



## Galena Hires New Public Service Director



In a unanimous vote at their January meeting, Galena Council hired Scott Jamison, of Cheshire Rd. in Sunbury, as their full-time public service director beginning March 1 when he replaces retiring director David LaValle. Jamison will supervise three employees and will serve as the Village's zoning/property maintenance inspector and floodplain administrator. He will also manage the Village's wastewater treatment system.

Jamison brings 27 years of experience including operations and supervision background with the cities of Columbus and Gahanna as well as Fairfield County and the Village of Galena. He has served as the wastewater treatment plant operator for Galena for almost three years. He is a certified class III wastewater operator and is trained in Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations, hazardous/toxic waste management, hazardous materials transportation, backflow prevention, and water pollution control.

Jamison began his career as a wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) operator for the City of Columbus in 1980 then moved to Rockwell International in 1983

where he operated their WWTP as an industrial utilities operator. In 1988, he began working at Caloric (Amana) in Delaware as their environmental specialist where he supervised the operation of their WWTP. In 1992, Jamison began working as the environmental assistant manager at American Showa in Sunbury where he supervised the WWTP and the electrostatic paint line. He became a water and sewer technician for Gahanna in 1997 where he operated the city's water distribution system. Jamison became the chief operator for the Fairfield County Water Reclamation Division from 2003-2005 where he supervised operations at five wastewater treatment plants. Since 2005, he has been a self-employed consultant for Jamison Consulting and has managed the Dornoch and Galena wastewater treatment plants.

While the Village currently has Monday through Thursday office hours, Jamison, who will work a 40-hour week for the Village and will add Friday hours as well.

## Collard Recognized

Mayor Tom Hopper presented a proclamation to Jacob Collard recognizing his Eagle Scout achievement. Collard, a member of Galena Troop 300, built a bridge at St. John Neumann Catholic Church. The community service project required self-motivation, diligence, leadership, and more than 90 hours of work.



(l. to r.) Mayor Tom Hopper presents a proclamation to Eagle Scout Jacob Collard with Boy Scout Troop 300 Leader Jim Irwin and Collard's father, David Collard, looking on.

## Morris' Service to Galena Recognized



Mayor Hopper (left) also recognized retiring Zoning and Planning Commission member Denny Morris (right) with a proclamation honoring his outstanding service to the Village. Morris has served the Village for nearly two decades on the commission as well as the Sewer, Parks, and Infrastructure committees. He was instrumental in the planning and construction of the Village's first sewer plant as well as many of the parks and infrastructure improvements. He also contributed to land use planning and zoning resolution revisions.

In other business, Council also passed a resolution recognizing 2008 as Delaware County's Bicentennial Year.

## Galena Dates

The following are Village Council and committee meeting dates as well as other local events. Village meetings are open to the public and are at 7 p.m. in the basement of the Municipal Building, 9 W. Columbus St., unless otherwise stated.

- Feb. 1 1<sup>ST</sup> Quarter Sewer Bills Sent Out
- Feb. 1, 8 Trash Days
- Feb. 13 Zoning & Planning Commission
- Feb. 15, 22 Trash Days
- Feb. 25 Council Meeting
- Feb. 29 Leap Day, Trash Day
- March 4 Election Day

## Trails Grant

Mary Kerr and Nancy Hood, representing Delaware County Friends of the Trail, are writing a grant application to build a bridge deck over Big Walnut Creek to link the proposed Kane's Crossing Trail with the Walnut Creek Trail. The cost is estimated at \$150,000-\$200,000. Homewood Corporation, developer of Estates at Blackhawk and the Miller Farm, committed \$24,000 to the effort. Delaware County Friends of the Trail is expected to commit \$8,000 and the Village will contribute a maximum of \$18,000 in funding and in-kind services.

## Police Report

Charlie Chandler, Sunbury Galena Police officer, reported that 78 traffic tickets were issued in Galena in 2008 compared to 105 in 2006. Reports increased from 93 in 2006 to 121 in 2007.

## Berkshire Lake Campground

Public Service Director Dave LaValle reported that Berkshire Lake Campground owners are working on annexation into the Village. Since the campground owners have paid their sewer bills current, all liens against the property have been removed. Sewer infrastructure improvements are in process, also.

## Trash Contract

The Village's residential trash hauling contract with Waste Management has been extended for 2008. The new rate will be \$15.50/month.

## Downtown Plans

Zoar Development continues to revise its downtown development plans and intends to return to the Zoning and Planning Commission on January 16.

## Village Budget

Budget revisions were approved. The Village expects \$1.4 million in revenue and has budgeted \$1.3 million in appropriations.

## Sewer Bills

Village Sewer Bills will be mailed out February 1st and are due to Water Quality Management by March 10 to avoid late fees. The bills will be \$114.48 for the February, March and April quarter. Be sure to pay on time to avoid penalties and further action.

## Library Lovers Month

To celebrate Library Lovers' Month, check out these events:

- **Beaded Valentine Bracelet Class**, Feb. 4, 4-5 pm., K-5<sup>th</sup> grade, \$1.
- **Chocolate Bliss Cooking Demonstration**, Feb. 9, 10-11 am., teens and adults, Free.
- **Library Lovers' Ball**, Feb. 9, 7 pm., Children & adults, Free.
- **Beaded Conversational Heart Bracelet Class**, Feb. 11, 4-5 pm., K-5<sup>th</sup> grade, \$1.
- **Food for Fines**, Feb. 14-16, Accepting non-perishable food and household products in lieu of fines when overdue materials are returned to the library. One item=\$1.
- **"I Love Lucy" Marathon**, 1-5 pm.,

Feb. 20, meeting room, Free.

- **Cookie Story Time**, Feb. 22, 4-5 pm., K-5<sup>th</sup> grade, Free.
- **"Charlie & the Chocolate Factory" Family Movie**, Feb. 25, 6:30 p.m.

Many programs require pre-registration, so please contact the Community Library at 740-965-3901.

## Newsletter

E-mail the Village with your mailing and e-mail addresses at [galena@embarqmail.com](mailto:galena@embarqmail.com) if you would prefer to receive the newsletter via e-mail rather than postal mail.

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