



VILLAGE OF THIENSVILLE

Winter 2012



www.village.thiensville.wi.us (check out the new and improved site)

DEAR THIENSVILLE RESIDENTS,

The tax bill that is sent to you will be in a self-contained envelope that is folded and sealed. Sewer Utility Bills have been mailed. SEPARATE CHECKS FOR TAXES, SEWER UTILITY AND PET LICENSES ARE NECESSARY, DO NOT COMBINE THEM ON ONE CHECK.

The Village Board has adopted the 2013 budget with the resulting expenditures and revenues shown below. The Capital Equipment/Improvement Fund budget is \$945,863. \$3,400 for the Old Village Hall Fund and \$39,267 has been included for the Storm Water Management Fund, which is mandated by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. This fund manages storm water quality, not quantity. The budget, as adopted, will continue to provide village services as in past years.

The tax rate for village purposes is \$7.427463 per thousand assessed. Below is a comparison of assessed tax rates of 2011 to 2012 and the net change by agency. The village share of tax dollars will be \$.38 cents of each dollar the taxpayer will pay in 2012 taxes. The net tax rate is \$18.243 per thousand assessed which is a \$0.532 per thousand decrease on assessed value for all taxing agencies. Below is the tax dollar distribution, tax rates and changes by agencies.

New for 2013! You can pay taxes and sewer bills online at the Village's new website www.village.thiensville.wi.us. You will be charged a fee to do this. For taxes the charge is 2.39% of the amount paid and for sewer bills the charge is \$3.00 for every \$100 increment.

Dianne S. Robertson
Village Administrator

2013 EXPENDITURES

| | | |
|---------------------------|----|--------------|
| General Operations | \$ | 92,248 |
| Administrative Operations | | 340,247 |
| Library | | 110,740 |
| Unclassified | | 238,709 |
| Insurance | | 96,238 |
| Police | | 823,638 |
| Fire | | 265,135 |
| Inspection | | 18,700 |
| DPW Street Operations | | 603,550 |
| DPW Park Operations | | 72,519 |
| Capital Projects Fund | | 945,863 |
| Storm Water Mgmt Fund | | 39,267 |
| Old Village Hall Fund | | <u>3,400</u> |
| | \$ | 3,650,254 |

2013 REVENUES

| | | |
|---------------------------|----|---------------------|
| Property Tax Levy | | |
| General Fund | \$ | 1,863,687 |
| Capital Projects | | 242,600 |
| Storm Water Mgmt Fund | | 39,267 |
| Intergovernmental | | 387,903 |
| Regulation & Compliance | | 98,025 |
| Public Chgs. for Services | | 16,400 |
| Commercial Revenues | | 49,000 |
| Miscellaneous Revenues | | 246,709 |
| Old Village Hall Fund | | 3,400 |
| Capital Projects Fund | | 703,263 |
| | | <u>\$ 3,650,254</u> |

Non-Tax Levy Funds

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| Fire Department Equip. Fund | 188,432 |
| Tax Increment District #1 | 705,263 |
| Special Assessment Collection Fund | 62,725 |

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2013 - 2012 TAX RATES

| | 2013 | 2012 | Rate Change |
|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | <u>Assessed</u> | <u>Assessed</u> | <u>Assessed</u> |
| Village | 7.427 | 7.473 | -0.05 |
| School | 8.252 | 8.570 | -0.31 |
| County | 1.710 | 1.747 | -0.04 |
| State | .157 | .167 | -0.01 |
| MATC | <u>1.961</u> | <u>1.921</u> | <u>+0.04</u> |
| | 19.507 | 19.878 | -0.37 |
| School Credit | <u>1.264</u> | <u>1.318</u> | <u>-0.05</u> |
| | 18.243 | 18.560 | -0.32 |

2012 THIENSVILLE TAX DOLLAR DISTRIBUTION





Dear Thiensville Residents:

This summer and fall the Village completed a successful 2012 and laid the groundwork for a successful 2013. We settled on an excellent project design to reconstruct the deteriorating portion of Green Bay Road north of Grand Avenue as well as started the ball rolling to repave several of the residential streets in the northeast portion of the village. The reconstructed Green Bay Road will be high quality, yet affordable. In addition, it will be minimally intrusive to homeowners in the area while at the same time providing extra space for pedestrians and bicyclists. I and the other members of the Village Board would like to thank all the residents who came down to the planning sessions concerning this project. With their help we were able to select a design which balances the competing interests in the area – and in the end advances the overall interests of the village. In other words, the design we will implement represents a good compromise. The project will go out to bid this winter and we look to have the work done as soon as practicable thereafter. We will keep you informed on the Green Bay Road project as well as the repaving project around Madero as they advance.

