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MESSAGES FROM THE IRONGATE BOARD

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How is your neighbor

Like other communities throughout our nation, we also have been affected by COVID. Illness, death, economical hardship and financial ruin are what's left in the wake of this destructive virus. We know our community would like to help those who find themselves in need of some assistance. Let's reach out to help them. If you know of any Irongate residents that are experiencing difficulty resulting from COVID, let us know. We can reach out to our community and look for ways to provide assistance.



Irongate Picnic

We have decided to cancel our annual Picnic this year in keeping with COVID restrictions. In its place, we are planning a new event called **Irongate Safe Summer Celebration**. We will be giving away 24 \$50.00 gift cards to Irongate Association Members. The winners can choose one of our Sponsors. We will have a random drawing and the winners will be notified.



Also, on Saturday, August 8th, Cruisin Cones Ice Cream Truck will be parked in front of 7779 Deerfield from 1:00 to 2:30 and like the picnic, you can get Ice Cream that will be paid for by Irongate Association and Neighborhood Watch. You can choose from: Cone or dish, Syracuse Slushy, Regular Slushies, Kiddie Cone or Ice Cream Sandwiches. We will send out a flyer in July.



Newsletters 2021

Effective January 1, 2021, Newsletters will be emailed to residents who have their email addresses on file. All our Newsletters are posted on our website. If you would like a **paper copy**, please fill out the form attached and register. Also, for those who are not on our email distribution list, and would like to receive an email copy of the newsletter, please give us your email address by filling out the form attached or send to our email address.

In an effort to be more environmentally conservative, this will help save trees and that is a good thing. It will also conserve on the cost of printing and the time involved by many volunteers in putting together and distributing the newsletter.

School News by Julie Matson

At the School Board meeting held via Zoom on Monday, May 18th, the following date-sensitive items were discussed (some of which are subject to change):



End of the School Year:

June 16 - Last day for students and staff

June 12 - Last day for new instruction for students

June 15 & 16 - Students can turn in any outstanding work

June 17 - Grades due in SchoolTools for students in grades 7-12; Grades K-6 will receive no grades, comments only.

Return of District Property - There is no intent to collect Chromebooks except from graduating seniors. Proposed options for return of property (i.e. textbooks to be reassigned to different students in the Fall; items rented from the district such as instruments, calculators, etc.) are as follows. These are proposals and are currently still under review.

June 11 - Collection at bus stops

June 12, 15 & 16 - curbside drop off at schools (to coincide with the 16th being the last day to turn in outstanding work)

Budget

June 9 - Budget Vote (Mail in ballot only - no in person voting) - In a typical year, we have 1,200 to 1,500 who vote out of a possible 35,000 registered voters. Ballots will come with postage pre-paid so no need to affix postage when returning the ballot. Ballots may be returned anytime after they are received. All ballots must be received, not postmarked, by June 9, in the district office in order to be counted.

May 22 - postcards sent to all district residences

May 26 - Public Hearing (held via Zoom); Ballots arriving in mailboxes

May 29 - School Bell, with details on the budget

June 9 - Returned ballots assessed

June 10 - Counting of ballots begins - hand counted with secondary verification

June 12 - Process of ballot counting and results expected to be completed (depending on the volume of ballots received)

Residents will be asked to vote (yes or no) on the Budget, Transportation, and the budget for the Liverpool Public Library. Voting will also include voting for 3 open School Board seats (4 candidates) and 1 Library Trustee position.

Education 2020

June 8 - The Superintendent will make a final recommendation to the Board regarding the Education 2020 initiative. (School Board meeting via Zoom)

June 22 - The Board will vote on whether or not to approve. (School Board meeting via Zoom). School board meetings begin at 7 p.m. There is no public communication.

Real Estate's New "Normal"

Donna Lynn Jordan, Licensed Real Estate Salesperson

So what is it like to sell your home in 2020? Well, it's different, but still a very strong seller's market. The average days on market for our area is 8. Yup. 8 days is the average time it will take to sell your home. Many homes are selling within 2 days, with multiple offers and for above the asking price! Of course, these homes are well prepared and in most cases, thoughtfully updated and carefully maintained, but it is still a great time to list and sell.



Many people are concerned about having people in their home, due to worries related to Covid 19. Buyers and Real Estate Professionals are now required to wear masks and utilize gloves or hand sanitizer and remove shoes or use protective booties for all showings.

The important thing to remember is that as a seller, YOU are in the driver's seat - particularly in the current market. You and your Realtor can work together to put together a plan that will keep everyone safe and keep you at ease with the process of selling your home.

Some options include:

- Virtual Tours
- Virtual Open Houses
- Covid 19 disclosures and waivers
- Safe and sanitary showing guidelines

I am your neighbor and your neighborhood real estate professional. I am always happy to provide information, market values or to answer any questions for my Irongate neighbors. There is no cost or obligation for information. Please see my ad in this newsletter for my contact information.



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Bowling will reopen at the earliest possible date and will post on our Website and Facebook Page as soon as we know. We assure you that we are working diligently behind the scenes to be "ready to roll" with the proper protocols and safety measures in place when the time comes. We look forward to seeing you all again. Thank you for your business, and please stay healthy & safe! Flamingo www.FlamigoBowICNY.com



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Treasury Report by Edward O'Connell, Treasurer


For Period 3/29/2020 - 6/3/2020
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Financial details are reported at our quarterly meetings and a complete Financial Review is presented every year at our February meeting. Feel free to call me with any questions concerning our finances.

Irongate Membership 2020

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