# June 🕲 July 2019







## The Invertary News



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#### July and August Board Meetings

The next regular meeting of the Inverrary Homeowners' Association is scheduled for Wednesday, August 7, at 7:00 p.m.

The July, 2019 board meeting has been cancelled.

The August board meeting will be held at Kingswood United Methodist Church, which is located at 401 West Dundee Road in Buffalo Grove.

#### Directions to Kingswood United Methodist Church:

- Allow twenty minutes for travel time.
- Take Milwaukee Avenue south to Dundee Road.
- Turn right at Dundee Road.

- Make a U-turn at North Carriageway Drive.
- The church is on the right.
- If you plan to attend the board meeting, please call Lieberman for the room number where the meeting is to be held.

#### Inverrary Board Members June 2019-July 2020

Jane Thomas

President

Nicole Kalisker

Vice President

Alexander Blyakhman

Secretary

Lyuba Starikovsky

Treasurer

Peggy Rash

Director

**Nancy Reynolds** 

Director

Margaret Goulet-Isaac

Director

#### 2019 Annual Meeting

The 2019 Annual Meeting of the Inverrary Homeowners' Association was held on

Monday, June 3, 2019 at Pritchett Elementary School in Buffalo Grove. Board members Lynne Mastrogany, Betty Kamy, Nancy Reynolds, Daniela Moglan, and Jane Thomas were present. Peggy Rash and Diane Moody were unable to attend. Also present at the meeting were Michelle Trina, Regional Director for Lieberman, Jennifer Falasz, Inverrary's property manager, Lisa Kaltenbach, from Lieberman Management Services, and Deborah Salter Green, Recording Secretary from Salter Secretarial Services.

After noting that a quorum was present, either in person or by proxy, of 28.008% of Inverrary's homeowners, Ms. Trina announced that the election would be held.

Ms. Trina explained the election procedures and

advised homeowners that they could cast up to seven votes. Because there was no election in 2018, the Board rolled over and remained the same. Therefore, all the current members were up for reelection. Five people were running for the seven spots on the Board.

Ms. Trina called for nominations from the floor and five people nominated themselves.

Each candidate was introduced and briefly addressed the homeowners. The candidates were as follows:

- •Alexander Blyakhman
- •Margaret Goulet-Isaac
- •Betty Kamy
- Nicole Kalisker
- ·Daniela Moglan
- •Peggy Rash
- Nancy Reynolds
- Lvuba Starikovsky
- •Jane Thomas
- •John Vojtech

All ballots and proxies were collected, and Mike Altschuler was appointed as election judge.

The 2019 Board of Directors of the Inverary Condominium Association are Alexander Blyakhman (Alex), Margaret Goulet-Isaac (Peggy), Nicole Kalisker, Peggy Rash, Nancy Reynolds, Lyuba Starikovsky, and Jane Thomas.

Board Notes
May 8, 2019
and
June 3, 2019
Regular Meetings



Members present at the May 8th Board meeting included Lynne Mastrogany, Nancy Reynolds, Betty Kamy, Jane Thomas, Daniela Moglan, and Diane Moody. Peggy Rash was unable to attend. Jennifer Falasz, Inverrary's Property Manager and Deborah Salter Green, Recording Secretary, were also present.

Members present at the June 3rd board meeting included Lynne Mastrogany, Nancy Reynolds, Diane Moody, Daniela Moglan, Betty Kamy, and Jane Thomas. Peggy Rash was unable to attend. Michelle Trina, Regional Director for Lieberman Management Services, Jennifer Falasz, Inverrary's Property Manager, and **Deborah** Salter Green, Recording Secretary, were also present, as were numerous homeowners.

#### Treasurer's Report:

At the June meeting Lynne Mastrogany announced that Inverrary's finances are in good order.

#### **Newsletter Report:**

Jane Thomas and Nancy Reynolds advised that the newsletter was created and distributed in a timely fashion. As always, there is a combined newsletter for June and July.

#### Maintenance and Grounds:

 The turf that was damaged during snow removal has been repaired by the snow removal vendor.

#### **Business:**

- Management presented bids for the sealcoating/ resurfacing project. The board accepted the bid from M&J Paving Company to sealcoat the odd-numbered cul-de-sacs and resurface the even-numbered cul-desacs.
- The Board accepted the renewal contract from ISU Coverall Insurance for Travelers Insurance for next year. Coverall Insurance is an insurance agency. Inverrary's insurance is through Travelers Insurance.
- The heater in pool one is broken and has already been replaced.

## News You Can Use from the Board Meetings

- We are enjoying, or maybe not so much depending on your preference, a very cool June. Inverrary's pools are heated and the temperature is kept at 80° Fahrenheit. When the water temperature reaches or exceeds 80°, the heater shuts off.
- The annual spring landscape walk was conducted with Clarence Davids in June.

