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President's Message *by Michael Birkner*

Nothing stands still, nothing stays the same. One can apply this adage to the Borough of Gettysburg in many respects, whether we're talking personnel or ongoing upgrades in our infrastructure. But the concept seemed particularly apt as I was writing this column in wake of the almost simultaneous loss of one monument in Gettysburg and the gain of another. The passing of "our" Lincoln, James Getty, leaves a hole in our community that can never be fully filled. Jim was a monument to the best of Gettysburg. Old timers and many younger folk alike will remember doing a double take as "Mr. Lincoln" participated in the annual Memorial Day Parade, declaimed the Gettysburg Address on November 19, and impersonated Abraham Lincoln in many school and civic activities. He was the best.

Only two weeks prior to Jim Getty's passing, a new Lincoln arrived in Gettysburg, this one in bronze, seated and preparing to sign the Emancipation Proclamation. Created by Stanley Watts, the same sculptor who brought forth the "Gettysburg Address Lincoln" now standing tall in front of the Adams County Library, this latest Lincoln monument was dedicated on September 18 in front of Thaddeus Stevens Hall at Gettysburg College—appropriately at the terminus of the Journey Through Hallowed Ground that runs from Charlottesville to Gettysburg. It's a marvelous addition to the Carlisle Street built environment and an apt complement to a building named for the "Great Commoner." I encourage all Gettysburg residents to look out for Stan Watts' Lincoln.

This fall brings, as always, a raft of seasonal events we all enjoy: Apple Harvest Festival, football season, Remembrance Week, and (maybe less looked forward to) local elections. With the Steinwehr reconstruction project now a reality, it's a time to advance other projects, including the reconstruction of East Middle Street, Baltimore Street enhancements, and a South Street upgrade. It's also the season when the budget gets made. Manager Charles Gable and his staff have crafted fresh approaches to old issues, like keeping track of income and outflow of borough funds and communication with the public via our website. New technology already makes it easier to pay meters on our streets, to monitor parking, and, for the unlucky, to pay parking fines. (On these developments, see pages 2, 3, and 5.) Nothing stands still.

This newsletter marks my final opportunity to address the residents of Gettysburg as Borough Council President. It has been a privilege to represent Ward 1 on Council over the past eight-plus years. It's been an education in the best sense, working with a changing cohort of knowledgeable and committed Council colleagues. Yes, there are hassles in public service, and yes, one has to develop a thick skin. But the opportunity to give back to one's community, to learn the inner workings of local government, to collaborate with hard working Borough Staff makes the service satisfying. If you are in a position to do so, I strongly encourage you to consider pursuing appointive or elective office. You can make a difference. Just imagine if Abe Lincoln had decided that a bustling law practice in Springfield, Illinois, was good enough for him.

Mark These Dates on Your Calendar

- Annual Olde Getty Place Halloween Parade** – Oct. 27 at 7:30 pm (rain Oct. 28)
- Gettysburg "Trick or Treat" Night** – Oct. 31 at 6-8 pm
- Dedication Day Ceremony** – Soldier's National Cemetery, Nov. 19 at 9 am
- Remembrance Day Parade** – Nov. 21 at 1 pm
- Annual Remembrance Day Illumination** – National Cemetery, Nov. 21 at 5:30 to 9:30 pm
- Annual Olde Getty Place Christmas Parade** – Dec. 5 at 7 pm (rain Dec. 7)
- New Year's Eve on Lincoln Square** – Dec. 31 at 9:30 pm

If anyone needs special accommodations when attending any borough meeting, please notify the Borough Secretary (334-1160 ext. 240) at least five (5) business days prior to attending the meeting.

