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# FROM THE SUPERVISOR'S DESK

A long winter has finally ended and we're finally moving into summer. The change in weather means a lot of outdoor activities, both recreational and work-related. Hopefully we'll see a long summer with great weather; a happy medium between the heat of two years ago and last year's rain would be nice.

You may have noticed continued activity in the town park this spring as the highway crews were hard at work installing drain tile between the playground and the southern ball fields. This work is many years overdue and we're moving as quickly as we can to improve the park. Plans are coming together for more drainage work, possible playground additions, and more. We'll keep working to make improvements as weather and our budget will allow.

I'd like to thank a few organizations for ongoing work in town. Thank you to all the Mason's Mission volunteers for the beautiful playground clean-up that took place in early May. Also, thank you to all the volunteers of the CNBSA and the PABA for making sports like baseball, softball, flag football, and lacrosse available to kids in town. A big thank you goes to our councilmen, the Rec Committee, and our highway department workers who all put a lot of time and effort into supporting these sports, from planning to field striping and more.

A highlight of spring is always Memorial Day and we owe a debt of gratitude to the town's

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veterans for their service and the effort the Pendleton Veterans Association (PVA) put into hosting the annual Memorial Day ceremony at the town hall. Once again, the ceremony was well-attended and we all had a chance to hear from keynote speaker Assemblyman Ray Walter as we paid tribute to those who made the ultimate sacrifice defending our freedom. An additional note, the PVA has kicked-off a fundraising campaign to build a Veterans Monument on town hall property. If you'd like to donate, contact a member of the PVA or call the town hall for contact information.

Memorial Day weekend I also had the opportunity to visit two new businesses in town. At five corners Buffalo Bubble Tea just opened and Legislator Tony Nemi and I had the privilege of being part of the ribbon cutting for the Craft Coffee House. I encourage everyone to make an effort to patronize our town establishments as we all would like to see businesses grow, so we don't always have to leave town for goods and services.

The change in weather also brings an increased concern for traffic safety around town. This spring the town board contracted with the Niagara County Sheriff's Office for increased road patrols focused on speed enforcement. Initial information indicates that this effort is having a meaningful result and we will be discussing at our next work session possibly expanding the speed enforcement patrols. The volume of traffic in town continues to grow and with it comes growing concerns with speeding and aggressive driving.

As midyear approaches we're beginning to start thinking about budget season once again. As outlined in previous newsletter articles, we have a lot of "needs", but finite financial resources. For example, the town board budgeted to replace windows and exterior doors at the highway garage due to age and deterioration. Instead, we were forced to reallocate the funds to fix the floor drainage system in the truck garage; a job that I found out has been talked about since 2006. Our highway crews will be doing whatever work they can on this job, but it's still necessary to have a contractor do a lot of the concrete work. Bottom line, other repairs and updates have been pushed farther down a list that keeps growing ... including about \$20,000 in long overdue HVAC repairs. Looking forward, we're hopeful that sales tax review will continue to edge back upwards and with a multiyear plan, we'll be able to continue to make repairs and updates to protect (Continued on page 2)

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the town's assets.

Hopefully the summer weather will cooperate for road and drainage work. One large project in the works is milling and paving Ridgeview Drive, Edgewater Circle, and Lakeview Court, an endeavor partially funded through a \$50,000 NYS transportation grant. Additionally, we'll see work on many other roads with the usual crack sealing and the like. I commend our highway department leadership for working with the town board to keep looking at a road maintenance plan that keeps ahead of roads before they become dangerous and expensive to fix ...like Fisk Road.

Speaking of Fisk Road, a public information session was held at the town hall recently regarding the Fisk Road project. Planning and design work is moving along and the engineers received a lot of good feedback from residents. Reconstruction of Fisk Road is planned to begin in spring 2019.

Work has also begun on the last stretch of canal trail, between the Fisk Road bridge and the Amherst trail at the town's southern border. Also, we'll soon see construction begin on an additional segment of the town' Rails to Trails pathway, from Killian Road to Townline Road. As I write this, we are currently working with our grant writer to pursue additional federal funding to complete the final link in the town's pathway.

