



Williamsburg Township Newsletter

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Township Trustee Meetings ~ 2nd & 4th Monday 7:00 PM at Township Hall, located on Alexander Ln.

Williamsburg Township Newsletter can be seen at Williamsburgtownship.org

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From The Trustees



Williamsburg Township Trustees is sporting a new website, thanks to Township Fiscal Officer Greg Carson for designing and building the website, to include a new logo. Please take the time to become familiar with the site at williamsburgtownship.org. Important information, such as; roadwork and maintenance, EMS, cemetery, fire, zoning, demographics, and other useful links, are available to review.

One link of interest, at the bottom of the website, is the South Afton Park. This initiative continues to be a great point of interest, and tremendous opportunity for our township. We have observed the last harvest on the west side of South Afton Park and preparation of the site will begin this fall. Entering the link will give you the details of Clermont County's largest planned industrial site.

The 242 acres was purchased on February 1, 2016 to create a business ready commercial park. Once completed, the initiative could provide up to 1,855 meaningful permanent jobs, and support an additional 1,625 jobs. It is suggested that the payroll impact could be as much as \$186 million, according to the economic center study, which will result in a significant tax base for our Williamsburg School District. Clermont County Economic Development Director Andy Kuchta and Assistant Director Adele Evans are dedicated to making this project a success in our community. Your Williamsburg Township Trustees appreciate their progressive approach and vision. We are prepared to support them, as well as, work closely with them, to make our community one to work and live in.

Williamsburg Emergency Chief Kevin Wiedemann, and his team, have been working hard to keep our response team up to date. Recently, Dr. Thomas Charlton MD was added to Williamsburg Township, as Medical Director. Dr. Charlton has been working with the team throughout the summer to keep our emergency services top notch, to better serve our community. A special "thank you" to Ernie Ramos, Chief Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Clermont County. Mr. Ramos guided Williamsburg Township through the process to properly contract Dr. Charlton, as our Medical Director. Mr. Ramos, who was raised in Williamsburg, continues to give back to his community. He works for Vince Farris, Clermont County Prosecutor, which supports our team for legal guidance and provides a talented service.

Chief Wiedemann has led the march to purchase a new state-of the-art ambulance. The new vehicle provides new technology to continue to provide the best services possible for our community.

Brian Tatman, Williamsburg Township Maintenance Manager, has the salt bins full and all snow removal equipment geared up, to keep us safe this winter. Please review the following snow advisory guidelines, in case a snow advisory is established.

Clermont County Snow Advisory Information Snow advisory notifications are broadcast by local television and radio stations

NOTE: We request that citizens get snow advisory information from Radio/TV broadcasts rather than calling the Sheriff's Office or Communications Center.

Under Ohio law County Sheriffs may declare "Snow Advisories" as appropriate. When the condition of roads and highways within Clermont County has become impaired as the result of snow or ice, a snow advisory may be declared and conveyed to all electronic and print media within the Greater Cincinnati area.

In Clermont County snow emergencies are used sparingly, and only when roadway conditions are treacherous throughout the entire county.

There are three levels of Snow Advisories:*- Continued From Page 1 -*

Level One: "ROADWAYS ARE HAZARDOUS WITH BLOWING AND DRIFTING SNOW. ROADS ARE ALSO ICY. DRIVE VERY CAUTIOUSLY." This level of snow emergency is merely advisory in nature, cautioning motorists to drive carefully on snow covered and icy roadways. Since this states the obvious, this level will rarely be used in Clermont County.

Level Two: "ROADWAYS ARE HAZARDOUS WITH BLOWING AND DRIFTING SNOW. ONLY THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO FEEL IT IS NECESSARY TO DRIVE SHOULD BE OUT ON THE ROADWAYS. CONTACT YOUR EMPLOYER TO SEE IF YOU SHOULD REPORT FOR WORK." This level of snow advisory is more severe than Level One and recommends that only necessary vehicular travel be undertaken. There are NO legal restrictions or penalties for driving under a Level Two advisory. Offices and businesses have the discretion to establish "Work or NoWork" policies for their staff and employees under this level.

