



## UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Satellite Collective

Dogwood Center -  
Main Stage  
**Sat., September 13, 2014**  
7:30 p.m.  
Tickets: \$15.00 Adults  
\$5.00 kids 18 and under

### Rick Reuther's "Sinatra in Vegas"

Dogwood Center -  
Black Box  
**Sat., September 20, 2014**  
7:30 p.m.  
Tickets: \$12.50

### Aquila Theater presents "Wuthering Heights"

Dogwood Center -  
Main Stage  
**Sat., October 25, 2014**  
7:30 p.m.  
Tickets: \$12.50 Adults  
\$10.00 kids 18 and under

### FREMONT FALL HARVEST FESTIVAL

**September 24-27, 2014**

#### Hay Art - Voting

Mon., September 22, 2014  
– Fri., October 3, 2014

#### Grand Parade

Thurs., September 25, 2014  
6:00 p.m.  
Parade Route: From  
Hillcrest heading west on  
Main Street to Weaver Ave.

#### Harvest Dinner

Wed., September 24, 2014  
Fremont Market Place  
Pavilion – 7:00 p.m.  
Tickets: \$20.00  
Limited seats available



*think* **FREMONT FIRST!**

## Vredevelde Shoe Store – 4th Generation Family Business – Established in 1909

Vredevelde Shoe Store is a mainstay in Fremont. It is an independent family-owned shoe business that has survived the internet age and big box era. Lon Vredevelde, the current owner, is the 4<sup>th</sup> generation of Vredevelds who have taken on the family business. Lon's great grandfather H.A. Vredevelde started the business in the same location at 8 W. Main Street downtown Fremont in 1909. Lon entered the family business in 1980 and worked with his dad Glen Vredevelde until 1996, at which time Lon took over the business on his own.

Unique family businesses are what make Fremont special. Fremont is still a place where you can go into a long-time local business and hear the sound of someone calling you by name. Lon says "Fremont has been very good to so many multi-generational businesses. The community has supported them and in return we have tried supporting the community."

As in life so many things have changed over the years, but some things still hold true to Vredevelds Shoes - just like it once did. Some of those things include:

- You can still get your feet measured at Vredevelde Shoes.
- Vredevelde Shoes carries a wide range of sizes and widths not carried by many department stores or big box stores.
- There are knowledgeable sales people who are educated on foot related issues. Besides Lon there are two full-time employees, Linda Wiersema and Lisa Dempkey, both of whom have worked at Vredevelds for 25 plus years. In the retail business that is extraordinary and speaks volumes in terms of the type of business Lon Vredevelde runs.
- Vredevelds welcomes special orders and it is a good part of their business. These days there are more and more extreme sizes, so special orders are essential.

Vredevelde shoes tries to preserve the traditions of an old time shoe store but at the same time tries to keep up with the trends necessary to be successful in business in 2014.

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### Vredevelde Shoe Store Hours

Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: Closed

## Halloween Trick-Or-Treating

The City has set the "official" date for trick or treating for Friday, October 31, 2014 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. In lieu of the traditional door-to-door activities, the City continues to encourage private parties, which lessen any potential problems with tainted treats and accidents involving costumed children and vehicles during the twilight hours. If participating in the door-to-door candy rush, parents should observe the following safety tips for their children:

- Chaperone your children and restrict activities to your own neighborhood
- Limit the age groups to pre-teen or younger
- Eye holes in masks should be large enough to easily see through them
- Wear reflective bright colors and use a flashlight so drivers can see you after dark
- Walk on sidewalks where available, or as near the curb as possible where no sidewalks are present
- Inspect all treats before allowing children to eat them

The Fremont Fire Department will be passing out treats between 6 and 8 p.m. at the Fire Station, so come enjoy the community atmosphere and share Halloween with our local heroes.



## Fremont's Yard of the Month Award Program

The Fremont Yard of the Month Award Program was initiated to recognize the hard work exhibited by Fremont residents who take time and effort to beautify their yard. This type of effort has a positive overall impact on the City, and it makes Fremont a better place to live for all. The City's Deadhead Committee is charged with selecting the recipient of the award each month from amongst the nominations submitted. As you can see from the pictures, the award recipients take meticulous care of their yards and are deserving of the award.

