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Spring!

Memorial Day Reminders

City offices are closed on Monday, May 29, in observance of the holiday. Residents may call the non-emergency public safety line at **847.432.7730** for assistance.

Refuse and recycling pick-up will not occur on Memorial Day and service is pushed back one day for all customers during that week. Contact Lakeshore Recycling Systems at **844.633.3577**.

July 4, 2023 Planning

The City and Park District are collaborating on plans for July 4, 2023. Learn more about activities and registration on p. 3. Detailed information is available at cityhpil.com/july4.

Spring Clean Up Begins April 22

Mark your calendar for Lakeshore Recycling Systems' 2023 Spring Clean-up for single-family residential customers only. As a reminder, certain material including electronic waste, yard waste and recyclables will not be accepted.

Special Insert: Senior Center's May - August 2023 *Shorelines*

Highland Park at a Glance



Community-wide Composting Program Begins August 1

All-in single-family residential composting begins August 1, 2023! Visit cityhpil.com/compost to learn about the program.

Friendly Spring Reminders from Public Works

Fire Hydrant Flushing Program

Hydrant flushing begins in spring and is completed by fall; street signage will be placed in the neighborhood prior to scheduled flushing. Residents may notice discolored or rusty water for a brief period. This is normal and there is no health hazard. Allow a few hours for the discoloration to dissipate and avoid doing laundry at this time. Updates will be included in the City eNews and posted at cityhpil.com/construction.

Backflow Prevention Annual Testing Requirement

If you have a lawn irrigation (sprinkler) system, a State of Illinois licensed plumber must inspect and test your backflow device. A copy of the inspection report is required to be sent to waterplant@cityhpil.com or faxed to 847.926.1193. Call 847.433.4355 or visit cityhpil.com/backflow.

Driveway Approach, Curb and Sidewalk Maintenance

Code section 93.255 requires property owners to maintain the public sidewalk along the driveway, the driveway approach or apron, and the curb over the driveway, in good condition, free from obstructions and openings, and in safe condition for pedestrian and vehicular travel. Call 847.432.0807.

Trees on Ravines or Bluffs – Extra Care Needed!

The ravines or bluffs, known as Steep Slope Zone under Highland Park City Code, are sensitive to disturbance. Extra caution is needed to work in this sensitive area. A Building Permit is required for removal of any vegetation, landscaping, or ecological restoration, and any type of construction within Steep Slope Zone. For information related to ravine and bluff maintenance, permit requirements or general inquiries on trees, contact the City Forester, 847.926.1179 or bmiller@cityhpil.com.

Keeping Our Lakes, Rivers & Stormwater Systems Clean

Please observe the following best practices to prevent pollutants from contaminating rivers and lakes, as stormwater is not treated or cleaned like water flowing into a sanitary (wastewater) system: 1) Clean up after pets and dispose of waste in trash; 2) Use phosphorous-free fertilizers; 3) Properly dispose of household chemical waste; and 4) Drain swimming pools directly into a sanitary sewer; discharging pool water into storm sewers, ravine streams or other natural water bodies is illegal.

2023 Capital Improvement Program

The City's 2023 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), part of our core mission of Infrastructure Investment, includes improvement projects prioritized annually based on life safety consideration, functional deficiencies, age of infrastructure, and reducing long-term expensive replacements. Visit cityhpil.com/construction to learn more about 2023 capital improvement projects, including:

FY 23 Asphalt Streets Rehabilitation Program (tentative list):

Street	From	To
Elder Ln.	Sheridan Rd.	Lakeside Pl.
Lakeside Manor	Sheridan Rd.	Sheridan Rd.
Lakeside Pl.	Sheridan Rd.	South End
Central Ave.	St. Johns Ave.	East End
North Deere Park Dr.	North End	South End
South Deere Park Dr.	North End	South End
Burchell Ave.	East End	West End
Briargate Dr.	North End	West Gate Terr.
Chaucer Ln.	Saxony Dr.	South End
Egandale Rd.	Vine Ave.	North End
Harvard Ct.	Clifton Ave.	Sunset Rd.
Kipling Ct.	Kipling Ln.	West End
Sherwood Rd.	South End	Richfield Ave.
Krenn Ave.	Old Elm Rd.	Hill St.
Lotus Pl.	Summit Ave.	Krenn Ave.
Western Ave.	Western Pl.	Old Elm Rd.

