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## FROM THE SUPERVISOR'S DESK

Over the summer months we experienced quite a wide range of weather and as the Pendleton Farm & Home Days approached, many became quite concerned as the hot and dry weather turned to rain. Fortunately, we experienced two great days and the rain that did fall didn't affect the event. It was a beautiful night on Saturday evening, the second day of the event, as the park was filled with people, the band played, and a great fireworks show filled the air. Speaking for all, I'd like to thank everyone who helped to make this year's second annual celebration a great success.

This summer also saw activity south of the Town Hall as the Pendleton Veteran's Association began work on the new monument dedicated to recognizing all Town residents who served in the military. The PVA's fundraising campaign is still going, as their goal has not yet been met, and the public's support of this project is greatly appreciated. To learn more about the PVA or to donate, please contact the Town Hall for information.

Moving from summer into fall, the big event for the Town Board is budget season. The budget process is certainly not as fun and exciting as the Farm & Home Days, but an important annual event for town government. Fortunately, sales tax revenues have increased after at least three years of decreases and this is great news as the board continues to be mindful of property taxes. Sales tax is the major source of revenue for the Town's general and highway funds and makes possible the services we all depend on. All budget meetings and documents are accessible on the Town's website

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and I encourage all to attend a meeting or two to learn more about how your local government operates.

Related to the 2019 budget, there are two exciting additions of revenue that we have to report. Specifically, I'm writing about a little more than \$120,000 in grant funding secured for the town through the efforts

of Senator Robert Ort and Assemblyman Ray Walter. This funding will help to continue with improvements in the Town Park, including the construction of a handicap accessible bathroom, continued pathway paving, and the addition of an exciting new piece of equipment in the all-inclusive playground area. It is great to see so many people visiting the park each day and over the coming years we will continue to invest in this great asset. Continued thanks go to Mason's Mission Foundation for the vision and efforts that made the all-inclusive playground a reality.

Personally, I don't anticipate too much other excitement during the budget process, but there are two items that many are watching closely. The first issue is the recent announcement of a potential commercial solar project proposed for the Towns of Pendleton and Cambria. The specific area of focus is property north and south of Lockport Road, near the intersection with Comstock Road. At the moment, the town has received no formal proposals for this project, but if you want to stay informed, watch the Town's website and also go to [www.bearridgesolar.com](http://www.bearridgesolar.com).

The second item we're watching is the ongoing efforts of National Fuel to construct a compressor station on Killian Road with pipeline upgrades. As reported recently in the local news, litigation related to permits for the entire Northern Access Project continues between the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and National Fuel. Our Town Attorney and consulting attorney continue to monitor the situation and take action as needed to protect the Town's interest.

As outlined in the past Town newsletter, the Town Board has taken action on concerns related to speeding and roadway safety. Working with the Niagara County Sheriff's Office (NCSO), additional patrols focused solely on speeders started in May and will continue until at least the beginning of October. As we evaluate the outcome, I will subjectively say that the added patrols have had a positive effect. As we craft the 2019 budget, the Town Board will include funding to continue these patrols.

In addition to speeding and roadway safety concerns, the Town Board continues to hear various other concerns related to other safety issues. To

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help address concerns and provide an educational opportunity, we are working to schedule a community forum focused on this topic. I'm currently working with the NCSO and other agencies to find a date for this meeting and it will be after this newsletter has reached mailboxes. If interested, please watch the Town's website for such an event towards the end of 2018 or beginning of 2019.

Finally, in closing, I encourage all to attend a Town Board meeting and watch the Town's website to stay informed on all that is happening in Pendleton. A lot is happening and all involved in town government work very hard each day to provide our residents with the best service possible within our budgetary means. As always, feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. Have a great fall!

Joel

## 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.

Speakers for the following months will be:

September – Elmer Walter and Don Lanternier will speak on Wendelville Fire Company

October – Stephanie Chase and Debbie Maurer will speak on Pendleton history

November – Janet Karnes

December – Tim Goodrich

We want to thank the people who judged the pie contest. The judges were as follows:

Assemblyman Ray Walter • Patti Kidder • Terry Pienta  
Chris Moeller • Tim Masters

Pie Contest Winners were:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize – Debbie Morales

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize – Phyllis Baninski • 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize – Janice Wagner

We want to thank the people who worked at the cabin at the Farm & Home Days. Thanks again,

Jane Walter, Secretary

## TOWN CLERK

Summer is over and it is time to enjoy the beautiful fall foliage. Fall also means that our office is busy issuing hunting licenses! You can purchase your hunting, bow hunting, trapping, and muzzle loading licenses right at the Town Hall. Discounts are given for individuals 70 years and older, children between the ages of 12 – 15, active-duty military members and military veterans. Contact the Town Clerk's office for more information.

