

Glendale 2014 Accomplishments

(Reported January 5, 2015)

- 1) An 8.5 mil operating levy renewal was passed by 73% of Glendale voters in the 2014 fall election.
- 2) Jenny Kilgore was sworn in as Village Councilmember.
- 3) Fifty-two ordinances and twelve resolutions were approved by Council.
- 4) After three public hearings by Planning and nine hearings and legislative sessions by Council, major changes were made to Glendale zoning ordinances covering property development:
 - a. Use of a Community Unit Plan (CUP) for development was discontinued.
 - b. Planned Development Overlay (PDO) statutes were extensively updated and the acreage required for a PDO District was reduced from 20 to 10 acres.
 - c. The Glendale Zoning Map was amended to designate certain parcels owned by the Landmark Baptist Church as a PDO District.
- 5) Council enacted an ordinance requiring that all dogs off their owner's property must be on a leash. After killing another dog, a Glendale animal became the first dog in Hamilton County to be officially designated as a "Dangerous Dog" under Ohio Revised Code statutes.
- 6) A program to allow buildings to have Key Lock Boxes installed on their exteriors was approved. A Key Lock Box can facilitate entrance into a building during an emergency.
- 7) An ordinance was passed which allows property owners to install a water landscape meter for lawn irrigation purposes without requiring sewer charge payments for this usage.
- 8) Water and wastewater rates were reviewed and wastewater rates increased to match needs for utility operations and to pay loans for EPA required improvements.
- 9) Electric and gas aggregation was continued for a fourth year with significant energy savings for residents.
- 10) After a public bid, Rumpke was the successful contractor for curbside waste and recycling collection.
- 11) A contract was approved for property and liability insurance with the Public Entities Pool of Ohio. This change from our long-standing insurance carrier was driven by cost savings.
- 12) The Glendale Signal Improvement Project was completed with new school zone warning signals for Glendale Elementary and St. Gabriel Consolidated schools and with new LED traffic lights on Congress Avenue at Sharon and Coral Avenues. For this project the Village received an 80% construction cost grant from ODOT.
- 13) The Village received a \$27,000 grant from the Hamilton County Storm Water District to develop plans to alleviate storm water flows coming northward from the Village of Woodlawn. The proposal for this 100% grant was developed by Public Works supervisor Tom Alderfer without outside engineering assistance.
- 14) After public bid a construction contract was awarded for the wastewater treatment plant clarifier renovation project. Upon completion, this project will resolve all open EPA issues at the wastewater treatment plant.
- 15) A wastewater holding tank was installed at the water treatment plant. This project resolved all open EPA issues at the water treatment plant.
- 16) A deteriorated house acquired by the Village at 94 Washington was removed.
- 17) A deteriorated privately-owned house at 1184 Lincoln was condemned and removed. A lien will be placed on the property for the cost of demolition.
- 18) The Glendale Planning and Historic Preservation Commission (GPHPC) reviewed 34 applications for exterior renovation of buildings in the Historic District. This review helps maintain our status as a National Park Service Historic Landmark District.
- 19) The Administrator distributed 267 broadcast emails to residents during the year to keep them informed about events in the Village.
- 20) One Village newsletter was published which included the annual drinking water quality report.
- 21) 146 boxes of old records were shredded following Public Records policy and Ohio Records Commission approval.
- 22) The annual Tree City USA award was received for the 18th time.

