

LENOX PIONEER POST

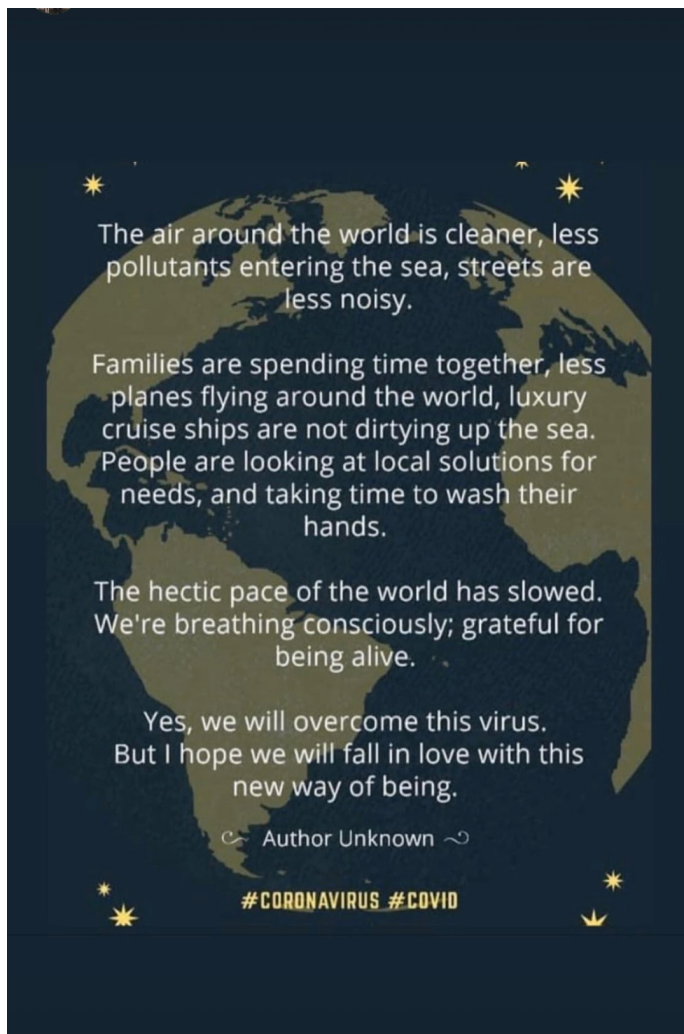
Communication Crew News

Your Communication Crew wanted to be able to get one more "Pioneer Post" issue out to the Lenox community, before the end of the year. We appreciate the ability to be able to communicate information to you, this year! This was the first year for Lenox Communication Crew, and we were able get information out to the community in a variety of ways: Morning Announcements, Reader Board Monitor, monthly "Pioneer Post" issues, and Lenox Yearbook. We are continuing to work on the yearbook, so that it will be ready for you by the end of the school year.

For this issue of "Pioneer Post" we decided to get creative. Communication Crew members wrote about their experiences with first the extended break and now Distance Learning. We also thought you would enjoy pictures from the year, sprinkled throughout this issue. Enjoy! By: Mrs. Z



Lenox PRIDE!



The Bigger Picture

This is definitely a big moment in history and is not going to be forgotten easily. This is also a hard time for everybody. It could affect the economy in a big way, no production in China because of the lockdown, which means less stuff to sell, and that could lead to limited jobs opportunities and unemployment. So you see, it affects us in a bigger way than most of us thought. It could take months to regain the loss due to lock down.

This is the last year of elementary school, for me, and I would have never thought that I would have to spend it this way. To have class online or to be quarantined and even have my school year cancelled, is unthinkable. I am also a band student and it is really hard to be a sixth grader and band student. We are learning more than average and our brains are growing more as well. We all love band so much that we even had band class on Halloween. I was on an OBOB team as well, and I was really disappointed when I heard the news that regionals and state were canceled. I know the Golden Griffins worked really hard for the spot.

On the positive side, however, families are spending more time together. There are less planes flying. Italy has been on a lock down, which helps all the canals that it has and all the marine life that once used to live in these canals are coming back. Therefore, instead of looking at the negative side, we can look at the positive side, to help us get through the tough times.

