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Living and learning in northwestern Lake County

*A community magazine for Antioch,
Lake Villa and Lindenhurst*



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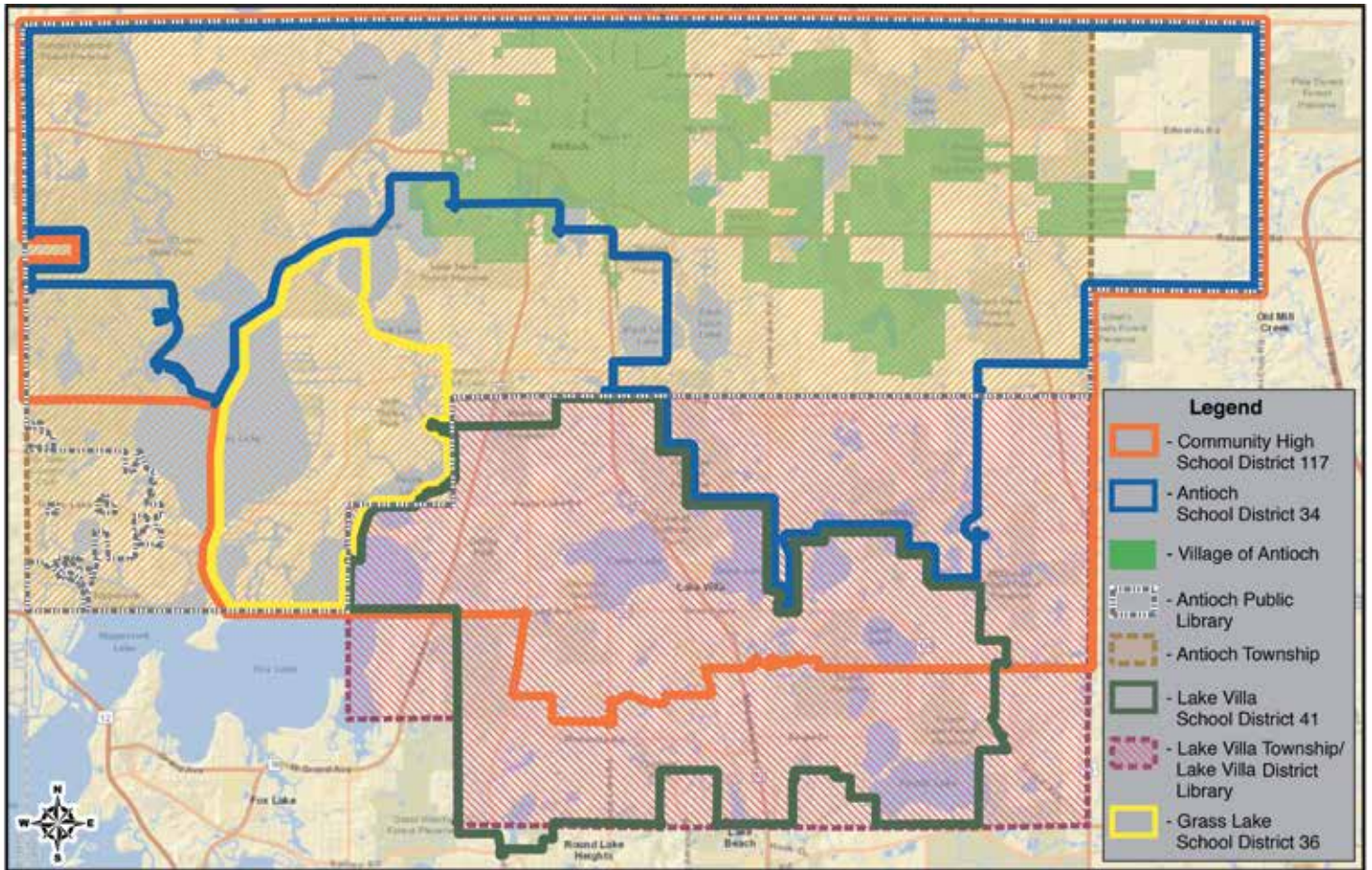
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CONNECTIONS, a quarterly magazine in publication since 2015, is a collaborative effort among several taxpayer-supported organizations to keep residents informed about news and events in Antioch, Lake Villa, and Lindenhurst. Enjoy our winter issue—the final edition of 2018. We appreciate your feedback. Please send comments or questions to connections@chsd117.org.

AREA MAP



By the Numbers

Grass Lake District 36

3 Grass Lake School Board Members recognized as Level 1 Board Members because they have accumulated more than 60 professional development points

Emmons District 33

3,527 acts of kindness completed by students during our 15-Day Kindness Challenge

Lake Villa Township

1,500 pounds of fresh produce donated by our neighbors and the Kiwanis Giving Garden

Antioch Community High School

84 Cum Laude graduates at ACHS last year — an increase to 27.4 percent of the graduating class

Lakes Community High School

554 students involved in student activities and 454 involved in athletics — so far!

Antioch School District 34

24 students is the average class size in Antioch School District 34

Lake Villa School District 41

\$92,480 received in energy efficiency incentives this summer

Village of Antioch

218 Roofing permits issued in 2017

904 Roofing permits issued in 2018 (to date)

13 Siding permits issued in 2017

62 Siding permits issued in 2018 (to date)

Fox Lake District 114

\$44,140 raised on the Day of Service to support District 114 educational programs

CONNECTIONS

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Oakland Elementary School

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ON THE COVER:

Students from Community High School District 117's Interact Club helped the Antioch Rotary Club run its annual auction event at St. Peter's School on October 6. As part of the live auction, the students presented items on stage. They also assisted in managing the silent auction. Proceeds from the event support Antioch Rotary Club programs, including the student scholarship program. Photo credit: Randie Reynolds

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From the Mayor's Office

Main Street and more: looking back to look ahead

So many things go on in a day. I get into a routine and start checking off things I want to accomplish. An old-school printed calendar and reminder texts on my cellphone are the go-to's that work for me.

I've realized that no matter how those "to-do's" stack up, there needs to be flexibility. I need to be able to shift gears, try new approaches, allow things to take a priority, or shift some to the back burner, if needed. There isn't a verbatim method or blueprint. But what I feel we all have, that steadfast, is our experience—the learning, doing and taking it on. I was reminded of this recently as I sat at my desk planning for a meeting.

Our Village of Antioch "home" is a unique building with lots of character. The original structure nestled in downtown was built in 1964. Where I sit wasn't always a mayor's office; it was a meeting room and other shared space. By luck and some furniture shifting, I found myself at the front of the building. I would have to say that the view of the heart of our downtown from my desk is prime real estate (and, you're always welcome to come by). And, it's this view that brings me to sharing my thoughts.

The view taking shape

Looking out at Main Street, seeing businesses and shops, from established to newcomers, to the **Antioch Chamber of Commerce**, which shares our brick and mortar, I understand the value at looking back, reflecting, to effectively look ahead. Those experiences are building blocks, learnings for the future. A lifelong resident of Antioch, I graduated from Antioch High School, class of 1978. Once a Sequoit, always a Sequoit. There's pride in all places, from the hallways to the gridiron, to the town center, to my role as mayor. As most young adults, I had interests and plans. I wasn't sure where things would take me. What I did know—my roots, my passion for the community and my values—help set my path.

In high school, I began working at **BJ's Fashions for Men**, a Main Street fixture. It's now closed, after a 43-year successful run. It was a part-time position, which would grow into an early career and provide lifelong skills beyond my expectations. I was eager to take on responsibility, but had a lot to learn. My understanding of the economic impact of a downtown landscape grew, the need to keep it vital and viable, for shopkeepers

and shoppers. One of the biggest takeaways I had was learning to understand the "customer," their needs, and really listening to learn how I could help. All ages, all demographics, all different needs—it didn't matter the product or goods. It was the person that was important—those interpersonal skills, working with peers, serving my neighbors, being up-close, the day-to-day, and that positive experience you can create for someone whether there is a purchase now, later, or not at all—valuable skills that I use every day in my role as mayor.

One community

We are all one community, growing and thriving. Our downtown, commercial and industrial corridors as well, reflect community image, pride, prosperity and investment. We don't always talk about numbers and figures, but they are important. These core areas represent a significant portion of the Village's tax base that keeps our community fiscally sound. Our Main Street is also historic, from storefronts that date back to early 1900s, to the nearby Hiram Buttrick Sawmill (800 Cunningham Drive) that offers a pristine setting to so many as they frequent walks to town. A healthy Main Street helps property values in neighborhoods and our commercial district offers convenience with easy access and less travel for shopping.

Our downtown is the center for our Village government (874 Main Street), as well as an important center for services such as banking and finance, real estate, attorneys, physicians, insurance and more. Restaurants and eateries, from casual to fine dining, to sweets, baked goods and coffees, every taste is covered. Games, hobbies, movies and theatre, art, antiques and treasures, to a special gift you find with the help of a local merchant, we are fortunate to have what so many communities strive to create. As we look to the future, it's important to remember who we are as a community, while planning with vision and sensitivity for growth and success.

Important civic groups are hosted here, to parades and special events. I will always hold our 125-Year Celebration Parade and the thousands lining the sidewalks, close to my heart. I have been involved with local groups that call this spot home for many years. You could say I "cut my teeth" being one of the youngest members of the Antioch



Chamber of Commerce. I also served as a Village Trustee for 14 years, before becoming mayor in 2009. I've been a long-standing member of the Antioch Lions Club for over 25 years, a Rotarian, and a member of the former Jaycees.

What I see through my office window, the people in our shops and on sidewalks, in conversations we share, is heart. Our Main Street is not only important public and private investments, but personal, emotional, and human investment. I am honored to be a part of this wonderful community, as a resident and mayor. Together, our **Village of Antioch Board of Trustees** and our entire Village team, from administration to economic development, do an amazing job.

I encourage you to keep our downtown and Main Street in your "view" just like I do from my office. **Shop here, eat here, play here—and do it again and again.** Get to know your local businesses and all they have to offer. You'll be glad you did.

—Mayor Lawrence "Larry" Hanson
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HAPPY HOLIDAYS

 **GO ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

Village of Antioch
ANTIOCH.IL.GOV

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ANTIOCHCHAMBER.ORG

Antioch Rotary Club
ANTIOCHROTARY.ORG

Antioch Lions Club
Facebook: LionsClubOfAntioch



Village of Antioch: 847-395-1000 • antioch.il.gov

Up to snow good

Antioch Public Works Department is road-ready for winter

Winter roadways can be a challenge. Driving and getting around, when temperatures plummet and those pretty snowflakes start sticking, can get a little intimidating. Being prepared and road-ready, as a driver, and with the help of the **Village of Antioch Public Works**, those potential white-knuckle moments can be managed.

There are lots of duties in a day of operations for the Public Works Department. Think: parks and recreation, trees and green space, building upkeep, fleet maintenance, roads and infrastructure, wastewater treatment, and more. Add in the unpredictability of winter, and there's a lot on the punch list. Just in the terra firma-world alone, Public Works is responsible for 58 miles of roads within its boundaries.

