

SUMMIT TOWNSHIP

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MUNICIPAL BUILDING GETS NEW SIGN

The summer of 2018 has been a busy one for Summit Township. Our Elected Supervisors definitely had plenty of opportunities to show off their construction skills. This came in handy not only by saving cost and time, but by freeing up our road crew so they could continue working on the roads without interruption. The Municipal Building finally has a beautiful new sign in front! No more wondering if you are at the right building. As you can see from the pictures, all 3 supervisors were involved with this project. Jack Lee did all of the masonry work which turned out perfect. Picnicana has had its share of improvements too which include new concrete steps and a storage barn. Jack Lee came up with the idea to install steps from the parking lot to the restrooms, and once he got the go-ahead, the project was finished in record time. A new storage barn was constructed for the summer program. Tony Davis provided his construction skills by not only helping Jack with the sign and steps, but also by installing insulation and putting up shelving in the new storage barn. As well as helping with the sign, Mark Welka could be found on site with the road crew offering an extra set of hands running the roller. Great job guys! Keep up the good work!

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

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| September 17th | Picnicana 2018 Reservations
Open for Residents Only |
| November 6th | Election Day
(Township Offices closed) |
| November 12th | Veteran's Day
(Township Offices closed) |



MEET THE STAFF

TOWNSHIP: 868-9686

Jack Lee, Jr. -

Supervisor/Chairperson/
Dir. Land Development

Mark A. Welka -

Supervisor/Roadmaster

Tony Davis -

Supervisor/Director of Parks/
Equipment Maint. Supervisor

Christene Yeast -

Secretary/Assistant Treasurer

Michelle Nesselhauf -

Administrative Assistant

Nathan Miller -

Zoning Administrator

Tamara Cass -

Administrative Assistant

Kip Hayford - Code Enforcement

Matthew Jonas -

Township Engineer

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

Bryan Banko -

Maintenance Technician

PERRY HI-WAY NEWS...

MARK YOUR CALENDARS PERRY HI-WAY FUNDRAISERS FALL 2018

PURSE BINGO

11-11-2018

DOORS OPEN 12 NOON

PLAY STARTS AT 2 PM

TICKETS AT OLIVER RD FIRE STATION

OR ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE

Perry Hi-Way Hose Company

CHRISTMAS AUCTIONS

Friday 10-26-2018 6pm start

Black Friday 11-23-2018 5pm start

Friday 12-7-2018 6pm start

Kitchen will be open with full menu

PUBLIC MEETING SCHEDULE

Board of Supervisors:

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

3rd Monday of each month, 4:30 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, 5:00 p.m.

LeBoeuf Little League:

2nd Wednesday of each month, 7:00 p.m. at Waterford American Legion

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.

Debra Cameron, Summit Township Tax Collector

1754 Townhall Rd. West, Erie, PA 16509

(814) 866-2653

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

By appointment November 1 - March 1

FUND DRIVE REMINDER

PLEASE SEND IN YOUR
YEARLY DONATION

ONLY 25 % HAVE SENT IN
THEIR DONATION AS OF
THE NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

IF YOU HAVE NOT SENT YOUR
DONATION FOR 2018,
PLEASE DO SO TODAY!

THANK YOU FROM THE MEMBERS

Perry Hi-Way Hose Company

8281 Oliver Road

Erie, PA 16509

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The next deadline for submission of
newsletter articles is **October 26th!**

Our next newsletter will be published in
mid November.



SUPERVISOR'S CORNER

Hello all, we are more than halfway through 2018. How fast time goes by. Enjoy the rest of the summer because fall will be here before you know it.

The Supervisors continue to maintain our parks and buildings and try to keep improving things by taking on little projects one at a time. Just a few months ago they completed our new Pole Barn at Picnicana Park for multi-purpose storage and equipment which replaces the old "chicken coop". We had all the outdoor lights at Picnicana replaced with LED lights and repaired the two driveway entrance globe lights that actually work now. We also poured concrete stairs in between the kitchens and restrooms at Picnicana so people don't have to walk up the grassy or wet bank.

We installed a new monument sign at the municipal building, poured a new concrete pad behind the senior center, and are replacing the siding and insulation on our garage at Old French Road. Half of that building is 36 years old and the other half is 59 years old. Same block walls and same old metal siding. The old metal siding is beginning to rust out, concrete blocks are deteriorating from weather, water and age plus both areas have very poor insulation. Even the nine old windows are steel framed, single pane glass and they are being replaced with thermal pane glass which is more energy efficient.

Summit Township is very close to finalizing and updating our comprehensive plan like you may have seen in the newspaper. I would like to thank our planning board and all the resident volunteers who have been part of the process for nearly a year. We certainly are trying to do the best we can for the whole township, to promote businesses and also protect all residential and rural areas.

We just recently finished up with Resident's weekend which went very well at Picnicana. I want to say thank you very much to our Volunteer Recreation Board for doing such a nice job and having such a successful resident's weekend. They put it all together, do all the work, preparation and cleanup.

Road crews are still working on repairing and updating our roads and the tar and chip seal coat process should begin soon. If you notice any road problems or construction concerns, please call our office. We can't be everywhere all the time, so we do not see everything that happens.

Please drive carefully, obey the speed limits, stop signs and traffic lights. We live in a busy township and hear many complaints about law breakers. Identify vehicles of law breakers. If you see something suspicious or strange happening in your neighborhood, then you should take notes of what you see, call your neighbor or report it to the State Police. The best way to stop crime is a neighborhood watch.

Remember that all the different Authority meetings and events are posted on your Township calendar.

Thank you, *Jack Lee*

It has been a busy summer around our township. The streets crew has been patching and preparing our roads for seal coating. We are scheduled to begin seal coating the beginning of September.

