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New Refuse and Recycling Rates and Services Effective October 1

Highland Park residents who have not initiated service for refuse and recycling collection under the new five-year waste hauling franchise agreement approved by the City in July with Veolia Environmental Services are urged to initiate their service selection immediately, so as to mitigate any impacts on collection when the new agreement becomes effective on October 1. Residents may register for service by completing the survey that was mailed by Veolia in August. Additional copies of the survey are available at City Hall or online at www.surveymonkey.com/s/highlandpark.

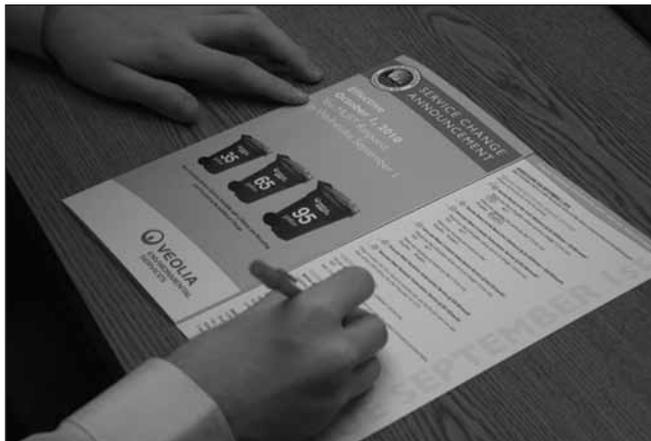
The new franchise agreement preserves the volume-based rate structure and back door collection that are contained in the City's present franchise agreement with Veolia while expanding it to include curbside collection as well. Under the new agreement, the present volume-based sticker price of \$2.84 will be reduced to \$2.35, and each single-family household will be assessed a base service fee of \$60 per year, or \$5 per month. The base service fee is applicable to all single-family customers beginning September 1, and will appear on bills for the new service that begins on October 1. Residents electing to continue back-door collection will have a \$15 per month convenience fee added to their monthly bills, regardless of whether they choose volume-based or subscription service.

In August, Veolia distributed a survey to all single-family households requesting residents to select one of six service levels. The six service levels that residents may select are: 1) volume-based curbside collection; 2) volume-based back-door collection; 3) once per week curbside subscription; 4) once per week back-door subscription; 5) twice per week curbside subscription; and 6) twice per week back-door subscription. Below are descriptions of each service level:

1) Volume-Based Curbside: Under this option residents receive a

free 35-gallon refuse cart and a free 65- or 95-gallon recycling cart. Residents will pay the \$5 per month base service fee in addition to \$2.35 per container placed at the curb for collection, which occurs once per week.

2) Volume-Based Back-Door: Under this option, residents will be required to utilize their own refuse (33-gallons) and recycling (18-gallon) containers. Residents will pay the \$5 per month base service fee and the \$15 per month back-door convenience fee in addition to \$2.35 per container placed at the back-door for collection, which occurs once per week.



Residents must complete the survey above immediately either by returning it to Veolia or completing it online at www.surveymonkey.com/s/highlandpark.

3) Once-Per-Week Curbside Subscription: Under this option residents receive a free 65-gallon refuse cart and a free 65- or 95-gallon recycling cart. Residents will pay the \$5 per month base service fee in addition to \$18.96 per month for the collection of the 65-gallon refuse cart or up to two of their own containers (33-gallons), once per week.

4) Once-Per-Week Back-Door Subscription: Under this option, residents will be required to utilize their own refuse (33-gallons) and recycling (18-gallon) containers.

Residents will pay the \$5 per month base service fee and the \$15 per month back-door convenience fee in addition to \$18.96 per month for the collection of up to two containers, once per week.

5) Twice-Per-Week Curbside Subscription: Under this option residents receive a free 65-gallon refuse cart and a free 65- or 95-gallon recycling cart. Residents will pay the \$5 per month base service fee in addition to \$37.92 per month for the collection of the 65-gallon refuse cart or up to two of their own containers (33-gallons), twice per week.

6) Twice-Per-Week Back-Door Subscription: Under this option, residents will be required to utilize their own refuse (33-gallons) and recycling (18-gallon) containers. Residents will pay the \$5 per

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'HIGH' NOTES

Police Department Awarded Target Bike Grant

On August 6, Target Corporation awarded the Police Department Bicycle Unit with a \$1,200 grant. This Target grant will be used to purchase a Trek police mountain bicycle and accessories. The mountain bicycle is utilized by Police Bike Unit members to patrol parks, bike paths, business districts and school campuses. The implementation of police bicycles as an alternate transportation and patrol method assists the City in meeting its sustainability objectives. The Police Department has traditionally funded the purchase of its Police mountain bicycle inventory through various grant awards and programs. For more information, contact Sergeant Chris O'Neill at (847) 432-7730/coneill@cityhpil.com.