PARKING IN GETTYSBURG HAS NEVER BEEN MORE CONVENIENT

In Gettysburg, parking is more convenient than ever, with parking options specifically designed to meet the unique needs of residents, visitors, and employees. There are many parking options: Race Horse Alley Parking Garage, long-term and short-term on-street parking meters, and off-street surface parking lots. In total, there are 1,138 Borough-managed parking spaces in Gettysburg. Parking sessions in all those spaces can now be tailored to suit your specific needs and/or preferences. Parking sessions can be paid by traditional methods (coins inserted into meters), pre-paid permits, credit card, or Passport Pay-by-App (paid via cell phone). The chart below identifies paid-parking locations and methods of payment available in each.

| Paid Parking Chart | Short-Term | Long-Term | Overnight | Parking Session Payment Options | | | | |
|--|------------|-----------|-----------|---------------------------------|-------|-------------|--------|-------------------------|
| | 2-hrs. | 12-hrs. | 24-hrs. | Coins | Bills | Credit Card | Permit | Passport Cell Phone APP |
| Carr Surface Lot (South Stratton Street) | * | * | * | * | | | | * |
| County Surface Lot (West Middle Street) | * | * | * | * | | | | * |
| Borough Surface Lot (East Middle Street) | * | | | * | | | | * |
| Race Horse Alley Garage | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Lincoln Square | * | | | * | | | | * |
| York Street | * | * | | * | | | | * |
| Carlisle Street | * | * | | * | | | | * |
| Chambersburg Street | * | * | | * | | | | * |
| Baltimore Street | * | * | | * | | | | * |
| East Middle Street | * | * | | * | | | | * |
| West Middle Street | * | | | * | | | | * |
| East High Street | * | | | * | | | | * |
| West High Street | * | | | * | | | | * |
| Wade Avenue | * | * | | * | | | | * |
| South Stratton Street | * | * | | * | | | | * |
| North Washington Street | * | | | * | | | | * |
| South Washington Street | * | | | * | | | | * |
| South Franklin Street | * | * | | * | | | | * |
| Steinwehr Avenue | * | | | * | | | | * |
| Queen Street | * | * | | * | | | | * |
| Lincoln Avenue | * | * | | * | | | | * |
| West Stevens Street | * | | | * | | | | * |

Did You Know??

**Parking Violations can be paid online. No need for a special trip into the Borough Building or for an envelope and postage stamp. Go to www.Gettysburg-PA.gov and look for the Parking Department tab on the left hand side of the homepage. It's simple and saves time.

**Parking Permits can also be purchased online by visiting the Borough's website. You are able to purchase a permit as a 'guest' or create a personal account which automatically populates important information each time you purchase a parking permit.

Please Note: All metered on-street and surface lot spaces and paid numbered spaces in the Racehorse Alley Garage are not guaranteed if you leave. Another vehicle may park in the open space that has been vacated. Pre-paid permits are guaranteed parking spaces along with unlimited IN/OUT privileges in the Racehorse Alley Parking Garage for the entire length of time the permit is valid.

PURCHASE PERMIT

Online!



No need to leave your home to purchase a parking permit or to pay a parking violation! Simply go online to the Borough's website at www.Gettysburg-PA.gov and click on the parking department tab in the blue menu field on the left-hand side of the homepage. This action will take you to the Parking Department's web page. Then click on either of the icons shown here to complete your transaction. You will also find useful parking maps, rate information, and contact information on the Parking webpage.

Racehorse Alley Parking Garage (RPG)

How Do I Pay for Parking?



Racehorse Alley Parking Garage (RPG) has undergone significant alterations in the past six months. RPG is utilized by four distinct constituent groups with very different needs: Overnight hotel/bed & breakfast guests, monthly commuter parking for workers, short-term parking for visitors to downtown, and patrons of the Majestic Theatre. The previous gated RPG system created significant problems for overnight guests who require frequent IN and OUT trips. The gates trapped patrons of the Majestic Theatre after a show where several hundred people needed to get out of the garage in a short period of time. This required the Borough to spend over \$28,000 in overtime wages annually to be physically present to let patrons out of the garage and to respond to equipment malfunctions. The only way to meet the needs of these differing user groups was to create a gateless system where parking payment methods can be tailored to individual and varying needs.

