# The Highland Park eNews

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# **Events & Meetings**

#### Saturday, January 13

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

#### Monday, January 15

Dr. Martin L. King, Jr. Day Borough Offices Closed

#### Monday, January 15

Dr. Martin L. King, Jr. Humanitarian Awards 7:00 p.m., H.P. High School

#### Tuesday, January 16

Finance Committee 5:00 p.m., Borough Hall

#### Tuesday, January 16

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

#### Wednesday, January 17

Civics for the Community Presents: NJ Taxes 7:00 p.m., Senior/Youth Center

#### Thursday, January 18

Stroke Prevention and Info Program 7:00 p.m., Library

#### Saturday, January 20

Creative Writing Workshop 1:30 – 4:00 p.m., Library

#### Monday, January 22

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

### Monday, January 22

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

### Tuesday, January 23

Public Information Committee 6:15 p.m., Borough Hall

### Tuesday, January 23

Planning Board Reorganization 7:30 p.m., Borough Hall

# Tuesday, January 23

Rehabilitation & Redevelopment Screening 7:00 p.m., Borough Hall

## Wednesday, January 24

Public Works & Public Utilities Committee 8:30 p.m., Borough Hall

## Wednesday, January 24

Sustainable Highland Park
7:30 p.m., Environmental Education Ctr.

### Thursday, January 25

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

### Thursday, January 25

Ask the Dog Trainer 7:00 p.m., Library

# Saturday, January 27

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

### Tuesday, January 30

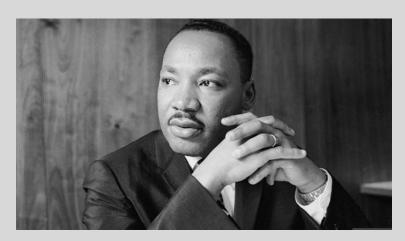
The Course of True Love 7:00 p.m., Library

## Thursday, February 1

First Thursday Meditation Circle 7:00 p.m., Library

All meetings are subject to change, please check the Borough's website at <a href="www.hpboro.com">www.hpboro.com</a> for updates

### Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Humanitarian Awards Program



The Highland Park Human Relations Commission Presents the annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Humanitarian Awards Program, Monday, January 15, 7:00pm at the Highland Park High School Auditorium, 102 North 5th Avenue. The 2018 Honoree is Mr. Harry Pangemanan, Minister of Facilities and Disaster Relief at CALTR (Churches Accomplishing Long-Term Recovery). Born and raised in Indonesia before moving to Highland Park, Mr. Pangemanan helped start an Indonesian congregation at the Reformed Church of Highland Park (RCHP), and has assisted hundreds of Indonesians adjust to life in the United States. He was also active in collecting goods, preparing meals, and offering hospitality to victims of Hurricane Sandy. Hear his fascinating story and accomplishments at the awards program.

Guest speaker for the event is Alyea, Pierce, Ed.m, International Orator, Author and Leader. Her artistry has been featured at the Apollo Theater and Broadway's New Amsterdam Theatre, among numerous other locations across the country and in international venues.

## Windows of Understanding



Highland Park's Arts Commission has teamed up with the New Brunswick Community Arts Council, Rutgers University's Mason Gross School of the Arts, and the New Brunswick Cultural Center to present a monthlong art project to promote peace, love and understanding. "Windows of Understanding: We See Through Hate" will be displayed throughout Highland Park and New Brunswick from January 15 - February 15. Participating storefronts will display artwork representing the event's theme.

The program aims to bring awareness to an array of social justice issues such as homelessness, hunger, anti-bullying, faith-based initiatives, Latino life, Islamic life, environmental justice, water conservation, youth development, LGBTQ issues, immigration, and Jewish life.

In addition to the storefronts of the participating businesses, the "Windows of Understanding" artwork can be seen on Instagram at @WindowsofUnderstanding or #WeSeeThroughHate. The website www.WindowsofUnderstanding goes live on January 8.

## **Highland Marks**

Middlesex County College named eighty-three students to the Middlesex County College chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society for two year colleges. Highland Park residents Homera Balbuena and Jose Zegarra were among those who received this prestigious honor.

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

## **Civics for the Community Session**



Highland Park's Civics for the Community Series Presents "NJ Taxes: Everybody's Favorite Topic". Speaker Jon Whiten, Vice President, New Jersey Policy Perspective, will explain how the system of taxation works in New Jersey. Wednesday, January 17th, 7:00-8:30pm at the Highland Park Senior/Youth Center, 220 South 6th Avenue. Open to the general public. Light refreshments provided. Questions for the discussion can be submitted in advance to: civics.highlandpark@gmail.com.

## **Dance Globally! Act Locally**





The Highland Park Minyan sponsored a community dance benefit with world-renowed Yiddish Dance Master Steve Weintraub at the Reformed Church of Highland Park, last Saturday January 6 where residents and some Mayor and Council danced the night away!

All proceeds were donated to Highland Park Gives a Hoot and Interfaith-RISE.

## **Garbage Collection Schedule Change**

Borough offices will be closed on Monday, January 15 (Dr. Martin L. King, Jr. birthday). The Garbage collection is as follows for the week of 1/15 - 1/19:

- Monday (1/15) Borough Offices Closed
- Tuesday (1/16) Business District, North Side & Triangle recycling collection
- Wednesday (1/17) Business District, North Side & Triangle garbage collection
- Thursday (1/18) South Side recycling collection
- Friday (1/19) Business District & South Side garbage collection

#### Move with the Mayor Mondays

Join Mayor Gayle Brill Mittler for winter "Move with the Mayor Mondays"! Starting Monday, January 22nd, join the fitness session from 8:00-8:50am at Kinetics Fitness, 409 Raritan Avenue. Sessions will be followed by a "Chat and Q&A" with a local healthcare professional.

Sessions are free and open to the public! Please RSVP to kineticsnj@gmail.com.

#### **H.P. Municipal Band Winter Concert**



Free Concert! Join us at the Senior/Youth Center to hear the Highland Park Municipal Band perform on January 21 from 2:00 – 3:00pm. Come for the wonderful music played by members of our community and appreciate the talent Highland Park has to offer! It is an event for all ages. Refreshments will be served immediately following the concert.

# **SAVE THE DATE! Park Partners Voting Session**



The 2018 Park Partners Community Grant Program Voting Session will be held on Sunday, February 25, 3:00-5:00pm at the Senior/Youth Center, 220 South 6th Avenue.

Come out and vote for your favorite program in each of five categories. Winners in each category receive up to \$2,000 to complete their project.

Park Partners is a "give back" program that awards grants to Highland Park residents, businesses, or organizations to plan and execute a program to benefit the residents of Highland Park. Residents vote for the winning projects.