Dog licenses can now be renewed online. Your dog's immunization records must be up to date in order to use this feature. Please go to: <http://pendletonny.us/> for the link to online dog license renewals.

We are 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.

E-Z Pass tags are also available at the Town Hall. The fee is \$25.00 which will be credited to your E-Z Pass account once you register your tag.

### HOLIDAY SCHEDULE – TOWN HALL CLOSED

Columbus Day	October 8 <sup>th</sup>
Election Day	November 6 <sup>th</sup>
Veterans Day (Observed)	November 12 <sup>th</sup>
Thanksgiving	November 22 <sup>nd</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup>
Christmas Day	December 25 <sup>th</sup>

### TRASH COLLECTION HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR JULY-AUGUST-SEPTEMBER

HOLIDAY	DATE	AFFECT
Thanksgiving	Thursday, November 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Trash collection will be delayed by one day for all pick-ups
Christmas	Tuesday, December 25 <sup>th</sup>	Trash collection will be delayed 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 October 6<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm at the North Tonawanda Public Works Department, 758 Erie Avenue, North Tonawanda, NY. Participation is by appointment only. For more information, go to [www.rethinkyourwaste.com/events](http://www.rethinkyourwaste.com/events) or call Niagara County Department of Public Works at 716-439-7242.

### RABIES IMMUNIZATION CLINICS

Saturday, December 1st	North Tonawanda Public Works Dept
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	758 Erie Avenue, North Tonawanda

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 X 112.

Debbie Maurer

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Town Clerk Main Office - Rita	111
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Bldg Dept. Tim	115
Assessor's Office - Kelli	116
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As the seasons change we begin to close the windows and begrudgingly turn on our furnaces. Each season has its own set of situations to be dealt with, and this season is no different. One of the things we need to address is the presence of Carbon Monoxide in our homes and buildings. Yes, most of us are aware of this possibility and some of us even have Carbon Monoxide detectors in our home.... But, do we understand what it is, why this is a threat to our health, and what to do if that monitor goes off? Here is a very brief explanation, hoping that it will be of help to you.

**What is Carbon Monoxide?** *Carbon monoxide, or "CO," is an odorless, colorless gas that can kill you.*

**Where is CO found?** CO is found in fumes produced any time you burn fuel in cars or trucks, small engines, stoves, lanterns, grills, fireplaces, gas ranges, or furnaces. CO can build up indoors and poison people and animals that breathe it.

**What are the symptoms of CO poisoning?** The most common symptoms of CO poisoning are headache, dizziness, weakness, upset stomach, vomiting, chest pain, and confusion. CO symptoms are often described as "flu-like." If you breathe in a lot of CO it can make you pass out or kill you. People who are sleeping or drunk can die from CO poisoning before they have symptoms.

**Who is at risk from CO poisoning?** Everyone is at risk for CO poisoning. Infants, the elderly, people with chronic heart disease, anemia, or breathing problems are more likely to get sick from CO. Each year, more than 400 Americans die from unintentional CO poisoning not linked to fires, more than 20,000 visit the emergency room, and more than 4,000 are hospitalized.

**How can I prevent CO poisoning in my home?** Install a battery-operated or battery back-up CO detector in your home and check or replace the battery when you change the time on your clocks each spring and fall. Place your detector where it will wake you up if it alarms, such as outside your bedroom. Consider buying a detector with a digital readout.

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**What do I do if the Carbon Monoxide detector goes off in my home?**

Better safe than sorry! If you are unsure, call 911 and speak to the dispatcher. They will ask if there are symptoms of CO poisoning and may be able to help you by telling you how to proceed. If the reading on the detector is high, they will instruct you to leave the home and they will send Wendelville personnel out to check. We will bring our more sensitive equipment out and see what's going on and why your monitor is alarming. Many times, it may be an old or defective monitoring unit.