The RPG is now a pre-pay system where the patron chooses the length of time they want a parking session to last and how they want to pay for that parking session. Options for parking in RPG follow:

OPTION #1: Pay-by-Space at KIOSK

1. Park and go directly to KIOSK (Located on Levels I & II)
2. Enter Space Number
3. Select Amount of Time by Pressing Yellow Buttons (Yellow Buttons Can be Pressed Multiple Times in 20 Minute or Hourly Increments)
4. Make Payment by Inserting Coins/Bills or by Inserting Credit Card
5. Press 'GREEN' Button to Process Transaction



Please Note: KIOSK DOES NOT give change. A change machine is located on Level II for your convenience. Do not cancel transaction after inserting bills. Keep Receipt.



No need to place receipt in vehicle.

OPTION #2: Pre-Bought Permit (Perfect for Overnight Visitors and Commuters)

Vehicles with valid permits for RPG are registered for access to and from RPG for a specific period of time. Permits are pre-paid and are registered by vehicle license plate number and state of registration. The benefit to having a permit is that the registered vehicle can park in any space at any time and has unlimited IN/OUT privileges during the valid period of the permit! Permits are perfect for commuters and overnight guests. Permits can be purchased through the Borough's website. Visit www.Gettysburg-PA.gov. Click on the Parking Department link on the homepage and look for the icon to the left. Follow the self-guided prompts to purchase your desired permit.



OPTION #3: Pay-by-APP (Paid via Cell Phone) – Available Beginning Remembrance Weekend

Are you in a hurry and have no time for a stop at the KIOSK? Do you not know how much time you need to park and want the ability to add time if you cannot make a trip back to the RPG to add time to your space? Then Passport is the perfect solution for your parking needs. Look for the Passport logo and follow the simple instructions to create your Passport account and then begin parking in RPG or anywhere in the Borough. Passport



Parking is done via zone and space number. Parking time limits in each zone still apply. Gettysburg is divided into five zones. Each zone is a year with historical significance.

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|----------------------------------|------|--------------------------------|------|-------------------|
| Gettysburg's Passport Zones are: | 1863 | Racehorse Alley Parking Garage | 1861 | Short-Term Meters |
| | 1806 | Carr Lot (Long-Term Parking) | 1862 | Long-Term Meters |
| | 1786 | County Lot | | |

HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARDS FOR 2015

At the Council’s May meeting, the Borough’s Historic Architectural Review Board (HARB) Chairman Gary Shaffer announced the 2015 Historic Preservation Awards. The awards recognize the efforts of property owners within the Historic District to retain and enhance the historic character and integrity of the community. Congratulations to the 2015 recipients.



EXCEPTIONAL MERIT: Rehabilitation of 221 South Washington Street – Owners Dale and Dorothy Piper



MERIT: Addition at 208 Baltimore Street – Presbyterian Church of Gettysburg

HONORABLE MENTION:
 400 Baltimore Street – Owners: David and Kathy Reid
 ◇ 117 York Street – Owner: St. James Lutheran Church ◇
 18 Carlisle Street – Owner: Times Square, LLC

WHAT IS A STREET TREE?

Street trees are the trees planted by either the Borough or the homeowner in the space between the sidewalk area and the curb. This area is a right-of-way for the Borough and is often the location of underground utility lines.

In 1990, the Council created the Shade Tree Commission to oversee the planting, replacement, removal, trimming and maintenance of street trees in the Borough. Current members of the Commission are Wayne Mayers (Chair), Shirley Carlson and Richard Ezell. Projects to beautify and improve sidewalks, like Middle Street and Steinwehr Avenue, will almost always include the planting of trees. These trees are an important element in a continuing effort to improve our urban environment. They provide beauty, shade and noise barriers; improve architectural features; absorb fumes and pollutants; trap dust; and increase property values.

