

# THE HIGHLANDER



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## Clothing, Textile Recycling Program Comes to Highland Park October 1

The City, in partnership with the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO), will introduce a new clothing and textile recycling program to residents by October 1. The program, which was approved by City Council on August 25, 2014 through an intergovernmental agreement with SWALCO, will be located at the Highland Park Recycling Center at 1180 Half Day Road.

A bin to collect the donated items will be placed outside the Recycling Center's gates for drop-off. All donations must be placed inside the bin in order to be recycled. Residents may drop-off recyclable textiles at any time.

The program accepts new, gently used or unwanted/worn, women's, men's, and children's clothing and textiles. All fabrics are accepted, including textiles with stains or holes. Approximately 95% of the material collected will be repurposed and reused. A full list of acceptable and unacceptable items can be found at [www.swalco.org](http://www.swalco.org).

The City identified clothing and textile recycling as a priority objective in its Sustainable Community Strategic Plan and has received positive feedback from residents following the January 2014 Recycling Extravaganza, when the City introduced a temporary textile recycling opportunity to measure its success. Clothing and textiles offer substantial reuse opportunities through donation of unwanted, but useable clothes.

According to SWALCO, it is estimated that nearly 85% of all clothing and textiles end up in landfills in the U.S. today. The EPA estimates that the average person throws away 70 pounds of clothing each year. Further, it is estimated that anywhere from 5-10% of all waste that is sent to municipal landfills is comprised of textiles.

In addition to clothing and textiles, the City's Recycling Center recycles electronics and styrofoam during its open business hours. The Center is open on Tuesdays and Fridays from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. More



information on what is collected at the Center can be found on the City's website at [www.cityhpil.com/recyclingcenter](http://www.cityhpil.com/recyclingcenter).

For more information, visit the City's website at [www.cityhpil.com](http://www.cityhpil.com) or call the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1000.

## Advanced Disposal Customer Satisfaction Survey Available Through September 30

Advanced Disposal, the City's contracted refuse and recycling waste haulers for single-family residential properties, invites all customers to complete a customer satisfaction survey. The survey was distributed on September 11 and will remain open until September 30, 2014.

All surveys will be administered online and will contain 12 questions. Customers who fill out the survey by September 19, 2014 will have a chance to be one out of ten customers who will be randomly selected to receive a free recycling cart up-

grade for completing the survey, courtesy of Advanced Disposal.

Survey results will be used to help analyze Advanced Disposal's current services and provide insight on services made available for future waste hauling in Highland Park.

For more information about the survey or waste hauling, please contact Advanced Disposal at (847) 272-4145 or contact Tyler Hall in the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1042 or [thall@cityhpil.com](mailto:thall@cityhpil.com).

Survey Available at [www.cityhpil.com/waste](http://www.cityhpil.com/waste)

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CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK

SCHOOL DISTRICTS 112 & 113

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HIGHLAND PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY

# 'HIGH' NOTES

## Woof!

### Time to Renew Dog Licenses

City of Highland Park Dog Licenses for 2014-2015 are now available and must be purchased by October 1, 2014. Renewal fees 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 application has expired.

Dog licenses can be renewed by mail or in person at City Hall, 1707 St. Johns Avenue. Online renewal is available on the City's website at [www.cityhpil.com](http://www.cityhpil.com). For more info, contact the Finance Department at (847) 432-0800 or [finance@cityhpil.com](mailto:finance@cityhpil.com).

### Interest Amnesty Period through October 10

The City Council established a temporary interest amnesty period on outstanding fines levied by the City's Administrative Hearing Officers on August 11, 2014. Through October 10, individuals may come to City Hall, 1707 St. Johns Avenue, and pay outstanding fines and hearing costs without paying the associated interest fees. Beginning October 11, fines *plus interest* will be referred to a collections agency. At that time, outstanding fines, interest and collection costs will be due. This amnesty program is to encourage compliance with the Findings and Orders issued through the City's Administrative Hearing Process. Payments can be made from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday at City Hall's Finance Department. For more info, or to find out if you owe money on a fine, please contact Yvonne Decker, City Clerk's Office at (847) 926-1039.

### Interested in Serving on a City Commission?

The Mayor and City Council are preparing to appoint new residents to City Commissions for terms beginning January 2015. Please visit the City's website at [www.cityhpil.com/boardsandcommissions](http://www.cityhpil.com/boardsandcommissions) to view a list of the various commissions, the goals and responsibilities of each commission, and what is required. For more information and to apply, contact Jennifer Dotson in the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1006 or [jdotson@cityhpil.com](mailto:jdotson@cityhpil.com).

