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The Mayor's Chat Box: 'Are You Prepared For A Winter Snow Storm??'

There are great benefits from being prepared for the unknown. Each year disasters disrupt thousands of people and these disasters have lasting effects, both to people and property. Some people are seriously injured, others are killed and property damage can run into millions of dollars.

You should know how to respond to severe weather or any other disaster that may occur in our community. Thunderstorms, hurricanes, flooding and snow storms have already occurred in our area in the past. If a disaster should occur in our area this winter, local government and disaster relief organizations will try to help you, but you need to be ready as well. I am going to address severe snow storms at this time since heavy snowfall and extreme cold can immobilize this entire region. Winter storms can result in flooding, storm surge, closed highways, blocked roads, downed power lines and hypothermia.

First of all let me explain some of the terms used by the weather service. It is important for you to understand the difference between a **WATCH** and a **WARNING** for severe weather.

WINTER STORM WATCH: A winter storm is possible in the area. Tune in to weather reports on your radio or television for more information.

WINTER STORM WARNING: A winter storm is now occurring and may soon be in your area. If you are outside, take cover or seek a safe shelter immediately.

BLIZZARD WARNING: Sustained winds or frequent gusts to 35 miles per hour or greater and considerable amounts of falling or blowing snow (often reducing visibility) are expected to prevail for a period of three hours or longer. (if possible and electric generator can be highly beneficial because electricity and phone service may be disrupted for several days or weeks).

FROST/FREEZE WARNING: Below freezing temperatures are expected. Taking protective measures should include (1) Having salt or ice melt for sidewalks or driveways, (2) Have sand available to improve traction and (3) Have snow shovels and other snow removal equipment available.

Prepare for isolation in your home by having sufficient heating fuel, since regular fuel sources may not be available. Winterize your home by insulating walls and attics, caulking and weather-stripping doors and windows and installing storm windows or covering windows with plastic.

It is also very important to keep a 'basic disaster supplies kit' in your home. Your kit should contain essential food, water and supplies for at least 3 days. The following items are recommended for your kit:

- Three days supply of non-perishable food
- Three days supply of water (recommended 1 gallon of water per person per day)
- Portable battery-powered radio or TV with extra batteries
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- First aid kit with manual
- Sanitation or hygiene items (moist towelettes and toilet paper)
- Matches and water proof container
- Whistle
- Extra clothing
- Cooking utensils, including a can opener
- Cash and coins
- Special needs items (Prescription medications, eye glasses, hearing aids/batteries)
- Items for infants (formula, diapers, bottles, pacifiers)
- Pet needs (food and toys)

Since we live in a cold climate, we must think about staying warm in our house. It is possible that we may not have heat in the house if the electricity goes off or if you run out of fuel. You should consider the availability of additional clothing, such as jackets or coats, long pants, long sleeve shirts, sweaters, caps, mittens, scarves and sturdy boots or shoes, and let's not forget extra blankets. During the storm tune in to your radio or TV for weather reports and emergency information. Avoid over-exertion when shoveling snow since over-exertion can bring on a heart attack.

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Working with your neighbors in an emergency can help save lives and property. Meet with your neighbors to plan how you can work together until help arrives. Get to know your neighbors special skills and consider how you could help those with special needs such as disabilities or elderly persons.

If you drive back and forth to work daily, or if you must travel somewhere during the winter months, there are some thins for your vehicle that should be considered:

(1) Keep your vehicle in good running condition by performing proper maintenance, (2) Check proper fluid levels frequently (anti-freeze, windshield washer fluid, engine oil, transmission fluid), (3) Check for leaks and crimped pipes for the exhaust system, (4) Check condition of tires, (5) Battery & ignition should be in top condition and (6) Maintain a full tank of fuel when a storm is indicated.

Also carry a 'disaster supplies winter **car** kit' in your trunk. Included should be (1) Extra winter clothing (sweaters, gloves, boots, caps, coat and blankets), (2) A flashlight and batteries, (3) A bag of road salt or sand, (4) snack food, (5) bottled water, (6) Shovel and (7) Jumper cables.

Hopefully this information will help you to prepare for any snow storms, large or small this 2008 -2009 winter.

Mayor G. Burnell Bollinger

SNOW WATCH

Tune into the following TV & radio stations for your local closings, delays & cancellations: ABC27 * FOX43 *WGAL8 * WSBA-910am * WGTY-107.7

During winter weather:

Please remove all vehicles from the street to allow for the snow-plows to do their job efficiently.

