

Williamsburg Township Newsletter

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From The Trustees

We as Township Trustees are responsible for maintaining all Township roads within Williamsburg Township. This includes such items as road maintenance, road improvement, cutting of weed and debris within the right-of-way, road drainage, display of street signs, and snow removal. However, not all roads within Williamsburg Township are Township roads. This sometimes creates confusion to residents as to who is responsible for the maintenance of the road you live on. All state highways are maintained by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT). The Clermont County Engineers maintain all county roads and Williamsburg Township maintains all Township roads. Also, within the Township there are private streets and roads, which are the responsibility of all abutting landowners. To help prevent possible confusion as to which entity maintains your road, and who to contact if a problem occurs, we have listed below a list of the roads in Williamsburg, along with the entity that maintains them and the appropriate phone number.

State Highways

Ohio Department of Transportation 513-797-6008

SR 32 SR 133 SR 276

County Roads

Clermont County Engineers 513-732-8857

Old SR 32	Afton Ellick	Half Acre Rd.	Concord Hennings Mill Rd.
James Saul Sr.Dr	Sharps Cutoff	Tollgate Rd.	Dela Palma Rd.
Clover Rd.	McKeever Pk.	Twin Bridges	Bethel Concord Rd.
Bootjack Corner Rd.			

Township Roads

Williamsburg Township Road Dept. 513-724-1110

Happy Hollow Rd.	Bass Rd.	Musgrove Rd.	Hennings Mill Rd.
Todds Run Rd.	Hagemans Crossing Rd.	Cobb Rd.	Ireton Rd.
Hibbs Rd.	McKeever Schoolhouse Rd.	Cain Run Rd.	Elston Hockstock Rd.
Ashton Rd.	Coon Ave.	Ellis Rd.	Story Rd.
Maple Dr.	Alexander Ln.	Sally Dr.	Mathis Rd.
North Ellis Rd.	N. 8th St.	Island Trail Dr.	West Fork Ridge Dr
East Island Trail Dr.	Rhodes Dr.	East Fork Hill Dr.	Old SR 133
East Fork Valley Dr.	Glancy Greenbush Rd.	Rapid Run Ct.	

The Village of Williamsburg maintains all dedicated streets located within the Village of Williamsburg corporation limit, with the exception of State Highways. The Village can be contacted at 513-724-6107.

Unfortunately, winter is just around the corner and along with winter comes that 4 letter word we call SNOW. When the snow starts hitting the pavement, the road crews will be out making every effort to keep the roads clear. If you are out on the road during a snow event and come up on a salt truck, please make every attempt to give the salt truck the right-of-way. We currently have a good supply of salt in our salt barn. We have also contracted with Caregill Inc. to purchase more salt during the winter season, if needed. If at any time you have a question, or a problem, and unsure who to contact, please feel free to call any trustee, and we will do all we can to assist you.

Williamsburg Township Zoning Office

This recession has affected many residences. There have been cut backs all over but there are many Township residences and properties that have maintained their property. THANK YOU as you are adding value to your property and to the neighborhood in which you live. Well kept properties prevent the down grading of the Township.

I have had the opportunity to drive several Clermont County figure heads and others interested parties around our Township on different occasions. The visitors had very encouraging remarks. They all said the diversity and the property upkeep was very welcoming. These remarks help to keep the residences we have and invite more residences to our Township.

They also induce businesses to come into the Township, because if people keep their property in good condition they will be good neighbors. The several businesses in the Township maintain their property very well. They realize that well maintained property invites customers. Customers keep them in business. THANK YOU, again.



News from your Emergency Services



It is the mission of Williamsburg Township Emergency Services to provide the highest level of life and property safety through the extension of Fire Prevention, Fire Suppression, Medical Rescue and Public Education Services, consistent with the prudent Utilization of public funds. We have been sending out random surveys from emergency calls we make in the community, we have appreciated the feedback as to how we may better serve you our customers. It's our goal to continue to provide the highest quality of service that you have come to expect.

I would like to remind all our property owners again about our vehicles being much larger than normal. So I am asking any home owner that may have tree branches near their driveways to have the branches trimmed back to give us clearance for our vehicles, not only Fire Trucks need this room but the Life Squads also require more clearance than cars. Our vehicles can suffer a lot of damage to the paint, lights, and mirrors and sometimes we are unable to get close to the residents, which cause delays in getting help to you.

