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Providing our community with a spring & summer toolkit that excites and brings us together

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An Apology Is in Order

Our Fall 2019 issue had a pretty big mistake. Mistakes like these are one of the hazzards of producing a magazine and just the sort of thing that keeps editors and designers up at night. Especially when it's one as dramatic as misspelling the Antioch Sequoits. To make matters worse, the spelling error was right there on our cover. We offer our sincere apologies to our community, and an especially contrite apology to current and former students from Antioch Community High School.

On a more positive note, your current issue of *Connections* is packed to the brim with exciting news about our community, including introducing Antioch School District 34 to its future Superintendent, Dr. Bradford Hubbard. Learn more about Dr. Hubbard in this issue's "From The Top" feature on page 4. Also, turn to page 10

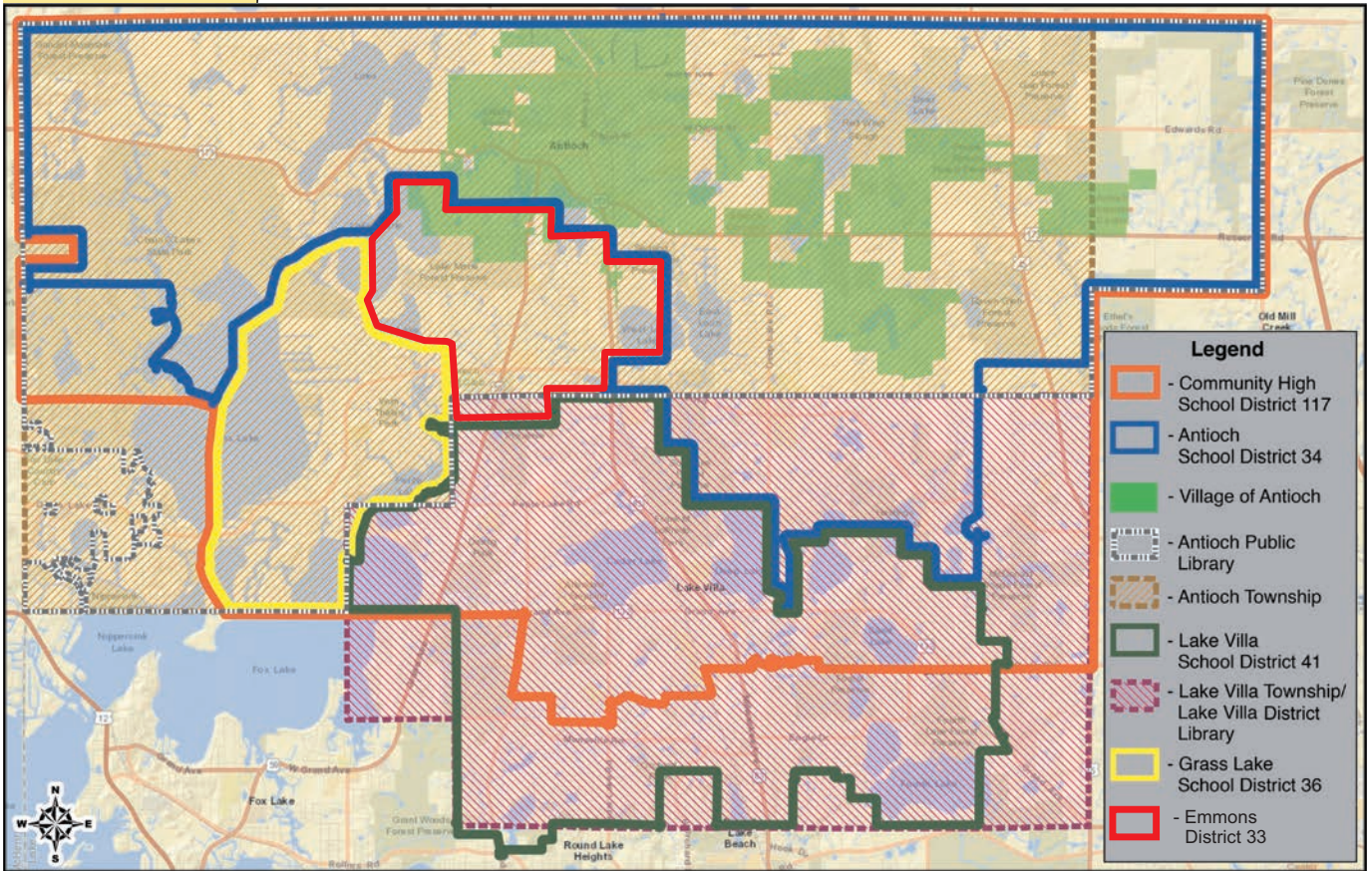
to learn how Antioch Parks and Recreation is reinventing springtime family fun.

One more thing before you jump into the issue, we're excited to announce *Connections Magazine* will be launching its own website, full of our archives as well as real-time news from the community. Be on the lookout for connectionsmag.com.

We're always looking for feedback from you, our readers — whether it's how we can improve this publication or a submission to our "Community Capture" feature on page 34. Please email us at connections@chsd117.org. **Happy reading!**



AREA MAP



Connections, a quarterly magazine in publication since 2015, is a collaborative effort among several taxpayer-supported organizations to keep residents informed about news and events in Antioch, Lake Villa, and Lindenhurst. We appreciate your feedback. Please send comments or questions to connections@chsd117.org.

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Future Superintendent of D34

Position tenure: Current – 3 years; Future – eager to make it lengthy

- Current Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction at CHSD117
- Former Principal of Antioch Community High School
- Recipient of the University of Chicago's Outstanding Educator Award (2015)
- Proud inaugural recipient of the ACHS Sequoia Pride Booster Club's Dr. Bradford Hubbard Award (2017)

In your own words

These are incredibly special communities and I am both humbled and honored to serve in them. The opportunity to lead District 34 provides a unique chance to influence and impact the future of that system, in addition to, the one I am coming from in D117. I am extremely excited to get to work and believe we have the capacity to collectively do great things with, for, and on behalf of our amazing communities, people, families, students, and staff. This position brings with it an enormous amount of responsibility, but with it, too, comes enormous opportunities.

It might surprise you to know

I was a Surgical ICU Tech on the Cardiology Unit and in the Cardiac Cath Lab at the University of Michigan Hospital while I was an undergrad student.

Favorite memory about the community

Having ACHS and my family as the Grand Marshals of the Fourth of July Day Parade during ACHS's Centennial Celebration. The community support here is second to none.

Education/occupation background

- University of Michigan – Bachelor's in Secondary Education – Biology major, Chemistry minor - 2002
- University of Cincinnati – Master's in Educational Administration - 2007
- Loyola University Chicago – Educational Doctorate in Administration and Supervision – 2016
- Educator with 17 years of experience serving multiple communities.

Favorite sports teams

- University of Michigan Wolverines – All Sports
- Detroit Red Wings
- Liverpool Football Club

Favorite food

Anything off a grill



Favorite free-time activity

My family (wife and two daughters) has season football tickets to University of Michigan Football and spend our Saturdays in the Fall in Ann Arbor, MI. We love our road and bowl games, too.

Favorite movie

Movie - "Good Will Hunting"
TV Show - "West Wing"

Favorite quote/inspirational message:

"Make it Matter" – that will mean something different to everyone, but I challenge myself to make moments, opportunities, interactions, relationships, and my personal and professional work matter, every day. The greatest example I have experienced is the unending support, love, and permission my wife and two daughters, Calla (10) and Bryn (8), give me to "Make It Matter" on behalf of other people's kids in my work as an educator.

Greatest lesson you've learned:

Relationships are the foundation of everything we do and leading with confident vulnerability has afforded me inroads to deep, genuine, and authentic relationships with those I serve.

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Wizards

Weekend Day

(non magical people welcome too!)

Saturday, June 20, 2020

Wizards, Witches & Muggles alike will gather in Downtown Antioch for the 4th annual Wizards Weekend Day on Saturday, June 20, 2020.

Join us to celebrate all things of a magical nature, bring your owl (just kidding), your wand (or smartwand), and dress as the character you most closely relate to.

Be ready for Magical fun all day long! There is plenty of FREE FUN for your family to enjoy this magical day!

Schedule of Events

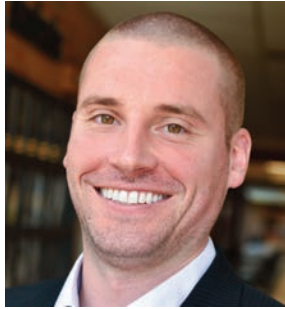
- Kids School of Magic (ages 7-13, \$)
- Wizard Village (all ages, free)
- Wizard Pub Crawl (21+, \$)
- Mini Magical Craft Faire (all ages, free)
- Wizard After Party (ages 5-642, \$)
- Wizard Scavenger Hunt (all ages, free)

Visit AntiochChamber.org for information and tickets.



Welcome Dr. Hubbard

It is with great excitement that the District 34 Board of Education announces that Dr. Bradford Hubbard will be joining our learning community as the new Superintendent of Schools. He will officially be starting this July, to begin the 2020-2021 school year. So, in the coming months, if you happen to see a new (or perhaps familiar) face on one of our school campuses as he familiarizes himself with the district, please join us in welcoming him to District 34!



Dr. Hubbard was chosen from a very talented, knowledgeable, and impressive group of Superintendent candidates. In the final stages of the process, the finalists met with the Board of Education to present a School Improvement Plan (SIP) based on our District's individualized data. Within days, the candidates then met with school administrators and select staff to present their SIP once more, in addition to a Q & A session. The process then capped off with a Community Forum that took place on January 11th, at W.C. Petty.

