

Board of Commissioners Update

FROM YOUR MACOMB COUNTY COMMISSIONER

1 South Main St., Mount Clemens • Phone: (586)469-5125

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Dear Neighbor,

I am pleased to serve as both your county commissioner and representative voice.

The Board of Commissioners encourages open communication with our constituents, and feedback and public involvement at our meetings. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or suggestions on how we can make Macomb County an even better place to live, learn, and do business. You will find my contact information throughout this newsletter.

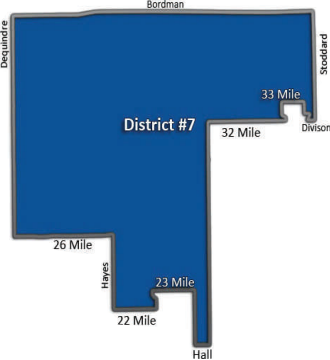
To attend a monthly full board or committee meeting, check www.MacombBOC.com for meeting dates and agendas, or call our office at (586) 469-5125. The BoC meets on the 9th Floor of the Administration Building, 1 S. Main, Mount Clemens.

Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year,

Don Brown

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District 7



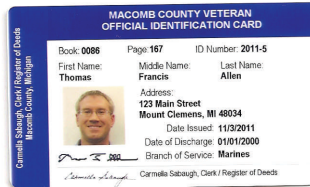
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County-issued Veteran ID Cards Now Available

A new photo ID card is now available to Macomb County veterans through the Office of Clerk/Register of Deeds, Carmella Sabaugh.

Many businesses offer veterans special benefits, discounts, or services as a way to express gratitude for their service to our country. The ID card can be a way to provide veterans with proof of service (while being more portable than DD214 forms), and the card does not exclude some veterans (as in the case of health care ID cards.) The cards are an optional form of ID, and are available to veterans at no additional cost to the county.

Veterans may obtain a card by bringing the following to the county clerk's office:

- Military discharge papers: (such as a DD214)
- Photo identification: (MI driver's license, or MI ID card)
- \$10 fee: (cash, check, credit card)

Not all merchants offer special services or discounts to veterans, but an unofficial list of participating businesses is available at:

www.themilitarywallet.com.

For more information regarding the veterans photo ID card, please call the Clerk/Register of Deeds office at (586) 469-5205. Assistance with any other veteran-related issues can also be directed to Veterans Services at (586) 469-5315.

Ethics Ordinance Leads the Way

The Board of Commissioners has adopted an ordinance establishing a standard of ethics for all public servants in the county (county employees, elected officials, commissioners and appointees). This makes Macomb the largest county in Michigan to have a dedicated ordinance, and the only county in the tri-county area.

The ordinance helps reinforce a culture of transparency and accountability which the Board has long worked toward, and raises the ethical bar even higher for public servants than previous policies. Several ordinances and examples from the State Attorney General's office, the Michigan Municipal League, and the new Macomb County charter were used as models to craft the document.

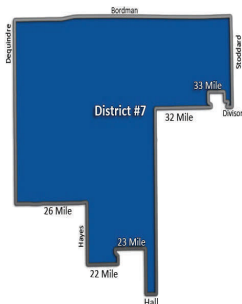
It aggressively address issues such as nepotism, gifts and gratuities, inappropriate use of county time and property and it calls for personal disclosure by officials to prevent conflicts of interest pertaining to county business.

The ordinance takes effect January 1, 2012.



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News & Information



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Bruce Township ~ Supervisor James Tignanelli

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Macomb Township ~ Supervisor Mark Grabow

www.macomb-mi.gov
(586) 992-0710

Ray Township ~ Supervisor Charles Bohm

www.raytownship.org
(586) 749-5171

Richmond Township ~ Supervisor Gordon Fuerstenau

www.richmondtp.org
(586) 727-8998

Washington Township ~ Supervisor Dan O'Leary

www.washingtontownship.org
(586) 786-0010

Village of Armada ~ President Sherri Cooper

www.villageofarmada.org
(586) 784-9151

Village of Romeo ~ President Michael Lee

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City of Memphis ~ Mayor Daniel Weaver

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Events Around Macomb County

5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. February 4: Family Snowball Dance:

Put on your "Sunday Best" for this fun evening. The event features a full buffet dinner, non-alcoholic beverages, dessert, DJ music with games, dancing, and raffles. Ages 3 and under are free. Register by January 24 for a discounted rate (\$12). The event will be held at Capital Banquet Center, 31 Mile. Romeo, Washington, Bruce residents are eligible to enter a free drawing for a limo ride to the dance if you register by January 21. To register, visit www.rwbparksrec.org, or call (586) 752-6543.

Meals on Wheels Seeks Volunteers

Macomb County Community Services Agency (MCCSA) needs volunteer drivers to deliver meals to homebound senior citizens through Meals on Wheels. The program allows seniors to get regular, nutritious meals while remaining in their homes. Drivers are needed in Clinton Township, New Baltimore, New Haven, Romeo, Roseville, St. Clair Shores, Sterling Heights, and Warren. Volunteers are asked to drive a midday lunch route at least twice a month. For more information, contact MCCSA Senior Nutrition Program at (586) 469-5228 or sign up online at www.MacombCountyMi.gov/MCCSA

Macomb County Phone Numbers:



Animal Shelter: (586) 469-5115

Clerk/Register of Deeds: (586) 469-5120

Community Mental Health:

Access Center: (586) 948-0222 V/Collect

Crisis Center: (586) 307-9100 V/TDD/Collect

Office of the County Executive: (586) 469-7001

Substance Abuse Access: (586) 541-2273

Friend of the Court: 24-hour case info: (586) 469-7618

Health Department: (586) 586-469-5235

Land File Division: (586) 469-5312

Senior Citizen Services (586) 469-6313

Sheriff's Department (586) 469-5151

Treasurer's Office (586) 469-5190

Veterans Services (586) 469-5315