

THE HIGHLANDER



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Neighborhood Meetings Start This Month

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 and to engage other units of local government. Residents will have an opportunity to conduct a dialogue with the Mayor, members of the City Council and the City Manager. A total of seven meetings will be held in September and October at various locations throughout the City. Residents are invited to attend any neighborhood meeting of their choosing regardless of location. The neighborhood meeting schedule is as follows:

- Wednesday, September 19: 7:00 p.m.; City Hall Council Chambers, 1707 St. Johns Avenue
- Thursday, September 27: 7:00 p.m.; Highland Park Police Department, Training Room, 1677 Old Deerfield Road
- Wednesday, October 3: 2:00 p.m.; Highland Park Police Department, Training Room, 1677 Old Deerfield Road
- Thursday, October 4: 7:00 p.m.; Northwood Jr. High School, 945 North Avenue
- Thursday, October 11: 7:00 p.m.; Ravinia Elementary School, 763 Dean Avenue
- Tuesday, October 16: 7:00 p.m.; Ravines Condominium Complex (Ft. Sheridan Neighborhood), 3535 Patten Road
- Tuesday, October 30: 7:00 p.m.; Sherwood School, 1900 Stratford Road

For more information, please contact Luke Banaszak in the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1030/lbanaszak@cityhpil.com.

City Announces Appointment of Three Department Director Positions

Highland Park City Manager David Knapp is pleased to announce the appointment of three department directors: Deputy City Manager, Finance Director and Public Works Director.

The City Manager appointed Ghida Neukirch as Deputy City Manager August 1. Neukirch comes to Highland Park with 13 years of experience from the Village of Buffalo Grove where she was responsible for overseeing the Village's annual economic development strategic plan, planning, building and zoning, and communications. Neukirch served as the Deputy City Manager for six of the 13 years. Prior to Buffalo Grove, Neukirch worked for the Village of Niles for six years. Neukirch holds a B.A. from DePaul University and a Master of Public Administration from Northern Illinois University. Neukirch is also a credentialed manager through the International City/County Management Association (ICMA).

Additionally, Nicole Winikates has been appointed Finance Director effective September 10. Winikates has over eight years of municipal government experience, including almost seven years at the Village of Palatine where she served as a Village Accountant and an Accounting Manager. Thereafter, she joined the Highland Park organization in April 2011 as the Deputy Finance Director. She later served as the City's Interim Finance Director beginning in May 2012 until her formal appointment as Finance Director on September 10. Winikates holds a B.S. in Business Administration with a specialization in Accounting from Roosevelt University and a Master of Business Administration from Northern Illinois University. Winikates is also a Certified Public Accountant (CPA).

The City Manager also appointed Ramesh Kanapareddy as the City's Public Works Director effective September 10. Kanapareddy comes to Highland Park with six years of experience from the City of Lake Forest where he served as the City Engineer. Prior to that, Kanapareddy worked for the Village of Glenview for six years as a project manager. Kanapareddy also has worked as an engineer in the private sector prior to his tenure at the Village of Glenview. Kanapareddy holds a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from Nagarjuna University in India, a Master of Science in Civil Engineering from Cleveland State University and a Master of Public Administration specializing in Urban Management from Northern Illinois University.

For more information, please contact the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1000.

**Look inside for special inserts with information about the October 19
GreenTown Conference and Highland Park October Arts Month!**

'HIGH' NOTES

Sister Cities Foundation Gala: October 10

Mark your calendar on October 10 for the Sister Cities Foundation Triennial Fundraiser at the Highland Park Country Club, 1201 Park Avenue West. Honoring the 10th anniversary of the Highland Park Sister Cities Foundation, the formal gala will include a dinner prepared by renowned chefs visiting from Highland Park's Sister City, Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, as well as a live and silent auction. Musical entertainment will be provided by a visiting string quartet from Puerto Vallarta. The fundraiser begins at 6:00 p.m. and admission is \$125 per guest. For more information about attending the event, please contact Luke Banaszak in the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1030/lbanaszak@cityhpil.com.

SWALCO Hosting Household Chemical Recycling Events

The Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO) will host household chemical waste collection events on Monday, September 24, at its facility, 1131 N. Estes Street, Gurnee. To register for an appointment to drop off materials, please visit www.swalco.org/collectionevents/householdwastecollectionevents. A mobile residential collection event will be held in Lake Forest on Saturday, September 29, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the municipal services center, 800 North Field Drive. For more information, visit www.swalco.org or contact SWALCO at (847) 336-9340.

Vehicle Stickers Due October 1

Renewal applications for City vehicle stickers were mailed to residents in 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 112 Education Foundation. For convenience, residents are strongly encouraged to renew vehicle licenses online or send in their 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 Tuesday, September 25, until 7:00 p.m., and Saturday, September 29, from 8:00 a.m. to Noon.** 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.

