

Fall Yard Services Available to Wyoming Residents

The City of Wyoming has several yard waste disposal services available to help keep yards looking neat as leaves begin to fall.

The yard waste drop-off site at 2660 Burlingame S.W. is open to residents Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Dec. 12.

There is no limit on the size of branches or shrubs accepted at the site, however residents must be able to unload the yard waste themselves.

If yard waste materials are delivered in bags, totes or boxes, the containers must be removed from the facility.

Leaf removal containers are available through Nov. 25. A container is delivered to a home and picked up the next business day for delivery to the yard waste site. Containers are 11 feet long, 6 feet wide and 3 feet high, or 7.5 cubic yards. The cost of container delivery and rental is \$10 for a weekday and \$20 for a weekend. Reservations are required at least 24 hours in advance. Reservations can be made by phone with a credit card

by calling 530-7260. Residents may also visit the office to pay with cash or a check.

A curb-side leaf pick up will be held on Saturday, Dec. 5. Leaves must be in paper yard waste bags by 6 a.m. Saturday. There is no limit to the number of bags residents can put out. Branches that are tied together in bundles less than four feet long will also be picked up.

For more information, contact the Public Works Department at 530-7260.

MAYOR'S Message



The Wyoming Employee Community Outreach program, or WECO, is a 501(c)3 organization led by City employees who support the City of Wyoming beyond their official duties.

Since 2003, WECO has helped more than 2,000 Wyoming kids from 745 families get the school supplies, backpacks, clothes and shoes they need to successfully start a new school year.

In late August, City employees held a loose change drive in support of WECO. Employees raised a total of \$1,855.88, which will help purchase school supplies for almost 25 students in Wyoming.

WECO was also awarded a Difference Maker award from Marco Products this year. As a result, WECO provided 50 backpacks to children in cooperation with a drive that was coordinated by the Wyoming Housing Commission.

I am proud of our City employees, and especially grateful for those who are informed of the needs in our community and involved with the City above and beyond their duties. I encourage you, too, to be involved and be informed.

Mayor Jack A. Poll

State of Michigan Principle Residence Exemption Audit

The State of Michigan Principal Residence Exemption, or PRE, Unit has put in place an audit system to locate homeowners who have a Homestead credit on properties that do not qualify for this exemption. Unqualified properties include second homes and rental properties.

The PRE must be rescinded for properties that are not occupied by their owner. Failure to rescind the exemption will result in owing back taxes, interest and fines.

Forms and further information regarding the PRE program can be found at michigan.gov/taxes. Request to rescind forms are also available by contacting the City Assessor's Office at 530.7231.

News Briefs

PARKS AND RECREATION PUMPKIN PATH will be held on Saturday, Oct. 10 in Lamar Park. This free family event will take place from 5 - 7 p.m., with local businesses, clubs and organizations hosting spaces along the path and handing out goodies including candy, coupons and prizes. Costumes are optional for the Pumpkin Path. For more information, call 530-3164 or email Valarie Mester at mesterv@wyomingmi.gov.

HALLOWEEN INFORMATION City Council has refrained from setting days or hours for trick-or-treating as they do not feel it is their place to dictate such activities. Those who wish to participate in such activities are encouraged to do so on October 31 and to only visit those homes with porch lights on. Likewise, homeowners who are interested in participating are encouraged to turn porch lights on when welcoming trick-or-treaters, and to turn porch lights off when not. The City of Wyoming does have a nightly curfew for those under 18 years of age that will be in effect on October 31. The curfew for unaccompanied kids under 12 years old is 10 p.m. to 6 a.m., while the curfew for unaccompanied kids 12 to 16 years old is midnight to 6 a.m.

MICHIGAN BLOOD BLOOD DONORS make a lifesaving difference. You may be eligible to give blood if you are a healthy person age 17 or older (or 16 with parent's or guardian's consent), weighing 110 pounds or more. MI Blood summer blood drives at Wyoming City Hall, 1155 28th St. SW, will be held in council chambers on Wednesday, Oct. 14 and Wednesday, Dec. 9 from 8 a.m. to noon. Donors must sign in, present a photo identification or two forms of non-photo ID. Donors who are 16 years old also need to present a parental consent form.

PUBLIC SAFETY CAR SEAT INSPECTIONS will be available Thursday, Oct. 8 and Thursday Nov. 12 at Wyoming Fire Station #1, 1500 Burton St. SW from 5 to 8 p.m. Call Safe Kids of Greater Grand Rapids at 391-7233, ext. 2 to pre-register.

WYOMING HISTORICAL COMMISSION ARE YOU A HISTORY BUFF? Interested in learning more about Wyoming's history? Check out the Wyoming Historical Commission's Facebook page at facebook.com/wyoming.historyroom.

LIBRARY HEALTH INSURANCE ENROLLMENT ASSISTANCE will be available for adults on Thursday, Oct. 15 and Thursday, Nov. 19 from 1 to 4 p.m. Cherry Street Health Services enrollment staff and other community organizations will provide information about the Healthy Michigan Plan and assistance in applying. There will be a question and answer session as well as on-site enrollment assistance. Call (866) 299-1339 or visit cherryhealth.org for more information.

ADULT BOOK CLUB is a friendly, informal discussion on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. The October selection is "Invention of Wings," by Sue Monk Kidd followed by "The Fault in Our Stars," by John Green in November.

WORKSHOP YOUR RESUME program offered for job-seekers. Learn the basics of writing an effective cover letter and have the opportunity to peer review resumes in an informal workshop setting. Please be sure to bring one hard copy of your resume and have a digital copy available on a flash drive or online. Instructors will assist students in filling out online resumes. The program will be held Wednesday, Oct. 21 and Wednesday Nov. 25 at 10 a.m.

For further details on these and the library's many programs, stop in the library to pick up a program guide, check out www.kdl.org or call 784-2007.

Telephone Numbers

Mayor's Office	530-7227
City Manager.....	530-3173
City Clerk	530-7296
Police Department.....	530-7300
Fire Department	530-7250
Public Works	530-7260
Utilities	261-3550
Planning & Community	
Development.....	530-7258
Parks & Recreation.....	530-3164
Building Inspections.....	530-7285
Assessor	530-7231
District Court.....	257-9814
Treasurer	530-7280
Utility Billing.....	530-7389
Wyoming Senior Center.....	530-3190
Wyoming Public Library.....	784-2007

Meetings

City Council Meeting | on the first and third Mondays of the month at 7 p.m. at City Hall in Council Chambers.

City Council Work Sessions | on the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at City Hall in Council Chambers.

Planning Commissions Meetings | on the third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at City Hall in Council Chambers.

Zoning Board Of Appeals | on the first and third Monday afternoons of the month at 1:30 p.m. at City Hall in Council Chambers.

Parks & Recreation Commission | on the second Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. at City Hall in the West Conference Room

Wyoming City Council

- Jack Poll, Mayor
- Sam Bolt, Mayor Pro tem,
- Council Member-at-Large
- Dan Burrill, Council Member-at-Large
- Kent Vanderwood, Council Member-at-Large
- Bill VerHulst, 1st Ward Council Member
- Richard K. Pastoor, 2nd Ward Council Member
- Joanne Voorhees, 3rd Ward Council Member

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