



Santa Came to Town



Elia Giuliani reviews her Christmas wish list with Santa.

Santa Claus came to Galena Dec. 20, just in the nick of time for local children to tell him what was on their wish lists. Each child received a goody bag, too.



Sheila Miller and her children, Hunter and Ella, enjoyed the holiday hay ride.

Thanks to everyone who planned and helped with the event, especially Karin Underwood, Thresa Karn, Chris and Anna Underwood, Mike and Pam Hamilton, Stephanie Paese, Rick Shank,

and Natalie Crow for providing the petting zoo.



The petting zoo was a big hit!

We hope you all had a wonderful holiday season. Happy New Year!

Galena Receives Trail Grant

The Village of Galena has been awarded a \$148,000 grant from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources to build a covered bridge over the Big Walnut Creek. The grant is pending approval by the Public Works Commission. The Village owns the land and the bridge frame that previously served as a narrow gauge train track for the Galena Brick Company. The grant was written by Mary Kerr with the Delaware County Friends of the Trail.

The future Kane's Crossing Trail is an integral part in completing connections for the Ohio to Erie Trail. The Genoa Trail to the south will eventually tie into Galena's Hoover Scenic Walkway. Then the trail runs through Miller Park to the Galena Brick Trail. A future trail will tie that to Kane's Crossing which links up with a paved trail that Maronda Homes completed in the Walnut Creek subdivision. It will eventually connect with trails to the north.

Galena Receives Preservation Parks Grant

Galena also was awarded a \$15,791.25 from Preservation Parks of Delaware County. The funds will allow the Village to replace an old 7' with a new 6' slide, add a tot slide, and add safe surface materials under both in Ruffner Park.

Trash Bids

The Village of Galena Council members discussed details of trash bids that were opened Nov. 24. Four vendors submitted bids and three of those provided sufficient information for consideration. The lowest bidder was Big-O Refuse at \$44.64/quarter/household with a 5.1% increase each year. The next lowest bidder was Waste Management with Republic Waste Service entering the highest bid. Representatives from Waste Management and Big-O Refuse were in Council to answer questions. Concerns were raised about Waste Management's fuel sur-

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.

Tentative Dates for 2009

Jan. 1	Village Offices Closed
Jan. 3*	Trash Day
Jan. 5	Council Organizational Meeting, 6 p.m.
Jan. 9	Trash Day
Jan. 14	Zoning & Planning Commission
Jan. 16, 23	Trash Days
Jan. 26	Council Meeting
Jan. 30	Trash Day

charge. Council tabled action on the trash hauling contract until Jan. 5.

CAD Standards Approved

Council passed a resolution amending the Subdivision Code of 2006. The amendments include construction and development standards for Common Access Drives (CADs).

Council Actions

Council also passed a resolution adopting an identity theft policy to comply with a new federal law and held second readings on personnel hiring resolutions for 2009.

Snow Emergency

We've had some harsh winter weather early this year, so it's time to talk about snow emergencies. Last year, residents were great about voluntarily moving their vehicles when there was snow accumulation. This helped Village personnel immensely in being able to clear your streets safely and efficiently.

So, just a reminder, the mayor may declare a snow emergency if:

- more than 2" of snow falls within a 24-hour period; and,
- additional snow is expected; or,
- ice accumulates to the point it impairs safe movement of traffic.

Vehicles would need to be moved from the following streets if a snow emergency is declared: Columbus, Front, Middle, Water, West, Rose, Quinn, Heathermere Drive, Heathermere Loop, Tristaine Court, Zoar, Melimare, Caleb's Court, Nesting Court, and Hawking Drive, as well as the Village's portion of

Joe Walker, Vans Valley, Dustin, and Alexander roads.

Car Seat Safety

Make sure your child's car seat is installed safely at the Car Seat Check, 3-6:30 p.m., Feb. 17, at the Genoa Township Fire Department, 7049 Big Walnut Rd. Call the Delaware General Health District at 740-368-1700 to make your appointment.

Library Events

The Community Library offers the following:

- Beginners yoga class, 9-10:20 a.m., Saturdays or 5:30-6:50 p.m., Wednesdays; \$7/class.
- Knitters Group, 7 p.m. Tuesdays.
- Sunbury Book Club, 7:30 p.m., 2nd Wednesdays.
- Thursday Book Group, 7-8 p.m., 1st Thursday of the month.
- Knit and Crochet Group, 2:30-4:30 p.m., 2nd Thursdays.
- Donate mittens on the Mitten Tree for Big Walnut Friends Who Share.

For more information or to register for events, contact Community Library, 740-965-3901, 44 Burrer Dr., Sunbury.

Sewer Bills

First quarter sewer bills will be mailed out Feb. 1 for the Feb./March/April quarter. Residential bills will be \$114.48.

Be sure to pay on time to avoid penalties and further action. Mail payments to Water Quality Management at 161 S. Liberty St., Powell, OH 43065, not to the Village offices. Call them with any questions at 614-547-0484.

Customers can set up monthly sewer bill payments at the Delaware County

Bank's Galena branch. Bring your sewer bill with you the first time.

Newsletter

If you would prefer to receive the newsletter via e-mail, just e-mail the Village with your mailing and e-mail addresses at galena@embaromail.com. You'll receive a color version of the newsletter in a .pdf format earlier than the print version is distributed.

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