

# THE HIGHLANDER



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## Beautification Project Underway on Highway 41

### *Planting of Native Grasses, Wildflowers to Follow IDOT Clearing*

The City of Highland Park, Park District of Highland Park and Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) are working cooperatively to improve the physical and aesthetic conditions in the Briergate Business District, located along Highway 41 and Old Skokie Road on IDOT property.

IDOT initiated clearing invasive trees and shrubs (primarily Buckthorn) in March 2013 on the IDOT right-of-way between 1800 and 1200 Old Skokie Road along the west boundary of Highway 41 and the east side of Old Skokie Road. Other trees removed were diseased Cottonwoods or trees infested with Emerald Ash Borer. Crews have also been devoted to clearing refuse from the area.

#### Project Summary:

##### Start-Date:

March 2013

##### Location:

Between 1800 and 1200 Old Skokie Road and the east side of Old Skokie Road

##### For Updates:

[www.cityhpil.com/hwy41clearing](http://www.cityhpil.com/hwy41clearing)

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After the area has been completely cleared, IDOT will grind the tree stumps and treat the Buckthorn roots to ensure the plant does not return to the area. When the Buckthorn growth has ceased, native grasses, sedges and wildflowers appropriate to the area will be seeded in.

It is anticipated that the clearing along Highway 41 will result in improved visibility to the Briergate Business District and therefore, have a positive impact on sales and services, ultimately strengthening the business community.

“Just over two years ago, a group of us had a dream to clear out the Buckthorn, undergrowth and garbage from the in-



IDOT began clearing invasive plants along Highway 41 in March.

terchange east of Old Skokie Road to Route 41,” David Brunjes, President of the Briergate Business Association District (BBAD), said. “It hid the businesses that many Highland Park residents don’t even know exist there.”

Buckthorn, technically *Rhamnus catharica* and *R. frangula*, is an exotic small shrub or tree that spreads rapidly in wet wooded settings. By creating dense shade and absorbing nutrients from the soil, it has a negative impact on native plants such as trillium, mayapples, wild geranium, asters and other wildflowers that have been documented on the site.

For more information on the Highway 41 clearing and the Briergate beautification project, please contact Carolyn Hersch at (847) 926-1027 or [chersch@cityhpil.com](mailto:chersch@cityhpil.com). Updates on the Highway 41 project can be found at [www.cityhpil.com/hwy41clearing](http://www.cityhpil.com/hwy41clearing).

## New City Council Members Sworn-in May 13

Council Members Daniel Kaufman, Alyssa Knobel and Kim Stone were sworn in to the City Council by Mayor Nancy R. Rotering on May 13 at the City Council Meeting. Each new Councilmember will serve a four-year term.

The new Council Members join current City Council Members Anthony Blumberg, Paul Frank and David Naftzger as well as Mayor Nancy Rotering.

Outgoing Council Members were recognized for their years of service as well. Former Councilman Jim Kirsch served 12 years on the City Council and Former Councilman Sally Higginson held an interim position after Former Councilman Steve Mandel was elected as Lake County Commissioner last fall.

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

# 'HIGH' NOTES

## City Thanks

### William Tellone for Service

On Saturday, April 13, Commander William Tellone retired after 30 years of service. Bill started with the Police Department in September of 1982. He has trained as a dive team member and tactical team member. In his early career he served as Officer Friendly, the Department's ambassador to the hundreds of school children and he received numerous letters of appreciation and commendations reflecting sincere gratitude for the lasting impression he made upon the community's youth.

Bill's assignments have included that of a detective, sergeant and most recently commander in 2008. While responding to an alarm in February 1989, Bill was involved in a serious traffic accident in which he was severely injured. After surgery, Bill was diligent about his rehabilitation which allowed him to fully recover and return to active duty.

One of Bill's most rewarding experiences occurred in August 2010 when he assisted in utilizing an AED and administering CPR to revive retired Fire Lieutenant Bill Arlington who suffered a heart attack while at the Park Avenue boat ramp.

