

# THE HIGHLANDER



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## **Alternative Residential Electricity Supply Services Referendum Question on March 20, 2012, Primary Ballot**

On August 10, 2009, Governor Quinn signed into law Public Act 96-176, amending the Illinois Power Agency Act to allow municipalities to arrange for the provision of electricity to residential and small commercial retail customers by alternative electric suppliers (instead of ComEd). Under the new law, a municipality may seek bids for the provision of aggregate electricity supply services to residential and small commercial customers, in hopes that the selected rate will be lower than the standard rate offered by ComEd. The legislation contemplates an "opt-out" program in which all residential and small commercial retail customers would be switched automatically to the alternative supplier selected by the City, unless a customer affirmatively opts out of the program and continues service through ComEd or another provider. However, in order to seek competitive prices for an opt-out electricity aggregation program, the City must first obtain approval from residents through a referendum.

On September 26, the City Council approved a resolution to authorize placement of a referendum regarding an opt-out electricity aggregation program on the March 20, 2012, primary election ballot. Voters will be asked if the City should be given the authority to seek competitive pricing bids for electricity services and to enter into a single contract that would include residents and small businesses if lower electric bills can be realized.

The City is a member of the North Shore Electricity Aggregation Consortium, a group of eight north suburban municipalities working together to identify potential electricity cost savings. The other members of the Consortium are Deerfield, Glencoe, Lake Bluff, Lake Forest, Northbrook, Park Ridge and Skokie. Collectively, the Consortium's members will col-

laborate for the duration of the bidding process and seek prices for the aggregated electricity load of the municipalities that approve the referendum. If the referendum is approved in Highland Park, the City will proceed with the bid solicitation process, even if the referendum is not approved by the voters of any of the other Consortium members.

If the referendum is approved in March, bids will be solicited for the Consortium's aggregated electricity load. The Consortium intends to seek proposed pricing for 12-month, 18-month, 24-month and 30-month terms. The bids will be compared to ComEd's current rates, and the City only intends to approve a bid that will result in lower electricity prices than the current ComEd rates. Approval of the referendum does not obligate the City to implement an opt-out electricity aggregation program. If a program is implemented, all residential and small commercial retail customer accounts will automatically be moved to the new supplier; however, information will be provided in advance of the change to residents and commercial retail customers who may choose to opt-out of having their account transferred to another supplier and prefer to remain with ComEd.

Please note that, under an opt-out electricity aggregation program, ComEd will remain the distributor of electricity in the City; the selected alternative supplier will merely generate the electricity provided and deliver it to ComEd for distribution. Additionally, customers will continue to receive electricity bills from ComEd. Likewise, ComEd will remain responsible for all distribution system issues, including power outages.

For more information, please contact Emily Palm, Assistant to the City Manager, at (847) 926-1004/[epalm@cityhpil.com](mailto:epalm@cityhpil.com).



**For more information about electrical aggregation, please utilize this QR code to view a FAQ sheet on the City's website or visit [www.cityhpil.com/electricityaggregationfaq](http://www.cityhpil.com/electricityaggregationfaq).**

# 'HIGH' NOTES

## Don't Forget to Change Smoke Detector Batteries

In conjunction with the recent commencement of daylight savings time, the Highland Park Fire Department would like to remind residents to change the batteries in their smoke detectors. The National Fire Protection Association recommends that there be at least one smoke detector outside of every sleeping area and on each floor of a home. For more information about installation or maintenance of smoke detectors, please call the Highland Park Fire Department at (847) 433-3110.

## City Offers Electronic Water Billing Opportunity for Residents

In support of efforts to "go green," the City of Highland Park is pleased to offer its customers the option to receive water bills via email, commonly known as an E-bill. With E-billing, bills will be received via email and will no longer be sent by paper copy via regular postal mail. The E-bill enrollment form is available on the City's website at [www.cityhpil.com/ebill](http://www.cityhpil.com/ebill). Based on the date of enrollment, it may take up to two billing cycles to activate E-billing. Please note that enrollment in the E-billing program does not alter payment options for water bills. Payment options still consist of the following methods: automatic payment, online payment, payment in person at City Hall, or remitting a payment in the drop box across from City Hall. For more information regarding E-billing enrollment, please contact the Finance Department at (847) 432-0800.

