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**November 2014 Newsletter**

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## Election Day

Don't forget Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup> is Election Day!

Polls are open from 6am to 9pm. For a full slate of candidates or if you need to check your polling place, please visit <http://www2.monroecounty.gov/elections-index.php>.

## Leaves!

It's that time of year when we begin to rake the leaves and clean our yards for the winter months. The City will continue this year in offering its curbside loose leaf pick-up service. Check the map on the right or the City's website to see which week your neighborhood is scheduled for pick-up. Then, simply rake your leaves to the area between the curb and the sidewalk prior to the Monday of your scheduled week. If you miss your week or you have additional leaves, just simply bag them up or put them in your regular garbage can and place them at the curb for your regular pick-up day.

Also on the City's website, the progress in each neighborhood is updated daily! Just search "Loose Leaf Collection 2014."

It is also helpful during this time of year to ensure all storm drains are free of leaves and other debris. This will help you and your neighbors with making sure that water on your street drains properly.



**2014 Fall Leaf Pick Up Schedule**

This schedule is dependent on the weather and may change if above-normal rain or snow occurs. Check our website for daily updates at [www.cityofrochester.gov/leaves](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/leaves)

**Week #1** Leaves will be picked up Oct. 27-31

**Week #2** Leaves will be picked up Nov. 3-7

**Week #3** Leaves will be picked up Nov. 10-14

**Week #4** Leaves will be picked up Nov. 17-21

Loose Leaf Drop Off Site Ferrano & Colfax Streets

City of Rochester, NY  
Lovely A. Warren, Mayor  
Rochester City Council



## **Holidays at the Market**

Mark your calendars for Holidays at the Market!

Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup>

Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>

Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>

This annual tradition offers shoppers at the Public Market a unique experience with art vendors, gift items, holiday décor, stocking stuffers and more. You'll also find one of the largest selections of holiday trees, wreaths, and fresh garland. Bring the kids to visit with Santa and take a horse-drawn carriage ride.



## **Rochester Land Bank Corporation**

In early October, the New York Land Bank Association released the report, New York State Land Banks: Combating Blight and Vacancy in New York Communities, which detailed the early accomplishments of the nine NYS land banks over the first two years. The report recognized the Rochester Land Bank Corporation for its advances in innovative solutions to blight removal during the first year of its operation.

The Rochester Land Bank acquires abandoned and dilapidated properties under the power of the Land Bank Act and seeks to redevelop them into affordably priced, renovated homes for low to moderate income buyers. This process is done through a collaborative effort of government officials, banks, and private businesses, through the negotiation with tax-delinquent property owners and lenders.

The Rochester Land Bank and the work associated with it allow residents to live the dream of

homeownership. This, in turn, works to stabilize our city's neighborhoods through residents with a vested interest in their property and their community.

## **Train Station**

A ceremony kicking off the construction of the new Rochester train station was held during the month of October. Rochester's train station serves as a gateway to both the Rochester region and the Finger Lakes. In addition, the train station gives Rochester area residents another option for transposition to destinations all over the Northeast and beyond.

The new, \$29.8 million dollar train station is reminiscent of the original station designed by famed Rochester architect Claude Bragdon. The station will assist with growing the already existing 145,000 passengers which use the station every year. The new station will be ADA compliant, as well as have newly designed parking, sidewalks, and lighting. The station will also have bike racks and lockers for passengers to utilize.

The design of the station parking lot will also accommodate bus companies such as Greyhound and Trailways, allowing them to integrate their services with the station. Construction is expected to be completed in 2017. I would like to thank Congresswoman Slaughter for her tireless efforts of making this project a reality.

## **And Don't Forget, You Can Follow Me on Facebook:**

Search Matt Haag and choose to "like" my page. Also, keep me informed of what's happening with your neighborhood or group; I love to feature activities in the community in my newsletters.

Thanks,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Matt Haag'.