



Iroquois Community School



What's Happening . . .

May 01 @ 7:00p
Pk 997 Family Movie Night

May 04 @ 6:00p
PBIS Presentation

May 07
Band/Orchestra Concert

May 12 @ 7:00p
ICS PTC Meeting

May 14 @ 7:30p
NJHS Induction

May 15 @ 5:30p
Book Bingo / Movie Night

May 16 @ 9:00a
Cystic Fibrosis Walk

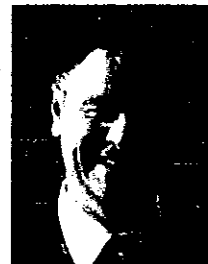
May 28th
ICS Talent Show

Jun 02 @ 3:00p
Val Murdy Memorial

Principal's Place

Dear ICS Families:

Annually, staffing changes are typically something that cannot be avoided. Staffing is dependent upon student enrollment, district needs and department needs. Like most schools ICS has had a growing bilingual population. Given that, this year we have had to adjust our staffing requirements to meet the needs of our primary (k-3) students. Our district is staffing every grade level in K-3 with an English Language Learner (ELL) endorsed teacher, or as we call it E+. This allows ELL services to be more readily delivered within the general education classroom. The outcome of this decision means that we have had to realign our staff based on teacher qualifications and endorsements.



In order to cut down on the rumor mill I wanted to write to you early to explain the staffing for next year. As I mentioned, this will directly affect our primary grades and our class list process. Speaking of the class list process, for safety and security reasons, the district will no longer be posting class lists on the front doors of the school. This information will be sent to you once we have determined our lists. I know that parents feel a strong desire to have input into where their child should be placed; however, this is not a practice we will follow. A great deal of work goes into student placement and teacher allocation. As a parent of primary aged children, I too want to affect the outcome of my child's placement; however, I trust the school. Please continue to trust in us and work with us in providing the best education we can.

K1 2/3 4/5 6/7 8
Mrs. Jazwari; Miss Hockensmith; Mrs. Goczowski; Mrs. Kenning; Mr. Bartodziej; Mr. Bustos; Mrs. Zahorak; Mrs. Grember; Miss Llanno; Miss Heiman; Mrs. Gottschalk; Miss Kubiak; Miss Nicolet; Dr. Ray; Mrs. Lenski; Miss Sigalos; Miss Schurr .

Specials Special Ed ELL
Mrs. Arnold (Art); Mrs. Antosz (Reading Support); Mrs. Agudelo (Teacher Asst); Mrs. Beranek (P.E. & Health); Miss Bembem; Mrs. Gray; Mrs. Cruz (Literacy & Spanish); Miss Michl; Mrs. Malek; Mr. Malek (Music); Mr. Polonsky (Teacher Asst); Mrs. Marc kese (LMC); Mrs. Winkelmann; Mr. Petella (P.E. & Health); Mrs. Tabor (Music); Mrs. Wiorek (Admin Asst).

Michael Amadei

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1836 Touhy Avenue
Des Plaines, IL 60018
847-824-1308

www.d62.org/iroquois



NJHS Ceremony May 14, 2009

Iroquois Community School will hold its annual Paul W. Yung Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society Induction ceremony on Thursday, May 14, at 7:30p. Sixth and seventh grade nominees will be honored and the following eighth grade students will be inducted to the National Junior Honor Society:

Michele Agudelo; Mario Becerra; Matthew Beranek; Tami Boyce; Melissa Goetter; Brittany Gorski; Jocelyn Hernandez; Bridget Hilliard; Jenny Jacob; Mark Kallaher; Raaji Khan; Eryk Kraemer; Gina Larucci; Rachel Lunkes; Lubna Mirza; Mackenzie Moore; Jill Murray; Dennis O'Neill; Akash Patel; Harsh Patel; Karina Perez; Dylan Peyton; Rebecca Reich; Elizabeth Rodea; Nickolas Rodriguez-Cruz; Bryan Sanchez; Hanna Udischas; Holly Wengerski; Kevin Wiorek

Congratulations to all the inductees and nominees!

Student Spotlight



Mr. Amadei has had the pleasure of having first grader Ava, a student in Mrs. Iberl's class, come read her most recent publication to him this week. Ava wrote and illustrated the book, The Legend of the Princess, because she "likes making books."

Ava's book was about a princess whose house gets taken over by giants, ogres, and other bad guys. Initially she hides from the bad guys and girls until they catch her. The princess escapes and finds a new life in the forest.

