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When Emergencies Happen, 1614 Is Ready!



Whether it's a fire, an accident, or a natural disaster every second counts when the call goes out for emergency help. Thanks to the addition of a key piece of new equipment, the Lemay Fire Protection District is more prepared than ever to save lives and protect property.

Pumper 1614 was custom designed specifically for the needs of the Lemay community. "A committee of firefighters spent a year going over every design detail of the pumper to ensure that we will get the most out of it," according to firefighter Colin Anderson. "It's a quality-built truck that will serve us for at least 20 years."

Pumper 1614 has a wide array of equipment that can respond to any emergency in the district. A 1,500 gallon per minute pump is fed by a 650 gallon water tank. The pumper can also hook up to a fire hydrant to supplement the water already on board. Ground ladders are carried on the pumper and can be used for a variety of situations. Special extrication tools are carried on the truck for rescuing people who may be trapped following an automobile accident.

"This new truck can carry more equipment than any previous apparatus at Lemay Fire," explained Anderson. "It allows us to handle all emergencies and be less reliant on the help of outside agencies for support." That equipment includes advanced life support equipment such as a cardiac monitor, airway/oxygen supplies, trauma supplies and medications. The new 1614 is staffed 24 hours a day and ready to respond to any emergency in Lemay, as well as assist neighboring communities. The previous pumper, Pumper 1610, remains part of the Lemay emergency fleet and is used as a back-up when 1614 is being serviced.

Having the right people when emergencies happen is vital. So is having the right equipment. Firefighter Colin Anderson speaks from experience. "This truck absolutely saves lives. Having this highly versatile truck gives us firefighters the confidence to handle any situation we may find ourselves in. The lifesaving equipment it carries makes a positive impact every day."



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Hancock Place School Foundation

Quarterly series by Rich Eichhorst

In the year 2020 a group of former Hancock High School Alums met with the idea of forming a “Hancock Place School District Foundation.” The “Foundation” was setup as a wholly “not for profit” corporation under the laws of the State of Missouri, and registered with the Internal Revenue {Code 501 {c} {3,} as a charitable organization acting without profit, for the purpose of raising funds for scholarships, grants, and other student assistance, including low cost loans for Hancock’s graduating seniors.

No employees of the Hancock Place School District, nor members of the Board of Education are eligible to hold an office, or be members on the “Foundation’s Executive Board.”

Two prior Foundation “kick offs” were scheduled, one on Saturday April 18, 2020, and on Monday November 23, 2020. Unfortunately, both were canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions.

School Districts copping with student instruction had a rough time during the pandemic’s first two years. Hancock Place School District probably had best record of any School District in St. Louis County starting with the first days of the pandemic. Hancock’s students attended in “school classes” during this entire pandemic period. Parents were given a choice. Almost all parents wanted their students to attend “in school instruction.” Hancock School at all levels had about six students and one teacher contact the virus during their in school sessions. You didn’t hear about it, because Hancock as well as Lemay are considered uninteresting and insignificant.

As the pandemic tone-down, the fledging Hancock Foundation “revived up” activities and plans are in the early stages.

It’s never too late to dust off your fond memories of your high school days. Hancock students of today are Lemay residents just like we all were. By going back to your high school days, what would remember? Would you reminisce about some of the best times of your life? Who were your best friends? Who were some of your favorite teachers? Join our Foundation and you’ll be linked again with high school friends.

Executive Board

An Executive Board of Directors will be chosen to give advice and counsel. Two general meetings for all alums will be held:

One, in the spring, and one in the fall each year for enjoyment, to meet classmates and other alums, to renew old times, and reconnect with Hancock High.

We know we cannot accomplish all we hope to do by ourselves. We need your help so we can give our students a shot at success, and have a chance to reach their goals in life.

Lemay is valued by many of you who were raised there. It is often define by outsiders who paint the area as substandard. Lemay {Carondelet} is recognized as the first settlement in Missouri, a distinction not generally known. Those not informed have a tendency to discredit Hancock Place School District and Lemay. We have a historic history. Eighty five percent of the Lemay’s housing stock was built prior to 1939. It’s the oldest community in the state. Lemay is on the move, and if you become involved you will be joining an upstart organization, and you will be proud to join.

