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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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## NOVEMBER

**Thanksgiving Holiday**  
Thursday, Friday and Saturday  
November 27, 28, and 29  
Village Offices Closed

## DECEMBER

**Holiday Lights in Homewood and Radiance on Ridge**  
Friday, December 5 | 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM  
Downtown Homewood / Irwin Park  
Call Village Hall at (708) 798-3000

**Winter Begins**  
Sunday, December 21

**Winter Holiday**  
Wednesday and Thursday  
December 24 and 25  
Village Offices Closed

**New Year's Eve Day Celebration**  
Wednesday, December 31 | 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
H-F Park District Auditorium / 2010 Chestnut Road  
Call Village Hall at (708) 798-3000

## JANUARY

**New Year's Day Holiday**  
Thursday, January 1  
Village Offices Closed

**Martin Luther King Day**  
Monday, January 19  
Village Offices Closed

**St. Joseph Parish Picnic**  
Saturday, January 24

**Homewood Baseball Registration**  
Saturday, January 31 | 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM  
Churchill School

**Homewood Fire Department Blood Drive**  
Saturday, January 31 | 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
7950 Dixie Highway  
Register at [lifesource.org](http://lifesource.org) or by calling 1-877-LIFESOURCE

## FEBRUARY

**Daddy Daughter Date Night**  
Friday, February 6 | 6:30 PM and 8:30 PM  
H-F Sports Complex, 18211 Aberdeen Avenue  
Call the H-F Park District (708) 957-0300

**Homewood Baseball Registration**  
Saturday, February 7 | 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM  
Churchill School

**Presidents' Day**  
Monday, February 16  
Village Offices Closed

**Chocolate Fest**  
Saturday, February 21 | 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM  
H-F Park District Auditorium  
Call Village Hall at (708) 798-3000

**Green Thumb Saturday Starts**  
Saturday, February 22

## SPRING AHEAD

**St. Joseph's 25th Anniversary Fish Fry**  
begins Saturday, March 7

**Foundation 153 Spring for Homewood Schools**  
Saturday, April 12

**Homewood Baseball Opening Day Parade**  
Saturday, April 19  
Ridge Road and Izaak Walton Little League Baseball Field

**Rail Days**  
Saturday, May 16  
H-F Park District Auditorium

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Fire Dept. Non-Emergency.....	206-3400
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Public Works Dept.....	206-3470
Building Dept.....	206-3858
Community Development .....	206-3385
After Hours Water Emergency.....	798-2131
Prop. Maint./Code Enforcement.....	206-3858
Homewood Public Library.....	798-0121
Homewood Post Office.....	798-5762
Homewood Area Chamber of Commerce .....	206-3384
Homewood-Flossmoor Park District.....	957-0300
Marie Irwin Community Center.....	957-7275
H-F Senior Activity Center.....	957-7275
Racquet and Fitness Club .....	799-1323
Ice Arena.....	957-0100
Lions Club Pool.....	799-2223
School District 153 .....	799-5661
School District 161 .....	647-7000
Homewood Flossmoor High School.....	799-3000
St. Joseph School.....	798-0467
Homewood Community Academy.....	799-6912

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Richard A. Hofeld  
Village President

Homewood's wintertime happenings are upon us. Cold weather, snow and sleet have never stopped us from having a great time at these events.

We start off on Friday evening, December 5 with Holiday Lights. The usual ice-sculpting, live reindeer,

Hickory Road. One of the best parts of Holiday Lights is shopping with the family in the downtown stores. Most stores will be open that evening and this gives you the opportunity to view those items you think would make great gifts, and, if you are like me, you will do some "window

lighted snowflakes closely, you will find one that is different from the rest. Come into the Village Hall on a Saturday morning and if you have the right location of that snowflake, I'll give you a certificate for an appetizer donated by Eat Rice or Twisted Q restaurants.

“For the first time this year, the Chocolate Fest Bake-off contest will have both professional and amateur categories.”

Christmas tree sales and holiday market vendors will be located on Hickory Road, just west of Dixie Highway, and on Martin at Ridge Road. The annual tree lighting will take place at Irwin Park at 7 PM and the A's R Us Model A car club with their holiday decorated antique cars will lead the fire truck carrying Santa. After the tree lighting, these neat cars can be viewed on Martin Avenue and

shopping,” make note of them, then come back later and buy the items. The risk you take is the items might be gone by the time you come back!

This year you will notice that the street lights in the downtown have been changed to brighter, more energy efficient LED lights. However, it won't in any way interfere with our "find the different snowflake" contest. When you look at the

Our New Year's Eve Family Celebration will take place on New Year's Eve Day (Wednesday, December 31) in the Village Hall Auditorium beginning at 11 AM. There will be family entertainment and the "countdown" and balloon drop will take place at noon. Although this is twelve hours before

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## President's Message

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the actual New Year, younger (and some older) family members will have the opportunity to have their New Year's Eve fun, albeit a bit early.

My personal favorite part of the "celebration," are the "sliders" served after the balloon drop, graciously provided each year by White Castle. How much better could it get?

In 2015, Valentine's Day falls on the second Saturday of February. Our Chocolate Fest is the third Saturday, February 21. This enables all the participating vendors to bring their "surplus" Valentine candies to sell at clearance prices at our event, a win for the vendors and attending "chocoholics."

For the first time this year, the Chocolate Fest Bake-off contest

will have both professional and amateur categories. This worked well at the Fall Fest Chili cook-off, so we are also implementing it at Chocolate-fest. For professional and non-professional confectioners, you now have time to experiment with your chocolate recipes before the final entries are due at Chocolate Fest. (Note: if you need a taster for any of these culinary arts, I am a confirmed Chocoholic. Bring them in for me to sample any Saturday morning at the Village Hall. My opinion won't count toward the judging but I sure will enjoy tasting all the samples!)

