



4 Unit News

Central Ohio Retired Firefighters
Chapter Twelve



October/November 2018

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Retirees enjoyed the 2018 Picnic at Fireman's Park even though it was raining outside.



John Rees' picture of the 4 Unit Retirees that attended the picnic this year and enjoyed the food, friendship, even though there was rainy weather outside.

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Please use the Membership Renewal Form on page 15 for your 2019 4 Unit membership dues. Renew your PFR0 membership through 4 Unit and your dues will be forwarded to the State Office.

4 UNIT MEETING DATES

November 7, 2018	February 6, 2019
December 5, 2018	March 6, 2019
January 2, 2019	April 3, 2019

4 Unit Officers: President, Gary Church; Vice President, Bill Balthaser; Trustees, Gary Wells, Dale Miller, Albert Allen; Sgt.-At-Arms, Bill Hanf; Recording Secretary; Membership Secretary, Terry Hetzer; Treasurer, Darylee Foertsch; Chaplin, Larry Baker; News Editor, Cecil Goodrich.

NOTE: Our new Treasurer for 4 Unit is **DARYLEE FOERTSCH**. When paying dues or to make any changes to your personal information, please send these changes and dues to address which is on the form on page 15.



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Presidents Report

Greetings,

I would like to thank all the members that ventured out to attend the 4 Unit picnic at Fireman's Park. We had about 100 members show up. I was happy with the turnout on such a rainy day. Gary Wells and his wife Dee Dee did a great job getting all the food and drinks purchased and delivered to the shelter house. With the help of Gary Wells and his wife DeeDee along with Jim Wintering, Steve Clemons, Tom Christ, Ron Lautzenheiser, John Helsel and Tim Moore who prepared the food and worked to get the building ready for the picnic. Those members worked very hard to make this years picnic a great success. I would also like to thank all the members and their wives that brought side dishes and desserts to the picnic. We had many items for the raffle this year and it took quite a while to pass them out. Forrest Bennett did a great job again this year collecting a whole pickup truck load of items for the raffle. Local 67 needs a big thank you for their donation of the canned beer. As the beer drinkers at the picnic know, in the past we have had some very small issues with the KEGS. I would have never thought that a bunch of firefighters would have trouble getting beer out of a keg, but it happened. I did not see anyone having trouble with the beer this year. With the Buckeyes playing at 3PM in the afternoon, the shelter house emptied out like they all had tickets to the game.

As most of you have been following the healthcare issue and changes I am sorry to say that I was not able to attend the meeting at the Police and Fire Pension Board in August due to being laid up after surgery. I was able to attend the Anon meeting downtown and was happy to see so many of our members at the informational meetings for both the morning and afternoon sessions on September 12th. I did think that the meeting had some good information as to how the new program would be administrated. If any of our members did not receive the informational packet from Anon please contact me and I will provide you with a phone number to the Anon help line. Please remember to check all mailings

from Anon and the Pension Board as they may be co-branded before you discard it.

Our Treasurer Bernie Cattrell has had to step down due to family issues, and I would like to thank Bernie for all his hard work during the past year. I wish him the best of luck in the future. I did ask our members to help fill Bernie's vacant position and I am glad to announce that we did not have to wait too long, Darylee Foertsch volunteered for the position immediately. Jerry Mason and Darylee have a plan to bring her up to speed by the spring. I would also like to thank Jerry Mason for jumping back into the fire to help this organization during this difficult time and for helping to train Darylee. We will need someone to fill the secretary position since Darylee has moved to Treasurer.

Lastly, I want to thank Bill Balthaser for stepping in to assume the lions share of work while I was on the mend after my surgery, and the officers who helped with this year's picnic. Larry Baker, Dale Miller, Darylee Foertsch, Cecil Goodrich, John Howard and (not an officer) my daughter Katie Houghton.

Fraternally,
Gary A. Church.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Psalm 57:9-10 (NRSV)

⁹ I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples; I will sing praises to you among the nations. ¹⁰ For your steadfast love is as high as the heavens; your faithfulness extends to the clouds.

