

THE HIGHLAND PARK NEWS



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“Six Degrees of Recreation”



The Highland Park Recreation Department has such far-reaching activities, that it is very likely that every resident has personally participated in a Recreation activity, or knows somebody who has!

The Recreation Department, led by Coordinator Andrea Baay, serves over 2000 participants and their families, with programs for everybody from young children to the young-at-heart.

The Highland Park Summer Camp represents the wide variety of activities that Recreation presents throughout the year. More than 350 children from Highland Park, nearby towns, as well as International students, attended the camp. Day camp activities include science and nature, arts and crafts, recreation, cooking, music, performances, a talent show, pool visits, trips, and summer fun days in Donaldson Park. Sports Camp is run on a weekly basis for basketball, baseball/softball, wrestling, tennis, soc-

cer, football, and new this year, cheerleading. A special Chinese Immersion program welcomes students from China to our summer camp, teaching them about life in Highland Park and the US. The interaction between Highland Park students and the Chinese exchange students enables these young people to learn and experience each other's cultures, and make new friends. This year, Recreation introduced Theater Camp as well. Nearly every child can find an activity they enjoy in the Summer Camp program, which is why the camp continues to grow in popularity each year. And camp doesn't just attract the children. Dozens of teens through college-age students and older come back each year to work at the camp as counselors, and lasting friendships develop among the counselors, and between counselors and campers.

Just when it seems like the Recreation Department has reached people with all types

of interests, fall comes, and with it, a new set of activities. Table Tennis, Chess, Juggling, Basketball and more begin in the fall and winter seasons, and Tennis, Track and Field, and Spring Soccer Clinics are offered in the spring. Most of these activities are available for both kids and adults! It's hard to find an activity that isn't offered here, and if it's not, Rec will often add it the following year, such as the recent addition of Flag Football. The popular Youth Theater Program, run by local resident and theater instructor Tova Halpern, presents an annual show that always receives rave reviews. And adult activities such as Israeli Dance, Tai Chi, Fitness for All, and Women's and Open Softball Leagues, among others, are a big hit among adult residents.

Andrea Baay, who directs all of the Recreation programs, credits much of the success of these activities to the incredible volunteer coaches and instructors, who generously donate their time to run individual activities

or teams, as well as the many sponsors throughout the community.

“I love working as the Recreation / Arts Coordinator for Highland Park,” said Baay. “It is wonderful to be able to provide different programs and sports for youth and adults, summer camps, activities, and art programs, and the different events for our community. It is great that so many of our residents volunteer throughout the year as coaches, or to help out with events. We also have a lot of businesses in town that provide sponsorships for our youth teams and special events. That really helps out, so that we can provide quality programming for our entire community.”

In addition to the myriad of programs, the Highland Park Recreation Department runs the annual Independence Day Fireworks Event in July. Thousands of residents and visitors throughout Middlesex County and beyond attend the event

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in Donaldson Park. The evening of music, activities, food, vendors and presentations culminates in a fantastic fireworks display. They also host a Halloween Party, Memorial Day Parade, Veteran's Day Parade, and the annual Christmas Dinner in December, with dinner, live music, gifts, and a visit from Santa.

As is evident, the Highland Park Recreation Department plays an integral part in the daily lives of so many of our residents, and the variety and amount of programs they run is enjoyed by so many people in Highland Park and beyond. If you haven't personally participated in one of their activities, it's pretty much guaranteed that you're within six degrees of someone who has! Check out their schedule (listed in this paper as well as online at www.hpboro.com) or contact the Recreation Department at 732-819-0052 to find the perfect program for you.

Letter From Your Mayor

Highland Park has always been an active and involved community. Many times we are at the forefront of initiatives to benefit the environment, the health of our residents, and other important issues. Recently, the Borough was recognized for our efforts in a number of areas. These include:

- **The Highland Park Police Department** was recognized by the State Attorney General's Office for their Cultural Sensitivity Training sessions, which have helped officers understand and support the diverse cultures of our community.
- **The Mayor's Wellness Campaign** achieved recognition for Highland Park as a New Jersey American Heart and Stroke Hero from the American Heart

Association and the American Stroke Association.

- **Sustainable Highland Park** received a \$10,000 grant to launch a Plastic Bag Reduction Campaign, to encourage residents and merchants to use re-usable bags instead of plastic bags.
- **The Safe Walking and Biking Committee** won two awards for Highland Park – a Gold Level Recognition for New Jersey's Safe Routes to School 2017, and a Silver Award 2017 for “Outstanding Achievement in creating programs that provide and promote commuting options for employees”, from New Jersey Smart Workplaces.

Congratulations to these departments and committees, and thank you for your continued service on behalf of our

residents. If you would like to become a volunteer for any of Highland Park's boards, commissions, or committees, please download, complete, and return the Volunteer Application form at www.hpboro.com.

We have also taken significant steps to improve the quality of life for all of our residents. In May, the Council passed a resolution to respect and protect historically discriminated populations and promote community inclusivity for all Highland Park residents. Along with this resolution, we introduced Municipal Identification Cards for all residents. These cards allow Highland Park residents who may not have a government-issued ID, to receive services from the Borough. All residents age 14 and over can receive a card. Please visit www.hpboro.com



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What Makes a School District Great? Or, What do Those Rankings Mean?

Dr. Scott Taylor, Superintendent

What is the definition of a "great school district?" Is it status in the myriad ranking lists produced by the likes of U.S. News and World Report and the popular website Niche.Com? Is it people's perception? Maybe it's a set of indicators the community decides are standards of excellence? There is little agreement on what makes a school great and this is the challenge to defining school quality.

Last month's publication of U.S. News and World Report's 2017 "best high schools" list pegged Highland Park High School at number 36 in New Jersey and provided the school with a "silver medal" for its national standing. The publication's ranking criteria is wrapped around four

core elements: 1. Student performance on standardized tests among their state peer's performance. 2. A school's disadvantaged student population's performance as compared to other school disadvantaged population performance. 3. Student graduation rates. 4. Student preparation for college work, which is based on Advanced Placement Test participation rates and scores.

According to Niche.Com, the Highland Park School District is considered an "A+" school system. The organization uses eight different criteria, including such factors as health and safety and participation in extracurricular activities. A big factor in Niche.Com's ranking system is website

visitor survey input.

Search on the internet for articles about school district rankings, and you'll find all kinds of questions about the nature of the process (U.S. News and World Report is compelled to respond to these questions by providing a webpage dedicated to defending its criteria). Agree or disagree with the accuracy or integrity of school ranking, the reality is that perception matters, and how people deem a school district great is often based on its standing on numbered lists. Our school district's strategic plan (Pathway to Excellence) is wrapping up its first year of implementation thanks to very focused hard work by support staff, teachers, leaders,

and the Board of Education, and the results of this work will be reflected by even higher state and national rankings. This might be a byproduct of the plan, but it certainly isn't the plan's purpose. The Pathway to Excellence will provide an equal learning "playing field" for all of our children, regardless of their racial, ethnic, religious, gender, or socioeconomic identity. It will encourage kids to take learning risks in nurturing and dynamic classrooms so they leave our high school with a genuine love for continual learning. I put a lot of stock into our strategic plan because I believe what will make our school district great is not so much our status among our peers, but the realization of

the 11 goals our community decided are what it takes to be the best school system for Highland Park's children.