The planning for municipal water to replace well water in Laurel Acres Water Trust is almost complete. In all likelihood the Laurel Acres water project will be completed in 2013 as well. We will keep you informed on this project as well – although in truth the lead agency in the municipal water project is the Mequon Water Utility.

In the business corridor the Village purchased 128-136 Main Street. These two properties (Riemer's Flowers and the D&D Electronics building) in the heart of Thiensville were, prior to the recent completion of the Pigeon Creek project, incapable of being lifted from the floodplain--and were therefore incapable of being redeveloped. Worse, environmental regulations prevented the property owners of these properties from investing sufficiently in their rehabilitation. So the properties deteriorated and emitted what economists call "negative externalities" – negative externalities that cast a pall on the prospects of the village. Well, as soon as practicable in the spring we will demolish these old, blighted buildings, bring in fill to lift the properties from the floodplain, and seek developers to purchase the properties and build something new there. When the new development at this site is combined with the new Fiddleheads, the new Reuter's building, and the new Watermark at Shully's (if you see the Reuters or the Shullys around town give them a pat on the back for the fine new buildings they will be putting up shortly) we will have replaced some "negative externalities" with some "positive externalities" in the heart of the business district. We will also be positioned to turn our focus to other areas in the village that could benefit from concentrated redevelopment efforts.

Since I last wrote a number of new businesses have set up shop in Thiensville including E-Collectique, Bozena Simon, M.D., College Nannies & Tutors, Material Matters Quilting Supplies, and Velnetske Law Offices, LLC. We are pleased to have them join us and certainly want them, as well as all of our businesses, to succeed. If you ever need any goods or services provided by these or the multitude of other fine businesses in Thiensville why drive anyplace else? Shop local and help out Thiensville. Furthermore, if you know of businesses that would fit in here, encourage them to come and join us. If you would like some help selling the village to potential businesses or residents don't hesitate to contact me, or any of the other trustees. In particular, David Lange and Kim Beck, two of our newest trustees, are heading up a new Thiensville Business Renaissance Committee. This is a great forum in which we can all help devise new strategies to encourage business in the village.

In late November the Village's new web page went live. The new site is direct, high-quality, and looks great. Of course, the virtual reality Thiensville can't hold a candle to the real thing – but it does provide the world a glimpse of all the blessings we enjoy. It should get better as the village staff, elected officials, residents, and others, learn to use all its multitude of features. By all means click on the new Village website and put it on your favorites bar.

Finally, the Village Board recently passed a budget for 2013 that allowed us to fund our priorities while at the same time cutting taxes. The budget is a testament to the good sense, dedication, and hard work of the village staff, elected officials, and residents. We have much to be thankful for in the Christmas season, not least of all the good fortune we all have to be residents in Thiensville. I can't think of anyplace else I would rather be. With a little luck 2013 will be a wonderful year.

Sincerely,

Van Mobley, President

LOTTERY CREDIT NOTICE

The lottery credit is applied to real estate tax bills where property owners have certified that they resided in the residence on January 1, 2012. The credit amount on your tax bill is based on the Mequon/Thiensville School tax rate. If you buy or sell a home, the lottery credit remains with the property. Ideally, the amount of the credit should be considered when pro-rating the property taxes between the buyer and the seller. If you missed the pre-certification deadline, contact the Thiensville Treasurer's office for a late claim form no later than January 31, 2013.

REAL ESTATE TAX PAYMENT PLAN

Property owners may elect to utilize the real estate tax installment plan by paying their taxes according to the following schedule:

Tax Payments Made in 2012

Taxpayers desiring an extra income tax deduction for 2012 must pay the tax bill by December 31, 2012 or, if paid by mail, the envelope must be postmarked on or before December 31, 2012. No exceptions will be made. The office will be open until noon on December 31, 2012.