A permit is required from the Borough if a property owner or resident wants to plant or remove a street tree. The Commission must approve the type of tree planted and the location. Additional information about street trees, including a list of recommended species, and permit applications are available at the Borough office.



BOROUGH PARTNERS WITH COMMUTER SERVICES OF PA



Recognizing that many Borough residents travel outside the area to work, the Borough partnered with Commuter Services of Pennsylvania in an effort to better inform commuters about commuting options. In July, Jessica Bosley, Commuter Services Outreach Coordinator presented Vice President Schindel with a Certificate of Appreciation. Commuter Services is a non-profit organization that offers *free* services to commuters about their options for getting to and from work. Rideshare and Emergency Ride Home programs provide necessary tools to commuters in order for them to successfully switch from driving alone to a green commuting option; such as carpooling, vanpooling, bicycling, walking or riding transit. Using a green commute mode is a great way to save money and help improve air quality. For more information visit www.PaCommuterServices.org or call 1.866.579.RIDE

Consider Volunteering We are always eager to talk with citizens who are interested in serving on one of our authorities, boards and commissions. Contact Rebecca Brown at 334-2304 or rbrown@gettysburg-pa.gov.

RECYCLING ELECTRONICS AND GLASS

The publicity generated by the news that the Adams Rescue Mission (ARM), would no longer accept glass or electronics of any kind for recycling has prompted lots of concern among Borough residents. The issues are that recycling these commodities has become too burdensome financially. This fact is not just local, but a national challenge as well.

What to do with electronics is particularly troublesome because in November 2010, the Covered Device Recycling Act (CDRA) was passed which established that "covered devices" such as computers, monitors, and televisions could no longer be legally placed in the regular trash.

An article from the Environmental News Network on May 19 highlighted the challenges of dealing with electronic devices in environmentally-friendly ways. "The last several decades have brought a global explosion of electronics with a huge impact on quality of life and communications, as well as the world economy. But, like most big human-induced changes, there were unintended consequences, primarily in the form of the mountains of waste that resulted as products quickly became obsolete and tossed out only to be replaced by others with an equally short lifespan."

Fortunately, there are solutions for the local issues of recycling electronics. Staples, at no charge, will accept computers, monitors, keyboards, Kindles, I-phones, and tablets. Best Buy will accept TVs (less than 32" screen for table-top models, 52" for flat-screen). It is recommended that stores be called before taking recyclables there because rules and restrictions change frequently.

Glass products are another problem for many locales. Nationally, it has become more economical to make glass from scratch than to collect it, haul it, and recycle it. Both Harrisburg and Hanover have abandoned their efforts to collect glass for recycling because it is not cost-productive. Fortunately, residents within Gettysburg Borough can, for now, still place glass items in their recycling bins at curbside.

PARKING REVENUES UP!

Income from parking meters and the Race Horse Alley Parking Garage are an important source of revenue for the Borough, representing about 20% of total revenue. Time limits on metered parking in commercial areas assure that spaces will turn over, making it easier to patronize downtown businesses. Parking fees are also one of the few ways the Borough can recoup some of our costs from tourists and other non-residents who use Borough services but don't pay Borough property or income taxes.

The Good News . . . Recent changes in the way the Borough manages its parking are paying off. Manager Gable compared revenues for June, July, August and September to the same period in 2014. In the Parking Garage, revenue for 2015 was \$161,962 as compared to \$156,335 in 2014 – an increase of 3.6%. Street meter revenue went from \$182,573 in 2014 to \$205,180 in 2015 – an increase of 12.4%. In total, for the four months, revenue is up by 8.3%. Additional changes in parking management (pages 2 and 3) are expected to enhance future revenues. Continued tracking of meter revenue is essential to adjusting and developing effective parking policies.

