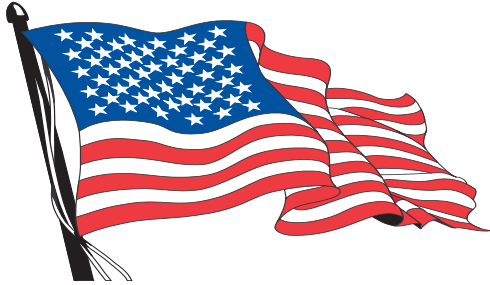


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Chairman's Message

The American presidential selection process goes on for three (3) years and can be at times extremely tedious. Like anything else in life there are positives and negatives from such a process. A positive effect is that a presidential election garners attention, thereby facilitating greater public participation in the electoral process. A negative effect is that a presidential election has the effect of sucking all of the air out of the balloon resulting in very little attention paid to the off-year elections for Township Commissioner. However, these off-

year elections are the ones that are most important for us as Springfield residents. Our Township Commissioners are responsible for overseeing most of the day to day services (police/public safety, trash removal, street maintenance etc...) that we depend on.

This year there are commissioner races in the 2nd, 4th and 6th wards. The Springfield Republican Party endorses Gina Sage, Paul Wechsler and Jim Devenney for those positions. Gina is our newest addition to the Board of Commissioners. She replaced Bob McAndrews who resigned earlier this year. Gina has a very high energy level and working knowledge of local government that she gained as member of the township planning commission. Paul Wechsler has done an outstanding job filling the large void left by the unexpected passing of Kitty Jurciukonis. Paul faced some early challenges with the issue of the high school lights but his role in the resolution of that matter demonstrates his ability as a Township Commissioner. Jim Devenney has been a member of the Springfield Township Board of Commissioners for over twenty (20) years and during that period of time has provided the residents of the sixth ward with the responsiveness, good government and fiscal responsibility that they expect. The Springfield Republican Party supports and endorses candidates who have strong ties to the community and who have pledged fiscal responsibility in overseeing the efficient and competent provision of township services. Springfield Township is not like the federal government. There is no one printing money in the basement of the Township building and these candidates recognize the need for fiscal restraint.

On the county level, Council Vice-Chairman Jack Whelan and Upper Darby State Representative Mario Civera are running for county council. Jack has worked very well with our representative, Tom McGarrigle and Mario Civera brings a wealth of knowledge to the position. Joseph McGinn is running for re-election as Sheriff of Delaware County. Joe has done an outstanding job as Sheriff, providing security for the courthouse, transporting prisoners and overseeing all applications for firearms.

Lastly, County Council Chairwoman, Linda Cartisano, is running for the Court of Common Pleas. Linda is an excellent lawyer and will make a positive difference on the bench.

Please remember how important these local elections are and come out to the polls on May 19th to support our endorsed candidates.

Michael V. Puppio, Jr.

Displaying Confidence in Springfield!

Springfield is seeing investment in a new anchor store at the mall, a new Giant food store coming to the Old Value City location and new Citadel Credit Union Building comes to the Sproul Road site of AAA.

While everything we hear about the economy is doom and gloom, Springfield's Commissioners have worked hard to bring these 3 major redevelopments to our town.

The new Target store replaces the vacated Strawbridge's with the newly built discount store. The Commissioners, Target representatives and the mall ownership worked together to develop the plan to expand the Mall wisely.

A new Giant food store replaces the old Value City store. Value City was a magnet for shoplifting and retail problems. The building will be demolished and a state of the art food store will be built there. Commissioners helped the Center's owner design new landscaping and parking plans plus a new façade on the adjoining Springfield Shopping Center.

A brand new home for Citadel Federal Credit Union is in the final planning stages. To be built on Sproul Road just north of Route 1 is a freestanding new bank building to accommodate Citadel's growing client base in our area. New parking and landscaping plans will improve the site.

Our Commissioners work with the commercial owners to help improve the community. A healthy business community is vital to the health of our Township. Business taxes, great shopping and access to professionals are just a few of the reasons a strong and vibrant business community is a goal of every area. Springfield has the Golden Mile, the Mall, the Healthplex and so many other

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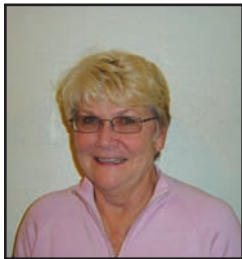


4th Ward
Paul Wechsler



6th Ward
Jim Devenney

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Treasurer
Peg Young



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James DeLizzio



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Andrea Puppio



District Justice
Tony Scanlon

Constable
Christopher Eiserman

Constable
Shawn Riley

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County Council
Jack Whelan



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Mario Civera



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Rep. Report

By Rep. William F. Adolph R-Delaware

THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET

As we all know, the nation as a whole is facing hard economic times and that makes crafting a state budget especially difficult.