One Book Selection Announced

Ape House by Sara Gruen, author of the best-selling *Water for Elephants*, has been selected as the Fall title for the *One Book, One Highland Park* community-wide reading program. The *One Book* program, which debuted in Spring of 2008, is collaboratively presented by the City of Highland Park and the Highland Park Public Library. *One Book, One Highland Park* is designed to broaden and deepen an appreciation of reading and encourage friends, family and neighbors to share their experiences while reading the same book. Several special events are scheduled at the Library to enhance the book: "Meet The Author" with author Sarah Gruen discussing her work on October 7 at 7:00 p.m.; a book discussion with Judy Levin on October 13 at 7:00 p.m. sponsored by The Downtown HP Alliance; and "The Mind of the Chimpanzee" with Lincoln Park Zoo's Dr. Elizabeth Lonsdorf and Steve Ross sharing the most recent research into how chimpanzees think, learn and feel on November 4 at 7:00 p.m. *Ape House* is available at the Library. For more information, please visit the City's website at www.cityhpil.com, contact Jennifer Dotson in the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1006, or contact the Highland Park Public Library at (847) 432-0216/www.hplib.org.

Renew Vehicle Stickers by October 1

Renewal applications for City vehicle stickers were mailed to residents in late August. Stickers cost \$40 per passenger vehicle and must be displayed by October 1. For an additional \$30, residents may upgrade their sticker to support the District II2 Education Foundation and receive a discount card for use at various local merchants. For convenience, residents are strongly encouraged to renew vehicle licenses online or send in vehicle sticker renewal applications by mail in advance of the October 1 due date. Instructions on how to renew vehicle licenses online can be found at www.cityhpil.com by selecting the "Online Vehicle Stickers" link. Please note that information from vehicle license renewal application packets will be required to access vehicle information online. The Finance Department will offer expanded hours to accommodate residents purchasing licenses at City Hall. The Finance Department will be open Saturday, September 25, from 8:00 a.m. to Noon, and Wednesday, September 29, until 7:00 p.m. Residents failing to purchase vehicle stickers by the deadline will be subject to a late fee of \$10 per sticker. Additionally, residents failing to display a sticker after October 1 may be subject to a fine of \$50. For more details, or to request a license application form, visit the Finance Department at City Hall, 1707 St. Johns Avenue, or contact the Finance Department at (847) 432-0800/finance@cityhpil.com.

SWALCO Sponsors Mobile Chemical Waste Collection

The Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO) will sponsor a household chemical waste mobile collection event on Saturday, September 25, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., at the Lake Forest Municipal Services Center, 800 North Field Drive, Lake Forest. No appointments are necessary. All Illinois residents may participate in this free event. Only residential waste is accepted. For more information and a list of acceptable materials, visit www.swalco.org or call (847) 336-9340.

Housing Units Available in September

The Highland Park Illinois Community Land Trust recently changed its name to Community Partners for Affordable Housing (CPAH). This name change reflects the organization's mission to donors and potential applicants, and it expresses the organization's desire to partner with businesses, religious institutions and other community organizations to provide affordable housing. CPAH also announced that three single-family homes ranging from \$140,000 to \$180,000 will be available for purchase in September. All homes have undergone eco-friendly rehabilitation with new windows, low-flow water fixtures, spray-foam insulation, low VOC paints, high-efficiency mechanicals and appliances, and other energy efficiency improvements. Two of the homes will be Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Certified. An information session regarding these single-family homes is scheduled for Tuesday, September 21, at 7:00 p.m., 600 Central Avenue. Preference is given to residents/households who live or work in Highland Park. For more information, contact CPAH at (847) 681-8746 or visit www.cpahousing.org.

Budget Workshops Set for Fall 2010

The City is currently preparing for budget workshop meetings that will begin at the end of September. The following are dates and times of upcoming budget workshops: September 29 at 4:30 p.m.; October 11 at 4:30 p.m.; and November 1 at 3:30 p.m. The public hearing on the proposed budget is scheduled for November 22 at 7:30 p.m. and the City Council consideration of the proposed budget is scheduled for December 13 at 7:30 p.m. All of these meetings are held at City Hall, 1707 St. Johns Avenue. Please visit the City's website at www.cityhpil.com to view the City calendar for a complete list of all City meeting dates and times as well as posted agendas and packets. For further details, please call the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1000.

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.

- **Real Urban Barbecue**
Restaurant
619 Central Avenue
(224) 770-4227
- **Bounds Equity Partners**
Private Equity
595 Elm, Suite 202
(847) 266-6300
- **The Garden Consultants, Inc.**
Landscape Design
484 Central Avenue
(847) 433-0300
- **Amos Financial**
Private Real Estate Investment
910 First Street Suite 200
(847) 433-2600
- **Streamline Wireless**
Retail Cell Phones
1671 Old Skokie Road
(847) 831-4400

Message from the Mayor



In this month's edition of *The Highlander*, an article is featured on page 2 that announces information about upcoming budget workshop meetings. I would like to invite the community to attend these meetings and become more involved in the budget process. The annual operating and capital budget is the most important policy document adopted by the City Council. This document reflects the quality and quantity of services provided by the City. What the City spends determines how timely we are in responding to the public during emergencies; how many streets and sidewalks are fixed; how much salt can be put on the streets during winter storms; and how effective the City is at helping people through the process of new construction.