Finally, upcoming events include July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks at the town hall, our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Farm & Home Days on August 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, and the Pendleton Garden Tour on July 14<sup>th</sup>. I'm confident we'll have great weather for these events and hope everyone has a great summer! A last note, feel free to contact me with questions or concerns at 625-8833 or jmaerten@pendeltonny.us. Sincerely, Joel

> "No man is entitled to the blessings of freedom, unless he be vigilant in its preservation."

-General Douglas MacArthur

RABIES IMMUNIZATION CLINICS			
Saturday, July 28 <sup>th</sup> Town of Lewiston Highway Garage			
9:00 am – 11:00 am 1445 Swann Road, Town of Lewiston			
Saturday, September 15th	Town of Lockport Highway Department		
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	6560 Dysinger Road, Town of Lockport		

You can pre-register for the clinic online at: http:// www.niagaracounty.com/health/Services/ Environmental-Health/Rabies/Rabies-Clinic. If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions please call me at 625-8833 ext. 112.

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TOWN CLERK

Summer is here and I am looking forward to all of the activity around the Town Hall. The place has been buzzing with all of the various registration events

for the summer programs. It is exciting to see the children playing at the playground, the sports teams competing and the bike path full of activity!

I am happy to announce that we will soon be offering ONLINE dog license renewals. You will be able to renew and pay for your dog license by accessing the Town's website. More news to come! We are also accepting credit and debit cards at the Town Clerk's office to better accommodate you when making payments at the Town Hall. Please note that a small convenience fee will be added to allow for this convenience.

> HOLIDAY SCHEDULE – TOWN HALL CLOSED Independence Day, July 4th Labor Day, September 3rd TRASH COLLECTION HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR JULY-AUGUST-SEPTEMBER

HOLIDAY	DATE	EFFECT
Independence	Wednesday,	Trash collection will be delayed
Day	July 4 <sup>th</sup>	by one day for all pick-ups
Labor Day	Monday,	Trash collection will be delayed
_	September 3 <sup>rd</sup>	by one day for all pick-ups

Please see the Town's website at http:// pendletonny.us/trash-recycling-guide/ for more information on trash and recycling. The next **Household Hazardous Waste Collection** is scheduled for September  $22^{nd}$  from 10:00am – 2:00pm at the Town of Lockport Highway Dept., 6560 Dysinger Road, Lockport, NY. Participation is by appointment only. For more information, go to www.rethinkyourwaste.com/events or call Niagara County Department of Public Works at 716-439-7242. Debbie Maurer



# FRIENDS OF "PENDLETON CENTER" STATION

A new group is forming to promote the history of the "Pendleton Center Station "and to coordinate with the Town about reusing the Station as a public space or town event center.

History: The International Railway Company (IRC) based in the City of Buffalo extended their electric railway from the Tonawanda's to Lockport in 1892. A few years later it was extended to Olcott Beach Amusement Park. This new line was in parallel to the Erie Railroad line that ran through the Town of Pendleton.

A local Pendleton business man named Benjamin Andrus had a general store on Campbell Blvd. next to the Erie Railroad line. When the IRC electric train started offering freight service, he took that opportunity to expand his business. In 1909, he purchased property alongside the new IRC electric train line and built a new freight station. Mr. Andrus knew there was a great need for his freight station. Growers from around the area needed to store their fruits and vegetables before they can be shipped by the IRC to Buffalo. This Station provided this service to all farmers in the area. Other farm products that were shipped included milk, hay, and livestock. Mr. Andrus general store burned in 1915 and he decided to move his store into the Station.

The Station was built of decorative concrete blocks. It had an elevated wooden floor on the inside with a wraparound loading dock for the trains. Part of the Station was use as a cold storage area for fruits and vegetables. Block ice was brought in from the Hodgeville Ice House near Mapleton Rd.

Business was going very well in the 1920's and early thirties, but changes were coming. Major fruit and vegetables growing moved from the East to the West coast and their production declined in the County. Also, with growth of motorized trucks and cars, the use of the electric train declined to a level that the freight service ended in early 1940's. The IRC Passenger line ended in 1937.