Tax Due Dates

1st Half of Net Tax Bill due January 31, 2013 made payable to the **Village of Thiensville**.

2nd Half of Net Tax Bill due July 31, 2013 made payable to the **Ozaukee County Treasurer**.

If the installment plan is not utilized, full payment is due January 31, 2013.

No postdated checks will be accepted. Checks will be processed when they are received. Postdated checks will be returned to the taxpayer.

A penalty in the amount of 1-1/2% per month will be assessed on the balance due from February 1st.

LOCATIONS FOR PAYING TAXES

Thiensville residents may pay their taxes at the following locations:

The Village Municipal Building, located at 250 Elm Street. Thiensville is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., with exceptions on:

HOLIDAY HOURS:

| | |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| December 24, 2011 | CLOSED |
| December 25, 2011 | CLOSED |
| December 31, 2011 | 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM |
| January 1, 2012 | CLOSED |

Refund checks resulting from payment in excess of taxes owed will not be issued at the counter. A refund check will be mailed within ten working days from receipt of the tax payment. There will be no cash refunds over \$100. If you would like an immediate refund, you may pay at BMO Harris Bank although BMO Harris is limiting the amount of refunds to \$250.00 for customers that are not account holders.

FAMILY SHARING

The Village is accepting food donations on behalf of Family Sharing in the front lobby of the Village Hall.

PAYING TAXES AT BMO HARRIS BANK

THIENSVILLE BRANCH ONLY

BMO Harris Bank, located at 201 N. Main Street, Thiensville will collect taxes and issue refunds while you wait for payments in excess of the amount owed up to \$250.00. Exceptions to normal banking hours are:

Saturdays: 9:00 - noon, Monday, December 24, 2012, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm in lobby only, Tuesday, December 25 Closed.

Monday, December 31, 2012 - 9:00 am - 2:00 pm in lobby only, Tuesday, January 1, 2013 Closed.

Tax payments can only be made in the lobby.

WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES

Rental Real Estate/Mark Koenig
212 N. Green Bay Road #103

E-Collectique LLC/Runway Boutique
174 S. Main Street

College Nannies & Tutors
250 S. Main Street

Bozena Simon M.D.
216 Green Bay Road

Velnetske Law Offices, LLC
212 Green Bay Road

SUPPORT YOUR THIENSVILLE BUSINESSES
SHOP LOCALLY!!

MANY THANKS to the Youth Group of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and to Police Chief Nicholson for volunteering their time to decorate the light poles for the holiday season. This group was recruited and organized by Joseph and Patricia Miller, 307 Riverview Drive. Beautiful job as always!!

NEW WEBSITE

On 11/29/2012 the Village of Thiensville officially launched its new website, www.village.thiensville.wi.us. With the help of CivicPlus, the new site reflects the personality of the Village while incorporating a host of new and improved features and tools designed to help residents and visitors quickly locate the information and services they need.

The new homepage is easy to navigate and breaks down information for residents, businesses and visitors. A "How Do I?" search feature takes citizens directly to specific information while interactive online forms allow citizens to complete Village business without ever leaving home. Reporting a concern or requesting information from the Village also is easier than ever. Visitors simply click the Report a Concern button on the left of every page to access an online submissions form.

We've gone social!! Log onto the new website and click on the social media icons to like or comment on Facebook or Follow on Twitter. Thanks to Director of Public Works Andy LaFond for all of his hard work!

Ozaukee County

It hardly seems possible that six months have passed since the last village newsletter. Hope you have been well over the past several months.

Recently, the Ozaukee County supervisors and administrators have been working on the budget for 2013. The challenges have been of historic proportion; they stem from reduced money from the state and federal governments which mandate certain programs that counties are required to perform. Also, the county has lost substantial revenue from the jail boarding program. In addition, the money which is usually generated from interest on reserve funds has been reduced to a trickle.

