

### SUMPTER COUNTRY TIMES

SUMPTER TOWNSHIP

# FROM THE SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE...... Johnny Vawters



To Sumpter Township Residents:

Savoy Energy, a Michigan based company with headquarters in Traverse City, Michigan is in Sumpter Township gathering geological data through seismic testing and other methods in order to determine areas that have the potential for oil or natural gas development.

You may be approached by a representative from this or possibly another company, about leasing your property to explore the potential for the presence of oil or natural gas on your property.

Like with any contract, you, the property owner, would be smart to consult the advice of an attorney before signing anything. Sumpter Township is in no way endorsing any companies. Any decision you make is on your

For more information on this issue please visit our website at

www.sumptertwp.com.

You may also call the township supervisor's office during regular business hours 8:30 a.m. through 4:30 p.m.

John W. Morgan, Acting Township Supervisor Sumpter Township IS NOT endorsing any companies.

For your own protection, consult the advice of an attorney before signing anything.

Any decision you make is on your own.



Landfill passes are available at the Clerks' Office. You must have a current drivers' license with a Sumpter Township address. There are 2 days per month you can take your

non-toxic items to the landfill located at Clark & Oakville Waltz. Wednesday afternoons from 2:30 pm till 4:30 pm. and Saturday morning from 7:00 am till 12:30 pm.



If you have a large item that cannot fit in your large rubbish can then you must call Republic Waste at 877-264-5544 to arrange for the pick up.



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### From The Clerks Office ......

### Clarence J. Hoffman, Jr.



The primary election is August 5, 2014. At this election your vote will narrow down the Republican and Democratic offices of Governor, Representatives in Congress for the 12<sup>th</sup> district, State Senator for the 6<sup>th</sup> district, Judge for the 34<sup>th</sup>

district court, Representative in State Legislature 17<sup>th</sup> district, County Commission 11<sup>th</sup> district, Delegates to the County Convention and Sheriff. It is important to make your vote count.

If you are interested in voting absentee for the upcoming elections and fall under the state requirements you may call the clerks office for an application to be sent to you. 734-461-6201 ext. 2243.

### Services provided at Township Clerks Office

The Clerk's Office provides the following services:

Notary Service (Free)

Garage Sale Permits (\$2.00) \*The last weekend in August is the Township wide yard sales – No Permit Necessary

Business Licenses (\$50.00 ea. Includes Building Inspection)

Elections

Registration of Voters

Trash Complaints (877 -264-5544)

Cemetery Plots (\$250.00)

Zoning/Master Plan Ouestions Planning Commission Requests

Freedom of Information Requests

Fire Reports (\$3.00 ea.)

Notifications/Publications for residents

Rentals of Community Center and Parks

Recycling (Saturday's 9am to 1pm)

Assist citizens with various questions, topics, & subjects.



The township wide yard sales will be the last weekend in August 30 & 31, 2014 no permit necessary.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

Sumpter Township Offices, will be closed on the following holidays July 4, 2014 and Septem-

### Community Food Bank - Nourishing Gardens

If you are in need of food, please do not hesitate to come down. We will be able to provide food. We are able to service small families as well as large families. If you have any questions for you and your family, please give us a call at 734-713-7715, or visit our website at

www.nourishinggardens.org. Our hours: Sunday 11am - 12:30pm. Location: 24831 Sumpter Rd., Belleville (Between Wear & Willow Roads).



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### Reminder - Sewer Grinder Pump Information

The Environment One grinder pump is capable of accepting and pumping a wide range of materials. However certain materials can cause damage to your pump and might result in you being charged with costly repair bills.

Please do not introduce these materials plus any similar materials into your system.

Kitchen grease, Glass, Cotton swabs, Metal, Aquarium gravel, Seafood shells, Personal / cleaning wipes and sponges, Plastic objects (toys, utensils, etc.), Sanitary napkins or tampons, Diapers, socks, rags or cloth, Disposable toothbrushes, Kitty litter, Cigarette butts, Syringes, Latex / Vinyl items, Dental floss.

Caution: Kitchen garbage disposals do not keep grease/oil out of the plumbing system.

In addition you must never introduce into any sewer: Explosives, Flammable material, Strong chemicals, Gasoline, Lubricating oil and/or grease.

### From the Building/Ordinance Departments

Happy Spring!!

With warmer weather finally here, there is a clean and fresh feeling in the air!!

Our Ordinance Department will start making "the rounds" to work on insuring that blight and grass cutting are being taken care of.

