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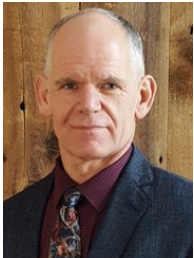


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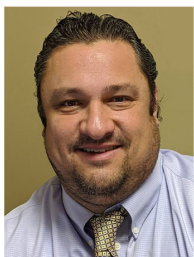
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From the Supervisor's Desk...

Another year is well underway and all are hard at work focusing on the many aspects of town government that are part of why the Town of Pendleton is such a great place to live. Public Works crews have been working hard to keep roads clear during the winter while preparing for a busy summer season. All at the Town Hall are working hard to provide the best possible customer service to the residents we serve. On behalf of the Town Board, I'd like to thank all for their continued efforts, dedication, and focus on providing assistance to the residents of this great town.

Once in a while we have a new addition to the team and this time I'd like to introduce all to Tom Valentine, the Town's new Assessor. Tom has been hard at work getting up to speed and the level of professionalism and dedication he brings to the office is immediately noticeable. As always, if you have any questions directed to the

Assessor's Office, don't hesitate to contact Tom and he'll do all he can to provide assistance.

There are a lot of activities in the planning stages, too many to list here, so I'm going to remind all to check the Town's website for updates. This includes such activities as the summer recreation program and the Farm and Home Days. Also, with the effects of the pandemic continuing to subside, parks and recreation spaces continue to be open with no restrictions.

All Town boards and committees continue to operate with open meetings. Please also check the Town's website for meeting dates, agendas, and meeting minutes. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email or call for assistance.

Hopefully, we'll have an early spring and a beautiful summer. Stay safe and have a great year! Joel

Farm & Home Days are back!

See full story on page 8

PENDLETON FOOD PANTRY

The Pendleton Food Pantry has a new home for now! We are in a small suite at the Brown Electric building, on Campbell Boulevard across from the Dollar General. We are open from 9am to noon on Thursdays. Interested patrons should come and get an application form. At the present we are not affiliated with the Food Bank of Western New York. So - we need food to stay open. Can goods, box dinners, cereals and grains, canned soups and pasta sauce, and juices are desired. We receive bread items from Lockport Panera and Tops and prepared foods and produce from the East Amherst Wegmans. Any donations are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at our site on Thursday mornings.

Thank you !!

Welcome Spring!



Mark your calendars...Pendleton Station Market will be back on Sundays from 9am-1pm. June 19th thru October 16th. See you at the Market!

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The Pendleton Senior Citizens meet at noon on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the Wendelville Fire Company Hall on Campbell Blvd. in Pendleton.

Any Pendleton resident aged 55 and older is welcome to join the group at any time. Dues are \$10.00 annually.

Lunch is either "bring your own" (due to Covid), bring a dish to pass (or a \$5.00 donation), or a catered luncheon. Since these lunches may change monthly, please check the Pendleton website for updated information beforehand.

After a short meeting, we may have a guest speaker or some planned activity. Games and card playing round out the day!!

After a lengthy absence from taking trips, we are ready to start our WNY Tours again in April. These outings are available to all Pendleton residents. For information, please contact Carol Moeller at 625-8769 or Doreen Neilson at 692-6652.

We are looking forward to spring and to seeing you at our next meeting!!!

Kindly remember the dedicated members of our Armed Forces as well as our Veterans.

Thank you, Joyce Lane
716-625-8789

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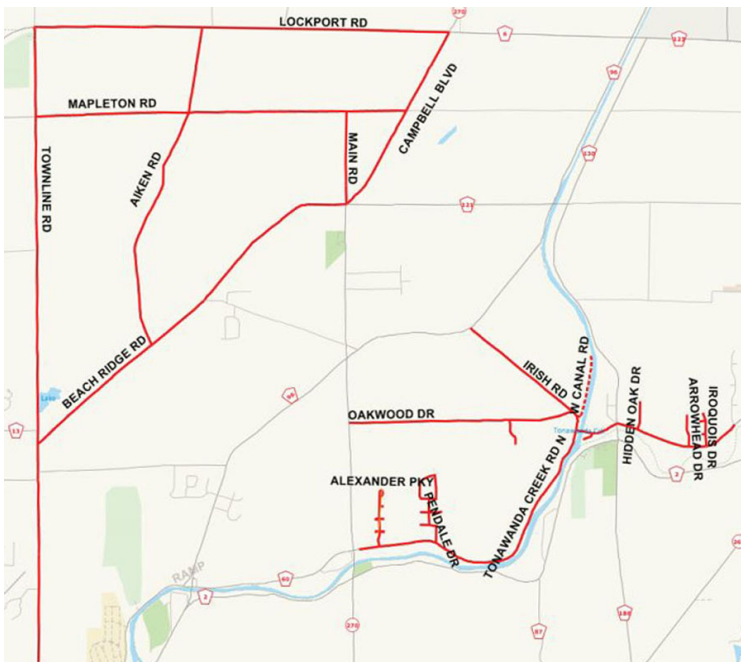
I am formally announcing my plan to retire on Dec 31, 2022, as Pendleton Town Justice. I would like to thank my wife, Marian, Joel Maerten, Town Supervisor, Town Board, Town of Pendleton residents, and the entire Town Hall Staff past and present for their support over the last 23 years. Town Supervisors, Town Boards, current co-judge, Kevin Mack, amazing court clerks Patricia Dickinson, Barbara Ricotta, James Rotella, and retired Judges have been very helpful in carrying out my responsibilities as Town Justice. Their Cooperation and assistance have been fully appreciated.

