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Meeting Schedule Norwich Township

March 6th	12 Noon
March 20th	6:30 p.m.
April 3rd	12 Noon
April 17th	6:30 p.m.
May 1st	12 Noon
May 15th	6:30 p.m.

Meetings take place at the Norwich Township Fire Station at 4164 Avery Road.

If you have questions, please call 876-7694.

NORWICH TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE RETIRES AFTER 36 YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE

In the later 1960's, Durland Workman started to attend the trustee meetings at Norwich Township. After a while, he had made a decision and commitment to himself that he wanted to run for the position. In 1969 he did just that and became a Norwich Township Trustee. After 36 years of dedicated and continuous service to the residents of Norwich Township, Durland Workman has retired. Over the

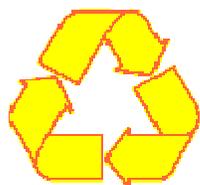


years there was significant change in his responsibilities, as the township transformed from a small, rural area, to a significant size suburban district. The responsibilities of the position of township trustee have increased in proportion to population growth and the growth in the number of employees of the township. During his tenure, he maintained fiscal accountability and was very prudent with

expenditures. In years past, the three trustees each had a primary assignment to one of the three major functions of the township, which were the cemetery, the fire department and to the police department. Mr. Workman was our primary liaison to the Franklin County Sheriff's Department when they provided police protection to the residents. As trustee, you would see him on a regular basis riding with the

on-duty deputy on a Friday night. He also served as township trustee for the hiring of all current township employee's, which at this time stands at 93 (full time). Pictured above on the left is Trustee Jim Rice and retired Trustee Durland Workman on the right at the last official trustee meeting. A brief reception was held afterwards, honoring Mr. Workman's years of dedicated service.

RECYCLE FOR OUR FUTURE



At the end of last year Norwich Township entered into agreement with Local Waste, a refuse collector, to provide for residential refuse collection to the residents of the unincorporated areas of Norwich Township.

Thus far, there have been very few reported issues with the township refuse collection and Local Waste has been very prompt at addressing them as they arise. Local Waste also provides this type of service to other municipalities as well as contract services for individual families

and businesses. Included in the contract for our residents is the provision that they offer recycling. This service is available to all of our residents; however, you must contact them at 614-409-9375 to request a recycling container.

FIRE INSPECTOR KIM DEATON RETIRES

Household Hazardous Waste Collections

- The Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio (SWACO) and local communities across Central Ohio have several household waste collection dates and locations established for 2006. Local dates are listed below:
- April 22 in Dublin at Ashland Chemical, 5200 Blazer Parkway
- May 20 in Hilliard at the Municipal Building, 3800 Municipal Way
- July 22 at the Upper Arlington Service Department, 4100 Roberts Road
- Other dates/times and information about waste collection can be located on their website at www.swaco.org

Materials from businesses are not accepted. If your business has hazardous waste, they should contact the EPA at 614-728-3778.

Fire Inspector Kimberly Deaton has retired from the Norwich Township Fire Department. Prior to employment with Norwich Township, Kim and her husband (Hilliard Police Officer Mike Deaton) worked as part-time firefighter/EMT's with the Randolph Township Fire Department, just outside of Dayton. In the early 1990's they moved to Hilliard and both became part-paid personnel with the Norwich Township Fire Department. In 1999 Kim was hired by the department full-time and was assigned to the fire prevention bureau as a fire/safety inspector. A large part of her position included educational programs, which included working with the "Kids on the Block" puppet troupe, which promoted fire and safety education. This troupe traveled

and performed at our local schools as well as at Columbus Children's Hospital. This group provided learning through entertainment. Kim also worked in conjunction with the Central Ohio Safe Kids Coalition to provide child car seat inspections. Pictured at the right (L to R) is Firefighter Fred Still and Fire Inspector Kim Deaton. In this picture Kim is being presented with a watch from the firefighters local.



CHILD EDUCATION WEBSITE

The Department of Homeland Security has launched an educational website to help parents and teachers educate children on emergency preparedness. This interactive website is designed for children aged 8 to 12. This website provides and excellent opportunity for parents to be able to spend time with your children as well as mak-

ing preparation for the future in the event of an emergency. The website addresses you

to visit are as follows:
www.ready.gov
www.fema.gov/kids



SAINT BERNARD PARISH FIREFIGHTERS

Last fall after hurricane Katrina devastated the gulf region, a call for mutual aid for fire and EMS personnel was sent out across the country. The fire departments in the State of Ohio responded and deployed resources to the area. The Norwich Township Fire Department provided a fire engine staffed by four firefighters for a tour of duty which lasted about two weeks, when another four firefighters replaced the first group for a second tour. During this time, your township firefighters established close bonds with the few remaining firefighters in Saint Bernard Parish, which borders New Orleans. This department had lost most of its fire stations as well as its apparatus. It was operating after the disaster with a staffing level that was not near adequacy. To reinforce the bonds of friendship, the fire-



