Matthew Thomas Streit of Troop 363 had his Eagle Court of Honor last week and is now one of Penfield’s newest Eagle Scouts. Matthew has been continuously active in scouting for 12 years. He joined Cub Scout Pack 463 and achieved all the requirements for the Arrow of Light, then in 2008 crossed into Boy Scout Troop 363. For his Eagle project, Matthew cleared and widened the Elmer Smith Nature Trail at the Webster Union Cemetery. Matthew logged 127 hours for this project and dramatically improved the condition of the trail and the wildlife in the area. Matthew exemplifies leadership and scout spirit by maintaining an active role in his troop and community. On behalf of the entire Penfield Community, congratulations to Matthew on attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

Mark your calendars for exciting early June events. First up is a tour of Oakwood Cemetery with Kathy Kanauer, Town Historian, on Friday, June 5 at 7:00 p.m. Kathy will share interesting facts and stories about Penfield residents interred at Oakwood (located at the corner of Baird and Whalen Roads). This program is sponsored by the Penfield Heritage Association. Meet at the flag pole in the cemetery. Go to www.penfieldrec.org for details.

The next event is the ever-popular, and always delicious, annual Pie Social at the historic Dayton’s Corners School/Museum located at the corner of Creek Street and Plank Road on Sunday, June 7 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Come try a taste of an authentic 1857 Sunday social. There will be free pony rides for the kids, music, playground equipment, tours of the schoolhouse, and an opportunity to spend time with the teachers. A large piece of pie and a cup of cool lemonade is only $2.00. Come join in the fun. For more information, please contact Barbara Quinn at 385-1491.

Last week I had the honor, along with good friend and colleague Supervisor Mike Barker of Perinton, to throw out the first pitch for the annual Penfield vs. Fairport “Coaches vs. Cancer” baseball game. Each year players, parents, and the communities of Penfield and Fairport look forward to this important game because it allows them to come together to raise money and awareness for the American Cancer Society. I would like to recognize and thank chairperson Peggy Kalbfus and her team for putting together another wonderful event. Unfortunately, Penfield lost to Fairport in extra innings by a score of 5-2. However, everyone was a winner in this game, especially the American Cancer Society!

Recently I attended the 7th Annual Bivona Child Abuse Summit welcome ceremony and keynote address. The presentation was delivered by Kevin Mulcahy, Assistant US Attorney from Detroit, Michigan. He told the story of his childhood sexual abuse; it was one of the best and most moving presentations I have ever attended. Bivona Child Advocacy Center is a non-profit organization that is a safe and welcoming place where children who have been sexually or physically abused can begin their journey to recovery. For more information about Bivona and the services they offer, please go to www.bivonacac.org.

Until next week, enjoy the nice weather, and consider doing a random act of kindness for a neighbor—it will make a difference in their life and yours!

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