FY 23 SMART Program Surface Treatment Only (tentative list):

Street	From	To
Baldwin Rd.	North End	Dean Ave.
Brownville Rd.	Lincolnwood Rd.	Pierce Rd.
Dato Ave.	Hyacinth Pl.	Hill St.
Eastwood Ave.	Richfield Ave.	Midland Ave.
Ferndale Ave.	Southland Ave.	Northland Ave.
Highland Pl.	Green Bay Rd.	Broadview Ave.
Iris Ln.	Lincolnwood Rd.	West End
Kent Ave.	Summit Ave.	Arlington Ave.
Lawrence Ln.	Ridge Rd.	Hemlock Ln.
Lincoln Ave. W.	St. Johns Ave.	Lincoln Pl.
Southland Ave.	Cavell Ave.	Ridge Rd.
Sumac Rd.	Old Briar Rd.	Clavey Rd.
Yale Ln.	Sunset Rd.	Elmwood Dr.
York Ln.	Cloverdale Ave.	Ridge Rd.

Visit cityhpil.com/construction for updates on these and other CIP projects. For additional details on the City's construction projects, please contact the Department of Public Works at 847.432.0807.



Got a Question? www.CityHPIL.com

Nancy R. Rotering

– Mayor Nancy R. Rotering

What day is the big spring garbage pick-up (*soon!*)? How can I get a pothole fixed? What is the City doing to help local businesses? What are the details about this road construction project in my neighborhood? Will the Fire Department come by my block party? These are everyday questions that may be quickly and easily answered by searching the City's website, one of many forms of communications used by the City to inform residents and visitors.

The City's website is the most comprehensive way for the City to share general information with the public

quickly, efficiently, and cost-effectively. It covers the basics for almost all of your government questions. Click this button to translate the City's website into a different language:



We know an emergency may strike at a moment's notice. The website is the first place the City publishes critical information (*followed by the City's social media channels*) – updates about storms, flooding, or City services. News updates on the website allow us to reach the most people quickly with important, information that will keep residents and visitors safe and well-informed.

We always want to hear from you and be able to provide you with accurate information, but it is not always possible to respond immediately or be in touch one-on-one. If you have a question, please visit and bookmark the City website www.cityhpil.com. While you are there, sign up for our twice-weekly electronic newsletters, too. If you have a question or concern that cannot be addressed via the website, you can reach the City Council, the City Manager, and me all at once, at council@cityhpil.com or call us at **847.926.1000**. We look forward to our continued work together.

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facebook.com/HighlandParkIL



youtube.com/user/CityHPIL



City Receives Financial Reporting Award

For the 38th consecutive year, the City has been awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada. The highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, the award recognizes the City's comprehensive annual financial report for the 2021 fiscal year, the most recently audited report.



2023 Historic Homes Bike Tour and Preservation Awards Ceremony

2023 Historic Homes Bike Tour

The Historic Preservation Commission has created a bike tour, scheduled for May 28, 1 PM and tentatively June 3, 11 AM with a roughly 6-mile route. The tour will begin at Moraine Park on Sheridan Road and head north towards the historic Fort Sheridan district and then west before making a loop back towards the park while stopping at historic and architecturally significant homes along the way. Bike participants will enjoy free beach access from Moraine Park courtesy of the Park District of Highland Park. The information & route map will be posted at cityhpil.com/hpc.

2023 Highland Park Historic Preservation Awards

Join us for the Preservation Awards Ceremony, Thursday May 4, 7 PM at Frank Lloyd Wright's famous Willits House, 1445 Sheridan Road. The nominated construction projects exhibit historic & architectural brilliance. Light refreshments will be served. Awarded nominations will be published soon at cityhpil.com/hpc.

