# The Highland Park eNews

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# **Events & Meetings**

Monday, September 19 Arts Commission 6:00 p.m., Borough Hall

Monday, September 19 HPTV Volunteer Drive 7:00 p.m., Public Library

Monday, September 19 Special Meeting: Zoning Board of Adjustment 7:30 p.m., Borough Hall

> Tuesday, September 20 Council Committee 7:30 p.m., Borough Hall

Tuesday, September 20 Klezmer Concert with Tsu Fil Duvids 7:00 p.m., Public Library

> Wednesday, September 21 Walk with the Mayor 6:30 a.m., Donaldson Park

Wednesday, September 21 Town-Wide Voting Forum 6:30 p.m., Senior/Youth Center

Wednesday, September 21 Human Relations Commission 7:00 p.m., Borough Hall

Wednesday, September 21 Meet the Leaders in Your Neighborhood 7:00 p.m., River Ridge Apartment Complex

Thursday, September 22 Food Pantry Distribution 9:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m., Senior/Youth Center

> Thursday, September 22 Ask the Dog Trainer 7:00 p.m., Public Library

Friday, September 23 & Friday, September 30 Chronic Self Disease Self Management 10:30 a.m., Public Library

> Friday, September 23 Operatic Bass Nicholas Hay 7:00 p.m., Public Library

Saturday, September 24 Food Pantry Distribution 9:30 a.m., Senior/Youth Center

Sunday, September 25 Arts in the Park 11:30 a.m., Raritan Avenue

Sunday, September 25
The Concert across America to End Gun Violence
7:00 p.m., Reformed Church

Monday, September 26 Zoning Board of Adjustment 7:30 p.m., Borough Hall

Tuesday, September 27
Moving Forward in Highland Park – Open Public Discussion
6:00 p.m., Senior/Youth Center

**Tuesday, September 27**Friends of the Library Poetry Night – Jim Haba 7:30 p.m., Public Library

Wednesday, September 28
Sustainable Highland Park Meeting
7:30 p.m., Environmental Education Center

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

#### Arts in the Park

On Sunday September 25, don't miss Main Street Highland Park's annual Arts in the Park downtown street festival, juried art show, and arts and crafts sale! The festival draws thousands of art enthusiasts and visitors from around the region to stroll through downtown Highland Park and enjoy artistic offerings, live music and other entertainment, food from local restaurants, children's activities, promotional booths, and much more. To learn more, visit <a href="https://www.mainstreethp.org">www.mainstreethp.org</a>.



# **Moving Forward in Highland Park**



Economic Development is the key to the financial future of Highland Park, and will help stablize our real estate taxes. Come learn about the plans the Mayor and Council and the Redevelopment Agency have to make Highland Park more economically sustainable for us all.

Please join us for an Open Public Information Session, Tuesday, September 27, at the Senior/Youth Center, 220 South 6th Avenue. Stop by between 6-8pm. Learn about Downtown Development, Areas in Need of Rehabilitation, and Highland Park's changing demographics.

# **Welcome New Borough Employee**

Welcome to our new employee, Nicole Belfiore, (Clerk Typist). Nicole will be collecting permit and application fees in the department of Code Enforcement as well as helping to handle public inquiries, and assisting the inspectors and tax assessor in a variety of duties. Previously Nicole was the Troy Hills Township & Edison Township Violations Court Clerk for Municipal and Superior Courts of NJ. Outside of work, she loves spending time with her fiancé, her large family (including her shitzu "Roxy"), and especially her grandmother.

#### **Highland Marks**

Highland Park High School senior *Jonah Botvinick-Greenhouse* won a gold medal in the 69th annual International Juggling Association festival. Botvinick-Greenhouse competed in the juniors competition for solo-jugglers under 18 years old. He has been juggling since age 10, and in 2013 and 2015, he won the World Juggling Federation Overall Championship. Botvinick-Greenhouse plans to continue juggling as a hobby throughout high school and college, where he plans on studying physics and music.

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 Volunteer Drive**



What is HPTV? HPTV is Highland Park's Public Education and Government channel, established in 1996. It broadcasts Borough Council, Board of Education Meetings, as well as other locally produced programs.

We are looking for volunteers to expand programming and keep current programming available to our viewers. No Experience? No Problem - we will train you. Join us on Monday, September 19 at 7 p.m. at the Public Library, 31 North 5<sup>th</sup> Ave to learn more, if you can't attend in person email us at <a href="https://html.ncb/html.n

#### Walk with the Mayor



Walk with the Mayor on Wednesday, September 21 (weather permitting) at 6:30 a.m. and enjoy the beautiful artwork in the windows downtown ( meet at the corner of South Adelaide and Raritan Ave). No registration is required. For cancellations or changes follow us on Facebook at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/hpboro">www.facebook.com/hpboro</a>.

# **Resident Away Form**

Going away for a weekend? Traveling overseas for a month? let the Highland Park Police department know so that in the event of an emergency at your residence we can contact you! Just fill out a form at <a href="http://hpboro.com/DocumentCenter/View/3085">http://hpboro.com/DocumentCenter/View/3085</a> and drop it off at the Highland Park Police Department 24 Hours a day, 7 Days a Week! Questions?

#### The Concert Across America to End Gun Violence



Please join us on Sunday, September 25 from 7-8 p.m. at the Reformed Church of Highland Park, located at 19-21 South 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, as we remember the victims of gun violence. We will be singing together to send a message of non-violence and community.

This event is sponsored by the Middlesex County Chapter of the Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence/Million Mom March.

## Meet the Mayor and Public Safety Team Members



Join Mayor Gayle Brill Mittler, Councilwoman Elsie Foster-Dublin (Liaison to the Public Safety Committee), Police Chief Stephen Rizco, Fire Chief Jay Littman, and First Aid Squad Captain Patrick Boulanger for an informative Meet the Mayor event.

The event will take place Wednesday, September 21, 7 p.m. in the Community Room of the River Ridge Apartment Complex, 30 South Adelaide Avenue. Hear about the many services provided by the Borough and First Responders. Refreshments will be served.

# Human Relations Commission Welcomes H.P. Children Back-to-School

The Highland Park Human Relations Commission distributed more than 20 book bags filled with school supplies to Highland Park children, as well as provided seven FREE haircuts to young residents.

#### **PSE&G Upgrading Aging Cast Iron Gas Facilities**

PSE&G last week started replacing approximately two miles of older gas pipes with new, durable plastic and/or coated steel piping – ensuring a continued safe, clean and reliable gas system well into the future.

The new pipes will improve reliability, reduce the possibility of methane leaks, and enable the installation of excess flow valves on service lines, which dramatically reduce gas flow if a pipe is damaged. The elevated pressure of the new gas mains will also provide better support for higherficiency appliances like furnaces and water heaters.

Work will take place Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., conditions permitting. For a complete list of streets and construction information, visit <a href="https://www.hpboro.com">www.hpboro.com</a>.

# **Exercise Your Right to Vote!**



The Highland Park Human Relations Commission invites you to a Town-Wide Voting Forum on Wednesday, September 21 at 6:30 p.m. at the Senior/Youth Center, 220 South 6<sup>th</sup> Ave. The topic "The Youth Vote in 2016 – Will They Show Up" will be presented by Dr. Elizabeth Matto, Director of the Youth, Political Participation Program at Rutgers' Eagleton Institute of Politics.

### **Rite Aid Art Display**

Come see the permanent art displays at Rite Aid! The exhibits, curated by Mason Gross School of the Arts at Rutgers are rotated quarterly and add to the artistic charm of our community. An information board will be placed out front with details about the displays and contributing artists, and artwork will be for sale.