The Bad News . . . Despite this improvement, it appears unlikely that the Borough will equal or exceed its 2015 parking revenue predications. A lack of historical data hampered the effort to accurately predict the impact of parking fee changes and additional time was needed to implement all the changes with a minimum of problems for consumers.

NEW FEATURE ON THE WEBSITE

YOU CAN PAY ON LINE!

*Parking Permits
Parking Tickets
Water and Sewer Bills*

On the home page, go to the Special Bulletins and Town Notices Section

Please think of others and clean up after your dog, even in a snow bank. It's the law and a nice thing to do!

COUNCIL MINUTES - 150 YEARS AGO

Special Meeting – September 11, 1865 Council met. Prest Rupp, Stallsmith, Weaver, Wills and Lashell. Minutes read & approved.

On Motion: Resolved that the grading paving of Stratton Street be dispensed with for the present on account of the Scarcity of Funds, and that the street be put in repair at present with as little cost as possible. Council Adjourned. Jeremiah Culp Sec.

State meeting Oct. 30th 1865. Council met, members prest Rupp, Stallsmith, Wills & Weaver. Minutes read and approved. Order granted to Nicholas Weaver for \$97.10 for labor. No other business. Council adjourned. Jeremiah Culp sec.

YOU CAN HELP PRESERVE OUR GOUNDWATER

preserve our precious groundwater will help protect our sources of drinking water. The Gettysburg Municipal Authority (GMA) under normal operations withdraws 65% to 85% of its daily water production from Marsh Creek. The remainder is drawn from 6 active wells. When Marsh Creek’s flow falls below acceptable limits, water is pumped from wells to supply water to homes and businesses. Whether it is stream water or well water, both are impacted by groundwater levels. When groundwater is not being recharged, there is a risk that private and public water supplies can be seriously impacted and even go dry. Preserving open space, wetlands, and minimizing runoff are all great ways to assure that rainwater is getting back into the ground. Borough requirements for maintaining open space within the Borough also help with recharge.

Thirty seven counties in PA were on drought watch earlier this year. While Adams County was not one of them, doing what we can to

The PA Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is currently monitoring ground water levels across the state. They have some tips for things you can do to help recharge the groundwater. (*Borough News* August, 2015)

- Run water only when necessary by avoiding running water while brushing teeth or waiting for hot water.
- Check for leaks – a leaking toilet can waste up to 200 gal. per day!
- Run dishwasher and washing machines with only full loads.
- Use a broom and not a hose to clean driveways, steps and sidewalks.
- Wash the car with a bucket and use the hose minimally.
- If you use lawn or garden sprinklers, don’t waste the water on the driveway, street or walks.
- Use a soaker hose or trickle irrigation system to reduce water use by 20 to 50 percent.
- Mulch around shrubs and garden plants to reduce evaporation and the need to water.
- Plant native plants that require less care and water.
- Adjust your lawn mower to a higher setting to promote retention of water by the soil.

Protecting Groundwater from Contaminants

Our water sources, especially wells, can also be impacted by contaminants both natural and human caused. DEP is providing funding and guidance to GMA to develop a Source Water Protection Plan with the goal of preventing such contamination. A small steering committee will provide input for the plan and public input will also be sought as the plan moves forward.

More information is available from www.dep.state.pa.us - keyword “drought”.



TAKE A MINUTE! Watch a Video from the Crew of the USS Gettysburg

Officers and crew members from the U.S.S. Gettysburg paid a visit to their ship’s namesake this summer after returning from a tour of duty in the Middle East. The trip was a well-earned vacation as the ship begins the process of dry-docking and eventual repair and upgrading with increased Ballistic Missile Defense and Air Defense capabilities. The ship will be out of service for 3 years. Sea trials with a new crew are scheduled for the fall of 2018.

While in Gettysburg, the crew completed several community service projects. They also produced a video about their visit. You can watch the video through a link on the Borough’s website www.gettysburg-pa.gov. Click on “Link to video from USS Gettysburg” under What’s New. You will be inspired! Thanks crew and best of luck in your new assignments.

