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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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## JUNE

**Homewood Farmers Market**  
Every Saturday  
through October 11 | 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
Village Hall Parking Lot  
*Contact the Village of Homewood at (708) 798-3000*

**Touch of Green Saturdays @ the Market**  
subscribe to the e-News for details  
Electronic Take-Back  
June 20 | 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM  
July 18 | 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM  
August 22 | 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM  
September 26 | 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM  
Document Shredding | TBA  
Prescription Drug Disposal | TBA

**Green Thumb Saturdays @ the Market**  
June 13 | Container Gardens  
July 11 | Insects: Good, Bad & Ugly  
August 8 | What's In Your Garden  
September 12 | Trees  
October 10 | Invasives

**FREE! Starry Nights Concert Series, "Voyage" Rock 'n Roll of the 70s and 80s**  
Thursday, June 18 | 7:30 PM, Irwin Park (Ridge Road and Gottschalk Avenue)  
*Contact H-F Park District at (708) 957-0300*

**Cancer Support Center Block Party**  
Sunday, June 7 | 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM  
2028 Elm Road  
*Contact the Cancer Support Center at (708) 798-9171*

**Art & Garden Street Fair New Time!**  
Friday, June 12 | 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM  
Saturday, June 13 | 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM  
Downtown Homewood  
*Contact the Village of Homewood at (708) 798-3000*

**Drivin' the Dixie**  
Saturday, June 20 | 9:00 AM  
Cars will drive through Homewood on Dixie Highway  
*Contact the Village of Homewood at (708) 798-3000*

## JULY

**Independence Day Parade and Family Fun Fest**  
Saturday, July 4 | 10:00 AM Parade Step-Off; 11:00 AM Family Fun Fest  
Ridge Road and Dixie Highway to Izaak Walton Preserve  
*Contact the Village of Homewood Fire Department at (708) 206-3400*

**FREE! Starry Nights Concert Series, "B.B.I." New and Old Songs from a New View and a New Look**  
Friday, July 3 | 7:30 PM, Irwin Park (Ridge Road and Gottschalk Avenue)  
*Contact H-F Park District at (708) 957-0300*

**Movies in Our Parks, Big Hero 6**  
Friday, July 10 | Irwin Park (Ridge Road and Gottschalk Avenue), movie starts at dusk  
*Contact Homewood Public Library at (708) 798-0121*

**FREE! Starry Nights Concert Series, "Brit Beat" A Multimedia Concert Journey through Beatles History**  
Thursday, July 23 | 7:30 PM, Irwin Park (Ridge Road and Gottschalk Avenue)  
*Contact H-F Park District at (708) 957-0300*

## AUGUST

**National Night Out**  
Tuesday, August 4 | 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM  
Irwin Park

**Homewood's Block Party**  
Saturday, August 15 | 11:00 AM to 8:00 PM  
Hickory Road  
*Contact the Village of Homewood at (708) 798-3000*

**Area Sidewalk Sale**  
Saturday, August 15 | 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM  
*Sponsored by the Downtown Homewood Business Association*

**Movies in Our Parks, Night at the Museum 3**  
Friday, August 21 | Flossmoor Park in Flossmoor, movie starts at dusk  
*Contact Flossmoor Public Library at (708) 798-4006*

**Girls Night Out**  
Friday | August 21  
*Sponsored by the Downtown Homewood Business Association*

## SEPTEMBER

**Fall Fest and Annual Chili Cook Off**  
Saturday, September 19 | 11:00 AM to 10:00 PM  
Hickory Road and surrounding area  
*Contact the Village of Homewood at (708) 798-3000*



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# PUBLIC SERVICE DIRECTORY

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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
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School District 161 .....	647-7000
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St. Joseph School.....	798-0467
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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Richard A. Hofeld  
Village President

This is going to be a very good year for economic development in Homewood. Everything is “shaping up” very nicely.

Potbelly’s opened in March. Their corporate staff referred to the Homewood store as having the best opening week of any of their suburban stores. They were very favorably impressed with the Homewood market. The two stores adjoining Potbelly’s will be Verizon and Mattress Firm.

Continuing along Halsted Street, Portillo’s has begun construction of their restaurant at 175th Street, the site of the former Shooters restaurant. This development has been a long time in the making. I first contacted Dick Portillo over ten years ago and have done my best to keep Homewood’s name in front of him since. Whether it was phone calls or letters paraphrasing his ads with Homewood as the focal point, he remembered Homewood. In the

course of final discussions with him, the one thing he said was “I admire your persistence!” Dick Portillo is one of the most decent, genuine gentleman I have met. He has never forgotten how he first started his business years ago, in a trailer without running water. He said he chose Homewood because of its superior location, just off of I-80, and our pro-business attitude. He expects the Homewood store to be one of his best. We agree, and look forward to its opening in September. In anticipation of his business expectations, this store will have a double lane drive-thru, one of his first.

Chicago Chicken and Waffle is currently looking for their fourth location on Halsted Street in Homewood (others are in Oak Park, Evanston and Chicago.) After owner Darnell Johnson first met with us and explained his food concept, Jim Marino, Village Manager, Dennis Bubinek, Finance Director and I took

a “road trip” to the Oak Park Chicago Chicken and Waffle restaurant. The food was excellent and the restaurant, a remodeled old store, was clean and inviting, and the wait-staff was knowledgeable and friendly. You can order chicken and waffles or chicken or waffles. Either way, the chicken is delicious, the waffles are light and fluffy with plenty of butter and syrup—real health food! What is most interesting is that no meat dishes, other than poultry are served. If you request gravy, it is turkey gravy. To be honest with you, my mouth waters at the thought of their offerings. I can’t wait until they open here in the fall of this year.

Uncle John’s Barbecue will be opening in the former Just Turkey space at Ridge and Halsted, in the Shell Plaza. This restaurant has been written up in the “Tribune” for their outstanding ribs, so we can look

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## President's Message

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forward to this as well. Needless to say, with all the new and existing places to eat, we will not go hungry in Homewood!