The good news on the budget is that sales tax dollars are going back up, and distressed properties are declining. It is very likely that you may see no increase in your county tax bill, but as we reduce staff to accommodate loss of revenue, you may experience some delay in traditional county services.

As the new facilities on the county fairgrounds start to be used, we can take pride in a significant public-private partnership. In addition to serving the people of our county, they will be a draw for visitors coming to use these unique facilities. Visitor spending in Ozaukee County amounted to \$74.3 million in 2011, an increase of 4.47 percent from 2010.

The following are some statistics that you may find interesting. The average household income in Ozaukee County is \$72,213 which is the highest in Wisconsin and is increasing, which is not true for other southeastern Wisconsin counties. On a related note, we also have the highest percentage of two income families. Unemployment dropped to 5.7 percent. Health care is the fastest growing job area, and it was surprising to me that 25 percent of Ozaukee County's workers are in manufacturing.

If you have need of the Veterans' Services Office, it has been moved from the Justice Center to the Administration Center in downtown Port Washington. Even though the office is now housed with the Aging Services, veterans young and old are most welcome; this office has great information (262-284-8326).

Please know that you are welcome to contact me or any of the county offices to answer your questions. Best wishes for this wonderful holiday season!

Karl Hertz

Ozaukee County Supervisor, Thiensville

POLICE DEPARTMENT

I am happy to be writing this as the new Police Chief for the Village of Thiensville. The holidays are right around the corner and the department would like to extend warm wishes to everyone.

The members of the Thiensville Police Department would like to offer several tips for a safe holiday season:

Trust your instincts

- * Be aware of your surroundings at all times.
- * Don't let anyone see your cash.
- * Carry only the credit cards you're going to use that day.
- * Keep your purse on your body, not left in a cart or in the car. If you carry a small purse, you can carry it over your shoulder under your coat.
- * If someone wants your money, let him have it. It can be replaced but you can't.
- * If you feel like you're in danger, don't ignore it as being "paranoid". Pay attention to your sixth sense.
- * Look in your backseat before you enter your vehicle.
- * Stay away from vans, especially ones that don't have windows.
- * Park in a well-lit area if you must shop at night.
- * Carry a well charged cell phone.
- * Shop where security is provided and where they have a good reputation.
- * Report suspicious behavior as soon as possible.
- * Keep your car well maintained, fueled up and keep jumper cables, spare tires, tire iron, jack and any other necessary tools in your car. If you don't know how to change a tire, call for help. Keep a spare set of keys.
- * Keep your vehicle locked at all time and set your alarm.
- * Shop with friends. There is safety in numbers.
- * Responsibly carry pepper spray.
- * Don't try to carry too much merchandise at one time. It makes you look vulnerable.
- * If you have small kids with you, get in your vehicle, lock the doors, then buckle up.
- * Lock packages in the trunk if going from store to store.
- * If you believe you're being followed, return to the store and ask for security.

Keeping these tips in mind will make this holiday season safe and happy. Also, as a reminder, if you or your family will be out of town during this time of year, please call our department to let us know your travel dates and any information regarding who will be watching your home. On a daily basis our officer will check your home and report to you anything out of the ordinary.

LASTLY: THE POLICE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU!

The Thiensville Special Police are looking for additional volunteers. If you are a community-minded person and looking for a way to give back to the community and have fun doing it, you may want to join our department.

As a Special Police Officer you work behind the scenes to help the many events that happen during the year in our Village. Once a month, except during summer the organization meets for training.

Please feel free to contact Chief Nicholson at 262-242-2100 to have your questions answered or to get an application.



FIRE DEPARTMENT

The outdoor deep fryers that we use to produce those great tasting birds are not worth the risks according to Underwriters Laboratories (UL). Based on their test findings UL has decided not to certify any turkey fryers with their UL MARK.

