Town of Penfield Supervisor's Column

Week of May 4, 2015

Last week the Penfield Fire Commission held its annual dinner to recognize members of the Penfield Fire Company for their commitment to provide public safety support to the residents of our community. I was honored to attend this event to express the appreciation of our Penfield community. Each year, this dedicated group of men and women spend hundreds of hours continuously training to meet the demanding certification requirements of New York State firefighters. They also respond to calls for fires, rescues, motor vehicle accidents, hazardous material releases, and much more. It takes a very special person to make this volunteer commitment for no pay to help support their community during emergencies. On behalf of all the residents of Penfield, a special thank you to all the members of the Penfield Fire Company. Your actions do not go unnoticed...please be well and be safe!

I also recently stopped by the Penfield Ecumenical Food Shelf’s (PEFS) annual volunteer luncheon to say thank you, on behalf of our community, to the many individuals who prepare baskets of food for our neighbors in need. Each week, these dedicated volunteers coordinate monetary and food donations to prepare baskets of fresh fruits, vegetables, breads and baked goods, canned goods, and other non-perishable items. The Town of Penfield is delighted to partner with the PEFS by providing the facility at 1618 Jackson Road. For more information about the PEFS or how to become involved in any way, please go to penfieldfoodshelf@gmail.com.

Well, it is officially spring...members of the Penfield Little League kicked off the season with their 2015 Opening Day Ceremonies last Saturday. Participation was fantastic, the weather was perfect, and the energy was amazing. I want to wish all the players, coaches, and families a wonderful season...good luck all!

There is still time to join in on the Ellison Park canoe/kayak paddle down Irondequoit Creek on Saturday, May 9 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. You need to provide your own canoe/kayak and wear a mandatory personal flotation device. Meet at the south Blossom Road entrance to Ellison Park, and follow the hike signs. This is a free event! For more details, please go to www.penfieldrec.org.

Reminder...registration for PenRec summer programs begins May 4. If you have not registered for your favorite aquatic program, summer camp, sports activities, or field trips do not delay, our programs fill up quickly! Also, you may be able to receive a discount with early registration. For more information on all of our programs, please review the most recent PenRec brochure mailed to your home or go to www.penfieldrec.org.

Important Dates and Events in History: May 8, 1792 – The United States Military Draft was established; May 8, 1794 – The United States Post Office was established.

Until next week, I hope you are enjoying the nice spring weather we have been enjoying. I hope to see you at our baseball and softball complex here at Veterans’ Park at the Penfield Town Hall!

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