A judge once wrote about what it meant to be a judge. Being temperate under circumstances that would try the patience of the most serene. Being respectful to those who show no respect, being civil to those who act uncivil, using judicial power sparingly and with restraint, all while using your mind, intellect, and heart to weigh competing interests, analyzing the rule of law, deciding the facts, and searching for just conclusions. I have fully appreciated this experience and forever will reflect on it.

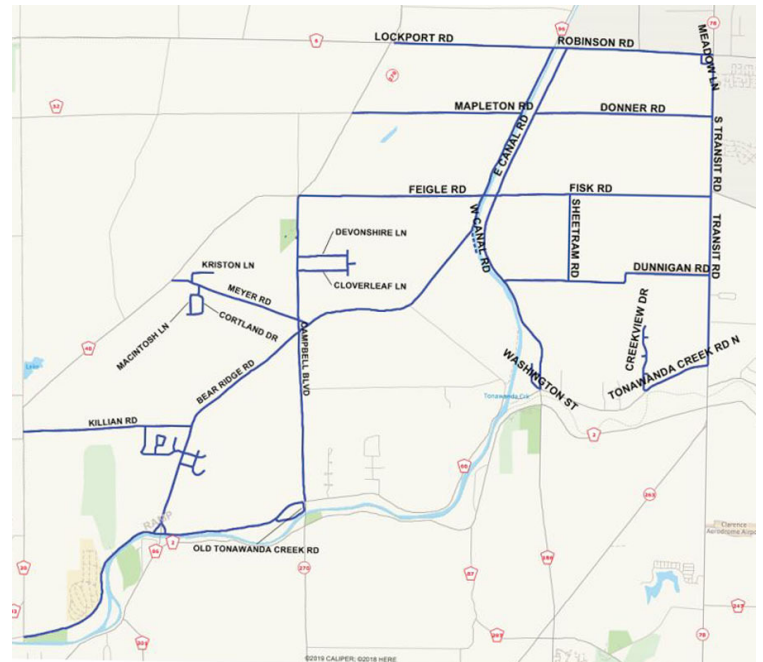
Over the years I have been successful in acquiring grants for court facility updating, technology, and equipment improvements. I have accumulated considerable data over the years, numerous files, and architectural drawings supporting a new courtroom facility. I have shared this work with my co-judge, Kevin Mack for him to continue these efforts.

I thank all my supporters for their trust and confidence in me throughout my career as Town Justice and my wife Marian for her never-ending support. Marian and I will be visiting grandchildren and family, and forever watch Pendleton grow as a community on the canal.

Hon. Edmund P. Maziarz



Above: Red Map



Above: Blue Map



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TOWN CLERK



Hello. I would like to start by providing a brief update of the mailed tax payment issue that occurred in January. The U.S. Postal Service lost important mail that was postmarked January 4th, January 10th and January 18th. The mail was eventually located by the USPS but not until after multiple residents made duplicate payments to avoid late payment penalties. At that time, it was uncertain if the USPS would ever find the missing mail. If you were affected by this issue and need to file a claim with the USPS, please contact my office for more information. We will provide you with a local phone number to file a claim. The USPS provided a letter extending its “most sincere apologies in regards to the error which occurred during the sorting process”. All I can say is that this caused quite a disruption in the tax collecting process this year. I want to thank all involved for their patience while we figured this out.

On a happier note, we plan on implementing a direct payment withdrawal option for your water bill. Those interested will need to submit an authorization form. I expect to have this ready to roll by the next water billing cycle and will be posting the forms and additional information soon on our website so stay tuned!

Registration for the Summer Youth Recreation Program will be handled in the Town Clerk’s office and is expected to begin in early May. I hope to have registration forms available online soon. More to come!