I hope you enjoy our winter events and once we're past Chocolate Fest, we can all think Spring. It won't be that far off.

## BOARD, COMMISSION & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All meetings are held at the Village Hall, 2020 Chestnut Road. A monthly schedule of all meetings is posted in the lobby of the Village Hall or visit the calendar online at [homesweethomewood.com](http://homesweethomewood.com)

**Appearance Commission**  
**Beautification Committee**  
**Cable TV Commission**  
**Committee of the Whole**  
**Community Relations Commission**  
**Economic Development Committee**  
**Fire and Police Commission**  
**Heritage Committee**  
**Homewood Council for the Arts**  
**Homewood Rail Committee**  
**Plan Commission**  
**Police Chief's Citizens Advisory Committee**  
**Senior Advisory Committee**  
**Storm water Resource Committee**  
**Tree Committee**  
**Veterans Committee**  
**Village Board of Trustees**  
**Zone Board of Appeals**

## VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS

Board meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM in the Village Hall Board Room, 2020 Chestnut Road. Committee of the Whole meetings are held on the first and third Tuesdays, as announced. The public is invited to all meetings and they may introduce appropriate items not listed on the agenda.

**VILLAGE PRESIDENT**  
Richard A. Hofeld

**VILLAGE CLERK**  
Maryilyn Thomas

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- **Dragon Inn**  
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- **Forever Yogurt**  
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- **Walter Raines Realty**  
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- **Serenity Chiropractic**  
18216 Harwood, Suite 1S
- **U.S. Bank**  
18300 Dixie
- **Impressive Homes Realty**  
2060 Ridge, N. Suite 3
- **Topfire Media**  
905 175th, Suite 2SE
- **Skip's Goodyear/Car-X**  
18340 Kedzie
- **Balanced Books Management**  
2058 Ridge
- **Hill Alcohol & Substance Abuse Program**  
1820 Ridge, Suite 213A

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Letter to Our Troops

Send a little “Home Sweet Homewood” to our troops. For many years Suzie’s Hallmark has been collecting non-perishable items and letters to send to the troops and will doing it again this holiday season. Fred Sierzega from Suzie’s Hallmark started gathering items in November and hopes to send over 200 pounds of donated items to the troops overseas. Suzie’s Hallmark will supply a list of items needed for donation and will accept items until Christmas. For more information, contact Suzie’s Hallmark, 18065 Harwood Avenue at (708) 799-2810.



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# WINTER HAPPENINGS

## November

### 11TH ANNUAL BUTTERBALL BURNER FUN RUN

Friday, November 28

8:00 AM check-in

9:00 AM race start

H-F Racquet & Fitness Club

Put down those leftovers, grab your running shoes and head over to the H-F Racquet & Fitness Club for the 11th Annual Butterball Burner! Join us as we celebrate eleven years of burning the post-Thanksgiving-day bloat with this fun run. All ages and abilities welcome. 8:00 AM race day registration and check-in. Advanced registration ends Tuesday, November 25. Fee: \$12.00 R / \$15.00 NR  
Day-of-Race: \$17.00 R / \$20.00 NR  
Code: 356518-02

## December

### TAKE A TRIP TO CAMELOT!

Thursday, December 4

Homewood Library Trip

Homewood Library cardholders are invited to travel to Drury Lane

Theatre on Thursday, December 4 for a performance of Camelot. Tickets cost \$60.00 and include luncheon and transportation. Seats are limited so come to the library soon and reserve your tickets with your payment.

### PANCAKES WITH SANTA

Saturdays, December 6, 13 and 20  
9:00 AM to 11:30 AM

Wiley’s Grill at Coyote Run Golf Course

Santa Claus is coming to town and he’s bringing pancakes! Get in the spirit with holiday music, a visit with Santa (don’t forget to bring your camera!) and a Pancake Buffet. Pancake Buffet will include topping such as crushed candy canes, chocolate chips, whipped cream, syrup, strawberry and chocolate sauce, sausage links and drink choice. Fee: \$10.00 per person, Ages 6 months and under free.

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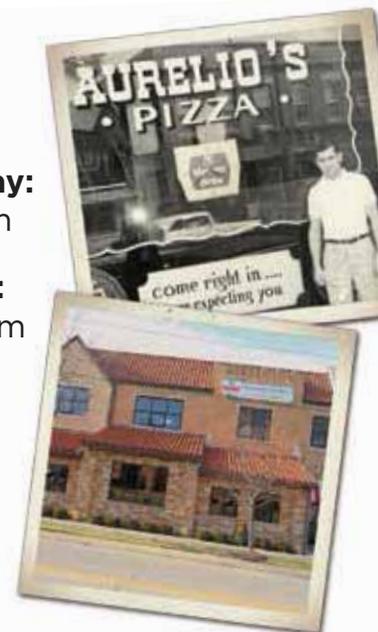
11:30 am – 9:30 pm

Friday – Saturday:

11:30 am – 10:30 pm

Sunday:

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# WINTER HAPPENINGS

## BRICKS FOR KIDZ

Saturday, December 13  
10:30 AM  
Homewood Library

Come join the fun! While working with a partner, this one-hour long program provides the participants with hands-on fun of model building, from concept to completion. Registration is REQUIRED.

## HIGH SCHOOL FINALS CAFÉ

Monday, December 15  
and Tuesday, December 16  
8:00 PM to 10:00 PM  
Homewood Library

Need a quiet place to cram for your semester exams? Come to the Homewood Public Library—snacks and tutors provided. Must show school ID.

