

SUMMER 2009



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734-453-3840
www.plymouthtp.org**

Important Phone Numbers:

**Police, Fire, EMS
emergencies 911**

**Assessing
734-354-3267**

**Building
734-354-3210**

**Clerk
734-354-3224**

**Fire (non-emergency)
734-354-3221**

**Police Admin./Records
734-354-3232**

**Public Services/Solid Waste
734-354-3270**

**Supervisor
734-354-3201**

**Treasurer
734-354-3214**

Independence Day Activities in the Plymouth Community!



The Plymouth Community is giving you several reasons to stick close to home for the Fourth of July holiday!

On Friday evening, July 3, come on out to the Fireworks Extravaganza at Plymouth Township Park.

On Saturday, July 4 the day begins at 7:30 am when the Good Morning

USA Parade kicks off Independence Day in style. This year's theme is "America: The Dream Lives On."

Then from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm come to the Good Old Fashion Picnic at Plymouth Township Park. Hot dogs, chips, pop and ice cream (all for a nickel each). More information on all of these activities is inside on pages 8 & 9.

Board moves to protect property values

The Plymouth Township Board of Trustees recently approved a Vacant Property Registration and Maintenance Ordinance as an early approach to protect property values in the Township. The purpose of the ordinance is to overcome the detrimental effects of vacant property and a recent court decision found this to be a legitimate governmental purpose. To make sure that vacant properties do not become eyesores and potential safety hazards the Township is also considering requiring the owners of vacant property – such as homes repossessed by a lender – to register with the Township and maintain the properties.

While the Township has only a small number of foreclosures the Board wants to be proactive in addressing the potential impact on property values in the neighborhood when there are vacant properties present. The ordinance would require that banks and brokers make sure that trash is removed, property is kept free of weeds, and yards are landscaped and properly maintained. In addition, broken windows and doors need to be repaired and properties would have to be secured so as not to be accessible to unauthorized persons.

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Charter Township of Plymouth

Keep Water Rates in check



You can help to keep your water rates low! Water your lawn between 12 midnight and 6:00 am! This time period is considered “non-peak” and according to the Michigan State University Extension Service, watering during this time is perfectly fine for your lawn and will not create disease.

Reducing water usage between the peak hours of 6:00 am to 11:00 am you will also help to keep your water rates lower. Avoid doing laundry, running the dishwasher, filling pools, washing vehicles or any outdoor water use during the 6:00 am to 11:00 am morning peak hours. For further information, check out the “fact sheet” on the Township website.

<http://www.plymouthtp.org/Departments/PublicServices/DPSFactSheets/Guide01-KeepWaterRatesInCheck.pdf>

Ways to improve your neighborhood

Property maintenance benefits us all. When each homeowner keeps their own property looking nice we all reap the rewards.

Every property owner is responsible for mowing their lawns and destroying weeds in a timely manner. Owners are also responsible for trimming trees and shrubs to maintain a minimum clearance of 8 feet above sidewalks.

Occasionally, some owners do not mow and the Township must step in to take action. If the Township is required to mow the lawn the minimum cost is \$100 per cut which is billed to the property owner.

Trash cans should not be placed out at the curb any earlier than 6 pm on the day prior to scheduled pickup. Check your Plymouth Township calendar or our website for dates that trash pickup will be delayed due to a holiday.

Also, please make sure to store your fire wood properly and keep your property clear of debris and garbage. This can eliminate a potential home for rodents.

You can help keep the Township clean and beautiful. If you would like to report a property that is in disrepair or has high grass and weeds please call the Ordinance Enforcement Officer at 734-354-3205. You can also send an email to kpumphrey@plymouthtp.org. Either can be done at any time of day. Please be sure to include the street address of the property or the exact location if there is no address visible.



The Emergency Notification Sirens are sounding – now what?



If you hear the emergency sirens blaring you probably have some indication why, whether it is storm conditions

or high winds, etc. You should immediately take cover and tune in to a local television or radio station to get further information. DO NOT CALL 9-1-1.

