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RUMMAGE SALE

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Our Young Patrons are showing
Mothers
love in this edition
of GLPLD



Alsip-Merrionette Park Public Library District

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AMPL News



St. Patrick's Night at the Library

Friday, March 6 at 6 pm

Join us for a night of fun just for adults filled with music, traditional Irish bag pipes, samplings of whisky provided by local vendor Barrel Club of Oak Lawn, and an opportunity to have your palm read by Bob Trzeciak. Enjoy Irish soda bread, food, and a competitive game of bags (cornhole toss) and large-scale games sized just for adults. Those 21 and over must show State ID to be served alcohol.



LOT Fest! (Library of Things)

Libraries are books AND so much more. To celebrate National Library Week we are holding an open house LOT Fest. Explore our new collections with hands on fun for all ages. Tuesday, April 21, during scheduled times, patrons can bake cakepops, explode a volcano, play a ukulele, try out a fishing pole and our Cricut machine, plus so much more!

We will be raffling off a \$50 Amazon Gift Card to celebrate National Library Week and "Finding Your Place at the Library" theme.

Tuesday, April 21 – Open times are as follows: 10 am-Noon, 2-4 pm and 5:30-7:30 pm.



LIBRARY OF THINGS

Fall 2022 • September, October & November

LIBRARY LINES

NEWSLETTER



Chicago Ridge
Public Library





The Brookfielder

Village News for the People of Brookfield

Summer 2020

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Village facilities have re-opened to the public!

Members of the public entering Village facilities will be required to wear a face covering. The Village Hall lobby and Parks and Recreation Department area will have floor markings to maintain social distancing. Village Hall will be open Monday-Friday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm and the Public Works Department will be open from 7:00 am to 3:00 pm.



Looking for a way to volunteer in your community?

The Village has a number of Committee, Commissions and Boards which are filled with resident volunteers! Currently, there are openings on the Conservation Commission, Beautification Commission and the Parks and Recreation Board. To learn more about each of the committees, commissions and boards please visit the Village's website at brookfieldil.gov. To apply for a position, letters of interest can be sent to Village President Kit Ketchmark at kketchmark@brookfieldil.gov.

Park Forest
Live Grow Discover

Summer 2019

DISCOVER

Magazine





Homewood

School District 153

"All children will learn. All children will be served."

Fall 2022

Education Referendum Question on the Nov. 8th Ballot

"Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Homewood School District Number 153, Cook County, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to 1.20% above the limiting rate for the purpose of funding increased educational and other school district expenses for levy year 2020 and be equal to 5.610% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy year 2022?"

For more information visit: hsd153.org/Nov8info/



District 153 Seeks First Limiting Rate Tax Increase Since 1992

Homewood voters will see a school funding referendum on their Nov. 8th ballots.

There are many factors that research tells us are essential to providing kids with a high quality education. Those factors include having trained and committed teachers, low class sizes, superior support for those students who need extra help and for those who need more vigorous challenges, and a full menu of activities to enrich students' minds, bodies and social development.

