

Annual Irongate Association Membership 2019

Thank you to all our Irongate Association members for your support. This year our membership reached 136 homes, down from last year's membership of 146. Irongate has a little over 300 homes and our goal is to reach 150. The Irongate Community is a great place for family life and we strive to make it better. Support Irongate Association by joining or renewing your membership. The Annual membership is only \$10.00 which runs from January through December each year. If you wish to contribute more than the \$10 membership, please do so. Irongate now has a PAY PAL account. You can pay your membership either by using PAY PAL or filling out the attached Membership form. To pay by PAYPAL, go to our website www.irongatehomes.org and click on the MEMBERSHIP Page. Use the **PayPal button** to pay your membership dues and also fill out the **Membership form**.

WIN A \$50.00 GIFT CARD Membership Drawing from one of our Sponsors. Submit your Membership by January 30th and you will be entered into our drawing.

Irongate Association is working to create a sense of community through the joint efforts of its members, foster and maintain the safety and security of homeowners, strive to enhance the value of our property and effectively represent our community with the police, fire and town authorities.

This year we had 28 Sponsors to help support our organization. The revenue we receive from our sponsors and your membership dues provides the money to support the organization's social events, donations, newsletters, meetings and maintenance of our entrances. Help us build a better community. We need your support to continue these activities.

- ***Irongate Scholarship Award Drawing of \$500 for Irongate Association Members.***
- ***Donations of \$100.00 each were made to Moyers Corner, Nova and Air One***
- ***Irongate's Annual Picnic free to all Irongate Community residents***
- ***Welcome letters and \$15.00 gift card were given to 12 new Irongate residents***
- ***Win a \$50 Gift Card Early Membership Drawing***
- ***Christmas Sharing to help support needy families in our community***
- ***Participated with Bayberry in Annual Tree Lightening Event at Bayberry Plaza***
- ***5 Turkeys donated to Morgan Road School for families in need***
- ***Entranceways - Route 57 and Morgan Road - flowers, mulch and landscaping provided..***
- ***Newsletters provided every other month***
- ***Irongate Website, Facebook Page and Irongate Email to keep you informed***
- ***Quarterly Irongate Association Meetings***
- ***Financial reporting in our newsletter and detailed Financial Report and Budget review yearly.***

Tom Portaleos, President

Ann O'Connell, Secretary

Ed O'Connell, Treasurer

Christmas Sharing by Mary Durant

Thank you to all who participated in last year's Christmas Sharing Program. Your generosity was so overwhelming. This year we have a family from Morgan Road Elementary to make their Christmas better. There are four children from five years old to nine years old along with two parents. I have all the clothing sizes and a wish list. The Morgan Road Counselor has told me this family has very little.

Please contact me **as soon as possible** if you would like to participate in our Christmas Sharing Program. You may purchase a gift, donate a Walmart gift cards or cash if you need someone to shop for you. Please call me to discuss what you would like to do to help this family. Help make someone's Christmas holiday a special one this year. I may be reached at 315-409-3025. Thank you in advance for giving.



TREE LIGHTING EVENT SATURDAY, DEC. 1ST



The Bayberry Community Association, Tri-R Management and the Irongate Community Association together will hold their second joint Christmas Tree Lighting this year to kickoff the holiday season.

This year is going to be an exciting event with an even taller tree, food, beverages, live music, a church choir, live nativity, a basket giveaway, Santa, and a horse and wagon ride around the neighborhood.

The event will take place from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 1 at the Bayberry Plaza parking lot. Last year was a fun time for all...let's make this year's lighting even more special!

*Merry
Christmas*

Irongate Scholarship

Every year Irongate Association offers to its members a scholarship for graduating seniors. To be eligible the family must have been a members of Irongate Association for at least a year prior to the year in which the student is graduating and the dues for the current year must be paid by JANUARY 30TH. The student must be graduating from High School and going on to an accredited college. At the June meeting a random drawing will be held and a check made payable to the school he/she will be attending. Irongate contributes \$500.00 plus any contributions we receive. Go to our website and view the Scholarship Page where you can see all the recipients of the Scholarships over the last seven years.



