Town of Penfield Supervisor’s Column

October 2, 2017

The annual Penfield Residential Fall Recycling Day will be held on Saturday, October 14, 2017 from 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM at the DPW complex, 1607 Jackson Road. This recycling day is for Penfield residents only and proof of residency will be checked at the gate. Please direct questions to the Department of Public Works, 340-8710, Monday to Friday, 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM. This event will include Eco-Green Park certified document destruction, Alpco metals recycling, and St. Pauly Textile Shed. DPW will also accept brush (no grass) on-site.

To dispose of items NOT collected at this event consider Monroe County’s year-round Ecopark facility located at 10 Avion Drive near the airport. Ecopark is a joint effort between Monroe County and Waste Management that provides county residents with a “one-stop drop-off” to dispose of or recycle many items including hard Styrofoam packing material (not foam trays used for meat or produce), cooking oil/grease, fluorescent lights, clothing, sharps and syringes, and more. Ecopark offers regular collections for NO FEE. Ecopark also offers many special collection days for household hazardous waste and pharmaceutical and medication disposal. For hours and more information go to www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark. To dispose of televisions and electronics contact retailers that sell those products. New York State law prohibits trash haulers from collecting electronic waste.

Last week I had the honor of attending the Kiwanis Club of Penfield-Perinton Installation of Officers and Community Awards Dinner. The Kiwanis Club gives back 100 percent of the funds raised each year to deserving organizations. This year the list included Challenger Miracle Field of Rochester, East Rochester Resource Center, Flower City Outreach, Golisano Children’s Hospital – Social Work Fund, JACK Foundation, Penfield Ecumenical Food Shelf, Penfield Key Club, Penfield Volunteer Fire Department, Perinton Food Shelf, Villa of Hope, Village of East Rochester – Pavilion Sponsorship, The Bethany House, The Don Mack Scholarship Fund, and the Shepherd Home.

Additionally, Kiwanis presented the first annual Robert A. Calabrese Community Volunteer of the Year Award. Mr. Calabrese is a founding member of the Penfield Perinton Kiwanis Club and was recently recognized for 55 years of service. The award was presented to Jim Costello, an employee of the Town of Penfield for more than 37 years. I cannot think of a more deserving person to receive this recognition, I congratulate Kiwanis on their selection and Jim on receiving this very prestigious award and recognition.

Kiwanis is more than service. It is a lifestyle, a source of personal experience, fellowship, and self-expression. This group of men and women have created a great impact on the life and improvement of our communities.

Mark your calendars for the annual Family Halloween Fun night on Friday, October 20 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at the Penfield Community Center. Families will enjoy games, trick-or-treat, hay rides, crafts, and more. This event is FREE fun for all ages! Also new this year you will be able to witness an historical staging.
of a 19th Century Séance. Performances will be held every half hour beginning at 5:00 PM; tickets will be $5.00 at the door. Please note this event may not be appropriate for children under 10 years old.

The Homecoming Weekend 5K, sponsored by the non-profit Penfield Education Foundation (PEF), will be held on Sunday, October 15 starting at the Penfield High School track. PEF is newly formed and is sponsoring this 5K race/run to provide a morning of healthy exercise. A children’s race, which will not be officially timed, will follow the running of the 5K. Participants registered by October 12 will receive a long sleeve cotton tee-shirt and the first 200 registrants will also receive a Nalgene water bottle. Register at https://runsignup.com/penfieldeducationfoundation.

Until next week, please remember the annual bike drop this Saturday, October 7 from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Community Center. This bike donation event is sponsored by Penfield Rotary and Penfield Recreation to benefit R Community Bikes.

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