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## FROM THE SUPERVISOR'S DESK

A recent Buffalo News article focused on the growth and decline of cities and towns in Western New York and despite the wide-spread population decline and stagnation locally, Pendleton ranked second in population growth (by percentage), only surpassed by the Town of Clarence. You need look no further than the Town Hall or Public Works building to see proof of this growth and the effects on our town's government. Growth brings increased demands on all areas of local government, especially public works. However, despite the increased need for services, growth also means a lot of good news to report, as we have great people doing great things in Pendleton.

The Town Park has become an increasingly busy place and ongoing improvements there continue. The Town has been working with Jason Evchich, founder of Mason's Mission, on planning an important next phase of investment that will include remodeling the current restroom facilities and the addition of two family rooms that will be accessible to all. Additional paving in the park will continue, as well as construction of a limited access route to the pavilions. Much of the planned work is being covered by grant funding which Senator Ort was instrumental in arranging for the Town. Much needed drainage work in the park was completed this year also, with plans to continue additional work in the future.

At the Town Hall, one of the busiest areas is the Building Department. It has been a struggle for the Town Board to find key personnel for this department with the experience, temperament, and stamina needed to handle the demands related to building inspection and code enforcement. Some may have noticed the changing of name plates at the door to this department due to the lack of qualifications needed for a leader in the Building Department. Fortunately, the Town Board has finally found quality local talent to provide the leadership necessary for a town as busy as Pendleton.

Recently Ron Diedrich came on-board as the full-time Building Inspector & Code Enforcement officer and he is joined part-time by Joe Follendorf. Ron is a long-time town resident with decades of building experience and Joe brings great talents from his years in law enforcement. Both gentlemen have jumped in and done an amazing job in a short period of time, putting this department back on the right path. We all rely on consistent and uniform enforcement of the Town Code and all applicable building codes, ensuring safety, protecting property rights, and maintaining the pleasant appearance of our town.

Another large effort that is ongoing is the evaluation and updating of the Town Code. There are many changes necessitated by the changing times and probably

just as many updates that should have been addressed many years ago. Retired Planning Board Administrative Assistant John Lavrich is leading this task and updates will be addressed throughout the coming months by the Town Board. John is doing an amazing job and it seems like every time I send him an idea, his response is that he already thought of it and took care of it. In this situation and many others, we rely on the unique talents and experience of many dedicated people and thank all who help in even the smallest way to keep our town moving forward.

As the signs of the end of summer begin to appear, there are two things that are certainly popping up in Town employee emails: unsolicited ads for Halloween and budget planning requests. The Town has consistently maintained tax levy increases below the New York State tax cap, which on a \$1.36 million tax levy for 2019 means a maximum increase of \$65,000 for 2020. This increase could easily be consumed by yearly increases in personnel costs, which means barely maintaining the status quo. Fortunately, sales tax revenues have returned to a more reasonable level after several years of drastic decreases. As the Town Board moves through this year's budget process, with the help of Budget Officer Don Bergman, a focus on conservative financial decisions will continue.

There are also many positive things to mention, as too much time focused on finances might convey the idea that nothing exciting and noteworthy is happening. Recently the Town Board recognized Chester Domagala, a long-time Town resident and one of the few remaining World War II veterans in Town. Despite the best information we had earlier this year, we missed Mr. Domagala when the Town Board recognized two other veterans. Thank you, Chet, and all of our town's veterans for your service.

We all also owe a big thank you to all involved with the Town's 3rd annual Farm and Home Days. Many people donated time and resources to this endeavor and I'm sure the committee is looking for help for 2020's celebration. This summer also saw the long awaited reconstruction of Fisk Road and opening of the last section of the Canal Trail in Pendleton. The Town is currently working on grant funding for the remaining section of the Town's trail, so hopefully that trail will be continuous through Town also. It is amazing the amount of use all the trails in Town are getting and it's nice to have such recreational opportunities so close to home.