Continuing with development along Halsted, Menard's will be expanding their store. The current store is an older dated smaller proto-type and is not able to offer all of their products. An addition to the existing building will enable Menards to better serve their customers' needs with more available stock. We were able to accomplish this through an intergovernmental agreement with the Village of Thornton which allows Menards to expand onto land that they control. This co-operation by Thornton is truly an act of being a good neighbor.

Walmart will be extensively remodeling the old Super K-Mart. This involves not only retrofitting the store's interior to Walmart's

store layout and design, but also replacing the roof and making significant exterior renovations to the building and parking lot. Because of this extensive work, Walmart estimates that the store opening will not take place until next year.

The LaBanque Hotel, in the heart of town at the site of the former Great Lakes Bank building at Ridge and Martin, is scheduled to open in June. I have been through the building at various stages of its construction and it is beautiful. The attractive tiled floor lobby, finely appointed rooms and elegant restaurant speaks to how impressive this is. The restaurant, LaVoute, French for the Vault, is situated in that part of the bank building where the walk-in vault is located. The chef is the owner of a French restaurant in Chicago's Lincoln Park area. Some of the food offerings here will have some

French flavor while others will be more mainstream, with a more moderate price-point. LaVoute should make for a very nice night out. Marilyn and I shall be trying it. Not being that familiar with French cuisine, I always remember the quip, "Never doubt the courage of the French—they were the ones who discovered snails were edible!"

We have already had quite a few inquiries from businesses that want to be in proximity to the hotel. These have included a Martini / Margarita and tapas venue and also a brew-pub. The Bakewell Bakery, which has been a participant in our Farmer's Market the past two years, will open in downtown Homewood. Fratello's Italian Delicatessen, both a sit-down restaurant as well as a carryout, has opened on Dixie Highway, just to the north of Mitchell's Soda Shop. Grape and Grain, on

Dixie Highway north of Ridge, is expanding into the vacant store adjacent to them. This will enable them to open a kitchen, serving sandwiches and lighter fare.

Paintertaining on Ridge Road, across from the hotel, hosts parties where guests are provided a canvas, smock and paints and brushes to create their own paintings. This should appeal to persons of all ages, from girls night out to birthday parties to family and neighbor get-togethers.

The "buzz" is apparent; with more restaurants and more things to do, our downtown area will become even more of a destination. As you can see, the business demand to be in the Homewood market is strong. Not only does this contribute to our tax base but firmly makes our Village the place to be. Our tag-line, "You're in the right place" really fits!

## 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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Trustee Anne Colton  
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Trustee Ray Robertson

## 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  
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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## La Banque Hotel Update

Win an invitation to La Banque/La Voûtes Grand Opening Celebration!

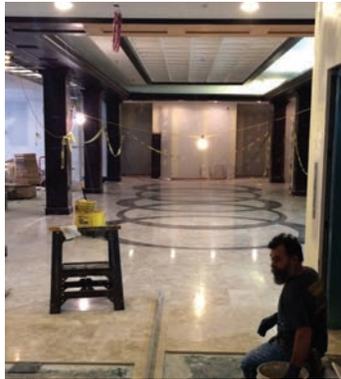
The doors of a historic downtown bank are set to re-open to the public on June 7.

This time, they will greet overnight guests and diners.

Everything but the envelope is new and energy efficient. Homewood's most anticipated urban project is nearing completion. "The process has been a challenge, but an exciting one, and we are finally starting to see our plan come together," said owner Claude Gendreau. The introduction of the 18-room boutique hotel will have all the modern amenities of a luxurious hotel but will keep the cachet and history of the bank. The project embraces the trend in urban renewal of rehabbing historic buildings. The ribbon cutting and VIP celebration will take place on Saturday, June 6.

If you would like to be one of the first guests to experience the hotel—there is a fun way to win a free night. April 1 launched our first promotion! All you have to do is share your favorite story or picture of the old Homewood/Great Lakes Bank on our Facebook page by April 30. If your story or picture is used in the hotel or in any marketing materials, you will win one night in a king room! Winners will be announced on Facebook and at the VIP Event on June 6.

La Voûte Bistro + Bar will join in on the celebration. The equipment will be in by the end of April and the bank's safety deposit boxes have made their way to the bar's backdrop as the centerpiece of the space. La Voûte is slated to have a soft opening on May 30 and will have a star-studded VIP opening party on June 6. The hotel's family-friendly French country bistro and bar have officially brought on Chef Dominique Tougne and his alter ego Tom Donnelly to guide La Voûte's vision for classic French comfort food. Chef Tougne's



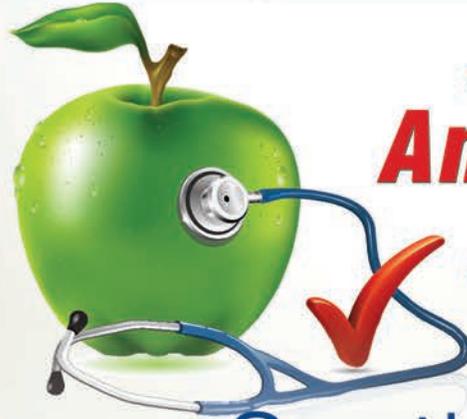
decades of experience include Bistro 110 and Chez Moi in Chicago. "He understands how to make classic country French food that is amazing to explore" says Gendreau. The new team is solidifying the menu but some proposed items include classic appetizers like baked crocks of onion soup, roasted artichokes, crab cakes with spicy lobster bisque, cheese and charcuterie boards, and oven baked mussels. The entrees will have French favorites of Steak au poivre, lamb shank, roasted chicken, confit duck leg and a classic La Voûte hamburger with caramelized onions and brie cheese. Desserts may include chocolate mousse, warm apple tart with ice cream and caramel sauce and a signature silver coin molten cake. Bon Appétit!