### City Hall Coloring Book Design Contest

Residents and students of all ages are invited to submit original artwork, puzzles and games for the 2015 City Hall Coloring Book Contest. The City seeks to create a coloring and activity book for elementary school students, in particular 3rd graders, visiting City Hall. Submissions must be received electronically or postmarked by November 3, 2014. Contest guidelines and entry forms are available online at [www.cityhpil.com/coloringbook](http://www.cityhpil.com/coloringbook) or contact Jennifer Dotson in the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1006 or [jdotson@cityhpil.com](mailto:jdotson@cityhpil.com).

### Household Chemical Waste Collection Event

The Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO) offers residents recycling options for household chemical waste in order to properly dispose of accepted material. The next nearby mobile collection event will be held on **Saturday, September 27 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.** at the Lake Forest Municipal Services Center, 800 N. Field Drive.

A year-round drop-off facility is located in Gurnee. To find the next collection event, go to [www.swalco.org/Collections/HCW](http://www.swalco.org/Collections/HCW).

### 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 Meeting, Oct. 1

The City's FY 2015 budget process includes opportunities for public feedback and input through budget workshops and neighborhood meetings. To date, three neighborhood meetings have been held in Highland Park and Chicago. The final Neighborhood Meeting will be held on October 1 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, 1707 St. Johns Avenue. Residents are invited to interact with City staff, elected officials, and other community leaders in a friendly, informal environment. The City's budget presentation documents can be found at [www.cityhpil.com](http://www.cityhpil.com). For questions regarding the budget, contact the Finance Department at (847) 432-0800. For questions about the Neighborhood Meeting, contact the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1000.

### Keep Storm Drains Clear

Yard waste is a major cause of blockage to roadway storm drains, particularly in the fall as trees begin to drop their leaves. Residents are reminded that it is illegal to dump leaves, grass clippings and other debris onto City streets or into the drainage system. Please remember that only rainwater goes down our storm drains!

### 2014-2015 Vehicle Sticker

#### Renewals Due Next Month

Renewal applications for City vehicle stickers were mailed to residents in August. Stickers cost \$45 per passenger vehicle and must be displayed by October 1, 2014. For an additional \$30 fee, residents may upgrade their sticker to support the District 112 Education Foundation.

Residents are encouraged to renew online. Instructions can be found at [www.cityhpil.com](http://www.cityhpil.com) by selecting the "Online Vehicle Stickers" link. Please note that information from the mailed renewal application packet is required to access vehicle information online.

The Finance Department offers expanded hours to accommodate residents. The Finance Department will be open **Saturday, September 27 from 8:00 a.m. until noon** and **Tuesday, September 30 until 7:00 p.m.** Residents failing to display a sticker after October 1 may be subject to a \$50 fine. Please contact the Finance Department at (847) 432-0800 or [finance@cityhpil.com](mailto:finance@cityhpil.com) with any questions.

# CITY COUNCIL NEWS

## The Highland Park Country Club

Twenty-one years ago, the City purchased the Highland Park Country Club (HPCC) for \$10 million, using its bonding authority on behalf of the Park District, to preserve a municipal golf course and open land. The agreement stipulated that the City would operate the HPCC for twenty years with a plan to lease the HPCC and transfer operations to the Park District in 2013. That transfer was delayed a year per Park District request.

Earlier this year, after months of discussion, the Park District shared with the City and the public its intention to close the municipal golf course and banquet facility, following the City's transfer. The HPCC is a popular, self-sustaining public amenity. It includes an 18-hole municipal golf course with related facilities in addition to the only public banquet facility of its size in town and provides critical storm water management to area neighborhoods. It is used by residents and visitors and is an important economic engine for our community. Based on comments from residents and further analysis, the City of Highland Park and the Park District of Highland Park decided in early August that the HPCC would remain open under City ownership and management.



I am pleased to report that the City has seen an immediate increase in HPCC banquet business since the announcement that the HPCC will remain open and operated by the City. According to the general manager of the HPCC, "future banquet bookings are \$120,000 ahead of last year. A lot of this has come in over the last four to six weeks and is due in a large part to the community having some clarity on the direction of the club."

While the HPCC is self-sustaining, recognizing its untapped potential, I created a blue ribbon committee of citizen-advisors to provide insights and recommendations to improve the future of the HPCC. The HPCC is open for business and will continue to be a place for everyone to create memorable events and enjoy gorgeous summer days.

Sincerely, Mayor Nancy R. Rotering



## City Partners with Local Non-Profits for Youth Programming Shared Services

On Monday, August 25, 2014, the Highland Park City Council approved a shared services agreement for youth programming with Family Network and the Community House. The agreement transitions the City's Firehouse Youth Services to Family Network for operations beginning January 5, 2015. The agreement also relocates youth programming from its current location at 1830 Green Bay Road to the Community House, at 1991 Sheridan Road.