Level Three: "ALL ROADWAYS ARE CLOSED TO NON-EMERGENCY PERSONNEL. NO ONE SHOULD BE OUT DURING THESE CONDITIONS UNLESS IT IS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY TO TRAVEL. ALL EMPLOYEES SHOULD CONTACT THEIR EMPLOYER TO SEE IF THEY SHOULD REPORT TO WORK. THOSE TRAVELING ON THE ROADWAYS MAY SUBJECT THEMSELVES TO ARREST." This information can be viewed at clermont.sheriff.org

Last but not least, The Williamsburg Township Trustees would like to acknowledge the effort of the Old Firehouse Brewery, 237 West Main Street, in the Village of Williamsburg. For their first year anniversary, OFB raised over \$1,700.00 for your local Williamsburg Emergency Services that will go towards a new thermal imaging camera. We want to congratulate you on your first year anniversary and the support you give to our Community. Thank you! Respectfully,

Bari Henning Gary Jordan Guy Bainum

Williamsburg Township Zoning Office

The Williamsburg Township Zoning Resolutions will be on line sometime in the future.

It is now being updated for more concise and efficient reading and understanding.

This is a long process as the first resolutions were done in 1966. There have been changes made during the years.

Now we are hoping for a better understanding for all to read.

The Clermont County Department of Community & Economic Development Planners has been working to complete the printing. This is a project that the County helps communities with at no cost.

If this was done by private planners there would be several hundred dollars cost. Not saying they could not get it done but we need to save where we can.



News from your Emergency Services



It's hard to believe that 2016 is coming to an end. This has been a tremendous year for the department with a purchase of a 2016 Horton Ambulance, and a 2016 Expedition (Chiefs car/First Responder unit), and we have updated some of our aging equipment. This would not be possible without the support of our Trustee's and the Community, the department is very fortunate to have such a great support system.

The department would like to welcome the following members:

Taylor Scott- Firefighter

Amber Huff- EMT

Samantha Calloway- Paramedic

Vince Welch- Firefighter

The department would like to congratulate the following members:

Duane Willis promoted to Assistant Chief

Mike Carey promoted to Safety Officer

Seasonal Safety Reminders:

Change your clock, change your batteries and always have working smoke detectors.

Have a working CO detector along with working smoke detectors; you should have a working smoke detector on every level of your house.

If you have a live Christmas tree, please keep it watered.

The Williamsburg Township Emergency Services would like to wish everyone a safe and Happy Holiday Season and a healthy and prosperous 2017.

Thank you,

Kevin Wiedemann Fire Chief

Williamsburg Township Road and Cemetery

Winter is not to far away. Which means snow and ice will be here and could cause dangerous driving conditions. Remember when they are calling for bad weather allow yourself plenty of time to get to your destination safely. The maintenance department has approximately 125 tons of salt on hand to start the winter off this year. The cost of road salt for this year is \$56.99. We use around 100 tons of salt a year. When clearing your driveway, remember not to push the snow into the roadway you could be held liable if an accident occurs.

This year the township had a road pipe relined with concrete on Hageman's Crossing Road. It was a great benefit to the township due to the fact the road was not closed for several days and the life of the pipe has been extended many years. We are still out cleaning ditches on township roads. We will work on them as the weather permits. We have also cut brush back on Musgrove Road and Cain Run Road.

The township has plenty of grave spaces available. To see what we have available please call the office to make an appointment. So far this year we have had 59 funerals. We average around 75 funerals a year. Grave spaces are \$350 for a resident of the township

Harmony Hill



TOUR OF WILLIAMSBURG'S HISTORIC CEMETERY

The Williamsburg Harmony Hill Association recently sponsored a walking tour of Williamsburg's historic cemetery. Included on the tour were the burial sites of several early pioneers, Revolutionary and Civil War Veterans and abolitionists. Costumed interpreters were present at each site to relate interesting and entertaining stories about the individuals and the history of early Williamsburgh. Members of the Cincinnati Chapter of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution opened the event with the rededication of the Cemetery's Revolutionary War Monument, followed by a musket salute and the Pledge to the Flag.

