

VILLAGE OF DOYLESTOWN COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR.....



Welcome to the Fall edition of the Community Newsletter!

It's always so sad to say goodbye to summer and the warm weather, but when fall arrives, the smells and colors give a warm welcome to cooler weather and the many traditions we all enjoy year in and year out.

In this edition of our newsletter, you will find that our regular events have been scheduled, as well as newly added ones and some returning traditions as well.

We are happy to welcome several new businesses to our community. They are highlighted on pages 6 & 7. We encourage you to come and support them in their new business ventures and we wish them the best!

I'm happy to report that we had our community shredding event on October 5th, and due to the generosity of the participants, we collected over 270 food items for donation to our Doylestown Food Pantry so thank you to all who participated in the shredding and who donated food.

This is usually the time of year when we receive calls asking about the Village natural gas aggregation rates. In 2018, we entered into a contract with IGS for a two year term at a rate of \$3.39 per MCF. We are just coming to the end of the first year, which makes our rate good through October 31, 2020. If you are not with IGS currently and would like to join the program, call IGS at 1-800-280-4474 and tell them you would like to join the Village of Doylestown aggregation. They will handle it from there.

Enjoy the fall weather, and I hope to see you at all of our upcoming events.
~Mayor Terry Lindeman

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2.9 MILL LEVY RENEWAL INFORMATION

A **mill levy** is a property tax that is based on the assessed value of a property. The rate of this tax is expressed in mills. One mill is equal to \$1 for every \$1,000 of assessed value. The mill levy rate is determined every year by dividing the total assessed value of all of the taxable property in the Village by the overall amount of tax that is necessary to cover the Village budget requirements. The estimated property tax revenue that will be produced by the stated millage, assuming the tax valuation of our subdivision remains constant throughout the life of the levy, is calculated to be \$149,600 annually.

Our levy is up for renewal every five years. The Village offers many services to our residents, as well as upkeep of all Village buildings, parks and properties, vehicles, equipment, streets and sidewalks. Here is a listing of some of the services we currently provide on a regular basis:

Police: We offer 24 hour coverage and protection, 7 days a week. A K-9 Unit, which provides tools to help our community stay drug free. A Baby Sitter Course and Female Self Protection Class are offered once annually. Police car and department tours for youth groups, Vacation/Away from home checks all year, 24 hours a day and a D.A.R.E./School Resource Officer which in itself provides safety lessons for Kindergarten, 4th and 6th Grade, Core Curriculum for 5th and 7th Grade, supplemental lessons for 9th - 12th grade. Our officers are certified in ALICE (Alert-Lockdown-Inform-Counter-Evaluate). All officers are first responder trained with CPR and AED, standardized field sobriety testing (OVI/DUI), and ALERRT (Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training). Three officers are also S.W.A.T certified.

Parks: We maintain three parks, Memorial, Gilcrest and Paridon Park, the Bandstand and all four corners of the square, the Gene Daniel Community Center, the Gazebo downtown and the intersection of Gates Street and 585. This equates to 17 acres of public space. We also offer a six week summer recreation program for Chippewa Township children in Kindergarten through 6 grade. The Gene Daniel Community Center has had major upkeep including renovations on the inside including painting, new countertops, floor resurfacing and the purchase of new tables. The outside log structure was stripped, stained and varnished, which needs to be done every five years.

Streets: We offer Christmas Tree pick up in January and brush pick up is provided monthly beginning in February - October. Leaf pick up is provided beginning in late October through the end of November. We maintain 23 miles of streets and 31.5 miles of sidewalks. Over the past 5 years, we have spent over \$500,000 on our streets and sidewalks. New sidewalks were added to Maple Street, Koehler Avenue, Orchard Drive, Church Street and Valley View. We have crack sealed, paved, replaced sections of cement and/or chip and sealed on the following streets: Portage, Gates, Maple, Black Drive, Collier, Church, Woodhaven, Frederick, Circle Drive, Bailey Court, Concord Trail and Vineyard Way. We provide plowing and salting of the roads, as well as mosquito spraying in the summer months. Although we do receive funds from the State and County for Permissive and Fuel Tax, our Street Department is also supplemented through our General Fund.

The Village also continues to invest in new equipment and vehicles as our old equipment starts failing. Over the past five years we have purchased three new police vehicles and a new dump truck. We work hard at keeping our fleet in good operating condition, with most of our vehicles lasting at least 10 years.

Although not perfect, the Village strives to provide the best possible services to our residents everyday by utilizing tax payer dollars. We have received many calls from residents who have moved into the Village from other communities who thank us for the many services that we provide. We hope you consider all of the above when you go to the polls on November 5th. Thank you.

