



The Pointer News

February  
2019

**2019 FEBRUARY**

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Dates to remember  
February 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>  
Borough Council meeting at 7:00 PM  
**Due date for February Utility bills is February 15<sup>th</sup>.**  
Please note: Recycling pickup is suspended for now.  
Watch the newsletter for the restart dates.

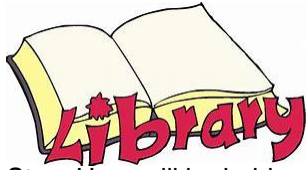
Members of Point Marion Borough Council  
President-Lisa Martin  
Vice-President Jason Ganoe  
Chris Kaczmarczyk  
Joe Corcoran  
Julia Casteel  
Bob Wolfe  
Marlene McHugh

**Rotary Hall for Rent**  
The Old Scout Building is available to individuals for use. Contact David Callahan at 724-725-5717 for information.

**Park to Host Indoor Flea Market**  
The Point Marion Borough Park and Recreation Commission will host an Indoor Flea Market on April 6th. The time will be from 9-12.  
It will be held at the First Baptist Church. For more information or to rent a space contact [nacolle87@gmail.com](mailto:nacolle87@gmail.com) or

*Girl Scout Cookies for Sale*  
*Did you miss your chance to order Girl Scout cookies? Don't worry you will have a chance to get them. On Tuesday February 26<sup>th</sup> from 10-1 Ariel Frazier will have a booth at the Riverside Diner. Each box of cookies will cost \$5.00 and will be sold on a first come first serve basis. Cash only no checks. A huge thanks to Riverside Diner for supporting Ariel and the Girl Scouts.*

**Miss the Pointer News in the mail????** There are plenty of places to pick it up each month. Clar-Mac Sales, United Bank and Riverside Diner have copies to pick up. It is on Facebook, and on the Point Marion Library's website. You can receive an email version by sending your email address to [kgriff5796@gmail.com](mailto:kgriff5796@gmail.com).



Point Marion Library's winter session of Story Hour will be held each Saturday from February 2nd through February 23rd. Children of all ages who enjoy listening to stories and songs, playing games, making crafts and learning about the library are welcome to attend. Topics for this session include: "Let it Snow", "Happy Valentine's Day", "Penguin Adventures" and "Busy Boats". Come and join in on the fun.

Library Hours - Monday through Thursday evenings 6:00 - 9:00  
Tuesday afternoons 2:00 - 4:00  
Saturdays noon - 2:00

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If you have something you would like included in the newsletter, drop it off no later than the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to your event at Clar-Mac sales or email it to [kgriff5796@gmail.com](mailto:kgriff5796@gmail.com).



## February Rotary Programs

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!



- February 7<sup>th</sup>: Matthew W Cumberledge  
Director of Greene County Historical Society
- February 17<sup>th</sup> : Sunday at 1:00 PM Valentine Party at Caporella's  
Ristorante in Uniontown
- February 21<sup>st</sup>: Vince Vicities State of the County address
- February 28<sup>th</sup> Presidents Day Celebration

### Looking to do something positive in your community???

All meetings are open to the public, area residents are encouraged to attend. Meetings are held in the social room of the First Baptist Church at 6:00 PM. Call Philip Rishel at 724-725-5245 for membership information. Your area Rotary Club has great programs, good

Thanks to all that made contributions to the Annual Halloween parade's cash prizes and candy treats for the children of Point Marion. Without these gifts the event would not be possible.

- Pt Marion volunteer Fire Dept.
- Point Manor Personal Care home
- Point Marion United Methodist Church
- Morgans muffler and Brake
- VFW Post 747 Auxiliary
- Jason and Jamie Clemmer
- Barney Shaffer
- Anonymous
- Mike and Irene Kridle
- Point Marion hardware
- Joyce Miner
- Richard R Herod Funeral Home
- Callahan and Callahan Real Estate
- David M Callahan, Tax Collector
- Rotary District Governor, Cherie Sears
- American Legion Auxiliary
- FOE Auxiliary
- Chuck Sicina
- Point Marion Progress Club

- VFW
- Philip Rishel
- Pt Marion Area Lion's club
- Wally's Auto Repair
- Jordan Auto Parts
- Joe Corcoran
- United Bank
- Point Marion Chamber of Commerce
- Donna Conard
- CJ and Ashleigh Callahan
- First Baptist Church
- Becky Cerullo
- Clar-Mac Furniture and Appliance
- Dr. Charles Hyde
- Swanger Home Improvement
- Point Marion Apostolic Church
- Zoann and David Callahan
- Dave Smille

**Mark your calendars for the 2019 parade on Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM.**

Little T's Beauty Salon located on Penn Street across the street from Clar-Mac Furniture and Appliance is run by Taresa Nicola.

