

# Penfield Township Newsletter

Spring 2019

## TOWNSHIP RETIREMENTS

Lloyd Gordon retired effective December 31, 2018, after serving 27 years as a Township Trustee. Lloyd was instrumental in many major Township projects, purchases, and improvements during his time in office. He was extremely generous with his time and resources and was very hands-on, doing many tasks himself or with his fellow trustees.

Richard Donahue retired, effective May 31, 2019, after serving 19 ½ years as Zoning Inspector for the township.

We are very grateful for their service and wish them the best in retirement.

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## NEW TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS

Eric Flynn was appointed to fulfill the remainder of Lloyd Gordon's unexpired term as trustee and began his new role on January 1st. Eric and his wife, Adele, operate Flynn Show Cattle with the help of their three children. Eric hit the ground running and is a real asset in his new position.

Brett Linden has accepted the position of Zoning Inspector and will take over on June 1, 2019. Brett served a short stint on the Zoning Commission before accepting this position. He, his wife Heather, and their four children, have lived in Penfield for 12 years.

Congratulations and welcome aboard.

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## BAG YOUR TRASH

We know you shouldn't have to, but to help keep the township looking nice, bag your trash, especially on windy days.

## CALENDAR of EVENTS

### SPRING CONCERT APRIL 27TH

PLACE: TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY ROOM

TIME: 7 PM

THE ANNUAL SPRING CONCERT IS PERFORMED BY THE KEYSTONE COMMUNITY BAND. ADMISSION IS FREE.

### PRIDE DAY – MAY 18TH

PLACE: TOWN HALL, RECREATION PARK, CEMETERY, ROADSIDE PARK - CONTACT VICKI IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP

### MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE – MAY 27TH

PLACE: PENFIELD CEMETERY

TIME: 10:00 AM

### BLOOD DRIVES – MAY 22, JUL 24, SEP 18, NOV 27

PLACE: TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY ROOM

TIME: 2:00 PM UNTIL 7:00 PM

### CHRISTMAS CONCERT DECEMBER 7TH

PLACE: TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY ROOM      TIME: 7 PM

The Annual Christmas concert is performed by the Keystone Community band. Admission is free, but donations of non-perishable food items and toys for Well-Help are appreciated.

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**THE PENFIELD COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR  
IS NOW ONLINE AT [PENFIELDTOWNSHIP.COM](http://PENFIELDTOWNSHIP.COM)**

**VISIT: [WWW.LIVEHEALTHYLORAINCOUNTY.COM/KEY/](http://WWW.LIVEHEALTHYLORAINCOUNTY.COM/KEY/)**

FOR UPDATES ON THE KEYSTONEEMPOWERSYOU  
COLLABORATIVE

## **DUMPSTER DAYS**

Dumpster Days will be held May 18<sup>th</sup>, August 10<sup>th</sup>, and October 19<sup>th</sup> from 8 AM to 4 PM.

Residents may bring scrap metal, motor oil, car & farm batteries and general trash.

Residents may NOT bring hazardous material, paint, tires, or construction debris.

Some residents have abused the prohibition on construction debris in the past and the Trustees reserve the right to reject any load not deemed acceptable.

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## **WEBSITE**

The Township Website contains up-to-date information about upcoming events, board of trustee meeting minutes, contact information for our elected and appointed officials, recreation park information, zoning permit information, fees, zoning regulations & map, and recycle center information. You can also view our Community Calendar to see what is happening at the township.

Visit us at: [www.penfieldtownship.com](http://www.penfieldtownship.com)

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## **HALL RENTAL**

Penfield has two halls available for private functions, such as birthday parties, weddings, graduations, and showers. Township residents' funeral luncheons can be held free of charge. Community groups, such as scouts and 4H, can use the hall for their meetings free of charge.

The "Community Room" has an adjoining kitchen which includes a warming oven, refrigerator, microwave, and coffee pots. It rents for \$300. It has theater-style seating capacity of 312 (chairs only) and banquet-style seating capacity of 145 (chairs and tables). It features rectangular and round tables, and padded chairs. An additional \$200 security deposit is required and returned when the hall is left in satisfactory condition.

The "Township Meeting Hall" is smaller and rents for \$100. It has theater-style seating capacity of 60 and banquet-style seating

capacity of 42. It has electrical outlets for roasters, crock pots, or coffee makers, but no kitchen access. Tables and chairs are included. An additional \$50 security deposit is required and returned when the hall is left in satisfactory condition.

Availability of both halls can be checked on our website, but must be verified.

