Penfield is a wonderful town to hike, bike, and canoe, but many people are not aware of the wide variety of opportunities that are available. The Penfield Trails Committee has produced this brochure to help familiarize Penfield residents with Town resources to satisfy the urge to exercise and explore nature. Please observe all posted regulations, take water and first aid equipment along, and have fun!

1 Harris Whalen Park Trail
Location: Access from Penfield Park - across from Wegman’s entrance on Rt. 441, trail head and parking near water tower at top of hill
Hiking Time: 1/2 hour on woodland area, may use intersecting trails for longer hike
Difficulty: Paths well made, some low hills
Length: Less than 1 mile, option to extend using several intersecting trails
Features: Hiking, x-country-skiing, good spring birding, many wild flowers in May

2 Veteran’s Memorial Park Trail
Location: Geofraphic center of town, access from Atlantic Ave. and Jackson Rd., parking available (trail map available at Penfield Recreation)
Hiking Time: 1/2 hour or more
Difficulty: Easy paths, majority of path is paved
Length: Less than one mile, but can use intersecting trails for longer hike
Features: Hiking, x-country-skiing, May wild flowers, good spring birding, exercise stations and jogging, mature wooded area with stream and meadow like portions of trails, Hipp Brook, pond next to Donald Mack Rock Garden

3 Philbrick Park Trail*
Location: Off Rt. 441 in Park along Irondequoit Creek, trail begins at the “Trail” sign, parking available
Hiking Time: 1 hour approximately, a turn around trail
Difficulty: Generally simple narrow footpaths, and steep, slippery, and rocky path in some areas
Length: Approximately 1 1/2 miles
Features: Hiking, used by fishermen along creek, several waterfalls, quiet meadow on Island, remains of old mills on banks of the creek are visible while hiking

4 Ellison Park Trails*
Location: Western edge of town along Irondequoit Creek on south side of Blossom Rd., east of Spruce Shelter, parking available (trail map available at Monroe County Parks and Penfield Recreation)
Hiking Time: 2 hours
Difficulty: Paths through moderate & steep areas
Length: Approximately 1 mile
Features: Hiking, x-country skiing, path along stream, guily south to Penfield Rd., overlooks Manitou Lake, canoeing to Bay, Dog Park

5 Abraham Lincoln Park Trail
Location: West end of Smith Road, off Empire Blvd., park in cul-de-sac on Smith Rd., walk down Road to Bay (trail map available at Monroe County and Penfield Recreation)
Hiking Time: 1 hour plus
Difficulty: Steep hills, slippery
Length: 2 miles
Features: Hiking, nature study, Bay canoeing, mature trees, quiet coves, good spring birding along north meadow and trail connects to the YMCA trail

6 Thousand Acre Swamp
Location: Jackson Rd. between Atlantic Ave. and Plank Rd.
Hiking Time: Easy trails, may be wet
Difficulty: Variable, trail guides at kiosk
Features: No bikes, dogs, horses, or motorized vehicles; picking of plant material prohibited
Restrictions: For more information, please call 425-9561

7 Wild Iris Path
Location: West end of Coachman Dr. and Brougham Dr.
Hiking Time: Under 1 hour
Difficulty: Easy trails, may be wet
Features: Nature study, shrubs

8 Rifle Range Trail
Location: South side of Empire Blvd.
Hiking Time: 2 hours
Difficulty: Hills and narrow trail, slippery when wet
Length: Up to 2 miles
Features: Remains of rifle target pits and views of Irondequoit Flowlands

9 Honey Creek Trail*
Location: West end of Motts Ln. or Five Mile Line Rd. opposite Grand-Vie Senior Living Community
Hiking Time: 1/2 hour or more
Difficulty: Easy paths, one hill to Philbrick Park
Length: 1/2 mile
Features: Trail connects the Penfield Four-Corners to Philbrick Park

10 Irondequoit Creek Panorama Plaza Trail*
Location: Behind Tops Market at Panorama Plaza, look for trailhead kiosk
Hiking Time: 1 hour approximately, a turn around trail
Difficulty: Easy paths (stonedust) - wheelchair accessible, bikes welcome on multi-use section of trail
Length: 1 miles
Features: Trail begins confluence of Allens Creek and Irondequoit Creek, runs along Irondequoit Creek and passes under Rt. 441 to connect to Philbrick Park

*All of these trails intersect Irondequoit Creek at some point

For more information on Monroe County Parks, please visit www.monroecounty.gov or call 753-7275.
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