"The City continuously seeks opportunities to collaborate with neighboring agencies to enhance our services as well as to find cost efficiencies through shared

services," Mayor Nancy Rotering stated.

Family Network has been offering high quality community-based programs to children and families in the Highland Park area since 1983. They offer an educational and enrichment program for students in kindergarten through fifth grade, creating a natural introduction for these students to be part of the middle school youth services program. The Community House offers a spacious area for homework, games and activities; it is centrally located to two schools, and has a nearby playground creating an environment to best serve youth.

The Firehouse youth programming will begin relocation to the Community House

the week of November 24 with an expected opening date of December 1, 2014 at the Community House. Family Network will assume operation of youth services on January 5, 2014 with the City providing transitional support. All youth programming staff will be retained by Family Network to ensure a smooth transition. Don Miner, Manager of Youth and Senior Services, will remain a City employee but will provide transitional support to Family Network for the 2015 calendar year.

For more information, please contact Don Miner at [dminer@cityhpil.com](mailto:dminer@cityhpil.com) or (847) 926-1861.

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Maintaining Ravine and Bluff Vegetation

A Guide to Responsible Land Management for Property Owners and Landscape Professionals



## Ravine & Bluff Maintenance

Residents of Highland Park agree that one of the biggest assets to the City is its wonderful lakefront and extensive ravine system. These areas are delicate ecosystems filled with plants and wildlife that have long been protected under City Code.

To help residents and contractors better understand proper ravine and bluff maintenance, the City, in conjunction with the Natural Resource Commission and the Park District of Highland Park, have collaborated with restoration experts on how to best manage the ravine landscapes. The result is an exciting new brochure that will be mailed to all lakefront and ravine property owners. The brochure is a comprehensive guide that provides guidance and relevant information for anyone interested in working in these areas. In addition, a hard copy of the brochure will be available to any residents that request one as well as being posted on the City's web page. A link to the brochure is posted on the City's web site. The brochure was funded by a grant through the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative.

For more info, contact City Forester Joe O'Neill at (847) 432-1604 or [joneill@cityhpil.com](mailto:joneill@cityhpil.com).

## Railroad Safety Week, Sept. 14-20

Over the years, the Highland Park Police Department has taken a proactive approach to Railroad Safety by conducting educational and enforcement activities in an effort to obtain compliance with railroad-related safety laws. During the week of September 14, the Highland Park Police Department supports Operation Lifesaver Railroad Safety week by joining Union Pacific Police, Metra Police and other Illinois law enforcement agencies to increase railroad education and enforcement activities at Highland Park commuter stations and at both Union Pacific Railroad lines in the City. This includes updating and improving signage, distribution of educational handouts, issuance of warnings, citations and conducting arrests. Pedestrians complying with railroad-related safety laws may be issued complimentary Operation Lifesaver commuter travel mugs.

Please be reminded that in Illinois, it is illegal to:

- Enter or walk upon or along a railroad right-of-way, other than a public crossing

- Fail to yield to crossing gate or warning bells and/or lights at railroad grade crossing-pedestrian

- Fail to obey, yield or stop a vehicle at any railroad grade crossing where a crossing gate, barrier or warning bells and/or lights are activated signaling the approach of a railroad train



- Fail to stop a vehicle of the second division (carrying passengers for hire, a school bus or any other vehicle required by Federal or State law to be placarded when carrying cargo or hazardous materials cargo) and listen and look for an approaching train prior to crossing a railroad grade crossing

The Police Department is committed to the highest level of traffic and pedestrian safety within our community. Citizen cooperation and compliance is an integral component of our safety philosophy. Please assist us by complying with railroad safety laws. If you have any questions or need further clarification, please contact Police Officer April Prete or Sergeant Chris O'Neill at (847) 432-7730.

## Nominations Sought for 2014 Historic Preservation Awards

The Historic Preservation Commission is accepting nominations for the 2014 Highland Park Historical Preservation Awards. The awards are held every year to recognize and encourage projects that protect historic homes in Highland Park. Last year's winners included the rehabilitation of an International Style house at 401 Woodland Road and the seamless addition of a new garage to the 1920's Georgian Revival House at 1535 Knollwood Lane.



As in years past, the 2014 Awards will recognize five categories: Restoration, Rehabilitation, Adaptive Reuse, Landscape Restoration and New Construction. Nominations are due to City Hall by Monday, October 27. Awards will be presented in December. Nomination forms are available at the Highland Park Public Library or online at [www.cityhpil.com](http://www.cityhpil.com). For more information, please contact Andy Cross, City Planner, at (847) 432-0867 or [across@cityhpil.com](mailto:across@cityhpil.com).

