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News

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STORMWATER MANAGEMENT:

FROM SUMMIT TOWNSHIP TO LAKE ERIE ... WHEN IT RAINS IT DRAINS!!

Now that the snow has (finally) melted and April showers are extending into May; it's a great time to talk about where all that water goes. We need to be aware that, whenever a land-owner changes a natural area by adding a structure or pavement, the water that was previously absorbed by the natural area must be directed somewhere else. Due to topography, there are areas where water flows naturally. However, you can't send water to adjacent property at a faster rate (than what existed in nature) when you build something on or pave an area of your property; it's up to you to manage that water.

Summit Township adopted its first stormwater ordinance in 1990 and has continued to regulate stormwater since that time. Stormwater management can include both natural and man-made elements such as swales, ponds and storm sewers. The original ordinance only applied to major residential subdivisions and commercial developments. However, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection mandated that we adopt even more stringent regulations in 2012. Now, EVERY individual home being constructed must provide a stormwater management plan. New paving and construction projects at properties that were previously exempt may also require a stormwater management plan, depending upon the size of the project (contact Zoning Office for more information).

Residential subdivisions containing multiple homes are permitted to develop one large system that captures water from all lots and directs it to a central retention pond/facility. That way, each home doesn't have to install and maintain its own system. While the retention area might be located a substantial distance from some of the lots; it is jointly owned by all residents in that development, and all are responsible for its maintenance. The original developer is required to sign an agreement to construct and maintain the system; that agreement (and all maintenance requirements) are assigned to ALL future property owners in the subdivision. The agreement also requires that all systems be inspected every five years at the owner's cost. Summit Township is NOT responsible for the maintenance of any private stormwater system.

Residents located in a subdivision should be aware of what their particular stormwater management system contains - there may be swales or other land contours that channel water and must remain unobstructed by landscaping or accessory structures.

Want more information on stormwater management? Visit summittownship.com (click on Departments, then Land Development, and select the stormwater link on the right side of the page). Be a good neighbor and know where your water goes!

MARK YOUR SPRING & SUMMER CALENDARS!!

May 9, 13 & 21	Summer Rec Program Registration (See Insert)	July 24-26	Summit Residents' Weekend (See Page 11)
May 14-16	Spring Clean-up (See Page 5)	July 24-Aug 3	Summit Residents' Art Show at Municipal Building
May 25	Memorial Day (Offices Closed)	August 13	Summit Senior Citizens' Picnic (See Page 15)
June 5-6	Senior Center Garage and Bake Sale (See Page 14)		
July 3	Independence Day Holiday (Offices Closed)		

MEET THE STAFF

TOWNSHIP: 868-9686

Supervisor/Chairperson/

Dir. Land Development -

Nancy Agostine

Supervisor/Roadmaster/

Dir. of Parks - **Jack Lee, Jr.**

Supervisor/Asst. Roadmaster -

Thomas Church, Jr.

Christene Yeast -

Sec/Asst. Treasurer

Michelle Nesselhauf -

Administrative Assistant

Nate Miller -

Zoning Administrator

Kip Hayford - Code Enforcement

Gina Erbin - Receptionist

THE ROAD CREW:

Gary Haupt - Foreman

Steve Skelly, Joe Passerotti,

Larry Hudacky, Jeff Matheis,

Gary Pace, Mike Hanas &

Andrew Fox

WATER AUTHORITY: 864-2323

John Troutman - Manager

Laura Taylor - Administrative

Secretary

Gretchen Hayford - Secretary

Water Authority Systems Operators -

Brian Clark, Brian Hiles,

Sean Miller

SEWER AUTHORITY: 868-4495

William Steff, P.E. - Manager

Caitlyn Haener -

Administrative Secretary

Kathy Pfister - Clerical Assistant

Marty McAtee - Operations

Foreman

Chris Hodge - Operations

Technician

Summit Township Industrial and Economic Development Authority (STIEDA) NEWS

What an exciting time to be a Summit Township resident! We at STIEDA are pleased to report we are making headway on our revolving loan fund for township businesses. We set aside \$500,000 to fund the program and are in the early stages of defining the criteria and developing an application for the program. We hope to get everything in place and begin accepting applications shortly.

We are also excited to announce that we recently approved a grant of \$1,304,860 to the Summit Township Sewer Authority for upgrades to their system along the Route 97 corridor. Without this grant, the Sewer Authority would have to come up with this amount by raising rates and/or tap in fees.

Looking back, the Township is, in many ways, fortunate that Presque Isle Downs located here and that the supervisors at the time created the Industrial and Economic Development Authority. The Authority and Township fought for our right to have the gaming revenue administered fairly and according to state law. Because of the gaming revenue that the Township receives, some of which has been transferred to STIEDA; STIEDA has been able to provide grants to Lord Corp. of \$500,000, the above-referenced Sewer Authority grant, a grant to Perry Highway Hose Co. of \$75,220, a grant of \$177,000 to the Water Authority, \$75,000 for a new generator to Robison Elementary in addition to creating the new revolving loan fund.

All this on top of the money Summit Township receives that goes directly into their operating budget funding things like the renovations to Picnicana Park, the new municipal building and enabling the Township to provide the tax abatement program for the last several years. It's no wonder that our population is growing. People want to come to Summit. I can't say that I blame them!

Brian McGowan, Chair

PUBLIC MEETING SCHEDULE

Board of Supervisors:

1st Monday of each month, 6:00 p.m.

3rd Monday of each month, 6:00 p.m.

Planning Commission:

2nd Monday of each month, 7:00 p.m.

