Those of you who enjoyed our Fourth of July activities at Harris Whalen may have seen a new addition to the park — our new green and yellow recycling totes. This program grew out of the interest of the Energy and Environmental Advisory Committee (E&EAC) after observing the successful Penfield Little League’s recycling program in partnership with Penfield Boy Scouts.

Our new totes were donated by Waste Management as part of their ongoing effort to encourage and support recycling in the town and across the region. The totes will be placed in all of our Town Parks and the cans, plastic/glass bottles will be recycled and kept out of landfills.

This is one of many items the E&EAC is working on to promote responsible stewardship of the environment, reduce energy consumption, and provide public education and awareness. Those items include: developing wind/solar policy; reduction in the use of chemicals/fertilizers; proper CFL disposal; energy audit reviews; leaf disposal; and alternate work schedules. For more information on the committee’s activities and other helpful energy saving tips, please log on to www.penfield.org and click on “Renew Penfield” at the quick link section.

Mark your calendars for Bicentennial Art Exhibit to be held July 28 – September 24 at the Penfield Arts Center’s RepARTee Gallery located at 2131 Five Mile Line Road in the Historic Four Corners Business District. Themes to inspire artists include Penfield Moments, Historic Places, Sacred Spaces, Hangouts, Fun in Penfield, and Penfield in Action. Awards will recognize excellence and best of theme categories as determined by the juror. The opening reception and awards ceremony is Friday, July 30, 6:30 - 8:30 PM. More information and details are available at www.penfield.org click on bicentennial 2010.

Save the time and date, Sunday July 18 at 5:00 PM, for the Penfield Little League (PLL) Championship “Sundae.” That is correct, “Sundae”! Sundaes are free to all PLL participants, players, and family alike. The festivities continue on the field with the awards presentation to the first place teams, all-star teams, and the coaches’ choice recipients. It is hard to believe that another PLL season is over; however, I am promised by President Steve Pellow and the members of the Board of Directors that there is still a lot of great baseball to be played during the summer months with several tournaments scheduled.

In celebration of Penfield’s Bicentennial, the Penfield Rangers Soccer Club is hosting a “Soccer Fun Day” at Rothfuss Park on Sunday, July 18 from 11AM – 4PM. This event will include live music, refreshments, coaching clinics for younger players, scrimmages of all age groups, and a special session with Rochester Rhinos Players. In addition there will be an inflatable obstacle course, games, and face painting. This event is a wonderful opportunity for families to become familiar with Penfield’s travel soccer program and to participate in some hands-on soccer skill training.

Congratulations to all the boys and girls that played baseball and soccer during the 2010 season, you are all superstars and all-stars in Penfield.

There are still plenty of wonderful music programs and movies that will be held at the Penfield Amphitheater, on the Kiwanis Stage at the Veterans’ Memorial Park including:
- July 17 The Rochester Metropolitan Jazz Orchestra at 7:00 PM
- July 19 The Penfield POPS Band at 7:00 PM
- July 20 The Rod Blumenau Swingtet at 7:00 PM
- July 22 Bart and Kevin “Kids Fest” at 7:00 PM
- July 23 the movie Astro Boy at dusk
- July 24 Chet Catallow & The Cats at 7:00 PM
- July 27 Gap Mangione’s New Blues Band at 7:00 PM
- July 31 Jon Seiger and the All-Stars at 7:00 PM

Stay cool and enjoy the summer!

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