



# SUMMIT TOWNSHIP

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## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

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| September 2nd  | Labor Day (Township Offices closed)                    |
| September 16th | Picnicana 2020 Reservations<br>Open for Residents Only |
| November 5th   | Election Day<br>(Township Offices closed)              |
| November 11th  | Veteran's Day  |

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

Old French Road south of Townhall Road will be closed in late August early September in order to remove and replace the existing bridge over LeBoeuf Creek. The road will be closed for about a month as the work is completed. Picnicana will still be accessible by using Lee Road. Any questions, please contact the Township Office.

## 2019 RECYCLING CALENDAR CORRECTIONS

Raccoon Refuse works every holiday except for Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Therefore, please make the following adjustments to your pick-up schedule in the 2019 Recycling Calendar:

## 2019 RECYCLING CALENDAR CORRECTIONS

### CURRENTLY SCHEDULED

Friday, November 29th & Saturday, November 30th  
Thursday, December 26th & Friday, December 27th

### CHANGE TO

Thursday, November 28th & Friday, November 29th  
Friday, December 27th & Saturday, December 28th

## STATE REP. BOB MERSKI'S SATELLITE OFFICE IN SUMMIT TOWNSHIP

As of September 1st, the Summit Township Office hours will be changing. The office will be open every Tuesday from 8:30 am until 4:30 pm. Our office will also be open during the Township Supervisors Meetings. If you need special accommodations or cannot make any of these new hours, please call our office at 814-455-6319 and we will gladly book an appointment for you.

## 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/  
Assistant Roadmaster

**Christene Yeast -**  
Secretary/Assistant Treasurer

**Michelle Nesselhauf -**  
Admin. Asst., Recycling  
Coordinator and Newsletter Editor

**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 & Darrell Sayers**

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-Schwab -**  
Administrative Secretary

**Amy McCaslin -**  
Clerical Assistant

**Marty McAtee -**  
Operations Foreman

**Chris Hodge -**  
Operations Technician

**Bryan Banko -**  
Maintenance Technician

## PUBLIC MEETING SCHEDULE

### Board of Supervisors:

1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month, 6:00 p.m.

3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month, 4:30 p.m.

### Planning Commission:

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month, 7:00 p.m.

### Sewer Authority:

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

### Water Authority:

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month, 6:00 p.m.

### Recreation Board:

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month, 4:30 p.m.

### LeBoeuf Little League:

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month, 6:00 p.m. at Waterford American Legion

### Zoning Hearing Board:

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m.

As needed and advertised only

### Summit Township Industrial and Economic Development Authority (STIEDA):

4<sup>th</sup> 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

## From The Office Of District Judge McGowan

### Mock Trial

Tuesday, May 28, 2019, we once again welcomed Mrs. Dahn and her 5th grade gifted students to the courtroom for a mock trial. The students participated as jurors, witnesses and attorneys in the case of the *Commonwealth v. Gerry Rabbit and Lou Fox* with yours truly presiding as judge.

The Defendants were charged with influencing the outcome of a sporting event and illegal betting. The exercise was designed with no clear winner in mind. There were facts that supported both the prosecution and the defense. The mock trial was conducted as close to the real thing as you can get, with the students presenting opening statements, direct testimony, cross examination and closing arguments. After receiving instructions from the court, the jury deliberated.

I had a chance to entertain questions from the participants while the jury deliberated. I could tell from our discussion that the students put a lot of time in preparing for the trial and their hard work shined through. When the jury came back, we opened the floor to any and all questions the students had about the court system and the cases that my court handles.

I would like to congratulate Mrs. Dahn on all the hard work and preparation she put into the exercise. It all came together and was evident in the excellent job the students did in presenting their cases. This is one of my favorite things that I love about this job. Getting to work with our young students. I hope the students left with a greater appreciation for our judicial system. I enjoyed presiding over the trial and Mrs. Dahn and her students are always welcome back.



## NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The next deadline for submission of newsletter articles is **October 25th!** Our next newsletter will be published in mid November.



## SUPERVISOR'S CORNER

Hello Summit Residents! I hope everyone's summer is going well. We have quite a few projects going on around the Township. We have been paving several roads including Weber Lane, Veit Drive, the Glenmar Garden area, Pennbriar Drive, Langdon Road, and Pagan Road. We are beginning to spot patch miscellaneous areas of the Township prior to seal coating. We have had discussions with our seal coat contractor from last year and they have agreed to come back in an d warranty the roads they had done. Townhall Road Subdivision and Shunpike Estates will be getting a fog seal to prevent any stone loss from continuing. We will also be seal coating Harold Road, Schultz Road, Langdon Road, Pagan Road, Little Creek Road, Crestview Drive and Meridian Drive. The sidewalk and ADA Projects are completed with landscaping scheduled for the month of August. If you should have any questions, please don't hesitate to call.

Supervisor/Roadmaster *Mark Welka*

Hello, residents of Summit Township! Hopefully you're enjoying this beautiful summer weather. We have been very busy keeping the parks and sports fields in the best condition possible.

The residents weekend was a great success. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves from the Chinese auction to the pancake breakfast and the 5K fun run.

We also hosted the senior picnic; it too was a hit, with great food and entertainment including a visit from Elvis himself. A special thanks to Joe Kuzma for once again doing an excellent job cooking the corn for both picnics. We really appreciate his hard work and efforts year after year.

School will be starting soon and the buses will be running. Please be careful when approaching a school bus and watch for children crossing the streets. Enjoy the remainder of our summer weather while looking forward to fall. Until then, take care of yourselves and your loved ones.

Best Regards, *Tony Davis*

Hello folks, hope everything is well. I wanted to talk a little bit about being a township supervisor. There are many phone calls, decisions, and much work to do on a daily basis. The more a supervisor is involved, the more work you will stir up for yourself, and you become very busy. We all know you will never keep everybody happy, but you must stay on track as a public servant and do the best you can for the township residents and businesses.

As a Supervisor, you are expected to manage the township and employees. hat is what you are elected for, to serve all of the people in your township. This is a full-time job and I feel that there should always be a supervisor at the municipal office or nearby to answer questions during regular business hours. We also answer the cell phones 24/7.

On the local level, your supervisors are very important because they do make things happen in our Township. In many cases, much more than state and federal. Some of the responsibilities are paying the bills, building maintenance, park maintenance, road work, snow removal, traffic lights (15 intersections 24/7), dealing with employees, and all the equipment we own. The supervisors also have responsibilities with Summit Township Industrial and Economic Development, supporting and picking board members for the Water Authority, and the Sewer Authority each year. We support them to the best of our ability. They're all very important parts of operations in our Township. We do have a great staff of employees. That is always a huge plus for supervisors because with good quality help, operations run smoothly

As a supervisor, you run into many special interest projects too. That can be a touchy subject. Everyone must be treated equally across the board. If you have isolated groups requesting different projects and ideas, you have to weigh the facts realistically and legally. Municipalities are actually not allowed on private property. That means any area that is more than 50 feet from the center of the road or township "right of way",

like ditches, drains, private roads, and driveways, all out of the right of way. That is why those issues are so difficult. For that reason, I myself will never have township equipment on my own personal property. You try to do the best you can with common-sense decisions.