Sewer Authority:

Last Thursday of each month, 9:00 a.m.

Water Authority:

1st Tuesday of each month, 6:00 p.m.

Recreation Board:

3rd Wednesday of each month, 5:15 p.m.

LeBoeuf Little League:

2nd Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m. at Waterford Boro Building

Zoning Hearing Board:

4th Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m.

As needed and advertised only

Summit Township Industrial and Economic Development Authority (STIEDA):

4th Monday of each month, 7:00 p.m. as needed.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The next deadline for submission of newsletter articles is **August 10th!** Our next newsletter will be published in late August.



NOTE OF THANKS FROM THE VERCILLO FAMILY:

I would like to take this time to thank everyone from Summit Township for the support, the friendship and most of all the prayers on that terrible day in August when we came home to our house burning. Ferdinando & I lost everything, our puppy too. Our house was rebuilt and we are moved back in it. Please know that we appreciated everything & thank you so much for the gift cards.

Thank you again, *Ferdinando & Keri Vercillo*

SUPERVISOR'S CORNER

Dear Summit Residents -

Happy spring to all of you and congratulations for surviving one of our toughest winters yet! From now through the end of summer is such a busy time of year, mostly because we have such a short stretch of great weather to try and fit all of our activities into.

I hope you will take the time to look carefully through this newsletter to see all of the things your Township has to offer. Spring clean-up starts May 14th, so you only have about 10 days to start going through all the stuff you have accumulated over the last year and decide what needs to go. Remember to include any of those old electronics you are no longer using as it is illegal to put them in the trash.

Anyone with young children should consider signing them up for our summer recreation program, where they can enjoy all of the amenities Picnicana Park has to offer, in addition to crafts, games and lots of fun field trips during the seven week program. It's really a bargain!

Please make time to take advantage of the beautiful cross country course created last year at Picnicana; it's a beautiful place to take an exhilarating walk.

Our Recreation Board has done an outstanding job creating a fun-filled Resident's Weekend for all to enjoy. Friday includes our Summit Art Show and

Carnival Night at Picnicana and gives residents an excellent opportunity to spend time with neighbors and friends. The Saturday bingo games, food, movie and bonfire has become a "must do" event for many Summit families. To wrap up the weekend on Sunday, Jeff Jones has done an amazing job creating our own Pass the Pancakes 5K attracting runners from near and far to race through scenic Summit. The Fort LeBoeuf Volleyball pancake breakfast and Senior Center bake sale following the race are delicious treats that none should miss!

We wrap up the summer with our annual Senior Citizen's Picnic (August 13th) which is now in its 20th year. The all day event gives us a chance to honor our oldest residents by inviting them to enjoy music, food, crafts, prizes and friendship. If you're a senior, this is your day!

I would also like to thank the Fort LeBoeuf School District for allowing me to participate in Business Week at the High School and Earth Day at Robison Elementary. I am constantly amazed at the intelligence and creativity shown by our students and am in awe of the innovation and dedication provided by our teachers.

Sincerely, *Nancy Agostine*

Well spring is finally here! I, for one, am very happy winter has passed. This was a long cold one and hard on all of us. Now we must gear up for spring cleanup and the road work begins. So far, our township roads seem to be in pretty good shape, which proves that crack sealing and seal coat with tar and chip is a very good investment to keep the water out of the road surface. At this time, the road crew is cleaning up plow damage, cleaning ditches, sweeping anti-skid off of the roads, checking catch basins, and cold patching, where necessary. Please take time to thank your road crew for their extended efforts all winter long, if you see them.

We will be opening the parks soon and turning on the water for the kitchens and rest rooms. It won't be long before the spring and summer activities will be starting. We are pushing for more improvements at Picnicana, but no major projects are planned in the near future. Please police our parks for litterbugs and vandals.

Construction is picking up with more plans of development along Peach Street and Perry Highway. We continue to grow with having two busy exits on I-90 so please give yourself extra time when driving during busy travel times and be patient. Dealing with the busy traffic is the down side of living in a prosperous growing community. This can be a tough job for our zoning office too. You try to find a balance between protecting residential areas but still want to support business for jobs and tax support.

In closing, I would like to congratulate Marj Hudak and Bob Mitchell on their retirement. Enjoy your time off and thank you for all of your years of service to Summit Township!

Thank You, *Jack Lee*

FROM THE FORT LEBOEUF SCHOOL DISTRICT

Dear Fort LeBoeuf Community:

The Fort LeBoeuf Board of Directors is working to create a 2015-2016 budget that balances the educational needs of our students with financial/economic realities. The most challenging financial obstacles to the district are the costs mandated by state law.

First, our residents should know that the Fort LeBoeuf School District is required by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to pay the tuition for local students whose parents choose to send them to charter schools. Charter schools are non-profit organizations run by an unelected board of directors yet financed by your local property taxes.

The cost of charter school tuition in 2015-2016 for the District is expected to be \$400,000.00 or 1/3 of a mill. This is the cost of school choice and the burden rests with our residents. Further, a significant concern is the lack of charter schools' academic success, based on the Pennsylvania School Performance Profile (SPP) data. Strong performing schools SPP scores range from 70-100 and we are pleased that all five of the Fort LeBoeuf schools continue to be rated as strong performing schools. The chart below clearly demonstrates that a large number of students attending charter schools are not making the academic strides we are achieving here at FLB.

