

THE HIGHLANDER



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City Consolidates Emergency Dispatch Services

The City regularly explores opportunities to decrease expenses yet maintain or improve services. The consolidation of emergency dispatching services with Glenview, Lake Forest, Lake Bluff and Highwood is an example of the City's commitment to public safety and its continuing efforts to remain fiscally prudent.

After careful study and a comprehensive analysis, representatives of Lake Forest, Lake Bluff and Highwood recommended that the three separate emergency dispatch functions be consolidated into one with the dispatch center located at the Highland Park Police Department and staffed by Glenview employees.

During the spring and early summer months this year, preparations have been made to facilitate this project which is expected to commence operations for Highland Park on August 19, 2014. Lake Forest, Lake Bluff and Highwood will be merged in the weeks that follow.

What will change?

The City's public safety dispatch will remain open and functioning, at the Highland Park Police Department, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The calls will be answered in the same manner and with the same protocols as they are today. The per-

sonnel answering the phones will be employees of the Village of Glenview; however, it should be noted that many Highland Park employees have been retained by Glenview to staff the dispatch center.

What are the benefits of consolidation?

The capital costs involved in maintaining and upgrading the technology required to operate three separate dispatch facilities in Highland Park, Lake Forest and Lake Bluff have now been incorporated into one location thereby reducing some of these duplicate expenses.

The staffing of three dispatch centers can also be combined into one location resulting in further efficiency and improved call handling through immediate coordination of major incidents from one centralized location. This regional approach is a distinct benefit in coordinating a response that requires mutual aid.

As the consolidation project progresses, the City will have a system in place that will provide redundancy so that, should our dispatch center fail to operate or be closed due to an emergency, continuous operations may be transferred and accomplished at the Glenview communications center until service resumes at the Highland Park facility.



Immediate improvements to radio system will be implemented such as improvements to the fire and police radio frequencies, a Next Generation 911 geo-diverse phone system and an improved Computer Aided Records Management System.

The City believes that the consolidation of emergency dispatching services represents the City's continued investment in keeping up with best practices in local government and advancing technology. Please be reminded to call 9-1-1 for any emergency that requires immediate Police or Fire response.

For any non-emergency related question, please call our non-emergency number at (847) 432-7730.

Taste of Highland Park & Port Clinton Art Festival Opens August 22 - 24

Scrumptious delights from the City's finest eateries highlight the 2014 Taste of Highland Park. Visitors can satisfy savory and sweet cravings with everything from sushi to tacos to ice cream and more. Visit booths beginning Friday, August 22 at 5:00 p.m. through Sunday, August 24. Entertainment will be available all weekend at the Taste Stage, including tribute bands playing hits from The Rolling Stones, The Beatles, Michael Jackson and much more.

Recognized as one of the most successful juried art festivals in the country, the

Port Clinton Art Festival attracts more than 250,000 art enthusiasts annually and features art from more than 260 of the world's most celebrated artists. The festival also hosts a Youth Art Division, offering kids 18 and under the opportunity to participate in one of the finest art festivals in the country. Throughout the weekend, families can enjoy kid-friendly art activities, including an art scavenger hunt, spin art, interactive demos, performance speed painting and more.

Visit page 6 for a complete schedule.



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'HIGH' NOTES

2014-2015 Vehicle Sticker

Renewals Due Next Month

Renewal applications for City vehicle stickers were mailed to residents on August 11. Stickers cost \$45 per passenger vehicle and must be displayed by October 1. For an additional \$30 fee, residents may upgrade their sticker to support the District 112 Education Foundation.

2014-2015 vehicle sticker renewals are available for purchase online via the City's website. Online renewals save residents stamps, paper, and time.

For more information, please contact the Finance Department at (847) 432-0800 or finance@cityhpil.com.

2014 Moraine Township Assessments

Moraine Township assessment notices were mailed out in late July and the Assessment Roll was published in the *Highland Park News* on July 31, 2014.

The Assessment Appeal deadline is 30 days from the date of publication; based on the projected publication date the last day to appeal your assessment will be September 2, 2014. The 2014 appeal forms for residential and commercial complaints (due by 9/2/14) are available at the Moraine Township Office or via the county website <http://assessor.lakecountyil.gov/Board-Of-Review/Documents/2014%20Residential%20Appeal%20Form.pdf>.

If you have questions, please contact Moraine Township's Assessment Office: Cynthia R. Plouché, CIAO, Assessor, Moraine Township, 777 Central Avenue, Highland Park, IL 60035 or phone (847) 432-2100.

