

THE HIGHLANDER



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New Interactive Map Tracks City Projects *Public Works Department Gears Up for Capital Improvements*

The City of Highland Park has launched a new interactive map to the community on the City's website that will allow users to track updates on 2013 City infrastructure improvement projects, to include construction on the Water Plant Upgrade, street resurfacing, sidewalk extensions, water main line repairs on Rogers Williams Avenue and Sunnyside Avenue, sewer repairs on Elmwood Drive and more.

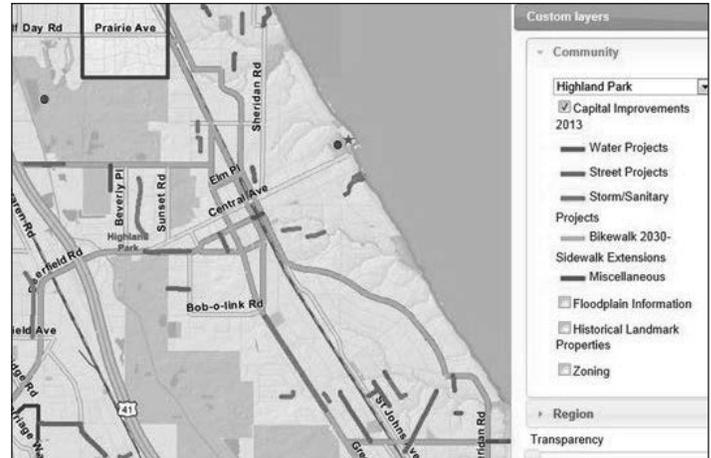
Linked on the City's mainpage, users can search their address, and by clicking on various color-coded blocks, receive updates on projects scheduled on their street. Updates will include an estimated project start and end date, details of the project, construction progress, and a point of contact for any further questions.

"The web-based map is one centralized source for residents that shows all projects currently underway in Highland Park" Public Works Director Ramesh Kanapareddy said.

The Engineering Division within Public Works continues to work not only on the interactive map, but on all aspects of the City's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). In fact, most infrastructure projects take up to three to five years to adequately plan and then execute.

"The CIP is a 5-year plan modified on an annual basis that the City develops with the input from residents and the Council, availability of budgetary funds and more importantly, prioritizing the projects on the basis of critical factors," Kanapareddy said.

The City tests the pavement condition of the entire roadway network every three years to generate a tentative list of



A screenshot from the interactive map provides updates to the community.

annual pavement resurfacing. Likewise, other utilities such as sewers and water main lines are evaluated based on periodic studies. From there, a master plan is devised through the collaboration of multiple divisions. As much as possible, the staff tries to coincide projects for efficiency and convenience to residents and visitors.

"Starting in June, we're already identifying projects for the following year and working out estimates for the 5-year CIP," City Engineer John Welch said.

The interactive map provides a tool for residents to receive the most up to date information on capital improvement projects occurring in their neighborhoods.

For more information regarding the City's Capital Improvement Projects or the interactive map, visit www.cityhighlandpark.com or call Public Works at (847) 432-0807.

The mission of the Public Works Department is to maintain, preserve and protect the infrastructure resources of the City in the most efficient and effective manner possible; to provide guidance and assistance to all citizens of the community regarding the development and protection of property; to provide the safest and highest quality drinking water to all customers and to provide a reliable and user-friendly transit system.

INSIDE YOUR **PUBLIC WORKS** DEPARTMENT

Services provided by the Public Works Department include:

- Cleaning of streets and highways
- Collection of electron-

- ics for recycling
- Maintenance, repair and construction of sewers and drains
- Maintenance, repair, construction, reconstruction and resurfacing of streets
- Maintenance of City-owned trees

- Maintenance of City-owned buildings and structures
- Maintenance of street lights and traffic control devices
- Maintenance of City vehicles
- Municipal and traffic engineering
- Production, maintenance and distribution of high quality drinking water
- Removal of ice and snow from public thoroughfares
- Transportation services through the Pace Bus system and Senior Bus routes

'HIGH' NOTES

Need Bicyclist & Pedestrian Volunteer Counters

The City seeks volunteers to help with bicyclist and pedestrian counts on various streets to assess the impact of improvements related to the Bike - Walk HP 2030 Plan (www.cityhpil.com/bikewalk2030).