# YOUTH & SENIOR SERVICES

## senior

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

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

### Events & Activities ~

#### Annual Fall Harvest Dinner Dance Highland Park Country Club

Wednesday, October 8

5:30 - 8 p.m.

Fee: \$30 / NM: \$50

*Sponsored by Right at Home*

Put on your dancing shoes for an evening with a fabulous live band featuring Jack Kramer (trumpet, EVI, and vocals), Jerry Frank (drums and vocals), and a keyboard player. This talented trio plays danceable music spanning the decades. No need for a partner - the music is well suited for singles, couples and even groups. Dinner features a salad, your choice of grilled salmon with a red onion vinaigrette or roasted pork loin with a sage-molasses brown butter sauce, duchess potatoes, grilled asparagus, and apple pie à la mode for dessert.

#### Swan Lake by the Joffrey Ballet Auditorium Theatre, Chicago

Sunday, October 19

Fee: \$115 / NM: \$135

12:45 p.m. Bus departs Toys R Us  
6 p.m. Approximate return

The Joffrey Ballet brings a newly re-imagined Swan Lake to Chicago, choreographed by one of ballet's most acclaimed choreographers, Christopher Wheeldon. Set in the 19th century milieu of the Paris Opera Ballet, during the time Tchaikovsky was actually composing and Edgar Degas was on the rise.

**Laurel Larks Singing Group**  
Fridays now thru December 19  
1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
Peers Building  
400 Central Avenue  
Free, for members of the Highland Park Senior Center

Under the direction of John Kula and accompanied by Dave Massello, this lively group of singers rehearse popular and upbeat songs to prepare for winter performances held at local senior living facilities. No rehearsal September 26 or October 3.

**Grief Group**  
Thursdays, October 2 - November 6 (6 weeks)

1:30 - 3 p.m.

Free

Designed for those who are experiencing grief due to the death of a loved one within the past year, this 6-week interactive group addresses the mourning process, provides coping skills, and offers support from others facing similar loss. Facilitated by Jennifer Aiello, LPC, each participant must attend the initial meeting on October 2, in order to participate. *Please register by 9/29.*

**Life Rhythms: Wellness through Music**

Session I - Wednesdays, October 8 - 29 (4 classes)

1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Fee: \$26 / NM: \$46

Life Rhythms brings health and wellness with rhythmic music. Express your creative spirit, reduce stress, improve brain activity, and synchronize with drumming. Facilitator Noah Plotkin provides instruments including congas, bongos, talking drums, frame drums, djembes, shakers, rattles, bells, woodblocks and dumbeks to shake up the fun!

**Medical Ethics**

Thursdays, October 9 - 30  
(4 classes)

10 - 11:30 a.m. Fee: \$40 / NM: \$60

Medical ethics considers the morality of medical decision-making and the principles that impact patients, physicians and healthcare institutions. Dr. Maurice Pickard discusses current issues, including modern medical research and practices, transplants, human research, the pharmaceutical industry's responsibilities to society, and if knowing your genome is of benefit.

### Help Design the Youth Center

1991 Sheridan Road

Wednesday, October 1

4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

All current and former members of the City's Youth Services program, currently housed at the Firehouse Youth Center on Green Bay Road, and any future middle school students are invited to a pizza party to take part in the design of our new space at the Highland Park Community House, 1991 Sheridan Road. All are welcome to attend including parents, former staff, and anyone interested in helping this new space take shape. For more information, contact Don Miner, Manager of Youth and Senior Services, at (847) 926-1861.

For more information on the relocation of youth programming, please turn to page 3.

## 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.



# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## CITY MEETINGS

For information about City Meetings, please view the Calendar on the City's website at [www.cityhpil.com](http://www.cityhpil.com)

### 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 popular and highbrow entertainment.

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

**Exhibit through Oct. 25**

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.

### Mothers & Daughters Exhibit through Oct. 25

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

This juried exhibition is inspired by the mother-daughter relationship.

### Affordable Housing Information Session October 7

**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](mailto:akaufman@cpahousing.org).

### Fall 2014 Art in City Hall October 13

**4:00 p.m.**

City Hall  
1707 St. Johns Avenue  
(847) 926-1000

The City partners with The Art Center to display work by local and regional artists in City Hall. Works are in a variety of mediums including oil, acrylic, watercolor, and pastel, photography, sumi-e and encaustics.

### Pilgrim Players Concert Autumn Colors October 27

**3:00 p.m.**

Highland Park Community Center  
1991 Sheridan Road  
(847) 433-0992

Tickets: \$20 Adults / \$16 Seniors / \$8 Students

The Pilgrim Chamber Players opens their 17th season with 3 masterworks: the Serenade for String Trio from 1902 by the Hungarian composer Ernst Dohnanyi; Claude Debussy's String Quartet; and Gabriel Faure's Piano Quartet in C Minor. Performed by outstanding musicians, this concert should not be missed.