Hazards --

- * Many units easily tip over, spilling hot oil.
 - * If the cooking pot is overfilled with oil, the oil may spill out when the turkey is placed into the pot. The oil may hit the burner or the flames, causing a fire that would engulf the entire unit and subsequently could ignite combustible material nearby.
 - * Frozen or partially frozen turkeys can cause a spillover, potentially causing an extensive fire and/or explosion.
 - * With no thermostat controls, unit may overheat the oil to the point of combustion.
 - * Handles and lid get extremely hot, posing a burn hazard.
- Check out the www.youtube.com video from UL - "Danger of Turkey Fryers"

Safety Information to follow if you absolutely cannot live without a fryer --

- * Use only outdoors and a safe distance from buildings and any combustible material.
- * Never use a fryer in a garage or on a wooden deck.
- * Use on a level surface to reduce accidental tipping.
- * Never leave unattended.
- * Since the oil remains very hot even after use, do not allow children or pets around the fryer at anytime.
- * Do not overfill, this will avoid spillage.
- * Use properly insulated cooking mitts to handle the pot and lid. Use safety goggles to protect from oil splatter.
- * Completely thaw the turkey before inserting in the fryer and be cautious of marinades. Oil and water do not mix, causing oil to spill over that could cause a fire or an explosive situation.
- * Keep an all purpose (ABC) fire extinguisher close by. Never use water on a oil or grease fire. A fire extinguisher may handle a manageable fire. Call 911 immediately if the fire increases.
- * The National Turkey Federation (NTF) recommends thawing the turkey in the refrigerator approximately 24 hours for every five pounds in weight.

Carbon Monoxide & Detectors

Carbon Monoxide (CO) is a colorless, odorless and tasteless gas that is potentially very dangerous. CO poisoning can cause brain damage and death. It is the leading cause of accidental poisoning in the U.S. Carbon Monoxide gas is a product of incomplete burning of fuel that contains carbon. It is produced by common household fuel burning appliances as gas fired furnaces and water heaters as examples. If not vented properly, this gas can build up in the room or building.

Early symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning are nausea, fatigue and headache. Most often a victim of CO poisoning does not relate the symptoms as an undetected build-up of the gas.

A carbon monoxide detector detects the presence of CO and alerts the occupants to the danger by sounding an alarm giving them a chance to safely leave the premise.

Wisconsin State Laws

In accordance with SPS 321 and 328 of the Wisconsin Administrative Code March 10, 2010, ALL ONE AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS ARE REQUIRED TO INSTALL CARBON MONOXIDE (CO) ALARMS.

In accordance with SPS 361-366 of the Wisconsin Commercial Building Code, MULTI-FAMILY DWELLINGS WITH MORE THAN TWO RESIDENTIAL UNITS ARE REQUIRED TO INSTALL CARBON MONOXIDE (CO) ALARMS. Multi-family dwellings are defined as apartment buildings, row houses, townhouse, condominium or manufactured buildings.

Detector Locations - For any properties with a fuel-burning appliance

SPS 328.04(3)(a) - One and two family dwellings

The owner of a dwelling shall install a functional carbon monoxide detector in the basement of the dwelling and on each floor level except the attic, garage, or storage area of each dwelling unit.

SPS 362.1200(2)(a) - Multi-family dwellings

1. *In the basement of the building.*
2. *Within 15 feet of each sleeping area.*
3. *Within 15 feet of each sleeping area of a unit that is immediately adjacent to a unit that has a fuel-burning appliance.*
4. *In each room that has a fuel-burning appliance...not more than 75 feet from the fuel-burning appliance.*
5. *In each hallway leading from a unit that has a fuel-burning appliance.*

Code Compliance Assistance

TFD Fire Inspectors are unable to assist in violation correction design due to liability reasons, though the inspector is able to offer comments and review suggestions your contractor or yourself might have.

TFD Fire Inspectors are very willing to assist in reviewing and explaining the specific code that is in violation.

If you need additional time to correct a violation, that can usually be arranged, (depending on the violation), as long as the owner or occupant shows steps to comply or can show due cause why additional time is required.

