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**Road Department (614) 889-8781**  
 Trash • Recycling • Yard Waste  
 For more information please go to [www.perrytp.org](http://www.perrytp.org)

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Trash, Recycling & Yard Waste Pick-Up						
<b>Trash &amp; Recycling Pick-Up</b>						
Brush Chipping						

April / May / June 2011

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**Board of Trustee Regular Meetings**  
 @ 7:00 p.m.  
 April 12th & 18th  
 May 2nd & 16th  
 June 6th & 20th

**Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting**  
 @ 7:00 p.m.  
 2nd Tuesday of each month

**Zoning Commission Meeting**  
 @ 7:00 p.m.  
 3rd Wednesday of each month

Check our website for schedule changes

[www.perrytp.org](http://www.perrytp.org)

**PROPOSED APARTMENT COMPLEX DEVELOPMENT**

Preferred Real Estate announced plans to build a 270 unit apartment complex near the corner of Snouffer and Smokey Row. This development has been cause for concern for several neighboring communities.

Given the density of the proposed development, many foresee a significant increase in traffic on Snouffer Road and cut through traffic on McVey Blvd. Ashville Commons residents would open their curtains to view a 3-story building directly across from their homes.

The Board of Trustees have taken the initiative to hold meetings with several area civic leaders. Representatives from Preferred Real Estate, scheduled to attend the township's March 21st regular meeting, postponed discussions with the public and also requested that the Far NW Coalition remove the topic from the March 30th agenda.

Although the proposed location is within the boundaries of the City of Columbus, historically neighboring communities do have a say. As Rick Van Brimmer, Ashville Common's Civic leader stated, residents "are not opposed to development of the site; but, dropping a 270 unit apartment complex into this neighborhood is like trying to land a 747 at Don Scott Field - it isn't appropriate."

For now, the community is in a holding pattern while the developers reassess their plans.

**HIGH SCHOOL INTERNSHIP PROGRAM**

Perry Township provides a 6-week work-based learning experience for high school students entering into their Junior or Senior year (Fall 2011). The 2011 program is open to students who have not previously participated in a Perry Township Internship program.

Participating students are part of a career pathway program that is organized around the disciplines of government administration, law enforcement, and the practice of law. This program integrates the development of professional skills so that students are provided with practical work experience.

**Applicants must:**

- 1) be a Perry Township resident
- 2) attend an accredited high school
- 3) maintain a minimum of 2.5 ("C") grade point average

**Application deadline has been extended to April 8th.**

Contact the Perry Township Administrative office at **(614) 889-2669 phone** or via the website [www.perrytp.org](http://www.perrytp.org) and click on "Links."

**Waste Management Yard Waste Collection begins April 1st**

**Brush Chipping Dates: April 25th - May 1st**



## WASTE MANAGEMENT SENIOR CITIZEN DISCOUNT

Waste Management conducted an internal audit of the Perry Township residential database and identified those who are eligible to receive the Senior Citizen Discount.

If you are 65 years of age or older and your quarterly invoice does not reflect the **10%** discount, please contact Waste Management's customer service department by calling **(866) 797-9018** or **(614) 833-9111**.

You will be asked to submit verification of your status by either providing a copy of your driver's license or state identification card. This information should be forwarded to:

**Ms. Ruth Ruff**  
Waste Management  
48797 Alpha Drive; Ste 100  
Wixom, MI 48383

Residents may also fax or email their identification verification to:

**(248) 596-3595 (fax)**  
**rruff@wm.com (email)**

For your privacy and security, we recommend that you black out all information with the exception of your name, address, and birth date.

## POLICE SERGEANT PROMOTED TO LIEUTENANT

K. Steve Cesaro has been in law enforcement since 1995 and has been with the Perry Township Police Department for 14 years.

On January 9th, Sgt. Cesaro was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. He will work directly under the supervision of the Chief of Police.



Lt Cesaro's duties include the oversight and direction of day-to-day police operations. He is the direct supervisor of sergeants and officers on the street.

## DAVIS CEMETERY UPDATE

All of the safety related repairs have been completed by the Perry Township Board of Trustees. These include the construction of the parking lot and walkway, the closure of the entrance and stairway from Riverside Dr. and repairs to the stone wall.

The Cemetery Advisory Board (CAB) continues to pursue other improvements to the Davis Cemetery as well. An Eagle Scout project is about to begin to clear some overgrown areas and make improvements to the planting area around the flag pole.

We are currently in the process of establishing a not-for-profit status for "**Friends of Davis Cemetery**". This group, made up of CAB members and others interested in helping, will take the lead in making future improvements to the cemetery through fund raising efforts and organizing volunteers. We have procured the domain name [www.davis-cemetery.org](http://www.davis-cemetery.org) and hope to have a web page up soon.