A MESSAGE FROM CHIEF TESTER

The Wayne County Sheriff's Office just launched a new program aimed at helping our elderly. It is a telephone reassurance program that will make an automated phone call to seniors who wish to subscribe to the program. The system will work as follows:

The elderly person or persons with disabilities will "sign up" to receive a daily automated phone call at a time of their choosing. If for example they say they want to be called at 8 pm each day, they will receive a call asking if they are "OK" and if so, press "1". If all is well, that is the end of the process.

If there is no answer the system will call them 3 more times with each call coming five minutes apart. If after the final attempt and there is no response, the dispatcher will make contact with the subscribers emergency contact and attempt to determine if there is a logical reason why the person is not answering the phone. If needed, a deputy/officer can then be dispatched to the house. Clearly this type of response is not an actual 911 call.

The system can make 150 calls per hour and the subscriber picks the days they want to be called as well as the time.

One of the natural concerns are people leaving home and not receiving the call. If the subscriber knows they will be away, there is a number they can call to "opt out" for the day, week etc. Some of these issues will be minimized by the fact that many people use cell phones and will have their phone with them when leaving home.

The form is available at the Doylestown Police Station and will need to be filled out and returned to be enrolled in this program. There is a link on the Doylestown Police Department Facebook® page as well for this form.

CONTACT US:

*Doylestown Police Department
20 S. Portage Street
Doylestown, OH 44230*

*Chief Casey Tester
330-658-6582*

chieftester@doylestown.com

For Emergencies
Call 911

The safety of our elderly population is of the utmost importance, and this program will help give you and your family the reassurance of your safety when they are not there.

If you have any specific questions regarding this service, please call the Doylestown Police Department.

Thank you!

VILLAGE HALL HOLIDAY

For Thanksgiving, we will be closed on November 28th & 29th (Thursday and Friday).

For Christmas, we will close at noon on December 24th and will be closed on the 25th.

For New Year's we will be closed January 1st.

RUMPKE WASTE HOLIDAY TRASH DELAYS

For the week of Thanksgiving, trash and recycling pick up will be delayed to **Saturday, November 30th.**

For the Christmas and New Years Day holiday, trash and recycling will be delayed to **Saturday December 28th and Saturday January 4th.**

Comments are invited at
kristen@doylestown.com or
mayorlindeman@doylestown.com
330-658-2181

Our Community Events Calendar
will help you stay connected.
Check it out often for updates!

www.doylestown.com

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

VILLAGE WIDE LEAF PICK UP



The Village leaf pick begins **October 28th** and will continue weekly through the end of November. The following schedule will be utilized:

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday will be the east side of Portage Street


Thursday & Friday will be the west side of Portage Street


Please remember you cannot obstruct the sidewalks and streets with leaf piles. It is unsafe as stated in our **Codified Ordinances section 901.10**.

We appreciate your compliance.

Snollygoster Parade and Costume Judging Contest Returns

     **Thursday October 31st**

 **5:30 – 7:00 PM Trick or Treat** (within Village) Please Turn Porch Light on to Participate

 **6:45 PM Snollygoster Parade** Meet at Doughboy *if* you want to parade to Chippewa Jr/Sr High School for the Lion's costume contest

7 PM Lion's Club Costume Contest Chippewa Jr/Sr High School Auditorium * New Categories with Prizes!

Categories: Youngest, Best Halloween Character (witch, ghost, mummy, Dracula, or Frankenstein), Best Prince/Princess, Best Superhero, Best Book or Movie Character, Best/Largest Group in Theme Costumes and Most Original. ***NO Food or Drinks in Auditorium, including Candy**



2019 CHRISTMAS AT THE SQUARE

The **8th Annual Christmas At The Square** will once again enhance our downtown with beautifully decorated Christmas trees during the holiday season.

The Village of Doylestown cordially invites all businesses, non-profit groups and families to display a tree in the spirit of Christmas. With registration, you are encouraged to decorate a tree for placement to begin at the southwest corner of the square by Village Hall.

Once registered for this event, trees that have been decorated and properly secured must be placed between November 9th and December 3rd to be eligible for judging.

Tree lighting will occur Saturday, December 7th at 5 PM followed by pictures with Santa who will arrive on a fire truck!

Registration forms and decorating criteria is available at Village Hall and also online at www.doylestown.com, Resident Tab, then News and Events, Christmas at the Square. Registration must be turned into Village Hall before placing your tree in order to properly identify each tree.

There will be three categories for judging this year: Schools, Churches and Community Organizations; Businesses; Individuals and Families.

37TH ANNUAL SHARE-A-CHRISTMAS

Share-A-Christmas is designated to help two groups of people: Those who need help and those who want to help, but are not sure how to help.

If you need help:

- Must live in Chippewa Local School District
- To receive help you must complete an online application. No sign-ups by phone.
- You may now sign up through the Doylestown Share-A-Christmas Facebook page by pressing the sign up at the bottom of our photo to open the application.