Interested in Serving on a City Commission?

The Mayor and City Council are preparing to appoint new residents to City commissions for terms beginning January 2013. Please visit the City's website at www.cityhpil.com/boardsandcommissions to view a list of the various City commissions, the goals and responsibilities of each commission, and what is required to volunteer. For more information and to apply, contact DeVona Gaynor in the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1008/dgaynor@cityhpil.com.

CPAH Hosts Affordable Housing Information Sessions

Looking for an affordable way to live in the community? 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.

To learn if affordable housing might be right for you, please attend an information session on Saturday, September 15, at 10:00 a.m. or Tuesday, October 9, at 7:00

p.m. Information sessions are held at 400 Central Avenue, Suite 111. In addition, CPAH is currently taking applications for a 3-bedroom, 2-bath home with a large, light basement, a big yard and lots of storage. To find out if you qualify for this or other CPAH homes, and to register for one of the information sessions, please contact Amy Kaufman at (847) 681-8746/akaufman@cpahousing.org. For pictures of available properties and additional information, please visit www.cpahousing.org.

Dog License Renewals Due October 1

City of Highland Park Dog Licenses for 2012-2013 are now available and must be purchased by October 1, 2012. Renewal fees for the 2012-2013 license year are \$5 for spayed or neutered dogs (proof required) and \$10 for unaltered dogs. A current rabies vaccination certificate is required if the vaccination listed on the Dog License renewal notice has expired. Dog Licenses can be renewed by mail or in person at City Hall, 1707 St. Johns Avenue. The Finance Department also offers online renewal for Dog Licenses on the City's website at www.cityhpil.com. Dog license application forms for new licenses and instructions for the online renewal process can also be found on the City's website. For more information, please contact the Finance Department at (847) 432-0800/finance@cityhpil.com.

Budget Workshop Schedule

The City has scheduled the following budget workshops that will be held in the City Hall Pre-Session Conference Room, 1707 St. Johns Avenue:

October 15 – 6:00 p.m.
October 22 – 4:00 p.m.
October 29 – (if needed)

More information regarding the budget development will be provided in future editions of the *Highlander* and on the City's website at www.cityhpil.com. Download meeting agenda packets at www.cityhpil.com/citycouncilagendapacket. For more information, please contact the Finance Department at (847) 432-0800.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Message from the Mayor

What are your priorities? The City Council and Staff are currently working together to develop the FY2013 City Budget and we want you to join the conversation.

First, here is some quick information: the average household in Highland Park paying \$10,000/year in property taxes pays \$6,870 to the School Districts, \$764 to Lake County, and \$565 to the Park District. The City's property tax portion is \$645, with additional revenues coming from sales taxes and other fees. Go to the City's website www.cityhpil.com/propertytaxes to see how your property tax bill is split across 11 government agencies.

Each of us, in our daily life, approaches budgeting as an exercise in prioritization:

- Spend money on basics before indulgences
- Invest in and maintain your home, car, etc. to keep them in working condition
- Create a rainy day fund for unexpected expenses
- Save for anticipated large expenses

The City approaches budgeting in a similar way: City staff forecasts annual revenue from property taxes, fees and other revenue sources and identifies core municipal service needs. Sensible budgeting also anticipates long-term infrastructure needs, pension obligations and other projects that improve our dynamic community.

My budget philosophy is straightforward:

- Focus first on core City responsibilities: public works, fire and police
- Fund or plan repairs of and investment in long-term capital assets
- Put community "needs" first and ensure that our "wants" truly add to the quality of community life
- Approach the budget in its entirety; nothing in the budget should be looked at in isolation from the bigger picture
- Ensure a balanced operating budget and avoid drawing from reserves for operating expenditures
- Maintain adequate reserves for flexibility in addressing unforeseen needs and demands
- Take a conservative approach to pension accounting to plan for long-term funding requirements
- Seek efficiencies

In recent years, some of our priorities have been neglected. Core City infrastructure was underinvested in and at times spending on non-core activities superseded core items. During the last few months, we have seen the unfortunate results of some of those decisions:

- A public garage and movie theater closed due to lack of fire safety maintenance
- Fire hydrants overdue for maintenance and testing with troublesome results
- A taxed water treatment plant in the face of a drought with significant maintenance issues past due
- Closed or reduced-load bridges needing repair
- A library in need of maintenance long deferred

We now face the challenge of bringing our budget back in sync with our priorities.

This Council and Staff are committed to transparency and accountability. All budget workshops are open to the public and available for viewing on our City website at www.cityhpil.com/media. The next Budget workshops will be October 15, October 22, (October 29 if needed) with a proposed public hearing on November 12. Times and details can be found at www.cityhpil.com/citycouncilagendapacket. We hope you'll join our conversation.



