

Marion County Tax Collector Newsletter



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Driving Tests in Belleview, Dunnellon and Ocala

The Marion County Tax Collector's branch offices in Belleview, Dunnellon, and Ocala (110 SE 25th Ave) provide the driving test for those customers receiving a Class E drivers license. From December 2010 to November 2011 we have administered 4,127 driving tests. We have hired three part-time employees, Dan Gagnon, Andy DeSantis, and Jimmy Sprinkle (pictured), to be our permanent driving testers. Please call our customer service call center at 352-368-8200, to book your driving test appointment.



Need to file an IRS Form 2290 to register your truck today?

To better serve you, the Marion County Tax Collector has made special arrangements with the IRS to make it easier for you to register your truck. <u>At your option</u>, we will forward your completed Form 2290, Schedule 1, and remittance to the IRS on your behalf. You will not need to wait for a receipted Schedule 1 from the IRS then revisit us to register your truck. <u>Your participation in this service is entirely voluntary</u>. Upon acceptance of your completed Form 2290, Schedule 1, we will also process your truck registration! Thus this is now a same day one step process!

We will review your return for completion of certain entries. We will mail your return and payment to the IRS on the business day following receipt of your return. However, you will leave our office with your truck registration renewed the same day you come into our office. Neither the Tax Collector nor the IRS is responsible for any delays or mishandling of your return or remittance before the IRS receives it. You are liable for any tax, penalties and interest that may be due. If the IRS determines you owe additional amounts, they will bill you directly after they received the return.

This office is voluntarily offering this service to registrants. We are not reimbursed for this service. We are not an agent or contractor of the IRS. We do not receive confidential return information from the IRS records of your account.

If you have any questions about your Federal Heavy Use Taxes, please contact the IRS at 1-866-699-4096 or visit your nearest IRS office.

If you have any questions about this program, call Marion County Tax Collector's office 352-368-8200.

Upcoming Charity Events

Our **2nd Annual Car Show** will be held March 10,2012. To register a car please contact Louann DeSantis at 352-368-8218 or e-mail ldesantis@mariontax.com. The cost of pre-registering for the show is \$15 and \$20 at the gate. We hope to see you there!

As always we are accepting food or monetary donations for Interfaith Emergency Services and the Food 4 Kids backpack program. The Food 4 Kids program has grown tremendously in response to the need in Marion County and is now helping to feed 1475 children weekly! During this time of year it is particularly hard to



Wishing you Happy Holidays from our family to yours!

stocked to help those in need. Please keep that in mind as your couponing and picking up those buy one, get one free items!

keep the pantry shelves

AAA Tow To Go Program

Recently, FHP joined forces with NASCAR, Anheuser Busch, and AAA Auto Club South to promote this year's *Tow to Go* program. The program, available throughout Florida, is designed to protect both the intoxicated driver and the motoring public from avoidable crashes. Anyone who is too impaired to drive is encouraged to call 1-800-AAA-HELP so that a AAA tow truck will be dispatched to pick up the impaired driver's vehicle and take the driver safely home at no charge. This program is provided through January 2, 2012.



TOW TO GO



AAA and Budweiser partner to provide free rides to guests who have too much to drink.

1-800-AAA-HELP
Gets you AND your car home safely.

Throughout Florida a number of programs offer free rides to individuals who have had too much to drink. Various taxi services, wrecker companies, and other businesses may offer such services to keep impaired drivers from getting behind the wheel.

AAA and Budweiser offer a service called "Tow to Go" that provides private party goers and licensed establishments a way to get people home safely. Adults in need of a ride can call 1-800-AAA-HELP. AAA will dispatch a tow truck and will take both the driver and the vehicle home, free of charge. This service is available throughout Florida - to both AAA members and non-members.

Tow to Go removes the number one excuse for drunk driving - the intoxicated motorist not wanting to leave their car - by not only taking the driver home safely, but also their vehicle home safely too.