Williamsburg Township Newsletter

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From The Trustees

Summer is almost here and after the bitter cold and snowy winter we just had, warm sunny days will be welcomed by all of us. We hope everyone has a safe enjoyable summer. In recent months the clermont County commissioners and Clermont County Enginneer have placed several public roads into the Williamsburg Township Public Road System. The road names are Rhodes Dr., East Fork Hill Dr., East Fork Valley Dr., and Old SR 133. With the addition of these roads Williamsburg Township now maintains 18.7 miles of roadway.

Township residents are permitted to use the Village Compost Facility for a nominal fee of $5 per load (not to exceed $50 in a calendar year). This fee must be paid in advance at the village office, 107 West Main St.,during regular business hours. The facility accepts chipped brush, grass clippings, and leaves, and is open Wednesday from 3:30 to 4:30pm and Saturday from 9:00 to 10:00am.

We would like to remind the residents of the township and village that Williamsburg has a Community Recycling Station located at the corner of N. Eighth St. and Gay St., under the water tower. The recycling bins at this location are provided by Adams - Clermont Recycling and Rumpke Recycling. Some of the items accepted are plastic bottles with lids removed, newspapers and magazines, cardboard and paperboard, mixed papers, phone books, aluminum, bi-metal and steel cans, and empty aerosol cans with lids removed. For more recycling information contact Rumpke at 1-877-RUMPKEE-7 or www.rumpke.com.

From the Cemetery Sexton and Road Maintenance Supervisor

Grass mowing season is here again, any decorations or materials placed on the grass during mowing season will be discarded except on Memorial Day and 5 working days after it.

Williamsburg Township has Cemetery graves available at the Williamsburg Cemetery and Concord Cemetery. Cost is $250 per grave for Williamsburg residents and $650 per grave for non-residents.

Township clean-up will be held on the 4th, 5th and 6th of June 2009 and on the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd of Oct. 2009. Dumpsters will be available at the North end of North 8th Street from 8:00am to 8:00pm on Thursday and Friday and 8:00am to 4:00pm on Saturday. A Rumpke Compactor truck will also be available. The township can not except any unit containing refrigant, liquid paint, chemicals or batteries.

The Township will except 3 tires of any size from each resident. The township will be mowing Township roads the week of the 26th of May. The road crew would appreciate it if you would slow down and be alert for the Maintenance personnel and equipment.

Williamsburg Township Zoning Office 2009

It is time to repeat the regulations for private swimming pools in Williamsburg Township. **This includes the <u>air filled portable pools</u>. It is necessary to have a fence around the pools for the safety of all, especially small children. There is no cost and no permit needed for the fencing.**

Article 11
Section 1102 Swimming Pools
A private swimming pool, but not including farm pond, as regulated herein, shall be any pool above or below ground, pond, lake or open tank, not located within a completely enclosed building, and containing, or normally capable of containing water to a depth at any point greater than one and one-half (1 ½) feet. No such swimming pool shall be allowed in any district except as an accessory use and unless it complies with the following conditions and requirements:

1. The pool is intended and is used solely for the enjoyment of the occupants and/or guests of the principal use of the property on which it is located.
2. It may not be located closer than twenty (20) feet to any property line and be located in the rear yard and behind the rear line (rear exterior wall) of the residential dwelling.
3. The depth of the swimming pool shall be clearly marked at each end of the pool and the depth in feet shall be clearly marked along the side of the pool for each foot of depth.
4. The swimming pool and all of the area used by the bathers shall be walled or fenced to prevent uncontrolled access by children from the street or adjacent properties. Said fence or wall shall not be less than four (4) feet in height, must be constructed of a substantial material, be a minimum of five (5) feet from the outer wall or edge of the pool, and shall be maintained in good condition with a gate and lock except for above ground pools with fencing which meets the provisions of subparagraph 5 below.
5. The fencing for an above ground pool under four (4) feet may be located on the outer pool walls. The combined height of the pool wall and fence shall be a minimum of four (4) feet above ground, the four (4) foot wall of the above ground pool shall fulfill the requirement of a four (4) foot wall. All pool access points are to be provided with a lockable fence gate and a removable ladder to prohibit access to the pool when not in use.
6. The drains for the pool shall be so located that the water will not flow onto the property of an adjoining property owner so as to constitute a nuisance or a health hazard.