The Day of Thanksgiving approaches. The big day of a sumptuous feast and a table laden with morsels of the finest we can offer. The ONE day set aside by our nation o give thanks to God. Yet we are so blessed that we should give thanks EVERY day. And that begs the question what to give thanks for.

Perhaps you've had similar experiences; let me detail mine. I ask everyone to name ONE thing they are thankful for during the prayer. Lots of silence follows. Slowly a meek voice
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says, "My parents." A small child's voice then says, "My doggie." After a significant silence, two different voices in succession say, "My parents", followed quickly by, "My family." Then a firm voice says, "My country and freedom." Finally another young voice says, "TURKEY!" And I end the prayer. Referring to the psalm for guidance, do we ever say we are thankful for God's love, for Jesus, for salvation, for the spirit and for the many other blessings we have? Our prayers could go on and on till the turkey is cold and the gravy congeals.

Think about this NOW, not on that Thursday in November. P.S. I give thanks to God for my 4 Unit friends.

Chaplain Larry Baker

NOTE Our Chaplain, Larry Baker is asking our members to contact him when you know of a brother Retiree or his wife that are having health problems. This is the only way Larry becomes aware of an issue and he can then contact them. Your help and cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

**Central Ohio Retired Fire Fighters Four Unit, Inc.
Minutes of Meeting on August 1, 2018**

12:00 Noon, VFW Post #3426, 1591 Lockbourne Rd.

Officers Roll Call: G. Church, B. Balthaser, L Baker, D. Foertsch, D. Miller, A. Allen, G. Wells, B. Hanf, C. Goodrich and J. Simkins
Absent: 0

Members Present: 68 **Guests:** 0 **Total:** 68

New Members: None

Welcome: Waived

Recording Sec. Report: None

Membership Sec./Treas. Report: Paid: Life:

Checking: CDs:

Presidents Report:

There was no meeting at the Pension Board in July, so no news updates on Healthcare. Remember to sign up for the informational meetings held by Anon and the Pension Board. This can be done online. Information is in the packet sent out to all members. Classes are filling up so please sign up early.

I also attended the meeting at the PFRO in July and we were told at that time by two members of the Pension Board that the \$3000.00 tax deduction was going to be available to members that qualify.

We have again sponsored members in two golf outings, the first is the Fallen Firefighters outing. The winners were Jack Schumacher, Bill Balthaser, Bernie Nance and Terry Trojack. The second is the CME outing that benefits Central Ohio Police and Firefighters. The winners were Bob Foor and Henry Baldwin. Congratulations to all winners.

The 4 Unit Picnic is September 8, 2018. I am asking all 4 Unit Officers to attend that can help fill various positions. We need additional help with set up, cooking and clean up. As a reminder 4 Unit will be supplying all the meat, buns, two side dishes (Baked Beans and Cole Slaw) as well as drinks (water, pop and beer) we are asking members to bring a covered dish or dessert. We also need help with gifts for the raffle.

Anyone interested the VFW football pool see Shanda.

Anyone interested in purchasing tickets for Columbus Foundation Raffle contact Barry Tresner. Cost for tickets is \$100.00.

Rosters are at the printers and should be ready for the picnic. Cost is \$5.00 each.

Committee Reports:

Benefits: No meeting at Pension Board

Host: B. Nance, Angel pins are needed. Motion made to order pins.

Museum: None

Banquet: None

Picnic: See Presidents Report

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Good and Welfare: Don Tinnerman, Dave Anderson and Bob Schmidt.

Sick List: None

PT'd to #5 Unit: Suellen Higgins, Richard Langwasser.

Cook: Tom Troup

50/50 Winners: Russ Kravig, amount \$28.00 to PAC. Mac McNickles, amount \$28.00 to PAC.

Meeting Adjourned: by President G. Church.

NOTE: No September meeting minutes due Picnic.



GOOD AND WELFARE Through 9/25/2018

Clarence Galleher	Cliff Sharp
Bill Russell	Bill Noble
Chuck Werner, Home	Gerald Walker
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Don Tinnermann	Steve Kimple
Barry Cheney	Jeff Harvey, RMH

Gary Church, Home
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Nolan Coey

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PT'd to 5 Unit:

Don Bryan, Retired Lt. Madison Twp.