This is the beginning of Fire Prevention Season and October is Fire Prevention month! You may see our special Unit at Starpoint Schools or some of the other schools and churches in the area. We have a specialized program for all age groups, pre-k through seniors, so if you would like us to come to your facility for a demonstration, please call Assistant Chief Randy Moje (716-913-3346) and he can help make the arrangements.

From our Auxiliary, they want to invite you to their Annual Vendor's Fair and Basket Raffle on Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup> from 11am till 3 pm at Wendelville Hall # 1 at Tonawanda Creek and Campbell. Over forty crafters, vendors and merchants will be there displaying their merchandise and talent. Refreshments will be available. Don't Miss it!!

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## RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Town of Pendleton Summer Recreation Program for children aged 5 to 12 ran for 6 weeks this summer at Starpoint. It was nice to see many new faces this year after taking a year off of being the onsite Recreation Director. Our staff helped supervise 230 enrolled children who may have learned to swim and hopefully made a lot of friends and had a lot of fun! I look forward to next summer. Information for next summer's sign ups will be available in the spring or possibly sooner! Check the town website periodically.

Beatrice Mattina, Recreation Committee Chairwoman  
716-417-0965



*Sing a song of seasons!  
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*Flowers in the Summer, fires in the Fall!*

*-Robert Louis Stevenson*



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## FROM THE WATER/SEWER BILLING DEPARTMENT

First things first, I want to give a huge shout out to all who helped put together our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Pendleton Farm and Home Days! The amount of work that goes into this event is never ending, and being fortunate enough to watch the set-up from start to finish is just amazing! Thankfully the weather did cooperate, for the most part, and both days were a huge success, with an amazing fireworks display to end the event. Great job everyone!

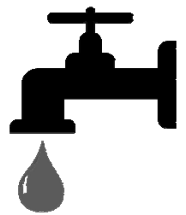
Well, here it is the last week of August and it looks like summer is going to be hanging around for a while longer. Boy what a hot, dry summer it has been, I sure hope we are going to have a nice fall this year. It seems like over the past few years we have gone from summer to winter with no easing into the frigid temperatures.

I am expecting October water bills to be relatively high this year as we have had very little rain this season (the consumption period for your October water bill reflects water used in July, August & September). Remember that when you compare your water consumptions you must compare billing period to billing period (ex. Oct., 2015 with Oct., 2016; Oct., 2016 with Oct., 2017 and so forth) not previous bill to current bill.

Well, I've been very busy setting up all of the new builds in our town and updating accounts for the Pendleton Lion's Club Directory. We are missing an awful lot of telephone numbers for the residents in town so if you have the time, please go through the Pendleton Directory to see if your telephone number is listed, and is correct. If not, please call me at (716) 625-8833 ext. 111 to update your account.

### **PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE TOWN OF PENDLETON DOES NOT MAKE ADJUSTMENTS FOR SPRINKLER SYSTEMS OR THE FILLING OF SWIMMING POOLS.**

- \* Billing cycles occur in January, April, July and October.
- \* Water bills are mailed out by the last Friday of the billing month.
- \* If you do not receive a bill by the end of the first week of the following month please contact the billing department at 625-8833, ext. 111.
- \* For your convenience there is a lockbox located in the foyer at the back entrance to the Town Hall.
- \* Payments placed in the lockbox will be credited to your account on the **next business day**.
- \* If you pay online please allow **10 business days** for mailing.



If you are selling your home please contact the Water & Sewer Department at 625-8033, as soon as possible to schedule a mandatory water/sewer line inspection. **YOU MUST HAVE YOUR WATER & SEWER LINES INSPECTED BEFORE YOU CLOSE ON YOUR HOUSE!!!** There is a \$50.00 fee for the inspection. If any repairs need to be made, there may be additional fees involved. If you are purchasing a new home please contact our office ASAP to set up an account.

**IF YOU ARE LEAVING THE AREA TEMPORARILY (i.e. Vacation) PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE POST OFFICE WILL NOT FORWARD WATER BILLS, EVEN IF YOU HAVE A FORWARDING REQUEST AT THE POST OFFICE.**

To avoid late fees to your account you can pre-pay your bill (s), or have your bill sent to the temporary address. Please contact the billing clerk at 625-8833 ext. 111 to make these arrangements.