Anyone interested in joining the Friends of Davis Cemetery can contact Beth Beatty at **(614) 889-2669** or email [bbeatty@perrytwp.org](mailto:bbeatty@perrytwp.org).

## TOWNSHIP TAKES FIRST STEP IN GOING PAPER - LESS

Everyone wants to do their part to help reduce waste and save money. While few organizations can truly go paperless... efforts can be made to use less paper.

Our township has recently taken advantage of technology already available to do just that. Twice a month, staff members spent hours making copies of meeting materials for the Board of Trustees, sorting it, and hand delivering that information to meeting participants.

Information is now electronically scanned and uploaded so that the Officials, Administrator and Department Heads can view meeting documents from their office computers. Next on the list is transferring documentation sitting in files and desk drawers to an electronic format.

## SWACO: HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DATES

With spring cleaning just around the corner, SWACO is offering clean up help for Franklin County residents. To lend a hand in ridding Central Ohio basements and garages of unwanted and potentially dangerous chemicals, SWACO will provide residents of Franklin County with four mobile Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collections in 2011. These collections are in addition to the permanent collection center available to residents at 1249 Essex Avenue in Columbus.

The 2011 mobile collection season will begin in partnership with the City of Dublin on Saturday, **April 30th**. That collection will be held at Ashland Chemical, **5200 Blazer Parkway**. On Saturday, **June 18th**, SWACO will work with the City of Columbus to provide Franklin County residents with a collection at the Morse Road Transfer Station at **4260 Morse Road**.

The fall collections will kick off on Saturday, **September 3rd** with an event in partnership with the City of Westerville. That collection will take place at the Westerville Service Department, **350 Park Meadows Drive**. The final mobile collection of the year will be on Saturday, **October 15th** in Grove City at TOSOH SMD Inc. at **3600 Gantz Road**.

All SWACO mobile HHW collections take place from **8 AM** until **2 PM**.

In 2010, residents delivered 461,949 pounds of corrosives, acids, fluorescent light bulbs, and other Household Hazardous Wastes to SWACO. All materials collected from residents are recycled if possible or disposed of in the most environmentally sound manner. A complete list of acceptable items is available online at [www.swaco.org/SmartPeople/HHW.aspx](http://www.swaco.org/SmartPeople/HHW.aspx).

A reminder, SWACO does not accept latex paint at HHW collections. Latex paint is not hazardous and once dried can be thrown in the trash.

SWACO's permanent residential HHW collection center at 1249 Essex Avenue is available Wednesdays and Fridays 12 PM-6 PM and Thursdays 9 AM-5 PM.

Source: [www.swaco.org](http://www.swaco.org)

## CALENDAR OF COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Brookside:

March 23rd; Easter Egg Hunt  
April 30th; Community Garage Sale

### Worthington Hills:

Garage Sale; May 7th  
Service Day; May 7th



The Road Department's, Ian Warren and his wife Jennifer welcomed baby boy Samuel on February 15, 2011.



## CIVIC ASSOCIATIONS

### Brookside

President: Tom Francis  
(614) 659-9324  
<http://brookside-estates.uc>

### Henderson Heights

President: Helen Ware  
(614) 889-2669

### Worthington Hills

President: Jim Hilz  
(614) 614-854-9258  
[www.worthingtonhills.org](http://www.worthingtonhills.org)

## CHIEF'S REPORT Continued from page 5

2. Collections, credit reporting or financial services
3. Internet or phone
4. Household goods or property improvement
5. Mortgage
6. Shopping, food or beverages
7. Professional services
8. Sweepstakes or prizes
9. Computers or electronics
10. Utilities
11. Craig's List



If you think you are being scammed call the police!

## UTILITY SHUT OFF VALVES & ACCESS PORTS

Many homeowners are unaware of some very important devices and structures located outside their home that - in an emergency - could save time, money and unnecessary hardship.

If you have water or gas service provided by a utility company, there is a valve located between the main line and your service line. You should be able to see a stem cap, about three inches in diameter, located at ground level. The gas valve should have a yellow cap and the water valve cap will be blue. In the event of a gas or water leak, the utility company will close this valve so repairs can be made.

If you have sanitary sewer service, you should know where the nearest service port, "manhole", is located. This one might not be in your yard, but in the yard of one of your close neighbors. They may be in the front, rear or side yard, depending on where the main sewer line runs. These are large, heavy, round lids set at or near ground level.

