

THE HIGHLANDER



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City Announces Spring Clean-Up Dates

The City's annual Spring Clean-Up Program will be offered by Veolia Environmental Services on four consecutive Saturdays beginning April 30 and ending May 21. This year, collection will again coincide with residents' primary garbage collection day (the primary collection day is the day both garbage and recycling are collected). Refer to the map on the right to determine your primary collection day and then utilize the table below the map to view your Spring Clean-Up collection date. In order to keep City streets clean, it is requested that residents not place any material out for collection earlier than one week before a scheduled collection.

Oversized Items

Veolia Environmental Services will pick up all allowed oversized items that are placed at the curb on residents' scheduled Spring Clean-Up days. To discard waste from a do-it-yourself project, please make sure that the material is bundled so that one person can pick it up and place it in the truck. Carpeting must be rolled and should not exceed the weight that one person can carry. Waste material generated by general contractors will not be accepted.

Appliances

Residents with appliances for collection such as refrigerators/freezers (doors must be removed), stoves, dishwashers, washers/dryers, furnaces/boilers, hot water heaters, air conditioners, and microwave ovens must call (800) 480-4337 to arrange for pick-up as Veolia contracts with a separate firm to collect these items. When calling, please indicate your name, address, and the type of item to be collected. Once you call, your item will be picked up on the following Spring Clean-Up Saturday, free of charge. When scheduling an appliance pick-up, it does not have to coincide with the Saturday in which your household is scheduled for Spring Clean-Up collection. Please note that residents must bring the item to the curb in order for it to be collected.

Prohibited Items

Items must be placed at the curb no later than 7:00 a.m. on collection day. The following items will not be accepted: regular garbage; yardwaste; debris generated by landscapers, tree trimmers, or contractors; demolition material from fences, roofs, or exterior building debris; rubber tires; batteries; and oil and household hazardous wastes such as paint, pesticides, or pool chemicals.

For additional information on the City of Highland Park's Spring Clean-Up Program, contact Veolia Environmental Services at (847) 272-4145, or Brian Bourdeau in the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1043/bbourdeau@cityhpil.com.



<u>Area</u>	<u>Collection Day</u>	<u>Spring Clean-Up Day</u>
SE	Monday	Saturday, April 30
SW	Tuesday	Saturday, May 7
NE	Thursday	Saturday, May 14
NW	Friday	Saturday, May 21

Sustainable Practices Incorporated Into Highland Park Residential Services

Veolia Environmental Services is currently in the process of transitioning its fleet of collection trucks to ones that operate on compressed natural gas (CNG). Veolia will replace all refuse and recycling collection trucks that service Highland Park with CNG trucks by March 31, 2011. CNG fuel burns with 85% fewer emissions than traditional motor fuels, thereby reducing the City's carbon footprint while improving local air quality.

In addition to operating with compressed natural gas, the collection trucks have an automated arm that is used to empty refuse and recycling carts placed at the curb. In order to ensure residents' refuse and recycling is collected as scheduled, the City would like to remind all residents who utilize curbside collection that refuse and recycling carts need to be placed side-by-side and within four feet from the curb no later than 7:00 a.m. on their designated collection day.

For additional information regarding the CNG trucks or the residential franchise, please contact Brian Bourdeau in the City Manager's Office, at (847) 926-1043/bbourdeau@cityhpil.com.

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Donate Your Old Automobile

The Highland Park Fire Department is looking for used and soon-to-be discarded vehicles for Fire Department training purposes. These vehicles may be in any condition, running or not. If you have a car or van that you would like to donate, please contact Lieutenant Bill Brennan at (847) 433-3110/wbrennan@cityhpil.com. The City will provide information concerning the donation of vehicles and the necessary paperwork required by those wishing to make a donation. The Fire Department will also arrange to pick up any vehicle that is slated for donation.

Upcoming Affordable Housing Sessions

Community Partners for Affordable Housing (CPAH) will offer the following information sessions on affordable housing opportunities that are available through Community Partners for Affordable Housing and the City of Highland Park Inclusionary Housing Program:

Thursday, March 17, at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 2, at 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, April 12, at 7:00 p.m.

Information sessions will review eligibility requirements, available homes and provide an opportunity to ask questions about affordable housing in Highland Park. Additional information sessions are available by appointment. Sessions are held at 400 Central Avenue, #111. Please register by calling (847) 681-8746. For more information, visit www.cpahousing.org or call (847) 681-8746.

