April, May, June 2018

City of Marine on St Croix

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Important Dates
April 9-13 Severe Weather Preparedness Week
April 12... Statewide Tornado Drill 1:45 PM and 6:45 PM.
April 12... City Council Meeting
April 24... Planning Commission Meeting

April 28... Comprehensive Plan Open House-9-11a.m.

May 10... City Council Meeting
May 12... Shred Day
May 12... Heavy Metal Day

May 20... Mill Stream Day

May 28... Memorial Day
May 29... Planning Commission Meeting

June 2... Progressive Dinner
June 14... City Council Meeting

June 16... Firemen’s Ball
June 26... Planning Commission Meeting

Animal Control Ordinance Amendment

As Sherrill Reid will no longer be doing animal control for the City of Marine, the City reviewed and approved a proposal from Brit Harmon with Companion Animal Control, who currently is animal control for Forest Lake, Lake Elmo, and Newport. With the increase in costs, the cost for specific calls and transportation by Ms. Harmon will now be passed along to the owner of the animal involved in the call. The following change to the Dog Ordinance was approved at the March City Council meeting:

Chapter 5.01, Subdivision 5

“An impounded dog may be claimed by the owner within five days after the capture and impounding by paying the boarding fee, animal control officer fee, license fee due under this ordinance, including a penalty for late issuance of license, and handling fee to the City of ten dollars ($10.00). The impoundment fee shall be $175.00. $35.00 for the first impoundment, $75.00 for the second impoundment and $150.00 for the third or any additional impoundment. The foregoing fees are in addition to and not in lieu of the general liability of the dog owner under Subd. 16 of this ordinance as amended. No animal shall be retrieved from impound without proof of current rabies vaccination.”

Shred Day — Saturday May 12th –9am to Noon

Security State Bank will be sponsoring a “Shred it” day. There will be a truck available for paper shredding in front of the Bank.

Heavy Metal Day — Saturday May 12th from 9am to 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.

Comprehensive Plan Open House

There will be a Comprehensive Plan Open House with Bolton & Menk on Saturday, April 28th from 9-11 a.m. at the Village Hall. This is a great opportunity for residents to provide input for the Plan. More information regarding the Comprehensive Plan can be found on the front page of the City website.
Severe Weather Awareness Week

Severe Weather Awareness Week for the State of Minnesota is April 9th – 13th. Each day of the week focuses on a different weather safety topic, from Lightning and Hail, to Tornadoes, and Extreme Heat. This is a great opportunity to review you and your family’s disaster plans and make sure you’re prepared. The Statewide Tornado Drill will take place Thursday, April 12th at 1:45 & 6:45 PM.

MILLSTREAM DAY

MillStream Day in Marine on St. Croix!

Sunday May 20th, Noon to 4pm — Burris Park

Marine on St. Croix, MN – MillStream Day will happen on Sunday, May 20, 2018 from Noon to 4:00 PM in Burris Park, near the Village Center in Marine on St. Croix. Come celebrate spring as it blooms in the St. Croix Valley. 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 Brian Wicklund and friends. Also featured are exhibits on etymology, fly tying, history, and many topics of interest.

CONTACT: Win Miller, Millstream Association
winmiller@gmail.com
(651)431-8308

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

At the January City Council meeting, the Marine on St. Croix City Council voted Lisa White the 2017 Citizen of the Year. The Council recognized Lisa for being such a valuable and engaged member of the community, as well as her continuous effort and thousands of volunteer hours to help get Grove Elementary School up and running. Thank you Lisa for all that you do for Marine!

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Also at the January City Council meeting, the City Council also presented Jack Warren with a lifetime achievement award. The Council recognized Jack for the countless hours of volunteerism he has given to Marine, including over 30 years on the Planning Commission and over 40 years serving on the Fire Department. Thank you Jack for your dedication to the community and continued service.

MEMORIAL DAY

The annual Memorial Day Program will take place on Monday May 30th at 10:30 am at Oakland Cemetery.
**FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS**

**Spring Wildland Tips**

Residents are reminded to be attentive when grilling and having recreational fires, as well as to rake leaves, dead limbs and twigs that are considered flammable vegetation, remove any dead branches that extend over the roof, and clean up any debris around buildings. Mowing your lawn regularly also provides a buffer between you and natural wild land.

**Spring Clean-Up Tips with Fire Safety in Mind:**

- Test your smoke alarms monthly and change the batteries two times each year. Also test carbon monoxide detectors.
- Trim your trees and shrubs ensuring fire vehicles can get to your home.
- Dispose of old cans of paint and thinners and accumulated newspapers and magazines. Check the county's website for times and locations to drop off household hazardous materials.
- Check the gauges on your multi-purpose fire extinguisher to make sure they are charged and ready to use.
- Clean the clothes dryer exhaust duct, damper and space under the dryer. Poor maintenance allows lint to build up in the exhaust duct and may cause fire.
- When using ladders, check for safe and proper placement. Be aware of any obstructions, overhead wires, electrical, cable, phone and tree branches.