Don't forget your Building Permits – A building permit is usually required for: new buildings, additions, decks, garages, fireplaces, pools, water heaters, etc. Renovations, electrical systems, plumbing systems, HVAC systems all require permits. If you are unsure if a permit is needed, call the Building Department at 734-461-6201 ext. 2233 to find out. With the popularity of do it yourself home improvement shows, it's important for consumers to remem-

ber that they are responsible for obtaining building permits too. A permit ensures that the proposed construction meets minimum safety standards and allows Code Officials to protect the public by reducing potential hazards of unsafe construction. Property insurers may not cover work done without permits and inspections, so the value of the property could be reduced and problems may arise when the property is sold.

Also.... A Re-sale inspection is required when selling a home in Sumpter Township. Please call the Building Department for more information.

### **HELP! - HISTORICAL Information Wanted!**

Sumpter Township Clerk's Office is looking for any historical information and photographs of/
about Sumpter Township for the years of 1910 to 1935. If you, or someone you know, has any historical information or photographs that Sumpter Township could copy and
possibly display, please contact the Clerk's Office at 734-461-6201 ext. 2222.



Wayne County Health Department has a WIC Office located at 23483 Sumpter Rd. (Across from the Township Hall). If you are pregnant or breastfeeding, or have a child up to the age of five, you could be eligible to receive healthy food and nutrition education to help your money go further. Call 734-461-6419 and make an appointment to see if you are income eligible for services WIC has to offer. No walk-ins.

### FROM THE TREASURER'S OFFICE......

John W. Morgan







Summer Tax Bills Are Due September 15, 2014 with out interest.

During the first week of July 2014 the Summer Tax Bill will be in the mail. The Summer Bill is pink. The Treasurer's office is using pink for summer bills, and blue for winter bills. Payment must be received by Sumpter Township Treasurer's office only. We accept cash, checks and PNC money orders. Bank is NO longer accepting tax payments. You have until September 15, 2014 to pay your taxes without After that penalty. date 1% interest charge will be added monthly. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call

the Treasurer's office at 461-6201 ext. 2239.

Senior citizens, disabled people, veterans, surviving spouses of veterans and farmers may be able to delay paying summer property taxes. Eligi-

ble taxpayers can apply for a summer tax deferment with this office. This means that the due date would be extended to the end of February without penalty charges; but the full amount of the tax bill must be paid by the end of February.

Currently there are several programs in place to assist lowincome persons with their property taxes. Senior citizens, veterans, surviving spouses of eligible veterans and disabled persons may be eligible for larger tax relief. Contact the Wayne County Department of Human Services -DHS for further information, 313-224-6105.

The Township offices will be closed Friday, July 4, 2014 in observance of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday.

Just a reminder the Treasurer's office is open 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday and open late on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday each month 8:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

The staff in the Treasurer's office and me wishes everyone a safe and happy summer.

John W. Morgan Treasurer



# Emergency Siren Information From Your Police Department



### Siren Warning Protocol for Sumpter Township

In the event of an emergency that requires the public/community to be notified by use of the township siren system, the following protocol should be followed:



1. In the event of inclement weather (severe thunderstorm with possible severe damaging winds, large hail or tornado warning), the sirens will be activated. The community response to the activation should be to seek shelter on the lowest level (basement) of their dwelling or inside a nearby building if outside or in a mobile home.

2. If no basement is available, move into the interior area of the building with as few

windows as possible and take cover. Residents inside mobile homes should move to

an emergency site inside their park if the current conditions permit such a move.

3. If the siren system is activated and there is no apparent bad weather, residents

are

advised to tune in to local TV and radio stations for possible public service announcements which may be related to a non-weather emergency condition (i.e. hazardous material spill, wild fire, Nuclear Power Plant condition etc.).

4. Based on Sumpter Township's location within Wayne County, the monitoring of neighboring counties, Washtenaw, Monroe and Lenawee takes place in an effort to obtain as much advance severe weather condition information as possible.

Actual weather/emergency related siren activation cycles run steady for 5 minutes. Please be advised, activation cycles may be repeated during an incident to ensure residents are alerted to the situation at hand.

The siren system is tested on the first Friday of each month at 12:00 noon. The test cycle runs steady for 3 minutes.