There will be a Holiday Decorating Yard of the Month award. Nominations must be submitted to the City by December 8, 2014. The yard of the Month nomination forms are located on the City's website at [www.cityoffremont.net](http://www.cityoffremont.net). The City of Fremont encourages community members to recognize deserving friends and neighbors. You can even nominate your own yard - why not – no one knows better than you how much time and effort you put forth in its care.



July 2014 - Lori Boerman of 217 Southwoods Ave.

**Picture:** Jim Breinling, Dead Head Chair; Lydia Boerman; Lori Boerman; and Mayor Rynberg



August 2014 – Chet and Norma Scott of 451 E. Elm Street.

**Picture:** Chet and Norma Scott; Jim Breinling, Dead Head Chair; and Mayor Rynberg

# Fremont Adopt-a-block Neighborhood Beautification Program

The City of Fremont is focusing more on its residential neighborhoods in order to keep them beautiful and healthy. With a focus on neighborhood improvement, the City is pleased to be able to facilitate the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Fremont Adopt-a-block Neighborhood Beautification Program.

This Program helps improve neighborhoods and simultaneously it helps individual residents tackle some small but often noticeable home improvement issues. The City identifies blocks within Fremont that may have one or more properties that need attention. All the property owners on the block are sent a letter and invited to submit an application to request property improvement work to be performed during a week in August. Churches and service organizations are invited to serve by organizing a group of volunteers who will work on one or more properties to address property beautification and home energy related issues. Through the Program it has become quite clear that Fremont is a place where a lot of caring people live who are willing to spend their time and resources to make the lives of others better and to make our community a nicer place to live.

This year the following organizations participated in the Fremont Adopt-a-block Neighborhood Beautification Program by making improvements to nine (10) properties:

- Church of the Living Christ
- First Baptist Church
- Grace Community Church
- Reeman Christian Reformed Church
- Second Christian Reformed Church
- Trinity Christian Reformed Church
- Lions Club of Fremont
- All Saints Catholic Church

**Habitat for Humanity of Newaygo County** partnered with the City and provided paint for many of the Adopt-a-block projects. (See picture above of Todd Blake, Fremont City Manager; Julie Sanders, Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity of Newaygo County; and Mayor Rynberg.)

The City of Fremont sincerely thanks all our wonderful community partners and their volunteers! Small changes can make a big difference!



## Take Pride in Your Curbside!

The City sweeps all the streets in spring and fall, but weeds begin to creep up in the cracks by mid-summer. The City does spray for weeds along the curbs in late summer, but during a majority of the summer the city's curbsides and sidewalks appear overgrown in various areas.

Our Deadhead Committee, a group of citizens that volunteer their time to de-weed downtown flowerbeds and parking lots, encourage residents to "take pride in your curbside!" Weeds are commonly removed by weed-killer products, pulled while the soil is damp or by a motorized weed-whip. Residents and their lawn-care providers should blow cut grass back onto the lawn while mowing or with a blower to avoid grass and weed seedlings from filling the seams in the curbing and sidewalks.

A lot of time and energy is spent by residents to keep their yard and surrounding area tidy and pleasant. We encourage you to join them in their efforts.

## Brush Chipping is Coming to An End

The City will continue to remove brush without charge, the first Monday of each month April through October. The last brush pick up for the 2014 season will be the first Monday in October. Brush must be stacked with the cut end at curbside with limbs no more than three inches (3") in diameter. The City will not remove remaining tree-top brush from a tree removed by either the owner or a private tree removal

company. The program is intended for routine tree/bush trimming and fallen branches. Residents throughout the City must have their brush placed curbside by 7:30 a.m. of each first Monday morning. Brush is not to be placed at curbside any earlier than the Friday before the first Monday. The City will also continue to provide curbside chipping of Christmas trees the first two weeks of January.

