

CITY COMMISSION

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Police Department 695-5120
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Wastewater 695-5291
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**FREQUENTLY REQUESTED
PHONE NUMBERS**

Animal Control 471-7531
Buchanan Schools 695-8400
Chamber 695-3291
County Courthouse 695-3887
Landfill 695-2500
District Library 695-3681
Post Office 1-800-275-8777
Reliable Disposal
1-800-677-1083
Secretary of State 684-3531

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Property Tax Payments

March 1st was the last day the City of Buchanan could collect winter tax payments. If you have not paid your taxes, please contact the County Treasurer's office at 695-3887 (ext. #8569) to make payment arrangements.

Property Tax Estimator

Are you wondering what your property taxes will be with your new 2007 assessment? Simply go to the City's website, click on the Treasurer's web page and then click "Property Tax Estimator" which will take you to the State's website. Answer the simple questions and you will get your estimated annual tax amount.

Yard Waste Pick-Up

Starting April 2nd, residents who request the City to pick up and dispose of grass clippings, leaves, hedge trimmings, or garden waste are charged for such service on a "pay per bag" basis. These materials are collected at curbside if placed in City approved, 30 gallon kraft paper bags, which can be purchased for \$2.00 each at City Hall. A City crew will collect bagged yard waste on Mondays beginning April 2nd and end on October 31st. To arrange for collection, residents must call the City's yard waste information line at 695-2440 to request pick up (24 hour answering machine). **DO NOT PLACE LEAVES, GRASS CLIPPINGS, ETC. IN THE STREET**

Brush Pick-Up

Starting April 5th, the City will continue to offer pick up of brush and limbs. These materials will be collected by the City crew on the **FIRST THURSDAY** of each month through the first Thursday of October, 2007. Brush and limbs are to be stacked neatly and lying in one direction on the tree lawn area between the sidewalk and curb. Items tied in bundles or exceeding 10 feet in length will not be accepted. No branches or tree trunks with a branch diameter greater than 4 inches will be collected. No tree stumps are acceptable.

2007 Household Hazardous Waste Collections

This year, the Berrien County Resource Recovery Office will have two Household Hazardous Waste Collections in Buchanan. They are on:

May 12 – Saturday, 8 a.m. - 12 Noon:
SOUTHEAST BERRIEN COUNTY
LANDFILL, 1/2 mile from US-12/US-31
interchange, Chamberlain Road, Bertrand
Township

October 13 – Saturday, 8 a.m. - 12 Noon

If you would like more information, or would like to see a complete listing of area collection dates, please call Jill Adams at Berrien County Resource Recovery at (269) 983-7111 ext. 8234.

Dog Licenses

Dog licenses are no longer available at City Hall. If you have a dog that is over 4 months old and does not have a license, please contact the Berrien County Animal Control Office at (269) 471-7531.



Happy Spring!

Buchanan Community School Election

Notice is hereby given that there will be a School Election on Tuesday, May 8, 2007 from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. to vote for two (2) positions on the Buchanan School Board.

Precinct Locations:

- Precinct 1: City Hall, 302 N. Redbud Trail
- Precinct 2: Senior Center, 131 S. Oak Street

The following persons have filed petitions and qualified as a candidate for the Buchanan School Board and will be on the ballot:

- Harvey Burnett
- Mike Clanton
- Lloyd Miller
- Dennis A. Wentworth

Election Inspectors Wanted!

The Buchanan City Clerk's office will be accepting applications for Precinct Election Inspectors through the month of April. Applications may be obtained at the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 302 N. Redbud Trail, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. You may call the City Clerk's office at 695-3844 if you have any questions.

Community Wide Garage Sales

Is your garage cluttered? Do you have toys, clothes, furniture, or just plain "junk" you need to get rid of? Then join with your neighbors and help clean out your garages in the annual Community Wide Garage Sale!

This year's event will be held on June 15th and 16th. Garage Sale Permits can be obtained at City Hall for \$3, and we'll put your address on the map!

Sponsored by:

City of Buchanan and the Chamber of Commerce

Flushing Fire Hydrants

Fire hydrants will be flushed MONDAY, TUESDAY, and WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9th, 10th, and 11th, 2007 between 7:00 P.M. and 1:00 A.M.

This procedure may stir up some sand or rust. A discoloration of the water may be a result of this process. Residents should run their water to check for discoloration before using.

Egg Hunt

Hop on over to the Common and find the eggs! This year's event will take place at The Common at 11:00 a.m. on April 7th.

Sponsored by:

Buchanan High School Senior Class

Arbor Day Ceremony

This year's Arbor Day celebration will kick off at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, April 27th, at the Gazebo. Area officials will be present at the ceremony to commemorate the event. If the day should be rainy, the event will be moved indoors to the Moccasin Elementary gymnasium. If you have questions, please call City Hall at 695-3844.

City Spring Clean-Up Day

This year's City Spring Clean-up Day is scheduled for May 11th and May 12th, at the Department of Public Works Building, 606 Clark St. Rules include: city residency, no Freon in appliances, and no flammable materials, tires, paint cans, batteries, oil, or medical waste. For more information, please call the Police Department at 695-5120.

Skip the Trip -- Sign Up to Pay Your Utility Bills Electronically

The City offers two convenient ways to pay your utility bills electronically, free of charge!!

Log on to www.cityofbuchanan.com and click the maroon "Pay your utility bills electronically" button for all the details. If you have questions, please call City Hall at 695-3846.

Cemetery Decorations

Winter decorations may be maintained from November 1st through April 1st. If they are not removed by April 2nd, they will be considered abandoned and shall be disposed of.

Summer decorations may be maintained from April 15th through October 1st. If they are not removed by October 2nd, they will be considered abandoned and shall be disposed of.