When asked about her inspiration, Ava shared that she gets lots of ideas and thinks fast. Furthermore, she said that she spends a lot of time thinking about details for her stories. When asked about her illustrations, Ava shared, "I think about things that will make the picture look good. I get a lot of ideas from my dad. He is an artist and he draws a lot at home. He is a really good drawer!" Ava also said, "My mom helps me a lot with my homework, and she makes the best dinners. They taste good!"

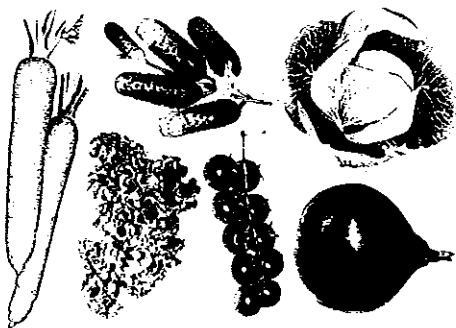
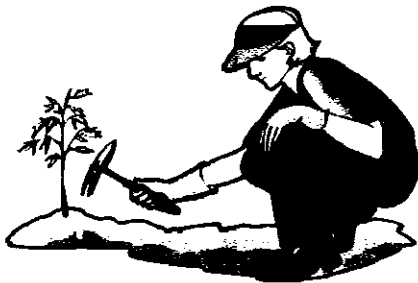
Ava is featured in Student Spotlight because she serves as an inspiration to all of us. She writes and illustrates simply for the pleasure of it. Thank you, Ava!



ICS Garden Club News

Garden Club will meet each Tuesday after school for the rest of the school year. We will work in the fenced in garden behind ICS. If it rains, gardeners should meet in the cafeteria. The gardeners should dress accordingly. Please bring gloves and a small trowel (shovel).

Questions or suggestions should be sent to Patricia (Patrick Boswell's Mom) at pfrontain@yahoo.com or at 847-909-5566.



Valerie Murdy Memorial June 2, 2009

As many of you may know, last year Iroquois's community lost one of our beloved teachers and friends, Ms. Valerie Murdy. A memorial service for Ms. Murdy will take place on Tuesday, June 2, 2009, at 3:00p. The program will be held in the gym at Iroquois Community School, 1836 E. Touhy Avenue in Des Plaines. All are welcome to join us as we remember the life of a dedicated teacher.

A tree will be planted in her honor through the Des Plaines Park District Tree of Life Program and a reading bench will also be installed. Both dedications will be on Iroquois's property. In addition, we will be collecting new and used books to donate to Ms. Murdy's favorite Jamaican schools in her honor.

Donations are being accepted to help pay for these memorials and the cost of shipping books. Checks can be made out to Iroquois Community School, but please indicate that the money should be earmarked for the Ms. Murdy memorial fund. Books can be dropped off as part of the memorial ceremony or brought to the school office during the week of June 1st if you are unable to attend the memorial. If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Tom Ray at Iroquois Community School, 847-824-1308.

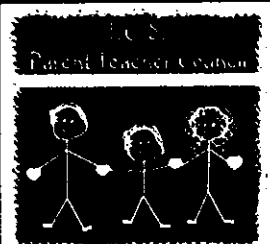
ICS RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

RIGHTS

- 1. To be respected**
To be heard
To be kind
To be trusted
- 2. To speak for yourself**
- 3. To have fun**
To enjoy school
- 4. To be safe**
- 5. To learn**
To make choices

RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. To be respectful**
To listen
To be friendly to others
To be honest
- 2. To think before you act**
To follow rules
To set a good example
To control behavior
- 3. To give 100%**
To pay attention
To be prepared
To learn



Weekly Update

Sharing in our Children's Education

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 12th 7:00 p.m.
PTC Meeting
- May 15th 5:30p.m.
Book Bingo/Movie Night
- May 28th
ICS Talent Show

Elected Officials

President
Tina Garrett

Vice President
Ellen Brannan

Treasurer
Kathleen Moore

Secretary
Jennifer Neary

For questions, suggestions, or to receive information electronically please email icsptc@gmail.com or leave a message in the ICS/PTC mailbox located in the front office.

MAY 15TH BOOK BINGO &

MOVIE NIGHT

Trade in a Book receive a Bingo Card, two card limit per person!