Over the last couple of years this Country has seen record reductions in sales and income taxes as well as a drop in property values, and much of this is attributable to the economic downturn. Highland Park has not been immune to these conditions. While the nation's sales tax was down by 20% last year Highland Park's was down by 11%. However, the City's general fund receives 37% of its revenues from this source.

Despite these challenges, the City fared well due to the hard work of City staff and the City Council. The City has a formal policy of keeping a general fund balance of 25% to 33% of total expenditures. I am pleased to report that the City has consistently met that policy and will do so in 2010 as well. The City also reduced the total budget by 13% from 2009 to 2010 and kept the property tax virtually flat during that same period. The City Council's goal of minimizing the City's share of the overall property tax levy continues to be a major emphasis, given the fact that many people are either not working or making less than in the past.

I encourage the entire community to participate in this budget process. All the budget meetings are posted on the City's website at www.cityhpil.com. Please see page 2 of *The Highlander* for more details about the upcoming workshops. Please participate in crafting the most important policy document in your great city of Highland Park.

Thank you,

Michael D. Sebelly

Downtown Highland Park Events Continue Through Fall Season

Building on the momentum of a busy summer season and the Fashion Central events in September, the Downtown HP Alliance is announcing three events that will continue to keep Downtown Highland Park lively this fall:

- 'Blood, Sweat & Tears' Charity Bicycle Ride on Sunday, October 3, to benefit the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and its Team-In-Training program. The event begins at the Highland Park Train Station and riders will have the option of riding 25, 45, 62 or 100 miles along a scenic route through Highland Park. There will also be a five-mile Family Fun Ride for cyclists of all ages. For more information or to register, visit www.tntillinois.org.
- Public Art Auction at The Art Center of Highland Park on Friday, October 8, from 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. The Downtown HP Alliance will auction off seven public art pieces created by The Art Center faculty that lined the streets of Downtown Highland Park during the summer of 2010. Each piece of art was inspired by an event held in Downtown Highland Park. The auction will be held in conjunction with the opening of *Voices and Visions: Standing on the Bridge Between Health and Disease*, a juried exhibition at The Art Center in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Proceeds from the auction will fund the continuation of the Alliance's public art program, with a portion of the proceeds donated to the Susan G. Komen For the Cure foundation in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.
- The Annual Port Clinton Kid and Pet Halloween Costume Party will take place on Saturday, October 30, from 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at Port Clinton Square. The festivities will feature a live DJ, trick-or-treating at local businesses, and a pet and child costume parade. Admission is free.

For more information, visit www.downtownhp.com or contact Bridget Kagan, Downtown Alliance Marketing and Communications Coordinator, at (847) 780-4293/bridget@downtownhp.com.

CITY NEWS

City Council Nomination Packets Available; Register to Vote for November 2 General Election

Residents interested in running for Mayor or one of three positions on the Highland Park City Council in the 2011 Consolidated Primary Election may obtain nomination packets in the City Clerk's Office at City Hall, 1707 St. Johns Avenue. The 2011 Consolidated Primary election is scheduled for Tuesday, February 22, 2011, and the Consolidated General Election is scheduled for Tuesday, April 5, 2011. Packets include a statement of candidacy, nomination petitions, and a statement of economic interests. Candidate requirements include one year of residency in Highland Park and being a qualified elector/registered voter. Candidate petitions can be filed with the City Clerk's Office between November 15 and November 22, 2010. The City Clerk's Office is open between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information, please contact Shirley Fitzgerald, City Clerk, at (847) 926-1034/sfitzgerald@cityhpil.com.

Residents must be registered in order to vote in the November 2 General Election. To register, one must be a United States citizen, 18 years of age by November 2, and a permanent resident at one's precinct address 30 days prior to the election. Two forms of identification are required to register; at least one form must show name and current address, and only one form of identification may be a piece of mail for a contractual service addressed to you at your residence. Voter registration does not expire unless you move or change your name. If you move within Lake County, you must provide the Lake County Clerk with written notification of your new address and sign the request. If you change your name, you must re-register to vote. Visit the Lake County Clerk's website at www.amiregistered.info to check your voter registration status online. Registration is open weekdays at City Hall, 1707 St.

Johns Avenue; Moraine Township Office, 777 Central Avenue; and West Deerfield Township Office, 601 Deerfield Road, Deerfield. The last day to register for the November 2 Election is October 5. For more information, please contact Shirley Fitzgerald, City Clerk, at (847) 926-1034/sfitzgerald@cityhpil.com.