GARA HAS LOTS TO OFFER

Indoor Volleyball (Monday 7:30 PM – Middle School) ✧ Biser Fitness Trail (7 days per week) ✧ Group Exercise Class (Nov. 3, Tues and Wed) ✧ Meeting Room Rentals (Wifi available) ✧ Dog Park (7 days per week) ✧ “Get Your Tail on the

Trail” Halloween Party for Your Dog (Oct. 30) ✧ Recreational Activities for Seniors (TBA)

Learn more at www.GARA-RECPARK.info or call 334-2028 to schedule your next event.



Become a “Friend of the Park”

Your donation will help support the park with the

various activities, including FREE Youth Activity Programs! Mail your donation along with this form to: GARA, 545 Long Lane, Gettysburg, PA 17325. Or stop in and see us!

NAME: _____ Donation Amount: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PROJECT UPDATES

East Middle Street

East Middle Street has been quite a project! The date for final completion has been extended from October 15 to November 15 to allow contractors additional time to wrap everything up. The extension was needed to recover from lost days due to weather and other challenges. Additional complications and the coming of winter could mean that final work may have to wait until spring. Coordinating sewer line repair, relocation of gas mains and 120 to 125 new connections, and the installation of a new stormwater system made for quite a challenge. We have survived the worst of it and it is not too soon to thank all the residents for their patience and flexibility. In an effort to work with residents and minimize inconveniences and to not impact a second tourist season, the Borough will make every effort to complete the project this year.

Steinwher Avenue

The project is complete except the \$3.2 million federal grant could not cover the cost of moving utility poles from the middle of the sidewalk. The Borough has been awarded a PennDot Multi Modal Grant for this purpose. A 30% local match is required. The Steinwher Business Improvement District has pledged 30% of the match and Council approved a PA Infrastructure Bank Loan at 1.6 % to cover the other 70%. Payment will run approximately \$6,200/ year over a 10-year term. The poles are expected to be moved by the utility companies early next year.

GMA Interceptor Replacement

The project began in August and it has been hard to miss the size of the equipment, pipes and trenches in the area of 6th Street. Work will be ongoing in the northeast corner of the Borough. Completion is targeted for June 2016.

South Street Project

The Elm Street Program applied for and has been approved for funding for this streetscape project. Council approved a required funding match which is expected to be met through work completed by GMA to upgrade sewer and water lines and by Columbia Gas for work to upgrade gas lines. Receipt of funds is currently delayed due to the state budget impasse. We don't expect much activity on South Street until 2016.

Baltimore Street Revitalization

Main Street Gettysburg, on behalf of the Baltimore Street Revitalization Committee, has submitted a grant request to the South Mountain Partnership for funds to complete a Master Plan for Baltimore Street improvements. The plan will provide a blueprint for future work to improve safety, meet ADA requirements, encourage more business development and highlight the history of the corridor. Main Street was also successful in getting commitments from community members, businesses and organizations to meet the required 50/50 match if the grant is awarded. The Borough approved \$5,000 toward the match to advance the project.

*A Gift to You from the Borough and
Gettysburg Area Retail Merchants*

**FREE PARKING Noon until 8 PM
from Thanksgiving to New Years**

Signs on meters on Lincoln Square – one block out on
Carlisle, York and Baltimore Streets – two blocks out
on Chambersburg Street – Steinwher Avenue

Two hour limits still apply!



**Looking for unique gifts for the
Holidays. SHOP GETTYSBURG!**

Look for the First Friday Flag! 4 to 8 pm

November 6 – Salute the Troops

December 4 – Cookie Walk



2016 Dates: Jan 1, Feb 5, March 4 and April 1

WINTER MEANS SNOW AND ICE

SNOW/ICE CLEARING TIPS

1. Clear a minimum of 30 inches wide.
2. Don't throw snow out into the street.
3. Don't pile snow near a fire hydrant or within 5 feet of a storm drain.
4. Don't push snow out of parking lots and across the street. Snow should be piled somewhere within the parking lot.
5. Apply sand or similar anti-skid if ice cannot be cleared.
6. Products using urea or calcium chloride are less likely to harm sidewalks.

