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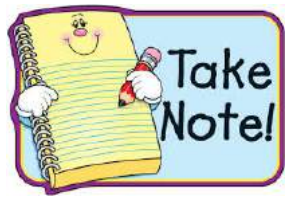
HALLOWEEN
October 31, 2016

PLC EARLY DISMISSAL 1:30 PM
November 2, 2016



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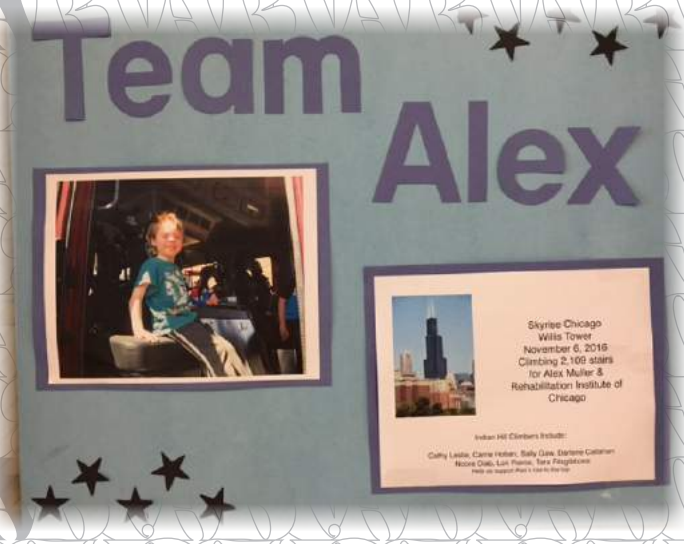

Teachers will climb the Willis Tower stairs for rehabilitation on Sunday

Kindergarten students sounding out words and writing!

Navajo Votes!

Magic Happens at Chippewa on Halloween!

District 128 Students Win 2016 Orland Park Spelling Bee

It took nearly four hours and an endless list of increasingly difficult words, but Leah Bylut and Enzo Restivo ended up winning in their age group with more than sixty spellers competing in the Orland Park Open Spelling Bee, which was held October 16, 2016. During the contests, students and adults stood one at a time at the microphone in front of an audience to spell a word that was given to them by the announcer.

Leah Bylut, an eight-grade student at Independence Junior High, claimed a third place trophy and went out on the word "zephyr," which is a soft light breeze. Enzo Restivo, a fourth grader at Navajo Elementary School, claimed the top spot in his age division. Both Leah and Enzo qualified for the overall age champion and spelled against adults! Enzo went out on the word "homogeneous," which describes things that are of the same kind or nature.

A Great Big THANK YOU to the PFA for the wonderful job done at BOOINGO last Friday night!

Halloween Fun!

Meet Our Staff…

Elizabeth Klyczek

Elizabeth Klyczek
Paraprofessional,
Chippewa

1. The position I hold is Paraprofessional-first grade, and this is my first year.

2. I grew up in Chicago and now live in Palos Heights.

3. My favorite way to spend a Sunday afternoon is spending time with family or going for a walk.

4. If I weren't in this line of work, I would be a veterinarian.

5. Growing up, my mother was an important influence in my life.

Leslie Scavo

Leslie Scavo,
Special Ed Teacher,
Navajo

1. The position I hold is Special Education teacher, and this is my 4th year teaching.

2. I grew up in Orland Park and now live in Orland Park with my fiance.

3. My favorite way to spend a Sunday afternoon is relaxing with my puppy, reading a book.

4. If I weren't in this line of work, I would be in the mental health field.

5. Growing up, my mom was an important influence in my life.

We have a Great Staff!

April 4, 2017
CONSOLIDATED ELECTION

Key Dates for School Board Candidates

Tuesday, September 20, 2016	PETITION CIRCULATION: First day for school board candidates to circulate nominating petitions.
Monday, December 12, 2016	CONSOLIDATED ELECTION CANDIDATE FILING: Candidate filing period begins; first day for candidates to file their original nominating petitions, statement of candidacy, and receipt of filing of Statement of Economic Interests, to in office of county clerk or county board of election commissioners.
Monday, December 19, 2016	CONSOLIDATED ELECTION CANDIDATE FILING: Candidate filing period ends. Note, names are placed on the ballot in the order in which the nominating papers are received; a lottery is held for the first for the first and last spots if multiple candidates' papers are filed simultaneously in the first and last hours of the filing period. STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS: Last day to file a Statement of Economic Interests; the receipt from the filing must be included with nominating petitions. The county clerk or county board of election commissioners shall notify candidates of acceptance of their nominating petitions within seven days of filing, or the last day of filing.
Tuesday, December 27, 2016	OBJECTIONS: Last day to file objections to nominating petitions.
Wednesday, December 28, 2016	LOTTERY: Last day for ballot placement lottery, held by the county clerk for the first and last spots on the ballot if multiple candidates' papers are filed simultaneously in the first and last hours of the filing period.
Thursday, January 26, 2017	WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDACY: Last day a candidate can withdraw by filing a Withdrawal of Candidacy with the county clerk or county board of election commissioners.
Thursday, February 2, 2017	WRITE-IN CANDIDATES: Last day to file a Declaration of Intent to be a write-in candidate with the appropriate election authority or authorities.
Tuesday, April 4, 2017	**CONSOLIDATED ELECTION: Polls open 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.**
Tuesday, April 25, 2017	CANVASSING: Last day for the county clerk or county board of election commissioners to canvass the election results, and transmit the results.