For the November 2 election, early voting will be offered to registered Highland Park voters from October 11 through October 28 at the Lake County North Shore Health Center, 1840 Green Bay Road. A valid government-issued ID containing the voter's photograph, name, and address is required. For more information, please call the Lake County Elections Department at (847) 377-2410.

Illinois law permits any registered voter to receive a ballot by mail. One-time requests for a ballot can be made through the Internet, by e-mail at votingbymail@lakecountyil.gov or by calling the Lake County Clerk's Office at (847) 377-2406. To automatically receive a ballot by mail for all future elections, complete the enrollment form at www.votingbymail.info, e-mail votingbymail@lakecountyil.gov, or call (847) 377-2406. The County Clerk's office will mail ballots to enrolled voters approximately 40 days prior to the election. Ballots must be postmarked no later than the day before the election. During the period for voting by mail, voters can go to www.lakecountyclerk.info and click on the "Voter Power" link to track receipt of a voted ballot. For more information on voting-by-mail programs, such as "military voter," "permanent voting by mail," "snowbird" and "temporarily absent student," visit the Lake County Clerk's website at www.votingby-mail.info or call (847) 377-2406.



Late Nite HP to Commemorate 5th Anniversary With Exciting Entertainment

Late Nite HP will celebrate its fifth anniversary throughout the weekend of September 24 through 26. During the celebration weekend, Late Nite HP will present entertainment for all ages, ranging from a student rock band, karaoke, and performers both familiar and brand new to Late Nite HP. To celebrate this special anniversary, Late Nite HP, in conjunction with the Human Relations Commission of the City of Highland Park, will feature Magic Carpet in a celebration of world music.

The celebration begins on Friday night at Buhai Plaza in Port Clinton Square. Magic Carpet, an interactive musical revue featuring rhythms of jazz, reggae, and funk will perform from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Blending the traditions of Africa, the Middle East and India, Magic Carpet promotes the similarities of people through the context of music. Later that evening, Cottage Grove, a South Side band steeped in the Chicago blues tradition will perform. The crowd is also invited to gather for an anniversary cake and hot chocolate provided by Sunset Foods and Walker Brothers. Las Palmas Restaurant will be the rain location for both musical performances. All other Late Nite HP businesses will be open for the celebration, some of which will be offering more Late Nite HP entertainment, including Steve Maxwell, Nuwki Nu, Open Mic Nite sponsored by Highland Park Poetry and karaoke. The celebration will continue the following night, Saturday, September 25, when On The Fly (formerly "The Aftershow") will perform covers and original music at New York Slices beginning at 9:00 p.m. On The Fly, composed of students from Stevenson High School, took second place in the 2010 Late Nite HP Bitter Jester Battle of the Bands. Other entertainment for Saturday night includes the Jim Jacobs trio, a popular Late Nite HP performer throughout the year, and the Roxy Stone Band. The Anniversary weekend ends on Sunday, September 27, with music and tableside magic performances. For more information, visit www.latenitehp.com or contact Renee Helm in the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1030/rhelm@cityhpil.com.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Deputy Fire Chief Appointed

Highland Park City Manager David Limardi appointed Daniel Pease as Deputy Fire Chief on August 11. Deputy Chief Pease was promoted from the position of Battalion Chief. Daniel is a 22-year veteran of the Highland Park Fire Department and will fill the vacancy left by Patrick Tanner, who became the City's Fire Chief on April 5, 2010. For further details, please contact the Fire Department at (847) 433-3110.



City Clerk Shirley Fitzgerald (second from left) swears in Deputy Fire Chief Daniel Pease (right) on August 11.

Neighborhood Meetings to Begin This Fall

The City of Highland Park will be convening a series of neighborhood meetings this Fall as part of an ongoing effort to share information concerning current objectives of the City government with the community. Residents will have an opportunity to conduct a dialogue with the Mayor, members of the City Council and the City Manager. Each meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. and is scheduled to conclude by 8:30 p.m. The meeting locations have been organized in accordance with the Planning Districts utilized within the City's Master Plan. Residents are asked to attend the neighborhood meeting held in the Planning District where their residence is located. If a resident is unable to attend the scheduled meeting in their neighborhood, they are invited to attend a meeting at an alternate location of their choosing.