Residents are responsible for the removal of snow & ice from the sidewalks.

Please DO NOT throw snow from your property into the streets.

MEET CAL!!

A Jacobus Borough resident for 2+ years, Calvin D. Brooks III is the newest member of Jacobus Borough Council, taking the Oath of Office on October 1, 2008.

Calvin & wife, Susan, have been married for 13 years and have 3 children ranging from 6 to 11 years old. He has been in his current job with 'UOC' (Underground Locating Services), since 2005, with approx. 12 years experience in this line of work.

He and Susan settled in Jacobus because they found it to be friendly, safe, & a clean place to live, with good schools for his children's education.

His reason for serving as a Council Member?

Calvin says he wants to look out for the future of his children, which also means looking out for the future of Jacobus.

Vandalism costs the Borough

Within the past 6 months there have been several incidents of vandalism within the Borough of Jacobus. In the Spring the borough paid approx. $2500.00 to clean up graffiti by the 'class of 2008'. Since the 4th of July, the tennis court fence was cut @ Jacobus Community Park and an 8' rail section of the vinyl fence @ the Tot Lot in the Wellington Hills neighborhood was stolen, costing the borough $700.00 & $100.00 respectively to have repaired/replaced.

There have been other incidents of vandalism in the past, including damaged or stolen street signs, which are costly to replace. The cost of the repairs come directly from the general fund depleting tax dollars that could be used for other improvements in the community.

Borough Council has a standing reward up to $2,500.00 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of persons vandalizing public property.

Jacobus Borough Council would like to remind its citizens to please call 911 immediately should you see any illegal or suspicious activity within the borough. Many eyes are better than a few. Please help us to keep your town a safe place to live.

JACOBUS BASEBALL - 100 YEARS OF PLAYING

2008 Susquehanna League Playoff Champions

Enjoy watching baseball? Maybe you are a member on a local team, or play just for fun. Well, imagine not having a field to play in until the hay was cut and advertising in the paper to find a team to play against. This is exactly how the game of baseball was being played in Jacobus, then New Paradise, when the first team was organized in 1908.

We've come a long way since then, with organized teams & leagues, and well-maintained fields to play on. Baseball in Jacobus has become an expected community pastime which has lasted through the years. The only time you may not have seen a game in Jacobus was during WWII when many of the team players left to serve our nation.

This year the 'Jacobus Jackals' celebrated 100 years of baseball in Jacobus. What an amazing feat! Baseball must be deep in the hearts of our citizens to continue throughout the years.

As part of the Susquehanna League, the Jacobus Baseball team won league championship titles in 1974 & 1981 and

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Miller Receives Outstanding Legislator Award

Jacobus resident State Rep. Ron Miller has received the 2008 Outstanding Legislator Award from the York County Conservation District (YCCD). He was honored recently during the district's 60th Anniversary Banquet at the White Rose Ballroom of the York Fairgrounds.

"It is an honor to be recognized by this outstanding group," commented Miller. "Conservation is a subject that should be on everyone's mind as we continue efforts to be better stewards of the earth's natural resources."

Mark Kimmel, YCCD's district manager for the board of directors, said Miller has been very supportive of district programs and has gone to great lengths to learn what the YCCD does.

"Representative Miller has been active at our state legislative functions and recently supported legislation to improve financial resources for conservation districts statewide," Kimmel stated. "He has also shown a strong commitment to York County Envirothon events, even attending some of the award ceremonies, and is working with us to put together a fundraiser to support Envirothons."

"Supporting our young people in these Envirothons is a must," Miller added. "It is our responsibility as legislators to serve as examples of good conservation habits and applaud our youth when they demonstrate leadership in environmental stewardship."

Miller is a member of the House Environmental Resources and Energy Committee.

Jacobus Borough's annual TRICK or TREAT night will be held on FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2008 from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Residents please turn on your porch lights if you are welcoming trick-or-treaters to your home.

Children should wear light-colored or reflective clothing for their safety.

RECYCLE, RECYCLE, RECYCLE!!

Jacobus Borough has received an ***ACT 101 RECYCLING PROGRAM PERFORMANCE GRANT*** from the PA DEP (Dept. of Environmental Protection) in the amount of ***$764.00***. The grant reflects 65.0 tons of residential & commercial materials recycled by Jacobus' citizens & businesses in the 2006 calendar year.

