

**TO: Honorable Mayor & Common Council
President Rizzo
Aldermen Zadzilka, Braun, Schwandt, Pecoraro**

FROM: Daniel R. Quinn, City Clerk-Treasurer

RE: Agenda for regular session TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2015 6:30PM

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – Agenda items only, not to exceed 90 minutes with each speaker limited to a five-minute maximum.

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- 1) Legal Notice – Collection of the 2015 Niagara County Taxes –
City Clerk-Treasurer**

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

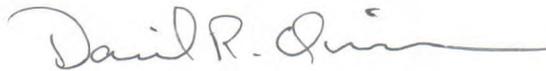
- I. Mayor - Re: Appointment of Jake Krebs to the Environmental Committee.**
- III. Clerk-Treasurer - Re: Volunteer Fire Companies 2015 Fundraising.**
- IV. Engineer - Re: Award of Traffic Signal Contract for Nash Road/Meadow Drive intersection.**
- VII. Accountant - Re: Payment of the Abstract of Claims dated March 3, 2015.**
- XVII. Traffic Safety - Re: Various Traffic Safety recommendations**
- XXV. Monthly Reports**
- .1 Youth Center**

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHERS

A.
Theodore Pyrak - **Re: Appointment of Mary Ann Pyrak and Donna J. Vaccaro as Commissioner of Deeds for the City of North Tonawanda.**

B.
Jack Michel - **Re: Permission to hold a “Fly a Kite to help Homeless Veterans” event at Gratwick Riverside Park on Saturday, May 30, 2015.**

Respectfully submitted,



Daniel R. Quinn
City Clerk-Treasurer

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STATE OF NEW YORK
NIAGARA COUNTY, } SS, _____

Linda Elliott, of said county, being duly sworn, deposes and says that she is now and during the whole time hereinafter mentioned was the Clerk of

NIAGARA GAZETTE

A newspaper published in the County and State aforesaid, and that the annexed printed legal # 136405 was printed and published in said paper on the following dates:

01/29/2015 02/05/2015

Linda Elliott

Principal Clerk

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

10 Feb 2015

PJ King

Patricia J King

07/27/2018

Notary Public

Expiration Date

PATRICIA J. KING
Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Niagara County
My Commission Expires ~~March 30, 19...~~

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Office of the Mayor

ARTHUR G. PAPPAS

February 25, 2015

North Tonawanda Common Council
City Hall, 216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

RE: Environmental Committee

Dear Honorable Body:

Please be advised that I am appointing Jake Krebs, 138 Miller St. Apt. #2, North Tonawanda, NY 14120, to the Environmental Committee, effective February 25, 2015, for a term of (2) two years, expiring until December 31, 2016.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Arthur G. Pappas
Mayor

City of North Tonawanda

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Daniel R. Quinn
City Clerk-Treasurer
danquinn@northtonawanda.org

Office of the City Clerk-Treasurer
Vital Statistics
City Hall
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, New York 14120

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Treasurer's Office: (716)695-8575
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Lori Swartz
Assistant City Clerk

Denise Proefrock
Assistant City Treasurer

February 23, 2015

**Honorable Mayor & Common Council
City Hall
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120**

Re: Volunteer Fire Companies Fundraising 2015

Dear Honorable Body:

As you have been made aware by the North Tonawanda Fire Chief, and in accordance with the NYS Comptroller's Office; all (6) North Tonawanda Volunteer Fire Companies are required to provide the City with a List of all fundraising activities on an annual basis.

In accordance with these regulations, I have reviewed the correspondence that I have received from all (6) of the Volunteer Fire Companies with the Fire Chief and have found them to be in order and in proper form.

I respectfully request that your Honorable Body vote in the affirmative to grant, Columbia Hook & Ladder #1, Sweeney Hose Co. #7, Rescue Co. #5, Gratwick Hose Co. #6, Live Hose Co. #4, and Active Hose Co. #2 permission to run their respective fundraisers for 2015.

I thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation.