## IDOT Commences Project on Deerfield Road Bridge

Please be aware of construction and lane closures on Deerfield Road over the East Skokie River from April through September. The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) project consists of the removal and replacement of the Deerfield Road Bridge over the East Skokie River. The construction will be completed in two stages with the north half of the bridge being replaced in the first project stage and

the south half of the bridge replaced in the second project stage. Two-way traffic will be maintained with only one lane in each direction. There will be detours in place to accommodate lane and ramp closures; please plan your commute accordingly and allow additional time when traveling this route. For more information, please visit IDOT's website at [www.dot.state.il.us/road/lake.htm](http://www.dot.state.il.us/road/lake.htm). As information and project progress becomes available, please visit [www.cityhpil.com/constructionprojects](http://www.cityhpil.com/constructionprojects).

## Enter Fourth of July Parade

If you are a local organization, business or neighborhood group, consider participating in the 2012 Fourth of July parade. The deadline to register for the parade is May 15. To obtain an application, visit [www.cityhpil.com/July4](http://www.cityhpil.com/July4) or contact Jennifer Dotson in the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1006/[jdotson@cityhpil.com](mailto:jdotson@cityhpil.com).

## Highland Park Restaurant Week Starts Next Month

Hang up those pots and pans and put away those oven mitts because "restaurant week" is coming to Highland Park. Beginning April 19 through April 29, dozens of local restaurants will offer tasty items from their celebrated menus. From bagels to burgers, Highland Park's inaugural restaurant week is sure to offer something for everyone's palette. For more information, contact the Downtown Alliance at (847) 780-4293 or visit [www.downtownhp.com](http://www.downtownhp.com).

## CPAH Hosts Affordable Housing Information Sessions

Community Partners for Affordable Housing (CPAH) is a not-for-profit organization that provides affordable housing to low and moderate income households that live or work in the area. The program helps to bridge the gap between the cost of local housing and the incomes of people who live or work in the community. Homes are sold to income qualified households at 40-60% below market value. To qualify, a household of four may not have income exceeding \$60,000. To learn if affordable housing might be right for you, please at-

tend the following information sessions:

- March 24 at 10:00 a.m.
- April 10 at 7:00 pm
- April 28 at 10:00 am

Information sessions will be held at 400 Central Avenue, Suite 111. To register or for more information, please contact Amy Kaufman at (847) 681-8746/[akaufman@cpahousing.org](mailto:akaufman@cpahousing.org). More information is also available at [www.cpahousing.org](http://www.cpahousing.org).

## Parking Permit Replacement Information

In January 2012, the City of Highland Park replaced cardstock parking permits with static cling window permits. It has recently come to the City's attention that due to a manufacturing issue, some commuters have encountered difficulties in attaching the static cling permits to the rear windshield of their vehicles. To help resolve this issue, the manufacturer has provided the City with ultra-removable permits with a new adhesive. The static cling permits are designed for commuters and employees who frequently change vehicles and must remove and reattach their permits often. The new ultra-removable permit is designed to be applied to a single vehicle and can only be removed one time in a single piece. The City will be retaining stock of both permit types throughout the 2012 calendar year to best serve all parking patrons. Commuters and employees who would like to exchange their static cling permits for the new ultra-removable permits are asked to contact the City of Highland Park Finance Department at (847) 432-0800/[finance@cityhpil.com](mailto:finance@cityhpil.com).

## SWALCO Hosts Household Chemical Recycling Event

The Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO) will host household chemical waste collection events on Monday, March 26, and Saturday, April 14, at its facility, 1131 N. Estes Street, Gurnee. For more information and to register for an appointment to drop off materials, please visit [www.swalco.org/collectionevents/householdwastecollectionevents](http://www.swalco.org/collectionevents/householdwastecollectionevents).

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Message from the Mayor

*The following is an abbreviated version of the Mayor's Annual Report delivered March 12, 2012.*

Ten months ago, four new Council members and a new Mayor came to City Hall. Our first priority was to forge a strong team out of this collection of individuals with unique perspectives. We coordinated goals and created a constructive approach to decision-making. Every decision we make is about what is best for the city and its residents. Your agenda is our agenda.

We made a commitment to transparency, accessibility and ethics. Our work on your behalf is available to you more than ever. We brought cameras into our budget workshops and our Committee of the Whole meetings, so you can hear our detailed discussions. We now have a lobbying ordinance so you know who is approaching us on specific decisions. Residents have expanded opportunities to share their thoughts at neighborhood meetings, through commission volunteerism and now via student participation on commissions.

