

Surplus Sampler

August 2007

From The Director's Chair

Happy Trails III There appears to be no end in sight to the line of valued workers that we are losing to retirement. Fred Bender, who serves at our Bobali facility, will be retiring on 7/27. Fred specialized in handling orders for Penndot. Mr Bender started with the Commonwealth in 1999 and joined DGS in January of 2005. Fred is a real community volunteer, serving as firefighter, cook, and Chief of the East Pennsboro Township Volunteer Fire Company. Fred's contributions will be sorely missed and we wish him and his wife (retiring from Education) the best during their retirement.

On the Road Our staff has really been busy of late keeping up with requests to present information on our programs to a wide variety of audiences. Mary Beth Enggren has covered grants workshops in Breiningsville for Rep Mantz and for Sen Folmar at Lebanon Valley College. She also did a presentation for the PA District Attorney's Association in Philadelphia. John Paul Jones wowed Sen Regola's constituents at Greensburg. And I entertained career and technical educators at Seven Springs. All in the last month. Next month, I am scheduled to 'appear' at a grants workshop for Sen Scarnotti at Port Allegheny. Hope to see you soon at an event in your neighborhood.

Mini-Blowout Joe Angelo and his team had a busy day on Wednesday, July 18. They put together a one day multi-agency sale at the Farm Show. The sale featured confiscated jewelry, electronics, and vehicles from the Attorney General's office. In addition, there was a plethora of surplus furniture, tools, musical instruments, fixtures, and equipment from the Harrisburg State Hospital, the Farm Show, and other disposing agencies. It was a lot to cram into one day. But with some creative lotting and agency-set starting bids on the high dollar items, everything was sold right on schedule. Joe and his team brought in nearly \$170,000.00 for our customer agencies in this one day event. Black Cherry Imapla SS muscle car with 52k miles went for just \$10k. I spoke with the buyer who was ecstatic about his purchase. Check out Joe's column for all the details and I hope to see you taking advantage of these great buys at our next sale.

Mugshots Continue for our Bureau staff. Joe Angelo was interviewed on July 18 on Fox 43 News hyping the aforementioned sale. Our TSA voluntarily surrendered property program was featured on the FRONT PAGE of the Wall Street Journal one day earlier. The Harrisburg Patriot picked up the story and re-ran it with photos from an earlier shoot on July 23rd. The syndicated radio show, "Hear and Now", carried a taped interview comparing our TSA program with that of Georgia on July 21st.

Nobody's home Please note that beginning on August 1, the Commonwealth will be making a change to our email system that will impact ALL customers. Now, when someone is out of the office, the message indicating they are out and who to contact only goes to Commonwealth senders. Starting on 8/1, the system will be changed to permit those messages to be sent outside of the Commonwealth system. So, finally our customers will actually be told when someone

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is unavailable and given directions on who to contact for a timely response. Alleluia!

Ken Hess, Director

Bureau of Supplies and Surplus Operations

State Surplus

Doings and Happenings

Well, another Farm Show Auction/Sale is behind us. For those of you who attended the sale on July 18th, you were able to take advantage of some “bargain prices” on everything from furniture, freezers, vehicles, and some nice jewelry. We perhaps had our most merchandise ever at a sale due to the D.G.S. Annex folks cleaning out about 3 buildings worth of merchandise in less than a month. I would like to thank our associates at the Annex for providing a smooth and steady stream of merchandise to make our jobs a lot easier in being able to offer a variety of assets to our customers. Keep your eyes peeled for some future online auctions from the former Harrisburg State Hospital.

As you know we also offered some pretty neat stuff from the Attorney General’s office. Everything from jewelry, ATV’s, vehicles, to collector’s books was sold. One gentleman actually bought about 300 books for \$2 a piece and filled his van!!! Probably the biggest ticket item that was sold was a 2001 Mercedes CLK430 for \$17,900.

All in all, \$165,995 was the final revenue total for the sale which wasn’t too shabby. Keep up with our newsletter as always for future sales.

Finally, as most of you know, we are getting into the habit of cleaning out our warehouse here at 2221 Forster St. in Harrisburg by offering assorted state agency surplus merchandise. Some other agencies such as DPW, Corrections, PennDOT, L&I, Fish & Boat, Game Commission, and DCNR have chosen to participate in an attempt to quickly turn their surplus into revenue. More often than not, we have the agencies leave their assets in place while they are being auctioned online via Asset Auctions. All contact information is in place for each item and the successful bidder makes arrangements with the specific location for pickup.

