

## City of Buchanan E-Newsletter

**City of Buchanan**  
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**Hours** Monday – Friday 8am to 5pm

City Commission Meetings  
are open to the public.  
Meetings are held every  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Monday @ 7pm

**City Commissioners:**

Brenda Hess, Mayor  
Carla Cole, Pro-Tem  
Dr. Patricia Moore  
Dale Toerne  
Dan Vigansky  
Bill Marx, City Manager

**Department Phone Numbers**

Emergency: 911  
City Hall: 695-3844  
Police Department: 695-5120  
Dept. of Public Works: 695-7547  
Code Enforcement: 695-0006  
Cemetery: 695-3971  
Water Department: 695-3846  
Wastewater: 695-5291

**Building Inspector**

Tues & Thurs: 8am – 4pm  
Fridays: 1pm - 4pm  
695-3844 ext. 24

**Tax Assessor**

Tuesdays 9am – 4pm  
695-3844 ext. 18

**Holiday Closing Dates**

July 4 – Independence Day

**Peddlers/Solicitors**

You must have a permit to go door to door in our City. Residents should ask to see a permit, if they do not have one, call City Hall or the Police Department. There is a Police background check before a permit is issued.

**For the Veterans**

The Berrien County Veteran's Service Office is located in the County Administration Building at 701 Main Street, St. Joseph, MI. Phone 269-983-7111 ext. 8118 or 8224. Hours are 8:30am – 5:00pm Monday thru Friday. It's best to call first to make sure the Service Officer is in. Check out their website at [www.Berriencounty.org/veterans](http://www.Berriencounty.org/veterans)

**Sewer Backups**

Make us your first call if you have a sewer backup. We will check the main line, which may save you from having to call a plumber. If available, we can print you a copy of your sewer line & clean outs. Call City Hall at 695-3844 ext. 11

**Sewer Drains**

Please keep grass clippings, leaves and yard waste out of the streets as this is the #1 result of our storm drains being clogged.

**Worn Flags**

The American Legion has a drop box where worn flags can be taken and will be destroyed in a dignified way by the American Legion.



**Annual Summer Thrill on the Hill August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>**

Thursday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> 4pm to 10pm - \$5

Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup> Noon to 10pm - \$5

Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup> Adult Luau Party 11pm to 1am - \$5

Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup> 10am to 10pm - \$5

**\*\*Early Bird Special – All 3 days - \$10 (excludes Adult Luau)\*\***

**Early Bird Special has to be purchased at City Hall by Thursday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

**Friday:** P.S. Dump Your Boyfriend Concert - 8:30pm  
(concert free with wristband)

**Friday:** \$5 Carriage Rides 6pm-9pm

**Saturday:** Arts & Crafts 10am – 7pm

All wristbands include unlimited rides! You'll also find Corn Hole, Water Balloon Games, Prizes, Dancing, Music, All day DJ, Beach Themed Playground Area, Non-Profit Food Vendors, Zumba, Sandcastles and more!

**YOU** provide pool floating device, **NO** sharp edges allowed, floating device required to slide!

**Friday night Concert - P.S. Dump Your Boyfriend**

On Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup> at 8:30pm there will be a Concert held in the Moose Lodge Parking lot located between Citgo Gas Station and Smoke Vision Center. This venue will be free with Friday or Early Bird Special wristband. If you plan to only attend the concert, there will be a \$5 wristband charge at the gate. We hope to see you there!

**Thrill of the Art Craft Show at Thrill on the Hill**

If you are a crafter or know a crafter that would be interested in utilizing one of the 15 booths available for the Thrill on the Art, Saturday August 5<sup>th</sup> from 10am – 7pm, contact Liz Dreitzler at [Elizabeth.Dreitzler@xpo.com](mailto:Elizabeth.Dreitzler@xpo.com).

If you have any questions feel free to contact us at City Hall 695-3844 ext. 10

**2017 Soaring Eagle Award**

**Honoree - Bill Marx**

Buchanan is proud to announce that our very own Bill Marx, City Manager/Police Chief has received the distinguished 2017 Soaring Eagle Award by the Boy Scouts of America, LaSalle Council. Bill received this award because he supports the mission of Scouting and youth in our community and his demonstrated extraordinary leadership and service to the community. Bill's true passion is believing that local government provide and deliver the services needed to help support and maintain a clean, safe and enjoyable place to live. He exudes scouting values through both his extensive volunteerism and daily work. Bill Marx is another reason LIFE IS BETTER HERE!



**New Addition at the Duck Pond**

We have Ducks back in the Duck Pond! Recently 12 baby ducklings were introduced to their new home. Like any little kid they loved their new home. We invite you down to the pond to visit our new residents and spend a quarter to buy them some food.

Visit our Community Calendar  
On our website  
[www.cityofbuchanan.com](http://www.cityofbuchanan.com)



**Yard Waste Pick Up**

Now-October 2, 2017

Pick-up will be every Monday.

Grass clippings, leaves, hedge trimmings and/or garden waste must be in 30 gallon brown recyclable paper bags that can be purchased from the store of your choice. Plastic bags will not be accepted.

Residents must call the Cemetery by Sunday evening at 695-3971 (24-hour answering machine) to request pick up.

**DO NOT PLACE LEAVES, GRASS CLIPPINGS, ETC IN THE STREETS**

Know someone who is not receiving our Newsletter?  
Have them email us to sign up!!  
[citynews@cityofbuchanan.com](mailto:citynews@cityofbuchanan.com)

**Message from the Market:**

It's been an exciting 2 months at the Buchanan's Farmer's Market. The vendors, shoppers, as well as produce have been blooming! Buchanan has had a lot of events downtown the past couple of weeks which has increased the Market's popularity and growth. Every week there are new vendors and of course new shoppers, which is exciting for our community - but don't worry all of our favorites are still down there as well. Make sure to make your way down to the market every Saturday because fresh crafts and produce are always blooming! Come visit Wood, Stock and Grill for breakfast or lunch, Breadsmith, Hebron Farms and Twin Maples and many crafters as well as a weekly bake sale by a non-profit.

**Summer Concerts**

**Stop Lunch & Listen**

2017 Summer Concert Series

Buchanan Common

Thursdays 7pm, Rain or Shine

July 6 – Blue Water Ramblers

July 13 – Dave's Mighty Harp

July 20 – The Sixth Generation

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Stop Lunch & Listen

Buchanan Common

Thursdays, Noon – 1pm

July 6 – Mr. Jim

July 13 – SPRAY DAY

July 20 – Inspyral; Glow Show

July 27 – The Joel Tacy Variety Show

Last Saturday on the Common Concert

July 29 – The Apocalypse Blues Revue

Visit the Community Calendar on our website to get the details of each event!

**Brush Pick Up**

Now-October 2, 2017

The City brush pick-up starts on the FIRST and THIRD Monday of each month. It could take up to 2 weeks to make a complete pass through the town, depending on weather, equipment, funerals, and the amount of brush to be picked up. We have 27.81 miles of streets and one chipper truck.

Brush and limbs must be neatly stacked and laying in one direction on the tree lawn area, between the curb and sidewalks.

Items will NOT be accepted if tied in bundles or if it exceeds 10 feet in length. No branches or tree trunks with a diameter greater than 4 inches will be collected. Tree stumps are not accepted and will not be picked up.