The Mayor, City Council and staff congratulate Commander Bill Tellone on his distinguished service to the City and wish him well on his retirement.

### New Water Tiered Rates

As part of the Water Conservation and Efficiency Initiative, a three-tiered rate structure for water billing has gone into effect this May and hence, will effect residents' July water bill. The tiered rates apply to single family homes.

Single-family homes utilizing less than 6,000 cubic feet quarterly will have no change in water billing. However, residents utilizing between 6,000 and 8,000 cubic feet quarterly should expect a 10 percent increase and residents utilizing more than 8,000 cubic feet quarterly should expect a 15 percent increase.

To understand your home's water consumption, view your consumption reading on your quarterly water bill under the Meter Readings section.

For more information, go to [www.cityhpil.com/waterconservation](http://www.cityhpil.com/waterconservation) or call (847) 432-0800.

## Parents Who Host

### Lose The Most

Parents are reminded that:

1. It is illegal for parents or teens to host or allow teen drinking parties in their home.

2. It is illegal to provide alcohol to anyone under the age of 21, even with the permission of the underage person's parents.

3. It is illegal to knowingly allow a person under the age of 21 to remain in your home or on your property while consuming or possessing alcohol.

4. Parents and teens can be prosecuted under the law for violations and they are subject to civil action.

For more info, contact Sgt. Chris O'Neill at (847) 432-7730 / [coneill@cityhpil.com](mailto:coneill@cityhpil.com)

### Affordable Housing Available

Community Partners for Affordable Housing (CPAH) provides affordable homes for people who live or work in the area. To find out if you qualify, please attend an information session on June 5 at 7 pm.

To register, please contact CPAH at (847) 681-8746, or [akaufman@cpahousing.org](mailto:akaufman@cpahousing.org). Information sessions are held at CPAH's office, 400 Central Avenue, Suite 111. For pictures of available homes or additional information, please go to [www.cpahousing.org](http://www.cpahousing.org).

### Enter Fourth of July Parade

There's still time to register for the 2013 Fourth of July parade. The fee for a business is \$60; not-for-profit organizations participate for free. A \$40 late fee is added for all applications received between May 15 and June 7. No parade applications will be accepted after June 7. To obtain an application, visit [www.cityhpil.com/July4](http://www.cityhpil.com/July4) or contact Jennifer Dotson in the City Manager's Office at (847) 926-1006 / [jdotson@cityhpil.com](mailto:jdotson@cityhpil.com).

### Memorial Day Observance

#### Monday, May 27 at 11:00 a.m.

Please join Mayor Nancy Rotering, Former Mayor Dan Pierce and State Senator Julie Morrison in honoring those who've served our country. The observance takes place on Monday, May 27 at 11:00 a.m. in Memorial Park (405 Prospect Avenue). Members of the Highland Park High School Band will perform. The event will take place rain or shine. All are welcome.

## Celebrate May Fitness Month

Join the Downtown HP Alliance in celebrating National Fitness Month this May. Get your heart pumping with a plethora of complimentary fitness classes from the healthy establishments that make Highland Park an enticing spot to work out. Traditional workouts such as yoga, pilates, spinning, and barre classes will be offered along with unique happenings such as Thursday Night Fun Runs, Cycle Run Stretch Events and a DTHP Fitness Challenge. For a complete calendar of events please visit [www.downtownhp.com](http://www.downtownhp.com).

### North Shore Half Marathon Running Through City June 2

Come out and support more than 5,000 runners as they make their way through Highland Park on Sunday, June 2. The race starts at 6:30 a.m. and residents can anticipate road closures to last until 11:00 a.m. Information on the event can be found at [www.northshorehalf.com](http://www.northshorehalf.com).