Enter Fourth Of July Parade

If you are a local organization, business or neighborhood group, consider participating in the 2011 Fourth of July parade. Applications will be accepted until June 7, 2011. To obtain an application, visit www.cityhpil.com or contact Jennifer Dotson in the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1006/jdotsen@cityhpil.com.

Winter Parking Regulations Still In Effect

Residents are reminded that the City's "Snow Ordinance" is in effect through March 31, and that vehicles may not be parked in excess of 15 minutes on any public street between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. This is a Citywide ban on parking to facilitate snow removal operations when necessary, and to decrease occurrences of accidental damage to vehicles parked on streets or in City parking lots. This ban applies at all times regardless of snow conditions. Authorized winter overnight City parking lots are identified on the City's website at www.cityhpil.com and require a valid overnight parking permit that can be obtained at City Hall, 1707 St. Johns Avenue, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Presently, fines for violation of this ordinance are \$20. For more information, contact Sergeant Chris O'Neill at (847) 432-7730/coneill@cityhpil.com.

Report Potholes to Public Works Department

With the onset of warmer weather and the freeze-thaw cycles that occur this time of year, potholes may materialize on City streets. To help the Public Works Department in its efforts to maintain City streets in the best possible condition, please report potholes to the City via the Pothole Hotline at (847) 926-1178. This hotline is available 24-hours a day and allows residents to report a pothole location. Residents are asked to leave their name, address, phone number and the specific location of the pothole. Additionally, potholes may also be reported online on the City's website at www.cityhpil.com. Please note that all repairs completed now are temporary and some areas will require repairs to be made more than once because weather conditions in conjunction with traffic movement may displace the material. Permanent repairs will be made later this spring when the asphalt necessary to complete the repairs is available. For more information, please contact the Department of Public Works at (847) 432-0807.

Sister Cities Foundation Seeks New Members

The Highland Park Sister Cities Foundation is seeking new members to assist in expanding its relationship with Kiryat Gat, Israel. The Foundation established a relationship with Kiryat Gat in 2008. The mission of Sister Cities International is to promote peace through mutual respect, understanding and cooperation - one individual, one community at a time. The charge of the Highland Park Sister Cities Foundation has been to establish greater friendship and understanding between Highland Park and its Sister Cities through cultural and artistic exchanges and personal interaction. For additional information regarding the Foundation, please contact Renee Helm in the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1030/rhelm@cityhpil.com.

Architect Sought for Design Review Commission

The City is seeking a Highland Park resident with a background in architecture to serve on the Design Review Commission (DRC). The mission of the Design Review Commission is to "uphold the public health, safety and welfare in Highland Park by enhancing and preserving the character and appearance of the community." The DRC reviews exterior design features, such as building design, the kind and characteristics of windows, doors, and lighting components, as well as site improvements like landscaping, screening materials, lighting, and site circulation for all commercial and multi-family development in the City. Applications are reviewed using both the City's General Design Standards and the Zoning Code. The meetings are at 7:00 p.m. on the first and third Mondays of each month at City Hall. Residents with an architectural background who are interested in serving on the Design Review Commission are encouraged to contact DeVona Gaynor, Executive Assistant to the Mayor, at (847) 926-1008/dgaynor@cityhpil.com.

BUSINESS REPORT

Monthly Business Report

The following businesses have opened in Highland Park. For more details, please contact Carolyn Hersch, Economic Development Assistant, at (847) 926-1027/chersch@cityhpil.com.

Casas Aesthetic Plastic Surgery & Medispa

Plastic Surgeon's Office & Medispa; Non-Surgical Products and Procedures
799 Central Parkway, Suite 260
(847) 432-1400
www.casas.md/index.php/me-dispa

Edward Jones

Stock Broker Office
610 Central Avenue, Suite 150
(847) 433-3037

Turtle's Cupcakes

Bakery (Cupcake Shop)
469 Central Avenue
(630) 973-9759

La Casa de Isaac & Moishe

Mexican Restaurant
2014 First Street
(847) 433-7400

Phone Number Change:

A to Z of Health

Medical Services
767 Park Avenue West, Suite 130
(847) 219-0705

Message from the Mayor



In 1908, history was made. Staunton, Virginia, appointed the first city manager. Shortly thereafter in 1914, ICMA (International City/County Management Association) was founded. Since that time, ICMA has played a leading role in fostering a renaissance in local government management while protecting a platform of ethical behavior embodied in that character.