Currently, Dr. Hubbard serves as the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction for District 117. Before that, he was principal at Antioch Community High School where he was beloved by students, staff, and parents alike for his exceptional leadership style and ability to build relationships through his "ALL students" approach. In his earliest years of education, Dr. Hubbard was a science teacher, then Dean of Students at Highland Park High School.

Dr. Hubbard received his Bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan where he majored in Biology, and minored in Chemistry. He then went on to earn his Masters in Educational Administration from the University of Cincinnati. Soon afterward, Dr. Hubbard received his Educational Doctorate in Administration and Supervision from Loyola University in Chicago. He is also the recipient of the Young Presidents' Organization Impactful Educator Award (2006) and the University of Chicago's Outstanding Educator Award (2015).

I appreciate your joining me in providing a warm welcome for Dr. Hubbard. He is extremely honored to be chosen to lead our district and is looking forward to "getting started". In a letter he wrote to the Board, he concluded with "I have been preparing my entire professional life to lead a school district and do it in a way that will value, embrace, love, and serve ALL students and families. I look forward to the opportunity that exists in District 34 and am eager to start this critical work together."

Dr. Hubbard looks forward to meeting each and every one of you. Therefore, the Board is looking to schedule a Community Welcome Reception in the coming months. Please look for upcoming information regarding that event.

Welcome aboard, Dr. Hubbard!

Mary Beth Hulting

Board President

Get to know
Dr. Hubbard
on Page 4!

Antioch D34 Wellness Challenge

Getting in shape and staying healthy are very important to a happy life but do not require you spending endless hours in the gym every week. In fact, the time you spend away from the gym is just as important, if not more so, than the hour or two you devote to working out each day. Given this, the Antioch D34 Wellness Committee has organized a 30 day 10,000 Step Wellness Challenge to encourage staff to be more active and get healthier in 2020.

The steps challenge is a fun way for Antioch D34 staff to get up and get moving on improving their health in the New Year. The Steps Challenge began on January 13, 2020 and will continue through February 11, 2020. The purpose of the challenge is to get D34 staff thinking about their health and to encourage them to get up and take steps everyday toward improving their health. Every day

is about being as active as possible, with a goal of walking at least 10,000 steps per day. The district had 120 staff members sign-up for the challenge and each are using an activity tracker that will record their daily activity including the number of steps each staff member takes.

The District is tracking all of this activity and has created milestone awards at 100,000 steps, 200,000 steps, and 300,000 steps. In addition, there will be raffle prizes given out throughout the challenge that staff can win. If you are participating in this challenge, we thank you for thinking about your health and getting active. If you did not participate but wish you had, we encourage you start your own steps challenge and get moving.



Summer Learning Returns to D34

Antioch District 34 is happy to bring back Summer Learning 2020 to W.C. Petty School from June 15-July 16, 2020. This year's theme will be Summer Olympics, which will allow staff to plan activities and lessons around the 2020 Summer Olympics Games. Spirit Days are planned during the weeks of Summer Learning.

Summer School is open to all families. Families will have an opportunity to register their student(s) for Math, Literacy, Sports and Games, and Reader's Theater. Antioch District 34 will once again seek financial assistance from local organizations and community groups to provide scholarships to families that meet specific criteria.

Extended School Year (ESY) is offered to qualifying D34 students with Individualized Education Plans (IEPs). The student's school year IEP team qualify students to the ESY program during individual annual review meetings. ESY staff work on specific goal areas for each student. Students are eligible to attend for math and/or literacy instruction as well as Early Childhood Services. Some of our students in ESY also receive related services, such as Speech and Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Counseling Services. Students that were recommended and qualify for the ESY program are able to attend without any cost to the family.

August 3-6, 2020 will bring Antioch Upper Grade School (AUGS) Transition Camp for incoming 6th graders along with Band Camp and Orchestra Camp from August 3-7, 2020. Transition Camp is open to all Antioch Upper Grade School incoming 6th graders. The goal of the four day camp is for students to familiarize themselves with AUGS, walk their 2020/2021 school schedule and practice their locker combination. Students also work on organizational strategies and team building. During the camp, students will work with AUGS teachers that they will have as instructors throughout their career at AUGS.

Registration for Summer Learning will begin after Spring Break on the district webpage.

District 34 Partners with Apple Professional Learning Services

Over the past three years, Antioch School District 34 has partnered with Apple Professional Learning services to help our educators get the most from Apple technology. The Apple Professional Learning offerings have included comprehensive resources and services to help build foundational skills with Apple products and integrate them into learning, so our staff can create innovative instruction that engages students more deeply.

When Apple technology is deeply integrated into learning, students can find new ways to work together, to communicate and create, and to develop personalized paths for understanding and applying their knowledge to the world around them. The Apple Professional Learning resources are designed to support and enhance the instructional practice in our classrooms.

Antioch School District 34 teachers have been working with Hovan Zadourian, and Apple Professional Learning Specialist. This year, teachers have been engaging a three day coaching session with Hovan, consisting of the following:

Day 1: Meet with individual teachers during their planning period to enhance a lesson with technology that they are going to teach the next day. We can also design a new tech infused lesson if necessary and if it meets the learning goals for the unit.

Day 2: In-class support for the tech infused lesson planned on day 1.

Day 3: Reflection, learning journal and continuation of in-class support (if needed.)

Testimonials from Antioch District 34 Teachers

"I had the pleasure of working with Hovan this fall. My students were given 3 paper bats of varying lengths and asked to put them in order from smallest to largest or largest to smallest. Once the bats were in order, the next task was to take a photo of their bat order. My students were guided through the process of uploading their photos to Keynote and then recording themselves explaining how their bats were sorted. Finally, my students uploaded their finished products to Seesaw to share with family members. Working with Hovan opened my eyes to the endless possibilities of planning digital math lessons. Hovan came back the following day to take the lesson even further...to animate the bats!" - *Kerry Ellis, 1st Grade, W.C. Petty Elementary School*

"The landscape of the classroom is changing and technology is on the forefront. One of the challenges I have is how to add technology into a lesson, not just for the sake of adding technology, but to add value to the lesson. As a culminating activity on the topic of Early Explorers, Hovan helped me transform a paper/pencil lesson into a Keynote. Students researched an explorer, charted the explorers journey on a digital map, added transitions and builds, and incorporated audio about the explorer or their journey. The students loved the integration of technology into this activity and were excited to present their Keynotes to the classroom and share with their parents." - *April Bryan, 5th Grade, Hillcrest Elementary School*

"Working with Hovan over the past two years has increased my comfort with using the iPad as a tool in my teaching. Hovan has also worked directly with my students, which is helpful in showing me how to problem solve as I continue to use the app or program on my own. Being a part of the Apple training program has enhanced the engagement of my students both with the technology and with the content of Language Arts. I can't wait to learn more!" - *Megan Jankiewicz, 8th Grade, Antioch Upper Grade School*

Celebrating Our

All About Lindsay

Lindsay is an 8-years-old second-grader at Oakland Elementary School. She is involved in many sports and hobbies, including soccer, softball, iceless hockey, dance, cheer, and orchestra. Her cheer team won first place at state this year and they are the youngest squad to do that for the Lake Villa Timberwolves. Lindsay has participated in ballet and tap dance and will soon be taking on learning how to dance to hip hop.

What makes Lindsay a Super-HEAR-o

Most people would be surprised to know that Lindsay has a hearing loss in both ears. She wears hearing aids in both of her ears all day. While at school, she uses a Phonak Roger Touchscreen system to hear her teacher better. Her teachers wear a microphone around their neck and Lindsay wears 2 receivers that attach to her hearing aids. Even though Lindsay can hear with her hearing aids, speech clarity can sometimes be difficult, especially in the presence of classroom background noise. Using her Phonak Roger Touchscreen system allows Lindsay to clearly hear her teacher and reduce her auditory fatigue throughout the day.

Being a Super-HEAR-o at School

Lindsay says that the hardest thing about having a hearing loss is that it can be hard to understand what people are saying during lunch or recess when it's loud. Lindsay says, "It's especially hard to hear at places like Culver's because they get so busy and it's really loud!"

The best thing about using her Roger Touchscreen Mic at

school though is that it helps her develop good relationships with all her teachers. Because she needs to give her Touchscreen Microphone to her teachers before a lesson begins and after it ends, she has the opportunity to get to know her teachers better. Lindsay also likes how her Phonak Roger Touchscreen Mic can be placed on the table in the middle of her group for group work. She says that being able to hear everyone in her group equally makes her a super listener allowing her to keep up with the conversations easily.

Lindsay has been a great role model to other students with hearing loss at her school. This school year, Lindsay has worked with another student who uses assistive technology every morning in her classroom to make sure that they are both connected to the same Touchscreen Microphone that their teacher wears.

Lindsay has also made sure that she connects other students with hearing loss to her microphone for assemblies. Lindsay then hands the microphone off to her school principal so that she and the others connected can clearly hear what's being announced.

Lindsay's Fun Facts About Hearing Loss

→ "I am very responsible because of my hearing loss. Every day, I need to clean my hearing aids, change batteries when they are not working, grab my microphone [Roger Touchscreen Mic], hand it off to my teachers throughout the day, return the microphone before I go home, and report any issues I have [with her Hearing Assistive Technology] to an adult. Other kids my age do not need to take care of equipment like me."

→ "I can enjoy peace and quiet when I take my hearing aids out to sleep at night."

→ "I can sometimes hear the teacher better than my friends because of my Roger Touchscreen Mic."

Lindsay is pictured with her Phonak Roger Touchscreen Mic that she gives to her teachers to wear



Super-HEAR-os

All About Molly

Molly is an 8-year-old second-grader at Hillcrest Elementary School. She is involved in many sports and hobbies, including karate, basketball, running 5k races, Girl Scouts, hiking, drawing, and reading *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*. She also enjoys playing outside with her siblings and neighborhood friends. They enjoy tree climbing, biking, sledding, snowball fights, and more. She also enjoys helping her mother cook or bake at home. Last October, Molly won 3rd place in a NAKA karate tournament. She also competed in three 5k races and completed all of them in under 30 minutes. She has placed 2nd and 3rd in her age range for 5k races. One of the things Molly is most proud of is being a role model to other kids in her school.