If you want to be one of the first guests to taste Chef Dominique's creations for La Voûte, you can enter to win 2 tickets to the VIP opening party on June 6. Like us on Facebook at La Voûte Bistro + Bar to receive details starting May 1. Winners will be announced on May 30 on Facebook as well as at our soft opening at the end of May.

For more information on La Banque Hotel or La Voûte Bistro + Bar, please contact at info@labanquehotel.com. All Press inquiries should be directed to Stephanie Krol at SKPR Media at (773) 580-9726 or stephanie@skprmedia.com.

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# SUMMER HAPPENINGS

## BLOCK PARTIES

June is the start of Homewood's block party season. The Community Relations Commission promotes the program and encourages residents to host a fun, simple party this summer to connect with their neighbors. The Village website features an online application form and helpful resources for coordinators.

## May

### LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

Starts Saturday, May 23  
Metra Station

Join us May 23 for the grand opening of the Little Free Library in Homewood. We have repurposed the newspaper stand at the Metra Station to accommodate the new library. Bring a book to share and take a book back home with you to enjoy. The Little Free Library is always open so stop by often to see the selection.

## June

### SUMMER READING KICK-OFF PARTY

Saturday, June 6  
10:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
Homewood Library  
(708) 798-0121

### CANCER SUPPORT CENTER BLOCK PARTY

Sunday, June 7  
12:00 PM to 3:00 PM  
The Cancer Support Center  
2028 Elm Road  
*Visit [CancerSupportCenter.org](http://CancerSupportCenter.org) for more information*

The Cancer Support Center is hosting a survivor's block party to commemorate National Cancer Survivors Month and to celebrate The Center providing programs and services to survivors for over 20 years.

The Center we will celebrate

with an interactive survivors visual monument, honoring The Center's original founders, live musical entertainment, kid-friendly crafts, local food vendors and more.

### MAKE-IT-TAKE-IT TUESDAYS (GRADES 7-12)

Tuesdays, June 9  
to July 21  
4:00 PM  
Homewood Library  
(708) 798-0121

Come and make a craft and enjoy some refreshments with your friends. Registration required.

## July

### H-F PARK DISTRICT SUMMER KICKSTARTER

*Sponsored by the H-F Park District*

Our Summer Kickstarter program gives you passes to sample select activities at every H-F Park District facility for a fraction of the price. Plus, all proceeds support the community favorite Family Fun Fest. Here's what you'll get:

- H-F Racquet & Fitness Club passes to group exercise classes, fitness center & pool
- Coyote Run Golf Course driving range bucket of balls
- H-F Ice Arena Public Skate passes
- Irons Oaks Wednesday Night Workout passes
- Lions Club Pool passes
- Family Fun Fest wristbands for kids' area

Summer Kickstarter packages start at just \$25. To see full details of the various levels, go to [hfparks.com](http://hfparks.com), stop by the Irwin Community Center or Goldberg Administration Center or call (708) 957-0300.



### RUN FOR FREEDOM

Saturday, July 4  
7:00 AM check in, 8:00 AM race time  
Lions Club Park and Pool

Are you a runner looking for a challenge against the clock? Or have you just started running and are looking to improve your time? Are you looking to ramp up to run a marathon? Here is your opportunity: the H-F Racquet & Fitness Club 5K Circuit. Challenge yourself with the Run for Freedom starting at Lions Club Park and Pool. Pre-registration deadline: Thursday, July 2 @ 12:00 PM, Race-day registrations accepted 7:00 AM to 8:00 AM. Pre-registration fee: \$25 R / \$28 NR. Race day registration fee: \$30. Code: 256518-03

### 8TH NATIONAL HOT DOG DAY PICNIC

Wednesday, July 22  
11:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
Irwin Community Park

Don't miss this community favorite! You will enjoy hot off the grill 50¢ hot dogs with all the fixings and live music by Sag Valley Boys. Bring the office or the whole family. Meal Deals consist of a hot dog, chips and a drink for \$1.25. Let's celebrate the summer together!

## August

### NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Tuesday, August 4  
5:00 PM to 8:00 PM  
Irwin Park

Come out and meet Homewood's finest... The Homewood Police Department is hosting National Night Out. This is a great opportunity to meet the brave men and women that serve and protect the Village of Homewood. This event is co-sponsored by the

National Association of Town Watch (NATW) and Target. National Night Out was designed to generate support and participation in local anti-crime programs, strengthen the neighborhood spirit and police community partnership, and crime prevention awareness.

The evening will be filled with live entertainment, fun activities for the kids, food from Homewood eateries, groups available to discuss crime and drug prevention, and emergency vehicles and equipment will be on display. For more information please contact Police Officer Curt Wiest (708) 206-3426.

### AREA SIDEWALK SALE

Saturday, August 15  
10:00 AM to 6:00 PM  
Participating businesses in the downtown  
*Contact the DHBA, [dhba.biz](http://dhba.biz)*

Calling all bargain shoppers! Come out and browse our tables and find closeouts, end of season finds and special values. (In conjunction with Dog Days of Summer sponsored by the Village of Homewood)

### GIRLS NIGHT OUT

Friday, August 21  
6:00 PM to 9:00 PM  
Participating businesses in the downtown  
*Contact the DHBA, [dhba.biz](http://dhba.biz)*



# SUMMER HAPPENINGS

## JULY FOURTH PARADE New Time!

Saturday, July 4 | Step-Off at 10:00AM | Route: Dixie Highway south to Ridge Road and east to the Izaak Walton Preserve.

The July Fourth Independence Day parade is a Homewood tradition that celebrates the birthday of our great nation and the many faces of our great community. Thousands of friends and neighbors will gather along the parade route. This year, lots of entertainment has been added in, such as stilt walkers, jugglers, clowns, bands, and decorated floats, to name a few. The route starts at St. Joe's on Dixie Highway and travels east along Ridge Road, finishing up at Izaak Walton Preserve where the Homewood-Flossmoor Park District and Homewood Fire Department will host games and entertainment at the Family Fun Fest.