The 9-1-1 operators are very busy handling emergencies, especially when the sirens are activated for storms. When everybody calls to ask, “Why are the sirens going off?” it takes time away from real emergency response duties. Please check your local radio or TV station where you will not only get information about what is happening but you can continue to get updated information. It is always a good idea to have a battery operated radio and flashlight in case the power goes out.

Get the facts on Tornadoes

Information about tornadoes is available on the Plymouth Township website. Just click the link on the home page to Departments, then Emergency Management Department. At the top of the page is a link called Tornado Information. There you will find the definition of a tornado, information about tornado watches and warnings and other tornado facts. You may also want to check out the website for The Michigan Committee for Severe Weather Awareness (www.mcswa.org).

Fire Stations and Police Departments are Safe Havens



Michigan's Safe Delivery of Newborns Law allows for the anonymous surrender of an infant (within 72 hours of birth) to an Emergency Service Provider (ESP) without the expressed intent to

return for the newborn. The infant must be given to an employee in uniform at the fire department, hospital, or police station. This also includes emergency medical personnel in a uniform.

The law allows for an anonymous safe surrender of the newborn without fear of prosecution and to make the child available for adoption. Private adoption agencies assume responsibility for the child.

For information visit the Safe Delivery Web site at www.michigan.gov/safedelivery.

Census Workers in Neighborhoods

In preparation for the 2010 Census U. S. Census Workers will be conducting a foot canvas of every neighborhood in Michigan. Workers will be walking each street to ensure that all living quarters are in the Census Bureau's address database.

Census workers will be wearing blue and white badges with their name and the Census seal affixed. Census workers will be walking through neighborhoods and entering information into a handheld computer. This is the address verification process for the 2010 Census.

Census questionnaires will be mailed or delivered to households next February and March. Census officials remind residents if they want to avoid an "in-person" visit in April through July 2010, they should complete the questionnaires. The privacy and confidentiality of these questionnaires are protected by Title 13 of the United State Code. Title 13 protections include: Private Information is Never Published, Collected Information is to Produce Statistics, Sworn for Life to Protect Your Confidentiality, and Violating the Law is a Serious Crime.

The Plymouth Township Census liaison is Clerk Joe Bridgman and he can be reached at 734-354-3224 or jbridgman@plymouthtwp.org.

Senior Olympics coming in August

The Fifth Annual Western Wayne County Senior Olympics will take place August 17 - 21, 2009. This event is being hosted by Redford Township, Plymouth Township and the City of Plymouth. On Monday, August 17 there will be a breakfast, opening ceremonies and an expo. A wide selection of events then takes place throughout the week at various locations throughout western Wayne County. There will be an art contest, euchre, bean bag toss, baking contest and golf tournament to name just a few. The week will come to a close with an awards banquet on Friday.

Deadline for registration is July 27, 2009. Registration forms are available at Plymouth Township Hall and the Plymouth Community Council on Aging Office. Call 734-453-1234, ext. 236.



Seniors - join the PCCA!

The Plymouth Community Council on Aging is *the* resource for adults ages 55 and over in the greater Plymouth Community. This nonprofit corporation operates a variety of programs which promote the independence and well being of senior citizens with a monthly newsletter as well as through a schedule of activities, presentations on topics of interest to seniors and referral for services. For more information, call 734-453-1234, ext. 236.

Charter Township of Plymouth



TRASH TALK



Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

The reduction of your family's consumption, the reuse of products you purchase and finally the recycling of the rest will help maintain our landfill capacities and keep the cost of trash collection down.

Plymouth Township residents diverted 40% of our household waste from being buried in a landfill in 2007. That's 5% higher than the United States Environmental Protection Agency's US goal for 2008 of 35%! Let's keep the momentum going by continuing to throw that soup can in the recycle bin rather than in the trash can! See the tips below for ways you and your family can keep our diversion rates high and our costs down.

REDUCE

Buy Smart - Only buy items you need; don't buy that DVD, rent it!

Buy Durable - Make your purchases last! Stay away from disposable products.

Stop Junk Mail - Write to the Direct Marketing Association and request a form to remove your address from their mailing list at Mail Preference Service, Direct Market Association, PO Box 643, Carmel, NY 15012-0643.

Compact Fluorescent Lamps - can use up to 75% less energy to run than incandescent lamps.