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Another area of importance that I will mention is related to National Grid and the company's commitment to service in Pendleton. I've received multiple inquiries in recent years related to a perceived issue with increased electrical outages and an additional problem related to signal lights on Campbell Boulevard all be connected on the same circuit. To make a long story short, I commend National Grid for their efforts in researching and addressing these issues. By the time you read this, National Grid will have made multiple system improvements that will limit and contain outages and also address concerns related to intersection safety during outages. Credit goes to those who deserve it, so thanks go to National Grid for their ongoing commitment and collaboration with the Town of Pendleton.



A final item that's important to those who live in the Aiken Road area, and also have the stamina to read this far through the newsletter, is a concern that goes back many years. As recently as this past June, the Wendelville Fire Company was dispatched multiple times during a twelve hour period, including one call to the Starpoint School District, for the strong smell of natural gas. This is noteworthy as National Fuel Gas Corporation has a natural gas odorant injection facility near Aiken Road, on one of the company's pipeline corridors. Since that time I have met with company representatives and I'm told that the events in June are not a result of any malfunction or activity on the part of National Fuel. However, since the odor was detected over a distance measured in miles, I'm a bit skeptical and continuing my hunt for the culprit responsible for this situation. I include this information as this is a safety issue for a large section of the Town and it's an important matter that cannot be dropped.

With all of this being said, thank you for reading these updates. If it makes you feel any better, I actually had to delete a few items I was going to include, as this would probably have added another page. But, as you can tell by the theme of this article, our town is a busy place with a lot going on. I hope you all have an enjoyable fall and a great start to a new school year (kids and parents included).

Joel

***Give Thanks...with a grateful heart!***



## TOWN CLERK

As summer comes to an end I want to make a point of recognizing the amazing volunteers of the Pendleton Farm & Home Days event. The festivities this year were fantastic and the event was very well attended. Keep up the good work! The team is always looking for more volunteers so please consider helping out next year!

Fall is upon us, like it or not, and we have to think about preparing for the cold months ahead. Emergency Services Coordinator Mark Walter and I are pleased to announce the scheduling of our first NY Citizen Preparedness Training Program on Tuesday, October 29, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. TSgt. Adam Winters, from the NYS Citizen Preparedness Corps, will be advising participants on how to properly prepare for any disaster, including developing a family emergency plan and stocking up on emergency supplies. Please contact my office at 716-625-8833 to register for this event. You may also visit [www.prepare.ny.gov](http://www.prepare.ny.gov) for additional information. Hope to see you there!

As mentioned in the previous newsletter, I am in the process of implementing an online payment process through our website. There are still a few kinks to work out but I am hoping that this will be available to all residents by the end of this year. Thank you for your patience. I will post updates to our website (<http://pendletonny.us>) and Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/pendleton.ny>) page.

### HOLIDAY SCHEDULE – TOWN HALL CLOSED

**Columbus Day - October 14<sup>th</sup> • Election Day - November 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**Veterans' Day - November 11<sup>th</sup> • Thanksgiving Day - November 28<sup>th</sup>**  
**Day after Thanksgiving - November 29<sup>th</sup> • Christmas - December 25<sup>th</sup>**

### TRASH COLLECTION HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER-NOVEMBER-DECEMBER

HOLIDAY & DATE	EFFECT
Christmas - Wednesday December 25	Wednesday will be delayed until Thursday, Dec 26

Each household is allowed one large item per week. Please remember to contact Modern Disposal directly at 1-800-330-7107 to arrange for pickup of any items containing Freon. Also, electronics will not be picked up curbside. 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 26<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the City of North Tonawanda DPW, 758 Erie Avenue, North Tonawanda, NY. 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	
<b>Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>City of N Tonawanda Dept of Public Works</b>
2:00 am – 4:00 pm	758 Erie Avenue, NorthTonawanda, NY

You can pre-register for the rabies 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. Wishing you all peace, love and health during the upcoming holiday season.

