

## Final Message from Chairman Ray Barley

As I collect my thoughts for this article, I do so knowing it will be my last as your Township Supervisor. After 22 plus years of being able to serve you in this capacity, I have made the decision not to seek another term for reasons I'll explain later in this article. At my request, long time resident Todd Flynn has stepped forward and is running unopposed to take my seat on the Board. Todd is a retired Teacher and is currently serving on our Zoning Hearing Board. I am confident in his abilities to serve you, but more importantly is his desire to keep Nottingham Township the great place that it has become.



I would like to thank all of you for giving me the opportunity to serve as one of your Township Supervisors. It has been an honor and privilege. The challenges and achievements during these years have been many, but an experience I will always treasure. Some of the more notable accomplishments that have taken place over the past 22 years would be:

- Availability of public water to over 90% of the Township;
- a centrally located Township Building with a host of amenities;
- the development of two upscale residential housing plans that have contributed significantly to our tax base;
- a single stream re-cycling drop-off center;
- a Township Newsletter and web site providing up to date information on activities;
- a proposed new administration/meeting building scheduled to open later this year;
- a debt free Township with significant cash reserves and no unfunded liabilities;
- a Public Works Department that is one of the best in the County in terms of equipment and getting the job done; and,
- a dedicated staff that is the best at what they do.

The Board of Supervisors, Township Staff, Planning Commission, Zoning Hearing Board, Recreation Board, and you the residents, have made Nottingham Township one of the most desirable places to live in Western Pennsylvania. I am very proud of what all of us working together have been able to accomplish during these years. It has been your understanding and cooperative spirit that provided the encouragement and direction to achieve.

As many of you already know, I've listed my home for sale and will be relocating to Allensville (Huntingdon County), Pennsylvania, upon its sale and closing. It has been a difficult two years since the passing of my wife Linda to kidney failure. I am happy to announce that through what I have termed as "Divine Intervention" one year ago, I was given the opportunity to renew a relationship that first occurred 50 years ago. Dotti and I were high school sweethearts, had gone our separate ways, and are now planning our marriage for June 25th. As I start the next chapter in my life, rest assured that I will never forget the many relationships made here and will be back often to visit.

I know Nottingham Township will continue to achieve great things in the years to come because of you the residents, and those among you who will step forward to be involved and lead. I will forever cherish your friendship and wish you all well. May God bless.

## Primary Election Day – Tuesday, May 17, 2011

Polls open from 7AM to 8 PM

### DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!

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**Recreation Board to hold Clean-up Day May 7, 2011**

The Nottingham Township Recreation Board would like to invite all interested residents to participate in a clean-up day to be held May 7, 2011. This will be the first year of an organized clean-up day and will run from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p. m. Various Church groups and Scout groups will be in attendance to assist. Clean-up will take place along some of the remote roads in the Township littered with trash and in need of care. If you are interested we ask that you meet at the Municipal Complex, 909 Sugar Run Road, by 9:00 a.m. May 7th. Lite refreshments will be served afterwards. If you would like more information contact the Township Office at 724-348-5622. We would love to have you join us!

**Mark your calendars**

**July 23, 2011** -the Recreation Board will be working with the County to hold an E-cycling event at the Township Building. The event will be held between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. A truck will be on hand to haul away all those unwanted televisions and computer monitors for FREE!

**October 1, 2011** - a Bonfire Event will be held at Sherwood Park located at the Municipal Complex from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by the Old Shoes Band. Residents are asked to bring their lawn chairs and blankets. Free drinks and food will be served. Be sure to bring family and friends to this popular Township event.

*If you have any thoughts or suggestions on activities you would like to see please contact the Township at 724-348-5622, or e-mail us through the web site at [www.nottinghamtp.com](http://www.nottinghamtp.com). Give us your thoughts!*

**North Strabane to provide building code services for Nottingham**

The Nottingham Township Board of Supervisors entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement with North Strabane Township for the provision of code inspection services for Nottingham Township. Since the inception of the Uniform Construction Code in 2004, Nottingham Township has had building inspection services provided by a third party agency. A third party agency is a person, firm or corporation certified by the Department of Labor and Industry as a construction code official and contracted to perform plan review of construction documents, inspect construction or administer and enforce codes and regulations under the Uniform Construction Code Act. These services were being provided by an inspection company out of Pittsburgh called Code.sys™ Code Consulting, Inc. North Strabane Township has been in the process of expanding their building code office and now also services the City of Washington.

North Strabane Township borders Nottingham Township which will make the building inspection and permitting process timelier for residents. Building inspections will no longer be driven by what day of the week the inspector will be in our area. Money will also be saved on the fees charged for services. Nottingham Township has always worked well with neighboring municipalities. North Strabane Township Fire Department is also one of the three fire departments that provide emergency services for our community.

Don Hindman will be the new building inspector for Nottingham Township. Don has over 22 years in building and construction experience, and maintains all the required certifications required by the state of Pennsylvania for inspectors. There are also programs and certifications not required by the state such as Fire Inspector II and III, Residential Plans Examiner, Legal Aspects of Code Enforcement, which are things he is currently working on as he aspires to become a Master Code Professional. Don comes highly qualified and we welcome him to Nottingham Township. Don can be reached by calling North Strabane Township at 724-745-8880 for any building and construction questions.