Below are some important dates for you to easily reference:

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE – TOWN HALL CLOSED

Good Friday	April 15
Memorial Day	May 30
Juneteenth (Observed)	June 20

TRASH COLLECTION HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR APRIL-MAY-JUNE

HOLIDAY	DATE	EFFECT
Memorial Day	Monday, May 30, 2022	Tuesday’s collection will be delayed until Wednesday, June 1

BULK COLLECTION SCHEDULE FOR APRIL-MAY-JUNE

See maps included in this newsletter and at www.pendletonny.us

Week A (RED Map)	Week B (BLUE Map)
April 12 th	April 19 th
May 10 th	May 17 th
June 14 th	June 21 st

Any calls regarding uncollected refuse or recycling should be made by calling Modern Disposal directly at 716-754-8226.

ANNUAL TOWNWIDE GARAGE SALE!

This year’s event is scheduled for Friday, June 3rd and Saturday, June 4th.

Please give us a call in May to add your name to the list!

FREE RABIES IMMUNIZATION CLINICS FOR 2022

You must pre-register for the Rabies Immunization Clinic online at: <https://www.niagaracounty.com/health/Services/Environmental-Health/Rabies/Rabies-Clinic> or by calling 716-439-7490 for assistance.

SATURDAY, APRIL 9	Town of Porter Highway Garage
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	1800 Braley Road, Town of Porter
SATURDAY, JUNE 4	Amtrak Train Depot
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	825 Depot Avenue, City of Niagara Falls



Please don’t forget to license your dogs. All dogs residing in Pendleton must be licensed in our town. If you have recently moved from another location, it will be necessary to license it here in Pendleton. Licenses can be obtained in the Town Clerk’s office. The annual fees are \$8.00 for spayed/neutered dogs and \$20.00 for unsprayed/unneutered dogs. Please also make sure that vaccinations are up to date.

As always, please feel free to contact me directly at 625-8833 ext. 112, if you have any questions, concerns or suggestions.

Best Regards, Debbie Maurer

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PENDLETON VETERANS ASSOCIATION



At the time of this writing we are finally and hopefully getting back to normal or should I say the new normal from what was a 2 year nightmare. Here at the Pendleton Veterans Association (PVA) we are scheduling regular meetings, and events participation. As in the

past our monthly meetings are always the first Wednesday of every month at 1:00 pm. One exception is we schedule an evening meeting in spring and fall to accommodate our still working members. This year's spring evening meeting will be Wednesday May 4th at 7:00 pm. Watch your email and the town hall electronic billboard for future evening meetings dates and times. All PVA meetings will be held at the Town Hall Board room until the new Community building is constructed.

The PVA recently made a substantial contribution to the Niagara Community College Veteran Memorial Park Expansion Campaign. Anyone wishing to Honor a Niagara County Veteran can contribute. Contact Joseph Potalivo at NCCC, 716-614-6283 for contribution options.

Our honor guard attended several funerals of town resident veterans over the winter. May they rest in peace.

The PVA offers 3 scholarships to Starpoint seniors directly related to a veteran (parent or grandparent). Final decisions of the winners will be announced in April.

IMPORTANT NOTICE - Niagara County Veteran Service Agency has been relocated from 111 Main Street in Lockport to Niagara County Court House, County Clerks office, 175 Hawley Street, Lockport... (716) 438-4090

IMPORTANT NOTICE - If anyone knows of a town resident Veteran that is not listed on our Honor board in town hall please let us know so we can add their name and gladly honor their service.

IMPORTANT DATE - The PVA will resume our traditional annual flag sale this year after a 2 year recess due to covid issues. Our sale will be held May 20th and 21st, 2022 at our beautiful Veterans Monument at Town Hall. **Friday 5/20 - noon to 5:00 pm**

Saturday 5/21 - 9:00 am – 5:00 pm.

IMPORTANT DATE - Look for the Pendleton Veterans Association tent at the Pendleton Farm and Home days celebration at town park August 19th and 20th 2022.

Greg Metzger

FROM THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Hi, for those that do not know me, my name is David Fischer and I am the new Highway Superintendent. I am very excited to begin this new journey serving the town of Pendleton.

I would first like to thank Craig Walter and Carl Gross for all their dedication and hard work over their many years of employment with the town. Craig and Carl both retired on January 1st 2022. Luckily for me, Craig has stayed on part time as my Highway Deputy and working to get me up to speed. It would otherwise have been much more difficult for me, thank you Craig.

My first order of business was finding workers to replace our departed staff. I am pleased to say we found two well qualified people in Josh Hubbell and Kieran Hickman who both started in January.

BRUSH COLLECTION

Weather permitting, we will be chipping brush once a month throughout the town. **WE DO NOT CHIP BRUSH FROM JULY 4TH TO LABOR DAY.** All brush must be placed neatly in piles that our town workers can safely pull apart. Brush should be sticking out butt end at the road no bigger than 6 inches in diameter. Stretch the piles out rather than stacking them too high for the safety of our workers. We do not chip brush that contains vines nor poison ivy.