Another service we provide is residential home fire safety inspection when requested. If you are interested in having a fire safety inspection call Assistant Chief Kevin Wiedmann at the station (724-7744) and he will set up an appointment for your inspection. We are also offering CPR classes, there is no charge for township residents for the class unless you are taking a professional provider class then the cost is \$30.00. If you are interested in signing up for a CPR class contact Lt. Jason Pollitt (724-7744) and he will get you scheduled.

We will also be glad to check blood pressures and blood sugar levels for any township resident. Just stop by during normal business hours 8:00 am - 6:00 pm. To date this year Williamsburg Emergency Services has made 783 Emergency Medical Runs and 255 Fire Calls. As the winter months approach I would like to remind residents to change the batteries in the smoke detectors and Carbon Monoxide detectors, also make sure that your chimneys and flues are cleaned before the heating season begins. Carbon Monoxide is an odorless, tasteless, and colorless gas is known as the "Silent Killer." The Centers for Disease Control estimates that carbon monoxide poisoning claims nearly 500 lives, and causes more than 15,000 visits to hospital emergency departments annually. I would also like to remind residents of our billing policy. It is our policy to bill for all medical runs in which a patient is transported to the hospital. We bill directly to your insurance company, you will not receive a bill from Williamsburg Township Emergency Services or our billing agent Medicount. If you do receive bills please contact Judy Morgan at 724-7382 or drop the bill off at the Firehouse and we will get it taken care of for you.

Chief Ken Wylie

From the Cemetery Sexton and Road Maintenance Supervisor

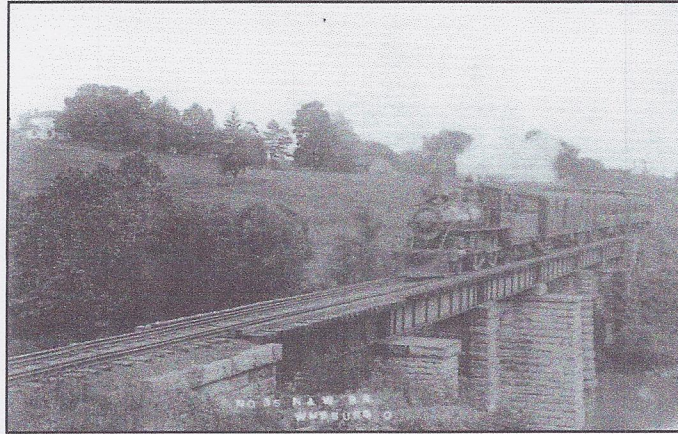
The Township has approximately 200 tons of salt stockpiled to keep the roads safe this winter.

Do not plow drive ways into Township streets and roads.

Do not follow salt trucks to close. We have a blind spot behind our trucks and salt spreaders can do damage to auto paint by throwing rock salt.

Township snow plows are up to 10 feet wide and some of the Township roads are only 12 feet wide. We will get over to the side of the road to let you pass when possible.

The Township has grave spaces for sale in the Williamsburg Cemetery at a cost of \$250 per grave for a Township resident and \$650 per grave for a non-resident.



TRAINS ARRIVE IN WILLIAMSBURG

THE DESIRE FOR A RAILROAD THROUGH, INSTEAD OF ALONG OR BY BROWN AND CLERMONT COUNTIES, BEGAN BEFORE THE CIVIL WAR. A SURVEY WAS MADE FOR THE RAILROAD TO COME THROUGH WILLIAMSBURG BUT DID NOT INCLUDE BATAVIA. THE PLAN WAS CALLED THE "GORE ROUTE". THE ROUTE WAS LATER CHANGED TO GO THROUGH LYNCHBURG AND HILLSBORO. IN 1869 THE CITY OF CINCINNATI PASSED A RESOLUTION TO BUILD THE CINCINNATI SOUTHERN, A NARROW GAUGE RAILROAD, BY WHICH STEAM TRANSPORTATION COULD BE OBTAINED AT A MUCH REDUCED RATE. THE TRACKLESS REGION EAST OF CINCINNATI WAS CHOSEN. A MEETING ON NEW YEAR'S, 1876 WAS HELD AT THE COURT HOUSE IN BATAVIA TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBLE ROUTES. CLERMONT COUNTY REACHED A DECISION THAT AFTERNOON AND THE FIRST COMPANY WAS FORMALLY BEGUN ON JANUARY 10, 1876, BY A GROUP OF INVESTORS, INCLUDING WILLIAMSBURG RESIDENTS, BYRON WILLIAMS AND W. A. KAIN. THEY INCORPORATED TO BUILD THE CINCINNATI, BATAVIA & WILLIAMSBURG RAILROAD ALONG THE EAST FORK ROUTE. SOON AFTER, THE ROUTE WAS EXTENDED TO PORTSMOUTH AND THE NAME CHANGED TO CINCINNATI & EASTERN. THE SUBSCRIPTION WAS SO SUCCESSFUL THAT THE NARROW GAUGE TRAINS WERE BROUGHT FROM THE JUNCTION WITH THE LITTLE MIAMI ROAD TO BATAVIA ON OCTOBER 18, 1876 AND TO WILLIAMSBURG ON MARCH 1, 1877. MOVING STEADILY EASTWARD, THE TRACK APPROACHED THE BROWN COUNTY LINE ON SATURDAY, MARCH 24TH AND BYRON WILLIAMS GROVE THE FIRST SPIKE OF THE FIRST RAILROAD IN BROWN COUNTY, LATER TO BECOME THE NORFOLK AND WESTERN RAILWAY, ONE OF THE GREAT RAILROAD SYSTEMS IN AMERICA.

