

# COBBLES COMMENT

News and Updates from  PTA

## Presidents' Notes

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### Important Dates

November 11  
**NO SCHOOL**  
Veterans Day

November 18, 7:00 pm  
**PTA Meeting**  
Cobbles Library



Cobbles Families,

The crisp fall weather is upon us, and our children are two full months into the year. I'm sure everyone is eager to hear about the progress our children have made so far during fall conferences.

We had a very successful *Make a Difference Day* last month and sincerely appreciate your donations to the Penfield Food Shelf; what a wonderful way to show how caring our Cobbles community is!

It was great to see some new faces at our October PTA Meeting. Thank you everyone once again for a great conversation and for showing your support. As we've mentioned, we are limited on what we can do as far as fun events for the children but we welcome new ideas!

We are still in need of volunteers to form an audit committee, Community Builders committee and are looking for an assistant treasurer for this year, who could possibly fill the treasurer position during the 2022-2023 school year. If you are interested or know of anyone who is, please contact us!

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 18, 2021, at 7:00pm in the Cobbles Library (Zoom option available).

As always, we appreciate your support and welcome your feedback. Please contact [president@cobblespta.org](mailto:president@cobblespta.org) with questions, concerns, or suggestions.

*Gina & Robyn*  
co-presidents



# Equity Corner

## Native American Heritage Month

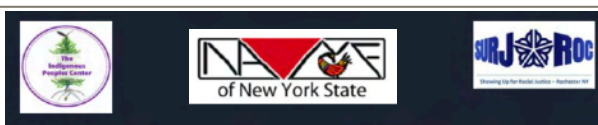
This month, we honor and celebrate the diverse culture, traditions, and contributions of Native Americans. There are currently more than 600 Native Nations in the United States, and 6.8 million Americans identify as Native American. New York is home to eight federally-recognized tribes, and Monroe County in particular is on native lands of the Onöndowa'ga people.



National Native American Heritage Month Celebration

### Strong Museum of Play

Saturday, 11/13, 11-3



### Indigenous Peoples Heritage Month Webinar

Join us on 11/16 from 4:00-5:15 pm for a conversation with Ron Garrow, Executive Director of the Indigenous Peoples Center, and Kathy Castania of SURJ Rochester. They are active in having Indigenous Peoples Day recognized as a National Holiday, and in the abolition of a holiday that commemorates the atrocities committed against Indigenous Peoples by colonizing powers. They will share some "untaught history" of the local indigenous peoples and how to advocate for indigenous rights.



Ganondagan presents an Art Show Sat., 11/20 at the Seneca Art & Cultural Center promoting contemporary Haudenosaunee artists and their work.

### Diwali (November 4)

This five day celebration is one of the biggest holidays in Hinduism and is celebrated by more than a billion people around the world! It is also called the "festival of lights." Diwali celebrates the victory of light over dark. Look for more coming home with your child!

*Rangoli, traditional art used during Diwali.*



### Hanukkah (Nov. 28 - Dec. 6)

This eight-day Jewish holiday is also called the "Festival of Lights" or "Feast of Dedication." Hanukkah commemorates the rededication of the Second Temple of Jerusalem by lighting



candles on the menorah each night. Other traditions include playing dreidel and eating food fried in oil. Look for more information later this month!



# ZUCCHINI BITES

prep time: 10 MINUTES

cook time: 15 MINUTES

*\*\*recipe from [healthylittlefoodies.com](http://healthylittlefoodies.com)\*\**

