SUMM/7 TOWNSHIP

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Be sure to swing by the Summit Township Building and check out the family of snow people who've taken up residence in front. They're keeping track of our "official" Summit Township snow total (Summit ALWAYS has more snow than the Erie total). We saw this idea online and knew we had plenty of old tires to be reused. A big THANKS to road crew worker, Joe Passerotti, for using his fabrication talents to construct them with some assistance from his co-workers! Joe's creation was also featured in the

Pennsylvania Township News February edition.

SUMMIT TOWNSHIP RECYCLING CALENDAR - OOPS!

FROM_THE SUMMIT

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That's all you can say when you don't catch a mistake before the annual Recycling Calendar goes to print. UNFORTUNATELY, we forgot to give credit to our outstanding Summit Township resident photographers. Congratulations and thanks to the following individuals:

CINDY LOMBARDOZZI - turned in so many outstanding pictures that her photos are featured in eight different months (March, April, May, June, July, August, October and November)!

PETER KUZMA - is the talented photographer who provided our amazing cover photo.

MARY KONKOL - started us out in January with an unusual picture of Mother Nature making her own snowballs. Another photo from Mary appears in September.

TONY ZONA - submitted the magnificent winter photo we are enjoying in February. He also provided us with our December feature.

NEXT YEAR'S TOPIC: Summit Township - It's a Great Place to Live! Start taking your photos now! What do you think make Summit a great place to live? Is it the parks, the people, the wide open spaces, horseracing, an abundance of nature, shopping? It's all up to YOU! Please remember that the camera has to be oriented so as to make the photo wide instead of narrow (i.e. landscaping not portrait). While phone cameras are good, traditional cameras can generally take higher resolution photos. It also helps if you can send your photos digitally; if we scan them, they tend to lose

clarity. Thanks to EVERYONE who participated!!

MEET THE STAFF

TOWNSHIP: 868-9686 Nancy Agostine -Supervisor/Chairperson/ **Dir. Land Development** Jack Lee, Jr. - Supervisor/ Roadmaster Mark A. Welka -Supervisor/Director of Parks Christene Yeast -Secretary/Assistant Treasurer Michelle Nesselhauf -Administrative Assistant Nate Miller -**Zoning Administrator** Tamara Cass -Administrative Assistant 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 -

Administrative Assistant Brian Clark, Brian Hiles,

Sean Miller - Water Authority Systems Operators

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

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 **April 19th**! Our next newsletter will be published in earl May.



From The Office Of District Judge McGowan

On November 20, 2015, I had the privilege of visiting Miss McGinnis and Mrs. McGowan's third grade classrooms at Robison Elementary. They had just finished learning about the three branches of government: executive, legislative and judicial. We quickly reviewed the role of each branch and then conducted an exercise. The students were presented with a local ordinance prohibiting vehicles in the town park. They were split into groups and advised that they were all judges on the local court. Each group was given a different scenario involving someone driving through the park. In one example, a police officer drove his car through the park while pursuing a suspected bank robber. In another, an ambulance cut through the park while transporting a patient because it was the shortest route to the hospital. The students had to decide if the defendants were guilty of violating the ordinance.

Some things that they took away from the exercise was that an ordinance that appeared clear and simple at first glance might not always be easy to apply. Also, writing a clear, easy to understand and easy to administer ordinance isn't as simple as it sounds. The students were engaged, asked good questions and provided intelligent insight to the discussion. I enjoyed the exercise with the students and look forward to another opportunity to visit in the future.



We are into the 2016 New Year now, and winter has been somewhat mild - other than Martin Luther King Day! That particular weekend, from Sunday afternoon through Monday, we were averaging more than one inch of snow per hour. On Monday, we had four plow trucks out full- time, from 4am to 9pm, and again starting at 4am Tuesday morning, while we were still getting caught up. Fort LeBoeuf, General McLane, and Wattsburg School Districts all closed Tuesday. I think our road crew does a great job and when these types of snow events come. The crew has to set aside any personal plans (on a weekend or holiday) which can be stressful. This was one of those snow storms where you do the best you can and deal with it. Hopefully, we have seen the worst of winter.