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By now we will have completed our major job of milling and paving Ridgeview sub division. This was a great shared services job as Niagara County and crew did the milling with their new mill machine. Town of Lockport paved Lakeview Ct. our other neighboring towns brought their paver and crew with roller to pave the rest. Along with my staff, some of the other towns that helped with trucking were: Wheatfield, Cambria, Newfane and Porter. Newfane also sent a guy and their skid steer mill to help crew clean up some areas the large mill couldn't get. Town of Wheatfield sent a crew to "Tack Coat" before we applied the Blacktop.

We have also been going around our Town roads with our "Hot Box" that we share with the Town of Newfane. This is a trailer type box that keeps the Blacktop hot and gives our guys time to apply it without wasting any. We have gone around the majority of our roads fixing any bad spots.

Speaking of Bad Spots: We are still on pace to have Fisk Road fixed next summer. Again, this is being done with \$2.8 million grant. Engineering eats up a sizable portion of the dollars but the road will be re-surfaced, shoulder widened and road side drainage installed. Look for more info as it gets closer to the date of starting.

A reminder: for approximately 8 years we have not chipped brush during the summer months between July 4<sup>th</sup> and Labor Day. We cannot afford to tie up 2 men as this is the time where all the Towns in Niagara County do most of our road repair work. Without putting a schedule on it we will after Labor Day try to get through the Town every 2 weeks. This is one of the services that had to be cut as the board had cut out manpower from 8 to 5 men. The new board has started to increase our manpower and we are up to 7 including a mechanic. As the Town has grown more with different needs we are trying to adjust.

It does literally take us from the time grass needs cutting till the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration to get the parks, cemeteries and buildings and grounds prepped. My guys also do a great job helping many volunteers prep before and clean after the Farm and Homes Days. Which I think is worth the effort. Thanks a lot to Denuelle and Joanne for starting the event.

This Fall we will be mowing brush and weeds on as many of our off-road drainage ditches as time and mother nature allows. We will be mowing roadside ditches for a second time as well. We try to do this as late as possible so our ditches drain well during the winter snow melt and spring rains.

If there are any dollars left over from Ridgeview I will try to Crack Seal some of our roads and all of our roads will get a fresh coat of paint on the lines.

As time flies along we will be prepping for winter around November. At some point we will be installing stakes mostly in sub divisions to guide our drivers plowing snow from the roadways. Although we will do some minor lawn damage we are not responsible for anything in the right of way including lawn sprinklers and landscaping.

I will continue reaching out to those of you that called about piping and drainage issues. We are years behind and will continue to try to play "catch up" from previous cuts.

In closing I want to thank the Wendelville Fire Co. personnel. Those of you who don't know I had a battle with kidney stones earlier this summer and really needed their help as Kathy called 911 when I couldn't get off the living room floor in pain. They were there to help in a matter of a couple of minutes. Sometimes they are underappreciated but boy, do I thank them for helping me.

Here's wishing a safe and healthy Fall to all and please call (716) 625-8033, email (jstowell@pendletonny.us) or stop by the Public Works garage with any concerns.

Jeff Stowell, Highway Superintendent

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**ASSESSMENT NEWS**

This continuing section of our newsletter shows the Arm's Length sales for the previous quarter. 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*
05/03/18	6396 Campbell Blvd.	Harriett Verheyen	\$175,000	\$142,400	1,706	Ranch	1963	2.4
05/10/18	5479 Tonawanda Creek Road	Robyn Rankie	\$183,842	\$146,200	1,552	Cape Cod	1951	1.4
05/10/18	4326 Beach Ridge Road	Altrogge Family Trust	\$159,700	\$125,000	1,176	Ranch	1955	
05/23/18	7124 Campbell Blvd.	Boyd Bunce	\$130,000	\$145,000	1,120	Ranch	1996	9.9
06/19/18	7120 Bear Ridge Road	Jordan Pulaski	\$255,000	\$122,800	1,310	Ranch	1953	
06/20/18	6160 Campbell Blvd	Three Sons Properties LLC	\$240,000	\$154,400	1,732	Colonial	1974	
06/25/18	7027 Arrowhead Drive	Patrick Hilkey	\$250,000	\$227,200	2,168	Colonial	1996	
06/26/18	6737 Campbell Blvd	Dennis Bishop	\$285,000	\$160,000	2,120	Raised Ranch	1966	3.0
06/28/18	4674 Meyer Road	Perry Bair	\$157,000	\$112,300	1,040	Ranch	1954	3.6
06/29/18	4240 Mapleton Road	Steven Mineo	\$187,500	\$140,000	2,244	Raised Ranch	1962	1.7
07/06/18	7252 Edgewater Circle	Anthony DiPasquale	\$465,000	\$320,000	3,450	Colonial	2001	
07/25/18	4119 Beach Ridge Road	Richard Kuhns	\$436,000	\$272,500	2,772	Ranch	1993	2.0