We have two paving projects that are slated to begin the end of August - Dorn Road from Hamot Road to Hessinger Road. It will be milled and overlaid with asphalt as well as completion of sidewalks and ADA handicap ramps. Cardinal Drive will also be milled and overlaid as well as completing sidewalks and ADA ramps.

The township garage is getting a well needed facelift with new insulated metal siding and insulated roof panels. There will also be a new salt storage building constructed behind the garage that will house enough anti-skid and salt to get us through the winter as well as freeing up some storage space for seasonal equipment.

Please take time while the weather is nice to make your mailbox compliant with our specifications (found on the Township website www.summittownship.com). Our plow drivers do their very best to keep the snow pushed back and roads free from ice. Low hanging mailboxes usually don't survive our harsh winters. If we hit your mailbox and it is in compliance, we will replace it. If your mailbox is not in compliance, we will not.

Please help us help you!

Supervisor Mark Welka

THE SUMMIT COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

The Summit Community Food Pantry has now been at their new location, the Summit Municipal Building at 1230 Townhall Rd. West, basement, for a few months. The new location has plenty of storage space, plenty of parking and also allows everyone to wait inside which now isn't an issue, but when the rain falls and the snow blows, it sure will. We have had a lot of positive feedback with the new location and how the food is distributed. Having access to an elevator and carts to carry your food to your cars has been invaluable.

Thank you to our new director, Terry and assistant director, Darlene. They have done a great job taking over from our previous director and assistant director, RaeAnn and Heather. A big thanks to RaeAnn and Heather for continuing to help in the transition and for your many years of service. The staff at the township building have been very accommodating and helpful. We appreciate all you do!

If you are in need of assistance with providing food for your family and have never been to the pantry before, you may come on any distribution day bringing proof of residency. You must be a resident of Summit Township to receive assistance. Regular distribution days are the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 2:30 – 4:00PM.



ART SHOW

6th ANNUAL ART SHOW SUMMIT ARTISTS SHARE THEIR TALENTS

In conjunction with Resident's Weekend, Summit Township held its Sixth Annual Art Show which was on display at the Municipal Building from July 27th through August 3rd. Many residents enjoyed refreshments while viewing the outstanding display of artwork at the Artist's Reception on Friday night.

Thank you **Downia Glass** for your continued dedication and hard work making this event such a success!

Thanks also to **Robison Elementary** for loaning us their display boards and to **Eliza Wolfe** for being our Judge.

This year's winners are:

Photography – Anne Rosthauser (1st), Bradley Pier (2nd), Kristen Fatica (3rd)

Students – Madellyne Kruse (1st), Claudia Kruse (2nd), Thomas Kruse (3rd)

Mixed Media – Robert Steiner (1st), Lynn Crossman (2nd), Janet Carlisi (3rd)

Painting – Lisa Hughes (1st), Diana LeClerc (2nd), Mike Mosko (3rd)

Congratulations to our winners and to all of our artists who shared their talent with their Summit neighbors and friends.

A Special Thank You to:

Bill Farnen, Rachel Pier, Regina Erbin, and Downia Glass

Summit Lions Club News



We would like to thank all that participated either by golfing or sponsoring us at our Annual Golf Outing. This helps us to assist others when asked. Put Friday, June 7th on your calendar for next year.

Our own Lion Bob Mitchell was elected the "new" District Governor for our District 14-F for 2018-2019 Lion year. We are very fortunate that our club has had "3" of our members as District Governors over the years.

We awarded 4 Scholarships this year to the following graduating Summit Seniors from Fort LeBoeuf High: Sasha Carroll, Jack Hermann, Leo's Nicole Damico and Rachel Pier.

If you have children attending Robinson Elementary, we will be holding a Christmas Party in conjunction with our good friends at Perry Hi-Way Hose Company on Saturday, December 8th. Children in kindergarten through 5th grade will receive a notice that they and any siblings at home that haven't started school yet (ages 0-5), are also invited. **We will need to have RSVP's** so we can plan accordingly. If you live in Summit Twp. and your child doesn't attend Robinson, you can email me their information, so we can include them (summitlionsclub@hotmail.com).

If you'd like to find out more about us, your local Lions Club, come to our Business meeting on Wednesday, September 12th at 7:00 p.m. held at the Township building or our Dinner meeting held at S&S Buffet on September 26th (just call me so we can make the reservation). You can contact me at 868-5337 or any other member for more information.

Lion Dennis Franz



TRICK OR TREATING

Trick-or-Treating will be on Halloween, Wednesday, October 31, 2018 from 6:00-8:00 pm. If you wish to pass out treats, please have your home's front lights on. Please drive slowly and use extra caution to ensure the safety of our children and their families. Have a safe and fun Halloween!



The Summit Lions donated this commercial refrigerator to the Summit Food Bank. Pictured left to right - Lions Bill Farnen, Jim Robinson, Ed Randall, Audrey Dick, Food Pantry Director Terri Lazenby and Lion Becky Carlson.



A new service organization has been formed in Summit Township

The Kiwanis of Summit Township held an organizational meeting Thursday, June 14th. Cathy Szymanski a Past Kiwanis International Distinguished President was the lead person to establish the new club.

Cathy is very excited to get started in the community and work with the local schools with programs that are offered through Kiwanis. She is talking with one of the schools for a K-Kids. K-Kids is a leadership/community service club for elementary schools.

Cathy is also excited to get a Bring Up Grades (BUG) program established in both schools.

The Kiwanis Club of Summit welcomes families to come to the meetings. At the first meeting we have parents bring their children. Everyone at the meeting made dog toys. The next meeting Slipper Socks were made for the elderly citizens. They have several projects planned in the community.