## CHRISTMAS SKATING EXHIBITION

Sunday,  
December 21  
1:00 PM  
H-F Ice Arena

Take a few hours away from holiday preparations and come celebrate the holiday season with us! Enjoy a variety of holiday music while watching competitive skaters of all ages and levels perform. A very special guest will be joining us immediately following the show. Can you guess who he is? Admission \$3.00.

## SKATE WITH SANTA

Sunday, December 21  
2:30 PM  
H-F Ice Arena

Enjoy a special opportunity to take the ice with Santa Claus, just moments before Christmas! Bring along the kids and a camera to capture these holiday memories during this popular annual event. Admission: \$6.00 | Skate Rental: \$4.00.

## NEW YEAR'S EVE DAY CELEBRATION

Wednesday, December 31  
11:00 AM to 1:00PM  
Doors open at 10:30 AM  
H-F Park District Auditorium  
2010 Chestnut Road  
Sponsored by  
White Castle



The world may tune in to Time Square (NYC) at midnight, but in



## CELEBRATION OF WINTER

Saturday, January 31  
3:00 PM to 6:00 PM  
Coyote Run Golf Course  
and Wiley's Grill

Get your snow pants out and come join us for a fun Saturday in the snow with your community! Enjoy cross country skiing, snow hayrides, making S'mores with the family, snowman building, with food and drink specials throughout the event. This event truly has something for everyone! Please be aware that some activities are weather dependent.

## January

### FILM ON FROZEN FRIDAY

Friday, January 9  
6:00PM to 8:00PM  
Irwin Community Center

Got cabin fever? Put on your winter pjs and join us for a fun filled family night out at the Irwin Center. We will have all of your favorite movie treats available so you can enjoy Disney's Oscar winning Frozen. The movie will begin at 6:30 PM sharp! Space is limited, to guarantee a spot please pre-register. Fee: \$1.00 R / \$2.00 NR

### ST. JOSEPH PARISH PICNIC

St. Joseph Church  
17951 Dixie Highway  
Saturday, January 24  
4:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Shed that winter coat and come out for a breath of summer! Maybe it is cold outside, but it will be warm inside the Parish of St. Joseph as they host a summer time picnic. Enjoy an evening of summer fare, games, and live music. For more information call (708) 798-0622.

## February

### DADDY DAUGHTER SWEETHEART DANCE

Friday, February 6  
6:30 PM to 8:00PM (ages 4-8)  
8:30 PM to 10:00 PM (ages 9-13)  
H-F Sports Complex

Girls, grab your favorite guy (dad, grandfather, uncle, etc.). This event is packed with dancing, pictures, corsages, crafts, snacks and a keepsake to take home. Digital pictures will be available at hfparks.com following the dance. If you have daughters that are different ages, they can attend the same dance. Fee: \$ 18.00 R / \$ 27.00 NR





## DOWNTOWN HOMEWOOD BUSINESS ASSOCIATION SHOP LOCAL EVENTS

### GOING TO THE DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE?

Friday, February 6  
Wiley's Grill at Coyote Run Golf Course

Start off the evening at Wiley's Grill with a special dinner for your special night. You can reserve your spot now. \$26.50 per couple (includes tax and service fee) Reservations required. Call (708) 957-8774 for details.

### CHOCOLATE AROUND THE WORLD

Saturday, February 20  
12:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Utilize your passport to taste chocolates from around the world without leaving Homewood. Visit the Village of Homewood's Chocolate Fest, then travel to Downtown participating businesses to taste chocolates from around the world.

*Save the Date!  
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### GREEN THUMB SATURDAYS

March 11, April 11, May 9, June 13, July 11, August 8, and September 12

### THE RETURN OF RAIL FEST

Saturday, May 16



### THANKSGIVING SALE

Friday, November 28  
10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Avoid the crowds and busy malls this holiday season by keeping it local. Shop, Dine, & Explore Homewood. Participating local businesses offering Holiday specials and family friendly shopping. Save your local economy... three stores at a time. Visit [the350project.net](http://the350project.net)

### SHOP SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY—KEEP IT LOCAL

Saturday, November 29  
10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Come out to shop and support your local Homewood businesses on American Express Small Business Saturday. Small Businesses are the heartbeat of our communities. Invest in your local businesses. Shop, Dine and Explore Homewood—Keep it local. Participating businesses offering Holiday specials and family friendly shopping.

### HOLIDAY LIGHTS IN HOMEWOOD

Friday, December 5  
6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Holiday lights has become a treasured event in Homewood, capturing the joy, excitement and traditions of the season in one family friendly memorial evening. Musical trolleys will travel to unique stores, boutiques and restaurants filled with gifts and recipes you won't find in any mall. Each merchant will have special holiday promotions and discounts, raffles and in store events. Watch



Santa flip the switch for the annual tree lighting ceremony, trolley rides, antique car parade, ice sculpting, and more.

### MOONLIGHT MADNESS

Friday, December 12  
6:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Enjoy the Holidays and Come Shop the night away with us! Multi Store Scavenger Hunt! White Elephant Gifts! Raffle prizes! Progressive Discounts deepen as the evening hours grow. Refreshments served. Shop for unique gifts that you won't find in any mall.

### HOLIDAY BUILD A SNOWMAN DECORATING CONTEST

Saturday, December 13—pick up supplies date  
Saturday, December 20—entry deadline

Walk and shop Downtown Homewood businesses and collect miscellaneous supplies to decorate and create a "HomeSweetHomewood" Snowman. Look for the Build a Snowman signs on our doors and participate. Return your completed snowman to your favorite downtown business by Saturday, December 20.

We'll judge and pick one winner from each location, then draw one final selection for our 1st place winner.