I hope you will take time to visit the strategic plan website by going to www.pathway.hpschools.net. There is a wealth of information about our school district's future direction and resources that will shed light on what the over 60 Highland Park residents and school employees collaboratively decided will continue to make our district great. My door is always open, and I am an email or phone call away if you wish to talk. I can be reached at taylor@hpschools.net and 732-572-2400, extension 2813.

Refuse The Plastic, Reusables Are Fantastic!

Sustainable Highland Park has received a \$10,000 grant to run a Plastic Bag Reduction campaign. The campaign, "Refuse The Plastic", was announced at the Farmer's Market on June 30th, where Mayor Brill Mittler spoke about the town's commitment to reducing single use plastic bags. Sustainable HP

will be working with local businesses, shoppers, students, and houses of worship, to encourage the use of reusable bags over plastic bags.

Five trillion single use plastic bags are produced worldwide yearly, each one in use for 20 minutes, on average. Yet, it takes 1,000 years for plastic bags to decompose.

In the meantime, they clog waterways, landfills and landscapes, and kill millions of marine animals and sea birds each year, who mistake the bags for food.

INSTEAD, Sustainable HP encourages residents and businesses to use reusable bags. Help end the destruction caused by plastic bags, and

help save our wildlife and environment, by bringing reusable bags when you shop downtown or elsewhere.

Learn more about this campaign, and other ways to protect our environment, on Sustainable Highland Park's new website: www.sustainablehighlandpark.org



And visit www.hpsolar.org until the end of September to learn about the benefits and costs of solar energy for your home.

The Highland Park Police Department

PROUD TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY

The Highland Park Police Department (HPPD) serves our community with a dedication and respect towards every resident. Under the leadership of Chief Stephen Rizco, the HPPD has enjoyed a positive relationship with residents, and has developed programs and policies to benefit Highland Park.

In May, the Highland Park Police Department was nominated for an award by the Attorney General's office for an Outstanding Community Policing Program, for their cultural diversity training. The HPPD has run numerous sensitivity training programs for cultures such as Orthodox Jewish, African American, Asian Indian, Muslim, Chinese, LGBT, Southeast Asian women, as well as Autism, Asphasia and Psychiatric issues.

Highland Park Police Chief Stephen Rizco believes it is critical for law enforcement officers to be aware of the many different aspects of the various cultures within the community. "By being aware of the differences and distinctions, we are better able to serve our residents in a professional and respectful manner."

The HPPD ran several community programs this spring as well. The 2nd Annual Youth Police Academy was a big success. Police Youth Officer Joe Curbelo ran the free academy for kids in grades 5-8, teaching them about the Police Department, and keeping the cadets busy with exercise, activities, and fun. The "Click it or Ticket" seat belt mobilization program was held May 22-June 4, reminding residents that wearing a seat belt can save a life. Additionally, the Municipal Alliance and Senior Center Director Kim McGraw sponsored "Every 15 Minutes", a joint program between the Police Department and the Teen Center at the Highland Park High School, featuring a live skit involving a fatal motor vehicle crash and arrest, culminating in a speech by Lauren Reed, a former Marine who struck and killed a pedestrian while intoxicated. Reed served 5 years in prison for this offense. The program had a profound impact on the high school students.

The Highland Park Police Department is committed to protecting citizens, and educating them about safety issues. They continue to develop programs to serve our community.

2017 BOROUGH CALENDAR

All meetings are subject to change, please check the Borough's website at www.hpboro.com for updates.

Arts Commission Meeting
Borough Hall, 6:00 pm
August 10; September 14;
October 12 and November 9

Board of Health Meeting
Borough Hall, 7:00 pm
September 14; October 19
and November 9

Borough Council Meeting
Borough Hall, 7:00 pm
August 8; September 5 and 19;
October 3 and 17; November 8

Commission for Universal Access Meeting
Borough Hall, 7:30 pm
September 7 and November 2

Community Food Pantry Meeting
Senior/Youth Center
7:00 pm August 2 and
October 4

Environmental Commission Meeting
Environmental Center
8:00 pm
September 6; October 4
and November 1

Housing Authority Board Meeting
Samuel J Kronman Building
6:30 pm
September 13; October 11
and November 8

Human Relations Commission Meeting
Borough Hall, 7:00 pm
August 16; September 20;
October 18 and November 15

Library Board of Trustee Meeting
Library, 7:30 pm
August 28; September 25;
October 23 and November 27

Planning Board Meeting
Borough Hall, 7:30 pm
August 10; September 14;
October 19 and November 9

Public Information Committee Meeting
Borough Hall, 6:15 pm
September 26

Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting
Senior/Youth Center 7:00 pm
September 18

Redevelopment Agency Meeting
Borough Hall, 7:30 pm
August 3; September 7;
October 5 and November 2

Rehabilitation Screening Committee Meeting
Borough Hall, 7:00 pm
August 15; September 26;
October 24 and November 28

Shade Tree Advisory Meeting
Borough Hall, 8:00 pm
August 9; September 13;
October 11 and November 8

Sustainable Highland Park Meeting
Environmental Center
7:30 pm
August 23; September 27;
October 30 and November 27

Zoning Board of Adjustment Meeting
Borough Hall, 7:30 pm
August 28; September 25;
October 30 and November 27

BOROUGH HOLIDAYS

Borough Offices Closed:

Labor Day
September 4

Columbus Day
October 9

Veterans Day
November 11

Thanksgiving Holiday
November 23-24

All About Those Owls

For the past century, two magnificent Red Pin Oak trees shaded the front lawn of Highland Park High School, watching over every school day and graduation. Every memory that occurred at the high school was formed in the shade of these two trees, which is why it was such a huge loss when the school was forced to cut them down last winter, due to disease.

To honor the impact these trees had on our students and faculty, the high school, in collaboration with its Environmental Club, commissioned works of art to be made from their sustainably repurposed wood. Even in death, these trees will continue to be part of the school's character. Two large and regal Owl Sculptures in front of the High School were carved from the tree stumps. Joe King at www.treecarver.com, a tree carver for over 26 years, spent 3 1/2 days using 4 different sized chainsaws to carve the Owls that stand sentinel in front of the High School. They were sealed and polished to last for 10 - 15 years. When the stumps begin to decay, the plan is to cut them at their bases and mount the owls on concrete.