The hours for her shop are Tuesday through Saturday 9-4.

Town Trivia  
For the month of February in . . . .

- 1929**--The House of Representatives Interstate Commerce Committee gave the Community Club of Point Marion additional time to construct a bridge across the Monongahela River. They have one year from March, 1929 to begin construction and three years from that date to complete the work.
- \*The Odd Fellows Temple will host a dance party with the original midnight bellhops. They say to "bring your racoon and dance to the tiger" Gent admission is \$1.50, ladies \$.75 and Kabitzers is \$.50. Explanation of a kabitzer is one who looks on merely and does not wish to join in the merrymaking.
- \*Hunker's Drug Store will give free one set of 6 water glasses or one hemstitched Boott Mill towel with nine cakes of Jergen's soap for \$.98.
- 1937**--Feb. 22--A balloon released in Huntington, WV found here on a local farm 230 miles from release.
- \*Local child injured when caught in a wringer of a clothes washer.
- \*House for sale--9 rooms, 25 acres near Friendship Hill for \$2,125.
- 1939**--Feb. 2--Construction of the \$50,000 athletic field to start. Approximately 30 men will work on it. M. Lee Titus will be in charge of clearing the site of the old Jeannette glass factory. Included in the proposal to extend Main St. that ends at Camp Run creek to the new athletic grounds and the Houze factory district.
- \*The Borough's tax assessment will remain at 18 mills.
- \*A benefit dance for victims of Infantile Paralysis was held at the new American Legion Recreation Hall. It was attended by 150 people.
- \*Feb. 16--Liquor agents arrest Springhill Twp. man as owner of a huge still in operation. He is a 51 year old alien who has been here 29 years.
- 1941**--Feb. 6--22 youths, ages 17-24, enrolled at the local school in the NYA National Defense Program.
- \*Mid-year exam results in Springhill Twp. and Point Marion grade schools has been released. Of the honor pupils, 174 from the Township school and 57 from Point Marion. Township schools are Bunker Hill, Conn Hill, Friendship Hill, Gans, Gans Hill, Nilan, Rich Hill, and Tobin 1. These are for grades 1-6.
- \*Feb. 13--99 coke ovens are now in operation at the Poland Coal Co. in Greene Co.
- \*The Point Marion Public Library is now rated as one of the most complete in the state. It serves a population of 2,039. Volumes for adults 5,231, juveniles 1,007 totaling 6,238. It also receives four newspapers. Total borrowers registered this year is 1,064. (At this time, the Library was located on the opposite side of the building of the current Library. It combined to serve the school students during the school hours and the public after school.)
- \*Feb. 17-18--St. Hubert will have a pre-Lenten carnival in the church hall.
- \*Point Marion News begins house survey to find rental houses for Morgantown employees wanting to live here.
- \*Aliens and prospective naturalized citizens who took the test all failed and were denied final papers at this time according to the district examiner in Pittsburgh. Free evening classes were conducted at the local school.
- \*Feb. 20--Reorganization of Point Marion's once active Community Club that was originally organized in 1924. Local businessmen and citizens are invited. They will launch an industrial and sociological survey of the vicinity to be used as a basis to invite businesses to locate here.
- 1955**--Feb. 3--Local teller at the First National Bank here in town receives a jail sentence of a year and a day in prison for embezzlement. Ex-President of same bank was placed on probation after embezzling \$150,000.
- \*Local resident Major Gipson Cooley is Commander of the 788th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron stationed near Waverly, Iowa. He gained national attention through a pictorial news article in the Iowa paper.
- \*Fayette Co. Gallatin Bank has an ad in the Point Marion News detailing Monsieur deLafayette's visit to Friendship Hill on May 25, 1825. He visited his friend Albert Gallatin. Thousands of people came from miles around to see the immortal Lafayette. Thousands sat down to supper--in relays--at the rows and rows of tables in the garden.
- \*Baker's Grocery at 111 Railroad St. has an ad for 2 dozen eggs for \$.99. They also give S & H green stamps.
- \*Feb. 10--Good News! A bill is introduced in Harrisburg where 6 of the 10 toll bridges bought by the state in 1949 would be freed immediately. Point Marion toll bridge is included.
- \*Feb. 24--Local Eagles Club releases 12 freedom balloons. One landed and found in Colonial Heights, VA (23 miles south of Richmond)--400 miles from Point Marion.
- 1962**--Houze Glass Corp. announces it will begin assembling and marketing sun glasses beginning this spring.
- \*Feb. 22--G. C. Murphy Co. in Morgantown is giving one gold fish in a bag free to each child that visits.
- \*Local A & P Store (Atlantic and Pacific) has 1 lb. bag of 8 o'clock coffee for \$.49, 3 lb. for \$1.39.
- 1966**--Point Marion's budget is \$35,984.
- 1970**--A new 4-H Club is organized for girls ages 9-11.
- 1977**--172 criminal acts were reported in Point Marion for the previous year with 29 not resulting in an arrest. A total of 518 complaints were investigated.
- 1980**--Library was closed for a month due to a lapse in funding by CETA.
- \*Point Marion's population count is 1,642.
- 1988**--The Point Marion Knights of Columbus Council 8049 held their first annual basketball free throw contest.
- 1989**--Differences over the BOCA code brings residents to Council meetings. BOCA has a Pt. Marion office.
- 1990**--Point Marion's population count is 1,344.
- 1992**--A former local resident--Anthony DePasquale--is featured on the cover of Kiplingers' magazine. He tells of a savings bond started him on the way to a career in the finance world. The DePasquales (Patsys) lived on Cupelli Street when he and his siblings attended and graduated from Point Marion High School.
- 1994**--People who removed their school records from the now vacant building are asked by the Albert Gallatin School District to return them as soon as possible.
- 1999**--Only one old bridge pillar is left standing across the Cheat River.