Very truly yours,



**Daniel R. Quinn
City Clerk-Treasurer**

COLUMBIA HOOK & LADDER CO., NO. 1, INC.

P.O. Box 357 North Tonawanda, New York 14120-0357

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Established 1876

Jan. 28, 2015

Honorable Arthur Pappas, Mayor
Honorable Common Council
c/o City Clerk-Treasurer
North Tonawanda City Hall
216 Payne Ave.
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Re: Volunteer Fire Company Fundraisers

Dear Mayor & Council:

Columbia Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1, Inc., of the North Tonawanda Volunteer Fire Department requests permission of the City to conduct certain fund raising events during the Year 2015.

We expect to have Chowder Sale Fundraisers on--
Feb. 7, March 7, April 4, Oct. 3, Nov. 7, and Dec. 5.

We also rent our Hall for events such as small wedding receptions, bridal showers, political candidate fundraisers, birthday parties, and funeral luncheons. We have no bookings ahead at present. Some rentals develop months ahead of time, and others only a day or two request.

We do not sell nor provide alcoholic beverages at any hall rental event.

Fund raising proceeds are used for Hall maintenance and supply needs.

we look forward to your favorable action at a future Council meeting.

Sincerely yours,
COLUMBIA HOOK & LADDER CO., No. 1, INC.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David L. Evans".

David L. Evans
Recording Secretary

cc: Fire Chief John Lapham

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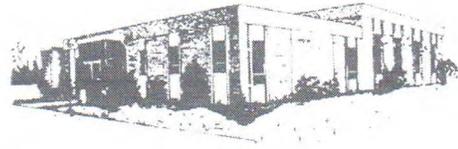
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Sweeney Hose Company, Inc. No. 7

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P.O. BOX 30 • 499 ZIMMERMAN STREET • 716-694-0777 • NORTH TONAWANDA, NEW YORK 14120-0030



To: North Tonawanda Common Council

From: Sweeney Hose Company #7

Re: Fundraising 2015

Dear Honorable Council,

The Sweeney Hose Company #7 requests permission to conduct the following assorted fundraising events for the calendar year 2015:

Major and or Repetitive Events

Fish Friday	8 Fridays starting 2/13/15
Canal Fest Beer Tent	July 19-26, 2015

Non – Repetitive Events

Chinese Auction	1 Event May or June (undecided date)
Meat Raffle	1 Event November (undecided date)

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RESCUE FIRE COMPANY #5

To: North Tonawanda Common Council

From: *Rescue Fire CC, INC.*

Re: Fundraising 2015

Dear Honorable Council,

The (Company Name) requests permission to conduct the following assorted fundraising events for the calendar year 20__.

Major and or Repetitive Events

<u>Event Name</u>	<u># of Events Scheduled</u>	<u>Dates</u>
<i>Bingo</i>	<i>EVERY wednesday</i>	<i>Wednesday nights</i>
<i>Pull TAB</i>	<i>Every day</i>	<i>Bingo nights / every night Club open</i>

Non-Repetitive Events

<i>Gun Raffle</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>October 3, 2015</i>
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This form must be submitted on a yearly basis, along with any total loss statement, no later than JANUARY 30th of each calendar year!

X _____

Council President

Company President

X _____
NORTH TONAWANDA, NY

Date of Council Acceptance

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Gratwick Hose Company, Inc.



CITY OF NORTH TONAWANDA FIRE DEPARTMENT
110 WARD ROAD • NORTH TONAWANDA, NEW YORK 14120
716-692-9675

To: North Tonawanda Council

From: Gratwick Hose Co, Inc

Re: Fundraising 2015

Dear Honorable Council:

The Gratwick Hose Co, Inc requests permission to conduct the following fundraising events for the calendar year 2015.