## October Arts Month Celebration Day! SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12

**1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

The Art Center  
1957 Sheridan Road  
(847) 432-1888  
Suggested donation: \$5

Join in a celebration of the arts, featuring music, art, dance, poetry, theater, and storytelling by many local Highland Park arts organizations. Hands-on activities for all ages - try your hand at pleine air painting, create a monstrous mask, or pave the way to TAC by creating mosaic stepping stones. You're invited to imagine, create and enjoy! Refreshments will be provided. Sponsored by the Highland Park Arts Commission.



## Highland Park 2014 Architectural Tour

ROBERT SEYFARTH ARCHITECTURE

OCTOBER 2014



### October is Robert E. Seyfarth Month.

Celebrate our very own Robert Seyfarth, a prolific architect who designed more homes in Highland Park than any other single architect. Seyfarth lived and worked in Highland Park from 1910 - 1950, building more than 70 homes and structures, including West Ridge and two commercial buildings.

Enjoy this rare opportunity to see architectural drawings of several homes. Speak to two of his grandchildren and hear a lively discussion with Architecture Historian Susan Benjamin and retired Northwestern University Art History professor David Van Zanten and others.

### Project Launch September 27

**2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

Highland Park Public Library  
494 Laurel Avenue

### Panel Discussion October 19

**2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

Highland Park Public Library  
494 Laurel Avenue

### House Tour October 26

**1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

Highland Park Historical Society  
326 Central Avenue  
Tickets \$30 in advance/\$35 tourday  
Contact Jean Sogin, (847) 432-7090

# SCHOOL DISTRICTS 112 & 113

## Harnessing Technology to Improve Learning

North Shore School District 112 staff were excited to welcome back more than 4,400 students from preschool through 8<sup>th</sup> grade on August 21. One big change this year is that virtually every student in grades 3 to 8 has been issued a personal Chromebook to use at school and at home. Having access to the world at their fingertips opens up new possibilities for teaching and learning, and the opportunity to provide more personalized learning for each student.

“Having a Chromebook in your hand really isn’t about the device—it’s about the teaching and learning paradigm shift, because what kids have in front of them is access to the world,” said Jennifer Ferrari, District 112’s Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning.

The district began using Chromebooks in many classrooms last year, and students and teachers alike found many benefits. To help teachers learn how to best utilize the new technology, District 112 joined forces last month with Districts 109 and 113 to

sponsor a day-long symposium on incorporating Chromebooks into the classroom. One of those sessions featured a panel of students from Indian Trail Elementary School and Elm Place Middle School who used the devices last year.

“Things changed a lot,” said Charlie Goldberg, a fourth-grader at Indian Trail. “First of all, I have sloppy handwriting and my organizational skills are really bad. All I have to do is type now, and I type really fast.” Goldberg said he’s found the ability to sort his work and assignments into electronic folders makes it much easier to stay organized. “I could never get all my (paper) folders to fit into my desk,” added Indian Trail fifth-grader Sarah Bass. “Now the folders are on the Chromebook.”

“We’ve seen a great increase in student motivation and excitement,” said teacher Stefanie Labellarte, whose role this year will be to mentor other teachers on how to use Chromebooks to improve student learning and success.



*Third-graders at Oak Terrace Elementary School get familiar with their new Chromebooks.*

### Architects to Present Sept. 18

Architects will present preliminary findings from their summer study at the September 18 Board of Education meeting. The board will use the study as a basis for deciding how to move forward with a plan to reconfigure the district into a fewer number of schools. The architects will share a more detailed report at the October 16 meeting. Both meetings will be held at 7 p.m. at the district administrative offices, 1936 Green Bay Road.

## District 113 moves ahead with referendum construction

On June 30, District 113 students, staff and Board of Education members joined with local and state elected leaders to officially break ground on multi-year construction projects to improve facilities and enhance the learning environments at Highland Park High School and Deerfield High School.

Work continued throughout the summer, and the District welcomed students and staff back the last week of August. On August 25, the Board of Education heard an update on the progress of the projects to date and got its first look at the plans for Phase 2.

Work completed to date at HPHS includes secured entries/comprehensive access control systems, site improvements and renovations of classrooms on the third floor of A building. Work also began this summer on the new three-court gymnasium at HPHS, which is scheduled for completion in September 2015.

Construction of the new HPHS pool will begin in fall 2015, with completion slated for spring 2017.

Separate from the referendum-related projects, this summer District 113 also replaced the Wolters Field bleachers and installed environmentally-friendly permeable pavers in the Wolters Field parking lot, half of which was paid for by a state grant.