Remember to **RECYCLE** as much as you can. The more you recycle, the larger your municipality's annual grant will be.

Please refer to the new **'recycling guidelines'**, released in late Spring by Penn Waste, inserted in this issue of the borough's newsletter.

Recycling Bins are available at the Jacobus Borough Municipal Office at a cost of **$5.00 each**.

Please see Newsletter Insert 2-B for Recycling Guidelines & Contact information.

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in 1998 & 2008 won the league playoff championship title. This year the *'Jackals'* led the Susquehanna League in runs scored for the 1st time. Pitcher Jason Christenberry's outstanding 2008 season performance of 101 strikeouts was also a 1st for the league since 1987.

Coach/Manager Terry Golden's guidance & knowledge of baseball, along with the hard work of the dedicated team members, led the Jacobus *'Jackals'* to a triumphant season with 26 wins, 10 losses & 1 tie.

From Mayor Bollinger, Jacobus Borough Council and all of the citizens who love baseball & support your team, "CONGRATULATIONS JACOBUS *'JACKALS'*!!", 2008 SUSQUEHANNA LEAGUE PLAYOFF CHAMPIONS in the 100TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF BASEBALL IN JACOBUS!

2008 Playoff Champions

Front Row: L to R
Nate Kopp, Mike Austin, Brian Hudish, Astin Pronio, Jason Christenberry, Corey Knaub

Back Row: L to R
Craig Ricks, Terry Golden, Kerry Clark, Dave Krebs, Mark Haynes, Mike Miller, Kyle Saxman, Billy Heird

Congratulations to Jay Kopp of Dallastown for winning the 100th Anniversary Commemorative Baseball Bat, Series 1 in the 4th of July raffle!
The funds from the raffle directly benefited the Jacobus 'Jackals' Baseball Team.

Support the 'Jackals"!

The Jacobus Baseball Team plays over 20 home games per season. You may sponsor a game by donating $150.00, which covers the cost of 2 umpires & game baseballs.

Outfield 4 X 8 Signs may be purchased at an initial cost of $375.00 to sponsor the team. An annual fee of $75.00 is collected to hang your sign each year after the initial purchase.

Anyone 16 years through older adulthood are welcome to try out for the team. Tryouts & practice will begin early in April 2009. Games are played Tuesday & Thursday evenings as well as on Saturday & Sunday afternoons.

Please contact the Municipal Office of Jacobus Borough @ 717-428-1752 if you would like to sponsor, or play on, the Jacobus 'Jackals' Baseball Team.

COUPON FOR JACOBUS BOROUGH RESIDENTS BELOW

25th edition of Christmas Magic
A Festival of Lights
Rocky Ridge County Park off of Rte. 24
November 28 – December 31 (closed Dec. 24 and 25)
Hours Monday-Friday: 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday: 5:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Admission: Adults $7.00; children ages 4-12 $5.00
Children under 4 Free; Seniors (60+) $6.00
Group Rates (over 12): Adults $6.00/Children $4.00
Trail may be closed due to inclement weather
Event hotline: (717) 840-7443
Website: www.yorkcountyparks.org

Jacobus Borough Week at the 25th edition of Christmas Magic – A Festival of Lights at Rocky Ridge County Park
November 30 – December 6, 2008
Hours Monday-Friday: 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday: 5:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Present this coupon at the admission booth to receive a "Buy One-Get One Free" of equal or less valued rate
Good for up to 2 (two) "Buy One-Get One "admissions
Trail may be closed due to inclement weather
Event hotline: (717) 840-7443
Website: www.yorkcountyparks.org

Jacobus Lions Building Expansion

The Jacobus Lions Club will expand the ambulance building to provide needed workspace, equipment and sleeping facilities for the ambulance crews. Construction is expected to begin in October. Since building the current facility in 1995, the Jacobus ambulance service has increased services in both area and the number of call responses. The crews now respond to over 1,000 calls per year versus about 600 in the 1995 time frame. A second ambulance was added in 2000.

Thanks to the great support from the citizens of the surrounding communities we will be able to provide the needed growth to assure that the ambulance crews will be able to continue their quality service to the people in need.

