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New Fall Recycling Day for Penfield Residents October 5
~ One-day recycling opportunity, new St. Pauly Textile Shed ~

PENFIELD, N.Y., SEPTEMBER 25, 2013 – The Town of Penfield will host a one-day recycling event Saturday, October 5, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at its Public Works Complex, 1607 Jackson Road. Penfield residents may recycle electronics and metals, destroy confidential documents, dispose of residential brush, and donate clothing.

Partners for the event are Regional Electronic Recycling of Rochester (www.ewaste.com), Eco-Green Park certified document destruction (www.eco-greenpark.com), and Alpco metals recycling (see www.alpcorecycling.com/metals-recycling.html#ferrous for metals that will be accepted.) The DPW will also accept brush (no grass) on-site.

There will be a ribbon-cutting at 9:15 a.m. for a recently installed St. Pauly Textile Shed at the public works complex. Residents are encouraged to bring donations of clothing, shoes, belts, purses, linens, blankets, towels, and drapes on October 5 and throughout the year.

Recycling day replaces the former “Fall Drop-off” of unwanted household items. In recent years the town has been providing residents with more sustainability-focused services aimed at recycling and “upcycling” of unwanted materials. Private trash haulers typically collect many materials that were traditionally brought to Fall Drop-off. The town will host its traditional Spring Drop-off May 15-17, 2014.

Supervisor Tony LaFountain commented, “The amount of material brought in for Fall Drop-off has been dwindling in recent years as we have provided popular alternatives to the landfill. Resident
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demand for recycling opportunities and protection from identity theft is increasing; this event is tailored to those interests.” He adds, “I am huge fan of Monroe County’s Ecopark near the airport, it’s an amazing year-round facility for disposal of unwanted items. All county residents have access.”

Recycling Day runs concurrent with the Town of Penfield and Penfield Rotary bicycle collection event for R Community Bikes at the Community Center on Baird Road. Residents with recycling and shredding who also wish to donate bicycles may leave them at the public works complex; the town will direct donations to R Community Bikes.

Recycling Day is for Penfield residents only. Proof of residency will be checked at the gate. Please direct questions to the Department Public Works, 340-8710, Monday-Thursday 6:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

More on Ecopark

Monroe County’s year-round Ecopark facility is located at 10 Avion Drive near the airport. Ecopark is a joint effort between Monroe County and Waste Management that provides county residents with a “one-stop drop-off” to dispose of or recycle many items including hard Styrofoam packing material (not foam trays used for meat or produce), cooking oil/grease, fluorescent lights, clothing, sneakers, sharps and syringes, and more. Ecopark offers regular collections Wednesday through Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. all for NO FEE. Ecopark also offers many special collection days for household hazardous waste and pharmaceutical and medication disposal. For more information and details, log on to www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark.

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