Contact Zubin Coleman, City Planner, at zcoleman@cityhpil.com, to RSVP for the 2023 bike tour or the Historic Preservation Awards ceremony.



July 4, 2023 Planning

The City and Park District are working collaboratively to plan a meaningful slate of opportunities to come together as a community on July 4, 2023. Plans include:

- Remembrance Ceremony (10 AM, City Hall)*
- Community Walk (11 AM, start at City Hall or The Lot)*
- Community Picnic (11:30 AM, Sunset Woods Park)
- Evening Entertainment & Drone Display*

For the safety of all, activities denoted with * will require pre-registration for ticketed entry. Information regarding registration, including a priority code for HP residents attending the evening event, will be posted to cityhpil.com soon. Sign up for the eNews (cityhpil.com/enews) to receive ticketing information when available.



Drinking Water Week May 7 - 13

Drinking Water Week highlights the ways we benefit from a safe and plentiful water supply. Visit awwa.org/Events-Education/Drinking-Water-Week. Learn about the City's water production plant and water quality, at cityhpil.com/watertreatment.

The Lot 2023 Season



An exciting second season of special events and festivals is coming to The Lot in Downtown Highland Park! From specialty markets to unique dining, family friendly entertainment, weekend concerts and food fests, there's something for everyone this season at The Lot. Favorite events such as the Taste of Highland Park and an expanded Stews & Brews return, along with a brand-new Artisan Market on Sundays that will bring fresh produce, handcrafted goods, and light bites to The Lot. The music lineup will be announced soon, so be sure to sign up to receive The Weekender at enjoyhp.com to be the first to know!

For more information on how to be a part of the 2023 season at The Lot as a participating or sponsoring business, please contact the City's event manager, Ripple Public Relations, info@ripplepublicrelations.com.

Learn more about The Lot at enjoyhighlandpark.com/the-lot.



Vintage Market

JUNE 11

Browse a range of unique vintage items from 50+ of the best vintage dealers from Chicago and the Midwest while enjoying live music, food and libations.

Taste of Highland Park

JUNE 23 & 24

This beloved showcase of delicious cuisines and beverages from Highland Park chefs returns with national headliners capping off two days of incredible music in Downtown Highland Park.

Bitter Jester Music Festival Grand Finale Concert

JUNE 25

The Midwest's largest professional "battle-of-the-bands" style concert and competition series culminates in performances by talented young musicians.

Artisan Market

SUNDAYS, JULY 2 - SEPT. 24

Shop fresh food, flowers, crafts and more and enjoy live music and light bites, Sundays from July through September.

World Music & Food Fest

JULY 15

Diverse music & food bring together a multitude of tastes and experiences in a fun, festival atmosphere.

Vintage Car Show

SEPTEMBER 9

Spend an afternoon perusing an eclectic display of vintage automobiles while enjoying live music, food, and libations.

Oktoberfest

SEPTEMBER 30

Beer garden with great music and delicious, traditional bites to bring the community together!

Vintage Market

OCTOBER 8

Browse a range of unique vintage items from 50+ of the best vintage dealers from Chicago and the Midwest while enjoying live music, food and libations.

Stews & Brews (& Blues!)

OCTOBER 13 & 14

Combining two Midwestern comfort foods and beverages, this event will warm the hearts of all who attend!

Check out everything happening at The Lot at enjoyhp.com.

Community Calendar

Neighborhood Meetings

Wed., April 19, 5:30PM - Library

Mon., May 1, 1 PM - HP Country Club

Thurs. May 4, 5:30PM - Edgewood Middle

Share feedback with Highland Park governments including the City, School Districts 112 and 113, Park District of Highland Park, Highland Park Public Library, Moline Township and Lake County. Register in advance to receive virtual link at [847.926.1000](tel:847.926.1000) or cityhp@cityhpil.com.