Some people find these things a bit unsightly in their lawn and try to hide them. This could be a costly mistake. Just imagine..... it's midnight, the sewer is backing up into your basement, and the sanitary sewer crew can't find the manhole located under the big rock in the flower bed. It has happened before!

## CONSULTANT HIRED TO ADDRESS UTILITY PROBLEMS

Last year, Ohio American Water attempted to significantly raise its rates and several municipalities united to block the hikes. The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio agreed that the requested rate increase was excessive and capped the OAW fees. However, there remains the issue of water quality and the possibility of another cost increase in the future.

In the Fall of 2010, residents who rely on the Linworth substation for their electrical power attended a regular meeting and voiced their concerns. Soon after, representatives from American Electric Power were on hand to discuss reoccurring power outages and brown outs. Tree trimmings were scheduled throughout the Brookside area to reduce these occurrences. A few months later, many of these same residents lost power for several days after an unexpected ice storm.

The Board of Trustees have met with residents and continue to be in contact with utility company managers and representatives in an effort to find a solution to both issues. Recently, the Board determined that outside help was needed in order to resolve reoccurring problems in a timely manner.

Ric Oxender (Oxender & Associates) is a Worthington Hills resident who is also affected by the utility issues. He has agreed to speak on behalf of the township before the General Assembly, State Agencies, Boards, and Commissions. Ric will also work with the utility service providers to find solutions to both the water and electric issues.

## BROOKSIDE ELEMENTARY NEWS

Do you have on your bib overalls? Have your hoe, shovel, and rake handy? We've started to plant the Community Vegetable Garden.

We hope to serve fresh veggies and greens in our school kitchen by the end of the school year!

Please contact us if you would like to help:

Mr. Fritz Monroe at [fmonroe@worthington.k12.oh.us](mailto:fmonroe@worthington.k12.oh.us);  
Bob Janosy: [rsjanosy@wowway.com](mailto:rsjanosy@wowway.com);  
Mrs. Koralleen Stavich: [koralleen@gmail.com](mailto:koralleen@gmail.com);  
Mrs. Jenny King: [jking@worthington.k12.oh.us](mailto:jking@worthington.k12.oh.us)

## SPRING BRUSH CHIPPING

The annual Spring Brush Chipping Program is scheduled for **April 25<sup>th</sup> through May 2<sup>nd</sup>**. This is a very popular service for the residents of the Township. It is an easy way for residents to dispose of fallen and trimmed branches that are too large to be put out with regular yard waste collection.

There are a few guidelines that residents should be reminded of. The brush chipping machine is designed to chip branches with diameters of up to **8"**. It will chip very long branches with ease. For the safety of the operators, the branches need to be at least **4'** long. This requirement is for the safety of our crew, so that we aren't putting our hands too close to the feeders. If you have shorter branches and twigs, simply place them in containers or bags or bundle them for regular yard waste collection. The chipper cannot take root balls, vines, grasses or wire. These will either clog or dull the cutting knives.

To help expedite the operation, we ask residents to place their branches at the edge of their yard in an organized manner. It is preferable to have all of the cut ends of branches facing the same direction. This will make our job much more safe and efficient.

This service is for spring clean up and trimming. If residents plan to remove entire trees or very large amounts of branches, other arrangements should be made for removal. For a complete list of chipping regulations, visit our web site and click the Road Dept. tab.



Stack limbs near the curb and in the same direction

## OHIO HEALTH MEDICATION DISPOSAL DAY

**APRIL 30, 2011**

**America's biggest drug problem isn't on the street...it's in our medicine cabinets**

**Keep your family safe...**

On April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011, OhioHealth will host the third medication disposal day at 7 of its health system facilities for central Ohio communities. Bring your expired and unused prescription and over-the-counter medications to one of the locations listed and law enforcement officers will dispose of these medications in a safe, legal and environmentally conscious manner.

**We CAN ONLY take Medication from person's home's medicine cabinets.**

**PLEASE do NOT bring USED Syringes.**

**When:**

Saturday, April 30, 2011  
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**Where:**

Riverside Methodist Hospital  
Grant Medical Center  
Doctors Hospital  
Dublin Methodist Hospital  
Grady Memorial Hospital  
Delaware Medical Campus  
Westerville Medical Campus



**Partners:**

- ◆ Cardinal Health
- ◆ Columbus Division of Police
- ◆ Delaware Police Department
- ◆ Delaware Sheriff's Office
- ◆ Genoa Township Police
- ◆ Ohio Chapter of the National Association of Drug Diversion Investigators
- ◆ Westerville Police Department

**Go to their website for more information:**

**[www.ohiohealth.com/meddisposal](http://www.ohiohealth.com/meddisposal)**

## ELECTED OFFICIAL'S REPORT

*By Trustees Chet Chaney, James Roper, Andy English  
And Fiscal Officer Michele Elliott*

The Board of Trustees has been working over the past year on looking into the future to make sure that the decisions we are making now are setting up our township for future success. Approximately six months ago the township trustees and the department heads of the township engaged in a strategic planning session to discuss where the township has been, where we find ourselves today, and where we want to go. As part of this planning session we realized that it is imperative that we get feedback from our residents as to how they perceive the direction of the township and how the elected officials and staff are representing them and their needs.