If you are following a plow truck, please give them extra room. Remember that these big trucks are hard to maneuver and have poor visibility, especially behind them. When a plow driver gets to an intersection, they turn right to wing off the extra snow in front of their plow, back up past the road they just pulled off of, and turn right again to continue down the other side of that road. Please don't sneak up behind them. It is difficult for them to see a small vehicle with their side mirrors.

Winter Storm Jonas hit the east coast, as far inland as Harrisburg on the weekend of the 23rd and 24th. Many cities had an all time record snowfall and the weather service had forecasted this storm many

Hello Summit Township Residents! It is with great pleasure that I am serving our community as one of three elected supervisors! I really appreciate all the voters that came out on Election Day. It was wonderful to meet each of you.

We are off to a busy start here at the office, I have been appointed to head the Parks and Recreation Department. I have many exciting ideas for the future. We already have some great plans for Picnicana...to be continued!

I am amazed at the amount of work it takes to run the daily operations of the Township and how our Supervisors come together to do this. I have a lot to learn and I have the passion to carry out the duties of a Supervisor. The office staff at the Township has been very helpful and great to work with. I would also like to give a shout out to the streets department guys for keeping our roads safe to travel on this winter.

Together, let's make it a great year in Summit Township!



Supervisor/Director of Parks and Recereation

SUPERVISOR'S CORNER

days before. I am happy we missed that storm, as I'm sure you are too!

The first day of spring is less than two months away and will be here before we know it. The supervisors, road foreman and I, are looking at road maintenance to plan for 2016's annual repairs now. Once again, I think of all the changes and expansion in our township since I was young. These changes keep every one pretty busy at the township with zoning issues, sewer, water, drainage, road maintenance, traffic signs and signals (we now have 14 traffic lights that Summit maintains). The traffic lights are all on state roads. When the state completes road renovations and installation of traffic lights, they then turn them over to the township to maintain them. Similar to snow plowing, we have a couple employees on call, 24-7 to maintain traffic lights. This goes with the job but isn't always pleasant. The traffic light systems are quality products and do hold up well. When there is a problem, our crew usually has it fixed within a couple hours. The state (not Summit Township) adjusts and monitors the timing of the lights, because they have to coordinate timing along busy corridors with other adjoining townships, boroughs, or cities. Well, until the next newsletter, dress warm, watch the ice, drive careful, and please be patient driving on slippery roads!

Jack Lee Supervisor/Roadmaster

Happy 2016 to everyone in Summit! A LOT has been happening in Summit Township already this year. Jack and I have been bringing Mark up to speed on a number of critical issues; as well as making plans for 2016 projects. We are getting ready to update our Comprehensive Plan which is critical to the future of Summit Township (and is now over 15 years old!). After community goals are established in the Plan, some of our ordinances will need to be amended.

Most importantly, we are continuing to gather various types of information to develop a workable solution to the volunteer shortage at Perry Hi-Way. As you will see in their article, PHHC ran 1456 calls in 2015, almost 200 more than the previous year! Over the last month, the Board of Supervisors and PHHC representatives have met with ambulance providers, state licensing officials and anyone else we can glean good information from to help educate ourselves. One thing is for sure; we aren't the only ones facing these tough decisions.

Along the way we've learned more acronyms related to emergency services, along with laws and regulations we never knew existed. But, through it all, we are beginning the process to provide a solution in the form of paramedic and emergency medical technicians (EMT's), that will be hired by Perry Hi-Way using the Local Services Tax (LST) funds, to cover time periods when volunteers are not available and alleviate any gaps in service.

As this newsletter goes to press, I am looking forward to attending the PHHC Annual Banquet where all of our talented, dedicated volunteers will be honored for their accomplishments throughout 2015. This once large group is down to a much smaller bunch that works harder than ever to be there when we need them most. On behalf of the entire Summit community - THANKS TO ALL OF YOU!!!