The town does not chip brush that that comes off vacant lots nor wooded areas. Please be advised that this service is provided for yard clean up purposes only. When you hire a contractor to come in and remove a tree or limbs, it is the responsibility of the contractor to chip and remove the tree and/or limbs properly.

PARKS

Park shelters are open to town residents for \$25 and can be reserved by calling the DPW at 716-625-8033.

In closing, I would like to thank all the employees in the Department of Public Works for their efforts in keeping the roads clear of snow and fire hydrants accessible. They work tirelessly throughout the night to keep our roads safe, and it is very much appreciated.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

David Fischer
Highway Superintendent

Office: 716-625-8033

Cell: 716-909-1408

Email: dfischer@pendletonny.us

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PENDLETON STATION MARKET

The Pendleton Station Market (PSM) had its grand opening on May 16th 2021, and will continue to run on Sundays from 9am - 1pm starting June 19th through October 16th. The market will be located in front of the large blue Pendleton Water Tower at 6596 Campbell Boulevard, Lockport, in Niagara County. Parking will be available in the lot as well as behind the Pendleton Town Hall, and in the lot south of the Pendleton Station building.

Mighty whistle roars used to fill the neighborhoods of Pendleton as trains traveled to and from Pendleton Station. Now the historic red building is the center of the Pendleton Station Market.

The market will offer a way for the community to partner with local farmers and unique vendors, all while supporting local businesses. Visitors will have the opportunity to explore a variety of vendors providing local produce, meats, dairy, and many unique artisan and crafter products.

The Town of Pendleton is very excited and proud to offer this market experience as a successful symbol of the cooperation and diligence between town government, local businesses, and the volunteers of the Pendleton Station Market.

Most importantly, start marking your calendars now! See you at the market!

For more information, as well as featured vendors and special events, please visit our website at: pendletonstationmarket.com or follow us on:



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PENDLETON FARM & HOME DAYS ARE BACK!

After an unexpected two-year hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we are thrilled to announce the return of Pendleton Farm & Home Days, and we are looking forward to what is sure to be our best year yet! Presented by Pacific Pools, the festival will take place on Friday, August 19th and Saturday, August 20th at Pendleton Town Park, from 11am to 11pm both days.

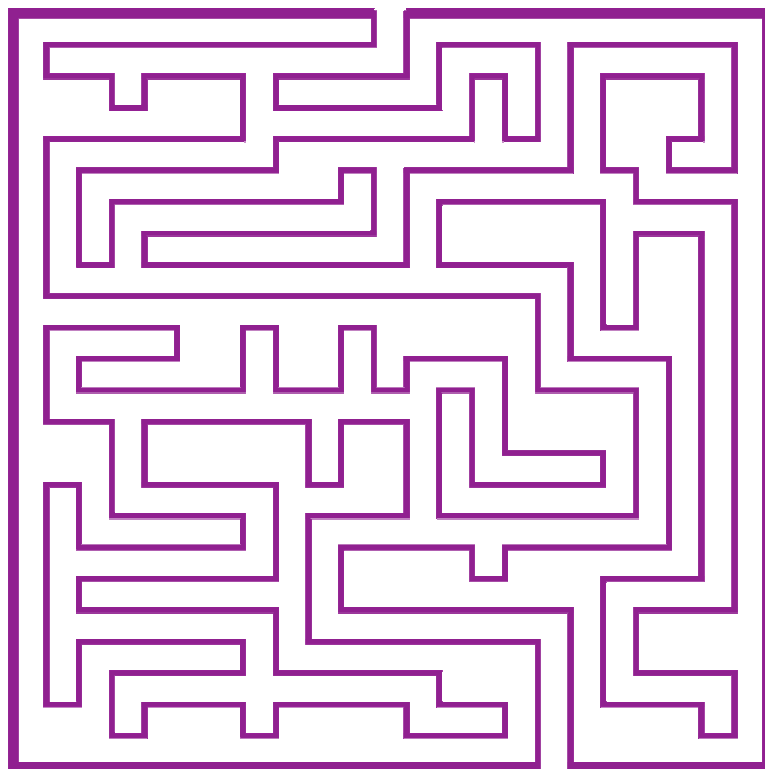
For our mainstage live music performances, we are proud to host The Strictly Hip on Friday night, and the return of Nerds Gone Wild on Saturday night.

We will be bringing back all of your favorite events, including the Crafters and Vendors Show; the Classic Car, Truck and Bike Cruise; the PFHD Basket Auction; and inflatable attractions from Mobile Mountain Entertainment. Back by popular demand, we'll have "Cow Chip Bingo", where a lucky winner will receive the grand prize for purchasing the spot Pendleton's favorite cow drops his cow chip. Boys and girls ages 4 to 8 will have the chance to compete for the titles of Prince and Princess of Pendleton in a lighthearted pageant that is a treat for children and adults alike. We are happy to welcome our new and returning food vendors who will delight all with their delicious festival fare. We'll also be featuring local couples competing in Pendleton's Edition of "The Honeymoon Game". The weekend will conclude with a fireworks display on Saturday night.