Major or Repetitive Events

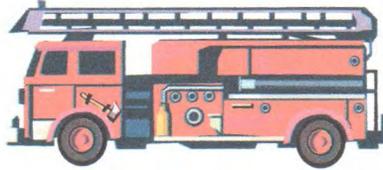
Event Name	# of Events	Dates
Fish Fry	14	Various Fridays throughout the year
Chowder	9	2 nd Saturday of every month (Sept-May)
Queen of Hearts	52	Every Thursday Evening
Bell Jar Sales	52	Available during bar hours

Non-Repetitive Events

Outside Catering	5-6	Various
Inside Catering	12-14	Various
Hall Rentals	6-8	Various

Robert N. Brennan
President
Gratwick Hose Co, Inc

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LIVE HOSE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY #4
71 Vandervoort Street
North Tonawanda, New York 14120

February 12, 2015

North Tonawanda Fire Department
495 Zimmerman St
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

To whom it may concern:

The following is the list of proposed fundraisers for 2015 with estimated profits that you are requesting.

2 Meat Raffles	\$1000
Canal Fest	\$4000

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Parise". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Paul Parise
President

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Active Hose Co. #2

427 Oliver St
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

To: North Tonawanda Common Council
Re: Active Hose Company

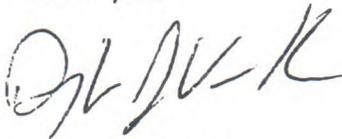
The Active Hose Company currently has the following fund raising activities planned for 2015.

Jan through April – monthly chowder sale held on the 4th Saturday of the month

Food tent at Canal Fest in July

Sept. through November - monthly chowder sale held on the 4th Saturday of the month

Thank you



Douglas Van Hise
President

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City of North Tonawanda
Department of Engineering
 City Hall, 216 Payne Avenue
 North Tonawanda, NY 14120-5493
 www.northtonawanda.org

IV.
Dale W. Marshall, P.E.
City Engineer
 Phone: (716) 695-8565
 Fax: (716) 695-8568

February 25, 2015

Honorable Arthur G. Pappas, Mayor
 and Common Council Members
 City Hall
 North Tonawanda, New York 14120

Re: Traffic Signal - Nash Road / Meadow Drive Intersection Improvements
Project No. 2014-12
City of North Tonawanda, Niagara County
Award of Construction Contract

Dear Honorable Body:

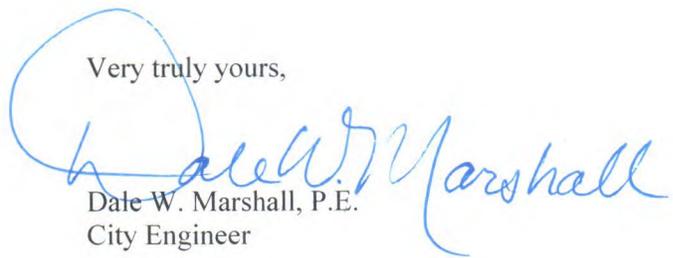
On February 24, 2015, bids were received and opened by the City Clerk for the Traffic Signal - Nash Road / Meadow Drive Intersection Improvements. The bid results are as follows:

Bidder	Base Bid	Add Alternate 1	Add Alternate 2	Total Bid
1. South Buffalo Electric	\$104,790.50	\$47,617.65	\$6,590.00	\$159,998.15
2. Nova Site	\$145,618.86	\$43,407.80	\$18,170.00	\$209,706.66
3. Power & Construction	\$185,574.00	\$64,546.75	\$11,536.06	\$261,656.81

The City's Consultant, Parsons Brinkerhoff, has tabulated the bids, checked the contractor's references and is recommending award of contract.

Accordingly, I respectfully request that the Common Council award the Traffic Signal - Nash Road / Meadow Drive Intersection Improvements to South Buffalo Electric of 1250 Broadway, Buffalo, NY 14212 at their low total bid amount of \$159,998.15; authorizing the Mayor to sign said contract subject to review by the City Attorney.