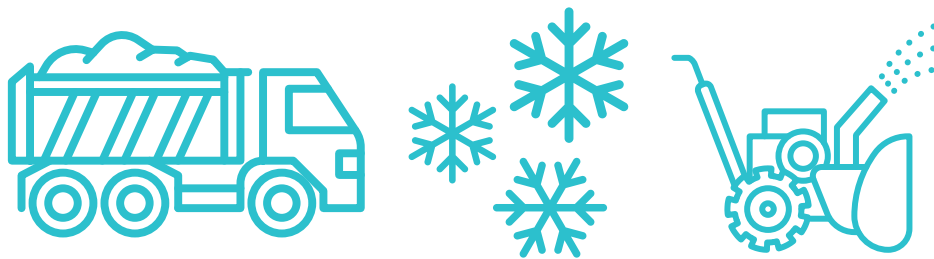
There's no crystal ball for what's ahead. Forecasting models, historical data, and the *Old Farmer's Almanac*, too, try their best for accuracy. But, nothing is better than preparedness. "We're thinking and planning ahead, no matter what the season. Winter can add demanding conditions; we're ready," said Director of Public Works, Dennis Heimbrodt. "We perform maintenance year-round, roadways, sidewalks, entryways, to the fleet, to team training for plowing." And, speaking of the *Old Farmer's Almanac*, their latest edition calls for December to be the snowiest for the Lower Lakes Region.



"Road-ready" begins before snowfall for Village of Antioch Public Works.

Plan, plan, plan

Antioch can be considered one of the snowiest places in Illinois. Resting along the Illinois and Wisconsin border, it can experience overlapping weather patterns and extreme shifts. In Public Works, planning for the future is vital, and that "future" can be as close as the next storm update. Providing proper road conditions for safe travel and transport is key. Demanding weather requires exercising greater care and judgment, second nature for this department with countless hours and miles covered,



Village of Antioch

- plows/deices 58 miles of roadways each winter •
- spreads 2,000 tons of salt for snow removal •
- assists and coordinates with IDOT and LCDOT when needed •
 - average snowfall per year (60002): 42.9" •¹
- January usually has the most precipitation, with an average temperature of 25° •¹
 - Dedicates an average of 1,500 hours for snow removal for pedestrian and community access, i.e. sidewalks and entryways •

1. bestplaces.net/climate/zip-code/illinois/antioch/60002

and experience under their belt. With seasons that have begun as early as November and lasted to April, what's accomplished is amazing.

"We encourage our residents to stay informed on conditions and take those into account when planning their trips," said Heimbrodt. "And, we do the same, tailoring our operations for the situation." Operations for winter roadways take into consideration the volume of traffic on a road, the road class, the nature of the traffic, climate and conditions, and key needs for the Village and emergency responders.

They're snow good

It is the Public Works' goal to get all the snow and ice removed as soon as possible, and buildings and facilities kept accessible. That can mean working in shifts, being on-call, shifting priorities within the workday, and having all hands on deck (or, should we say, "on plow"). While most of us are nestled warm in our beds, with wind chills too low for comfort, the team is snow boots to the ground.

A staff of sixteen, this proficient and well-trained department is accustomed to keeping the Village running smoothly, all seasons, harsh weather included. Training and preparation are ongoing, from advance ordering

of materials in springtime, to the underside of vehicles, performing preventative maintenance of the fleet in-house, which saves time and the expense of outsourcing. Their ever-ready toolkit includes a full complement, with the seasonal operation dedicating the necessities including dump trucks, front-end loaders with plows, attachments and tractors that scoop out cul-de-sacs, to snowblowers and the hearty and steady shovel.

Antioch's Public Works would like to remind everyone that they can help in winter, too. Residents should be prepared for delays when exceptional weather comes about. Reducing speed, deciding when and if you should go out, to making sure your sidewalks and walkways are clear and dry, are great safety starters. Parking may also be limited and certain restrictions on roads go into effect when there is snow. Residents can get more information online with a dedicated webpage and handy **Frequently Asked Questions** area, that covers things like, "What streets are plowed by the Village?" to "Do I have to shovel in front of my house?"

So, the next time you see an Antioch plow truck, give them a smile or wave, and know they're out there taking care of the roads you travel, mile after mile, with your safety in mind.

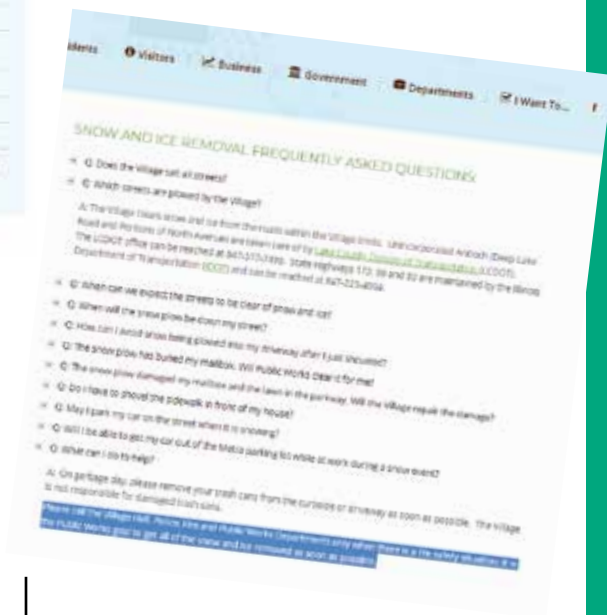
 **GO ONLINE FOR HELPFUL WINTER INFORMATION:**

ANTIOCH.IL.GOV/PUBLIC-WORKS/



Winter can add demanding conditions; we're ready."

— Dennis Heimbrodt
Director of Public Works



Check out the dedicated webpage.

Department of Public Works: 847-395-1881
www.antioch.il.gov

That's handy

Village's mobile app puts handy on-demand access at your fingertips

At your fingertips, on-demand, 24/7—it's how information is available. If that's not how you're getting things delivered in your world, you want the option available, and served up with ease. Last year, the Village of Antioch partnered with **E-GovLink**, for a mobile app for residents and visitors, putting a wealth of deliverables as close as a swipe or scroll. Working with E-GovLink has allowed the Village the opportunity to embrace technology to best serve the community.

This app brings together information for upcoming events and current news, provides access to the Village

website and Facebook, convenient online registration for programs offered through the Parks and Recreation Department, to options for reporting concerns via geo-location and other requests.

"This is such a valuable tool," said Village of Antioch Administrator, Jim Keim. "It serves up a wealth of information, when you need it. We want to share about it again, so newcomers to our community and maybe those that didn't hear of it, can download and start using."

Now, it's just ready, set and get.

Village of Antioch E-GovLink App

- **Search "E-GovLink"** in your app store (available for Android and iOS).
- Once installed, the home screen will begin by searching for your location. If your location cannot be detected, click on the map icon in the upper-right corner and **search "Antioch, IL."**
- From the app, you can easily make requests to the Village using geo-location and photos.
- After you **tap on** "Citizen Requests," a map of the area will be shown.
- In the map, you have the ability to **zoom in** to a specific location.
- Once the location you'd like to report is in the center circle, **click the right arrow** at the bottom of the screen and you will be asked to select the request type that most closely matches your concern.
- You can also **add a picture** by uploading one from your cellphone's photo gallery or take one.
- Finally, **describe** your request and **click submit. It's that easy!**



Village of Antioch: 847-395-1000
www.antioch.il.gov

 **DOWNLOAD THE APP TODAY!**

Winter

Enjoy wintertime
in Antioch

joy

NEW: Indoors

Kringle's Christmas Village Tour



On display through New Year's Day
Antioch Shopping Plaza on Orchard Street
(just down from Piggly Wiggly, opposite end, past restaurants)
Browse in warmth and awe in a self-guided, at-your-own-pace
view of dozens of oversized shadowboxes filled to the brim
with quaint scenes rivaling some of the best display windows
seen anywhere. Each display is filled with miniature fun
of the holidays and more. **FREE.** For all ages.



Dickens Holiday Village Downtown Antioch

On display through New Year's Day
Dickens Holiday Village is back with even more handcrafted Dickens
characters made by volunteer artists. This unique, public art program
showcases characters from the beloved story, in themed costumes with
attention to detail, and plaques describing scenes that inform and
serve as great educational tools. Take a self-guided tour and
enjoy this one-of-a-kind experience as you meander the wonderful
downtown. **FREE.** For all ages.

These events are brought to you by the Antioch Chamber of Commerce.
Thank you to their organization and the many involved.
Wishing all of our community a wonderful season—Village of Antioch

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SANTA VISITS

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 ACROSS FROM
 PM&L THEATRE

KIDS! TWO great ways to ENJOY

1 FREE THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS
 5:30 PM – 9 PM, THRU DEC. 21

2 SPECIAL VISITS
 SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS
 NOON – 4 PM, THRU DEC. 23

On these days, Santa has invited two of his "Frozen" friends to be with him for photo taking and visits.

All kids receive a gift, too!
\$5 per person (fee for all ages)

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Donut feel good to read?

Children can beat the winter blues with Antioch Public Library District's Winter Reading Program.

Register at apld.beanstack.org and complete the program by reaching a baker's dozen in points!

A point is equal to one book, one day read, or 10 minutes of reading.

That means to finish, you must read 13 books, 13 days, 130 minutes, or any combination of the three!

Another great thing about the Winter Reading Program is you don't have to go out in the cold to find great reads at the library.

Go online at apld.info to pick from a vast collection of ebooks through the APLD online library.

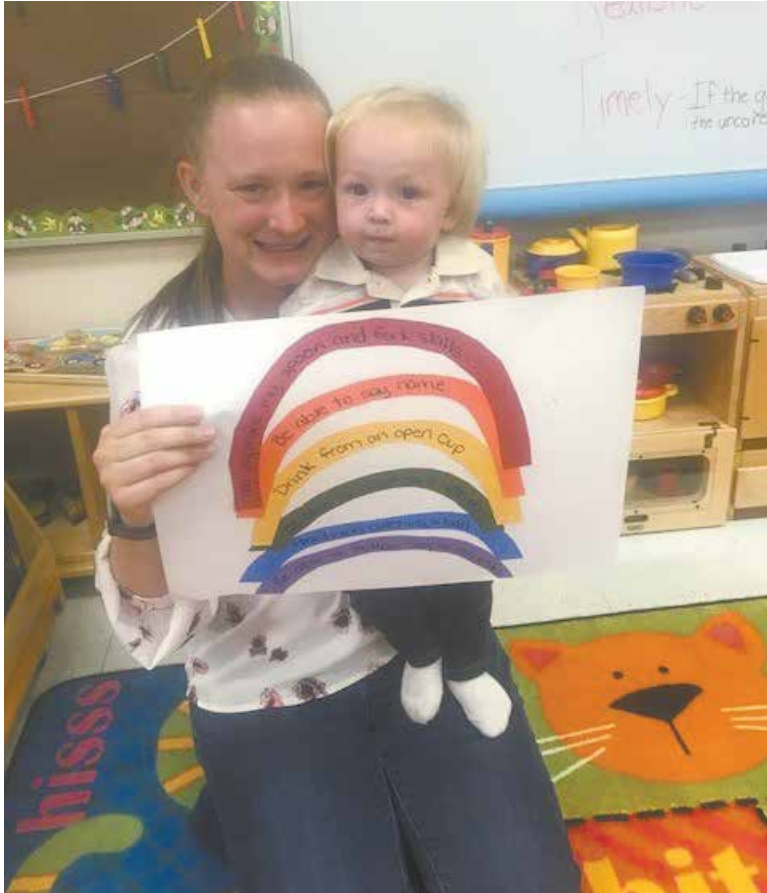
Registration and logging begins January 2, and the program ends February 16. Kids who complete the program receive a coupon for a free donut from Lovin' Oven. Come get your prizes starting February 1!