What makes Molly a Super-HEAR-o

Most people would be surprised to learn that Molly was born with a profound hearing loss in her right ear. While at school, she uses a Phonak Roger Touchscreen system to hear her teacher better. Her teachers wear a microphone around their neck and Molly wears a receiver in her left ear, which she has normal hearing in. It can be exhausting for Molly to hear the teacher with only one good ear. She needs to filter out a lot of classroom background noises, such as heater/fan types of noises, kids moving their chairs or desks, rustling paper, side conversations, noises from the hallway, and so on. It can be exhausting for her to both filter out this background noise and focus on the teacher's voice with only one normal hearing ear. Therefore, wearing a receiver that is transmitting the teacher's voice directly to her ear enables her to hear all of her teachers without becoming auditorily fatigued.



Being a Super-HEAR-o at School

Molly says that the hardest thing about using her Phonak Roger Touchscreen at school is having to get used to the sound again on Monday after not having the system over the weekend at home. The best thing about using her Touchscreen is that it gives her super hearing. She likes hearing her teacher at varying long distances in the classroom.

Molly has been a great role model to other students with hearing loss at her school. This school year, two students at her school have been diagnosed with hearing loss. Molly was very eager to help her hearing itinerant teacher introduce Hearing Assistive Technology to the students and show them how to use their devices at school.

Recently, Molly's class learned what a compliment is and how it is a kind gesture to say something nice to others that make them feel good. Students were given an opportunity to write a compliment down on a mitten to be hung around the school. Molly chose to write a compliment to the Deaf community of students at her school. She wrote, "It's okay to be Deaf. You can still do the same things [as everybody else] and more." Molly says that this is her advice to everyone who has a hearing loss and that they shouldn't let their hearing loss keep them from following their dreams.

Molly's Fun Facts about Hearing Loss

→ "I get to make friends with others with hearing loss because I get to go to camps and other special events for kids with hearing loss. It's fun meeting other kids who have a hearing loss too."

→ "Having a hearing loss helps me sleep better at night. If it rains, I can sleep with my deaf side up and do not hear the rain as much."

→ "My hearing loss has taught me to speak up so that everyone can hear me better in our classroom discussions."

Molly is pictured with her 3rd place trophy from the NAKA karate tournament she participated in

ANTIOCH PARKS AND RECREATION

Reinventing Family Fun

Are you ready for spring/summer 2020 in the Village of Antioch?

The Antioch Parks and Recreation Department has been working hard, bringing several exciting changes and additions for the warmer seasons ahead. Inspired by the words of William H. “Holly” Whyte, journalist and expert who helped identify the elements that create vibrant public spaces, “What attracts people most, would appear to be other people,” it’s important to provide our community with a summer toolkit that excites and brings us together—full of tradition, fun, learning and safety, too.

Springtime activities will get an eggs-citing update this April, with the popular **Annual Easter Egg Hunt** being offered FREE for participants (ages 1 to 9). The event, along with its traditional parade, will be held Saturday, April 11, with the youngest age group beginning egg hunting at 11 a.m. The event brings together toddler and school-aged children for a chance to grab 10 candy-filled eggs, as fast as they can, with special prize eggs, too. Families come along for the activity (with parents on the sidelines for older age groups), with photo-taking with the Easter Bunny available. “The kids have smiles on their faces the entire time. It’s so much fun to watch,” said Director of Parks and Recreation Lauren Kabrick. The event also has a new location at the Antioch Bandshell (Skidmore Drive).

Children (ages 10 to 15) are invited to participate in the traditional **Flashlight Egg Hunt** on the evening of Thursday, April 9, at Centennial Park (Anita Avenue). This is a fee-based program and registration is required (available online or in-person at the Parks and Rec office on Holbek Drive).

Outdoors, fresh and new

There will be a NEW type of market in town this year with fresh produce, meats, breads, flowers, plants, jewelry, textiles, local artists and more. The Antioch Street Market, in the bandshell area on Skidmore

Drive, will be held the last Sunday of each month (June 28, July 26, August 30, September 27) from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The market will serve to cater to the tastes, interests and mix of products seen at the former in-town farmer’s market which concluded last summer. Research suggests advantages of creating a public space such as this can bring transformative benefits to a community¹. “This type of forum—a public market—has the possibility to bring together diverse people, provide economic opportunity, and create an active and creative public space,” added Community Development Director Michael Garrigan. The street market comes on the heels of an effort to reinvigorate the traditional farmer’s market, offering something for everyone with an environment



1. Endless bounty: the transformative benefits of public markets. (2010, February 28). <https://www.pps.org/article/the-benefits-of-public-markets>



and style similar to a family outing. Opportunities to try food and beverages by local establishments, as well as performances hosted by local dancers, gymnasts, musicians, and magicians, will round out the experience-making. Those interested in participating as a vendor, should contact Special Event Coordinator Toni Galster, 847-395-2160 or tgalster@antioch.il.gov. Details for upcoming programs and special events can also be found at antioch.il.gov under the pull-down “Parks & Rec/Aqua Center.”

Keep a look out for the stars and more

This summer, be on the lookout for **Camping under the Stars** in July, a **Back-to-School Bash** (and school-supply fundraiser) and **Roaring 20s Outdoor Dinner Dance** in August, and the first **Touch-a-Truck** event in September. The possibilities for family time, date night, and fun are endless.

Get energized at Antioch Aqua Center

Discover more energizing changes this summer at the Antioch Aqua Center (on Main Street) with **Wednesday Evening Family Swim**, monthly **Flick-N-Float** events, and a private parent-tot and lap-swim hour

exclusively for season passholders weekday mornings from 9 to 10 a.m. Swim lessons will also take place in the evenings, far-removed from the chilly morning air. Season passes are available now. Visit online at antioch.il.gov for details.

Priority one: safety

Safety is top priority at the Antioch Aqua Center. The team, from lifeguards, swim instructors, customer service attendants, to managers, have the goal of delivering guests the best summer experience, and creating a feeling of “home,” whether for a drop-in visit, a morning lap swim, or an after-hours rental. “We want everyone

to feel like family, and we look forward to providing a clean, safe, and enjoyable experience at every visit. We took a hard look at what we could do to enhance the experience for all guests,” said Kabrick. Changes were made to pool operations including opening to the public earlier, moving swim lessons to the evening, and programming the pool for family swim and special events to enhance usability for all. With safety in mind, new policies and procedures for communicating with parents and guardians (with new wristband policy), have been put in place. Details are outlined in the special box at left. **C**

Guests/swimmers age 12 and older

Guests/swimmers age 12 and older are permitted at the Antioch Aqua Center (AAC) unaccompanied, but **MUST** obtain a 12 and Older Admission Wristband and have an emergency form on file (if under age 18). PARENTS or authorized caregivers: If you plan to send your child unaccompanied to AAC, you must complete an emergency form. A form can be completed by stopping by the ACC’s walk-up window, during operating hours, or at the Parks and Recreation office (Holbek Drive). A wristband for your child will then be issued, free of charge. Replacement wristbands cost \$1. Forms can also be downloaded online and sent with your swimmer.

Guests/Swimmers age 11 and younger

Children age 11 and younger are not permitted in ACC unless accompanied by an individual 16 years-old or older. They must be accompanied during their ENTIRE stay. Those who violate this rule will be asked to leave.

Questions/more info

Your safety and enjoyment are our priority. For questions or more information, contact Director of Parks and Recreation Lauren Kabrick, 847-395-2160 or lkabrick@antioch.il.gov.

Our Pride, New Year, New Decade



As we enter this new year and new decade, I'd like to again share a thank-you. **The Village of Antioch** is a highly desirable area to live, work and play in. So many factors make us a great place; our charming downtown and economic diversity throughout our business landscape, great neighborhoods, schools and dedicated professionals, outreach and volunteers. What continues to resonate with me as a resident and in my civic and leadership roles, is the strong sense of community. I want to express my gratitude for what we all put forth and bring to the mix, even with our busy lifestyles. We have so much to be proud of.

We are proud to be a community that hosts more than 21 community parks, along with program locations, with amenities such as tennis and basketball courts, an aqua center, sports and playfields for the fan and athlete, playgrounds, and connections to open space, trails and forest preserves. We remain committed to the important balance between growth and preservation. This year, we will be working on the **"Parkway Bank Beautification Plan,"** on the corner of Main and Orchard Streets, across from Village Hall. Plans include the removal of concrete and adding of black dirt, planting/seeding of grass, the installation of ornamental trees, and dogwood shrub placement around the perimeter. The goal is to create a community green space with trees and natural hedge. Along with beauty and a natural setting, the area will continue to be available for event parking during peak downtown activities.

For a healthy and vibrant decade and future, we must also look to the past. We are proud to have a newly formed advisory body, the **Historic Preservation Commission**, approved by the Village Board of Trustees. A valuable resource, the group will serve as a guide, promoting the protection, enhancement, preservation and use of improvements of special character and historical interest within the Village of Antioch. They will help

identify and preserve historic and architectural characteristics representing cultural, social, economic, and architectural history. They will also work with agencies and organizations for idea-sharing and collaboration, and encourage through outreach and messaging, the voluntary preservation and restoration of structures, areas and



neighborhoods. Meetings are held monthly at Village Hall (874 Main Street). The public is welcome to attend.