Charter School	SPP Score	Cost to FLB Taxpayers
21st Century Cyber Charter School	66	\$ 6,353.79
Achievement House Cyber Charter School	37.5	\$ 14,089.99
Agora Cyber Charter School	42.4	\$ 72,924.09
Commonwealth Connections Academy Cyber	52.2	\$ 24,884.28
Montessori Regional Charter School	78.5	\$ 41,363.80
PA Cyber Charter School	55.5	\$ 182,478.83
PA Leadership Cyber School	59.3	\$ 26,087.08
PA Virtual Cyber School	63.4	\$ 8,294.76
Perseus House Charter School	40.9	\$ 19,907.42
TOTAL		\$ 396,384.04

Secondly, state mandated pension costs also create upward pressure on school district spending. Public school districts are required by law to participate in and fund the PA Public School Employees' Retirement System (PSERS) at 25.84% of payroll in 2015-2016. This is over 5% of the district's total budgeted expenses.

It is important to note that excluding these state mandated pension and charter tuition costs, the Fort LeBoeuf School District budget modestly increased by only .004% in general operating expenditures. This is a clear indicator that we continue to be fiscally responsible in areas under our immediate control.

Charter school funding and pension cost increases must be addressed in Harrisburg by the Governor and State General Assembly. Until then, our district will be forced to consider cutting programs and raising taxes while trying to maintain the excellent education being provided to the children of our residents.

I encourage you to communicate with your legislative representatives and voice your concern about these unfunded mandates.

Debra Spaulding, Superintendent

ATTENTION SHUTTERBUGS - CALENDAR PHOTOS NEEDED!!

Don't forget to take your camera along for all your summer activities. The 2016 Summit Calendar will be "Seasons of Summit" - so, now that you have PLENTY of winter photos, it's time to take some during the spring and summer. Your photo could be featured in our calendar!



SPRING CLEAN-UP 2015

FOR SUMMIT TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS ONLY!

Spring clean up will be handled as a **DROP-OFF PROGRAM** again this year. Township crews will only pick-up appliances containing freon (i.e. refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners and dehumidifiers) for residents who have registered and paid for the freon removal in advance (**No later than May 13th**). Residents may bring all other eligible items to the Township garage during the time period detailed below. Township personnel will be on hand to accept items, which must be generated solely from your household and not brought in from elsewhere.

All residents will be required to show proof of residency (photo driver's license).

DROP-OFF PROGRAM SCHEDULE

DATES: Thursday, May 14th through Saturday, May 16th
HOURS: 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Thursday & Friday
8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Saturday
SITE: Township Garage – 8900 Old French Road

GENERAL INFORMATION

Please read this information carefully! Only those items listed will be accepted, all others will be turned away.

ALLOWABLE ITEMS FOR THIS YEAR'S COLLECTION

- Air Conditioners (required freon removal fee paid**)
 - Appliances – Limited to **two** appliances per household. Duplicates of same appliance not accepted (i.e. two dryers).
 - Refrigerators/Freezers (doors removed and required Freon removal fee paid**)
 - Dehumidifiers (required Freon removal fee paid**)
 - Washers (clothes and dish), Dryers, Stoves, Hot Water Tanks
 - Auto Parts (**NO GAS TANKS**)
 - Demolition Waste – bathtubs, sinks, toilets, house doors and windows **ONLY**
(no other building demolition waste such as shingles, wood or blocks will be accepted)
 - Electronics – TVs, computers, keyboards, monitors, etc.
 - Furniture - TV's, mattresses, mattress springs, couch, chairs, dressers, tables
 - Lawn Mowers/Roto-tillers/Snowblowers
 - Metal Items (unlimited)
 - Tires (@ nominal fee – see cost breakdown listed below **)
- Limit 12 tires per person.**

ITEMS NOT ALLOWED – THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED:

- No Bagged Material - OF ANY KIND
- No Batteries
- No Demolition Waste - other than items specifically listed above
- No Gasoline or Propane Tanks
- No Hazardous Waste – OF ANY KIND
- No Household Garbage
- No Paint or Oil Cans
- No Junk Vehicles

If you are unsure about a specific item, please call the Township at 868-9686.

**** FREON REMOVAL FEE @ \$10.00 each (Non-Refundable)** – Appliances that use freon require this fee payment to defray the cost of having Freon removed. **Payment must be made** at the Township Building **by WEDNESDAY, MAY 13th**. Crews will only pick up items with freon if the resident's name/address appears on a pre-paid list. **Freon items must be placed CURBSIDE BY 8 a.m., THURSDAY, MAY 14th and will be picked up either the 14th or 15th.**

**** TIRE FEE – Tires will be accepted during drop-off hours with payment of the nominal per tire fee as follows:**

\$2 – Tire OFF Rim	(18 inch diameter or less)
\$3 – Tire ON Rim	(18 inch diameter or less)
\$5 – Truck Tire	(19 inch diameter or more)

The nominal fee will help defray costs (per ton) associated with recycling of the tires by Waste Management.
(Note: Fee for tires is to be paid at the drop-off site, not in advance)

VEHICLES

Summit Township **CANNOT** take vehicles as part of spring clean up!

Vehicles that are unregistered/uninspected and visible on your property are in violation of Township Ordinances. Avoid prosecution by having them removed.

Here We Grow Again

MAXIMAL GAIN CHIROPRACTIC . . . is now open at 8 W. Bloomfield Parkway and is committed to helping families and individuals of all ages express healthier, more functional lives by getting to the root cause of their pain and dysfunction. Whether it is through traditional chiropractic manipulation, nutritional supplements or a variety of rehabilitative options; a personalized treatment plan will be created for YOU. We are also home to "The Second Front" a Survivorship Recovery Center for Breast Cancer Patients. We feel it is essential to provide a patient-centered standard of care encompassing the physical, emotional and rehabilitative health needs of our client and her family or caregivers. Our team of professionals will emphasize compassion along with their broad spectrum of science based techniques designed to promote health and recovery. Hours: Mon/Wed. 6:30am-6:30pm, Tues/Thurs. 11:30am-6:30pm, Friday 6:30am-12:30pm, Closed Saturdays and Sundays. Call (844) 629-4246 or go to their website at www.maxgainchiro.com for more information..