Nancy R. Poirier

COMMUNITY NEWS

Ravinia Business District Streetscape Design and Branding Study Begins

The Ravinia Business District (RBD) streetscape design and branding study is underway with efforts led by a team of representatives from the Hitchcock Design Group, Nicholas Associates and Strand Associates. The study is necessary to determine the costs of long-term streetscape improvements for the stretch of Roger Williams Avenue between Green Bay Road and Judson Avenue. Also included in the comprehensive analysis is a utility adequacy study that will determine the need for future underground improvements. These efforts build on prior actions regarding the RBD, including the establishment of a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District in 2005 and the completion of a market study in 2010. The project team has begun working with an Advisory Committee of local business and property owners, and representatives from the City Council, Park District, Ravinia Festival, Ravinia Neighbors Association, Chamber of Commerce, and Business and Economic Development Commission. Draft concepts will be presented to the public for input at an open house on October 11 at 7:00 p.m. at the Ravinia Festival Dining Pavilion, located at 418 Sheridan Road, and accessed via the North Lot gate. Residents are also invited to provide input by participating in an online survey at www.hitchcockdesigngroup.com/RaviniaStreetscape.html. For more information, contact Barbara Cates in the Department of Community Development at (847) 432-0867/bcates@cityhpil.com.

Monthly Business Report

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

New Businesses

Bong Spa
1931 Sheridan Road
(847) 748-8173
Nail and Beauty Salon

Linly Designs
1766 Second Street
(847) 266-5099
Retail and Interior Design
www.linlydesigns.com

Teacher Peach
458 Central Avenue
(847) 926-7298
Educational Retail Store for Teachers and Parents
www.teacherpeach.com

New Ownership
Hyland Cleaners
178 Skokie Valley Road
(847) 831-9020

Business Recognition Awards
Mayor Rotering and the City Council, and the Business and Economic Development Commission (BEDC) recognize businesses that have been in the community for over 25 years:

Olga's Skin Care and Day Spa
500 Central Avenue
(847) 433-8812
Open since 1981

Healthy Highland Park Task Force Announces Fall Programming For Families

The Healthy Highland Park Task Force is pleased to announce the "Passport to Health"/WeCan! (Ways to Enhance Children's Activity and Nutrition) program this fall. A program from the National Institutes of Health, WeCan! addresses the growing obesity epidemic among the youth population. WeCan! reaches parents and caregivers in a community setting with educational materials and activities, including a four-lesson course for parents, a parent handbook in both English and Spanish, youth programming, and community events and projects.

Highland Park and Highwood parents and youth in grades K-5 are eligible to register. Pre-registration is required; registration will begin late August and the 4-week/4-lesson curriculum begins September 27, 2012. Parents will select one of four 4-week programs from September through November. Sessions will be located at District 112 schools throughout Highland Park and Highwood. Parents and their youth will come to the sessions together, but will be educated separately. For more information, please call (866) 675-5606 or email youthwellness@comcast.net.



For more information on electricity aggregation, call mc2 at (888) 808-7731 or visit www.northshoreelectricityaggregation.com.

COMMUNITY NEWS

City Council Nomination Packets Available; Register to Vote for the November 6 General Election

Residents interested in running for City Council in the 2013 Consolidated Election may pick up nomination packets in the City Clerk's Office at City Hall, 1707 St. Johns Avenue. Packets include the statement of candidacy, nomination petitions, and a statement of economic interests. Three Council positions are open for nomination. Candidate requirements include one year of residency in Highland Park and being a qualified elector/registered voter. Petitions may be circulated from August 28 through November 26, 2012. Candidate petitions are filed with the City Clerk weekdays between November 19 and November 26, 2012, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Shirley Fitzgerald, City Clerk, at (847) 926-1034/sfitzgerald@cityhpil.com.

Residents need to be registered to vote in the November 6 General Election. To register, one must be a United States citizen, 18 years of age by November 6, 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 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. Your 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, at the Moraine Township Office, 777 Central Avenue; and at the West Deerfield Township Office, 601 Deerfield Road, Deerfield. The last day to register for the November Election is October 9. For more information, please contact Shirley Fitzgerald, City Clerk, at (847) 926-1034/sfitzgerald@cityhpil.com.

For the November 6 Election, early voting will be offered to registered Highland Park voters from October 22 through November 3 at the Lake County North Shore Health Center, 1840 Green Bay Road. A valid government-issued ID with 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 now permits any registered voter to receive a ballot by mail. One-time requests for a ballot can be made via the web, by email 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, sending an email to VotingByMail@lakecountyil.gov, or calling (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. For more information on the Voting by Mail Programs - Military Voter, Permanent Voting by Mail, Snowbird and Temporarily Absent Student - visit the Lake County Clerk's website at www.VotingByMail.info or call (847) 377-2406.