**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 1<sup>st</sup>. 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 625-8833 ext. 116.

**\*\*\* Anyone receiving the Enhanced Star including AGED exemption recipients must now be enrolled in the NYS Income Verification Program\*\*\***



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**PENDLETON LIONS CLUB**  
  
 The Pendleton Lions Annual Kids Fishing Derby was held June 9th at the West Canal Marina. Lots of fish were caught and every child received a prize.



The Picnic for the Blind was again held at Wheatfield Lions 5 Senses Park in July. Pendleton Lions support this event with donations and members helping out.

Our Ramp Team has been busy this year. They have built two so far for residents in need. Please contact us through a Lion you know or our website if you require one. Someone from the Team will make an appointment to talk about it with you.



On May 26th former Pendleton Judge and Lion member Tim Murphy noticed that Tonawanda Creek Rd. needed a desperate clean up. He and his children spent an afternoon to make the drive into Pendleton a more pleasant experience.

The Pendleton Lions Summer Golf Classic was recently held at our

local Tan Tara Golf Club. The event was well attended. A buffet breakfast was served as the golfers registered before starting out in their carts to play. As the golfers finished playing a hot buffet lunch was served followed by a large basket raffle. All proceeds are used for scholarships, community events we hold and to assist our Pendleton residents and Starpoint students as needed.

We have also been out delivering our new Pendleton Directories. If you have not received one please feel free to contact a Lion and ask for one. Lion Tom Valentine will make sure it is delivered right to you. If you want to be included in our directory or would like to put an ad in next year's version Lion Tom is the man to contact, he is in the book.



Please check out our Pendleton Lions Website at www.PNYLC.org it is always up to date courtesy of Lion Dave Bratek.

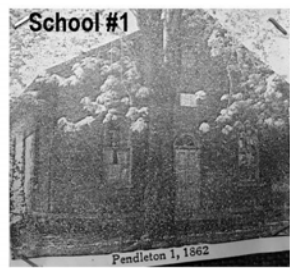
And again thank you for all your support and donations. We are always on the lookout to help our community.  
 Lion Secretary, Cheryl A. Smith

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# TOWN HISTORIAN



As this issue reaches you, Starpoint has begun, so let's reflect on the town history of schoolhouses as we launch into this new academic year for our local children.

Pendleton began its educational roots in the early 1800's with 8 districts. **School #1** was located on

Congress which is now East Canal, and Wendelville Fire Station #3 was refurbished from this building in 1971. **School #2**, was

located on Tonawanda Creek near Bear Ridge. **School #3** was located on Bear Ridge east of Campbell and Meyer and the building still stands.

The annual budget for 1942-43 was \$1,725, and the teacher made an annual salary of \$857. **School #4** was located on Mapleton at the corner of Aiken near Starpoint, known as Mapleton School, and was a "melting pot" of nationalities. A common lunch was baked potatoes cooked in the coal stove and fresh veggies made into stew. How does this

compare to our school lunches now?!! The stove also kept the classroom warm, and it was the responsibility of an older boy to start it on Sunday afternoon to prepare it for the week, and bigger boys hauled coal in from the shed. Our children do not understand what they had to do just to satisfy basic needs, however they still engaged in valuable learning and playtime. **School #5** was located on Beach Ridge just west of Townline and had pupils from Pendleton and Wheatfield.