Let the competition begin! Do have what it takes to have the best looking float with flair? This year we have added a little competition for the Best Float in Homewood's

Independence Day Parade. Judges will be on the parade route viewing each float to determine best in parade. Your group can win the title, recognition and prizes as well! More information can be found on the Independence Day Parade application.

### Float Entrance

If you are a local service group youth group, or not-for-profit, entering a decorated float into the parade is a memorable and excellent opportunity to showcase your cause/mission to the community.

A small fee has been applied to the entry application. For non-commercial entrants the fee is \$15.00 (nonprofit organizations with a 501C, academic schools, veterans groups, local service groups, church groups, etc.), and for commercial entrants the fee is \$30.00 (entrants that promote a

commercial venture, or recognize any other entity, organization or business, other than itself.

To reserve as a space in the parade lineup, complete and return parade application, available at [homesweethomewood.com](http://homesweethomewood.com) or Village Hall. Enclose correct payment (checks only, made out to Village of Homewood). The application deadline is Monday, June 22. Parade applications may be dropped off at Village Hall, Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, and Saturdays from

9:00 AM to Noon.

The Village reserves the right to refuse entrant applications to ensure and maintain the vision and objective of the overall event, and may restrict the number of entrants/participants to meet public safety and event time commitments. Parade placement is based upon space, number of participants, and on a first come basis.



## DRIVIN' THE DIXIE

Saturday, June 20 | 9:00 AM | Special viewing in parking lot by St. Paul's Church  
By Elaine Egdorf, chairman Homewood Heritage Committee

As early as 1998 communities along the Dixie Highway in Illinois began efforts to preserve and promote the history of the highway. Led by the Village of Homewood Heritage Committee, Dixie Communities and the A's R Us Model A Ford Car Club initiated Drivin' the Dixie in 2002. The event, a moving car show and tour from Blue Island to Momence, takes place the third Saturday of June each year. This year the tour is Saturday, June 20. Participants receive a passport listing the points of interest in towns along the route. Although antique vehicles comprise most of the cars driving that day,

owners of any vehicle, regardless of age, are encouraged to participate.

Illinois Dixie Communities and the A's R Us helped design and fund metal street signs and canvas street pole banners installed along the highway throughout the state. In June 2003, an Illinois State Historical Society Historic marker was installed along the highway in Homewood and efforts earned a Superior Achievement Award from the Illinois State Historical Society in 2004 and spawned a book, *The Dixie Highway in Illinois*.

To celebrate the Dixie Highway's Centennial this year a 4 X 5 foot sign will be installed in

each of the 12 Drivin' the Dixie participating towns which will feature a national map of the Dixie and photos and the history of the road in that town. Homewood's sign will be posted in Independence Park.

The participating cars will stop in Homewood during mid-morning for the Drivin' the Dixie car show. Everyone is invited to "Chalk the Walk" that morning with "Happy 100th Birthday Dixie



Highway" messages, draw your favorite car, draw a Dixie building, note your favorite memory, activity or place on the Dixie in Homewood. "Chalk the Walk" and car show is free.

For more information contact Elaine Egdorf, chairman Homewood Heritage Committee at (708) 798- 9535.

To register for the tour visit [drivingthedixie.com](http://drivingthedixie.com)

# SUMMER HAPPENINGS

## HOMWOOD'S GIANT BLOCK PARTY

Featuring the Annual Pooch Parade

Saturday, August 15 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Hickory Road

Sponsored by the Community Relations Commission and



The Village of Homewood is throwing another BLOCK PARTY! Like a neighborhood block party, there will be fun activities, face painting, and summer fare from Homewood restaurants! Fest goers will enjoy a full line-up of live entertainment throughout the day, featuring Super Stolie (children's entertainer), Strung Out and Final Say, part of the Maggie Speaks band.

In the morning bring the family out with the family pooch for the annual Pooch Parade to kick off a full day of activities... Showcase your canine's distinctive qualities in the Pooch Parade. There will be three categories for judging categories:

**Terrific Pet Tricks:** Show off your dog's talent to do anything. It does not have to be outrageous just fun!

**Most Humorous:** Whether your dogs is dressed like a famous person or in an adorable costume, show off their entertaining attire!

**Best in Parade:** The Best Dog in the overall competition.

The Pooch Parade will step-off at 11:00 AM and parade to the

event stage on Ridge Road.

Once they arrive, the pooches will be showcased and the winner announced. In addition to the parade, fest goers will be able to visit food vendors on Hickory Road and shop the downtown merchants' side walk sales.

The Beautification Committee is bringing back the Scarecrow contest. At the Homewood Block Party/event purchase your frame for the Scarecrow contest that will take place at Fall Fest.

The fun continues...Children will gather at the stage at 12:00 PM for Super Stolie will sing her Kiddie Rock songs. Super Stolie has entertained children and families at the Taste of Chicago, Navy Pier, and second year in Homewood!

We transition into the afternoon with the high gear music from Strung Out. Enjoy the classic rock sounds featuring music from the 70s through today. Strung Out is considered one of Chicagos top classic rock bands with their unique blend of songs that people know and love to sing along to and get on their feet and dance!

Plan on singing and dancing

the rest of the night with Final Say, part of the Maggie Speaks band. We welcome the group back to Homewood as they perform songs people know and love! Final Say, created by the ever-popular Maggie Speaks, performs with a vibrant, youthful energy and an extensive repertoire of songs that range from the latest Top 40 hits to classics that



Super Stolie

always bring an audience to their feet.