The purpose of the walk is to identify areas of the property that require additional landscaping services. As a result of the spring walk, Clarence Davids will spread and seed soil as needed and will remove and, where appropriate, replace dead trees. If you need additional landscaping services, please do not hesitate to call Lieberman Management.

- The Fourth of July falls on a Thursday this year, so there will be no garbage pickup on that day. Garbage should be picked up on Friday, July 5th, but, since the garbagemen have to do double duty on Friday, the pickup time may be earlier or later than that to which we are accustomed.
- Many thanks to Victoria
   Marinescu of the second cul de-sac for volunteering to be
   the cul-de-sac
   representative for her cul de-sac.
- Starting with this issue, the Inverrary Newsletter will be delivered quarterly with winter, spring, summer, and fall issues.

## Needed: Representative for the 6th Cul-de-Sac

We are very grateful for the dedicated help Daniela Moglan has provided the Association by delivering newsletters to residents of the 6<sup>th</sup> cul-de-sac over the past few years, but unfortunately we now need

a new volunteer. Here are the details:

- Distribute the newsletter four times a year.
- You do not need to live in the sixth cul-de-sac.
- Time commitment should be less than one hour per delivery.
- By using volunteers to deliver the newsletter, the Association saves on mailing costs.

Please call Lieberman at 459-0000 if you are able to help!

#### Remembering Dick Fensterle

Richard (Dick) Fensterle, Inverrary's longtime maintenance engineer and all-around handyman, passed away on April 4th at a nursing home in Streamwood, Illinois. He was an integral member of the Inverrary family and extremely important to both the Inverrary Association as well as to many individual homeowners. We have missed his assistance since he retired several years ago and now mourn his loss. Dick was 76 years old.

#### Thank You, Lynne

After thirty years of serving on the Board, the past twenty years as President, Lynne Mastrogany is enjoying a well-deserved retirement.

No one has ever accused Lynne of not being opinionated; nevertheless, every decision she has ever made has been grounded in the goal of making Inverrary a livable community where everyone's rights are respected, where our property values are maintained, and where her fiscal prudence has allowed us to avoid issuing special assessments for major projects. Her dedication, energy, and knowledge of our community will be greatly missed.

#### **Community Corner**



- If it's summertime, there is road construction. Here are some of the road closures in our area:
  - Construction on Weiland Road is scheduled to start sometime this summer.
     The first phase of development will be to resurface and widen the road between Deerfield Parkway and Lake Cook Road. A bike path and a sidewalk will be added to the roadway.
  - Lake Cook is under construction from Raupp Boulevard to Hastings Drive for intersection and traffic signal work.
  - Dundee Road in
     Northbrook from
     Waukegan Road to
     Skokie Boulevard will be closed to through traffic until October. The town is replacing a culvert and

relocating sewers and water mains.

- The Illinois' Legislature just concluded a very busy spring session. While many people know that it will be legal to purchase recreational marijuana in Illinois come January, there are other changes as well:
  - To support transportation-related projects (roads, bridges, and public transportation), the tax on gasoline will increase \$0.19 on July 1st. The cost of license plates for your car will increase to \$151 starting in 2020.
  - Cigarette taxes will also increase on July 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Expanded gambling in Illinois will bring more casinos as well as legalized sports gambling.
- Kids under 11 ride free on Metra all summer long, so take advantage of all the wonderful opportunities Chicago has to offer families.

#### **Solicitor Registration**

Door-to-door sales people working in unincorporated Lake County must register with the Lake County Clerk's office and carry a solicitor's certificate while on the job. The solicitor's ordinance applies only to unincorporated Lake County and provides exemptions for religious groups, candidates, and

minors under the age of eighteen who participate in fundraising activities.

Solicitors are required to adhere to the following regulations:

- Operate only between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
- Carry a Certificate of Registration bearing an embossed county clerk seal
- Observe "No Solicitation" signs
- Respect an occupant's request to leave
- Deliver a photocopy of their certificate to the Lake County Sheriff's Office in Waukegan

When a solicitor comes to your home, ask to see the certificate before conducting any business. Report any violations to the Lake County Sheriff's office (847-549-5200) where fines and penalties can be enforced.

#### Lake County Property Record Search

Since its launch in May 2019, tax.lakecountyil.gov has proven to be a popular way for interested parties to search online for Lake County property tax summaries, exemptions, or owner history. The database is the result of record consolidation from Lake County's Chief County Assessor, Treasurer, County Clerk, and Information Technology departments into one easy-to-use portal.

Previously, those seeking information had to visit several websites and make numerous phone calls to find the necessary details. Now, property information is offered through one online resource making access to property information more transparent than ever before.