We believe the budget is the most important policy statement about our city. True to our word, in this year's budget we balanced operating expenses with related revenues. For the first time in years, property taxes weren't raised or reserves weren't needed to fill a gap between everyday operations expenditures and revenues. We made tough budget decisions in order to provide a planned surplus operating budget, giving us necessary flexibility to address our variable economy, State government and community needs.

We eliminated the Finance Committee, highlighting the importance of full Council participation in critical financial decision-making and, starting in April, we will be presenting quarterly finance reports to provide further clarity into our processes.

As we created our budget, we prioritized investments in our core city functions: public works, public safety and community development.

For the first time in at least ten years, we recognized the growing cost of construction and included an index to address those rising costs, effectively equalizing if not increasing dollars spent on our key capital investments: our city infrastructure. These are our assets. They must be maintained and improved. Investing in these critical structures of our city continues to be a priority of ours.

In 2011, we saw a decrease in residential burglaries by 40%. The Police Department received its third re-accreditation by the Commission for the Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies and we received "Flagship" status, designating us as an example to other police agencies. The Fire Department was one of a handful of fire departments receiving full accreditation from the Commission on Fire Accreditation International and recently updated the fire prevention code and life safety code to ensure that adopted fire codes are current with best practices.

We are pursuing efficiencies through collaboration. We've partnered with a consortium of neighboring municipalities to reduce costs on numerous capital maintenance programs and we are working with our local sister governments to identify efficiencies.

Recognizing that Community Development and Economic Development have synergies, we started a coordinated effort between these departments to improve business development in our city. Incentives for new business creation and growth were created this year and we look forward to their impact going forward.

Municipal infrastructure includes traditional infrastructure, such as roads and water, but also social infrastructure such as our cultural facilities and human services. We are excited that overdue library renovations will begin in the near-term. Support of the arts continues as we are working to maintain an entertainment component at the Highland Park Theater, support The Art Center, and partner with our Historic Preservation Commission to protect and promote our history through architecture. We have formed a Human Services Task Force to develop and implement a plan to ensure that comprehensive, essential services are available to all of our residents.

We have the benefit of a new Sustainability Coordinator to guide our decision-making on a variety of projects. We look forward to new partnerships coming from our Green Initiative Alliance, a group of our sister governments and interested residents, working together on sustainability projects.

All of this incredible achievement is the end result of a strong staff working in tandem with a passionate Council. We bid farewell to City Manager David Limardi after 18 years of service, appreciate the hard work of our Acting City Manager Patrick Brennan and look forward to welcoming our new City Manager David Knapp. We are thankful to our City employees for their professionalism and dedication. They make it possible for all of us to provide excellent service to our community.

Thank you!



# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Monthly Business Report

The following businesses have opened or relocated in Highland Park. For more details, contact Carolyn Hersch, Economic Development Assistant, at (847) 926-1027/[chersch@cityhpil.com](mailto:chersch@cityhpil.com). For a complete list of registered businesses, visit [www.cityhpil.com/shoppinganddining](http://www.cityhpil.com/shoppinganddining).

**Duct Cleaning Central**  
Duct Cleaning  
1292 Old Skokie Road  
(866) 553-5588  
[www.ductcleaningcentral.com](http://www.ductcleaningcentral.com)

**Events by Allyne**  
Party Planning and Centerpiece Company  
1548 Old Skokie Road  
(847) 373-7586  
[www.eventsbyallyne.com](http://www.eventsbyallyne.com)

**JW Plastic Surgery**  
Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Med Spa  
1811 St. Johns Avenue  
(847) 748-8696  
[www.jwplasticsurgery.com](http://www.jwplasticsurgery.com)

**Media House**  
Multimedia, Video Production, Digital Marketing  
474 Central Avenue, Suite 201  
(847) 789-4714  
[www.mediahousellc.com](http://www.mediahousellc.com)

**Nutritional Health Solutions**  
Digestive Health Therapy  
480 Elm Place, Suite 108  
(847) 207-2034  
[www.digestivehealthsolutions.com](http://www.digestivehealthsolutions.com)

**SHINE**  
Vintage Furniture and Art  
2055B Green Bay Road  
(847) 922-8098  
[www.welcomeshine.com](http://www.welcomeshine.com)