Very truly yours,


 Dale W. Marshall, P.E.
 City Engineer

DWM:dwm

Cc: file
 Shawn P. Nickerson, City Attorney
 Bradley Rowles, Superintendent of Public Works
 Amanda Reimer, Asst. City Accountant
 Augustine Taboni, P.E., PB

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City of North Tonawanda

DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING

CITY HALL

216 PAYNE AVENUE

NORTH TONAWANDA, NEW YORK 14120-5477

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MARK W. DOTTERWEICH
CITY ACCOUNTANT

AMANDA L. REIMER
STAFF ACCOUNTANT

TELEPHONE
(716) 695-8545

FAX
(716) 695-8573

March 3, 2015

Honorable Arthur G. Pappas, Mayor

& Common Council

City Hall – 216 Payne Avenue

North Tonawanda, New York 14120

Dear Honorable Body:

In accordance with Article V, Division 1, Section 5.002 and 5.003 of the City Charter, an Abstract Sheet, comprised of a Warrant of Claims, has been submitted by this office for your review and approval.

Accordingly, please authorize for payment the current Warrant of Claims for Common Council audit, dated **March 3, 2015**, and further authorize the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer to respectively sign and countersign said Warrant.

Very truly yours,

Mark W. Dotterweich

City Accountant

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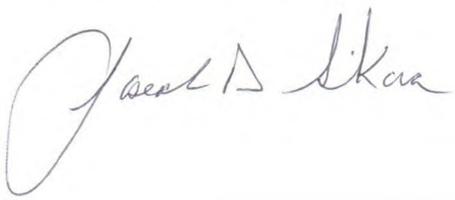
Robert W. Welch
Executive Assistant to Mayor
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Traffic Safety Minutes:

The February meeting of the North Tonawanda Traffic Safety Committee was called to order at 1900 hours. Roll call showed the following members present: J. Sikora R. Frank, M. Anastasi, M. Daigler, and E. Smolinski. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and a motion to accept was carried. The following new requests/concerns were discussed and recommendations made.

1. The Committee discussed the changes made to the intersection of Payne Avenue and Fredericka Street as well as concerns from neighborhood residents. The Committee is comfortable with the removal of the traffic light as a four way signal and feels there is a learning curve with any change made to traffic flow. However the Committee is not against placing a detection device at the intersection that would allow the traffic signal to remain green for Payne Avenue until a vehicle approaches on Fredericka, tripping the detection device and stopping traffic on Payne Avenue with a red light allowing Fredericka Street traffic to proceed. Member Daigler has the ability to install the device. This would be a successful compromise for all residents in the area. Weather could factor into installation of the device.
2. Numerous complaints concerning employees of the bus garage on Plastics Drive parking on Euclid Avenue were discussed. This is an ongoing problem during the winter when plowed snow takes up parking places at the bus garage. Committee members Vater and Daigler spoke with bus garage supervisors on the issue. The area will be monitored for additional problems.
3. Parking around Drake School was discussed at the request of Jeff Gaston. The area will be monitored and discussed at the March meeting.
4. Signage warning of stop lines before the railroad tracks at the intersections of East Felton, Ward, and Witmer all at River Road were discussed. The Committee recommends making all signs the same making vehicles stop before the tracks.
5. Member Daigler reported on posting speed limit signs on Niagara Falls Blvd. NYS DOT was contacted and the signs will be addressed in the future.
6. Member Daigler reported he would like to see dotted lane markings placed at the intersection of TCMH and Tremont Street. These markings have worked well at the intersection of TCMH and Robinson. The Committee agrees with this and would like to see the markings placed when painting season begins.
7. Member Smolinski would like to see the grade near the railroad tracks at the intersection of Ward and River Roads addresses. There are markings on the road from vehicles scraping as they cross the tracks. Member Daigler will speak with Dale Marshall and Brad Rowles and report at the March meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 2025 hours.



NORTH TONAWANDA
Department of Youth, Recreation & Parks

500 Wheatfield St.
North Tonawanda, New York 14120
Phone (716) 695-8520
Fax (716) 695-8533



Patricia Brosius, Director

February 11, 2015

The Honorable Mayor Art Pappas
And Common Council
216 Payne Ave
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Ladies and Gentleman:

The following information is submitted for your perusal concerning participants in various programs offered at the Youth Center for the month of January 2015.