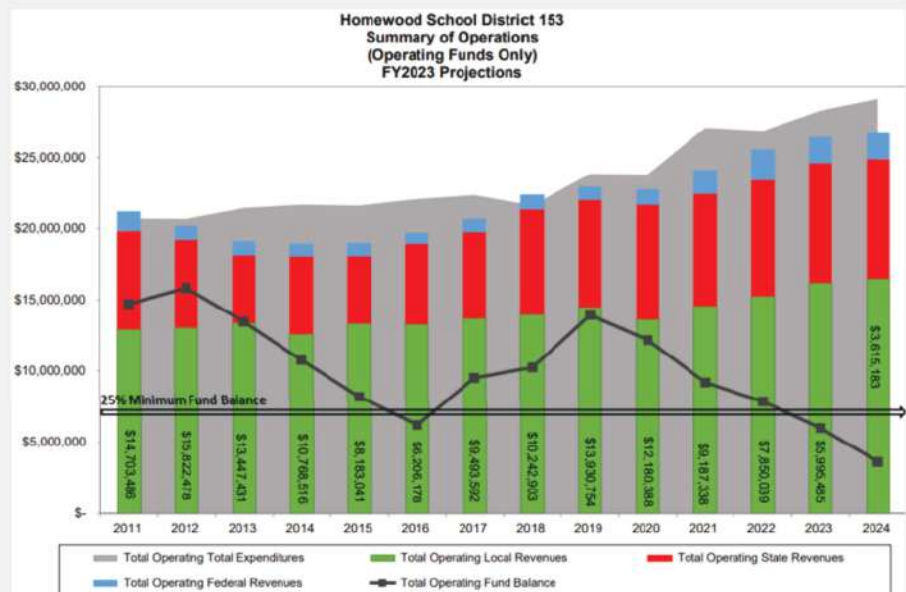
These are the hallmarks of Homewood Schools. Yet over the years, 153 has needed to spend more than it takes in to provide this level of service to our community's children.

District 153 receives only 65% of the

funding the state says we need to provide a high quality education, and school revenues have increased at a slower pace than expenses year after year. The gap between them is our annual (structural) deficit, which has averaged around -\$1.4M since FY2010-11. (See chart below.)

Referendum approvals in 2011 and 2016 provided funding to temporarily fill the gap between revenues and expenditures. The 2022 referendum, if approved, would create a more long-term fix and allow District 153 to:

- eliminate structural deficits
- maintain services for kids
- build a healthy "rainy day" fund balance
- address school facility needs



07-016-1530-02 Homewood 153 projection 20220814 with Modifications for Taxes Chart - Operating Funds FY2023

See pages 2&3 for Frequently Asked Questions

Summer 2019





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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

On June 15th, 2019, Park Lawn and the Axemen IL Chicago M/C got together to celebrate Big Bikes Big Axes II and the Axemen's 11th Birthday at Firewater Saloon in Chicago's Mount Greenwood neighborhood. Multiple Axemen chapters across the nation gathered together along with Park Lawn families to raise funds for Park Lawn and Axemen Chicago charities.

For \$25, you gained entrance to the party, delicious food, and entertainment provided by Southside Hooligans and Fifty-One Lincoln bands. Raffle baskets along with Split the Pot tickets were also available with Brian from Orland Park being our Split the Pot winner.

The Chicago Axemen M/C is a charitable firefighter motorcycle club comprised of full-time professional firefighters with auxiliary members. Their goal is to provide assistance to firefighters, families and other deserving organizations all the while enjoying the open road.

HUGE THANK YOU to the Axemen IL Chicago MC, Southside Hooligans, Fifty-One Lincoln, Park Lawn families, and everyone else who was in attendance supporting Park Lawn and individuals with intellectual disabilities!



Highlights

MARCH-MAY SPRING 2020

DAY OF TEARS

MARCH 2 | 6:30PM

In March of 1859, the largest sale of human beings in the United States took place at a racetrack in Savannah, Georgia.

Professional actors will help us recreate this little known piece of American History using historic images and staged readings from "Day of Tears" by Julius Lester.

HPL PHOTO CONTEST

HPL is looking for photos of the library exterior. By March 12 submit entries to: colleenw@homewoodlibrary.org

A winning entry will be chosen by the HPL Board of Trustees at the March 18 meeting. The photographer of the winning entry will receive a \$25 gift card and his/her photo will be featured in related library materials as needed. Photo credit will be acknowledged in any and all published use.

IMPROVISED JANE AUSTEN COMING TO HPL

MARCH 7 | 1PM

With independent heroines, misunderstood suitors, meddling mothers, and charming cads, Improvised Jane Austen creates a Regency love story on the spot.

The women of the company take audience suggestions and craft a story Jane Austen may have written, carrying it through misadventures and misunderstandings to its proper British conclusion. Join us for an afternoon of comedy, love, and improvisation!