I say it is difficult because, much like Pennsylvania families, our budget needs to be able to pay our bills and cover needed services, cut expenses that are deemed unnecessary, try to save money for a rainy day and invest some portion of our income to help ensure greater financial stability down the road. When trying to do this with a budget of more than \$28 billion that serves more than 12 million people, you begin to grasp the enormity of the situation.

In February, Gov. Ed Rendell presented his budget proposal to the General Assembly as a starting point for budget talks. He would like to increase the state budget by another \$705 million, thereby bringing the total state budget to approximately \$28.97 billion. To cover state expenses, he is proposing increases of certain taxes, as well as additional borrowing.

Increases in funding would be allocated to such areas as education, law enforcement and public welfare. Significant cuts would be dealt to public libraries, agriculture and large number of health care programs.

Although I may not agree with all the components of the governor's proposal, I am certainly aware of the challenges we face in creating a state budget for the 2009-10 fiscal year while also keeping a mindful eye on the total price tag.

As always, I will continue to advocate funding for those programs and services that are most important to the men, women and families I represent here in the 165th District.

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businesses. We are in an economic transition that challenges the status quo. There are many challenges in front of us, but with proactive leadership on the Board of Commissioners, Springfield will meet these challenges head on.

Initiatives for Saxer Avenue and Brookside Road business corridors are being developed with state funding secured by Rep. Bill Adolph. Small businesses and big businesses get equal attention and help from our elected officials.



County Report

By Tom McGarrigle
Member, Delaware County Council

County Council Offers Resources to Assist Senior Citizens

Delaware County Council is extending the county's outreach to senior citizens to help them navigate today's challenging economic climate. Several county offices can provide information, referrals and resources that can be of valuable assistance to senior citizens.

The following county programs are a good resource for seniors:

- **COSA:** Seniors can turn to COSA for information on a wide variety of assistance and counseling services including health insurance counseling, crime victim services, legal services, volunteer opportunities, nursing home eligibility and community-based services and in-home supports. Seniors can get help with the confusing paperwork often involved in changing insurance or accessing services. **Call 610-490-1300 or visit www.delcosa.org.**
- **Consumer Affairs:** This is the watchdog for all consumers regarding major purchases and transactions, particularly in the area of home repairs, credit issues and tenant/landlord agreements. More than 50 percent of the complaints filed with Consumer Affairs are by senior citizens who are often more vulnerable to consumer fraud. The Consumer Affairs staff can help seniors do research before a transaction, and they can mediate problems when they arise, to ensure each consumer gets what they are paying for. **Call 610-891-4865 or visit www.co.delaware.pa.us.**
- **Veterans Affairs:** This department helps veterans and their families apply for certain benefits from the state and federal governments for which they are eligible. These benefits included federal pensions for veterans or their widows and real estate tax exemptions for veterans with 100 percent service-related disabilities. Veterans can also get assistance to gain admission to the Veterans Administration hospitals or treatment programs. Applications for burial and headstone allotments are also processed through Veterans Affairs. **Call 610-891-4646.**
- **Treasurer's Tax Claim Bureau:** The duty of the Tax Claim Bureau is to collect delinquent taxes for school districts, municipalities and the county. Representatives can help seniors understand the collection process and the on-account payment agreements that are offered to people with financial hardships. **Call 610-891-4284.**
- **District Attorney's Office, Senior Exploitation Unit:** This unit educates seniors about crimes such as identity theft, fiduciary theft, credit card theft or misuse, and financial or physical abuse. During challenging economic times, seniors are more likely to fall victim to exploitation. **Call 610-891-5249 or visit www.delcoda.com.**

Today's recession can be particularly hard on seniors who are living on a fixed income. We want to ensure that they are able to remain in their own homes and communities with appropriate supports.

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Republican Profile:

Lee Fulton
4TH Ward, 3RD Precinct

Lee Fulton has been the committeeman in 4-3 for several years. Lee has been a member of the Springfield Fire Company for over 40 years and also serves as Township Fire Marshal. He is the father of two grown daughters and the grandfather of two.



Republican Profile:

Amy Wechsler Foran
4TH Ward, 3RD Precinct

Amy was raised in Springfield and attended St. Francis of Assisi grade school and Cardinal O'Hara High School. In 1994 she earned a degree in English/Communications from Cabrini College and worked in the insurance and financial services industry until making the decision to stay-at-home in 2008. In 2005 Amy and her husband, Tom, moved back to Springfield, where they now live on South Rolling Road. At that time she became involved first working the polls on election day and then as a committeeperson. Tom recently relocated his business to Springfield and serves as a volunteer with the Springfield Fire Company. They have three children: Ryan, Olivia, and Elizabeth.



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