The neighborhood meetings are scheduled as follows:

- Central District: Monday, September 20, 7:00 p.m., City Hall, Council Chambers, 1707 St. Johns Avenue
- Westside & Skokie Highway Corridor Districts: Wednesday, September 22, 7:00 p.m., Highland Park Police Station, Training Room, 1677 Old Deerfield Road
- Northwest District: Tuesday, September 28, 7:00 p.m., Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Road
- Lakefront District: Tuesday, October 4, 7:00 p.m., Ravinia School, 763 Dean Avenue
- North Central District: Wednesday, October 6, 7:00 p.m., Northwood Jr. High, 945 North Avenue
- Ft. Sheridan District: Tuesday, October 12, 7:00 p.m., Northwood Jr. High, 945 North Avenue
- Southwest District: Wednesday, November 3, 7:00 p.m., Sherwood School, 1900 Stratford Road
- South Central District: Tuesday, November 9, 7:00 p.m., Edgewood School, 929 Edgewood Road
- Moraine District: Monday, November 15, 7:00 p.m., Indian Trail School, 2075 St. Johns Avenue
- S. Green Bay/Ravinia Districts: Tuesday, November 16, 7:00 p.m., Lincoln Elementary School, 711 Lincoln Avenue West

For more information or to confirm the Planning District in which you reside, please visit www.cityhpil.com or contact Brian Bourdeau in the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1043/bbourdeau@cityhpil.com.

September 'Street Smarts' Tip: Back-to-School Safety

In the interest of public safety, the Human Relations Commission and the Police Department have joined together to promote the "Street Smarts" traffic safety initiative. It is that time of year when children have returned to school. The City has previously worked with both local School Districts to improve traffic flow, parking options, drop-off and pick-up locations, and procedures and signage at and around Highland Park schools. Police have also increased presence and enforcement efforts at schools and will continue to do so in the future in order to obtain traffic and parking law compliance. Please assist in the effort to increase traffic and pedestrian safety by following these recommendations:



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- Learn where designated drop-off and pick-up areas are located at your child's respective school; do not use City streets for drop-off and pick-ups;
- Obey State laws pertaining to Electronic Communication Devices and Wireless Telephone use effective January 1, 2010, that specify a person may not operate a motor vehicle on the road while using an electronic communication device to compose, send or receive electronic messages. Further, it should be noted that residents may not use a wireless telephone at any time while operating a motor vehicle on a roadway in a school speed zone or on a highway in a construction or maintenance speed zone (unless it is used in a hands-free mode).

Additionally, on July 23, Governor Pat Quinn signed into law House Bill 0043, which requires drivers to come to a complete stop for pedestrians in all crosswalks in Illinois when traffic control signals are not in place or not in operation. Previously, drivers were required to yield the right-of-way to pedestrians in crosswalks. For more information, please contact Traffic Sergeant Chris O'Neill at (847) 432-7730/coneill@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., Sept. 20	Design Review Commission	7:00 p.m.
	Sister Cities Foundation	7:00 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 21	Plan Commission	7:30 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 22	Traffic Commission	6:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 23	Environmental Commission	6:30 p.m.
Mon., Sept. 27	Committee of the Whole	4:30 p.m.
	City Council	7:30 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 28	Business and Econ. Develop.	6:00 p.m.
Mon., Oct. 4	Design Review Commission	7:00 p.m.
Tues., Oct. 5	Cultural Arts Commission	7:30 p.m.
	Plan Commission	7:30 p.m.
Wed., Oct. 6	Housing Commission	6:30 p.m.
Thurs., Oct. 7	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:30 p.m.
Mon., Oct. 11	Finance Committee	3:30 p.m.
	Committee of the Whole	4:30 p.m.
	City Council	7:30 p.m.
Tues., Oct. 12	Ravinia Festival Committee	6:30 p.m.
Wed., Oct. 13	Lakefront Commission	6:30 p.m.
Thurs., Oct. 14	Human Relations	5:00 p.m.
	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, October 6.

Famine in Africa, Wednesday, September 22, 10:30 a.m. Roger Thurow, Senior Fellow, Global Agriculture and Food Policy at the Chicago Council on Global Affairs, and former Wall Street Journal foreign correspondent, speaks about famine in Africa and the present efforts to end global hunger. Thurow is the author of "Enough: Why the World's Poorest Starve in an Age of Plenty." The book will be for sale and the program will conclude with a book signing. Presented with the Highland Park Senior Center. Sponsored by Sunrise Assisted Living.

Opening Day, The Story of Jackie Robinson's First Season, Wednesday, September 22, 7:00 p.m. Author Jonathan Eig will discuss his *New York Times* bestselling book about Jackie Robinson's first season. A book signing will follow.

Storytimes. Fall storytime sessions, with activities designed to foster pre-reading skills for newborns to six-year-olds, begin in September and October. Registration is required. Visit hplibrary.org/kids for storytime dates and times and to register.

Drop-In Chess Club, Saturdays, through October 16, 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Grades K-9. All levels are welcome. Experienced players will be available and instructional opportunities may be available. Boards and sets will be provided.