Antioch Public Library District ~ 757 N. Main St., Antioch ~ 847-395-0874 ~ apld.info

Providing for the Community Since 1921

Early Start Birth-3 Program in District 34



Pictured: Carter and his mom creating their SMART goals for the new school year at a Group Connection in the Early Start Birth-3 classroom at Hillcrest Elementary School.

The Early Start Birth-3 year program held at Hillcrest Elementary School, is a Blue Ribbon Affiliate prevention initiative program. The purpose of the program is to strengthen families and promote the well-being of children through parent education and support. Families receive information on child development, resources and referrals to local agencies, and opportunities to participate in group community activities and engage in home visits.

District 34 believes parents and primary caregivers are the first and most important teachers in a child's life. The parent and child relationship should be nurtured, celebrated, and preserved. We believe it is our responsibility to guide and promote parent education, support services, and community resources. We embrace the uniqueness of every family. We respect and understand the context of the history and culture of the families in our community. We believe that collaboration and partnership along with effective communication between home and school accelerates student success.

We offer free developmental and social emotional screenings for children living in Antioch School District 34. Areas of assessment include communication, fine and gross motor, personal, social, and problem solving. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please contact Jennifer Dziubla or Marnie Pedersen at 847-838-8032.

Antioch School District #34
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Phone: 847-838-8400

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Bus Drivers

(NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY)

Speech Language Pathologist

(CERTIFICATION REQUIRED)

Substitute Teachers & Paraprofessionals

(CERTIFICATION REQUIRED)

Antioch School District 34 is seeking hard working people who want to make a difference in the lives of children. We offer a competitive salary and benefits.

All positions require successful completion of a background check and physical.

Go to www.antioch34.com to apply

Antioch School District 34 is an Equal Opportunity Employer

District 34 Master Facility Plan on Schedule and on Budget!



Oakland Elementary has undergone some significant renovations and improvements since March of 2018. Anyone who drives by can see the dramatic changes that have taken place on the outside of the building with the new construction, but there has been a considerable amount of work that has been completed within the existing building to update it and prepare it to meld seamlessly with the new construction.

The entire entrance and office area has been renovated. This includes a new vestibule, conference room, nurse's office, administrative office, and offices for our social worker and psychologist. Carpet, a new color scheme for the walls, and energy-efficient lighting have been installed in all corridors to make them both quieter and give them a sense of space.

A new art room and a kindergarten room have been created as well as an open collaborative area in the main hall. Our existing classrooms all had new Uni-vents installed to prepare for air-conditioning the building next school year. Finally, our library-media center has been improved with new carpet and lighting, skylights to bring in natural light, and new furniture. Oakland is well on its way to becoming a modern, inviting, and vibrant building for our learners to enjoy for years to come.

Antioch Elementary School, while in its final year as an elementary building, had some improvements completed this past summer. Work was done to repair some of the tile flooring in the hallways and classrooms. Some of these tiles had not been touched in many years and were starting to show much wear and tear.

The improvement to the flooring was very much welcomed by the staff and students. Additionally, the teachers' lounge was upgraded with new carpeting and a new air conditioning unit. The biggest improvement

and most noticeable by far was the installation of air conditioning units to a majority of classrooms. Most of the staff, especially those that have been here for many years, never thought they would freeze in an AES classroom during the summer months. These improvements will continue to be enjoyed for many years to come by our early childhood education staff as AES will become Antioch's Early Childhood Center.

W.C. Petty Elementary School has an entirely new look this school year, and we are still looking forward to more structural changes. Upon entering the building through our temporary front door, the first thing you'll notice is our newly carpeted hallways. The new carpet brings a new vibrancy and freshness to the building's ambience. Our library media center and the future collaborative learning spaces are another significant change to our building.

Everyone is enjoying the daylight that shines through our new skylights. In addition to our skylights, modern LED lighting has been installed to our existing renovated spaces. LED light is more cost effective, energy efficient and conducive to the learning environment. Two of our current classrooms have been retrofitted for our future Art and PLTW classrooms. After winter break of this school year, we look forward to reopening our newly renovated office space which will include an upgraded nurse's office and secure front entrance. Next fall we will begin our school year with our new addition which will include four new classrooms, a brand new gymnasium, two music rooms, various storage and office spaces plus an activity entrance for evening events. In addition to our new indoor spaces, the students will have a blacktop play area and playground again. The welcomed changes have been refreshing for both students and staff alike.



Antioch Upper Grade School Celebration Assemblies

In an ongoing effort to strengthen the school climate at Antioch Upper Grade School (AUGS) this year, AUGS has introduced monthly Celebration Assemblies to recognize staff and student successes. The Celebration Assemblies have a “pep



assembly” feel to them. Each team of teachers has an opportunity to facilitate a fun game or activity to begin the assembly with the students.

The 6th grade Titans were the first team of teachers to lead the Celebration Assembly. The festive environment included music, school mascot participation, and t-shirts launched into the crowd to set the stage for the assembly.

Celebration Assemblies are also an opportunity for students to be reminded of the Warrior Way, to be safe, to be respectful and to be responsible. After the activity, administrators announced Student of the Month awards, PBIS raffle



winners and a new staff award called the “Spirit of the Warrior” award. This award is given to a different staff member each month and there is a traveling trophy that goes along with this award. Staff are nominated by their peers.





Left to right: Anna Olsem, Justin Crow, Lainey Russo, Jacques Montes, Aiden Van Alstine, Michelle Lavacca





Teaching and Learning

Inspiring a Passion for Personal Excellence

Strategic Plan 2018-2019

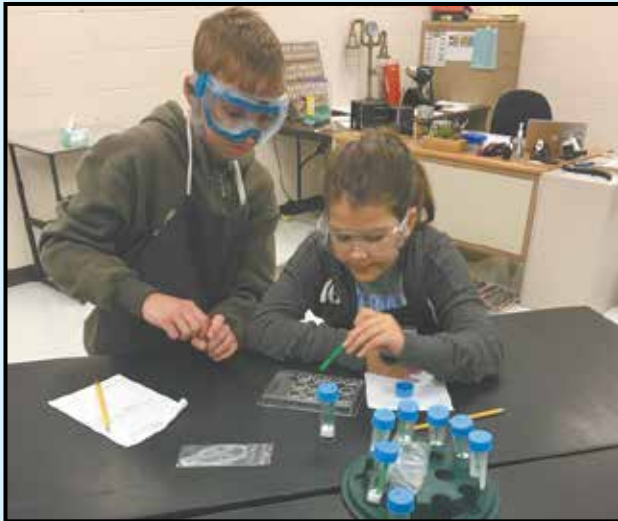
MISSION

To inspire a passion for learning that empowers all students to achieve **personal excellence**.

VISION

Students will achieve **personal excellence** when everyone demonstrates:

- Commitment to continuous improvement
- High expectations for academic, social, emotional and behavioral growth
- Effective collaboration, communication, critical thinking and creativity
- Ownership, responsibility and accountability for growth and development



CORE VALUES/COMMITMENTS

We believe students learn in **different ways and at different rates**.

We believe it is our responsibility to guide students towards **self-sufficiency, ownership, responsibility and accountability for their own learning**.

We believe in providing a **safe and secure environment** in order to foster a community of collaborative learners.

We value **continuous improvement through teamwork, collaboration and shared leadership** at all levels.

We believe a **high-quality staff** is essential to a high-achieving school system.

We believe that **corroborative partnerships and effective communication** among the community, home and school accelerates student success.

We believe the District must be a **good steward** of community resources.

SMART GOALS

Goal 1: By Spring of 2019, a science pilot will be completed, the adoption of a new science curricular tool will be made, staff will receive professional development to prepare them for implementation in 2019-2020.

Goal 2: By Spring 2019, staff will receive professional development on social science standards, an inventory of current resources and needs assessment will be conducted, and a scope and sequence will be developed.

Goal 3: By Spring 2019, improvements within the areas of Structure/Framework, Academic Intervention, Academic Enrichment, and Social/Emotional/Behavior will be made in alignment with the District Multi-Tiered System of Supports.

District 34 Teaching and Learning Department Embraces Continuous Improvement Efforts in the 2018-2019 School Year!



Teaching and Learning Plan on a Page

Antioch CCSD 34 has been on a continuous improvement journey since 2015 with the development of the District Strategic Plan. In the 2018-2019 school year we are continuing on that improvement journey. The Teaching and Learning department strives to work hard in pursuit of the District mission, so that all students and staff can reach personal excellence. Read more about some of the key initiatives occurring this school year.

Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS)

In 2018-2019, all buildings will be implementing an enhanced *Framework/Structure* utilizing district forms and processes. A new universal screener for academics and social/emotional/behavior called *FastBridge Learning* will be administered three times per school year and then used to progress monitor students throughout the school year. When grade level teams determine that students are in need of additional tiered supports, an Individual Problem-Solving Team (IPST) meeting will take place. Three times per year, all buildings will conduct Universal Data Review (UDR) meetings. UDR meetings will review building data in order to ensure all students' needs are acknowledged by grade level teams.

Academic Intervention Committee members will continue researching, identifying, piloting, and making recommendations to the Curriculum Oversight Committee on additional intervention programs that should be purchased. The goal is to update and extend the available resources, so that interventionists can match student needs to the intervention tool that will best support those needs.

The Academic Enrichment Committee extended its

service model this school year to include Enriched Math in grades K-3 and Project-Based Learning during success period at Antioch Upper Grade School. Refinements were also made to the curricular scope and sequence used for the students receiving gifted services in English Language Arts in grades 3-5.

The Social/Emotional/Behavior Committee members delivered the Tier 1 curricular tool, *Second Step*, to all students in grades K-8. Professional development and refinements are being conducted on the PBIS framework and structure used in Antioch District 34. Staff are learning about systematic and effective Tier 3 services.

Curriculum Review Cycle

The Teaching and Learning department recently made refinements to the Curriculum Review Cycle

in alignment with the Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Audit that was conducted. Science was the first on the list for content area review. Four programs, *Foss*, *Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Dimensions*, *Amplify* and *StemScopes*, were picked to pilot in the fall of 2018. The Science Pilot is up and running. Selection of a curricular tool will take place around winter break with an adoption of a new curricular resource taking place after the new year so all teachers can receive professional development in the spring. The new Science curricular resource will be implemented in grades K-8 in the fall of 2019-2020.