With the passing of Mr. Andrus and the decline of his main business, the station became just a cold storage for local produce and in time that ended. The Andrus family closed the business and sold the building to the Town of Pendleton in 1946 for use as a highway garage. Now it is used as storage of town equipment. Current Projects:

Pendleton Business & Community Association received a County/Town grant in 2017 to display historic train photomurals on the outside walls. The 2018 grant will go towards designing and installing a roof top sign "Pendleton Center" Station.



Boy Scout Eagle Scout Project, Town board approve the painting of the Station as an Eagle Scout Project from Brayden Hurren of Good Shepherd Boy Scout Troop 47 They are actively asking for donations toward this project and can be contacted at rossh7385@yahoo.com or by phone at 625-6756.

If you or your group is interested in joining or helping out the Friends of the Pendleton Center Station Contact: Town Councilman Dave Fischer at 909-1408, e-mail:dfischer58@yahoo.com.

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-Tom Bunk

# "RUNNING is not about being better than someone else...it's about being better than YOU used to be."

# "Doing what you like is freedom. Liking what you do is happiness." -Frank Tyger

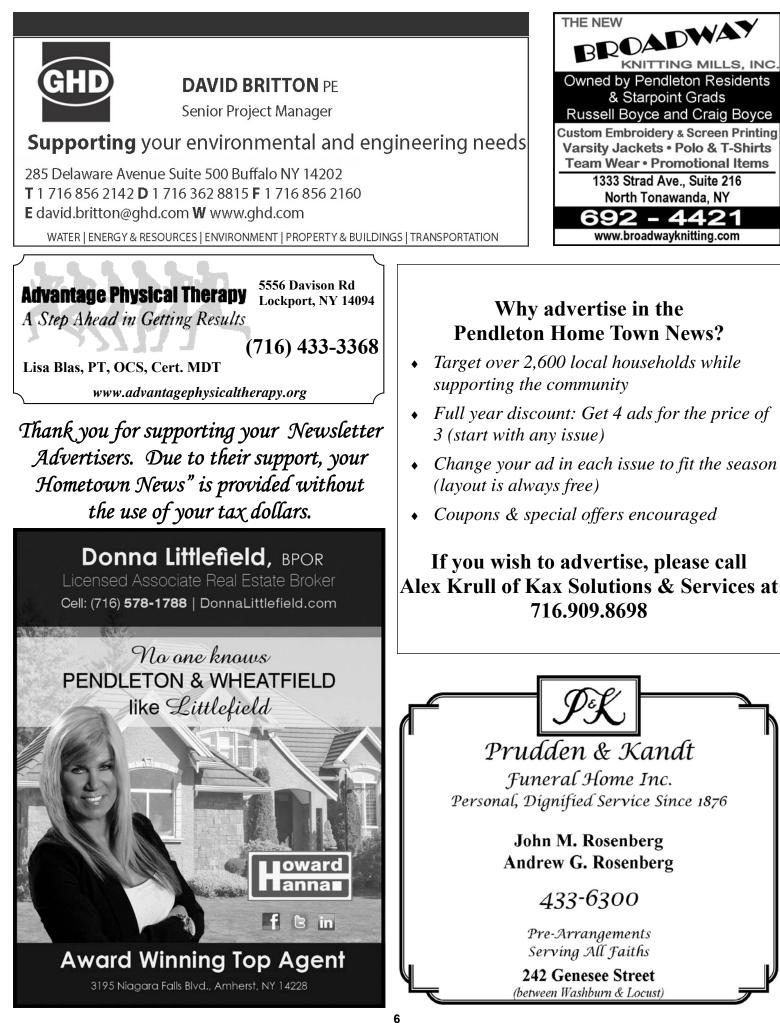
Here comes one of our main fundraisers and a special social event for our town!

21ST ANNIVERSARY HARVEST MOON 5K RUN, FUN WALK AND CHILDREN'S RACE!

September 5th is the date! There are categories for all ages in the different events – from 3 years old through 90 + you name it! Anyone can enter, especially in the Fun Walk, which is 2 miles long and just enough to get those joints moving and that heart pumping! Remember, there is also a kid's Sprint and prizes for all! And that After-Party!!! Even if you don't walk or Run, you can come down for the music and fun. We are quickly becoming known as the Fried Baloney Party! (Minimal fee of \$5 for non participants to join in the party...) All in good fun and for the good of all!