OLD NAVY . . . has opened at 1894 Keystone Drive, in the Peach Street Square Plaza. Old Navy is a place where you can find all of your wardrobe "must-have's" at prices you can't believe. From day one, they were something the world had never seen - fabulous, affordable fashion, and they continue that tradition of making current American fashion essentials accessible for every family. Everything in Old Navy's 1,000 + stores around the world has both great style and quality. To learn much more about their products and apparel visit their website at www.oldnavy.com

IN THE WORKS:

5-UNIT RETAIL PLAZA... is being constructed by DDR Corp. at the Northeast corner of the intersection of Douglas Parkway and Commons Drive (1930 Douglas Parkway). The zoning permit was issued for this project on March 13, and construction started the very same day. We expect to see tenants moving into these retail spaces by mid to late summer.



Summit United Methodist Church

Rev. Tom Hoeke, Pastor

1510 Townhall Road W. Erie, PA 16509

Phone: 864-3271 / Fax: 864-3413

E-mail: sumc-office@verizon.net

Website: www.summitumc.net

All are Welcome!

Worship at 8:15 AM and at 10:45 AM

Sunday School at 9:30 AM



Saturday, May 16th join the YMCA of Summit Township and Summit United Methodist Church for a community picnic from Noon until 2 PM.

Meet your neighbors, have a hot dog, play tag and have some fun!



Coffee with Pastor for Young Adults

Sundays from 9:30 – 10:15.

Young adults between the ages of 23 – 35 (a year or two older or younger are invited as well) are invited to join Pastor Tom for conversation about faith, church, and culture. Why not invite someone to join us? The coffee will be on.

Join us for a special Pentecost Celebration

on Sunday, May 24th
at 8:15 or 10:45 AM



Vacation Bible School

Sunday, August 2nd to Thursday, August 6th
from 5:45—8:15 PM. Watch our website:

www.summitumc.net for more information.

Summit Lions Club News



We Serve

Summit Lions Club

A good Spring Day to Everyone in Summit Township!

Well it looks like spring is going to show its face and stay for a while. I hope you will all be able to enjoy the spring and summer months like the Lions of Summit will be doing. We start off with a few raffles that we are having, one of them is our annual Raffle of tools and other prizes for a donation of \$5.00 you will have the chance of winning one of many prizes. Then we will again have the Boat Load of Beer Raffle, which is an Allumacraft Model 1236 Boat with a Minn Kota c230 Motor with Power Pack and 15 cases of Beer for a \$5.00 Donation. This drawing will be held on October 21, 2015 using the Pick 4 Digit Lottery, at the 7pm drawing, on this ticket you will have 4 chances to win. Finally, we are having the Motorcycle Raffle, where for a \$20.00 donation, you have a chance of winning a new Harley Davis Motorcycle. Either call a Lion for tickets or visit us at one of the events where we are displaying the Harley.

One of our other events is the annual Golf Outing at Venango Valley Golf Course on June 5, 2015, for a cost of \$70/person or \$280 for a foursome. This year we are dedicating our Golf Outing to a former Lion and Summit Supervisor that passed away, Lion Paul Dahlkemper, Senior. Lion Paul was a good Lion and was also a past Chief for the Perry Hi-Way Hose Company, and a Eucharistic minister at All Saints Parish. A portion of our Profits raised will be going to The Summit Food Pantry, who is serving an average of 60 local families twice a month. If you are a business in Summit and would be able to donate a prize or a money donation please get in touch with us. If you would like to buy a ticket or know more about the Golf Outing Please call Lion Janet or Lion Bob Mitchell at 864-9194. Thank you for supporting the Summit Lions.

We are always in need of good Men or Women to join us in helping to serve others in our Community and around the World. Did you know that Lions around the World have provided nearly 8,000,000 cataract surgeries as part of our Sight First Program, and we have help more than 13 million young people through our Lion Quest program which is a school based life skill Program for school age youth.

The Lions were started in 1917 by Chicago businessman, Melvin Jones; The Summit Lions were chartered in 1956. In 1925, Helen Keller asked Lions to be "knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness" establishing LCI's commitment to providing sight/vision services for people worldwide. The Summit Club is part of the Lions Eye Bank of N.W.PA helping to supply corneas to those needing cornea transplants.

In 1987, the Lions granted membership to women and in 1990 launched the Campaign for Sight First, helping people in the United States and also around the World fight eye problems.

These are just a few of the things a Lion does; to help serve others. I hope you would be willing to give a few hours of your time to help the Summit Lions help your neighbors, or yourself.

Lion Bob Mitchell

Can You Help Summit's Summer Recreation Program?