City Offices Closed

September 1, Labor Day

City offices will be closed on Monday, September 1 in observance of Labor Day. Residents may call the Public Safety Switchboard at (847) 432-7730 if assistance is required.

Also, please remember garbage will not be collected on Monday, September 1. Refuse and recycling collection will be delayed by one day for the entire week. Services will return to normal on Monday, September 8. For info, contact Advanced Disposal Services at (847) 272-4145.

Proper Waste Removal

The Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO) offers residents recycling options for household chemical waste in order to properly dispose of accepted material. Collection events are hosted throughout Lake County at various mobile locations. A year-round drop-off facility is located in Gurnee. To find the next collection event, go to www.swalco.org/Collections/HCW.

Also, please be reminded that it is illegal to dispose of any garbage, liquid or chemical waste down City storm drains. These items clog the storm sewers and cause additional setbacks for maintenance.

Water Bill Payment Lockbox

City water bill payments made with checks are now processed through a bank lockbox. There is no change for customers mailing the payment using the payment coupon included with your bill because it has the lockbox address on it. If you use your bank's website to make payments, please update the "Pay To" address for the City of Highland Park payee for water bills. The lockbox address is:

City of Highland Park
P.O. Box 7700

Carol Stream, IL 60197-7700

Please contact the Finance Department with any questions at (847) 432-0800 or finance@cityhpil.com.

September Food Drive

The City of Highland Park is coordinating a community food drive. Food donations are welcome at City Hall located at 1707 St. Johns Avenue, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. This is a community-wide effort to assist the Moraine Township Food Pantry in maintaining a secure stock of food year-round. The following are suggested donations:

- Canned fruit, vegetables and beans
- Canned chicken and other meats
- Rice, bagged not instant
- Spaghetti sauce
- Canned ravioli
- Diced and stewed tomatoes (canned)
- Coffee
- Granola bars, cookies
- Pancake mix and syrup
- Crackers, jelly

Neighborhood Meetings

The City of Highland Park began its FY 2015 budget process in July. The process includes a significant opportunity for public feedback and input including budget workshops and neighborhood meetings scheduled August through October.

Neighborhood Meetings are scheduled on August 20, September 10, and October 1 for residents to meet with City and community leaders to discuss priorities. Residents are invited to attend the Neighborhood Meetings which provide an opportunity to interact with City staff, elected officials, and other community leaders in a friendly, informal environment. Each scheduled meeting will take place at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, 1707 St. Johns Avenue.

The City's budget calendar and presentation documents can be found on the City's web site at www.cityhpil.com. For questions regarding the budget process, please contact the Finance Department at (847) 432-0800. For questions about the Neighborhood Meetings, please contact the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1000.

Woof!

Time to Renew Dog Licenses

Renewal applications for 2014-2015 City of Highland Park Dog Licenses will be mailed in August. Renewal fees for the 2014-2015 license are \$7.00 for spayed or neutered dogs (proof required) and \$12.00 for unaltered dogs. A current rabies vaccination certificate is required for renewal if the vaccination listed on the dog license application has passed its expiration date.

Dog Licenses can be renewed by mail or in person at City Hall, 1707 St. Johns Avenue. The Finance Department offers online renewal of Dog Licenses on the City's website, www.cityhpil.com. Instructions on how to renew Dog Licenses online will be mailed along with the renewal applications. As a reminder, 2013-2014 Dog Licenses will expire on September 30; residents are encouraged to notify the Finance Department if a renewal application has not been received by September 1, 2014.

For more information, please contact the Finance Department at (847) 432-0800 or finance@cityhpil.com.

CITY COUNCIL NEWS

YOUR POWER

On July 31, an Illinois appellate court ruled that ComEd must pay for damages caused by the prolonged power outages that occurred during the summer of 2011. What this means is the possible reimbursement of more than \$70,000 dollars in City expenses and thousands more owed to residents and businesses for expenses incurred during these outages.

You no doubt recall that on June 22, 2011, over 3,000 Highland Park residents experienced power loss due to weather. Days later, 800 residents were still without power, waiting for ComEd to effectively respond. Another storm brought additional prolonged power outages. For many residents, recurrent power loss became the norm and power outages with or without storms continued incessantly throughout the summer. It was clear that a permanent solution was needed. The costs to residents and the City were significant.

As a community, we challenged ComEd at City Council meetings and joined with neighboring towns to push ComEd to provide reliable power as promised in its Franchise Agreement. Additionally, we held a hearing with the Illinois Commerce Commission and Illinois General Assembly members, and we filed testimony with the Illinois Attorney General in an action demanding reimbursement for losses. Following the state hearing, we experienced a new level of commitment from ComEd to provide on-going reliable power. We now meet regularly to assess and address any serious issues that occur and many of the good outcomes we've seen have come thanks to this on-going dialogue. From electrical infrastructure investment to improved communications, we have seen progress.

