

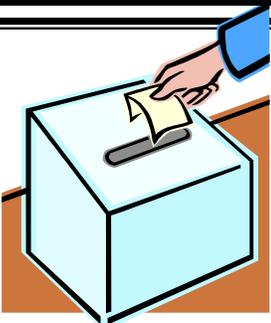
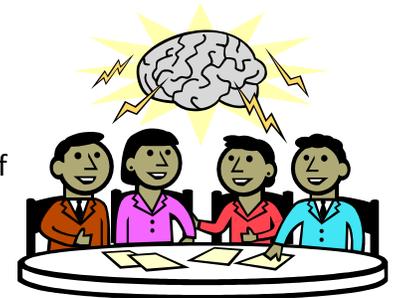
October 2013 — District 3 Newsletter

From the Desk of Councilwoman, Mary Pietila

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After a summer of no meetings. We have a resident who has shown some initiative to want to bring the District Wide meetings back into play. October of 2012 our Chairperson resigned, the Vice Chair left in January 2012 and although I had asked several persons who seemed interested, to step up, one was willing once family illness was under control, that was Heather; I would ask that you keep her in your prayers, as their family is still coping with serious illnesses. The other said yes, but communication got lost and she chose not to share a reason at the time, but didn't follow through. So those who had been meeting on a regular basis with me for three years, realized we did not meet the guidelines in the By-Laws of the CDC and voted to discontinue the meetings, until we found someone we could depend on. Greg Richards and I have been talking, it was decided, we will no longer need to meet as a CDC, as it was a component of the Federal Programs Division, which no longer exists in our City offices, it has been moved to the County; but would meet as the previous entity we had that met with the CDC's when John Bueno was our Councilman, The Baldwin East West Block Club. Greg has already talked with management at the Baldwin Center @ 212 Baldwin to meet on the second Saturday of each month from 12:30—1:00 there is a standing invitation for lunch to anyone who would be interested prior to the meeting starting Hope to see you there.



Elections are upcoming November 5th. Have you considered voting absentee; If you are not able to make it to the polls? You can do it even if you are in your 20's in some situations. Contact the City Clerks Office@ 248-758-3200 to see if you would qualify or have a ballot application sent to you. Every vote counts, it only takes one vote to make a difference....and that one vote could be yours. **Our choices are:**

Mayor

- 1.) Leon B. Jukowski (Incumbent)
- 2.) Deirdre Waterman
- 3.) Possibility of a Write in

City Council District 3

- Mary Pietila (Incumbent)
- Colleen Jean Kavanaugh

Library Board: Vote for no more than 6

- Joyce Allen (incumbent)
- Deidre Waterman (incumbent)
- Roger Derby (incumbent)
- Vernita Duvall

Deveda Travis

- Ronald Karpinski
- Rosie Lance-Richardson
- Julienne Dixon Jenkins
- Evelyn Floretta LeDuff

Food for thought, have you seen signs out already, since August? If that answer is yes and it's before October 5th, how do you feel about voting for one who does not follow the ordinances, yet will if elected, swear to uphold the Charter of the City and part of that responsibility is Ordinances and Resolutions. Instructions were passed out by the City Clerk in May, and Mrs. Hawkins did speak on it in the past at Council Meetings, and are they putting signs in the right or way ? (between the curb and sidewalk). Another violation.

If you or someone you know may need to talk to an Attorney, but can't afford one, there will be a FREE Legal Aid Clinic on Tuesday, October 22, 2013 from 4:30 – 7:00 p.m. WHRC 60 Parkhurst, Pontiac MI 48342 in the School Cafeteria, please enter on the Student Level. If you are interested in attending and having an opportunity to speak with an attorney volunteer, please contact the Pontiac Youth Assistance at (248) 451-7549.

RSVP's are appreciated but not required

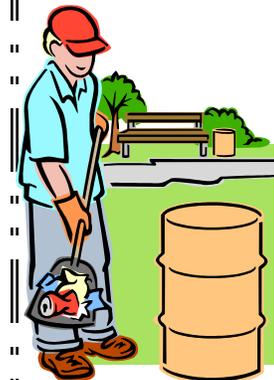


Last year OCSD Pontiac Sub-station Deputies 4 Kids brought back what we knew as Harvest Fest, which has always been a Devils Night function for the kids. There were candy lines: the Rock Wall, Horses, Dogs and the Smoke



House was brought in by Waterford Regional Fire Department. The kids had a blast, as did many parents. Please come out and join us this year. The location is the North West corner of Aaron Perry Park. On Edison. Time is Wednesday October 30, 2013 from 5:00—7:00. It's a fun time for all. It is recommended that parents or an adult from your family are present with the kids.

Grace and Peace Community Church, Friends of the Park Association of Pontiac and Helping Hands 4 Detroit are partnering together to help clean 29 City of Pontiac parks, and Clinton River Trails on October 5, 2013 9:00—3:00. Yet we are still in need of a lead



person for N. Kiwanis Park at Hollister and Emiry.

We have someone to lead the Lakeside Park clean-up, thank you Mr. Bass. If you would like to help with this or volunteer, please let me know as

soon as possible as there is a lot of coordination to take place, the volunteers will not have a staging place but will report directly to the site to be worked with. Councilpersons are interacting with the agency to coordinate for their district. Please call and let me know if you are interested. 248.758.3019. Also, if anyone has a truck and will be able to assist with removing the debris. Again that's on Saturday October 5, 2013, 9:00 to 3:00 p.m.

A final thought from your Councilwoman:

For the last 3 years and 9 months, This Council has worked continuously, despite our pay taken from us, our staffing reduced to NO administrative assistance in our offices, the Emergency Managers, all three of them, telling us we didn't have the authority to make decisions, including, non economical decisions, yet we stood strong, and continued with what we were ELECTED to do the best we could, unlike Detroit City Council, we did not give up and quit. I have had my office number forwarded to my cell phone, to ensure I haven't missed any calls, if one does want to reach me.

It has been my pleasure and honor to serve you, addressing your concerns, by forming working partnerships with Department personnel, to accomplish what we could. I still participate with the OCSD with riding with them to see first hand, what is happening in our city.

The EM is gone, yet we still have some restrictions, in the form of a 13 page final order #334, as we now have Transition Advisory Board to oversee us moving from the EM to local government, for a minimum of two years, or he'll be back. But we will get through that too. In a smoother fashion as well, if you the residents feel that we are worthy of it and let your vote reflect that on November 5th.

