



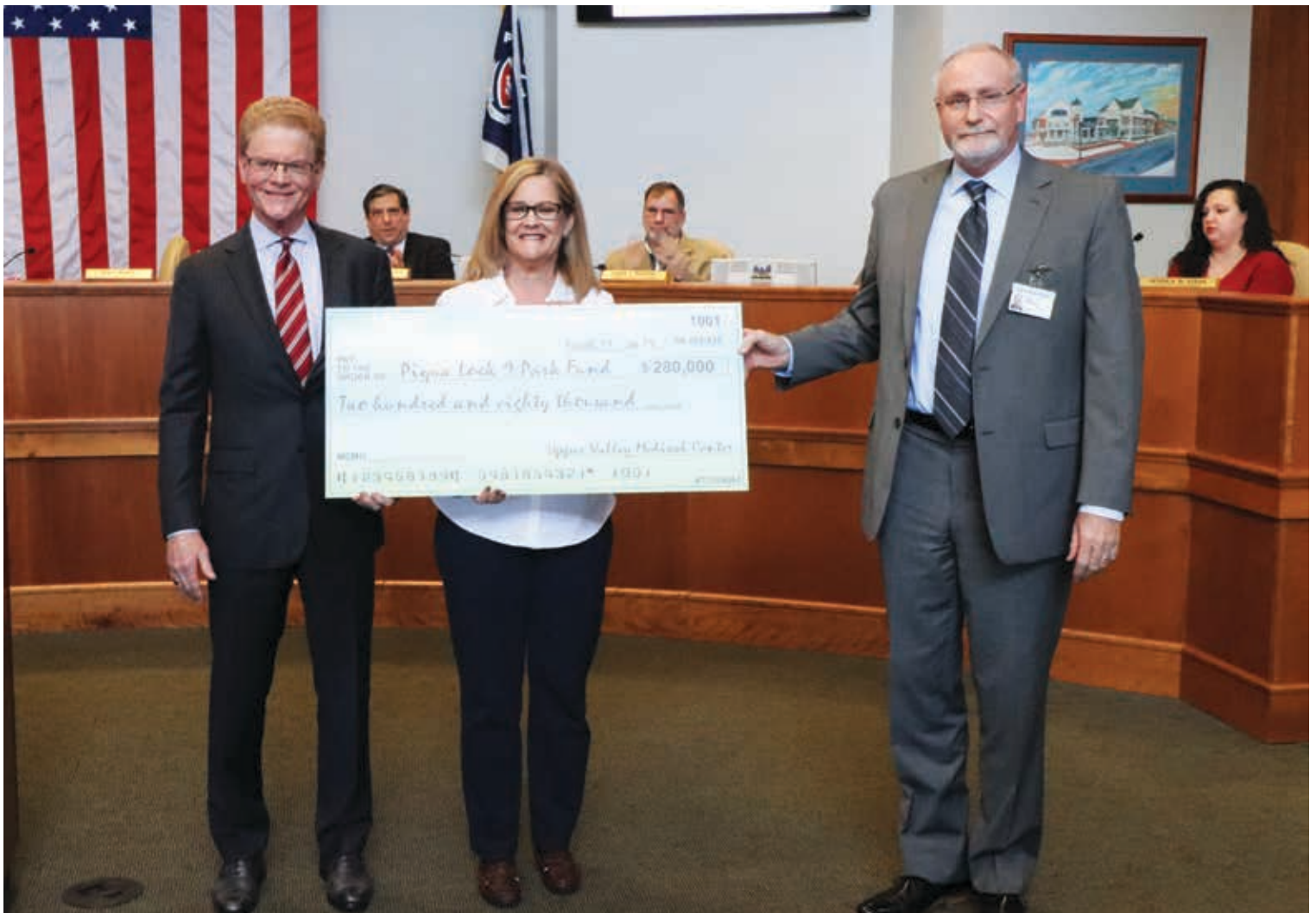
UVMC PLEDGES \$280,000 TO LOCK 9 PARK PROJECT

At the City of Piqua's March 19, 2019 Commission Meeting, Upper Valley Medical Center pledged \$280,000 to the City's Lock 9 Park Improvement project. Mr. Tom Parker, President of UVMC stated: "This project in Piqua is going to serve current and future generations and will stimulate growth."

Mr. Parker stated that UVMC recognizes there is a link in regards to the health of a community and physical exercise; and spaces

such as Lock 9 Park will make Piqua a community to live, work and enjoy life in.

Mr. Steve Staley, Chairman of the Board of Trustees for Upper Valley Medical Center was in attendance at the meeting and Mr. Parker thanked the UVMC Board of Trustees and the Premier Health Board of Trustees for their support of this project and their investment in the Piqua Community.



MANIER SOLAR PROJECT

Just in time for Summer, another renewable energy resource will be added to Piqua's diverse power supply portfolio. The Piqua Power System and Melink Corporation, working for NextEra Energy Resources (NextEra) will soon flip the switch on the 12.625-megawatt Manier Solar Project. The flow of green, carbon-free electrons from the Manier and Staunton Solar Fields to Piqua residents and businesses culminates a multi-year planning effort that officially kicked-off when the Piqua City Commission approved participation in the American Municipal Power (AMP) Phase II Solar Project on August 16, 2016.