08-10-2018

Jack Leiendecker, Retired FF, CFD 08-18-2018

Brian Beach, FF, Pleasant Valley TWP

08-24-2018

Wilfred Lee, Retired Lt. CFD 09-04-2018

Edward T. Gibbons, Retired FF, CFD

09-21-2018

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Rita Casto, Wife of Ron.



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Pictures of the 4 Unit Picnic at Buckeye Lake were taken by John Rees. We thank John all the great pictures he supplies us over the year. Even this year when we all had to stay inside due the rain.



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- 25 Robert Barcus
James Crandall
Carol Yochum
Jack Neal
- 26 Dennis Such
- 28 Bobby Britford
Ronald Dutton
- 30 Steven Atwood

- 28 Joseph Beshara
- 29 Rose Cave
Frank Henderson
Steve Simpson

- 30 James Lewis
Arline Ries

DECEMBER

- 1 Don Brunton
- 2 Jon Cleary
David Hartsoe
Robert Keefer
Marguerite Seagle
- 3 Ernest Van Hoose
- 4 Albert Allen
Margaret Boso
Artie Rookard
Rodney Storts
- 6 Bernard Rothe
- 7 Bruce Sutton
- 8 Nolan Coey
Larry McCord
James Papenbrock
- 9 Betty Boham
Lynn Hancock
James Igo
Art Lewis
- 11 Juanita
Fussnecker
Ward Young
- 12 William Adams
Andrew Barga
John Barrett
Rick Boham
Terry Sanders
- 13 Brian Willison
- 14 David Stiles
Thomas Wake
- 15 Don Deuschle
Steven Prose
- 15 Joe Diamico
Kenneth Searls
- 17 Karyn Easter
- 18 Charles Coey
Sam Cox
Terry Hetzer
- 19 Richard Decot
- 20 William Guerard
Joseph Pishitelli
- 21 Rick Conti
- 22 Russell Cellar
Mary Herold
- 23 Judy Barry
- 23 Bernard Nance
Rudy Touvell
Jeffrey Williamson

JANUARY

- 1 Leona Bauermeister
Robert Herold
Ethel Moody
Kent Searle
- 2 Dave Karn
Donald G. Lee
Robert Sowers, Sr
Howard White, Jr.
- 3 William Brobst
Michael Widner
- 4 Helen Siniff
- 5 May Alston
Dorothy Litsinberger
Krista Pfeifer
Patricia Thurston
- 6 Nancy Cavener
Larry Fitzpatrick
Arthur Susi, Jr.
- 9 Suzanne Perlick
- 10 Frederick Dorsch
- 11 Carl Lawhorn
- 12 Joyce Curran
Robert Schmidt
- 13 John Knight
- 14 Greg Collier
William Kauble
Edward Seeger
- 15 Nancy Love
John F. Sherman
- 16 Steve Skeldon
Robert Smith
- 20 Ruby Knootz
Neil Mills
Jack Reall
- 21 Betty Mackert
Wayne McCloud, Jr.
Fred Seeger
- 22 Floyd McCoy
- 24 Francis Moore
- 25 Arthur Ballantyne
Jerry Brewster
Bernie Ingles
- 26 Richard Murphy
Raymond Trucco
- 27 Mary Durfee
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We invite all 4 Unit Women to join our group luncheon/meetings held on the 1st Wednesday of each month. There was no meeting in September due the picnic at Buckeye Lake.