Again, thank you residents, our community, and Village Board of Trustees. I look forward to sharing the exciting year ahead. Springtime has a full lineup. Be sure to check out the free "Eco Fair" sponsored by the Parks and Rec Department (Saturday, April 25, Antioch Township Hall) as well as fun programs to share, Mother-Son Bowling and Mother-Daughter Bingo Luncheon. Visit online at antioch.il.gov or see our colorful ad in this issue for details and how to register.

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Sidewalk Delight: Pops of Color, Growing Benefits

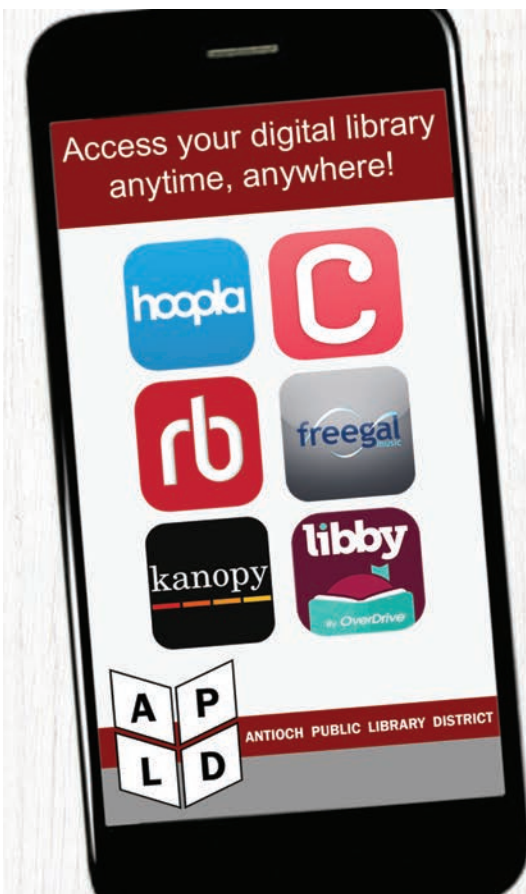
Spring and summer bring delight with blooming displays to yards and gardens. But, how about those pops of color in town? The “green thumbs” of the Village of Antioch Public Works Department are on it, providing hues of pizzazz to downtown that are inviting to residents and visitors alike.

From May through the fall, October or November depending upon weather, colorful hanging (and bountiful) floral baskets adorn Main and Lake Streets. Besides the beauty to the eye and landscape, these bundles of Mother Nature’s own can have healthy benefits. Studies show that people surrounded by quality landscapes are often less stressed. And, an area’s physical beauty can help connect people to it.¹

In downtown, where storefronts make for great window shopping, browsing, and bargains, hanging baskets are placed on every other street lamp-post, alternating with community banner displays. In addition to the color choice, flowers are chosen based on their hardiness. “We love the way they look and the positive impact they have,” said Public Works Administrative Assistant Sherry Hoban. “We start early, in winter, working with suppliers and picking a mix of annuals so things get growing and we’re ready.” Be sure to look for those inviting colors from above. **Snap a picture on your cellphone** and share the Village beauty with us (email images to: shoban@antioch.il.gov).



1. Online source. americanbloom.org.



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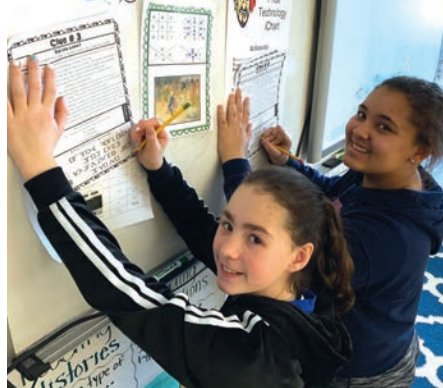
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Unique Learning Opportunities for 5th Grade Students

Fifth graders at Emmons have been very busy participating in unique science and social studies learning experiences. In social studies class, they have been learning about the Jamestown colony. The students participated in an 'Escape Room' activity by taking on the role of English colonists. Their goal was to unlock a box containing valuable beads to trade for food and medicine that was necessary for their survival. In order to obtain the correct combination to unlock the box, the students solved several clues by decoding various ciphers. The experience really put their knowledge of Jamestown to the test!



In science, the 5th grade students concluded their ecosystems unit with a Mobile Museum research project. The project included pamphlets, murals, slideshows, and animals about each ecosystem. Students also created a 3D version of an organism that lived in their ecosystem. The 5th grade then hosted an open house for other students and families to view the museum. The students explained to the visitors interesting facts about the ecosystem and how their chosen organism is affected by environmental issues.



Emmons Kindergarten Round-Up is in Full Swing!

Emmons is currently conducting Kindergarten Round-Up. This is an opportunity for children living in the district to register for the 2020-2021 Kindergarten program. Emmons offers a full day kindergarten experience that addresses the whole child. By providing a full day program, the students are given a well-rounded, rigorous academic program which includes exposure to the arts through library, music, visual art, and STEM classes. Students receive valuable gross and fine motor instruction from daily PE classes and pencil positioning instruction from a licensed occupational therapist.

The Emmons Board of Education supports a full day kindergarten program because they believe that students should be exposed to the humanities and arts as well as developing their social emotional health. The program has been carefully designed to fully engage each child. Weekly, students participate in regularly scheduled library science, general music, and visual arts curriculum. They also learn STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics integration) curriculum through project-based activities which allows the students to explore and test scenarios, just like a scientist. In addition, students learn foundational skills important for sports development and everyday functioning by participating in daily physical education classes.

In addition to the exploratory classes, we also instruct students in their emotional health by delivering direct lessons taught by teachers and a social worker. A research based social emotional curriculum is used to teach students the necessary classroom behaviors and appropriate peer interactions. Students also have a chance to apply what they learn in a weekly play-based experience. The playroom is supplied with carefully selected equipment which encourages students to engage their imagination and ingenuity while also learning to collaborate with others.

Emmons's comprehensive kindergarten program equips students with the academic, social, and classroom habits needed for continued success in the later grades. As research has proven, a positive school experience in the early school years is important to set students on the right path. If you currently live in Emmons School boundaries and want to register your child for kindergarten, please contact Mrs. Trischan at 847-395-1105.



letter from Principal Eric Hamilton

Planting Seeds for Success



A fond childhood memory around this time was watching my father prepare for the garden plot he would rent. He would reserve a spot of land a few blocks from home and plant his very own garden. Our family would reap the benefits of his efforts with snap peas, green beans, tomatoes, and corn. Regularly, we would be called by him to head to the garden to weed, tend, and care for the plants. As I grew older, I realized the attention to detail and care given to the garden directly impacted the results we would experience. Putting forth care and love for the plants is similar to what we do every day at Antioch Community High School.

Teaching is like gardening. Our students are the crops for which we care. We are constantly watering them with knowledge and providing the sunlight of wisdom as learning penetrates their soil and we watch them grow. Your efforts are working! This “garden” of learners at ACHS is growing every day, performing at high levels, and flourishing. This is due to providing attention to our “crops”, our efforts at providing “water and sun”, and our care in talking to them and building

lasting relationships. The evidence of this growth is both in and out of the classroom. Our wrestling team continues to flourish and succeed; our dance and cheer teams continue their tradition of excellence; and our basketball programs are building new traditions every day. In the classroom, our students are continually impressive and making us all very proud. Additionally, they are busy preparing for the Spring assessments of the PSAT9, PSAT10, and the SAT.

A garden does not succeed without loving care and attention. As we progress towards the end of the school year, make sure you are taking care of yourself and those around you. Soon, we will be preparing for graduation and the end-of-school-year “harvest” of the fruits of our labors: student learning!

Eric Hamilton
Principal
Antioch Community High School

Sequoit Theater Performs Twice

The Sequoit Theatre family had two wonderful performances so far. In November, they performed *Romeo and Juliet: Choose Your Own Ending*. They shared an amazing meal with 130 seniors from the Antioch Senior center, through ACHS’ annual Sharing is Caring event. The cast met with their guests before, as well as afterwards, and were congratulated on a wonderful performance. In January they performed *Rexes’ Exes*, which took the audience on a journey to Sweet Gum, Texas where the Verdeen cousins were trying to win the Yellow Rose of Texas Award, and rid themselves of Rex’s ghost. Eli Ruano, the student director took some risks with this production and they paid off. The auditorium was full of laughter, twang, and red velvet cake. There were 25 students involved with the production.



BRIEFLY NOTED



ILC Hosts 10th Annual Final Exam Breakfast

The Information and Learning Center's Teen Advisory Board (TAB) hosted the 10th annual Final Exam Breakfast for all students. The ILC was decked out with holiday cheer and a warm ambiance for students to eat, relax, and study. The breakfast is designed to meet students' nutritional needs prior to taking their finals. Barb Mason, Kathleen Stewart, Jan Heckinger, and TAB members served an estimated over 300 students daily.

Alison Weiser Nominated for Carson Scholar Award

The Social Studies department nominated Junior Alison Weiser for the Carson Scholar Award. This award recognizes academic excellence and humanitarian efforts of students throughout the country. Results of the award are presented in March.



ACHS Madrigal Choir goes "On The Air"

The ACHS Madrigal Choir was once again invited to sing on the Steve Cochran Morning Show on WGN 720 AM. The choir sang several songs for the hundreds of thousands of people who listen to this station every morning.

Jazz Choir Selected to Perform for State

ACHS is extremely proud to announce that the Jazz Choir was selected to perform for the Illinois Music Educators Association (ILMEA) State Conference, at the end of January. Only four jazz groups were selected from the entire state. Mackenzie Mann was selected for the ILMEA All-State Band on Saxophone. She performed in Peoria, IL with the All-State Jazz Band at the ILMEA State Conference held in February.

Students Bring Holiday Cheer

Antioch students and staff helped make the holiday season a little brighter for children and families in the Antioch area, through Open Arms Mission, as well as Toys for Tots, led by Donna Corcoran.