**Just a Reminder - When is a building permit required?**

A building permit is required when planning to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish, or change the occupancy of a building or structure, or to erect, install, enlarge, alter, repair, remove, convert, or replace any electrical, gas, mechanical, or plumbing system, the installation of which is regulated by the Uniform Construction Code.

## Recycling Site open for Business!

After months of planning and preparation between Nottingham Township and Washington County, on November 5, 2010, the long anticipated Nottingham Township Recycling Site was finally open for business. The Township Site has been received extremely well with an ongoing stream of activity. Two hauls have been completed to date and a third is well on its way. The site is available to Nottingham Township residents and all residents of Washington County.

### *Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Held*

The Washington County Planning Commission held a ribbon cutting ceremony at the new recycling site on Thursday, December 2, 2010. Despite the frigid temperatures, 25 people were in attendance for the ceremony, to include all three Washington County Commissioners, Township Supervisors and Staff, representatives from the County Planning Commission, and several residents. A reception with lite refreshments was held after the ceremony in the Municipal Building.

Funding for this project was obtained through the Department of Energy's Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG), which is a part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. The site is serviced by Waste Management, and the materials are processed at Greenstar, a single stream material recovery facility located at Neville Island. This site will be used as a model for future sites throughout the County once additional funding sources have been secured.

Allowable materials for disposal at the site include all types of paper, manila folders, cardboard, newspaper, telephone books, glossy magazines and catalogs, junk mail, glass, plastic (1-7), and tin and aluminum cans.

Non-recyclable items include food waste, glass pane and Pyrex, tires, furniture, toner cartridges, hard back books, plastic bags, plastic silverware, PVC pipe, styrofoam peanuts and any styrofoam products. If you have questions on whether an item is or is not recyclable contact Greenstar at 412-250-0275. You may also visit them on the web [www.greenstar-na.com](http://www.greenstar-na.com).



*Ribbon Cutting Ceremony (l-r) Supervisor Peter Marcoline, Commissioner Larry Maggi, Supervisor Doug King, Supervisor Ray Barley, Commissioner Diana Ire-Vaughan & Commissioner Bracken Burns.*



*The Recycling Site is located at the Municipal Complex, 909 Sugar Run Road, Eighty Four, Monday through Sunday, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.*

**\*This site is monitored by cameras and for recyclable items only. Dumping of all other items such as furniture, tires, food waste, paint etc., is prohibited. Violators will be prosecuted!**

## 2010 Census Numbers

The 2010 Census numbers are out. Nottingham Township's population count has grown to 3,036. This is an increase of 514 from the 2000 Census count of 2,522. Nottingham Township would like to thank all residents for participating. Remember, these numbers are important for Nottingham Township to receive their fair share of liquid fuels and federal funding that will be made available to our area for the next 10 years. If you would like more information visit the U.S. Census site at [www.2010.census.gov](http://www.2010.census.gov).

### **ATTENTION RESIDENTS!**

**The Nottingham Township Real Estate Tax Collector Office will be closed on Monday, May 23, 2011. Sorry for any inconvenience.**

## Public Works Department

By Douglas S. King, Director of Public Works

If you have been around the Township building lately, I'm sure that you have noticed that things are a little torn up. The reason for this is that the site for the new municipal building had to be excavated to remove 7 feet of bad fill. The Public Works Department took on the task of removing and backfilling the area ourselves to save money. Equipment and expertise were provided by Sopko Contracting, and unfortunately, the rain was provided compliments of Mother Nature. We hope to have grass planted in the next few weeks, provided things dry out for a few days. Along with the new building site, a parking lot has been added as well as an extension to the existing walking trail. Please excuse the mess as you come to vote on Election Day.

Road projects for this summer will include paving on Dyers Stone Drive, Parkview and Sundust roads. Seal coating will take place on Agostoni, Sugar Run, Parkview, Meadowbrook and Gilkeson roads. Base repairs and drainage work will take place throughout the Township.

On another note, I would just like to say "thank you" to longtime Township Supervisor Ray Barley. Ray has served our Township for over 20 years, most of that time as Chairman. We have been very fortunate to have had such a strong leader serving us. I personally want to say "thank you" to Ray for all he has taught me and the friendship he so graciously offered to all of us. On behalf of the staff and residents of Nottingham Township we wish you all the best as you start this new chapter in your life. Please know how much you will be missed!

## Sherwood Park News

The Township tennis, basketball and volleyball courts are all open and ready for summer use. All courts are used on a first come first serve basis. Have an upcoming graduation or family reunion? Don't forget about our large pavilion nestled in the heart of Sherwood Park. It can accommodate 100+ people, has charcoal grills, electrical outlets and running water. Rental fee is \$75. The pavilion is in high demand so make your reservation today!



*Sherwood Park Pavilion – Call for availability*

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