Town of Penfield Supervisor’s Column
September 30, 2019

More than 1,000 people attended a food truck rodeo to benefit Golisano Children’s Hospital last Friday night at the Penfield Amphitheater and Kiwanis Stage. The event, inspired by Mason Mitchell and Christie Simonetti, provided music, food, and fellowship. The kids enjoyed the bounce house and face painting and adults were hoping to win one of the many cash raffles throughout the evening. “The Miracle Campaign” was sponsored by the Despina Mitchell and Dave Simonetti families. This event is what community is all about—people and families helping people and families!

With October upon us, I would like to note a number of upcoming programs for children at the Penfield Public Library that take us through the end of the year including Lego Lab, Penfield Fire Company, National Pizza Month Celebration, Spooky Halloween Snacks, the Nutcracker Storytime, Tales for Tails, the Gingerbread House Workshop, New Year’s Eve Family Game Day, and much more. Check out page 43 in the fall 2019 Pen-Rec brochure or go to www.penfieldlibrary.org.

Last week, the storm water pipes along Whalen Road at Shadow Pines were extended by the County of Monroe. We are now able to complete the fill project we started a number of weeks ago that will eliminate the large drop-off around the bend in the road. The filled area will be graded and seeded.

I am reminded each month of the great work that Crime Stoppers does to “blow the whistle” on crime across the county. As a board member for more than 12 years, I have witnessed Crime Stoppers assist law enforcement at all levels through tips of valuable information that helps get the “bad guys” off the streets. Crime doesn’t pay, but we do! Visit www.roccrimestoppers.com to see all of the programs offered in support of the Rochester-Monroe County area. Crime Stoppers actively supports the K-9 initiative for many law enforcement agencies. Also, Crime Stoppers offers a $1,000 First Responders Scholarship at Monroe Community College. If you have a son, daughter, or grandchild who wishes to become a first responder, consider applying at www.monroecce.edu.

The always popular Red Cross Babysitting class for ages 11-15 will be held on Monday, October 14 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Penfield Community Center. This course is designed to provide youth who are planning to babysit with the knowledge and skills necessary to safely and responsibly care for children and infants. Through hands-on practice, each successful candidate will receive certification as an American Red Cross babysitter. If you have any questions, please contact Red Cross Instructor Domenic Danesi at 281-4208. The fee is $80.00 and the registration # 416610-A. Participants are encouraged to bring a brown bag lunch.

Reserve your spot for the next day trip featuring the fall foliage on Wednesday, October 16. Depart the Penfield Community Center at 9:30 AM and return by 4:30 PM. The fee is $20.00, registration # 449449-02.

Daytime at Recreation (DEAR)’s “The Witching Hour” will be held on Friday, October 25 at the Dolomite Lodge—witch attire is encouraged! Come enjoy hors d’oeuvres, enchanted beverages, Tarot Card readings, spirit card table, “Herstory of Witches” lecture and more. This event runs from 4:00 to 6:30 PM. The cost is $25 with advance registration or $30 at the door. For more information, please go to www.penfieldrec.org.

URGENT need…Hero drivers are needed for Bri-Pen Senior Rides. Please call 340-8674 if you are able to volunteer some time to support this wonderful service!

Two reminders for this coming Saturday, October 5:

Penfield Rotary and Penfield Recreation will host their annual Penfield Community Bike Drop-off from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Penfield Community Center on Baird Road. They will be collecting all types of bikes for R Community
Bikes, Inc. Receipts will be provided documenting all donations. This event is FREE and open to the public. For more information on this amazing organization, please visit www.rcommunitybikes.net.

Also on Saturday, Penfield residents may participate in a one-day recycling event from 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM at the Department of Public Works Complex, 1607 Jackson Road. Services for the day are secure document destruction, metals and appliance recycling, brush disposal (no leaves or grass), and clothing and linens donations. There will be NO ELECTRONICS collection at this event.

Until next week...be well and be safe!

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