Town of Penfield Supervisor’s Column
Week of May 9, 2016

I am delighted to report that last week Moody’s Investors Service moved the town’s credit rating from Aa2 to an outstanding Aa1. Only 8 percent of all the New York cities, towns and villages have an Aa1 rating. This upgrade is based on Penfield’s continued trend of strong financial operations and maintenance of ample reserves. I would like to recognize all of our departments, our finance director, and the town board for their hard work and guidance in achieving this significant financial upgrade.

Last call for supporting “Good Neighbor Day” on Saturday, May 14. Volunteers will meet at the Rothfuss Farm, 1865 Salt Road at 8:00 a.m. for refreshments and to receive assignments. We will be helping seniors, veterans, and those who are disabled with light yard work and spring cleanup. For more details, please contact Sabrina at 340-8651 or srenner@penfield.org. We hope to see you there to help some of our Penfield neighbors.

The Penfield Recreation Department is again offering its lineup of free spring lectures. This year’s series will be held at Penfield Community Center, 1985 Baird Road. All lectures begin at 12:30 pm, with an option to have lunch at 11:45 a.m. for just $6.00. Pre-registration is required to attend the lecture only, or the lunch and lecture. To register, please visit our website at www.penfieldrec.org, or visit us at the community center.

Programs are as follows:

**Thursday, May 19** – *60 Years of Recreation* - Penfield Recreation is celebrating 60 years in the Town of Penfield and we want to spend an hour looking at the roots of recreation in America, as well as Penfield’s place in the mid-century movement. Penfield Recreation Director Chris Bilow will present.

**Thursday, May 26** – *An Author Visit: “More More Time” by David B. Seaburn* - Meet author David Seaburn and hear him talk about his novel that explores issues every individual faces during a lifetime. Through his characters — lively, funny, and a bit lost or wounded, yet resilient and hopeful — Seaburn tackles subjects like: How do we make relationships work? Who can we trust and love? What is the impact of loss on our lives? How do we use the time allotted to us, even though we have no idea how much time we actually have? The novel was one of the finalists in *CITY* Newspaper’s Best of 2015.

**Thursday, June 2** – *The Life of John Adams* - A comprehensive talk on the second President of the United States presented by Joseph Meli.

If breakfast is your favorite meal mark your calendar for Saturday, May 21 for not one, but two, opportunities for pancakes or flapjacks — your choice! If you are very hungry, stop by both events.

The East Penfield Baptist Church, located at 2535 Penfield Road (just two miles east of Rt. 250), is serving up a hearty pancake breakfast from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. This includes all the pancakes you can eat and real maple syrup, sausage, juice, and coffee. All proceeds will to be used to fund the repair and restoration of a historic stained glass window in this neighborhood church. The breakfast is sponsored by the Barnyard Boggers Mudrunners. Tickets are $7.00 for adults and $5.00 for children.

The First Baptist Church of Penfield invites you to its Flapjack Community Fundraiser at 1862 Penfield Road second from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. Join them for a breakfast that will warm your body and benefit your soul. They serve delicious pancakes, pure maple syrup, scrambled eggs, sausage, and more for $4.00 per person, $3.00 for children 10 and under. All proceeds from this breakfast directly support the Penfield Ecumenical Food Shelf. Donations of non-perishable foods and paper products will also be gratefully accepted.

Regardless of which breakfast you attend, you will be happy at either location. Bring the whole family, meet up with friends, or make new ones! Everyone is welcome at both these wonderful community events.

Until next week, please enjoy the nicer weather.

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