## 10th ANNIVERSARY

WESTERN WAYNE COUNTY



SENIOR OLYMPICS AUGUST 18-22, 2014

Hosted by

### WAYNE COUNTY EXECUTIVE **ROBERT A. FICANO**

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Belleville

Garden City Northville Township Sumpter Township

Canton Township

Inkster

Plymouth Van Buren Township

Dearborn

Livonia

Plymouth Township

Wayne

Dearborn Heights

Northville

Redford Township

Westland

Website: www.WWCSO.org

WAYNE COUNTY
NUTRITION PROGRAM
MANAGER BARBARA
734-461-1186
LUNCH
MON-FRI
11:45
MEALS ON WHEELS
PODIATRIST
DR.REDMOND

WII BOWLING LEAGUE WEDNESDAY'S 10:00AM

BLOOD PRESSURE

FILE OF LIFE MAGNET FORMS AVAILABLE

SUMPTER SENIOR ADVISORY
BOARD MEMBERS
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S.W., Washington, DIC, 20230-9410 or call (800)795-3272

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#### Arthritis Foundation

Exercise

Tuesdays Thursdays Fridays
10:00am
NO IMPACT increase flexibility &
Mobility.FREE with annual
membership

SENIOR OLYMPICS

August

Athletic & Nonathletic

### BIRTHDAY BINGO

Last Monday of each month 12:30 FREE

Cake & wrapped bingo prizes

Interested in Quilting or Sewing?

Tuesdays & thursdays meet informally for friendship, tips, ideas, projects in the sewing room between 10:00 & 4:00

In need of??

Canes, walkers shower seats etc.

### W° COMPUTER CLASSES

JOIN THE COMPUTER AGE
ONE ON ONE INSTRUCT!
CALL FOR APPOINTME! **meije!** 

MICAFE APPOINTMENTS

Volunteers available Monday. Tuesday

& Wednesdays

### Mission Statement (condensed)

It is the expressed mission of the Sumpter township Senior Center to do all within its restraints of time, funding and manpower to:
Provide a safe and enjoyable environment wherein seniors may congregate.
Act as a liaison between area seniors, social service agencies, Wayne Co. & Sumpter TWSP Admins. Create activities promoting health recreation education socialization empowerment
Open to suggestions

Comply with all State of Michigan

non-discriminatory precepts.

SPECIAL THANKS TO
KELLERS BAKERY, CHAPP&BUSHEY
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SUMPTER TOWNSHIP
PARKS & REC
POLICE DEPT
& BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THEIR
CONTRIBUTIONS

TEFAP & Focus HOPE
Food distribution 3rd Thursday
monthly for income/age qualifying
persons 9:00am-11:00a.m.

Sumpter Senior Center

#### HAPPY Spring

We will have a busy June with Older Michigians day thru Senior Alliance, Shipshewana, Wayne Co. Senior picnic.

Please submit your Senior Olympic event
registration by the middle of June if you want me
to deliver to the committee before the July3
deadline. 2014 is the 10th Annual Senior
Olympics hosted by Wayne County.
We will be changing shopping from Tuesdays to
Thursdays for the summer months same times
just different day. Our annual Tiger game will be
Sept 24 Sister Act play was spectacular at the
Fisher Theatre we are planning Motown in late
October early November.

Trip \$4.00
Depart 10:2
ALL TRIPPLANS
SEATS ARE FILLI
FOR ALL TRIPS.

#### JUNE

3 Older Michiganians Day Depart 6:45am see flyer for more details

5 2 stop Shop

17 Fathers Day Celebration
1:00pm

21 Wayne County picnic Depart 9:30am

24 Shipshewana \$20.00

27 Lunch Trip \$2.00 American Depart10:30am

#### JULY

Oakwood

4 Closed Happy Holiday

22 Lunch Trip \$2.00 Italian Depart 10:30am 29 Trip \$4.00 Depart 10:30

ALL TRIPPLANS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.
PARTIAL PAYMENTS ARE ACCEPTED
SEATS ARE FILLING UP FAST
FOR ALL TRIPS.

### AUGUST SR. OLYMPICS

5 Lunch Trip \$2.00 Hungarian Depart 10:30am

8 Quilters Trip

18 SENIOR OLYMPICS See event schedule

#### SÉPTEMBER

1 LABOR Day center closed Lunch Trip \$2.00 Depart 10:30am

24 TIGER Game 26 RSVP Luncheon

Retired Senior Volunteer Program

(Rsvp)





### SUMPTER SENIOR CENTER

23501 SUMPTER RD. Belleville Mi 48111 734-461-9373

sumpter.seniors@yahoo.com Maryann Watson Senior CENTER SPECIALIST Barbara Thomason Wayne County Nutrition Manager 734-461-1186



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Area Agency on Aging 1-6

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