Questions? Call Jim, 382-5915 or Steve, 625-9468. Anyone interested, please complete the entry form below in this newsletter and submit. We hope to see you there!

Kid's Race, ages 3 & 4, 5 & 6, 7 & 8 (6) Please make checks payable to WEN send entries to: Marty Cicatello, 6870	Pre-registration Fee \$25.00 Run & Fun Walk, \$10 Kid's 6:00 PM), 2 Mile Walk (6:15 PM), 5K Run (6:30 PM) DELVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY, Creekview Drive, Lockport, NY 14094 <b>Harvest Moon Entry</b>		Harvest Moon Run September 5, 2018
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#### **BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

As we start the construction season around town, the Building Department has become a busy place with many projects being started with summer right around the corner. A few things we would like to bring to your attention as we really get into the spring and summer months.

There is a revised Signage Ordinance that was recently approved by the Board that is now in effect. In short it just cleaned up some of the old wording and helps with our enforcement capabilities on hazardous signage around the Town. If you notice a sign that you believe to be hazardous, please reach out to our department so we can investigate. Here are some things we would like you to keep in mind regarding placing signs around town.

There are no signs permitted in the Highway Right-of-way or on roadways other than for traffic control. Especially at intersections or high traffic areas.

No signs are to be attached to any street signs, or power poles. All signs are to be no closer than 10' from

# "Anybody can make you happy by doing something special. But, only someone special can make you happy without doing anything."

#### WENDELVILLE FIRE COMPANY

Wendelville Fire Company would like to again THANK all the citizens of the Town of Pendleton for their support this year. By the time you're reading this, our Lobster Fest has taken place, with many of our citizens having enjoyed a fantastic dinner. If you missed it this year, just keep it in your memory for next June!! All profits from these events are turned into new equipment and training for our members.

Our first item of business, congratulations are in order for Haley Toth and Josh Wildt, for being chosen to receive our Annual Scholarship Awards! Their essays were chosen out of many to be the most creative and innovative submitted to our Scholarship committee. Congratulations and best wishes to each of you!!!

Our Annual Road Collection Drive has begun for 2018! Information and return envelopes are or will be arriving in your mail. Just a reminder, this drive is conducted in house by the Wendelville Fire Company, with no assistance from an outside contractor. We receive and appreciate all donations and comments that come from the citizens. Take this opportunity to reach out and give us your suggestions and thoughts concerning our service to you. the edge of the road shoulder, street right-of-way, or property line, whichever is greater. There are different size requirements depending on your zoning classification in town.

Any Contractors doing work in the Town will need to get a Contractor License from our office. This will ensure that they have proper insurance coverage to better protect our residents should anything unforeseen happen on the job site. License applications can be found on our website, or in our office at Town Hall.

Also, be aware that as mowing season begins that all lawns and grass areas in your yard will need to be kept mowed and in good condition. We have started to enforce this around town to help deter rodent harborage in un-kept lawns. Please note that if grass is allowed to grow to 10" you will receive a notice regarding this issue.

If you should have any questions regarding these matters please feel free to contact the Building Department at 625-8833 and speak to Tim at Ext. 115 or Jack at Ext. 114. As always your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Have a safe summer!

# "When asked if my cup is half-full or half empty, my only response is, I'm thankful I have a cup." -Unknown

The 4th Annual Wendelville Volunteer Fire Company Car Show is set for Saturday, August 11th, 2018. Beginning at 9 am, there will be the following events; Car Show voting and Awards, Our FAMOUS CHOWDER sale (Ready at 11am), food available from the J & L Barbeque Food Truck, a large basket raffle (sponsored by our Auxiliary) and 50/50 drawings. You can get more information by calling Ryan at 799-3567; Online registration is now open at wnycruiser.com. Sounds like a winner!

FIRE PREVENTION EDUCATION SEASON will soon be upon us. We have a great fire prevention program that can be adapted for everyone from preschoolers to Senior Citizens. Why not take advantage of it for your group? No charge and we will bring the Fire prevention trailer right to your location. There are giveaways and information for the taking. Contact Glenn at 625-8575 to learn more!