The project dates are Tuesday, May 7, Wednesday, May 8 and Saturday, May 11 with a 2-hour shift commitment. A mandatory training will be held on Tuesday, April 30 at 7:00 p.m. at Public Services, 1150 Half Day Road.

For more info, contact Senior Planner Lee Smith at (847) 926-1612/lsmith@cityhpil.com.

Report Potholes to Public Works Department

To help the Public Works Department in its efforts to maintain City streets in the best possible condition, please report potholes to the City via the Pothole Hotline at (847) 926-1178. This 24-hour hotline allows residents to report a pothole location. Residents are asked to leave their name, address, phone number and the specific location of the pothole.

Additionally, potholes may also be reported online on the City's website at www.cityhpil.com. For more information, please contact the Department of Public Works at (847) 432-0807.

New Water Tiered Rates

The City Council approved a new Water Conservation & Efficiency (WCE) Initiative which will go into effect this spring.

As part of the initiative, a three-tiered rate structure for water billing was approved. The tiered rates apply to residential properties that utilize a higher volume of water and may see changes in water rates.

The majority of single-family customers in the City of Highland Park use water at a rate that will remain unaffected by the new initiative (less than 6,000 cubic feet quarterly). Those residents utilizing between 6,000 and 8,000 cubic feet quarterly will see a 10 percent increase and those residents utilizing more than 8,000 cubic feet quarterly will see a 15 percent increase.

For more information on the WCE Initiative and possible changes to your water bill, go to www.cityhpil.com or call (847) 432-0800.

Restaurant Week Returns in April

The Downtown Highland Park Alliance presents its second annual Restaurant Week beginning Thursday, April 18, through Sunday, April 28. Enjoy the delicious entrees and distinctive treats that make Highland Park a destination for foodies on the North Shore.

With 20+ restaurants to choose from and unique happenings such as Wine Wednesday, Cheers to the Weekend and Focus on Family Sunday, Highland Park's Restaurant Week is sure to offer something pleasing for everyone. Let Highland Park do the dishes: Take a break and dine out!

For more information visit www.downtownhp.com or call the Downtown HP Alliance office at (847) 780-4293.

Affordable Housing Available

Thinking about buying an affordable home in Highland Park? Community Partners for Affordable Housing (CPAH) wants to help. To find out if you qualify for a CPAH affordable home please attend one of the information sessions on April 16 at 7:00 p.m. or May 7 at 7:00 p.m.

To register for an information session, please contact CPAH at 847-681-8746, or akaufman@cpahousing.org.

All information sessions are held at CPAH's office, 400 Central, Suite 111, Highland Park. For pictures of the homes or additional information, please go to www.cpahousing.org.

Summer Concert Sponsorships Available

Looking for a new creative way to advertise your business? The City of Highland Park offers local businesses to sponsor the City's annual Thursday night summer concert series at Port Clinton Plaza. Each sponsor gains exclusive advertising rights of one of the nine Thursday night concerts that draw hundreds of attendees every summer.

If you are interested in sponsoring one of the concerts or more information, please contact Luke Banaszak in the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1030/lbanaszak@cityhpil.com.

Low Cost Business Workshops and Mentoring

SCORE Chicago has been offering low cost business workshops and free mentoring services to area businesses at the Highland Park Public Library since March. The following workshops are still available:

May 2, 7:00 p.m.

Taking Your Business Online

June 6, 7:00 p.m.

Social Media Marketing for Small Business

For information contact Carolyn Hersch, Economic Development Coordinator, at (847)-926-1027/chersch@cityhpil.com.

Yard Waste Collection

As of April 1, Advanced Disposal Services began collecting yard waste for the new season. Yard Waste is collected on each resident's regular collection day and the waste must be placed in a brown paper "kraft" bag or separate container that is clearly marked yard waste with a refuse sticker attached. Stickers cost \$2.47 each and are available at City Hall and local grocery stores. For questions about yard waste collection, contact Advanced Disposal at (847) 272-4145.

Drinking Water Week

For more than 35 years, the American Water Works Association and its members have celebrated Drinking Water Week – an opportunity for communities to join together to recognize the vital role water plays in our daily lives. Please join the City of Highland Park in supporting Drinking Water Week, May 5 through 11, 2013. For more information visit: <http://www.cityhpil.com/watertreatment>.