In 2012, City Manager Dave Knapp and Mayor Rotering joined ComEd engineers in the field to review recent electrical distribution equipment improvements installations in Highland Park.



But an unresolved issue was ComEd reimbursement for those significant losses experienced in 2011. Following the announcement of the July 31 ruling, I asked our City Manager to pursue reimbursement for the expenses incurred during these outages. Reimbursement for individual losses will be available as well and we will provide claim information to you via the City's website as soon as we receive it.

Although there is a chance that ComEd may request an appeal with the Illinois Supreme Court, such an appeal is not guaranteed and only a small percentage of requested appeals are granted each year.

The good news is that in the aftermath of all of this, ComEd invested significantly in our electrical infrastructure and the number and duration of power outages has diminished significantly. Moreover, communications with ComEd during any subsequent incidents have never been better. Together, we used the power of our voices and we were heard.

Sincerely, Mayor Nancy R. Rotering



Sister Cities Foundation Hosts International Student Soccer Tournament

The Sister Cities Foundation hosted an international youth soccer tournament over the Fourth of July weekend. The teams participating were: the Puerto Vallarta Delfines, Jalisco, Mexico; the Lake Forest Scouts; Deportivo Highland Park; the Chicago Fire Juniors North; and Highland Park AYSO.

The Puerto Vallarta guests enjoyed a weekend of activities which included touring Chicago, local Fourth of July festivities, two days of soccer tournament play, and an awards banquet at the Birch-

wood Tennis Club.

The Delfines won the tournament without losing a game. At the awards ceremony, Mayor Nancy Rotering presented the winning team with a trophy and each visitor from Puerto Vallarta received an honorary citizen of Highland Park certificate. Ofelia Martines and Carlos Murguia received keys to the



city. Coach Armando Cossilion received a soccer ball signed by all of the young people who participated.

Highland Park has three active Sister Cities: Puerto Vallarta, Mexico; Modena, Italy; and Yerucham, Israel. If you would like to become involved in the Sister Cities program, please contact Carol Wolfe at carol-wolfe5151@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Back to School Safety Reminders

Students will soon return to area schools in late August for the 2014-15 school year. Traffic and pedestrian safety at and around area schools continues to remain a priority for the community and is everyone's responsibility.

The City frequently receives concerns from school officials, parents and residents about the driving behavior of motorists at or near area schools. These concerns generally include complaints that motorists are speeding, disobeying stop signs, failing to yield to pedestrians, failing to obey crossing guards, passing stopped school buses that are loading or unloading, obstructing traffic, texting while driving, using cell phone while driving in a school zone, double parking, and illegal parking in bus loading and no stopping, standing or parking zones.

Historically, the number of parents driving their children to and from school increases when inclement weather occurs. School bus ridership has also declined over the years. Many of the City's neighborhood schools and properties were constructed years ago and were not designed to handle the traffic volumes, traffic patterns and

parking demands that we experience today. These variables greatly increase the risk of an accident and associated injury to children and pedestrians at or near schools. The City has worked with both local School Districts to improve traffic flow, parking options, drop-off and pick-up locations and procedures and signage at and around many schools. Police have historically increased their presence and enforcement efforts at and near schools and will continue to do so in the future in an effort to encourage and obtain traffic and parking regulation compliance.

Please do your share to increase traffic and pedestrian safety by following these safety measures at or near schools by:

- Learn where designated drop-off and pick-up areas are located at your child's respective school are and utilizing them. Do not use City streets for drop-off and pick-ups, this greatly increases risk to children and pedestrians.

- Encourage your children to use school buses and carpools to reduce the amount of vehicle traffic and pollution at and near schools.



- Obey existing State and City traffic and parking laws at all times.

- Do not pass stopped school buses which are loading or unloading passengers while its lights are flashing and its stop signal arm is extended.

- Obey State laws and City ordinances pertaining to Electronic Communication Devices and Wireless Telephone use:

1. A person may not operate a motor vehicle on the road while using an Electronic Communication Device to compose, send or receive electronic messages.

2. A person may not use a hand-held telephone at anytime while operating a motor vehicle on a City roadway- unless it is utilized in a hands-free mode.

For more info, contact Sgt. Chris O'Neill at (847) 926-1766 or coneill@cityhpil.com.