One of the most important groups we work with and most support is our Volunteer Fire Department. That's part of everybody's responsibility. When the public has an emergency, as first responders, these firefighters and medics are on the move to save lives and aid all of us. More than likely this is the most demanding charitable work in the country. These individuals spend much of their personal time working at the fire department, fighting fires, responding to motor vehicle accidents, and saving lives. When they get the call, they drop what they're doing at home and they are gone. I've mentioned in past newsletters the facts are alarming. In the 1970s there were 350,000 volunteer firefighters in Pennsylvania. The latest estimate is 37,000. With these kinds of numbers, you can see why so many outlying areas of Erie County are short on volunteer firefighters. The EMS service for ambulances is also in need of EMT's and paramedics.

With all of that being said, the state, county, and other municipalities, are looking for affordable and reliable solutions to the shortage. In Erie County, many local politicians and Erie County 911, including volunteer and paid firefighters are involved in the newly formed group that meets monthly and is titled, Erie County Recruitment and Retention Committee. We are already in the process of completing a matrix of all fire departments, firefighter staff, and equipment available by location or geographical area in Erie County. We are thinking about consolidation to get the best use out of everyone's resources. None of the adjustments will be easy, but we have to come up with new ways and ideas to fix this problem.

Thank you for your time. I hope you have a great summer.

*Jack Lee*

# Perry Hi-Way Hose Company

## PERRY HI-WAY RECEIVES AMBULANCE LICENSE RENEWAL

The inspectors from EMMCO West spent 2 days inspecting the equipment carried on our 2 ambulances, paramedic squad truck and 4 trucks used for QRS (quick response service) as well as all our policies and procedures to make sure they were all in compliance with the state Department of Health laws and regulations. I am pleased to report that we passed the inspections with no problems and have been granted a renewal of our ambulance license for ALS ambulance, BLS ambulance and QRS for another 3 years. Thanks to all those members who helped make sure all the equipment was ready to go for the inspection. Just one of the many tasks handled by the members at Perry Hi-Way to serve the Summit Community.

## 2 NEW AMBULANCES ORDERED BY PERRY HI-WAY HOSE COMPANY

The board of directors approved the purchase of 2 new ambulances at the June 26th board meeting. The 2 new units will not be delivered till next year as it takes time to have the 2 identical units constructed. The new ambulances will replace the 2 current ambulances we have. The current ambulances have 4000 hours of use on them and have been plagued with numerous mechanical issues. These breakdowns have been making the units more costly to maintain. The amount of time out of service for maintenance has also increased making the times when we are down to just 1 ambulance more prevalent. The board of directors felt the time had come to replace the ambulances with new units to make sure the Township had quality ambulance coverage. **The cost for the 2 new ambulances was \$508,000.** The current ambulances will be sold with the anticipated \$80,000 income to be used toward the replacement trucks. Delivery of the new ambulances is scheduled for March 2020.

## FUND DRIVE 2019 REMINDER

The 2019 residential Fund drive is still ongoing. While we have received donations from just over 900 resident's we have not had responses from the other 2075 residential addresses in the Township. As of this article only 30% of the homes have sent in their donations this year.

We have had some very generous donations from individuals this year and for that we are grateful. However, we would like to see donations from all residents in the Township. The cost to provide emergency services to Summit Township for 2019 -2020 fiscal year is over \$480,000 not including the payroll for the paid staff. If we include the payroll expenses for the paid staff, we now are over \$1,000,000 for just 1 year of operations. **The cost for emergency services needs to be shared by all residents** as they all receive the same level of service.

**THERE IS NO FIRE TAXATION IN SUMMIT TOWNSHIP AT THIS TIME**

**THE LST PROVIDES FUNDS FOR PAID STAFFING WAGES ONLY**

If you have not sent in your tax-deductible donation for 2019 please make every effort to send it in soon. Checks are to be made out to Perry Hi-Way Hose Company and mailed to 8281 Oliver Road Erie, PA 16509. The members, your friends and neighbors, thank you in advance for your support.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS PERRY HI-WAY FUNDRAISERS FALL 2019

**\*\*CHRISTMAS AUCTIONS\*\***

**NOVEMBER 1ST 6PM**

**NOVEMBER 29TH 5PM**

**DECEMBER 13TH 6PM**

DOORS OPEN 1 HR BEFORE STARTING TIME  
KITCHEN WILL BE OPEN & SERVING THEIR FULL MENU!

**PURSE BINGO EVENT**

**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 10TH**

DOORS OPEN AT 12:30 PM BINGO AT 2 PM  
ENTRANCE FEE INCLUDES BINGO PACK, DAUBER, FOOD AND FUN!

WATCH THE WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK FOR MORE INFO

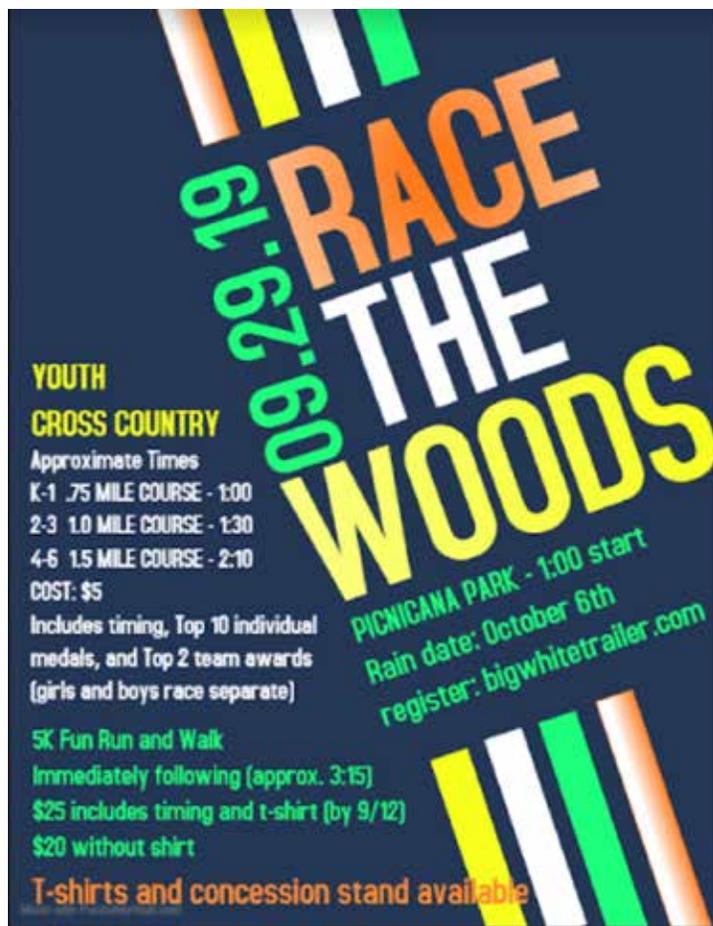
Feel free to BYOB for those 21 and over

**MARK YOUR 2020 CALENDAR**

**11TH ANNUAL FUNNY  
FUNDRAISER COMEDY SHOW**

**Saturday February 22, 2020**

Doors open at 6:30 pm - show at 8 pm  
Kitchen will be open at 6:30 pm for dinner, serving a full menu  
This is a BYOB event or enjoy beer provided at the event  
Tickets will be available December 2019 from any member or at the office