## ASSESSMENT NEWS

This continuing section of our newsletter shows the Arm's Length sales for the previous guarter. Not included in Arm's Length sales are construction sales, estate sales, foreclosures and sales between relatives. \* Land sizes under one acre are not listed. Because sales will eventually affect what your home is assessed, it is important for property owners to see what is sold in town, and the sales prices.

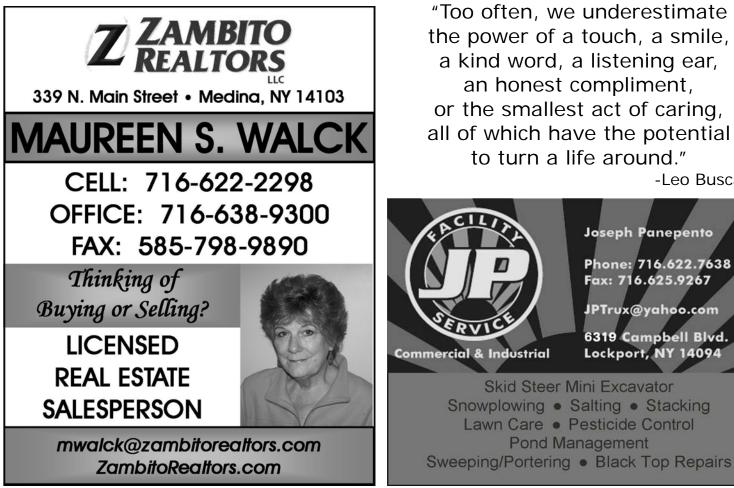
DATE	ADDRESS	SELLER	SALE PRICE	ASSESSED VALUE	SQ. FT. L.A.	STYLE	YEAR BUILT	LAND*
02/02/18	5378 Oakwood Drive	Caroline R Lacy	\$183,000	\$135,000	2,295	Old Style	1885	
02/06/18	6891 Townline Road	Connor M Eldridge	\$175,000	\$104,200	1,388	Ranch	1980	
02/07/18	7332 Paddock Ridge Road	John A Havens	\$470,150	\$307,000	2,903	Colonial	2011	.60
02/09/18	7180 Pendale Circle	Charles W Speaker	\$275,000	\$220,000	2,300	Colonial	1998	
02/15/18	7433 Bear Ridge Road	Jos J Hagerty Estate	\$111,300	\$ 80,000	1,052	Ranch	1951	3.20
02/21/18	6525 Campbell Blvd.	Mark R. Becker	\$131,000	\$125,000	1,550	Ranch	1962	1.10
02/21/18	7096 Campbell Blvd.	Francis J Ferland	\$120,000	\$ 95,700	1,120	Ranch	1950	
03/29/18	5908 Tonawanda Creek Road	Mary Cassata Estate	\$267,500	\$200,000	4,144	Colonial	1960	1.30
04/04/18	5082 Mapleton Road	Joseph M Frawley	\$315,000	\$210,000	1,983	Ranch	1998	
04/18/18	5425 Tonawanda Creek Road	Annette L. D'Agostino	\$124,000	\$100,000	1,282	Old Style	1850	
04/23/18	6919 East Canal Road	Charles L Moore	\$157,000	\$115,000	1,886	Cape Cod	1978	1.20

**REMINDER**:

If you move from your primary residence in Pendleton it is your obligation to notify the Assessor's office. Each residence that is receiving the Star Exemption signed the Star application acknowledging that they would notify the Assessor of their change in residency.

Please remember all exemptions are due by March 1st. If you will be turning 65 in 2019 you may be eligible for the Enhanced Star. If you believe you might be eligible please call the assessor's office at 716-625-8833, ext. 116.

"Be happy...and a reason will come along."



"Too often, we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around."

-Leo Buscaglia



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# **PENDLETON LIONS CLUB**

The Pendleton Lions annual Senior's Dinner at Wendelville Fire Hall was held April 29, 2018. Cocktails served with a Cheese and Cracker Platter led to a delicious Roast Beef dinner. All this was followed by an Ice Cream Sundae

Bar which was a huge hit! We served 112 Seniors this year, the most yet. We look forward to being even better next year. Thank you to all who attended.

