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# **Events & Meetings**

#### Tuesday, November 7

Improv Workshop 7:30 p.m., Senior/Youth Center

#### Wednesday, November 8

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

## Wednesday, November 8

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

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

#### Thursday, November 9

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

#### Thursday, November 9

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

#### Thursday, November 9

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

#### Thursday, November 9

MacArthur's Spies Film 7:00 p.m., Public Library

#### Thursday, November 9

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

#### Friday, November 10

Veteran's Day
Borough Offices Closed

# Saturday, November 11

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

## Monday, November 13

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

### Wednesday, November 15

Human Relations Commission 7:00 p.m., Borough Hall

#### Wednesday, November 15

Sustainable Highland Park 7:30 p.m., Environmental Educational Center

#### Thursday, November 16

Meditation Circle with Bobbie Ellis 7:00 p.m., Public Library

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

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#### **Ballot Question Regarding Library Construction**



Question 1 on the November 7 general election ballet concerns the NJ Library Construction Bond Act, which would provide matching grants for renovation and construction projects for public libraries.

Highland Park's Public Library plays a vital role in our community. It is bursting at the seams as the most utilized building in the municipality, and serves residents of all ages, with storytelling and programs for young children, study areas for teens, and programs and events for adults and seniors.

While there are no current, concrete plans for new library construction or renovations, at some point in the future we will have to address this. Because of the importance of our library, we encourage residents to vote for the NJ Library Construction Bond Act on November 7.

## **Highland Park Municipal ID Program**



Highland Park kicked off Municipal Identification Card program on October 31, 2017. The Municipal ID Card, available to any Highland Park resident, enables residents to utilize municipal services and apply for a Library card. Residents who show required proof of identity and proof of residency can receive a card. Stop by Borough Hall, 221 South Fifth Avenue, Highland Park on Tuesdays between 3pm-5:30pm and Thursdays 8am -11am to receive your card.

## **Property Tax Deadlines**

As you know, 4th quarter 2017 taxes are due on November 1st. Because this is the last payment of the year, it is especially important to get this payment in on time. The grace period, during which residents can remit payment without interest, lasts until Monday, **November 13th**.

Please pay all municipal payment balances before **November 13th** to avoid additional costs due to late payment (December water and sewer bills are not included in these charges).

\*Please note: Municipal charges (taxes, water/sewer, sidewalk assessment and property maintenance violations) paid after November 13th are required by law to be charged an additional tax sale fees to release a lien against the property due to non-payment. If a property goes to tax sale, the property owner must pay the amount sold, together with all interest and accrued fees to redeem the lien and avoid the tax sale process. Avoid these extra charges by making your payment on time!

Questions, please contact the Tax Office at 732-819-3788 or email taxclerk@hpboro.com.

## **Highland Marks**

Congratulations to Highland Park Police Sergeant Ted Haas, Highland Park Fire Department Lieutenant Michael J. Gershen, and Highland Park First Aid Squad President Robin Loewenstein, who received awards for outstanding service to the community, at a ceremony by the Knights of Columbus, St. Paul Council 6306. The annual ceremony, which recognizes a first responder from each department for their dedication and commitment to the community, was held on October 23 at St. Paul's Church in Highland Park. Thank you to all of our first responders for your unwavering loyalty to our residents.

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



Highland Park Seniors paraded through Borough Hall on Halloween where they were greeted with treats from Mayor Brill Mitler

#### **Garbage Collection Schedule Change**

Garbage Collection is as follows for the week of 11/06-11/10;

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

## **HPTV Highlights for November 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

#### <u>Wednesday</u>

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

## **Congratulations to Our Retiree**



Karen Valente, Code Enforcement

The Borough wants to wish a special "Happy Retirement" to our Senior Clerk Typist, Karen Valente. Karen has been with the Borough since July of 2006.

Karen is officially retiring on November 8th. She is looking forward to relaxing and spending time with her family, friends and three grand - dogs Regis, Kelly and Lola. We wish her the best of luck in her retirement.

## **Bicycle Registration Program**



The Highland Park Police Department is now accepting bicycle registrations. Pick up an application at the Highland Park Police Department or download one from the Borough's website at

http://hpboro.com/DocumentCenter/View/3516. Registration and sticker are free. For questions please contact Sgt. J. Curbelo at 732-572-3800 Ext 4213, Jcurbelo@hpboro.com or via our Facebook page.

## H.P. Gives a Hoot Lunch Program for Highland Park Students



"HP Gives a Hoot" is continuing to provide free lunch to Highland Park students in Grades K-12 when school is not in session. If you need a hot lunch on November 9, lunches are served between the hours of 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the Global Grace Café in the Reformed Church, 19-21 South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Residents can pick up a free lunch voucher at Borough Hall, 221 South 5<sup>th</sup> Ave, in the Communications office between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. You MUST have a voucher to receive your free lunch.

"HP Gives a Hoot" is a nonprofit fund created by the Borough of Highland Park to contribute to the wellbeing of our Highland Park students in need. Donations to the fund are used to provide lunches when school is not in session, summer camp scholarships and mentorship programs.

Donations can be mailed or dropped off at Borough Hall (Communications Office), 221 South 5<sup>th</sup> Ave, Highland Park, NJ 08904. For questions email us at igaveahoot@gmail.com.

## Paint with the Mayor



Residents joined Mayor Gayle Brill Mittler for a "Paint with the Mayor" event on November 1 at the Senior/Youth Center the painting lesson was led by local artist Reneta Pouleva. This event was part of the Mayor's "Meet the Mayor" event series.