**School #6** was located on Bear Ridge between Feigle and Hodgeville (Mapleton), across from the Erie Canal. One article in 1942 mentioned a mother's club, and it functioned very much like our PTA does now. There was a highly effective reading center and students listened to morning news on the radio. The classroom was a center for "democratic living" because students not only came to school together but lived, worked, and played together. The one room school was "a living example of learning". The teacher stated "You don't need tape recorders and televisions... just children and books, plus a little interest... modern schools

lose sight of the children's needs because of all the marvelous equipment they have on hand..." **School #7** was located on Beach Ridge west of Campbell behind Kandyland but was moved. A gentleman (Gary Pashong) recently



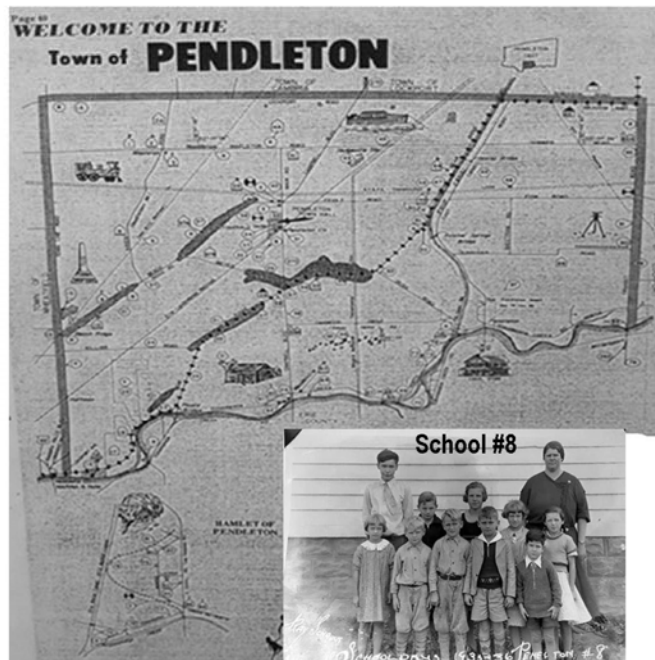
presented me with pictures of his mother and aunts who were in the 1920 class. Gertrude, Violet, and Leona Heisterburg lived on a farm nearby and attended here. **School #8** was located on Tonawanda Creek east of Campbell across from the current Wendelville Fire Station. Our previous town historian, Ben Sobczyk (now deceased), attended this schoolhouse in the 1930's.



**Good Shepherd** was a Catholic Elementary School located where the Parish is on Tonawanda Creek but closed a few years ago. **Starpoint** became centralized in 1953 which allowed for state financial aid and educational improvements as well as residency requirements. In 1954, a contest was held to name it and Sally Loftus, a first grader at School #1, was the winner!! She creatively chose "Starpoint" because the 5 points symbolize the 5 communities served, and she was awarded \$100. She moved away and did not finish at Starpoint, however, she later

returned to teach third grade as Mrs. Heim and her daughters attended. The construction of schoolhouses in Pendleton was an "... expression of the community's love for their children" (a quote from a board member). There were about 900 students covering 100 sq. miles and the first budget was \$267,240. In September 1954, residents voted on the school's location, a 70 acre parcel on Mapleton was purchased for \$14,000, and Starpoint began... Good Luck to all our students this upcoming year!! If anyone has further information about the schools, or any other town history topic, please contact me anytime. Also, you are welcome to visit our Historical Society for more information/pictures.

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



## PENDLETON VETERANS ASSOCIATION

WOW, lots to talk about in this newsletter. Let's start with our Monument construction update. If you have not noticed, the foundation for our Monument has been poured and the flagpole foundation is in the ground. Both are located on the Town Hall campus next to the parking lot exit lane across from the tennis courts. Stop and take a look at the renderings posted there of this beautiful monument that will be dedicated to all the Veterans that have lived in Pendleton.

Contributions to our Monument fund raising efforts and other initiatives are always welcomed. A big thank you goes out to all those that have donated to date. We are a not for profit organization and can supply receipts.

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July Town celebration was well attended. The PVA was present with flags for sale and were able to answer Veterans issue questions for several people.

A big thank you goes out to Rachael Lindeman and the staff at UNCLE G'S ICE CREAM for sponsoring a chicken BBQ July 21<sup>st</sup>. All proceeds were donated to the PVA Monument fund. WOW, what a great neighbor!