## Voter ID Reminder

**Voters will be asked to provide identification when they visit the polls on Election Day. They will be asked to present a valid photo ID, such as a Michigan driver's license, federal or state government issued photo I.D., passport, military identification card with photo, student identification with photo or tribal identification card with photo.**

**Anyone who does not have an acceptable form of photo ID or failed to bring it with them to the polls can still vote. They will be required to sign a brief affidavit stating that they're not in possession of photo ID. Their ballots will be included with all others and counted on Election Day.**



If you have any questions, comments or suggestions about the Fremont City Beat, please contact the City Offices at 231-924-2101 or stop by to see us at 101 East Main Street, Fremont, MI 49412.

## 2014 Construction Season Nears End

Great progress has been made in terms of the number of street improvements that have been completed during this construction season. The City appreciates how well our residents and business owners adjusted to alternate routes this past summer when so many of our street improvement projects were underway.

The following street improvements are some that have been completed this year:

- Oak Street – Replacing water main, sanitary sewer main, street and some sidewalks & curb/gutter on Oak Street, from Stewart Avenue to Weaver Avenue
- DT Beautification – Installation of new decorative fencing system around the remaining three blocks of Downtown (see picture below)



(Downtown decorative fencing SE parking lot)

- Cemetery – Installation of new and replacement of old fencing with new decorative fence along northern border (see picture below)

Remaining projects expected to be completed in 2014:

- Branstrom Park Multi-Purpose Court / Ice Rink – Construct pavilion/roof over the court to keep snow and rain off the court, which will accommodate more time for activities on the court
- Apache – Mill and resurface from Stewart Avenue to Iroquois
- Pine Street – Mill and resurface from Stewart Avenue to East Avenue



(Downtown decorative fencing SE parking lot)



(Cemetery decorative fencing)



# FREMONT COMMUNITY RECREATION AUTHORITY

# FALL PROGRAMS

## AT-A-GLANCE

### YOUTH

Class #	Class	Ages	Start/End	Day(s)	Time	R/NR	Location
SOC001	Youth Soccer						
		U6, U8, U10 (ages 4-10)	Practices: 9/22 Games: 10/4-11/1	TBD by coach Sa	TBD Games begin at 9 am	\$50/\$55	TBD Pathfinder
SW---	Swim Lessons						
	Parent/Child Preschool & Regular Levels	0-12	S1: 9/6-10/25 S2: 11/1-12/20	Sa	All lessons scheduled between 8 am and 12 pm See website for more info	\$25-\$60 Depending on level and membership status	Pool
BBY101	Babysitter 101		12-17	10/21 & 10/23	T/Th	4-7 pm	\$40
KA0001	Kid's Karate						
		6-10	9/8-12/4	M/Th	6-6:45 pm	\$40/\$45	Karate Studio
ZUM003	Zumba Kids						
		7-11	S1: 9/10-10/15 S2: 10/29-12/10	W	5-5:55 pm	\$30/\$35	Fitness Studio
ZUM004	Zumba Kids Jr.						
		4-6	S1: 9/8-10/13 S2: 10/27-12/8	M	5-5:45 pm	\$30/\$35	Fitness Studio
	Fremont Wolf Pack Wrestling						
WRE001	Novice (Beginner level)	5-18	11/4-Mid April	T/Th	5:30-6:30 pm	\$55/\$60	Rec Center
WRE002	Open (Advanced Level)				7:45-8 pm		
SWMYST	MYST						
		5-18	9/23-End Feb.	M/T/Th	6-7:30 pm	TBD	Pool
BB001G	Girls Travel Basketball						
		Grades 4-6	MORE INFO TO COME IN SEPTEMBER			\$45/\$50	