## Summer Concerts

### at Port Clinton Square

The Summer Concert Series on Thursday nights in Port Clinton Square commences June 6. Concerts start at 7:00 p.m. These family-oriented performances highlight the diversity of musical arts. Some seating provided. The schedule for the 2013 season:

- June 6 **Check With Lucy**
- June 13 **Maxwell Street Klezmer Band**
- June 20 **Robbie Gold**
- June 27 **Local Favorite**
- July 11 **Los Perros Cubanitos**
- July 18 **Great Divide**
- August 1 **Friends of Israeli Scouts – Tzofim Friendship Caravan**

#### Tzofim Friendship Caravan

- August 8 **Highland Park Pops**
- August 10 **Dr. Mark & the Sutures**
- August 15 **The Chauffeurs**

Local businesses and organizations may sponsor the series to gain exclusive advertising rights to one of nine Thursday night concerts that draw hundreds of attendees every summer. For more information, visit [www.cityhpil.com/specialevents](http://www.cityhpil.com/specialevents) or contact Luke Banaszak or Karen Berardi at the City Manager's Office, (847) 926-1030 and (847) 926-1043 respectively.

# CITY COUNCIL NEWS

## Community Responsibility

I am honored to serve our community as a member of the Highland Park City Council. I look forward to working with new members on our team in Alyssa Knoble and Kim Stone. I know that they will bring energy, earnestness and a fresh approach to our work. Thank you to Mayor Nancy Rotering for sharing this space with my fellow Councilmembers and me.

One of the most important elements of a successful community is fairness. It is important that we all feel that we are treated fairly and equally. This requires that we all recognize our obligation to follow the laws and rules of our community. That is our social contract. It is the basis for civilized life.

We demand high community standards and a system to maintain those standards. Often, however, it seems that we are content to let those standards apply to others. Application to our self may be another story. It is therefore important to note the obvious: our laws are in place for good reasons, and our laws apply to everyone. This is especially evident in our zoning and traffic codes.

A fundamental zoning principal that may be lost in the push for development is that the right to improve property is limited. The City limits property usage and development through the zoning code. This maintains community standards and preserves the use and enjoyment of neighboring properties. In examining developments that come before me on the Council, these are the governing principals I seek to apply: how will this affect the neighborhood and the City?

In the area of traffic regulation, the stakes are higher and the violations more obvious in their consequences. The most predominant violations are left turns into parking spaces and behind the wheel cell phone usage.

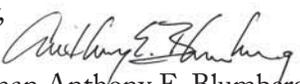
It is illegal to make a U-turn throughout most of downtown Highland Park. This is a state law (residents tell me that this maneuver isn't actually a U-turn. Take it from me as a personal injury lawyer: it is). Additionally, a left turn into a parking space is specifically outlawed in Highland Park [Highland Park City Code §71.170].

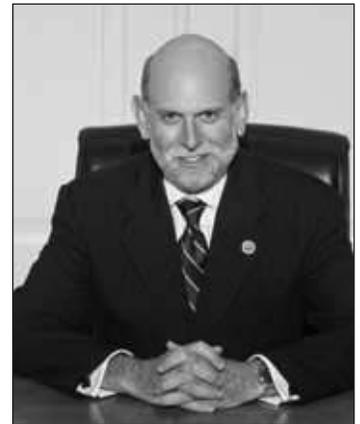
Talking on a cell phone while driving has become far too prevalent. Talking on a cell phone is a driving distraction. No one is able to drive as well while talking on the phone. It's one of the first questions lawyers ask drivers in automobile injury cases.

These things are illegal because they are dangerous. Accidents don't happen intentionally. They happen when we fail to follow the law. Accidents often occur with a car or pedestrian that "wasn't there." These violations usually occur out of expediency – when it is not convenient for us to wait.

However, all the laws we have, all the policemen and building inspectors we employ cannot create a better community, a safer place. Who we are as individuals and as a community, is defined by what we do – not what we say. In the end it is up to each of us, through example and dedication, to follow the rules that apply to all of us equally.