Hydrant Flushing Underway

On July 23, the City Council approved the award of the 2012 Hydrant Flushing Program Contract to B&F Technical Code Service, Inc. This contract, which provides for systematically flushing hydrants, is very important to ensure satisfactory operation of the hydrant as well as the quality of the City's water supply. Over time, various materials can build up in the water main's distribution system. Opening the hydrant and allowing it to flow flushes these materials out. The hydrants are left open until the water runs clear. During the flushing operation, the contractor also tests each hydrant to ensure that the hydrant is in full working order and verifies flow capacity. Any noted defects are reported to Public Works' Water Division for corrective action. During the flushing operations, temporary signage is placed on barricades to let residents know that hydrant flushing will be taking place in their neighborhood. If you see a crew flushing a hydrant on your street, avoid running tap water and using the washing machine or the dishwasher until the work is completed. As a result of the flushing operation, you may notice a temporary incidence of discolored water while fine sediment particles are flushed out. There is no health hazard associated with the discolored water. Allow a few hours for the discoloration to dissipate. To verify water is clear, run your cold water tap for a few minutes. If pressure or volume seems low, please check your faucet screens for trapped particles. For more information, visit www.cityhpil.com/hydrantflushing or contact the Public Works Department at (847) 432-0807.



Look for these signs in your neighborhood when the City is conducting hydrant flushing.

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.

Wed., Sept. 19	Design Review Commission	7:00 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 20	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:30 p.m.
Mon., Sept. 24	Committee of the Whole	4:30 p.m.
	City Council	7:30 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 25	Business and Econ. Development	6:00 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 26	Transportation Commission	6:30 p.m.
Mon, Oct. 1	Design Review Commission	7:00 p.m.
Tues., Oct. 2	Plan Commission	7:30 p.m.
	Cultural Arts Commission	7:30 p.m.
Wed., Oct. 3	Housing Commission	6:30 p.m.
Thurs., Oct. 4	Human Relations Commission	5:00 p.m.
	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:30 p.m.
Mon., Oct. 8	Committee of the Whole	4:30 p.m.
	City Council	7:30 p.m.
Tues., Oct. 9	Police Pension Board	7:00 p.m.
	(1677 Old Deerfield Road)	
	Library Board of Trustees	7:15 p.m.
	(494 Laurel Avenue)	
Wed., Oct. 10	Natural Resources Commission	6:30 p.m.
Thurs., Oct. 11	Historic Preservation Comm.	7:30 p.m.

LIBRARY PROGRAMS

The Highland Park Public Library presents free literary 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.

School Open House Day, Saturday, September 22. Drop by the library, sign up for a library card, take a library tour, and enjoy a performance by Sandi Sylver, storyteller, ventriloquist and songstress. Performance at 3:00 p.m. Tours at 1:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m. or 3:00 p.m.

Film Showing and Discussion, Sunday, September 23, 2:00 p.m. Bob Coscarelli, professor emeritus at College of Lake County, introduces and screens a series of films about politics. This critically acclaimed film directed by George Clooney and based on a play, deals with a political scandal during a presidential primary. Presented with the Highland Park Senior Center. Sponsored by Home Instead Senior Care.

The Year We Left Home Book Discussion, Tuesday, October 9, 1:00 p.m. Noted book discussion leader Judy Levin leads a discussion about Jean Thompson's novel about an Iowa family and their struggles.

Career Counseling, Wednesday, October 10, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Meet with a career counselor from College of Lake County for a free half-hour session. Learn job search strategies, find assistance writing or updating a resume, and prepare for a job interview. Register at the Reference Desk or call (847) 681-7031.

CULTURAL ARTS EVENTS

Autumn Fest September 21, Free 4:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Heller Nature Center 2821 Ridge Road (847) 433-6901	HP Players: 42nd Street Starts October 12 Call For Information	Northbrook Theatre 3323 Walters Avenue (847) 926-3025
Music at the Fort September 22, \$5 donation 7:00 p.m.	MYA Center-Highwood 878 Lyster Road (847) 926-9898	Sebastian Bäverstam October 13, \$10 8:00 p.m.	Bennett Gordon Hall 200 Ravinia Park Road (847) 266-5100
Van Bergen Exhibit September 30, 4:00 p.m. \$5	HP Historical Society 326 Central Avenue (847) 432-7090	HP Comm. Associates of Art Institute: Pilsen Tour October 17 9:00 a.m., \$57-\$72	Meet at Hidden Creek Aqua Park 1220 Fredrickson Place (847) 432-2713
Voices and Visions October 5 - November 10 Call For Information	The Art Center 1957 Sheridan Road (847) 432-1888	Tessa Lark October 20, \$10 8:00 p.m.	Bennett Gordon Hall 200 Ravinia Park Road (847) 266-5100
HP Poetry Open Mic October 12, 8:00 p.m. Free	The Art Center 1957 Sheridan Road (847) 926-1006	HP Strings October 21 3:00 p.m., Free	HP High School 433 Vine Avenue (847) 204-2397

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.

