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NORWICH

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NTFD Serves a Community in Need

Our Fire Department is very proud to support and participate in the Upper Scioto Water Rescue Task Force that provided water evacuations following Hurricane Florence's arrival in North and South Carolina. This task force consists of 50 firefighters from Norwich, Washington, Liberty, Concord and Jackson Townships, and the City of Marysville. Of those 50, 16 were deployed on this trip, including three of our own: Lieutenant Kris Lanning, Firefighter Jake Bickenheuser, and Firefighter Dan Buelow. The team departed on September 12th and returned to Ohio on September 20th.

Our team performed a variety of tasks in Johnston and Scotland counties, as well as the City of Benson and the City of Laurinburg. They were placed wherever the need was greatest and witnessed overwhelming devastation, but through that, witnessed amazing people.



Pictured Above: Bickenheuser, Lanning and Buelow



"Everyone we assisted or worked with was incredibly grateful for our support," shared Firefighter Buelow. "People were always asking where we were from and provided warm handshakes and heartfelt hugs, often followed with tears."

One of the first areas that provided accommodations for the team was a volunteer fire department running only on generator power and had trees and debris everywhere. They were welcomed by the firefighters and their families who were also staying at the fire station out of harm's way. The team trained the volunteer firefighters on rescue techniques, which was a terrific experience for everyone involved.

Most of the Upper Scioto Water Rescue Task Force work was assisting people who had been driving vehicles at night and had not realized the depth of the water from flash flooding. These were mostly major roadways and state routes that drivers did not anticipate that flooding would occur. Weather factored into every decision as the rain continued most days and nights, along with scattered tornados, and fears of dams bursting.

"We are grateful to our Fire Department Administration and the Norwich Township Trustees who allowed this support to happen," stated Lieutenant Lanning. "We felt the local support and appreciate that our families received daily checks for any needs while we were away."

They are also grateful for the training this experience provided. "I believe that we are very prepared for water emergencies here at home and will continue training with NTFD as well as the Task Force to better ourselves," stated Firefighter Bickenheuser.

2018 TRUSTEE MEETINGS

NOVEMBER 6 11:30 AM*
Records Commission Annual Meeting
NOVEMBER 6 12:00 PM
NOVEMBER 20 6:00 PM
DECEMBER 4 12:00 PM
DECEMBER 18 6:00 PM

* Note Time Change
The public is always
welcome to attend.

MEETINGS ARE HELD AT:

Norwich Township
Safety Services Building
5181 Northwest Parkway



Throw Away Bad Recycling Habits



MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Don't just recycle. Recycle Right. There are a number of items, like yogurt cups, plastic and foam food containers, plastic bags, and wire hangers that many people think are recyclable in their curbside cart but are not. Improper items can cause serious delays and damage to the recycling equipment.

In Franklin County, only five items are accepted for recycling:

- Paper and Cardboard
- Plastic Bottles and Jugs
- Glass Bottles and Jars
- Metal Cans
- Paper Cartons

It is also important that recyclable items are prepared correctly. Cardboard boxes should be broken down and recyclables should be loose in the cart - not bagged, rinsed out, and free from food.

Why does all of this matter? Proper recycling helps the environment by reducing energy consumption, creating healthier air, reducing wildlife habitat destruction, and allowing thicker forests to form.

30% of material in the Franklin County landfill is paper and cardboard – that is the equivalent of 23,750 garbage trucks full of highly recyclable material.

Reusing and recycling materials also creates opportunities for new product innovations and technologies. In addition, the amount of waste being generated by Franklin County is staggering. Last year, 2.1 million tons of waste was generated by residents and businesses; enough to fill the Ohio Stadium four times. And even though nearly half of that material is being recycled or composted, over one million tons of waste still finds its way to Franklin County's landfill every year. Recycling has never been more important.