Phase 2 referendum projects slated for HPHS include exterior and interior renovations to B-building, reconstruction of C-building, and classroom renovations on the first and second floor of A-building. Classroom renovations include the installation of LED lighting, new windows, acoustic ceilings and energy-efficient controls. Additionally, air conditioning will be installed in the renovated corridors.

Gilbane and Perkins + Will shared renderings August 25 of what the HPHS gymnasium and pool (shown here) will look like when complete, as well as proposed plans and renderings for B and C buildings.

A link to the presentation that was shared with the Board of Education August 25 has

been posted to the District 113 Facilities Update page, [dist113.org/facilityupdates](http://dist113.org/facilityupdates).

The Board of Education continues to work closely with its Oversight Committee to monitor the budget, scope and schedule of the referendum-related projects.

Of the \$114 million in planned renovation projects, \$89 million comes from a community-approved referendum in 2013.

Without impacting the education of students, the remaining \$25 million will come from the District’s own funds over a period of five years. The District already spends \$3.5 million a year on capital improvements, and the remaining \$1.5 million average annual commitment over the five-year period will come primarily from new revenues. Sources include improved management of the District’s pension liability to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, and anticipated increases in the value of taxable real estate within the District from new development and increasing property values.



# PARK DISTRICT OF HIGHLAND PARK

## Fun for All Ages

### Mud Puppies

Ages 7-9

Heller Nature Center • 2821 Ridge Road

District 112 is out of school today- drop the kids off at Heller for an afternoon of playing in the mud! We'll make mud and mud paintings, explore muddy puddles and more!

### Dance Factory

18 & Up

West Ridge Center • 636 Ridge Road

Learn to dance like a star in the ballroom! The first class in this series will explore the world of Jazz Funk in a fun, and comfortable environment.

34125 September 26 6:30-8pm \$25/30

### Women's Morning Canoe

Adults

Skokie Lagoons

Spend a relaxing morning paddling around the Skokie Lagoons while watching wildlife and enjoying the scenery. We'll provide canoes, paddles, PFDs, instruction and fun!

33908 September 27 10am-Noon \$20

### Canoeing

Grades 5-8

Skokie Lagoons

Spend an afternoon paddling the Skokie Lagoons with your friends. Learn basic canoe skills and safety, practice crossing a dam and explore the more hidden corners of the Lagoons.

33904 September 27 1-3pm \$20

### Beekeeping

Ages 6-Adult

Heller Nature Center • 2821 Ridge Road

Put on a bee suit and get a safe, fascinating look inside Heller's beehives and taste our own special honey!

33910 October 5 1-2:30pm \$8

### Parent/Child Pumpkin Lumieres

Adult/Child Age 4-Grade K

West Ridge Center • 636 Ridge Road.

Work together to design, build, and decorate a pumpkin-themed lantern to light the way for your trick-or-treaters. The piece will be fired and ready for pick up on Oct 24.

33727 October 10 7-8:30pm \$16/21

### Trick & Swim

Ages 6-10

Recreation Center of Highland Park • 1207 Park Avenue West  
Swim the first hour, then decorate pumpkins and taffy apples.

Participants must be able to swim 15 years of any stroke.

33383 October 17 6-8pm \$12\*/25

\* Swim School Member

### Woofstock 2014

Family

Have a howling good time at our enclosed dog park. Enter our dog costume contest and walk the runway to win great prizes. We'll have hot dogs for purchase, and some great tunes to bark along to. We will be accepting gently used blankets as donations to benefit animal shelters in the area. For more information please call 847.831.3810.

**Who:** Dogs all shapes and sizes, and their owners!

**Where:** Debbie Gottlieb Beitler Dog Park in Larry Fink Memorial Park.

**When:** Sunday, September 21, 2014 from Noon-2pm

**Cost:** FREE!



 **Rainout Line** 847.579.9008

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**Halloween Fun at  
Sunset Woods Park**  
Sunday, October 12:  
4-8pm \$10/child

**Spooktacular**  
4-6pm Age 4-Grade 4  
Inflatables  
Carnival Rides  
"Scared Silly" Stories with Chris Fascione  
Not-So-Scary Spook Walk  
Glow-in-the-Dark Activity Tent

**X-FEAR-IENCE**  
6-8PM GRADES 5-8  
INFLATABLES  
CARNIVAL RIDES  
SCARE IT UP WALK  
DJ  
FOOD TRUCKS

Food Trucks and DJ  
from 4-8pm



## 50+ Active Adults

### Group Exercise Classes

Recreation Center of Highland Park • 1207 Park Avenue West

#### HydroSplash

MTWFS 8:30-9:30am

#### Pilates

Mon 9:30-10:30am

Wed 10:35-11:35am

#### Light n' Lively

Mon 1:10am-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 at active older adults, this sport combines table tennis, badminton, and tennis.