Register for Fall programming via telephone with a credit card, or in person with cash, check or credit card. (If paying in person, please call ahead to ensure that someone will be in the building.) Membership is \$40 for the school year.

After 3 at The Firehouse was designed to serve the growing needs of working families with children in middle school. Research has shown that the hours between 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. are a crucial time for supervision of middle school students. **After 3** at The Firehouse provides highly trained adult supervisors who offer your child enriching activities that can develop their potential, build their confidence and help them with their schoolwork. Snacks are included in the fee. 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. In addition, if your child participates in an after-school program at school, the late activity buses from all middle schools include the Firehouse in their routes.

Register to fit the needs of your family, whether it is one day a week or five. Once registered, your child will have a seat reserved for the days you wish.

Drop-In and allow your child to come to The Firehouse without being enrolled in the **After 3** program, to enjoy games and activities, to socialize, as well as participate in community service activities. We encourage members who are not enrolled in the **After 3** program to drop in whenever they desire!

	Fee w/out Transportation	Fee w/Transportation
One day/week	\$40	\$80
Two days/week	\$80	\$160
Three days/week	\$120	\$240
Four days/week	\$160	\$320
Five days/week	\$200	\$400



Senior Services

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

Good Ol' Backyard Barbeque
Highland Park Senior Center
Friday, September 21, Noon - 2:30 p.m.
Fee: \$8/Non-Members: \$18

Enjoy a day of fun, food, music, and games in the beautiful backyard of the Highland Park Senior Center. Highland Park firefighters will cook hot dogs and turkey sausages, served with sides, desserts and beverages. Live music will liven up the atmosphere, and bocce, croquet, and horseshoes will be available. Inclement weather date: September 28. *Sponsored by Omega Health and Home Services*

Bonfire and Dinner at the Beach
North Shore Yacht Club (NSYC)
Wednesday, October 17, 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Fee: \$8/Non-Member: \$18 (advanced registration required)

Enjoy a casual dinner on the front porch of the NSYC, which overlooks the beautiful waters of Lake Michigan. For dessert, roast marshmallows over an open fire and make your own s'mores. Musical entertainment will make for a wonderful evening. Please dress appropriately for the weather, as this is an outdoor event. *Sponsored by Visiting Angels*

Pop Culture Television Shows
Highland Park Public Library
Fridays, 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Free; For Members Only

The Highland Park Senior Center is thrilled to welcome internationally recognized, award-winning public speaker and historian Barry Bradford. This fall, join Barry for a fun, fast, and fascinating series on the fantastically funny early days of television.

Sid Caesar - King Of TV Comedy: October 12

Sid Caesar was one of the greatest stars in the history of television. His shows represent the pinnacle of both performance and writing that television has never again approached. Caesar was amazingly talented and his writing staff (Neil Simon, Woody Allen, Mel Brooks, Selma Diamond, Carl Reiner, Larry Gelbart, among others) is unquestionably the greatest team ever assembled. Bradford will present hilarious, rare film clips, fascinating anecdotes, and insightful analysis to explain the rise and fall of Sid Caesar.

Dick Van Dyke - Ushering in the 60s: November 2

The Dick Van Dyke Show ushered in the sixties - it changed the way TV portrayed working women, marriage, suburbia and so much more. Although it premiered only two years after Lucy left the air, it looks much more modern. Join Barry for a fascinating look at a funny, smart and influential show. *Sponsored by Arbor Ridge a CRL Senior Living Community.*

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Celebrate Van Bergen Month Throughout October

October 2012 is John Van Bergen Month in Highland Park. The City's Historic Preservation Commission and the Historical Society are hosting a series of events highlighting the career of the Prairie Style architect, John Van Bergen. Of all the Prairie architects, John S. Van Bergen (1885-1969) is probably the most closely associated with Highland Park. He worked for Frank Lloyd Wright for a year and started his own practice in Oak Park in 1911. Van Bergen moved to Highland Park and lived here with his family for 25 years. He designed more than 30 buildings in Highland Park, including Braeside School, the commercial building at 1894 Sheridan Road as well as single family homes throughout the City. Jens Jensen, the noted landscape architect was Van Bergen's neighbor, friend and mentor and they collaborated on several projects including an addition at Ravinia School. The events planned for Van Bergen Month include:

- Sunday, September 30, 4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Historical Society, 326 Central. Exhibit opening that spans Van Bergen's 55-year career. Admission \$5. A portion of this exhibit will also be on view for free at the Highland Park Public Library, 494 Laurel.
- A self-guided bicycling/driving tour with downloadable audio. Tour brochure available at the Library, the Historical Society or City Hall; free.
- Sunday, October 14, 2:00 p.m. Free lecture at the Library.
- Sunday, October 21, Noon-4:00 p.m. The Historical Society's annual house tour, beginning at Braeside School, the building Van Bergen considered his masterpiece and continuing with six Prairie Style homes; \$30 in advance.

