



Randy Gump Named Versailles Area Chamber of Commerce "Citizen of the Year"

The Versailles Area Chamber of Commerce (VACC) proudly announces Mr. Randy Gump as the newest recipient of the Citizen of the Year Award. Mr. Gump will receive the Citizen of the Year at the ceremony on January 29, 2018 after showing decades of service and commitment to the Versailles community.

Well-known for his work within various areas of public service, Gump finds a commendable balance between family, community service, and work. After graduating from Greenville High School, he began his years of dedication to the Versailles community as an Electric Lineman. Gump served for 35 years in a variety of positions as he worked his way up the ladder during his career with the Village. He later served as the Water Treatment Plant Manager eventually being appointed as the Superintendent of Utilities in 1989. After serving in those positions, Gump became the Village Administrator in 1994. Dedicating over three decades of his life to the Village, he served as the Village Administrator for over 18 before retiring from the Village in 2012.

Gump also focuses his efforts into community service and volunteer work. He has involved himself in many organizations including the Versailles Area Jaycees, Versailles Athletic Boosters, Versailles Lions Club, Versailles Rotary Club, Versailles Area Chamber of Commerce and Versailles Poultry Days. Outside of these organizations, Gump dedicated his time to volunteering as a coach in the Versailles Youth Baseball, Softball, and Soccer programs as well as a volunteer coach for the youth Basketball program at the local YMCA. He served as chairman to the Darke County United Way campaign in 2001 and was Chairman of the Versailles Poultry Days in 2002. Gump also served as a member of the Darke County Visitors Bureau Board, Darke County Community Improvement Corporation Board, and represented Versailles as a member of the American Municipal Power-Ohio Board of Trustees. Gump was recognized in 1993 by American Municipal Power-Ohio and the American Public Power Association with awards for outstanding service to the community and electric utility.

A member of the St Denis Catholic Church he, along with his wife Mary Ann, volunteer serving communion to the homebound and sick. Also, he along with wife Mary Ann and a team of Village employees served a year volunteering for the Versailles Community meals. Gump enjoys spending time with his family, traveling, playing golf, fishing, and hunting. He is the son of Barbara and the late Robert Gump; he has two siblings, his brother Rick and his late sister Kim. Gump and his wife Mary Ann are enjoying 20 years together and have four children, Sarah, Chuck, Stacey, and Brittany.

Village Council Organizes Committees and Representatives for 2018

During their January 10th meeting, Versailles Village Council began the New Year by announcing committees and representatives for 2018. Council Member, Kent Paulus, was elected as the Village Council President Pro-Tempore for 2018.

In other reorganizational action, Mayor Subler announced his appointment of Council committees and representatives for 2018. Appointed to the Finance & Audit Committee are Chairperson Kent Paulus, Jeff Beasley, and Lance Steinbrunner. Appointed to the Street & Safety Committee are Chairperson Mike Berger, Cory Griesdorn, and Jeff Beasley. Appointed to the Personnel & Policies Committee are Chairperson Todd Dammeyer, Lance Steinbrunner, and Kent Paulus. Appointed to the Facilities Committee are Chairperson Jeff Beasley, Cory Griesdorn, and Kent Paulus. Appointed as representative to the Planning Commission is Jeff Beasley, representative to the Cemetery Board is Mike Berger, representative to the Park Board is Todd Dammeyer, and representative to the Tree Commission is Mike Berger.

Annual Village of Versailles Drinking Water Consumer Confidence Report

A copy of the Village of Versailles' Drinking Water Consumer Confidence Report for 2017 has been completed. Copies are available at the Village Administration Building, 177 North Center Street, or online at http://versaillesohio.cc/sites/default/files/CCR%202017_0.pdf.

Village Council Approves Updates to Five Year Capital Improvements Plan

Following a public hearing prior to its November 20, 2017 meeting, Versailles Village Council, during its regular meeting, approved revisions and updates to the Village's Five Year Capital Improvements Plan. The Capital Improvements Plan continues to be a planning resource used by Village Officials in completing infrastructure improvements throughout the community. The updated plan approved by Council provides for a planning period of 2018 through 2022.

With continued strategic planning, coupled with the cooperation, patience, and support of Versailles citizens, the Village will be presented the opportunity of experiencing the benefits provided by the completion of capital improvement and street maintenance projects. Copies of the Five Year Capital Improvements Plan may be obtained by contacting or stopping by the Village Offices, or can be accessed at the Village's website www.versaillesohio.cc under the *Forms/Other Info* section.

Annual Municipal Activities Report Available

The Village's 2017 Annual Municipal Activities Report is now available. Anyone wishing to obtain a copy of the annual report may do so by contacting the Village Offices at 526-3294. Copies are also available online at www.versaillesohio.cc under the *Forms/Other Info* section.

Downtown Fountain Square Granite Pavers and Bricks Remain

The Versailles Area Chamber of Commerce would like to remind local residents that it is not too late to become a part of the history surrounding the Downtown Fountain Square area. There are still granite pavers and bricks available for individuals to purchase by way of a donation.

The Fountain Square granite paver and brick fund-raiser provides a variety of options for donors to consider. Options offered are the gold, silver, and bronze levels of \$1,000, \$500, and \$100. The gold, silver, and bronze donors are commemorated by engraved granite stones (gold and silver level) or engraved paver bricks (bronze) depending upon the level of donation.

Any individual, business, civic group, or organization wishing to become a part of Versailles history, and would like to make a donation by purchasing a granite paver or brick are asked to contact the Versailles Administrative Building Offices for more information at 526-3294. All donations are to be made to the Greater Versailles Area Fund and are fully tax deductible. The Versailles Area Chamber of Commerce is very appreciative of the level of interest and support received towards the purchase of granite pavers and bricks for the Fountain Square area.

Vets Club to Honor Our Veterans

As a reminder...the Versailles Vets Club is getting banners made to display on the light poles in Versailles. If you were honorably discharged and a member or deceased member of VFW Post 3849 or American Legion Post 435 or have lived in Versailles school district, you may fill out and submit an application with a \$30.00 fee. Applications may be picked up at the Vets Club or the Versailles Utilities Office. Applications are also available on the Village's website at www.versaillesohio.cc under "Forms/Other Info." Deadline is March 31, 2018. An example banner is hung by the Versailles Police Department.