### ADULT

Class #	Class	Instructor	Start/End	Day(s)	Time	R/NR	Location
	Aqua Zumba*	Laura Weaver					
ZUM002			S1: 9/8-10/13 S2: 10/27-12/8	M	7:30-8:30 pm	\$30/\$35	Pool
	Zumba*	Laura Weaver					
ZUM001a			S1: 9/8-10/13 S2: 10/27-12/8	M		\$25/\$30	
ZUM001b			S1: 9/10-10/15 S2: 10/29-12/10	W		\$25/\$30	
ZUM001c			S1: 9/8-10/15 S2: 10/27-12/10	M/W		\$40/\$45	
	Zumba Toning*	Laura Weaver					
ZUM003			S1: 9/10-10/15 S2: 10/29-12/10	W	7-7:30 pm	\$15/\$20	Fitness Studio
	Water Exercise*	Corine Murphy					
WEX001			S1: 9/8-10/17 S2: 10/27-12/12	M/W/F	8:30-9:15 am	\$40/\$45	
WEX002			S1: 9/9-10/16 S2: 10/28-12/11	T/Th	8:30-9:15 am	\$35/\$40	Pool
	Beginner's Yoga*	Kim Makin					
YG001			S1: 9/9-10/16 S2: 10/28-12/11	T/Th	9:15-10:15 am	\$40/\$45	Fitness Studio
	Work It Out Boot Camp*	Kim Makin					
WB001a			S1: 9/9-10/16 S2: 10/28-12/11	T/Th	8:15-9 am	\$40/\$45	Gymnasium
WB001b			S1: 9/8-10/17 S2: 10/27-12/12	M/W/F	12-12:45 pm	\$50/\$55	Gymnasium
	Senior Aerobics*	Tracey Crowley/Kim Makin					
SRA001			S1: 9/8-10/17 S2: 10/27-12/12	M/W/F	9-10 am	\$40/\$45	Fitness Studio
	Karate	Frank Ferrier					
KA0001	ages 11-Adult		9/8-12/4	M/Th	6:30-8:30 pm	\$55/\$60	Karate Studio
	Lifeguarding	Kate Streichhirsch					
LG001	(American Red Cross)		9/12-13, 9/19-20, 9/26-27 & 10/3-4	F/Sa	F: 3:30-8 pm Sa: 8 am-1pm	\$225 (additional \$20 charge for Waterfront Certification)	Meeting Room
	CPR/First Aid	Kate Streichhirsch					
CPR001	(American Red Cross)		10/11	Sa	8 am-2 pm	\$75	Meeting Room

\*Classes eligible for attendance with the Group Fitness Add-On

Fall Into  
Fitness At  
The Fremont  
Community  
Recreation  
Center!

Stop by and check out all of the programs being offered this fall for all ages. New this season is the Group Fitness Membership Add On – for only \$25 more you can attend any and every adult fitness class you choose for the month! (this does not include specialty programs). We are also introducing Kids Day Out, a program for elementary age children on special days off school, including winter and spring breaks.

The Fremont Rec Center is always looking for instructors to lead new programs and fitness classes, along with volunteers to coach youth sports. Please stop in the office if you are interested!





## City of Fremont Drinking Water Notice

### Tests showed coliform bacteria in City of Fremont water

Although not an emergency, the City's water system was recently in violation of a drinking water standard.

The City routinely (monthly) monitors for drinking water contaminants and during the month of July there were two (2) of twelve (12) samples that showed the presence of coliform bacteria and the standard is that no more than one (1) sample per month may do so.

#### What does this mean?

Coliforms are bacteria which are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful, bacteria are present. Coliforms were found in more samples than were allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.

Usually, coliforms are a sign that there could be a problem with the system's treatment or distribution system (pipes). Whenever we detect coliform bacteria in any sample, we do follow-up testing to see if other bacteria of greater concern, such as fecal coliform or E. coli, are present. We did not find any of these bacteria in our subsequent testing, and further testing shows that this problem has been resolved.

#### What was done?

Following additional sampling of the system, and talking to our representative from the DEQ Office of Drinking Water, it was determined that this was on a very isolated section of our system and that is why a boil water notice was not issued. The City injected additional chlorine into the overall system, sampled the sites again and the results came back negative for bacteria.

If you have questions, please contact Water Supervisor Rusty Boeskool at the City Offices 231-924-2101.

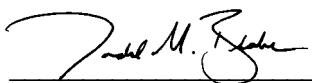
Please share this information with all other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or by distributing copies by hand or mail.

This notice is being sent to you by the City of Fremont.

CERTIFICATION: Type-One Water System

WWSN: 02490

I certify that this water supply has fully complied with the public notification requirements in the Michigan Safe Drinking Water Act, 1976 PA 399, as amended, and the administrative rules.



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Todd M. Blake, City Manager

August 25, 2014

## CREDIT CARDS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED

The City has recently contracted with Point and Pay to accept credit cards and E-Checks. The following credit cards will be accepted: MasterCard, Visa, Discover and American Express. Following are the fees that will be collected directly by Point and Pay for this service:



anywhere. anytime.