### LAST MINUTE GIFTS SHOPPING DAY

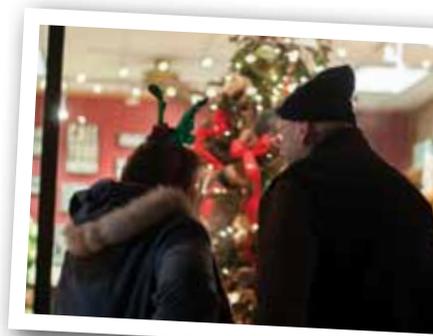
Saturday, December 20  
10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Send us your procrastinators and your men to our participating businesses with your wish lists and we'll offer shopping assistance, free gift wrapping, discounts with purchase at participating businesses. Find one of a gifts and unique items that you won't find in any malls. Don't forget to drop off today your "HomeSweetHomewood" Snowman for our Holiday Decorating Contest. See details on December 13 event.

### POST HOLIDAY CLEARANCE SALE

Saturday, December 27  
10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Calling all bargain shoppers and sale seekers. We're closing out our year with specials and discounts for you from your local merchants. Up to 50% savings and more on items that you won't find in malls.





SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY  
NOV 29

## GET YOUR PASSPORT STAMPED HERE

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### Small Business Saturday is November 29

In 2013, nearly 1,500 Neighborhood Champions across the country tapped into the power of the Shop Small® Movement for their communities. Diana Dills, owner of Global Fusion and President of Homewood's Downtown Homewood Business Association was among these leaders, rallying their hometowns to shop local. This year, PASSPORTS will be handed out on Saturday by participating stores. Look for the "Small Business Saturday" poster and participate to show your support of Homewood's local business community.



Pop-Up Shops are open through December 20. 32 vendors have activated five spots to round out your shopping experience. Each Pop-Up links to your favorite, 365-day-a-year-merchant.

Here are the locations around town:

- 2045 Ridge Road
- 2023 Ridge Road
- 18065 Harwood Avenue
- 18360 Governors Highway (Cherry Creek Plaza)
- 2049 Ridge Road

### POP-UP SHOP HOURS OF OPERATION

All Pop-Ups have the same dates and hours; select Pop-Ups will be open Christmas week for special holiday promotions.

October 16 – December 20

Thursday and Friday 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Saturday 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Pop-Up Shops are operated and managed independent of the Village, so if you have questions about merchandise or anything about shop operation, please contact vendors directly. You will find contact information at [homesweethomewood.com](http://homesweethomewood.com). The managing vendor of each shop is listed at the top under each Pop-Up Shop address.

Pop-Up Shops were first introduced during the holiday season of 2013. The Village received recognition from the region for its creative approach to filling gaps in its shopping district and motivating consumers to shop local. Pop-Up Shops do not replace Homewood's vibrant and faithful brick-and-mortars, who offer new items year-round. Pop-Up Shops are designed to create new interest and energy within the district and increased foot traffic in an effort to benefit existing businesses and drive local consumers to shop local.



## Big Box Comes to Downtown Homewood

Yes, there is a Big Box coming to downtown Homewood, opening its doors on Small Business Saturday, November 29 so you can preview its amazing line of product. It will be located on Martin Avenue, near the Ridge Road intersection.

Tell us who you think is coming: use #BigBox @HomewoodIL and we'll post your ideas on the Village's Facebook page (Village of Homewood). Join our active social channels and be a part of our conversations.



## I Invest Here

Last year, 25 residents created a video to encourage Homewood to shop local during the holiday shopping season. The video's message was clear: when you make a purchase, whether dining out, buying a new scarf or new car, you are actually

making an investment in your local economy and there's a return. By shopping local, residents fund municipal services, support property values, increase the marketability of Homewood, and build credibility with prospective businesses and developers.

Posters for each video participant were created and placed in the windows of more than 70 businesses. The poster echoed the

campaign's tagline, "I Invest Here," making the message relevant to



each individual store and creating a visually cohesive message to pedestrians and motorists traveling through the district.

The video can be viewed on the Village's website, Facebook page, and on its YouTube Channel. Thank you to the residents who gave their time and their mug shot to inspire others to have an active role in the sustainability of their town by spending dollars locally.



## Holiday Yard Card in Homewood is Back!

Bring your favorite holiday image to life this season! Join dozens of others in painting your very own giant holiday yard card for friends and neighbors to view all season long and for many years to come! Not an artist? Don't worry—we have an artist standing by to guide you along the way.

### Holiday Yard Card Workshops

18063 Dixie Highway, Homewood, IL 60430

Instructor: Teri Cann

Painting studio hours through December 7:

Friday 4:00 PM-9:00 PM | Saturday 10:00 AM-6:00 PM

Sunday 10:00 AM-4:00 PM

\$98 R / \$108 NR

Supplies include 5x4 primed plywood, paint, brushes, aprons and instruction. Maximum image size is a 7x7.

Call (708) 957-0300 to register.

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**3** Think about which three independently owned stores you'd miss most if they were gone. Stop in, say hello, and pick a little something up. That's how they stay around.

