

The Highland Park eNews

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Events & Meetings

Monday, November 7

Afternoon at the Movies – Ghost Buster Film
3:00 p.m., Public Library

Wednesday, November 9

Housing Authority Board of Education
6:30 p.m., Samuel J. Kronmen Building

Wednesday, November 9

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

Thursday, November 10

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

Thursday, November 10

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

Thursday, November 10

Planning Board
7:30 p.m., Public Library

Friday, November 11

Veterans Day
Borough Offices Closed

Friday, November 11

Veterans Day Parade
11:00 a.m., Doughboy Monument

Saturday, November 12

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

Sunday, November 13

Begin Writing Your Novel
2:00 p.m., Public Library

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World 4 Haiti Pep Rally
12:00 p.m., Bartle School Gym

Wednesday, November 16

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

Wednesday, November 16

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

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

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Memo from Mayor Gayle Brill Mittler



Highland Park, to coin a Rutgers University phrase, “thinks globally and acts locally”. As citizens, we are well aware of the issues we face at home, but always cognizant of problems around the world. Join us as our Human Relations Commission holds a World 4 Haiti Pep Rally to show support for the victims of the devastating Hurricane Matthew. All money raised at this event will be sent to Haiti via Beyond Borders, an organization that works with mayors and municipalities across America. The event will be held on November 13, 12-2pm at the Bartle School Gym, 435 Mansfield Avenue. In the spirit of what joins each of us in Highland Park together, the fundraising event for Haiti will celebrate our diversity while supporting others in need.

This Friday we honor our veterans for their dedication and service to our country. I invite everybody to come out for our Veterans Day parade, Friday, November 11, 11:00am. We will begin with a ceremony at the Doughboy Monument on Raritan Avenue (at 7th), and proceed down Raritan Avenue into New Brunswick to the Monument on George Street and Livingston Avenue.

We in Highland Park also recognize the importance of preserving our future and helping to ensure a healthier environment. Sustainable Highland Park has initiated the Highland Park Solar Challenge. This effort encourages homeowners to install solar energy in their homes by providing a list of installers offering discounted installation to residents. Solar energy is clean, provides energy cost savings, and is a vital source of energy for our future. Visit www.hpsolar.org for more information.

It's time again to help Highland Park thrive and grow by submitting an application to our award-winning Park Partners Community Grant program! Our innovative Park Partners program awards grants of up to \$2000 each for programs to benefit our community. If you have a great idea that fits into one of these categories – 1. Environment, 2. Arts, 3. Culture & Diversity, 4. Safety, or 5. Universal Access or Health & Wellness, apply for a grant to execute your idea! Visit www.hpboro.com to download an application. The deadline for applying is December 15, and the presentation for our community voting session is February 12.

Finally, stay fit by joining me for Yoga with the Mayor on November 10 – every Thursday morning through December 18 (except for Thanksgiving morning), 7:00am at Kinetics Flow, 409 Raritan Avenue. This free event is open to everyone, and is a great way to start your day! I look forward to seeing you there.

I want to wish everyone a happy, safe, and healthy Thanksgiving filled with the warmth of family and friends. I am thankful for the opportunity to serve you as Mayor, and look forward to working with you in helping our community continue to grow and develop in the coming year.



The Highland Park Police PBA #64 handed out over 500 glow sticks and glow bracelets to Bartle School Children to be worn while trick or treating

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 Park History Maker

Highland Park History Maker is a special column for 2016 featuring some famous and notable Highland Park natives or residents, past and present. Of course, we are proud of all of our residents' accomplishment (big and small), and we will continue to recognize current achievements in our Highland Marks column.



Soterios Johnson – (1968) For nearly two decades, listeners of WYNC would wake up to Soterios Johnson's voice every day at 6am. Johnson was a radio journalist and local host of NPR's *Morning Edison* on WNYC until August 2016. He got his start in radio at Highland Park High School, where he participated in the high school's radio station after school. He worked at WKCR, and in 2003 he became the host of WYNC's *Morning Edition*, editing and delivering the news, and eventually producing features and interviewing newsmakers. Johnson attended Columbia University, majoring in American History. In August 2016 he left WNYC to join the University of California/Davis as Director of Humanities, Arts, and Cultural Programs. He lives in California with his husband, Paul McNeil.