### FEE SCHEDULE:

#### **CREDIT CARDS:**

3%, minimum \$2.00

#### **E-CHECKS:**

Flat fee of \$3.00, up to \$10,000

Flat fee of \$10, anything over 10,000

1. Credit cards can be used at the Fremont City Hall counter for payment of any service rendered.
2. Payments can also be made on the city's website at [www.cityoffremont.net](http://www.cityoffremont.net) for taxes and utility billings only. Look for this symbol under the "Services" tab:



3. Upon logging into the City of Fremont website and clicking on the icon above you will be taken to the following site: [accessmygov.com](http://accessmygov.com) where you will see the following search tabs:

### **SERVICES**

#### **Internet Services** *(Requires an account be set up to view the following items)*

[All Record Search](#)

[Assessing Search](#)

[Current Tax Search](#)

[Property Sale Search](#)

[Utility Billing Search](#)

#### **Online Payments** *(A one-time payment can be made on the follow items without setting up an account)*

[Current Tax Payments](#)

[Utility Billing Payments](#)

### **PERFORMANCE DATA**

[Financial Summary](#)

[Performance Dashboard](#)

### **MUNICIPALITIES**

[Select a Municipality](#)

### **ACCOUNT**

[Sign In](#)

[Register](#)

4. Under the SERVICES Tab: Internet Services – the owner of record is required to establish a "FREE" online account in order to access and view account history information.
5. Under the SERVICES Tab: Online Payments – A one-time payment can be made in either Tax or Utility Billing.
6. Non-Owners accessing online information will be charged a \$2.00 search fee collected by our service provider, BS&A.

Fremont City Beat





## Safety Reminders

With the new school year upon us, and the school buses no longer running city routes, our Police Dept and Crossing Guards would like to remind residents and parents of the following dangerous situations during drop-off & pickup times at the area's schools, intersections and side streets:

- ◆ Failing to Stop completely at signed intersections.
- ◆ Not securing children in seatbelts or safety seats.
- ◆ Speeding through School Crossing zones and side streets.
- ◆ Distracted drivers using cell phones, grooming, etc.

Your Police Dept will take a zero tolerance approach toward those violators who put others at risk. We recognize that many parents must drive their children to/from school, and we only ask that you please allow yourself extra time to make the trip safely and stress-free.

## Fremont Community Joint Zoning Ordinance – Did You Know?

In a residential district, no more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the front yard may be used for parking, including driveways. Vehicles may not be parked or stored upon any lawn or landscaped area within the front yard.

## Fox, Coyote and Bobcat Sightings Are on the

Although fox, coyote and bobcats have lived in these areas for many years, the popu-



lation is on the rise and increased sightings have caused concern among residents that their pets or children may be in jeopardy.

As development in rural areas increase, the chance for interaction between coyotes, bobcats, and people increase. Just because you see coyotes or bobcats, there is no reason to assume they are causing problems or about

to cause problems.

They primarily feed on small mammals such as mice and voles and will occasionally feed on some game species such as rabbits, turkeys and even deer.

If you suspect or know you have coyotes in your area, a few simple precautions can greatly reduce chances of a negative encounter. Predators in urban areas are generally hunting for typical prey; mice thrive in tall grass, under buildings, in trash, and in vacant lots. Reducing habitat for prey species by removing brush piles and mowing areas of tall grass or taking other steps to reduce rodent populations decreases the chance that predators will frequent your yard. Bringing pet foods in at night and placing trash out the morning of pick up can help. NEVER INTENTIONALLY FEED A FOX, COYOTE OR BOBCAT.

They generally retain a natural fear of people even when they adjust to frequenting urban areas. Taking a few precautions will help make it enjoyable to have an occasional sighting or hear a coyote howl at night.



## Pharmaceutical Drug Collection Drop-Box

The Fremont Police Department has installed a secure pharmaceutical drug collection drop-box. Community members are welcome to come to the front lobby of the Police Department where unwanted medications may be turned in anonymously.