Sincerely,

  
Councilman Anthony E. Blumberg



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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Spring & Summer Safety Reminders

The Police Department offers these safety reminders:

• **Hand-Held Cell Phone Restriction**- The City of Highland Park restricts hand-held cell phone use while driving. Hands-free devices are permissible. Fines for this moving violation range from \$50 to \$500 with bond set at \$120. The Police Department recently coordinated a joint education and enforcement initiative with Deerfield, Lake Forest, Winnetka and Waukegan Police. Participating agencies increased their related education and enforcement efforts in April and will continue through August.

• **Motorists & Cyclists Share the Road**-

Motorists overtaking a bicycle are required by law to leave a safe distance of at least three-feet when passing the cyclist and shall maintain that distance until safely past the cyclist.

Slow Down! Motorists are reminded to obey posted City speed limits. Speeding endangers lives and property, reduces reaction time. Fines for speeding begin at \$120.

Traffic laws apply to all persons riding bicycles. Cyclists can be cited for traffic violations. Cyclists must stop at stop signs and may not ride more than two abreast on the roadway. Cyclists are also restricted from using a hand-held electronic communication device while operating a bicycle on the roadway.

• **Bicycle/Safety Helmet Requirements**- Every person under the age of 16 operating a bicycle, skateboard, in-line skates or any other non-motorized user-propelled wheeled device upon any public highway, sidewalk, bike path or any other public right-of-way within the City of Highland Park is required to wear a protective bicycle/safety helmet that meets current safety requirements. To reduce the risk of death or serious injury, persons age 16 or older are strongly encouraged to wear a bicycle/safety helmet as well.

• **Teen Driver Safety and Local Curfew for Minors Law**- Be aware of Illinois' graduated driver's licensing laws and the City of Highland Park curfew for minor's ordinance.

1. A nighttime driving curfew in place Sunday through Thursday from 10pm to 6am and Friday and Saturday 11pm to 6am

for teen drivers aged 15 through age 17. The driver's license of a teen becomes invalid when driving after the curfew and the driver is subject to arrest for driving without a license. Many insurance companies may not cover damages caused by an unlicensed driver.

2. For the first year of licensing, or until the driver is age 18, whichever occurs first, the number of passengers is limited to one person under age 20, unless the additional passenger(s) is a sibling, step-sibling, child, or step-child of the driver. After this period, the number of passengers is limited to one in the front seat and the number of safety belts in the back seat. For more information, visit: [http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/drivers/teen\\_driver\\_safety/gdl.html](http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/drivers/teen_driver_safety/gdl.html).

3. In Highland Park, it is unlawful for a person age 17 and under to be present at or upon any public place, building, street or highway Sunday through Thursday between the hours of 11pm and 6am and on Saturday and Sunday between 12:01am and 6:00 am. Violators are subject to arrest and fines are set at \$25.

• **Seat Safety Belts Save Lives**- The driver and all passengers of a motor vehicle operated on a street or highway must wear a properly fastened and adjusted seat safety belt. A seat safety belt violation qualifies for primary enforcement and bond is set at \$60. Police will be participating in the grant funded Illinois Department of Transportation "Click it or Ticket" education and enforcement initiative during specified holiday periods throughout 2013 and will conduct targeted seat belt enforcement patrols.

• **Start Seeing Motorcycles**- As motorcycle and motorized scooter activity increases, motorists are encouraged to maintain awareness and exercise caution while operating a motor vehicle near motorcycles or motorized scooters. Motorcyclists and motorized scooter riders should wear proper high-visibility protective clothing to increase their visibility to other motorists and helmets to reduce their risk of death or serious injury.

For more information, contact Sergeant Chris O'Neill at the Police Department non-emergency number (847) 432-7730.