**BURN PERMITS**

Planning on doing a little burning this year? Before you burn any pile larger than 3x3, you must obtain a permit. 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 through Thursday to obtain a permit. The permit holder must check with the Department of Natural Resources for current restrictions at http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/forestry/fire/firerating_restrictions.html and notify the Washington County Sheriff’s Office.

**REMINDER:** Minnesota DNR burning restrictions typically begin in early April and run until the end of May. Please contact the City office for any questions regarding burn requests during this time.

**Saturday, June 16th**

5:30pm - 10:30pm

Please reserve Saturday, June 16 from 5:30pm - 10:30pm, to support and celebrate the community!

The 2018 Fire and Rescue street dance is your chance to recognize the heroic efforts of our neighbors who volunteer on the Fire and Rescue Departments. Come spend a summer evening with your friends and neighbors in downtown Marine. You’ll enjoy Gordy’s famous ribs, brats and beer. **Musical entertainment will be provided by the Riverside Hitmen.** There should be music to suit a variety of tastes.

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. Please show your support by attending the annual Street Dance.

**2018 Marine Art Fair**

- **September 15th & 16th**

Applications and more can be found at www.marine.govoffice.com
**COMPOST SITE**

_Weather permitting_, the Compost Site will be opening on April 21, 2018, for Leaves, Grass, Branches and Sticks under 4".
The City asks that you please abide by the following:
- No garbage bags. (Please take all paper and plastic bags home with you)
- No sticks or brush!
- No Trash! (Please keep all glass, metals and plastics out of the compost pile)
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  As always, the compost site will close during inclement weather.

_The City is also looking for a compost attendant to work the site from April to October. If you’re interested, stop by the Village Hall._

_Questions? Call the City at 651-433-3636._

**HALL RENTAL**

Have an event coming up you’d like to have in Marine? The upstairs of the Marine Village Hall is available for rent for wedding receptions, dances, birthday parties, etc.

The maximum capacity is 165 people. There are 160 chairs and 12 banquet tables available for use. The facility is handicap accessible. There is a small, non-commercial kitchen, therefore any event must provide their own outside catering.

**Fees and Deposits for Marine Residents are as follows:**
- Upstairs Ballroom - $300 per day
- Council Chambers - $50.00 per day
- Set up day prior to event - $50.00
- Cleaning Fee — $100.00

**DOG LICENSES**

It’s time to renew your dog’s city license. Stop by City Hall (or mail) your dog’s rabies certificate and $2 to renew. Please make note that we need the rabies certificate and not the rabies tag. If you wish to view the City Code on pets, it is available on our website at [www.marine.govoffice.com](http://www.marine.govoffice.com)

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**City of Marine on St. Croix - APPLICATION FOR DOG LICENSE ($2.00)**

_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.
**Holiday Committee**

Want to help out and be a part of the Marine 3rd & 4th of July events? Join the Holiday Committee! We are looking for new members to help out with setting up for the fireworks on the 3rd, putting up no parking signs, etc. Then on the morning of the 4th, helping with clean up, takedown, etc. before the parade.

If interested, please call Chris Mowery at 651-433-4957 or send an email to chris.mowery@marineonstcroix.org.

**Fourth of July Race**

The Marine on St. Croix 4 mile race and 2 mile run/walk will take place July 4th at 9:15 am. Please check the race website below for preregistration, age classes, prices and t-shirt sales (youth and adult sizes). [www.Marine4thofJulyRace.com](http://www.Marine4thofJulyRace.com)

Registration is also accepted same day from 7:30 - 8:45 am at the Hay Lake School Lions Pavilion in Scandia. Please join this family friendly event to benefit the Marine Restoration Society.

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**Marine Restoration Society**

**Come visit us at Mill Stream Day!**
Check out the newly restored Judd Street Bridge. Visit the Marine Restoration Society’s table to learn about one of the oldest road and bridge in the state, as well as the exciting projects we have in store for this year. Buy Marine memorabilia, and learn how you can become involved in history and preservation projects around Marine!

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**ALL TOWN PROGRESSIVE DINNER**

**30th Anniversary – June 2, 2018**

Join old friends and new neighbors in celebrating the 30th anniversary of the Marine All-Town Progressive Dinner benefitting the Marine Restoration Society. This year’s event will be held Saturday, June 2nd. Each year the citizens of Marine are invited to be a part of this annual event. Participants spend the evening getting to know neighbors and new friends while progressing from house to house enjoying appetizers, soups and salads, and dinner courses. The entire group is invited to gather for dessert at the Marine Town Hall for a special 30th anniversary celebration. Information will be mailed out mid-April with response cards due at the end of April. Please consider joining us.

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**Mailing address** PO Box 131
**President:** Megan Kavanagh
**Vice President:** Fizlie Heimdahl
**Treasurer:** Ann Kirn
**Secretary:** Jane Powell
URBAN FOREST UPDATE

The Urban Forest Taskforce continues to work on achieving Tree City USA recognition by the Arbor Day Foundation. In January, we completed an inventory of potential planting sites and identified openings for an approximately 250 new trees within public rights-of-way. This information will be included in Marine’s Forest Management Plan which is currently in development. The taskforce also submitted recommendations for revision to Chapter 16 of Marine’s City Code to City Council. This Chapter deals with tree-related matters, and a “tree care ordinance” is one of the requirements for Tree City USA. An Arbor Day observance is also a requirement, and we’re supporting River Grove Elementary in developing some Arbor Day activities. Finally, we hope to install and operate a temporary gravel at Jackson Meadows this spring. Gravel beds were developed by the University of MN and have proven to be a very efficient way of producing tree planting stock.