The Art Center Highland Park

TheArtCenterHP.org

1957 Sheridan Road / 847.432.1888

CSL: Central Suburban League Annual Exhibition

Open: April 14 - 22

The Passion Project

Open: May 5 - June 17

Annual Benefit: May 5

Opening Reception: May 19, 5:30 - 8 PM

The Passion Project Exhibition explores how the creative process travels from artist, to art, and from art to audiences, igniting the connection on a visceral level. Here, the art, artist, and viewer are all intertwined as we redefine our word of the year, vibrance.

Artemis Chamber Orchestra

The Four Seasons

Sunday, April 30, 3 PM

Trinity Church, 425 Laurel Avenue

This free concert of Vivaldi's *The Four Seasons* is conducted by Diana Economou.

The City of Highland Park presents

Arbor Day Event

Saturday, April 29, 9AM - 11AM

Ravinia Festival West Parking Lot

301 Ravine Park Drive

Join the City, Park District, and other partners in celebrating Arbor Day. This event has plant and seed giveaways for your home and garden, exhibits and demos from local landscape professionals, a touch-a-truck opportunity, and much more. Paper shredding, courtesy of SWALCO will also be available.

Dr. Mark & The Sutures

Misericordia "Candy Days"

Benefit Concert

Saturday, April 29, 1PM

RAIN DATE, Sunday, April 30, 1PM

Port Clinton Square, 600 Central Avenue

Welcome the return of spring with Dr. Mark & the Sutures' annual concert for Misericordia Candy Days.

Ravinia Festival Neighborhood Meeting

Thursday, May 11, 6 PM

Fire Station #33 Training Room

1130 Central Avenue

Residents, Ravinia Festival and City discuss 2023 Season plans; traffic management; public safety measures and other matters. Meeting minutes will be available on the City website - www.cityhpil.com.

Highland Park Historical Society

archives@highlandparkhistory.com

Brief History of the Reintroduction of the Native Americans into Illinois

Wednesday, June 3, 2 PM

Stukey Cabin, 1731 St. Johns Avenue [In the event of rain, the program will be held at the Highland Park Public Library Auditorium]

Information: [847.432.7090](tel:847.432.7090) / archives@highlandparkhistory.com

Presented by Gerald Savage, HoChunk Native American, Chief White Winnebago will introduce participants to the culture and the history of the HoChunk nation.

Highland Park Poetry

HighlandParkPoetry.org

Dipika Mukherjee / Tom Moran

Reading & Poetry Open-Mic

Saturday, May 13, 4 PM

Kathryn Haydon Reading & Poetry Open-Mic

Saturday, June 10, 4 PM

Laughlin Gallery, 1894 Sheridan Road

Highland Park Pops Big Band

Rehearsals in the Park

Wednesdays in May & June, 6 - 8PM

Sunset Woods Park Pavilion

This 17-piece band encourages people to stop by for part or all of the evening. Bring a picnic, a blanket, a chair, etc. Having an audience will keep the band "on its toes." Event is weather permitting.

Highland Park Strings

highlandparkstrings.org

Free Concert

Sunday, May 21, 3 PM

Highland Park High School, 433 Vine Ave. Alexander Hersh, cellist, plays Concerto No. 2 by Victor Herbert. The Strings perform Walker, Ives & Copland.

Memorial Day Observance

Monday, May 29, 11AM

Highland Park High School

433 Vine Avenue

Mayor Rotering leads local veterans in this observance. The HPHS Band performs.

Pilgrim Chamber Players

pilgrimplayers.org

Schubert the Great Concert

Sunday, May 7, 3 PM

Highland Park Community House

1991 Sheridan Road

Cost: \$20 adult & \$10 student

[847.433.0979](tel:847.433.0979)

PilgrimChamber@gmail.com

Concert includes Mozart's Piano Quartet No. 2 in E-flat major; Franz Schubert's String Quartet in C major (Op.163).

Sister Cities Foundation

HP-SisterCities.org

Italian Arias & Ballads

Thursday, April 20, 7 PM

Highland Park Public Library (494 Laurel)

Gianni Coletta, tenor, performs, joined by local singer Josephine Campagni and accordionist Linda Iovino. Presented by the Highland Park Public Library and the Highland Park Sister Cities Foundation with support from the City.