300 Middle Schoolers Attend Open House

On January 15, almost 300 8th grade students and families came to Open House. The evening helped showcase academics, athletics, and activities! This was a wonderful first experience for the Class of 2024. Emcee's for this years event were; Joy Crawford, Jamie Blau, Elijah Ruano



Chess Team Brings Home Victory

The Chess Team traveled to Grant to win the NLCC Chess Championship. The team went 5-0 winning 38 out of the 40 total games played. This was the 3rd consecutive year of ACHS Chess Dominance! Congratulations on their victory!

Hot Cocoa Crammin' for Final Exams

Teachers stayed after school in December to help students prepare for Final Exams with Crammin' with Cocoa. Hot chocolate was provided to all as they studied in the Commons.



Illinois State Scholars Recognized at Antioch

Antioch Community High School is proud to have thirty seniors recognized by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission as 2019-2020 State Scholars. Students will be awarded a certificate recognizing their achievement later this spring.

The recognized students are Anthony Anunzio, Jack Bay, Daniel Bemis, Jerianne Bonaguidi, Brice Cart, Nina Deckert, Gavin Eldridge,



Merrick Foote, Zaina Hussain, Alexandra Johnson, Marja Lalley, Matthew Lawrence, Joshua Linck, Zachary MacMillan, Madison McBride, Mirandi McCormick, Morgan Meisinger, Grace Nance, Elliana Nordhaus, Christopher Penn, Brandon Pinto, Marcella Rivera, Ivan Senechyn, Evan Slater, Charles Smith, Nicole Stewart, Sierra Ward, Jillian Watkinson, Kathryn Weber and Hui Ting Zhao.



Sequoia Commit to Playing College Level Next Year

The following Antioch student/athletes made commitments to continue their athletic careers for 2020 at the following University/Colleges.

Charlie Smith

Cross Country & Track, Georgia Tech University

Treshawn Watson

Football, Illinois State University

Austin Runyard

Volleyball, Cumberland College

Kaylee Griffith

Field Hockey, Earlham College

Jerianne Bonaguidi

Softball, Ripon College

Natalie Svarc

Cross Country and track, University of Lacrosse

Mikayla Holway

Soccer at Clarke College, Dubuque, Iowa

Logan Delgado

Baseball, Bradley University

ALSO NOTED



THE WRESTLING TEAM LAKE COUNTY CHAMPIONS

Sarah Bemis: State Qualifier, Cross Country

Ryan Shaputis: 2019 IHSFCA All-State Football

The Dance Team: IHSA State Qualifiers

Football had it's 4th NLCC Championship and advanced to the 2nd round of playoffs.

Girls bowling team: Off to a great season winning several bowling matches including the Wauconda Invite in January.





letter from *Principal Dave Newberry*

Here to help

As the needs of our students increase each year, so do our responses. As technology has evolved it has also added a new level of stress on us. The ability or inability to consume all the information that is at our fingertips has caused many challenges within our society. Sorting out what is true or false along with the intensity of all that information and social media pressures can be, at times, overwhelming for all of us. These pressures have left many students and adults in our community in need of extra support. These are often challenges that fall upon the school and to be successful we need a wide variety of supports.

A preventative strategy for us is to make sure that all of our students have a strong sense of belonging in the community and that they feel like they are an integral part of our school community. The feeling of being part of the community helps all of our students and staff be comfortable and safe. This also allows the members of our school community to ask for help when it is needed.

When help is needed, our skilled student services department responds quickly. This department is made up of counselors, special education teachers, school social

workers, deans of students, and school psychologists. The mission of this group is to have all of our students appropriately challenged academically and to assist our students in developing their social-emotional skills. This group of professionals provides our students with College and Career Planning; Individual Counseling and Group Counseling; Academic Student Support; Mental Health and Behavior Supports; Crisis Response; and IEP/504 Evaluation and Assessment.

We are extremely fortunate that our community provides us the financing to provide these supports. This support allows us to meet our goal to have a safe environment where students feel like they belong and that we continue to support their development of academic and emotional skills so each student can be successful in our society.



David B. Newberry

Proud Principal
Lakes Community High School

Illinois State Scholars Recognized at Lakes

The Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) is pleased to recognize these Illinois high school students who have been named 2020-21 State Scholars for their outstanding academic achievement. The criteria for State Scholars is a combination of the ACT/SAT test scores, class rank or the unweighted GPA (if the school does not rank), and class size.

Congratulations to 36 LCHS seniors who will be recognized as State Scholars at Honors Night in May!

These students include Daniel Altmeyer, Allisyn Bake, Madison Baker, Meagan Blanchard, Jacob Brooks, Leah Cousineau, Ashton Craven, Maya Dewey, Jack Falcus, Isabella Frank, Laszl Horvath, Olivia Huber, Sean Humpa, Ariya Jahromi, Kaily Kao, Talon Knauf, Madison Kranz, Reagan Kuriger, Juoleanne Ladao, Brady Lucas, Jennifer McMahan, Julia McMahan, Alexis Nuxoll, Sean O'Connor, Kaylee Paxton, Molly Rial, Joshua Richards, Olivia Schmitt, Ashley Smith, Broderick Solbrig, Amanda Stargardt, Lucas Swidler, Josephine Synovic, Jacob Tebben, Michael Variny and Isabella Vrapciu.



Jazz Choir Performs at State Conference

The Lakes Community High School Jazz Choir was selected to perform for the Illinois Music Educators Association (ILMEA) State Conference on January 30, 2020. This was the first time a LCHS vocal group has been invited to perform at the State Conference. The following Eagles were one of only four jazz groups selected from the entire state.

Vocals included Hannah Allie, Evelyn Blasius, Alexandra Bryant, Samantha Drake, Aidan Kline, Jonah Newsom, Lydia Osborne, Matthew Torkilsen, Ben Welch and Bri Zahn. Instrumentals included Josiah Jackson on piano, Mr. Michael Riggs on bass and Micah Lind on drums. All brought together by director, Mr. Daniel Ermel.



Eagle Theatre Performs at IHSTF

Eagle Theatre was selected to perform their fall play, *Failure: A Love Story*, at the 45th annual Illinois High School Theatre Festival in January. The Illinois High School Theatre Festival is the oldest and largest non-competitive high school festival in the world. Over 4,000 students, teachers, university representatives, exhibitors, and volunteers come together to put on various high school productions and workshops. The Festival's ultimate goal is to showcase different theatre

programs from around the state in a celebratory fashion, not a competitive one. With this philosophy, attending students are exposed to a wide range of shows at IHSTF.

Eagle Theatre is directed by Mr. Daniel Esquivel and Mr. Ariel Mozes. Their next production will be *Little Shop of Horrors*, February 28 - March 1 and March 6-7 at Lakes Community High School. For more information or to purchase tickets, please visit eagletheatre.com.

Save the Date: LEBC Booster Bash is Coming!

Save the Date for our Lakes Eagles Booster Club's annual Booster Bash on April 25, 2020. Join us for dinner, band, and auctions at Maravela's in Fox Lake. This is a fantastic way to give back directly to our school's programs as 80% of your ticket cost can be directed to a specific club, sport or activity. This fun night out includes dinner, a local band performance, and silent and live auctions.

SAVE THE DATE!

**LAKES EAGLES HIGH SCHOOL
14TH ANNUAL BOOSTER BASH
"COME SAIL AWAY"**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH
6:00 - 11:00PM**

**MARAVELA'S
4 WASHINGTON AVE. - FOX LAKE, IL**

DINNER, BAND AND AUCTIONS!

\$50 PER TICKET

80% of your ticket can be allocated to a
LCHS club, sport or activity!

(More info to come on the school website)



Lakes Hosts D117 Day

On Friday, January 17, 2020 we hosted our first D117 Day across the District. Students at Lakes enjoyed a carnival atmosphere for the first ninety minutes of the day. Student Council arranged many activities that were held throughout the building for students and staff to enjoy. This is in an effort to build culture as a District and have fun outside of the classroom as school communities. The staff enjoyed a day of decadence as each department hosted the staff with treats throughout the day. A fun time was had by all.



Winter Art Show Highlights Student Artwork

The Winter Art Show is an opportunity to highlight the work of first semester art students in our community. It is a collaboration between District 117 and our sender schools, joining together as a community to feature the artwork of middle school students alongside that of high schoolers. The show featured work of students from Lakes Community High School, Antioch Community High School, Emmons School, Grass Lake School, Millburn Middle School, and Palombi Middle School. The Show's opening night was December 5th and stayed up on display through December 9th at Lakes Community High School.



Winterfest 2020 Brings Community Together

On Friday, January 31st, Antioch Community High School hosted a district wide event to bring our student communities together. The event included a dance with DJs, lights, a silent disco, blow up bouncers, large games, a drawing wall, video games, a photo booth and much more!

Lakes Community High School extended the Winterfest celebration with a school-wide spirit week, January 27-31. Students and staff were encouraged to dress each day in attire that celebrated Unity, Music, Party, Love and Spirit.



Lakes Eagles Athletics



Lakes Cheer Pushing New Heights

The Lakes cheer team has been very impressive this competition season. The team has earned a trophy in every competition this season. The program won the Crystal Lake Central Invite and placed 2nd in the NLCC conference meet. The program qualified for the IHSA State Championships, following a 2nd place sectional finish.



Lakes Host to Two Major Events

Lakes hosted the NLCC Dance Championships (1/17) and it's inaugural MLK Basketball Tournament on 1/18 and 1/20. Both events were highly competitive and showcased the great student athletes, coaches and event workers at Lakes High School. The administration received overwhelming positive feedback from schools and officials in attendance. Lakes looks forward to continuing to host major events as the District 117 field house is developed over the coming years.