The club is also thinking of doing a library in the laundromat. One of the focuses the club will have is reading and donating books in the community. Cathy Szymanski said that one of the primaries focuses on the Pennsylvania District Kiwanis is focused on Early Learning and the Summit Township Club has already donated over 100 workbooks to local Pre-K groups.

Summit Township Kiwanis will meet once a month the second Thursday of every month at 5:30 PM. They encourage members and guests to bring their families with them. The meetings will be focused on service and discussing the needs of the community.

To learn more about getting involved in the Summit Township Kiwanis email cathy@szy.com. The Summit Kiwanis Club is still looking for more volunteers to join the organization and help make a difference in the Summit Township Community.

FROM THE SUMMIT TOWNSHIP INDUSTRIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

It's been a very busy year for STIEDA as the Board has been heavily involved in the GREAT project(at the former Family First Sports Park) among other things but before I get to that I wanted to provide a brief overview of prior investments so members of our community have visibility into the good work being done.

Being a member of this Board for the past several years, I've been very impressed by the investments we've made in support of economic development. Rest assured that the Board always does its due diligence to make sure we are investing wisely, but to a person we go about our business with an air of humility and service that always makes me proud.

As a reminder, past investments include grants to Lord Corp and most recently GREAT. Regarding the Lord initiative we were the first authority to step up in support of their relocation. Why was that important? At the time Lord had many options but chose to keep their operations here. Regarding GREAT which will be formally known as the ERIE Bank Sports Park, having raised three boys who played hockey their entire lives, my wife and I had first hand experience of the challenges faced by hockey families due to limited facilities and so forth. While the initial phase of this program is primarily focused on the development of two Olympic sized ice rinks, the plan is to develop into a multi sport facility that will benefit thousands of local youth and adult athletes. The local economic impact will be significant in the form of additional jobs, revenue for Summit business and the like. The project is on track to complete the initial phase by September and GREAT already has several tournaments planned. If you bump into any families visiting from out of town during these events make sure to give them a friendly welcome to Summit!

In addition to these initiatives STIEDA has made multiple investments in support of our local Sewer and Water Authorities as well as Perry Highway Hose. Many of those improvements were needed because of the increased capacity needs of Presque Isle Downs but all of these things help hold the line on related rates for our residents.

This brings me to the recent agreement STIEDA has entered into with the Erie County Redevelopment Authority(ECRDA). Candidly, the Board has had a desire to create some kind of revolving loan fund for quite some time but we realized that we do not have the knowledge or expertise to manage a program like that. Remember that our Board members are volunteers and 100% of our funding comes at the discretion of the Summit Supervisors largely from gaming funds. All of the prior investments listed here have been in the form of grants which were very important but we needed to think about other ways to generate revenue to maintain the long term viability of STIEDA and create additional opportunities for development.

The agreement with ECRDA solves all of these problems as they are staffed by people with considerable experience in everything from risk management to loan administration and a host of other services. While the primary focus of the agreement is administration of our loan program, local businesses, Summit and STIEDA itself will have access to other professional services as needed.

To sum it all up, STIEDA exists to support local business and economic development. We've quietly made several significant investments in the past that trickle down to our friends and neighbors by holding the line on service related costs and are positioned for even greater things in the future.

Tony Krasinski, Chairman

PLANNING, PREPARING AND STAYING INFORMED

Let PA 2-1-1 help during times of disaster.

📞 If you are in immediate danger call 9-1-1

During a disaster, PA 2-1-1 works closely with Emergency Services Departments from throughout the state to provide public information to the community and rumor control and trend analysis to County officials. 2-1-1 also reports community needs that are not being met, and acts as the central communication point for other community agencies and non-governmental organizations.

Whether it be from hurricane, flood, fire, or any other type of disaster, 2-1-1 call centers are ready to respond 24/7. PA 2-1-1 works in concert with city, county and state governments and other organizations to provide disaster-related information and available resources.

2-1-1 can offer access to:

- Coordinated disaster information
- Food
- Clothing
- Shelter locations
- Special needs housing
- Volunteer management
- Evacuation routes
- Transportation assistance
- Crisis counseling
- Prescription assistance
- Missing persons
- Post disaster assistance (i.e. childcare, food stamp apps)
- Rebuilding assistance



FROM YOUR SUMMIT TAX COLLECTOR:

Hello Summer!

It is hard to fathom that I am writing the THIRD quarter newsletter already! Why does summer seem to fly by and winter just creeps?

The 2018/2019 School tax bills were mailed on July 1, 2018. They are on buff (leaning toward yellow) paper. I am happy to say that the mills did not increase. They remained at 12.35. The homestead exclusion amount increased by 8 cents (first time since it was implemented) so you will notice your tax bill decreased by a few cents. Last day of discount is August 31st. Postmark is accepted, but only for August 31st. You can also use the locked mailbox to the right of the office door at any time. I will be in the office Friday, August 31st from 10 to 2pm (normal hours). Interims C17-2017 and A18-2018 discount also ends August 31st. If you did receive an Interim tax bill, please contact your escrow holder to make sure they are paying your Interim tax bill. Not all escrow companies pay Interims due to lack of funds collected to cover Interims and regular tax bills.

When paying by check, it is helpful if you put your phone number on your check. That way if there is an issue, I can contact you directly instead of having to send your payment back. If your payment is incorrect and needs to be returned to you, and it is at the end of a pay period, I can only accept it at the pay period I receive it in. Your tax bill is not paid until your check clears the bank. I know I've said this a number of times before, but it still keeps happening. I cannot accept a postdated check. I cannot deposit it and will not hold it until the date on your check comes along. If there are special circumstances regarding your payment, please call me to discuss.

One last thing, Berkheimer who collects our school per capita tax has sent out their bills. I can answer basic information, but I do not issue the bills nor collect them. If you have a question or problem, you need to contact Berkheimer. They have a local office in the Millcreek Township Municipal building, 3608 West 26th St., Suite 202. Their local phone number is 814-833-4870. They also collect our 1% LST tax.