fighters of Norwich Township paid for two firefighters and their spouses from the Saint Bernard Parish fire department to come to Hilliard in late January to serve as a break for them to get away from the affected area for a few days. The firefighters of both departments spent time together over a few days and reflected on the times they shared and the realization that they do not want anyone

to ever have to go through what they had encountered. Pictured above (L to R) are Mike Reiterman, Mike Lebeau, Todd McGinnis, Andrew Vigueira, Jeff Morales, Don Weaston, Drew Hayes and Aaron Johnston. Mike Lebeau and Andrew Vigueira are the firefighters from the St. Bernard Parish fire department.

PANDEMIC INFLUENZA

What is a Pandemic event? According to the Centers for Disease Control it is a global outbreak of a new illness that spreads easily from person to person. The item you hear of at this time in the news is a concern for Pandemic Influenza. The Avian Flu has been present for a few years and has been establishing itself

within many countries. This flu, while it is a bird flu, is a concern to health officials around the world. The government officials of our country have been working to address the seriousness of the situation as well as officials of local governments. If an event such as this occurs, it is realized that there may be

federal resources; however, the occurrence will ultimately be handled on a local level. For more information or resources, please visit the websites of the Centers for Disease Control, Health and Human Services as well as the Franklin County and City of Columbus Health Department websites.

FUEL EXPENSES GETTING TO YOU?

In between the rising costs of fuel and the stress of driving on congested roadways, many people are looking for alternatives for a daily commute. The Central Ohio Transit Authority provides regional public transportation. This is often an overlooked way by individuals to reduce their fuel costs and as a way to commute within the region. Another option is through MORPC which promotes a ridesharing program called RideSolutions. This is a service that matches commuters that have conveyed a willingness to share their ride. If you are interested in this type of program, visit the programs website at www.ridesolutions.morpc.org or call 1-888-742-RIDE (7433).

Child Car Seat Inspections

Location:

Norwich Township Fire Station

4164 Avery Road

Co-sponsored by the Norwich Township Fire Department and the Central Ohio Safe Kids Coalition

By Appointment only.

March 13

April 10

May 22

June 5

July 10

August 28

Hours are from 1230 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Call 876-7694 to schedule an appointment.

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Norwich Township
Inspections

Child Car Seat Inspections: The fire department in conjunction with Central Ohio Safe Kids has been offering car seat safety inspections, on select Monday's by appointment only. To schedule an appointment, contact the fire department administrative assistant at 876-7694

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www.norwichtownship.org



Norwich Township
Fire Department

Emergency 911

Administrative Office:
Fire Station 81
4164 Avery Road
876-7694

Fire Department Contacts:

Fire Chief: David Long

Asst. Chief: Bob Kaufman

Fire Prevention Bureau:
Captain Reggie Brown

Safety/Training Bureau:
Captain Bill Midgley

EMS Coordinator:
Captain Vince Papa

Fire Station 82
2491 Walker Road
527-6390

Fire Station 83
4283 Davidson Rd.
876-3076

2006 Norwich Township Board of Trustee's:

Chairperson: Chuck Buck 876-5377

James Rice 876-5227

Larry Earman 876-4767



NORWICH TOWNSHIP

Administrative Office located in the Central Fire Station
4164 Avery Road (on the Franklin County fairgrounds)
Hilliard, Ohio 43026

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Phone: 614-876-7694
Fax: 614-777-9347

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email: norwichtwp@aol.com

Wesley Chapel Cemetery Sexton: Steve Montgomery 876-2236
Wesley Chapel Cemetery is located at: 3225 Dublin Road

Norwich Township Police Protection provided by the Hilliard Police Department
Emergency: 911 Non-Emergency 876-7321

INSPECTOR TIM ROBERTS RETIRES

Fire Inspector Tim Roberts retired from the Norwich Township Fire Department on January 13, 2006. Prior to working for the fire department, Tim had worked for the Athletic Department at the Ohio State University for fourteen years. In March 1993 he was hired as a full-time firefighter at the fire department. Tim had served on shift as a firefighter/paramedic, prior to transferring to the fire prevention bureau to serve as a fire/safety inspector for several years. Tim's face is familiar to most everyone, due to the fact that he serves on Hilliard



City Council and has done so since 2003. Pictured above on the left is Tim Roberts with Assistant Fire Chief Robert Kaufman on the right. A long-standing tradition at a firefighters retirement is to present them with their fire hel-

met, which is what is taking place in this photograph. The members of the fire department, the elected officials of the township and the rest of the township employees want to wish Tim congratulations in his retirement.