The cast of interpreters were, left to right: William Everhart, Marlene Sorensen, Grant Grooms, Janet Grooms, Izella Cadwallader, Lucy Snell, Julia Hess and Homer Hatcher. (Not pictured, Gary Powell and Jack Bredenfoerder). Proceeds from the event will benefit local school programming. The Harmony Hill Museum is open the first Saturday of each month from 1:00 until 4:00 and by special appointment by calling 724-7824 or 724-7790. Izella Cadwallader, Publicity {513.724-7790 Williamsburg Harmony Hill Association

HISTORY NOTES above are courtesy of the HARMONY HILL ASSOCIATION, INC.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE HARMONY HILL ASSOCIATION ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE. TO JOIN, SIMPLY FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING APPLICATION AND SEND TO: Harmony Hill Association, Inc., % Beth Barth, 3905 Elston Hockstock Rd., Batavia, Ohio 45103. We will send you a receipt for tax purposes. Checks should be made payable to Harmony Hill Association, Inc.

Check one:

☐ Lifetime Family Membership - \$100 ☐ Annual Family Membership - \$24 ☐ Annual Single Adult - \$12
☐ Annual Student (K-12) - \$3 Corporate memberships or donations from individuals are also gladly accepted!

Name(s) _____ Phone _____

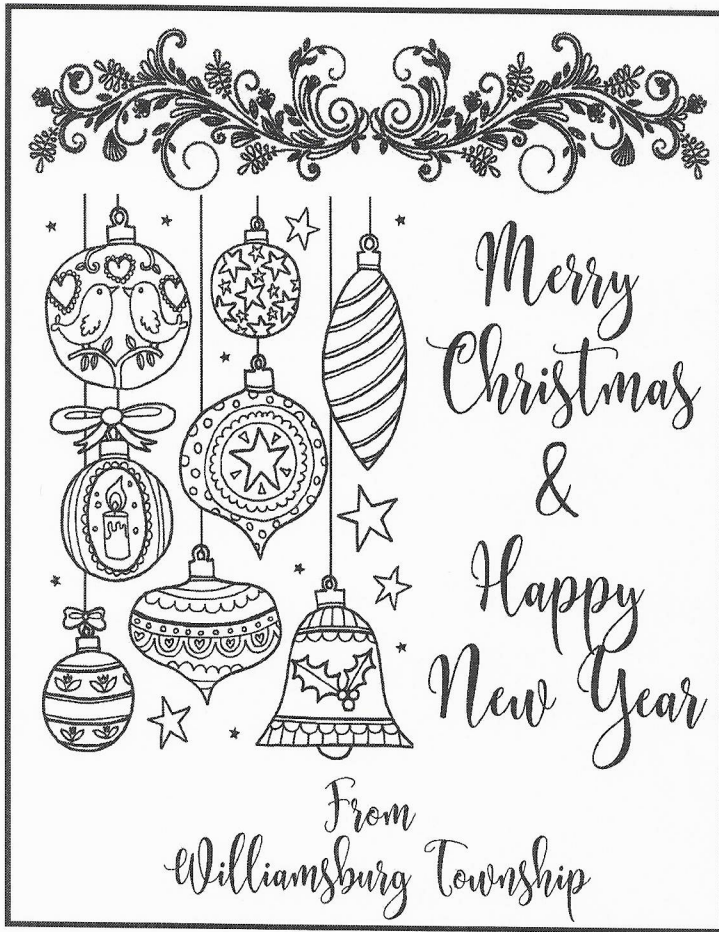
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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____ Membership _____ Donation _____

Annual memberships are effective from January 1 – December 31.

Visit the Harmony Hill Museum and Clermont County Historical Society Museum the first Saturday of each month from 1 P.M. to 4 P.M. at 299 South Third Street, Williamsburg.



Trains of Williamsburg 2016 Christmas Walk



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