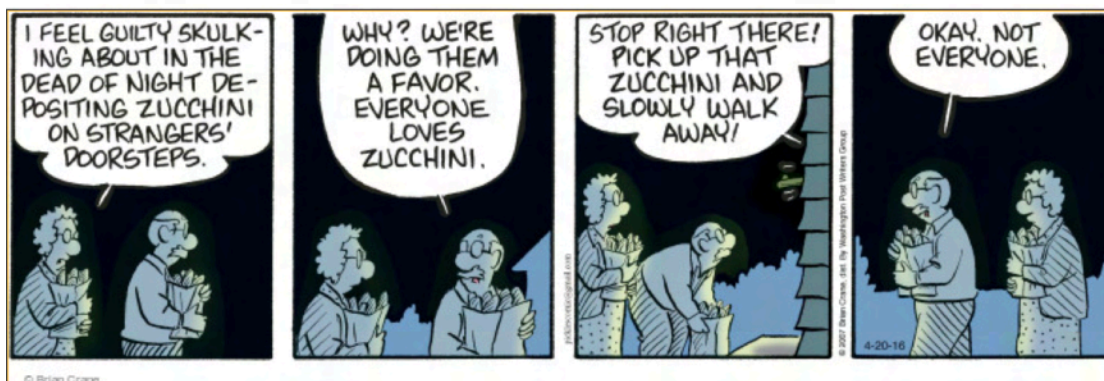


## INGREDIENTS

- 2 cups grated zucchini
- ½ grated cheese (cheddar or mozzarella work)
- 2 eggs
- 4 Tbsp oat flour (you can grind oats for this, or substitute all-purpose flour)
- ½ tsp Italian seasoning

## INSTRUCTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 350F and prepare two baking sheets with parchment paper or a silicone baking sheet
2. Place the zucchini on a clean cloth and squeeze out the liquid into a bowl. (You need to get the zucchini quite dry for the recipe to work)
3. Place the zucchini back in the bowl and mix with the remaining ingredients
4. Form ½ tbsp balls and flatten into rounds onto the baking sheet. (Mine were around ½ cm / ¼ inch thick and I made 21)
5. Bake for approx. 15 mins (until crispy on the sides)






# News & Upcoming Events

Penfield High School

**PTSA**

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## Online Auction Fundraiser to Benefit PHS PTSA



**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1 at 6 PM to SUNDAY NOVEMBER 7 at 6 PM**

**Please join us for our Online Auction Fundraiser to support our Penfield High School students, teachers and families!**

**You won't want to miss this!** It is a great way to treat yourself or get some holiday shopping done— all while supporting our students! We have something for everyone—bowling, movie tickets, a college prep course, a hotel stay, artwork for the home, jewelry, pizza, food, a family photo session, gift cards and so much more!

Proceeds from this auction support PTSA events and activities that include student scholarships, teacher and student club grants, parent and student education sessions as well as support of teachers and staff through our staff appreciation events. We hope that you enjoy this auction experience!

**Starts Monday, November 1st at 6pm ▪ Ends Sunday November 7 at 6pm.**

**Auction:** <http://app.memberhub.gives/1319bc>  
Please share the link with family and friends!

## ***Cobbles/Penfield is looking to hire people in the following positions:***

Recess Monitor	Substitute Teacher
Lunch Monitor	Bus Driver
Teaching Assistant	<i>And More!</i>

This is a great opportunity to get more involved in the Penfield community – click **HERE** to see all available positions.



<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/moving-with-pyl-tickets-197506716907>

**Located at  
The Yards**

**November,  
13 & 14,  
2-3:30pm**

**Dance\*  
Youth Led  
Skits\*  
Q&A about  
PYL\*  
Raffles  
&more\***

**Proceeds will go  
to funding the  
Peaceful Youth  
Leaders  
Organization**

## **Benefit Dance Concert 4**



# WANTED

*Cobbles PTA is in need of volunteers for the following positions:*

**Assistant Treasurer** – help out our Treasurer, Ari, and consider taking over his job for next year. We promise he's really nice!

**Audit Committee** – the PTA needs three members to help audit the books. You don't need experience or any accounting knowledge! There might be cookies.

Cobbles Principal Mrs. McNair is looking for parents interested in joining a Cobbles Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee. The committee will include parents and teachers, and is separate from the PTA DEI Committee. If you are interested, please email her at [kmcnair@penfield.edu](mailto:kmcnair@penfield.edu).