Lakes Alumni Impress on Track and Field

A number of Lakes Alumni began their 2020 track and field seasons in January. Cooper Jazo (Illinois) started his season by tying his all time personal best. Kortney Schardt (Belmont) started with a the season 3rd place finish in the 5K at the Vanderbilt invite. Robert Kuhlmann (Missouri) won the 600 and anchored the winning 4 x 400 relay team at the Mizzu Invite.

Lakes Alumni Win DIII National Football Championship.

North Central College in Naperville won it's first ever football national title in December. The Cardinals have 5 former Lakes Eagles on the team. Ethan Greenfield, DeAngelo Hardy, Jake Johnson, Jack Grupka and Ethan Kiley are all members of the team. Ethan Greenfield was named the games MVP and he also earned first team All-American honors for his historic season.





Frequently Asked Questions

Fox Lake SD 114's Zero Rate Change March 17, 2020 Ballot Proposal

district needs

Facility Improvement Priorities

Building Security, Safety & Maintenance Issues

QUESTION

What issues will be addressed through this funding?

ANSWER

Based on recommendations from a recently completed facilities study, the following top priorities will be addressed:

- Safety and security upgrades at Lotus and Stanton including secured entrances
- New roofs at Lotus and Stanton
- Replace electrical service at Stanton
- Install fire sprinkler system at Stanton
- Install safe exits for all Stanton students, including those who may be wheelchair-bound
- Install up to date, energy efficient mechanical controls
- Replace Lotus air condition unit that is at its end of useful life

Approximate funding level to address these concerns within 5 years=\$9 million.

Staffing Priorities

Locally Competitive Salaries and Benefits to Attract and Retain Teachers

QUESTION

What were the starting new teacher salaries for Fox Lake and other local school district for the 2019-2020 school year?

ANSWER

- **Fox Lake Elementary District 114** **\$32,431**
- Gavin Elementary District 37 \$35,041
- Lake Villa Elementary District 41 \$35,041
- Emmons Elementary District 33 \$36,720
- Antioch Elementary District 34 \$39,098
- Big Hollow Elementary District 38 \$41,449

QUESTION

How do Fox Lake teacher salaries compare to other school districts in Lake County?

ANSWER

Fox Lake School District had the lowest starting teacher salary of all 96 school districts in Lake County in the 2019-2020 school year.

QUESTION

What are Illinois' minimum salary expectations for beginning teachers?

ANSWER

Illinois state law now requires the minimum beginning teacher salary for all school districts be at least \$40,000 by the 2023-2024 school year.

QUESTION

How many teachers left Fox Lake after the 2018-2019 school year?

ANSWER

Teachers leaving our district for better compensation in other close-by districts is a significant challenge. Retaining excellent teachers is a characteristic of all strong school districts — that requires competitive salaries and benefits. Thirteen (13) teachers, or 23% of the certified staff, resigned at the end of the 2018-2019 school year.

Student Improvement

Purchase Updated & Rigorous Instructional Materials

QUESTION

How will funding be used to improve student learning?

ANSWER

In all other content areas but mathematics, student materials are out of date or not consistently used in all classrooms. With this funding, the District will, over time, purchase research-based, updated materials in all content areas so students have access to up-to-date learning experiences. While our teachers make do the best they can with old materials, it is essential for our district to have up-to-date curricular material so District 114 students are as well prepared for high school as are students from other area grade school districts.

impact on our community

QUESTION

How will this referendum impact our families and community?

ANSWER

- If successful, this referendum will allow District 114 to:
- Improve and protect taxpayers' investment in their homes.
 - Maintain our school facilities for our children and community.
 - Provide students with opportunities equal to neighboring schools
 - Recruit and retain high quality, experienced teachers
 - Maintain best practices in keeping our schools safe and secure



cost information

QUESTION

How is a ZERO RATE CHANGE going to create funds to address the needs?

ANSWER

The bonds taken out to build Lotus Elementary are soon to be paid in full. The portion of our total rate that goes for debt retirement will be eliminated. That gives our District the opportunity to repurpose, or reuse, that portion of our overall tax rate to pay for improvements to our buildings, provide more competitive salaries and benefits for our teachers, and provide up-to-date instruction and curriculum material for our students — **all with zero change in the overall tax rate.** This will also create long term financial stability for the District's operating funds.

QUESTION

What does this ballot language mean?

ANSWER

The ballot language is confusing! Put simply, by paying off our debt on Lotus, our rate in the Debt Fund drops by 59 cents/\$100 of assessed home value. The ballot asks taxpayers to repurpose this drop to increase the rate in our operating funds by 59 cents/\$100 of assessed home value. This creates a **zero rate change**, and generates approximately \$1.3 million annually to address the identified needs.

QUESTION

What exactly will voters see on the March 17, 2020 ballot?

ANSWER

The ballot language is:

FOX LAKE GRADE SCHOOL DISTRICT #114
Lake County, Illinois
Proposition To Increase The Limiting Rate

Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Fox Lake Grade School District Number 114, Lake County, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to 0.59% above the limiting rate for school purposes for levy year 2018 and be equal to 3.638978% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy year 2020?

- (1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recently extended limiting rate is \$8,761,857, and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the proposition is approved is \$8,070,088.
- (2) For the 2020 levy year the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single family residence and having a fair market value at the time of the referendum of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$197.
- (3) If the proposition is approved, the aggregate extension for 2020 will be determined by the limiting rate set forth in the proposition, rather than the otherwise applicable limiting rate calculated under the provisions of the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (commonly known as the Property Tax Cap Law).



One team...all in.
We are 114.

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Our First Mathletes Squad

Fifth Graders at Grass Lake School are participating in monthly Math Olympiad competitions. Math Olympiads is a program designed to strengthen problem solving and promote enthusiasm and a love of Mathematics. The students have practice sessions each week. Upon completion of a competition, they receive feedback from students all over the globe. We're very proud of our first team of Mathletes!



NEHS Open Arms Mission

Fourth and Fifth grade NEHS students made gingerbread houses and treat boxes to use as table decorations at the Antioch Senior Center in December. Each Tuesday Open Arms Mission partners with a local charitable organization to provide a free dinner to those who would like a hot meal or others who would just enjoy some companionship. The table decor made by the students really helped to make the meal special!





Eighth Grade Leadership Conference

The following prestigious eighth grade students, Winter, Vera, Guido, Haley and Brooklyn represented Grass Lake School at the ACHS Leadership conference this year. Students had an opportunity to further develop their leadership skills by working with eighth grade students from other feeder school districts.



NEHS Holiday Cards for the Troops

National Elementary Honor Society students at Grass Lake School honed their writing skills while writing holiday cards to our troops overseas.

Lunches for Lake County Haven

In January, some of Grass Lake's National Honor Society students made lunches for women and children who reside at Lake County Haven. The Haven is a transitional, residential home that helps these families by providing structure, education, counseling, and a safe place to live while getting back on their feet.





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Connecting With Community

It's 2020 and Antioch Township rounded out the year by connecting with our community in meaningful and fun ways. As the year progresses, we will have a number of programs, events and outreach activities that will

serve our residents and community throughout 2020 and beyond. Look out for our FREE Monday Movies Series for seniors, with complimentary valet parking every first Monday of the month at the Antioch Movie Theater.

A Season of Giving & New Beginnings

Four-year old Antioch resident, Thomas Devine, took up a collection of candy for our seniors. He and his classmates from Nature Walk Collaborative donated more than 40 pounds of candy. How sweet is that? Pictured left is Shelia Dvorak, Administrative Clerk, alongside Thomas Devine and his mother, Heather.



We also appointed a new Township Clerk, Meghan Dyer Dawe, not only is she qualified for the position, she is the daughter of our late Clerk, Anita Merkel Dyer. Meghan was sworn in at our Township Board meeting on January 8th with her family and friends in attendance. Pictured is Meghan Dyer Dawe with her family shortly after being sworn in.



We ended the year on a high note, sung by the Warren Alumni Choir. Our inaugural Jolly Holiday Lunch was fun for all. Santa made an appearance and gave a special rock to Thomas Devine for his generous and kind contribution



to our seniors. Guests enjoyed a warm meal, desserts and even a "Merry-achi" trumpet band that serenaded the tables. Pictured left is Jolly Holiday Lunch participants had a special performance and sing-a-long with the Warren Alumni Choir.

The Holidays were about giving back to our community, creating Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets for our neighbors in need with the Lions Club, Fire Department Cadets, First Fire Protection Board, Pageant Queens and Township staff.



A local branch of the Quilts of Valor Foundation, headed up by Madelyn Anderson, honored local Veterans with a ceremony presenting them Quilts. The quilts were sewn in our Township Hall by local quilters, to commend our Veterans for their service and commitment to our country. God Bless America! Veterans pictured left to right, Jerry Haley, Michael Haley, Dennis Sheehan, Bernie Smith, Dennis Murphy, Clem Haley.





ANTIOCH TOWNSHIP SCHEDULE OF SENIOR EVENTS

February-May 2020



Friday, February 28 & April 24

Cards, Cuts & Coffee

Time: 9am-11am (doors open at 9am)

Location: Antioch Township, 1625 Deep Lake Rd., Lake Villa

Cost: \$12.00/haircut (refreshments and snacks are FREE. Signup for haircut on-site, first come, first serve basis)

Come get cozy and get a haircut while you're at it! Antioch hairstylist, Rebecca Calendine, will be on-site for male and female haircuts. Enjoy music, snacks, refreshments and a game of cards with friends. Other 2020 dates for Cards, Cuts & Coffee: April 24, June 26, August 28, October 30, December 18.