Enter Fourth of July Parade

If you are a local organization, business or neighborhood group, consider participating in the 2013 Fourth of July parade. This year's parade theme honors the 125th anniversary of the Highland Park Public Library. The fee for a business is \$60; not-for-profit organizations may participate for free. The deadline to register for the parade is May 15. To obtain an application, visit www.cityhpil.com/July4 or contact Jennifer Dotson in the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1006 / jdotson@cityhpil.com.

CITY COUNCIL NEWS

Money. Resources. Collaboration. Shared Services. Consolidation. Partnership.

Each of us: the City, school districts, park district, and our neighboring communities are striving to provide high levels of service while minimizing the financial burdens on residents. Resources are limited, yet our communities' needs are growing. In the coming months, you will be hearing about the City's efforts to achieve shared services and consolidation. Our goals are twofold: improved use of resources and continued provision of high quality services to you.

Setting up purchasing consortia, eliminating redundancies, and analyzing outsourcing are the first steps and we are well on our way. Now is the time to work together creatively to find additional efficiencies to achieve our goals.

The City's recent partnership with the Highland Park Public Library demonstrates success in achieving those goals. When the library needed funds to renovate, the City provided financial assistance. In the course of that conversation, we recognized that we could do more together. Instead of separately contracting out for building repairs (roof, tuck-pointing, etc.) as the library had previously done, we agreed that the City's public works department could provide those services at a lower cost.

We then took the concept further and worked with the library to analyze its business costs: payroll, accounting, phone services, computer services, human resources, legal, etc. Later this month, we will be meeting to talk about the results of that analysis and to discuss ways in which we can share services and be more productive with your tax dollars.

Can these business cost efficiencies also be realized with the school districts and the park district? Last year, we jointly applied for banking services and were able to get a reduced rate. Would contracting together for accounting and computer services save us money? It likely would. Already, the City is exploring an information technology consortium with several neighboring communities and the option of sharing servers, thus reducing costs.

Building inspections are another area where efficiencies can be achieved. The City is currently pursuing a building inspection coalition with Lake County and five other cities; considering the sharing of building inspection services, again, achieving efficiencies with our resources while maintaining strong service.

Like the City, the park district and school districts all use large vehicles for maintenance, snowplowing, etc. We are evaluating the feasibility of having one place for all trucks to be stored and maintained. Can we share any equipment or staff? How do we make sure that priorities for service are met, but also use these resources efficiently? These questions will be answered in the coming months.

Earlier this month, the City Manager and I met with our counterparts from Lake Forest, Lake Bluff and Highwood to discuss the possible consolidation of our fire fighting teams. While the many components of that arrangement are being analyzed, we are well on our way (with our police departments) to consolidating our public safety dispatch services. Why have a building with a phone center in each city or village when we can provide the same level of service with centralized dispatch?

Likewise, the City Manager and I are talking with our Highwood counterparts to discern opportunities for equipment sharing, communications synergies and coordinated community development. Earlier this year, we saw the successful renovation of Western Avenue and are looking for other opportunities to work together for the benefit of our two cities. Additionally, our water treatment plant upgrade is a terrific example of neighboring communities sharing the costs and reaping the benefits of a coordinated project.

Beyond the basics: public safety and public works, consider the additional things that make our community special: youth and senior services, the arts, celebrating our history, our diversity. These are all ripe for increased collaboration with our schools and the park district. By coordinating the use of our resources, we can enhance our community through a common mission of jointly supporting the values we hold dear. We are working with our schools and the park district to better coordinate the provision of youth services. Together with the school districts, we highlight our community artists in the City-housed Art Center and we are working with the schools, the park district and our library to celebrate our history and our diversity.

There are many pieces that fit together to make a community. As governing bodies, we need to work smarter and more creatively together. As a City, we are focused on this task and in the coming months, we will be reaching out to our sister governments to further our conversations to achieve these goals together.



Sincerely,
Mayor Nancy R. Rotering

COMMUNITY NEWS

Save Your Property from Pesky Rodents

Helpful tips on baiting, trapping, mouse proofing homes

With the arrival of spring, this is a good time to evaluate your property and determine if there are entry points for any unwanted guests from inviting themselves in. If there are already unwanted guests staying with you there are some helpful tips below that will guide you through the mouse eviction process.

