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A Fun Run, Supporting Our Neighbors and the Open Space DGEIS Public Hearing

Dear Neighbors-

I hope everyone has been able to enjoy the wonderful weather we have had this summer. There are a few items we wanted to share with you:

First, the Winifred Masterson Burke Rehabilitation Hospital (I didn't know this was its full name either!) a/k/a Burke Foundation is looking for volunteers and participants for its Heels & Wheels 5K Road Race to be held on Saturday, September 22 at 8:30 AM. A flyer describing the event can be found at http://www.gedneyfarms.net/events/HeelsWheels.pdf.

The Road Race will wind its way through Gedney Farms taking place on our local streets including Bryant, Hathaway, Ridgeway and Gedney Park Drive. The 5K, being held in conjunction with the Wheelchair games held at Burke that same day, is open to runners and wheelchair athletes. And they need volunteers to help with the Water Station, Registration, Bib Handout, T-shirt Handout, Route Assistants, Clean up and Cheering from our homes!!

Please consider participating as a runner or a helpful volunteer! The contact information is on the flyer. **Next**, the Gedney Association board has recently written letters of support of two nearby Neighborhood Associations:

- The Carhart Neighborhood Association is facing the possible approval of a drug and alcohol rehabilitation treatment center at the site of the former Nathan Miller Nursing Home on DeKalb Avenue. We supported Carhart belief that the site is inappropriate for such a use and would adversely impact the neighborhood and surrounding communities. A public hearing on the detox center's application for a special permit will be held on Tuesday evening, September 4 at City Hall. More information is available at www.nodetox.com.
- The Gedney Circle Homeowners' Association asked us to support their opposition to the proposed settlement of a lawsuit the city had brought against the Gedney Farms Nursery located between Gillie Field and Our Lady of Sorrows Elementary School. We wrote a letter supporting their opposition to the settlement. In fact, the Gedney Association has had a long history of opposing the activities taking place on the Nursery property.

And, at the monthly meeting of the Common Council to be held on **Tuesday, September 4 at 7:30PM**, the **public hearing** will be held on the Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (DGEIS) for the proposed new **Open Space/Recreation District (OSRED)**. As you may recall, the OSRED is proposed for the four now or former golf course properties in the city (Fenway Golf Club, Maplemoor Golf Course, the former Ridgeway Country Club (now owned by FASNY) and Westchester Hills Golf Club) and some undeveloped property along the Hutchinson River Parkway. The OSRED DGEIS is available for review on the City's website, <u>www.cityofwhiteplains.com</u> on the main page.

Remember, the FASNY DEIS public hearing will be held Wednesday, September 19 and Wednesday, October 17. The coming months will be busy ones for our neighborhood. We will keep you posted! Thank you.

- Terence

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