**09.29.19 RACE THE WOODS**

**YOUTH CROSS COUNTRY**

Approximate Times  
K-1 .75 MILE COURSE - 1:00  
2-3 1.0 MILE COURSE - 1:30  
4-6 1.5 MILE COURSE - 2:10  
COST: \$5

Includes timing, Top 10 individual medals, and Top 2 team awards (girls and boys race separate)

**PICNICANA PARK - 1:00 start**  
Rain date: October 6th  
register: [bigwhitetrailer.com](http://bigwhitetrailer.com)

**5K Fun Run and Walk**  
Immediately following (approx. 3:15)  
\$25 includes timing and t-shirt (by 9/12)  
\$20 without shirt

**T-shirts and concession stand available**

## MULTI-MUNICIPAL PROJECT IMPROVES SAFETY

By, Jessica Horan-Kunco

Emergency vehicles can expect safer and more efficient travel through Millcreek and Summit Townships thanks to a multi-municipal collaboration project. This project administered by the Erie Area Council of Governments, on behalf of Millcreek and Summit, will complete the installation of Emergency Vehicle Preemption equipment at 14 signalized intersections through the townships. The Erie Area Council of Governments, an association of Erie County municipalities, provides multi-municipal projects, program and services that enhance operations, reduce duplication, decrease costs, improve efficiency and leverage resources for its members. "Thanks to our membership in the EACOG, we were able to partner with Summit to complete the purchase and installation of emergency preemption equipment that has proven technology, is PennDOT approved and is compatible with existing equipment at a low cost." remarked John Groh, Millcreek Township supervisor. The ultimate goal of this project is to enhance the safety of residents, visitors and emergency personnel traveling in the two townships.

Township employees partnered on the installation of each receiver with Millcreek Township's Traffic Electrician, Jeffery Tenney, providing field training to Summit Township's Traffic Technician, Mike Hanas. The partnership was designed to share expertise across municipal boundaries so that both communities would be prepared to install and maintain the equipment for the long term. Supervisors from both communities praised the cooperative effort. Summit Township supervisor, Jack Lee applauded the successful partnership, "this project has allowed us to build a great relationship with the Millcreek staff members and we have gained a great appreciation for each other's knowledge and experience."

With this project, all 80 signalized intersections in these communities are now equipped with emergency preemption systems that are compatible with existing equipment at other intersections throughout Erie County. Additionally, ten emergency vehicles are now equipped with emitters to control the signals. This project was funded in part through a Multi-Municipal Collaboration grant from the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority.



## Summit Community Food Pantry

Hopefully everyone is enjoying summer which has finally arrived. Too bad it goes so quick!

A correction to the 2nd quarter newsletter: Regular distributions are 2:30 – 4:00 on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month. Thanksgiving and Christmas distributions are 2:00 – 4:00 only. Apologies for the incorrect information.

We have served 73 families this year – thank you to the families that have recently signed up. New individuals and families are always welcome.

A special thank you to those who made memorial donations in memory of Roberta Rose who passed away recently. Our condolences to her family and what a wonderful way to remember her by helping others.

Summit Community Food Pantry (SCFP) | 1230 Townhall Rd., West, Basement, Erie, PA 16509



# 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 2019-2020 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 20th. Our first-grade students will get the opportunity to meet with their teachers at a Meet and Greet also held on August 20th. We will be hosting a 2nd-5th grade Back to School Night on September, 5th. These events provide a great deal of information for parents and families; we hope that you are all able to attend.

Our second annual BACK TO SCHOOL BASH will be held on August 20th from 5:30-7:30 PM, we hope that you will join us for a family fun evening of games and activities. It is a great way to meet new families and classmates.

This past school year, our School-Wide Positive Behavior Support program reached fidelity and received state recognition. We are so proud of the BISON behavior that exists at Robison and we look forward to continuing and growing this program in the 2019-2020 school year.

We like to keep the Summit Township community and our Fort LeBoeuf families informed of all of the news, events, and accomplishments of the district. We are utilizing social media to help get the word out about Ft. LeBoeuf. Sign up to follow us on Twitter and "Like" us on Facebook.



@FortLeBoeufSD

For Robison Elementary parents that are looking to keep informed of volunteer opportunities and PTO events, please follow Robison PTO on Facebook.



Search: Robison Elementary School PTO

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.

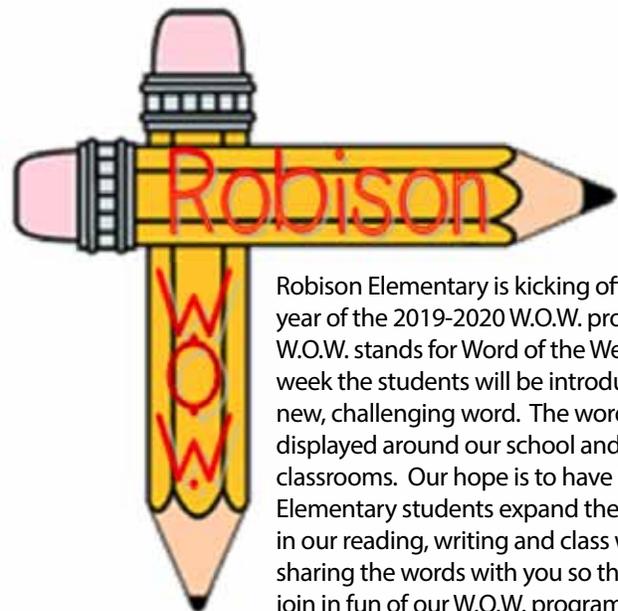
Enjoy the rest of summer,

*Jenna Hopkins*, Principal Robison Elementary



## TRICK OR TREATING

Trick -or-Treating will be on Halloween, Thursday, October 31, 2019 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!



Robison Elementary is kicking off our 5th year of the 2019-2020 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**  
expedite  
mingle

**October**  
aficionado  
curate  
panache

**November**  
connoisseur  
tremendous



**Erie County  
Health Department**

MyPlate is the latest nutrition guide from the USDA designed to promote healthy eating habits. Visit [www.ChooseMyPlate.gov](http://www.ChooseMyPlate.gov) to view dietary guidelines focused on ways to improve what you eat and to reduce certain health conditions that can be caused by poor diet.

## ART SHOW

### 7th ANNUAL COMMUNITY ART SHOW

In conjunction with Resident's Weekend, Summit Township held its Seventh Annual Art Show which was on display at the Municipal Building from July 29th through August 2nd. 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 **Deborah Vanhanian**, the Director of Glass Growers Gallery, Inc. in Erie, PA for being our Judge.