Borough crews will clear snow from metered areas when depths reach 5 inches. Most property owners have **24 hours** from when a snow/ice event ends to clear their sidewalks. **Properties located in the following downtown business and metered areas are required to have snow and ice cleared within 12 hours.**

- Lincoln Square
- Chambersburg St. to Race Horse and Bream Alleys
- Carlisle St. to Water St.
- York St. to Liberty St.
- Baltimore St. to Steinwehr Av.
- Steinwehr Av. to Washington St.
- Washington St. from Railroad St. to High St.
- Stratton St. from Railroad St. to High St.
- E and W Middle St. from Stratton St. to Washington St.
- E and W High St. from Stratton St. to Washington St.

Fall Brush Collection – Week of October 19

Borough crews will make two trips around the Borough during the week. To make sure your brush is collected; pile it at the edge of the alley to the rear of your property by October 19. If you do not have access to an alley, place your brush curbside. Do not pile your brush where it blocks the sidewalk or on the street where it could obstruct a storm drain.

You may take your brush to the public works building on East Middle Street at any time during business hours, M-F from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM. If you have any questions or problems with collection, call the Public Works Department at 334-4666.

Do not mix brush with leaves!

Leaf pick-up will be done separately in November with dates to be announced.



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PROPERTY TAX AND RENT REBATES

If you own or rent your home and are age 65 and older, a widow or widower age 50 and older, or are disabled and age 18 and older, you may qualify for a rebate on your rent or property tax payments.

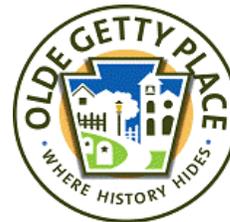
| For Homeowners | | For Renters | |
|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| INCOME | MAXIMUM STANDARD REBATE | INCOME | MAXIMUM REBATE |
| \$0 to \$8000 | \$650 | \$0 to \$8000 | \$650 |
| \$8,001 to \$15,000 | \$500 | \$8,001 to \$15,000 | \$500 |
| \$15,001 to \$18,000 | \$300 | | |
| \$18,001 to \$35,000 | \$250 | | |

NOTE: Applicants can exclude one-half of all Social Security Income

To receive a rebate for 2014, you must complete a Pennsylvania Property Tax or Rent Rebate Program Application (PA-1000). The Governor has extended the due date for submitting the application to the Dept. of Revenue. You now have until December 31, 2015. Forms are available at the Adams County Office for the Aging at 318 E. Middle Street or at Rep. Dan Moul's office at 30 W. Middle Street. You can also print off an application from the PA Department of Revenue website at www.revenue.state.pa.us.

DUSK TO DAWN LIGHTS IN OLDE GETTY PLACE

Olde Getty Place is beginning to place dusk to dawn lights in dark alleyways. Nine lights have been purchased and property owners are being contacted to make arrangements for the lights to be placed. The Gettysburg Police Department identified locations for the placement of the new lights. These lights will illuminate dark alleys and help to eliminate any suspicious or unwanted activities in the neighborhood. It is the hope of *Olde Getty Place* to purchase additional lights. If you live in the target neighborhood and would like a light placed to the rear of your property, call Stephanie McIlwee at 334-1518 ext. 229 or email at smcilwee@adamscha.org



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GENERAL ELECTION DAY is Nov 3 VOTE 7 AM to 8 PM at these locations:

- Ward 1** Gettysburg Fire Department, 35 N Stratton
- Ward 2** College Union Building, W. Lincoln Ave, Room 126
- Ward 3** Sterner Building at Rec Park, 545 Long Lane