I've enjoyed seeing everyone again and "thank you" to those who say they enjoy seeing my flowers and like the new sign!

Debra Cameron, Summit Twp. Tax Collector

1754 Townhall Rd. West, Erie, PA 16509 | (814) 866-2653
Monday - Thursday, 10AM-2PM | Monday evening 5-7PM
By appointment November 1 - March 1

PATHWAY to PATIENT CARE ASSISTANT



IU5's Pathway to Patient Care Assistant class will provide you with opportunities to improve your reading, math, and workplace readiness skills, preparing you for training and employment as a Patient Care Assistant.

OCTOBER 1 - NOVEMBER 21

MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, and FRIDAYS

9:00AM—11:30AM

QUALITY OF LIFE LEARNING CENTER, 2046 East 19th Street, Erie

CLASSES ARE PROVIDED AT NO COST!



For more information, contact IU5 Adult Education at:

1-800-461-6711

www.iu5.org

IU5 Adult Education & Career Readiness



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What will I learn?

IU5's Pathways to Patient Care Assistant course is the first step in gaining the skills you need to succeed in training or employment as a PCA. You will learn the reading, math, and "soft skills" employers are looking for. Instructors and PA CareerLink staff will also help you explore career options.

What further training is available?

After completing IU5's Pathways to Patient Care Assistant course, you may qualify for no-cost certificate training at Erie's Public Schools' Tech After Hours program. Their year-long program provides clinical skills needed in a medical facility and administrative skills to keep health practitioner offices running smoothly. A variety of other activities associated with Patient Care Assistance will be covered.

What supportive services are available?

The Pathway to Patient Care Assistant program provides FREE bus transportation and FREE parking. PA CareerLink staff will provide FREE career coaching and job placement assistance and will work with students to determine if they qualify for FREE postsecondary training.

Do I need a high school diploma? Do I need to speak English?

The Pathway to Patient Care Assistant program is available to new Americans with basic English language skills and students with and without a high school diploma. A limited number of students without a diploma may be eligible for FREE career training while completing their high school equivalency.

**BUILD YOUR SKILLS and
START on the PATHWAY to a CAREER**

For more information, IU5 Adult Education at:

1-800-461-6711

www.iu5.org



Here We Grow Again

Firehouse Subs.... located at 7165 Peach Street, Suite 300 in the Peach Tree Plaza, opened their new restaurant on July 28, 2018. The restaurant owners hope to be successful by offering a wide range of fresh subs. The menu includes 10 specialty subs, highlighting the company's signature sub, the Hook and Ladder. The sub is piled high with Virginia honey ham and smoked turkey breast with Monterey jack cheese. They also offer chili, soups, salads, single meat subs, brownies, cookies and chips. Catering with free delivery is also available by calling 814-651-0330. Founded by Firemen, the franchise stays active in the community both locally and nationally, through the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation which has donated over 35 million dollars in

life saving equipment to first responders. The restaurant hours are 10:30am – 9:00pm every day.

Cannon Chophouse.... located at 7165 Peach Street, Suite 200 in the Peach Tree Plaza, opened their new restaurant on July 16, 2018. The owners are part of a locally based ownership group that have been operating in Meadville since 2009 and at Canonsburg's Southpointe Complex since 2015, and are thrilled to be in Erie, PA. Cannon's weekday lunch starting at 11:00am is a great option for both business people and friends looking to share a quality meal together. Happy Hour runs from 4:30pm to 7:00pm with drink specials and a variety of different appetizers. Weekday dinner service runs to 10:00pm on weekdays and to 11:00pm on the weekends. Later this month, they will begin offering their popular brunch menu from 10:00am to 2:00pm on Saturday and Sunday. You can contact the Cannon Chophouse on their website: www.cannonchophouse.com or call for reservations at 814-920-4343.

IN THE WORKS:

Plastikos.... is starting through the land development process for their proposed second Industrial medical manufacturing facility of 24,640 sq. ft. located at 8121 Hawthorne Drive.

FROM THE SEWER AUTHORITY...

CITY OF ERIE SEWER AUTHORITY, WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN

Sewer Customers new to Summit Township might not be aware that Summit Township's sewers flow first into Millcreek then into the City of Erie where it is treated. Since its inception in 1968, Summit Township relies on the metropolitan sewer system and the sewage treatment plant located in the City of Erie. This system, called the Joint Transportation System, is a continuous linkage of pipes from Summit Township's boundary to the Publicly Owned Wastewater Treatment Plant located near East Bayfront Parkway and Port Access Road.

There are existing agreements with the City of Erie that basically say that Summit must pay for the use of sewer lines and for the cost of treatment. In addition, Summit must pay its share of the costs for the maintenance of the jointly used sewers and sewage treatment facilities.

The City of Erie and the Erie Sewer Authority selected the engineering firm of Ruekert Mielke, Inc. to investigate the conditions at the Waste Water Treatment Plant, (WWTP), report their findings and make recommendations. The study began in April of 2017 when Ruekert Mielke was selected for the consultancy. On May 22, 2018 the Wastewater Treatment Plant, Capital Improvements Plan Update was presented to the City of Erie, Millcreek, Fairview, Harborcreek, Lawrence Park, Wesleyville and Summit Townships. The report found processes off-line, falling apart, and unsafe. Some of the plant was built in 1932 and is still in use. The most recent work was in 1997, some 21 years ago. So in other words, there is a lot of work to be done.

By agreement the STSA must pay a portion of the costs to repair, replace and/or improve the waste water treatment facilities in the City of Erie. The percent of contribution for the satellite municipalities is currently based on the 3 year average of the annual tributary flow measured at the municipalities' boundaries. For Summit Township the 2015, 2016, and 2017 flow averages 2.6% of the plant's total flow volume.