Nancy Agostine

Supervisor/Treasurer/Director of Land Development

2015 ZONING/DEMOLITION PERMIT RECAP

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Type of Structure	No.	Value
Single Family Dwellings	56	\$7,942,127
of which 12 are Mobile Homes [all replacements]		
and 22 are Condominiums		
Hotels	1	\$3,000,000
Best Western	\$3,000,000	
Industrial	3	\$ 548,400
Heatron Inc Interior Renovation	on \$ 390,000	. ,
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Public Works - Utilities	4	\$2,265,000
Crown Castle (antenna co-locat	tion - Edinboro	Rd.) \$15,000
Sewer Authority - Rt. 97 Sewag	e Pump Station	\$2,200,000
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Mobilcom (antenna co-locatior	n - Curtis Rd.)	\$25,000
Stores & Customer Service - Ne	w Sites 7	\$4,774,000
DDR Corp 5 Unit Retail Bldg. (Shell Only)	\$1,600,000
Taco Bell Restaurant	_	\$450,000
Mariner Finance - Interior Build		\$125,000
Famous Footwear - Interior Bui		\$198,000
The GAP Factory Store - Interior 8270 Peach Street - 4-Unit Plaza		\$300,000
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WELCOME ABOARD TO TWO NEW MEMBERS OF THE SUMMIT TOWNSHIP STAFF.....



As Summit Township grows, we have added two new members to our staff to address the continually increasing workload.

With the retirement of longtime Zoning Administrator Marjorie Hudak in the spring of 2015, the then assistant Zoning Administrator Nathan Miller stepped up to the plate without a hitch in service. To fill Nathan's vacancy, Summit welcomed Tamara Cass, former staff member of Erie County District Court. "Tammy" brings with her 20 years of experience in business management & marketing. We welcomed Tammy to our staff in June 2015. She assists in all the daily functions of the land development & zoning office, which includes the processing of land development and subdivision plans, occupancy permits, zoning permits, monthly reports and zoning verifications. She also helps maintain the Summit Township website. Tammy received her Bachelor's degree in Business Administration and a minor in Marketing from Edinboro University. She's an alumni of Ft. LeBoeuf High School and resides in Cambridge Springs with her husband and two daughters. She keeps busy as Vice President of the FLB Softball Boosters, is an avid fan at her daughters' volleyball and softball games. She also enjoys outdoor activities such as landscaping, fishing and snowmobiling.

We'd also like to extend a warm welcome to our new Township Engineer Matthew Jonas. Formerly of Urban Engineers, Matthew came to us in January 2016 with 10 years of engineering experience. A native of Enon Valley, PA in Lawrence County, he currently lives in McKean, PA. He received his degree in Physics from Edinboro University & also a degree in Civil Engineering from Penn State University. Matthew's duties include reviewing plans, conducting inspections, website maintenance, and administering the MS4 (municipal separate storm sewer system) program. While not busy at work, he's certainly busy at home with his wife Emily & their four children. Matthew enjoys building boats, sailing, camping & other outdoor activities. He's also been the Cub Master for Pack 73 in McKean since February 2015, when he ensures that many young boys have a great cubscouting experience.

If you're in the neighborhood, stop in & say hi to our two newest staff members!

PERRY HI-WAY NEWS...

4 MEMBERS PASS THEIR INSTRUCTOR 1 TESTING

This Christmas holiday 4 members found a nice present in their mailboxes, a certificate to indicate they passed their instructor 1 class and testing. John Bosley, Sarah Bosley, Chris Pace and John Spaulding all passed their written and practical testing and can now apply to be fire service instructors. This certification will also allow them to move forward and take the fire officer 1 class and pro board certification. Congratulations to these members on their successful completion of this certification. With these 4 new instructors we now have a total 8 fire instructor 1's in our department.

NEW EMT TO START THE YEAR

Congratulations go out to Troy McGregor for passing his EMT test in early January 2016. Troy is one of our live in members attending Penn State Erie. He took his EMT class on line through IUP and passed his practical skills testing in December and just received his passing score on his written exam the first week of January. He was responding as an emergency medical responder (EMR) but can now step up to the next level as the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT).

REMINDER: Time to renew DOG LICENSES for 2016

Don't let your pooch be in the "dog house"!

Licenses must be renewed in January for the current calendar year.

Summit Township, once again, has Erie County dog licenses available

Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Municipal Office

There is a \$2.00 discount for Senior Citizens 65 years of age or older.

Also, remember our office can not accept debit/credit cards, cash or checks only.

You must apply for the "life time" licenses at the Erie County Courthouse.