Debbie Maurer  
 dmaurer@pendletonny.us

## PENDLETON VETERANS ASSOCIATION

***We have to start here , the PVA would like to congratulate David Bellavia in his receiving the nation's highest honor the " Medal of Honor ". David is a perfect example of a stalwart warrior, a national hero and a righteous human being. GOD BLESS DAVID!***

Wow summer sure has flown by, Seems like yesterday I was writing the summer newsletter. By the time you read this the kids will be back in school, the Bills will have played a couple or more games, The PVA summer recess will be history and our first meeting (PVA) after recess will be history.

For those of you that have not been to Town Hall lately please stop by and see the newly constructed Monument to all Pendleton Veterans (see pictures after article). It was constructed and completed this spring and summer.

The PVA cannot thank all who contributed both financially and physically to its completion. The list is lengthy. Thank you all!

***The PVA will be dedicating our new 'MONUMENT' on Veterans day in conjunction with our Veterans day wreath laying ceremony November 11, 2019 at 11:00 am. At of course our new monument. Tents and chairs will be provided. Guest speakers, town dignitaries and special guests will be in attendance. Refreshments and reception to follow.***

The PVA has been busy this summer even though we were in recess. Starting with our members picnic in late June and followed shortly after with the 4<sup>th</sup> of July town park celebration. Our new Tents (did you see them) were busy with



Above, right: Pendleton Veterans Monument. The Monument will be dedicated on Veterans Day, November 11th at 11:00 am. All are welcome to attend.



residents seeking answers to Veteran related issues. We also signed up new members and made some early plans for future town initiatives.

Several of our members visited Veterans functions and memorials around the country to stay abreast of local regional and national issues.

The PVA had a information tent at the Pendleton Farm and Home days celebration in town park as in years past. The attendance gets better every year. Our purpose for our tent is to again answer any Veteran's questions, promote military service as an option to post High School work. We also have all size (made in USA) flags available for sale at all our functions.

Keep in mind the PVA is always looking to increase our membership. Applications are available at the town clerks window in town hall or call me at 694-4574.

Meeting dates to year end are first Wednesday of every month at 1:00 pm at the town Historical building (log Cabin on the town hall campus). One exception is an evening meeting every quarter to facilitate our non retired members. This quarter the evening meeting is October 2nd at 7:00pm.

As always, I like to end the newsletter with "DID (DO) YOU KNOW?" Gordie Bellinger who is a founding member of the PVA is a Vietnam veteran and Bronze Star recipient. Gordie works tirelessly on Veterans Issues thru membership in the PVA, Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 268 (Lockport) and VFW post 2535 (Lockport). Your Veterans school tax exemption would not have happened if it were not for Gordie's efforts over several years and untold school board meetings. Thank you Gordie!

Greg Metzger, Board Member

## THE PENDLETON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Pendleton Historical Society had a busy summer with the Fourth of July celebration and Pendleton Farm and Home Days. Our pie contest went over great for the third time. Winners were as follows- First place - Janice Wagner, Second place - Lauren James, Third place - Phyllis JonMaire.

The pies were all wonderfully made by the great bakers of Pendleton. Other treats were also available at the cabin. Thanks to all that baked and to all of our workers. A special thanks to our judges - Terry Pienta, Patty Kidder, and Karen McMahon.

Fall is in the air and the new season of programs is beginning. Our meetings are the 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of the month at 7:30pm. September 16 we will be getting a presentation by our own Debbie Moyer and Stefanie Chase on a Pendleton history topic. October 21 will be a presentation by Erica Wanecski on the history of southern resorts of NY. Monday, November 18 we will hear a talk on bread with possible samples by Ted Frey. All sounds interesting so please come to the log cabin. December will bring our annual cookie sale and Christmas potluck.