- 5:30-6:00 Dinner Sold (Cafeteria)
- 6:00-7:00 Bingo Book Swap
- 7:00:-8:30 **The Tale of Despereaux**



Children must be accompanied by an adult

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|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Hot Dogs \$1.00 | Popcorn \$.50 | Chips \$.50 |
| Water/Pop \$.50 | Candy Bars \$1.00 | Nacho's \$1.00 |

Food must stay in the cafeteria

PBIS Meetings

Come and learn more PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports). Join us for an opportunity to learn what is PBIS, who is involved, how it works and why it is important for our ICS Community. Mr. Amadei, Chris Halblander and Sandie Sylvester will be presenting PBIS from parents' perspectives.

- DATE: May 4, 2009, Monday
- WHEN: 6:00 - 7:00 pm
- WHERE: TBD
- RSVP: email (icsptc@gmail.com) or call ICS (847-824-1308) by Monday, May 4, 2009, noon



Iroquois Community School Parent

1836 E. Touhy Avenue, Des Plaines, IL 60018
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New School Resource & Support Opportunity

Dear ICS Families,

The PTC produced student directory and calendar of events is going to be combined into one reference resource for the new school year.

Our new "go to" will be a great convenience for everyone to use and save on production costs. Plus, we have earmarked space for sale in the directory to show support for our kids and ICS parent businesses.

Personal Well Wishes & Greetings Send your children well wishes, encouragement, and other thoughts with a personalized message from you.

Business Listings Let's create our own "stimulus package" and help support ICS parent owned businesses and services.

Message & Business Space Available (all placed business ads include free directory listing)

Directory Listing \$10	2x3 Business Card Ad \$25	4x5 Quarter Page \$50
5x8 Half Page \$75	8x10 Full Page \$100	Full Page Color \$200

Graphics jpeg, gif, pdf and word files by email transmission

Deadline Order w/ Payment **June 10th**! Make checks payable to: ICSPCTC

Contact Joanne Rusch, 847-294-9677 Email: jjrusch@ameritech.net

All funds raised will go to the new afterschool programming fund

Sharing in our Children's Education

PTC Elected Council:

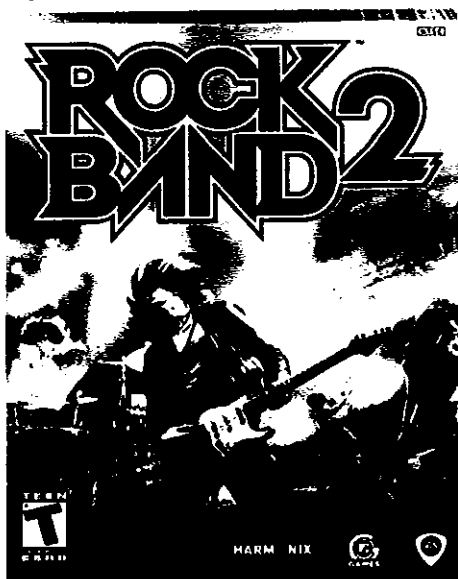
President: Tina Garrett Vice President: Ellen Brannan Treasurer: Kristin

8th Grade Raffle 2009

- Cost of each Ticket = \$1
- Purchase of a ticket entitles you to entry into the drawing for all prizes.
- The raffle will be held on Thursday, May 7th, during the ICS middle school spring concert.
- If purchased through an 8th grade student, the name, date, address, and email should be on the ticket and given to the student with payment of \$1 per ticket.
- If purchased through the ICS Newsletter, the name, date, address, and email should be on the ticket and sent to Mr. Bustos accompanied by \$1 per ticket.
- All money is due at the time of purchase. Checks may be made out to ICS.
- If the winner is not present during the drawing, the winner will be contacted by telephone or email with the results of the win. Once contacted the winner has until graduation day, June 9, 2009 to claim prize, except for May 27th for the Cubs tickets since the game is on May 28th.
- Tickets will be sold until the beginning of the concert.
- The raffle will consist of several drawings. Each drawing will be for a specific item. The first ticket pulled wins the XBOX Rock Band system. The second ticket pulled wins the garage door opener. The third ticket pulled wins the Chicago Cubs tickets.
- The prizes are listed below:
 - **XBOX Rock Band 2 System**
 - **Chamberlain Whisper Garage Door Opener with Remotes and Keyless Entry**
 - **Chicago Cub Tickets for May 28th game v. Dodgers (Start time 7:05 p.m.)**
 - **Aisle 236, Row 1, Seats 101-104 with Green Lot Parking Pass**

Xbox 360 Rock Band 2

XBOX 360





4 Tickets and Parking Pass


Chamberlain Garage Door Opener





If you would like to purchase tickets for the 8th grade raffle, you may purchase them from any ICS 8th grade student or simply cut out up to 10 tickets from below. Fill out each ticket with the required information and deliver the ticket and \$1 for each ticket to Mr. Bustos. Please read the raffle information on page 3. Additional tickets are in the office.