The Pendleton Lions are going to have another District Governor in their membership starting the 2018-2019 year. Lion Jeff Jarvis will be taking over from DG Sharon at the end of June 2018. Congratulations Lion Jeff!

The Lions Club Scholarships for Starpoint Seniors were again awarded this year. Due to the many applications received the Lions added two more scholarships to the 6 we usually give. The 8 deserving Seniors are from Starpoint; Caroline Madonia, Haley Toth, Nicole Valentine, Christopher Palumbo, Daniel Lord, Campbell Schoenfeld, Griffin Mack and from Sacred Heart Kayla Blas. Thank you Senior Scholars for your growing response to this Lions program. We are here to serve all ages in our community.

By the time you read this, we will have held our **49<sup>th</sup> Annual Kids Fishing Derby**. It was held on **Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018** at the **West Canal Marina**. There were prizes for every child that signed up. We will have pictures next newsletter.

Coming up in August is the **Pendleton Lions Summer Golf Classic** at our local Tan Tara Golf Club. The event is being held **August 13**. Please look for more info on our website or ask a Lion about it.

As always check out our Pendleton Lions Website at www.PNYLC.org It is always up to date courtesy of Lion Dave Bratek. No computer? Please feel free to contact any Pendleton Lion's Club member for more information.

Thank you for your continued support and donations. Lion Secretary, Cheryl A. Smith



Scholarships Awarded: Pendleton Lions Doug Whelan, Dan Wendt, President Ken Smith, with Starpoint students Christopher Palumbo, Daniel Lord, Campbell Schoenfeld, Griffin Mack, Caroline Madonia, Haley Toth, Nicole Valentine. Kayla Blas, Sacred Heart graduated Senior.

# FROM THE WATER/SEWER BILLING DEPARTMENT



Well it looks like winter is finally over! Sure took long enough. Was hoping we could have a nice Spring before the hot weather settled in but it looks like we will be going right into Summer for the last week of May. Water/sewer bills are mailed out by the last Friday of January, April, July and October. If you do not receive your water bill by the end of the first week of the following month please contact the billing clerk at (716) 625-8833, ext. 111.

If you are selling your home you must first notify the water department at (716) 625-8033 as soon as Right: The Firehall is pretty full for this year's Senior Dinner!





Left: Fun at the Ice Cream Sundae Bar Lions Cheryl Smith, Tom Valentine and Heidi Dio dishing it up.

possible to schedule a **MANDATORY WATER LINE INSPECTION**; and second notify the billing clerk at (716) 625-8833 ext. 111 with the date of your closing so that a final read can be scheduled.

Please remember that there is a new surcharge for unpaid water/sewer balances levied to the Niagara County Tax Bill. Any balance remaining after 4:00 pm on Friday, September 21, 2018 will be assessed a \$100.00 surcharge! You will receive a reminder letter before the surcharge is assessed.

Please remember all of the men and women in our Armed Forces, past and present.

Wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable summer! Rita Dispenza

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE TOWN OF PENDLETON DOES NOT MAKE ADJUSTMENTS TO WATER/SEWER BILLS FOR SPRINKLER SYSTEMS OR THE FILLING OF SWIMMING POOLS.



### **TOWN HISTORIAN**

As we reflect on the meaning of Memorial Day in our country, this is a good time to discuss the various cemeteries in Pendleton where not only veterans but also many residents are buried. Memorial Day was first widely observed in May 1868. The celebration commemorated the sacrifices of the Civil War and the proclamation was made by General John A Logan. Following the proclamation, participants decorated graves of more than 20,000 Union and Confederate soldiers.

In the years since World War 1, the day has become a celebration of honor for those who died in all of America's wars or as a result of wounds sustained in battle, as well as those who are Veterans and current members of the U.S. military. In 1971, Memorial Day was declared a national holiday.