- 23) The Glendale Police Department was in 100% compliance for a number of external audits including: 1) Law Enforcement Automated Data Systems audit (State); 2) Mayor's Court Revenue audit (State); 3) Jail inspection audit (State); 4) Data Master DUI Machine audit (State); 5) Radar Inspection audit (State); 6) FBI & BCI Fingerprint audit (State & Federal).
- 24) Glendale Police applied for and won three grants totaling \$10,000.
- 25) The Police Department successfully completed three School Lock Down drills following state mandatory guidelines. The Department prepared a Security & Safety audit at Bethany School at the School's request.
- 26) The Glendale Police Department continued their annual Family Assistance programs including 1) the Back to School Supply Drive; 2) the Can Food Drive; 3) the Christmas Assistance Drive.
- 27) An Explorer Scout program was established in the Glendale Fire Department.
- 28) A Fire Department open house and equipment demonstration was held at Washington Park at the same time as the Spooky Pooch event.
- 29) Glendale Heritage Preservation hosted the 23rd annual Pancake Breakfast at Town Hall.
- 30) The Andy Caress 5K Block the Sun Run was held in May.
- 31) The Village hosted the annual Memorial Day Parade with remarks by Lt. Col. Thomas Jamison, U.S. Army (ret).
- 32) The Village hosted the ninth annual Antique Car and Motorcycle Show followed by a Cincinnati Civic Orchestra performance in Village Square.
- 33) The Village sponsored a Shakespeare production at the HWB Community Center in August.
- 34) The fifth annual Beer/Wine/Food Festival was conducted in Village Square as a benefit for The Cure Starts Now.
- 35) The Chamber of Commerce organized the 50th annual Street Fair in Village Square.
- 36) The HWB Community Center hosted the Spooky Pooch event at Washington Park in the fall and a Village Christmas event at the HWB Scout House with Santa arriving on a Village Fire Engine.
- 37) In January Monica "Nikki" Alles-White left Village Council after sixteen years of serving Glendale residents.
- 38) Lifelong Glendale resident James Kloth passed away in September 2014. Jim served on Village Council for 22 years and as Glendale Fire Chief from 1950 until 1981.
- 39) Glendale presented a Proclamation honoring the Princeton Lady Vikes for their Division I State Championship in Basketball. The Lady Vikes coach was Jill Phillips, a Glendale resident.
- 40) Robert T. Trumpy, Jr. and Bonnie Dooley were awarded Proclamations in honor of their Village service.
- 41) Ronald and Bonnie Meridy were awarded a Proclamation in honor of their fiftieth wedding anniversary.
- 42) Police Chief Dave Warman was selected for the Emil J. Otting Service Award by the Hamilton County Chief's Association, and was chosen for the Tri-County Press Neighbor Helping Neighbor award along with resident Bev Rieckhoff.
- 43) Steve Cordes received the 2013 Joseph C. Hubbard Police Officer of the Year award.
- 44) Lynn McKee, a recently retired Springdale Police Lieutenant, was hired as a part-time Glendale officer.
- 45) After passing qualifying tests, Jeremy Fite was awarded a Class III wastewater operator license by the Ohio EPA. A Class III license is required for operation of the Glendale wastewater treatment plant.
- 46) Public Works employee Jim Wys retired after 24 years of service.
- 47) Twenty new Firefighters were appointed to the Glendale Fire Department: Capt. Timothy Burns, Capt. W. Curtis Kercheval, Capt. Christopher J. Ruwe, Timothy Bauer, Jacob D. Boatright, Tyler Ryan Council, Christian Davis, Tyler Ernst, Benjamin L. Farmer, Nathan M. Flannery, Corey A. Forshbach, Thomas P. Frepon, Benjamin Gierl, Benjamin Jaeger, Lindsay Kraft, Anthony Munday, Brandon Newton, Eric Rolls, Jordan Sonnevill, Daniel Turner
- 48) 2014 Births: Josephine Sunny Banker, Arianna Rebecca Herbst
- 49) 2014 Deaths: William Mercer Allen III, Sister Althea Augustine, John Bohlander, LuJuana Brock, Leonard B. Campbell, Catherine "Kitty" Church, Bernard "Bernie" Clark, Paul D. Dawson, Delores L. Duskin, Maybelle Fetter, Thomas Carmichael "Mike" Haydock, Shirley Heis, Irene Honerlaw, John "Nick" Honerlaw, Mary Catherine Kautzman, Robert A. "Rudy" Kleem, James Kloth, Florence Langenderfer, Matthew D. McCormick, Rita Metcalfe, James A. O'Brien, Kenneth Ray Root, Joseph W. Saunders, Jr., William E. "Bill" Stillwell, Thomas Vuksta, Jr.