2015 CALL BREAKDOWN

TOTAL OF 1456 CALLS FOR LAST YEAR. WE ANSWERED 1349 OF THESE CALLS OR 93%. BREAK DOWN AS FOLLOWS:

FIRES: 86

- STRUCTURE FIRES 39
- COOKING FIRES 6
- CHIMNEY FIRES 1
- MOBILE HOME 2
- VEHICLE FIRES 13
- GRASS / BRUSH FIRES 13
- TRASH / DUMPSTER 6
- OTHER / MISC. FIRE 6
- FIRE ALARMS: 247

EMS: 836

RESCUES: 183

- MVA 152
- MVA PIN JOBS 9
- MVA PEDESTRIAN 4
- LOCK IN CAR 7
- LAND SEARCH 1
- ELEVATOR RESCUE 5
- TRENCH RESCUE 1
- MACHINERY DISENTANGLE 1
- WATER RESCUE / RECOVERY 2
- BUILDING COLLAPSE 1

HAZARDOUS CALLS: 45

- GASOLINE / FLAMABLE LIQUID SPILLS 3
- NATURAL GAS / PROPANE LEAKS 11
- CARBON MONOXIDE ALARMS 15
- ELECTRICAL PROBLEMS 4
- OVERHEATED MOTORS 3
- POWER LINES DOWN 9

SERVICE CALLS: 49

- COVER ASSIGNMENT / STAND BY 11
- WATER REMOVAL 3
- SMOKE ODOR INVESTIGATE 4
- STEAM LEAK EVAL 3
- FIRE POLICE 11
- MISCELANEOUS 17

GOOD INTENT CALLS: 8

- CONTROLED BURNING 2
- DUST / STEAM LOOK LIKE SMOKE 2
- MISC. 4

NATURAL DISASTERS: 2

TREES DOWN 2

The call volume for 2015 was a record high with 176 calls more than past high call volume of 1280. The calls average out to 4 per day over the year



COMPOST THE NEW "BLACK GOLD"- ANOTHER "GOLDEN" OPPORTUNITY RIGHT HERE IN SUMMIT!

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 for 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 (a \$129 value)!**

2016

April 20, 2016 5:30-8:30 pm @ Fairview Township Building April 21, 2016 5:30-8:30 pm @ Lawrence Park Township Building April 23, 2016 9:00am-12:00pm @ Summit Township Building

Registration for all April dates will open on March 21 June 1, 2016 5:30-8:30 pm @ Asbury Barn June 4, 2016 9:00am- 12:00pm @North East Township Building

Registration for all June dates will open on May 16 \$15.00 fee per household due at registration You must register online at www.environmenterie.org. No phone registration.



The workshop is open to all Erie County residents who may attend whatever location best suits their needs. These workshops fill up very fast. We would recommend you register the first day (i.e. March 21 or May 16 depending upon date of workshop) if possible, to secure your spot.



FROM YOUR SUMMIT TAX COLLECTOR:

Happy New Year to all!

As we wait for spring to arrive, another calendar year and tax year are upon us. The 2016 County-Township bills, which will be on pink paper, will be mailed the first week of March. They are for the calendar year 2016, January 1 through December 31, 2016. The County mills have increased from 4.93 to 5.16. Township mills remain the same at .59.

Any questions as to the increase in street light (if applicable) assessment, should be addressed to Summit Township Secretary, Christene Yeast at 814-868-9686. I cannot answer questions regarding the street light assessments.

2015/2016 School tax bills are current through June 30, 2016. They are issued on a fiscal year: July 1, 2015 through June 30,2016. More information regarding the 2016/2017 School tax bills issued and mailed July 1, 2016 to follow as July draws closer. I will not know if we have a millage increase until the budget is passed in June.

If you need a receipt for tax purposes, please send me a note saying such and enclose a S.A.S.E. If you wish to pick it up at the office during normal business hours, please call me first and I can have it ready for you.

Normal business hours resume on March 1st which is on a Tuesday this year.

You may use the locked mailbox to the right of the office door at any time. I check this daily.

I look forward to seeing everyone in March!