House Mouse Habits and Biology

- If food water and shelter are available, mice can rapidly multiply. Mice become sexually mature in just a couple months and produce about 8 litters in one year. Each litter has four to seven pups.
- A house mouse in a city environment may spend its entire life in buildings. In rural and suburban settings, it may not only live inside, but be found outside near foundations, in the shrubbery, weeds, crawl spaces, basements, or in garages.
- Mice live remarkably well on insects, seeds and weeds, but when the cooler months approach, their food supply is limited. They may move inside homes and buildings and nest closer to a food supply. Mice nests can be in various locations: ceiling voids, storage boxes, in walls, under appliances, and within upholstery. House mice may nest in ground burrows or debris outside.

Mice Proofing Your House

- Seal any openings larger than 1/4 inch to exclude mice.
- House mice frequently find their way into homes in the fall of the year, when outdoor temperatures at night become colder.
- Eliminate all openings through which mice can enter a structure. Seal openings and cracks around structure foundations. Seal openings around utilities, vents and pipes.
- In order for the mouse not to chew or pull out patching compounds, the patching materials need to be smooth on the surface.
- Doors, windows and screens should fit tightly.
- Mouse proof all stored, processed or used food. Store meat and grains in glass jars, resealable airtight containers or metal canisters.

Mouse Baiting Tips

- Inspect possible harborage areas of the mouse. Place rodent bait between possible harborage areas and the current source of food. This would encourage mice to encounter the bait during its travels.
- Inspect possible feeding areas such as piles of droppings, shredded paper, tracks, mouse odors, in darkened areas. Place mouse bait in these areas.
- Often there is a high mice activity in corners of rooms and in cabinets, where two surfaces join at angles. Rodents have a strong tactile feedback, running in those areas. Place mouse bait there.
- Space bait placements 8-12 feet apart. Use the shorter distances with severe infestations.
- Follow up and check bait usage after placement. Move any existing bait placement another 5 feet in another direction to intersect with another mouse territory.
- Remember when placing bait, mice may be living above their food source such as attics and suspended ceilings. They also may be living below their food source in such areas as crawl spaces, floor voids and basements.

Mouse Trapping Tips

- Good trap placement is an essential step for effective use of mouse traps. Inspect first to determine the activity of the mice. Place traps in areas where mice are running or nesting.
- A common trapping error when placing out mice traps is to use too few traps. Even for just a couple of mice, using a dozen traps is not considered too many.
- In locations of high mice activity, use two mouse traps together, with about 1" space between them. This would catch mice that try to jump over the traps, a particularly common occurrence.

For additional information, contact Building Division Manager Scott Moe at (847) 926-1173 / smoe@cityhpil.com.

BUSINESS REPORT

New Business:

D.H. Mattix Gallery
1849 Green Bay Road
Suite 112
(847) 681-0012
Art, Home Accessories, Gifts

Goldmax
36 Skokie Valley Road
(630) 233-0330
Jewelry Store and Precious
Metal Buyers

GNC
67 Skokie Valley Road
(847) 831-0022
Health Store

The Barbers
1874 Sheridan Road
(847) 926-7412
Gentlemen's Cut and Shave

Interested in business news and information? Sign up to receive the bi-weekly newsletter at www.cityhpil.com.

William Paid
1910 First Street, 2N
(847) 510-6400
Payment Processing Service

Jimmy Johns
820 Central Avenue
(847) 681-9440
Sandwich Restaurant

New Location:
SPEX
463 Central Ave
(847) 266-6400
Eyewear Retail/Optometry

The UPS Store
1954 First Street
(847) 926-8571
Packing, Shipping and Business Services Store

New Ownership:
Fired Works
1813 St Johns Avenue
(847) 266-1255
Ceramic Painting Studio

Romitti Electric
1580 Old Skokie Road
(847) 831-4471
Electrical Contractor

COMMUNITY NEWS

North Shore Electricity Aggregation Consortium Confirms New Rates, Savings

In the first successful year of a three-year contract with MC Squared Energy Services, LLC (mc2), residents and businesses of member communities comprising the North Shore Electricity Aggregation Consortium are projected to realize savings of over \$26 million off of Commonwealth Edison (ComEd) residential electricity rates, with individual customers saving approximately \$366 on average through the first 12 months of participation.

Beginning last June, mc2 became the Consortium's alternative electricity supplier and has supplied power to almost 70,000 Consortium customers since that time. For the second year of the three-year contract, the Consortium has secured electricity rates of 4.990 cents per kilowatt-hour ("kWh") for June 2013 through May 2014 billing cycles for residential and eligible small commercial customers. Last week, ComEd announced that its residential rate for the same period will be 6.047 cents per kWh.