Tuesdays: September 23 & 30

4 courts: Open Gym Play Only  
2:20-4:30pm

Thursdays: September 18 & 25

4 courts: Open Gym Play Only  
10am-Noon

Saturdays: September 20 & 27

4 courts: Open Gym Play Only  
10am-Noon

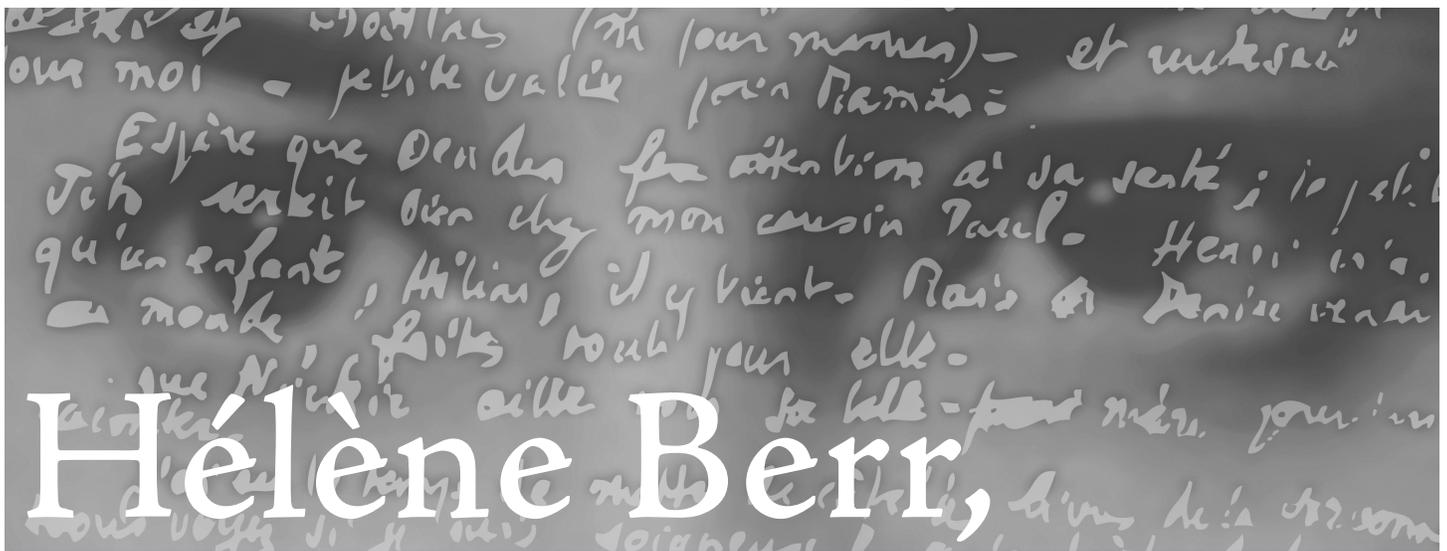
Group exercise classes are included in membership.

Nonmembers may pay a day fee of \$12R/15NR.

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# HIGHLAND PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY



## Hélène Berr,

# A Stolen Life

Please join us for this special exhibit that comes to Highland Park Public Library from the Mémorial de la Shoah, in Paris, France.

## Through October 20

*Hélène Berr, A Stolen Life* is based on the journal of Hélène Berr, 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 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.



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

### Film Screening

*From Hollywood To Nuremberg:*  
*John Ford, Samuel Fuller,*  
*George Stevens*

Sunday, September 21, 2 p.m.

Historian and filmmaker Christian Delage relates the story of three great filmmakers sent to Europe to document the realities of war and the liberation of the camps. Their footage was used as evidence during the Nuremberg trials. Christian Delage will speak about the film via Skype.



Designed, created, and distributed by the Mémorial de la Shoah in Paris, France (curators Karen Taieb and Sophie Nagiscarde), with the guidance of Mariette Job (niece of Hélène Berr), and made possible through the generous support of SNCF.

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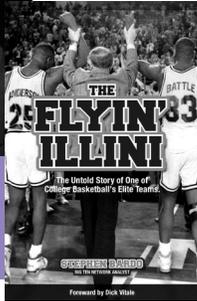
Alliance Française de Chicago

## Stephen Bardo – *The Flyin' Illini*



Thursday, September 18, 7 p.m.

Stephen Bardo, television college basketball analyst and former starting point guard on the University of Illinois 1989 men's basketball team that reached the Final Four, discusses his book about the popular University of Illinois basketball team that was nicknamed the Flyin' Illini.



