

# The Highland Park eNews

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## Events & Meetings

### **Wednesday, Feb. 5**

Environmental Commission  
8 p.m.  
Environmental Education Center

### **Thursday, Feb. 6**

Universal Access  
7:30 p.m.  
Berman Conference Room  
Borough Hall

### **Monday, Feb. 12**

Washington's Birthday  
Borough Hall Closed

### **Monday, Feb. 17**

Presidents' Day  
Borough Hall Closed

### **Tuesday, Feb. 18**

Borough Council  
7:30 p.m.,  
Borough Hall

### **Monday, Feb. 24**

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

### **Wednesday, Feb. 26**

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

### **Thursday, Feb. 27**

Public Information Committee  
7 p.m.  
Senior/Youth Center Library

## PARK PARTNERS PRESENTATION AND VOTE

Come out and vote on a project to benefit our community!

This Sunday, Feb. 9, at 4 p.m. come help choose the winning proposal submitted to the Borough's Park Partners Grant Program! Each proposal applicant will present their program ideas to residents in hopes of winning a \$2,000 Park Partners grant.

All are welcome to view the presentations and vote on their favorite ideas in each category. Presentation and vote will be in the Senior/Youth Center, 220 South 6th Ave.

One grant may be awarded in each of the following categories: Arts, Culture & Diversity, Safety, Environment, Universal Access or Health & Wellness. Winners are chosen by resident ballot (one vote per person).

## HIGHLAND PARK SCHOOLS EDUCATION FORUM POSTPONED DUE TO WEATHER

The Highland Park MS/HS PTSO's curriculum panel discussion slated to take place tonight Wednesday, Feb. 5 at 7 p.m. in the Highland Park High School Cafeteria, has been postponed due to snow. *Stay tuned for updates on a new date and time.*

The discussion will focus on achievement gaps, focus schools, Common Core Standards, PARCC Tests, and more. Local and visiting education experts on hand to speak about the various programs and answer questions.

Speakers include: Stan Karp Director of the Secondary Reform Project for New Jersey's Education Law Center; Michelle Fine, Professor in the Ph.D. Program in Psychology at the CUNY Graduate Center; Scott Taylor, superintendent, Kenilworth School District; Mark Wise, K-12 Supervisor for Curriculum and Instruction for West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District.

**Questions? Feedback? We want to hear from you!**

Let us know what you think by writing to [mjackson@hpboro.com](mailto:mjackson@hpboro.com).

## HIGHLAND MARKS

The Highland Park Human Relations Commission awarded long-time resident **Deborah Morgan** with its annual Humanitarian Award, honoring her for her dedication to humanitarian efforts. The award was presented at a Jan. 20 event, "Celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Vision Through Different Eyes," that celebrated the accomplishments and legacy of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

In November, Highland Park resident **Franco Juricic** completed the NYC Marathon, marking his five-year anniversary surviving pancreatic cancer. He is among only six percent of pancreatic cancer patients to reach the five-year milestone, and he knows how lucky he is, having lost his father to this terrible disease. Today, Franco helps others by volunteering for the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network.

*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 [mjackson@hpboro.com](mailto:mjackson@hpboro.com)*

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## BOROUGH WELCOMES NEW FACES

**Scott Brescher** has joined the Borough's Code Enforcement Department as building inspector. Brescher, who has vast professional experience in construction and home inspections, is a welcome addition to the Code Enforcement Department. Brescher will be available on a full time basis, making it easier and more convenient for residents and businesses to schedule inspections.

**Kathie Senior** was sworn in as the Borough's new Deputy Clerk in December. Kathie has nearly 16 years of municipal government experience, 15 of those in Planning and Zoning and she is currently working toward earning her Registered Municipal Clerk's Certificate. A resident of Burlington County, Senior is the proud mother of three boys, Jason, Zakarie and Briar.

## TWO GREAT PROGRAMS ON MAIN STREET

Main Street Highland Park is celebrating our downtown this February, with two great programs to promote shopping local.

**WIN THE WINDOW** –One lucky shopper will win all of the locally-sold products currently on display at Main Street HP at 212 Raritan Ave. Want to win? Stop by a participating Win the Window merchant and fill out an entry form. Each household can fill out a card in EACH location, so there are dozens of chances to win! Contest runs all through February. Grand prize drawing will take place at Main Street on Monday, March 3, at 3 p.m.

**NJ 350 POP-UP SHOP** – Ring in New Jersey's 350th anniversary as Main Street HP teams up with Main Street New Jersey to open a "pop-up shop" in the Main Street HP offices at 212 Raritan Ave. This short-term temporary sales space will feature a wide variety of terrific "Jerseyana" merchandise as well as local merchandise from many Highland Park businesses! Pop-Up Shop will open Thursday, February 13th – Sunday, February 16th.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

PSEG will have all available personnel on hand to deal with any weather-related power outages due to the anticipated heavy snowfall.

Residents are warned to **STAY AWAY** from any downed lines, as they should always be considered "live."

To report a downed wire or a power outage call PSE&G Customer Service at 1-800-436-PSEG and use the automated system. For more information and updates regarding power outages, visit the PSE&G website at [www.pseg.com/outagecenter](http://www.pseg.com/outagecenter). You may also use your mobile phone to report or receive updates about outages. Register your smartphone at [www.pseg.com](http://www.pseg.com).