MANY STILL REMEMBER THE LARGE "IRON HORSES" BILLOWING SMOKE AND HISSING STEAM AS THEY STOPPED DAILY AT THE WILLIAMSBURG DEPOT TO PICK-UP AND DELIVER PASSENGERS AND FREIGHT.

Harmony Hill Association Annual Memberships:

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

Membership dues are effective: January 1-December 31

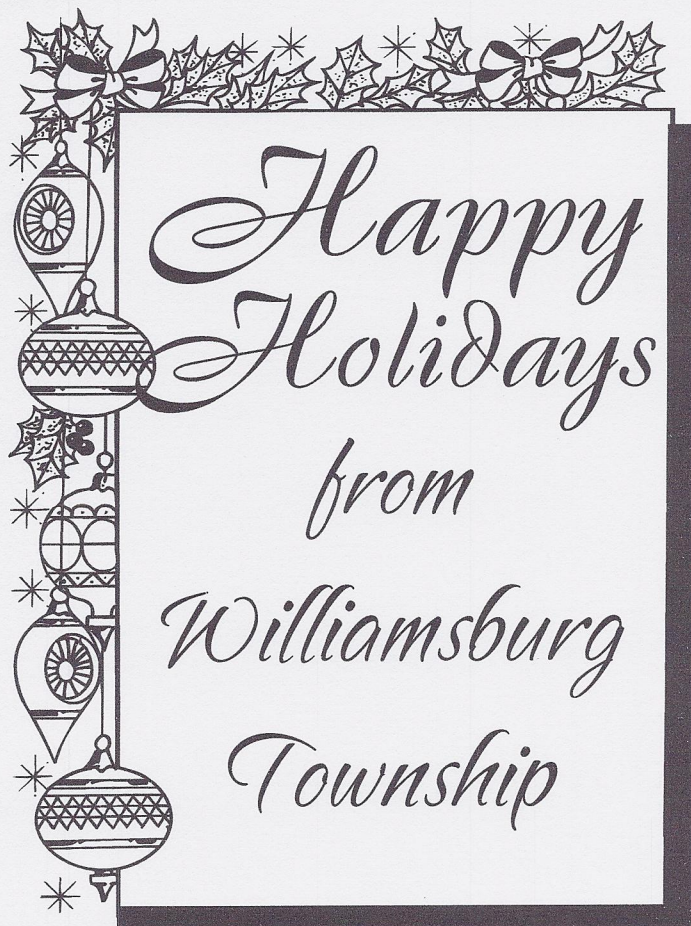
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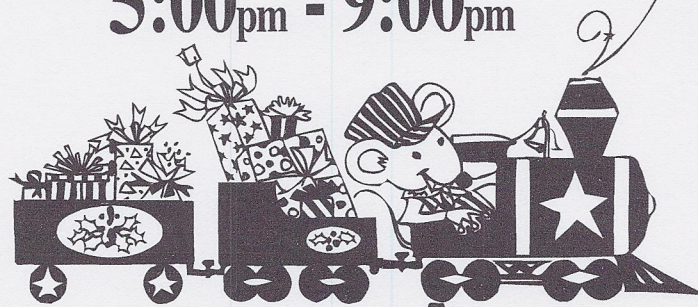
Trains of Williamsburg 2010 Christmas Walk

(Downtown Williamsburg)

Friday

December 3rd, 2010

5:00pm - 9:00pm



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Keeping you informed.

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