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August 2019

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All Ransom Oaks Pools Open

Monday - Friday 11am-9pm
Weekends/Holidays 10am-9pm

Greenwood Pool Lap Swim

Monday - Friday 9am-11am
* Check Facebook & pool
chalkboards for updated hours
last 2 weeks of summer

August... Already? Squeeze Every Drop of Summer

With Family & Friends...

- A day at the beach
- A bike ride along the river
- A play at Niagara on the Lake
- Shakespear at Delaware Park
- Downtown Thursday Concert
- Weekend Breakfast ~ on a weekday
- Visit the library
- Visit your nearby Ice Cream Stand

With your Honey...

- Date day. Take a day off, leave the kids at camp.
- Ask the kids to plan a Date Night Dinner for Mom & Dad.
- Rent kayaks at Canalside & paddle before lunch.
- Do anything outside, while the days are warm & sunny. ■

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Who-to-Call

INFORMATION If you have questions, problems, comments, or concerns:

- **Ransom Oaks (Facilities)**
716-508-ROCC, facilitiesmanager@ransomoaks.com
- **Brendans Court**
LMM Properties, 693-4670
- **Charlesgate, Glen Oak**
Clover Management, 204-2771
- **Briarwoods, Forest Edge**
R & D Property Management of WNY, cindy@rdmanagementofwny.com, 688-2083
- **Woodgate**
Andruchat Real Estate Service, 688-4757
- **Ransom Oaks Architectural Matters** (regarding Single-family homes ONLY) archcomm@ransomoaks.com
- **Comments** President of ROCC, André Lam, alam@ransomoaks.com
- **Vandalism, Animal Control or Security Concerns** Amherst Police, 689-1311
- **Swormville Fire**, 688-7055

Join Us for the Ransom Oaks Monthly Meeting

August 12 @ 6:30 pm
Greenwood Dr Recreation
Center

August Birthday Celebrations



Caroline Jones	17
August 1	
Tyler Nadrich	20
August 2	
Benjamin Hemmer	11
August 16	
Jacob Agro	18
August 19	
Nick Galluzzo	19
August 19	
Orville Wright	18
August 19	
Jack Smith	14
August 20	
Tyler Casuccio	10
August 24	
Mason Odachowski	12
August 25	
Gianna Galluzzo	21
August 27	
Kristina Zheng Qin Yan	16
August 28	
Lucas Everett	8
August 30	

Join the list! Send your name and birth date (*and age if you prefer*) to newsletter@ransomoaks.com with BIRTHDAY as the subject. The list will remain on file and printed annually unless you request to be removed. Please let us know if someone has moved. ■

Ransom Oaks Board of Directors

RANSOM OAKS is a planned community of 1,100 families. We value its location and believe it is a great place to live and raise a family.

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RANSOM OAKS COMMUNITY CORPORATION (R.O.C.C.) Board of Directors consists of volunteer residents who are elected to office by a vote of the ROCC membership. The Board meets monthly at the Greenwood Drive Recreation Area, see calendar. Residents are welcome and encouraged to attend. ■

Ransom Oaks Staff

Facilities Manager - please see contact info on page 1 for your community Newsletter newsletter@ransomoaks.com

Where To Find It?

Reserve A Ransom Oaks Facility

<http://RansomOaks.com/Facilities>

Pay Your Assessment Online

<http://RansomOaks.com/Assessments>

Apply for a Ransom Oaks Opening

<http://RansomOaks.com/Openings>

EMA Form

<http://RansomOaks.com/living-in/forms/exterior-modification-application>



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President's Update

Many projects that were slated to start early in spring were delayed due to excessive rain. The weather has improved and the various contractors have been catching up.

As of the writing of this newsletter the tennis courts are being overhauled.

Other maintenance projects are also being completed.

André Lam

ALam@RansomOaks.com

President ROCC ■



Around Ransom Oaks

Architectural EMA Corner



A friendly reminder regarding trash pick-up day (Thursday).

We've received numerous complaints from residents regarding items that are being taken to curbside several days before each week's scheduled garbage day. This makes the neighborhood look cluttered and unkept and violates code 9.10 – Garbage and Refuse Disposal.

If items placed by your weekly garbage pick-up spot do not disappear with your normal trash haul, please remove all items from the curb and make other arrangements to haul your trash away. You can call the Town of Amherst @ 716.631.7119, to schedule large item pick up.

We ask that you be a good neighbor and do your best to keep our lawns free of items you no longer need or want. Tossing items to the curbside for several days is not a good look for our community.

Garbage containers are to be stored in such a manner so that they cannot be seen from adjacent and surrounding properties.