Currently, we meet on the second Tuesday of every month to determine what we would like to have in the sale. The auctions run for approximately 3 weeks. Items are typically posted by the third Monday, close the first Tuesday of the next month, and pickup is typically done before the third Tuesday of the next month. Any questions regarding this process should be directed to my attention.

On-Line and Physical Auctions

Completed auctions through June for State Surplus have resulted in a gross revenue of approximately \$1,837,490 for our Commonwealth agencies or the General Fund.

Current OnLine Auctions—www.asset-auctions.com

D.G.S. Monthly Auction – 1 Roller, Assorted Plows and Spreaders—Currently running on Asset Auctions #70814A2 Loaders—First lot scheduled to close August 14 at 10:00 AM.

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Upcoming PennDOT R.O.W. Auctions

New Florence Church of God – New Florence, PA - 1985 Single-wide mobile home circa 1985. 924 sf of gross living area, includes a 500 gallon oil tank, front porch, rear stoop, on a block and peer foundation with skirting, as well as an organ, piano, and various folding chairs (may be good for a township building at a bargain).

Rocky Meadows Golf Course – Plainfield, PA – Various golf maintenance tools, equipment, and pro shop material, lawn and green cutting mowers as well as a few mobile trailers, pool table, display cases, cash register, and snack bar equipment.

Federal Surplus

Attention Schools, Colleges and Day Care Centers!

Late August and early September signal the time to return to school and campus—and time to refresh that tired-looking student furniture or the teacher's lounge. Look no further than the Federal Surplus Property Program. Please see some of the pictures of furniture we have available right now for your classrooms and lounges. To help you prepare for the return of your students and teachers, **all education institutions will receive 10% off their total invoices for the entire month of August!** So come in now to receive your discount on furniture, building materials, tools, vehicles, food service equipment, and much more. Don't delay; your neighbors are already stopping by! [File Cabinet](#), [Desk](#), [Chair](#)

Special Interest Item!

Two ice re-surfacers are currently available.

ZAMBONI. Model 500, 4 cylinder, propane, 4 wheel drive, automatic, 3091 hours.

ZAMBONI. Model 552, electric, 17.5 hp, 4 wheel drive, 2244 hours

Service Charge is only \$950.00

Call 1-800-235-1555 for additional information

FEMA Travel Trailer and Mobile Home Update!

To date, we have been allocated **235 FEMA Travel Trailers and over a dozen Mobile Homes**, with many more to come. In the month of July, we screened at one site to continue to meet your needs for these items. Please check out the success stories at the end of this month's articles to see how your neighbors are using their travel trailers or mobile homes!

Requirements to Receive a Travel Trailer or Mobile Home

- Your agency **must** be a current donee organization approved by GSA rules and regulations to receive Federal Surplus Property. Please email our office to ensure that your file is current.
- Obtain the approval of your governing body to acquire one or more of these units.
- Submit a corrected request and letter in order to change the number of units from your original request.

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- Notify us of the anticipated location of your trailer/mobile home for direct shipment via the trucking company.
 - As with all Federal Surplus Property, your organization must place the unit into use within 12 months; utilize the unit for your organization only - no personal or commercial use is allowed; and utilize the property for the 18 month restriction period, at which time the title transfers to the donee organization.
 - Federal Surplus will bill your agency for the service charges and any shipping costs.
 - Your agency can still place a request for trailers and/or mobile homes. Please visit our website, www.dgs.state.pa.us and look for the FEMA Trailer Update. Print the Trailer Request and fax to us at 717-772-2491, attn: Ms. Mary Beth Enggren. **Please do not swamp our telephone lines with requests**, use this convenient form and fax it to us.
- Pennsylvania already has an extensive request list for trailers and mobile homes. Our goal is to meet every request as the units become available to us, but this process will take time. FEMA releases the trailers, and GSA allocates them to the various State Agencies for Surplus Property. We will contact you by email or telephone when we know the units are available.
- PLEASE BE READY to provide all requested information when we contact you.