When educational opportunities are limited as is often the case in poorer communities, young people have limited financial opportunity to improve their status for the future. We want to assist our graduates to get ahead start. When they are given an opportunity, often their parents and siblings are uplifted too. Dignity, is one of the most important feelings in life. We as human beings have in our DNA an inherent desire to help others. It’s an emotion we all have. If we are successful, this “Hancock Foundation” will become a wonderful opportunity for helping Lemay kids to pursue joy and success. It’s a golden opportunity to become a game changer for our students who have followed us at Hancock High. For all alums, regardless of the level of your participation you will be a valuable resource. You can help in many different ways.

You may not be aware of the amazing resurgence of Hancock Place School District. They are meeting their student needs academically, while providing support for students and their family’s social needs, including an on campus medical clinic for students and their families in the Lemay {63125} area. They are raising eyebrows among educators with their many successes.

Matching Gifts

You may be affiliated with a company that has a matching gift program, which may double or even triple your gift dollars to the Hancock Place Foundation. Please check with your company’s matching gifts administrator to see what is best for registering your gift. We like to say: “Our Foundation has plenty of money? The reality is: “It is still in mine and your pockets.” But the point is: “together we can make a difference.”

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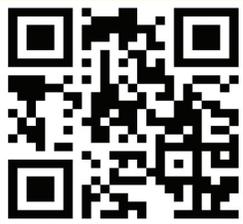


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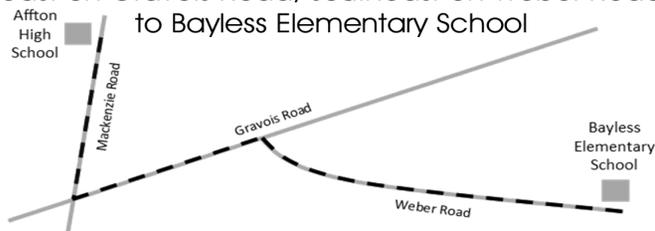
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Join us for a fun morning watching
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Bring chairs and a bag for candy and goodies.
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Parade Route

Begins at Affton High School, south on Mackenzie Road,
east on Gravois Road, southeast on Weber Road
to Bayless Elementary School



Sounds of Fire Safety Hear a BEEP? Get on your feet!!!

The sound of a fire alarm or carbon monoxide detector can either put a startling scare into someone or be incredibly annoying as you search your home to find the culprit of the ever persistent chirp. But are you able to determine the difference between a notification of when the battery is low and a true

emergency? As their name suggests these two detectors, which can also be purchased as a two in one smoke and CO detector, warn us of unsafe conditions in order to get you and your family out to safety.

The NFPA gives the following tips about the Sounds of Fire Safety:

-A continuous set of loud beeps (BEEP-BEEP, BEEP-BEEP, BEEP-BEEP) means smoke or fire is present in the house so get out and stay out of the house

-A single chirp every 30-60 seconds means the battery is low and must be changed

-All smoke alarms should be replaced at 10 years or earlier

-Chirping that continues even after a new battery is installed means the alarm is at the end of its life and the unit should be replaced

According to NFPA (National Fire Protection Association) you may have as little as two minutes to escape a fire safely. Smoke alarms are suggested to be in every bedroom and outside sleeping areas i.e. hallway. You should also have a smoke detector on each level of a home including the basement.

Carbon monoxide is odorless and colorless and displaces oxygen in your body and brain and can cause you to go unconscious quickly and eventually cause death. So what is the best way to protect you and your family from a poisonous gas the you cannot see or smell? A carbon monoxide detector or CO detector is a must have item. Similar to a smoke detector a CO detector will make a loud beep or audible message letting you know of an unsafe condition. If the CO alarm sounds get you and your family outside quickly and safely. Then call 911. A CO detector on each level is preferred but at the very least have one near the sleeping area of the house.