Seniors Bartering for Services

Do you have a favorite shirt that you would wear if not for the missing button; or a closet door that won’t open because the doorknob fell off; or how about a low hanging branch that scrapes the car every time you pull into the driveway?

What if there was a way for us to earn “service credits” by helping someone accomplish a task that we are good at, and in return... could cash in those credits and receive help with a task that we need?

There is a new program that allows seniors to barter for services that communities are pioneering in Maryland, Missouri, Oklahoma and Massachusetts.

Could this work in our community? If you are interested, please come for an informal conversation.

Marine City Council Chambers
Tuesday, April 10th, 2018
7:00 pm
For questions, please call: Liz Kelly 433-4780

STONE HOUSE MUSEUM

The Stone House Museum will be open from 1pm to 4pm on Saturdays and Sundays from Memorial Day to Labor Day. The museum collection includes many items, both those from early village life and more recent acquisitions. Since its opening in 1963, members of the Women’s Civic Club have served as curators and hostesses for the museum. Additional volunteers are needed and welcome. It is a pleasant way to get to know more about our community and welcome visitors, too. If you haven’t visited the museum, (located on 5th Street just north of the church), plan to do so this summer. If you have, come again! For questions or suggestions for the museum, or to plan a visit to the museum on a weekday, please contact Mary Smith at 651-430-1239 or email: museumstonehouse@gmail.com
Upcoming Events

Programs are held at Marine Village Hall (unless otherwise noted). All are welcome. Light refreshments will be served.

Thursday, March 22, 7pm
Author Talk: T.H. Harbinger
Join The Electricity of Life author T. H. Harbinger for an evening exploring the story of how Otto and Viola Schmitt invented a crucial technology that helped win World War II, and then went on to establish the field of biomedical engineering in Minnesota.

Saturday, April 21, 7pm
Poetry Crawl
Watch for information about this always-packed cultural highlight, with local poets reciting their work at various venues around town.

Thursday, May 3, 7pm
Author Talk: Sarah Stonich
Minnesota author, Sarah Stonich, shares stories of writing her memoir, Shelter: Off The Grid in the Mostly Magnetic North, and several novels, including The Ice Chorus, These Granite Islands, and Vacationland. Sarah lived in Marine as a St. Croix Watershed Research Station Pine Needles Artist in Residence in the summer of 2017.

Marine Community Library News
Marine Film Society, in partnership with the library, wrapped up its fourth fabulous Documentary Film series in February. Many people helped make this educational, entertaining series a must-see happening during Marine's long winter evenings. Thanks to all — especially organizers Gayle Knutson and Paul Creager — for making the series such a smashing success.

Once again, Oscar fans had a chance to step out in style at the annual Oscar party, which raised funds to cover the library's contribution to the above film series. Showing great discernment, we again picked the winning film!

Families enjoyed two recent events: a musical morning for young children with the MacPhail Center for Music, and Family Game Night with popcorn and pizza.

Children's Summer Programs

River Readers Kickoff Celebration - June 9 10:00 - Noon
A morning of entertainment with Brodini, the magician, face painting and other activities. This is the launch of the summer incentive reading program where for every book review submitted by a child, his/her name is entered into a weekly drawing of prizes donated by local businesses. Free.

Science/Art Camp - June 11-15 and June 18-22
This camp for school age children is full, but if you would like to be added to the wait list, see the link at http://marinecommunitylibrary.org.

Story Time
- Five Thursdays from 10:00 - 11:00 at the Marine Gazebo
- Dates - June 28, July 12 and 19, August 2 and 9
For preschoolers and young children. Free.

Volunteers Needed

As we expand our children's programs, more volunteers are needed. Please consider helping with the camps and story time. Also, incentives are needed for the reading program. New or gently used books and tickets to events are a couple of ideas for incentives. Please contact Ruth Willius at willius@frontiernet.net with your questions and/or suggestions.

We also welcome volunteers to help staff the library. A great way to meet people! Reach us at info@marinecommunitylibrary.org. See you at the library!
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2018 City Council, Planning Commission and Staff
Office hours
Monday - Thursday 8:00AM-4:30PM Friday 8:00AM - 12:00PM

City Council
Mayor Glen Mills 433-5879
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Chris Mowery 433-4957
Dan Willenbring 612-599-1219

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

City Staff
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Jason Crotty, Public Works 651-675-6493
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Maintenance Shop 651-433-5492

Planning Commission
Chairman Gerry Mrosla
Jack Warren  Ron Brenner
Gwen Roden  Kristina Smitten
Anna Hagstrom  Scott Spisak

Meetings are last Tuesday of each month
7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall.

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The newsletter is also available on our website at www.marineonstcroix.org
Thank you!