Nominations for Mayor's Beautification Awards

The Business and Economic Development Commission seeks nominations for the Mayor's 2014 Beautification Awards to recognize Highland Park businesses whose overall appearance integrates aesthetics and consistency within the environment of the community. Given annually, award recipients are granted a Mayoral Certificate and receive recognition at a City Council meeting, in the *Highlander*, and through a City press release.

The five different categories are Retail, Restaurant, Auto Dealer, Service, Office or Mixed-Use Building. Award criteria includes Façade and Building Appearance; Cleanliness; Window Clarity; Adherence to City Code; and Landscaping. Nominations must be postmarked by August 29th, 2014. Forms may be downloaded from the website at www.cityhpil.com. Completed forms should be sent to the Office of Business Development, 1707 St. Johns Avenue, Highland Park, IL 60035, or via email to amclintock@cityhpil.com. For more info, please contact Adriana McClintock at (847) 926-1046 or amclintock@cityhpil.com.

Architectural Surveys of Historic Homes

Between the years of 1999 and 2005, historical consultants performed detailed architectural surveys for many parts of Highland Park. Using grant money from the State,



the Historic Preservation Commission worked with the consultants to assemble historic information on thousands of properties.

The surveys cover seven geographical areas: the Central East area (1999), the West Side (2000), South Central (2001), Northeast Side (2002), Braeside (2003), Bob-o-Link area (2004),

and the Green Bay Corridor (2005).

Each survey report identifies significant homes and notable architects, provides descriptions of the various architectural

styles, and gives an overview of the historical fabric within each survey area. The reports are available on the Historic Preservation Commission's webpage at www.cityhpil.com/HPC and can be downloaded in .PDF format.

Check them out and learn about the amazing architecture all around you in Highland Park!

YOUTH & SENIOR SERVICES

Register Now for the 2014-2015 Program!

The Firehouse Youth Center is designed to meet the after school needs of families with children in middle school. If you are looking for a fun, safe place supervised by professional staff, look to the Firehouse. Open from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on full school days, the Firehouse can be used on a drop-in basis, in which your child can socialize, play games and take part in activities indoors and out. Membership for the drop-in program is only \$40 for the year and members may drop-in one day a week, all five days, or every once in a while when looking for something to do.

The other after-school program is the After 3 Study Club, with supervision by professional staff who offer your child assistance with homework, enriching activities to develop their potential and build confidence. Healthy snacks are included in the After 3 Study Club fee. Feedback from past par-

ticipants have said that when homework is completed at the Firehouse, they can better enjoy their time with families at dinnertime and the rest of the evening. The Firehouse is also open on select school holidays. Please inquire about specific dates.

Transportation is available from all three middle schools to the Firehouse in a 14-passenger bus and 7-passenger van whether using the drop-in or After 3 programs. Register to fit the needs of your family, whether it is one day a week or five. Once registered, your child will have a seat reserved for the days you wish. Our fee structure:

	Transportation	After 3	Both
One day per week	\$40	\$40	\$80
Two days	\$80	\$80	\$160
Three days	\$120	\$120	\$240
Four days	\$160	\$160	\$320
Five days	\$200	\$200	\$400

All participants must be picked up before

youth

Serving youth in grades 5-8
1830 Green Bay Road
(847) 433-3090

The Firehouse School Year Hours:
Monday - Friday, 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.



6:00 p.m. For further information or to register your child, call (847) 433-3090.

senior

Serving Adults Over 50
54 Laurel Avenue
(847) 432-4110

Monday - Friday
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Events & Excursions ~

Classic Concerts: Las Guitarras de España: Music and Dance of Spain
Highland Park Country Club
Thursday, August 21
1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Free for members / NM: \$10
Sponsored by Highland Park Nursing and Rehab

The Spanish Guitar Duo features Diego Alonso (guitar) and Carlo Basile (guitar) and other members of the renowned ensemble, *Las Guitarras de España*. Along with Diego and Carlo, Chihuan Yang (violin/Chinese erhu) forms the core group. The ensemble features original, instrumental Spanish guitar music as

well as traditional flamenco, classical and fusion pieces incorporating vocals and flamenco dance.

Milwaukee Zoo Excursion
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Tuesday, August 26
Fee: \$75 / NM: \$95
8:00 a.m. Bus departs Toys R Us
5:00 p.m. approximate return

As one of the country's finest zoological attractions, the Milwaukee County Zoo will educate, entertain and inspire you! Visit over 2,000 mammals, birds, fish, amphibians and reptiles in specialized habitats spanning 200 wooded acres. The day begins with a 2-hour private tram tour of the zoo led by a zoo docent, who will share detailed information about the animals habits and habitats, as well as some zoo-keeper behind-the-scenes details. Following, enjoy a picnic-style buffet lunch featuring grilled brats and burgers, as well as pulled pork sandwiches.

