The next Flapjack Saturday Community Fundraiser sponsored by the First Baptist Church of Penfield (FBP) will be held on Saturday, May 19 from 8:00 to 10:00 AM at 1862 Penfield Road. FBP invites you to a delicious pancake breakfast with pure maple syrup, scrambled eggs, sausage, and more...all for just $5.00 per person. All May proceeds will directly benefit the Penfield Ecumenical Food Shelf (PEFS). PEFS is a supplemental food relief organization that has served the 14526 and 14625 areas and families of children in the Penfield school district since 1997. So bring the whole family, meet up with friends or make new ones. Fellowship Hall is handicapped accessible and the breakfast is outstanding! For more information and details, please go to www.fbpenfield.org.

The ever-popular annual Pie Social at the historic Dayton’s Corners School/Museum, located at the corner of Creek Street and Plank Road, is just around the corner. This year’s social will be held on Sunday, June 3 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM. Come try a taste of an authentic 1857 Sunday social and enjoy free pony rides for the kids, music, playground equipment, tours of the schoolhouse, and 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 at Dayton’s Corners School/Museum. For more information, please contact Barbara Quinn at 385-1491.

Now that Penfield TV (PCTV) has formally documented the Shadow Pines property to identify damaged trees and other hazards, our DPW crews will start removing hazardous downed, dead, and diseased trees this week. You will see this activity along Whalen Road and around the Clark House. Also, the grassy area along the Atlantic/Whalen intersection will be more regularly mowed by the Town’s DPW roadside mowing crew. The Parks and Facilities groups of DPW will also begin work on the Clark House structures and plantings to improve its curb appeal in keeping with the neighborhood. The lawn will also be mowed regularly by our contract service, Rochester Lawn Care.

Safety is our priority, so during this work period the public is not allowed on any portion of the Shadow Pines property. We will notify residents when cleanup is complete and it is safe to enjoy designated portions of the property. I will provide weekly updates on our progress in my weekly column. Thank you for your patience as we perform this necessary work.

If you are driving past the DPW facility on Jackson Road over the next several weeks you will see some changes taking place. The old sick and dying pines will be removed and the red barn in front of the facility will be demolished this week as we prepare for a new structure. The property in front of DPW was purchased by the Town many years ago, and it had a house and barn on the property. The house was demolished many years ago and the barn has served its useful purpose.

This project is possible because of the efforts and support of Senator Rich Funke; he was able to secure and provide a New York State grant to Penfield to construct a new and more efficient building on the site. We are currently advertising for bids for the building and look to have it installed over the next two to four months.

I have been informed by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) that Friday, May 18 is “Green Your Commute” day. So lace up those shoes, oil those gears, and load up your car as New Yorkers are encouraged to use a more sustainable means of getting to work including walking, biking, taking transit, carpooling, driving an electric vehicle, or using any other means that is not driving solo in a gasoline-powered vehicle. Thank you in advance for supporting “Green Your Commute” day!

Last week I was invited to the 5th annual Indian Landing “bike-to-school” day to help welcome students who rode their bikes to school that morning. Approximately 300 students, siblings, and parents participated on that beautiful
morning. I was honored to join Principal Marcie Ware, teachers, parents, school board members, and the Brighton town supervisor to support this wonderful event.

You may recall that last autumn I shared news that the playground at Greenwood Park would be demolished over the winter and replaced this spring. If you have been by the park you will see that the new playground is taking shape and should be ready to be open before the end of the this week for our youngest residents to enjoy for many years to come...enjoy!

Until next week, please remember the Terry Rothfuss Memorial “Good Neighbor Day” this coming Saturday (May 19) from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Meet at the Rothfuss Farm, 1865 Salt Road, at 7:45 AM to get your assignment(s), everyone is welcome!

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