## PENDLETON LIONS CLUB

The Pendleton Lions **Annual Kids Fishing Derby** was held June 8<sup>th</sup> at the West Canal Marina. This was the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of this event. It has always been well attended and enjoyed through the decades by generations of Pendleton families. There's always stories of the many fish that were caught, the great prizes given away, and always having a hotdog and pop after the hard morning of fishing with family.

The **Lions Club Scholarships for Starpoint Seniors** were again awarded this year. The 8 deserving Seniors are from Starpoint: Josh Poole, Jared Ott, Elizabeth Bradley, Josh Beiter, Renee Edbauer, Madison Manning, Meagan Urchik and Josh Pusateri. Thank you Senior Scholars for your growing response to this Lions program.

Our Installation Dinner was held June 18<sup>th</sup> at Sean Patrick's. Our new Board was installed and awards were presented. Lion President Steve awarded Lion Ken Smith Lion of the Year for his many hours of service and commitment to the Lions. We are looking forward to another exciting year supporting and helping out our community.

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.

We also participated in the Pendleton Farm and Home

Days this year. Thank you to anyone who dropped off glasses, glass cases or hearing aids. Yes we collect hearing aids now too.

Please check out our Pendleton **Lions Website** at [www.PNYLC.org](http://www.PNYLC.org). And we have updated our road signs. They are on all corners coming into Pendleton and also have updated contact info on them.

As always thank you for all your support and donations. We look forward to bettering our community.

*Lion Secretary, Cheryl A. Smith*



**Scholarship Picture in order:** Lion Joe Biondo, Josh Poole, Jared Ott, Elizabeth Bradley, Josh Beiter, Renee Edbauer, Madison Manning, Meagan Urchik and Josh Pusateri, Lion Dan Wendt, Lion Tom Valentine

**Fishing Derby Picture:** Mark Robbins helps his daughter, Samantha, with a 17" sucker she has just caught.



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- JEN SINCERO

**"If future generations are to remember us more with gratitude than with sorrow, we must achieve more than just the miracles of technology. We must also leave them a glimpse of the world as it was created, - not just as it looked when we got through with it."**

- Lyndon B. Johnson

## THE WATER/SEWER BILLING DEPARTMENT

First things first, I want to give a huge shout out to all who helped put together our 3<sup>rd</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 a while longer. The weather reports say that September is going to be warmer than normal this year. This sure is going to be nice since it seemed like our cold, rainy spring was never going to end, but what a nice summer we've had since it turned around. 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 pretty normal this year, even though we did not get a lot of rain this summer, the ground was so wet from the rainy spring that we didn't need to begin watering our lawns and gardens so early (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.

I have been very busy getting ready for the upcoming levy. Remember that there will be a \$100.00 surcharge for any account that is unpaid as of 4:00, Friday, September 20, 2019. Letters went out on August 21, 2019 if this applied to you. I noticed that a lot of water bills have been coming back to me this year. **Water bills do not get forwarded**, so if your mailing address changes you need to notify me as soon as possible. This includes phone numbers too, we need your phone number in case of an emergency (i.e. broken water lines, sewer breaks, water being shut at the road, etc.) so please contact me if your phone number changes.

### **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.
- \* 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 temporarily (i.e. Vacation) please consider prepaying your account to avoid late fees. Again, **water bills are not forwarded.**

Please remember ALL of the men and women in our Armed Forces, past and present. Hope everyone has a wonderful fall!

Rita Dispenza

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## WENDELVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

Well, here we are in October and it doesn't feel like we should be there yet. But it is a reality, and we had better begin turning our attention toward the colder weather issues. Just one request from us, please keep you house numbers large and visible, even lighting them if possible. Makes our job in a pinch so much easier.

We would be remiss if we didn't note and commemorate two fine members of our company who have answered the last call. Past Chief David Moje and Firefighter James Kieffer Sr.