This year's winners are:

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

**Students** – Kara Kala (1st), Claudia Kruse (2nd), Thomas Kruse (3rd)

**Mixed Media** – Robert Steiner (1st), Paula Kosko (2nd), Heidi Steffy (3rd)

**Painting** – Diana LeClerc (1st), Karen Brown (2nd), Tim Timon (3rd)

**People's Choice Winner** – Kristen Fatica

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: Gina Erbin, Amy Pier and Downia Glass

## FROM THE SUMMIT TOWNSHIP INDUSTRIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

There have been several developments since residents were last updated during the third quarter of 2018. At that time, STIEDA had just entered into an agreement with the Erie County Redevelopment Authority to manage a low-interest loan program and were eagerly waiting for Erie Bank Sports Park (EBSP) to open its doors.

By all indications, EBSP had a very good first year. The rinks were filled to capacity and feedback from the public was very positive. In addition to formal hockey and figure skating sessions, public skating sessions are regularly offered for those who just want to lace up the skates and take a few turns around the rink. The facility also has a state-of-the-art fitness center and hockey pro shop. EBSP also hosted many tournaments throughout the year which further showcased all of our local hotels and restaurants and contributed to additional economic growth in the region. Many additional multi-sport camps and tournaments are planned throughout the summer and into next year as well. EBSP is also considering adding internal baseball and softball facilities if community interest exists to support the investment.

While EBSP was the first organization to take advantage of the loan program, U Pick 6 also capitalized on the program to help fund the expansion of the Peach Street location and additional funds have been made available to assist another Summit business to be announced in the future.

The most exciting news about these projects is the impact on jobs in the region. These three organizations are projected to add nearly 140 full and part-time jobs and that is the driving force behind authorities like STIEDA. Making investments that drive economic development, helping local businesses and creating jobs in support of the long-term health of our community.

*Tony Krasinski*, Chairman

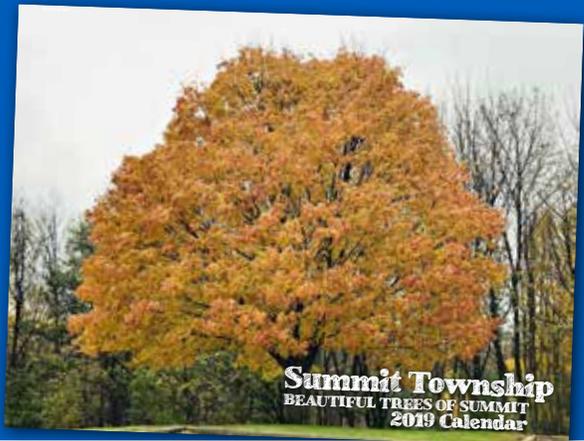


## Erie County Recycling Program

Do you know what to do with that left-over gallon of paint in your basement, or the broken television that has been sitting for a few months? Erie County Recycling sponsors monthly events for the proper disposal of hazardous waste materials and electronics, including paint, light bulbs, most chemicals, tires, and any electronic with a plug, except for refrigerators or freezers. These events take place on the 2nd Saturday of every month from January through December. Most events are held at a warehouse building at 1624 Filmore Ave, Erie, PA; three events this year are considered satellite events held in either the City of Corry or Albion Borough. This fall events are Sept 14, Oct 12, Nov 9, and Dec 14. The October event will take place in the City of Corry, and is still open to all county residents; the other three will take place at the Filmore Avenue location. Disposal costs are \$0.35/lb for any hazardous materials or electronics, and \$5/tire. Register online at [www.ECSR.net](http://www.ECSR.net) or call 866-815-0016. For more information about these events or other places to dispose of electronics, check out [www.ErieCountyRecycling.com](http://www.ErieCountyRecycling.com).

### ATTENTION PHOTOGRAPHERS: 2020 CALENDAR PHOTOS NEEDED!

Don't forget our 2020 Calendar is titled "Summit Skies" so please send us your pictures that you have taken throughout the year. Submit your photos on a CD or USB to Summit Township, Attn: Michelle Nesselhauf, 1230 Townhall Rd. W., Suite 100, Erie, PA 16509. You can also email your photos in .jpeg format only to [mness@summitpa.us](mailto:mness@summitpa.us). Please make sure to include photographer's name and contact information. Submission deadline is November 15th, 2019.



## FROM YOUR SUMMIT TAX COLLECTOR:

Happy Summer!

I do believe that summer has finally arrived. It sure took long enough!

At the time of this article, 2019 County-Township bills are at 10% Penalty and the 2019/2020 School bills are at 2% discount until August 31st. If you have had an interim issued this year, either in January or July, please make sure your mortgage holder has paid the interim if you are escrowed. You will not receive a notice from them if they did not pay.

The PA 1000 (commonly known as the Property/Rent Rebate) deadline to file for the year 2018 has been extended until the end of the year. You will need a stamped receipt of the original bill to file. Our County code is 25 and the School District code is 25355. If you have any questions regarding eligibility, filing or status of your refund you can contact the local PA Dept of Revenue at 448 West 11th St., Erie, PA 16501, phone (814) 871-4491. Rep. Bob Merski has a satellite office in the Summit Township building. His office is able to assist you in filing if necessary.

**August 31st this year falls on Saturday and Labor Day is Monday, September 2nd, I will accept discount in the office on Tuesday, September 3rd ONLY during regular business hours for school payments. Payment through the USPS mail MUST have postmark date of August 31st. Payments postmarked after August 31st will be returned and due at Face. You may also use the locked mailbox to the right of the office door. Do not leave cash in the locked mailbox. Please make sure your checks are correct and your phone number is on your check. If your check is incorrect and I have to return it to you, it is due in the payment period it is received in. I have to do reports and make remittances to the taxing authorities before the 10th of September.**

**Debra Cameron, Summit Twp. Tax Collector**

1754 Townhall Rd. West, Erie, PA 16509 | (814) 866-2653 | [dacameron@roadrunner.com](mailto:dacameron@roadrunner.com)

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# Summit Lions Club News



I hope all of you, our Summit Residents are enjoying the summer. I'd like to introduce myself to you. I am Lion Bob Mitchell, the new President for the Summit Lions Club for the next 2 years. I have lived in Summit Township my entire life, recently retired from the Water Authority and am the proud owner with my wife, Janet of Mitchell's Greenhouse located on Parson Road. I probably know most of you; we all know we have many new residents moving into our area.

We had a successful Golf Outing in June at Venango Valley and have scheduled it for **June 5, 2020**. Mark your calendars and save the date to join us. Everyone has a good time and finishes it off with a Steak Dinner.

We are currently selling Raffle Tickets for 50" 4K UHD Smart TV which will be drawn on Veteran's Day, November 11th. Tickets are \$5.00 each. Contact Lion Audrey Dick at 449-1391 if you'd like to purchase any.