Debra Cameron, *Summit Twp. Tax Collector* 1754 Townhall Rd. West, Erie, PA 16509 Phone & Fax 814-866-2653 Office Hours by Appointment Nov. 1 - March 1

P.S. I am a board member of the Summit Community Food Pantry (SCFP) which serves Summit residents in need. I will be having a drop-off box in my office for anyone interested in making a donation. We are currently in need of canned fruit, canned chicken and canned tuna. Thank you!

Senior News

Hello from behind the snowbanks. December weather was great, but January....WOW! The snow came with a FURY! We enjoyed the El Nino effects in December & suffered in January due to an unfrozen lake. Now we are looking forward to spring. Two weeks ago my son in Tennessee showed daffodils in blossom. On Facebook this week he showed them covered with snow. Hurry Spring!

The senior center is active as ever! We closed a week due to a furnace failure. Thanks to the Supervisors for getting a repairman quickly and we only lost one day.

We offer condolences to the family of Shirley DeCarolis, one of our members who was tragically killed in an automobile accident.

We continue to see residents playing cards, pool and building puzzles. The ceramics class is on-going. We are looking forward to seeing you all at the bake sale on Election Day.





FREE TAX SERVICE FEBRUARY 1ST THROUGH APRIL 15TH, 2016

A.A.R.P. volunteers will once again assist Senior Citizens and low income individuals in preparing their 2015 Federal, State & Local income tax returns as well as PA Tax Rebate applications. The volunteers will also be on hand to answer questions.

REGISTRATION: Scheduling for appointments will begin Monday, January 12, 2016. Make an appointment by calling the Summit Township Office at 868-9686 Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

DATES & TIMES: Appointments will be made on Mondays and Fridays and scheduled hourly from 9:00-11:00 A.M. and 1:00-3:00 P.M. (subject to availability).

LOCATION: Summit Township Townhall Municipal Building located at 1230 Townhall Road, West.

WHATTO BRING: For your scheduled appointment, bring your 2015 tax returns, your 2015 tax forms/booklets and your "PAID" Property tax bill as well as photo ID of you (and your spouse, if filing a joint return), and proof of health insurance for 2014 (insurance cards or paperwork).

From the Water Authority... ADOPT-A-HYDRANT CONTEST WINNER



Well it is that time of year once again. With the snow comes the annual Adopt-a-Hydrant contest.

This quarter's winner is Mike Donovan of Joel Avenue. Mike was nominated by his neighbor, Aleta Walker, who says he clears out the hydrant at the corner of Race and Johnson as well as the one by his house.

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

A special thanks to Mike and all others who help keep our hydrants clear.

Another winner will be announced next quarter. 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

AARP REFRESHER SAFETY DRIVING CLASS



Summit Senior Center Building 1450 Townhall Road West

Monday, March 14, 2016 5:30 – 9:30 p.m.

For reservations, call June Beard at 864-9378 Please bring your driver's license & prior class certificate or number from the certificate

Cost: \$15 for AARP Members, \$20 for Non-Members



Registration for all children living in the Fort LeBoeuf School District will be held at Waterford Elementary School located at 323 Cherry Street, Waterford, Pa. (796-4833). Kindergarten is a full day program at Fort LeBoeuf and children entering in the fall of 2016 **must be five years of age before June 1, 2016.**

Registration will be held during the following dates and times: Wednesday March 9, 2016 from 11:00 AM– 7:00 PM and Thursday March 10, 2016 from 11:00 AM- 7:00 PM

Registration will not be complete until the office has a copy of the child's **birth certificate and immunization record**. Please bring a "baby book" with the required data or a doctor's written statement regarding immunization history. *If your immunization record is not updated, please come to registration with the information you have and an updated immunization may be given to the school before classes begin*. Proof that you reside in the Fort LeBoeuf School District is required at time of registration. Please have 2 proofs of residency and one should be your driver license. **Due to our updated security policies, please be prepared to show your ID to the camera before entering the school building.**

The personal data sheet, health history and immunization form, PIMS forms, Home Language Survey and Child Find Form are enclosed and need to be filled out completely and accurately as these records follow the child through their school years. Please have all these forms completed and with you at the time of registration.

Your child must be with you so that vision and academic screenings can be carried out on the day you register. If your child wears glasses, please have her/him wear them on registration day.

