

# HIRAM COMMUNICATOR

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## INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

This year's celebration saw approximately 2,600 attending the community concert and fireworks on Monday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Over 200 residents participated in the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade lead by Grand Marshall retired Police Chief Ed Samec. An antique fire truck driven by Hiram Fire Captain Gary Bott was one of the many highlights of this year's parade.

## PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

The Planning and Zoning Commission met Thursday July 6<sup>th</sup>. The Commission approved a permit to Crown Castle for the addition of an antenna to the Winrock cell tower.

## FROM THE HIRAM FIRE DEPARTMENT

**Prevent Electrical Fires** –Don't overload circuits or extension cords. Cords and wires should never be placed under rugs or in high traffic areas. Avoid loose electrical connections by checking the fit of the plug in the wall outlet. If the plug loosely fits, inspect the outlet right away. A poor connection between the plug and the outlet can cause overheating and can start a fire in minutes.

## FROM THE HIRAM POLICE DEPARTMENT

**Mark your calendar for summer fun!**

**\*The Annual HPD Hot Rod Show - Saturday August 5<sup>th</sup> 9:00am – 3:00pm.** Cars will be displayed on the Hiram College lawn on Hayden & Dean Streets.

**\*Basketballs are now available for use at the Jagow Park basketball court.** These balls will be loaned out on the honor system. Basketballs will be available on a first come, first serve basis at the Hiram Police/Fire Station. Be sure to return the ball you borrow!

**\*"Fill a Police Cruiser" Food Drive and Pet Adoption Event Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.** on the lawn at the Rosser Municipal Building 11617 Garfield Road. Help stamp out hunger in Portage County by donating nonperishable food items to the HPD "Fill a Police Cruiser" food drive. While you're here check out the various area pet rescue programs with many adoptable and adorable dogs and cats. Bring the family and make a day of it.

## KENYON NEIGHBORHOOD POOL

The Kenyon Neighborhood Pool is open for the season. Pool membership is available to Hiram Village and Hiram Township residents. To request membership information please email [knpa.treasurer@gmail.com](mailto:knpa.treasurer@gmail.com).

## CURBSIDE RECYCLING SERVICE

Effective September 1, 2017, the Portage County Solid Waste District Recycling Center will provide the curbside recycling service for Hiram Village and Hiram Township. Portage County will provide a wheeled toter for your recyclables. Kimble and Portage County Solid Waste will be providing information to residents regarding this change over. **Trash service questions** – contact Kimble at 1-800-201-0005 **Recycling service questions** – contact Portage County District Recycling Center at 330-678-8808



## BRUSH PICK-UP SCHEDULE

Brush pick-up for 2017 will be the last **full** week of July, August and September. The amount of brush should be no more than two men can load in 15 minutes. Tree branches and brush should be no longer than 8 foot. Leaves and small twigs must be bagged in bio-degradable bags, and sealed with a bio-degradable tape or twine. Please, place your brush and leaf bags far enough from the curb to avoid road traffic.

## THE COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE IS BACK!



Join the fun at the Hiram Community Garage Sale! A great day of shopping and family fun can be had **Saturday August 12<sup>th</sup>** on the lawn at the Rosser Municipal Building, 11617 Garfield Road, Hiram, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

A 10' x 10' vendor space is available for \$15. If you wish to set up at your Village home, an advertising kit including the listing of your address on the Community Garage Sale map is available for \$10. Spaces and listing must be reserved no later than July 28<sup>th</sup>. For more information contact Brian at 330-647-3222 or email [bdgreg@aol.com](mailto:bdgreg@aol.com). The Park Board is also accepting donations to sell at the Community Sale. Proceeds benefit the Hiram Village Parks.

## HIRAM VILLAGE CHIEF OF POLICE APPOINTED



At the July 11<sup>th</sup> Village Council meeting, Mayor Lou Bertrand and Hiram Village Council, by way of unanimous vote, appointed Sgt. Brian Gregory as the new Hiram Village Chief of Police. Sgt. Gregory began his career with Hiram Village as part-time Patrolman in 2011, was promoted to Corporal in 2013, promoted to Sergeant in 2016 and has served as acting Chief of Police for the past year following former Chief Ed Samec's retirement. Congratulations Chief Gregory!

## FROM THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

**Village sidewalk repair** has been a topic of discussion at several Council meetings and a committee to address the deteriorating sidewalks has been formed. The VA would like to remind residents it is the property owners' responsibility to maintain the areas along the sidewalks and help in the maintenance of the sidewalks themselves. A copy of the **Codified Ordinance Chapter 901** for street and sidewalk areas is available on the Village website at [www.hiramvillage.org](http://www.hiramvillage.org). Questions can be addressed to James McGee, Village Administrator at [va.hvoh@gmail.com](mailto:va.hvoh@gmail.com).