The First Monday of The Month

Monthly Monday Movie Series

March 2: "Waking Ned Devine" (1hr 32min)

April 6: "Singin' in the Rain" (1hr 43min)

May 4: "On Golden Pond" (2hr 49min)

Time: 10am-end of film (doors open at 9:30am)

Location: The Antioch Movie Theatre, 378 Main St., Antioch

Cost: FREE (movie, complimentary valet service, and FREE small popcorn. No signup. Come and enjoy!)

Antioch Township is proud to partner with The Antioch Movie Theater to bring FREE monthly movies to our seniors (55+). Complimentary valet is provided as well as FREE small popcorn. Other concessions will be available for purchase and a special \$10 lunch menu will be offered by Oliveri North (384 Lake St. Antioch).

Thursday, March 19

March Madness: Bingo & Snacks

Time: 10am-12pm (doors open at 10am)

Location: Antioch Township, 1625 N. Deep Lake Rd., Lake Villa

Cost: FREE (complimentary refreshments and snacks will be provided/ please signup)

Come get your Bingo on! It's March Madness, what better time of year to compete for prizes and bragging rights? Bring your "b"-game and some friends to enjoy this FREE event hosted by Antioch Township.

Friday, April 17

Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre

Time: 6pm-8pm (Banquet room doors will open at 5:30pm)

Location: Anastasia's, Antioch, 950 Hillside Ave., Antioch, IL

Cost: \$17.00/Person (includes show, unlimited pizza buffet, with salad, assorted dressings, coffee, tea, and soda. Alcohol will be available for purchase)

"Three Strikes and You're Dead!" This interactive theatre experience will have you wondering "Who done it?" Who took the life of the prominent President of the Little League Board, Tim O'Bannon? Was it the philandering law partner? The wannabe coach? The high-strung, single-mother neighbor whose boy Tim was stopped from playing baseball? Regardless, we need a new leader. All parents, grandparents, and coaches will be at Anastasia's in Antioch on April 17...maybe even the murderer!

Thursday, May 21

The Dancing Horses & Exotic Birds

Time: Bus departs at 10:15am from The Antioch Bandshell (Skidmore Drive)

• 12pm Lunch (chicken, pasta, veggies, salad, roll, ice tea, lemonade, coffee, and dessert. *Beer, soda and wine are available for purchase)

• 1-2:30pm Dancing Horses show

• 3-3:30pm Exotic bird show

Location: Delavan, Wisconsin

Cost: \$45.00/Person (includes 2 shows, lunch and transportation)

Wisconsin's #1 must see LIVE attraction. Enjoy performers who have worked for All The King's Horses, Arabian Nights, Ringling Brothers, Universal Orlando, and Walt Disney World. Then step into the world of exotic birds and meet and sing with Echo from America's Got Talent.

Cut out below & sign up now!

Antioch Township Event Registration

Mark your selections

March Madness

March 19th

Free

Murder Mystery

April 17th

\$17

Dancing Horses

May 21st

\$45

Total amount of payment

\$ _____

All payments must be received 10 days before event

Please make checks payable to:

Antioch Township
1625 Deep Lake Road
Lake Villa, IL 60046
Attn: Courtney Kotloski

Registrant Details

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

(Please note: Antioch Township Residents will have first availability)

For information and to check availability contact Courtney Kotloski at 847-395-3378.



Referendum on the March 17th Ballot

In December 2019, the board of education unanimously passed a resolution to place a \$30.7 million referendum for much-needed facility improvements on the March 17, 2020 ballot.

Last April, voters soundly rejected a \$50 million referendum causing the board to go back to the drawing board and return to the community with a revised and greatly reduced proposal.

The board and administration carefully reviewed the needs at each school, project by project. As board member Kurt Hansen said, “We really spent a lot of time to get consensus, not only from the board, but from some of our more outspoken critics.”

This time, extensive cafeteria renovations were scaled back, updates and repairs for Pleviak School were removed along with 21st Century learning initiatives. Since the failure at the polls in April, nearly two dozen public meetings have been held to solicit input and discuss building and maintenance needs in order to revise the request. Two more community meetings are planned to inform the community about the needs of the district.

Both will be held at the district board room at Palombi Middle School. One will be held at 4 p.m. on February 24th and the other will be held on Monday, March 2nd at 7 p.m.

District facilities are aging and major repairs are necessary to address the failing infrastructure. Palombi Middle School and Hooper Elementary School are fifty-two and sixty-three years old respectively. Even the district’s newer schools Martin Elementary and Thompson Elementary are twenty years old.

On a positive note for the taxpayer, the district’s outstanding debt will drop off as money borrowed in 1997 and 2000 to build Thompson and Martin Elementary Schools is paid off. If the referendum fails, the tax bill for the owner of a \$250,000 house would decrease by \$773 annually. If the referendum passes and we borrow the money for 15 years, we will be able to make the necessary repairs and updates and that same homeowner will still see an approximate decrease of \$368 annually.

Residents can learn more about the referendum by visiting the district’s website at district41.org.

AARP Smart Driving Course

Lake Villa Township is pleased to host another smart driving course in April. The AARP Smart Driver Course, offered by AARP Driver Safety, is the nation's largest classroom and online driver safety course and is designed especially for drivers age 50 and older.

Take the AARP Smart Driver classroom course and you could save money on your car insurance!

- Refresh your driving skills and knowledge of the rules of the road.
- Learn techniques for handling left turns, right-of-way and roundabouts.
- Discover proven driving methods to help keep you and your loved ones safe on the road.
- Be eligible to receive a discount on the liability portion of your auto insurance for three years

DATE

April 16th and 17th, 2020 9am to 1pm

REQUIREMENT

Must attend both dates

LOCATION

Lake Villa Township
37908 N. Fairfield Road
Lake Villa, IL 60046



REGISTER

To Register call Lake Villa Township at 847-356-2116



Daniel Venturi
Supervisor

Jean Smuda
Clerk

Jeffery Lee
Assessor

Jim Jorgensen
Highway Commissioner

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- Paul Berker**
- Joy Johnson**
- Glenn McCollum**
- Barbara Stout**

January Senior Lunch

Our Seniors braved the predicted snow storm January 11th to play games, have fun and win prizes.



Scenes from Winterfest

On Saturday January 25 hundreds enjoyed the Lake Villa Township Winter Festival, there was free food, sledding, skating.



community events

ACHS

- 03/02** No School-Casimir Pulaski
03/05 Board of Education Meeting, Lakes
03/12 Progress Report 6
03/14 Sequoit Pride Main Event, March Madness
03/18, 7pm D117 Jazz Night, Lakes
03/19, 6:45-2:30pm Blood Drive
03/19 Board of Education Meeting, ACHS
03/23-27 Spring Break
04/05, 2pm NHS Induction
04/10 No School
04/14 PSAT Testing Day
04/16 Board of Education Meeting Lakes
04/16-18, 7pm Musical
04/19, 2pm Musical
04/23 Progress Report 7
04/25 PROM
04/29, 9am Recognition Assembly-All School
05/04-15 AP Testing
05/05, 7pm Instrumental Concert
05/06, 7pm Choir Concert
05/11, 7pm Honors Night
05/12-13 Senior Finals
05/15 Graduation Practice & Senior Picnic
05/17, 1pm Graduation - Class of 2020
05/18 NO LATE START
05-22 Final Exams-Tentative
05/21 Board of Education Meeting, Tentative
05/25 Memorial Day-No School

Antioch Township

- 02/28, 9am** Cards, Cuts & Coffee
03/02, 10am Monthly Monday Movie Series
03/19, 10am March Madness: Bingo & Snacks
04/03, 12pm Book Club, Township
04/06, 10am Monthly Monday Movie Series
04/17, 6pm Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre
04/20, 9am AARP Safe Driving Class
04/21, 9am AARP Safer Driving Class
04/24, 9am Cards, Cuts & Coffee
04/30, 10am Super Senior Event
 Secretary of State Mobile Driver's Services
05/04, 10am Monthly Monday Movie Series
05/08, 12pm Book Club, Township
05/21 The Dancing Horses & Exotic Birds Trip
06/06, 9am-5pm Potawatomi Trails Fund Raiser

Antioch Public Library

- 04/19-25** National Library Week
05/02, 9am-2pm Free Comic Book Day & Mini-Con
05/30 Summer Reading Program Launch Event
March-May Growing Spaces - Programs

Antioch School District 34

- 03/02** NO SCHOOL, Teacher In-Service Day
03/17 Regular Board Meeting
03/23-27 NO SCHOOL, Spring Break
04/10 NO SCHOOL, Board Holiday
04/21 Regular Board Meeting
04/22, 7pm 4th/5th Grade Band Concert at AUGS
04/28, 6:30pm 2nd/3rd & 4th/5th Orchestra Concert at AUGS
04/30, 7pm AUGS Choir Concert at AUGS
05/13, 6:30pm AUGS Band & Jazz Band Concert at AUGS
05/14, 6:30pm AUGS Orchestra Concert at AUGS
05/19 Regular Board Meeting
05/25 NO SCHOOL, Memorial Day

Fox Lake District 114

- 02/11, 6:30pm** PTA, Stanton
02/18, 7pm Board of Education Meeting, Lotus Cafeteria
03/03, 6pm Bilingual Parent Advisory Committee Learning Night, Ferney Ramirez Presentation, Lotus Gym
03/07 Robert D. Sayles Foundation Fundraiser
03/10, 6:30pm PTA, Stanton
03/17, 7pm Board of Education Meeting, Lotus Library

