

# The Highland Park eNews

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## Events & Meetings

### Tuesday, March 21

International Film Series  
6:30 p.m., Public Library

### Tuesday, March 21

Borough Council  
7:00 p.m., Borough Hall

### Wednesday, March 22

Sustainable Highland Park  
7:30 p.m., Borough Hall

### Thursday, March 23

Stretch with the Mayor  
7:30-8am, Kinetics Flow, 409 Raritan Ave

### Thursday, March 23

Food Pantry Distribution  
9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.  
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
Senior/Youth Center

### Thursday, March 23

Stretch with the Mayor  
7:30-8am, Kinetics Flow, 409 Raritan Ave

### Thursday, March 23

Forum on Immigrant Refugee Policy  
7:00 p.m., Bartle Elementary School

### Saturday, March 25

Food Pantry Distribution  
9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m., Senior/Youth Center

### Sunday, March 26

Unity Celebration  
11:00 a.m., Senior/Youth Center

### Monday, March 27

Library Board of Trustee  
7:30 p.m., Public Library

### Monday, March 27

Zoning Board of Adjustment  
7:30 p.m., Borough Hall

### Tuesday, March 28

Poetry Night Series –Open Mic  
7:00 p.m., Public Library

### Thursday, March 30

Stretch with the Mayor  
7:30-8 a.m., Kinetics Flow, 409 Raritan Ave

### Thursday, March 30

Hearing Screening with St. Peter's University  
6:30 p.m., Public Library

All meetings are subject to change, please check the Borough's website at [www.hpboro.com](http://www.hpboro.com) for updates

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## Memo from Mayor Gayle Brill Mittler



March is Women's History Month, and I am proud of the many women from Highland Park who have, and continue to, make a difference in our community and society. They include Rebecca Goldstein, author and MacArthur award winner, Chrissy Bartle, Highland Park's first teacher, Joan Snyder, painter who has won numerous awards for her work, Adaline Glasser Bloom, who worked for the Office of War Information during WWII, and Ambassador Meryl Frank, who served as Highland Park's first female mayor and an Ambassador to the United Nations for Women's Issues.

This past month was a difficult one for Highland Park. However, as I look back upon the past few weeks, I am also amazed and inspired by the warmth, caring, and strength of our residents. It makes me so proud to lead a community that comes together in good times and hard times. Thank you to everyone who came out for our Community Public Safety Information Session earlier this month, and thank you to Council Member Elsie Foster-Dublin, the HPPD, and Women Aware for holding this important community forum. My utmost appreciation goes to the Highland Park Police Department and the Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office, who worked vigilantly together to make a quick arrest, within seven days of the crime.

I invite the community to join me on at a very special Unity Celebration on Sunday, March 26, 11:00am in the Senior/Youth Center (220 South 6<sup>th</sup> Ave). This event features artistic performances by Highland Park's young residents. Student singers, poets, and dancers will perform work with a unity theme. Then, everyone will join together to sing an original song, written exclusively for this event, by local musician Mr. Ray. Refreshments will follow the performances. I look forward to seeing all of you at this celebration event.

Now's the time to start thinking about plans for spring and summer as well. Don't forget to sign up for the Highland Park 5K Run in the Park, and register for our community summer camp. Our "HP Gives a Hoot" is once again providing ten scholarships to the Highland Park Summer camp. Visit [www.hpboro.com](http://www.hpboro.com) or [www.facebook.com/hpgivesahoot](https://www.facebook.com/hpgivesahoot) to download an application.

I wish everyone a safe and happy March, and look forward to seeing you at the events, and downtown for shopping, eating and strolling.

## Employee Recognition



During the month of March the Borough will recognize the following employees who have years of dedicated service to the Borough and its residents:

### 5 Years

Tracey Horan  
Frederick Long  
Maria Austin  
Sean Garley  
James Webb, Sr.  
Carla Herniter  
Sean McGraw

### 10 Years

Mohab Hannout  
Jose Curbelo  
Kevin Garrity  
Karen Valente  
Norman Brown  
Dvir Ravee

### 15 Years

Patrick Bradshaw  
Sherry Johnson  
Edward Herman  
Karen Connors

### 20 Years

Robert Cahill  
Ella Taliaferro

### 25 Years

Janet Molina

### 30 Years

Stephen Rizco  
Lester Rosenhouse  
Michael Wieczorkiewicz

Questions? Feedback? We want to hear from you!

Let us know what you think by writing to [communications@hpboro.com](mailto:communications@hpboro.com)

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## Highland Marks

Highland Park residents **Joe and Fran Cunha** were honored by the American-Irish Association of Central Jersey, for their involvement in community service projects throughout Middlesex County. Mr. and Mrs. Cunhas are active members of the Association, and are especially involved in projects such as the Christmas gift distribution at Lion's Hospital and the upcoming Mother's Day Program at Ozanam Homeless Shelter this May. The Cunhas have been married for 53 years, and Highland Park residents for more than 40 years. Their three sons, Joseph, John and Kevin, attended the Highland Park Schools. In addition to their work with the American-Irish Association, Joe volunteers for the HP Community Food Bank, and Fran volunteers at Roosevelt Hospital for veterans.