For more information please call Lisa Temkin (847) 266-1320 or visit www.hphistory.net.

Nomination Forms Available for Annual Historic Preservation Awards

The Historic Preservation Commission is now accepting nominations for the 2012 Highland Park Historical Preservation Awards. The Historical Preservation Commission sponsors the awards in order to recognize and encourage projects that protect historic homes in Highland Park. Last year's winners included the renovation of a 1926 Sears & Roebuck house on Burton and the restoration of the Cornelius Field House at 147 Central Avenue, built around 1875. The 2012 Awards recognize five categories: Restoration, Rehabilitation, Adaptive Reuse, Landscape Restoration and New Construction/Addition. Nominations are due to City Hall by Monday, October 1. Awards will be presented in November. Nomination forms are available at the Highland Park Public Library or online at www.cityhpil.com/hpc. For more information, please contact Andy Cross, City Planner, at (847) 432-0867/across@cityhpil.com.

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October 19, 2012
at The Art Center
Downtown Highland Park

GreenTown Highland Park

Now is the time to create a healthy, sustainable community. Join the City of Highland Park for a week-long experience designed to promote sustainability in Highland Park and beyond. Starting on Wednesday, October 17 with a film festival and culminating in a conference called GreenTown: The Future of Community, community members and business owners can engage to learn, create a dialogue and develop actionable ways to promote healthy living, walking and biking, downtown development, arts and culture, waste reduction and more.

On October 18, we will host two pre-conference workshops:

- Waste Not: Advancing Commercial Food Scrap Collection in the Chicago Area (Organized by SWALCO, SWANCC, DuPage County, Kane County, Cook County and GreenTown)
- Back Yard or Back 40: Creating Sustainable Landscapes (Presented by MELA)

GreenTown will take place October 19 at the Art Center of Highland Park.

The zero waste, carbon neutral event will assemble 250-plus community leaders from Highland Park, the North Shore and the Chicago metro area. Combining a format of major speakers, networking events and hands-on workshops, GreenTown provides ample opportunity to learn, connect and foster change.

Highland Park has emerged as a leader in sustainability. With a sustainability plan developed, the City has begun to implement the plan. GreenTown aims to:

- Galvanize the implementation of the sustainability plan by bringing together key players in Highland Park, from the business community to the schools (K-12 and higher education), the park district, healthcare and the design and art communities.
- Spur sustainable downtown development.
- Promote and develop Highland Park's affordable housing initiatives.
- Position Highland Park as a leader on the North Shore, in the Chicago area and the Midwest with respect to sustainability.
- Foster connections and partnerships with businesses, other organizations and other communities.

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GreenTown is co-produced by a5, a brand consultancy focused on sustainability, and Seven Generations Ahead, a non-profit devoted to creating healthy, sustainable communities. To sponsor GreenTown or the Film Fest, email Charles Colley at ccolley@a5inc.com.

Key Speakers

Mark Fenton, Host of "America's Walking" on PBS

Susan Garrett, State Senator, 29th District

David Pope, President, Village of Oak Park

Nancy Rotering, Mayor, Highland Park

Janet Attarian, City of Chicago Department of Transportation

Walter Willis, SWALCO

Jim Patchett, Conservation Design Forum

Who Should Attend?

- Mayors
- Elected Officials
- City Managers
- Park District Staff
- Planners
- Developers
- Builders
- Architects
- Landscape Architects
- Engineers
- School Leaders
- Community Members
- Business Owners
- Non-profit Leaders

... and anyone interested in building healthy, sustainable communities.

Register today at greentownconference.com

GREENTOWN AT THE MOVIES

WASTE LAND

Winner, Best World Cinema Documentary, Sundance Festival

Filmed over nearly three years, WASTE LAND follows renowned artist Vik Muniz as he journeys from his home base in Brooklyn to his native Brazil and the world's largest garbage dump, Jardim Gramacho, located on the outskirts of Rio de Janeiro. There he photographs an eclectic band of "catadores"—self-designated pickers of recyclable materials. Director Lucy Walker (DEVIL'S PLAYGROUND, BLINDSIGHT and COUNTDOWN TO ZERO) and co-directors João Jardim and Karen Harley have great access to the entire process and, in the end, offer stirring evidence of the transformative power of art and the alchemy of the human spirit. *99 min.*

Also Showing:
THE GRID

The story of Ursula Sladek and a small group of parents who took over the local electric grid and started one of Europe's first cooperatively-owned green energy companies. *5 min.*

DISCUSSION TO FOLLOW

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 7PM

\$10 AT THE DOOR / IN ADVANCE AT THEATER

RENAISSANCE PLACE CINEMA

1850 2ND ST., SUITE 110, DOWNTOWN HIGHLAND PARK
(847) 432-7914

GreenTown: The Future of Community

Friday, October 19 / Art Center / Downtown Highland Park

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Highland Park Arts Month October 2012

www.cityhpil.com/cac

Sponsored by the
Highland Park Cultural Arts
Network (HPCAN)