Funds for this expansion project are provided through a number of sources. The Lions raise funds through community fundraising such as the yearly Christmas tree sale at Brown's Orchard Market and the Spring Consignment sale at Lance Beard's farm. This year's tree sales will run from December 1st through the 24th. Please consider this when you decide to buy your tree. Funds are also raised through broom sales and other means. Funds have been provided through State grants to assist in the expansion project. The Club has also received a significant grant from the Lions Club International Foundation for the project.

However, the greatest support continues to be from you the community. We thank those who have already donated to the Capitol Campaign. We ask that anyone who has yet to send in their donation to consider doing so now. Capitol Campaign Pledge Forms were mailed earlier this year. If you need a form you may contact the below Lions.

The Jacobus Lions Club was formed in 1952 with the primary purpose of providing emergency service through the formation of the Jacobus Lions Club Ambulance Service. Today the Jacobus Lions Club joins with thousands of Lions Clubs around the world to serve those in need. While the ambulance service is the most important local community project, the Club also provides assistance to the vision and hearing impaired, youth groups and numerous other services.

Please feel free to contact the below for more information on how you may help support the building expansion initiative or for more information about Lions.

Greg Gruendler	428-2564	John Swords	428-2001
Dwight (Whitey) Gladfelter	428-1030	John Parker	428-3983

Donations for the ambulance building expansion project may be mailed to the Jacobus Lions Club, P.O. Box 246, Jacobus, PA 17403. Make checks payable to the Jacobus Lions Club. Donations are not tax deductible.

Thank you to the residents of Jacobus, Loganville, Springfield and York Townships,
The Jacobus Lions Club

THE VILLAGE LIBRARY

Story Time with Miss Amy will return in October, following the same schedule as last year. *Baby Story Time* (Birth to age 2) will be on Monday @ 10:30 am & *Toddler Story Time* (ages 2 through 5) will be on Wednesday @ 10:30 am. No registration required; Just come and join the fun!

Friends of the Library book sales continue through October. Sales are on the library porch every Thursday from 10:00 am until 7:00 pm, as long as the weather allows. (Call ahead if rain is in the forecast.) Don't miss our *Book Sale Bonanza* at the Codorus Church of the Brethren during Christmas in Loganville.

Each year, York County Libraries participate in *one Book, One Community*, a program that makes available & encourages everyone in the region to read a special book. The 2008 book is "The Grace That Keeps This World" by Tom Bailey. Here is a brief description from the press release:

'The Grace That Keeps This World is a story about family, community, and the shared values that underlie and sustain human relationships. Gary & Susan Hazen, high school sweethearts married for many years, born and bred in the Adirondack community of Lost Lake, live a simple & honest life, and have instilled values in their 2 grown sons by example. But despite their efforts, Gary senses that his sons are starting to pull away and can't help but feel he is at fault."

Read the book and join a discussion. Both of our book clubs will be discussing the book at their October meeting: *The Rowdy Readers* will meet on October 16th @ 7:30 pm and *The Village Readers* on October 23rd @ noon.

In conjunction with *One Book, One Community*, the Village Library is running a photography contest, "Images of Rural Life". Judging will take place the first week in November and prizes will be awarded in 3 age groups. Rules are available at the library or on our website at:
www.yorklibraries.org/Our_Libraries/Village/Village.htm>

Becky Shives, Librarian @ The Village Library

Goodwill Fire Co. #1, Station 18 will be holding the following events:

- October 25,2008 - Basket Bingo - 7 p.m.
- November 22, 2008 - Christmastime in Loganville
  9 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Food, crafts, gift baskets, & more
- December 6, 2008 - Pizza with Santa - 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Watch for upcoming events on the Station's marquis sign and check out our website @ Goodwillfire18.com.

Any questions on becoming a volunteer, special events, hall rentals, fundraising, etc., please contact Linette at 717-428-3862. Thanks for your support!!

COFFEEHOUSE
CHRISTIAN MUSIC
AT THE GROVE

99 York Road
Jacobus, Pa. 17407

Dinner Concert
Featuring
JEREMY SORENSEN
Of Unsearchable Riches

- **Dinner and Concert:** $5.00
- **Location:** The Grove Building at 99 York Road, Jacobus, Pa. 17407
- **Date:** Saturday December 6, 2008
- **Time:** 6:00 - 8:00
- **Reservations:** Call 428-2811 by November 30th, pay at door.

Mayor Bollinger and Jacobus Borough Council would like to wish the citizens of Jacobus Borough a Beautiful, Safe & Fun-filled Fall, Winter & Holiday Season.