After lunch, there will be time to explore the zoo on your own.

Hank Williams: Lost Highway
Chicago, Illinois

Wednesday, September 17
Fee: \$75 / NM: \$95
9:00 a.m. Bus departs Toys R Us
5:00 p.m. approximate return

Hank Williams: Lost Highway is the spectacular musical biography of legendary singer-songwriter noted as one of the great innovators of American popular music. The play follows Williams' rise from his beginnings on the Louisiana Hayride to his triumphs on the Grand Ole Opry to his eventual self-destruction at twenty-nine. Along the way, you'll be treated to an unforgettable tribute of more than 20 hit songs like *I'm So Lonesome I Could Cry*, *Move It on Over* and *Hey, Good Lookin'*. Prior to the show, you'll enjoy a delicious lunch at a local favorite hot spot!

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

CITY MEETINGS

For information about City Meetings, please view the Calendar on the City's website at www.cityhpi.com

Dr. Mark & the Sutures August 16

7:00 p.m.

Port Clinton Square

Dr. Mark & the Sutures performs "Get Back," their concert supporting Glenkir. Bring your own chair to Port Clinton Square. In the event of rain, the music moves indoors to Elm Place Auditorium.

Ravinia Park: Suburban Setting, World Class Entertainment

Exhibit through Oct. 1

Highland Park Historical Society

326 Central Avenue
(847) 432-7090

This exhibit, funded by YEA! Highland Park, examines Ravinia Park from its origins in the early twentieth century and its enticing blend of popu-

lar and highbrow entertainment.

Affordable Housing Information Session September 9

7:00 p.m.

Community Partners for Affordable Housing (CPAH)
400 Central Avenue, Suite 111
(847) 681-8746

CPAH is a local non-profit that provides affordable homes to low and moderate income households. To attend the information session, contact (847) 681-8746 or akaufman@cpahousing.org.

From the Jewish Heartland: Two Centuries of Midwest Foodways September 10

7:00 p.m.

Highland Park Public Library
494 Laurel Avenue
(847) 432-7090

This free program from the Highland Park Historical Society uncovers the vibrant culinary culture of Jewish cooking in the Midwest with

author and anthropologist Ellen Stienberg.

Voices & Visions IV: Standing on the Bridge Between Health and Disease

September 12

6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

The Art Center
1957 Sheridan Road
(847) 432-1888

This exhibition expresses the concerns dealing with and surrounding cancer, as illness becomes a metaphor for facing mortality. Curated by artist and educator Caren Helene Rudman, this exhibit continues through October 25.

Mothers & Daughters September 12

6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

The Art Center
1957 Sheridan Road
(847) 432-1888

This juried exhibition inspired by the mother-daughter relationship continues through October 25.

Downtown Fashion Week, September 10-12

Fashion Week 2014 will celebrate fall fashion with in-store sales, promotions and events, along with three main fashion experiences:

Wednesday, September 10th – Downtown HP Fashion Stroll – Stroll the streets of Downtown HP and experience in-store fashion focused promotions and events.

Thursday, September 11th – Women's Networking Fashion Show – From bedroom to boardroom, Downtown HP merchants will share their trendsetting styles in a runway show put on by Highland Park Bank & Trust.

Friday, September 12th – Family Fashion Show – Downtown HP retailers will dress kids, parents and grandparents in this family focused fashion show put on by Irina Makkai School of Dance.

For more information on Downtown Highland Park Fashion Week 2014 please visit www.downtownhp.com/fashion, email info@downtownhp.com, or call 847.780.4293.

Taste of Highland Park & Port Clinton Art Festival, Aug. 22-24 Schedule

All performances take place at the Taste Stage.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 22

Taste of Highland Park Opens 5:00 p.m.

Hot Rocks • 5:30 p.m.

Rolling Stones Tribute Band

Wedding Banned • 8:00 p.m.

Hits from the 80's & 90's



SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

Port Clinton Art Fair & Taste of Highland Park Open 10:00 a.m.

Yoga by LuluLemon • 9:00 a.m.

Check with Lucy • 10:30 a.m.

* Singer-songwriter duo of Jeff Libman and Brad Cole
*Also performing throughout the day.

Million Dollar Quartet •

12:00 p.m.

Hits from the thrilling musical!

Brit Beat • 5:30 p.m.

America's Premier Tribute to the Beatles

Who's Bad • 8:00 p.m.