### Get Your Book Signed!

Books will be for sale and the event will conclude with a book signing.

# LIBRARY



### Learn something new this fall!

Introducing a special series of classes including **Intro to PowerPoint**, **Intro to Excel**, **Memoir Writing**, and **Windows 8.1 Apps**. Find a list of classes and register at [hplibrary.org](http://hplibrary.org). Library U is made possible by the generous support of the Alvin H. Baum Family Fund.

## FILM AND BOOK DISCUSSIONS

### Fall Film Preview with Michael Phillips

Wednesday, October 8, 10:30 a.m.

*Chicago Tribune* film critic Michael Phillips previews movies opening this fall. Presented with the Highland Park Senior Center. Sponsored by Silverado of Highland Park.

### You Will Be My Son Film Discussion

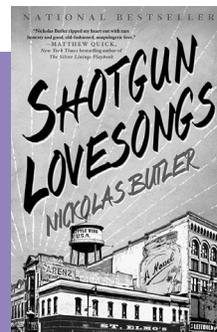
Wednesday, September 17, 7 p.m.

Film instructor Dick Adler leads a discussion about this French film about a proprietor of a prestigious family vineyard who dreams of a harder-working, successful son. Sponsored by the Friends of the Highland Park Public Library.

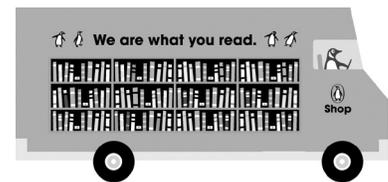
### Shotgun Lovesongs Book Discussion

Tuesday, October 14, 1 p.m.

Noted book discussion leader Judy Levin leads a discussion about Nickolas Butler's novel, a lovesong dedicated to the American Midwest.



### The Penguin Book Truck Rolls Into Town!



Wednesday, October 8

Classic, new, and bestselling adult and children's books published by Penguin will be for sale when Penguin's bright orange truck makes a special stop at the library.

Shop the truck and a portion of the sales will benefit the library!

Bring your book group and select your next book!

Come with the kids and browse for a new bedtime story and enjoy penguin-themed fun!

With a special appearance by Nothing Bundt Cakes' **Bundt Mobile!**



## FALL FUN FOR KIDS

### Drop-in Chess

Saturdays, through December 6, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., through 9th grade

Join us any time during the session. A chess expert will be available to help all levels, from beginners to advanced players.

### Anime/Manga Club

Tuesday, September 16, 3:15 – 5:15 p.m., Grades 6 – 10

Watch anime, read manga, eat snacks, and enjoy other fun activities. Meets the third Tuesday of every month, September–March.

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## BUSINESS REPORT

Business information is provided for informational purposes only.

### NEW BUSINESSES

**BAKE 425**  
479 Central Avenue  
(847) 681-9700  
Pizza Carryout

**DECKWORKS INC.**  
2310 Skokie Valley Road  
(847) 433-7899  
Carpentry Remodeling

**THE RUBBER CONSORTIUM**  
1544 Old Skokie Road  
(847) 926-0930  
Wholesale Rubber Supplies

**STYLE HUNTERS**  
1510 Old Deerfield Road  
(773) 615-1413  
Styling/Consignment

**V3 PERFORMANCE**  
1660 Old Skokie Road  
(708) 606-3061  
Personal Training Studio

### BUSINESS RECOGNITION AWARDS

Recognizing businesses that have been in the community over 25 years for their excellence and innovation in business operations, and a commitment to the Highland Park community. Businesses that have been in operation 25 to 49 years are recognized in the *Highlander*. Businesses that have been in operation over 50 years are recognized in the *Highlander* and presented with a Certificate of Recognition at a City Council meeting. Businesses are listed in order of longevity and as space permits. For more information about these businesses and business recognition awards, please contact Carolyn Hersch in the City's Office of Economic Development at [chersch@cityhpil.com](mailto:chersch@cityhpil.com), or (847) 926-1027.

### Binny's Beverage Depot – Since 1978

153 Skokie Valley Highway  
(847) 831-5400  
Zagat says, "These popular beverage specialists inspire 'love' for the 'excellent selection' of beer, wine and spirits at 'amazing prices', 'fantastic service' from the 'super-knowl-edgeable staff' plus 'well-laid-out aisles and displays'; some stores boast walk-in humidors, wine cellars and storage while others offer 'tasty tidbits and party accoutrements.'"

### Loyal Order of the Moose – Since 1920

1799 Green Bay Road  
847-432-3115  
Moose International is dedicated to caring for young and old, bringing communities closer together and celebrating life. The Highland Park chapter hosts a variety of member events, including special dinners, fundraising events and more. Their charities focus on creating living spaces and care for children and the elderly.

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