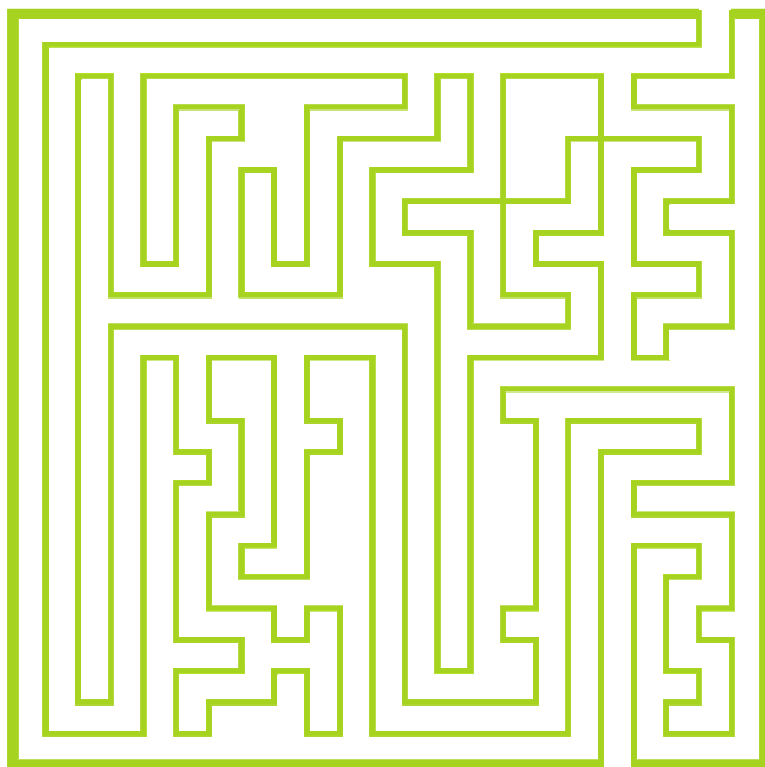
There are still spots available for crafters, vendors, school groups, community groups, and food vendors who would like to get involved. We also have plenty of advertising opportunities for businesses to shine as named sponsors for our many individual events!

If you are interested in participating in Pendleton Farm & Home Days as a volunteer, vendor, pageant contestant, or sponsor, please contact us at: pendletondays2022@gmail.com. Don't forget to like us on Facebook, and check out our website at pendletondays.com.

We are so excited to be back together again this summer to celebrate our great town - it is sure to be an unforgettable weekend that you and your family will not want to miss!



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Over 490 words can be made from the word Springtime, how many can you find?



Mason's Mission 2022 partner The Explore and More Museum

Hello all and here's to a happy spring and summer around the corner! Lot's still going on! By the time you read this Mason's Mission Golf Invitational will be out and ready to go. The date is 5/28/2022 same place, same time. This is a special year, it is our 5 year anniversary for the Tourney and it's on Mason's actual birthday for the first time! So we are attempting to line up some very special guests and gifts! If any of you would be nice enough and would like to donate a basket or two or just come for the dinner and prizes that would be great! Lastly, we are hoping to bring back our Mila Rose garden Mason's Mission clean-up day at the park in May as well. We had to delay this for two years but we hope to bring it back. So any boy or girl scouts that need hours this is a great opportunity! Stay tuned on our Facebook page and our website for that! See you all soon!!! The Evchich's



PENDLETON LIONS CLUB

We hope everyone is doing well and looking forward to getting outside in the coming Spring. The Lions would like to Thank all who have supported us through these many stressful months. We are hoping to get back to doing our regular activities in the New Year.

We were able to do our Annual Toy Giveaway at the North Tonawanda Learning Center on December 21, 2021. Santa and two of his elves were able to hand out presents to 88 children.

The **Lions Club Scholarship for Starpoint High School Seniors** is again ready to award eight \$500.00 Scholarships to deserving Starpoint Seniors, contact your student services office for the details. All Seniors applying to 4-year and 2-year colleges are eligible. Get your applications in.

Reminders: We always help with eye exams and glasses if someone needs assistance. We also collect and distribute some minor medical equipment (canes, wheelchairs, shower seats, etc.) We also will remove and reuse metal wheelchair ramps if they are in good shape and donated.