Holiday Safety

Winter holidays are a wonderful time for friends and family to gather together for a joyous time but could also be a time of greater risk for fire. For a safe holiday season follow some simple tips:

- * Choose a tree with hard to pull needles and a trunk that is sticky to the touch
- * Keep the tree well watered
- * Inspect your holiday lights for frayed wires, excessive kinking, bare spots, etc.
- * Do not use nails to hang lights, use clips
- * Do not overload electrical outlets
- * Do not leave holiday lights on unattended
- * Keep lit candles away from the tree and other decorations
- * Use non-flammable decorations
- * Discard your tree when it becomes dry, do not burn it in fireplace or wood burning stove

Chimney Safety

The cold weather is upon us and we are turning to our fireplaces for warmth and atmosphere. The Chimney Safety Institute of America suggests the following chimney safety tips:

- * Have an annual inspection and cleaning if necessary
- * Keep tree branches and leaves at least 15 feet away from chimney top
- * Install a chimney cap to keep animals and debris out
- * Choose the right fuel, use well-seasoned wood that has been split, for a minimum of 6 months to one year. Store covered and elevated.
- * Build it right, place firewood or fire logs at the rear of the grate. Use kindling or commercial fire-lighter, never flammable liquids
- * Keep hearth area clear
- * Use a fireplace screen or door
- * Never leave a fire unattended
- * Discard ashes in a closed metal container

Watch for more Fire Prevention information and tips in the next Village Newsletter. Please visit your Thiensville Fire Department at our NEW WEBSITE:

www.village.thiensville.wi.us

We can also be followed on: Facebook—Thiensville Fire Department and Twitter—@thiensvillefd

DOG AND CAT LICENSES

Dog and cat license fees must be paid **ONLY** at the Thiensville Municipal Building. The banks will not accept dog and cat license fees.

Un-neutered Male or Un-spayed Female \$13.00

Neutered Male or Spayed Female \$ 8.00

(After April 1, 2013 a \$5.00 late fee will be added to the above fees.)

A current rabies immunization statement from a veterinarian **must** be presented at the time the license is applied for. By village ordinance it is unlawful to harbor more than 3 dogs or 4 cats in any residence.

PLEASE USE APPLICATION FORMS IN THIS NEWSLETTER.



OZAUKEE COUNTY AGING SERVICES

Seniors interested in the locations of The Food and Friendship Dining Centers and/or to setup reservations should call (262) 238-8120.

Help out by volunteering to deliver meals to Ozaukee County's homebound elderly. Your commitment can be as little as 1-2 times per month. Just think, these seniors could be your parents, grandparents or close neighbors. With each delivery, you'll be bringing a hot nutritious meal and a smile to individuals who are homebound. Contact Mary Ferrell, Nutrition Program Manager Ozaukee County Aging Services Department (262)284-8120 or (262)238-8120

OZAUKEE COUNTY TRANSIT SERVICES

Ozaukee Express: (262) 238-8108.

Ozaukee County Shared Ride Taxi: (800) 925-9590



THIENSVILLE MEETING SCHEDULE

Committee of the Whole, first Monday of the month. Plan Commission, first Tuesday of the month after COW. Board of Trustees, third Monday of the month. Historic Preservation Commission has been changed to the second Wednesday of the month. Zoning Board of Appeals meets on call. Meetings subject to change.

FROM ZIMMERMAN'S TO SHULLY'S

Zimmerman's General Store is going through yet another transformation. Originally built in 1860 by the Zimmerman family as a general store and family home, the building at 146 Green Bay Road has seen many transformations during its 150 years in the heart of our village.

In the late 1870's, the Zimmerman's sold their store and home to the Thiermann family who converted the entire building into a general store. The Thiermann & Son General Store was one of the village's most prosperous businesses until it closed its doors in the late 1920's. After several years as a vacant building during the depression, it reopened as office space for Thiensville's growing Gilbert Shoe Company through the 1930's and 40's.

From the 1950's into the 1980's, the Zimmerman building housed Helm's Shop Rite food store followed by Elroy's Liquor Cabinet. The addition to the south, which replaced the original entrance to the Zimmerman home, housed a variety of businesses including D&D Electronics, a pet store, and a resale shop.

In 1988, Scott and Beth Shully bought the Zimmerman building as the new home for their young and growing catering business. Now, after nearly 25 years, the Shully's are in the process of carefully transforming this historic building into "The Watermark at Shully's" which will open in the Spring of 2013.

When you drive by Shully's this winter and watch their construction proceed, you will know that the foundation for this building was laid over 150 years ago by a pioneer family, the Zimmerman's.