"I could not be the high school principal who watched these beloved trees cut down and do nothing about it," said HPHS



Principal Michael Lassiter. "The owl sculptures have generated tremendous alumni support, and the positive and amazing reactions from community members and alumni has been heart-warming! Owl's Pride is soaring under our sentinel owls' watchful gaze."

Nature's Fell, in Middlesex, was commissioned to make beautiful hand-crafted products from the wood of these magnificent trees, including a bench, an owl sculpture, and a cross section "cookie" showing the age of the trees, on display at the school library, as well as items such as cutting boards and candle holders for sale. Custom orders of larger pieces are available upon request.

All oak products were paid for through generous donations at Gofundme.com/hphstrees. A plaque will list all of our donors.

"Officer Joe" Helps Transform Student/Police Officer Relationships

Highland Park Police Officer (HPPD) Joe Curbelo is a familiar face in Highland Park, especially among our young residents, who affectionately refer to him as "Officer Joe". That's because he is the HPPD's Police Youth Officer, whose job it is to be an advocate for all kids within the Borough. Officer Curbelo is an

educator, counselor, mentor, and Law Enforcement Officer, and is helping to forge a positive, amicable relationship between Highland Park's youth and the Police Department.

Officer Curbelo spends a great deal of time in the public schools, with the invitation from the Principal. He teaches classes on topics of health and safety, and volunteers as a football coach. He also runs the Highland Park Youth Academy, will maintain a presence at the Borough's Teen Police Center, (set to open by 2018), and is involved with programs such as Every 15 Minutes and the Pre-Prom Program.

"My goal is to teach kids how to have positive interactions with adults," he said. "Whether I am teaching classes, helping kids with personal problems, playing basketball, or giving professional opinions, I am here to help them however, wherever, and whenever I can."

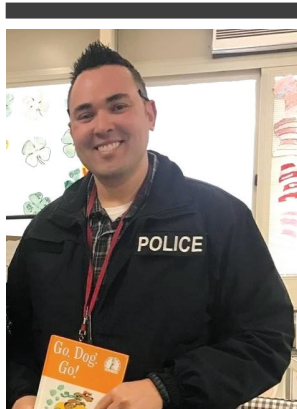
An important component to Officer Curbelo's job is developing a trust between students and Police, which was the basis for the creation of the Youth Officer position. In 2014, following the shooting in Ferguson, MO, the Borough held a Public Forum to discuss Police/resident relations. Many parents and students felt the need for more positive interaction between teens and Officers.

"Officer Curbelo does a great job in his role as Youth Officer," said Chief Stephen Rizzo. "His personality and demeanor are well suited for his responsibilities and he genuinely enjoys working with our students,

their parents and our schools. We continually receive very favorable feedback about Officer Curbelo and we are very happy and proud of the work he does and the relationships he has forged."

Officer Curbelo has been a Police Officer for 14 years, serving in Highland Park for the past 11 years, in the Patrol Division, Traffic Safety Bureau and as Youth Officer since 2015. He is certified as a Field Training Officer, Terminal Agency Coordinator, Fatal Crash Investigator, Instructor, and School Resource Officer. As Youth Officer, he has received training from organizations such as The Children's Hospital and P.O.A.C. on the Autism Spectrum Disorder.

"Officer Joe" has been warmly welcome by students in the community. Recently, he was chosen by a student to be their VIP at a class breakfast, and was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation by the Highland Park Middle School students for his work with them. He is encouraged by the feedback from students, who credit him for changing the way they view Police Officers.



Joe Curbelo

WHAT DEPARTMENT DO I NEED?

MAIN TELEPHONE NUMBER
732-572-3400

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

800-624-0241

www.state.nj.us/bpu/assistance

BOROUGH CLERK

732-819-3782

Apartment Registration, Business License, Dog & Cat License, Flood Zones (Maps), Garage Sale Permits, Liquor Licenses, Notary Public, Ordinances, Request for Public Record, Street Maps, Used Car Lot Licenses, Taxi Licenses, Voter Registration, Zone Maps (to purchase)

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CODE ENFORCEMENT

732-777-6013

Additions (Inspections, Capital Improvements) 732-819-3795

COMMUNITY SERVICES

732-819-0052

Community Events, Senior Programs, Events & Activities

CONSTRUCTION

732-777-6013

COURT

732-777-6010

Court Wedding/Civil Union Ceremony by Judge

HEALTH

732-819-3790

LIBRARY

732-572-2750

www.hpplnj.org

MAYOR

732-777-6001



PARKS

732-745-3900

Park Maintenance

PLANNING & ZONING

732-819-3792

POLICE

732-572-3800

Abandoned Cars on Street, Accident Reports (ext. 4211), Animal Control (Dead or Stray) **Weekends and Evenings** Health Emergencies, Noise Complaints, Snow not removed from sidewalks

PSEG

800-426-7734

www.pseg.com

PUBLIC WORKS

732-514-1277

Borough Shade Tree, Bulk Trash, Garbage, Leaf Bags, Recycling, Roadway Improvements, Snow Removal

RECREATION

732-819-0052

Recreation/Arts Programs & Events, Registration & Information

SCHOOLS

732-572-6990

School information <http://www.hpschools.net/>

TAX ASSESSOR

732-819-3787

Block & Lot, Deed Inquiries

TAX COLLECTOR - FINANCE

732-819-3788

Senior Citizen Tax Deductions, Tax Bills, Veteran Tax Deductions

VITAL STATISTICS

732-819-3782 or 732-777-6014

Birth Certificate, Death Certificate, Marriage License

WATER

732-247-9379

Billing 732-819-3787

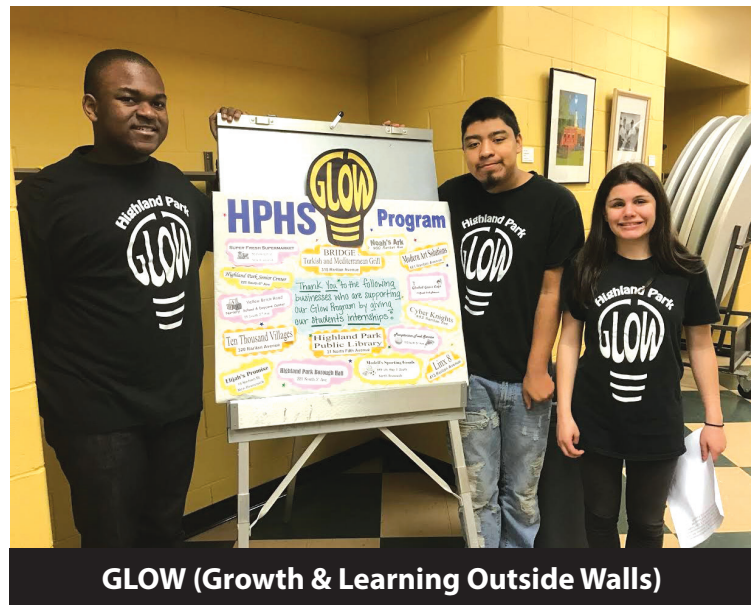
Maintenance Only 732-247-9379 Meter Issues/Questions, Sanitary Sewer Back-ups (Weekends & Evenings) 732-572-3800, Water leaks, Water Quality Issues/ Questions

WATER & SEWER FINANCE

732-819-3787

Billing & Meter Reading, Sewerage Bills

Highland Park High School's GLOW Internship Program



GLOW (Growth & Learning Outside Walls)

The Highland Park High School is home to a vibrant GLOW (Growth & Learning Outside Walls) program. GLOW teaches students across ability levels to develop skills necessary to lead a productive and independent life outside the classroom. The program uses Community Based Instruction within the Structured Learning Experiences to teach students general skills.