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

Library Patrons Given Access to NJ Written Driving Exams

The Highland Park Public Library, in partnership with Driving-Tests.org, a company dedicated to driver safety and education, is making available free NJ Department of Motor Vehicles practice tests at the website <http://hplnj.driving-tests.org>. This is the only site of its kind to let users hear selections read aloud, make selections into MP3s, translate pages into other languages, magnify text, and mask portions of the screen for greater visibility on practice tests. The new program will work as an outreach to teens, those with disabilities, and seniors who need to take renewal exams, as well as anyone who wants to take written practice exams.

HPTV Highlights for November 2016

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
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10:00 p.m. – Valley Homegrown Music

World 4 Haiti Pep Rally

The Highland Park Human Relations Commission invites you to join us for a World 4 Haiti Pep Rally. The HPHRC, in association with A Seat at the Table, is sponsoring the pep rally to raise awareness and funds for victims of Hurricane Matthew in Haiti.

Event will be on Sunday, November 13, 12-2pm, at the Bartle School gym, 435 Mansfield St. A donation of \$8/adult and \$3 for children 18 and under is requested. Donations can also be made by visiting www.hurricanematthewhaiti.org. We invite you to celebrate your heritage by wearing cultural, organizational, or school colors.

Highland Park School District and Rutgers' Mason Gross School of the Arts Extension Division Announce Partnership for the Arts



The Highland Park school district has partnered with Rutgers' Mason Gross School of the Arts Extension Division to offer Rutgers Children's Choir & Scarlet Singers rehearsals in Highland Park. Students from across the county, including those in Highland Park, were traveling to New Brunswick for rehearsals. The new space at the Bartle Elementary School makes it more convenient for Highland Park parents and students. As part of the new relationship, Highland Park public school students will receive discounts and student scholarships from the Mason Gross Extension Division to participate in any Extension Division offering, including the children's choir.

"Highland Park is an art-centric community, and we thought, what better way to strengthen that relationship than to connect with Mason Gross," said Scott Taylor, Superintendent, Highland Park School District. "The arts give kids the freedom to express themselves in ways they may not be able to do through traditional means."

For information about this program, contact the Extension Division at extdiv_office@mgsa.rutgers.edu.

Garbage Collection Schedule Change

Borough Offices will be closed on Friday, November 11 (Veterans Day). The Garbage Collection schedule is as follows;

- November 7 (Monday) – Business District, North Side & Triangle Garbage Collection
- November 8 (Tuesday) – Business District, North Side & Triangle Recycling Collection
- November 8 (Wednesday) – Business District & South Side Garbage Collection
- November 10 (Thursday) – South Side Recycling Collection
- November 11 (Friday) – Closed**

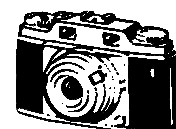
Know Your Voting District

Election Day is Tuesday, November 8. Polls are open between 6 a.m. and 8 p.m. and we have four polling locations depending on your voting district.

If you are a registered voter, you should have received a sample ballot in the mail this week that includes your polling place. Polling locations are as follows:

- Districts 1, 2, 3: Reformed Church of Highland Park, 19-21 South 2nd Avenue
- Districts 4, 5: Senior/Youth Center, 220 South 6th Avenue
- Districts 6, 10, 11, 12: Irving Primary School, South 11th Avenue
- Districts 7, 8, 9, 13: Congregation Ohav Emeth, 415 Raritan Avenue

To look up your polling place, please visit New Jersey's Voter Information System: <https://voter.njsvrs.com/elections/polling-lookup.html>



Volunteer Photographers Wanted to take photos of Borough Events around town, if interested please contact communications@hpboro.com