Chief Moje was a third generation member of Wendville, following in the footsteps of his grandfather and father, serving his community faithfully in many offices, committees and educational endeavors sponsored by the company. He served as Chief in 1994, 1995 and 2018 and responded to thousands of emergency calls during his 46 years of Service to the Wendelville Volunteer Fire Company. He will be greatly missed.

Jim Kieffer was a member of the company for 49 years and was a great ambassador for the spirit of the Fire Service. Jim convinced several members of the community to become members, thus having a ripple effect that lasts to this day. A faithful and hard worker, Jim was a trustee for several years, working tirelessly behind the scenes. He will be missed for his humor, his faithfulness and his friendship.

Just a reminder concerning our Annual Fund Drive; if you have forgotten the letter in early summer, there will be a reminder letter sent out. There is still time, no worries! The funds are used for purchase and maintenance of equipment and property as well as continuing education for our members and the community. And along those lines, we have an excellent Fire Prevention program available to all age groups. Just contact our Chief, Jamie McDonough or any member and we will help you arrange a visit.

The Wendelville Ladies Auxiliary is holding a Craft/Vendor Fair and Basket Raffle on Saturday, October 12, 2019 from 11 am to 4 pm at the Wendelville Main Hall. There will also be a visit from the Niagara County SPCA with some fur babies ready for adoption! Come and shop early for the holidays or enjoy a bite to eat. Hope to see you

there! (Note; In the last newsletter the wrong date was given. We apologize for the error.)

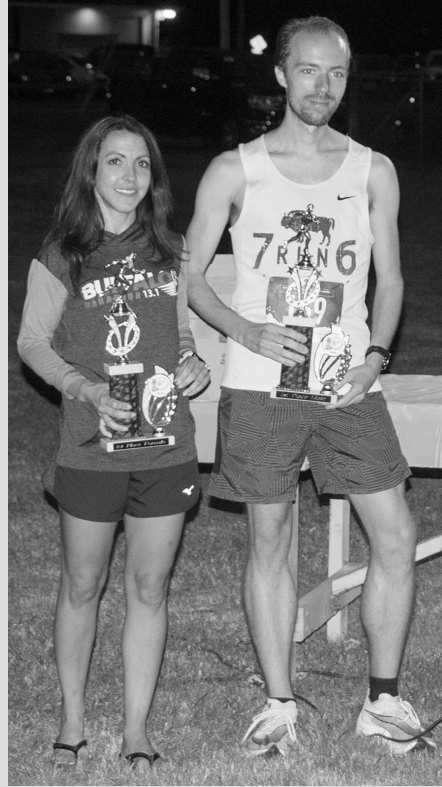
One of our most fun events was held September 4<sup>th</sup>! Harvest Moon 5K Run and Fun walk year 22 is now in the books! The weather was great and we had quite the crowd of walkers and runners. My personal favorite is always the Kid's dash. These kids get so excited and pumped up to beat their brothers and sisters and neighbors and buddies. The kids will tell, though, you that the best part are the awards. Pretty yummy!

As for the Harvest Moon 5K, our winners this year were: Overall winner and first male finisher with a time of 16 minutes, 43 seconds was **Alexander Krull**. Unbelievable! The first Female

finisher was **Mary Lawrence** with a time of 19 minutes and 33 seconds. Remarkable! Our Master Winners were **Linda Carver** for the ladies and **Anthony Cinotti** for the guys.

Congratulations to all! Then came the food, the fun, the dancing and door prizes. Our thanks to our sponsors, all participants, our members and members of the Auxiliary, whose help we count on. A special shout out to Dr. Chuck Pelitera of Pelitera's Fitness for sharing the party grounds.

Keep us in mind for next year. You can be part of the fun!