## BUSINESS REPORT

### NEW BUSINESS:

#### **Improv Playhouse**

1991 Sheridan Road  
(847) 968-4529  
Performing Arts Education and Entertainment

#### **Nails Talk**

1855 Deerfield Road, Suite I  
(847) 926-7653  
Nail Salon and Spa

#### **Meltone Renovation Services**

2226 Green Bay Road, Ste 112  
(847) 433-7885  
Maintenance & Repair Specializing in Handicap Accessibility

#### **PLUGIN Workspace**

1770 First Street, Suite 200A  
(312) 493-7129  
Shared Office Space

### **Royal Appointments**

447 Central Avenue  
(847) 559-8111  
Gift Store: Jewelry, Baby, Sports Memorabilia, Bridal and more

### **NEW LOCATION:**

#### **Style Shack**

1839 Second Street  
(847) 579-4525  
Jewelry, Reception Gifts and Home Decor Accents

### **Baizer Kolar & Lewis**

600 Central Avenue, Ste 325  
(847) 433-6677  
Personal Injury Law Office

### **BUSINESS EXPANSION**

#### **Craftwood Lumber & Hardware**

#### **1590 Old Deerfield Road**

(847) 831-2800  
[www.craftwoodlumber.com](http://www.craftwoodlumber.com)  
Craftwood now has over 300 boating maintenance and repair items in stock to help you maintain or repair your boat. Come in when it's time and see the best selection of these items on the North Shore. If there is something you need that they don't have, they will do their best to get it for you **lickety-split**.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Your Fire Department...

## Saving Lives through Education

The Highland Park Fire Department averages roughly 4,500 emergency responses per year. However, numbers not frequently broadcast are the amount of individuals receiving prevention and education from the Fire Department on a daily basis.

In 2012, the Fire Department visited 137 classrooms and educated 1193 students ranging in age. Staff certified 220 students in CPR, automated external defibrillator (AED) and first aid classes. They gave 43 station tours to 211 participants.

The Fire Department has been providing public education services for decades. School-age children are taught fire basics, such as Exit Drills in the Home (EDITH), kitchen, bedroom, candle and fireplace safety and for the younger children, basic recognition of firefighters, fires and what to do at the sound of a detector alarm.

CPR/AED courses provide individuals the skills to save a life. The course ranges in length from 2-3 hours and certification is issued upon successful completion of the course. Certifications are good for two years and courses cost \$40.

"Our goal through public education is to save lives and property by teaching safety and prevention before an emergency occurs," Deputy Fire Chief Daniel Pease said.

Other less-known services provided by the Fire Department include the Knox Box Program (where residents and businesses can give the department building keys to prevent high cost repairs from broken-in doors), connection of life alert systems, station tours, and the department's most re-



The Fire Department educates more than 1,000 individuals per year.

cent initiative, a blood drive.

This year, the Fire Department and the City have partnered with Lifesource to host the Blood Drive, scheduled May 25 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Unlike most blood drives, donors will receive a commemorative t-shirt and a barbecue party following their donation.

"One donor can save up to three lives with a blood donation," Fire Chief Patrick Tanner said.

Looking into the future, the Fire Department hopes to expand its public education services to include programs allowing teenagers the opportunity to receive basic training on first aid and fire operations.

To schedule an appointment for the Blood Drive, call LifeSource at 1-877-LIFESOURCE (1-877-543-3768) or go online to [www.lifesource.org](http://www.lifesource.org) and enter Highland Park's code F813. For more information on the Fire Department's public education and to schedule a CPR/AED class, call (847) 433-3110.

YOUR CITY AT WORK



The Fire Department is committed to protecting the people, property and environment within our community. They dedicate their efforts to provide for the safety and welfare of the public by providing the highest quality services that are responsive to the needs of the community.

INSIDE YOUR  
**FIRE**  
DEPARTMENT

The Fire Department has several special teams to include: a dive team, a fire/bomb investigation team, a hazardous response team and a specialized rescue team for bridges, ravines and trenches to name a few. Currently, the Department has three stations and more than 45 firemen.