We would like to welcome our newest Lion Chris Lynch, who recently moved to Summit. Come and see what made Chris want to become part of the Summit Lions.

We hold our Business meetings on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at the Summit Township building at 7:00 PM and have our Dinner meetings on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 6:30 PM, at the S&S Buffet. Please contact our Secretary, Lion Audrey Dick to make a reservation at (814) 449-1391. or contact any other Lion member you may know for more information.

*Lion Dennis Franz*



The Kiwanis Club of Fort LeBoeuf continues their mission of providing service to children and our community. In August, we held our first "Waterford Works" day and spruced up a few local properties. The Waterford playground also received a new bison decoration on the playground fence.

Once school starts, we will continue with our reading program at Waterford Elementary. Members listen to children read to them, and this year, the children will be able to pick out a new book to keep. We love to promote literacy to our local children!

During the Waterford Fair, we will host all of the Fort LeBoeuf 3rd grade children at the Waterford Fair. This field trip is a great time for the kids and the Kiwanians. The children visit each barn and a representative teaches them about the animals, plants, and exhibits. Children typically get to milk a goat and learn about the agriculture in our area. Once they are back in school, they then write an essay about their visit and we pick a winner from each of the elementary schools.

If you would like to learn more about Kiwanis, feel free to contact Val Rose at [valarose63@gmail.com](mailto:valarose63@gmail.com) (Kiwanis Club of Fort LeBoeuf), or Cathy Szymanski at [cathy@szy.com](mailto:cathy@szy.com) (Kiwanis Club of Summit).

## PICNICANA PARK 2020 SEASON RESERVATIONS

**Reservations for the 2020 Season will be taken beginning September 16th 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. Picnicana Park is open from May 1st to October 15th with fully equipped kitchens and pavilions available for rental.

**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

## Girl Scouts in Fort LeBoeuf

The Girl Scouts of Fort LeBoeuf Service Unit 3619 have had a fun and busy spring and summer! In honor of Mother's and Father's Day, we wanted to hold special events to allow girls to spend quality time with their favorite adult role models. In May, girls could participate in a special "She and Me" yoga class instructed by Casey Jack at A+ Events for Kids. Girls invited their favorite female to join them for a session of exhilarating exercise and fun! We also marched proudly in the Waterford Memorial Day parade. Girls and adults in three troops also tried their hand at learning the basics of crochet with some supplies donated by Knitpicks.com.



In June, the whole Service Unit was invited to a very special "He and Me" dance, where girls and their favorite males enjoyed an exciting evening of laughter, snacks and of course, dancing! Participants had photos taken upon their arrival which were printed and given to them as a special keepsake from the event, along with matching corsages and boutonnieres. It was a very special evening where many wonderful memories were made and we hope to make it an annual event!

Some troops also kicked off the summer with a fun filled week at GEA Day Camp at Hawthorne Ridge. They enjoyed hiking, swimming, archery, songs around the campfire, and so much more! The camp was a big success, with volunteers serving 220 girls this year. They are already planning and looking forward to camp next summer, which will be held June 15th through the 19th.

In July, we marched in the Waterford Heritage Days parade and encouraged girls to join us at our booth at the festival afterward to paint rocks to hide and post on the Facebook page, Rock Out Erie, with a special Girl Scout hashtag! We hope that anyone who finds them will be encouraged to check out the GSWPA website, learn what Girl Scouts is all about, and register to join in the fun!

We also held a family picnic in July to wrap up the year and honor five girls who earned their Bronze Awards - Jera Atkin, Rylee Barnes, Cassidy Bercik, Kylie Lesser and Sydney Merry. The Bronze Award is the third highest award a girl can earn in Girl Scouts and is awarded while at the Junior level. The girls used materials donated by E.L. Heard and Son in Waterford to build bridges at Camp Hawthorne Ridge to make the camp's archery range more accessible to camp participants. They performed 20 hours of service planning, promoting, and executing their project. Way to go, girls!

We'd also like to recognize Cassie Williams, our Service Unit Manager, for receiving the Scouter of the Year Award by the American Legion. Cassie was the only Girl Scout recipient in Pennsylvania this year! In addition, Holly Kress, our Service Unit Communications Coordinator, was also presented with the Girl Scouts Appreciation pin at the annual meeting this past spring. Thank you to both of these ladies for their hard work and dedication to leadership in our organization this past year!

To wrap up the summer, in August we took part in our annual beautification project at the Waterford Fairgrounds. Girls and volunteers landscaped and planted flowers in preparation for the fair in September.

As we head into fall and with the beginning of our troop year, girls will be looking forward to the start of their first of two fundraisers, the Magnut sale. You can order from a variety of yummy nuts and candies or pick up a new magazine subscription. That fall sale begins in October (for those who can't wait, cookies go on sale in January)!

We've definitely had a memorable spring and summer and as we go into fall, we're looking forward to seeing what another great Girl Scout year will bring! However, none of the fun would be possible without the help of our amazing leaders and volunteers. With the start of the troop year, we are in need of good, qualified adult volunteers who are looking for a positive experience to make a difference in a girl's life - either by starting a new troop or assisting established troops. There is a particularly great need this coming year for starting up new troops at the Daisly level (kindergarten and first grade). To form a troop, a minimum of two adults are required to be registered as Girl Scouts along with obtaining Pennsylvania clearances. If this sounds like something you would be interested in, please go to the link to learn more about volunteering - <https://www.gswpa.org/en/for-volunteers/why-volunteer.html>.

Girls and leaders are very appreciative of your overall support of your local Girl Scouts. In this fast-paced world, Girl Scouts is vital and needed now more than ever. Girl Scouts is the organization dedicated solely to girls where they can grow and mature in a nurturing environment to become compassionate and strong leaders in our community and the world. Come join us!

*Holly Kress* Service Unit Communications Coordinator

*Cassandra K. Williams and Valerie DiMarco* Service Unit Managers

# PENNVEST HOMEOWNER SEPTIC PROGRAM

The PENNVEST Homeowner Septic Loan Program helps qualified homeowners:

- repair or replace an **existing connection to public sewer OR** an individual, on-lot sewage disposal system;
- connect an existing home for the first time to public sewer.

This low-cost loan is funded by PENNVEST and administered by the PA Housing Finance Agency.

## TERMS

- Fixed interest rate for life of loan, currently as low as 1.75 percent.
- Up to 20 years to repay the loan balance.
- Funds can be used for design, construction and permit costs.

## SAMPLE PAYMENTS

- If you borrow \$15,000 at 1.75 percent (2.55 percent APR<sup>1</sup>) for 20 years, you pay \$75 monthly.
- If you borrow \$25,000 at 1.75 percent (2.22 percent APR<sup>1</sup>) for 20 years, you pay \$124 monthly.

## LOAN ADVANTAGES

- Pay an attractive interest rate for this vital home improvement.
- No prepayment penalties if the loan is paid off early.