ICMA advances the council-manager model of government worldwide. Its mission is to create excellence in local governance by developing and advancing professional management of local government. ICMA provides a myriad of services to its members, including training and professional development to more than 9,000 city, town, and county experts and other individuals and organizations throughout the world. The management decisions made by ICMA's members affect 185 million individuals living in thousands of communities, from small villages and towns to large metropolitan areas.

ICMA has played a great part in furthering the legacy of professional city management. ICMA was established as an association by eight of the first city managers in 1914. One of the most important aspects of the association was the development of the Code of Ethics in 1924, which is a document that has withstood the test of time and has provided the ethical framework for the ongoing work of its members.

The council-manager form of government was born when turn of the century political machines and special interests were immersed in greed and corruption. But through the first city manager appointment in Staunton, Virginia, a legacy was created. This professional legacy was built upon a platform of ethical, transparent and efficient local government that expects its leaders to adhere to a code of ethics that has stood the test of time, leaders who have that moral compass and that will for what is right and fair. For over 100 years, this profession has been building the wheel that supports ethical, transparent and effective local governance, one community at a time. Many deserve credit for this legacy of building and leading organizations by securing harmony between the elected leaders, appointed staff and citizens. In particular, I would like to recognize Highland Park City Manager, David Limardi, who also served as President of ICMA from 2008-2009. In November 2009, David was also inducted as a Fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration. His contributions to the profession and the City are invaluable.

Highland Park is included in this category of professional government. The City Council consists of seven total members comprised of an elected mayor and six council members. A professional city manager and staff who are trained and experienced in city management handle the day-to-day operations of the City. City government is a service business that enhances the community's quality of life. Government should enrich democracy and enable all citizens to participate. The community gains expertise from trained, professional city managers. It is imperative during these times that the City, and rest of the world, all remain committed to the council-manager form of government, especially as decisions continue to become more challenging.

Thank you,



Downtown Alliance Expands Gift Card Program Online

The Downtown HP gift card program continues to expand with the launch of online gift card sales. Customers can take advantage of the convenience of online shopping and may choose to have gift cards sent by mail for a small shipping fee or can avoid fees by picking up cards directly from the Downtown Highland Park Alliance office, 442 Central Avenue, second floor. Since its launch in November 2009, over \$65,000 in gift card purchases has been reinvested in Downtown Highland Park businesses. The gift card is accepted at over 80 restaurants, retailers and service businesses. For a complete list of participating businesses, or to purchase cards, visit www.downtownhp.com. For more information, contact Bridget Kagan, Downtown Alliance Marketing and Communications Coordinator, at (847) 780-4293/bridget@downtownhp.com.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Cellular Device Restriction Takes Effect on June 1

On January 24, 2011, the City Council amended the Distracted Driving Ordinance to require all motorists driving in Highland Park to utilize cellular devices in a hands-free mode while operating a vehicle. This ordinance amendment will take effect on June 1, 2011, and is intended to improve safety for pedestrians and motorists. The amended Distracted Driving Ordinance requires that:

- No person shall drive a motor vehicle while using any wireless, mobile, cellular, analog wireless or digital telephone, personal data assistant or electronic communication device.
- The term “using” includes without limitation, talking or listening to another person on the telephone; text messaging; sending, reading or listening to an electronic message; and browsing the Internet.

The amended Distracted Driver Ordinance does not apply to the following:

- Law enforcement officers and operators of emergency vehicles when on duty and acting in their official capacities.
- Persons using a telephone with a hands-free device that allows the driver to talk to and listen to the other party on the telephone without the use of the driver’s hands.
- Persons using a telephone, personal data assistant, or electronic communication device for the purpose of contacting or communicating with public safety or other emergency service providers while driving a motor vehicle.
- Persons using a telephone, personal data assistant, or electronic communication device in a motor vehicle that is in a parked position.

Police will conduct a one-month written warning period after the amended ordinance takes effect. Police will begin issuing citations for hands-free cellular device restriction violations on Friday, July 1, 2011. Residents seeking more information regarding cellular device usage while driving can find additional information on the following websites: www.nsc.org, www.distracton.gov and www.cyberdriveillinois.com. For more information regarding the amended ordinance, please contact Police Sergeant Chris O’Neill at (847) 432-7730/coneill@cityhpil.com.