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Email _____


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**Iroquois/Maine West
Samantha Lehman
Great Strides Walk 2009**

Dear Iroquois and Maine West Students, Family & Staff:

This year the Iroquois Community School (ICS) Student Government and the Maine West National Honor Society (NHS) have teamed up for the 12th annual ICS Cystic Fibrosis (CF) walk. We would like to ask you for your support of this very important event. This event was established to support former ICS student Samantha Lehman who is afflicted with this disease. Samantha is currently a student at Maine West High School. Together with Sam and her family we are trying help and make a difference by supporting the Greater Chicago Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. The money raised will fund CF research, medical treatment, and education. You can be a big part of this success by walking with us and getting others to support your walk with pledge donations.

CF is a life-threatening genetic disease that affects the lungs and digestive system. People with CF suffer from chronic and often fatal lung infections and have trouble digesting food. Twenty years ago, a child with CF was not expected to live much beyond the age of 12. Today, the median age of survival for a person with CF is 34 years. Although research is making tremendous progress, the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation needs people like us to increase the survival rate or even find a cure for this devastating disease. So PLEASE consider walking this year!

Attached to this letter is a Great Strides Sponsor form. Read the directions carefully. Get others you know to donate any amount possible. Complete the sponsor form; bring your sponsor form with the donations to the walk on **SATURDAY, MAY 16th** at **Iroquois Community School**. Registration begins at 8:15 AM and the walk will begin at approximately 9:00 AM. Help us reach our goal of 100 walkers and \$1,500.

Respectfully,

***Iroquois Community School Student Government and
Maine West High School National Honor Society***

P.S. If you cannot attend the walk, you may give your form or a onetime donation to Ms. Stewart at Maine West or Mr. Bustos at Iroquois.

Iroquois/Maine West

Samantha Lehman - Great Strides Walk 2009

Iroquois Community School – Saturday, May 16, 2009 – Registration 8:15 AM

DIRECTIONS

1. Complete the form on the reverse side with your name (walker's name).
2. The other information on the form is optional; However, if you have earned enough for a prize (See prize list below), your address is needed for delivery of your prize.
3. Ask your family, friends, and neighbors for donations to support your walk.
4. Collect the donation immediately.
5. Write their names and the amount of their donations on the form; the address is optional.
6. Bring the form and the donations in an envelope to the walk.
7. Register at the registration table in the lobby.
8. Enjoy your walk around the Orchard Place neighborhood south of ICS.
9. Refreshments will be provided by the student government, the Chicago Chapter of Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, and **Starbucks**.

AMOUNT	PRIZE
	(An item of equal value may be substituted if listed prize is not available.)
\$10,000	Sony® Blu-ray Disk™ Player (with Full HD 1080p/24p Video Output and Ethernet Port for Internet Connectivity) [EL-600]
\$5,000	Magellan Roadmate GPS Portable Navigation System [EL-112]
\$2,500	8.0 Megapixel Canon Digital Camera [EL-360] Or Dooney & Bourke Purse (Black Bucket Bag) [EL-120]
\$1,000	TEAM CF Portable Cooler (with Radio and IPOD/MP3 Connection) [EL-417] Or MP3 Docking Station with Speakers [EL-136]
\$500	TEAM CF Beach Towel (35" X 70") [EL-191] Or TEAM CF OGIO Backpack [EL-234] Or Team CF Embroidered Fleece Pullover (Black) Adult XL [EL-121] or Youth LG [EL-161]
\$250	TEAM CF Barbecue Tools [EL-318] Or TEAM CF Baseball Cap (8 X 21) [HAT-01] Or TEAM CF Sweatshirt (Gray) Adult XL [EL-189] or Youth L [EL-188]
\$100	Official TEAM CF T-shirt

Prizes will be delivered within six to eight weeks of ordering.