## WHY REPLACE YOUR SEPTIC SYSTEM?

- Increase the value and marketability of your home.
- Eliminate worries about your septic system when you sell your home.
- Improve the environmental health of your property.
- Avoid or respond to citations from your municipality.

## LEARN MORE AND APPLY

1. Call PHFA's Solution Center at **855-U-ARE-HOME** (855-827-3466) or visit **www.phfa.org** to learn more and view a list of participating lenders.
2. Visit or call one of the listed participating lenders to begin the loan application.
3. Work with design and construction professionals of your choice to develop an approved system.

<sup>1</sup> Subject to credit approval and eligibility restrictions including loan use and owner occupancy. Interest rate quoted as of 1/1/2019. The APR is fixed for the term of the loan. Borrower pays origination and closing charges. Sample payments based on \$15,000 and \$25,000 loan examples have twenty year term and 240 payments. Total finance charge for a \$15,000 loan is \$3,869 and for a \$25,000 loan is \$5,727.



## ERIE COUNTY MAY BE SEEING A NEW OPPORTUNITY TO RECYCLE GLASS BOTTLES AGAIN

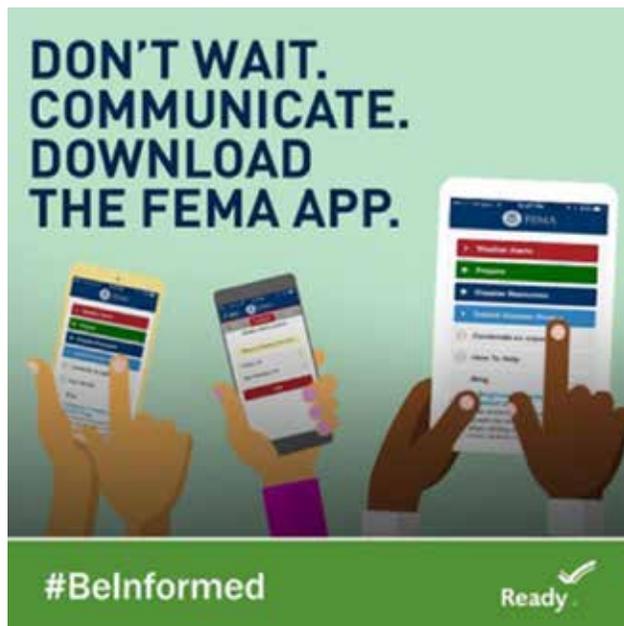
It was recently announced that a new company, Bayfront Glass, is looking to open up in the City of Erie and take glass as a drop-off site for recycling. Their current plan is to open up in August, with their dates yet to be announced. For more information, check them out on facebook @BayfrontGlassLLC and keep your fingers crossed.



## SUMMIT TOWNSHIP EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ARE YOU READY?

September: National Preparedness Month Tips

- ✓ Include cash in your emergency supply kit. During an extended power outage, ATMs and credit card machines may not work.
- ✓ Check-in with neighbors to see how you can help each other out before and after a storm.
- ✓ Pick an out-of-town person for everyone to contact during an emergency.
- ✓ Preparing your family for an emergency is as simple as having a conversation over dinner. Remember to include your pets in your family's emergency plans. Make a plan tonight.
- ✓ As part of your family's emergency supply kit, include games and toys to keep children entertained.
- ✓ Get prepared by having an emergency supply kit already stored. #ResolvetobeReady [www.ready.gov/build-a-kit](http://www.ready.gov/build-a-kit)
- ✓ Snap some pictures of your property and make an inventory for insurance purposes. Take a current photo of you and your pet together in case you get separated during a disaster. #ResolvetobeReady #PetPreparedness [www.ready.gov/animals](http://www.ready.gov/animals)
- ✓ Make a list of the things you would need or want to take with you if you had to leave your home quickly.
- ✓ Prepare your car for winter: keep your gas tank near full to help avoid ice in the tank and fuel lines.
- ✓ Make a plan to check on neighbors if extreme cold or winter weather knocks out your power.
- ✓ Learn how to shut off the utilities where you live, including water, electricity and gas.
- ✓ #PrepTips: Take a first aid and CPR class. #ResolvetobeReady <https://www.ready.gov/safety-skills>
- ✓ Plan how you will leave and where you will go if you are advised to evacuate. Don't forget to include pets in your plans! [www.ready.gov/evacuating-yourself-and-your-family](http://www.ready.gov/evacuating-yourself-and-your-family)
- ✓ Assemble supplies for a "go-bag" you can carry if you need to evacuate #ResolvetobeReady #PrepTips [www.ready.gov/evacuating-yourself-and-your-family](http://www.ready.gov/evacuating-yourself-and-your-family)
- ✓ Make a portable emergency kit for your car. [www.ready.gov/car](http://www.ready.gov/car)
- ✓ Save. Save. Save. Your emergency savings can help you get lifesaving items like food, shelter, and water in an emergency. Saving Tips: <https://www.usa.gov/flec> #FinancialFuture2018
- ✓ 48% of people have an emergency fund, which gives them the savings to overcome simple emergencies and possibly ones that may save their life. <https://www.usa.gov/flec> #FinancialFuture2018
- ✓ Search online today for local pet-friendly evacuation locations in case you need to evacuate. Update your pet's microchip registration info.
- ✓ Put your name and contact information on your pet's ID tag in case you're separated in an emergency. #PetPreparedness [www.ready.gov/animals](http://www.ready.gov/animals)



## FROM THE SEWER AUTHORITY

### NOTICE OF RATE INCREASE

At the June Regular Business Meeting the Sewer Authority Board voted to approve a rate increase of 3.4%. That amounts to \$1.00 per month for residential customers. The residential sewer rate will increase from \$87.00 per quarter to \$90.00 per quarter. For low flow commercial customers, the rate increases from \$4.97/1,000 gallons to \$5.14/1,000 gallons. For high flow (>800 gallons per day) commercial customers, the rate increases from \$5.64/1,000 gallons to \$5.83/1,000 gallons. The new rate is reflected in the September 2019 billing.

Management is recommending a rate increase to cover costs associated with the first phase of the City of Erie Sewer Authority, Wastewater Treatment Plant, Capital Improvements Plan. As you may already know Summit Township's sewers flow first into Millcreek then into the City of Erie where it is treated before it is discharged into Lake Erie. The existing agreements with the City of Erie basically states that Summit Township must pay a flow based pro-rata share of the construction and maintenance cost of the sewer lines and treatment facilities. The Joint Transportation System is and always will be a good value to the residents of Summit Township. The relatively small number of users simply could not afford to build their own wastewater treatment plant.

As we reported last year the engineering firm of Ruekert Mielke, Inc. investigated the conditions at the Erie Wastewater Treatment Plant and reported that the facilities need a lot of work. Some of the plant was built in 1932 and is still in use. The most recent work was performed in 1997, some 22 years ago. The Erie Sewer Authority has broken the work into 3 phases with the first phase addressing the most impactful issues costing \$28.8 million. Work could start as early as this year and be completed within five years. Summit Township's share is about 2.5% based on measured flow volume. An additional \$34.8 million in improvements would take place between 2024 and the end of 2028. Little is known at this time on the third phase, but we will continue to keep the customers informed as information becomes available.