President Ronald Reagan is credited with reviving the practice of honoring this day. One of his famous speeches was given at Arlington National Cemetery on Memorial Day in 1986. He said:

"Today is the day we put aside to remember fallen heroes and to pray that no heroes will ever have to die for us again. It's a day of thanks for the valor of others, a day to remember the splendor of America and those of her children who rest in this cemetery and others. It's a day to be with family and remember..."

In observance of the holiday, many people visit cemeteries and memorials, and volunteers often place American flags on each grave site at national cemeteries. A national moment of remembrance takes place at 3:00 p.m. local time. This was established by Congress in the year 2000.

Thousands of patriotic citizens from around the country will honor the service and sacrifice of our nation's fallen heroes at VA national cemeteries on this day. Ceremonies can vary from cemetery to cemetery, and may include parades, speeches, music performances, rifle volleys, bugle calls and wreath layings. Veterans service organizations will participate, as well as active duty military members, scout groups, government officials and citizens who wish to pay their respects to those who sacrificed so much for this country. The Pendleton Veterans Association holds a solemn wreath



ceremony each year at 11:00 a.m. here at the town hall for all to attend.

As for Pendleton cemeteries, there are more in our town than most residents realize. The biggest cemetery with 151 acres, incorporated in 1928, is Acacia Memorial Park-Resthaven on Tonawanda Creek Road not far from Wendelville. Nearby is Wendelville-St. Paul's United Church of Christ which is a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> acre in size. Good Shepherd Roman Catholic cemeterv is a 1 acre cemetery located behind this church. King Family-Pendleton is very small and located near Uncle G's, and its' earliest grave is dated 1829. There is Bear Ridge Inc.-Ridgeville-Foote, a 4 acre cemetery on Bear Ridge Road which was incorporated in 1921. Bear Ridge #1 is a small cemetery not too far from the previous one mentioned. St. Paul's Evangelical Protestant Reformed **Bear Ridge #2** is a  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre one north of Killian Road. Beach Ridge-Poole-Andrus cemetery is near Aiken Road and has many damaged head stones. The Evangelical-Methodist one sits about 2 blocks back in a wooded area near the intersection of Bear Ridge Road and Tonawanda Creek Road. The Clark Family is a small 1/8 acre cemetery which is in front of The King Family burial grounds. Finally, Dead Man's Curve is located on Comstock Road near Lockport Road.

Some interesting facts are: 1. A Niagara County Veterans plot is included at Acacia. 2. The founder of our town, Sylvester Pendleton Clark, is buried in The Clark family cemetery. 3. Regarding the Dead Man's Curve, there are stories about skeletons found in 1959, and the exact location of the headstones are unknown. However, at one time there was a cemetery somewhere on land deeded to Lyman and Fanny Thayer of Pendleton on 4/1/1836, which was about <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> acre in size. In Poole cemetery on Beach Ridge, there is a Revolutionary War Veteran, Noah Strickland, buried. There are other famous veterans buried here and other places (an article for a later date).

As you drive around our wonderful town, try to pay attention to our local cemeteries and reflect on those who have resided, raised families, made memories, and died and been buried right here in Pendleton!!!

**Stephanie Chase**, town historian (625-8833, ext. 123; schase@pendletonny.us)

# PENDLETON VETERANS ASSOCIATION

Wow have we been busy preparing for our summer recess. The Pendleton Veterans Association (PVA) will suspend meetings for members for the months of July & August as per past years . We will resume monthly meetings on September 5th at 1:00pm . We "WILL" be attending 4th of July celebration at town park and Pendleton Farm & Home days events this summer.

The PVA's mission from our founding (2014) has always been "To recognize the veterans of our community with gratitude for their service".

With that in mind The PVA has officially launched a fund raising campaign in town to finance a monument to honor all who have served from our great town. Currently there is a billboard erected at the approximate site, with renderings and drawings. This billboard is located at the corner of the exit driveway from town hall opposite the tennis courts . Please stop by and view and take a information sheet with information for donating.

Currently the PVA has raised aprox. 20% of our goal for the memorial. Please help us honor those that served and push our goal over the top. Donations can be sent to Town Hall attn. PVA and are tax deductible. Other initiatives that the PVA has been active in since winter are:

• Our annual flag sale at The Historical Society Log cabin May 18-19 was well received and successful. Thanks for all involved.