Do you have a lot of items you are not using anymore laying around the house? If so, the summer recreation program can probably use them. If you have any of the following items, they are things we are in great need of. You may drop them off at Picnicana from June 8 to July 20 from 11-3:30:

Brads	Rubber Bands	Toothpicks	Contact paper
Glue	Thread	Nails	Old Nylons
Wiggle eyes	Cards	Cds	Stickers
Tissue paper	Paint	Balloons	Puzzles
Children's Books	Paper bags	Push pins	Paint brushes
Paper	Grass seed	Markers	Pringles cans with lids
Pens	Plastic totes with lids all sizes	Games	Beads
Buttons	Yarn	Nestle Quik containers	Foam meat trays
Tape	2 liter pop bottles	Scissors	Pencils
Fun foam	Flower bulbs or any plant that comes up every year	Anything that can be used for crafts!	
Anything that can be used for prizes			

Thank You, *Pat McGuire*, Program Director

****Everyone is invited to attend the Summer Program Carnival on Friday, 7/24/15 at 6:00 PM.
Games, Prizes, Chinese Auction & Bake Sale!**

**DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS "GOLDEN" OPPORTUNITY -
PARTICIPANTS RECEIVE A FREE WIZARD JR. COMPOSTER (\$129 VALUE)!**

We have been trying for YEARS to get this workshop closer to Summit. Fortunately, this year we are able to host a workshop on August 8th right here at our own Municipal Building! **Registration for the August 8th workshop opens on Monday, July 20th at 8am. Go online to environmenterie.org to register. If you don't have a computer, call Nate at 440-3953.** These workshops fill up extremely fast and are open to all Erie County residents. We would recommend you register the first day, if possible, to secure your spot.

COMPOST

the new "BLACK GOLD"

A WORKSHOP ON DIVERTING FOOD WASTE & RECYCLABLES FROM OUR LANDFILL

Join the Erie County Recycling Program, Environment Erie, and Millcreek Township for this informational workshop on the philosophy of zero waste and proper procedures for diverting food waste, recyclables, and electronics from the waste stream with an emphasis on composting. Attendees will learn how to build and maintain a successful compost pile from everyday organic waste material as well as discover opportunities made available through local composting and recycling centers. Upon completion of the workshop, each participating household will receive a **FREE** Compost Wizard Jr. bin and composting handouts.

2015

MAY 27 6PM-8PM
TOM RIDGE ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER

JUNE 17 6PM-8PM
PLEASANT RIDGE PARK, FAIRVIEW

AUG 8 9AM-12PM
SUMMIT TOWNSHIP BUILDING

**\$10 fee per household due
at registration**

**For more information and locations
visit www.environmenterie.org
or call 814-440-3953**

This workshop is open to all Erie County residents. Past participants may attend the workshop a second time, but are not eligible to receive additional compost bins.



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THIRD ANNUAL SUMMIT TOWNSHIP ART SHOW

We hope all of our local artists have been busy creating unique masterpieces all year; if not, you still have time! The Third Annual Summit Township Art show will be held again this year, beginning with a reception on July 24th (6-7:30PM) and running through August 3rd, during normal business hours for all to enjoy. The past two years have proven that we have some VERY talented folks right here in Summit.



THIS YEARS WINNERS WILL BE AWARDED GIFT CERTIFICATES FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING EFFORTS!!!

The show is open to students (grades 6-12), as well as pastime and professional artists. You are a **pastime artist** if your art is just for fun and you do not sell your work. You are a **professional artist** if any of the following apply: you've had a show, are a commercial artist, teacher of art, own a gallery and/or have an art degree.

Types of work to be accepted include two dimensional (paintings, oils, watercolors, acrylics, pastels, photography, drawings, graphite, colored pencil, charcoal, etc.). We will accept original fine art prints but they must be originals (no reproductions) three dimensional (3-D, clay, sculpture, metal and wood) and mixed mediums (works that combine more than one medium in a unique way). No crafts will be accepted. Art cannot be of inappropriate nature at the discretion of the show committee.

SUBMISSION DETAILS: No entry fee; Summit Township residents only; up to (3) entries per artist; must be no more than 30" wide (due to space); art must be framed or wired for hanging if you are a pastime or professional artist; student art needs only to be matted; entries can be marked "FS" (for sale) if so desired (an artist's inquiry box will be provided - all sales and any taxes are the responsibility of the artist.)

ART SHOW ENTRY FORM

Entry form only must be **mailed by July 3rd** and received (or dropped off)
at the township office no later than July 6, 2015, so proper space can be allotted.

Art will be accepted during the week of July 13-17th for display set-up.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Please circle one: **Student** **Pastime** **Professional** Select One: **For Sale** **Not For Sale**

The undersigned does hereby release, forever discharge, and hold harmless Summit Township and/or the organizers of this show from all actions, suits, damages or claims whatsoever arising from any loss or damage to any property of the undersigned while in the possession of the art show, its agents or representatives. The artist is to carry their own insurance if he/she feels the need to do so.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Extra entry forms can be picked up at the Township office. If you have any questions please contact Nancy Agostine at 868-9686.

FREE CLASS OFFERED TO ARTISTS:

HOW TO PREPARE YOUR ART FOR PRESENTATION AT OUR ART SHOW

Class Date: **JUNE 24, 2015** (Wednesday) Time: **6:30-8:30PM** (approx. 60-90 min.)

This class is generously being offered by Downia Glass and Catherine Caufield with supplies provided by Summit Township. It will be held at the Summit Township Municipal Building. Pre-registration is appreciated, but not required. You can pre-register by calling Gina at the Township Office 868-9686, or, simply show up for the class on June 24th!

Pass the Pancakes 5K Race and Fun Walk

Get ready for our 4th annual race!

Join us on July 26th for Summit Township's hometown 5K race! It begins with an 8:30 AM start on Old French Road near Picnicana Park, loops through lush farmlands and rural residences on Lee Road, Shunpike Road, and Townhall Road before heading back to Picnicana for an exhilarating cross country style finish on the park. Awards go to the first overall male and female finishers (pints of real maple syrup) and to the top 3 males and females in each age group (1/2 pints of real maple syrup).