Fluorescent lamps do contain a small amount of mercury and should be handled and disposed of properly. Please refer to www.plymouthtp.org for more information and proper disposal methods.

REUSE

Plastic grocery store bags make great lunch bags and can be reused several times.

Donate - Take advantage of local charities to donate your old clothing, small furniture and electronics. Contact the Solid Waste Department for more information.

Fix it - if it is broken try having it repaired rather than replaced.

RECYCLE

Last but not least, try to recycle items that cannot be reused. Many items are accepted in your curbside recycling program.

For instance, household batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, 9-volt) can be put in a plastic, self-closing baggy and placed inside the bin. Paperboard and boxboard (cereal, pasta and beverage can boxes, paper towel tubes, etc.) should be folded flat and stacked inside the bin or you can place smaller boxes inside a larger box.

For a complete list of recycling options please contact the Solid Waste Department at 734-354-3270, ext. 4 or check the website at www.plymouthtp.org.



Recycle bins are available for purchase at the Treasurer's Office, Plymouth Township Hall at a cost of \$10.00 each.

WATERSHED WISDOM: Summer lawn care

As the weather warms many homeowners begin planning for this summer's lawn and garden care. Don't forget our River! The Rouge River is one of our most important resources. Before you begin your lawn care regimen consider these river friendly tips:

1) Build fertile soils with organic matter such as compost or mulch. Use mulch (shredded leaves, grass clippings or compost) around plants and on the soil to resist weeds and retain moisture. Compost is available to residents free of charge at the Division of Public Service building located at 46555 Port Street.

2) Select plants suited for the site and climate conditions. For a list of plants native to Michigan go to www.michigan.gov, visit our website at www.plymouthtp.org for a link, or talk to your favorite nursery manager for plant types and availability.

3) Mow your grass at a high setting and let the short grass blades fall back onto the lawn.

4) Select a slow-release fertilizer to promote steady, uniform growth. Keep an eye out for the Wayne

County fertilizer stickers to help identify the slow release fertilizers.

5) Reduce the use of insecticides, herbicides and other pesticides on your lawn or in your garden.

If you use a lawn service find out what practices they use and encourage them to utilize some of the practices mentioned above. For more information and alternatives you can contact the Division of Public Services at 734-354-3270 ext. 4, try the community library, or go online! Some sites to try:

Friends of the Rouge
www.therouge.org

Rouge River Project
www.rougeriver.com

Plymouth Township
www.plymouthtp.org



PLEASE REPORT ANY POWER OUTAGES & STAY AWAY FROM DOWNED POWER LINES

It is imperative that you call DTE whenever you experience a power outage. The only way that DTE knows the power is out at your home is if you call to report the outage. Do not assume that somebody else has already called.

It is also imperative that you keep away from any downed power lines which are very dangerous. Keep a safe distance and call DTE right away.

**CALL DTE AT
1-800-477-4747**

SEMCOG encourages Southeast Michigan residents to fertilize caringly

Healthy lawn care is a good way to protect lakes and rivers. When fertilizer is put down at the right time and in the right way, it strengthens lawns. A healthy lawn protects water by holding soil and pollutants and minimizing the need for pesticides. Improper fertilization (e.g., leaving fertilizer on paved surfaces, using improper type, applying on frozen ground) causes it to get into storm drains in the streets, which empty into lakes and rivers. Fertilizer in lakes and rivers causes algae to grow, which uses oxygen starving rivers, lakes and fish. Remember... keep it on the lawn.

More information about fertilizer, lawn care tips and protecting our watershed is available on the web at www.allianceofrougecommunities.com. Check the "Activities and Events" page for healthy lawn care tips and workshops information.

QUICK FACT!
There were over
**1,403 vehicles in
the Household
Hazardous Waste
Day held in April!**

Charter Township of Plymouth

Sprayscape ready for play after resurfacing!

If you're looking for a place to cool off this summer venture out to Township Park at McClumpha and take a run through our Sprayscape splash pad! Originally built in 2003, this water feature got a makeover with a new replacement surface this month.

