized wheel-chairs).
- ◆ **Keep all pets on a leash** and remove all waste
- ◆ Pick up all garbage and litter.
- ◆ Warn other trail users when passing.
- ◆ Stay on designated trails; do not take shortcuts.

Attention Dog Owners

Just a few reminders. Its that time of year again to please have your dog license renewed. You can find the application in this issue. Please review the following information as some changes have been made to the impound fees. **Also, it has been brought to the City's attention that a number of dogs that have been unleashed and running loose around town.** A full copy of the City Code is available on our website at marine.govoffice.com.



City of Marine on St. Croix APPLICATION FOR DOG LICENSE

Name of Owner: _____

Address: _____ Phone Number _____

Name of Dog: _____ Male ___ Female ___ Color: _____ Breed: _____

Date of last rabies vaccination: _____

◆ Enclose a copy or certificate from veterinarian. Name of Vet Clinic: _____

Note: Dogs under 6 months of age are not required to be licensed.

City of Marine on St. Croix

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Fax: 651-433-3659
Email: mosc@midconetwork.com

**We're on the web -
marine.govoffice.com**

2015 Marine Art Fair September 19 & 20, 2015

Applications and more can be found at the City's Events Website www.marineonstcroix.org

**2015 CITY COUNCIL, PLANNING COMMISSION AND STAFF
OFFICE HOURS**

MONDAY - THURSDAY 8:00AM-4:30PM FRIDAY 8:00 TO 12 NOON

City Council

Glen Mills, Mayor
433-5879
Lon Pardun, Council
433-2130
Mary Lusher, Council
433-2653
Chris Mowery, Council
433-4957
Dan Willenbring, Council
433-2015

Council meets the second
Thursday of each month at
7:00 p.m. at the Village
Hall.

Planning Commission

Gerry Mrosla, Chairman
Jack Warren Ron Brenner
Gwen Roden Kristina Smitten
Joyce Ritz Scott Spesak

Planning Commission meets the last
Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at
the Village Hall.

Village Task Force

Dan Willenbring Jack Warren
Andy Kramer Karen Kramer
Mary Vogel Nancy Cosgriff
Kristina Smitten Mary Lusher

Meetings are held on the last Wednes-
day every other month at 6pm at the
Village Hall.

*(The April 29, 2015 meeting has been changed
to a workshop on April 22, 2015 with the City
Council and Planning Commission at 6pm)*

City Information

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