### DOG DAYS OF SUMMER EVENT SCHEDULE

10:00 AM	Check-in for Dog Parade* at Hickory Road
	Judging will take place at the time of check-in
11:00 AM	Step-off for Pooch Parade
12:00 PM	Super Stolie
2:00 PM	Strung Out
4:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Bean Bag Tourney
5:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Final Say

Join the South Suburban Humane Society for their 3rd Annual Pup Crawl! Participants will start at Dog Days and will make their way to Homewood's favorite establishments.

\*All contestants who would like to participate in the Pooch Parade must complete and submit an application by August 10; parade applications are available online at [homsw.eethomewood.com](http://homsw.eethomewood.com)



## Community starts with neighbors who care.

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# SUMMER HAPPENINGS

## HOMWOOD'S FARMERS MARKET SEASON OPENS WITH NEW AND EXCITING PROGRAMS!

Market Vendors include Homewood Kitchen Gardens, Sonoma Farms, Bakewell Bakery, Benton Harbor Bee Co & Fruit Market, Entertainment and New Hunt and Gather!

The Village of Homewood's Farmers Market kicks off a new Farmers Market season Saturday, May 23 with a focus on good food, gardening, shopping and family fun. The Homewood Farmers Market is one of the oldest and best-established markets in the Chicagoland area, with over 30 years of continuous operation. The Homewood Farmers Market is every Saturday, May 23 through October 10 from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM in the Homewood Village Hall parking lot at 2020 Chestnut Road.

Returning again this year is "Your Community...At The Market." This gives more access from local businesses and community groups. Each week space will be reserved for local non-profits and other community groups, providing them with a venue to connect with their audience. Groups will benefit from added exposure to the community. Local business owners can use the Market to promote their

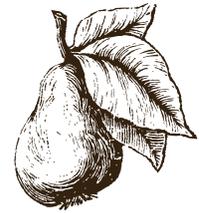
business, through exhibit space and sponsorship opportunities.

Homewood Farmers Market will host Touch of Green environmental programs with electronic recycling, paper shredding, and more! Homewood has partnered again with ATEN (Assistive Technology Exchange Network) for monthly electronic recycling. ATEN will be at the Farmers Market from 8:00 AM until 11:00 AM on June 20, July 18, August 22, and September 26.

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# ART AND GARDEN FAIR

Friday, June 12 | 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM  
Saturday, June 13 | 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM

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The Village of Homewood invites you to its eighth Annual Downtown Art and Garden Street Fair on Friday, June 12 from 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM and Saturday, June 13 from 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM. Chicagoland media has featured the event as the perfect combination of a traditional art fair with the lively experiences of an outdoor, evening festival. The Street Fair's reputation for a one-of-a-kind collection of fine art, contemporary crafts, antiques, and garden décor has landed Homewood on ABC, WGN, WBEZ, Chicago Tribune, and dozens of family-focused publications and media.

The Fair is held on historic Hickory Road, a tree-lined street with unique boutiques, taverns, and restaurants to create a uniquely welcoming atmosphere for artists and visitors to meet and do business. The Fair boasts an active and lively environment with entertainment and cultural opportunities and all the rich features of a traditional outdoor experience for art admirers and buyers of all levels. Downtown Homewood has served as a venue for art events for more than 30 years.

## ABOUT FRIDAY

"Friday is all about celebrating summer and the end of another school year," says Event Manager Allisa Opyd. "All music, programming and activities are kid-designed to bolster imagination, exploration, and fun!"

Festivities start early Friday with Ben's Bubble Show at 11 AM. Featured on ABC Channel 7 and WGN Channel 9 news, Ben uses his bare hands to create beautiful mind boggling soap bubble sculptures, bubble magic, and giant bubbles.

Kicking off Friday's family-focused fun is Ralph's World from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM. Ralph's World is the mega-fun musical planet where kids rock and dance to their own and their parents' delight. Created by Ralph Covert, indie rocker, songwriter, playwright, and children's book author. He's taken the same high-energy and super-melodic sense that he developed for his touring pop-rock band to kid's music— basically only the lyrics are changed for the ears of the innocent. His McCartneyesque style (both musically and his sense of charm) has won him hundreds of thousands of three-feet-and-under fans and their parents.

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Art Gardening Workshop from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Come ready to expand your child's curiosity

and green thumb. Participants will learn about gardening, create a masterpiece garden pot and plant their own herb.

On stage 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM is Chicago's favorite bluegrass band, Sunnyside Up. The band combines jazz and rock with bluegrass to create a different approach to the beloved style of bluegrass music.

Plan on singing and dancing the rest of the night with Maggie Speaks from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM. We welcome the group back to Homewood as they perform songs people know and love! Maggie Speaks is considered one of the hottest live bands in Chicago—and has been for 13 straight years and counting!

## ABOUT SATURDAY

Tim & Renee Doughney host build a bird feeder/squirrel feeder from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Too young to build a bird feeder, paint a wooden spring ornament for the garden.

Calling all artists to join our Chalk of the Town open air chalk project,



individuals, families and friends are welcome to

join our professional artists in using the streets as a colorful canvas. You can chalk individual squares or you can chalk jointly with friends, family or classmates. Lasting only until the next raindrop, the environmentally friendly chalk will transform our asphalt and sidewalks into living artwork. Each artist will be given approximately a 3 x 3 foot space and artist chalk for a fee of \$10.00 per space. The fee will cover each artists chalk supply. Spaces will be available 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

On stage at 11:00 AM is Miss Jamie & the Farmhands. Perfect for all ages, Miss Jamie and her puppet friends from the farm take the audience on a magical barnyard adventure in a sing-along, dance-along show that's fun for kids and grownups alike. The interactive performance features well-known farm songs as well as original tunes like, "Happy Chickens Lay Yummy Eggs" and "Keepin' it Pesticide Free," and teaches healthy eating and friendly farming in a fun way that leaves everyone stompin' their boots and hollerin' for more. Sing, dance, laugh and learn with Miss Jamie and her farmyard friends.