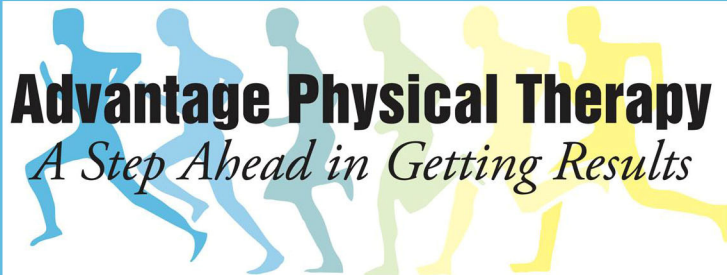
Please be on the lookout for our Lions glasses donation boxes in our local businesses since we do collect, refurbish and donate those all over the world. We do the same with hearing aids, so feel free to put them in too.

As always thank you very much for all your support.

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We've almost through another winter in Western New York! We were pretty lucky until 2022 hit, and then we did what we needed to do to keep going. We are a hardy stock, aren't we?? The spring birds will be returning shortly and we'll hear their fresh songs as the sun rises earlier and earlier.

We are preparing for a busy year in 2022; Right now there are so many things in the planning stages and even some things whose publicity you may have missed. I will try to keep you informed of at least the major things.

- **Scholarship program.** Each Graduation we give as many as 4 monetary scholarships to seniors who live in the Town of Pendleton. The Selection for the award will be made by the Scholastic Award Committee of the Wendelville Fire Company based on a number of factors including: academic performance, extracurricular activities, and community involvement. An essay of approximately 200 words on the following topic will also be used as part of the selection criteria: "How Volunteering Has Affected My Long Term Goals and Improved Life in Pendleton" This award is open to residents of the Town of Pendleton, whether you attend Starpoint or one of the private schools in the area. (i.e. St. Joe's, Canisus, Sacred Heart, Mount St. Mary's, etc.). The applications are available at your guidance office or the guidance office at Starpoint. Applications are due by March 31st; or call your guidance office for advice.
- **Sportsman's Raffle.** We will hold our popular Sportsman's Raffle on April 2nd at Hall 1 on Tonawanda Creek Road. A \$20 ticket will get you a chance on the raffles stated on your ticket, but there are many side raffles that come your way as well! Also, you can partake of homemade salads, beans, Hot dogs and Hamburgers as well as other refreshments! Pretty good deal, I'd say. They tell me it's almost sold out, but it's worth a try to go to our Webpage and see what you can find!! Just go to www.Wendelvillevfc.com and see if you can pick one up!
- **THIS ANNOUNCEMENT IS CRITICAL TO THE EXISTENCE OF YOUR FIRE COMPANY; PLEASE CONSIDER CAREFULLY.** As the Town of Pendleton has grown to exceed 7000 residents in the most recent census, the Wendelville Fire Company needs YOU to come out and help us grow as well. Wendelville provides Fire Protection and Emergency Medical services to the entire Town of Pendleton. Stop into our main station at Campbell

and Tonawanda Creek on Saturday, April 23rd from 9 till 11am for coffee with a firefighter during the Recruit NY Membership drive to learn more about membership.

Membership is available to residents over the age of 18 willing to complete basic fire or EMS training free of charge within 2 years of joining and maintaining minimum levels of involvement in the Company. We are actively recruiting adults fit enough to respond to calls, open to empty-nesters, recently retired, parents, students, the employed and the stay-at-home. So please stop in to discuss membership over coffee on April 23rd from 9-11am at 7340 Campbell Blvd; we look forward to meeting you!!

- **Annual Fund Drive.** Memorial Day signals the beginning of our annual Fund Drive. Once again we will be mailing out to all residents the materials to make your annual donation to the Fire Company. This is the most convenient way for most folks to help support our programs and services. We love the comments we receive as the returns come in it really boosts our morale and gives us encouragement to go on. Please, be generous.
- **Happy Easter.** Word has it that E. Bunny will make his way to Pendleton to our hall at 7340 around 1 pm on the day before Easter, April 16th. I'm sure there will be some goodies for our town residents up to age 13. Come down and watch the fun happen!! Rain or shine, it will be outside.
- **Lobsterfest.** Finally, a big day is coming up on June 25th. The Lobsters are coming! The Lobsters are coming! Yes, June 25th is our world famous Lobsterfest! Tickets always sell out, so make sure you get your tickets early. For the sum of \$40.00, each person receives 2 Red lobsters (that's 2 tails and 4 claws!), salt potatoes, corn on the cob, a fresh roll and butter and traditionally your choice of coffee, tea, water or beer! (no outside alcohol, please.) See our website for ticket purchases, or call your neighbor who belongs to the company; they can get them for you. What a celebration! The dinners are available for take out, as well, so think of treating Grandma, Uncle Joe or the guy who plows your driveway for free each year. What a treat!!!

*As always we thank you
for your constant support in all our
activities and look forward to seeing
you soon (but not on a call, I hope)!!!*

CONSERVATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

Greetings from your Conservation Advisory Council! Springtime is fast approaching, and that means that soon the weather will be nice enough to be out preparing our gardens for planting. When you're making plans for your gardens this year, please consider adding a mix of native plants in with the other annuals and perennials you'll be planting.