CULTURAL ARTS

Swords of the Eastern Hemisphere	Historical Society	Architectural Walking Tour	Port Clinton Square
Through November 5	326 Central Avenue	October 3	600 Central Avenue
Call for Times and Prices	(847) 432-7090	2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.; Free - \$15	(847) 432-2433
Collecting and Living With Art	Birchwood Club	Voices and Visions	The Art Center
September 15	1174 Park Avenue West	October 8 - 29	1957 Sheridan Road
9:00 a.m.; \$35	(847) 432-1658	Free; Call for Times	(847) 432-1888
Poetry Open Mic	The Art Center	Bag It: Documentary Film	Highland Park Library
September 24	1957 Sheridan Road	October 10; 2:00 p.m.	494 Laurel Avenue
8:00 p.m.; Free	(847) 926-1006	Free	(847) 432-0216
Chamber Music Soiree	Bennett Gordon Hall	Ladies Night Out	The Art Center
September 26	200 Ravinia Park Road	October 14	1957 Sheridan Road
2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.; Free	(847) 926-9898	7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.; \$40	(847) 432-1888

FOR THE COMMUNITY

YOUTH SERVICES

Serving youth in the community
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

SENIOR SERVICES

Serving adults 50 and older
54 Laurel Avenue (847) 432-4110

Visit www.cityhpil.com/cmo/senior_center.html for more information and a complete listing of available programs and classes.

DANCE TICKETS ON SALE NOW

6th Grade Back to School Dance, Friday, September 24

The Firehouse Activity Center; Members: \$6/Non-Members: \$10

Purchase tickets now for the Dance and Activity Night. *The Firehouse* is proud to present its "Back-to-School Dance" for 6th graders. Enter contests, enjoy DDR upstairs and dance with a DJ. Pizza will be sold for \$1 per slice. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. and the event ends promptly at 9:30 p.m. This is a closed-campus event. Tickets may be purchased at *The Firehouse* or on select days in school cafeterias. Please note that only 200 tickets will be sold for this event.

Make *The Firehouse* Your Day Off of School Destination

Pre-registration is required; all applicable fees and permission-forms are required for participation.

BOWLING AND MAKE YOUR OWN SUNDAE

Monday, November 1, 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Members: \$30/Non-Members: \$40

Enjoy an evening of bowling and pizza at Highwood Lanes during this Late Nite Middle School event. After bowling, come back to *The Firehouse* for a "Bagg-o" tournament and to make your own sundae.

EXERCISE CLASSES BEGIN MID-SEPTEMBER

Call (847) 432-4110 for details on the following classes: Zumba, Latin Dance, Tai Chi, and Mix-It-Up: Core & Cardio.

KENNEY, MILLER & BRONSTEIN LECTURE SERIES

Highland Park Country Club, Thursday, Sept. 30

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., Free to Members/Non-Members: \$10

Advance Registration Required

THE GLOBAL COMMONS By Jim Kenney

The earth, air, oceans, airwaves, and even the Internet are the modern global commons, comparable to the village commons of old. Now a new virtual community is taking shape. Its goal is the definition, declaration and defense of the commons.

Sponsored by ManorCare Health Services

NEW GRIEF GROUP BEGINNING

Tuesdays, October 5 - November 9

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., Free

A new group is forming for persons who are experiencing grief due to the death of a spouse, parent, child, sibling, etc., within the past two years. This 6-week educational group will address the stages of grief, provide coping skills, and offer the support of others experiencing a similar loss. Facilitated by Paula Cyphers, M.A., Social Services Coordinator at the Senior Center, and Lois Silverstein, LCSW from Family Services of South Lake County.

How Time Flies

We can all say summer just flew by, but the reality is that each day moves in time to welcome the next day...that's life. Each night, as I turn the covers on my bed, it occurs to me another day has passed. Many people are already making plans to pack and spend the coming winter in warmer areas. Those of us left behind check our closets for the clothes we will need to keep warm; to each his own. Living at Sunset Woods, I watch the leaves turning colors and soon thereafter the branches are clean. Nature is really fascinating. Every year repeating the cycle, and we all know what to expect. Winter is a time to keep busy – we don't want to vegetate. Our lives can stagnate and age inhibits some activities. Don't let it get you depressed. Find something different that interests you. Talk to the staff at the Senior Center, where ideas abound. I guarantee you won't have a chance to get bored. So, as the days go on and on, weather changes and we will adapt. The Midwest is a fascinating place to live. Let's enjoy the good weather days as well as the days when we might want to hibernate. As I write this, I am looking out my window and watching a football team practicing, for I am fortunate to overlook the park from my apartment. Soon the weather will change again, and the field will be filled by the annual presence of the outdoor skating rink. If you are looking for a nice place to live, Sunset Woods is a deal for seniors. Right now there are some openings. Plenty of activities exist and there are new friends to meet. It is hard to believe we have been here eight years. See what I mean when I talk of time flying by. If you come by, look me up.

By Helen Rothman, Senior Center Liaison

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Refuse: Residents Will Have Opportunity to Return 18-Gallon Recycling Bins to City

month base service fee and the \$15 per month back-door convenience fee in addition to \$37.92 per month for the collection of up to two containers, twice per week.

