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Welcome to Highland Park



Uncle Tannous

1910 First Street
847.266.9990
Mediterranean & Middle Eastern Cuisine

*From Executive Chef Joesph Skaff of
Phoncia and Chef Xavier Ramirez*



PHYSICAL
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PT2 Physical Therapy

643 Roger Williams Ave
847.508.2221

Heart of the Holidays Celebrations Continue 2 – 4 PM on December 11, and 18



Join us Saturday, December 11 from 2 - 4 PM at Port Clinton Square for a festive, Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons-inspired set of Christmas songs and old favorites from [The Four C Notes](#)! As part of the Heart of the Holidays event series, enjoy great music while you sip on Mexican hot chocolate and hot roasted chestnuts.



Arrive early to purchase tamales from Tamales Express, and choose from a festive selection of beers and cider for purchase from [Ravinia Brewing Company](#), as well as fresh popcorn and other treats from the [Ravinia Farmers Market](#). Then tick a few more holiday gifts off your shopping list as you browse the [unique shops and restaurants](#) of the Central Business District.

Our celebration of the [heart of the holiday season](#) in the heart of the North Shore concludes on **December 18** with an ice carving demonstration and caroling throughout Highland Park's Central Business District.

The Heart of the Holidays events are sponsored by the City of Highland Park and [Ravinia Festival](#), with the support of [First Bank of Highland Park](#) and [Highland Park Bank & Trust](#).

Ravinia District Cookie & Cocoa Crawl



RAVINIA[™]
DISTRICT

COOKIE & COCOA CRAWL

Saturday, December 11 • 11 AM – 2 PM



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Business of the Week: My Best Friend's Closet



AN UPSCALE RESALE BOUTIQUE

[My Best Friend's Closet](#) is an upscale resale boutique with authentic, pre-owned luxury brands including Gucci, Chanel, Burberry, Valentino, Chloe, Prada, and so much more. My Best Friend's Closet aims to change the way you shop, and provide you with high-end luxury clothing at an affordable price! Stop by the shop to find thoroughly inspected clothing, shoes, handbags, and accessories. My Best Friend's Closet uses high-end professional authenticators so you will always be getting the real deal. In addition, the shop offers a personal styling experience by walk-in or appointment. Let the knowledgeable staff style you for your next occasion!

[My Best Friend's Closet](#) - 1780 Green Bay Road
847.681.0002 / mybestfriendsclosethp.com

Live Music at Norton's

**DECEMBER 2021
JANUARY 2022**

MUSIC SCHEDULE

LIVE AT

NORTON'S

Sat. 12/11

Tony Ocean

Tony Ocean's upbeat style embodies a time to enjoy the music.

**ENJOY THE MUSIC OF
FRANK, DEAN, SAMMY, TONY,
TOM JONES & RAT PACK FAVORITES
THE 2ND SET TONY MORPHS INTO A
FABULOUS DANCE BAND!**

Sat. 12/18

WESTEND40- THE BAND

West End 40 is a unique blend of R&B, Jazz, Gospel, Top 40 & Original Music. We pride ourselves on our diversity of styles, providing energized entertainment for a highly diverse, selective crowd of music lovers from all walks of life. We not only provide a great music experience, but we also provide a full-scale performance art at its best.

Sat. 01/08

Off The Wagon

Always great, and better than ever. Big Band Sound!
Bass Fiddle, Electric Violin & Mandolin, Guitars and Drums!
We're covering new grass, blue grass, choro, samba, Texas swing,
rockin' roll, some funk, some New Orleans inspired stuff, some blues.

What else is left?
THE BEST MUSICIANS ARE AT NORTON'S!

Sat. 01/22

CLASS OF '68

**CLASSIC ROCK FAVORITES OF THE: BRITISH INVASION
AMERICAN '60S GROUPS. THE GOLDEN AGE OF THE TOP 40!**
Stage Clothes and Vintage Instruments!