## Point Marion Utility Rates & Services

### DEPOSITS AND SERVICE CHARGES

New customers must call or visit our office to arrange for water service connection.

There is a \$100.00 security deposit.

**BILLING** -The water meters are read electronically the middle of each month. We do not estimate the meter readings unless it is necessary. After meters are read, a bill is mailed to you the first of the following month. (*Example: In the month of March, the meters are read. This is for the water used from the middle of Feb. to the middle of Mar. You will receive the bill for that water use in April*). Our terms require the payment in full by the 15th of that month. You may pay your bill at Wally's Auto or you may mail it to the Borough Building. If you are mailing your water bill it must be received on or before the 15th or you will be assessed the late charge for that bill. The late fee is 10%.

Any account not paid in full by the 25th of the same month will have their water disconnected on or after the 26th of that month, at that time a \$20.00 Shut off notice fee is assessed. If your water service is terminated, it will not be restored until the outstanding bill and a \$150.00 non-refundable reconnection fee has been paid in full at the office. No money can be accepted in the field. **BALANCES CANNOT BE CARRIED FROM ONE BILLING CYCLE TO THE NEXT. THEY MUST BE**

### PAID IN FULL EACH MONTH.

**WATER RATES**- The minimum water bill is \$30.00. The rate for water is \$9.48 per 1,000 gallons.

The minimum sewage bill is \$20.00. The rate for sewage is \$7.10 per thousand gallons.

The monthly residential garbage bill is \$13.50

**DISCONNECTING WATER SERVICE** - If you are moving from your residence or want your water discontinued for any reason, please call or stop at our office to inform us and we will disconnect your service. We will send you a final bill from your final reading. If you move, and do not inform us, a family would move in, and would be using water billed to you. We would not know the difference - we will be billing you for their water consumption. It is important for you to let us know when you move.

**EMERGENCIES**- Know where your main water shut-off valve is located. Leaks beyond the meter are the responsibility of the customer for both repair and water loss.

**MAIN WATER LINE BREAKS**- We make every effort to insure a continual supply of water, but main water line breaks do occur. If you lose water service, be assured we are making every effort to correct the problem. To report water loss, please call the office phone.

### Contact Us

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