



# DANBY TOWNSHIP

## *Fall 2009 Newsletter*

### **From the Supervisor's Desk**

Another year is winding down and 2009 will soon be over. Budgets will be reviewed and prepared for 2010. State revenue sharing is expected to be cut. Danby Township has kept conservative reserves, so services should not be affected for now.

Our limestone trial section on Peake Rd. seems to have held up well and we will be looking at doing more work in other locations yet to be determined.

A committee was formed to look into renting or opening up the township hall for use. That report should be coming to the board shortly.

We have updated our website to make it more user friendly and have added more useful information. Please take a look at [www.danbytp.org](http://www.danbytp.org). Let us know what you think or what you would like to see.

Spring clean-up will be scheduled again in 2010 with the city of Portland. We are also participating in the city's recycling program. Check our website for details. We are still looking for pictures that showcase Danby Township—both past and present.

Special thanks go out to the many people on our boards and committees. New faces are always welcome to attend our meetings. Remember, we are here for you. If you are not able to attend our meetings, our new website has a comment section for your comments and input.

The township board is looking at a five-year plan of things we would like to see in the township. One item we would like to pursue is a small playground area next to the township hall. The board is looking for your ideas and people interest in making Danby Township a great place to live.

### ***Planning Commission***

The Planning Commission has recently recommended an ordinance amendment regarding wind turbines (both large and small). Township residents are of course encouraged to attend all planning commissions meetings. Please check the website for scheduled meeting dates..

***Tax Collection for Winter 2009-10***

If you wish to pay your taxes in person, please call 647-2330 to be sure the treasurer is home. Of course you may drop by if you wish. The treasurer will be available at her home, 10680 Charlotte Hwy., on December 3, February 16 and March 1 from 9 am until 5 p.m. Please note that the last day to pay without penalty is February 16 since February 14 falls on Sunday and the fifteenth is a holiday. Also, the treasurer will be collecting taxes until March 1 since the twenty-eighth fall on Sunday. Beginning March, all taxes are payable to the county treasurer. **Please mail or bring the top portion of your tax bill with your payment.** If you have questions about your tax bill, don't hesitate to call 517 647-2330.

***Cemetery***

The township board would like to thank Sextons Russ Odom and John VanHouten for keeping the cemetery looking so nice. These two men work very hard mowing and weed trimming so that Danby Township residents can be proud of their local cemetery. The cemetery rules and regulations are posted at the main entrance for your convenience. For a hard copy of the rules or for a cemetery fee schedule, please check the bulletin board in front of the township hall. These are also found on our website. If you have any questions regarding the cemetery or to purchase cemetery lots, please contact Clerk Kristina Platte at (517) 647-6029.

***From the Assessor's Desk***

Please check your tax bill for errors and call the assessor right away. Changes in homestead can be made at the December Board of Review. Please contact the assessor if you want to sell off part of your property or do a land split.

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