This past year, eight students were involved in this program, which matches students with businesses or organizations in the community for internships.

The Borough was proud to have a GLOW intern, and the following merchants participated in this program as well:

The Bridge Mediterranean Grill, Cyber Knight Computers, the Global Grace Café, Highland Park Borough Hall, Highland Park Public Library, Highland Park Senior Center, Linx 8, Modern Art Solution, Noah's Ark Daycare, Pomptonian (at the Highland Park High School), Ten Thousand Villages, and Yellowbrick Road Daycare.

Highland Park Resolution Commits to Protect Immigrants, Marginalized Populations

In May, Highland Park became the first municipality in Middlesex County to join a growing "fair and welcoming" movement of towns and counties across the country whose aim is to promote community inclusivity and to affirm law enforcement practices regardless of one's immigration status.

The Borough's "Inclusive Community" policy framework was a result of a collaboration with state and local immigration advocacy groups, born out of the 2016 development of the Borough's Municipal ID program. The ID serves to provide a government-issued ID for all Highland Park residents, including those who do not have a state-issued ID.

The Inclusive Community framework provides direction

in the establishment of strong anti-discrimination policies and privacy protections to protect vulnerable and immigrant communities. It also makes clear that local police and government agents will not voluntarily assist in the enforcement of federal immigration law.

In June, the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders passed a similar enforcement policy.

"Highland Park has long been an open, fair, and welcoming community," said Mayor Gayle Brill Mittler. "It is critical that we continue our programs that ensure all of our residents have the chance to become active, contributing, secure members of our community."

Councilman Matthew Hersh,

who led a task force that developed the Inclusive Community framework, said:

"With immigration policies in flux at the federal level, we have an environment of confusion among our immigrant community, resulting in tax-paying residents and their families who are fearful of approaching municipal government, including our recreation and public safety services. That presents a very real public safety concern for our town and we need to lead through a lens of inclusivity. These efforts start in our towns," Hersh said.

For information about the Municipal ID program or the resolution, visit www.hpboro.com.

Highland Park Girls Track Wins First State Title Since 1979

The Highland Park Girls Track and Field team became state champions in June, ending a nearly four-decade long state championship drought. The team earned 57 points (23 more than the runner-up), and freshman and rising star Rebecca Ochan claimed individual titles in the 200, 400, and long jump. Gabby Sanchez

placed second in the long jump, and Highland Park placed fourth in the 4x100 and 4x800. Coach Charlie Schneekloth was proud of the girls and their hard work and focus throughout the year. "I give the girls a lot of credit," he said. "It's easy to get distracted...But we've had a singular focus all year."



Congratulations to the Highland Park Girls Track Team!

Happy 20th Birthday HPTV!

In 1997, before Google, YouTube, or social media, communicating with residents about community events and news was challenging. Relatively few residents were able to regularly attend Council or other public meetings in person, and there were limited ways for people to see first-hand what their local government was doing. HPTV, Highland Park's then new public access station, became the primary means of electronic

communications for the Borough. 20 years later, HPTV (Highland Park TV) is still a vital means of communications for many of our residents.

The station, established by Highland Park's Cable TV Advisory Committee, used funds provided by a grant from TKR, the Borough's cable TV provider at the time. At first, the station only broadcast a bulletin board of community announcements and televised Council meet-

ings. Gradually, other programming was added, including Board of Education meetings, locally produced programs (such as HP Showcase and HP Borough/Schools Update), old movies and radio shows. Today, HPTV airs programs on the arts, music, cooking, aging, and so much more!

HPTV is a Public, Education and Government (PEG) access station. It provides "gavel-to-gavel" coverage of Borough

Council, Board of Ed and other important Borough meetings/events. Through the years, HPTV has enabled residents to watch their local government handle important issues. This coverage has always been the station's first priority. The station also enables residents to submit appropriate videos for broadcast. When resources are available, HPTV volunteers help residents produce their videos.

Since its inception, HPTV has

been operated solely by volunteers. If you're interested in volunteering, please email hptv151515@gmail.com.

This Fall, the station will be airing special programming to commemorate its 20th anniversary, with clips of selected events from the past 20 years. If you have comments or specific events you would like to see included in this retrospective, please contact us.

What's New at the Native Plant Reserve?

Strolling through the Native Plant Reserve (NPR) on River Road, you may have noticed wooden boxes that have many different sized holes. These boxes were built to provide nesting sites for various species of native bees. If you look carefully, you may see them going in and out. There are 4000 bees native to North America and about 300 to New Jersey. Size range and pollinating techniques make native

bees important pollinators for native plants and all New Jersey flora. To nourish the pollinators, we have been increasing the variety of herbaceous plants at the NPR so that there are flowers blooming early spring through late fall.

Through donations and grants, more than one thousand native plants have been planted at the NPR since the fall of 2016.

Last summer two new gardens were created and planted with blazing star, milkweed, spicebush and blue vervain. False sunflower and a variety of species of coneflowers were added to these gardens this summer. Some of the plants donated included buttonbush, bayberry, red maple, red and scarlet oak. All have been planted in and on the edge of the woods.

The NPR now has a handsome plant nursery to protect newly purchased or donated plants from deer browse. Thank you, Gary Panichella, for donating all the supplies and your labor to this project. We are very proud of this enclosure.

If you are interested in working at the NPR or would like a tour, contact Mary and Belinda at highlandpark@npsnj.org



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Letter From Your Mayor



for more information on how to obtain and use these ID Cards. Any resident, whether born in the United States or not, may apply for this ID card.

In June, following the decision to have the United States opt out of the Paris Climate Agreement, I joined more than 300 mayors throughout the country to support this agreement on our local level. As a member of the Climate Mayors, I am committed

to uphold the agreement and make every effort to solve the issue of climate change and global warming by controlling and lowering green house gases locally. No matter what your politics, we must do all we can to protect our environment for our children and their children. New Jersey saw, first hand, the devastation that rising waters can cause during Hurricane Sandy. There is no doubt that sea levels are rising due to climate change. I hope you will join me in this critical initiative.