Commuter Parking Now Restricted on Residential Streets

On February 14, 2011, the City Council passed an ordinance that restricts the practice of train commuters parking vehicles on residential streets in proximity to Metra commuter stations for the purpose of circumventing the City’s commuter parking permit and parking meter requirements. This ordinance was enacted in response to ongoing concerns regarding commuters parking on residential streets for extended periods of time, thereby displacing residents and guest parking. The City provides a number of economical parking options at all of its commuter stations through the use of commuter parking permits and metered parking. For further information on commuter parking options and related commuter parking permit fees, visit www.cityhpil.com. Commuters who park vehicles in residential neighborhoods near Metra commuter stations will be issued a warning that will serve as notice of the new ordinance. Subsequent violations will result in a citation and potential incremental fines. For more information, contact Sergeant Chris O’Neill at (847) 432-7730/coneill@cityhpil.com.

Polystyrene Recycling Pilot Program Continues Through 2011

The City of Highland Park and the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO) are pleased to announce that the pilot program for foam recycling has been expanded and will continue through 2011. The Public Works Department is now accepting #6 polystyrene foam products for drop-off at the same site as the current electronic recycling drop-off location, 1180 Half Day Road, on Tuesdays and Fridays, from 7:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. during regularly scheduled business days. Acceptable materials and guidelines for recycling include:

- All foam products must have a #6 recycling symbol;
- Acceptable foam products include packaging foam like molded forms and shapes, cups, containers, egg cartons, meat trays and food/lunch trays;
- Please empty and rinse foam products before recycling so they are free of food residue;
- No straws, lids, plastic wrap, foam insulation or packaging peanuts are accepted (call 800-828-2214 or visit www.loosefillpackaging.com for packaging peanut drop-off sites).

For more information, please contact Facilities and Grounds Superintendent Robert McCraren at (847) 432-0807/bmccraren@cityhpil.com.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Consolidated Local Election Scheduled for April 5

On April 5, 2011, residents will have the opportunity to vote for candidates for Municipal, Township, Park District and School Board offices. Candidates for Municipal offices include Councilwoman Terri Olian and Councilman Nancy Rotering who are running for the office of Mayor. Five candidates, Tony Blumberg, Carolyn Cerf, Paul Frank, David Naftzger and Lane Young, are running for three Councilman seats.

The polls will be open from 6:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 5. Your polling place is listed on your voter registration card. Visit the Lake County Clerk's website at www.LakeVoterPower.info to look up your polling place or to view a sample ballot. For more information call the Lake County Clerk at (847) 377-2313.

Early voting for Highland Park and Moraine Township residents begins on Monday, March 14, through March 31, 2011, at the Lake County North Shore Health Center, 1840 Green Bay Road, on weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Early voters are required to present a valid government-issued identification document such as a valid Illinois driver's license or Illinois identification card issued by the Secretary of State. For more information, contact the Lake County Clerk at (847) 377-2406.

Registered voters may request a one-time ballot or enroll in the Permanent Voting by Mail Program for the April Consolidated Election at www.LakeVoterPower.info. Once enrolled in the permanent program, voters automatically receive a ballot for every election specified at the address provided. Voters remain in the program until the County Clerk's office receives notification from you to inactivate. The first day the Lake County Clerk will mail ballots for the April 5 Consolidated Election is March 11. For more information, contact the Lake County Clerk at (847) 377-2406.