Empower to Offer Scholarships

Empower will offer scholarship money to seniors holding an account with them. Have your child open an account with \$25.00 to be eligible and apply.

Thank You

Mary Durant served as Vice President for two years and has resigned. Mary will continue to be active in Irongate events. Mary heads up the Christmas Sharing Event and does a fantastic job every year. Thank you Mary.



Real Estate - Irongate Performs Well Market! By Donna Lynn Jordan,

So, at the time that I am writing this article, we are not quite at the end of the year. The final totals are not in yet, but “so far, so good”! Irongate performed solidly and impressively, so here are the stats for year to date, compared to last year:

	2018	2017
<i>Average price paid</i>	\$169,420	\$159,665
<i>Highest price paid</i>	\$195,000	\$180,000
<i>Average days on market</i>	14	16

We set a new record for the highest price paid per square foot of \$98.40 (of all recorded MLS sales!) This is great news for our community! Homes with updated mechanicals, kitchens and bathrooms commanded the highest prices and saw the shortest days on market, with 6 homes selling in less than 2 weeks!

Wondering what your home is worth? Comparative Market Analysis Reports are ALWAYS FREE for my Irongate neighbors. As you neighbor and Neighborhood Real Estate Professional, I am happy to provide you with no cost/no obligation information. See my ad in this newsletter and feel free to call, text or email me anytime. Donna Lynn Jordan, Licensed Real Estate Salesperson

Treasury Report by Edward O'Connell, Treasurer

For Period 9/13/18 - 11/17/18:

Receipts: \$ 0
 Disbursements: \$ 715.53

In the interest of space for our newsletter, we have made a change to the format used to report Financial information. Financial details are reported at our quarterly Irongate 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 Sponsors

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Thanksgiving Turkeys

Irongate Association will be donating 5 turkeys to Morgan Road School for families in need. We started this last year and hope to make it an annual event. Happy Thanksgiving.



Board Members

President, Tom Portaleos	7770 Deerfield	622-6696
Secretary, Ann O'Connell	7779 Deerfield	652-9088
Treasurer, Ed O'Connell	7779 Deerfield	652-9088

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Town Affairs	Dave Meade	529-0811
BOE	Julie Matson	622-1224
Newsletter	A. O'Connell	652-9088
Website	Ann O'Connell	652-9088
Welcome Team	Pat Lynch	652-1962
Picnic Team	Paula McSweeney	622-1964
Neighborhood Watch	Tom Portaleos	622-6696
Christmas Sharing	Mary Durant	406-3025
Landscape Coordinator	Available	

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School News by Julie Matson

As noted in the recent issue of *School Bell*, there will be a special vote held on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 in the High School Gym from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Liverpool Central School District residents will be asked to vote on a revised Phase Three Capital Project. This is necessary as there was a delay in getting the New York State Education Department to approve renovation plans at the former Wetzel Road Elementary building, LHS, and the Transportation Center. Sections of the project, specifically renovations at the High School, came in over budget as a result of the delay and increased pricing of materials. The original cost of the project was estimated at \$39.5 million. The new cost is estimated to be just over \$45.2 million. As such, voters are being asked to approve the revised costs, as well as the withdrawal of an additional \$950,000 from the 2009 Capital Reserve Fund.



A public hearing will be held prior to the vote taking place, on Monday, December 3, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the District Office. Residents will have the opportunity to hear details and ask questions.

School safety continues to be an ongoing discussion by the Board. The Board is being asked to look at approving additional security personnel within the high school and possibly at the middle school level. Superintendent Mark Potter assured the Board that the people hired would have a law enforcement background, would have the appropriate training needed to respond to a potential incident in the school, and although could be armed while working, the main purpose would be to have eyes and ears in the school, and to build a rapport with students and staff. Being able to respond quickly and appropriately to a situation requiring an immediate response, up to an including an active shooter within the school or on school property, would be the reason to have the person armed, but it is not the primary purpose of the position. Before posting the position, Superintendent Potter wants to ensure the applicants are provided the accurate information relative to them carrying a firearm, requiring the Board to decide this component before moving forward. The Board tabled taking action on this until the next meeting (November 19th) as there was no consensus on whether the security personnel would be armed.

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