

## December, 2007 - HOLIDAY NEWSLETTER

### **To all our Neighbors, Friends, and Residents**

The Toquerville City Council, Water, Sewer, Maintenance, Staff and Building Department, our dedicated Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment volunteer members, and all other appointed City Officials send a warm greeting for the Holidays!

We are grateful for the many good people who've beautified and benefited our little City - not only with their donations, work parties and Scout Projects, but for those who participate year after year to help us clean roads and hillsides for the "Beautification Contest", dig and clear at our City Park, assist the singles and elderly, help to decorate and perform at our annual July 4<sup>th</sup> and Christmas Lighting celebrations, and many others who work behind the scenes. Those mentioned above and many citizens who love and appreciate this beautiful rural Community spend countless hours in service to City Government, their vocations, other responsibilities, AND their neighbors in need. It is true, as our Motto states, "It's the People."

The care and concern expressed in our recent Election, by old and new residents, was evident in the nearly 53% turnout of people voting for the future of Toquerville; we commend those who've been elected, and all the fine candidates. We look forward to working with those who will be serving in City Government, whether in the legislative, regulatory, or judiciary areas; if you have an interest, please contact the City Office at 635-1094. Mayor Ken Powell, heading into the last half of his second term, has taught that when you have to make tough decisions, listen to everyone's concerns and vote your conscience; if things don't happen the way you want, you accept the will of the majority and learn to get on with business. It is those who persist in wanting the best for those who come after us that make the difference while serving, whether in an elected position or as volunteers.

Our new Veteran's Memorial is impressive, thanks to the Olds Family. Please come and view those names who've served and lived in Toquerville - past and present. We are still collecting monies and names; you may call the City for adding your family member - the final cost came to \$35 per name. If you would care to honor those others with a donation for an additional section of granite, it would be greatly appreciated; as with other such additions to City property, City funds cannot pay for all projects. We sincerely hope to honor those deserving men and women who have served or are now serving for the cause of freedom, but we are in desperate need of help from families and friends to accomplish the task. Those who would like to add their donation to the water bill with one payment may do so; please note the amount and we'll separate it out. If you have a name to add, call the office for that process.

We invite you to see our traditional Christmas decorations at the old Town Hall; the lighting ceremony was held on Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> with music and refreshments. Our appreciation to all who participated and to the decorations committee who presented a beautiful Nativity after the City's old one just couldn't make it another year. We're also requesting help from those families who would like to donate for this beautiful addition; it is of fiberglass resin and will last and be enjoyed for many generations.

Mayor's note: Thanks again for Toquerville friends and residents, past and present, who've helped to make this Town what it is today - a GREAT PLACE TO LIVE; have a safe and joyous Holiday Season and watch for Toquerville's 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday this next July, 2008!