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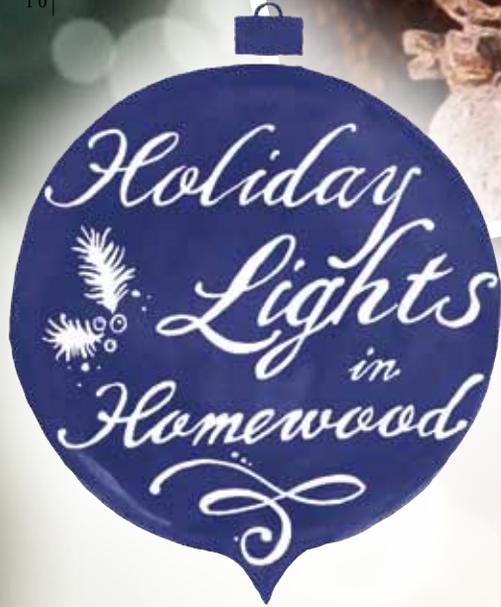
**68** For every \$100 spent in independently owned stores, \$68 returns to the community through taxes, payroll, and other expenditures. In a national chain, only \$43 stays here. Spend it online and *nothing comes home.*

**1** The number of people it takes to start the trend...*you.*

*Pick 3. Spend 50. Save your local economy.*

*For more information, visit [the350project.net](http://the350project.net)*

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### ANNUAL CELEBRATION BOASTS UNIQUE SHOPPING AND SPECTACULAR TREE-LIGHTING

Experience the festivity of the season at the annual Holiday Lights in Homewood celebration featuring a tree-lighting ceremony, outdoor marketplace, unique shopping opportunities on December 5 from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM. "Holiday Pop-Up Retail" indie-craft vendors will be open until the week of Christmas.

Enjoy shopping downtown Homewood at our local shops and with the 'Pop-Up to Shops.' It will be a great opportunity to purchase that unique one-of-a-kind item that you can't find at a mall.

Capture the joy, excitement, and traditions of the season in one memorable evening. Kicking off at Irwin Park with the annual tree-lighting ceremony at 7:00 PM, participants can enjoy the splendor of the tree, warm their hands by the bonfire and then welcome Santa on his traditional fire engine arrival. There is an exciting countdown for Santa to flip the switch to illuminate the tree with thousands of lights. Children can also share their wish list with Santa in this classic community event.

Visitors are then welcome to hop aboard one of the musical trolleys that travel through downtown Homewood to visit the outdoor market or simply take a tour around town to shop. Riders can hop on and off as merchants are open late, hosting children's holiday craft activities, serving up holiday goodies and offering generous discounts on unique gifts found only in the Downtown Homewood business district. Visitors should keep an eye out for the Open flags fluttering outside stores to signify participating businesses. In addition, the

trolleys will stop at all downtown public parking lots, including Irwin Park and Hickory Road. Trolley rides are free.

On Martin Avenue there will be fun family activities. Visitors can shop the outdoor market, visit live reindeer, sample festive desserts, hot cider and mulled wine and hear traditional holiday music play throughout the downtown. Attendees also get to witness an exciting ice sculpting demonstration by Nadeau's Ice Sculptures—Chicago's premier ice carving company (demonstrations begin at 7:15 PM). A variety of holiday-themed shapes will take form from blocks of ice in this dynamic display. Finally, adding to the full experience of the evening, Foundation 153, a fundraising non-profit for School District 153, will sell premium-grade Fraser Firs from Michigan with easy pick-up and loading assistance. Sales will begin as early as 3:00 PM.

### HOLIDAY SOUVENIR MUG

Last year, a Holiday Lights souvenir mug was available for purchase and for sipping mulled wine sold by the Downtown Homewood Business Association. This year, a new mug will be available while supplies last.

### ABOUT MARTIN AVENUE MARKET VENDORS

In addition to mulled wine and festive goodies to keep you warm while you partake in Homewood traditions, please visit our community of local service groups and not-for-profits and support your neighbors who spread good cheer!

The Homewood Parent Teacher Association will be selling reusable ECO-Chic bags and with every bag purchase you get a free cookbook.

Cookbooks by themselves are \$5.00. Bags range from \$5.00-\$20.00.

Cancer Support Center will sell cookies and coffee that will keep Mom and Dad warm.

Get your holiday off to a great start with a great tree from the annual Foundation 153 Holiday Tree Sale at Holiday Lights. Pre-order your tree online at [foundation153.org](http://foundation153.org), select the tree you want at Holiday Lights and when you're ready to go home, have your tree loaded on your vehicle by Foundation 153 volunteers. Sales and tree selection begins as early as 3:00 PM. All proceeds to fund innovative learning programs and educational technologies throughout School District 153.

TALK (Theatre and Arts Leadership Council) will have an offering of their artwork, holiday cards and treats.

Homewood Woman's Club will sell pies and cookie tickets for items that can be picked up at their sponsor, Pearson's Bakery in Chicago Heights, for \$10.00 each. They will also sell packaged home baked cookies at Holiday Lights. The Homewood Woman's Club promotes the welfare of the community through philanthropic community activities.

St. Joseph Parish - Warm up with goodies from the parish of St. Joseph Church.

Homewood Library will have an offering of fun and tasty treats.

Friday, December 5 | 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

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- POP-UP RETAIL SHOPS
- OUTDOOR MARKET VENDORS



We've amassed all the traditions of the season and brought them to Homewood so you don't have to go anywhere else. **This holiday season, over two dozen new merchants will open their doors to round out downtown's unique shopping mix.** We've filled the gaps to create a continuous shopping experience to satisfy all your gift-giving and holiday planning needs. Please keep your holiday spending in town this season, so we can keep the businesses we love, merry & bright.

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- 1 5th Quarter Pressroom & Eatery
- 2 Asian Harbor
- 3 Aurelio's Pizzeria
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- 6 Eat Rice
- 7 Grady's Grille
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- 9 Mama & Me
- 10 Mitchell's Ice Cream & Candies
- 11 Ridgewood Liquor Store & Tap
- 12 Starbucks
- 13 Tin Ceiling
- 14 Twisted Q

**Retail/Activity**

- 1 Anjel's Boutique
- 2 Artix Salon
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**Key for Holiday Lights**

- Dec. 5**
- Antique Cars
  - Bonfire
  - Caroling
  - Ice Sculptures
  - Market Vendors
  - Reindeer
  - Santa
  - Tree Sales
  - Tree Lighting
  - American Dance Ballerinas
  - Mug Sales

**Pop Up Shops**

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# PUBLIC SAFETY NEWS

## Keep the Wreath Red

This holiday season, be sure to practice fire safety. The holiday wreath on the front of the fire station will contain red bulbs throughout the season. The bulbs will remain lit unless a holiday decoration-related fire occurs in Homewood. For each such incident, a white bulb will be added. Let's Keep the Wreath Red!