If your child is of kindergarten age, and you are **not planning to register** your child in the Fort LeBoeuf School District, **or have questions regarding registration**, please call an elementary school office.

Jenna Hopkins, Robison Principal

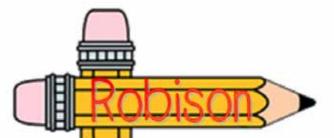


IN THE WORKS:

COPPERLEAF... Is starting through the land development process. Their plans propose a roughly 20 acre development which is comprised of a mix of residential and commercial uses. The land development plan consists of apartment buildings, townhouses, detached garages, a maintenance building and two commercial buildings.

SUMMIT FAMILY DENTISTY... Is starting through the land development process for their planned 2,700 sq. ft. dentist office located on the east side of Peach Street just north of Dorn Road.

J & E INTERSTATE... located at 6969 Edinboro Road has started their development process for a commercial expansion to their service buildings, showroom and display parking areas.



Robison Elementary school is excited to share with

you our W.O.W. program. W.O.W. stands for Word of the Week. Each week the students will be introduced to a new, challenging word. The words will be displayed around our school and used in our classrooms. Our hope is to have Robison Elementary students expand their vocabulary in our reading, writing and class work. We are sharing the words with you so that you can join in fun of our W.O.W. program!

Our words are: March persevere

persevere triumphant infinite **April** concur beam **May** stellar bibliophile glisten putrid perfidv

SUMMIT TOWNSHIP SEWER AUTHORITY

ROUTE 97 LIFT STATION PROJECT

Hill Engineering reports that Route 97 Lift Station Project Contract 1 (General Construction of the Pump Station) is making good progress. G.M. McCrossin Inc, Bellfonte, PA won the contract for the lift station with a bid of \$2,178,620. The sheet piling portion went well and the footer/foundation concrete has been poured. The contractor has also completed building the foundation sump pump and is now forming the reinforced concrete walls. The walls should be complete early in February, but the workers have been doing a fair amount of snow shoveling along the way.

There are 2 additional contracts: contract 2 covers the electrical work and contract 3 governs the piping. Cox and Kanyuck, Meadville, PA has provided temporary power to the site already but that is only part of their \$346,352 contract. They are also responsible for all of the electrical power, lighting, controls and backup generator. Chivers Construction, Fairview, PA will be performing the directional boring beneath I-90 and laying all of the necessary piping and manholes. The piping construction valued at \$409,351 is expected to begin mid-March.

As of the January 23, 2016 Construction Meeting there were no reported construction cost overruns. We hope to stay with the \$2,934,323 total awarded price tag. Lastly, if the project stays on schedule the construction may be completed as soon as soon as mid-June 2016, however the time allocated in the contract runs until October 23, 2016.

OLIVER ROAD LIFT STATION AND THE MEADOWS LIFT STATION UPGRADES

Two lift stations are in need of upgrades including pumps, site work, new electrical panels, backup power generation and controls. The STSA operators have gathered flow data in support of information of other evidence that the existing pumps are undersized for peak wet weather events. Engineers from Hill Engineering have begun a review of the flow data and existing conditions to determine what level of improvement is needed. Hill Engineering has proposed working with Hornfeck Engineering on the electrical components; Hornfeck has submitted a subcontracting proposal which should be ratified by the STSA Board soon. We hope to have the necessary improvements in place sometime late in 2016 or early 2017.

ANNUAL REMINDERS DROP BOX

Since it is a new year, I would like to inform our 41 new customers and remind our existing customers that there is a deposit box available for customers wishing to drop off their payment when the office is closed. The deposit box is located on the south east corner of the Summit Township Sewer Authority Building, 8890 Old French Road. We check the box every workday.

MAJOR CREDIT CARDS AND E-CHECKS ACCEPTED

The Summit Township Sewer Authority, (STSA) accepts e-check and all major credit cards (VISA, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover) electronically, 24/7. Paying your bills online or over the phone is easy, fast, secure, and GREEN! To pay by phone, call 877-885-7968 OR you can find our link on the township website: SummitTownship.com, then go to Departments and select Sewer. Once you register on the site, you can view your bill, make a single payment, or schedule auto-payments. Convenience fees apply when you pay electronically: \$1.00 for e-checks; 2.75% (+50 if your bill is under \$100) for credit/debit cards.