## **Board of Education Meeting November 9, 6:30 pm — Penfield High School**



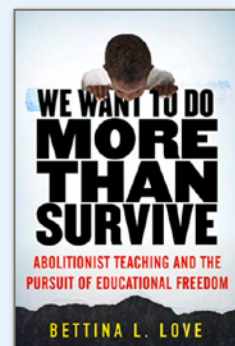
Penfield schools will be sharing updates at the next Board of Education meeting on their progress so far this year. Meetings are open to the public – come to show your support for your school and/or to hear details of what is going on behind the scenes.

Can't make it? You can see the minutes from any Board meeting [HERE](#).

## ***Want to join the DEI Committee Book Club? Read on!***

The Cobbles PTA DEI Committee will be hosting a book discussion this winter around Rochester native Bettina Love's book "We Want to Do More Than Survive: Abolitionist Teaching and the Pursuit of Educational Freedom."

We would love this discussion to include as many Cobbles parents and teachers as possible! If you are interested in participating, please fill out **this survey** by December 1 to let us know your preferences for format and timing. Our first discussion will take place in January. Email Melissa Pletscher-Nizinsky or Michaela Wall at [equitycommittee@cobblespta.org](mailto:equitycommittee@cobblespta.org) with any questions or concerns.







## *Penfield Varsity Hockey Presents* ***Skate with the Patriots***

The Penfield Varsity Hockey team invites  
Penfield School District students in grades 3–8 to  
a **FREE** hockey skills clinic and pizza party!

Wednesday, November 24

Clinic: 11am – 12pm

\*Pizza Party immediately following clinic

Webster Ice Arena  
865 Publishers Parkway, Webster

### ***Registration & Questions***

**Contact: Steve Martin – [smartin21@rochester.rr.com](mailto:smartin21@rochester.rr.com)**

*Please indicate name, age, grade, school and current club hockey team when sending email for registration.*



## **Looking for vendors & volunteers for the Penfield SEPTA Bookfair 12/4**

Yes.... It's back and better than ever! Penfield SEPTA is holding a Vendor/Resource/Scholastic Bookfair Saturday, Dec. 4 10am-4pm in the Fellowship Hall at Penfield United Methodist Church, 1795 Baird Road, Penfield. Elementary buildings will NOT be holding scholastic book fairs this year.



If you have something to sell and want to participate as a vendor, contact SEPTA for a vendor application. There is a \$20 vendor fee.



Want to volunteer? We are looking for volunteers to help support this event. This includes students!



Contact Mary Salluzzo at [salluzzo23@yahoo.com](mailto:salluzzo23@yahoo.com) for vendor application and volunteer opportunities.

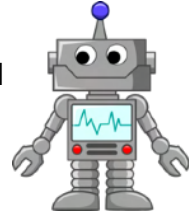
# Penfield Public Library Programs

Sponsored by the Friends of the Penfield Public Library. Register at [www.penfieldlibrary.org](http://www.penfieldlibrary.org), or call 340-8720.

## 11/7 | Reading and Robots (in person)

2:00-3:00 PM

- ☒ **Registration** for grades K-4. Join the Penfield HS Robotics Team to see a real robot, hear a story and do a robot craft.



## 11/11 | Tween Makers (in-person)

4:15-5:00 PM

- ☒ **Registration** for grades 4-8. Join fellow makers for a surprise activity! It could be a craft, science experiment, cooking project, and more.

## 11/13 | Science Saturday (in person)

1:00-2:00 PM

- ☒ **Registration** for grades K-4 with an adult. Come to the library for some science fun! Do a hands-on science activity with a grownup.

## 11/17 | 3-5 After-School Book Bites (in person)

4:30-5:00 PM

- ☒ **Registration** for grades 3-5. Snack and talk about books you are reading.



## 11/17 | Nutcracker Storytime with the Rochester City Ballet

6:30-7:30 PM

- ☒ **Registration** for children of all ages. Hear a story, see the costumes and ask questions of the dancers and performers.

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