**NEW LOCATION**  
**Tails of Hope**  
Dog Rescue and Adoption  
1628 Old Deerfield Road  
(847) 557-9554  
[www.tailsofhope.org](http://www.tailsofhope.org)

## City Council Encourages Residents to Take Control of Yellow Pages Deliveries

Building on the City's strong commitment to sustainability and supporting sustainable business practices, the Highland Park City Council adopted a resolution on February 13 encouraging Highland Park residents and businesses to utilize an industry-sponsored online opt-out registry: [www.YellowPagesOptOut.com](http://www.YellowPagesOptOut.com). The online opt-out registry has been established by the Yellow Pages industry to provide a convenient way for residents to control the delivery of Yellow Pages directories. Annually, Highland Park residents may receive up to four directory publications. If unwanted, Yellow Pages directories may be recycled or disposed of as garbage and sent to a landfill. In response to input from residents and in an effort to create a proactive policy that reduces unnecessary paper waste, Councilmen David Naftzger and Paul Frank engaged in a series of discussions with representatives of the Yellow Pages industry regarding efforts to address the unwanted delivery of Yellow Pages directories. As a result of these discussions, the City Council adopted a resolution that supports ongoing voluntary Yellow Pages industry efforts to address the unwanted delivery of directories. Through [www.YellowPagesOptOut.com](http://www.YellowPagesOptOut.com) residents can choose which Yellow Pages directories they want to receive, or stop delivery altogether. At least 12 weeks are required to process an opt-out request. Highland Park residents can also opt-out of directory delivery by telephone by calling the following distribution vendors: Dex One, publisher of the AT&T Real Yellow Pages, at (866) 606-9339; Yellowbook at (800) 929-3556; and First Choice Media at (847) 398-1111.

## Changes to Parking in Downtown Highland Park Effective April 1

To ensure available parking for a wide variety of users during the day, the City Council approved on-street parking changes that go into effect beginning April 1. Three-hour on-street parking will be available on the south side of Laurel Avenue between Hickory and McGovern Streets as well as McGovern Street between Laurel Avenue and Deerfield Road. The three-hour limit is one hour longer than on-street parking in the Central Business District. This will provide residents, guests and customers parking in the vicinity while ensuring regular turnover during the day. The installation of 12-hour parking meters on the north side of Laurel between Hickory and McGovern Streets will offer an extended parking option to people desiring to park for periods longer than three hours. Enforcement for the three-hour parking and 12-hour metered spaces is Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The cost of the meters is \$0.25 per hour. Parking in these spaces will be free daily after 5:00 p.m. and on Saturday, Sunday and City holidays. For more information, please contact Jennifer Dotson in the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1006/[jdotson@cityhpil.com](mailto:jdotson@cityhpil.com).

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Spring Clean-Up Program Commences on April 28

The City's annual Spring Clean-Up Program will be offered by Veolia Environmental Services on four consecutive Saturdays beginning April 28 and ending May 19. 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 Veolia at (847) 272-4145 to arrange for pick-up. When calling, please indicate your name, address, and the type of item to be collected. 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.

Additionally, effective January 1, 2012, in accordance with Illinois law, it is illegal for landfills to accept electronics, such as monitors, printers, televisions and computers. As a reminder, the City, in conjunction with the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO) hosts an electronics recycling drop-off site at the Firearms Training Center, 1180 Half Day Road, on Tuesdays and Fridays from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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](mailto:bbourdeau@cityhpil.com).

### Sustainable Practices Incorporated Into Highland Park Residential Services

Veolia Environmental Services uses a fleet of collection trucks that operate on compressed natural gas (CNG). 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](mailto:bbourdeau@cityhpil.com).



Area	Collection Day	Spring Clean-Up Day
SE	Monday	Saturday, April 28
SW	Tuesday	Saturday, May 5
NE	Thursday	Saturday, May 12
NW	Friday	Saturday, May 19

# 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.

Thurs., Mar. 15	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:30 p.m.
Mon., Mar. 19	Design Review Commission	7:00 p.m.
Tues., Mar. 20	Business and Economic Dev. Plan Commission	6:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Mon., Mar. 26	Committee of the Whole City Council	4:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Wed., Mar. 28	Transportation Commission	6:30 p.m.
Mon., April 2	Design Review Commission	7:00 p.m.
Tues., April 3	Plan Commission	7:30 p.m.
Wed., April 4	Housing Commission	6:30 p.m.
Thurs., April 5	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:30 p.m.
Mon., April 9	Committee of the Whole City Council Meeting	4:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Tues., April 10	Cultural Arts Commission Library Board of Trustees (494 Laurel Avenue)	7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Wed., April 11	Natural Resources Commission	6:30 p.m.
Thurs., April 12	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](http://www.hplibrary.org). The Library will open at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 4.