**HP ARTS MONTH
CELEBRATION DAY
OCTOBER 14
11am-5pm**

Various venues

11 am

Corner of Central Avenue
and First Street
**Downtown Public
Art Walking Tour**

Sponsored by Highland Park
Public Art Advisory Group
and Cultural Arts

Take a walking tour through
downtown Highland Park
and learn about some of
the notable artworks in the
City's collection. Meet at
Ballena Vallarta (the Whales)
by Octavio Gonzalez at the
corner of Central Avenue and
First Street.

1:30 pm

1850 Green Bay Road

**Words Behind the Music:
Cole Porter's List Songs**

A lecture w/slides by Charles
Troy and performances by
The Music Theatre Company.
A collaboration between
East on Central and TMTC.
Reserve FREE tickets by
calling (847) 579-4900
or tickets@
themusictheatrecompany.org

3 pm

The Art Center

1957 Sheridan Road

Experiencing Area Arts

Featuring music, art, dance,
poetry, storytelling, and
hands-on activities! Also,
local arts organizational info
booths and presentations.
Refreshments will be served.

The Art Center

1957 Sheridan Rd.

Contact: Gabrielle Rousso

(847) 432-1888

www.theartcenterhp.org

**EVENTS HELD
OCTOBER 5-
NOVEMBER 10**

Fri., Oct. 5

6:30 pm - 9 pm

Exhibition opening reception
including performances by
ensemble group Sing to Live,
and Cancer with a Twist.

**Voices and Visions:
Standing on the
Bridge between Health and
Disease**

Third annual juried art
exhibition in honor of Breast
Cancer Awareness Month
created by those touched by
women's health issues.

ONE DAY WORKSHOPS

Fri., Oct. 12

6:30 pm - 9 pm

**Kids Night Out Celebrates
Halloween! (\$)**

A spooky night of dinner and
crafts for ages (5-10). Crafts
projects will include pumpkins,
witches, bats and ghosts!
No parents allowed!

Sat., Oct. 13

1 pm - 3 pm

**For Kids: Terrifying Jar
Luminaries and Menacing
Munchies (\$)**

Instructor: Renee Berg

Sun., Oct. 14

10 am - noon

**For Family: Create Creepy
Lanterns
and Artful Treats (\$)**

Instructor: Renee Berg

Sat., Oct. 27

9 am - 1 pm

**50 Drawings in
Four Hours (\$)**

Instructor: Teresa Hofheimer

Highland Park Poetry at the Art Center

Contact: Jennifer Dotson

(847) 681-8595

www.highlandparkpoetry.org

Fri. Oct. 12

8 pm

**Poetry Reading
& Open-Mic**

Poets may bring up to
six poems to share.

Highland Park Public Library

494 Laurel Ave.

(847) 432-0216

www.hplibrary.org

Sun., Oct. 7

2 pm

**Film Screening and
Discussion of Frank
Capra's State of the Union**

Film lecturer Bob Coscarelli
introduces and screens
a film about politics that
stars Spencer Tracy as a
presidential candidate.

Tues. Oct. 9

1 pm

**Book Discussion on
The Year We Left Home
with Judy Levin**

Noted book group leader Levin
leads discussion on a novel by
Jean Thompson about an Iowa
family and their struggles.

Sun., Oct. 21

2 pm

**Film Screening
and Discussion:**

**Just Do It: A Tale of
Modern Day Outlaws**

This documentary follows a
group of environmental activists
engaged in non-violent actions.

Sun., Oct. 28

2 pm

**Performance: Othello,
The Moor of Venice**

Equity actors from the
Shakespeare Project of
Chicago present one of the
Bard's greatest tragedies.

Tues., Oct. 30

6:30 pm

**An evening with
Authors Dan Gutman,
Jon Scieszka and
Jeramey Kraatz!**

Registration online beginning
October 8 at www.kidsevents.org.
To receive priority seats
and wristband to meet the
authors, pre order books
by October 7 at www.lakeforestbookstore.com

Highland Park High School

433 Vine Ave.

All events in the auditorium

Contact: Gloria Gibson
(224) 765-2160

Sat.- Mon., Oct. 11-13

7:30 pm

Stunts 2012 (\$)

Original musical produced and
performed by HPHS students.

Wed., Oct. 17

7 pm

Music Showcase

Performances by the HPHS
Music Department, featuring
the bands, chorus and
orchestra.

Thurs., Oct. 18

7 pm

**Edgewood Middle School
Music Festival**

Performance in school
auditorium at
929 Edgewood Rd.

Sat., Oct. 20

7pm

Playback Theatre

Improv performances by HPHS
students in the school studio
theatre.