The Ultimate Michael Jackson Tribute Band

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

Port Clinton Art Fair & Taste of Highland Park Open 10:00 a.m.

Check with Lucy • 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Singer-songwriter duo of Jeff Libman and Brad Cole



SCHOOL DISTRICTS 112 & 113

District 113 staff focus on learning and growth

Our teaching staff is dedicated to continually honing and improving their craft to better serve students. This summer many of our staff participated in a variety of learning opportunities, including nearly a dozen that were sponsored by District 113 and taught by administrators, District 113 staff, and outside facilitators.

Many of the sessions focused on integration of technology/utilization of the Chromebook in preparation for the launch of the District's 1:1 initiative this coming school year. These included Web 2.0 tools for assessment, Engaging All Learners in a 1:1 Classroom, Google Basic Training (Google Apps for Education, Chrome Browser/apps/extensions), Data Management for Responsive Instruction, and Key to Questioning: Techniques and Useful Strategies.

District 113 staff also participated in technology exploration in partnership with other local educators this summer.

On August 14, District 113 joined forces with North Shore District 112 and Deer-

field District 109 to host TechCamp North Shore at Deerfield High School. This day-long symposium brought together teachers and administrative staff from all three districts to share ideas and best practice related to 1:1 Chromebook implementation. Giving our students and teachers the tools they need to succeed in a digital world is an important endeavor for District 113, and each of our freshmen and sophomores will be issued a Chromebook at the beginning of the 2014-15 school year, to be used throughout their years in District 113 and beyond.

District 113 also continues to offer two staff development courses that are aligned with our Equity and Diversity goals. Support staff, teachers and administrators learn side by side in these powerful professional learning communities. More than 150 staff members have participated in the Seeking Educational Equity and Diversity (SEED) program since we began offering it in 2001 and more than 100 staff have participated

in our Beyond Diversity course since its inauguration in the district in 2008.

Beyond Diversity is a powerful, interactive two-day workshop held in early August, in which participants explore the impact of race on student learning, dig into their own beliefs and biases, investigate the role that racism plays in institutionalizing academic achievement disparities, and create action plans to eliminate visible and invisible barriers that students encounter in school.

District 113 offered SEED continuously from 2001 to 2009, and reconvened it in 2013. SEED seminars are a series of nine monthly three-hour sessions in which participants explore their own education in relation to factors such as race, gender, socioeconomic status, religion, and age, how these factors currently impact their school and classrooms, and how they can use their classrooms to create a more equitable environment for all learners.



Architects Making Progress on District Facilities Study

Architects have been hard at work this summer conducting two studies that the Board of Education will use as a basis for deciding on a specific plan to reconfigure the district into a fewer number of schools.

Donald McKay, principal of the Chicago-based architectural firm Nagle Hartray, told board members last month that the firm is conducting a thorough evaluation of every district property, which includes eight elementary schools, three middle schools, a pre-k/administration building, as well as vacant parcels of land. Each site is being evaluated for its potential to house an elementary school or a middle school in two different scenarios: Reducing the total number of district schools to eight buildings, and reducing the total number of district schools to six buildings.

The architects reported at the July 17 Board of Education meeting that their

work is proceeding as scheduled, and they expect to have some preliminary recommendations to share with the board in September.

"The approach we're taking has no preconceptions about what (sites) might work or might not work," McKay told board members. "We want to explore the options for every single possibility." That means considering current elementary sites as potential middle school sites, and vice versa, he added.

Once the firm completes its detailed site evaluation and develops conceptual sketches of buildings, it will begin to analyze and compare costs associated with different sites, and then start to formulate some options for configuration. "It's our intention to look at a number of different options," McKay said, and share them with the board and with the community. After options are determined and shared with the board, the district will

offer community members opportunities to provide input and feedback.

The board hired Chicago-based Nagle Hartray Inc. in June following a recommendation from the Superintendent's Citizen Finance and Facilities Advisory Committee (SCFFAC) that the district take action to address the needs of its aging facilities, and ensure that it can provide current and future students with an outstanding education while remaining financially viable. The SCFFAC committee, which was comprised of a 60 members representing a cross-section of district parents, community members and staff, spent more than a year studying the issues before holding a series of community meetings and conducting an online survey last winter and spring to seek further input. The vast majority of participants in those meetings and survey indicated that they could support a plan to reconfigure the district into a fewer number of schools.