### KATHLEEN PFISTER RETIRES

Kathy Pfister, STSA Billing Clerk retired June 28, 2019. She was employed at the Summit Township Sewer Authority for nearly 10 years. Many Summit Township residents may recall Kathy helping at the annual senior picnic. She was helpful, had a great memory and was very diligent in performance of her job. In addition to being reliable, Kathy was a team player, optimistic and respectful of others. She was a great employee. Best wishes on your retirement, Kathy!



The Summit Township Sewer Authority is pleased to welcome Amy McCaslin to the Authority Staff, to serve as Billing and Collection Clerk. Amy is a graduate of General McLane High School and Tri-state Business College. Mrs. McCaslin began work on June 3, 2019 and comes to the Authority with a variety of business skills from previous work experience at the Quinn Law Firm, a local engineering firm and other employers. Amy and her husband Darrin, of 18 years, are both lifelong Erie area residents. She enjoys taking care of her family, gardening and canning. She is a mother of 3 children and grandmother to 3 grandchildren. Amy is saving her money for a once in a lifetime trip to Ireland and Scotland. The Authority staff is glad she is on board because she has a great smile, is a quick learner and enjoyable to work with.

*William C. Steff, P.E.,* Manager



**INTERNATIONAL  
COASTAL CLEANUP**

Come join us on the third Saturday of September for the annual Erie International Coastal Cleanup (ICC) at 19 sites throughout Erie County, from the Ohio to the NY state lines, as well as down to Edinboro, PA. This year's event will start at 9am on Sat, September 21. Last year over 2,500 volunteers from local neighborhoods and schools removed nearly 4,500lbs, more than 2 tons, of trash materials including tires, cigarette butts, single use plastics, and more from our local waterways and parks. This annual event started in 2003 on Presque Isle State Park and has grown since. Looking to volunteer or wondering where to go on ICC day? Contact Brittany Prischak, Erie County Sustainability Coordinator, [bprishcak@eriecountypa.gov](mailto:bprishcak@eriecountypa.gov) or 814-451-7326. You can also find out more on facebook @ErieICC.



# Summit Residents Enjoy Residents Weekend!

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

Saturday included 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, corn on the cob, nachos & cheese, freshly popped popcorn 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 ears of corn on the cob for all the guests to enjoy. A special thank you to Wasielewski Farms for donating such delicious corn! 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

The weather was at first scary, but mother nature came through for us in the end. Thank you to all who came out on Sunday July 28th for our (FLB Soccer Club's) first ever Pass the Pancakes 5k fun run/walk & Pancake Breakfast (8<sup>th</sup> year in all), to support the children of FLB Soccer Club. We had over 100 runners, walkers, riders, and pancake breakfast supporters. We could not have done it all without our amazing sponsors, volunteers, and participants of all ages!

Sunday brought together many people from all walks of life. Together between the fundraiser and donations we raised over \$2,000. The money raised will go to FLB Soccer Club benefitting their continuing skills development, extra field time, mini-camps and certain equipment expenses.



Thank you so much to our fundraising team and all the donations made on behalf of the "participants and sponsors. Special thanks to Boyd Hess and Aaron Gebadlo for their generous pure maple syrup donation. Thanks to Keith from Millcreek Marketplace Giant Eagle for his store's generous donation to help buy supplies for the pancake breakfast. Last but not least, Erie County Sheriff's Deputy Jeremy Markham (FLB school board candidate) who ran traffic control for us on Townhall Road!!



## Congratulations to our top finishers

- Jake Lehotsky, 21 – 1<sup>st</sup> Place Overall 17:24
- Zachary Marazza, 19 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Male 19:05
- Mitchell Rathburn, 16 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Male 19:46
- Nicholas Northrup, 18 – 4<sup>th</sup> Place Male 19:48
  
- Devyn Bayle, 18 – 1<sup>st</sup> Place Female 21:08
- Genevieve Feltmeyer – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Female 22:17
- Jocelyn Tatarko, 13 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Female 22:48
- Sydney Bayle, 14 – 4<sup>th</sup> Place Female 23:38



Again, this event is not possible without the support of sponsors, local community, volunteers, the children themselves and especially Summit Township and the Summit Township Rec Board members Kelly Ford and Steve Skelly-special thanks and appreciation.



# Here We Grow Again

**Electrify America....** located at 1825 Downs Drive, Erie, is excited about their recently completed installation of four (4) New Electrify Electric Vehicle Charging Stations, which were granted an Occupancy on June 6, 2019. Electrify America with their continued collaboration with Walmart is expected to make the retailer one of the largest retail hosts of electric vehicle charging stations across the United States. Electrify America's strategy is to help promote greater zero emission vehicle adoption by offering an ultra-fast and convenient charging network. Electrify America, which is investing \$2 billion over the next ten years in electric infrastructure and education, plans to deploy more than 2,000 chargers across the 484 sites in 17 metropolitan areas and on highways. Stations will be located at convenient EV charging stops with access to retail, dining, parking and other facilities, with Walmart becoming a key partner to these objectives.

**Plato's Closet....** located at 7200 Peach Street, Suite 115, is excited about their recently completed 7,780 sq. ft. Interior Commercial Renovation. At Plato's Closet you will find a huge selection of trendy designer styles as well those every day basics all at up to 70% off mall retail prices! Plato's closet buys gently used teen and young adult style clothing and accessories that are name brand, cool, hip, clean and in good condition. With no appointment needed, they buy every day and will pay you on the spot! Most of their stores buy and sell girls 0 to 30 and guys sizes 28 to 40 waist, and they typically buy current styles that are still in the mall.

**Sheetz....** located at 8180 Perry Highway, is excited about their recently completed 433 sq. ft. Commercial Building Addition and Interior Beer Cave Renovation. Sheetz will offer a variety of domestic import and craft beers. With the addition of beer at these stores, Sheetz continues to meet its customers demand for ultimate one-stop-shop where they can fuel up, enjoy a meal and also responsibly purchase alcoholic beverages. Sheetz is committed to responsibly complying with all current laws and regulations, including the enforcement of 100 percent proof-of-age policy.

## ENGINEER'S REPORT

I would like to remind everyone that storm sewer drains **DO NOT** lead to treatment facilities. If anything other than storm water goes down a storm drain it goes directly into our streams and lakes. Help prevent water pollution and keep our water clean by making sure only storm water goes down a storm sewer drain.