Therefore, we have been working on a survey that will be sent out to the residents within the next month to get your feedback. We are looking for as many participants as we can get, and we hope that you will participate in filling out the survey. We will be sending out a formal letter to each resident in the next couple weeks giving each of you the specifics of filling out the survey. We will also be sending out an email to those individuals who have signed up with the township to receive information electronically.

On behalf of the trustees, fiscal officer, and the department heads we thank you in advance for your time.

Please feel free to contact the administrative office if you should have any questions. We look forward to hearing from you.

## CHIEF ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT

*By Robin Fellure*

This quarter's "Spotlight on Zoning" will focus on Temporary Use Permits. These permits are required for any of the following reasons: Portable Storage Units (PODS) and Open Top Dumpsters. Please contact the Zoning Office to apply for the permit. The fee is \$20.00 and there is a limit on the amount of time the Temporary Use will be permitted. For more details you may access the Zoning Code at [www.perrytpw.org](http://www.perrytpw.org), click on the "Zoning Tab" and then click on "Zoning Code". The Temporary Use Section is 508 page 92.

One of the biggest eyesores for many residents are trashcans. Remember, trash should always be placed in appropriate containers and stored in an area that is not visible from any property line.

Also, Zoning permits are often required for projects such as driveway repairs (excluding resealing), fences, and patios. These permits can be downloaded via [www.perrytpw.org](http://www.perrytpw.org) by clicking on the Zoning tab.

Finally, remember that Garage Sales do require a permit. The cost is only \$3.00 and as with other permits, a garage sale permit can be downloaded via the township website. There is a limit of 2 permits per year and each permit is good for two days. The fee has been waived for the Brookside and Worthington Hills garage sales scheduled for April 30th & May 7th respectively.

As a reminder, our zoning officers are frequently off site inspecting properties. If you would like to meet with a member of the Zoning Department call ahead to schedule an appointment. Robin and John can be reached by calling (614) 889-1211.

## CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT

*By Chief Robert Oppenheimer*

### **Spoofing & Phishing on the Increase:**

**DEFINTION:** Spoofing and Phishing is a term that is most commonly used to describe the act of impersonating or masquerading as a person or organization by the use of email or telephone calls.

Perry Township Police Department wants to alert you about spoofing and phishing, a tool scam artists use to steal personal information. Spoofing and Phishing scams can occur when scam artists call or email consumers posing as legitimate businesses and masking their email address or phone number. An email address or phone's Caller ID will actually come up as that of the real business in hopes the consumer will reveal financial information to the scammer.

"As technology advances, scam artists continue to find increasingly new and devious ways to try to steal consumers' identities. The latest trend with spoofing & phishing serves as a reminder that no consumer should ever reveal sensitive information to any unsolicited caller or in an e-mail message."

These con artists can fool the best of us! Just remember if it is too good to be true... then there is a good chance it is not!!

### **The most frequently reported scams in 2010 fell in these categories:**

1. Motorized vehicles

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## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

*By Bryan Shonkwiler*

While a few more snow showers are possible, another winter is winding down. The Road Department responded to 18 snow/ice events in the 2010/2011 snow season and logged about 175 hours overtime. We also had to deal with another ice event that brought down many tree branches. We collected 25 truck loads of branches and 14 box loads of chips during the clean up. We completed several equipment maintenance projects and patched several potholes on Township roads.

As we get into spring, we will, no doubt, continue to deal with storm drainage issues and trim back trees that have encroached the roadway. The spring brush chipping will be here soon. This year's dates are **April 25<sup>th</sup>** thru **May 2<sup>nd</sup>**. As always, residents can place tree trimmings at the edge of the front yard and the Road Department will come by to chip them up. Remember that this service is for large branches only. It is unsafe for us to be putting small twigs and branches into the brush chipper. Debris less than 4 feet long should be bundled, canned or bagged for collection by Waste Management. Complete chipping regulations can be found on our web site.

Congratulations to Ian Warren for being chosen to receive the 2010 Employee of the Year award.

I hope everyone has a safe and happy spring.