Shop and meet up with friends throughout the day and stay for a one-of-a-kind concert by Homewood's very own, Matt Bailey performing 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM and Ring of Fire 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

Throughout this two-day event, there will be numerous children's art activities for families to choose from as well as art demonstrations and gardening workshops, along with a variety of art vendors to visit from the funky to classical—and a wide range of food and drink options to make this festival a family destination for the whole day and evening.



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# ART AND GARDEN FAIR



FEATURING:

Music for kids and adults, bubble show, crafts, "Chalk of the Town"—an open air chalk project, art demonstrations, gardening workshops, one-of-a-kind vendors, morning yoga, food & beverages



## Downtown Homewood Art and Garden Street Fair

### Friday, June 12

10–11 am  
Outdoor Yoga Class

11 am–noon  
Ben's Bubble Show

noon–2 pm  
Ralph's World

3–5 pm  
Kids Craft using recycled material (make a wind chime, plant an herb and create a flower mosaic)

3–5 pm  
Sunnyside Up (Bluegrass band from Chicago)

6–9 pm  
Maggie Speaks

### Saturday, June 13

10 am–2 pm  
Chalk of the Town (community chalk art)

10 am–2 pm  
Kids Craft (build a bird feeder, squirrel feeder, wooden garden ornament)

11 am–noon  
Miss Jamie & the Farmhands

3–5 pm  
Matt Bailey

6–9 pm  
Ring of Music (A Matt Stedman Band)



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## Your Smart Phone Could Save a Life

It is estimated that by 2016 75% of Americans will own a smartphone. Millions of apps on all types of topics are available for download. Among the things you can carry on your phone are apps that can keep you and your family safe in an emergency.

The Midwest is famous for rapidly changing weather conditions. Local TV stations all have weather apps you can download to your phone for free. These apps not only send you alerts about approaching severe weather, but will let you keep track of storms via a live radar feed. Ready.gov has an app that will provide you with alerts of approaching severe weather for your

current location (ready.gov/alerts). Accuweather and the Weather Channel offer free apps which will permit you to receive daily weather reports and regularly updated information during severe weather. There are many other weather related apps available at iTunes and Google Play.

The Red Cross offers a variety of free apps. One of the most helpful is First-Aid by the American Red Cross. In addition to being able to learn and quiz yourself about first aid, in the emergency section you are given step-by-step instructions and a short video about the right way to handle the problem. Another feature of this app is the hospital feature. Simply give the app your location or let the location finder locate you and the app will generate a list of area hospitals, tell you how far away each one is and show you a map and



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It is easy to register your phone or phones. Just go to ecom911.net. Once there follow the CodeRed link to the registration page and complete the process.

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directions on how to get there.

The Red Cross offers other emergency apps such as Tornadoes, Floods and, Earthquakes. Each of these apps provides "I'm Safe" notifications to the important people in your life. These apps also offer a strobe light, flashlight and an audible alert function. Another feature of each of the apps is the Shelter Finder. This feature allows you to locate a Red Cross shelter near you. The Shelter feature is updated about every 30 minutes.

Another app offered by the Red Cross is one on pet first-aid. If you

are a pet lover, this may be the app for you. As with the human first aid app, you are provided with signs and symptoms, but this time they are for both cats and dogs. You can access your vet's phone number right from inside the app and get maps and directions to the nearest vet hospital. This app is available for 99 cents.

A search of your phone's app store will provide you with many other choices of programs which may be helpful in an emergency. The time is now to be prepared for whatever emergencies may come your way this summer.

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## Outdoor Warning System

On the first Tuesday of each month, the Village of Homewood tests its outdoor warning system.



The test consists of a siren followed by a voice announcement. The system is designed to reach 100% of residents within the village.

The activation of sirens is available through the Fire, Police and Public Works Departments. Because those systems are meant to alert only the population located out of doors, the village highly recommends that each residence and business have an operating NOAA weather radio or smart phone app.

If you hear the outdoor warning system at a time other than the first Tuesday at 10:00 AM, go indoors and take immediate cover in your predetermined safe location. Use your weather radio or weather app to monitor the situation.

It is important to keep fresh batteries in any piece of emergency equipment. When you change the batteries in your smoke detector, change the batteries in your weather radio. Mark it on your calendar twice a year and then, like Nike, "Just Do It!"

## Grilling Safety Tips

With more Americans lighting their grills than ever before, it's important to remember that a fun barbecue is a safe barbecue.

The following safety tips are designed to guide you through the grilling process. Remember, anytime you work with fire, there's a chance of being burned. So, take precautions. Common sense and planning will prevent injuries.

- **Read the owner's manual.** If you have a new grill or are just grilling for the first time this season, always read the owner's manual before using your grill and follow specific usage, assembly, and safety procedures. Contact the grill manufacturer if you have specific questions. (Locate your model number and the manufacturer's consumer inquiry phone number and write them on the front page of your manual.)
- **Grills are for outside, only** Barbecue grills are designed for outdoor use. Never barbecue in your trailer, tent, house, garage, or any enclosed area because carbon monoxide may accumulate and kill you.
- **Use in a well-ventilated area.** Set up your grill in an open area that is away from buildings, overhead combustible surfaces, dry leaves, or brush. Avoid high traffic areas and always barbecue in a well-ventilated area. Be aware of wind-blown sparks.
- **Keep grill stable.** When using a barbecue grill, be sure that all parts of the unit are firmly in place and that the grill is stable (can't be tipped over).
- **Follow electric codes.** If electrically-operated accessories are used (rotisseries, etc.), be sure they are properly grounded in accordance with local codes. Electrical cords should be placed away from walkways or anywhere people can trip over them.
- **Use long-handled utensils.** Use barbecue utensils with long handles (forks, tongs, etc.) to avoid burns and splatters.
- **Wear safe clothing.** Wear clothing that does not have hanging shirt tails, frills, or apron strings that can catch fire, and use flame-retardant mitts when adjusting hot vents.
- **Keep fire under control.** To put out flare-ups, either raise the grid that the food is on, spread the coals out evenly, or adjust the controls to lower the temperature. If you must douse

the flames with a light spritz of water, first remove the food from the grill.