## Customer Only Parking Restriction

In January 2007, the Customer-Only parking ordinance was implemented to restrict employees working in Central Business District (CBD) businesses from parking on-street within the CBD while they are performing services and responsibilities as part of the employee's work for a CBD business. In January of 2011, the Customer-Only Ordinance was amended to include certain designated customer-only City parking lots.

Parking in customer only designated spaces prevents patrons from securing convenient on-street parking and can discourage future patronage to the business area. The Customer-Only Parking Ordinance includes the below City parking lots:

- **Second Street South Elm Lot** (south of Michael's Chicago Style Red Hots)
- **Second Street South Central Lot** (north of Harris Bank)
- **Renaissance Place Surface Lots** (south and east of 1849 Green Bay Road)

Signage is posted at each of the aforementioned City parking lots advising all employees of customer-only parking restrictions.

The Police Department continues to respond to complaints from the community and make active efforts to locate and enforce customer-only parking violations.

When a violation occurs, staff issue written warnings and/or parking citations and document the incident. When staff identifies a customer-only parking violation, a warning letter is mailed to the business and manager of the employee that committed the customer-only violation.

Subsequent violations by any employee could result in the business owner and/or manager of the employee being jointly cited and appropriately fined.

Please visit the City website for employee parking information at: [www.cityhpil.com/cbdparking](http://www.cityhpil.com/cbdparking). The Customer-Only Parking Ordinance may be viewed online in Chapter 72 of the City Code at: <http://www.cityhpil.com/citycode>.

For more information, please contact Traffic Sergeant Chris O'Neill at (847) 432-7730/[coneill@cityhpil.com](mailto: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.

Thurs., May 16	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:30 p.m.
Mon., May 20	Design Review Commission	7:00 p.m.
Tues., May 21	Business & Econ. Development	6:00 p.m.
	Cultural Arts Commission	7:00 p.m.
	Plan Commission	7:30 p.m.
Wed. May 22	Transportation Commission	6:30 p.m.
Mon., May 27	<i>City Offices closed for Memorial Day</i>	
Tues., May 28	Committee of the Whole	4:30 p.m.
	City Council Meeting	7:30 p.m.
	Sister Cities Foundation	7:00 p.m.
Mon., June 3	Design Review Commission	7:00 p.m.
Tues., June 4	Plan Commission	7:30 p.m.
Wed., June 5	Housing Commission	6:30 p.m.
Thurs., June 6	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:30 p.m.
Mon., June 10	Committee of the Whole	4:30 p.m.
	City Council Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Tues., June 11	Library Board of Trustees (494 Laurel Avenue)	7:30 p.m.
Wed., June 12	Natural Resources Commission	6:30 p.m.
Thurs., June 13	Historic Preservation	7:30 p.m.

## LIBRARY PROGRAMS

The Highland Park Public Library presents a variety of literary and cultural programs. Registration for certain events may be required as noted. The Library is located at 494 Laurel Avenue and will be closed on Monday, May 27. The Library will open at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 5.

***This is How You Lose Her Book Discussion***, Tuesday, May 21, 1:00 p.m.  
Noted book discussion leader Judy Levin leads a discussion about Pulitzer-winner Junot Diaz's collection of linked stories about love, betrayal, and adult romantic relationships.

***Film Discussion, The Master***, Wednesday, May 22, 7:00 p.m.  
Film instructor Dick Adler discusses the film starring Academy-Award nominated Joaquin Phoenix as a World War II veteran working for a charismatic leader developing his own religion. The film will be shown on Monday, May 20 at 6:30 p.m.

***Meet the Author: Jennifer Dotson - Clever Gretel***,  
Thursday, May 23, 7:00 p.m.  
Highland Park Poetry's Jennifer Dotson will discuss her new book of poems. Books will be for sale and the event will conclude with a book signing.