If you do not have a Facebook account, please copy and paste this link into your browser to complete your application: <https://forms.gle/KEYZELs5SMfSAnAp8> . Please note just because you fill out the online application it does NOT make you active. You must have a face-to-face interview. Parents or legal guardians MUST attend one of the sign up dates listed below with photo ID, a utility bill, or other mailing showing residency and either your child's report card or print out from Progress Book.

The following are the three (3) available sign-up dates at Doylestown Village Hall Basement: **Saturday, November 2nd, 9 am - 12 pm; Saturday, November 9th, 9 am - 12 pm; Sunday, November 10th, 12 - 5 pm.**

If you want to help:

- Call **330-658-9101**, and sponsor a child. Obtain information: sizes, needs and wants for a child or children. Then, go have fun and shop for the child or family.
- Donate random gifts which can accommodate newborn to high school students. **Sponsor drop offs are 12/8 12 - 5 pm; 12/9 thru 12/12 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm in the Village Hall lower level.**
- Monetary donations may be dropped off or mailed year round to: **US Bank - Doylestown - 53 N. Portage**
- Monetary donations are used to take care of any non-sponsored children. Their needs of coats, shoes, boots are met first. After their basic needs are met, special requests made by the children are fulfilled.



LIONS CLUB ROSE SALE

Place your order by Tuesday Oct 29th. Pick up or delivery is Friday Nov 1st. Cost is \$18 per dozen. Call Kay Kerr at 330-658-6342 or any member to place an order. Thank you for your continued support!



Christmas Tree Pick Up
Will be provided as a curbside service on **January 13th**
REMOVE ALL DECORATIONS

Winter brush pick up will resume, weather permitting on the following dates: **Feb 10, March 9 and April 13**

Snow Plow Permits

ORDINANCE 2009-28
\$10 Annual Fee



ALL PRIVATE SNOW REMOVAL FIRMS AND INDIVIDUALS SHALL REGISTER ANNUALLY WITH THE VILLAGE OF DOYLESTOWN IN ACCORD WITH THE PROVISIONS SECTION 5, HEREIN, PRIOR TO REMOVING, PUSHING OR PLOWING SNOW FROM ANY PRIVATE OR PUBLIC PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE VILLAGE. SUCH REGISTRATION WILL EXPIRE ANNUALLY ON JUNE 1 OF EACH YEAR.

For more information to call Village Hall 330-658-2181 ext. 1102

Vote!

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH

Voter Registration Forms are always available at Village Hall. Deadline to register for the November 5th election was **October 7th and Absentee Voting in person (at the Board of Elections only) and by mail began October 8th.**

Absentee Ballot Applications are available at Village Hall. These need to be received at the Board of Elections by noon on November 2nd. All Information must be sent to the **Wayne County Board of Elections** 200 Vanover Street, Suite 1 Wooster, OH 44691. www.votewayne.org

Please call the Board of Elections for more information on voter registration or absentee ballots or early voting at 330-287-5480.



New BUSINESS SPOTLIGHTS



Shelly's Uptown Grill

SHELLY'S UPTOWN GRILL IS NOW OPEN!



New business owners George & Shelly Thomas invite you to come in and give their new restaurant a try! They are Chippewa Township residents who own a small farm and horse boarding business with 6 horses, 3 goats, 11 chickens and 2 dogs. They have 4 grown children Amber (26) and husband Jeff who just welcomed baby Baylor in July; Tyler (22), Justin (22) and Tristan (18).

George is a Building Automation Technician and Shelly was a Medical Lab Tech. Shelly began a catering business three years ago, and has wanted to expand her talents by

opening a restaurant for a long time, but never thought it would be possible. The opportunity arose, and Shelly says that their new status of "empty nesters" gave them the opportunity to give it a try. Being a caterer was enjoyable but difficult as she was a full time hospital employee working midnights and weekends for 20 years.

Some of the challenges they face will be finding reliable staff and letting the community know that the business is under new management. Shelly hopes new menu items, which will include breakfast on some days, offering an "express lunch" menu for those who are on break from work, and having a changing variety of menu items will keep the community coming back for more.

Here are some of the menu items that will be offered: Homemade soups, and homemade dinner specials, Shelly's Chicken Marsala, a Beast Burger (8 oz. burger made from Wagyu Beef, Bison, Elk and Wild Boar), fried pierogis topped in wing sauces and homemade sausage gravy and biscuits. Mimosas and Bloody Mary's will also be available for breakfast!

Shelly says the hours listed may be flexible, especially on the weekends after late night football games and concerts at the square. The hours may be adjusted depending on the customer's needs, possibly offering more breakfast days. They will also work on becoming wheelchair accessible as they realize this is very important as well.

A final goal is to put in a lunchmeat and cheese deli in the back, which would be used for their own menu items, as well as filling the void of the relocation of the Doylestown Market to Wadsworth.