"...Class of 68 blows the doors off of all the other cover bands.
They have a better look and so much more genuine energy..."

www.nortons-restaurant.com

NEW! 3 for 3 Video Series offers tips on HR assistance, staff shortage assistance, and marketing assistance

[Illinois Small Business Development Centers \(SBDC\)](#) has developed a new video series called [SBDC 3 for 3](#). Every two weeks a new three-minute video will provide three important small business updates. **In just three minutes** the video below offers tips on HR assistance, staff shortage assistance, and marketing assistance provided by the SBDC for small businesses.



Follow the City's new Enjoy Highland Park campaign at enjoyhighlandpark.com

The City of Highland Park's new social media campaign, #EnjoyHighlandPark, highlights the unique shopping and dining, exceptional natural spaces, and vibrant arts and entertainment offerings you can't find anywhere but Highland Park. Learn more at our new website enjoyhighlandpark.com. The City will continue to add content on an ongoing basis - check back frequently!



Help spread the word, and be sure to follow [@enjoyhighlandpark](https://www.instagram.com/enjoyhighlandpark) on Instagram and [@EnjoyHighlandPark](https://www.facebook.com/EnjoyHighlandPark) on Facebook.

Explore. Experience. Enjoy Highland Park: enjoyhighlandpark.com.

SCORE Mentoring at the Highland Park Public Library & Free Webinars

SCORE offers in-person or virtual sessions using phone, email, or video

All sessions are free and confidential. SCORE mentors are successful business professionals, some retired, some working, from all industries and experiences.



Visit northchicago.score.org and register to "Find a Mentor". You will be asked to provide the nature of your business interest. Please include whether you prefer in-person or virtual mentoring (phone, email, video) and note, the **Highland Park Public Library** even if you prefer a virtual session.

Highland Park Career Exploration Program

Interested in sharing your profession with a high school student exploring their career options? The Highland Park Career Exploration program (HPCE) provides students with the opportunity to gain valuable insights into a potential career path and goals. Students are matched and meet with professionals to discuss career aspirations, work initiatives, and other professional inquiries.

Learn more about
HPCE.

FAQ on Face Covering and Vaccination Requirements

On August 26, 2021, the Governor signed [Executive Order 21-20](#) which requires all individuals over the age of 2 and who can medically tolerate a face covering to wear a face-covering when in indoor public places. The Executive Order also requires health care workers, school personnel, higher education personnel and students, and employees and contractors of state-owned or operated congregate facilities to be fully vaccinated, as described in the Order.

Please place this [Face Mask Required Sign](#) in your place of business to remind customers to wear a face covering.

[Face Covering FAQs](#)

Get Hired Illinois

The State of Illinois has launched [Get Hired Illinois](#) to connect job seekers with employers and training opportunities as well as employers who are looking to fill open positions with available workers. Visit [GetHired \(illinois.gov\)](#) for more information.

ILLINOIS.gov

Financial Aid for Retailers and Restaurants Grant Program

The City of Highland Park has a matching grant

program to assist restaurants and retailers with operational costs incurred to provide a safe environment for customers and staff in compliance with state and federal public health guidelines for the coronavirus pandemic. The program will accept applications from qualifying restaurants and retailers located and operating within a commercial building in Highland Park with a net worth of less than \$2 million and generating less than an average of \$200,000 in profit per year for two years after

taxes. Qualifying restaurants and retailers may apply for reimbursement of up to 50% of eligible expenses related to COVID-19 public health mitigations, to a maximum of \$10,000 for restaurants and \$5,000 for retailers, for costs incurred between August 15, 2020, and December 31, 2021, or until funds are depleted. [More information is available here.](#)



Additional Resources

[Available Commercial Space](#)

[Business Directory](#)

[Establishing Your Business](#)

[Chamber Of Commerce](#)

[SCORE](#)

[U.S. Small Business Administration](#)

[Job Center of Lake County -
Business Services](#)

[Illinois Department of Commerce &
Economic Opportunity](#)

[Lake County Health Department](#)

[NorthShore University
HealthSystem](#)

[Illinois Department of Public Health](#)

[Centers for Disease Control and
Prevention](#)

For general business inquiries, contact the City's Business Development Manager Carolyn Hersch at chersch@cityhpil.com.

For more information on the City's response to COVID-19, contact the City's Communications Manager Amanda Civitello at acivitello@cityhpil.com.

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