- **Be ready to extinguish flames.** Use baking soda to control a grease fire and have a fire extinguisher handy. A bucket of sand or a garden hose should be near if you don't have a commercial extinguisher. If you plan to use a home fire extinguisher, check to see that the gauge is marked full or is in the green, if not, replace the extinguisher.
- **Consider placing a grill pad or splatter mat beneath your grill.** These naturally heat resistant pads are usually made of lightweight composite cement or plastic and will protect your deck or patio from any grease that misses the drip pan.
- **Never leave a grill unattended once lit.**
- **Stay away from hot grill.** Don't allow anyone to conduct activity near the grill when in use or immediately following its use. The grill body remains hot up to an hour after being used.
- **Don't move a hot grill.** Never attempt to move a hot grill. It's easy to stumble or drop it and serious burns could result.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Iron Oaks Foundation Seeks Members, Volunteers to Support Environmental Learner Center

The Irons Oaks Foundation is growing and wants you to be a part! The Foundation is a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide financial and volunteer support to the Irons Oaks Environmental Learning Center. A true gem of the southland, Irons Oaks is a 40-acre nature preserve that reaches over 40,000 individuals annually through community events, environmental education programs, and corporate and professional development initiatives.

The Foundation organizes many exciting events throughout the year to bring our community together and raise awareness of Iron Oaks. Upcoming events include a summer solstice celebration, green parenting fair, and adult-only



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Participants in the Irons Oaks Foundation annual adult Easter Egg hunt.*

Halloween event. Our events are designed to highlight the many ways we as a community can enjoy this unique facility right in our backyard. Foundation members provide volunteer support at events by

making crafts, leading hikes, serving meals, or greeting guests.

When you become a member of the Irons Oaks Foundation, you help to provide critical monetary support to Irons Oaks so they

can dream big and accomplish things that would not be possible otherwise. And as a member, you receive great benefits, including a one-day Open Climbing pass for an individual or family of four; one-day Cross Country Ski Rental/ Snow Shoeing; free native plant seedling from the annual Native Plant Sale; free raffle tickets at fundraising events; and discounts to Foundation events.

Please join us today in supporting Iron Oaks Environmental Learning Center, through membership or attending one of our exciting upcoming events!

Get involved! Check out the Foundation web page at [ironsoaks.com](http://ironsoaks.com) or call today at (708) 481-2330.

## Linden Street Neighbors Continue Block Party Tradition

What makes a house a home and a row of homes a neighborhood? So often we find ourselves leading very busy lives. We leave our homes rushing off to work, taking kids to games, and the list goes on....not really noticing the neighbors around us. And when we do notice, a head nod is usually given or slight wave as acknowledgment.

Neighbors come and go and children grow up and move on and sometimes we do not even realize they are gone. However, not all neighborhoods are like this. Homewood is built on a perfect grid where kids play street hockey and parents meet on the lawns to discuss the events of the day. In Homewood, you will also find many Block Parties, it strengthens the neighborhood and families tend to look out-for each other. What a fun and delicious way to get to know your neighbors then with a

Block Party.

In 2004, nestled in old Homewood, Arleen Dewey and her neighbors planned their first Linden Street Block Party. Just as in 2004, the Linden Street Block Party happens the second Saturday in August. Arleen and Paul Buenvenida and their neighbors are pros at coordinating the party. Arleen suggests at the planning meeting to discuss dates that work best for the group, food, and games. Food is a major part of the event; the group can determine the main course. Sometimes neighbors ask for a donation or bring their own main course. Side dishes and desserts are also determined, based on what side of the streets your house is on; odd house address bring desserts and evens bring a side dish. Always notify the Village that the event is taking place. The Village website features an online application form and helpful

resources. To close off the street, barricades can be picked-up at Public Works. You can also request a police car and a fire engine for the kids to see. Mayor Hofeld will always make an appearance to say hello as well. Fun games for kids are just as important. Arleen has had piñatas, gold fish eating contest (of course not a real one, but you can win one!), and many other games for the kids! If you find you cannot think of games, contact the Homewood Flossmoor Park District, they have games to rent. For the day of the Linden Street party, tents are placed in the middle of the street, grills are rolled out, and families begin to arrive. The Block Party will continue well into the evening with food, fun, and laughter. The Linden Block Party is such a success the children that have grown up and moved on, return with their



kids for the party! Arleen believes their Block Party is such a success because of the neighbors that put time and effort into the party. Even when the Block Party is over, Arleen and her neighbors do not have to wait until next summer to get together, they continue the fun with a progressive dinner party in the winter months as well.

Block Parties are a great way to get to know the people you share your streets and sidewalks with you. If you have not had a Block Party with your neighbors, try it! You never know you may end up with a long lasting friendship with your neighbor.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Save the Date for the Cancer Support Center's Annual Walk of Hope

The Cancer Support Center hosts its annual Walk of Hope on Sunday, October 4, 2015, location to be announced. Join The Center and over 1,000 community members in reminding those touched by a diagnosis that they do not walk alone.

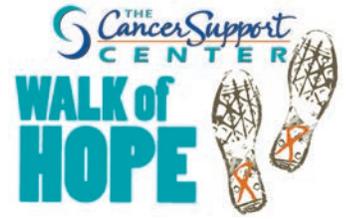
Join us as we celebrate life and healing at our single biggest fundraiser. The Walk of Hope raises funds to provide programs for those whose lives have been touched by cancer, at no charge. Start building your team today! The pledge goal per walker is \$100.00. Please register online at [firstgiving.com/cancersupportcenter/2015fallwalkofhope](http://firstgiving.com/cancersupportcenter/2015fallwalkofhope) or call the Walk hotline at (708) 365-1201 for more information. Registration fees include: Individuals (aged 15 and up) \$30.00; Children (aged 5 to 14) \$15; Kids under 5 are FREE! No pets, please! Enjoy a 1, 3 or 5-mile route through Homewood-Flossmoor. Games, food and fun are free with registration fee. Compete in top fundraising prizes for Top Fundraising Individual, Top Family & Friends, the Janine Toth Spirit of Hope Award for the Top Overall Fundraising Team, Top Business/Organization, Top School



and new this year, Super Survivor and Top Fundraising Youth.