Between October 1 – November 30, residents may switch service levels or recycling cart sizes at no charge. Residents selecting curbside collection will be required to utilize a recycling cart from Veolia. Carts issued by Veolia will have wheels and lids attached. 35-, 65- and 95-gallon carts are available for inspection on the second floor of City Hall. While the service selection survey offers residents a choice between standard-sized recycling carts with a 65- or 95-gallon capacity, residents may request a smaller 35-gallon recycling cart by contacting Veolia directly at (847) 272-4145 / highlandpark@veoliaes.com. Beginning October 1, 2010, the City will accept 18-gallon recycling bins from residents who no longer require them. Residents may drop the bins off at the Public Services Building located at 1180 Half Day Road between 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday – Friday.

Veolia will deliver refuse/recycling carts to residents electing curb-

side collection between September 20 and September 30, 2010. Residents who will be out of town during that timeframe and wish to have their carts placed alongside their residence may contact Renee Helm or Brian Bourdeau in the City Manager's Office, as indicated below. City staff will relocate any such carts to the top of the drive between September 21 and October 1. Additionally, stickers reflecting the reduced rate of \$2.35 will be available for purchase beginning the week of September 20, 2010, at City Hall, Sunset Foods, Jewel Osco and Craftwood Lumber Hardware. Residents may also continue to utilize unused stickers purchased under the current program after October 1.

Residents interested in additional information regarding the new rates and services may contact Veolia's Customer Service Department at (847) 272-4145 / highlandpark@veoliaes.com. Residents with additional questions concerning the new franchise agreement may contact Renee Helm at (847) 926-1030 / rhelm@cityhphil.com or Brian Bourdeau at (847) 926-1043 / bbourdeau@cityhphil.com in the City Manager's Office.

Refuse and Recycling Cart Sizing Information

Cart Dimensions	35-gallon	65-gallon	95-gallon
Width	1.58 feet (19 inches)	2 feet (24 inches)	2 feet (24 inches)
Depth	2 feet (24 inches)	2.25 feet (27 inches)	3 feet (36 inches)
Height	3 feet (36 inches)	3.5 feet (42 inches)	4 feet (48 inches)

October is Highland Park Arts Month 2010

www.heartofhighlandpark.org

This promotion is funded by the City of Highland Park Cultural Arts Commission

Downtown Highland Park



Thurs. through Sun. during October Late Nite H.P.
For information, visit latenitehp.com

The Art Center

1957 Sheridan Rd.
(847) 432-1888
theartcenterhp.org

Fri. Oct. 8- Fri. Oct. 29

Opening reception on Oct. 8 from 6:30-9 pm
Voices and Visions: Standing on the Bridge between Health and Disease

A juried exhibition of art created by those touched by women's health issues. In celebration of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Curated by Caren Helene Rudman.

Thu. Oct. 14

7-9 pm
Ladies Night Out! The Healing Power of Art with Caren Helene Rudman (\$)
Connect mind, body & spirit through healing art. Spend a relaxing and fun evening with your girlfriends creating art and learning relaxation techniques.

Fri. Oct. 15

8 pm
Poetry Open-Mic
Everyone is welcome to attend. Poets may bring up to six poems to share.
Contact: Jennifer Dotson (847) 681-8595
highlandparkpoetry.org

Highland Park Public Library

494 Laurel Ave.
hplibrary.org
(847) 432-0216

Tue. Oct. 5

7 pm
Page to Stage: Love in the American Musical

Thu. Oct. 7

7 pm
Meet the Author – Sara Gruen
Bestselling author Sara Gruen discusses her new book, *Ape House*

Wed. Oct. 13

7 pm
Book Discussion with Judy Levin
Title: *Ape House* by Sara Gruen.

Sun. Oct. 17

2 pm
Pride of the Yankees

Mon. Oct. 18

7 pm
Early Learning Activities
Presented by Nora Barquin, Family Network (En Español.)

7-8:30 pm

Tri-Tones Singers
The singing group of Dotty Westgate, Heather Robbins and Jan Gottlieb defy categorization and combine the best characteristics from doo wop, swing, and humorous songs including Alan Sherman. Ken Schmidt will accompany them on piano.

Sat. Oct. 23

9:30-4 pm
Halloween Railroad
Model trains run through Spookytown.

Sun. Oct. 24

2 pm
Shakespeare's Measure for Measure
A theatrical reading by the Shakespeare Project of Chicago.

Mon. Oct. 25

7 pm
Meet the Author – Ian Frazier
Ian Frazier discusses his latest book, *Travels in Siberia*.

Tues. Oct. 26

7:30 pm
Poetry Night Series BJ Ward
BJ Ward is a recipient of the Pushcart Prize for poetry and two Distinguished Artist Fellowships from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts. His three recent volumes of poetry are *Gravedigger's Birthday* (2002), *17 Love Poems with No Despair* (1997), and *Landing in New Jersey with Soft hands* (1994).