I am also committed to our continued efforts to support our

young residents here in Highland Park. More of our families and children are in need of our assistance, as our population of homeless families is unfortunately growing, as is the number of our children on free or reduced lunch at school. These homeless and less fortunate children often go unnoticed, and it is important to support these "invisible" children. Our "HP Gives a Hoot" fund, now entering its second year, is thriving. Originally intended to help feed our students on free or reduced lunch programs (on days when school

is not in session), the program has grown to become a vital source of support for these children, offering nutritious lunches and educational programs. We have served more than 400 lunches since 2015, and we have granted 20 scholarships to our summer camp program, as well as 10 scholarships to the Youth-ROOTS mentorship camp. This year, we created the "HP Gives a Hoot" Mentorship Program, in which older high school students are paired with younger students to provide support and advice as the younger children

enter high school. This program benefits the younger students by making them more comfortable in the new environment of high school, and empowers the older students to experience a leadership role, and give back to the community. "HP Gives a Hoot" is a nonprofit organization funded solely by generous donations and grants. To donate, please send a check to Borough of Highland Park, 221 South 5th Ave, Highland Park, NJ 08904, and write "HP Gives a Hoot" in the memo. I hope you all have a safe and active summer.

Spotlight On Arts Commission

The Highland Park Arts Commission creates opportunities for Borough residents to participate in the arts, and provides educational experiences in a wide variety of art forms.

When Mayor Gayle Brill Mittler asked spoken word artist Pandora Scooter to reinvigorate the Arts Commission, Scooter eagerly recruited residents involved in both visual and performing arts.

Within just a few months, the group sponsored an array of participatory and educational arts programs, including an improvisation workshop, a spoken word autobiography workshop, a sculpture walk around town, a book arts workshop, and an open studio day.

The four-week improvisation workshop drew participants ranging from children through senior citizens.

With a grant from the Middlesex County Cultural and Heritage Commission, the Commission sponsored an eight-week spoken word autobiography workshop led by Angela Kariotis, a solo show spoken word hip hop writer, performer, and teacher.

Attendees wrote their own solo autobiographical shows, two of which were performed at a final sharing session.

The sculpture walk, which features sculptures designed specifically with Highland Park in mind, is a joint project between the Commission and Rutgers University's Mason Gross School of the Arts.

A class of graduate students in the Mason Gross sculpture program created temporary, weather-resistant, site-specific sculptures with funding from the Commission.

They chose the Environmental Education Center on River Road as the center of the walk, which runs along the corners of Lincoln Avenue, River Road, and Raritan Avenue. All the sculptures will remain on display through the first week of September.

Commission member Ameer Pollack conducted a well-attended book art workshop in which participants used paper and cardboard to create their own books, which they will populate with content of their choice. This workshop will be

repeated in the fall.

On June 11, the Commission arranged for artists in town to open their studios, often in their homes, to the public. Three art-related businesses allowed local artists use of their facility to display and sell their work.

Looking ahead, the Commission hopes to present concerts featuring classical music, poetry, and spoken word; sponsor a Window Art Walk in which local businesses display residents' artwork, and possibly support a music on the street corner project.

The Commission meets the second Thursday of every month from 6-8 p.m. at Borough Hall, and all meetings are open to the public.

Its members include Scooter, book arts artist Pollack, visual artist John Marron, musician Aaron Weiman, musician and dancer Nicole Wines, visual artist Perri Neri, and visual artist Meztli Rocio Herzog.

More information is available on the Commission's website at www.hpartscommission.com.

"How Can I Help You?"



Alexa Comes to Highland Park

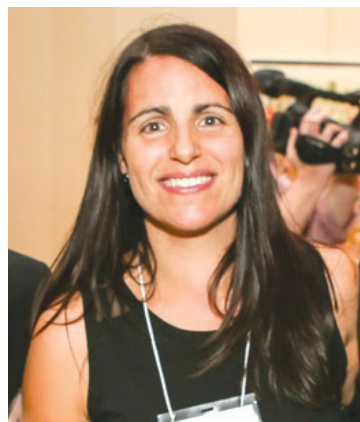
Alexa, the voice within the Amazon Echo, can answer just about any question you ask her. She can recognize songs on the radio, and report on the weather. While she sounds like the smartest person alive, Alexa is actually the voice within the Amazon Echo, a smart speaker capable of voice interaction, music playback, alarm functions, and providing real time information, among other functions. And now Alexa is coming to Borough Hall in Highland Park!

Recently, Westport Boy Scouts troop 528 programmed Alexa to answer specific questions, tailored to finding a location in the municipal building in High-

land Park. For example, she can give directions to our Code Enforcement or Tax Collector offices, answer questions about individual departments, and more. This project earned Honorable Mention in a Sustainable New Jersey contest "Coding for Community".

The device will be located in the lobby at Borough Hall, and residents and visitors can ask Alexa where to get construction permits, marriage licenses, pay taxes or water bills, or pay a ticket. Alexa is capable of answering most questions correctly, except maybe, the winning numbers for the lottery!

Highland Park Welcomes New Borough Administrator



Ms. Teri Jover
Borough Administrator

In May, the Borough of Highland Park welcomed our new Borough Administrator, Ms. Teri Jover. Teri came to the Borough from New Jersey Future, a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that promotes sensible growth, redevelopment and infrastructure investments and policies. There, she served as Deputy Executive Director. Her duties included implementing smart growth at the local level, with a special emphasis on downtown redevelopment issues.

In Highland Park, Teri was the Chair of Sustainable Highland Park for 7 years, leading the

Borough's certification efforts with Sustainable Jersey; most recently achieving Silver-level status from the program. She also served on the Highland Park Zoning Board from 2003-2010 and the Planning Board from 2010-2013.

"Highland Park is a great community with so much potential," said Teri. "I am so excited to be a part of the team working to make good things happen."

Teri and her husband Gary have lived in Highland Park since 2001. Their son, Gregory, attends Irving School.

13th Annual Arts in the Park: Sunday September 24

Sunday September 24 is Highland Park's 13th annual Arts in the Park street festival. This annual celebration of the arts showcases fine arts and crafts from all over the region, and shines a spotlight on Highland Park's vibrant, diverse, multi-faceted arts scene. The outdoor juried art show and street fair draw thousands of people to the streets of Highland Park to enjoy top-notch art, music, and food while exploring Highland Park's downtown as a shop-

ping and dining destination. The main attraction of Arts in the Park is the juried art show and arts sale, which highlights Highland Park's many artists as well as artists from around the region. Artists, crafters, performers, vendors, local organizations, local businesses, restaurants, food trucks, and others are invited to participate!

To register to be an artist or vendor or performer, or to be an event sponsor, visit www.mainstreethp.org for more info!