Above: First place winners Mary Lawrence and Alexander Krull

*"Gratitudę unlocks thę fullnęss of lifę.  
It turns what wę havę into ęnough...and  
morę. It turns dęnial into accęptancę,  
chaos into ordęr, and confusion to clarity.  
It can turn a męal into a fęast, a housę into  
a homę, and a strangęr into a frięnd."*

*- Melody Beattie*

**"We are constituted so that simple acts of kindness, such as giving to charity or expressing gratitude, have a positive effect on our long-term mood. The key to a happy life, it seems, is a good life: a life with sustained relationships, challenging work, and connections to community."**

**- Paul Bloom**



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**TOWN HISTORIAN NEWS**

"Hello" my fellow wonderful Pendleton residents!! I pray your summer was eventful, safe, relaxing, and memorable, and your autumn will be filled with the pleasant sights, smells, sounds, and tastes of fall in this beautiful area. I thought it to be a grand idea to reflect on a fairly famous place in our town. I was unfamiliar with it until a local business owner, Joe Panepento, purchased this property a couple years ago. What was it and what did it mean to this community? Firstly, it was a canal side hotel in our town in the 1850's, and is located at the current address of 6542 Bear Ridge Road between Irish and Feigle Roads, close to West Canal Road (pictures at right). The Sulphur Springs House, as it was called, was built by Reuben Fuller and Marshall Martin in 1850, and was long kept by Truman Nichols. The merchants were Martin Woock, Mathias Donner (who was also postmaster), and Jacob Blum. The hotel keeper was Anthony Roskopf. It was designed as a settler and canal traveler rest stop, and got its name from a supposed sulphur spring nearby. It is unknown whether the spring was actually on the property or if the hotel offered the sulphur water as a healing aid for bathing and drinking. However, it is known that medicinal cures could be found here for people traveling along the canal. A quote from the book "Pharmacy on the Niagara Frontier" by Laurence Lockie states "...in Pendleton... there was at one time a Sulphur Springs Hotel where people came to see the curative powers of the (mineral) springs. The residents of the hotel purchased their own remedies from the general stores in the vicinity." Was this the case OR, as former town historian Martin Gilbert thought, was it just a "watering hole", a regular bar for local folks and travelers alike?!

Regardless, it is still a fascinating piece of our town history, worth mentioning to all of you, and very awesome that Mr. Panepento and his wife Tonya, as well as his commercial exterior maintenance company, have worked to renovate it into their home and preserve history.

Until the next newsletter, take care everyone, enjoy the upcoming crisp weather and holidays!!

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**Building mental strength requires healthy habits too - like practicing gratitude - while giving up unhealthy behavior, like giving up after the first failure."**

- Amy Morin





## 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 the assessed value of your own home, it is important for property owners in Pendleton to see what has recently sold in our town and their sale prices.