There are 24 spray features of the Sprayscape including Water Cannons, Horse Charger, Froggy-O, Daisy Mae, Water O's and 12 ground sprays. The Sprayscape is designed to accommodate all ages and is free of charge! Sprayscape Rules and Regulations are posted onsite and designed to ensure the safety of all citizens using the park. The Sprayscape is open to all park patrons late May to late September.



The Sprayscape is located at Plymouth Township Park

Radio-controlled car track now open in Hines Park!

A new track for radio-controlled cars is now available in the Gunsolly Mills area on Hines Drive east of Wilcox Road near the railroad bridge in Plymouth Township. The track is free for public use and available during daylight hours. There are organized races the first and third Sundays of each month. For information on races, please call 248-926-1140. For more information on Wayne County Parks, please call 734-261-1990.



Check out the new radio-controlled car track in Hines Park!

Dial 2-1-1 for help from the United Way

Did you know that the United Way has a call center to assist people with non-emergency health and human service referrals and information?

Dial 2-1-1 to find employment/job training, shelter, food pantries, rent assistance, legal aid, medical services, care for seniors and more.

Trained UW representatives are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, including multilingual and services for hearing and speech impaired. If your phone system does not have the 211 service available, call 800-552-1183 to reach the 211 call center. For more information go to the website at www.uwsem.org/211.

Call MISS DIG before your shovel hits the ground!

If you have outdoor projects planned that require any digging on your property, make sure to call MISS DIG at least 3 business days prior at 1-800-482-7171 or 8-1-1. MISS DIG will notify the public utilities in your area so that they can locate and mark the approximate location of underground lines within your proposed work area. You can get more information and even make the request online by visiting the website at www.missdig.net.

Renew your dog license annually

Dog Licenses/Leashes: For the safety of your dog and our citizens, dogs are required to be on a suitable leash or in a fenced yard and are required to be licensed. Owners can be ticketed for dogs running at large and for not having a license. Dog licenses need to be renewed each year as they expire every December 31st. You can obtain a license for your dog with proof of current rabies vaccination at the Treasurer's Office at Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Rd.

Please help give dog owners a good name by following a few additional rules:

- Do not leave a barking dog outdoors. Continuous barking is not only unfair to your dog; it is rude and annoying to neighbors.

- Pick up after your dog.

A well-behaved dog is a benefit to you, and will likely be more welcome in public places.

Treasurer's Office: focus on finance

Facing the economic challenges of today

Plymouth Township is experiencing the same economic challenges that our citizens and businesses are. With revenues decreasing, the Township Board could either raise revenue or reduce expenditures. They chose to reduce expenditures.

Facing a projected budget shortfall of \$1.7 million dollars by the end of 2011 the Board of Trustees made several reductions totaling \$523,000 for 2009 to insure that we can deliver services through these economic times. These reductions were mostly employee related. Like other municipalities, employee compensation represents over 80 percent of Plymouth Township's General Fund expenditures.

The Township Board, Administration, and Employees are doing everything we can to control expenditures. We are very aware that we need to be cost efficient in delivering services to our citizens and businesses.

Water and Sewer Rates

These rates represent the current charges of the Charter Township of Plymouth and surrounding communities. Due to recent increases in sewage treatment from the City of Detroit and Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority the Board of Trustees will be reviewing the rates in the near future.

Current Water and Sewer Rates (as of July 1, 2009)			
per 1,000 gallons	Water	Sewer	Total
City of Livonia	\$ 2.42	\$ 2.93	\$ 5.35
Plymouth Township	\$ 2.72	\$ 3.52	\$ 6.24
Northville Township	\$ 4.24	\$ 3.92	\$ 8.16
Canton Township	\$ 2.87	\$ 5.33	\$ 8.20
City of Northville	\$ 4.51	\$ 3.91	\$ 8.42
City of Plymouth	\$ 4.38	\$ 5.77	\$10.15

Township leaders save dollars for services

Due to the economic conditions, this past winter Supervisor Richard Reaume and Treasurer Ron Edwards volunteered to give back 5% of their wages, while Trustees Steven Mann, Robert Doroshewitz and Kay Arnold reduced their wages by 10%. The savings amounted to \$15,000.