First Aid Squad Inaugurates Their Newly Renovated Building

In a warm spring Sunday, Highland Park's First Aid Squad welcomed residents to their newly renovated facilities. The event buzzed with a variety of displays, information and refreshments. Since 1949, Highland Park's First Aid Squad has served the community with an entirely volunteer staff. These dedicated individuals answer an average of 1,300 calls per year. They also run an annual Blood Drive, and provide invaluable services to the community. With an aging building from which to operate, and a growing squad, it was clearly time for an upgrade as the squad entered into their 68th year of service.

The changes brought much needed updates to meet safety standards, and invoked a renewed sense of morale to the squad. The building structure was no longer capable of holding the larger, more modern ambulance vehicles. A lack of ventilation in the building posed additional threats, and during Hurricane Sandy, the building took on a foot of water. The most welcome change for the squad members was the installation of bunk beds. Since the squad serves the community 24/7, especially during inclement weather, bunk beds enable them to respond to calls quicker.



Activities at the opening event gave attendees a firsthand experience of what the squad does on a daily basis. These included safety demonstrations mimicking that of a real first aid call, and an engaging CPR dem-

onstration led by squad Captain Naomi Hanoch. Hanoch has proudly served the Highland Park First Aid Squad since 2009, when she was only 16 years old. She was first inspired to serve at age four, when the Highland

Park First Aid Squad delivered her younger sister. Hanoch became Captain of the squad on January 1, 2017



The Department of Community Services

Senior Programs Summer & Fall 2017

SENIOR LUNCHEONS & PARTIES

All Programs will be held at the Highland Park Senior/Youth Center, Free of charge, unless noted.

Ice Cream Social

Tuesday, August 22nd
2:00 pm

Join your friends for an afternoon treat...Ice cream with all the toppings!

Hawaiian Luau Party

Tuesday, August 15th
1:00 pm

Say Aloha to Summer. Enjoy music & dancing. Refreshments provided.

September Luncheon

Tuesday, September 12th,
12:00 noon

Entertainment provided by: Don Anthony

October Luncheon

Tuesday, October 17th
12:00 noon

Back by Popular Demand... Flavian Mind Reading Game Show

Thanksgiving Luncheon

Tuesday, November 21st,
12:00 noon

Entertainment provided by: Jerry Castaldo

SAVE THE DATE!

Senior Holiday Party
Monday, December 11th,
11:30 am - 2:00 pm

Musical Entertainment Provided by: Gordon James. Location: Highland Park's Pithari Taverna
Cost: \$10.00 per person

Annual Lion's Club Holiday Party & Luncheon

Saturday, December 16th,
11:30 am - 1:30 pm

Entertainment provided by: Lion's Club

SENIOR TRIPS

All trips depart from the Highland Park Senior/Youth Center, unless otherwise noted.

Out of Town Shopping Trips

Every Wednesday
12:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Departs from Senior/Youth Center, **FREE** (See Center for weekly listing)

NYC Broadway Show

"Get on your feet"
Wednesday, August 9th,
2:00 pm Matinee Show

Cost: \$65.00 Transportation fee: TBD

Beach Trip

Pier Village, Long Branch NJ
Monday, August 21st
9:30 am - 3:30 pm

Cost: \$10.00 per person

Atlantic City Trip Casino Resorts, Tuesday, August 29th, 8:15 am - 6:30 pm

Cost: \$35.00
(\$25.00 back in slot cash)

PNC Senior Concert Series Trips

Bobby Rydell
Tuesday, September 19th
11:30 am - 4:00 pm

The Cameos

Tuesday, September 26th,
11:30 am - 4:00 pm

Cost: \$10.00 per trip

Lancaster, PA Sights & Sounds Day Trip

Wednesday, October 4th
Cost & Time: TBA

Peddlers Village, PA

Tuesday, October 24th
9:00 am - 6:00 pm

Cost: \$15.00

Delicious Orchards Trip

Monday, November 20th
9:30 am **Cost: \$5.00**

Upcoming Trips...

Longwood Gardens, Hunterdon Hills Playhouse & Jersey Shore Premium Outlets

PROGRAMS

All programs will take place at the Senior/Youth Center

Lunch Program

Hot & Nutritious Kosher Lunch, Includes: Entrée, Salad & Dessert

Every Tuesday & Thursday,
12:00 noon

\$5.00 contribution per meal

Ceramics Workshops – Starting this Summer

Tuesday's 11:00 am – 12:30 pm
All materials included **Cost: TBA**

Painting with Flowers Workshops

Starting in September on Wednesdays, 9:30 am - 12:00 pm **Cost: TBD**

Soap Making Workshop

Monday, October 23rd
3:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Cost: \$5.00 per class

Exercise with Donna

Monday's, Wednesday's & Friday's, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

Cost: \$1.00 per class

Senior Yoga

Monday's & Friday's, 12:30 pm – 1:00 pm
Cost: \$1.00 per class

Tai Chi

Thursdays, 2:00 pm
Cost: \$1.00 per class

Healthy Bones

Thursdays, 9:30 am

Knitting & Crochet

Monday's, 10:00 am

BINGO

Tuesday's & Thursday's
12:30 pm

Bridge

Monday's, Tuesday's & Thursday's, 1:00 pm

Cards/Mah Jongg

Tuesday's, 1:00 pm

Ping Pong Instruction

with Sean Tuesday's, 4:30 pm

Chorus - Tuesday's, 10:00 am

Piano Instruction
Tuesday's, 11:00 am

Painting Class
Monday's, Thursday's & Friday's, 10:00 am

Yiddish Group
Wednesday's, 10:30 am

Podiatrist

2nd Tuesday of each month,
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Please bring your insurance card and any information you would bring with you to a Doctor's office visit.

Monthly Blood Pressure Screening

1st Thursday of each month,
9:30 am – 12:00 noon

"Mike the Barber"

2nd Thursday of each month,
12:30 pm – 3:30 pm **Cost: \$7.00**

Monday Movies

Monday's, 1:30 pm
Refreshments provided

Computer Class

2nd & 4th Friday of each month, 10:30 am

Learn the Basics, Internet, Word & Excel Programs

Afternoon Tea & Discussion Group

Monday, August 28th & Monday, September 25th, 1:30 pm
Refreshments provided

Monthly Educational & Health Related Presentations/Workshops (See Monthly Senior Calendar for listing)

HIGHLAND PARK Department Of Recreation

ALL Programs require a minimum enrollment to run!

Youth Programming

Soccer- K-8th grade.

Runs September to November.
Pre K are clinics only with k-6th playing mostly on Sundays. This is a parent coached program with assigned teams. Practices will take place on weeknights. No experience necessary.

Chess

6-12 year olds.

Learn the basics or improve your game. This program runs for 5 weeks.

Youth and Adult Table Tennis

Two sessions available.
Kids (3rd-12th grade) and Adult Classes run from January to March. Students will work on the games, shots, fundamentals and game play strategies.