The four County offices are already planning to build on the successful launch of the website with improved content, presentation and navigation in the near future.

#### Fourth of July

Unless you have a professional permit (and who among us does?), it is illegal to purchase or use fireworks in the state of Illinois. Fireworks are dangerous and cause serious injuries to people every year. Because fireworks are illegal in and because they present safety hazards to residents and property, the storage and/or use of them on Inverrary property is a violation of the Inverrary rules and will result in a minimum fine of \$100 subject to any requested hearing.

#### Talkin' Trash

 Garbage is picked up on Mondays and Thursdays.



 Recycling is picked up on Mondays by a separate truck.

- You may put your garbage out the night before a scheduled pick up, but only after dark.
   The time the sun sets changes with the seasons, so watch the sky, not the clock.
- All garbage needs to be in plastic bags.
- Animals can tear plastic bags and leave a mess, but there are some things homeowners can do to lessen the damage:
  - Use smaller bags for any food items. Once you have a full bag of food scraps, tie up the smaller bag and throw it into a larger garbage bag.
  - Invest in real garbage bags. It's great to recycle plastic bags from the store, but they don't work too well for garbage.
  - Don't make your garbage too inviting.
     Use twist-ties or tie the bags securely closed.
  - Fill a spray bottle with ammonia, bleach, or even WD-40. Before you place your garbage bags outside, spray a little on the bags.
  - If you can, put your garbage out in the morning. Many animals are active at night.
- The rules for garbage also apply to recycling bins.
   Do not place your recycling bin out before

- dark on Sunday night, and bring it back into your garage before Tuesday morning.
- Warnings are not issued for trash violations.
   Instead, a minimum fine of \$100 is assessed.

#### **Crime Alert!**

Historically, car and home break-ins increase in warmer weather. Please be alert to any suspicious activity and call the police immediately if someone tries to break into your home. Don't open the door to anyone before you've checked who it is - look out of the window first. You are not obligated to open the door for anyone you don't know. If you're not expecting someone and you don't know them, don't let them into your home, no matter what they say to you. Keep a can of hair spray near the door for defense. You can spray it in people's eyes.

Northern Illinois tends to see an increase in ruse burglaries during the summer months. Ruse burglars have already been striking this summer in Lake County and surrounding areas.

A ruse burglary is a distraction technique used to lure homeowners outside of their home. After the homeowner is outside the home and distracted by one individual, another individual or individuals enter the home, typically targeting items to steal such as cash or jewelry. Suspects will use many

excuses to lure homeowners outside the residence including claims of being subcontracted by local government, ploys of a broken pipe, schemes for landscaping services such as tree trimming, fence line questions, and so forth.

In addition to luring homeowners outside the home, some offenders will divert homeowners' attention inside their home. There are also instances when offenders will remain inside with homeowners, distracting them inside their residence, while other individuals will enter the home unbeknownst to homeowners. Senior citizens are frequently the intended targets of these crimes.

If an individual claims to be affiliated with your local government, ask the person to produce identification. Then call the government office to verify the individual's identity.

Be sure to keep your cars locked and your valuables out of view. Make sure your downstairs windows are locked or secured so that no one can enter through a window, and keep your porch light on at night. If you are victimized, please report this to the sheriff's police and Lieberman Management so that there is a record of the theft.

• If you observe a crime in progress, please call 911 immediately.

• If you notice suspicious activity anywhere on the property, please call the sheriff's office at 847-377-4000.

If you have knowledge of a serious crime or illegal activity that has already occurred or is about to occur at a business or other location, call Lake County Crime Stoppers at 847-662-2222. You will not be asked to identify yourself. Instead, you will be assigned a code number and if your information leads to an arrest and conviction, you could receive a cash reward up to \$1,000.00.

## Summer Reminders Watering Rules

Lake County has established outside watering restrictions. Inverrary residents may water only on even-numbered days (2, 4, 6, etc.) and not between the hours of noon and 6 p.m.

#### Pitch In

Let's keep Inverrary looking good. Please don't litter. It is your responsibility to dispose of your own garbage. And if you see litter near your unit that isn't yours, you are allowed to pick it up.

#### Lawn Mowing

The landscapers mow the grass on Mondays and Tuesdays. The first through seventh cul-de-sacs are normally mowed on Tuesdays, and the eighth through fourteenth cul-de-sacs are normally mowed on Mondays.

The landscapers do not move personal items such as lawn chairs, children's toys, or barbecue grills, so please move personal items to the stoop or sidewalk on the days the lawn is mowed. If you do not move your items, the landscapers will not mow that area.

#### Drivers

Please slow down while driving in the cul-de-sacs and backing out of your garage. Now that good weather and long daylight hours have returned, children are outside playing and we all need to be careful. If you hit a child, you will have to live with that for the rest of your life.