Remember, if you are changing the exterior of your home, you can Download our EMA form @ www.ransomoaks.com, LIVING IN (Tab), FORMS, EXTERIOR MODIFICATION instruction and application. You can also check out RULES & REGULATIONS (Tab), Exterior modification Information.

Your Ransom Oaks Architectural Committee ■

Around Ransom Oaks

Recreation Report

Great White Shark Sighting at Greenwood Pool!

Well...on August 16th at 9pm anyway!

Join us for an **adult only** "view and float" of the original Jaws movie. Bring a friend and enjoy the classic movie and have fun with your neighbors! (This is what we get for switching to salt water!)

Please see the summer calendar for swim meet dates, ice cream socials and more. The pools will close after the Labor Day holiday so be sure to enjoy some swim time while you still can! A big thanks to management and the lifeguards for keeping things running so smoothly this summer!

If anyone has a special skill/interest in teaching a craft, or starting a book club or card group - please contact me with interest. Our recreation facility rooms are available all year and are a good way to meet with others during the winter months.

Please remember that driving safely, keeping your dog on a leash, and taking care of your dog's waste are some of the best ways to be a good neighbor and keep Ransom Oaks beautiful and family friendly!

Enjoy the rest of your summer!

Jennifer Stewart

jstewart@ransomoaks.com

Director of Safety and Recreation ■



Party on the Calendar?

Learn how easy it is to host your event at our facilities.

Details at RansomOaks.com/Facilities



COUNTY OF ERIE

MARK C. POLONCARZ
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

July 11, 2019

Dear Resident,

My administration remains committed to fulfilling our responsibility to provide our residents with the best roads possible. The County's Department of Public Works ("DPW") has kicked the road work season into high gear and will be completing more than \$40 million in projects across the county this summer and fall.

As such, I am happy to inform you that New Road between Millersport Highway and Dodge Road will soon be paved in advance of new design and construction on this road that is anticipated to be completed by year 2021.

Keep in mind that during this process, you will likely experience delays if you are traveling to and from your home during the course of the day. We will make every effort to get you to and from your home as quickly and efficiently as possible. Your assistance in using the roadway as little as possible and not parking on the street while striping and resurfacing is in progress will assist us in speeding up the paving operation. In turn, this will result in a better road and a savings of money for the taxpayers.

We appreciate your patience and understanding. While this may be an inconvenience to you, the short term interruption will result in many years of a more pleasant and smoother ride. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact the Department of Public works at 858-8300.

Sincerely yours,

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.
Erie County Executive

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Around Ransom Oaks

Management Update



POOL HOURS ADJUSTED FOR LAST 2 WEEKS OF SUMMER

We are working to fill shifts as best as possible as some guards head back to college. In order to keep all pools open, there may be an adjustment in pool hours at Ransom Oaks and Eveningwood from 12-8pm. Check Facebook and pool chalkboards as the exact start date is uncertain at this time.

PLAYGROUNDS

The committee will begin looking for playground elements at the best price. The Greenwood playground is set to be replaced and the improvement is exciting. Look for more information in next month's newsletter.

TENNIS COURTS

The tennis courts are currently being resurfaced and should be completed by the time you are reading this newsletter. Appreciate your patience during this time.

We hope you are having a terrific summer in Ransom Oaks. There have been incredible turn outs for ice cream socials, movie nights, swim meets, arts and crafts, pilates and aqua-aerobics. The food trucks have been happy with the turn outs and will continue to come with this sort of support. The pools have been very busy and lifeguards have been incredible this year. Enjoy and stay hydrated.

ROC Management Team
facilitiesmanager@ransomoaks.com
716-508-ROCC

Find us on

Join our Facebook group and email list to stay up-to-date.

"Join" the Facebook group.

Note that there are a couple Ransom Oaks FB Pages/ Groups.

"The Official Ransom Oaks Communication Board- A Great Place to Live!" is the group currently being used. ■



2019 Erie County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events

Residents will be required to pre-register to attend a collection event. Pre-registration can be made on-line or by phone beginning 30 days prior to each event. www.erie.gov/recycling or call 858-6800

ONLY THESE ITEMS WILL BE ACCEPTED:	NOT ACCEPTED:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PESTICIDES, FERTILIZERS, POOL AND HOUSEHOLD CHEMICALS/CLEANERS OIL-BASED PAINTS, SPRAY CANS GASOLINE, KEROSENE, ANTIFREEZE PAINT THINNER, STRIPPERS & SOLVENTS MERCURY - thermometers, thermostats PROPANE CYLINDERS SMALL 1 lb. FIRE EXTINGUISHERS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NO: LATEX PAINTS TIRES LIQUID BILLS COMPUTERS & ELECTRONICS TELEVISIONS 20LB PROPANE TANKS SMOKE DETECTORS CAR BATTERIES MOTOR OIL PHARMACEUTICALS ALKALINE BATTERIES COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL WASTE

Note: This is a free event and only residential household wastes are accepted. Participants may need to verify that wastes are generated by households.