The Consortium's rate represents a modest 3% increase over the current Consortium rate of 4.836 cents/kWh, and results in savings of more than 17% when compared to ComEd's new rates. Certain small business customers and space heat customers are expected to save even more.

Modest cost increases for the electric-

ity commodity were expected and are represented in the new rate for both the Consortium and for ComEd. ComEd's rate has decreased substantially from last year. However, in addition to a still-lower rate, the Consortium is able to offer additional security to residents and businesses by negotiating with mc2 for the removal of the \$25 early termination fee and other changes to the rate structure to minimize increases to consumers.

A new online customer portal is also available at www.northshoreelectricityaggregation.com where new customers (those who have moved into a Consortium community, or may want to change providers) can register. Letters will be sent to potential new customers twice per year as well to ensure that they are aware of the lower Consortium rate. As before, residents may also call mc2 directly at (888) 808-7731 or email at NorthShore@MC2energyservices.com for more information.

Under the Consortium's rate pricing in Year 2, customers will retain the opportunity to support renewable energy resources through voluntary participation in a 100% Green Power Program that purchases renewable energy certificates. To learn more about mc2, please visit www.northshoreelectricityaggregation.com.

Spring Clean-up begins April 27

The City's annual Spring Clean-Up Program will be offered by Advanced Disposal Services on four consecutive Saturdays beginning April 27 and ending May 18. 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). The table to the right shows collection days.

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.

For additional information on the City

Area	Collection Day	Spring Clean-Up Day
SE	Monday	Saturday, April 27
SW	Tuesday	Saturday, May 4
NE	Thursday	Saturday, May 11
NW	Friday	Saturday, May 18

of Highland Park's Spring Clean-Up Program, contact Advanced Disposal Services at (847) 272-4145, or Luke Banaszak in the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1030 / lbanaszak@cityhpil.com.

Note: the Spring Clean-up Program is for Advanced Disposal Services' customers only.

Cultural Arts Commission Seeks Community Input

The Highland Park Cultural Arts Commission invites community input at two open houses scheduled May 5 and 6. Community input will be incorporated into the commission's strategic plan that will ensure that the City's arts-related efforts are aligned with the long-term vision and needs of the community.

"We want to reflect our community's desires as fully and accurately as possible," James M. Lynch, chair of the Highland Park Cultural Arts Commission, said. "We know the arts drive economic development, acting as a magnet for visitors who spend time and money here. The arts also enhance the quality of life for community members, attracting new residents and businesses."

In the coming months, the commission will also inventory existing arts and cultural programs; consult with local businesses, arts and cultural organizations, and educators; survey the broader market for arts and culture in the northern suburbs; and work with civic leaders to gain their insights. The commission will also look at the role of arts in education.

Once drafted, the plan will be presented for consideration and approval by the City Council. The plan will be used as a strategic decision-making tool and to measure success in integrating culture into the overall progress of Highland Park.

"The future always brings change," Lynch said. "The cultural plan will help us guide that change toward the goals and aspirations of our neighbors, those who are artists and those who are in the audience." The Cultural Plan Open Houses will be held on Sunday, May 5, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Highland Park Police Station, 1677 Old Deerfield Road, and on Monday, May 6, from 7 to 9 p.m. at The Arts Center, 1957 Sheridan Road.

For more information on the Highland Park Cultural Arts Commission, the cultural plan, or the open houses, please contact Lee Smith, Senior Planner, at lsmith@cityhpil.com or 847-926-1612.

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., Apr. 15	Design Review Commission	7:00 p.m.
Thurs., Apr. 18	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:30 p.m.
Mon., Apr. 22	Sister Cities Foundation Committee of the Whole	7:00 p.m. 4:30 p.m.
	City Council Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Tues., Apr. 23	Business & Econ. Development Cultural Arts Commission	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
	Plan Commission	7:30 p.m.
Wed. Apr. 24	Firefighters Pension Board (1130 Central Avenue)	4:00 p.m.
	Transportation Commission	6:30 p.m.
Wed., May 1	Housing Commission	6:30 p.m.
Thurs., May 2	Human Relations Commission Zoning Board of Appeals	6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Mon., May 6	Design Review Commission	7:00 p.m.
Tues., May 7	Plan Commission	7:30 p.m.
Wed., May 8	Natural Resources Commission	6:30 p.m.
Thurs., May 9	Historic Preservation	7:30 p.m.
Mon., May 13	Committee of the Whole City Council Meeting	4:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Tues., May 14	Library Board of Trustees (494 Laurel Avenue)	7:30 p.m.
Thurs., May 16	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:30 p.m.