After the race, join us for a pancake breakfast, deliciously prepared by Fort LeBoeuf Volleyball Boosters!

**All Registered Runners receive token for entry to
FLB Volleyball Boosters Pancake Breakfast immediately after the race at Picnicana Park!**

Sunday, July 26, 2015 Registration: 7:00 am Start: 8:30 am

Picnicana Park, 9180 Old French Road (Summit Township) Waterford, PA

Course starts and ends near Picnicana Park, through scenic rolling hills and farmland countryside.

Awards (half pints real maple syrup):

- First overall M&F (full pint)
- Top 3 M&F: 14&Under; 15-18, 19-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70+

Runner's High Champion Chip Computer Timing ... Proceeds Benefit Fort LeBoeuf Volleyball Boosters

----- Cut or Tear Here -----

Circle One:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Male / Female

Street: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

Age (on July 26, 2015): ____ Birth Date: ____/____/____ Email: _____

Check One:

Pre-Register Fees

___ \$15 Race only NO Shirt

___ \$22 Race + T-Shirt

Day-of-Race Fees

___ \$20 Register Race only NO Shirt

___ \$27 Register + T-Shirt (quantities and sizes limited)

Circle Adult T-Shirt Size (only if getting shirt): Small | Medium | Large | X-Large

Entry Fee Enclosed: \$ _____ Make Checks Payable to **Summit Township**

Mail form and payment to: Jeff Jones; 2805 Chelsie Drive; Erie, PA 16509

I assert that I am sufficiently conditioned to complete a 5K (3.1 miles). I will hold neither "Pass the Pancakes" race organizers, Summit Recreation Board Members, Lions Club Members, Summit Township, nor any other persons or organizations associated with the race accountable for any injuries, health issues, or problems that may arise from my participation in this race.

Signature (Parent or Guardian if under 18) _____ Date: _____

For more information and race registration, please go to the race web site:

<https://runsignup.com/Race/PA/Waterford/PassthePancakes>.

Sponsored by the Summit Recreation Board

Summit Township Resident's Weekend!

July 24th thru July 26th

****Mark Your Calendar Now****

The Summit Township Rec Board would like you to enjoy your weekend with fun and games at Picnicana Park. The park is reserved for township residents to enjoy all weekend!

Friday, July 24th-Meet & Greet/Carnival Night/Art Show

Residents are welcome to use our Township facilities & mingle with your Summit Township neighbors!

Carnival Night- Please join in on the fun starting at 6pm with the summer program's annual carnival featuring kids' games, food, an amazing Chinese Auction and a variety of fun for all ages!

Art Show - There will also be a reception with local artists, viewing of art, music and refreshments at the municipal building from 6:00 to 7:30. The Art Show will continue to be on display Monday-Friday during normal business hours through August 3rd. We hope this schedule provides an opportunity for all Summit Residents to come check out the amazing talent right here in our community!

Saturday, July 25th



Bingo - 5:00pm-8:00pm, enjoy a friendly game of Bingo with your neighbors along with the opportunity to win prizes! (Free for Summit Township participants)

Food - Food serving will begin at 5:30pm. Sit by the bonfire and enjoy your food; roasted corn-on-the-cob, hotdogs, s'mores, popcorn and drinks.

Movie - At 8:30pm, join in for a great children's movie on the big outdoor screen. Bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit back & relax while watching the movie under the stars!

Rain or Shine, this event is free for all Summit Township Residents!



Sunday, July 26th

Pass the Pancake 5K Run - Start your day at 7:00am (run starts at 8:30am) with the energetic 4th Annual 5K "Pass the Pancakes" Run. Prizes will be awarded in all age group categories. Contact Jeff Jones for registration information 866-7716.



Pancake Breakfast - Follow the run with a delicious Pancake Breakfast fund raiser hosted by the Fort LeBoeuf Volleyball Sponsors, serving starts at 8:00am. Support a Bake Sale hosted by the Senior Center. Try your luck at a Chinese Auction hosted by the Picnicana Summer Program attendees, drawing will be held at 11:00am.

For questions or additional information, please contact any Rec Board Member:

Sean Earley 864-7820
Kelly Ford 796-4005
Jeff Jones 866-7716
Steve Skelly 864-5672
Mike Pace 864-6046



Hello from Robison Elementary School!

We have already started planning for the upcoming 2015-2016 school year. If your child will be 5 before June 1, 2015, you may enroll your child for kindergarten. If you have a kindergarten child who you have not yet enrolled, please call the school today (796-3742). In August, we will be holding grade level Meet and Greet Nights as well as Kindergarten Orientation. Please be on the lookout for your invitations in the mail.

Kindergarten orientation, for enrolled kindergarten students and their parents, will be held on August 18 from 9:00-10:30 AM. Important information will be given to kindergarten parents at orientation. Kindergarten students will have an opportunity to meet their teacher and see their classroom.

Meet and Greet Nights give students and parents an opportunity to meet and hear the year's expectations prior to the school years official start. Our schedule is as follows:

Grade 1, 2 and 3
Grades 4 and 5

August 19
August 20

5:30-6:30 PM
5:30-6:30 PM

It is hard to believe that we are already planning for the 2015-2016 school year. Before this school year comes to a close, we would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Summit community members and Robison parents for their continued support this school year. Our dedicated PTO held monthly meetings to plan events like Pizza Bingo, Santa's Secret Shop, Book Fairs, Teacher Appreciation Day, Fundraisers and much more. We are grateful for the Lion's Club that supported Read Across America Day by providing each student with a brand new book to take home and share. To these volunteers and all of the others that supported our school, we thank you!