Youth Theater-

8-16 year olds.

Participants will be provided with a fun, creative environment to explore their dramatic and musical talents.

Flag Football

K-8th grades.

Join this 5v5, fast paced, non-contact game of flag football run by AIFL instructional football league. This program is coed and is for all skill levels.

Basketball

K-8th grade.

Runs December to March. K/1 are clinics only with 2-8th playing Sunday and weeknight games. This is a parent coached program with assigned teams. Practices will take place on weeknights. No experience necessary.

Track and Field

3rd-8th grades.

Runs April to May. This program includes lessons on starts, running form, speed and agility and field events.

Winter Soccer Clinics

3-12 year olds.

Will Start in January 2018. Spencer Rockman and Rovers staff coach to all skills levels to provide maximum enjoyment and skill building.

Buddy Ball

The seasonal schedule for Buddy ball is:

Fall (soccer) Winter (Basketball) Spring (Track and Talent Show). Takes place on Saturdays 9:30-11am at the HP Middle School or the turf field. Buddy Ball teaches sports to buddies (special needs children ages 6-18) with Pals (volunteer teens 12-18).

Special Programs or Events

Veterans Day/Memorial Day Veterans Day and Memorial Day take place at the doughboy statue.

Honor our veterans and support our troops by attending the Veterans Day/Memorial Day Parades and Ceremonies.

Recreation Advisory Committee

Meetings take place quarterly. Next meeting will take place in September.

Halloween Party

Attend our costume parade and party!!
Games, Music and fun for all!!

Holiday Dinner

Join us for our annual free holiday dinner on December 25th at the Senior/Youth Center.

Adult Programming

Fitness for All

This class uses step, balance balls, dumbbells and exercise tubing to get you in shape.

This program runs all year. The next session will start in September. All levels welcome.

Tai Chi-

This class uses gentle movements that can help reduce stress, increase flexibility and improve muscle strength, energy and agility.

Beginner and Advanced classes are offered. This program runs all year. The next session will start in September.

Israeli Dance

Israeli Dance is a traditional dance arising from Jewish religious and cultural celebrations.

Volleyball

Runs Mondays starting in September.

All skills welcome to come and play in organized matches focusing on fun and fundamentals.

Indoor and Outdoor Soccer

The next two sessions start on Sundays in September and January.

Fall soccer will start in September and will take place on the turf. Winter soccer will take place indoors and will run for 10 weeks. This program is run in a pick-up format. This program runs all year.

Basketball

This session starts

Wednesdays in January.

This is a 30+ men's program that runs in a pickup format. This program runs all year.

Softball Leagues

Adult Program that runs from April to August.

Women's (Tuesdays) and Coed (Thursday) Teams can register for this program by contacting the Highland Park Recreation Department.

The Office of Recreation offers various programs, activities and events throughout the year that appeal to a wide range of people throughout our community. We offer youth sports, art programs, adult sports, fitness classes, activities and community events.

Mail information to: 220 South Sixth Ave, Highland Park, NJ 08904

Visit us at www.hpboro.com

Visit us on Facebook at [highlandparknjrecreation](https://www.facebook.com/highlandparknjrecreation)

Highland Park Public Library



Highland Park Public Library
31 North Fifth Avenue
Highland Park, NJ 08904
732-572-2750

From: Jane Stanley, Director of the Highland Park Public Library

We look forward to seeing you at the library this fall. We have lots of exciting new programs for adults that include health and wellness events, meditation circles, film series, workshops, poetry readings, and concerts. For children and teens we have story times, clubs, art programs, game days, films, and performances. To receive updates of events, go to the library website at www.hpplnj.org.

Enjoy a day at the museum on us. Learn about our new Museum Pass Program at the Reference Desk or go to the library website at www.hpplnj.org.

You can continue to have un-

limited access to NYTimes.com on any device during your visit to the Library. Ask a librarian for more information.

Each month we feature different artists in our meeting room and display cases. In addition to our public computers with internet access and free WIFI, we also offer a Career and Education Center where you can work on your resume and search for jobs. Visit our website www.hpplnj.org to access online services such as Mango Languages, downloadable ebooks and audiobooks from eLibraryNJ, as well as databases provided by the NJ State Library. Hoopla provides download and stream free videos, music, audiobooks, comics, and

ebooks on mobile devices and computers. You can also access our catalogue and your library account with our smart phone app www.hppl.boopsie.com

Weekday Openings

Monday	10:00 am - 9:00 pm
Tuesday	10:00 am - 9:00 pm
Wednesday	10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Thursday	10:00 am - 9:00 pm
Friday	10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday (Summer)	10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Sunday	1:00pm - 5:00 pm

Holiday Closings

Labor Day Weekend
Saturday, September 2,
Sunday, September 3,
Monday, September 4

Columbus Day
Monday, October 9

Election Day
Tuesday, November 7

Veteran's Day
Friday, November 10

Thanksgiving
Thursday, November 23
Day After Thanksgiving
Friday, November 24

Christmas Day
Monday, December 25

2017 SUMMER PROGRAMS

FOR ADULTS

International Film Festival

Julieta, Spanish
One hour, 39 minutes
Rated R, Drama
Tuesday, August 1, 6:30 PM

International Film Festival

The Eagle Huntress, Turkic
One hour, 28 minutes, Rated G, Action/Adventure, Tuesday, August 8, 6:30 PM

International Film Festival

Dheepan, French
One hour, 54 minutes
Tuesday, August 15, 6:30 PM

Harp Concert And Demonstration

Maya Vadell
Sunday, August 20
2:00 - 3:30 PM

Meditation Circle

Bobbie Ellis
Soma Center, Thursday, August 24, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Friends of the Library Poetry Night Series

John Truse And Open Reading
Tuesday, September 26, 7:00 PM

Meditation Circle

Bobbie Ellis
Soma Center, Thursday, September 28, 7:00 PM

Memoir Writing Workshop

Donna Atkins
Will help you outline the first draft of memoir. Please Register
Thursday, October 5, 6:30 PM

Breast Awareness Program

JFK Medical Center
Jean Withers
Thursday, October 19, 7:00 PM

Friends of the Library Poetry Night Series

Tina Kelley - Open Reading
Tuesday, October 24, 7:00 PM

Meditation Circle

Bobbie Ellis
Soma Center, Thursday, October 26, 7:00 PM

Meditation Circle

Bobbie Ellis
Soma Center, Thursday, November 16, 7:00 PM

Friends of the Library Poetry Night Series

Cool Women - Open Reading
Tuesday, November 28, 7:00 PM

Clarinet Holiday Concert

Clarinet Group playing Seasonal Pieces
Saturday, December 2

2:00-4:00 PM

Meditation Circle

Bobbie Ellis
Soma Center, Thursday, December 14, 7:00-8:30 PM

Ninth Spook Handy Holiday Concert

Spook Handy and his friends are back for their Winter Holiday Concert
Thursday, December 28
2:00-4:00 PM