**DROP-OFF EVENT FOR MATERIALS DESTINED FOR REUSE  
BY NUMEROUS LOCAL NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS**

## Saturday, Sept. 7, 2019

### 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**UPMC Health Plan**

380 E. Bayfront Pkwy, Erie, PA 16507

### ITEMS COLLECTED INCLUDE GENTLY USED:

- **BEDDING & BATH** blankets and towels
- **CLOTHING, ACCESSORIES, SHOES** men's, women's, plus size clothing, children and infant's clothing, business casual shoes (flats and heels), jewelry, purses, belts, hats and other accessories
- **FURNITURE** hardwood furniture (bookcases, end tables, dining tables, chairs and dressers), lamps, clocks and quality household decorating items. *NOT accepted: upholstered furniture, broken furniture, large metal/wood desks and stained/torn mattresses*
- **KITCHEN ITEMS** dishes, glassware, small working appliances such as toaster ovens, blenders, and coffee makers
- **MEDICAL SUPPLIES** transport wheelchairs, wheelchairs, rollators/pulmonary walkers, shower chairs/stools, transport benches, bedside commodes and other durable bathroom medical equipment
- **OFFICE SUPPLIES** pens, envelopes, file folders, etc.
- **PET SUPPLIES** pet beds, leashes/collars, stainless steel bowls, pet carriers/crates and other useable pet-related items
- **USABLE BUILDING MATERIALS** bathroom vanities, bathroom fixtures (medicine cabinets, towel bars, toilet paper holders, etc), hardware (knobs, cabinet pulls, handles, etc.), kitchen cabinets, light fixtures, tools in good working condition including outdoor hand tools, new building materials (extra bundles of shingles, extra boxes of ceramic tile, laminate flooring), unpainted doors, thermal pane windows, shutters *NOT accepted: carpet, lead paint, wall hung sinks, sinks without base cabinets and used paint (partial gallons/quarts)*

*No televisions/computers accepted*

*All partners reserve the right to refuse unusable materials*

[www.prc.org](http://www.prc.org)

412-773-7156

814-451-7326

# Summit Seniors Enjoy – *Happy Days*

August 8th marked the 24th Annual Summit Senior Citizens Picnic and once again our Senior Citizens gathered at Picnicana Park to celebrate their special day. Everyone was “Happy” and enjoyed live music provided by The Contels and also a special appearance by Elvis! They also enjoyed all of the annual activities which included – crafts, barbeque lunch, bingo, ice cream sundaes, and door prizes.

Once again Joe Kuzma made delicious corn on the cob provided by Wasielewski Farms which is easily becoming an annual favorite. 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, 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 partner **Bianchi Honda** for their generous donation. Each and every year they show their continued dedication to our local senior citizens. We also received gift card donations from **State Representative Bob Merski**. Thank you so much for your generosity!

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. Thank you so much to Kim, Kathy, Kim E., Carol, Gina, Madi, Megan, Gretchen, Kip, Liam, Mark, Jack, Tony and anyone else in case I forgot someone for helping to make this year such a success.

*Michelle Nesselhauf*, Event Coordinator



# Senior News



Senior Center members Carol Brown and Chuck Knight promoting the bake sale at Primary Election Day 2019.

Oh the lazy days of summer.....It started out cold, now hot. I hope everyone is enjoying summer. If you are like me, fall comes and there are places I wish I had gone to and the season is over. So make a bucket list and DO those things before the season is over so you don't have regrets in the fall. Time flies so fast!

The Senior Center is doing well. Every Tuesday is nice to look forward to- a delicious lunch and friends to share time with. It's so nice to meet new friends; you can too! Stop over at the Senior Center on Tuesdays at 1450 Townhall Road. Lunch will be served at noon. We have 2 pool tables, numerous games (cards, dominoes, jigsaw puzzles). Bring your friends or join with other seniors. Play your own games or mingle with other seniors. This senior center was built to be a social hall for use by seniors and guests. If there are no games you are interested in, just come and socialize. But do come.....it is doctor recommended and can also be fun!

July was election of officers. The current officers kept their same office for the next year: President Sue Seyboldt, Vice President Dot Panitzke, Secretary Barb Schlosser and Treasurer Al Platz.

After fighting a difficult illness, Sue Seyboldt has won the battle and is back with us and doing a terrific job as President. She thanks everyone for their prayers and support.

The Township put in new LED lighting for the center which will save energy. The Township does a lot for our center and we appreciate it so much!

*Dot Panitzke*, Vice President

**AARP** Foundation®

# TAX-AIDE

Free tax assistance for those who need it most

## You've Got What It Takes AARP Tax-Aide is Looking for Volunteers

We are looking for compassionate and friendly individuals to join our volunteer team. We'll provide the training you need and will also receive IRS certification.

We have openings for:

**\*Counselors** – Work with taxpayers directly by filling out tax returns. If you have no previous experience, you'll get the training you need and also get IRS certification.

**\*Client Facilitators** – Welcome taxpayers, help organize their paperwork, and manage the overall flow of service.

AARP Tax-Aide Provides tax preparation help for anyone who cannot afford paid tax services. The tax-Aide program, in it's 51st year, has helped more than 68 million people since it launched in 1968.

Last year some 35,000 Tax-Aide volunteers served 2.5 million people nationally.

If you are interested contact  
Rick Godzwa [rgodzwa@neo.rr.com](mailto:rgodzwa@neo.rr.com)

Phone 814-824-9480.

Or go to [www.aarpfoundation.org/taxaidevolunteer](http://www.aarpfoundation.org/taxaidevolunteer)

***Classes locally will start in October.***

## 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!

# Climb Aboard!

Join the Flagship Niagara League  
this summer for these nautical adventures.

## TALL SHIPS<sup>®</sup> ERIE 2019

Presented by HIGHMARK.

**AUGUST 22-25**

**\$10 Single Day Pass**

- Dockside viewing of 14 Tall Ships<sup>®</sup>
- All day access to festival sites

**\$5 Deck Tour Add-On**

**\$49 Day Sail** (on select vessels)



FLAGSHIP  
NIAGARA  
LEAGUE

### *Lettie G. Howard* Day Sails

- Sails 7 days a week
- Starts in June
- *Day Sails* are 1½ hours
- *Sunset Sails* are 2 hours
- New this year: 2½ hour *Open Lake Sail* on Thursday evenings

### Tall Ships Summer Camp

- From **July 1 to August 16, 2019** the Flagship Niagara League will be running week long sessions of Tall Ship Summer Camp for 10-14 year olds.
- Camp sessions run **Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm**. Days are filled with maritime and nautical activities, including afternoon sailing on *Lettie G. Howard!*\*

*\*Weather and schedule permitting*



Visit [TallShipsErie.org](http://TallShipsErie.org) or [FlagshipNiagara.org](http://FlagshipNiagara.org) for more information.



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## Once Upon A Time...

This quarter's display is on Summit Township history in general. Old maps, churches, one room schools and Summit development.

A big thanks to the Summit Lions club for their display. We need a display for the fourth quarter; is there another group interested? Please contact the Summit Township office at 868-9686 if you are willing to loan or donate any items. Our goal is to display Summit history for everyone. Other Summit organizations are encouraged to provide a display.

Did you know there was a brewery in Summit Township in the 1860's and 70's? It was located near the Millcreek line in northern Summit along present day South Hill Rd. It was owned by Jacob Kerner and called the Kerner Brewery.

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.

