The Highland Park eNews

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Events & Meetings

Monday, October 2

Non-Partisan Mayor's Voter Registration Drive 6:00 p.m., Senior/Youth Center

Tuesday, October 3

You Tube Karaoke for Teens 3:00 p.m., Public Library

Tuesday, October 3

Finance Committee 5:30 p.m., Borough Hall

Tuesday, October 3

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

Wednesday, October 4

Community Food Pantry 7:00 p.m., Senior/Youth Center

Wednesday, October 4

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

Thursday, October 5

Memoir Writing Workshop 6:30 p.m., Public Library

Thursday, October 5

Redevelopment Agency 7:30 p.m., Borough Hall

Friday, October 6

Flu & Pneumococcal Immunization Clinic 10:00 a.m., Senior/Youth Center

Monday, October 9 Columbus Day

Borough Offices Closed

Tuesday, October 10

Pancake Art for Teens 3:00 p.m., Public Library

Tuesday, October 10

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

Wednesday, October 11

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

Wednesday, October 11

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

Thursday, October 12

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

Thursday, October 12

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

Thursday, October 12

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

Saturday, October 14

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

Saturday, October 14

Creative Writing Workshop 1:30 p.m., Public Library

Monday, October 16

Commission for Universal Access 7:30 p.m., Borough Hall

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



The Mayor and Borough Council are proud to serve the residents of Highland Park, and appreciate your continued support and input. They recently got together for new pictures, taken by resident and volunteer photographer, Mason Resnick.

Garbage Collection Schedule Change

Garbage Collection is as follows for the week of 10/9 - 10/13;

- Monday Offices Closed
- Tuesday Business District, North Side & Triangle Recycling Collection
- Wednesday Business District, North Side & Triangle Garbage Collection
- Thursday South Side Recycling Collection
- Friday Business District & South Side Garbage Collection





Main Street Highland Park's Annual Arts in the Park festival was a huge success. Several thousand people strolled down Raritan Avenue to view and purchase artwork from artists throughout Middlesex County and beyond.

Highland Marks

Congratulations to Highland Park resident and Commission for Universal Access Chair *Tara Canavera*, for graduating from Kean University in May. Tara was inducted in to Phi Kappa Phi and Psi Chi Honor Societies, and graduated Summa Cum Laude with a double major in Sociology and Psychology. She entered the Masters of Social Work Program at Kean University in September.

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

Meadows Trails "Weedbuster Event": Volunteers Needed

Keep Highland Park's Meadows Trails beautiful, by volunteering to help trim the wisteria and grape vines at the Environmental Center and Native Plant Reserve. Come out to help on Sunday, October 15, 8-11am. Coffee and donuts will be provided. Please bring work gloves, clippers and loppers.

For more information, please contact Steve Barnes at sbarnesrra@yahoo.com.



HPTV Highlights for October 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

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. - Borough Council Meetings

2:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. – Aging Insights

2:30 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. – Health Talk

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

Leaf Season

The Borough provides biodegrable leaf bags which will be available for pickup after Columbus Day, at the Department of Public Works, 444 Valentine Street from 7:00 am – 2:30 pm. Up to twenty bags are provided per property and recorded at pick-up. If using a landscape service, please provide a signed letter allowing the landscaper to pick up bags on your behalf. Any remaining bags will be available after December 1 on a first come basis.

During November and December, leaves are collected curbside weekly, which we then pick up and deliver to a compost facility. Leaves must be placed curbside in either biodegradable paper bags or loosely in garbage cans. Leaves placed curbside in plastic bags or cardboard boxes will not be accepted.

Please place leaf bags/cans at curbside on Sunday evening. Each street will get a pick-up at least once per week. Neighborhood start points will be rotated throughout town for the season.

Do not rake or blow leaves into the street; it is considered littering, causes parking issues, and other potential hazards. It is a violation of Borough ordinance, as well as, the State of New Jersey Storm Water Management Act. The street sweeper is not designed to pick-up piles of raked leaves.

Have you considered backyard composting? visit the Borough website at http://www.hpboro.com . The State mandates that leaves be recycled as well as composted.

Tree Dedication Program



Highland Park's Tree Dedication program is up and running, and the first plaques have been placed on trees along Woodbridge Avenue. The Tree Dedication program provides a plaque in honor or memory of a person or organization. Plaques are placed on trees along Woodbridge Avenue, and are monitored by a volunteer committee. Visit www.hpboro.com to download the donation form.

Non-Partisan Voter Registration Drive



Five municipalities in Middlesex County including East Brunswick, South River, Piscataway, Highland Park and Metuchen are holding Voter Registration Drives on Monday, October 2, 6-8pm. The initiative, begun by Highland Park Mayor Gayle Brill Mittler, is an important event to get residents to register to vote, a right and duty of all citizens.

Highland Park's drive will be held at the Senior/Youth Center, 220 South 6th Avenue. Volunteers will be on-hand to answer questions about the application form.

Park Partners Grant Program

Highland Park is continually working to make improvements and increase development and growth 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 reality! The Borough will provide up to \$2,000 to help you execute your project. Projects can be in the following categories: Environment, Arts, Culture & Diversity, Safety, Universal Access or Health & Wellness. Fill out an application available online at http://www.hpboro.com or pick up one at Borough Hall, and help make a difference in Highland Park! Deadline is December 15, 2017.