Medications in standard containers may be deposited in those containers. Loose medication can be put into plastic bags and then deposited. Please ensure any liquid medication is enclosed in secure containers and placed in a plastic bag before depositing. Syringes are also welcome.

Once collected, staff will ensure the medication is disposed of according to State and Federal laws.



## The Dead Heads Are Still At Work

If you know any of the Dead Heads which include the following volunteers: Jim Breinling (chair), Mayor Rynberg, Bonnie Erber, Joan Moore, Norma Fikse, Marcia Eib, Mary Huisjen and JoAnn Dekleva, please thank them for doing what some consider a very unpleasant job, yet they do it in a very pleasant way.

The Dead Heads noticed that there are many cigarette butts on the street and in parking lots. The City has placed a couple of cigarette butt urns in heavy smoking areas downtown in hopes of encouraging smokers to put their butts in the urns rather than on the ground.

If you care to join the deadhead group for next year's season, contact Michele Ribant, Fremont's Neighborhood & Economic Development Director at 231-924-2101 or at [mribant@cityoffremont.net](mailto:mribant@cityoffremont.net). The City of Fremont sincerely thanks the Dead Heads!

## CITY OF FREMONT Fall Leaf Collection Program

Weather permitting, the City's Curbside Bulk Leaf Collection Program will begin on October 20 and continue for four (4) weeks. Residents should rake their leaves to the edge of the curb line but not place them into the street until the night before their scheduled pickup day, as noted on the collection map below.

If you are interested in the full listing of the program guidelines, please come to the City Offices Monday thru Friday 8 AM to 5 PM to pick up a copy of the rules.

Monday		Tuesday
W. Main St.	N. Division Ave.	E. Main St.
Wednesday		
S. Division Ave.		Thursday

## Fremont Rental Rehabilitation Housing Program

The City of Fremont has been awarded grant funding from the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) in the amount of \$483,000 to help fund the Fremont Rental Rehabilitation Housing Program. This will allow the City to fund eight (8) new upper level housing units above commercial space in buildings downtown Fremont and to fund rehabilitation of two (2) existing upper level downtown apartments. Thanks to the Newaygo County Brownfield Authority for granting funds to the City to assist with required environmental services that are mandated by MSHDA. The rehab projects should be completed in the spring of 2015.



# Winter 2014 Property Tax Payment Schedule

Winter taxes will be mailed on Friday, November 28, 2014 and due by Tuesday, February 17, 2015. A 4% penalty is added to any unpaid tax bills. Winter taxes include millage rates for Newaygo County, Intermediate School District, Fremont Area District Library and on occasion, a County Drain.

Taxes can now be paid online by credit card or e-check at [www.cityoffremont.net](http://www.cityoffremont.net) (see "CREDIT CARDS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED" section in this newsletter for more details).

For the convenience of our taxpayers, payments (by check only) may be placed in the drop box at the northwest exit of the City Hall parking lot. The City accepts taxes payments until Saturday, February 28, 2015; on March 1, 2015 all payments must be paid to the Newaygo County Treasurer's Office at PO Box 885, White Cloud, MI 49349.

## November 4, 2014 Gubernatorial Election

On Tuesday, November 4, 2014 the Gubernatorial Election will take place and voters decide who will lead Michigan for the next four years. Voters will select candidates for the following offices on the upcoming ballot:

Governor                    U.S. Congressional Representative (2<sup>nd</sup> District)  
State Senator (34<sup>th</sup> District)    State Representative (100<sup>th</sup> District)  
County Commissioner (1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Districts)



City residents are reminded that, per City Code, election signs are not to be placed in the City street rights-of-way. They may not be placed, nailed or affixed to any tree, utility pole, light, sign or lamp post or other object within the area between the curb and sidewalk along all City streets. Non-conforming signs will be removed without notice or compensation.

The Newaygo County Clerk's Office will again provide election results through the Internet site at [www.electionmagic.com](http://www.electionmagic.com). Current election results, as they are reported to the County Clerk's Office, will be posted on election night. Upcoming 2014 election dates to remember:

- October 6, 2014:** Last day to register for voting eligibility for the November 4<sup>th</sup> City Election.
- November 4, 2014:** City General Election, 101 E. Main Street, Fremont. Polls open at 7 AM and close at 8 PM.