Many town residents visited the PVA's information tent during the Farm and Home Days Celebration. We also had our Made in USA flags for sale. Lots of positive feedback was received regarding our monument project.

The PVA will resume regular monthly meetings in September. Meetings are always on the first Wednesday of every month at 1:00 p.m. in the Historical Society log cabin. An evening meeting will be scheduled and the date will be on the town website and posted on the electronic billboard in front of Town Hall.

All high school graduates with no plans at this time might think of enlisting in the armed forces as a stepping stone to adult life. A four year enlistment comes with a big tuition assistance program after discharge.

A new feature of our newsletter will start with this issue. I will be doing a short Biography of one of our Members military duty. It will be under the paragraph heading "Did you know".

**Did you Know** - Judy Izard, licensed pharmacist and owner of Pendleton Star Pharmacy at Pendleton Center is a Decorated Veteran! Judy served over 20 years in the New York Army National Guard. Retired in 2013 as a Major with one deployment to Afghanistan and served as a Medical Logistics Officer. Stop by and support Judy and thank her for her service!

In closing, remember US Flags are always available for purchase from the PVA (Gordie 534-2724) and also available from Judy at Pendleton Star Pharmacy. All flags are made in the USA. We carry all standard sized flags and special flags can be ordered.

There is a bin for proper flag retirement (disposal) located on the front porch of the Pendleton Historical Society log cabin.

Greg Metzger, Board Member

## PENDLETON FARM & HOME DAYS 2018

Thousands of people came out to Pendleton Town Park to enjoy the second Pendleton Farm & Home Days. The event began on Friday, August 17<sup>th</sup> with a well attended Car Cruise and a Chicken Dinner served by some of our local dignitaries. The Historical Society was excited to announce its Pie Baking Contest winners. Debbie Morales took home the first place award for her delectable Peach Custard pie. The night continued with the Pendleton Prince Pageant sponsored by Dr. Marian C. Pilecki DDS, where Jeremiah Schultz was crowned this year's Prince. As J.J. Swing took a break from their show in the Buffalo Roadhouse Grill beer tent, the Mr. Pendleton Bachelors were introduced.

On Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, the crowds were welcomed by a multitude of crafters and vendors with attractions by Mobile Mountain Entertainment and Hammerl Rides. Entertainment continued on the stage all day long, including the crowning of Natalie Aprile as the Princess of Pendleton. It was evident that Pendleton's Got Talent as we watched the performances of everyone from drummers and cheer tumblers to singers such as Hannah Shubring, who was named the First Place Winner. The Starpoint Musical Club kept things exciting with a huge basket raffle. Meanwhile Dee's Sugar Shack and Lou's Restaurant gave away a big screen TV with all proceeds donated to PFHD. As the evening progressed, Mark Mongeon was named Mr. Pendleton as he single-handedly raised \$330 for The Wendelville Volunteer Fire Company at the PFHD Bachelor Auction. As the crowds danced to the songs of 90 West, PFHD 2018 ended perfectly with the beautiful display of Skylighters Fireworks.

The weekend would not have been complete without the local businesses, organizations, food vendors and political hopefuls that participated, and the financial support of the local businesses who placed ads in the Pendleton Promoter. The hard work of all the committee chairpeople and volunteers made this Pendleton Farm & Home Days possible. If you are interested in becoming involved with future Pendleton Farm & Home Days, please contact Joanne

# Welcome Autumn!



## PENDLETON ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING

The Town of Pendleton will be hosting their annual Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration on Saturday, December 8, 2018. The festivities are open to everyone and include crafts, cookies, hot cocoa, coloring, caroling, popcorn, Santa & Mrs. Claus, and The Historical Society annual cookie sale. This event will begin in the late afternoon, evening, so please join our community as we gather together to "ring in" the holiday season at the town hall campus, see you there!!

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Always remember...

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## PENDLETON-WENDELVILLE SENIORS

The Pendleton-Wendelville Seniors meet at the Wendelville Fire Hall at 7340 Campbell Blvd., North Tonawanda, NY. We meet the second Wednesday of the month. We have 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 and 55 years of age or older. Anyone who is a resident of the Town of Pendleton is able to go on the bus trips. 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 armed forces and the veterans.

If you have any questions, please call Jane Walter at 693-6966. Jane Walter, President



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