Social Sciences

Formerly known as Social Studies, Social Sciences review has begun this fall. Teachers are attending professional development focused on understanding the new shifts in the Illinois Social Science Learning Standards, unpacking the Illinois Social Science standards, and developing inquiry-based activities to support the new standards. From there, teachers will participate in the development of Social Sciences scope and sequences for grades K-8. Inventory of current resources and a gap analysis of curricular and supplemental resources will be conducted. Alignment with English Language Arts units of study will be investigated in the 2019-2020 school year.

Writing, Grammar, Language Usage

When looking at district data in the areas of Writing, Grammar, and Language Usage, it was identified that these were areas of opportunity for improvement for Antioch District 34. Work that was completed with teacher committees last year have been distributed to all

classrooms throughout District 34. Grade level posters outlining the writing expectations are posted in all classrooms. Teacher-created rubrics are also being used to evaluate student work in these key areas. Additionally, the middle school implemented a digital reference tool that students can access on their iPads to self-assess using the grade level criteria.

School Wide Fundamentals

School Wide Fundamentals has been added as an additional supplemental resource for teachers in grades 3-8. This curricular tool provides teacher guidance in conducting Writer's Workshop and provides guidance for effective writing through the writing process using mentor texts as a model and inspiration.

Differentiation

Teaching and Learning is spending time this school year exposing new teachers to the concept of *Differentiation* and refreshing veteran teachers on the topic. The goal of differentiation is to acknowledge that learners have different needs and address those needs within all curricular areas. Some teachers are attending professional development during the school day on this topic. All teachers have the opportunity to attend after

school *Differentiation Chats* once a month in order to collaborate with colleagues and work with instructional coaches, gifted specialists and the technology integration specialists. Antioch District 34 is committed to working on integrating differentiation into instruction and learning so all students can achieve personal excellence.



Antioch Upper Grade School's Advisory Focus

For the 2018-2019 school year, Antioch Upper Grade School (AUGS) is holding four Advisory

sessions throughout the school year. The purpose of advisory is to build a school culture that supports the needs

of students and staff. It is intended to encourage positive choices, student engagement in the learning process and healthy relationships with peers and staff.

During the first Advisory session in September, staff and students completed introductions and icebreaker activities. The next activity included reviewing student NWEA MAP scores from the Spring of 2018 and setting an achievement goal for the Spring of 2019. In addition, students reflected on strategies to achieve the goals they set for themselves.

Lastly, information about bullying was reviewed. Students and staff discussed the definition of bullying, bystanders, victims, and bullies. Students were also shown the link on the school website to report bullying and shown how to fill out the form if they ever need it.



Letter from Principal Eric Hamilton



In early October, our students were able to enjoy a festive Homecoming Week, culminating with an exciting parade, bonfire, games, and a dance. Homecoming is the tradition of welcoming back former students and members and celebrating an organization's existence. Not only is it about celebrating the existence, but it also serves as an opportunity to

celebrate the successes of the organization. At Antioch Community High School, we have every right to be very proud of the achievements both in and out of the classroom. At the end of October, the Illinois State Board of Education released the Illinois Interactive Report Card for each school in the state. The new federal legislation, Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), has caused the State of Illinois to assign schools a specific Summative Designation: Exemplary, Commendable, Underperforming, Lowest-Performing. Based upon the academic factors included in the performance ratings (SAT scores, graduation rate, and English learner proficiency) and the student success indicators (chronic absenteeism, college and career readiness, and climate survey), Antioch Community High School was rated as Exemplary!

Some highlights from the Illinois School Report Card are:

- The graduation rate is over 10% above the state average
- The English Language Arts proficiency is over 15% higher than the state average.
- The Math proficiency is over 12% higher than the state average.
- The percentage of students that are meeting or exceeding SAT standards for English is 10% higher than the state average.
- The percentage of students that are meeting or exceeding SAT standards for math is 6% higher than the state average.

These successes are a credit to our students, staff, and community. Through collaboratively working together to support our students, we will continue to succeed at high levels. As a school, we are always working on the craft of teaching to make sure that your Sequoit and future Sequoits are receiving the best education possible! Thank you for your ongoing support.

Homecoming Week

Homecoming Court

Freshman Lord/Lady

Evan Vazquez
Ellie Rapp

Sophomore Duke/Duchess

Athan Kaliakmanis
Heidi Wagner

Junior Prince/Princess

Evan Slater
Delaney Scott



2018 QUEEN & KING: Piper Foote & Ben Nauman

Events that week started with the powder puff games, having some upset wins this year with freshmen beating the sophomores, 7-2, and juniors beating the seniors, 13-0. The pep rally/bonfire had fun skits, and the fireworks display was spectacular. The week rounded out with the dance on Saturday, Oct. 13, which was well attended with Boom Tour providing the music for the evening.



As part of her **SUMMIT SERVICE PROJECT** with Venture Crew 92, Samantha Wanke has upgraded the



ACHS courtyard table area with whiteboards. Students can utilize the boards to collaborate and work in groups while in class. Thank you to the staff who assisted!

ACHS welcomes the Class of 2022!



August 7th marked the start of high school for the Freshmen Class of 2022 at ACHS. Students participated in a day of Freshmen Orientation, including a half-day of team building exercises with peers in the same lunch-study periods and another half-day of activities to prepare for the first day of school. Freshmen were the very first D117 students to receive a student-issued Chromebook for use during their high school years. They also learned to use their locker, picked up textbooks, and were welcomed to ACHS with a Class of 2022 t-shirt so they can share their school spirit in style. A week later, on August 15, following a pair of staff Institute Days, freshmen were invited to attend their classes for brief 10-minute segments to get to walk through their schedule, learn the building, and meet their teachers in a safe and fun environment while the building was still all theirs. After these two great experiences, our freshmen were ready to roll when the sophomores, juniors, and seniors joined them on August 16 and classes resumed in full.

The **BROADCAST JOURNALISM CLASS** enjoyed a trip to **WGN-TV** in Chicago on October 26. They observed how a real television studio works.

The **SPEECH COMMUNICATION CLASS** visited **UW-Oshkosh** on October 24 to see college classes in session. This is the dual credit course where students enrolled in the class receive university credit from Oshkosh.

The **TOM TOM** has received several awards this year:

- NSPA (National Scholastic Press Association) Magazine Pacemaker Finalist (Nov. 2 announcement of winner)

- NSPA All-American with five marks of distinction
- CSPA (Columbia Scholastic Press Association) 2018 Hybrid Gold Crown Winner and Gold Medal; 2019 Hybrid Crown Winner (Gold is announced in March).
- All-Kempa award

The **CARDINAL LETTER SOCIETY** (National English Honor Society) inducted 13 new members.

EMILY GARDNER, ZOE SPEICH, ASHLYN SHEPPARD, JOEY WHITTALL, AND EVANGELINE SWANSON attended the **Innovation Convention** in October. They had to brainstorm and present an idea (Shark Tank style) in roughly an hour. Their project, and ACHS, won a \$1,000 grant to place compost bins around the school/cafe to help reduce food waste. They also want to incorporate food sharing with the community, so the compost they create would go to local farmers, who can then donate food back to the school. Food “share bins” will also be placed in the cafeteria so students can deposit their uneaten food that would normally be thrown out in a safe place for those who want or need food.



The **ACHS GERMAN CLUB** celebrated another great Oktoberfest! It has become a tradition to celebrate at House of Gerhard in Kenosha, WI, where they've been going for many years now. Last year there was a record number of 54 German Club members in attendance, and this year tied that record. Students had a choice of three traditional German meals: Wiener Schnitzel, Sauerbraten, or Rouladen, all served with Spaetzle and Rotkohl. The food was outstanding, and the students also enjoyed some singing, dancing, and a fun round of trivia for prizes provided by the owner of the restaurant.



Congratulations to the following students for being selected to one of the **IL MUSIC EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION HONORS GROUPS** for our district. These students prepared music and auditioned along with hundreds of other students from around Lake and Cook counties and were selected to perform in this group. They'll play in a festival in November.

ABBY FELDE – Orchestra
MACKENZIE MANN, SERENA MIELKE, SAMMI SALMI – Band
AARON PAULSEN, CALE WOLF – Jazz band
CALE WOLF – Choir

Students prepare for post-high school



With the fall comes a busy time for seniors as they start to plan for their last year at ACHS. The Student Services Department hosts a number of events to help support students and families with the process of planning for life after ACHS. On September 6, ACHS partnered with the Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC – www.isac.org) to host Financial Aid Night, where students and families could hear from ISAC's knowledgeable staff about how to best manage the process of seeking financial aid for college and available sources of financial aid for families to be aware of. Three weeks later, on

September 26, ACHS's counselors hosted College Planning Night at which dozens of colleges had informational booths available for families to speak with college and university representatives. Antioch counselors and guests also presented break-out sessions on a variety of topics, including using the Naviance program to help students identify colleges that align to their interests, "Show me the money!", and information for aspiring college athletes. Then, on October 3, ACHS counselors and ISAC representatives were again available for FAFSA Workshop Night, where students and families were supported to complete their Free Application for Federal Student Aid on-site with knowledgeable experts available. Look for announcements of further events to come in the spring centered on helping juniors and their families to begin preparing for opportunities after ACHS.

Congratulations to **BRUCE FABER** for receiving the **Recognition Award** at the **2018-2019 Those Who Excel Banquet**, held in October. Mr. Faber was nominated in the category of Community Volunteer. Staff and students appreciate the outstanding dedication and work he has provided for us the past several years.



TYLER CRUM and **DIANA ANGHEL** are the **Board of Education Ambassadors** for the 2018-2019 school year. They do a wonderful job representing ACHS at the monthly board meetings.



A big thank you to all who supported the **BLOOD DRIVE** on October 24. The community, faculty and students helped save **603** lives through their efforts and generosity. Thank you to Gregg Henning, who runs this event.



Athletics



Volunteer Cross Country and Baseball Coach, **JOHN LAPOINTE**, who passed away in late August, was selected as the **IADA Division 2 Friends of Athletics Award** winner. This honor goes to an individual who has demonstrated a commitment to high school athletics by

volunteering his time in the support of high school athletic programs. John will now be one of seven finalists for the IADA Class 2A Friends of Athletics state award winner. We will always remember and be thankful for John and all of his efforts in working with ACHS athletes.

SIERRA WARD and **PIPER FOOTE** were State Tennis qualifiers and had the third farthest advancement of any female tennis players at the state meet in over 30 years.



Research shows us that when children are happy, their brains release endorphins. Endorphins are a feel-good chemical that results in a state of well-being. When endorphins are released, students' brains increase their receptivity for learning. As a way to greet students with a personal touch and stimulate the release of these endorphins early in the morning, we have implemented **"HIGH FIVE FRIDAY"** this year. Every Friday morning departments, clubs, activities, sports, and other groups have signed up to greet students with a positive message of support. The goal is to make sure that every student feels welcome at ACHS and knows they are valued.