As a convenience to our City voters, if you or your spouse would like to be added to the City's permanent absentee voter (AV) list, please stop by the City Offices with proof of identity, and you will be added to the list. Those on the list are mailed an AV application before each election as a reminder and given the option to vote absentee or in person. Please exercise your right to vote at all elections. We should all live by the adage that "If you don't vote, you don't have the right to complain!" \*

## Honoring Ed Bell – Fremont Fire Department



Ed Bell retired from the Fremont Fire Department on July 21, 2014. The City has been blessed with the service of Ed Bell as a City employee serving as a fire fighter for 35 years, 20 of those years as the Department Secretary/Treasurer.

Ed was honored on July 25, 2014 for his 35 years of service to the Community, Fremont Fire Department and the City of Fremont.

# 9th Annual Hike & Bike

## A Fremont Fall Harvest Festival Activity

*Sponsored by the City of Fremont*

**What:** 5-K Run  
5-K Walk  
15-Mile Bike Ride  
30-Mile Bike Ride

**Where:** Branstrom Park  
Fremont, Michigan

**When:** Saturday, September 27, 2014  
Registration: 8:00 – 8:30 AM  
Bike rides begin: 8:30 – 8:40 AM  
Run/Walk begin: 8:40 – 8:50 AM

**Who:** Anyone who is interested in adding more healthy activities to his/her life.

**Cost:** **FREE.**  
First 150 applicants who pre-register by Monday, September 15, 2014 will receive a **free** T-shirt. Thanks to the **Koffee Kuppe, and KP Cycles Plus** for graciously providing the T-shirts!

**Why:** To improve our Community's health through physical activity. Regular physical activity is one of the most powerful preventative health behaviors!



Registration forms and maps are available at the Fremont City Offices and on the City Website at [www.cityoffremont.net](http://www.cityoffremont.net) and at the Fremont Area Chamber of Commerce. To pre-register directly, contact Melanie or Wendy, City of Fremont, at 924-2101.



## Flushing of Fire Hydrants

The City Water Department will be conducting the semi-annual **Watermain Flushing Program** on Friday evening, **October 3rd** and continue through the evening until finished. Some discoloration of water may occur throughout Saturday, so let your water run for a short period until clear. While the water will continue to be safe to drink, residents are urged not to do any laundry during this time.



## Refuse/Recycling Changes



During the first two weeks of January and July each year, the property owner of the collection address may elect to change service from a roll-out cart to mixed-refuse bags or vice-versa by notifying the City Offices. Changes are only allowed during these two-week periods.

## Winter Parking Restrictions

The City reminds motorists that there is no parking of any motor vehicle upon any public street or alley within the City limits between the hours of 2 AM and 6 AM at any time from December 1st thru April 1st. Your cooperation would be greatly appreciated.



**Fremont City Beat**



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101 E. Main Street  
Fremont, MI 49412

PRE-SORTED  
STANDARD  
U.S. POSTAGE PAID  
FREMONT, MI  
Permit No. 12

RESIDENT  
FREMONT, MI 49412



## Important Numbers

City of Fremont – Administration	(231) 924-2101
– Police Department	(231) 924-2100
– Fire Department	(231) 924-2103
– Cemetery	(231) 924-2330
– Municipal Airport	(231) 924-7080
Fremont Area Chamber of Commerce	(231) 924-0770
Fremont Area District Library	(231) 924-3480
Spectrum Health Gerber Memorial Hospital	(231) 924-3300
Fremont Public Schools	(231) 924-2350
Fremont Community Recreation Center	(231) 924-3750
Dogwood Center for Performing Arts	(231) 924-8883
Newaygo County Sheriff Department	(231) 689-7303

Emergency – Fire – Police – Ambulance Call 911

**Refuse & Recycling Pick-up** – Place curbide every Tuesday by 7:00 AM

**Leaf Pick-up** – Begins 3rd Monday in October; continuous for four weeks, weather permitting

**Brush Pick-up** – Place curbside by 7:30 AM on the 1st Monday of each month, April - October

**Watermain Flushing** – April and October

**Winter Street Parking Ban (2:00 AM to 6:00 AM)** – From December 1st - April 1st