Thanks to your continued support, Robison Elementary is a school that fosters a love of learning and encourages students to reach their full potential. On behalf of everyone here at Robison, I wish everyone a safe and relaxing summer.

Jenna Hopkins, Robison Principal

Robison PTO Happenings

Happy Spring Time From Robison Elementary PTO

The Robison Elementary PTO Board would like to send out a big THANKYOU to all of our volunteers, students, teachers and administrator! This was a great successful year for all of the activities that were held at Robison Elementary. We were able to help support lots of educational field trips, purchase new equipment and programs for the school and once again plan a fun 5th grade graduation party. We would like to say goodbye to our 5th grade students and thank their dedicated parents for years of support with the PTO.

Good luck with your middle school endeavors! And for those who will be returning next year, have a safe & super fun summer. See you in the fall!

Kerrie Wasinlewski, PTO President



Montessori
IN THE WOODS
Within the child lies the future

We have had a busy number of months here at school with a well-attended Fall Festival in October, and our annual Celebrations of Light program performed by the students in our Stone Church prior to the holidays. Our next event will be a "Sip Paint Create" class at Sparrow Pond Campground. This public, adult only event will be on Sunday, May 16th from 6pm-8pm. The night will include all materials and lesson for the painting, a silent auction of select items and gift baskets, as well as the children's art work! Please call the office at 866.3760 for ticket information and details about this new exciting event for MITW!

We'd like to invite you to join us for one of our upcoming Open House afternoons. During this time, the school and classrooms are open for exploration by children and adults. Our next Open House is scheduled from 1-3pm on Sunday, May 31st. You are also welcome to schedule a visit during school hours to see our programs in session. We are currently enrolling for our Summer Program as well as for the 2015-16 school year. As always, we look forward to seeing any of our Summit neighbors, so please stop by.

Please be sure to visit our website at www.MontessoriIn-TheWoods.org or like us on Facebook for additional information about our school and upcoming events.

SUMMIT TOWNSHIP SEWER AUTHORITY

Route 97 Lift Station Project

At the February Regular Business Meeting of the Summit Township Industrial and Economic Development Authority (STIEDA) the Summit Township Sewer Authority (STSA) presented a grant application for partial funding of the Route 97 Lift Station Project. The STSA requested 38.4% of the project cost currently estimated at \$3.4 Million. The STSA was able to demonstrate the impact that the Presque Isle Downs Casino and Track has on the public sewer system as the largest sewer user. We are proud to report that the STIEDA Board agreed and unanimously voted to approve the Summit Township Sewer Authority's (STSA) grant application for \$1,304,860. The STSA appreciates STIEDA's support for the project. This is a long term improvement that will service existing and new customers well into the future.

The STSA has applied for and has almost secured all of the necessary permitting for the project. Next we will be moving into the bidding and award phase of the project. As it currently stands the physical construction of the project will likely begin in June 2015 and continue until completion in spring of 2016.

Online Bill Paying

There have been a few inquiries regarding online bill paying lately. The Summit Township Sewer Authority (STSA) cannot set up your account for online bill payment. However, you may be able to pay your bills online through your bank. Most banks offer free online bill paying services to checking account holders. Call or stop by your banking institution. A customer service representative at your bank will help you get started. Once you are set up to pay bills online through your bank, please include your account number in the payment memo. Every time you schedule an online payment, your bank will send your payment to the STSA. Most online bill paying services will allow you to schedule payments in advance and set up reoccurring payments. We have many customers that take advantage of online bill paying services this way.

If any sewer customer has any questions or concerns, please feel free to call the Authority at 868-4495 or attend a monthly meeting. Check your Township calendar for Sewer Authority meeting dates, (generally the last Thursday of the month, except March, November and December are one week earlier). The Authority hours are 8:00 AM - Noon and 12:30 - 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday. If you plan to attend a meeting, please call and let us know. We will be glad to put you on the agenda.

William C. Steff, P.E., Manager

FROM YOUR SUMMIT TAX COLLECTOR:

Happy Spring to All!

Even as I am writing this, the weather just doesn't seem to catch up with the calendar. Hopefully soon it will.

The 2015 County-Township taxes were mailed March 1st and are for the calendar year 2015. If you have to forward your tax bills to your escrow holder, you only need to send one copy. Keep a copy for yourself in case you would need to have it stamped paid for the PA 1000. The 2015/2016 School tax bills are for a fiscal year which begins July 1, 2015 and runs through June 30, 2016. These bills will be mailed the end of June. Mills will not be set until June when the school board sets its budget.

The taxes I collect are ALL real estate taxes. That means the taxes you pay are based on the real estate you own. If you live in a mobile home or a patio home, your taxes are based on your building only and this reflects on your tax bill. Mobile home taxes stay with the mobile home. If you purchase a previously owned mobile home, check with Tax Claim to see if there are any back taxes. If you fail to do this and purchase the home with back taxes, those taxes are now your responsibility. Tax Claim's number is 814-451-6206.

The tax collector cannot change the tax roll in any way. This must be done through Erie County Assessment. They are the entity that determines the value of your property and maintain current ownership and mailing addresses. If you have a mailing address change, please contact Erie County Assessment at 814-451-6225 or you may ask me for a Property Record Correction Card to change the mailing address. I cannot change the mailing address for you. The last owner of record and mailing address at Assessment will be where your tax bill will be mailed to. It is up to you to provide updates for Assessment.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone when the weather warms up!