The United States Fire Administration has holiday safety recommendations at their Web site: [usfa.fema.gov/citizens/home\\_fire\\_prev/holiday-seasonal/holiday.shtm](http://usfa.fema.gov/citizens/home_fire_prev/holiday-seasonal/holiday.shtm)



## Thank You

The Fire Department thanks all Homewood residents who maintain the fire hydrants in their or their neighbor's yard and keep them free from snow during the winter months. The ability of the Fire Department to quickly locate and connect to a fire hydrant when needed is vital to rapidly providing water in a fire emergency.

## Space Heater Safety Tips

Sometimes our homes need just a little extra heat. When that happens we often turn to space heaters. A space heater will do the job, but they can be dangerous appliances if not used appropriately.

Space heater safety tips:

- Keep all space heaters at least 3 feet away from household combustibles.
- Use space heaters only as a supplementary source of heat. These devices are not intended to replace the home's heating system.
- Do not use extension cords with space heaters unless absolutely necessary.
- Inspect the heater's cord periodically to look for frayed wire or damaged insulation. Do not use a space heater with a damaged cord.
- Check periodically for a secure plug/outlet fit. If the plug becomes very hot, the outlet may need to be replaced by a qualified technician. This could be the sign of a potential home wiring issue.
- Heaters should be placed on a flat, level surface. Do not place heaters on furniture since they may fall and become damaged or break parts in the heater.
- Unless the heater is designed for use outdoors or in bathrooms, do not use in damp, wet areas.
- Look for the UL Mark on your electric heater. This means representative samples of the appliance have met UL's stringent safety standards.
- If you have a liquid-fueled



space heater, use only the fuel recommended by the manufacturer. The wrong fuel could burn hotter than the equipment was designed for and cause a serious fire.

- When refueling, turn off the heater and let it cool down completely before adding fuel. Wipe away any spills promptly.
- Before you buy a kerosene heater, check with your local fire department to ensure that it is legal.



## Black Friday Blood Drive

Appointments are still being taken for the Black Friday Blood drive to be held November 28th from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Homewood Fire Department. You can make a reservation to donate blood by calling 1-877-LIFESOURCE or at [lifesource.org](http://lifesource.org). No time to make a reservation? Walk-ins are welcome.

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## Winter Storm and Extreme Cold Preparedness

The Weather pundits are saying that this winter may be as cold and snowy as the last. If that is true, now is the time to think about preparing for winter and cold weather emergencies.

### Before a Storm or Extreme Cold

To prepare for a winter storm you should do the following:

- Add the following supplies to your emergency kit: Rock salt or more environmentally safe products to melt ice on walkways; sand to improve traction; snow shovels and other snow removal equipment; sufficient heating fuel. You may become isolated in your home and regular fuel sources may be cut off. Store a good supply of dry, seasoned wood for your fireplace or wood-burning stove; adequate clothing and blankets to keep you warm.
- Make a Family Communications Plan. Your family may not be together when disaster strikes, so it is important to know how you will contact one another, how you will get back together and what you will do in case of an emergency.
- A NOAA Weather Radio broadcasts alerts and warnings directly from the NWS for all hazards. Minimize travel. If travel is necessary, keep a disaster supplies kit in your vehicle.
- Bring pets/companion animals inside during winter weather.

### During a Storm or Extreme Cold

- Stay indoors during the storm.
- Walk carefully on snowy, icy walkways.
- Avoid overexertion when shoveling snow. Overexertion can bring on a heart attack—a major cause of death in the winter. Use caution, take breaks,

push the snow instead of lifting it when possible, and lift lighter loads.

- Keep dry. Change wet clothing frequently to prevent a loss of body heat. Wet clothing loses all of its insulating value and transmits heat rapidly.
- Signs of frostbite: Occurs when the skin and body tissue just beneath it freezes. Loss of feeling and white or pale appearance in extremities, such as fingers, toes, earlobes, face, and the tip of the nose. What to do: Cover exposed skin, but do not rub the affected area in an attempt to warm it up. Seek medical help immediately.
- Signs of Hypothermia: Dangerously low body temperature. Uncontrollable shivering, memory loss, disorientation, incoherence, slurred speech, drowsiness, and apparent exhaustion. What to Do: If symptoms of hypothermia are detected take the person's temperature. If it is below 95°, seek medical attention immediately. Get the victim to a warm location. Remove wet clothing. Warm the center of the body first by wrapping the person in blankets or putting on dry clothing. Give warm, non-alcoholic beverages if the victim is conscious. Seek medical help immediately.
- Drive only if it is absolutely necessary. If you must drive: travel in the day; don't travel alone; keep others informed of your schedule; stay on main roads and avoid back road shortcuts.
- Let someone know your destination, your route, and when you expect to arrive. If

your car gets stuck along the way, help can be sent along your predetermined route.

- If the pipes freeze, remove any insulation or layers of newspapers and wrap pipes in rags. Completely open all faucets and pour hot water over the pipes, starting where they were most exposed to the cold (or where the cold was most likely to penetrate).
- Maintain ventilation when using kerosene heaters to avoid build-up of toxic fumes. Refuel kerosene heaters outside and keep them at least three feet from flammable objects.
- Conserve fuel, if necessary, by keeping your residence cooler than normal. Temporarily close off heat to some rooms.
- If you will be going away during cold weather, leave the heat on in your home, set to a temperature no lower than 55°F.