DATE	ADDRESS	SELLER	SALE PRICE	ASSESSED VALUE	SQ. FT. L.A.	STYLE	YEAR BUILT	LAND*
05/03/19	7039 Iroquois Drive	John & Joyce Wagner	\$320,000	\$230,000	2,336	Colonial	2004	
05/06/19	6745 Campbell Boulevard	Timothy & Karen Papiernik	\$252,500	\$175,000	1,627	Cape Cod	1983	2.20
05/07/19	7008 Bear Ridge Road	Marie L Furey	\$150,000	\$129,880	1,239	Ranch	1950	1.80
05/10/19	7140 Pendale Circle	Joseph & Julie Flowers	\$460,000	\$299,300	3,041	Colonial	1995	1.10
05/17/19	5914 Tonawanda Creek Road	Paul H Ruhland by POA	\$297,000	\$220,000	2,744	Raised Ranch	1983	2.20
05/22/19	5484 Tonawanda Creek Road	John & Janet Howard	\$325,000	\$195,000	2,415	Cape Cod	1985	
05/23/19	5972 Hopi Court	William & Bonnie Wells	\$379,900	\$296,800	3,068	Colonial	1992	
05/30/19	5672 Tonawanda Creek Road	Michael Vogtli, et al	\$160,000	\$ 88,800	1,214	Cape Cod	1941	
06/04/19	5865 Dunnigan Road	Kelly Freatman	\$220,000	\$150,000	1,308	Ranch	1996	
06/07/19	4919 Cloverleaf Lane	Michael Mura	\$430,000	\$297,000	3,024	Colonial	2011	
06/14/19	4907 Cloverleaf Lane	Todd & Stacy Juchem	\$360,000	\$255,000	2,792	Colonial	2013	
06/18/19	5211 Mapleton Road	Greg & Shannon Wardzinski	\$192,000	\$120,000	1,436	Split Level	1964	1.20
06/24/19	4391 Tonawanda Creek Road	Ben Amato	\$268,500	\$130,000	1,876	Old Style	1850	
06/24/19	4914 Cloverleaf Lane	Jason & Rene Mahn	\$345,000	\$240,000	2,424	Colonial	2012	
06/27/19	6056 Campbell Boulevard	Lynn & Cathleen Pietkiewicz	\$254,000	\$173,000	1,776	Ranch	2009	1.06
07/18/19	5821 Dunnigan Road	Randall & Randi Shepler	\$325,000	\$207,400	2,240	Colonial	1981	
07/26/19	7175 Creekbend Drive	Chuck & Diane Langlois	\$422,000	\$290,000	2,710	Colonial	2007	
07/31/19	7247 Edgewater Drive	Thomas & Michelle Shea	\$541,500	\$346,100	3,849	Colonial	2004	

### \*REMINDER\*

Please remember all exemptions are due by March 1<sup>st</sup>. If you will be turning 65 in 2020 you may be eligible for the Enhanced Star. If you believe you might be eligible please call the Assessor's office at 625-8833 ext. 116. If this is your **FIRST** time applying for Enhanced Star, then you will do so through our office. If you are switching to the Star credit check, then you do so online at [www.tax.ny.gov](http://www.tax.ny.gov) or by calling (518) 457-2036 for assistance.

**\*\*\*Anyone receiving the Enhanced Star including Aged Exemption recipients must now be Enrolled in the mandatory New York State Income Verification Program (IVP)\*\*\***

**\*\*\*\*IF YOUR INCOME IS \$30,000 OR LESS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE\*\*\*\***



**Left: Legislator Tony Nemi, Councilman Dave Leible, Dr. Shawn Riester, Dr. Craig Brattlie, and Jason Evchich**

### WELCOME RIESTER PHYSICAL THERAPY

Pendleton welcomes Riester Physical Therapy to town. Dr. Shawn Riester, a Pendleton resident, has opened his second office on Campbell Blvd. The increase need for these services in Niagara County is the reason for this new location. Riester Physical Therapy has a unique mission to create and support a working environment that will allow their physical therapists to unlock their fullest potential and remove any limits to effective treatment for their patients. Dr. Riester believes in doing this, it will create an appropriate environment for healing that is far beyond what is typically offered by all of their competitors.

County Legislator Tony Nemi and Town Councilman Dave Leible presented proclamations welcoming Dr. Riester to town. Jason Evchich of the Pendleton Business & Community Association stated that the town is aggressively pursuing new businesses to locate in Pendleton.



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## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Hello, After the early very rainy start, it ended up being a beautiful summer. This ended up being our busiest summer yet. We got started with some much-needed drainage work at 2 of the park shelters. Much more is needed near the volleyball courts that we'll try to fit in at some point. Decisions are still in "the works" for a new ADA compliant bathroom facility. This is also very important as the new playground growth, along with the town as a whole, has changed everything. Mason's Mission is also talking about adding a splash pad area to the park as well. Anyone looking to help can contact them or the Town Board. Those of you who haven't seen the new playground I suggest you try to get over to the Town Park and see the "growth."