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News from your Emergency Services

Williamsburg Township Emergency Service has been very busy with the ice storm in Jan. and early Feb. we had around 30 calls for wires and trees down. Just a reminder if you find wires down or trees into wires we will respond and check if it is safe for us to remove, but when electrical wires are involved the power company must come and tell us it is safe to proceed. Those wires can become live by them putting a line back in service or someone having a generator back feeding to the wires. Williamsburg Township added two more weather sirens to our severe weather warning system. We received a matching grant from the Ohio Emergency Management to help with the cost of these sirens. Locations are McKeever Pk. and Bethel Concord Rd.

Williamsburg Township Emergency Services division of EMS has ordered a new Life Squad to replace our 1997 model, it should be delivered in a couple of months.

Williamsburg Garden Club News

The 2009 GARDEN TOUR, sponsored by the Williamsburg Garden Club, will be held on Saturday, July 18 from 11 A.M. until 4 P.M. - Rain or Shine! The self¬guided tour will include eight gardens, each with its own unique characteristics. Four of the gardens will feature artists from the Women's Art Club of Cincinnati. Those artists will be: Mary Helen Wallace (Watercolors and Pastels), Jan Boone (Oils), Myrt Blankenbueler (Pastels and Portraits) and Mary Jean Weber (Oils).

Three area businesses are offering a 10% discount (on purchases made on 7/18) to tour participants who show their tickets at checkout. Those businesses are: Ellis Farm and Garden, More Specialty Plants and Landscaping, and Denise's Garden.

Advance tickets and maps will be available for $7 each from club members. For more information, please call (513) 724-3001 (Joy) or (513) 724-3657 (Julie). Tickets will also be available on 7/18 from 9 until 1 at Windy's World, 127 West Main Street, Williamsburg; for $8 each:

HARMONY HILL

Did you know that the oldest structure in Clermont County is located at 299 South Third Street in Williamsburg? It is the Dairy House at Harmony Hill, the homestead site of Major General William Lytle, founder of the town that was to become Williamsburg.

In 1796, Lytle founded our town and chose five hundred acres of prime property for his home. He named his homestead site "Harmony Hill," and there, in 1800, John Charles built Lytle's home, dairy house and land office. From the porch of his home he could look over the East Fork Valley and see travelers on the Dela Palma Road -the main route to the Ohio State Capitol in Chillicothe.

Lytle was a surveyor, and he sold thousands of acres of land from this historic site. He also served as our county's first Postmaster and Clerk of courts.

If you are interested in learning more about the history of our town, the activities of Harmony Hill Association, or if you have any items you would care to donate or loan to the museum, please call 724-7824. Our museum is open (free of charge) to visitors from 1=4 on the first Saturday of each month. (2009 Exceptions: July 4 and September 5.) You are also invited to visit the museum during our annual Lytle birthday celebration which will be on Sunday. August 23, 2009, from 2-5, and on County-wide Museum Day on Saturday. September 13 between 10 and 5, and on Sunday, September 14 between 12 and 5.

If you would like to become a member of Harmony Hill Association, Inc., please complete the application form below and bring or mail it to: **HARMONY HILL ASSOCIATION, INC., 299 South Third Street, Williamsburg, Ohio 45176. Please make checks payable to: Harmony Hill Association, Inc.;** contributions are tax deductible. To receive your membership gift (for first-time members), please visit us at the museum and bring the membership card which you will receive in the mail.

Harmony Hill Association Annual Memberships:

Student (K-12): $3 Single Adult: $12 Family: $24

Membership dues are effective: January 1-December 31

Please print clearly:

Name:_____

Street:_____

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Spring Clean-up Dates

June 4th, 5th & 6th

Fall Clean-up Dates

Oct. 1st, 2nd & 3rd

Details inside newsletter

The Old High School Grounds in Williamsburg, Ohio
(513) 724-6107

June in Olde Williamsburgh

June 5th, 6th & 7th

- *Rides*
- *Food*
- *Fireworks*
- *Live Band*
- *& More*

For more information & schedule of events, go to www.williamsburgohio.org