**Have you – or someone you know – done something recently that's particularly noteworthy? Let us know about it and we'll include it in Highland Marks! Write to [communications@hpboro.com](mailto:communications@hpboro.com)**

## How do you "picture" Highland Park?



How do you "picture" Highland Park? Send in your favorite photographs of our beautiful community, and your submission may be featured on the HP website! Photos can be of our downtown, open spaces, buildings or homes, events, etc. (Please do not send pictures of individuals – large groups only are permissible.) Send your pictures via PRIVATE MESSAGE ONLY to [communications@hpboro.com](mailto:communications@hpboro.com) by March 31st for consideration.

## HPTV Highlights for March 2017

Channel 15 (for Cablevision/Optimum customers)  
Channel 44 (for Verizon FIOS customers)

### Monday

10:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m. – Public Domain Domain – Old Time Radio  
12:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. – Highland Park Update/Showcase  
12:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. – Talk of The Town  
1:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. – Aging Insights  
1:30 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. – Health Talk  
2:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. – Classroom Close-Up/School Talk  
8:30 p.m. – Board of Education Meeting

### Tuesday & Thursday

10:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m. – Public Domain Domain – Movies  
12:00 p.m. – Highland Park Update/Showcase  
12:30 p.m. – Highland Park Borough/Schools Update  
1:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m. & 10:00 p.m. – Borough Council Meetings  
2:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. – Spotlight on Middlesex County  
2:30 p.m. & 8:30 p.m. – Access New Jersey  
3:00 p.m. & 9:00 p.m. – Not Just Rock & Roll

### Wednesday

10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. – Board of Education Meeting  
1:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. – Aging Insights  
1:30 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. – Health Talk  
3:00 p.m. – Classroom Close-Up/School Talk  
4:00 p.m. – Public Domain Domain – Movies

### Friday, Saturday & Sunday

10:00 a.m. – Public Domain Domain – Old Time Radio  
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3:30 p.m. – Classroom Close-Up/School Talk  
4:00 p.m. – Board of Education Meeting  
8:30 p.m. & 11:00 p.m. – Public Domain Domain – Movies  
10:00 p.m. – Valley Homegrown Music

## Highland Park Appoints New Council Member



Highland Park has appointed Stephany Kim as the new Council Member, replacing Councilman Jim Walsh, who resigned in February to relocate to California.

Stephany is a Highland Park resident and community activist and is employed as a manager of the Edison Branch of BCB Community Bank. She brings her vast experience in community relations to the Council. Her term runs until December 31, 2017, though she will have the opportunity to run for the municipal seat in the November 2017 election.

## Police Unity Tour

Once again, members of the Highland Park Police Department will be participating in the Police Unity Tour. Please come out and support our Officers at a "Tricky Tray & Vendor" Fundraiser Event for the Unity Tour. Saturday, April 1 at the Center School, 340 Madison Avenue. Doors open at 12:30pm, and ticket drawing starts at 2:00pm.

Tickets are \$10 to enter. Tricky Tray tickets and 50/50 tickets will be sold at the event, and vendors will be taking orders.

The Police Unity Tour raises awareness of Law Enforcement Officers who have died in the line of duty, and raises fund for the National Law Enforcement Officer's Memorial.

## Summer Camp Scholarship Program



Once again, Highland Park's successful "HP Gives a Hoot" program is offering ten scholarships for children to attend Highland Park's Summer Day Camp.

To qualify for the scholarship, families must provide a letter indicating that the child is currently enrolled in a free or reduced lunch, or qualifies for the USDA Income Eligibility Guidelines.

To apply, visit us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/hpgivesahoot](http://www.facebook.com/hpgivesahoot) or the Borough's website at [www.hpboro.com](http://www.hpboro.com). The deadline to submit applications is May 19, 2017. Applications can be mailed or dropped off to the Borough of Highland Park, 221 South 5th Ave, Highland Park, NJ 08904, attn.: Monica Jackson. A lottery will be drawn and recipients will be notified directly.

To donate to "HP Gives a Hoot", please send a check made out to the Borough of Highland Park and send to the above address. Memo line should read "HP Gives a Hoot". Thank you for your support.

## Highland Park's Unity Celebration



The community is invited to join our children for a special Unity Celebration, Sunday, March 26, 11:00am in the Senior/Youth Center, 220 South 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Performances by our young residents feature singers, dancer, poets and more.

Special appearance and performance by Mr. Ray, who has written an original song exclusively for this event!

Refreshments will be available for sale following the event.