# **PAYROLL**

# Important Payroll Information and News

FICA (Social Security) for 2016

Maximum Taxable Earnings: \$ 118,500

Employee Tax Rate: 6.2%Employer Tax Rate: 6.2%

#### Medicare for 2016

• Maximum Taxable Earnings: No Limit

• Employee Tax Rate 1.45% on first \$199,999

• Employee Tax Rate 2.35% on wages \$200,000 and above

Employer Tax Rate: 1.45%Maximum Deduction: No Limit

## **Supplemental Wage/Bonus Rate**

Flat rate withholding method: 25%

• Supplemental wages over \$1 Million: 35%

#### **IRS Form W-4 Information**

Form W-4 claiming exemption from withholding expires on February 15, 2017 Form W-4 must be submitted annually to Payroll to claim the exemption Refer to Publication 15 from the IRS http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p15.pdf

## **Nonresident Alien Employees**

- Nonresident alien employees must file Form W-4 ➤ May not claim "Married
- May not claim "Exempt
- May not claim more than "01" allowances
- Must write "Nonresident Alien" or NRA" above the dotted line on Line 6
- Must file Form 8233 to claim exempt due to tax treat
- Form 8233 expires annually on December 31