CLOYD ROSE - BOARD MEMBER REAPPOINTMENT

Some residents may already know that Authority Board members are appointed by the Summit Township Supervisors for a term of 5 years. Recently the Supervisors reappointed Cloyd Rose for the 6th time. Mr. Rose was initially appointed on June 25, 1981 then reappointed 6 consecutive times thereafter. It is with sincere thanks that I say that Cloyd's experience and willingness to serve has been of great value to the sewer customers and Summit Township residents. Many thanks for the 35 years of service and counting!

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



LeBoeuf Little League

It's still cold outside but we're thinking SPRING!

LeBoeuf Little League 2016 registrations will be held at the Stancliff Hose Co. in Waterford on these dates.

February 16th from 6-8 PM February 19th from 6-9 PM February 20th from 9 AM to 1 PM February 27th from 9 AM to 1 PM

Also...

FLB Little League Fundraising Dinner will be held April 9th at the Waterford American Legion.

Only 200 tickets will be sold!

The LeBoeuf Little League will be looking for donations for the Chinese Auction and Gift Baskets. If you can help us, please contact Garry or Denise Sargent at 796-6995.

- Dinner in April will replace the Spring Zap-A-Snack and Stromboli fundraisers.
- DJ Chris Gauldin
- Buffet Dinner
- Cash Bar
- Chinese Auction
- 50/50
- Gift Basket raffles
- Guest speaker
- Few of the items that will be given away
 - o 49"Television Set
 - o Shotgun/Riffle package
 - o Archery package
 - o Fishing package

Thanks!

Garry Sargent LeBoeuf Little League President

STORM SEWER SYSTEM PUBLIC INPUT **SESSION TO BE HELD MARCH 7TH**

In accordance with the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit, the Township is required to hold a public session to solicit input and involvement by residents. This session will be held as part of the Board of Supervisors' Regular Business Meeting which begins at 6:00 pm. During the public input session, a summary of the Township's progress, activities and accomplishments regarding the implementation of our MS4 program will be presented by Township Engineer, Matt Jonas. An opportunity will be provided for the public to provide feedback and input.

Summit Church

A United Methodist Faith Community

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 INVITED TO JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

Sunday Mornings

at 8:15 (Communion every week, beginning Feb. 14) at 10:45 (Communion 1st Sunday of the month)

New Sermon Series - The Creed:

What do we believe? Our new sermon series will begin on February 14, first Sunday in Lent and will be our topic of discussion through Easter Sunday. What do we mean when we recite the Apostles Creed? What does it mean to say that we believe in:

God the Father Almighty – February 14 Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord – February 21& 28 The Holy Spirit – March 6 The holy catholic church and the communion of saints – March 13 The forgiveness of sins – March 20 The resurrection and life everlasting – March 27

Additional Worship Experiences

Ash Wednesday – Feb. 10 at 7 PM Wednesday evenings during Lent at 6:15 PM Good Friday March 25 at 7 PM

Worship Experience of Lent (W.E.L) on Wednesday evenings: February 17, 24, March 2, 9, 16. Our focus will be on prayer. Prayer nurtures our faith. During the season of Lent, let's commit to a deeper life of prayer. Give yourself a midweek break and experience the presence of God.

Summit Lions Club News

As I sit writing this news article, we are well into the winter season. I am thankful for the beautiful fall we experienced in 2015.



The winner of the Harley bike was Don Van Tassel from McKean, PA. Our own Summit Lion Jim Robinson sold the winning ticket. We made \$14,909.44 on the raffle \$7,454.72 went to the Eye bank Of Northwestern PA to provide eye surgeries for needy recipients. The other half went to the Lions Clubs who participated in the raffle to use in their home clubs to help others. Thank you to all who supported this endeavor. This was the last year for the bike raffle.

We will again be raffling off the 1236 Alumcraft Jon Boat loaded with adult beverages; we ask for your support.

Another on-going fund raiser is our Tool Raffle. Lion Jim Robinson is chairing this raffle.

We will be doing a new fund raiser this year and are in the process of putting it together. You will see a placemat at different restaurants in the area with business advertising their services; more on this as it unfolds.