PARK DISTRICT OF HIGHLAND PARK

Fun for All Ages

Family Golf Night

Family

Sunset Valley Golf Course • 1390 Sunset Road
Bring the family out for a night of FREE golf at Sunset Valley Golf Course. Reserve your spot early!
August 24 5pm FREE

Autumn Astronomy

All Ages

Heller Nature Center • 2821 Ridge Road
See the moon, Saturn, and constellations through our telescope!
September 5 8-9pm FREE

Highland Park Hikers

Family

Volo Bog State Natural Area • Ingleside
Let a Heller Nature Center Naturalist to guide your way through the Volo Bog. We'll provide binoculars, trail maps, snacks, and other tools to help discover nature.
33821 September 7 1-4pm \$15

Paint and Pinot

Ages 21 & Older

West Ridge Center • 636 Ridge Road
Learn techniques to create your own masterpiece in this guided class. You'll create a custom piece of art while sipping on a glass of wine. We provide both painting supplies and wine.
33724 September 12 6:30-8:30pm \$35/40

Curiosity Club Presents: Open Lab Night!

Grade K

West Ridge Center • 636 Ridge Road
Join us for a hands on science workshop where your young scientist will find the answers to their most curious questions through exploring, mixing, and creating!
34130 September 12 6:30-8pm \$17/27

Touch a Truck

Family

Sunset Woods Park • 1801 Sunset Road
Families are invited to climb into the coolest trucks, tractors, cars, helicopters, and more to check out the view from the drivers' seat!
September 13 10am-Noon FREE

10 & Under Pizza Night

Deer Creek Courts • 701 Deer Creek Parkway
Join us for a fun, low key night! Matches will be played in a friendly environment. Pizza and sports beverage will be served.
33536 September 13 6-8pm \$25

Woofstock

Family

Debbie Gottlieb Beitler Dog Park at Larry Fink Park
Bring the dog and family to celebrate our favorite furry friends! There will be a dog costume contest, music, food and much more! We will be accepting gently used blankets for local animal shelters.
September 21 Noon-2pm FREE

Autumn Fest 2014

Join us at Heller Nature Center (2821 Ridge Road) to enjoy the beginning of the fall season. Celebrate with crafts, games, nature walks, pony rides, hayrides, a campfire, live reptiles, a pumpkin hunt, and so much more! Food will be available for purchase. Donate to our fourth annual Working Bikes Cooperative Bike Drive!

Heller Nature Center (2821 Ridge Road)

September 19 4-7pm

FREE*

Tickets are \$3 each and will be required only for select activities. For more information call 847.433.6901.



Rainout Line 847.579.9008

Park District of Highland Park • www.pdhp.org • 847.831.3810

Our mission: "To enrich community life through healthy leisure pursuits and an appreciation of the natural world."



HIDDEN CREEK AQUAPARK

2014 SEASON PASSES AND 10-VISIT PUNCH PASSES STILL AVAILABLE

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50+ Active Adults

Group Exercise Classes

Recreation Center of Highland Park • 1207 Park Avenue West

HydroSplash

M 7:45-8:45am
T&F 8-9am
Sat 8:30-9:30am

Pilates

Mon 9:30-10:30am
Wed 10:35-11:35am

Light n' Lively

Mon 11:10am-12:10pm

Body Sculpt Light

Thu Noon-1pm

Chair Yoga

Tue Noon-1pm
Fri 12:15-1:15pm

Cardio Tone Light

Wed Noon-1pm

Open Gym Pickleball

Come participate in this widely popular sport at the Recreation Center! Targeted for active older adults, this sport combines table tennis, badminton, and tennis.

Tuesdays: August 12
2 courts: Open Gym Play Only
3:30-5:30pm

Thursdays: August 14
2 courts: Open Gym Play Only
10am-Noon

Saturday: August 16
2 courts: Open Gym Play Only
9:30-11:30am

Group exercise classes are included in membership.
Nonmembers may pay a day fee of \$12R/15NR.

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Our mission: "To enrich community life through healthy leisure pursuits and an appreciation of the natural world."

HIGHLAND PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY

Your library introduces a special series of classes.

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Creative Writing

Thursdays, September 18,
October 9, 23, November 6, 20
December 11, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
Cost — \$60

Write or polish that poem, play, short story, memoir, or novel. For writers of all levels seeking creative sparks, regular writing deadlines, and the support and feedback from a writing group environment with optional writing prompts and responses to guide works-in-progress. Instructor: Jennifer Dotson.

Intro to Word

Wednesdays, September, 3, 10, 17,
October, 1, 8, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
Cost — \$50

Learn how to create, change, cut, customize, save, and print many types of documents. Learn how to work the new toolbars that offer powerful Word capabilities. Cost of text is not included in fee. Instructor: Barbara Seidman.