CHARLIE SMITH – NLCC Cross Country Champion

VARSITY FOOTBALL – NLCC Champions, with a 9-0 record going into the play-offs. This is the 3rd consecutive year that they have won the NLCC conference.

BOYS GOLF – NLCC Champions

Nick Gagnon was selected to the All-Sportsmanship Team. **Tony Sertic** was a Medalist, with **Alex Riedel** taking 3rd place and **Trevor Gregory** also having an All-Conference finish.

Letter from Principal Dave Newberry

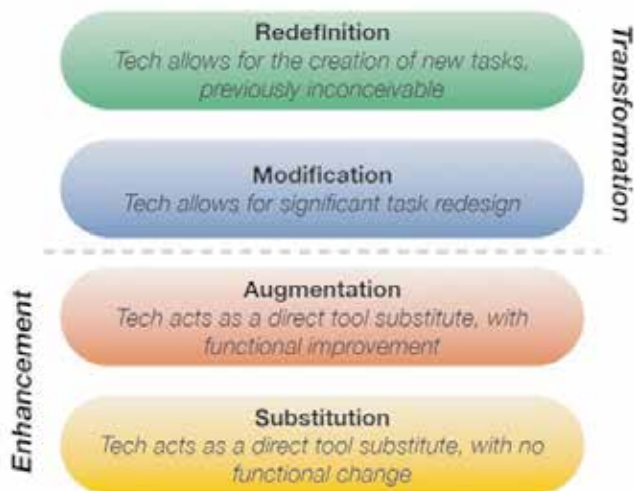


District 117 is moving quickly into the technology age with the implementation of our 1:1 Chromebook Initiative. At the start of the school year, each student was provided an Acer Chromebook as part of his/her school supplies. A tremendous amount of planning went into this rollout, and the results of all this

work have been very positive in terms of the rollout itself and the impact this device has had on learning.

The Technology Committee, made up of students, parents, teachers, administrators, and other community members, has worked hard for the last 10 months planning everything from choosing a device to providing guidance on how these devices can change learning. The group had to consider the impact the device would have in the classroom and outside of the classroom. Students have access to their device 24 hours a day, so determining what appropriate use looks like was important.

The committee agreed on a framework to develop our teachers on how to best use the devices for learning. The SAMR Model was the model we selected to give us an understanding of the potential of this tool. Our goal in the end is to help our staff move from using the device as a substitution for other instructional tools to using it to redefine the work that is being completed by students. The real key is to engage our students in the transformation part of this model the majority of the time. If we are looking for our students to invest in their own education, we have to move the staff and the students up the SAMR Model.



We understand that the device will never replace the teacher in the classroom; however, it can change how we engage students in learning and the depth of what they learn while they are in high school. The technology

provides us with information at our fingertips, and we would be remiss if we did not take advantage of this tool. The use of the Chromebook allows us to support our students' learning in a format that the students are comfortable in!

Changes at Lakes for 2018-19



(photo and story credit: Adam Hartzler, Talon Times)

As students returned to Lakes for the 2018-19 school year, they may have noticed some new additions and changes since last spring. The most obvious change this year is the Chromebooks, as the District went 1:1 to provide every student with an individual laptop. The school welcomed this change by accommodating students' technological needs. In the commons and every locker bay, students can find charging stations to conveniently plug in their Chromebooks and lock it with a pin. Additionally, students can scan their IDs at any printer using the Google Follow-Me-Print tool, which prints any of their latest printing jobs at the closest printer in the building.

In addition to the technological improvements, the school also made some changes to better improve the security of the building.

"The police substation was put into both schools," Mr. Newberry said. These are intended to be used by police when they are on campus and need to complete paperwork.


Two exciting projects that occurred over the summer were the construction of the TI Room and the additional storage behind the cafeteria. The TI Room is a dedicated room for teachers where they receive feedback from instructional coaches. The additional storage room was a \$200,000 addition that was constructed over the summer to accommodate supply storage across the school. Other minor projects occurred in the athletic wing, near the gym and cafeteria where there is added artwork and a newly installed trophy case.

Visit lakesstudentmedia.com for the full story. 

Eagle Theatre Line-up



(photo credit: Bradley Floden, Cobalt Photography)

Eagle Theatre wrapped up its creepy fall production of **NEIGHBORHOOD3** in mid-October. Learn more about the show in this two-minute Eagle Eye News interview with director Ariel Mozes: <https://bit.ly/2ONxMuz>. 

Future performances on the Lakes stage include:

- *The Dining Room* on November 7 and 8
- The 24-Hour Play Festival on December 14
- *The Little Mermaid* from March 1-3 and 7-8
- The Bully Plays in the spring
- The Comedy Festival on April 26 and 27

Service to nature



Dave Auston, AP Environmental Science teacher, and five of his students recently volunteered at Barn Swallow, a wild bird rehabilitation and education center in Wauconda. The group helped to prepare the bird pens for

the winter season. Here, Auston is pictured with Oliver, a great horned owl. He had the chance to hold Oliver as a baby during a volunteer visit last spring. Auston and his students participate in several projects outside of class time to serve the community, including maintaining the nature trails on the Lakes campus.

Good news for AP students and families

The District 117 Board of Education approved a measure during its May 2018 to cover 90 percent of the cost for all Advanced Placement Exams. That means families only will pay \$9.40 per exam instead of the full College Board cost of \$94 per exam during the 2018-19 school year.

According to an announcement on Lakes and ACHS social media, "By decreasing the incurred costs, the District hopes to see more students opt to take the AP Exam for the courses in which they are enrolled. Regardless of earned score, research shows a significant correlation between AP Course and AP Exam participation to college completion ... Given the research and a goal of providing equity in access, the Board of Education and Administration believed strongly that we must support students and their families in being able to sit for the AP Exam."

More details on registration processes, windows, and timelines will be forthcoming. Please contact Jori Bowen, Assistant Principal for Curriculum and Instruction, at jori.bowen@chsd117.org with questions.

Apparel classes



(photo credit: Karen Schneider)

Independent study apparel students recently participated in a Recycled Denim Challenge. Their goal was to repurpose a pair of denim jeans and create a handbag. Other requirements included demonstrating sewing skills and adding creativity through embellishments. Students include, from left, Nicole Mruk, Julia Rudolph, Samantha Schueneman, Delaney Hanrahan, Lisa Sulla, and Sydney Schmidt (not pictured: Maelena Caudillo).



Apparel 1 students completed their first sewing project and constructed a throw pillow, which included a personalized initial that was appliqued to the front. Students include (back row, from left) Yumna Ahmed, Olivia Clowers, Abby Ringo, Sarah Rausch, Neyla Medina, (front row, from left) Daena Mae Cruz, Olivia Schmitt, Giovanna Rojas, Ashley Whitis, and Alli Ulrich.

Those Who Excel

(photo credit: Tiffany Mueller)



Lakes is proud of its award recipients for the Illinois State Board of Education's 2018-19 Those Who Excel honor. Paraprofessional Lindsay Ellerman earned a rating of Excellence in the Educational Service Personnel Category; Global Studies teachers Meghan Guther, Eric Vichnick, and

Whitney Walsh, who organize the annual Religious Forum for freshmen, earned the Recognition rating in the Team category; and science teacher Will Barbanera earned a Recognition rating for the Early Career Educator category.

Eagles attend NLCC Leadership Conference



If you have four minutes, you must watch this video: <https://bit.ly/2AoSGaJ>. Students who attended the NLCC

Leadership Conference in August explain what they love about Lakes and how they hope to contribute to make their school experience even better. The video was recorded by Kurt Rowells, Korrina Andre, and Nick Aguina and edited by Kyle Naughton. ▶

Candidate Fair



(Photo credit: Randie Reynolds)

Nineteen candidates running for local, regional, and state seats and/or their representatives attended the Lakes Candidate Fair in the Commons on September 26. All government students were encouraged to attend as part of their Civics Project. Government teacher Michael Krecker said he was inspired to organize the event in order to provide students with an opportunity to get face-to-face with politics in the weeks leading up to an election. Candidates represented several parties, including the Libertarian and Green parties, which Krecker said made visible to students "the swath of ideologies present in the political landscape."

Homecoming recap



(Photo credit: Jori Bowen)



(Photo credit: Melissa Cross)

The Eagles celebrated Homecoming Week in mid-September with the traditional dress-up days, parade through the community, pep rally, powder puff, dance, Friday night football game, and more. The theme was “Sailing into the Sunset”, and Student Council did an excellent job planning the week’s activities. Tempest McKenzie was named Homecoming Queen, and Jack Kennedy was named Homecoming King.

Marching Band



The Sound of Lakes Marching Band, directed by Matt Kastor, performed in five competitions this season:

- At Grayslake North on September 9, the group earned first place in Class 2A.
- They earned 3rd place in their class at Falcon Fest at Wheaton North on September 22.
- At the Red and Black Fall Classic at Northern Illinois University on September 29, they earned 2nd place.
- They earned 1st place in the Marching Mustang Music Bowl at Downers Grove on October 13, which earned them a bid to Finals for the first time in program history!
- They earned 4th place at the University of Illinois content on October 20.

Learn more about the marching band on their website, <http://lchsmusic.wixsite.com/music/marchingband>.



Key Club



(Photo credit: Bella Sondrol)

Key Club organized a successful bake sale during parent-teacher conferences in early October, earning \$409 to donate to Gigi’s Playhouse in Hoffman Estates. Gigi’s Playhouse is a Down Syndrome Achievement Center. Key Club, a service project club, chose to support the organization in part because October is Down Syndrome Awareness Month and in part because some of their student members have Down Syndrome. Eagle Eye News reported on their fundraiser and interviewed Key Club President Bella Sondrol and member Tempest McKenzie: <https://bit.ly/2R4TNSq>.



Eagle Athletics

Lakes Tennis Captures 2nd straight IHSA Sectional



(Photo credit: Bryan Plinske)

The Lakes girls tennis team completed another record setting season. The program won its second straight IHSA Sectional championship and finished 7th in Class 1A at the state championship. The team was led by Megan Heuser who finished in 3rd place for the 2nd year in a row. The sophomore was joined by Kylie Jozwick and Melissa Variny who won two critical matches at the state meet to push the team placement to 7th.

Girls Volleyball wins NLCC for 3rd straight season



(Photo credit: Kurt Rowells)

The girls volleyball program continues to add to new trophy cases at Lakes. The girls won the NLCC title for the third straight season. The team continues to impress with strong talent at each level of the program.

Cross Country Continues to Shine



(Photo credit: Jori Bowen)

The girls program continues to impress with 2nd place finishes at both conference and regionals. Sophomore **Brook Stromsland** was the state champion. For the first time in program history the boys cross country team won a conference championship. They followed up the historic performance with winning the program's first regional since 2009.



