

March 5, 2012

The village received notice that the annual “Clean Community Event” will be held April 21st at the Clinton County Road Commission site off old US 27 just south of St. Johns. For those who are not familiar, this event happens twice a year – St. Johns in the spring and DeWitt in the fall – and its goal is to allow county residents and small businesses to properly dispose of problem waste materials, to clean up properties and homes of historic junk items, and to divert household items to reuse and recycle. Since 2004, these events have recycled nearly 1.9 millions pounds of materials and landfilled nearly 4 million pounds of junk.

Clean Community Events assist residents in recycling or properly disposing of just about any household generated waste item. Items accepted include household hazardous waste, farm and landscaping chemicals, motor oil and antifreeze, electronic waste, bulky waste or junk items, scrap metal, appliances, tires, yard waste and clothing, textiles and reusable household items for donation.

Most items are collected for free. However, there are fees for certain items which are listed on the Fee Schedule posted on the County Web site (see below). The events are also open to small businesses, however additional fees do apply for hazardous and electronic waste items dropped off by small businesses.

You must schedule an appointment to drop items off. To schedule an appointment or for more information call 989-224-5186 or send an email to waste@clinton-county.org. There is also additional information on the County Web site. Go to www.clinton-county.org, click “Departments” and select “Department of Waste Management” then click the “Current Events” link. In the upper-left corner of the Current Events page you will see “CCE Links”, use these links for additional information including the fee schedule and an on-line registration (appointment) form.

I have personally participated in the Clean Community Events in the past and highly recommend them. These events are a great asset in helping to protect our community environment by providing a safe way to dispose of problem, and sometimes hazardous, waste materials. Please consider taking advantage of this excellent opportunity to safely ride your household of problem waste materials.

Sincerely,

Dean Kohagen, President
Village of Westphalia