Erie County Department of Environment and Planning
NYS & Northwest Communities Solid Waste Management Boards
City of Buffalo NYS DEC

For more information: call 858-6800 or www.erie.gov/recycling email: recycling@erie.gov

Regular Weekly Events

Slow Roll Buffalo

thru October Mondays @ 6:30pm

Details: slowrollbuffalo.org ■

Food Truck Tuesdays

Tuesdays, thru Oct 1, 5-8pm

Larkin Square

Buffalo, NY

Details: larkinsquare.com ■

Live @ Larkin

Wednesdays, thru Aug 28, 5-8:30pm

Larkin Square

Buffalo, NY

Details: larkinsquare.com ■

Thursdays & Main

Thursdays, June 13 - Aug 8, 5-8pm

Main at Chippewa Streets

Buffalo, NY

Details: buffaloplace.com ■

Williamsville Farmers Market

Saturdays, May 18 - mid October,
8 am - 1pm, Rain or Shine

5583 Main St. Williamsville ■

Tonawanda Farmers Market

Tues, Thurs, Sat, 7 am - 1pm, Rain
or Shine

270 Robinson St, North Tonawanda ■

Elmwood Village Farmers Market

Saturdays, Summers, 8 am - 1pm,
Rain or Shine

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Thru Aug 18

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- 1. Call or email:** Ransom Oaks Community Corp (716) 508-ROCC (be sure to leave a message), newsletter@ransomoaks.com
- 2. Pay via PayPal or major credit/debit card** via PayPal.com to payments@ransomoaks.com. Indicate which month(s) to apply your payment.
- 3. Deadline:** All ad payments, graphics and ad verbiage must be received by the **15th of month prior** to publication. Without receipt of payment by the 15th of month prior, the ad will not run.

CLASSIFIED AD RATES

Promote your service or sell an item. Thirty word maximum per ad.

- RESIDENTS:** ■ \$8/mo.
NON-RESIDENTS: ■ \$11/mo.

DISPLAY AD RATES

- 2 Col. (4.75" x 1.5" high) Ad: \$37/mo.
- 2 Col. (4.75" x 3" high) Ad: \$65/mo.
- 1/3 Page Ad: 3 Col. x 3" \$85/mo.
- 1/2 Page Ad: 3 Col. x 4.5" \$125/mo.
- 2/3 Page Ad: 3 Col. x 6" \$155/mo.
- Full Page Ad: 3 Col. x 9.5" \$235/mo.

Bakers Dozen - Buy any 12 months of single-size ad & receive 1 month free

Advertising Notes

Residents who place an ad in the Ransom Oaks News will no longer receive a duplicate copy mailed to their home. This is in an effort to be more green by not generating extra paper to be recycled and to reduce costs associated with printing. ■

Note: The R.O.C.C. Board of Directors and Staff do not necessarily have personal knowledge, nor are they able to recommend the advertisers who choose to advertise in this newsletter. ■



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August

Please visit our web site at RansomOaks.com

Next ROCC Meeting:
Monday • August 12, 2019
6:30pm @ Greenwood Dr Rec-
reation Center.

MEETINGS (except for Annual Meeting) begin at 6:30pm at the Greenwood Drive Recreation Center the 2nd Monday of each month except for Oct & Nov 2019 which are 2nd Tuesdays. No meeting January or July.

RESIDENTS are welcome and encouraged to attend.

R.O.C.C. Covenants & Restrictions documents are available free of charge to residents who attend their community meeting, otherwise there is a \$20.00 fee. Monthly meetings are held at the Greenwood Drive Recreation Center, unless noted otherwise. ■

Upcoming Meetings

Aug 12, Nov 12*,
Sept 9, Dec 9
Oct 15*,

August 15
Deadline for
Ransom Oaks News
September issue

Charlesgate Meeting:

second Wednesday of each month.

INFORMATION If you have questions, problems, comments, or concerns:

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Clover Management, 688-4503
- **Briarwoods, Forest Edge**
R & D Property Management of WNY, 688-2083
- **Woodgate**
Andruschat Real Estate Service, 688-4757
- **Vandalism, Animal Control or Security Concerns**
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