Travel Trailer and Mobile Home Specifics

- **Travel Trailers:** Service and Handling Charge is **\$4,500.00**. Pennsylvania will not know the width or length until the units are awarded to us. **Your organization can refuse to accept a trailer that will not meet your needs IF YOU REFUSE PRIOR TO MAKING DELIVERY/PICK UP ARRANGEMENTS.** Demo units are available for preview in Harrisburg and Hermitage. [Picture 1](#), [Picture 2](#), [Picture 3](#), [Picture 4](#), [Picture 5](#), [Picture 6](#), [Picture 7](#), [Picture 8](#), [Picture 9](#).
- **Mobile Homes:** Service and Handling Charge is **\$8,000.00**. We will try to match your requested mobile home length if possible. **Your organization can refuse to accept a mobile home that will not meet your needs IF YOU REFUSE PRIOR TO MAKING DELIVERY/PICK UP ARRANGEMENTS.** [Picture 1](#), [Picture 2](#), [Picture 3](#), [Picture 4](#), [Picture 5](#), [Picture 6](#), [Picture 7](#), [Picture 8](#), [Picture 9](#), [Picture 10](#), [Picture 11](#).
- We will call or e-mail each donee as units are available. Your organization **will not** be able to select from those units available as FEMA allows only 10 working days from the award of the trailers and/or mobile homes to Pennsylvania to delivery to the donee. We will work from your survey and can adjust to your needs when we contact you for delivery confirmation.
- This charge includes the **Service Charge** and **Freight** from the screening site to your physical location.
- This charge **DOES NOT INCLUDE** siting or set up charges. The donee is responsible for those charges after delivery.
- We will bill from your signed invoice as with all donated property.

In the past, Pennsylvania donees have utilized these units for class rooms, offices, police command posts, emergency services, clinics, food and clothing distribution to the homeless and needy. As with all Federal surplus property, your imagination is your best tool!

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Hermitage Reminder

The Hermitage Distribution Center will be open for business in Hermitage August 20-23 and September 17-20. We will be open for business in Hermitage Monday 4:30 PM—7:30 PM, Tuesday and Wednesday 8:30 AM—4:30 PM, and Thursday 8:30 AM—11:00 AM. Look for the latest additions to our inventory, and don't forget about the Green Dot Discount!

This Month's Featured Items

[TRAINING BOARD](#), Mfg. REEBOK, ADJUSTABLE, CORE TRAINING. GOOD Condition, Only 10 Available, Item Number 7810-07-0591-006, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$35.00**.

[PURIFIER](#), Mfg. HONEYWELL, HEPA, 120 VOLT. GOOD Condition, Only 48 Available, Item Number 4460-07-0384-001, HBG - HER WHSE, Service Charge **\$45.00**.

[PIANO](#), Mfg. YAMAHA, YPP-15, ELECTRONIC, 120 VOLT. GOOD Condition, Only 10 Available, Item Number 7710-07-0580-001, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$175.00**.

[EXERCISER](#), Mfg. HAMMER STRENGTH, UPPER BODY LIFTING MACHINE. GOOD Condition, Only 1 Available, Item Number 7810-07-0580-004, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$175.00**.

[EXERCISER](#), Mfg. LIFE FITNESS, 10 TO 190 POUND WEIGHT UNIT. GOOD Condition, Only 1 Available, Item Number 7810-07-0580-003, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$175.00**.

[DESK](#), Mfg. UNK, WOOD WITH L-UNIT. FAIR Condition, Only 6 Available, Item Number 7110-07-0379-012, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$56.25**.

[DESK](#), Mfg. UNK, WOOD WITH L-UNIT. FAIR Condition, Only 14 Available, Item Number 7110-07-0886-001, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$45.00**.

[FILE CABINET](#), Mfg. UNK, 5 DRAWER METAL. GOOD Condition, Only 14 Available, Item Number 7110-07-0421-007, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$55.00**.

[DESK](#), Mfg. UNK, 30 X 60 WITH KEYBOARD TRAY. GOOD Condition, Only 49 Available, Item Number 7110-07-0478-001, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$35.00**.

[CHAIR](#), Mfg. UNK, WOOD, PADDED SEAT. GOOD Condition, Only 70 Available, Item Number 7110-07-0599-001, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$17.50**.

[CHAIR](#), Mfg. UNK, ROTARY WITH ARMS. GOOD Condition, Only 22 Available, Item Number 7110-07-0599-009, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$27.50**.

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SOFA, Mfg. UNK, SINGLE CUSHION,. GOOD Condition, Only 1 Available, Item Number 7110-07-0599-011, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$67.50**.

TRUCK, Mfg. A M GENERAL, M35A2, 2.5 TON CARGO, DROP-SIDE,.DIESEL, 5 SPEED, 24759 MILES. FAIR Condition, Only 1 Available, Item Number 2320-07-0590-001, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$2800.00**.

GENERATOR, Mfg. LIBBY WELD CO., MEP007B, 1984, 100 KW, 3 PHASE, CAT 3306, TRAILER MOUNTED, 1209 HOURS. GOOD Condition, Only 1 Available, Item Number 6115-07-0471-014, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$3500.00**.