(Photo credit: Kurt Rowells)

Football Qualifies for 10th Straight Season


The boys football program entered rare territory again this season. For the 10th straight season the program played at least a 10th game, but took a loss to the Sequoits to end their season. The team finished in 2nd place in the NLCC.



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Emmons Kindness Challenge



Emmons was fortunate enough to have Brian Williams from “Think Kindness” come to our school and talk with our students. Think Kindness inspires measurable acts of kindness in schools

and communities around the world. They believe that each act of kindness, no matter how small, has an unforeseeable ripple effect that makes the world a better place. Every person on this planet can think of at least one kind act that made your day a little brighter. It is the Think Kindness mission to inspire thousands of people to perform seemingly simple acts of kindness that will result in a wave of good that will make a difference in the

world. The assembly fit nicely with our theme for the year, “Be Kind”.

Brian presented an action packed motivational assembly that inspired the entire student body to change the world. Rather than just talk the talk, our students were challenged to document Acts of Kindness for 15 days. Our students shared anything from opening a door, picking up a pen, or even sharing a smile, with the understanding, that no act is too small. Our Emmons students and staff collectively performed 3,527 acts of kindness in 15 days!!! Additionally, we are proud to share that we also collected 210 Pairs of shoes that will allow kids in Africa to have the privilege to attend school!

“You can never underestimate the power of a simple act of kindness.”

– Brian Williams, Founder of Think Kindness

New Mascot

Emmons has a new mascot this year and he needed a name so we had a contest to name him! Our students were able to earn a Star Card (part of our behavior program) and use it to suggest a name for the Raider. Of all 133 names submitted, we narrowed it down to the top four. The students had the opportunity to vote for their favorite finalist name. We are proud to introduce Bob the Raider!



Emmons Sports

Our soccer, cross country, and volleyball teams had a great year this year! Our Varsity Volleyball Team took 3rd place in the Lake County Tournament and Emmons was represented at the IESA State Cross Country Meet.



Addison Lane raced for Emmons where she placed 6th out of 230 girls in the state! She had a personal best time of 12.12.0 for the 2 mile race.



The Leadership Journey Begins



This October, all staff participated in two intensive and invigorating days of Leader in Me training based on the work of Stephen Covey's *Seven Habits of Highly Effective People*. This program is based on the premise that every child and every staff member can be a leader. The Leader in Me encourages staff and students to embrace change and create habits that will increase productivity as well as a positive mindset. The goal of Leader in Me is to prepare students with skills to thrive in the 21st Century, such as critical thinking, emotional control, listening skills, self-directed learning, relationship building and goal achievement. Leader in Me is a research-based program endorsed by the Collaborative for Academic, Social and Emotional Learning (CASEL), the leading authority in Social and Emotional Learning curriculum.

District Receives Energy Efficiency Incentives

This past year, Lake Villa School District 41 partnered with Siemens Industry as part of a performance contract to utilize energy more efficiently and replace worn-out equipment. This summer, 3 million dollars was spent upgrading aging infrastructure including replacing the

roof on Thompson Elementary School. Three projects were completed that qualified to be part of ComEd's Energy Efficiency Program. These included replacement of the boiler at Martin School, and upgrading the building automation systems at both Martin and Thompson Schools. Because of these three projects, Lake Villa School District 41 received \$92,480 in Energy Efficient Incentives. These newly installed systems not only generated rebates but will also help to provide easier temperature controls and allow the district to utilize energy more efficiently over time.

Future Focused

District 41 has been actively engaging the community this year to determine a vision for our schools over the next decade. We've received feedback from nearly 1,000 members of the community on what improvements you would like to see to our schools and how you would like to fund those improvements.

We're nearing the end of this community engagement process. We encourage everyone who has not yet provided feedback, as well as those who have not yet viewed the latest information, to go to www.district41.org/community-engagement-2018.

We have this unique opportunity to invest in our schools while lowering property taxes thanks to the district's financial diligence. Our bond debt is scheduled to be paid in full in 2019, which affords us an opportunity to look towards the future of our school district.

Our most recent facilities assessment identified a full list of potential improvements for our schools, including urgent life safety needs, necessary improvements, and investments into 21st century learning. Funding some or all of these projects is possible at a rate lower than our current bond rate, meaning that whatever path we take forward will result in a tax decrease for property taxpayers.

It is important that we take these steps to maintain and improve our infrastructure. We are proud of our conservative approach to spending, spending less per student than all but one of the surrounding nine school districts. But this does create some challenges. Our district invests the 13th least in infrastructure out of the 14 districts in our region, less than 3% of the spending per pupil than the highest spending district. At this rate, it will take 50 years to fund and complete our immediate facility needs.

We were able to cover \$3 million in necessary facility projects this summer by dipping into our reserves, which we have built up by 19% since 2015 by working diligently to strengthen our fiscal position. But this is a short-term solution. We need a long-term approach towards investing in the future of our schools.

That's why we are working together with the community to chart the course for the future of our schools. Together, we can develop a long-term plan that funds improvements to our schools while remaining fiscally responsible and respecting your hard-earned tax dollars.

Honoring Our Veterans

This fall, students in Lake Villa 41 had a unique opportunity to acknowledge Lake County veterans from all branches of the military who were taking part in the Lake County Honor Flight program. These veterans, who served in Korea and Vietnam, were flown roundtrip to Washington DC at no cost to visit special memorials commemorating their sacrifice and service to our country. Students were excited to write letters to the veterans which were read during the flight. Students were quick to point out that they appreciate the veterans' service. One student said, "I hope this makes their day and helps them to know we thank them." Special thanks to parent Jim Walsh for organizing this opportunity for students.

For community members interested in helping the Lake County Honor Flight program in August 2019, please reach out to lakecountyhonorflight@gmail.com or visit their website at www.lakecountyhonorflight.org.



Pink Out Palombi

Palombi's Student Council planned this year's annual Pink Out Day to show their support in the fight against cancer and to remember those lost to this disease. Students

decorated the hallways in pink and adorned local bushes and trees in pink ribbons. The culminating event was a short parade, a remembrance ceremony and the creation of a pink ribbon of hope formed by students and staff.



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We have been “Connecting” with our residents in many different ways over the last three months. Here’s just a few of our connections:

We’ve “connected” with retired Col. Paul Hettich, who presented the Township with a USA Flag that he had flown over the US Embassy in Al Hillah, Iraq on 9/11, while he was the Post Commander there

during his second tour in Iraq. We are very proud of one of our local heroes—thank you again Paul for your service!

We “connected” with local author, Courtney Kotloski and illustrator Natalie Sorrentino, who had their second of sixteen children’s books, “Ken the Keeper,” released on October 4, 2018, with a book signing in conjunction with presentations from local Antioch animal advocates: Carla Moser from “Doggieology 101,” our own local “Dog Whisperer”; Anna Fielder from “Rescue Outreach” and Holly Garvey from “A&S Rescue,” non-profits for dogs and cats adoption; Jessica, owner/operator of “Animal Quest” who runs a local animal petting zoo and offers animal shows that provide education through entertainment and the Larson Family, Dave, Chrissy, Nora, and Avery, who explained the joys of animal rescue and adoption.

We “connected” with Kate Myers and Kellie Waratuke from our local Walmart, who provided flu and pneumonia

shots on September 25th and 26th—they will be returning to the Township for another round of shots on December 5th, 2018.

We “connected” with the Secretary of State who held a “Super Senior” event that provided vision screening, driver’s license/state ID renewals, corrections or replacement, organ/tissue donor information and motor voter registration. There will be another “Super Senior” at the Township on March 1st, 2019 from 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

We are offering a “Holiday Cheer Program” through Antioch Township that will help you “connect” with those Antioch residents in need of help during the holidays, matching low-income families and individuals with “Sponsors” who provide food/gifts for a brighter holiday season. Holiday Cheer provides a great opportunity for our community members and partners to join together to help their Antioch neighbors.

Families are recommended for this program through our local schools and other organizations. The focus of our program is to provide for those who may otherwise have nothing. Households or individuals must meet low-income guidelines and the applicants must reside in Antioch. Although there are many Antioch residents who are in need, please know that this program is limited to those who otherwise would have nothing without the generosity of our donors.

So, we need your help—shown below is a Holiday Cheer sponsorship form for your convenience. Completed forms should be sent to Antioch Township, P.O. Box 658, Antioch, IL 60002.

Holiday Cheer Sponsorship Form

Company, Organization, or Individual _____

Address _____ E-mail _____

City, State, Zip _____ Phone _____

Contact Person _____ Phone _____

Additional Contact or referred by _____ Phone _____

I am able to assist with sponsoring the following:

a family (We will contact you to determine the family composition) an individual

I prefer to: Personally deliver my gifts Be a “Secret Santa”

“Secret Santa”, please bring gifts to the Township before December 15, 2018.

I would prefer to financially assist in this program, please make checks payable to Antioch Township.

Enclosed is my check for \$_____

Antioch Township Schedule of Senior Events

Senior Committee - Anita Dyer & Judy Davis
January - July 2019

Thursday, January 17th

10:00 a.m. - \$8.00 per person (No Bus)

Antioch Township Brunch & Entertainment:
Dockers, North Antioch, IL

Tuesday, February 12th

11:30 a.m. - \$5.00 per person (No Bus)

Antioch Township Brunch & Entertainment:
Anastasia's, Antioch, IL It's a pizza party!

Thursday, March 7th

9:15 a.m. - \$58.00 per person (Bus leaves 9:30 a.m.)

Mama Mia Show & Lunch:
Drury Lane, Oakbrook, IL

The international megahit Mamma Mia! The show uses the greatest songs of ABBA to tell a hilarious story of marriage, family and finding where you belong, proving that in the end the winner takes it all. Come see why more than 54 million people worldwide have laughed and danced to this unforgettable jukebox musical.

Chicken Marsala or Parmesan Crusted Flounder

Wednesday, April 24th

8:45 a.m. - \$58.00 per person (Bus leaves 9:00 a.m.)

August Rush Show & Lunch:
Paramount Theater, Aurora, IL

For the first time in its history, the Paramount Theatre will produce a brand new musical, and this one is all about the music. Evan Taylor, an 11-year-old orphan, believes in music like some believe in fairytales. In a cruel twist of fate, Evan's mother, an accomplished classical cellist, and his father, the lead singer of a rock band, don't even know he exists in this world. Even after so many years gone, Evan has not given up hope as he relentlessly searches for the parents he knows need him. Quickly discovering he too is a musical prodigy, Evan surrenders

himself to the symphony of sounds and follows the music. In this inspiring love story, music is everywhere, but will it lead Evan home?

**Half-Fire Grilled Chicken, Sautéed Tilapia,
10 oz. Grilled Pork Chop, French Onion Meatloaf,
1/4 Rack BBQ Ribs**

Wednesday, May 22nd

9:30 a.m. - \$58.00 per person (Bus leaves 9:45 a.m.)