Don't become a statistic! Make sure you and your family are protected with smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors. If you hear a beep get on your feet and when you get out stay out and call 911.



Hancock Welcomes New Teachers



Mary Winter
HS-FACS



Mickayla Jackson
HS-Science



Emily Hill
HS-Social Studies



Veronica Delgado
HS/MS-Spanish



Stephen Culp
MS-Social Studies



Valarie Gorza
MS-Science



Kayla Pratt
ECC Teacher



Julia Johns
ES-Kindergarten



Whitney Silva
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Hancock Place Elementary School--by Mrs. Kristen Gardner-Building Assistant Principal



In June, the Middle School hosted both elementary and middle school students for Hancock's summer school program. Elementary students were invited to join us for 18 days of fun and learning! Each of the four weeks had a different theme and students were immersed in content pertaining to that theme. Week one's theme was "Under the Sea." We wrapped up the week with some "read at the beach" time where students and teachers were invited to bring their favorite books, beach towels, sun glasses, and other beach themed items outside to read together, with a friend, or by themselves. Week two was all about outer space. Our students had so much fun learning about our galaxy through different reading, writing, math, and art activities. We wrapped up our second week with a whole school assembly where we played "Grab a Planet." This was followed by an impromptu dance party before getting ready for dismissal. Our third week was all about animals. Our students learned about zoo animals, farm animals, and other interesting critters and creatures. We wrapped up this week with a visit from Cowboy Critters where students were invited to come pet a pig, chicken, duck, rabbits, a donkey, a mini cow, a sheep, a mini horse, and a dog. The smiles were infectious! Finally, our fourth week was "Heroes" theme. Students did different activities around superheroes and real life heroes. This was a short week and we wrapped it up with a popcorn and movie party. It was the best month filled with learning, laughter, and fun. We hope the rest of summer break continues to be a happy, healthy, and safe time for all! See you again in August!



*Pictured left: Jana H.

Pictured Right: Nicole and EJ

Hancock Place Middle School--by Mr. Joe Veldhuizen-Building Principal



Hancock Place Middle School is looking to continue the momentum of the 2021-2022 school year in which they were recognized as a Silver Level Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports School and a Project Lead The Way School of Distinction. While the school had success last year, we remain committed to the continuous growth and development of all of our students. HPMS is excited and ready to meet students where they are at in their academic, social, and emotional needs. For the 2022-2023 school year, the motto at HPMS is **"Every Kid, Every Day, Every Way!"** Principal Mr. Joe Veldhuizen said, "Our students are the reason we are here! Our focus is to help and support each and every single one of them on a daily basis, in all aspects of their lives." In order to better support our students, Hancock Place School District adopted a K-12 Social Emotional Learning (SEL) curriculum in December of 2021. The SEL curriculum, Suite 360, is designed to assist our students in



how to understand and manage emotions, set and achieve positive goals, feel and show empathy for others, establish and maintain positive relationships, and make responsible decisions. In addition to a new SEL curriculum, HPMS will continue to offer High Dosage Tutoring, Intervention & Enrichment Courses, Project Lead The Way Modules, and a variety of clubs and activities to provide support for the growth of all students.

*Pictured left: Students developing Flight and Space prototype project

Pictured Right: Circle discussion promoting community within classroom

Hancock Place High School--by Mr. David Williams-Building Principal

The library at Hancock Place High School is undergoing an amazing transformation. A shift from the traditional “old-school” library that most of us grew up with to a more modern, future-ready media center that will provide students and faculty with innovative spaces designed to promote creativity, meaningful collaboration, and engagement with technology.

The library will feature a flexible and unique design, complete with a makerspace and comfortable furniture that can be rearranged to accommodate a wide variety of learning modalities. It is a space in which students and teachers can collaborate, work independently, and explore new ideas and innovative approaches to teaching & learning. The flexible and transitional layout will help to foster a collaborative and social learning environment where students will be empowered to take ownership over the way they learn and interact with one another.