• Spring evening meeting May 2nd was well attended. Thanks.

• Our solemn Wreath laying ceremony on Memorial Day was very well attended and getting larger every year. Thank you to all town residents and others that attended for coming out to pay respects to those that made the ultimate sacrifice.

• Ongoing discussions with Starpoint CS to install a Veterans School Tax exemption.

• Ongoing discussions with Starpoint CS to erect a permanent memorial on school property to honor all Starpoint CS attendees that have given their lives in the line of military duty.

In closing The PVA would like to again thank the Pendleton Historical Society for the use of their meeting hall for our meetings and events. Hats off to you...Thanks

Greg Metzger, Board Member



Unyts has become the primary supplier of blood products for ECMC, Kaleida Health, and all the hospitals in Niagara and Wyoming Counties. Our local hospitals need to maintain an adequate supply of blood for emergency situations and it is up to Unyts and the generosity of our donors to help provide safe levels of blood inventory. See http://www.unyts.org/services/community-blood-donation for more information.

Welcome Summer!

## JULY 4th CELEBRATION

Come celebrate the fourth of July with us at the Pendleton town park, there will be plenty to do and eat. Different organizations will be selling food and drinks, there will be live music from 6.00 till 10.00 pm with route 33 ½. The sky divers will land shortly before dark and one of the best fireworks show ever. There is a rain date for the fireworks on July 5th.

Thank you, Councilman Leible

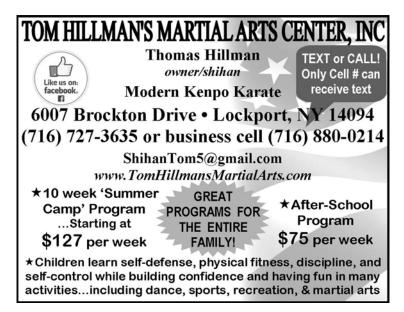
## PENDLETON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Pendleton Historical Society meets the third Monday of the month at the Log Cabin on Campbell Blvd., Lockport, NY at 7:30 p.m.

During July and August, the cabin will be open every Sunday from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Speakers for the following months will be: <u>September</u> – Elmer Walter and Don Lanternier will speak on Wendelville Fire Company <u>October</u> – Stephanie Chase and Debbie Maurer will speak on Pendleton history <u>November</u> – Janet Karnes <u>December</u> – Tim Goodrich The Pendleton Historical Society would like to thank the Pendleton residents that so graciously give us

donations towards our building fund. Donations will still be appreciated. Make checks payable to the Historical Society, 6570 Campbell Blvd., Lockport, NY 14094.

Thanks again, Carol Moeller, President Jane Walter, Secretary



#### **PENDLETON-WENDELVILLE SENIORS**

The Pendleton-Wendelville Seniors will meet at the Wendelville Fire Hall at 7340 Campbell Blvd., North Tonawanda, NY. We meet the second Wednesday of the month. It is a pot luck lunch at noon. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to pass and your own table service. If you do not bring a dish to pass you are asked to give a donation of \$5.00. You must be a resident of the Town of Pendleton to join. Anyone who is a resident of the Town of Pendleton is able to go on the senior trips. To join the seniors you must be 55 years of age or older. For information on the trips you can contact Bev Richardson at 434-7609. Doreen Neilson at 692-6652, Carol Moeller at 625-8769 or Dorothy Belanger at 639-0430. Please remember the people in the armed forces and the veterans. If you have any questions, please call Jane Walter at 693-6966. Jane Walter, President



Thanks to the support from our Town, County and State, we have accomplished our first goal, the construction and opening of Mason's Mission Playground at Pendleton Park. We will continue the fundraising effort for our one-of-a-kind Merry Go Round/Carousel coming hopefully Summer 2018. New for 2018-2019 and beyond, we will also be implementing to potentially give tuition assistance to students in the special needs fields of pediatric physical therapy/ occupational therapy with preference to Canisius College seniors. Currently, we are also aiding other organizations and towns funds, designs, and if need be, grant assistance to expand Mason's Mission throughout WNY. For donations see www.masonsmissionfoundation.org or call 200-7346.

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