The Highland Park eNews

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Events & Meetings

Monday, November 21

Thanksgiving Luncheon 12:00 p.m., Senior/Youth Center

Tuesday, November 22

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

Tuesday, November 22

International Film Series - Dough 7:30 p.m., Public Library

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Poetry Night Series – Poet Catherin Doty 7:30 p.m., Public Library

November 24-25

Thanksgiving Holiday Borough Offices Closed

Thursday, November 24

Stretch with the Mayor 7:30 a.m., Kinetics Flow, 409 Raritan Ave

Saturday, November 26

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

Monday, November 28

Library Board of Trustee 7:30 p.m., Public Library

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

Thursday, December 1

Stretch with the Mayor 7:30 a.m., Kinetics Flow, 409 Raritan Ave

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

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Redevelopment Agency 7:30 p.m, Borough Hall

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

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Did you know? HP Recreation Coaches!



Did you know that the Highland Park Recreation Program runs team oriented sports every season that need your help? Up next? Basketball! Each season we run at least one sport that uses parents to coach and train the teams. What better way to meet other parents and children from the community! The Highland Park Recreation Department carefully chooses teams to create a diverse environment for players to meet new people, make new friends and strengthen their sense of community. To help parent volunteers we provide training before the season and skills clinics for the children run by sport specific trainers. Whether you know the sport, want to meet new people or want to spend more time with your child, volunteering to coach our youth sports program is a rewarding experience. If you are interested in helping or would like additional information on our programs visit our facebook page at Highland Park NJ Recreation or the boro website at www.hpboro.com. We hope to see you next season!

Highland Marks

Highland Park resident *Wendy Rosen* has recently published a book, "The Hidden Link Between Vision and Learning: Why Millions of Learning Disabled Children Are Misdiagonosed". Rosen's book looks at the impact vision problems can have on a child's education. Rosen is a teacher and educational consultant who lives in Highland Park.

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 <u>communications@hpboro.com</u>

Stretch with the Mayor

Come join Mayor Gayle Brill Mittler for Stretch With the Mayor! Every Thursday morning, 7:30am - 8:00am at Kinetics Flow, 409 Raritan Ave. Sessions are free and for residents of all ages. Start your morning off right, and spend time with your neighbors. We look forward to seeing you there! Program runs until December 18.

Highland Park Recognized for Refugee Resettlement



Highland Park was recognized by Support of Refugee Resettlement yesterday, for our efforts in support of immigrant and refugee settlement in New Jersey. The honor was sponsored by Interfaith-RISE (Refugee and Immigrant Services & Empowerment), a coalition of more than two dozen congregations committed to helping refugees resettle in central New Jersey.

Highland Park wins Innovations in Governance Award



Highland Park was awarded the prestigious Innovations in Governance Award from the NJ League of Municipalities for our "HP Gives a Hoot" campaign. The award, presented to Mayor Gayle Brill Mittler at the Mayor's Lunch during the annual League of Municipalities convention in Atlantic City last week, highlights exemplary local programs that are both innovative and practical in their approach to solving municipal issues.

"HP Gives a Hoot", created in 2015, is a nonprofit fund created by the Borough to contribute to the wellbeing of our Highland Park students in need. Donations to the fund are used to provide lunches to these students when school is not in session and offer opportunities to ensure their success in school and the future.

Congratulations to Highland Park and the "HP Gives a Hoot" committee for developing this innovative and successful program.

Garbage Collection Schedule Change

Borough Offices will be closed on Thursday (11/24) & Friday (11/25) in observance of Thanksgiving. The Garbage Collection schedule is as follows;

- □ November 21 (Monday) − Business District, North Side & Triangle Garbage Collection
- □ November 22 (Tuesday) Bagged Leaves Collection
- November 23 (Wednesday) Business District & South Side Garbage Collection
- November 24 (Thursday) & November 25 (Friday) Borough Offices Closed



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



Residents and visitors honored our veterans during the annual Veteran's Day parade on November 11. The parade runs from the Doughboy statue at Raritan and Woodbridge Avenues to the Monument on George Street and Livingston Avenue in New Brunswick. Thank you to all of our veterans who have served our country.

Wildlife Education Program Event



Please join us for our fourth session of the Wildlife Education Program series. The session, entitled **Birding for Writers and Artists**, is an art and writing workshop for all ages followed by a walking tour. Event is December 10, 9:00am beginning at the Environmental Education Center, 20 River Road. Binoculars are provided, and kids are welcome! For more information contact Daniel Larkins at dwlarkins@gmail.com.

Improvisation Workshop for Teens and Seniors

The Highland Park Arts Commission invites you to our Improvisation Workshop series for teens and seniors. Taught by Highland Park resident Pandora Scooter, a national touring performer and theatre teacher in NY and NJ, this series teaches participants the basics of improve! Be spontaneous, creative, and have fun with us! Classes run from November 22 through December 13 on Tuesdays from 4:00-5:00pm at the Senior/Youth Center, 220 South Sixth Avenue. For more information or to register please stop by or call the Center at 732-819-0052.