Teachers will be able to use the revitalized space as an extension of the classroom in order to facilitate research, host guest speakers, support student-led presentations, and to promote deeper learning. Our students will be able to use the library as a space for quiet, independent work, group study or projects, or to access tools and technology not found in the classroom. In addition, the library will include a calming area in which students who may be experiencing anxiety or who are feeling overwhelmed can take a few minutes to refresh and rejuvenate before getting back to work.

The Hancock Place High School Library is a central component of our school community. We are thrilled to be able to provide our students and teachers with a future-ready library media center that features resources, services, and spaces that will help to promote deeper learning and better prepare students for life beyond high school.



HANCOCK PLACE
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***Please congratulate Hancock's 2021-2022
Teacher and Support Staff
Employees of the Year***



Bridget Fusco

Central Office Admin. Asst.
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Employee of the Year



Christy Lee

2nd grade Teacher
Elementary School
Teacher of the Year



Tracey Bidlack

6th grade Science Teacher
Middle School
Teacher of the Year



Brooke Barfield

English Language Arts Teacher
High School Teacher of the Year
District Teacher of the Year

Ms. Barfield will go on to compete in the Missouri Regional Teacher of the Year program

The Housing Partnership in Lemay

Our Work With Existing Residents-

While new home construction is important to community development, an integral piece of our impact within the Lemay community is achieved through our Home Repair Program, which addresses crucial repairs needed to live comfortably and safely. The clients we serve have included many elderly and disabled residents, as well as single parents, immigrant families, and simply folks whose finances have fallen victim to COVID, the economy... and life in general.

These services improve quality of life and allow elderly and disabled residents to “age in place” in the homes where they have often spent most of their lives, which is both financially and psychologically beneficial to a community, and its residents.

Additionally, repairs made to the key functioning systems of a home prolong the “life” of that home and its contribution to the overall fabric of a historic community like this one.

Since mid-April of this year, we have completed six major home repair projects at a combined cost of approximately \$95k, with ZERO paid by the homeowner. Three more are currently in process at a combined cost of ~\$43k, bringing the total investment in the community to almost \$138k in just less than four months.

Please see our ad below with information about the Home Repair Program and call our office at 314-631-9905 to apply. Please note, these funds are for households who have not participated in the home repair program previously. If you have participated in the Home Repair Program within the past 10 years, you are not eligible to participate in this round of funding.

This important program, as well as down payment assistance, new home construction, and certified housing counseling dedicated to assisting first time homebuyers with education and counseling that prepares them for homeownership, is where the staff at THP invests their daily time and passion for the Lemay community.

Kevin Poe – Executive Director – The Housing Partnership



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These are the basic requirements for households:

- SAFHR for Homeowners can serve households that have incomes less than 150% of Area Median Income
- Home must be owner occupied
- Mortgage must be more than 30 days past due
- Cannot be in a loan modification trial period or in an active bankruptcy
- **For more information go to the program website at:**
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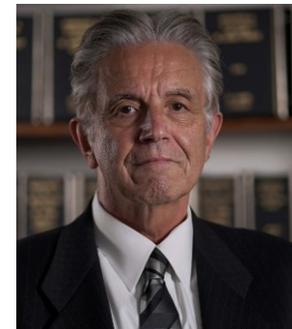


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The Trakas Take

Ernie Trakas - County Council District 6

I am glad to announce that the contract for the resurfacing of Bayless Avenue has reached the County Council for approval. The contract was introduced in early August to the County Council. Final signing of the contract should take place in October, with the start of the concrete work in late fall or winter depending on the weather. That timeline would lead to final paving occurring in the Spring of 2023.



Also, the County is continuing to work on the right of way issues with the Bayless Avenue Bridge Project. This project is scheduled for a bid opening in late 2022 with construction to start in the summer of 2023. Please note that these are approximate dates and subject to change depending on completion of the right of way issues.

In additional information for the Lemay community, do not forget that your free bulk waste pickup is on the second trash service day of the month and the limit is two items. Also, the next free yard waste pickup will be the week of October 10th.



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