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# **Greene Township Board of Supervisors**

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IN CASE OF EMERGENCY - DIAL 911

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

#### COMPOST FACILITY HOURS

Wednesday, Friday & Saturday, 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

# Happy New Year!

The Greene Township Board of Supervisors and staff hopes everyone had a safe and happy Holiday Season. It has been our pleasure to serve you this past year and we look forward to serving you even more effectively in the year 2014. As always, if you have any questions or problems that we can help with please contact us at 263-9160 or 263-4990.

### **Christmas Tree Collection**

Greene Township will be commencing Christmas Tree collection beginning:

### Monday, January 6, 2014



The collection crew will make **ONE PASS** through the Township. Trees must be placed at the edge of your yard **no further** than four feet from the edge of the pavement of the road on the first day of collection. **No return trips** will be made.

We will also be collecting **Brush** and **Leaves** during this time. The collection crew will make **ONE PASS** through the Township. Please place your brush and rake your leaves to the edge of your yard, no further than 4 feet from the edge of the pavement of the road. Do not bag your leaves. **Brush should be no longer than 8 feet in length and no bigger than 3 inches in diameter**. The brush and leaves must be on **separate piles** in order for the Township machinery to collect it and must be placed for pick up on the **first day** of the collection schedule. If the brush and leaves are not separated, they will not be collected. Please avoid placing brush and leaves next to mailboxes, fence posts, trees, etc. as they can be damaged by the equipment.

In 2014, Greene Township proudly begins its 35th year without a Township real estate tax.

# **Greene Township Supervisor Retires**

Longtime Greene Township Supervisor, Charles D. "Dave" Jamison will be retiring at the end of his current term. His last day



as Supervisor will be December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013. Dave was first elected to the Board of Supervisors in 1980 and has been a Township Supervisor for 30 years. He left the Township in 1992 to pursue opportunities in the private industry but returned in 1996 and has since held the title of Chairman.

When Dave first came to Greene Township he joined fellow board members Dick Kramer and Ralph Cook and a staff of 6 office and road employees. Today the Township has a staff of 15 full time and several part time employees.

There have been many changes in the Township during Dave's tenure including the more recent establishments of a composting facility, a twice yearly bulk collection, expansion of the township offices, and construction of the township park to name a few.

Dave is proud that he and the Township have been able to upgrade roads and maintain services such as prompt snow removal, brush and leaf pickup, and bulk collection without real estate or per capita taxes.

In retirement, Dave plans to enjoy more travel time in his RV with his wife Joyce. He'll make sure to set aside time for hunting too. Attending the sporting events of his grandchildren is at the top of his list as well. If Dave finds he's not keeping busy enough he'll consider a part time job to keep him occupied.

Whatever retirement holds in store for Dave, the Board of Supervisors and staff hope it's a long, happy and fulfilling one. Dave's many years of service to the residents of Greene Township have been appreciated and he certainly will be missed.

Replacing Dave will be newly elected Greene Township Supervisor Shawn Corwell. Shawn, a US Army veteran, served as Township Auditor since 2009 and has over 18 years experience in emergency services and communications. He has been a communications operator for the Pennsylvania State Police the past 14 years.

Shawn resides with his wife Tisha and their children Ryan and Makayla on Allen Drive in Greene Township. Shawn stresses an open door policy and is looking forward to serving the residents of Greene Township.

## **Greene Township Park**

The Greene Township Park is open daily this winter from dawn until dusk. If you're looking for a great way to work off some of those holiday calories a winter



stroll or jog through our park will do the job. We have over one and a half miles of **paved walking surfaces** for your use. Pets are welcome too but please leash and clean up after them. **Pet waste stations are located throughout the park**.

Do you enjoy **sledding** but have no place to ride in your neighborhood? Then you're in luck! Our park's numerous hills offer a great place to hit the slopes. So, the next time it snows gather up your friends and family and head to our park for a day of fun.

We are taking reservations for our **3 Picnic Pavilions** for 2014. Please call our office to book a date and time. Check out our website for details or call our office with any questions you may have.

# **Appointments to Greene Township Boards**

The Greene Township Board of Supervisors is currently seeking residents of the Township interested in serving on a Township Board (Planning Commission, Zoning Hearing Board). If interested, please submit an application/resume to our office for consideration should a vacancy occur. Any questions in this regard may be directed to the Board of Supervisors at 263-9160.

## **Scotland Community Center**

Bingo is held every Thursday night at the Scotland Community Center:

- Doors open at 5:30 PM.
- Early birds begin at 6:45 PM.
- Regular Games begin at 7:00 PM.
- Kitchen opens at 6:00 PM.

Hall rentals are filling up so please call Jim Umbrell at 709-0179 if you'd like to book.

The Scotland Memorial Park is closed for the season.