**Meet The Author: Siobhan Fallon – *You Know When The Men Are Gone*, Monday, March 19, 7:00 p.m.** Fallon's interconnected short stories are tales of life on a contemporary American military base. The stories were inspired by her own experiences as an army wife while her husband was deployed to Iraq. Books will be for sale and the event will conclude with a book signing and a reception honoring military families. This is the *One Book, One Highland Park* selection.

**Film Discussion, Wednesday, March 21, 7:00 p.m.** Film instructor Dick Adler leads a discussion on this thriller starring Kevin Spacey that follows key players at an investment firm during the 2008 financial crisis. Financial and moral decisions catapult the lives of all involved to the brink of disaster. Sponsored by The Friends of the Library. The film will be shown on Tuesday, March 20, at 6:30 p.m.

**Spring Break Show! Merry Anticipation of Disaster - Truly Remarkable Loon, Thursday, March 29, 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. All Ages.** Truly Remarkable Loon is a comedy juggler with a wacky sense of humor. See his wild juggling and balancing stunts with voluntary audience participation. Registration required and limited to residents of Highland Park or residents of the North Shore School District 112 service area. Register online at [www.kidsevents.org](http://www.kidsevents.org).

**Get Tech Savvy, Saturday, April 7, 10:00 a.m.-Noon.** Not sure how to send a text message? Need help emailing an attachment? Bring your electronic devices – cell phones, ereaders, digital cameras, laptops – and your questions. Drop by and meet with a member of the Library's teen tech-savvy team for one-on-one guidance.

## CULTURAL ARTS EVENTS

<i>Arts of Nepal</i> Through April 5 Free	The Art Center 1957 Sheridan Road (847) 432-1888	<b>HP Poetry Event</b> April 11, Free 7:00 p.m.	HP Library 494 Laurel Avenue (847) 926-1006
<b>Pilgrim Players: <i>Guitar Magic</i></b> March 18, \$8-\$20 3:00 p.m.	Community House 1991 Sheridan Road (847) 433-0992	<b>HP Poetry Reading, Open Mic</b> April 12, Free 8:00 p.m.	The Art Center 1957 Sheridan Road (847) 926-1006
<b>MYA Viola Festival</b> March 18 Call for Information	Bennett Gordon Hall 200 Ravinia Park Road (847) 926-9898	<b>Student Art Exhibit</b> April 13, Free 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	The Art Center 1957 Sheridan Road (847) 432-1888
<i>Pippin</i> March 22 - May 6 Call for Information	The Music Theatre Co. 1850 Green Bay Road (847) 579-4900	<b>Stars of Tomorrow: Concert</b> April 22, Free 3:00 p.m.	Community House 1991 Sheridan Road (847) 433-0972
<b>Music at the Fort</b> March 24, \$5 Call for Information	Midwest Young Artists 878 Lyster (Highwood) (847) 926-9898	<b>Rotary Club: Second City</b> April 28, \$100 6:00 p.m.	HP Country Club 1201 Park Avenue (847) 432-1500

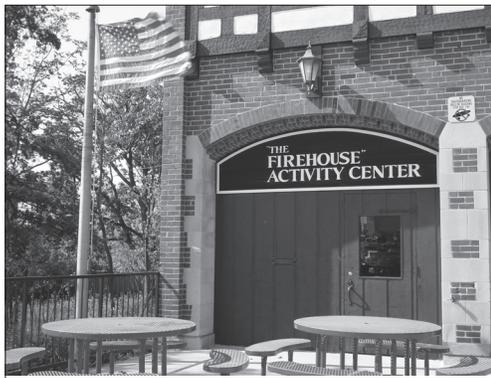
# YOUTH & SENIOR SERVICES

## 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.

As we enter the late winter months, many people, both adults and youth, may feel “cooped up,” or even have the “winter blues.” The Firehouse Youth Center is a great antidote for middle school students living in Highland Park or attending a Highland Park School. Learning healthy, constructive ways to deal with downtime, is a vital part in a child’s journey to becoming a happy, healthy adult. In addition to the structured After 3 program, students may opt to utilize



the Firehouse on a drop-in basis, be it five days a week, once a week, or once in a while. Whatever way you and your child decide to utilize the Firehouse, the City welcomes the

opportunity for your child to participate in fun activities while supervised by professional staff.