All we can really do is to stop community spread. Be safe and remember to wash our hands.

—Pawani D.

Parents Working from Home

I interviewed my mom this week about how she felt about COVID19; Following are my questions and her answers:



Color-Me-Fun-Run

The Bad and the Good, According to a Sixth Grader

The outbreak of Covid19 has changed everyone's lives first for a couple months and now, a couple more months to come. Some states have been put on lock down, like our neighboring states California and Washington. Most of the things happening have been negative, but I am trying to focus on the positive outcomes of Covid19. For example, families are spending more time together, most people have no commute and have less gas mileage. Also most people aren't spending as much money.

How do you feel about working from home?

I enjoy being able to not have to commute everyday and drive as much, as I am a home visitor. I also enjoy seeing my kids, dog and husband more. I like being able to have snacks available and enjoy the flexibility of working from home. With that being said, I miss the routine of going into the office. I miss not having as many distractions and being able to solely focus on work. I miss seeing my co-workers and being able to help my clients in a more timely manner.

What is it like to have kids home all the time?

It's great having you guys around, but it can be a bit overwhelming at times. I'm not sure how to manage all of your energy and still be the best parent I can be.

What are you looking forward to most after things return to "normal"?

I'm looking forward most to being able to connect with friends in person and get a pedicure.

Is it easier to work from home or an office and why?

It is easier to work from an office, due to having less distractions.

Interview by Alivia

-By Zach

Persevere

The Covid19 outbreak is a very nerve-wracking time. It will likely be something students twenty years from now will know and learn about in their history classes. I know many people have family and friends whose experiences with the virus could be fatal. I myself have a lot of family in the Netherlands, where cases are doubling every few days. Covid19 has hit most of the planet by now, but some countries have been hit harder than others.

As a sixth grader in my last year of elementary school, this is very upsetting considering I love school. This virus has shut down events and clubs. Being a band student is fun, but when a major crisis hits the world and cancels our biggest band concert of the year, it is hard.

Above all that, we should be happy to be alive and well. So with that said, here is a poem;

*As the world panics
And the news speaking of nothing more than negativity
And death
We should all remember to stay strong
Even with our normal life on hold
All the events and sports canceled
We should all remember to look for the light at the end of this dark
tunnel
The only way to get through it is if we work together
Even with Covid19 taking over, we can still have fun
we can still be successful
we can still have our friends and family
But most importantly
We can still be who we are
We can't let a virus ruin our lives
We need to let happiness and love guide us to the end of this
dangerous path
Holding everything we know close to our hearts
Because there is no telling what will happen next
But as we look for that light at the end of the tunnel
We just have to face our fears
And not take the people we love
And the places we call home
For granted
For things will get better.*

By: Ella

And Now it's Time for Guess that Lenox Staff Member!

This staff member's favorite
color is green.

This staff member has no siblings, but
he/she has three cats and two dogs.



This staff
member
studied
abroad in
Thailand for
three
months.



This staff member has one son,
who is in fifth grade.

Did you guess who it is? Go to the next
page, for the answer!

THE CORONAVIRUS

No school
No church
No friends
No playgrounds
No gatherings

News reports
Full of word of
Death
And new cases
Sprouting up every day

They all say
Wash your hands!
But I've washed so much
That my hands are red and raw

The restaurants and stores
Are closing
People are ordered to
Shelter in place
Six feet apart
From my friends, family, and neighbors

What has become
Of the world and
country
I know and love?



-Claire B.



Our Flowers Bloomed

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Now, while we are all at home, we should still have fun and try new things. Here are some of those things;

- Try something new (Painting, photography, learn a new game, cooking/baking etc.)
- Build a blanket fort
- Research something that interests you (You can also make a presentation for your family about it)

I hope everyone stays happy and healthy. Have fun!

-Ella S.



...and the Lenox Staff Member, this month is... Mrs. Wright!



We miss you, Lenox Pioneers! Stay happy, and stay healthy!

-Your 2019-2020 Lenox Communication Crew