LCHS

- 02/28, 7pm** Musical Little Shop of Horrors
02/29, 7pm Musical Little Shop of Horrors
03/01, 2pm Musical: Little Shop of Horrors
03/06, 7pm Musical: Little Shop of Horrors
03/07, 7pm Musical: Little Shop of Horrors
03/08, 7pm Musical: Little Shop of Horrors
03/13, 7pm Band, Choir & Orchestra Masterworks
03/18 D117 Jazz Night
03/23-27 No School - Spring Break
04/02, 6:30pm Spring College Planning
04/04 Easter Bunny Breakfast
04/14 SAT School Test
04/24, 6pm D117 Art Show, LCHS
04/25 Lakes Eagles Booster Bash
04/28 Art Show 6:00 pm
04/29, 7pm Spring Choir Concert
05/02, 7pm Prom
05/04-15 AP Testing
05/06, 7pm Spring/Band Orchestra Concert
05/17, 5pm Graduation Class of 2020
05-22 Final Exams

Lake Villa Township

- 03/13, 12pm** St. Pat's Senior Lunch, Lake Villa Township Community Center
04/16 & 04/17/20, 9am-1pm AARP Smart Driving Course, Lake Villa Township Office

Grass Lake School

- 02/17** Presidents Day No School
02/18, 4pm Girls Basketball Home Game vs North Prairie
02/18, 6:30pm Board of Education Meeting
02/23 PTO Meat Raffle
02/24 8th Grade Girls Basketball Tournament
02/28 End of Trimester
03/06, 7-9pm 5th-8th Grade Spring Dance
03/08 PTO Family Bowling Night
03/10, 6-8pm Superintendent Forum
03/17, 6:30pm Board of Education Meeting
03/18, 1pm Early Release
03/23 Spring Break
03/30 School Resumes from Spring Break
04/01, 1pm Early Release
04/05 PTO EGG HUNT
04/06 IAR Testing Begins
04/10 No School
05/04 Spring Map Testing
05/29 End of Trimester
05/29 Proposed Last Day of School

Emmons District 33

- 02/17** No School:Presidents Day
02/19, 7pm Board of Education Meeting
02/28 End of Trimester 2
03/02 No School: Casimir Pulaski Day
03/10 PTO Meeting @6pm
03/18, 7pm Board of Education Meeting
03, 1:30pm Early Dismissal
03/23-27 No School: Spring Break
04/10 No School Good Friday
04/13 No School
04/14, 6pm PTO Meeting
04/15, 7pm Board of Education Meeting

Lindenhurst Park District

- 03/27, 11am** \$1-Spring Break Show-Circus Boy
04/04, 10am Free-Egg Hunt, Ages-2-8, 9-11 at Millenium Park in Lindenhurst
04/19 Wedding Garage Sale Sunday at the Lindenhurst Park District
05/02, 8-10am Cinco De Miles 5K Run/Walk at the Lindenhurst Park District, Ages 13 and under & 14+
05/16, 7-9am Free-Carp Fishing Derby, All Ages
06/08, 8pm Glow Walk at Forest View Park
07/10, 9:30-10:30am Pop-Up in the Park at Millenium Park in Lindenhurst
07/21, 5pm Fitness Fun Course Walk at Mallard Ridge Park

More details at www.lindenhurstparks.org

community events

Antioch Chamber of Commerce

05/02

Derby Hat Day w/After Party & Derby Race Visit AntiochChamber.org for info & tickets

March-April-May

Wizards Weekend Day - Tickets are now on sale Kids School of Magic, Wizard Pub Crawl, Wizard After Party, visit AntiochChamber.org

Lake Villa Chamber of Commerce

03/29, 9-4pm Spring Fest at Palombi Middle School

Lake Villa School District 41

02/10, 7:00pm Board Meeting

02/14 No School (Teacher's Institute)

02/17 No School (President's Day)

02/24, 4:00pm Community Meeting to share D41 Referendum Information

02/24, 7pm Board of Education Meeting

03/02, 7pm Community Meeting to share D41 Referendum Information

03/16, 7pm Board of Education Meeting

03/17, 6am-7pm Election Day

03/23-27 Spring Break

04/06, 7pm Board of Education Meeting

04/10 No School - Non-Attendance Day

04/20, 7pm Board of Education Meeting

05/18, 7pm Board of Education Meeting

05/25 Memorial Day - No School

06/01 Last Day of School (if no Emergency Days are used)

06/15, 7pm Board of Education Meeting

Village of Antioch

02/10, 6:00pm Camp Crayon Registration residents only

03/02, 9:00am Camp Crayon Registration Open to non-residents

03/01, 11:30am Mother-Son Bowling

03/01, 1:30pm Mother-Son Bowling

03/01, 3:30pm Mother-Son Bowling

03/09, 9:00am Spring Wine Walk tickets on Sale

03/01 Summer Day Camp Registration, online

04/09, 8-8:30pm Flashlight Egg Hunt

04/11, 10:30am-1pm Eggcellent Easter Adventure Parade & Hunt

4/16, 4-7pm Bike Resale Drop-Off Day

04/17, 12-6pm Bike Resale Drop-Off Day

04/18, 8-11am Bike Resale

04/25, 10am-2pm Eco Fair

04/26, 12-2pm Mother Daughter Bingo

04/26, 2:30pm-4:30pm Mother Daughter Bingo

04/26, 5-7pm Mother Daughter Bingo

05/09, 12:45-4:15pm Spring Wine Walk

05/23, 12-6:30pm Pool Opens (Tentative Date)

06/11, 7:30-9pm It's Thursday Concert

06/18, 7:30-9pm It's Thursday Concert

06/20, 4-7pm Antioch Pageant

06/25, 7-9pm It's Thursday Concert

06/28, 8am-2pm Antioch Street Market

community contacts

ANTIOCH

Chamber of Commerce

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antiochchamber.org

Fire Department

(non-emergency)

847-395-5511

Police Department

(non-emergency)

847-395-8585

Post Office

847-395-3482

Public Works

847-395-1881

Economic Development

847-395-1000

Parks and Recreation

847-395-2160

Senior Center

847-395-0139

Village Hall

847-395-1000

antioch.il.gov

Permits Coordinator

Ext. 302

Building Inspector

Ext. 309

Village Clerk

Ext. 304

Antioch Township

847-395-3378

antiochtownshipil.gov

Township Assessor's Office

847-395-1545

Township Highway Department

847-395-2070

Antioch Public Library District

847-395-0874

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LINDENHURST

Village

847-356-8252

lindenhurstil.org

Police Department

(non-emergency)

847-356-5400

Public Works

847-356-8252

Park District

847-356-6011

lindenhurstparks.org

Chamber of Commerce

847-356-8446

lvchamber.com

LAKE VILLA

Village Hall

847-356-6100

lake-villa.org

Police Department

(non-emergency)

847-356-6106

Public Works

847-356-6100

Lake Villa District Library

847-356-7711

lvdl.org

Rescue Squad

847-356-2992

Fire Department

847-356-2525

Township Supervisor

847-356-2116

lakevillatownship.org

Township Assessor

847-356-2383

lvassessor.org

Township Highway Department

847-356-5831

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SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Lake Villa School District 41

847-356-2385

district41.org

Palombi Middle School

847-356-2118

Hooper Elementary School

847-356-2151

Thompson Elementary School

847-265-2488

Martin Elementary School

847-245-3400

Community HS District 117

847-395-9001

chsd117.org

Antioch Community HS

847-395-1421

Lakes Community HS

847-838-7100

Antioch School District 34

847-838-8400

antioch34.com

Antioch Elementary

847-838-8901

W.C. Petty Elementary

847-838-8101

Hillcrest Elementary School

847-838-8001

Oakland Elementary School

847-838-8601

Antioch Upper Grade

847-838-8301

Emmons School District 33

847-395-1105

emmons33.org

Grass Lake School District 36

847-395-1550

gls36.org

Fox Lake Grade School District 114

847-973-4028

dl14.org





our community

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Crosstown Classic

On January 10, 2020, the Antioch Sequoits varsity girls basketball team travelled to Lakes Community High School to take on their inner-district rival Lakes Eagles. The final score was 47-29 in favor of the Sequoits. Pictured above is Antioch's center, Jada-Ashley Shaputis, driving to the basket against Lakes's defenders (left to right) Grace Sullivan, Karlee Skinner and Kailey Gara.

Have a great photo from our community?

Send us your high-res image to connections@chsd117.org and we will select the best image to be featured here on *Community Capture!*

MOTHER SON BOWLING

MOTHER-SON BOWLING

ANTIOCH LANES
750 IL Route 173, Antioch

SUNDAY, MARCH 1 • \$15/PERSON

Select a time:
11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m.

INCLUDES: TWO GAMES, SHOE RENTAL,
PIZZA, PHOTOS, RAFFLES, & MORE

REGISTER: at ANTIOCH.IL.GOV or Parks and Rec/Holbek Drive, 847-395-2160

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SATURDAY
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10 A.M. TO 2 P.M.

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1625 Deep Lake Road, Antioch



Learn ways to enjoy & protect the environment • Learn to reduce, reuse, & recycle
Learn about native plants & animals, gardening & organic foods, alternative energy
Discover earth-friendly products • Kids: join in a recycled art contest!

MOTHER-DAUGHTER BINGO LUNCH

ANTIOCH SENIOR CENTER
817 Holbek Drive, Antioch

SUNDAY, APRIL 26 • \$15/PERSON

Select a seating time:
Noon, 2:30 p.m., 5 p.m.

A UNIQUE LADIES' EVENT
WITH ENTERTAINMENT, BINGO
& BUFFET-STYLE LUNCH
PROVIDED BY ANTIOCH ROSATI'S PIZZA

REGISTER: at ANTIOCH.IL.GOV or Parks and Rec/Holbek Drive, 847-395-2160



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Lake Villa Township's Senior Event St. Patrick's Day Friday March 13, 2020 Noon



Lake Villa Township West Campus Community Center
37850 N. Rt. 59 Lake Villa, IL

Please join us for an afternoon of fun, bingo with Corned beef and cabbage



Wear your lucky Irish charm



Please R.S.V.P

Please bring a non-perishable food item for the Lake Villa Township Food pantry

For more information contact Lake Villa Township

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