This unique arrangement allows Piqua to purchase a portion of the power generated from the solar fields from AMP, while NextEra assumes design, construction, operation and maintenance duties for both the 8-acre Staunton project built on the site of the Staunton School last year and now for the much larger Manier solar field built on 86 acres of farmland. NextEra will own the Manier property for the life of the project, expected to be 35 years. NextEra is the world's largest generator of energy from the wind and sun.

The Manier and Staunton Solar fields, when added to the City's participation in other wind and hydro generating resources, means that well over 20% of Piqua's energy needs will be provided by green, renewable sources. The Manier Solar field will utilize a single-axis tracking ground-mounted system that follows the sun

from east to west for maximum energy production. A total of 48,412 solar panels, 320 Watts apiece will collect and convert sunlight to Direct Current (DC) electricity. 101 inverters, rated at 1,500 Volts DC, will then transform the solar panel generated DC electricity to Alternating Current (AC) electricity. The site transformers will complete the process by stepping-up the voltage from 600 Volts AC to 13,200 Volts AC so that it can be utilized by Piqua electric customers.

The power generated from the Manier Solar Project will be one of Piqua's most economical power supply resources at less than \$0.04/kilowatt-hour. On the hottest days of the summer, when power is typically the most expensive, the Manier and Staunton Solar fields will provide approximately 22% of Piqua's peak demand. The Manier and Staunton Solar fields provide benefits similar to Piqua's combustion turbines. These behind-the-meter, peaking resources provide needed capacity, while also reducing the need to transmit power to Piqua from remote generating stations.

The Manier Solar field will generate enough electricity to power about 1,850 homes. It will avoid approximately 15,449 metric tons per year of carbon dioxide emissions that would have been produced if the electricity had been generated using fossil fuels. This is the equivalent of taking about 3,280 passenger vehicles off the road.



RESIDENCE PRIDE NOMINATIONS NEEDED

We need your nominations for the City of Piqua Residence Pride awards. When you are out and about in the City, please take notice of homes or businesses that have been improved or those which have always been well-maintained and send us your nominations.

The process is very easy! Go to www.piquaoh.org, at the top of the page click on the red tab that reads "Living in Piqua." From there you can click on "Residence Pride Committee" and email the address of the property you would like to nominate and tell us a little about why you made this selection. Another way is to click on "Residence Pride Award" and print out your nominations form. Just mail the form to us or drop in the Utility Office drop box or the City Manager's office. It's that easy!

Please help our Committee select five beautiful properties in the City of Piqua.



Register to Join the Fun Today!

We need your help to fill this day with special memories! If you would like to participate in the 2019 Piqua 4th Fest, visit <https://piquaoh.org/piqua-4th-fest/> to find vendor information and fill out an application.

Applications will be accepted until **June 4, 2019.**

****Limited space available****

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Piqua Community Clean Up Day - April 27, 2019

The City of Piqua is encouraging all residents, clubs, civic groups, churches and organizations to participate in the Piqua Community Clean Up Day on **Saturday, April 27, 2019 from 8:30 a.m. until noon.** This annual event has been held the last seven years and continues to get bigger and better each and every year. Let's come together and give our public areas a nice spring cleaning!

This year we have several exciting projects for you to participate in, like mulching playgrounds and painting fencing. All volunteers will meet at Pitsenbarger Park this year where the Piqua Cares Community Trailer will be parked.

Groups may choose to clean up their own property or be assigned a public area, such as a park, to clean up. Residents and groups are encouraged to contact **Melissa Kinney at 937-778-2060 or via email mkinney@piquaoh.org** for more information and to register to participate in the Community Clean Up Day.

*We are also reserving a "rain date" of Saturday, May 4th. *



Community Events

**City of Piqua
Community Clean-up Day**
Saturday, April 27
beginning at 8:30 am
(See article previous page)
Contact - 778-2060

Taste of the Arts
Friday, May 10
5 - 9 pm
Contact - 773-9355

**Piqua Community
Farmers Market**
Thursday, May 30 -
Thursday, September 19
3:30 - 6:30 pm
www.piquafarmersmarket.com

**Rock Piqua! Riverfront
Concert Series**
June 15, July 20 & August 17
Canal Place
8 - 11 pm

Rock N Roll Car Show
Saturday, June 15
100 Block of N. Main
3 - 6 pm
Contact - 773-9355

**Spectacular Summer
Cruise-in & Concert**
Saturday, June 22
Miami Valley Centre Mall
Contact - 773-1225

**Piqua 4th Fest/Fireworks
Display**
Downtown
Thursday, July 4th
Contact - 778-2037

Piqua 4th Fest - 5K Run
Thursday, July 4th
Contact - 778-2037

Family Day at Johnston's Farm
Contact - 773-2522

WITH GRATITUDE

The City of Piqua would like to thank Kevin Ganger, Becky Cool and Vince Ashcraft for their dedication and years of service to the City of Piqua as follows:



*Kevin S. Ganger
Piqua Fire
Department Captain*



*Rebecca J. Cool
Administrative
Assistant/Planning
& Zoning
Clerk of Piqua City
Commission*



*Vincent P. Ashcraft
Piqua Fire Department
Assistant Chief*

Combined, they accumulated over 86 years of service with the City of Piqua. We wish Kevin, Becky and Vince many years of enjoyment during their retirement and best wishes always.

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