TUG, Mfg. HARLAN, GHTKJ40SDW, 4 CYLINDER GAS, AUTOMATIC, 955 HOURS. GOOD Condition, Only 1 Available, Item Number 3930-07-0626-001, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$1500.00**.

FORKLIFT, Mfg. HYSTER, H40 XL MIL, 1988, 4000 LB, ISUZU DIESEL, PNEUMATIC TIRES, 774 HOURS. FAIR Condition, Only 1 Available, Item Number 3930-07-0633-002, HBG WHSE, Service Charge **\$2250.00**.

Equipment Recently Acquired by Your Neighbors...

West Nottingham Township (Chester County) acquired a FEMA mobile home which will be used as the Township Police Department instead of building a new station. The mobile home, originally valued at \$23,000.00 by the Federal government, was acquired for a service charge of only \$8,000.00. Township officials estimate a cost savings of approximately \$17,000.00 to their taxpayers.

Moscow Borough (Lackawanna County) acquired a FEMA travel trailer which will be used as their Department of Public Welfare (DPW) Office for the National Night Out and during the winter months as a place for the DPW workers to rest. The trailer, originally valued at \$18,000.00 by the Federal government, was acquired for a service charge of only \$4,500.00. Borough officials estimate a cost savings to their taxpayers of approximately \$24,000.00.

Carroll Valley Borough (Adams County) acquired 2 FEMA travel trailers. One trailer will be used as a temporary office for the sewer treatment plant, and the other will be used for a mobile command center for their regional emergency management agency. The trailers, originally valued at \$34,000.00 by the Federal government, were acquired for a service charge of only \$9,000 total. Borough officials estimate a cost savings to their taxpayers of approximately \$27,000.00.

Fixed Price Vehicles

GSA Fleet Sale

The Fixed Price Sales Vehicle Program continues to be busy with more auctions posted for August. In July, we selected four vehicles, two of which are already spoken for - a pick up truck for Perry County and 15 passenger van for a non-profit in Philadelphia. We still have two vehicles available here in Harrisburg – a [2002 Chevy Pickup With Plow and Utility Boxes](#), and a [2000 Chevy Suburban](#). If you are interested in either vehicle, contact us, and be sure to look for future announcements of available vehicles.

Also, please remember to get your requests in to us as soon as possible if you are interested in low mileage, quality late model cars, trucks, vans, and even heavy equipment. Call us **toll free at 1-800-235-1555** or contact our Fixed Price Vehicle screener, **Dave Fleischer**, directly at **717-439-5195** for additional information or to register your request for the next group of fixed priced vehicles.

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Items Currently Available

CRASH TRUCK, Mfg. Amertek, Inc., Model CF4000L, 1992, 23123 miles, Detroit Diesel, automatic, 1000 gallon water capacity, 130 gallon AFFF capacity. Good Condition, Service Charge **\$7,500.00**.

UTILITY TRUCK, Mfg. Chevy Blazer, Model CD-10506, 1985, 6400 gvw, 6.2 litres, v-8, diesel, automatic, mileage ranges from 40523 to 72891. Good condition, 8 available, Service Charge **\$1,500.00**.

Equipment Recently Acquired By Your Neighbors...

Moon Township Police Department (Allegheny County) acquired 6 M-16 rifles for immediate use in their patrol vehicles. The rifles, originally valued at \$6,000.00 by the Federal government, were acquired for a service charge of only \$300.00. Department officials estimate a cost savings to their taxpayers of approximately \$4,500.00.

Montour Township Police Department (Columbia County) acquired a cold weather jacket and 13 tactical vests. The vests will be used by the Police Department's SWAT team. The clothing, originally valued at over \$4,000.00 by the Federal government, was acquired for a service charge of only \$200.00. Department officials estimate a savings to their taxpayers of approximately \$6,000.00.

Law Enforcement

1122 New Property

Property Recently Purchased by Your Neighbors...

Conemaugh Township Police Department (Cambria County) purchased an In-Car Camera System and removable hard drive which will be used for both routine traffic patrol and daily police work. The total cost of the system delivered directly to the Police Department was \$5,840.00. Department officials estimate a cost savings to their taxpayers by using the Program of approximately \$2,000.00.

West Brandywine Police Department (Chester County) purchased an I-Cop in-car, in-dash surveillance and recording system, including accessories, and insurance which will be used in their patrol cars to record accidents, interview witnesses and conduct their daily activities. The total cost for this system and the accessories, insurance and taxes delivered to the Police Department was \$21,876.00. Department officials estimate a cost savings to their taxpayers was approximately \$7,000.00.

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