LIBRARY PROGRAMS

The Highland Park Public Library presents a variety of literary and cultural programs. Registration for certain programs may be required as noted. The Highland Park Public Library is located at 494 Laurel Avenue. The library will open at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, May 1.

Toward a More Perfect Union: How Reforming America's Voting and Election Systems Will Reinvigorate American Democracy and Our Faith in Government, Wednesday, April 17, 10:30 a.m.

America's voting and election systems often fail to deliver the promise of popular, representative government. Associate professor of politics at Lake Forest College Jim Marquardt discusses voting and election problems and possible solutions. Presented with the Highland Park Senior Center. Sponsored by Highland Park Nursing and Rehab.

Meet The Author- Susanna Calkins – A Murder at Rosamund's Gate, Thursday, April 25, 7 p.m.

Calkins launches her debut novel about a chambermaid who must uncover a murderer in 17th century plague-ridden London. Books will be for sale and the event will conclude with a book signing.

Li•brary•pa•loo•za Saturday, April 27, 7 p.m.

A special evening to celebrate 125 years with dinner, cocktails, desserts, and music by singer/recording artist Kelly Hogan. The evening includes Poems While You Wait, a photo booth, and other literary fun. Tickets are \$125 per person and can be purchased at hplibrary.org or at the library.

Instrument Petting Zoo Saturday, April 27, 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. Ages 3 through adult.

The Music Institute of Chicago instructors introduce and demonstrate instruments. Try out instruments donated for the day by Field Violin Workshop and The Music Institute of Chicago. Presented with with The Music Institute of Chicago- Highland Park Campus.

For more information, please call (847) 432-0216, or visit hplibrary.org.

Community Events

25th Annual CSL Student Art Exhibition Open thru April 22; Free	The Art Center 1957 Sheridan Road (847) 432-1888	Celebrate Art Gala May 2 7:00 p.m.; Call for tickets	The Art Center 1957 Sheridan Road (847) 432-1888
Pajama Game Open April 18 thru May 19 Call for tickets	The Music Theatre Co. 1850 Green Bay Road (847) 579-4900	Poetry Open-Mic May 10 8:00 p.m.; Free	The Art Center 1957 Sheridan Road (847) 681-8595
Double Happiness April 20 2:00 p.m.; Free	Highland Park Library 494 Laurel Avenue (847) 433-0377	H.P. Strings -Brahms Doubled May 19 3:00 p.m.; Free	Highland Park High 433 Vine Avenue (847) 831-3622
Louder Than A Bomb April 24 7:00 p.m.; Free	Nova HP 1770 First Street (847) 579-4555	Pilgrim Chamber Players May 19 3:00 p.m.; Call for tickets	H.P. Community House 1991 Sheridan Road (847) 433-0992

YOUTH & SENIOR SERVICES



Now that the fourth quarter is here, has your student finished sports or clubs and is looking for something to do the remainder of the year? The Firehouse Youth center may be your answer.

Whether your needs are one afternoon a week or everyday, we offer flexibility to individual families. Our After 3 homework club allows students to have one hour of supervised study time, which allows more time for family activities in the evening.

If supervised study is not a need, your child may attend on a drop-in basis, taking part in the many games and activities at the center. Parents of students in fifth grade are encouraged to plan ahead for their child's after school needs next year.

Parents and children are invited to call 847-433-3090 for a personal tour of the Firehouse Youth Center.

youth
Serving youth in grades 5-8
1830 Green Bay Road
(847) 433-3090

The Firehouse School Year Hours:
Monday - Friday, 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.



Live on the Links Classic Concert: Nightclub in the Afternoon

Highland Park Country Club
Thursday, April 18, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
Free for members / NM: \$10

Nightclub in the Afternoon presents Mary Anne Riehl, a singer whom mature adults know and love from radio and television, performing with a two-piece, tuxedo-clad band. Expect an enchanting, nostalgic experience that brings back fond memories of that golden age of danceable music, candlelight, romance, and laughter. Mary Anne and her talented duo (piano and bass) will perform popular standards from the 20s, 30s, and 40s, - the music adults continue to love and cherish.