Total Attendance:

Unduplicated: 326 Duplicated: 1,315 # Days Open: 21 Avg/day: 63 kids/day

1. Recreational/Social Activities

(Dance Class, Cheerleading Class, Nerf Wars, Saturday Game Show, DJ Karaoke Night, Middle of the Week Movie Night, Dance Fitness)

Unduplicated: 124 Duplicated: 224

2. Educational Programs

(Tutoring, Video Club, Operation Build It)

Unduplicated: 33 Duplicated: 57

3. Service Programs

None

Note: Listed below are open programs where attendance is not accounted for as part of the three categories listed above. (Kids who participate in these activities are accounted for as part of the total attendance however).

- Gym programs (open gym, sport of the day)
- Video Games/Computer Lab,
- Table Games (Billiards, Air Hockey, Table Tennis, Fooseball, Lounge Area)
- Arts & Crafts

Sincerely,

Alex Domaradzki, Youth Coordinator

CFO - A

THEODORE J. PYRAK
ATTORNEY AT LAW
421 PAYNE AVENUE - SUITE 601
PO BOX 12
NORTH TONAWANDA, NEW YORK 14120-0012

OFFICE #: (716) 873-2900

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February 17, 2015

Common Council
City of North Tonawanda
216 Payne Street
North Tonawanda NY 14120

Re: Commissioner of Deeds

Gentlemen:

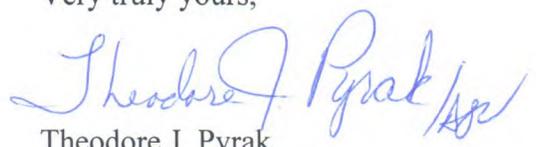
Please be advised that my office is in the process of moving to 421 Payne Avenue, North Tonawanda and I would like to have both my Office Manager and Secretary approved to act as Commissioner of Deeds. Their names and addresses are as follows:

Mary Ann Pyrak – Office Manager
45 Grant Road
Snyder, New York 14226

Donna J. Vaccaro – Secretary
119 Greeley Street
Buffalo, New York 14207

Thank you.

Very truly yours,


Theodore J. Pyrak

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January 20, 2015

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Fly a Kite a Kite Event to Help Homeless Veterans
Jack Michel
47 Main Street
Tonawanda, New York 14150

Mayor Arthur G. Pappas
City Hall
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Dear Mayor Pappas,

My name is Jack Michel and I am a member of Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 77. For the last two years, a group of our members and area homeless Veterans organizations put together a working group to try to raise money for Western New York Homeless veterans. Our events have been a wonderful success and we have raised over \$16,000 to donate to local veteran homeless organizations.

We would like to hold the event at Gratwick Waterfront Park once again this year. We have set aside May 30, 2015 as our date and would like to use the southern end of the park, just south of the shelter to the far southern end with the event's official start at noon till 4:00 PM.

Most of the vendors that were there the past two years will be back again. This included an array of international kite flyers, information booths for veterans as well as the community.

We are in the process of acquiring sponsors at the moment and have some good prospects. We are also planning to have one food stand for hot dogs and hamburgers and hot and cold drinks. No alcoholic beverages will be sold at this family oriented event.

If approved by the Common Council, we are requesting the use of the southern end of Gratwick Riverside Park, just south of the pavilion, snow fencing installed along the tree line by River Road, and availability to the electric at the storage building near the soccer/lacrosse fields.

Thank you again for your attention to this request. Please contact me at (716) 839-4492 should you have any questions.