Footloose Show & Lunch:
Marriott Theater, Lincolnshire, IL

Based on the hit film, and the true story of Elmore City, Oklahoma which banned dancing for 90 years, Footloose is back! When big city teenager Ren moves to a small town, he finds that wide open spaces sometimes come with very narrow minds. As the town copes with tragedy, the influential Reverend Moore has banned dancing and rock music. Pretty soon, Ren is the rebel with a cause, winning over the hearts (and feet!) of the whole community. Packed with a top-ten score like "Almost Paradise," "Let's Hear It for the Boy," "Holding Out for a Hero," and "Footloose."

NY Strip Steak or Seared Filet of Salmon

Thursday, June 6th

11:30 a.m. - \$5.00 per person (No Bus)

**Antioch Township Summer Lunch
& Entertainment:**

Antioch Township, IL Welcome summer!

Tuesday, July 2nd

9:00 a.m. - Pay at the door (No Bus)

Antioch Township: Bingo

Come to the Township, have some morning refreshments and play BINGO. Prizes provided by Township officials and staff.

Mark your lunch selections

January 17	February 12	March 7	April 24	May 22	June 6	July 2
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
\$68.00	\$5.00	\$58.00	\$58.00	\$58.00	\$5.00	

(Please note Antioch Township Residents will have first availability)

Non-resident additional fee for bus trips \$5.00

Total amount of Payment \$ _____ **All payments must be received 30 days before event.**

Please make checks payable to:

Antioch Township, 1625 Deep Lake Road, Lake Villa, IL. 60046, Attn: Anita Dyer

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

For information and to check availability contact Anita Dyer 847-687-4157



In August, Grass Lake School received a request to tour the building from two former teachers and a former student. On September 11, 2018 we met with these wonderful ladies, gave them a tour, and were honored

to hear their stories. They showed us their rooms and talked about how the students were wonderful and how supportive the parents were. They loved the new building and the new LRC and were amazed at all of the technology that is being used in the classroom.

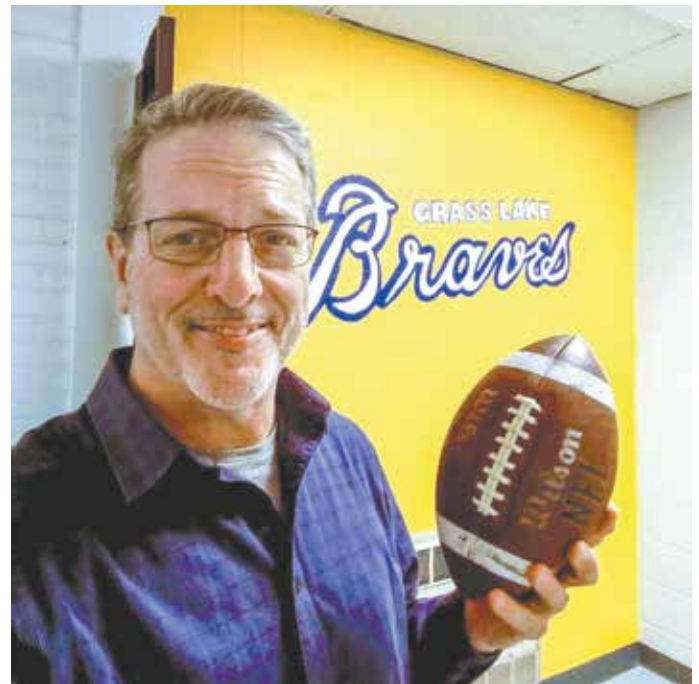


Below you will find information on these lovely ladies: **JOYCE OLSEN** taught here in 1960. She taught all of second grade and half of third grade. She then went on to teach at District 34 and retired after 32 years of teaching and still lives in the area.

NANCY KILB/BRUNNER was a teacher here in 1961 and taught third and fourth grade. In 1966 she left for Marengo where she taught for 32 years. In addition to teaching she served as a Dean and eventually as a Junior High Principal. In retirement she has taught at Judson College and National Louis University.

PAM MARTZ was a student at Grass Lake and graduated in 1966 and she had Ms. Killb/Brunner as her teacher. Ms. Martz still lives in the house that her family has owned for 109 years and she shared that Ms. Killb/Brunner still lives a couple doors down from her.

Longest Kick Contest



On Thursday, October 11, 2018, Mr. Kruse represented Grass Lake School District at the ACHS homecoming pep rally for the longest kick contest. With his amazing athletic ability and natural talent, he kicked the football the farthest against other competing school districts. Grass Lake School is grateful for his support and the \$200.00 contribution that our PTO will receive from his efforts.

Attendance Week

Grass Lake School District 36 participated in Attendance Week hosted by the Regional Office of Education during the week of September 10 through September 14, 2018. Grass Lake School took second place with an attendance rate of 98.99% of students attending that week. Way to go Braves! Our staff congratulated our students with a wonderful breakfast including waffles and pancakes. We are very proud of our students for earning second place out of 57 other Lake County Schools that have a population of 450 or less students.





GLS Girls' Volleyball



The Grass Lake Girls Volleyball team, consisting of 12 players and coached by Karen Cassity, received 3rd place at their conference tournament. Even through ups and downs and injury they stayed together as a team and stayed positive. The team had a great season this year and we hope for all the other sports teams at GLS to be as successful. They worked hard through everyday practices and even 6am practices every Wednesday morning. We are very proud of our dedicated girls and know they will continue to be positive and persevere throughout the school year.



PTO



Grass Lake School would like to express their gratitude for their new Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) Members! As a small school district, GLS is very fortunate to have such a committed and dedicated group of parents that continue to create memorable experiences for our student population. The acting members are Mrs. Amy Cromwell, President, Mrs. Angela Conrad, Vice-President, and Mrs. Laura Marcomb, Secretary. We are looking forward to a wonderful year working together and celebrating our students with the PTO.

Cross Country



After several years without a cross country team, the Grass Lake Braves re-established its Cross Country program with Coach Susan Potthast. This year's team was made up of one girl and four boys. The student-athletes competed in six, two-mile races during the season and had great success. Chris Avila placed second in the Lakes Region Athletic Conference at Park, with a personal best time of 12:15! Two other athletes raced their personal best times of the season at the conference meet: Angela Ortiz with a finishing time of 16:39 and Nick Quist with a finishing time of 17:21. Mason Lobodzinski and Brady Rietschel raced their personal bests earlier in the season with finishing times of 20:53 and 14:02 respectively. Congratulations Grass Lake Braves!

Middle School Leadership Conference

On October 22, three eighth grade students represented Grass Lake School at Antioch Community High School for the Middle School Leadership Conference. During the morning event, the students worked with other middle school students from the area to build collaboration and



community in the Freshman class for the 2019-2020 school year. This event is designed to promote the importance of positive leadership among the incoming freshman class.

Jumpstart's Read for the Record Day





On October 25, Grass Lakes School District celebrated Jumpstart's Read for the Record day. Four enlisted Navy men, from Naval Station Great Lakes, came to our school district to read the book *Maybe Something Beautiful*. It was hard to tell who enjoyed the book more, our visitors or our students. Grass Lake School is grateful for the time spent with our visitors GM1 Ross Cuzick, MMW2 Mikal Magee, FCA1 Ben Cosens, and GM1 Andy Just.

Skyping with author Rob Buyea



The fifth grade class at Grass Lake School was thrilled to have the opportunity to join in a thirty minute Skype session with author Rob Buyea. The class has just finished reading Buyea's first novel, *Because of Mr. Terupt*. They were able to ask Mr. Buyea questions about his entire *Mr. Terupt* book series, as well as learn about his new series, which has just released a second installment.

Buyea also shared some helpful tips about how students could become great writers. The fifth grade students are extremely grateful to the GLS PTO for funding this amazing opportunity.

National Junior Honor Society



On October 24, 2018, the Grass Lake School chapter of the National Junior Honor Society held their annual candle lighting ceremony to formally induct new seventh grade members. Five new members joined the group at this event. Additionally, four second-year members in eighth grade were recognized for continuing to follow the organizations' requirements and being a part of the group for another year. In order to be a part of the National Junior Honor Society, students must maintain at least a 3.5 GPA, in addition to participating in service projects and demonstrating leadership skills inside and outside of school.

Future Quest



On Thursday, October 25, 2018, students in seventh and eighth grade were invited to attend Future Quest at the Lake County High Schools' Technology Campus. Students were given the opportunity to choose from a variety of careers and attend classes with hands-on activities. This event is extremely beneficial for middle school students as they begin to discover what type of career they would like to pursue in the future. Thank you to Mr. Coon who attended the field trip as a chaperone and made this trip possible for GLS students to attend.

D114 Day of Service

Impacting the Community and Raising Money for Our Schools



Fox Lake Grade School District 114's 4th Annual Day of Service took place on Friday, September 28. This exciting event not only raises funds for the Fox Lake District 114 Parent Teacher Association, but more importantly gives students an opportunity to serve in the community and grow as individuals. Every dollar collected goes back to every student in the district. The Day of Service grows bigger each year and this year is no exception. New this year, The Clinton Family Fund agreed to match donations after \$25,000.

District 114's Day of Service is similar to a walk-a-thon, but instead of students collecting pledges and walking, students seek donors to sponsor their involvement in a service project within the Fox Lake community. The



locations students will be providing service for are: The American Legion Post 703, YMCA Camp Duncan, Camp Henry Horner, Feed My Starving Children, Promote Fox Lake Project, Lakefront Park Building, Grant Township's Fall Fest, Fire Stations 2 & 3, The Cottages, Grant Community High School, Perricone's A Soup and Sandwich Joint, and the Fox Lake Police Department. In addition to the off site service projects, students at Lotus School decorated superhero

capas for children's hospitals, made cards for veterans, made dog treats for local animal shelters, created festive placemats for the residents of The Cottages of Fox Lake, as well as provided care packages for our local Fox Lake Fire Department and Police Department.





In addition to student fundraising, we are incredibly grateful to our local business sponsors who contributed to the Day of Service:

- Access Elevator
- American Family Insurance, Gordon Kiesgen Agency, Inc.
- Benny's Service Center
- The Clinton Family Fund
- Comfort Masters Heating and Air Conditioning
- Computer Aided Technology
- Culver's-Fox Lake
- Dam, Snell & Taveirne, Ltd.
- Dockers Restaurant and Lounge
- Education Association of Fox Lake
- Garber Toyota-Fox Lake
- Guardian Material Handling
- Ray Auto Group
- Royal Sheet Metal
- W. Brothers Roofing

This year's Day of Service goal was to raise \$30,000 to benefit **all** students in Fox Lake District 114. We are thrilled to share that, thanks to our community's efforts, we raised \$44,140. The money raised will be used for educational assemblies and field trips, family nights, principal programs, athletic scholarships, school dances, the Lotus and Stanton libraries, Book Buddies, mentor programs, and other school-specific projects. What a WIN for the students in District 114!



A Peek at Preschool

Our Early Childhood programs work with 3 to 5-year-olds to make sure they are school-ready in all ways! District 114 offers half day programming via our Preschool for All and Early Childhood Special Education classrooms as well as in our full day Blended Early Childhood classroom. If you are interested in our programs or would like your child screened to see if he/she may need support, please contact Paula Kvacik at Lotus at 847-973-4100.



