

The Highland Park eNews

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Events & Meetings

Tuesday, December 4

Small Business Seminar
4:30 p.m., Library

Tuesday, December 4

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

Wednesday, December 5

Bulk Waste Collection: District, North Side & Triangle

Wednesday, December 5

H.P. Quarterly Chair Meeting
12:00 p.m., Borough Hall

Wednesday, December 5

H.P. Community Food Pantry Committee
7:00 p.m., Highland Park Community Center

Wednesday, December 5

Environmental Commission
8:00 p.m., Environmental Education Center

Thursday, December 6

Board of Health
7:00 p.m., Borough Hall

Thursday, December 6

Romantic Time Travel Novel
7:00 p.m., Library

Monday, December 10

H.P. Gives a Hoot Committee
7:00 p.m., Borough Hall

Tuesday, December 11

Mayor & Council Redevelopment
6:00 p.m., Borough Hall

Tuesday, December 11

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

Tuesday, December 11

Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs
7:30 p.m., Borough Hall

Wednesday, December 12

Bulk waste collection: South side

Wednesday, December 12

Highland Park Housing Authority
6:30 p.m., Samuel J. Kronman Building

Wednesday, December 12

Safe Walking & Cycling Committee
7:00 p.m., Highland Park Community Center

Wednesday, December 12

Shade Tree Advisory Committee
8:00 p.m., Borough Hall

Thursday, December 13

Food Pantry Distribution
9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Highland Park Community Center

Thursday, December 13

Arts Commission
6:00 p.m., Borough Hall

Saturday, December 15

Food Pantry Distribution
9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m., Highland Park Community Center

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

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Borough first responders receive awards at Knights of Columbus event



The Borough congratulates the recipients of the St. Paul's the Apostle Church Knights of Columbus chapter's 2018 First Responder awards, presented at a ceremony at the church in October. This year's award winners were Lt. Gary Panichella from the HP PD, Miguel Rondon from the HP FD, and Steve Cudia from the HP First Aid Squad.

St. Paul the Apostle's Knights of Columbus Council #6306 is a Catholic based fraternal organization active in Highland Park since 1971. The Knights are dedicated to supporting the local church and engaging in many charitable works such as an annual toy drive for children at The Children's Hospital at St Peter's University Hospital, a Tootsie Roll drive to benefit people with developmental disabilities, aid for needy families, disaster relief efforts throughout the US and abroad, financial support for seminarians, and contributions to various veterans organizations to benefit US servicemen and women.

The Knights of Columbus also recognize Highland Park's first responders. Beginning in 2002 their annual Awards Night Ceremony celebrates the meritorious achievements of members of the Police, Fire and First Aid Squad. Equally important, it provides the opportunity to thank all of our town's first responders and their families for their extraordinary service and dedication to the community.

Park Partners Program –

Win a grant to make your ideas for Highland Park come true



Highland Park is continually working to make improvements throughout the town, and residents are encouraged to participate in its growth.

If you have a great idea for a program to benefit Highland Park, the Park Partner Grant Program can help you make that idea a reality! The Borough will provide up to \$2,000 to help execute your project. Projects can be in the following categories: Environment, Arts, Culture & Diversity, Safety, Universal Access or Health & Wellness.

Print an application online at <http://hpboro.com/parkpartners> or pick up one at Borough Hall, and help make a difference in Highland Park! Submit applications to Harry Glazer by December 21st, any questions please email hglazer@hpboro.com.

Questions? Feedback? We want to hear from you!

Let us know what you think by writing to communications@hpboro.com

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Highland Marks

Congratulations to **Ashton Burrell**, chair of the Highland Park Human Relations Commission, Coordinator of the Teen Center/Zone 6 and recently appointed Chair of the State of New Jersey's Human Relations Committee, who was featured in a news story on the front page of the Home News Tribune on November 3rd. The news story reported on his plans to bring the well-regarded 'Shoot Hoops Not Guns' event, an annual activity in Highland Park, to Philadelphia and Oakland, CA in December and to Miami in January. We wish you much success with making this wonderful program a happening in three major cities across the US.



Ashton Burrell - Chair, Human Relations Commission, Coordinator, Teen Center/Zone 6 & Chair of the State of NJ's Human Relations Committee

The Borough commends the NJ State Police, who renamed a portion of Interstate Highway I-195 "State Trooper **Anthony A. Raspa** Memorial Highway" in November. The official highway sign was unveiled at a ceremony at Troop C Police Headquarters in Hamilton on November 11th. Trooper Anthony Raspa was killed while on duty in May 2015. He was the son of former Highland Park Borough Councilman Sal Raspa and his wife Elizabeth.



State Trooper Anthony A. Raspa

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

HPTV Highlights for December 2018

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

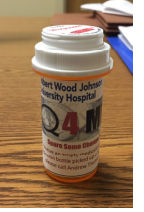
Friday, Saturday & Sunday

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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

Donate Your Change to Make a Change

by Finn Girvan and Olivia Parker

Recently, the Mayor's Teen Advisory Council partnered with Quarters for Meds to raise money for the Quarters for Meds project. Quarters for Meds is a project of the Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital that raises money for medicines for patients who cannot afford the cost of their medical bills. The fundraiser involves enlisting donors to fill up pill bottles (identified with the 'Q4Meds' logo) with quarters. Each pill bottle holds 40 quarters, which is 10 dollars. And that is just one bottle.



The Mayor's Teen Advisory Council has been placing pill bottles around town and giving them to local businesses to help with the cause. But why Highland Park? Due to its close proximity to RWJ, thriving local businesses, and dedicated student body, Highland Park is a great place for Quarters for Meds to fundraise. In addition, the Mayor's Teen Advisory Council will be bringing in larger containers to local businesses and to the high school. This fundraiser has been successful in other local high schools; New Brunswick alone filled over a thousand pill bottles, which is around \$10,000.

By far the best part of this fundraiser is that it just asks for spare change. Not many people keep their spare change, so a great thing to do is just donate it to this charity. Quarters for Meds is proving that spare change can make a difference, and help those in need. So if you see a Quarters for Meds bottle or box in a local Highland Park business or in the school, and have some extra quarters, why not lighten your pockets and help RWJ patients in need?

Borough celebrates opening of The Cook & the Carpenter



Despite the rainy weather, an enthusiastic crowd gathered on Saturday night November 24th to participate in the grand opening of The Cook & The Carpenter Bakeshop. The bakeshop is located on Raritan Ave, between 2nd and 3rd Avenues.

Mayor Gayle Brill Mittler formally welcomed the new business and ceremoniously cut a long thin baguette to mark their arrival. Guests happily munched on samples of the bakery's breads throughout the brief event.

In this photo the Mayor speaks at the opening as Sam Castillo and JoAnn Boscarino, the Cook and the Carpenter respectively, look on.

Borough welcomes Blue Horse restaurant to Raritan Ave



Mayor Gayle Brill Mittler was pleased to join State Senator Patrick J. Diegnan Jr., Assemblywoman Nancy Pinkin, Assemblyman Robert Karabinchak, and restaurant co-owners Joe Amore, Jeff McNamara, and Dan Caputo for a ribbon cutting on October 17th, to formally mark the opening of the Blue Horse restaurant on the corner of Raritan Ave. and Third Ave.

"I am delighted to welcome the Blue Horse restaurant to Highland Park," said the Mayor. "The folks at the Blue Horse have found the perfect blend of a neighborhood atmosphere and varied culinary treats to delight every palette. We wish them much success in town."