Our last new adventure is "Cocktails and Colors" a fun afternoon were you paint a picture to take home. All the proceeds will be going to the Brian Milne Scholarship Fund. Fort LeBoeuf is proud to call Brian Milne ('91) an alumnus. As a record-breaking athlete in football and track and field, Brian overcame cancer when he was in high school. He went on to Penn State and then the NFL. Today Brian is a police officer in Ohio. One of Brian's projects is the Superman 13 Foundation which supports families with members battling cancer. The Summit Lions Club is holding a fundraiser to fund the Brian Milne Scholarship housed in the Fort LeBoeuf Foundation. We selected this specific painting, Tree of Life, because we feel it represents the strong roots many alumni have in the Fort LeBoeuf schools and how after they graduate, they branch out with their talents to their communities, wherever that may be. If you are interested in attending on March 14, 2016, visit the web site at http://tinyurl.com/zz87eqq_and register.

On January 27, 2016, at our dinner meeting, the Fort LeBoeuf high school winners received their scholarship monies. The winners were as follows: (2) Leo Scholarships Samanthalyn Weryha and Bradley Pier. The Lions Scholarship winner was Montana Kuzma. We wish the winners success in their future plans.

Also, at our January meeting we had guest speaker, Amy Boviard, from the West County Lions Club, who spoke on her audio book. Amy was diagnosed with Retinitis Pigmentosa, a rare progressive vision condition that leads to blindness.

The annual Lions Club Golf Outing is scheduled for Friday, June 3, 2016 at Venango Valley Inn. If interested in participating contact Lion Craig Hannah.

We are looking for new members to join in serving others. If interested in attending one of our meetings, please call me at (814) 796-2167.

Stay warm and enjoy a "Happy Valentine's Day".

King Lion Mary Lou Winkelman-Dubowski

STEIDA

The Greater Regional Erie Athletic Team Training Corp. (GREATT, INC.) is a not-for-profit charitable organization that was formed by community minded professionals, with ties to the local youth sports organizations, for the sole purpose to purchase and redesign the existing and aging Family First Sports park. Their vision includes creating a state of the art park that will give the youth and adults of our community an appropriate place to train and compete consistent with the facilities in other communities. This plan includes: creating a 2 pad ice skating rink; redesigned outdoor soccer fields with natural and artificial turf; a new 4 diamond baseball park with natural and artificial turf; fields lined for lacrosse and football; refurbished basketball courts; and modern indoor training facilities for all sports. Part of the design also includes facilities for children with special needs that will allow everyone to benefit from this regional asset. This new destination, in addition to providing opportunities for local use, will also host multiple tournaments throughout the calendar year bringing thousands of visitors into the area and Summit Township particularly. The economic impact through this previously untapped type of tourism will be substantial.

Funding for this ambitious project will come from state and local grants as well as through a professionally organized capital campaign seeking charitable donations from the community. A critical part of that campaign is a feasibility study. That 2 month long process entails the hiring of a campaign consultant who conducts the study by interviewing potential donors, identifying goals, and complying with procedural requirements of the Erie Community Foundation. The Summit Township Industrial and Economic Development Authority has awarded a \$20,000 grant to GREATT in order to seed the necessary professional fees to begin this worthwhile fundraising effort. STIEDA will watch with anticipation as this project develops.



1230 Townhall Road West Erie, PA 16509

Supervisors:

Nancy A. Agostine, *Chairperson* Jack F. Lee, Jr. Mark A. Welka PRSRT STD U.S. Postage **PAID** Erie, PA Permit No.279

Once Upon A Time...

This one was difficult! This is 7781 Old Perry Hwy. It is the former homestead for the Alexander Stewart family. They settled in Summit Township (it wasn't called Summit then but Beaverdam) about 1831. The home remained in the family until recently.

Thank you to everyone who called in but there were no correct answers to this challenge.

NEXT CHALLENGE!

Challenge: Can you identify any of the students in this photo from 1940? We have several class photos that have been donated to the History Room without identification, we would love to know who they are. Please contact the Summit Township office at 868-9686.

Erik VanDyke please call Summit, we have your photos ready for you.