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Time: 11:00 am

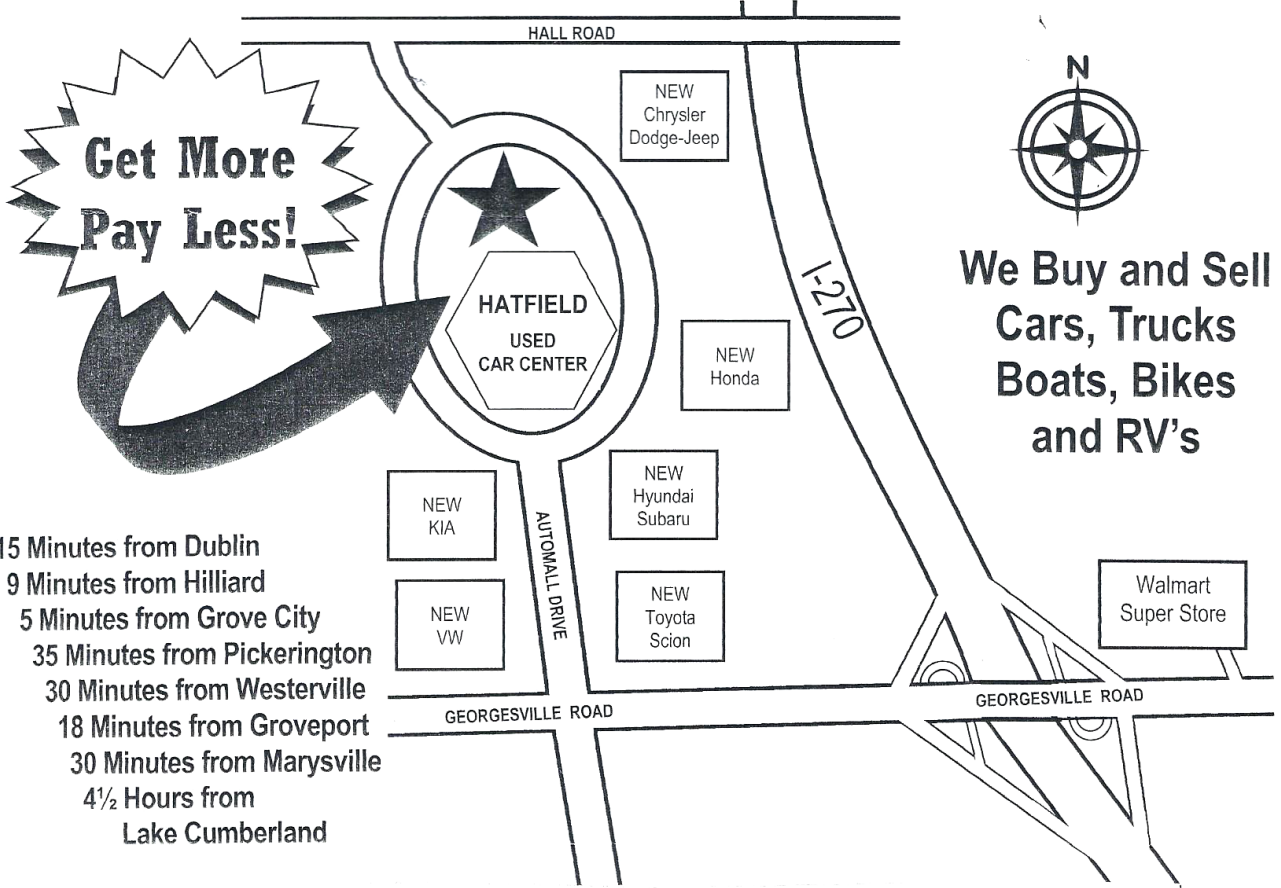
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If they raise the minimum wage to a \$1.00, nobody will be able to hire outside help at the store.

When I first started driving , who would have thought gas would someday cost 25 cents a gallon from 20 cents? Guess we'd be better off leaving the car in the garage.

Did you see where some baseball player just signed a contract for \$50,000 a year just to play ball? It wouldn't surprise me if someday they'll be making more than the President.

I never thought I'd see the day all our kitchen appliances would be electric. They even are making electric typewriters now.

Its' too bad things are so tough nowadays. I see where a few married women are having to work to make ends meet.

It won't be long before young couples are going to have to hire someone to watch their kids so they can both work.

I'm afraid the Volkswagen Beetle car is going to open the door to a whole lot of foreign business here.

Thank goodness I won't live to see the day when government takes half our income in taxes. I sometimes wonder if we are electing the best people to government.

The fast food restaurant is convenient for a quick meal, but I seriously doubt they will ever catch on.

There is no sense going on short trips any more for a weekend. It costs nearly \$2.00 a night to stay in a hotel.

No one can afford to be sick anymore. At \$15.00 a day in the hospital, it's too rich for my blood.

If they think I'll pay 30 cents for a haircut, forget it.

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