Why choose native plant varieties? According to the US Department of Agriculture, they provide the following benefits:

- They don't require fertilizers and require fewer pesticides
- They require less water and can help prevent erosion
- They can help reduce air pollution
- They provide shelter and food for wildlife, and attract bees and butterflies to your garden
- They promote biodiversity and stewardship of our country's natural heritage
- They are beautiful!

Here are suggestions for some (out of many!) species you might consider:

Purple coneflower (*Echinacea purpurea*) is a perennial with large, showy purple blossoms. It prefers well-drained soils, sun and partial shade, and attracts bees and hummingbirds.

Common milkweed (*Asclepias syriaca*) is a perennial with spherical sprays of small white and light pink or purple blossoms. It prefers full sun and moist soil, and is a critical food source for butterflies.

Swamp milkweed (*Asclepias incarnata*) is a perennial with spherical sprays of small pink blossoms. It prefers sun and partial shade and moist or wet soils, and is a critical food source for monarch caterpillars.

Great Blue Lobelia (*Lobelia siphilitica*) is a perennial with columns of showy blue flowers. It can live in sun, partial shade, and shade, and prefers moist or wet soils. It is a favorite of pollinators and especially important to bumblebees.

Bottlebrush grass (*Elymus hystrix*) is a perennial grass that has three dimensional seedheads that look a bit like bottlebrushes. It prefers sun to partial shade and dry to moist soils. It is usually found in woodlands and attracts butterflies.

Wild blue phlox (*Phlox divaricata*) is a commonly seen perennial wildflower on our roadways and fields that is starting to be edged out by purple loosestrife (an invasive species). It has loose clusters of lavender and pink flowers and attracts many varieties of butterflies. It prefers shade and moist, acidic soils.

Buffalo Niagara Waterkeeper also has a guide to native species available on their website (<https://bnwaterkeeper.org/projects/nativeplantguide/>) for a small donation. If you would like to grow these or other native species in your garden, there are a few places you can purchase them. Local nurseries and garden stores may have some varieties. Urban Roots, a garden store in Buffalo, propagates native species for sale. North Tonawanda Botanical Garden also propagates some species for sale at a springtime fundraiser. If you're interested in native trees and bushes, Niagara Country Soil and Water Conservation District has a tree sale every winter that offers a wide variety of species.

We hope this has been helpful to you and wish you a joyous springtime and gardening season!

Jessica, Andy, and Tobias

“Yesterday’s the past, tomorrow is the future but today is a gift...
that’s why it is called the **PRESENT**”

PENDLETON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

March 21st will be the first meeting of 2022 for the Pendleton Historical Society. We again will meet at the town hall at 1pm.

We welcome new members. Come and meet other Pendleton residents, learn some history, and be involved in the town. We will discuss the ongoing plans for our new room at the community center. Our artifacts may be in storage at this time.

Janet Karnes will present a small talk on the Holland Land Company. Check your deed and see if it goes back to that land purchase.

The Holland Land Company and its agents have an interesting history. We will also discuss future plans

for the summer, including the Pendleton Farm and Home Days. Dues will be due and collected-\$10.

Also, I want to tell you about future Senior trips that are in the works. First one is April 12th to North Tonawanda - lunch at Woodcock brothers, visit to Platters Chocolates, stop at Tattered Tulip and lastly to the Carousel Museum. Next is on May 17 eastward to the Cobblestone Museum, to a winery, Amish store, and restaurant for lunch. Contact Doreen Nielsen or Carol Moeller for prices, more details, and reservations. A full bus is required for these trips to happen - so please sign up.

Janet Karnes, *Vice President*

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, foreclosures and sales between relatives. 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.