### After a Storm or Extreme Cold

- If your home loses power or heat for more than a few hours or if you do not have adequate supplies to stay warm in your home overnight, you may want to go to a designated public shelter if you can get there safely.
- Bring any personal items that you would need to spend the night (such as toiletries and medicines). Take precautions when traveling to the shelter. Dress warmly in layers, wear boots, mittens, and a hat.
- Continue to protect yourself from frostbite and hypothermia by wearing warm, loose-fitting, lightweight clothing in several layers. Stay indoors, if possible. For more information on emergency preparedness, go to [ready.gov](http://ready.gov)



## Staying Warm This Winter

As winter approaches, now is time to think about what plans you have for staying warm in an emergency. Consider making a plan with neighbors to share their home if yours is without power or heat. As part of your emergency plan please include checking on elderly neighbors or those who live alone to be certain they have adequate heat and supplies.

During periods of extreme cold, the Village of Homewood operates emergency warming centers. One of the centers is located at the Village Hall on Chestnut Road and the other is at the Brian Carey Training Center located at the extreme east end of 191st Street. Village warming centers will only be open and available during normal business hours. No meals or other amenities will be offered at the centers. Residents can check the Village Web site at [homesweethomewood.com](http://homesweethomewood.com), Comcast Channel 4 or AT&T 99 to see if the warming centers are operational.

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## 5th Annual Christmas Tree and Holiday Light Recycling Program



Mark your calendars for the 5th Annual Christmas Tree and Holiday Lights Recycling Program. The Community Christmas Tree drop-off date is Saturday, January 3, 2015 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM at Irons Oaks, Vollmer Road parking lot. Our volunteers make it easy for you to drive in and assist in grabbing your tree from your vehicle and adding it to our pile. In most cases you don't even need to exit your vehicle. Join us for refreshments and a warm fire as we ring in the New Year!

Alternatively, for your convenience we are pleased to announce that trees can be dropped off any time at Irons Oaks Vollmer Road parking lot between the dates of Friday, December 26, 2014 and Monday, January 19, 2015. Please



note that all Christmas Trees must be completely bare and free of any ornaments, plastic bags, lights, tinsel, and wire. Trees should be placed on the pile with the trunks facing Vollmer Road. No wreaths or garland (with wire or plastic) can be accepted.

Holiday Lights may be dropped off for recycling anytime between Monday, November 24 and

Monday, January 19, 2015 at any of the following locations:

- Flossmoor Village Hall
- H-F Ice Arena
- H-F Racquet Club
- Irons Oaks
- Irwin Center
- Wiley's Grill

For additional information please visit our Web site at [hfchristmastreerecycling.com](http://hfchristmastreerecycling.com).

## St. Joseph Parish Picnic



After the tree is down and we await Super Bowl Sunday, St. Joe's will host a community event on Saturday, January 24, 2015 from 4:00 PM to 10:00 PM in the gym. St. Joe's invites the town to catch-up with friends and neighbors after the holiday festivities with a one-of-a-kind community gathering—a picnic indoors, featuring food and entertainment. Discover how St. Joe's has served Homewood for over a century, contributing to the Village's growth and providing fellowship through more than 28 unique ministries. Visit us at [posjhomewood.org](http://posjhomewood.org) or find us on Facebook, 'St. Joseph School Homewood.'

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Hot Chocolate Sale Benefitting Toys for Tots

Who would have ever thought driving past a lemonade stand would grow in to a much loved annual winter fundraiser. It was one summer, as Maureen Winfrey recalls, she and her daughter Kayla drove past a lemonade stand and Kayla said “too bad there aren’t hot chocolate stands in the winter.” The following December Kayla and sister Mara Winfrey came up with the idea of selling hot chocolate and cookies from their driveway to raise

money to purchase gifts for Toys for Tots. Eleven years later the event is still going strong! The event brings friends, neighbors, and family members to the Winfrey driveway in front of a warm bonfire, sipping hot chocolate and eating festive cookies all to help support the girls’ charitable cause. Kayla and Mara have raised \$4,000 dollars over the years. Look for their event on Friday, December 12, 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM.



## True Muse Series debuts at the beautiful Ravisloe Country Club

Ravisloe Country Club has launched a new music series. They are working with True Muse Production to bring a jazz musical series to warm the spirits over the winter and continue throughout the year. True Muse has been curating a similar music series at the Open Door Theatre in Oak Park. TRUE MUSE MUSIC SERIES at Ravisloe Country Club will occur about once a month, November through April, at which time the series will pick up with concerts every other week through August. All performances are open to the public and appropriate for all ages. Ravisloe Country Club has beautiful grounds, a lovely bar & grill available for pre-show dining, and a full bar for cocktails during the performance. Parking is free, and the club is just steps from the Homewood stop on the Metra Electric line.

### Concert Series:

**December 4 at 7:30 PM.** The incomparable Jazz Lady Robin Watson brings us Holiday of the Holidays—her high energy and very thoughtful Billy Holiday Tribute show.

### December 10 at 7:30 PM.

Holiday Jazz Duets with Linda Solotaire & Saalik, featuring Leandro Lopez-Varady on Piano. They are Two Voices with One Mission: to entertain and delight audiences with songs from the Great American Songbook along with some old and sure to be new favorite Christmas melodies.

### January 22 at 7:30 PM.

Suenos Latin-Jazz Quintet will roll into Ravisloe like a soft warm South American wave. The ensemble is comprised of some of Chicago’s finest jazz and Latin-jazz musicians.