Sponsor Form

team name ICS/MW Warriors team leader name Manuel Bustos / Tracy Stewart
 walk site Iroquois Community School
 walker's name (first, last) _____
 * mailing address _____
 * city, state, zip _____
 * telephone _____ am/pm my company has a matching gift program Y or N
 company _____
 * email address _____

Make all checks payable to Cystic Fibrosis Foundation

(See prize structure for code) _____ I want to donate my T-shirt/prize back to CFF: T-shirt Prize

By donating prizes back to the CFF, you will contribute more to the fight against CF.

B. CEPACIA POLICY: Because of risks to people with CF, individuals with a confirmed positive sputum culture for *Burkholderia cepacia* complex shall not attend this event. This is because *B. cepacia* can be passed between individuals who have CF through close proximity. *B. cepacia* infection in a person with CF can cause serious respiratory illness and, in some patients, may lead to death. Despite this policy, there still might be some individuals with *B. cepacia* in attendance. *B. cepacia* is not a risk for otherwise healthy individuals. For alternative ways to participate and for information about this policy, please contact the CF Foundation at (800) FIGHT-CF or visit our Web site at www.cff.org. Consult your CF care center physician with medical questions.

For Internal Use Only

PledgeMaker ID #: _____ Total Dollars Received and Verified: \$ _____ Verified by: _____

This is a prepaid walk. Collect money from sponsors before the event. Enclose donations in this envelope. Please give this envelope to your team leader to hand in on walk day, or bring it with you to the walk.

Example - Joe Smith 100 Elm Street Anytown, BW 12345 \$50

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Note: Additional sponsors can be listed on a separate piece of paper and put into the envelope.

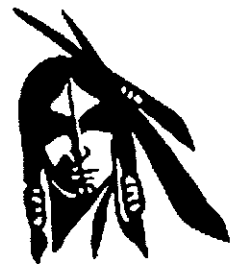
Waiver (Each participant must read & sign below) - I, the undersigned, agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation from all cost, expense and liability arising out of my or my child's participation in this event to benefit the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. I do hereby waive all claims for damage or loss to me or my child's person or property which may be caused by any act or failure to act, by the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, its officers, agents or employees arising directly or indirectly from my or my child's participation in this event and I hereby assume liability for any loss, damage or other liability from such event. **Important!** Participants under age 18 must have this form signed by a parent or legal guardian. **Important!** I give permission to the CFF to use any pictures, video footage, etc. that is taken at the walk to use in future promotional materials.

Total Enclosed in this Envelope \$ _____
 Matching Gifts to be Received \$ _____
 Online Donations Received to Date \$ _____
 Total Raised to Date \$ _____

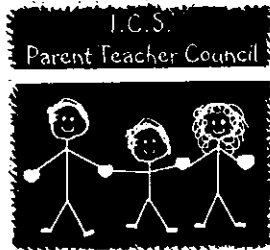
Participant's Signature or Parent/Legal Guardian

Date

* Only complete these fields if claiming a prize.



Iroquois Parent/Teacher Council



Next Meeting
Tuesday, May 12, 2009
7:00p-Teachers' Lounge

ICS Council Leaders . . .

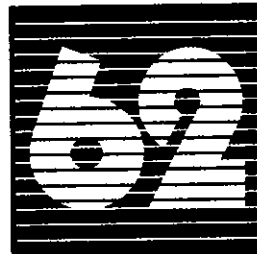
Tina Garrett, President

Ellen Brannan, Vice President

Kathleen Moore, Treasurer

Jennifer Neary, Secretary

District 62 School Board



Next Meeting
TBD
7:00p @ Forest School

Members of the Board . . .

Brenda Murphy, President

Stephanie Duckmann, Vice President/ Personnel

Steve Adams—Building & Grounds

Ray Imig—Community Relations

Sharon Lynch—Finance

James Poskozim—Policy

Robert Suriano—Education

Arbor Food Menu May 04 to May 08

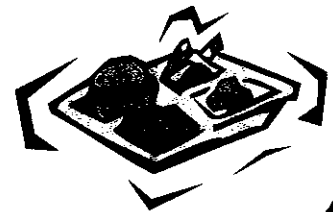
Monday
Hot Dog

Tuesday
Grilled Cheese

Wednesday
Chicken Nuggets

Thursday
Chicken Sandwich

Friday
Tony's Cheese Pizza



Newsletter Deadline

Submit articles by
Wednesday at 2:30p in the
ICS Office
or emails by 7:00p to
ManMarB4@aol.com and
amadeim@d62.org.
Contact Marijo Bustos at
847-803-6475 with ques-
tions or phone submissions.
If sending emails, please put
"ICS News" in the email
subject line.