***Social Media Marketing for Small Business***, Thursday, June 6, 7:00 p.m.  
Learn why you need a social media presence and the top SM platforms, and some action steps to keep in touch with customers and increase your visibility to potential clients. Presented with SCORE Chicago and the City of Highland Park's Office of Economic Development.

***Lekotek's Stories and Play for Children with Special Needs***,  
Wednesday, June 1, 10:00 a.m.  
A fun hour of stories, music and play for children with special needs and their siblings led by trained Lekotek leaders. Register in the Youth Services Department or at [kidsevents.org](http://kidsevents.org).  
For more information, please call (847) 432-0216, or visit [hplibrary.org](http://hplibrary.org).

## Community Events

<b><i>Pajama Game</i></b> Thru May 19 Call for tickets	The Music Theatre Co. 1850 Green Bay Road (847) 579-4900	<b><i>Warriors &amp; Art: Path to Healing</i></b> Opens June 8, 6:30 p.m. Free; Exhibit thru July 14	The Art Center 1957 Sheridan Road (847) 432-1888
<b><i>H.P. Strings - Brahms Doubled</i></b> May 19 3:00 p.m.; Free	Highland Park High 433 Vine Avenue (847) 831-3622	<b><i>Stupey Cabin Picnic &amp; Civil War Sesquicentennial</i></b> June 1; 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Stupey Cabin Grounds 1707-1731 St. Johns Ave. (847) 432-7090
<b><i>Pilgrim Chamber Players</i></b> May 19 3:00 p.m.; Call for tickets	H.P. Community House 1991 Sheridan Road (847) 433-0992	<b><i>Ballet Folklorico Nacional</i></b> June 12 7:00 p.m.; Free	Highland Park Library 494 Laurel Avenue (847) 432-0216
<b><i>Memorial Day Observance</i></b> May 27 11:00 a.m.; Free	Memorial Park 405 Prospect Avenue (847) 926-1006	<b><i>Poetry Open-Mic</i></b> June 14 8:00 p.m.; Free	The Art Center 1957 Sheridan Road (847) 432-1888

# YOUTH & SENIOR SERVICES

## Register Now for the Fall 2013 Session!

*After 3* at The Firehouse serves the growing needs of working families with children in middle school. Research shows that the hours between 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. are a crucial time for supervision of middle school students. After-school programs fill that gap for parents, and many experts refer to these programs as the "new neighborhood."

The *After 3* program 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. Make the most out of your child's after-school time!

Transportation is available from all three middle schools to the Firehouse in a 14 passenger bus and 7 passenger van.

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

Your child may also come to the Firehouse without being enrolled in the *After 3* program, to enjoy the many games and

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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.

activities, to socialize, as well as participate in Community Service activities.

If you and your child would like a tour of the Firehouse Youth Center, please contact Don Miner (847) 926-1861 to schedule an appointment. To register, call (847) 433-3090. For more info go to [www.cityhphil.com](http://www.cityhphil.com).

## America's Top Female Comedians

Highland Park Public Library  
Fridays, 1 - 2:30 p.m.

Free for members / NM: \$10

Sponsored by Gentle Home Care Services  
The Senior Center welcomes back award-winning public speaker and historian Barry Bradford! Using video clips, little-known anecdotes, and intriguing insights, Barry presents a fascinating series.

**May 24 Gracie Allen: An American Treasure**

Gracie Allen is best remembered as the dizzy, daffy wife of George Burns in a partnership that lasted for over four decades. Gracie was even more talented than you may remember! Combining "panic dotes," rare video clips, and stories, Gracie comes alive in a presentation you are guaranteed to enjoy!

**June 7 Betty White: America's Favorite Grandma**

Betty White's amazing career, which began in the 1930s, has charmed, entertained, and cracked up Americans of all ages! She is a multiple Emmy award winner, a star on three hit television shows, a prolific author, and an in demand guest on talk shows and game shows, and has earned an international reputation for her tireless work on behalf of animals. You will learn a lot and smile constantly during this warm, funny, and entertaining presentation.