City Council Approves Updated Building Codes

On February 14, 2011, the Highland Park City Council approved updated building codes. National code organizations, such as the International Code Council and the National Fire Protection Association, typically publish new model codes every three years in order to adapt to new construction technology and to continue to represent the best practices in the industry. Many national model building codes for which the City of Highland Park had previously adopted the 2006 edition have now been updated to the 2009 edition. Included among the codes, which will go into effect on April 1, 2011, are the 2009 International Building Code, the 2009 International Residential Code, the 2009 Mechanical Code, the 2009 International Property Maintenance Code, and the 2009 International Energy Conservation Code. Through local amendments, the City has kept the requirements for fire sprinklers the same as previously adopted. According to the Department of Energy, utilizing the 2009 International Energy Conservation Code will provide a 15% gain in residential energy-efficiency. Roofing permits will be required beginning April 1. They will be free of charge, except for hot tar and torch down roofing applications, which will continue to require a \$75 permit from the Fire Department as was required under the previously adopted codes. The City of Highland Park expects to have a new online permit application for roofing permits available this spring. This online permitting system will allow property owners and contractors to fill out a roofing permit application online and submit it through the City's website. Although roofing permits are the only permit type that will be applied for online, the online permitting system currently allows property owners and contractors to view permit data, including inspection results, for other permit types and will continue to do so. For more information, please contact Mike Croak in the Building Division at (847) 432-0808/mcroak@cityhpil.com.

Emerald Ash Borer Confirmed in Highland Park

As of February 17, 2011 the Illinois Department of Agriculture has positively identified the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) in Highland Park. EAB is a small, green, non-native insect that primarily feeds on native ash trees and over time, results in tree mortality. Ash trees are a common species of tree and have a low resistance to the EAB. Currently, 16 percent of the City's public tree population is comprised of ash trees and additional ash trees are located on private property. Since the outbreak of EAB in Michigan in 2002, the City stopped planting new parkway ash trees and has actively removed ash trees that are in poor condition. Once an ash tree is removed, it is then replanted with an alternate species. Residents are advised to contact a certified arborist if they have questions or suspect EAB on private property. In some cases, instead of removal, insecticidal treatment of larger high value ash trees may be the solution. Every situation is different and insecticidal treatment should be evaluated on an individual basis. In order to educate the community regarding EAB, the City of Highland Park, in conjunction with the Park District of Highland Park, will conduct an informational EAB seminar. The seminar will be held on Saturday, April 30, at 9:00 a.m. at the West Ridge Center, 636 Ridge Road. To attend, please register with the Public Works Department by calling Claudia Glasco at (847) 432-0809. For more information, please visit www.cityhpil.com or contact Joe O'Neill, City Forester, at (847) 926-1604/joneill@cityhpil.com.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

CITY MEETINGS

The public is invited to attend City meetings, which take place at City Hall, 1707 St. Johns Avenue, unless otherwise noted. Dates and times are subject to change. Call (847) 432-0800 for further details.

Mon., March 14	Committee of the Whole	4:30 p.m.
	City Council	7:30 p.m.
Tues., March 15	Plan Commission	7:30 p.m.
Thurs., March 17	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:30 p.m.
Mon., March 21	Sister Cities Foundation	7:00 p.m.
	Design Review Commission	7:00 p.m.
Tues., March 22	Economic Development Comm.	6:00 p.m.
Wed., March 23	Transportation Commission	6:30 p.m.
Mon., March 28	Committee of the Whole	4:30 p.m.
	City Council	7:30 p.m.
Mon., April 4	Design Review Commission	7:00 p.m.
Wed., April 6	Housing Commission	6:30 p.m.
Thurs., April 7	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:30 p.m.
Mon., April 11	Committee of the Whole	4:30 p.m.
	City Council	7:30 p.m.
Tues., April 12	Ravinia Festival Relations	6:30 p.m.
	Police Pension	7:00 p.m.
	Library Board of Trustees (494 Laurel Avenue)	7:30 p.m.
	Plan Commission	7:30 p.m.
	Cultural Arts Commission	7:30 p.m.
Wed., April 13	Natural Resources Commission	6:30 p.m.
Thurs., April 14	Historic Preservation	7:30 p.m.

LIBRARY PROGRAMS

The Highland Park Public Library presents free literacy and cultural programs. Registration for certain programs may be required as noted. The Library is located at 494 Laurel Avenue. For more information, call (847) 432-0216 or visit www.hplibrary.org. The Library will open at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 6.

Jazz Concert, Sunday, March 20, 2:00 p.m. Chicago jazz quartet BMR4, featuring members of the Buddy Guy, Lonnie Brooks and Patricia Barber bands, performs at the Library. Enjoy classic jazz, mixed with R&B and Blues. Sponsored by Whitehall of Deerfield Healthcare Center.

Girl With The Dragon Tattoo Film Discussion, Wednesday, March 23, 7:00 p.m. Film instructor Dick Adler leads a discussion about the *Girl with the Dragon Tattoo* based on Stieg Larsson's book. Sponsored by the Friends of the Highland Park Public Library.