Description	COST	STSA SHARE
A. Estimated Phase 1 Total Cost:	\$28,847,155	\$750,000
B. Estimated Phase 2 Total Cost:	\$34,770,019	\$904,000
C. Estimated Phase 3 Total Cost:	<u>\$29,228,098</u>	<u>\$760,000</u>
TOTAL	\$92,845,272	\$2,414,000

City of Erie and the Erie Sewer Authority are now reviewing options for financing the Capital Improvements Plan. At the July Regular Business Meeting of the Erie Sewer Authority, PNC Public Finance presented 3 options for the capital financing. None of the proposals were accepted. The City of Erie and Erie Sewer Authority have many steps before more definitive information is known. If all goes well the first bond series might be issued sometime in 2019.

What we do know is there will likely be rate increases to coincide with the bond issues. No rate increase is recommended this year for the Summit Township sewer users, as not enough details are known. STSA is beginning to look at our own options for financing and may consider opting out of City of Erie Capital Financing plans in lieu of separate financing. Please continue to watch for addition information in the upcoming Summit Township Newsletters.

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. The Authority office 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



Department of Planning

Erie County Department of Planning would like to announce a new public survey for the Erie County Parks Trails and Recreation Plan. This survey will ultimately help us determine the needs of the Erie County Community regarding Parks, Trails and Recreational Assets for the next 10 years! Erie County residents can access the survey on our website eriecountypaoutdoors.org where the survey is under the "Tell Us Your Thoughts" tab or at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/R7Q7RKK> which will take participants directly to the survey. We greatly appreciate your participation!

Hello from Robison Elementary School!

The summer has been filled with excitement here at Robison Elementary School. We are busy preparing for the arrival of our students and the new 2018-2019 school year.

I am looking forward to welcoming back each and every one of our Robison students. The newest members of our Robison family, our incoming kindergarteners, along with their parents, will be welcomed at our kindergarten orientation held on Aug 21st. Our first grade students will get the opportunity to meet with their teachers at a Meet and Greet held on August 21st. We will also be hosting a 2nd-5th grade Back to School Night on September, 6th. These events provide a great deal of information for parents and families; we hope that you are all able to attend.

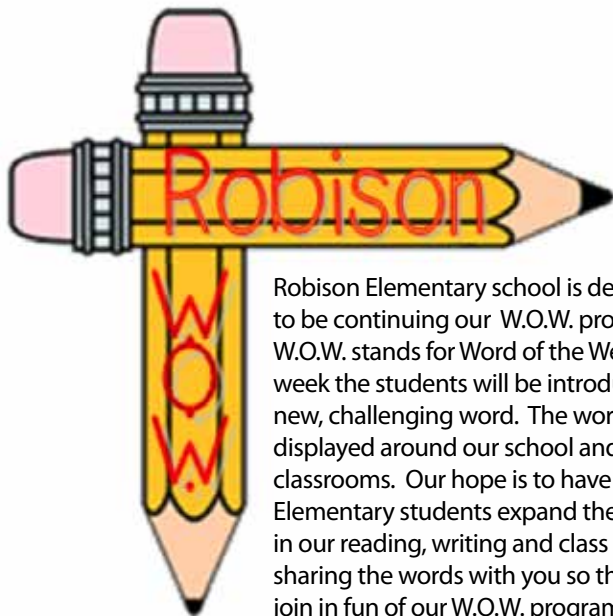
Robison Elementary will be celebrating the academic achievement of their students with a surprise visit from their teachers and principal. We have analyzed the students' data and have selected students that have shown great achievement or exceptional growth in their state scores. We will be showing up on their doorstep with pizza to celebrate their great accomplishments and effort.

This marks our second year of the implementation of School-wide Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (SWPBIS). This is a nationally recognized program that promotes social and academic growth within our school. Robison students are expected to "Be a Bison" by being ready, respectful, and responsible throughout the school day. Last school year's focus was on hallway and bus behaviors and expectations. We will continue to expand our positive school culture into this upcoming school year.

Be on the lookout as our Robison Bison Pride stampedes into the community. Throughout this school year, we will be placing yard signs at homes of students who have displayed exceptional bison behavior. We look forward to recognizing these students throughout our school and within our community. Our hope is to invite the community to become a part of the success of the Robison School-Wide Program. Thank you for your continued support!

A special thank you to our Robison staff, Robison families, PTO and community for their ongoing support of our school. We are excited to kick off another school year filled with learning and growing.

Mrs. Jenna Hopkins, Robison Principal



Robison Elementary school is delighted to be continuing 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 first quarter words are:

September

wordsmith
sylvan
sleuth
effusive

October

perennial
splendiferous

November

aplenty



Pennsylvania's Yellow Dot Program

Pennsylvania's Yellow Dot Program was created to assist citizens in the "golden hour" of emergency care following

a traffic accident when they may not be able to communicate their needs themselves. Placing a yellow dot in your vehicle's rear window alerts first responders to check your glove compartment for vital information to ensure you receive the medical attention you need.

For more information on Pennsylvania's Yellow Dot Program or to request a kit, visit www.YellowDot.pa.gov. You can also call the PennDOT Sales Store at: 717-787-6746.

Summit Residents' Enjoy Their Township Parks And Recreation Activities During Residents Weekend!



Once again this year, Picnicana Park was reserved by the Rec Board for township residents to enjoy for an entire weekend. The events this year started with an opportunity to attend the summer program's "Carnival Night" on Friday.

Saturday offered several activities for both young and old. There were Bounce Houses and Bingo, held under the picnic pavilion, with many winners and prizes distributed!