## Ravinia Festival Dinner and Show

Ravinia Festival

Monday, June 17, 6 - 10 p.m.

Fee: \$44 / NM: \$64

The Golden Dragon Acrobats combine acrobatics, traditional dance, spectacular costumes, ancient and contemporary music and theatrical techniques to present a show of breathtaking skill and spellbinding beauty. Prior to the show, dine at Mirabelle, Ravinia's famous Chef's Table, a menu that changes daily. Tickets and meal vouchers will be available for pick-up at the main gate between 5:45 - 6:15 p.m. the evening of the performance.

## Mix and Mingles Dine Around the World

This series takes you on a culinary trip around the world. Enjoy luncheons/dinners and the opportunity to meet new people and explore many of the North Shore's greatest ethnic restaurants. Register one week in advance.

## South America: Latin Cuisine

Longitude 315

315 Waukegan Avenue, Highwood

Thursday, May 30, 12 - 2 p.m.

Fee: \$20 / NM: \$40

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This new restaurant offers a fusion of South American flavors, born as a result of Chef Tony's culinary upbringing in Venezuela and his early travels to other South American countries. Lunch includes an appetizer plate with Arepas (Venezuela) and Yucca Frittas

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

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

(Ecuador), your choice of entree, sides including seasonal grilled vegetables and rice with beans, flan (Colombia) for dessert, and beverage. After lunch, enjoy delightful entertainment by classical Spanish guitarist Carlo Basile. When registering, please indicate your choice of Chicken Chimehuin (Argentina), South American Pulled Pork (Brazil), and Trout Primavera (Chile).

## Japan: Teppanyaki Restaurant Kegon

569 Waukegan Road, Northbrook  
Wednesday, June 12, 5 - 7 p.m.

Fee: \$15 - \$20 / NM: \$30 - \$40

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With a taste of authentic Japanese flavor, culture and hospitality, Kegon is a feast for the eyes as much as it is for the mouth. Enjoy the show as Kegon chefs delight guests with recipes grilled right before their eyes. Dinner includes soup or salad, entree, vegetables, fried rice, and sherbet for dessert. When registering, please indicate your entree choice of chicken (\$15), filet (\$20), or shrimp (\$20).

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## GREEN COMMUNITY NEWS

### Recycling Containers are Now Available in Downtown Highland Park!

As you begin to enjoy the warm weather and stroll through downtown Highland Park, please be on the lookout for the City's new green recycling containers. The recycling containers feature white "Recycling Only" lid labeling and are located next to existing brown garbage containers throughout the Central Business District and at all three of the City's train stations. Paper, cardboard, plastic, cans, and metal or glass bottles can be deposited in the green recycling containers. Please help us continue to keep Highland Park beautiful by placing non-recyclable items in the adjacent brown garbage containers. For additional information, please contact Planner Barbara Cates at (847) 432-0867 or [bcates@cityhpil.com](mailto:bcates@cityhpil.com)



### Biking Resources

Bike to work day is Friday, May 17, 2013. The City of Highland Park offers residents many resources to support their bike commuting and active lifestyles on May 17th as well as the rest of the year. Please visit the Highland Park website at [www.cityhpil.com](http://www.cityhpil.com) for the following information.

- **Bike to Metra** – Your guide to bike commuting to and from the Highland Park and Highwood Metra Stations.
- **Parks & Bike Trails**
- **Bike-Walk 2030 Plan** - A complete-streets policy and non-motorized transportation plan for the City of Highland Park.

### Energy Efficiency Savings

Spring is here and it is the perfect time of year to complete home improvement projects. Did you know that there are a number of different savings and rebate options for energy efficient home improvements? The U.S. Department of Energy has created a search tool that allows users to easily find energy efficiency improvement opportunities. If you have a home project in mind, take a look at the following web site to determine if you are eligible for these money saving opportunities [www.Energy.gov/savings](http://www.Energy.gov/savings).