Ron Edwards

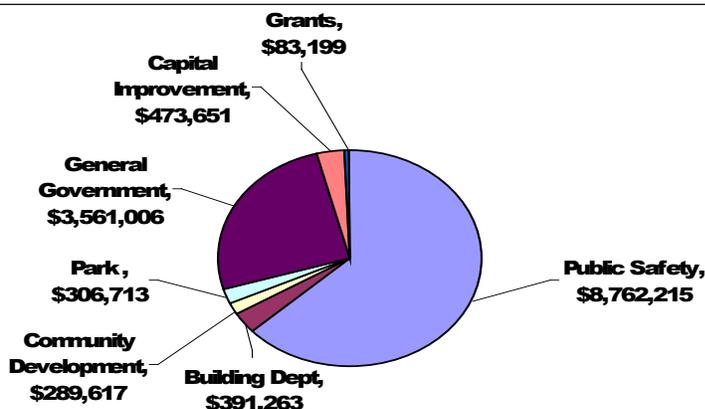
Are you eligible for a summer tax deferment?

You may be eligible for deferment of your 2009 summer tax bill. Your summer tax payment can be deferred until February 15, 2010, if your total household income for 2008 was less than \$40,000 and you meet one of the following: Senior Citizen (age 62 by December 1, 2008), Paraplegic, Blind Person, Totally and Permanently Disabled, Eligible Military, Veteran or Widow.

If you are eligible, please contact the Treasurer's Office for an Application for Deferment of Summer Taxes. This form must be signed and returned to the Treasurer's Office no later than September 14, 2009.

To receive an application by mail or if you have questions regarding Summer Tax Deferments, please contact Amy Hammye at 354-3218.

2008 General Fund Expenditures



Charter Township of Plymouth

2009 Plymouth Community Fireworks Extravaganza

Friday, July 3, 2009

Plymouth Township Park

Starts at 10:15 pm

Gates open at 7:30 pm

(rain date - July 5)

Many thanks to our sponsors for
their generous donations:

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Plymouth Lions Club

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SLC Meter Service

Sunset Excavating

Ted & Nancy Robinson

The Wilcox Foundation

Tom Bolander

Tower Automotive

Varnum Riddering Schmidt Howlett

Wayne County Appraisal Co.

13th Annual Plymouth Township 4th of July “Good Old Fashioned Picnic”

After you attend the Good Morning USA parade in downtown Plymouth, plan to attend the 4th of July Good Old Fashioned Picnic at Plymouth Township Park (located on Ann Arbor Trail at McClumpha Road). Come to the park and enjoy a fun day with family and friends, festivities begin at 11:00 am. Volunteers will be serving hot dogs, chips, soda and World famous Guernsey ice cream from 11:00 am to 3:30 pm.

Children should bring their bicycles or tricycles and make sure they are decorated so they can enter the bike decorating contest. Judging of the entries will take place at 2:00 pm. Games for children and adults, including a water balloon toss, Frisbee toss, and Hula Hoop contest will be held from 12:30 to 1:45 pm (prizes too!). There will also be a fishing contest so bring your fishing poles.

To finish up a perfect afternoon

plan on entering the 2nd Annual Grand Traverse Pie Company pie eating contest at 2:30 pm. Even if you don't win you'll be able to enjoy some of the best tasting pie around!

We would like to thank our sponsors for their generous donations which make this picnic possible:

- Aunt Millie's Bakeries
- Busch's Inc.
- Coca-Cola Inc.
- DeMattia Group
- Dietrich, Bailey & Associates
- Dembs Roth Group
- Edy's
- Haggerty Metals
- Hemming, Polaczyk, Cronin, Smith, Witthoff & Bennett
- Meijer
- New Liberty Bank
- Plante & Moran
- Picnic Basket Market
- Roumell & Lange



Ready, set, dig in to the Grand Traverse Cherry Pie in the pie-eating contest at the 4th of July Good Old Fashioned Picnic!