Hot dogs, nachos & cheese, freshly popped popcorn, corn on the cob and Slush Puppie drinks were served. A special thank you to Joe Kuzma for his generous donation of time and equipment used to make the hundreds of pieces of corn on the cob for all the guests to enjoy. Also a special thank you to our kitchen volunteers who prepared and served the delicious food!

The evening concluded with an outdoor movie shown under the pavilion and tasty S'mores!



Thank You from Pass the Pancakes 5K and Fun Walk

On Sunday morning, July 29th, 65 participants came out to walk and run our seventh annual Pass the Pancakes 5K. It was a perfect morning to enjoy the beautiful Summit Township countryside and our lovely Picnicana venue for the return of this event. Zachary Narazza, 18, from Saegertown, PA was our overall male champion, and Sydney Bayle, 13, of Edinboro, PA finished first in the women's division. A delicious pancake breakfast served by Fort LeBoeuf Boys Volleyball Boosters was a marvelous reward for our running and walking efforts. The additional top five finishers were; Ben Kullen, Kyler Barnett, and Jeff Jones.



We would like to thank all who participated, volunteered, cheered along the course, or otherwise contributed to make this annual event an enjoyable success. We are indeed fortunate to receive the strong support of Summit Township and Summit Recreation Board for this outstanding event!

Please look for us again next summer, and join us for Summit Township's hometown race!

HOPE TO SEE YOU IN 2019!

PICNICANA PARK 2019 SEASON RESERVATIONS

Open from May 1st to October 15th, fully equipped kitchens and pavilions are available for rental at Picnicana Park. **Reservations for the 2019 Season will be taken beginning September 17th for Summit Township Residents and October 1st for non-residents**, starting when the Municipal Building opens at 8:00 a.m. Reservations will be accepted on a first-come first-served basis. These reservations are for Township resident picnics only and do not include any company picnics, church picnics or picnics being booked for non-resident relatives or friends. It should be noted that "walk-ins" at 8:00 a.m. are given priority over phone calls. There's a 50% discount for Summit Township Residents booking an event. Each Summit household is limited to one discounted reservation per season. **Effective in 2019 there will be a \$25.00 price increase per kitchen rental. The extra 50% off discount typically offered in the months of May and October has been eliminated. Please see the township website for details at www.summittownship.com or call the township office at 868-9686.**

Note: The 50% discount for resident rates are based on a Summit Township resident hosting a personal function, i.e. Graduation Party, Family Reunion, etc. That resident must be the contact, must provide the deposit from their personal checking account, and will receive any refunded deposit at their place of residence. A person who is both a Summit Resident and Owner of a Summit Business may host a function for that Summit Business and is eligible for the 50% discount. Only (1) discounted picnic per household may be scheduled per year.

	WEEKDAY				WEEKEND				
	REGULAR KITCHEN		UPGRADED KITCHEN #3		REGULAR KITCHEN		UPGRADED KITCHEN #3		
	ONE Pavilion & Regular Kitchen	TWO Pavilions & Regular Kitchen	ONE Pavilion & Upgraded Kitchen #3	TWO Pavilions & Upgraded Kitchen #3	ONE Pavilion & ONE Regular Kitchen	TWO Pavilions & Regular Kitchen	ONE Pavilion & Upgraded Kitchen #3	TWO Pavilions & Upgraded Kitchen #3	TWO Pavilions & Kitchen #1 & Kitchen #3
Rental Rate	\$275.00	\$425.00	\$375.00	\$525.00	\$425.00	\$625.00	\$525.00	\$725.00	\$775.00
Security Deposit	\$50.00	\$100.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Total	\$325.00	\$525.00	\$525.00	\$675.00	\$475.00	\$725.00	\$675.00	\$875.00	\$925.00



NEWS FROM FORT LEOEUF HIGH SCHOOL

Unified, On and Off the Track

By Jeremiah Hassel

This spring, the Fort LeBoeuf Unified Track Team successfully completed its third season since its inception during the 2015-16 academic school year.

The team resulted as a culmination of a dream that life skills and general education students could compete together despite physical and mental disabilities. "Unified track fosters togetherness, compassion, kindness and equality. Unified track proves that no matter your ability, everyone is able to compete and to support another," said Mr. Tost, one of the team's coaches.



A typical Unified Track meet consists of the track events, which include the 100, 400 and 800 meter races, followed by the field events, which include shot put, mini javelin and the long jump. The meet ends with relay races where the athletes are aided by general education partners.

Teams from seven different schools in the area came together to compete in three separate meets this season, held at FLB, Fairview and Girard.

The most integral aspect of the Unified Track team, however, is the supportive atmosphere displayed by students and FLB community members alike. "I try my best to cheer on every single member of the team when they're running for a race or competing for their specific field events... When other kids are throwing shot puts or running a different race than myself, I try to cheer them on and spread the love as much as I do for my own team," said junior Maggie Billingham, co-president of the Unified Club.

Since the beginning of the team, the student involvement and community support has expanded significantly. "We've had our biggest team this year so far with 24 students and the athletes have obtained a lot of personal records this season," said Ms. Krause, one of the team's coaches. "We had a lot of teacher and student support. The Unified friendship club came out to support. Some of the teachers helped with timing and measuring. ... The track team helped too."

The supportive atmosphere has pushed the members of the team to better themselves as athletes as well. "After

practices, they keep trying to improve their scores. They keep trying to practice hard and they are creating good sportsmanship," said Coach Krause.

With the success of this season, both coaches have made plans to improve the team for years to come. Coach Tost believes organization and better warm-ups before competition would contribute immensely to the team's success, while Coach Krause hopes to recruit more athletes and partners to expand the team and increase the community support for the activity. Each strives to accomplish the team's mission to spread the message that everyone is important and matters, despite their physical or mental abilities.