SCREEN FREE WEEK

Screen Free Week (May 4 - 10) is an annual invitation to play, explore, and rediscover the joys of life beyond screens. During this time, HPL will have a number of programs to pull you away from your screens.

MAY THE FOURTH | ALL AGES

MAY 4 | 5PM

Celebrate Star Wars at our ever popular family celebration!

SCAVENGER HUNT | ALL AGES

MAY 5 | 5:30PM

Find the items and get a prize.

BOARD GAME NIGHT | ALL AGES

MAY 6 | 4PM

Drop in and play all kinds of games.

TECH TAKE APART | ALL AGES

MAY 7 | 6PM

Take apart technology of all kinds and NOT get in trouble!

A YEAR OF HOLIDAYS

Each month we will explore a holiday from a different culture around the world. Keep an eye out on the website and social media for upcoming holidays throughout 2020.



Evergreen Park Public LIBRARY

LIMITED EDITION

FALL 2022



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Crete Public Library District

Connect • Explore • Enjoy

Community Programs

CBD 101 R

Monday, Mar. 16 at 6:30pm

Hands-only Citizen CPR D

Saturday, Mar. 28 from 12-12:30pm

CPR Certification Class R

Saturday, Mar. 28 from 1-4pm
Limited class size.

Estate Planning & Wills R

Thursday, Apr. 2 at 10am

Organ Donor Registration D

Tuesday, Apr. 7 from 10am-3pm

Social Security Explained R

Saturday, Apr. 25 at 10am

Infant CPR/Choking Relief R

Wednesday, May 6 at 11am

Medicare 101 R

Thursday, May 14 at 10am

SNAP Help D

Monday, Mar. 30 from 10am-1:30pm

Monday, Apr. 27 from 10am-1:30pm

Monday, May 18 from 10am-1:30pm

R Register D Drop-in



Children learned about identifying animal tracks with Miss Judy.

A Message from the Director

The 2020 Census isn't the only important questionnaire you'll be asked to fill out this spring. The library is preparing a short survey and we are hoping for as many responses as possible from Crete and Crete Township residents. Beginning during National Library Week (April 20-25), we will be asking for your input: What do you like about the library? What can we do better? If you don't visit us, why?

In the same way you can make your voice heard by responding to the Census or by voting, this is an opportunity to share your thoughts and suggestions with us. We will feature a link to the survey on our Facebook page and on our website, and we will have paper copies in the library. Please take a moment to let us know how we're doing and how we can do better.

Mark your calendars: Our **Shredding Event** will be Apr. 4 from 10am-12pm.

Only press
the orange
buttons.

FYI - Unfortunately, since our new elevator was installed, there have been multiple occurrences of the

Call 911 button being pushed in a non-emergency. To help everyone be mindful of avoiding this serious error, we have marked the floor buttons with orange stickers and posted this reminder sign on the door.



Volunteer Fair 2020



SUN. APR. 19 1-4pm

It's our 4th Annual Volunteer Fair! Visit one or all thirty organizations to explore new opportunities, discover a new passion, and share your skills. Begin your new volunteer adventure, today!

We will host a blood drive with Versiti Blood Center and a food drive for the Frankfort Township Food Pantry.

Thank you Old Plank Trail Community Bank for providing free sno-cones to all attendees.

Friends of the Library



Springtime Events

Join the Friends for their Spring Book Sale happening April 24-26. And remember to celebrate Moms' Day with a plant (or three!) from the Friends' Geranium & Herb Sale on Saturday, May 9.

Keep up with the Friends on facebook.com/FriendsoftheFrankfortLibrary

Read Widely Bingo



February 3 - May 3, 2020

A 3-month adult reading program to nudge you outside your comfort zone.

Registration opens MON. FEB. 3 frankfortlibrary.org/read-widely

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Guided Forest Therapy Walk WED. APR. 29 10am-12pm
Adults Only - Registration Required - Meeting place: Hickory Creek Preserve