	ADDRESS	SELLER	SALE PRICE	ASSESSED VALUE	SQ FT LA	STYLE	YEAR BUILT	LAND *
10/04/21	6289 Townline Road	Eric & Sheri Thorne	\$235,700	\$115,000	1096	Ranch	1951	.72
10/06/21	6780 Bear Ridge Road	Kurt & Barb Hollasch	\$493,000	\$312,000	3560	Colonial	1989	2.3
10/06/21	6760 Campbell Blvd	Battaglia Irrev Trust	\$415,000	\$220,800	2472	Colonial	1988	3.0
10/06/21	7234 Bear Ridge Road	Kevin & Kristen Mack	\$359,000	\$180,000	1714	Colonial	1989	1.0
10/07/21	4939 Cloverleaf Lane	Daniel & Mary Oldham	\$620,000	\$297,000	3026	Colonial	2013	.80
10/08/21	6756 Bear Ridge Road	Wurtenberger Family Trust	\$220,000	\$150,000	1500	Ranch	1957	.60
10/08/21	6331 Townline Road	Eric & Laila Schwinge	\$299,900	\$165,000	1771	Colonial	1990	.60
10/08/21	6060 Robinson Road	Ashlee Blarr/Cole Bronson	\$180,000	\$90,000	1260	Cape Cod	1948	.86
10/08/21	4301 Beach Ridge	George & Lynn Heim	\$341,500	\$159,100	1518	Ranch	1988	.90
10/12/21	5852 Dunnigan Road	Brian/Barb Hejza	\$356,500	\$183,200	1938	Colonial	1990	.60
10/12/21	47 Alexander Pkwy	Bill/Elizabeth Eichorn	\$274,900	\$90,000	1460	Ranch	2002	.67
10/13/21	6913 E Canal Road	Sue Sullivan/Russell Stoll	\$300,000	\$190,900	2864	Old Style	1850	38.86
10/14/21	5812 Fisk Road	Tara Richards	\$256,000	\$142,900	2280	Old Style	1878	.90
10/14/21	4568 Killian Road	Coleen Duncan	\$250,000	\$165,000	1586	Colonial	1997	.55
10/20/21	6615 Aiken Road	David Knuutila	\$212,000	\$110,000	1336	Ranch	1953	1.3
10/29/21	6743 Aiken Road	Carrie Marciniak	\$410,000	\$196,900	2048	Colonial	1989	.90
11/04/21	7293 Paddock Ridge Road	Jason/Casey Chebat	\$644,000	\$387,000	3305	Colonial	2018	1.44
11/09/21	6973 East Canal Road	Ryan Wendt/A Vanthoff	\$230,000	\$88,100	1237	Cape Cod	1945	.61
11/22/21	3 Alexander Pkwy	Susan Vito Michaels	\$285,000	\$85,000	1570	Ranch	2002	.67
11/30/21	4990 Cloverleaf Drive	C Hong/Y Wang	\$455,000	\$275,000	2702	Colonial	2017	.57
12/06/21	6570 Aiken Road	Andrew/Cara Prokop	\$255,000	\$108,600	1320	Old Style	1911	7.2
12/09/21	6132 Aiken Road	Uno/Jane Ann Aavik	\$242,000	\$171,300	2032	Colonial	1967	1.6
12/09/21	5185 Mapleton Road	Joseph/Janet Vullo	\$280,000	\$133,500	1542	Ranch	1962	1.1
12/16/21	5071 Oakwood Drive	Glenn Frank	\$226,400	\$130,000	1371	Ranch	1964	3.4

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 2022 you may be eligible for the Enhanced Star. If you believe you might be eligible please call the Assessor's office 625-8833 ext. 131. 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 or by calling (518) 457-2036.

*****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 TOTAL TAXABLE/NON-TAXABLE INCOME IS \$30,000 OR LESS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AS YOU MAY BE ENTITLED TO THE AGED EXEMPTION******

"Never regret a day in your life. Good days give you HAPPINESS, bad days give you EXPERIENCE."

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PENDLETON TOWN HISTORIAN

“Earth's crammed with heaven...
But only he who sees, takes off his shoes.”

- Elizabeth Barrett Browning



Each year, not long from now, the gardens will be tilled for another impending harvest. This is a careful process and each lot of land demands a different approach for an optimal yield. How many people have examined the contents of the soil?

Since my youth, dear reader, I have eagerly awaited the latest discovery. Of what? You might ask. The usual – old marbles, glass, metal and any bit of rubbish that paints a picture of yesteryear. This gives us, the observer, a glimpse into the past. It is rare to find most things as a whole but entirely common to find them in fragments. A small child might

find a trinket worth pocketing only to proudly show an adult later. What did we find? A couple noteworthy items. A piece of Forest Green depression glass (which was a missing piece to a nearly complete set), a couple marbles and some mercury dimes. How much does the Forest Green depression set fetch? It depends on the vendor but noted range is from \$25 to \$250. How about the 1920s mercury dimes? That's slightly more involved. If it was in circulation one might expect a little over \$3. A specimen that was previously uncirculated can fetch as much as \$150.

This spring as you rejuvenate your soil and prepare for the season, please be mindful of what you might dig up especially if it pertains to the town of Pendleton. You just never know!

Any questions, comments, questions or additions, please feel free to reach me at the following:

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(716) 342 – 9767

Your Town Historian, Carissa D. Smith

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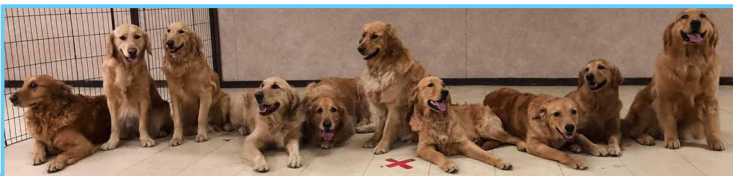
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