



Marion County Tax Collector Newsletter



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From the desk of George Albright, Marion County Tax Collector:

It is with the greatest of happiness I am able to inform you I was re-elected without opposition for another four year term. I am extremely humbled to be given this opportunity to continue to serve as your Tax Collector. I remain committed to our daily goal of great customer service, and spending the tax payers hard earned dollars wisely. We relish the opportunity to “earn our wings” everyday with the citizens of Marion County!

Parking Placard Requirements

Due to recent legislative changes, effective July 1, 2012 it will now be necessary to submit an Application for Disabled Parking Permit (HSMV form 83039) dated within the last 12 months if you are replacing a lost or stolen parking placard.

Effective October 1, 2012 it will now be necessary to submit an Application for Disabled Parking Permit (HSMV 83039) dated within the last 12 months if you are renewing your existing placard.



To obtain an Application for Disabled Parking Permit you can go online and go to www.flhsmv.gov and search for HSMV form 83039 under forms. If you are having difficulty viewing or accessing this form, please call 352-368-8200 and we would be glad to fax or e-mail it to you. These forms are also available for pick up at any of our branch locations. Please make sure you have this form to ensure prompt and speedy service.

Check out our website for any updates, forms, drivers license requirements, motor vehicle titling questions, past newsletters and much more!

www.mariontax.com

Drivers License Emergency Contact Information

The Emergency Contact Information System was developed after Christine Olson's daughter, Tiffany, was fatally injured in a traffic accident in 2005. There was no emergency contact system in place and several hours passed before Ms. Olson was notified of her daughter's passing. Wanting to help others avoid this experience, Ms. Olson approached her Legislator, Representative Bill Galvano, and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

This information is gathered from you during a drivers license or identification card transaction and is stored in the Driver and Vehicle Information Database system, which is a secured database used by most law enforcement agencies in the state of Florida. This information can only be accessed by law enforcement and is only used to notify designated contacts if a motorist is seriously injured or killed in a traffic crash.

To sign up or to make any changes to your Emergency Contacts go to the link listed below.

<https://services.flhsmv.gov/eci/>

March of Dimes

The Marion County Tax Collector's office was a proud participant in the 2012 March of Dimes campaign. We won 1st place in our division and also took 1st place for our Spirit Station. Thank you to all the SUPERHEROES who participated and walked with us. Together we were able to raise a total of \$6043 to help the babies!



Summer Fun & Tidbits

As we all know, summer can be brutal here in Florida. Just a friendly reminder to keep yourself hydrated by drinking lots of water during the summer months. Keep an eye out for children and the elderly, they run the highest risk of getting dehydrated quickly. Here are a few facts about dehydration:



You must remember to drink even when you're not thirsty, it takes a loss of 1% - 2% of your body's ideal water content to cause dehydration.



Beverages containing alcohol and caffeine create an un-quenchable thirst in the body. Caffeinated beverages can act as diuretics, increasing urine production and promoting loss of fluids.



Don't misinterpret your thirst for hunger. Drink a nice, cold glass of water and wait a minute or two. You'll find you're not as hungry as you thought.



Drinking ice cold water actually makes you lose weight because fat calories are burned to bring the water temperature up to internal 98.6° F.



Don't like plain water? Spice it up by adding fresh mint leaves, lemons or cucumbers. Get creative, use your imagination!

- ◆ Check out some upcoming summer recreational programs hosted by the City of Ocala. Go to their website at www.ocalaf1.org/recpark for more information and programs!
- ◆ To find summer programs hosted by Marion County Parks & Recreation go to www.marioncountyfl.org. Click on 'Departments' and select 'Parks and Recreation'.
- ◆ 4th of July Fireworks will be held at the Ocala Jaycees 42nd Annual God and Country Day located at the Golden Ocala property at the corner of HWY 27 and CR 225A. Festivities start at 1pm. Hope to see you there!