Gateway to the Lakes Region

Daniel Venturi, Supervisor Jean Smuda, Clerk
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Daniel Venturi

Toys for Township Tots

The Township will be collecting toys again this year for our neighbors in need. You can drop off new, unwrapped toys for children ages 12 and under at any of our collections boxes conveniently located at the Lake Villa Township Office, the Lake Villa Library and The State Bank of the Lakes in Lake Villa or Lindenhurst.



Senior Event

Our winter Senior Lunch will be January 12th at the Lake Villa Township West Campus Community Center. This year's theme is Dan's Bahama Cruise Line. Join us for an afternoon of fun, gambling (play money), food and prizes!

Food Pantry

The Lake Villa Township Food Pantry's business season is the Holiday Season. Donations of any non-perishable goods can be dropped off at the Township Office during business hours. Cans of soup, boxed dinners, pasta, peanut butter & jelly and canned vegetables and fruits are popular items that are accepted.

Winter Wonderland

Caboose Park is home to our historic Sled Hill and Toboggan Run with snow making capabilities. We have an exciting new addition with our Ice Rink available for free skate and pickup games. Activities are weather permitting, please contact the Township Office for current conditions.





Lake Villa Township's
Senior
New Years Extravaganza



Welcome to Dan's Bahamas Cruise Line
Saturday January 12, 2019
12:00 Noon
 Lake Villa Township West Campus Community Center
 37850 N. Rt. 59 Lake Villa, IL
 Please join us for an afternoon of fun, gambling (play money), food and prizes






Wear your Cruise attire
 we will have a photo booth
 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 at 847.356.2116

Event location: **Lake Villa Township** 37850 N. Route. 59 Lake Villa, IL 60046. ph 847.356.2116

Calendar of Events

Antioch, Lake Villa and Lindenhurst	
Nov. 22	Dickens Holiday Village open daily through New Year's Day — Antioch Chamber of Commerce
Nov. 23	Kringle's Christmas Village open daily through New Year's Day — NEW LOCATION on Orchard Plaza — Antioch Chamber of Commerce
Nov. 23	Santa's Enchanted Village open Thursday and Friday nights through December 21 — Antioch Chamber of Commerce
Nov. 24	Santa's FROZEN Village open weekends, noon-4 p.m. through December 23 — Antioch Chamber of Commerce
Dec. 1	Holiday Tree Lighting, 4:30-6 p.m. — Lindenhurst Park District
Dec. 4-7	North Pole Express — Village of Antioch
Dec. 5	Santa Letters due by 4 p.m. — Lindenhurst Park District
Dec. 6	Winter Wine Walk tickets go on sale — Village of Antioch
Dec. 10	Daddy Daughter Date Night tickets go on sale — Village of Antioch
Dec. 11-14	North Pole Express — Village of Antioch
Dec. 18-21	North Pole Express — Village of Antioch
Dec. 28	Holiday Magic Dave Show, 11-11:30 a.m. — Lindenhurst Park District
Jan. 7	Go Lindenhurst (free 30-minute walk), 10 a.m. at the Lindenhurst Park District Track
Jan. 12	Senior Lunch, Dan's Bahama Cruise Line at Lake Villa Township West Campus Community Center, noon
Jan. 13	Flannels and Flapjacks Mother/Son Event, 9:30 - 11 a.m., registration required by January 4 — Lindenhurst Park District
Jan. 19	Winter Wine Walk — Village of Antioch
Jan. 29	Camp Crayon priority registration — Village of Antioch
Feb. 2	Daddy Daughter Date Night Luau Party — Village of Antioch
Feb. 4	Go Lindenhurst (free 30-minute walk), 10 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. at the Lindenhurst Park District Track
Feb. 7	Camp Crayon registration opens to residents — Village of Antioch
Feb. 8	Daddy Daughter Enchanted Fairy Forest, 6-8:30 p.m., registration required — Lindenhurst Park District
Feb. 10	Musical Brunch, music of the 20s, 30s, 40s and beyond — Antioch Chamber of Commerce
Feb. 21	Camp Crayon registration opens to non-residents — Village of Antioch
Feb. 24	Author Courtney Kotloski and Illustrator Natalie Sorrentino Book Launch Reception, 1 p.m. — Antioch Public Library District
Mar. 1	Secretary of State Super Senior, 10 a.m. — Antioch Township
Mar. 2	Comedy Night — Antioch Chamber of Commerce
Mar. 3	Mother Son Bowling and Lunch — Village of Antioch
Apr. 4	Summer Day Camp Registration — Village of Antioch
Apr. 12	Bike Resale Drop-off Day — Village of Antioch
Apr. 13	Bike Resale
Apr. 18	Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt — Village of Antioch
Apr. 20	Eggcellent Easter Adventure Parade and Hunt — Village of Antioch
Apr. 28	Mother Daughter BINGO — Village of Antioch

Calendar of Events

Community High School District 117

Dec. 4	Winter Art Show Opening Night, Lakes
Dec. 5	Winter Choir Concert, Lakes
Dec. 6	Board of Education Meeting at Lakes
Dec. 7	Holiday Gala-ACHS @ Maravela's
Dec. 11	Winter Band and Orchestra Concert, Lakes
Dec. 13	Winter Concert, ACHS
Dec. 13-14	24-Hour Play Festival, Lakes
Dec. 17	NO LATE START
Dec. 19-21	Final Exams
Dec. 24	Winter Break Begins
Jan. 7	Teacher Institute Day, No School
Jan. 8	Semester 2 Begins
Jan. 10	Curriculum Night, Lakes
Jan. 16	Class of 2023 Open House, Lakes & ACHS
Jan. 21	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, No School
Jan. 23	Board of Education Meeting at ACHS
Jan. 24-27	Winter Play, ACHS You can't Take it With you
Jan. 29	District Orchestra Festival at Lakes
Feb. 5	District Choir Festival at Lakes
Feb. 6	Enrollment Night, Class of 2023
Feb. 7	District Band Festival at ACHS
Feb. 9	Turnabout Dance, Lakes
Feb. 11	Mr. ACHS, ACHS
Feb. 14	Open Mic Night, Lakes
Feb. 16	Winterfest, ACHS
Feb. 18	Presidents Day, No School
Feb. 21	Board of Education Meeting at Lakes
Mar. 1	Teacher Institute Day, No School
Mar. 1-3, 8-9	The Little Mermaid Musical, Lakes
Mar. 4	Casimir Pulaski Day, No School
Mar. 7	Board of Education Meeting at ACHS

Antioch School District 34

Nov. 22-23	No School, Thanksgiving Break
Nov. 29	Project Lead The Way Family Night
Dec. 4	Board of Education Meeting
Dec. 6	AUGS Choir Concert
Dec. 10 and 12	Evening Parent Teacher Conferences
Dec. 18	Board of Education Meeting
Dec. 19	AUGS Band Concert
Dec. 21	AUGS Winter Music Assembly
Dec. 24-Jan. 1	Winter Break
Jan. 2	School Resumes
Jan. 15	Board of Education Meeting
Jan. 24	Elementary Band Concert
Feb. 5	Board of Education Meeting
Feb. 18	No School, Presidents Day
Feb. 19	Board of Education Meeting
Mar. 5	Board of Education Meeting
Mar. 7	AUGS Band Concert
Mar. 19	Board of Education Meeting

Lake Villa School District 41

Dec. 17	Board of Education Meeting, 7 p.m.
Dec. 24	Winter Break Begins, No School
Jan. 7	School Resumes
Jan. 14	Board of Education Meeting, 7 p.m.
Jan. 21	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, No School
Jan. 28	Board of Education Meeting, 7 p.m.
Feb. 11	Board of Education Meeting, 7 p.m.
Feb. 18	No School, Presidents Day
Feb. 25	Board of Education Meeting, 7 p.m.
Mar. 7	Early Release, Parent/Teacher Conferences
Mar. 8	No School, Non-Attendance Day
Mar. 18	Board of Education Meeting, 7 p.m.
Mar. 25-29	Spring Break
Apr. 1	School Resumes

Calendar of Events

Fox Lake District 14	
Dec. 1	Santa's Breakfast
Dec. 18	Board of Education Meeting
Dec. 21	Winter Parties
Dec. 21	Early Release
Dec. 24-Jan. 4	Winter Break, No School
Jan. 7	School Resumes
Jan. 11	End of 2nd Quarter
Jan. 15	PTA Eat Out Night
Jan. 15	Board of Education Meeting
Jan. 21	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, No School
Feb. 14	Valentine's Parties
Feb. 15	Teacher Institute, No Student Attendance
Feb. 18	Presidents Day, No School
Feb. 19	Board of Education Meeting
Feb. 20	End of Trimester 2: Kindy & 1st Grade
Feb. 23	Daddy Daughter Dance
Mar. 4	Casimir Pulaski Day Observed, No School
Mar. 4	(Possible weather makeup day)
Mar. 15	End of 3rd Quarter
Mar. 19	PTA Eat Out Night
Mar. 19	Board of Education Meeting
Mar. 25- 29	Spring Break, No School

Emmons School District 33	
Nov. 17-25	Thanksgiving Break, No School
Nov. 29	Board of Education Meeting
Dec. 13	Winter Band Concert
Dec. 18	K-2 Winter Sing
Dec. 21	Early Dismissal at 1:30 p.m.
Dec. 22-Jan. 6	No School, Winter Break
Jan. 21	No School, MLK Day
Jan. 24	Board of Education Meeting
Feb. 15	No School, Teacher Institute Day
Feb. 18	No School, Presidents Day
Feb. 28	Board of Education Meeting
Feb. 28	End of 2nd Trimester
Mar. 21	Board of Education Meeting

Grass Lake School District 36	
Nov. 27	Home Game Boys Basketball vs Big Hollow
Nov. 28	Early Dismissal
Nov. 29	Home Game Boys Basketball vs Alden Hebron
Dec. 3	6th Grade Only Boys Basketball vs Milburn
Dec. 4	Away Games Boys Basketball vs Prairie Crossing
Dec. 6	Away Game Boys Basketball vs Park
Dec. 7	6-8th Grade Winter Dance
Dec. 8	Boys Conference Basketball Tournament TBS
Dec. 12	PTO Meeting
Dec. 15	Breakfast with Santa
Dec. 16	Antioch Traveling Closet Giveaway Event
Dec. 18	Board of Education Meeting
Dec. 19	Early Dismissal
Dec. 21	No Afternoon Tutoring
Dec. 24	Winter Break Begins
Jan. 7	Teacher Institute Day No School
Jan. 15	Board of Education Meeting
Jan. 30	Early Dismissal
Feb. 19	Board of Education Meeting
Feb. 27	Early Dismissal
Feb. 28	End of Second Trimester
Mar. 1	Beginning of Third Trimester
Mar. 1	6-8th Grade Spring Dance
Mar. 19	Board of Education Meeting
Mar. 20	Early Dismissal
Mar. 25	Spring Break — No School

Please visit the respective organization's website for more event details.

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