To learn more about the history of our village, visit www.mthistoricalsociety.org. You can also email us at mthistory1839@gmail.com, find us on Facebook, or call Bob Blazich, MT Historical Society president, at 262-242-6496.



THIENSVILLE BUSINESS ASSOCIATION
PO BOX 185
THIENSVILLE, WI 53092
2013 Membership Dues (January to December)
www.thiensvillebusiness.com

The Thiensville Business Association would be honored to have your business be a member of the organization. Your support of the TBA through the annual dues and volunteerism allows us to support the community and businesses in the events the TBA sponsors.

- _____ \$50.00 ACTIVE MEMBER: Business located on Main Street, Green Bay Road, Freistadt Road, Buntrock Avenue, store front businesses, retail, professional, wholesale, off Main stream business (out of home), non-business person who wants to contribute.
- _____ \$35.00 ASSOCIATE MEMBER: Non-profit business, non-profit organization, non-profit Association
- _____ \$ DONATION: Non-tax deductible donation to further support the TBA

Please help us by filling out the information below. Please select events that you would like to be made aware of. Please be advised that event planning occurs months before the event arrives.

Business Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Description of Business: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ *Fax:* _____

Email: _____

(email address will be used to communicate when event planning is starting and to invite you to the quarterly meetings)

Website: _____

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| _____ Farmers Market | _____ Business Trick or Treat |
| _____ Fun Before the Fourth | _____ Ladies Night Out |
| _____ Business After Hours | _____ Tree Lighting |

Show case your business in "Business after Hours Networking" from 5pm to 7pm any weekday.

You will be credited up to \$100 for food and refreshments.

_____ Host an all member meeting

PLEASE PAY THE DUES BY JANUARY 15, 2013 so we may invite you to the first all member meeting and be part of planning the events that affect our community. Mail to PO Box 185, Thiensville, WI 53092.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

During the winter season do not use snow blowers to blow snow back onto the street that has already been plowed by the Department of Public Works. Christmas trees will be picked up the same day as your garbage pickup for up to three weeks after Christmas. Place trees at front of curb. For condominiums, the private contracted haulers will pick up the trees.

GARBAGE COLLECTION & RECYCLING SCHEDULE

GARBAGE COLLECTION WILL BE CHANGED DUE TO THE HOLIDAYS. MONDAY, DECEMBER 24 PICK UP WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26. TUESDAY PICK UP WILL BE ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27.

ADVANCED DISPOSAL (PREVIOUSLY VEOLIA) WILL PICK UP ON THESE DAYS AS WELL. THE SAME APPLIES FOR THE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY, THE DPW WILL PICK UP ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2 AND THURSDAY, JANUARY 3, 2013. THE VILLAGE HALL WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25, AND AT NOON ON DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND ALL DAY ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 1.



HOME ENERGY PROGRAM

The Wisconsin Home Energy Program is available this winter to meet the high cost of home heating fuel for low-income households. Eligibility for the program is based on the household's gross monthly income in the three months preceding the month of application.

| Household Size | Gross Quarterly Income Limit |
|----------------|------------------------------|
| 1 | \$6,071.00 |
| 2 | \$7,939.00 |
| 3 | \$9,806.00 |
| 4 | \$11,674.00 |
| 5 | \$13,542.00 |
| 6 | \$15,410.00 |
| 7 | \$15,760.00 |
| 8 | \$16,111.00 |

Applications for the Energy Assistance Program are available at Energy Services, Inc., 110 S. Wisconsin Street, Suite 4, Port Washington, WI 53074. Those wishing to apply must call for an appointment at 800-506-5596. The program runs October 1, 2011 to May 15, 2012.



COMMUNITY GIFT CERTIFICATES

www.mtchamber.org

Community gift certificates are the perfect gift for anyone! They can be redeemed at over 170 area businesses for anything from soup to nuts, oil change to pedicure, golf to landscaping. It is a gift that helps support our local economy and at the same time allows the recipient to choose where they want to redeem their gift. These gift certificates can be purchased in any denomination at the Mequon-Thiensville Chamber of Commerce, 6331 W. Mequon Road, Mequon (262-512-9358) or online at the above web-site address.