### **Pennsylvania State Police**

Craigslist Overpayment Scam. The Pennsylvania State Police are warning people about "overpayment" scams on craigslist in which a buyer gives an excuse for sending a check for significantly more than the price of the item.

According to the craigslist website, it starts with you posting something for sale on craigslist - typically something of high value. Shortly after posting your ad, you get a message from someone who is interested in buying the item. You have a nice email conversation discussing the details of your transaction and you are proposed the following option: Because they can't meet you in person at this time, they will mail you a money order; and it's only after you get it that they'll come by (or send someone) to pick-up their purchase.

After you receive the check, you get a message where you're told that the buyer (or their assistant) has accidentally sent too much money. They ask you to cash the check you've received and send back the extra money through Western Union, Money Gram, money order, or any other long distance financial transaction service.

This is where you have to stop dealing with the buyer. This is a classic case of overpayment scam. The money order or cashier's check is in fact counterfeit - it will bounce in a month or two. However, the money you'd send back through Western Union, or similar service, is your own money, is very real; and that transaction can't be reversed.

You can thwart would-be scammers by following these common-sense rules:

- Deal locally with folks you can meet in person follow this one rule and avoid 99% of scam attempts.
- Never wire funds via Western Union, MoneyGram or other wire services, anyone who asks you to do so is likely a scammer.
- Fake cashier checks & money orders are common banks will hold you responsible when the fake is discovered.

# Fayetteville Volunteer Fire Department

### **Upcoming Events:**

- Coach Handbag Bingo March 23, 2014
- All day outdoor gun and cash bash June 7, 2014
- Next year's Carnival is being planned. Dates to follow.

# Winter Weather Advisory



The Greene Township Board of Supervisors would like the residents of Greene Township to keep in mind the snow removal policies and help us as we attempt to maintain safe and passable roads this winter. You can assist us by remembering a few important tips.

- \* Greene Township's procedure on snow removal is as follows: During the storm the trucks will make initial and subsequent passes to open roadways and keep the roads at passable conditions. After the storm the trucks will make multiple passes and clean intersections. Please remember this policy when clearing driveways and parking areas.
- Please do not park on township roads and cul-desacs. Your car can be damaged from snow and other debris being moved by the plow. This is also a violation of the Township Code.
- Please keep trash bags and containers off of the roadway. Greene Township is not responsible for damage to containers that are on the roadway or in the road right-of-way.
- \* When following a snowplow please remain a safe distance behind the vehicle so that the operator can see you. These trucks stop and back up often as well as deposit anti-skid on the road surface.
- \* Do not shovel snow from your property onto the road surface or plow across the road to deposit the snow on the other side. These practices reduce the melting effect of the salt and remove the anti-skid from the road surface. This creates an icy patch on the road that is very difficult to remove. This is also against the law and you can be fined up to \$300 per incident.
- \* Is your mailbox ready for winter? Make sure your mailbox is firmly supported in the ground. You may want to consider the use of reflective tape or other material to make it easier to see during storms or during dark hours. If your mailbox is located within the limits of the legal right-of-way any damages caused by snow or ice are the responsibility of the property owner.

Most importantly, if you don't have to travel please stay home. The fewer the number of vehicles on the road the better it is for our operators to do a fast and effective job of removing snow and ice.

### A few things you may not know about snow:

- All snowflakes have six sides.
- Chionophobia is a fear of snow
- Snow is actually colorless and not white.
- The average snowflake falls at a speed of 3.1 mph.

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# **Community Page**

### Registration for the 2014 Baseball and Softball Seasons



### **Fayetteville Athletic Association**

### **Fayetteville Fire Department Social Hall:**

Saturday, Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>

Monday, Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>

Monday, Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>

Saturday, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>

Monday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>

Monday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>

10 am – Noon

10 am – Noon

6 - 8 pm

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### **Scotland Youth League**

#### **Scotland Community Center:**

Monday, Jan. 20<sup>th</sup> 6 - 8 pm Saturday, Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> 9 am - Noon Monday, Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> 6 - 8 pm Tuesday, Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> 6 - 8 pm

### Greenvillage Youth League

#### **Greenvillage Concession Stand:**

Saturday, Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> 9 am - Noon Thursday, Jan. 30<sup>th</sup> 6 - 8 pmSaturday, Feb. 1st 9 am - Noon Thursday, Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> 6 - 8 pmSaturday, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> 9 am - Noon Thursday, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>  $6 - 8 \, pm$ Saturday, Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> 9 am - Noon Thursday, Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> 6 - 8 pm

### **Guilford Athletic Association**

#### **Guilford Sports Complex:**

Wednesday, Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> 6 - 8 pm
Saturday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> 10 am - Noon
Wednesday, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> 6 - 8 pm
Saturday, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> 10 am - Noon

Please visit the Greene Township Website for additional information on upcoming community events.