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Registration required. Register at hplibrary.org. Non-library cardholders can register in the Administration office or by calling (847) 432-0216, ext. 119. Full payment by cash or check is required at least three days prior to the first day of class to hold spot. No refunds.

Intro to Windows 8.1

Tuesday, September 16, or
October 7, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Cost — \$10

Learn the new Charms menu, start screen, navigation by touch and with a mouse, personalization, saving to the OneDrive cloud, using Windows 8 apps and more. Bring your Windows 8 device (tablet or laptop) and know the user name and password for your Windows Live account. Instructor: Helene Bjorseth.

Beginning Spanish

Mondays, September, 8 –
October 27, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Cost — \$80

Acquire a basic mastery of listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills. The course will emphasize the practice of grammar and communication skills. Instructor: Emily Kurth.

Intro to iPad

Thursdays, September 4, 11, or
October 2, 9, or November 6, 13, or
December 4, 11, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Cost — \$20

Learn how to set up your iPad and use email and the Internet. You will also learn how to use apps, manage calendars, and navigate contacts. Bring your iPad to class and have an Apple ID created in advance! Instructor: Chad Clark.

More Classes Start in
October and November

Memoir Writing
Intro to Excel
Intro to Powerpoint
Windows 8.1 Apps

Visit hplibrary.org for dates
and times.



Héléne Berr's official portrait, 1942 © Mémorial de la Shoah – Coll. Mariette Job

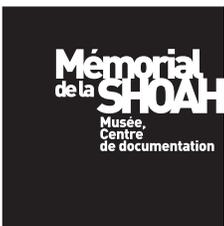
Ceci est mon journal

Héléne Berr, A Stolen Life

September 8 – October 20

A special exhibit from the Mémorial de la Shoah, Paris, France

Héléne Berr was a young Jewish French woman whose future was cut short by Vichy Government's laws and the extermination plan imagined by the Nazis. The exhibit is based on her journal, composed between 1942 – 1944. During that time, Berr wrote in her journal every day, alternating between hope and despair, until she was arrested and deported to Auschwitz. The exhibit follows her steps through Paris under the German Occupation and goes beyond the framework of the journal as it broadens the context of the Occupation and addresses the persecution of the Jews in France. *The Journal of Héléne Berr* was published in 2008 and is available at the library.



This exhibition, curated by Karen Taieb and Sophie Nagiscarde, with the guidance of Mariette Job, was designed, created, and distributed by the Mémorial de la Shoah (Paris, France), and made possible through the generous support of SNCF.

Opening Night

Monday, September 8, 7 p.m.

Remarks by the the Consulate Général of France in Chicago and Jacques Fredj, Executive Director of Mémorial de la Shoah

Lecture by Dr. Michael Marrus, Professor Emeritus of Holocaust Studies, University of Toronto

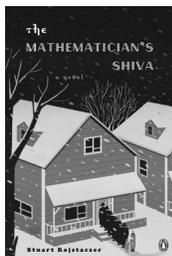
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Meet The Author: Stuart Rojstaczer – *The Mathematician's Shiva*

Tuesday, September 9, 7 p.m.

Author Stuart Rojstaczer discusses his debut novel, a comic, bittersweet tale of family. When Rachela, a famous Polish émigré mathematician rumored to have solved the million-dollar, Navier-Stokes Millennium Prize problem dies, a ragtag group of mathematicians crashes the shiva, vowing to do whatever it takes to find the solution—even if it means prying up the floorboards for Rachela's notes. Books will be for sale and the event will conclude with a book signing.



Spanish Literary Club

Attend a discussion centered around a Spanish book by a Hispanic author. The discussion will be in Spanish and English led by Gabriela Leyva.

Fridays, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. — *Los detectives salvajes* by Roberto Bolaño.

2nd and 4th Wednesdays beginning September 10, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. — *Crónica de una muerte anunciada* by Gabriel García Márquez.

Career Counseling

Wednesday, September 10, 1 – 4 p.m.

Meet with a career counselor from College of Lake County for a free half-hour session. Learn job search strategies, find assistance writing or updating a resume, and prepare for a job interview. Register at the Reference Desk or call (847) 681-7031.

Computer Programming with Scratch and PicoBoards

Saturday, August 23

10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Ages 8 – 14.

Learn how to create animations, computer games, and interactive projects using Scratch, a graphical programming language. Drop off event. No adults, please. Registration required and limited to residents of the North Shore School District 112 service area. Register at kidsevents.org.

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Cairo Animal Hospital began
in 1978, under the original
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the full owner of the animal
hospital. Today cats and dogs,
along with their owners, enjoy
the outstanding customer care
given by the professional and
loving staff.

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