Debra Cameron, Summit Twp. Tax Collector

1754 Townhall Rd. West, Erie, PA 16509

Phone & Fax 814-866-2653

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 10AM-2PM, Monday Evening 5-7PM

Senior News

Welcome Spring!

It is good to see the flowers poking their heads thru after such a hard winter. Soon it will be time to start baking for the upcoming bake sales. Traditionally we do four a year. The first will be spring election day. The second will be at our annual rummage sale June 5th & 6th. All Summit seniors are welcome to join us for tureen lunch every Tuesday at noon. We also offer cards, pool & ceramics class. Don't forget horseshoes for the summer months.

Evelyn Senger, President

Join Us For The Summit Senior Rummage & Bake Sale!

Friday, June 5th - 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Saturday, June 6th - 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Summit Senior Center, 1450 Townhall Road West

Saturday will be \$1/Bag day.

Drop off times for rummage donations will be any Tuesday between 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM and also on our set-up day, Thursday, 6/4/15.

AARP Smart Driver Class



Summit Senior Center Building
1450 Townhall Road West
Erie, PA 16509

Full Initial Course:
Monday 6/8/15 & Tuesday
6/9/15 from 5:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Renewal Course:
Thursday 6/11/15 from 5:30 - 9:30 pm

For reservations, call June Beard at 864-9378

Certification in this course may qualify you for a discount on your car insurance. Please check with your insurance company.

From the Water Authority ...

ADOPT-A-HYDRANT CONTEST WINNER



With the harsh winter now behind us, the last thing people want to look at is snow! But this picture is necessary to let everybody know the winner of last quarter's Adopt-a-Hydrant Contest. We would like to recognize the outstanding work done by George Erbin, with daughters Olivia and Madison, to keep the hydrant near their home on Greentree Drive clear of snow.

For their efforts, they will receive a \$50 gift certificate to a Summit Township restaurant or business of their choice.

Thanks to the Erbin's and all others who help keep our hydrants clear.

The Adopt-a-Hydrant Contest will start again next winter. All prior nominations will automatically be entered for the next drawing. New nominations can be made by calling our office at 864-2323.

Thanks again!

John Troutman, Manager



LeBoeuf Little League

2015 INFORMATION

Picture day is May 2, 2015
(players are to see their coach for time).

Meetings are the second Wednesday of every month starting at the Waterford American Legion starting at 8:30 PM

Visit the League website at www.flbll.com
for additional information



JOIN US FOR OUR 20th ANNUAL SUMMIT SENIOR CITIZEN'S PICNIC This year's theme – All American BBQ

Our twentieth Annual Senior Citizen's Picnic is scheduled for August 13, 2015 at Picnicana. This is a FREE event, sponsored by the Township, for the enjoyment of Summit's senior citizens (55 & older). We are planning another spectacular day of all American fun! Seniors can join us for any or all of the planned events. Come for whatever time you have to relax, listen to music, enjoy the food, visit with old friends, and maybe even make some new ones!

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED & MUST BE RETURNED BY AUGUST 1st!

NOTE: This event is free to Summit Township seniors (at least 55 years old) ONLY. There is a \$10.00 fee (prepaid/non-refundable) for non-resident senior guests. Each Summit senior will be limited to ONE non-resident guest.

PICNIC SCHEDULE

11:00 – Noon	Craft Class
Noon – 1:00	LUNCH –
1:00 – 2:00	Musical Entertainment –
2:00 – 3:00	Bingo
3:00 – 3:30	Build your own SUNDAE
3:30 – 4:30	Entertainment or demonstration (To Be Announced)
4:30 – 5:00	Door Prize Drawing

- ** Each senior is asked to bring a dish to share. If your last name begins with:
(A - J, Salads or Potato dishes) (K - P, bring a Vegetable) (Q - Z, bring a Dessert)
- ** Please have all your desserts sliced and ready to serve.
- ** Regular & decaf coffee, fruit drink (from McDonalds) and water will be provided. Should you require another type of drink, please bring your own.
- ** Bring a lawn chair if you can. Pavilion seating is available.

19TH ANNUAL SENIOR CITIZEN'S PICNIC – RESERVATION FORM

NAME(S): _____

ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____

Number of Guests _____ @ \$10.00 per Guest = \$ _____ (Must enclose payment)

Guest Name(s): _____

Please write the **TOTAL NUMBER(#)** of people listed on this form who are participating in each of the following.

FOOD CHOICES: _____#/Lunch _____#/Sundae

ACTIVITY CHOICES: _____#/Craft _____#/Bingo _____#/Cards _____#/Horseshoes

RETURN FORM NO LATER THAN AUGUST 1st!

Clip and return this portion to: Summit Township, 1230 Townhall Road West, Erie, PA 16509
- OR - drop your form off at the Summit Senior Citizens Center, 1450 Townhall Road.



1230 Townhall Road West
Erie, PA 16509

Supervisors:

Nancy A. Agostine, *Chairperson*

Thomas H. Church, Jr.

Jack F. Lee, Jr.

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Once Upon A Time...

This is Miss Hilda Kitts, she taught for 15 years at several of the Summit Township one room schools. Later she taught in the Millcreek Township schools for 20 years. She was born January 26, 1911 a daughter of Hay S. and Cora C. Volkman Kitts. She married Emil V. Smith in 1944.

There were 5 correct answers to her identity: Anna Marie McNamara, Dolores Nick, Betty Page, Cathy Hahn and Cynthia Herman.

NEXT CHALLENGE!

Can you identify the location of this photo? Please call the Summit Township office with your guess.