“When I think about The Cancer Support Center, I think in

the terms ‘hope’ and ‘inspiration,’” said Maureen, a Cancer Support Center participant. “We walk united, arm and arm, one for all,



for one, every year because it has inspired all of us to continue our fight against this disease and the prognosis. Victory is in numbers and each year we get to walk is viewed as a victory.”

For over 20 years, The Cancer Support Center's mission has been to give strength, guidance and support to anyone living with a cancer diagnosis, as well as to their loved ones. The Center is a community-based, volunteer-driven, donor-supported organization. Programs, resources and services are always delivered by professional therapists, counselors, nutritionists, and experts and are provided in a warm, welcoming and nurturing setting at no cost to participants.

For more information about The Cancer Support Center, the Walk of Hope, or any of The Center's programs, please call (708) 798-9171 or visit [cancersupportcenter.org](http://cancersupportcenter.org).

## The Cancer Support Center Hosts Survivors Block Party

A Community Event Celebrating Life

The Cancer Support Center is hosting a survivor's block party on Sunday, June 7, 2015 from 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM at 2028 Elm Road, to commemorate National Cancer Survivors Month and to celebrate The Center providing programs and services to survivors for over 20 years.

The month of June marks National Cancer Survivors Month. Thousands of people in hundreds of communities across the U.S.

and abroad will hold celebrations throughout the month of June to honor cancer survivors and to show that there is life after a cancer diagnosis—and it's something to celebrate.

“Surviving cancer is more than just living. It's an attitude about life and living each day to the fullest,” said Sue Armato, Executive Director of The Cancer Support Center. “You will find our community event filled with joy,

camaraderie, hope, compassion, faith, and love as we honor cancer survivors for their strength and courage.”

The Center we will celebrate with an interactive survivors visual monument, honoring The Center's original founders, live music entertainment, kid-friendly crafts, local food vendors and more.

Anyone living with a history of cancer—from the moment of

diagnosis through the remainder of life, is a cancer survivor, according to the National Cancer Survivors Day Foundation. Nearly 14 million Americans are now living with and beyond a diagnosis of cancer. Learning about this disease is crucial, because many forms of cancer can be prevented and most cured if detected early.

Visit [CancerSupportCenter.org](http://CancerSupportCenter.org) for more information about the Survivors Block Party.

# FINANCE & MANAGER'S OFFICE NEWS



## Yard Waste Sticker Vendor List

Yard waste season is April 1 through November 30 of each year. Listed below are vendors in Homewood who sell the yard waste stickers for your convenience.

- Ebel's Ace Hardware, 18410 Governors Highway
- MJM Marathon, 17500 Dixie Highway
- Five M Oil, 2000 Ridge Road
- Walgreen's, 18300 Governors Highway
- Walgreen's, 820 W. 183rd Street
- Homewood Mobil, 2138 183rd Street

Call (708) 798-1004 or visit [homewooddisposal.com](http://homewooddisposal.com) for more information on their yard waste requirements.

## Village Licensing: Bicycle, Pets, and Vehicle Stickers

Don't forget about your bicycle! Your bicycle needs a license, too! Villagers may purchase bicycle licenses at the Village Hall. The cost is \$2 each, and the license is valid for as long as the license holder owns the bike. The serial number on the bicycle is required.

Got a pet .... They need a TAG! All dogs and cats six months of age or older are required to be licensed with 2015/2016 tags. A rabies vaccination certificate is required. Licensing fees are \$10 for the first pet and \$5 for each additional pet. Households are limited to a maximum of four animals.



Did You Miss the Due Date for Your Vehicle Sticker? Vehicle stickers went on sale April 1 to be displayed on cars by May 31. A late fee of \$25.00 is added June 1 to the cost of each vehicle sticker. For new vehicle purchases residents have 60 days to buy the sticker before a late fee is assessed. Proof of vehicle purchase or move-in date is required. New residents must purchase vehicle stickers within 30 days of closing or start date of your lease. A late fee is assessed after 30 days.

## Planning a Garage Sale?

A resident may have no more than two sale days in a calendar year. The hours are restricted and sales must be between 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM. No more than two signs may be posted within the public right-of-way and no more than one sign may be posted in front of the resident's home. Signs must be posted no earlier than the first sale date and removed within four hours after the final sale date. Each sign must have the exact date, address

and permit number posted on the signs. Garage sale signs are prohibited from being posted at or on signalized stop light intersections. Permits are available at the Village Hall at a cost of \$2.



## Don't Park on the Street Overnight Without It

Homewood ordinance prohibits overnight vehicle parking on Village streets between the hours of 2:00 AM and 6:00 AM. Signs are posted at various gateways to Homewood's subdivisions. Although there may not be a sign on your street, the ban is in effect for all streets in the Village of Homewood. The parking ban is to facilitate police patrols and to deter crime by making it more difficult for criminals to avoid detection.



To accommodate residents with insufficient driveway and/or garage capacity, both temporary and extended exemptions to the overnight ban may be obtained. Temporary exemptions, usually for overnight guests, driveway repairs, etc., may be obtained by contacting the Homewood Police Department at (708) 206-3420. Extended overnight parking exemption permits are available at the Village Hall. Vehicles must have a current 2015/2016 vehicle sticker before the extended overnight parking ban exemption permit will be given out.

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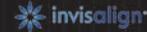
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