

Supervisor's Note

Dear Community,

If you like to get out and play in the snow, this past winter was not your cup of tea. The Recreation's Winter Fest at the VFW Hall was a "mild" success with most outdoor activities done on the grass. My thanks to the Park and Highway folks that hauled in some snow to make a small sledding hill. I think the kids that did show up still had a good time.

There was really only one major snow event and the Parma Highway Department employees dealt with it as quickly as possible. Since there was not much snow to plow, the Highway Department worked on drainage issues and trimmed tree branches that were hanging into our roadways. I did apply for a State grant that will help pay for two major drainage projects on North Avenue that I hope can be completed this year.



The light winter allowed Parma Town Park employees to work on other projects. With spring now here they will be getting the Park ready for the season. Things are very wet right now but I hope soon the fields will be busy with baseball, soccer, softball, and other activities. The Park will also be the site of a Spring Fishing Clinic.

The Recreation Department provided some great programs the past few months to help the winter pass a little easier, including an Animal Adventure Night, Sweetheart Ball, Dinner with the Easter Bunny and Parma Pizza Playoff. All were sell outs and great fun. Check out some of the pictures on the Parma Recreation Facebook page for all these events.

The Senior Center has continued with their regular social events and lunches. There are a number of trips planned for this spring and summer. The Hilton Rotary hosted an Easter dinner that was a sellout. I do want to thank Gary Twentymon for his many years as a van driver helping to get our Seniors to lunches and other programs. Additionally, the AARP trained tax preparers once again helped prepare over 400 tax returns.

The Hilton-Parma Community Drug coalition; DICE continues to work hard to make people aware of the growing substance abuse issue in our community. They have been working on a number of programs.

The Library continues to offer many popular programs for the young and not so young. The craft classes have resulted in some very creative works of art. Please look at the Library's Facebook page to see more about their activities.

Please remember that the VFW Hall and Park Pavilions are available to be booked for your next event.

Enjoy the spring. And as always, be safe.

Jim Smith, Parma Town Supervisor