**February 12 at 7:30 PM.** Keep your spirits warm with Brazilian singer/songwriter/guitarist Paulinho Garcia plays his intimate Beautiful Love show, from his internationally acclaimed CD by the same name.

The series continues March to August with Rhythm, Rhym and the Refrain, Women in Jazz: Part 1, and Summer Under the Stars. True Muse Productions is a not-for-profit arts organization whose mission is to promote live performance, in particular under-exposed music genres.

## Historical Society to Hold Fundraiser

The Homewood Historical Society invites you to its “New Year’s No Show Ball” – No date - No time - No place.

Can’t dance? Don’t want to rent a tuxedo, buy a ball gown or get dressed up? Don’t want to go out in freezing temperatures or snowy weather? Can’t find a babysitter or an escort or a ride or whatever the case may be?

It’s the busiest time of the year to be sure, so the Homewood Historical Society has decided that it’s time for a No Show Ball—this year with a New Years theme. Think of it, you make your check payable to the Homewood Historical Society in any amount, send it in and you’re done! No muss, no fuss, cuddle up and be warm. You think of us and we’ll think of you.

All kidding aside, the Homewood Historical Society needs \$9,000 annually to meet its operating budget to maintain the Dorband-Howe House and museum and to provide programs to serve the community. Our



society receives no government funds, has no paid employees and relies solely on dues and donations for support.

Why not ring 2015 in style knowing you have helped one of Homewood’s premier volunteer organizations. Please contribute in any amount by sending your check to:

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## Robert LaChapelle Retires from Homewood Public Works after 35 1/2 Years of Service

Bob LaChapelle started his career with Homewood in June of 1979 and, after several promotions, has been the Supervisor of the Utility Division since 1995. He has always been dedicated to both his job and the community. It was here in Homewood, that he met his wife Carolyn and raised their two children, Bobby and Laura.

Upon Bob's announcement of his retirement plans, the reaction from his co-workers and employees was bittersweet. "Bob is such an integral part of the Public Works Department, his presence will be missed immediately." From his

many accolades over the years, some of the words that represent him include: Professional, Dedicated, Problem Solver, Understanding, Committed, Team Player, Honest, High Standards, Steady, Reliable, Accountable, Sees the Big Picture, and Proactive. It's little wonder that this pillar of the Department will be leaving the Public Works Department bereft.

The Village wishes you well Bob, and thanks you for your many years of dedicated service to the Village of Homewood. Congratulations on your retirement!



## Homewood Works Together Providing Holiday Cheer for Children

Eleven years ago, Lisa Syren with the Village of Homewood and Lynn Calhoun, Social Worker with Homewood School District, teamed up to start the Homewood Giving Tree. It started as a small grassroots project, helping just a few families that came to the attention of the school. Once teamed up with the Village, the project took on a life of its own and we are now able to help 25 families. Teachers at the schools, community members, Village employees and local businesses all come together

to make sure all the wishes are granted. The "wishes" are hung on mittens on the Giving Tree located at the Homewood Village Hall. Mittens are hung in the teachers lounges at each school as well.

The gifts are dropped off at the Homewood Public Works Department or to the school social workers at each school building, and then distributed to the families prior to Christmas. This year the tree will go up the week of November 17, in the lobby of the Village Hall.



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# FINANCE & MANAGER'S OFFICE NEWS

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## Municipal Leadership Award

The Chicago Southland Convention & Visitor's Bureau awarded the Village of Homewood the Municipal Leadership of the Year Award.

The CVB, the regional destination management organization for Chicago's 62 south and southwest suburbs, recognized its members, municipalities and organizations for their outstanding service in the hospitality and tourism industries during Fiscal Year 2014.

The awards were presented at



the CVB's Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon Wednesday, October 1, 2014, at the Homewood Suites by Hilton / Elements Conference Center in

Orland Park, Ill. CVB President/CEO Jim Garrett focused on how the Chicago Southland is Building for Tomorrow.

## Savvy Award

Homewood scored another Savvy Award this year by the City-County Communications and Marketing Association (3CMA). Homewood's Pop-Up Shop Initiative received the Award of Excellence in the Economic Development Marketing and Tools category. Judges commented, "Good overall effort and outcomes, especially year-over-year sales. Great initiative and utilization of online resources to market, as good success with traditional media."



## Plan to be out of town for the Winter?

If you expect to be away from your home through next April, you may submit a self-addressed stamped envelope to the Village Hall so that your vehicle sticker application can be mailed to you. Please be



sure to include your Homewood address with your request. We must have your request by Sunday, March 1, 2015.

For those residents who have given the post office a temporary address during the winter/spring months, vehicle sticker applications

are not forwarded by the Post Office. Please contact Floyd at (708) 206-3366 for forwarding instructions. Applications returned by the Post Office marked "Temporarily Away" will be held at Village Hall if a forwarding envelope was not submitted.



## Going to Chicago for the day?

The Village Hall parking lot at Chestnut Road and Harwood Avenue may have 1 to 5 parking spaces available for rent on most business days. The Village also offers 2 parking spaces for seniors who periodically need to travel to Chicago. Daily rental is \$2.00 and senior spaces are available for Homewood residents only.

### IMPORTANT ELECTION DATES FOR CONSOLIDATED ELECTION APRIL 7, 2015

- 2/26/15 to 4/2/15 Absentee ballot applications accepted by Cook County Clerk's Office.
- 3/10/15 Last day to register to vote at Village Hall
- 3/11/15 to 4/4/15 Grace period registration and voting at designated locations chosen by Cook County Clerk's Office
- 3/23/15 to 4/4/15 Early voting at designated locations chosen by Cook County Clerk's Office

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