Shelly says that the Village has been very welcoming and supportive and they look forward to serving you soon!

CONTACT INFO:

*Shelly's Uptown Grill
68 N. Portage Street
Doylestown, OH 44230*

*George & Shelly Thomas
330-991-4004
shellysuptowngrill@gmail.com*

*Hours:
Monday - Thursday 11 am - 10 pm
Friday - Saturday 7 am - 12 am
Sunday 7 am - 9 pm
Breakfast served 7 am - noon*

THE VILLAGE WELCOMES THE GREAT WALL

For the first time in the history of Doylestown, a new Chinese Restaurant has opened and is serving our community the tastes of Hong Kong, Cantonese, Szechuan and Hunan Cuisine all cooked in 100% vegetable oil and is MSG FREE.

The Great Wall opened their doors on August 18th and has been going strong since then. Owner Cheng Zhang and his family are enjoying our small quiet town and are pleased to bring their cuisine to us. Cheng states that the community has been very welcoming and friendly.

Cheng has a wife, Chai Wu who also works at the restaurant. They have two children, son Erik Zhang (7) and daughter Elina Zhang (5). Both children are attending Hazel Harvey Elementary School.

They offer a lunch buffet daily from 11 am to 2:30 pm. You can either dine in, or take it to go. When taking it to go, the price is offered by the pound.

So if you haven't had the chance to give them a try, do so soon. The food and quality has impressed our residents and we have heard only great things about our new restaurant! Online ordering is also available at www.greatwalloh88.com. Forms of payment accepted are cash/credit/debit.

Welcome to Doylestown Cheng, Chai Wu, Erik and Elina and thank you for bringing us our first Chinese Restaurant!

The Great Wall Chinese Restaurant

88 N. Portage Street

Doylestown, OH 44230

330-991-0102 / 330-991-0161

HOURS:

Monday - Thursday 10:30 am - 9 pm

Friday - Saturday 10:30 am - 9:30 pm

Sunday - 11 am - 9 pm



RITCHIE CPA, LLC SETS UP NEW FIRM

Coming in November, 2019, Jonna Ritchie will be providing tax preparation, bookkeeping and payroll services for individuals and small businesses. With 20 plus years of experience, Jonna is looking forward to creating a business relationship with our community.

After the loss of her mother this past April, Jonna re-evaluated her professional career and decided to do what she loved to do the most. She realizes that people develop long standing relationships with their tax advisors, but hopes anyone looking for a new advisor will seek her out. Jonna has a husband, Patrick and two adult sons, Chase (22) and Joseph (18).

Jonna is proud of her A+ Better Business Bureau rating (highest possible) and looks forward to serving her clients. She would like to thank Doylestown Thrive for their help, support, advice and kindness during the last few months.

Jonna states "I am grateful we have a local group trying to bring new business into Doylestown and who encourage the businesses already here to grow".

CONTACT INFO:

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400 Collier Drive
Doylestown, OH 44230

Jonna Ritchie
330-734-7394
jonna@jritchiecpa.com
www.jritchiecpa.com

Hours:
Monday - Friday
10 am - 5 pm

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A Town of Tradition**

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2ND ANNUAL WINTERFEST SPONSORED BY THRIVE

Thrive will once again sponsor this years Winterfest events. Join us on **December 7th** from 10 am until 3 pm for a day full of fun events and activities. Start your day at the Methodist Church with the Cub Scouts' Pancake Breakfast with Santa. Do some holiday shopping at the Holiday Art & Crafts Market in the American Legion. Downtown you'll find children's activities, ice-carving demonstrations, an opportunity to meet sled dogs and learn about sled dog racing and much more! Various music groups will be performing holiday music at the bandstand. WQKT will be here with live on the air call ins! Come and be a part of your community while creating valuable memories with your loved ones. See you there!

NEWS FROM THE STREET DEPARTMENT AND SHADE TREE

The Street Department has had a very busy summer. Several storm drain projects have been completed with more projects lined up for next year. When they are not digging graves, patching holes in the street or assisting the Water and Sewer Department with line breaks, they have several other projects on their list to improve the infrastructure for the Village.

At the entrance to the Village from State Route 585 and Gates Street, a new and improved Welcome to Doylestown sign will be installed, as well as electric and water service as soon as the electrical and landscape contractors are available and the weather cooperates.

The Maple Street culvert is under contract to be replaced starting in the next few weeks. The project is expected to take approximately one month to finish. Thank you for your patience while the long term replacement to this culvert is being installed as the road will be closed to through traffic.

A few of our concrete streets have been repaired on Baily Court, Concord and Vineyard.

News from the Shade Tree Commission: A few trees were lost due to storms this summer. Staying on budget, we were able to remove a few trees and planted eleven trees. The National Arbor Day Foundation recognized the Village with a certificate for 35 years of being a Tree City in 2019.