Key Dates for School Board Candidates (cont.)

Monday, May 1, 2017	STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS: Candidates who have been re-elected to the school board must re-file the Statement of Economic Interests by May 1. Although the law is unclear, new school board members – those first elected on April 4 – are encouraged to re-file as well.
Tuesday, May 2, 2017	ORGANIZATION OF BOARD: Within 28 days after the consolidated election, the school board shall organize by electing its officers and fixing a time and place for the regular meetings.
August 15, 2017 (approximate)	MANDATORY OMA TRAINING: Within 90 days of taking the oath of office, new school board members must receive state-mandated training covering Open tings Act general applicability, procedures, and legal requirements. A copy of the certificate of completion must be filed with the school board.
May 2, 2018 (approximate)	MANDATORY PDLT: Within one year of taking office, new school board members must receive state-mandated training in Professional Development Leadership Training (PDLT), including education and labor law, financial oversight and accountability, and fiduciary responsibilities. Additionally, school board members must take a training program on Performance Evaluation Reform Act (PERA) Evaluations before making a dismissal based upon an "optional alternative evaluative dismissal process for PERA evaluations."

Sources:

2017 Election and Campaign Finance Calendar
https://www.elections.il.gov/Downloads/ElectionInformation/PDF/2017ElectionCalendar.pdf

State of Illinois Candidate's Guide 2017
https://www.elections.il.gov/Downloads/ElectionInformation/PDF/2017CanGuide.pdf

Illinois Compiled Statutes (5 ILCS 420/4A-106) (from Ch. 127, par. 604A-106)
http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/fulltext.asp?DocName=000504200K4A-106

IASB Mandatory Board Member Training
http://iasb.com/training/mandatoryboardtraining.pdf

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Fire Prevention Contest Awards Night

SCHOOL CALENDAR CHANGE

DUE TO A CONSOLIDATED ELECTION DAY ON APRIL 4, AND WITH NAVAJO AND CHIPPEWA BEING POLLING PLACES, THE MAY 5 TEACHER INSTITUTE DAY WILL BE CHANGED TO APRIL 4. THIS MEANS STUDENTS WILL HAVE NO SCHOOL ON APRIL 4TH BUT WILL HAVE SCHOOL ON MAY 5. Because we will be returning from Spring Break on Monday, 4/3, coming back to school for 1 day before the 4/4 institute day, and with the following Friday/Monday off due to Easter, we are cancelling the PLC that was planned for April 5. This PLC will not be made up. Students will remain in school all day on April 5. **SEE NEW CALENDAR ON NEXT PAGE**

2016-2017 School Calendar

2016-2017 PALOS HEIGHTS DISTRICT #128 CALENDAR

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No School - Teacher Institute	August 22 & 23
First Day for Students - Early Dismissal	August 24*
No School - Labor Day	September 5
PLC	September 14
PLC	September 28
PLC	October 5
No School - Columbus Day	October 10
PLC	October 19
PLC	November 2
No School - Teacher Institute	November 8
No School - Parent/Teacher Conferences	November 21 (1-8)
No School - Parent/Teacher Conferences	November 22(8 - 3)
Thanksgiving Break	November 23, 24, 25
PLC	December 7
No School - Winter Break	December 22 to Jan. 4
School Resumes	January 5
PLC	January 11
No School - Martin Luther King Day	January 16
PLC	January 25
PLC	February 8
No School - President's Day	February 20
PLC	March 1
PLC	March 15
Spring Break	March 27 - March 31
No School - Teacher Institute	April 4
No School - Easter	April 14
No School - Easter	April 17
PLC	April 26
No School	April 17
PLC	May 10
PLC	May 24
No School- Memorial Day	May 29
Tentative Last Day of School-Early Dismissal	June 2*
Emergency Days if Needed	June 5 to June 9

Symbol Key

- No School - Teacher Institute or Conferences
- No School - Holiday or Break
- PLC Days Early Dismissal 1:30 pm
- Parent Conference
- First Day of School - Early Dismissal*
- Tentative Last Day of School-Early Dismissal*
- Emergency Days if Needed

WHAT IS NEW?
APRIL 4TH - NO SCHOOL
APRIL 5TH - NO PLC
MAY 5TH - YES SCHOOL