After 3 at The Firehouse was designed to serve the growing needs of working families with children in middle school. After 3 at The Firehouse provides professional staff who offers your child enriching activities that can develop their potential, build their confidence and help them with their schoolwork. Make the most out of your child’s after-school time. Transportation is also available from all three middle schools to The Firehouse in a 14-passenger bus and 7-passenger van. Register to fit the needs of your family, whether it be one day a week or five. Once registered, your child will have a seat reserved for the days you wish.

Days per week	Fee w/out Transportation	Fee w/ Transportation
1 Day	\$40	\$80
2 Days	\$80	\$160
3 Days	\$120	\$240
4 Days	\$160	\$320
5 Days	\$200	\$400

## Senior Services

Serving adults over 50  
54 Laurel Avenue (847) 432-4110  
Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Global Perspectives: The European Financial Crisis**  
Highland Park Country Club, 1201 Park Avenue West  
Thursday, April 5; 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
Members: Free/Non-Members: \$15

*Sponsored by Whitehall of Deerfield*  
This new lecture series takes you on a global journey exploring international relations, politics and economics, with an impressive lineup of speakers. Please call (847) 432-4110 for details on the remainder of the series and to register. The first lecture in the series focuses on the European financial crisis that was caused by poor finance in the United States of America as well as terrible economics in the European Union. Dreadful politics in both places turned a local problem into a global threat. Michael Madill (Oakton Community College) discusses the causes and effects of the international crisis.

**Day Excursion: Ten Chimneys Performance at Northlight Theater and Lunch at McCormick & Schmick’s**  
Wednesday, April 11 (Register by March 23)  
Fee: \$90/Non-Members: \$100

Bus departs Toys R’ Us at 10:30 a.m. and returns at approximately 3:30 p.m.  
The day begins with lunch at McCormick & Schmick’s restaurant. Lunch includes mixed green salad with bleu cheese and glazed walnuts or McCormick’s clam chowder, a choice of pretzel crusted whitefish, lump blue crab cake, or oven roasted rosemary chicken served with chef selected sides, chocolate truffle cake for dessert and beverage. Then, enjoy a performance at the Northlight Theater, telling the backstage story of Broadway legends Alfred Lunt and Lynne Fontanne. For decades, Lunt and Fontanne entertained the most influential artists of their time - from Noel Coward to Sydney Greenstreet - at Ten Chimneys, their legendary retreat. In this new play, a spirited onstage rehearsal sparks an offstage romantic triangle. The result is a comically revealing look at the private lives of these very public figures.

**Highland Park High School Senior Citizen Prom**  
Highland Park High School; Saturday, April 21  
5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.; Free for members and residents only  
Advanced registration required

*Sponsored by Highland Park Nursing and Rehab*  
Join members of the Highland Park High School Freshman Board for a Senior Citizen Prom with a “Hollywood in Highland Park” theme. This annual event features a buffet dinner catered by Sunset Foods, home baked goods from students, entertainment by some of the High School’s best performance groups, and dancing to the music of a live professional band. Advance registration is required; please call the Senior Center at (847) 432-4110 by April 17.

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Look for LATE NITE HP events throughout the week in Highland Park.  
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## Bicycle Safety Reminders

With warm weather around the corner, residents are reminded of bicycle safety practices. In Highland Park, the City Code (Chapter 75: Bicycle Regulations) requires residents to utilize lamps and reflectors on bicycles from sunset to sunrise to in order to ensure the safety of bicyclists and motorists. Additionally, the Police Department would like to strongly encourage all walkers, dog walkers, runners and bicyclists to wear reflective safety clothing or vests to increase their visibility to motorists in the dark. Also, the City Code (Section 75.045) requires residents under the age of 16 to wear a helmet while biking, while being carried on a bicycle, and while skateboarding or using in-line skates. The City also encourages residents over the age of 16 to wear a helmet during the aforementioned activities. For more information, please contact Police Sergeant Chris O'Neill at (847) 926-1766/[coneill@cityhpil.com](mailto:coneill@cityhpil.com).

## Don't Forget to Use Hands-Free Device While Driving

As a reminder to all Highland Park residents, 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. 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.

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