Town of Penfield Supervisor’s Column

Week of June 9, 2014

Last week I had the honor and pleasure of providing greetings and opening remarks for the Penfield Art Association’s (PAA) 50th Anniversary Spring Show. This week-long event featured more than 160 artworks that were judged by Sarah Morgan, assistant professor of Fine Arts at Finger Lakes Community College where she instructs drawing, painting, and printmaking. Co-chairs of this year’s show were Nancy Colsman and Thinh Nguyen. Many awards were presented, and I would like to congratulate the following artists on receiving the top awards: Best of Show – Norma Weber “Rockport”; Best Small Work – Joy Argento “Fortune Cookie; Best Portrait – Erika Hutch “Portrait of a Young Girl”; and Penfield High School student Molly Mayfield was the winner of the PAA Memorial Scholarship. Also congratulations to the many artists receiving Juror’s and Merit Awards. Finally, I would like to recognize and thank outgoing President Doris Hooker for her service to PAA and to welcome incoming President M. Kathleen Wagner. The Town of Penfield looks forward to working with PAA for the next 50 years!

The Kiwanis Club of Penfield–Perinton Foundation will be holding its 22nd annual charity golf tournament on Monday, June 16 at Shadow Lake Golf Club with an 11:45 a.m. shotgun start, followed by dinner. Several years ago the Town of Penfield was invited to assist this effort in support of the local community food shelves, Golisano Children's Hospital, Penfield High School Scholarship, Shepherd Home, Bethany House, and Daystar. Openings are still available and you can reserve a position for yourself and/or your group by contacting John Hanratty at 671-4314 or Jim Costello at 340-8642. Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child at a time…please join them to help local charities.

I would like to thank everyone for making the “Music & Food Rodeo” last Friday a huge success, more than 800 individuals attended to enjoy the music and partake in the food trucks’ offerings. This was the kick-off of our very busy and popular concert series. Please mark your calendars for the following dates; “Cool Jazz” Tuesday’s July 15 – Bill Tiberio Band; July 22 – Dan Schmitt & the Shadows; July 29 – Rochester Metropolitan Jazz Orchestra; August 5 – Mark Cassara. “Kids Fest” Thursday’s July 17 – Dady Brothers; July 24 – Mike Kornrich; July 31 – Dinner Dogs; August 7 – The Hill Brothers. “Saturdays on Stage” August 2 – Gap Mangione New Big Band; August 9 – Mr. Mustard Beatle Review. All music starts at 7:00 p.m. with the exception of the August 9 concert when the local band “It’s My Party” opens for Mr. Mustard Beatle Review at 5:00 p.m. Great food is available each night and a wine tent will be at all Cool Jazz performances. I look forward to seeing you at one or more of these great community events.

At the June 4 Town Board meeting a proclamation was read into the record, declaring June 2014 ‘Wellness Month’ in Penfield. The Town is excited to offer programs and activities to encourage wellness in our community. Residents are encouraged to participate in several initiatives to celebrate wellness in June, including ‘Getting Healthy is a Walk in the Park’ and a Veterans Resource Picnic, as well as ongoing award-winning programs, such as Wegmans-Penfield Passport to Family Wellness, Penfield Recreation’s DEAR program, and countless others offered through Penfield Recreation. Each Penfield resident can benefit from becoming more aware of their lifestyle choices and habits, and by adopting an active and healthy lifestyle. Living well may possibly improve the quality of life and well-being of all our residents and with our many scenic parks, trails, waterways, and recreation areas, Penfield is already an ideal place to live well and be active. The town board is also supporting wellness education for town employees and encouraging them to strive to maintain a positive, active, healthy lifestyle. Town employees are our best advocates for wellness. They are joining walking groups, encouraging each other, and preparing healthy snacks to share with co-workers. If you are already involved in a wellness program, congratulations and keep up the great work. If you are not but have been thinking about it, now is a great time to get involved with one of the many program offerings from the Recreation Department. Please log-on to www.penfieldrec.org for all the wonderful programs!

Until next week...be well!

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