**Don't miss the Parade!
The Good Morning USA
Parade on Main St. in
downtown Plymouth
starts at 7:30 am!**

Hilltop Golf Club

Plymouth Township's own Hilltop Golf Club offers you some of the best values in golf available in the area. At Hilltop, you can play a scenic course that is well-maintained at outstanding prices. There are discount rates for seniors and juniors. To book a tee time call the club house at 734-453-9800.



Hilltop Golf Club 2009 Green Fees		
Regular Weekday	9 holes	18 holes
Walking	\$17	\$24
Walking Resident	\$15	\$20
Riding	\$25	\$36
Riding Resident	\$23	\$32
Sr.'s & Jr.'s Weekday		
Walking	\$10	\$15
Riding	\$17	\$22
Regular Weekend		
Early Bird Walking	\$15	
Early Bird Riding	\$20	
Walking	\$19	\$27
Walking Resident	\$16	\$23
Riding	\$27	\$39
Riding Resident	\$24	\$35
Sr./Jr. Walking	N/A	\$25
Sr./Jr. Riding	N/A	\$32
Weekend after 12 pm		
Walking	\$15	\$17
Riding	\$23	\$31
Sr./Jr. Walking	\$12	\$18
Sr./Jr. Riding	\$19	\$25
Twilight after 4 pm Fri, Sat, Sun		
Walking unlimited		\$16
Riding unlimited		\$24
Super Twilight (everyday after 6pm)		
Walking unlimited		\$10
Riding unlimited		\$18
Jr. w/ paid adult walking	FREE	FREE
Jr. w/ paid adult riding		\$5

Attention Golfers!

Hilltop Golf Course will have special "Residents Day" discounts from \$4 to \$10 on Saturday, July 18th.

Please call ahead:
734-453-9800

Visit the website at
hilltopgolfclub.net

Charter Township of Plymouth

Economic & Community Development

Dhake Industries Expands Facility

Dhake Industries recently broke ground on the addition to their Global Headquarters in Plymouth Township. The project entails a renovation to the existing building and a two-story addition. The facility currently contains engineering, research and development, quality assurance and application laboratories. Established in 1979, Dhake Industries is the leading supplier of specialty coatings for engineered plastics. Another Township company, DeMattia Group, serves as the architect and builder for the expansion with completion in September 2009.



Dhake Industries expansion project groundbreaking

Trees planted with DNR grant and Wayne County help



New trees on Beck Road north of Joy Road

The Township received a DNR (Department of Natural Resources) reforestation grant to purchase trees at a discounted rate through Wayne County. The county's Forestry Division is providing the planting services including mulch and tree gators at no cost to the Township. A total of 55 trees were planted along Sheldon Road north of Ann Arbor Road and on Beck Road north of Joy Road.

State Commission Handles Cable/Video Complaints

Who should I contact if I have a complaint about my cable service?



The Michigan Public Service Commission or MPSC is now responsible for handling video/cable customer complaints. If you have a complaint, you should first attempt to resolve it by directly contacting your carrier. If you are not able to resolve your complaint you may contact the MPSC for assistance.

The MPSC has a website dedicated to providing information on video/cable issues. The website is located at www.michigan.gov/mpsc where you will find the video/cable button. You can also contact the MPSC by phone at 866-552-7725.

Secretary of State Office is relocating

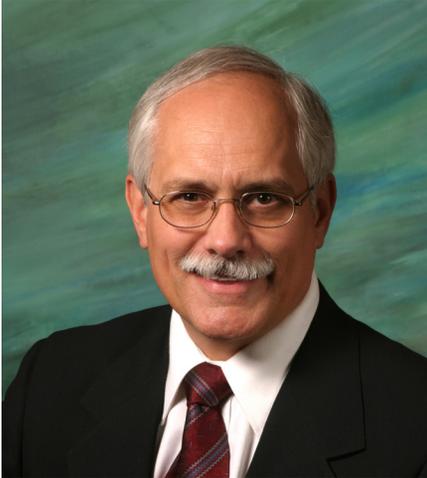


The Secretary of State office on Ford Rd. is planning to relocate. The new office will be on Lilley Rd. just south of Joy Rd. in the Golden Gate Shopping Center directly across from Mettetal Airport and is expected to open in the fall. Telephone number for the Secretary of State is 888-767-6424.