For Billingham, the success of the team hinges on the relationships between the athletes and partners. "I think by being friendly it sets an example and leaves a legacy for new people entering the team and members who get to stay," said Billingham.

"I think our time spent together has transformed into a friendship that you not only want to spread the friendship with members of the team but ... to other teams and have them succeed as much as your team succeeds," said Billingham. "Everyone should participate next year because it's super fun and everyone is super nice."

EmBODYing Success in the Classroom

By Jeremiah Hassel

Imagine you are a second year anatomy student, still in high school but with great aspirations to become a medical professional. You have a massive final on the respiratory system, but you have never seen a real human's lung before. The test asks you to describe characteristics you would only know by experiencing one in real life, but the classroom has nothing of the sort. How will you gain the knowledge you require?

Anatomy teacher Mrs. Lawrie has a deep understanding of this common issue with public education and has started the tradition of taking her students to the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine each year for experience in the field. "I started with taking them just to the cadaver lab at LECOM because it gives them a hands on experience to see and touch organs that I otherwise couldn't provide. They get to hold a human brain and human heart, which nobody has access to unless it's a medical school," said Mrs. Lawrie.

This school year, the anatomy classes attended trips to LECOM and Gannon, but in the past Mrs. Lawrie has taken

INTERNATIONAL COASTAL CLEANUP

Volunteers are needed to help with the annual International Coastal Cleanup. Saturday, September 15th from 9am to noon at various locations around Erie County. For site locations and to register, please visit <http://nie.goerie.com/register/> or contact Brittany Prischak at 451-7326 or bprischak@eriecountypa.gov.

students to Corry Memorial Hospital and the traveling "Bodies" exhibit when it visited Canada last school year. "Every single one provides a hands on experience. They also typically work with either current students in those fields or individuals working in the career fields that we're exploring, so they'll be working with pre-med students and actual doctors and nurses sometimes," said Mrs. Lawrie.

At LECOM this year, students were able to experience the cadaver lab as well as the pharmacy lab. "In the cadaver lab, we got to hold the different organs and the students talked about the body's organs and the functions and rules that play in the body. In the pharmacy lab, they showed us how to count pills, we made chapstick and talked about what a pharmacist does on a daily basis," said senior Sasha Carroll, who attended both trips this year.

The field trips have benefits for the students both in their future endeavors and life aspirations as well as in the classroom here at FLB. "In class, I'm able to now visualize and have that kinetic sensation of knowing which organs go where and just being able to kinesthetically feel them and know where they are in the body... In a real life sense someday, I'll hopefully be able to use my experiences in the cadaver lab to save lives, specifically those with diseases," said junior Braeden Nearhoof.

For Carroll, this years' trips were an enriching learning experience that cemented her passion for the medical field. "They allowed me to confirm that I actually wanted to do something in the medical field and that I wanted to do occupational therapy. It also allowed me to eliminate jobs and spark interest in health related fields," said Carroll.

Not only are the trips beneficial for students, but Mrs. Lawrie has also made adaptations to her own classroom curriculum based on the educational processes employed at Gannon and LECOM.

Mrs. Lawrie believes that learning the material necessary for graduate school anatomy in high school will give students an edge and better prepare them for the world. Often, students are surprised on trips when they find they know more about anatomy than first year students in graduate school. "They learn that they've actually learned the material, they haven't just memorized it for a test and forgotten it," said Mrs. Lawrie.

As the success of the trips continue, Mrs. Lawrie eventually hopes to expand the trip opportunities for students in years to come. "Those real world experiences can be more valuable than anything taught in the classroom and they're always memorable," she said.

Senior News

Well, we finally made it to summer. I hope everyone had a great and safe July 4th. I want to say thank you to everyone who sent cards and prayers for me.

Come join us Summit Township Senior Citizens at 1450 Townhall Road West, Phone 868-8944. On Tuesdays, the Young at Heart Group meets for a pot luck luncheon at noon. The main entree is provided each week by a different group (whichever table is the host table for that week). Please bring a dish to share to complete the meal or make a monetary donation. There is no cost to come and enjoy a great lunch and the great company. A \$1 50/50 is taken to help defray the cost of the entree.

Have a great summer!

Sue Seyboldt, President

TOWNSHIP RECYCLING CALENDAR ATTENTION TOWNSHIP SNOWBIRDS

Before you fly south for the winter months, please call the township office at 868-9686 to be put on our snowbirds list. This way we can make sure you receive your township recycling calendar when you return. Thank You!



AARP New and Refresher Safety Driving Classes

Where: Summit Senior Center | 1450 Townhall Road West

REFRESHER COURSE

Monday, September 10, 2018 | Starting 5:30 pm

WHY TAKE THE CLASS?

1. Get a discount on your auto insurance (consult your insurance agent for details).
2. Get tips for age 50 plus drivers to optimize your driving skills.
3. Use the tips in the class to be as safe as possible.
4. Obtain state-specific information that is easy to access and understand.

ABOUT THE CLASS

Open to anyone 50 years old or older. Couples who have both names on their insurance must both take the course to obtain a discount.

What: A refresher course for anyone who has taken the course within the last 3 years.

Where: Summit Senior Center, 1450 Townhall Rd, Erie, PA 16509

Cost: \$15 for AARP members; \$20 for non-AARP members

How to sign up: Call June Beard at 864-9378 before Sept. 10, 2018. Even the most experienced drivers can benefit from brushing up on their driving skills.