FISK ROAD: As of this being the 3rd week in August, I can tell you we are really looking good. The contractor is starting the 2 1/2" of binder today after a LOT of preparation, including a lot of prep under the road base, drainage work, and of course widening the road itself with 4' paved shoulders on each side. We have joined in with the contractor to help speed the entire process and close in some of the drainage ditches that are deep and outside the "right of way." We also found some water leaks and repaired them as well and worked with the contractor moving several hydrants. At this point I am very happy with the progress and by the time this newsletter is delivered I bet the majority of the work will be completed. As always, I'll expect some problems that will need to be addressed, but again, at this point I am very happy with this major project.

I am asking Fisk Road residents to keep an eye out for large trucks driving down the road. This road, like most, will be rated for 10 tons. Please get any info you can on trucks that are overweight and call the Sheriff so tickets will be issued to try to stop this as it damages our roads.

We also had a very successful July 4th celebration as the early rainy season let up just in time. For the 3rd consecutive year the Pendleton Farm & Home Days event took place in mid-August. I thought it was a huge success. The reasons for its success start with the Co-Chairs, Denuelle Meyer and Joanne Zimmerman. Their planning for this event was overwhelming with items to be dealt with and they have done a great job all 3 years. That being said, the event could not have gone on without ALL of the other VOLUNTEERS that helped prepare for it as well. If you couldn't get here you missed a great event. Help is needed every year so, if you are available, contact them for the next event planning. I also have to thank Mother Nature for the

beautiful weather for the 2-day event. She let me off the "hook" this year for my past curse words for her.

Last but far from least, I have to thank my crew, from my guys to the girls in the office, for ALL their hard work not only for this event but for their year-round dedication to the Town of Pendleton. They put up with a lot of stress from me and handle it pretty well. THANK YOU to them.

As far as road work goes, we did apply oil & stone to Town roads: Mapleton, Aiken North, and most of Killian; that totaled approximately \$80,000. I believe it's a short-term success in sealing the roads. With the remaining \$145,000 I plan on Micro-sealing Meyer Road, Old Orchard Sub-division, and Killian Road Hill, along with crack-sealing and patching a variety of other roads before Fall gets too far along. Next year I will evaluate roads after the winter but I am looking towards Dunnigan and Oakwood near the top of that list. With all of this work and a small work force we fell behind on some other work, such as mowing and cleaning our ditches among others. This Fall with Mother Nature cooperating we will try to brush hog our off-road drainage ditches. Thanks to those of you that reminded me we have "missed" some the last few years, we will try to get them all mowed this year. Please check and remove anything you might have in our drainage easements so our tractors can get through.

As in the past we try to STOP chipping brush from July 1st until Labor Day. This is the most important time to work on our roads and work together with all our towns in Niagara County. None of us could survive without working together. Many of you have seen the different colored trucks helping us; we help them as well. I do understand the issue especially with the Ash trees and will continue to chip brush as much as possible which is generally getting through the town every 2 weeks. Remember to place your brush to the curbside off of the road, butt ends out, and easy to grab rows. If you toss a "bonfire" pile out to the road, we won't chip it.

I look forward to this Fall to the arrival of our new Tandem Axle dump truck. This is going to be the first new tandem in over a dozen years. It will help us maintain our roads much more efficiently. Thanks to our Town Board for listening and understanding our needs in the Public Works Department. The truck price came in at approximately \$225,000.

Also, a Thank You to our seasonal workers Jason and Michael Donner, and Thomas Dahlman for helping us keeping the parks buildings & grounds in good shape. Gerry Freatman is also a big help and he "sticks around" a little longer as the others head off to college. Thanks, and Good Luck to them all.

As always, feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

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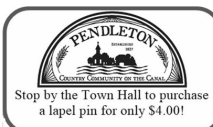
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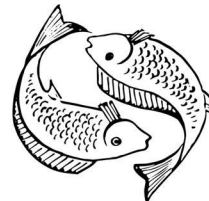
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