QUICK FACT!
In 2008 the Building Department issued 1846 permits:

Building = 962
Electrical = 322
Mechanical = 402
Plumbing = 160

Supervisor's Corner: making tough decisions for a strong future



Richard Reaume

These challenging economic times are reducing our tax collections which happen to be the main source of revenue for the township. The recent reduction of state revenue sharing coupled with increasing energy and health care expenses are all elements for future financial problems. Even though our budget is balanced, the next few years will cause some critical problems. We will need to look strategically at various efficiency opportunities and which services can be reduced. We will continue to review our processes for providing services more efficiently,

considering government restructuring opportunities and collaborating with neighboring communities.

Our Board of Trustees, Employees and Volunteers are all dedicated to offset many of your concerns for Plymouth Township and I want to thank them and encourage them to continue working together for our great community. Each day our budget is our #1 priority because it determines everything that happens in Plymouth Township. As you have experienced in your own homes and businesses, the challenges are many to keep a balanced budget and your Township is doing just that.

When our long range financial plan started showing a shortfall and negative balance, we began looking for ways to cut expenses that would have the least affect on services. The Township Board of Trustees negotiated a 10% lower monthly rate with our internet provider, pre-purchased natural gas providing a 12% rate reduction and switched cell phone service to a carrier offering a revised 15% lower government rate. The Township has joined with our Conference of Western Wayne communities to form a Purchasing Cooperative and the initial group bid

will allow the Township to save 20% on Life, AD&D and Disability insurance contracts.

As employees have retired their positions have not been filled, a wage freeze for administrators has been initiated and most elected officials are taking voluntary pay cuts. As necessary, union positions have been cut from five-days to four-days per week and in some cases layoffs have occurred. We currently have four expired union contracts covering our dedicated employees and within the limits of the law the contracts are being negotiated with future budgets in mind.

The Board is making tough choices knowing that no matter the decision some people will disagree and try to find fault. Our community is no different than any other as we face the same financial hardships that are testing municipalities all across the State. These are tough decisions for today, but strong decisions for tomorrow.

Richard Reaume

Plymouth named "Top 100 Place to Live" for second time by Relocate America!



RelocateAmerica has named Plymouth (City and Township) one of the top 100 places to live. Plymouth was selected out of 1,800 nominees and only two other communities in Michigan made the list.

This is the second time that Plymouth has been recognized by Relocate America as a great place to live. See more at www.relocateamerica.com.

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Plymouth Township Board of Trustees

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Bob Doroshewitz, Trustee
Michael Kelly, Trustee
Steve Mann, Trustee**

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**Postal Carriers: Please deliver
to PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP
RESIDENCES ONLY**

Attention Homeowner Associations!

The Township Supervisor's office would like to have contact information for at least two members of your Homeowner Association Board. That way we can keep you informed about any issues in your particular area of the Township or regarding homeowners in general. Please forward name, mailing address, home telephone and email address for each contact person to Ann DeGhetto at adeghetto@plymouthtp.org, by fax to 734-453-5680, or phone at 734-354-3203. If your association has a website, please let us know the web address. If you would like Supervisor Reaume to address your association at one of your meetings, please call Ann DeGhetto to schedule. Thank you!

Coming Attractions in Plymouth!

July 3 - Fireworks
July 4 - Good Morning USA Parade
July 4 - Good Old Fashioned Picnic
July 10 - 12 - Art in the Park
July 18 - 25 - Ann Arbor Road Days
August 1 - Kidpalooza
Sept. 7 - Labor Day
Sept. 8 - First day of school
Sept. 11-13 - Fall Festival
Oct. 4 - Chili cook-off

Subscribe to the Plymouth Township e-news!



Subscribe to the Plymouth Township e-news and e-mail notification! Get the latest news and information by signing up on the Township website, www.plymouthtp.org "Reference Desk" and click on the checkmark to sign up for the Plymouth Township mailing list.

In addition to Township e-news you can receive periodic bulletins on special events and other important information as it becomes available such as senior updates, household hazardous waste collections, free document shredding day, road closures, etc.

**QUICK FACT!
The Clerk's Office
processed 267
passport applications
in 2008!**