THANK YOU TO ALL THE BUSINESSES & PEOPLE WHO HELPED MAKE PICNICANA SUMMER CAMP GREAT THIS YEAR

I'd like to start out by first thanking the supervisors of Summit for the new building to hold camp in. It is a huge improvement from what we had in the past. Due to the generosity of so many businesses and people, the children of the camp were able to do a lot of activities and learn new things. The children made various crafts for the Sunshine Group, were treated to dancing by Brett Fallon, as well as The Slime Lab & Feeding Local Birds activity brought to them by Maggie and the Erie County Public Library System in addition to their daily sporting activities and crafts like Tie Dye. Besides the following donors that helped to make carnival a success, the Summer Program was also very blessed to receive large contributions from Millcreek Sewing & Fabric, McDonald's on 97, Presque Isle Downs, Baldwin Brothers, Bob Martin-State Farm Insurance, Sepco, MicroPlating, Texas Roadhouse and the Walker Family.

Thanks to the following businesses and individuals listed below who contributed to our Chinese Auction:

Adam	Diane Bestvina	Katelyn	Sam's Club
Adam Stempka	Dolores Grega	Keizer Family Eye Care	Scott Enterprises
Adeline's Attic	Donovan & Rowan	Kelly Ford	Serendipity
Advanced Auto	Duran's Farm Fresh Products	Kim Edinger	Sidney
Afton's Landscape Supply	Dwyer Plumbing	Kim's Garden Kreations	Skip & Winnie McGuire
All About Hair	EL Heard	Kristen Melnick	Splash Lagoon
Andrew Church	Elle's Hair Studio	Lee Melnick	Steve Skelly
Animal Hospital of Waterford	Erie Animal Hospital	Leon Mackowski	Subway Waterford
Ashley & Kuzma Physical Therapy	Erie Otters	Liz	Sue Mackowski
Barbara's Hallmark	Erie Sea Wolves	Logan Ford	Summit Township
Betty & Chuck Fisher	First National Bank	Lois Dwyer	Suzanne McGuire
Bianchi Honda	Five Guys Burgers & Fries	Maddie	The Animal Clinic
Bison Beer	Fox 66	McDonald's on Peach	The BrewErie
Bison Hill Stonecraft	George Melnick	McKenzie	The Church Family
Callie	Golden Corral	Meeker Marshall Shoe Fly Stores	The Cioccio Family
Campbell's Pottery	Hampton Inn South	Megan	The Hoh Family
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Cheryl & Ken Adams	Hannah Schott	Mickaela Kessler Photography	Tim McGuire
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Claytopia	Humes	Nelson's -Lynwood Nursery	Waterford Pharmacy
Cole	Jack & Denise Lee	Nick	WCTL
Country Fair	Jack Paluh	Pilot Subway	Wegmans
Crolli	Joe Roots Grill	Pizza Hut	WJET
Dave's Sports Cards	Justin Mackowski	Potratz	WQLN
Deanna	Kammi	Riley Colvin	Zac
Delta Sonic	Karen Conklin Photography	Romolo's Chocolates	

Again thank you to everyone who contributed items, time, or money to make this program a big success.

Pat McGuire, Summer Recreation Director

Summit Seniors Enjoy Peace, Love & Happiness!

August 9th marked the 23rd Annual Summit Senior Citizens Picnic and once again our Senior Citizens gathered at Picnicana Park to celebrate their special day. Everyone was decked out in groovy colored sunglasses and peace sign necklaces and enjoyed live music provided by Pipe Dreams. They also enjoyed all of the annual activities which included – crafts, barbeque lunch, bingo, ice cream sundaes, and door prizes.

This year we decided to have DJ Chris Galdon call bingo to make sure everyone could hear the numbers being called. Afterwards he played some awesome music that had everyone dancing around and having a great time! Thanks Chris!

Last year Joe Kuzma made delicious corn on the cob provided by Wasielewski Farms which was a huge success. So once again this year, Wasielewski Farms provided us with plenty of sweet corn and Joe worked hard to prepare it for all of the guests. It was once again a huge success and everyone loved it! Thank you Joe for all of your hard work and to Wasielewski Farms for generously donating such delicious corn on the cob!

Presque Isle Downs and Casino was, once again, the major business sponsor of this year's event. **Thank you so much Presque Isle Downs, we couldn't do it without your help!**

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank our other long-term community partners **Bianchi Honda** and **Waste Management** for their generous donations. Each and every year they show their continued dedication to our local senior citizens.

There is a lot of time and effort that goes into planning, organizing and coordinating this event. I would like to personally thank Tammy Cass for all of her help with shopping for and setting up the door prizes and also coordinating this year's craft. I would also like to thank Kim, Kathy, Carol, Gina, Nate, Sam, Gretchen, Jane, Laura, Kip, Tim, Trevor, Sara, Mark, Jack, Tony and anyone else in case I forgot someone for helping to make this year such a success.

Michelle Nesselhauf, Event Coordinator





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ATTENTION PHOTOGRAPHERS: 2019 CALENDAR PHOTOS NEEDED!

Don't forget our 2019 Calendar is titled "Beautiful Trees of Summit" so please send us your pictures of "beautiful trees" that you have taken throughout the different seasons of the year. Photos will be accepted through November 16th. You can drop off your photos or mail them to 1230 Townhall Rd. W. Suite 100, Erie, PA 16509 Attn: Michelle Nesselhauf or email them to mness@summitpa.us.



Once Upon A Time...

The current display is honoring the 70th year of Perry Hi-Way Hose Co. Please contact the Summit Township office at 868-9686 if you are willing to loan or donate any items pertaining to PHHC. This is the current display; please call immediately. Our goal is to display Summit history for everyone.

Perry Hi-Way Hose Co. was formed by a group of concerned citizens who realized the need for fire and ambulance protection in the township.

We were able to have a very nice display of our military veterans in the spring. We are looking for suggestions for future displays. What would you like to see?

Volunteers are in the Summit History room on Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. If anyone is interested in researching their Summit history or creating a family tree please stop in; we would like to help you if possible.