Sun., Oct. 21

**Highland Park Strings at
Highland Park High School**

Contact: Julie McCaffrey

(847) 204-2397

www.hpstrings.org

**Pre-Concert discussion
at 2 pm**

Stephanie Ettelson presents
"The Art of Listening to
Today's Concert"

Concert at 3 pm

Opening concert of Strings'
34th season conducted
by Francesco Milioto,
featuring The Fabulous
Fiddlers. Featuring. Program
includes work by Handel,
Bach, Haydn's, Sarasate
Ziegeunerweisen, Sait Saen's
and Rondo Capriccioso,
soloists and brothers Nikki
Chooi and Timothy Chooi.

Tues., Oct. 30

7 pm

Halloween Band Concert

HPHS combined bands dress
for Halloween and play the
greatest Halloween favorites!

Midwest Young Artists

878 Lyster Rd, Highwood

(847) 926-9898 www.mya.org

Sun. Oct. 6

8 am

**Performance Class with
Gary Stucka of the CSO**

Enjoy world class instruction
from Gary Stucka, cellist in the
Chicago Symphony Orchestra.
Free hour of education is open
to public Bring your instrument
or just watch and take notes.
Teachers are welcome to bring
their studios.

Sun., Oct. 14

2:30 pm

Bennett Gordon Hall

418 Sheridan Rd.

Contact: ember@mya.org

**Chamber Music
Recital at Ravinia**

Students from award-winning
MYA chamber music program
will perform a recital. Open to
the public.

Sat., Oct. 20

3 pm

**Tesla Quartet Chamber
Music Masterclass
at the MYA Center**

The Tesla Quartet, senior sting
gold medalists in the 2012
Fischoff Competition, will be
hosting a FREE chamber
music masterclass. These

skilled artists are going
back to the community by
sharing their knowledge and
skill with younger generations
of rising chamber music stars.
Open to the public.

7 pm

**Tesla Quartet Performance
(\$)**

Enjoy a relaxing evening of
fantastic chamber music and
a complimentary wine and
snack bar. The Tesla Quartet
will be performing. Open
to public at all ages, a \$5
donation is suggested.

Saturdays in October

8 am

**Upright Bass Performance
Class with Dr. Allan Dennis**

Attention Bass enthusiasts:
FREE Class every Saturday
morning in October at 8 am
taught by MYA Founder and
Director Dr. Allan Dennis.

Highland Park Community House

1991 Sheridan Rd.

(847) 432-1515

Sun. Oct. 7

3:30 pm-5:30 pm

Music Institute of Chicago

Open House; with instrument
petting zoo and
demonstration classes.
Contact: Jennifer Bartel
(847) 448-8316
www.musicinst.org

Sun. Oct. 28

3 pm

**Pilgrim Chamber Players
(PCP) Fifth House
Ensemble Concert (\$)**

Ensemble performances
in a varied chamber music
program of Ravel, Martinu,
Crumb and Mendelssohn's
piano Trio.
Contact: Carol Honigberg
(847) 433-0972
www.pilgrimplayers.org

Highland Park Country Club

1201 Park Ave West

Thur. Oct. 25

1:30 pm

**(PCP) Concert for the
HP Senior Center**

A concert with the Fifth House
Ensemble performing
works by Ravel, Martinu,
and Mendelssohn
Contact: Carol Honigberg
(847) 433-0972
www.pilgrimplayers.org

Park District of Highland Park West Ridge Center

636 Ridge Rd.

(847) 831-3810

www.pdhp.org

Sat. Oct. 13

9 am - 1 pm

**Hand Building and
Underglaze Painting
Ceramics Workshop (\$)**

Nancy Gardner will show
participants how to achieve
the colors, imagery and
integration of form and
surface using underglazes.
Registration online.
pdhp.org or in person
Participant limit: 10.

Highland Park Historical Society

326 Central Ave.

(847) 432-7090

Contact: Lisa Temkin

(847) 266-1320

www.hphistory.net

**Highland Park Celebrates
Prairie Style Architect**

**JOHN VAN BERGEN
MONTH W/ACTIVITIES
AND PROGRAMMING**

**Van Bergen Self-Guided
Bicycling/Driving Tour
w/downloadable audio.**

Tour brochure available at the
Library, Historical Society or
City Hall.

Sun. Sept. 30

4 pm

**Van Bergen Exhibit
Opening (\$)**

Opening of a comprehensive
exhibit on the career of the
noted architect. The exhibit
features photos and a
collection of Van Bergen.

Sun. Oct. 14

2 pm

Van Bergen Lecture
Lecture at Highland Park
Library.

Sun. Oct. 21

noon - 4 pm

17th Annual House Tour (\$)

The Highland Park Historical
Society's Annual House Tour
begins at Braeside School,
the building Van Bergen
considered his masterpiece,
and includes six Prairie
Style homes.