Why are certain items not accepted for recycling? An item is only accepted for recycling in our county if a company is located close enough to make a profit off of that recycled item by making new goods. Recycling is subject to local supply and demand chains. Items like plastic bags can be dropped off at Bring Me Back locations located in most grocery stores. Yogurt cups and other #5 plastics can be recycled at Whole Foods.

What do the numbers of plastics mean? A recycling symbol with or without a number doesn't necessarily indicate that an item is accepted for recycling. Luckily, in Franklin County, the number does not matter. Just look at the shape of a container to know if it is recyclable. As long as the plastic is a bottleneck or jug shape then it is accepted. To find more information on recycling right, go to www.swaco.org/RecycleRight.

2017 & 2018 Road Projects

Current Road Project

- Thoburn Road: Full Replacement

2018

- Hayden Blvd: Cold In Place Recycling and Cape Seal
- Timberbrook Handicap Ramps: Concrete ADA Ramps
- Wesley Chapel Cemetery Roads: Seal Coating

2017

- Braidwood Drive: Cape Seal
- Darbyshire Drive: Cape Seal
- Sunnybrook Court: Cape Seal
- Sunnybrook Drive: Cape Seal
- Kingsway Drive: Cape Seal
- Ravenwood Drive: Cape Seal
- Hansen Drive: Cape Seal



Trick or Treat

WEDNESDAY,
OCTOBER 31, 2018
6:00 - 8:00 PM



Focus Hilliard

Passionate about service,
compassionate about people.

For over two years now Focus Hilliard has assisted over 122 families within our community. We are so proud of the commitment and work that has been shown through this program by our service coordinators and firefighters. Our Focus Hilliard program has done a great job integrating primary care facilities, healthcare networks, nonprofit organization programs, and home health networks to provide patients of all ages with advocacy on preventative measures, opportunities for referrals, and evaluations of specialized care to ensure overall better care.

“The program is meeting every expectation we had,” said Trustee Roberts. “My personal experience was great working with the Focus Hilliard team while assisting my mother post-surgery.”

For more information on what the program offers, please contact the Norwich Township Fire Department at 614-876-7694 or FocusHilliard@norwichtownship.org.



Focus Hilliard Programs:

- Car Seat Installation - Car seat installation by appointment
- CPR/AED Education - CPR courses and certification
- Fire Safety Education - Safety courses for all ages
- Home Fire Prevention - In-home fire safety inspections
- Integrated EMS - Personal, in-home social care and integrated EMS
- New Parent Program - Safety education for new parents
- Specialized Care Registry for All Ages - Delivering specialized care to enrollees
- Welcome Home Initiative - Outreach engagement for new residents



Panhandling

You see someone standing at the corner of the intersection begging for money and you feel bad, but cannot help but wonder if giving money is safe, or even allowed.



Panhandling may be legal depending on how the person is asking for money, and where they are located while asking. As long as the panhandler is not breaking any laws, like threatening or harassing people, and they stay on public property, such as sidewalks, they have the right to panhandle.

However, if a panhandler enters a roadway or stands on a roadway median to collect from vehicles, the panhandler is now breaking the law. If the panhandler becomes aggressive or solicits coercively, using menacing actions and/or by using a stated or implied threat, the panhandler is breaking the law.

For your safety, and the safety of those who are panhandling, we do not recommend giving money directly to panhandlers. Consider your potential liability if a panhandler is struck by a vehicle while coming to you for a donation. There are many resources available in our community for those in need.

Please call the Hilliard Division of Police at 614-876-2429 if you have any additional questions or feel you are a victim of aggressive panhandling.



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Issues, Questions, Concerns, Compliments and Complaints

Do you have issues, questions, concerns, compliments or complaints that you want to bring to the attention of Norwich Township? Visit our website at www.norwichtownship.org and click on the Contact tab.

CRASE- Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events Training

The Norwich Township Fire Department and the Hilliard Division of Police will host a 1-day Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events training on November 3, 2018. Registration is required to attend. Sign-up online at http://www.norwichtownship.org/crase_course-i-90.html.

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