Jack Michel
Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc.
Western New York Chapter 77

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Come Fly A Kite For Homeless Veterans

Please join us for a Free Family Event
on

**Saturday May 30th, 2015 at
Gratwick Waterfront Park
North Tonawanda, NY
12:00 - 4:00 P.M.**

Food & refreshments will be available
(Please do not bring any alcohol)

To reserve a kite please pre-register at
www.kitesforvets.com

You may also reserve kites by calling
(716) 435-7210 or (716) 515-5844

Sponsored by:

WNY Veterans Housing Coalition, Inc. - VetsHerd - VA Healthcare for Homeless Veterans Program



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FOR VETERANS

VA Health Care for Homeless Veterans
VA Medical Center - North Tonawanda Division
1000 Seneca Avenue | Buffalo, NY 14216
202 North Tonawanda Avenue | Buffalo, NY 14202
www.va.gov

Donations will be accepted. All proceeds will go to help Homeless Veterans in WNY



Jack Michel has a dream to provide housing for homeless veterans. In 2013 a vision came to him that he could accomplish this with a kite festival to raise funds. As a Vietnam veteran living in western New York he has worked tirelessly to help all veterans. So he asked the community to come fly a kite for homeless vets.

This wonderful idea came to my attention last year. I asked the Great Lakes Kitefliers Society if they would fly in support of this cause. The vote was unanimous and so we did our small part for the first Kites for Vets fly at the Gratwick Waterfront Park along the Niagara River in North Tonawanda, NY. This was easy to do for us because it happens to be our home field. Donna Taylor and Vaino Raun were invited to fly their big stuff. In addition, a third Canadian, Walter Corsetti, flew his fleet of ghost deltas while his wife, Marie, set up to blow millions of bubbles for the kids.

Jack inspired a crew from the Vietnam Veterans of America #77 to get to work again in 2014. They canvassed the neighborhood for donors and found enough support with funds, services or equipment to get the 2nd Kites for Vets off the ground on May 31.

The area was saturated with advertisements. Posters were put up at schools, businesses and on community bulletin boards. They handed out over 8,000 bookmarks to elementary students. Local newspapers printed event information, while a website was put up to provide more. Visitors to the site were encouraged to register in order to provide an estimate of how many might be interested in receiving a kite.

At the event a contingent of cadets from the Civil Air Patrol took over the duties of parking cars while veterans

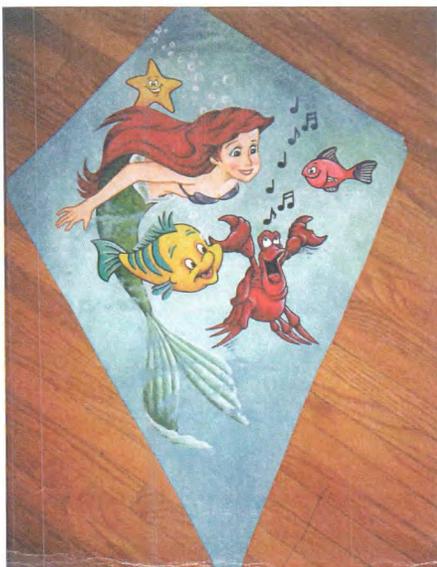
handed out free kites to all children, cooked up hot dogs, and served sodas and ice cream. They took donations on site or arranged to receive funds at a later date.