Global Perspectives: A Global Look at Barack Obama

Highland Park Country Club
Thursday, April 25, 1 - 3 p.m.
Free for members / NM: \$10
Sponsored by Highland Park Nursing
and Rehab

Internationally acclaimed historian and public speaker Barry Bradford will present a unique and fascinating look at the psy-

chological and personal history of Barack Obama. President Obama's roots and worldview were more internationally oriented than any previous president. In this intriguing multimedia presentation we will take an in-depth look at how President Obama has been influenced by an African father, and upbringing in Asia as well as in the Pacific, and by a deep longing to understand what it means to grow up in a multicultural world. The lecture will also touch on Obama's current global perspective. Barry brings little-known stories, unique insights, and little seen video clips to help put this complex man into context..

America's Top Male Comedian: Danny Kaye

Highland Park Public Library
Friday, April 26, 1 - 2:30 p.m.
Free for members / NM: \$10
Sponsored by Gentle Home Services

Danny Kaye cannot be described in one word! A brilliant actor, a devoted humanitarian, a witty comic, an excellent singer/dancer who starred on Broadway, radio, television, and movies - and a gourmet cook to boot! Danny Kaye was one-of-a-kind and in this presentation you'll learn about his life and amazing talent.

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

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

Senior Citizen *Prom*

Highland Park High School Cafeteria
Saturday, April 20, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.,
Fee: \$5
Advanced registration required;
call (847) 432-4110
Sponsored by Arbor Ridge

Aloha! Join members of the Highland Park High School Class of 2016 for a Senior Citizen Prom with a Hawaiian Luau theme. This annual event features a buffet dinner catered by Sunset Foods, a sweet table with home baked goods from the students, entertainment by some of the High School's best fine arts performance groups, and dancing to the music of a wonderful band. Please register no later than Monday, April 15.

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Community Development:		Fire Department:	(847) 433-3110
Building Division	(847) 432-0808	Police Department:	(847) 432-7730
Planning Division	(847) 432-0867	Public Works Department:	(847) 432-0807

GREEN COMMUNITY NEWS

Recycling Facility Visit

The City of Highland Park would like to invite you to visit the recycling plant in Grayslake on Tuesday, May 14th from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Participants will meet at the recycling plant at 30869 N. Route 83, Grayslake, IL 60030 and will see first-hand what happens to recyclables after the recycling trucks pick them up. Space is limited. If you would like to join the tour, please email the City's Sustainability Director Bryan Tillman at Bryan.tillman@kymanox.com or call (847) 926-1866 to sign up.

Energy Efficiency Rebate Information Session

The City of Highland Park, Energy Impact Illinois, and Former State Representative Karen May invite you to an information session on Thursday, May 9 at City Hall, 1707 St. Johns Avenue, in the Council Chambers on the second floor. The session will start at 7:00 p.m. and run for approximately one hour. Representatives from Energy Impact Illinois will introduce residents to a new, low-cost program designed to improve energy efficiency in our homes. This program is funded by the Department of Energy and can help to cover up to 70% of the costs for energy efficiency upgrades in existing single-family homes. For more information or to register for this event please contact the City's Sustainability Director Bryan Tillman at bryan.tillman@kymanox.com or (847) 926-1866.

Rain Barrel, Compost Bin and Native Plant Sale

Save the date! The Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO), Lake County Storm Water Management Commission, and Lake County Forest Preserves will host the rain barrel,

compost bin and native plant sale on Saturday, May 11 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The event will take place at Independence Forest Preserve in Libertyville, 16400 W. Buckley Road, Libertyville in the North Bay Pavilion. If you are interested in saving money and incorporating more environmentally friendly practices into your life, you should attend this event. For more information please visit www.swalco.org or call SWALCO at (847) 336-9340.

Annual Chicago River Day Cleanup Event

The Highland Park Natural Resources Commission and the Park District of Highland Park invite the public to join with the Friends of the Chicago River in their annual Chicago River Day clean up. This year's clean up will be held in Highland Park:

Larry Fink Memorial Park

701 Deer Creek Parkway
Saturday, May 11, 2013
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Ages 8 and up are welcome; however, children under 13 should be accompanied by an adult. Work clothes, gloves and boots are recommended.

Please come join your friends and neighbors along the banks of the river to collect garbage and sort for recycling, remove invasive vegetation, and plant a bio-swale with native plants.

For more information, call the Park District at 847-579-4087, or visit the Friends of the Chicago River website at www.chicago-river.org.