**Contact Tim Tyrone at 440-396-3096 for more information or to book a rental**

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## **LORAIN COUNTY OFFICE ON AGING**

The Southern Satellite Office of the Lorain County Office on Aging (LCOOA) is located nearby in Wellington and offers many residents in the community a variety of services. They can help determine if you are eligible to receive services and connect you with programs that might be able to help. The LCOOA helps those 60+ years old or disabled and their families develop a long term plan to stay in their homes. To learn more, brochures are available in the Town Hall lobby or you can call 440-647-0777.

## **TOWNSHIP REPRESENTATIVES**

Rick Conrad represents Penfield Township on the Rural Lorain County Water Authority.

Eric Flynn sits on the Wellington Fire District Board.

Duane Johnson serves on the South Lorain County Ambulance Board.

John Eaton (Huntington Twp) represents Penfield Township on the LMRE Board Of Trustees and Jackie Johnson on the People Fund Board.

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## **RECREATION PARK NEWS**

The Park Board is hosting a baseball themed movie fun night at the park, Friday, June 21, 2019. The movie starts around 9:00 PM. Come early to watch the Hot Stove games and enjoy the park. We will have popcorn and lemonade. Everyone is welcome to bring your own beverage and snacks as well. Bring a blanket to sit on the lawn.

## **PENFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

The organization was formed to help preserve historic artifacts and information from and about Penfield Township. It is an affiliate of the Lorain County Historical Society. Meetings are held on the third Monday of each month at 7:00 PM at the town hall. For further information or to join, contact Bill Kies, at 440-452-6331, or Jackie Johnson at 440-371-1868. The society is holding a "Fill the truck" fundraiser on Pride Day, Saturday May 18<sup>th</sup>. Any household items such as clothing, accessories, books, toys, bedding, electrical items, and much more are accepted. Donations may be tax deductible.

Among other things, the money raised will be used to offset the costs of relocating and renovating one of Penfield's old, one room school buildings. Bring your donations of clothing etc. to the town hall from 8:00 AM until 4:00 PM.

Visit them on Facebook at Penfield Historical Society or online at [www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ohpenfi/](http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ohpenfi/)

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## **THE PEOPLE WHO MAKE IT WORK**

The Township employs three part time workers to maintain the Township property and township roads. They mow the Town Hall property, the roadside park, the recreation park property, the cemetery, and the township road ditches. They also plow snow on the township roads, parking lots, and driveways. They perform maintenance on the township equipment, such as mowers and trucks, and do maintenance and repair on the township buildings as well.

The Township also employs a Zoning Inspector, who performs and manages the zoning related duties within the township, such as issuing building permits, inspecting all roads within the township for zoning issues, helping residents with their zoning matters, and supporting the Zoning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals.

The Township has several boards which are made up of residents who are willing to give their time and energy to the community for little or no compensation.

The Zoning Commission, which consists of five members and two alternates, is responsible for creation and amendment of the Township Zoning Resolution. This resolution is the guide by which all zoning decisions in the township are made. Zoning Commission members are compensated for their time.

The Board of Zoning Appeals, which also consists of five members and two alternates, is responsible for hearings for area and use variances, conditional uses, and appeals for decisions of the Zoning Inspector. BZA members are also compensated for their time.

The Recreation Park Board can have up to seven members. They are responsible for, among other things, coordinating the park resources with organizations and groups such as Hot Stove. They identify and oversee improvements to the park. They host community events such as Easter Brunch and Movie Night. Park Board members are not compensated.

All of these boards need additional members. If you are civic minded and want to be involved, or simply want more information, contact any of your elected officials. We would love to have you on our team.

## **MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE**

We celebrate Memorial Day with a ceremony at the Penfield Cemetery. It begins at 10:00 AM, and typically includes a small parade with the Keystone Marching Band, 4-H clubs, Scouts, and more. We also have a presentation by a keynote speaker. If you are interested in speaking or would like to suggest someone, please let us know. Everyone is welcome.

**For more up-to-date information, visit us at**

**[www.penfieldtownship.com](http://www.penfieldtownship.com)**

**Or on Facebook at Penfield Township**

**ELECTED & APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

**TRUSTEES**

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WELLINGTON, OH 44090  
605-216-2539

DUANE JOHNSON – 41869 JONES ROAD  
WELLINGTON, OH 44090  
440-225-3636

**FISCAL OFFICER**

VICKI DENES – 41012 ST RT. 18  
WELLINGTON, OH 44090  
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**ZONING INSPECTOR**

BRETT LINDEN – 22555 FOSTER RD  
WELLINGTON, OH 44090  
216-978-8191

**ZONING COMMISSION CHAIRMAN**

CLARK LUBASKI- 42350 ST RTE 18  
WELLINGTON, OH 44090  
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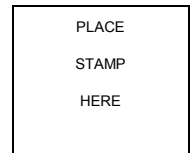
**BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS CHAIRMAN**

JACKIE JOHNSON – 41869 JONES RD  
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440-371-1868

**ZONING SECRETARY**

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