Used Book Sale, Thursday, April 14, Friday, April 15, 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., Saturday, April 16, 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Purchase used books, DVDs and CDs at the Friends of the Library's used book sale. A preview night will be held Wednesday, April 13, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Preview night admission is free to Friends of the Highland Park Library members or \$15 at the door. Admission during regular hours is free.

Gaming Tournament, Saturday, March 26, 10:00 a.m. Two Divisions: Grades 4-5 and Grades 6-8. Participate in Mario Kart, DDR, Super Smash Bros. and Guitar Hero tournaments. Pizza provided for registered gamers and prizes awarded for first and second place in each game for both divisions. Registration required for gamers and limited to residents of Highland Park or residents of the North Shore School District 112 service area. Register in the Youth Services Department or by calling (847) 681-7030. Presented with the *Firehouse* Youth Activity Center.

CULTURAL ARTS EVENTS

Steans Music Institute March 18 8:00 p.m.; \$25	Bennett-Gordon Hall 200 Ravinia Park Road (847) 831-3622	CSL Art Exhibition April 8 - 16 Call for Times; Free	The Art Center 1957 Sheridan Road (847) 432-1888
Jan Lisiecki March 25 8:00 p.m.; \$25	Bennett-Gordon Hall 200 Ravinia Park Road (847) 831-3622	Poetry That Moves April 9 3:00 p.m.; Free	Highland Park Library 494 Laurel Avenue (847) 926-1006
Paperweights: Jewels of the Glass Art World March 30 - April 27 Call for Times; Free	Historical Society 326 Central Avenue (847) 432-7090	Jazz All-Stars April 10 3:00 p.m.; Free	Community House 1991 Sheridan Road (847) 432-1515
Merrily We Roll Along March 31 - May 1 Call for Times; \$30	Music Theatre Company 1850 Green Bay Road (847) 579-4900	Focus on the Arts April 11 - 14 Call for Information	Highland Park High School 433 Vine Avenue (224) 765-2164
HP Poetry Open Mic April 8 8:00 p.m.; Free	The Art Center 1957 Sheridan Road (847) 926-1006	Red Hot Gala May 5 Call for Information	The Art Center 1957 Sheridan Road (847) 432-1888

YOUTH & SENIOR SERVICES

Youth Services

Serving youth in grades 6-8
1830 Green Bay Road (847) 433-3090

The Firehouse School Year Hours:
Monday - Friday, 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Open on Days off of School for Those
Enrolled in Trips Only

Firehouse Field Trips

Space is limited, advance registration required. The *Firehouse* reserves the right to cancel trips and programs due to low enrollment. A note regarding summer camps: The *Firehouse* Youth Center will not be offering summer camps this year. For information regarding summer camps, please contact the Park District of Highland Park at (847) 831-3810.

Rinkside Sports

Thursday, March 17, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Fee: \$50 Members/\$65 Non-Members

Ice skating, laser tag, mini-golf, arcade games and lunch.

Dave and Buster's

Friday, March 18, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Fee: \$50 Members/\$65 Non-Members (Lunch Included)

Rated by *Firehouse* members as the best place for gaming and food, Dave and Buster's is always a popular destination.

Spring Break Schedule

Movie & Pizza Day at the Firehouse

Monday, March 28, Noon - 3:00 p.m.
Fee: \$10 Members/\$13 Non-Members

Schaumburg Water Works

Tuesday, March 29, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Fee: \$50 Members/\$65 Non-Members
Admission and lunch included.

Highwood Bowling

Wednesday, March 30, 11:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Fee: \$15 Members/\$20 Non-Members
Join us for time on the lanes, lunch and bags.

Enchanted Castle in Lombard

Thursday, March 31, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Fee: \$50 Members/\$65 Non-Members

Admission, lunch, arcade tokens, laser tag, mini-golf, and bumper cars are all part of the action.

Beat the Staff

Friday, April 1, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., Free

Enjoy the day challenging the *Firehouse* staff to a number of games, winning prizes along the way. (No fooling).

Pajama Day & Bingo

Monday, April 4, Brunch at 11:00 a.m.
Fee: \$5 Members/\$8 Non-Members

Roll out of bed and into the *Firehouse* for a hot breakfast and Bingo.