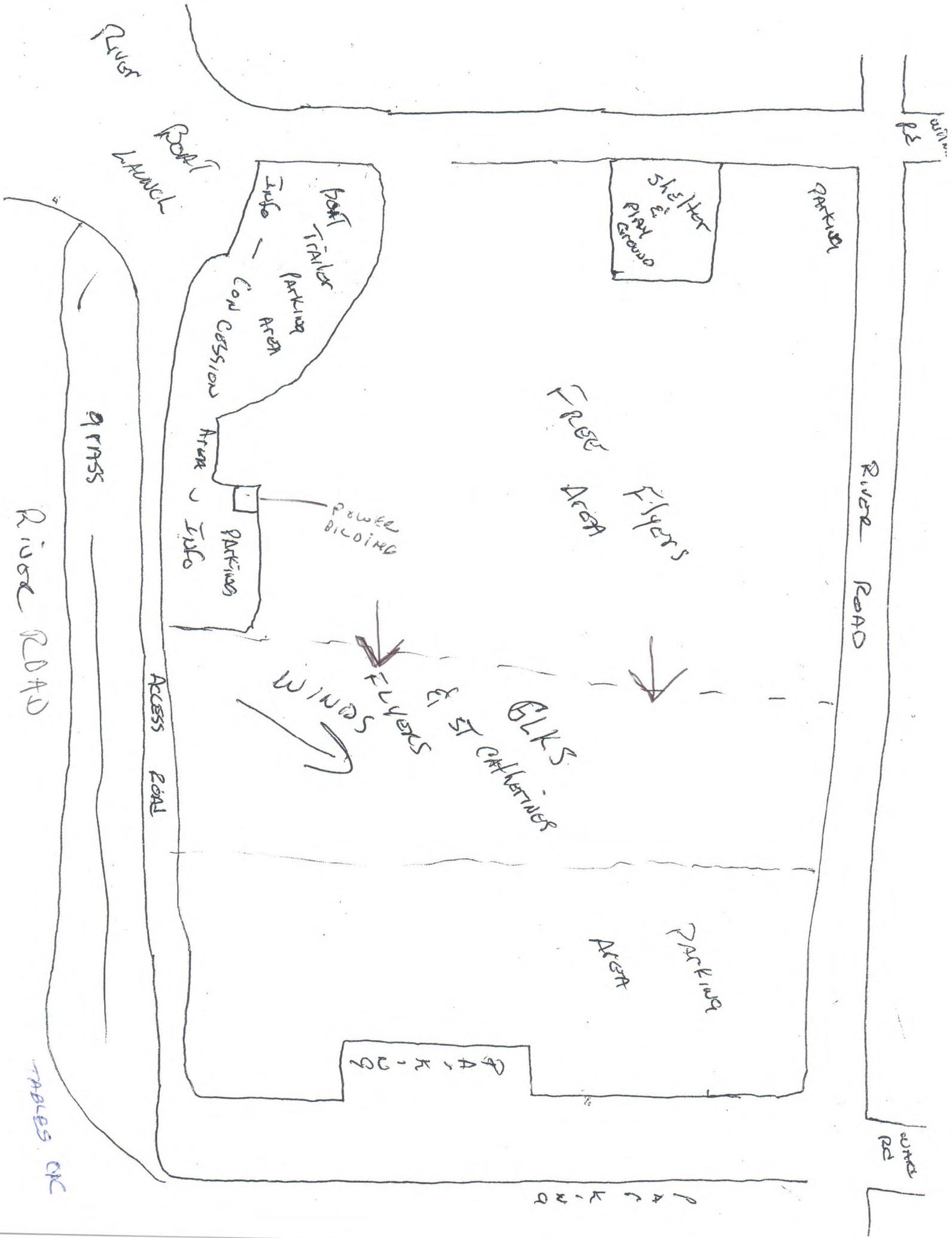
And the kids... the kids had a blast! Some 400 kites were handed out last year to a steady stream of families. This year it was 600 kites. It was noted how the parents stayed with their children, showing them how to fly or learning how to fly along with them, making this much more of a family outing rather than just sending the kids off on their own. Many kids went home very clean as they were soaked with bubble solution after chasing the millions of bubbles set loose by Fred Taylor, an invited guest from Canada.

GLKS set up a line of banners from their cars to provide a walkway for families to traverse from the parking area to the event. We did this as a way to say hello, to start conversations about our kites and kiteflying. As usual, most visitors were surprised at how much they learned while talking to us. Flying conditions were difficult as the wind came from behind trees to the north rather than the usual southwest, which is open to clean air coming over the Niagara River. It was impossible to put up our big show kites so we are hoping for a better breeze next year.

Handpainted kites made by 15 veterans — all inmates at Attica Correctional Facility — were on display. Although the kites were not made to fly they were quite nice and will look good on the wall in a child's bedroom. The raffle of these kites was quite lively.

And Jack says there will be a next year for this event. He hopes that Kites for Vets can become a national festival of kites. You can contact him at jjjbmicel@aol.com if you would like to learn how to bring this fundraiser to your neighborhood. ☞





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