Parents, please remind your children to be extremely careful while in the cul-desacs. The paved areas are for vehicles and are not playgrounds. Teach your children to be especially careful when coming out between parked cars and remind them to look both ways just as if they were crossing the street.

Now that we have a sidewalk, you also have to watch for pedestrians when you turn onto Inverrary. You need to look to the left **and** to the right before you make your turn.

#### **Homeowner Gardens**

If you have a garden and want to be responsible for its landscaping, please contact Lieberman to let them know. The landscapers will provide a flag for you to put in the garden that will alert workers not to disturb the area.

#### **Summer Grilling**

It is Summer Grilling Season, and the Illinois State Fire Marshal has published the following tips on barbecuing safety:

#### Gas Grills

While gas grills are used one and a half times more than charcoal grills, they are involved in five times as many fires. If you use a gas grill, the Fire Marshal recommends you follow these precautions:

- Check the gas tank for leaks <u>before</u> using your grill for the first time each year by applying a light soap and water solution to the hose. If there is a propane leak, it will release bubbles. If you do find a leak and there is no flame, do the following:
  - o Turn off the gas tank and grill.
  - If the leak stops, have the grill serviced by a professional before using it again.
  - If it does not stop, call the Fire Department.
- If you smell gas at any time while cooking, get away from the grill and call the Fire Department.
- Never store propane gas tanks in buildings or garages.

#### Charcoal Grills

- Use only charcoal starter fluid and never add charcoal fluid when the fire is already burning.
- Never use gasoline to start the fire.
- Keep charcoal fluid away from children and heat sources.
- Let the coals cool completely before disposing of them in a metal container

#### All Grills

- Use grills in outdoor areas only.
- Grills must be used more than ten feet from buildings or deck railings and away from overhanging tree branches.
- Keep children and pets away from the grill area.
- Use long-handled grilling tools.
- Remove grease or fat buildup from the grill and from the tray below the grill.
- Never leave a grill unattended.
- Be careful not to let your smoke enter other's units.

In 2007, burns caused by grills sent about 9,600 people, most of them children, to emergency rooms. Don't be one of those statistics!

### Goings On Around Town Local Fireworks Guide

Date	Location
July 3	Brickyards Park
	North Pfingsten Rd. and
	Fountain View Drive
	Deerfield, IL
July 3	Community Park
	42 Parkview Lane
	Hawthorn Woods, IL
July 4	Village Hall Campus
	50 Raupp Blvd.
	Buffalo Grove, IL
July 4	Century Park
	1001 Lakeview Pkwy
	Vernon Hills, IL
July 4	Kracklauer Park
	116 N. Lake Street
	Mundelein, IL
July 4	Spring Lake Park
	49 Oxford Drive
	Lincolnshire, IL

#### Deerfield Family Days

#### Monday July 03, 2019 -Tuesday July 04, 2019

The celebration begins Monday night at 5 p.m. at the Brickyards Park with food, fireworks, family and fun. Then on Tuesday join the downtown parade and a pancake breakfast in the morning followed by an endless array of food, arts and crafts, 10K Race/5K Walk, rides, petting zoo, bike parade and activities at Jewett Park.

#### Civil War Days

Come to Lakewood Forest
Preserve in Wauconda on July
13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> for Civil War
Days and see history come
alive. The event runs from 10
to 5 on Saturday and from 9 to
3 on Sunday. There is a
charge of \$10 for adults and
\$5 for youths aged 4 through
17, but you can download a \$1
off coupon at
https://www.lcfpd.org/educat
ion/events/civilwar/.

#### Farmers Markets

Buffalo Grove is offering a weekly farmer's market again this year.

When	Sundays
Time	8:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Dates	June 16 – October 13
Where	Mike Rylko Community Park 951 McHenry Rd.

#### **Exterior Improvements**

If you are thinking of installing a satellite dish, outside lighting, a window or door, a flagpole, or any other attachment to the outside of your unit, on the building, or on the common elements, be sure to call Customer Service at (847) 459-0000 before adding or making any changes. You will be instructed if you need Board permission. Improper installations will not only be removed, but you will also have to pay a fine as well as the cost of its removal. If applicable, you will also be responsible for repairing the exterior of the building or common elements.

#### **Mark Your Calendars**



#### July 2019

- •July 4 Independence Day
- •July 14 Bastille Day

#### August 2019

- August 7 Inverrary Board meeting
- August 11 Eid al-Adha

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- August 12 First day of school for District 125
- August 20 First day of school for District 102
- August 23 Krishna Janmashtami

#### Thought of the Day

When the voice and vision on the inside are more profound and more clear and loud than all the voices on the outside, you've begun to master your life.

~Malcolm John Rebennack~ aka Dr. John



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