FOR CHILDREN

TNT (Two and Three Year Olds)

Stories crafts, and songs for children 2-3 years accompanied by a parent.
Registration Required. Tuesdays, August 1-August 15 10:30 AM

Book Break

Three-Five Year olds
Bring a bag lunch and join us on the back lawn as we read stories, and picnic together! Tuesdays, August 1-August 15, 11:30 AM

Build It Crafts

Kindergarten-Second Grade
Enjoy a story and a craft. Registration required. Monday, August 7 and Thursday, August 3, 6:30 PM

Summer Afternoon at the Movies - Robots - Rated PG

One hour, 31 minutes. Animated Adventure
Tuesday, August 8, 3:00 PM

FOR TEENS

Catapults

Teen Craft and Game Afternoon
Tuesday, August 1, 3:00 PM

Summer Afternoon at the Movies

Robots - Rated PG
One hour, 31 minutes, Animated Adventure
Tuesday, August 8, 3:00 PM

Build with straws and Connectors

For Kindergartners and First Graders
Thursday, August 10, 6:30 PM

Bach 2 Rock

Reading Club Finale
Electric Violinist - Caryn Lin
Interactive Violin Program
Thursday, August 17, 6:30 PM

Read to Daisy

Children who are learning to read can sign up for 15 minute sessions with Daisy, a Highland Park Therapy Dog
Thursdays, October 19 - November 30, 6:00-7:00 PM

Chess Club

Thomas Yang, a HPHS student will introduce you to Chess
Fridays, November 3 - December 22, 3:30 PM-4:30 PM

ART EXHIBITS

September

Highland Park Art Collective
Paintings and Drawings

October

Mort Farrah
Paintings

November

Lindsay Holeman
Paintings

www.hpplnj.org

Snap Circuits

Create working circuits and electronic devices.
Tuesday, August 22, 3:00 PM

www.hpplnj.org

Department of Community Services/Office on Aging

The Senior/Youth Center is open:

Monday, Wednesday and Thursday: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday: 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

(Please refer to Summer Hours Schedule July 3rd through September 1st)

Senior In-Town Transportation is available:

Monday- Friday
8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday's: 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
& Fridays: 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Out of Town Medical Transportation is available:

Monday - Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

To schedule a ride, please call the center at (732) 819-0052.

A monthly Senior Citizens Calendar with detailed program information and more is available at the Senior/Youth Center or online at www.hpboro.com

For further info, please contact The Dept. of Community Services or **Kimberly McGraw**, Senior Program Coordinator, at

kimberlymcgraw@hpboro.com or stop by the Senior Center to inquire about registering for programs. Limited enrollments for some programs. Space is limited on some senior trips.

The Senior/Youth Center Serves as a meeting place for local senior citizens.

It offers a wide variety of Social, Recreational, and Educational Activities daily for the benefit and enjoyment of Highland Park Seniors.

All Activities, Programs, Luncheons, Trips & Transportation are available to members of the Highland Park Senior Center. **The Yearly fee is \$10.00 for In Town Residents and \$75.00 per year for Out of Town Residents**

The Department of Community Services Office on Aging - Senior/Youth Center
(732) 819-0052

Public Works Schedule 2017

Aug. 2 (Wed)
Business District, North Side & Triangle bulk trash collection

Aug. 9 (Wed)
South Side bulk trash collection

Labor Day (Sept. 4)

Sept. 4 (Mon)
Closed for holiday

Sept. 5 (Tues)
Business District, North Side & Triangle recycling collection

Sept. 6 (Wed)
Business District, North Side & Triangle garbage collection

Sept. 7 (Thurs)
South Side recycling collection

Sept. 8 (Fri)
Business District & South Side garbage collection

** Sept. 16 (Sat)
Middlesex County Household

Hazardous Waste Collection @ Woodbridge Public Works, 222 Smith St., Keasbey, 8 am to 2 pm

Sept. 20 (Wed)
Business District, North Side & Triangle bulk trash collection

Sept. 27 (Wed)
South Side bulk trash collection

Columbus Day

Oct. 9 (Mon) –
Closed for holiday

Oct. 10 (Tues)
Business District, North Side & Triangle recycling collection

Oct. 11 (Wed)
Business District, North Side & Triangle garbage collection

Oct. 12 (Thurs)
South Side recycling collection

Oct. 13 (Fri)
Business District & South Side

garbage collection

**Oct. 10 (Tues)
Leaf bag distribution begins
20 bags per property

**Oct. 15 (Sun)
Middlesex County Household Hazardous Waste Collection @ Old Bridge Public Works, 1 Old Bridge Plaza, Old Bridge 8 am to 2 pm

Veterans Day (Nov. 11)

Nov. 6 (Mon)
Business District, North Side & Triangle garbage collection

Nov. 7 (Tues)
Business District, North Side & Triangle recycling collection

Nov. 8 (Wed)
Business District & South Side garbage collection

Nov. 9 (Thurs)
South Side recycling collection

Nov. 10 (Fri)

Closed for holiday

**Nov. 19 (Sun)
Middlesex County Household Hazardous Waste Collection @ Middlesex County College Woodbridge Ave., Edison 8 am to 2 pm

Thanksgiving (Nov. 23)

Nov. 20 (Mon)
Business District, North Side & Triangle garbage collection

Nov. 21 (Tues)
Bagged leave collection

Nov. 22 (Wed) –
Business District & South Side garbage collection

Nov. 23 (Thurs)
Closed for holiday

Nov. 24 (Fri)
Closed for holiday

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Highland Park Annual Garage Sale!

A joint project of Century 21 JJ Laufer, HP Dept. of Community Services, and Main Street

September 16 & 17, 2017

RESIDENTS & MERCHANTS:
register by emailing

HPGarageSale@gmail.com

In your email, PLEASE INCLUDE:

- Name or Business Name
- Address
- Daytime phone number
- Participation Date (s)

Or, call the

Garage Sale Hotline
732-249-1654




1st Unity Day Celebration of Highland Park March 26, 2017

Fall 2017 in Downtown Highland Park

- Farmers Market: Every Friday through Dec 15
- Outdoor Movie Nights: August 12, August 26
- Window Art Show: Sept 1 – 30
- Window Art Crawl & Reception: Sept 16
- Townwide Garage Sale: Sept 16 & 17
- Arts in the Park: Sept 24
- A Taste of HP Harvest Festival: Oct 15
- Halloween on the Avenue: Oct 31
- Winter Interest Planting Day: Nov 19
- Small Business Saturday & Tree Lighting: Nov 25
- Volunteer Appreciation Party: Dec 7
- Menorah Lighting: Dec 12
- Kwanzaa Celebration: Dec 26

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