Senior Services

Serving adults over 50

54 Laurel Avenue (847) 432-4110

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

Live on the Links Classic Concerts: Maxwell Street Klezmer Quartet

Highland Park Country Club; Thursday, March 24
1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.; Free; For Members Only

Advance registration required, please call (847) 432-4110. This Quartet from the Maxwell Street Klezmer Band includes, piano, clarinet, violin and vocals and will feature Klezmer, Jewish, Yiddish, as well American music composed by some of the most loved Jewish composers. *Sponsored by Lake Forest Place.*

Computer Class: Let's Get Started!

Thursdays, March 24 - April 28 (6 classes)

9:30 a.m. - Noon; Fee: Members: \$180 / Non-Members: \$200

This beginning computer class is designed for those with limited computer experience, and is fast-paced but builds repetitive computing skills to give students an introduction to a variety of important computer applications. Students will learn computer terminology and basics, including mouse skills and use of Microsoft Windows. Next, students will learn basic Internet access and use, followed by instruction on how to set-up an e-mail account and how to compose send, receive, forward and reply to e-mail messages.

Jim Kenney Lecture: Anatomy of a Wikileaks

Highland Park Country Club; Thursday, March 31
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.; Free; For Members Only

Advance registration required, please call (847) 432-4110. What should you think of Julian Assange? Is the Wikileaks phenomenon a cultural positive or a global negative? What is a Wiki, and how does Wikileaks work? What does it mean to live in an age of Internet insecurity? *Sponsored by ManorCare Health Services.*

Highland Park High School Senior Citizen Prom

Highland Park High School; Saturday, April 16
5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.; Free For Members and Residents Only
Advanced Registration Required

Join members of the Highland Park High School Freshman Board for Senior Prom with a flashback to the 60s theme. This event features a dinner buffet catered by Sunset Foods, a sweet table with home baked goods from the students, entertainment by some of the High School's best performance groups and dancing to the music of a live band. Advance registration required; please call the Senior Center at (847) 432-4110 by Friday, April 8. *Sponsored by Highland Park Nursing and Rehab.*

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Look for LATE NITE HP events on Friday and Saturday evenings in Highland Park.
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Accomplishments Profiled in State of the City Address

On March 10, Mayor Michael Belsky reviewed accomplishments from 2010 and outlined the City's 2011 agenda during his annual State of the City address. In his speech, a number of significant successes achieved during 2010 were highlighted, and the Mayor also spoke of his vision for Highland Park in 2011. The Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with Highland Park Hospital, hosted the address at the Highland Park Country Club. The Mayor addressed economic development, the value of cultural arts in the downtown business district, public finance and transparency, sustainability and environmental vitality, infrastructure and land use, health and public safety, and local governance. A sample of accomplishments from 2010 include the following:

- City staff and the Green Initiatives Alliance completed work on the development of a community-wide Sustainability Strategic Plan.
- Implementation of a new franchise agreement to provide refuse, recycling and yardwaste services for single-family residences. In connection with the negotiation of the City's new volume-based franchise agreement, residents were provided with additional options for refuse and recycling collection through the introduction of curbside service.
- In partnership with the Villages of Deerfield and Winnetka, the City's Public Access Television Studio opened at the Police Station and allows for both the production and playback of television programming.
- During 2010, the Business & Economic Development Commission assisted City staff with the completion of a Market Analysis for the Ravinia Business District.
- For the 16th consecutive year, the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) presented a Distinguished Budget Presentation Award to the City for its annual budget. Additionally, for the 25th consecutive year, the GFOA awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the City for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. The City's bond rating was affirmed as Aaa by Moody's Investors Service, the highest rating available for municipal debt.
- The Police Department, in conjunction with Highland Park High School, implemented a Prescription Pill and Drug Disposal (P2D2) program that disposes of prescription drugs in an environmentally-safe manner.
- As a result of a grant from the Healthcare Foundation of Highland Park, in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce, the Fire Department continued its program to put Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) in businesses throughout the community. In addition, employees of the businesses were trained in Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and the use of AEDs.
- The visioning and goal setting components of the Central Business District Master Plan Visioning Process were completed and resulted in recommendations for updated objectives and implementation program to the Central Business District Master Plan.
- The Intra-City Parking Commission and City staff worked cooperatively with Renaissance Place to enhance parking in the garage for diners, customers and visitors.

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