

PIQUA WATER SYSTEM CELEBRATES DEDICATION AND OPEN HOUSE



On September 28, 2017, the Piqua Water System hosted a dedication ceremony and open house for the public to tour the new Piqua Water Treatment Plant. Approximately 150 people were in attendance including City leaders, Commission members, Water Treatment staff, and Piqua citizens.



City Manager Gary Huff opened the celebration with introductions and welcomed all in attendance. A dedication plaque for the facility was then revealed by Mr. Huff to honor former Piqua Mayor, Lucinda L. Fess. During her time as Mayor, Mrs. Fess devoted countless hours towards improving the City of Piqua

and provided leadership in the decision to build a new water treatment facility.

Following the dedication ceremony, the Water Treatment Plant staff provided a full tour of the new facility. Each staff member took small groups through the plant, showing them the new facility and explaining the water treatment



process. Guests were also given a City of Piqua water bottle commemorating the open house.

The new treatment plant officially began operation on June 1, 2017. The plant is a 6.75 million gallon per day lime softening treatment facility. Currently the plant treats an average of 3 million gallons per day of water. The plant replaces the old facility that was built in 1925. The new plant features some of the latest treatment technology including granular activated carbon contactors for better water quality.

For more information, please contact Water System Superintendent Don Freisthler @ 778-2090.

SPRUCING UP THE TOWN

The City of Piqua would like to thank all the volunteers and organizations that helped beautify our downtown area, bike paths, parks and roadways this past Spring.

Various organizations and businesses joined together and volunteered their time to help beautify our City. Once such company that helped out was French Oil Mill Machinery and we would like to thank them for their part in cleaning up the French Park area to Echo Lake Drive.

Thank you to all the volunteers for your participation in keeping our City beautiful!



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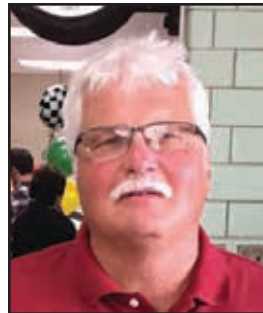
The City of Piqua would like to thank the 2017 retirees for their dedication and years of service to the City of Piqua as follows:



Kevin O'Reilly
Police Officer



James Stein
Firefighter/Paramedic



John Hanselman
Water Plant Mechanic



Elaine Barton
Human Resources Director

Combined, these employees accumulated 97 years of service with the City of Piqua. We wish Kevin, James, John and Elaine many happy years of enjoyment in their retirement years and best wishes always.

2017 SUMMER RESIDENCE PRIDE RECIPIENTS

On, Tuesday, September 6, 2017, the Piqua City Commission announced the Summer 2017 Residence Pride Awards.

The following properties and individuals were nominated and awarded the City of Piqua's Summer awards:

The Residence Pride Award is based on the following criteria:

- ★ Property appearance
- ★ Landscape appearance
- ★ Helpful neighbor in regards to landscape or home improvement project
- ★ Home improvements-general clean-up of a property
- ★ Business owner/landlord property



Leon & Betsy Waldsmith
808 Boone Street



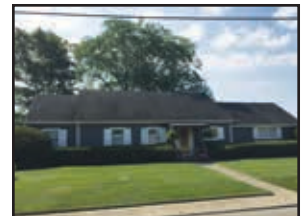
Russ & Krissy Shurtz
322 Broadway Street



Lori Huebner
420 N. Downing Street



Dorothy M. Fitch
1534 Edge Street



John & Evelyn Mahrt
511 Gill Street

The Residence Pride Committee meets on a regular basis to select the winners and the Committee encourages Piqua citizens to submit nominations. Nomination forms are available on the City's website at www.piquaoh.org or the Municipal Government Complex in the City Manager's office or in the Utilities Department. Nominations or questions may also be emailed to: residencepride@piquaoh.org.

Congratulations to our Summer Residents Pride Recipients!

THE PIQUA GOVERNMENT ACADEMY WAS A GREAT SUCCESS THIS YEAR!

The Piqua Government Academy is a ten-week program that invites community members, (high school age and older), to visit different departments to learn **WHAT** the city does, **HOW** the city does it, and **WHY** the city does it. Due to the success of this program in the past, the academy has been recognized by the Ohio City /County Management Association as one of the best programs for Citizen Engagement.

This year's academy began on Monday, September 11, 2017 with a City Overview by Piqua City Manager, Gary A. Huff. The following seven weeks, 12 academy members were educated about our Police, Wastewater Treatment, Fire, Public Works, Power, Underground Utilities, and Water Treatment departments. The members were able to participate in activities such as Piqua Police Department "Use of Force" simulator, spraying the Fire Department water hose, and driving a snow plow at Public Works. In the ninth week of the program, the academy held a

Mock Commission Meeting where each participant took a role as a City Commissioner, Mayor, City Manager, City Attorney, Department Head or citizen. This session offered the opportunity for the academy members to learn in-depth operations of city government where information was provided for future candidacy.

On Tuesday, November 21st, Piqua City Commission and City Manager Gary Huff recognized the participants with graduation recognition during their Regular City Commission meeting. City Commission and Administration would like to thank the Academy members for taking time to learn about the day-to-day operations of city government.

If you are interested in participating in next year's Piqua Government Academy, please contact the Public Relations/Special Events Coordinator Brittany Van Horn at 937-778-2037 or via email at bvanhorn@piquaoh.org.



Downtown Holiday Events

Christmas on the Green
Friday, December 1st
6 – 9 p.m.

Community caroling, horse-drawn carriage rides, strolling characters, children's activities and live entertainment make this family-oriented holiday celebration a "must do" on many calendars. Stop in and visit downtown Piqua's many stores to choose the perfect gift for your loved one.

Holly Jolly 5K Run
Saturday, December 2nd
10 a.m.

These annual 5K & 10K runs make use of the beautiful Piqua PATH. Download your registration at on the Mainstreet Piqua website or sign up online at www.cantstoprunningco.com

Same day registrations are accepted. Registration is held in the lobby of the Municipal Government Complex, 201 W Water Street.

**Downtown Piqua
Holiday Parade**
Saturday, December 2nd
2 p.m.

The tradition of celebrating the holiday season with an old-fashioned hometown parade is a long one in downtown Piqua. Families and friends, young and old, fill the streets for this festive event. After the parade kids can visit with Santa in the lobby of the Fort Piqua Plaza. For more detailed information about these events please contact Mainstreet Piqua at 937-773-9355.

Piqua Cares Fall Prevention Program



Attention Piqua Citizens age 65 years or older who want assistance getting their trash & recycling to the curb during bad weather.

The Piqua Health & Sanitation Department is coordinating a Fall Prevention Program during the Winter to prevent falls during snowy or icy conditions.

A City of Piqua employee will take your refuse and recycling to the curb or alley for you during bad weather.

To sign up for the Fall Prevention Program, please call 937.778.2060, or email Melissa Kinney at mkinney@piquaoh.org.

Eligibility:

- Age 65 years or older
- Disability (any age & living alone)
- City of Piqua refuse customer
- Submit a signed application form
- Display the Fall Prevention Program sticker/sign

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