



The Good News

January 2021

- Approximately 1,000 Christmas trees were chipped and recycled during last Saturday's 46th annual Trees for Trails event at Helmer Nature Center. That's about 100 more than last year. Special thanks to Irondequoit Lawn & Landscape and High Falls Tree Service for their work.
- *Rodequoit* published its first edition of the school year last week with a cover story on how IHS has managed the pandemic this school year. The next one is due out in March.
- Indoor track made its winter season debut last Friday at the Pinnacle Athletic Complex in Victor, as Section V organizers worked out logistics to incorporate safety protocols. Matt Tytler and Dan Fichter are coaching the girls and boys squads, respectively.
- Our Fall All-Greater Rochester athletes named by the Democrat and Chronicle were: Alicia Wood in swimming, Carly Armitage in tennis and Annalee Capuano and Candace Tytler in cross country. Tytler was named Runner of the Year for the second straight autumn.
- The IHS DECA club saw 30 of its members win at the DECA Regional Competition held virtually. They will compete at states in March.
- Seven West Irondequoit students were part of the annual Shop With A Cop Program organized by the Irondequoit Police Department and funded largely this year by Irondequoit Rotary. The event appeared in the Democrat and Chronicle, Spectrum News and Channel 13.
- Dake Junior High School shared "Awareness Questions" daily during Civil Rights Awareness Week leading up to Dr. Martin Luther King Junior's birthday on Monday. The event was sponsored by the Dake PTSA, which provided prizes for winners.
- Our District participated in this week's National Day of Racial Healing. We offered some optional opportunities for teachers and students, including participating in creating a schoolwide mural/collage in our school buildings and participating in an anonymous survey. The community can participate, too.
- Dr. Johnson appeared on WXXI Radio's mid-day talk show "Connections" on January 5th with fellow superintendents Kathleen Graupman of Greece and Dr. Kevin McGowan of Brighton. The topic was the current state of local schools in the pandemic.