Wed. Oct. 27

7 pm
A Town of Talent: A History of Writers and Artists in Highland Park
Presented at the Highland Park Public Library.

Contact East on Central for more information at (847)757-1184

Highland Park High School

433 Vine Ave.
Contact: Gloria Gibson (224) 765-2160

Thu.-Sat. Oct. 14-16

7:30 pm
Stunts (\$)
In the Highland Park H.S. Auditorium

Wed. Oct. 20

7 pm
Music Showcase
In the Highland Park H.S. Auditorium

Thu. Oct. 28

7 pm
Halloween Band Concert
In the Highland Park H.S. Auditorium

Sun. Oct. 24

Concert at 3 pm (Pre-Concert discussion at 2 pm)
Highland Park Strings at Highland Park High School
Opening concert of Strings' 32nd season conducted by Francesco Milioto. Pianist Lori Kaufman will perform Chopin's Piano Concerto No. 2. Also on the

program are Mozart's Symphony No. 41 (Jupiter) and Copland's Quiet City.

Contact: Stephanie Ettelson (847) 433-4535
hpstrings.org

Bennett-Gordon Hall at Ravinia Festival

Contact: Carl Jasieniecki (847) 926-9898
mya.org

Sun. Oct. 10

3 pm
I Solisti Midwest Young Artists Concert
I Solisti is a select small chamber group directed by Charles Pickler of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra.

Highland Park Community House

1991 Sheridan Rd.

Thu. Oct. 21

12 pm
9th Annual Book Review & Luncheon (\$)
Featuring Barbara Rinella presenting *The Commoner* by John Burnham Schwartz.

Contact: Sonia Calles (847) 433-0377
familynetworkcenter.org

Fri. Oct. 22

6 pm
Music Institute of Chicago, Highland Park Campus Fall Student Recital
Contact: Jennifer Bartel (847) 905-1500
musicinst.org

Sun. Oct. 31

3 pm
Pilgrim Chamber Players (\$)
Concert with Sam Magad, violin and Steven Honigberg, cello in music by Faure and Chopin with CSO members in Dvorak's "American" String Quartet
Contact: Carol Honigberg (847) 433-0972
pilgrimplayers.org

Park District of Highland Park West Ridge Center

636 Ridge Rd.
(847) 831-3810
pdhp.org

Sat. Oct. 16

9:30-12:30 pm
Sumi-e Brushwork Technique for Adult Ceramic Artists (\$)
Kay Toomas, an experienced teacher and Sumi-e master painter will teach this hands-on workshop. Supplies included. Pre-registration required.

Wed. Oct. 20

7-8:30 pm
Silk Scarf Workshop for Adults (\$)
Created a one of a kind hand-painted, decorated silk scarf to wear or give as a gift. Instructor: Debbie Goldstein.

Highland Park Community Preschool & Day Care Center

1850 Green Bay Rd.

Tue. Oct. 19

6:45 pm
Art: All about Fun & Learning
Learn practical ways to bring art into the lives of very young children with a professional artist & musician presenting.

Open to educators and all interested adults
Contact: Jane Talesnick (847) 432-1164
hp-homechildcare.com

Highland Park Historical Society

326 Central Ave.
(847) 432-7090
highlandparkhistory.com

Sun. Oct. 17

1-5 pm
Annual House Tour: A Triangle of Treasures (\$)

Entire month of October-Nov. 5

Call for times

SWORDS of the Eastern Hemisphere (\$)
1500 B.C. – 1990 A.D.

The Music Theatre Company

1850 Green Bay Rd.
(847) 579-4950
themusictheatrecompany.org

Fri. Oct. 8-Sat. Oct. 9

8 pm
Deconstructing Broadway (\$)
Starring XM/Sirius Radio and Broadway star Seth Rudetsky
theatermania.com

Sat. Oct. 9

11 am-2 pm
Musical Theatre Audition Master Class (\$)
With XM/Sirius Radio & Broadway star Seth Rudetsky
sethrudetsky.com/blog/see-me-live

Attic Playhouse

410 Sheridan Rd.
Highwood, IL
(847) 433-2660
www.atticplayhouse.com

Fri. Sept. 10-Sun. Oct. 17

Fridays & Saturdays at 8 pm and Sundays at 3 pm.

Love, Sex and the I.R.S. By William Van Zandt & Jane Milmore (\$)

It's 1979 and Jon & Leslie are two young, out-of-work bachelors sharing an apartment together in New York City. To save money, Jon has been filing tax returns listing the pair as married... unbeknownst to his buddy Leslie. Things quickly spiral into side-splitting confusion and chaos in this hilarious farce.

(\$) CALL FOR EVENT COST; OTHERWISE ALL EVENTS ARE FREE.