Community Partners for Affordable

Housing - cpahousing.org

Buy an Affordable Home in HP! At-

tend a virtual session to learn about the program and to apply, May 9 and June 7, at 6 PM Register at cpahousing.org/class-registration

North Suburban Legal Aid Clinic

nslegalaid.org / 847.737.4042

Immigrant Heritage Month

June 8, 5 PM / Highland Park Public Library

Share your story. Presented by NSLAC, HPPL, and the Highwood Library.

Our Community



Spring Clean-Up Begins April 22

The City's annual Spring Clean-Up Program for single-family residential customers will be offered by Lakeshore Recycling Systems on four consecutive Saturdays beginning April 22 and ending May 13, based on residents' primary refuse collection day (*the day both garbage and recycling are collected*). Items must be placed at the curb no later than 7 AM on collection day. To keep City streets clean, please do not place any material out for collection earlier than one week prior.

Regular Collection Day Spring Cleanup Day

Monday	Saturday, April 22
Tuesday	Saturday, April 29
Thursday	Saturday, May 6
Friday	Saturday, May 13

Learn more about acceptable materials and prohibited items at cityhpil.com/springcleanup. If you have an appliance or white good that needs removal, please contact LRS at [844.633.3577](tel:844.633.3577) or email info@lrsrecycles.com to schedule a special pick up. For more information, call [847.926.1000](tel:847.926.1000) or email cityhp@cityhpil.com.



Landscaper Licenses & Leaf Blower Regulations

All landscapers and pavement sealant professionals must secure an annual license from the City before performing any work. Ensure your contractors are licensed by visiting the City's website or contacting the City Manager's Office at [847.926.1000](tel:847.926.1000). Additionally, the use of gas-powered leaf blowers is prohibited between May 15 and October 1. Gas-powered leaf blowers may be used for cleaning gutters until June 15. Electric powered leafblowers are permitted. This restriction does not apply to golf course maintenance operations. For questions, please contact the City Manager's Office at [847.926.1000](tel:847.926.1000).



Help Monarchs & Pollinators

Mayor Rotering has renewed the City's pledge to help monarch butterflies. The City plans to plant milkweed and pollinator-friendly gardens on City properties, removing invasive species such as buckthorn and planting native perennials, shrubs, and trees, and more. Residents and business owners are encouraged to support the pledge by minimizing mowing in May, avoiding the use of pesticides and planting milkweed and other pollinator-friendly wildflowers.



Moraine Township Services

Help Stamp Out Hunger!

Annual Letter Carrier Food Drive is **Saturday, May 13, 2023.**

Moraine Township partners with our local Letter Carriers who make the extra effort to pick up bags of shelf-stable, unexpired food from your mailbox, and bring them to the Food Pantry. This important annual food drive helps stock our shelves for the summer months, when food drives held by schools and other organizations are scarce.

PLEASE LEAVE BAGS OF SHELF-STABLE, UNEXPIRED FOOD BY YOUR MAILBOX SATURDAY, MAY 13, 2023 to help "Stamp Out Hunger" in our community. The event occurs Mother's Day weekend - tell your Mom you fed a hungry family in honor of her for Mother's Day

Please, no glass jars, or food in cardboard

containers (*if it rains that day, the food is spoiled*).

You can shop for the Food Pantry when you're shopping for your family! Some of the most popular items always scarce on our shelves (no glass or cardboard):

- * Canned salmon / chicken / tuna
- * Coffee – ground or instant
- * Peanut butter
- * 1# bags of rice
- * Mayonnaise / ketchup / mustard / salad dressing / olives – plastic
- * Canola oil - plastic
- * Jelly / jam – plastic

If you won't be around May 13, you can drop off food donations anytime at 800 Central Avenue, Highland Park, Weekdays 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM.

If you would like to volunteer to help unload and sort the food as it comes in, please email volunteer@morainetownship.org.

Volunteers Needed at Food Pantry Garden

Moraine Township is again partnering with the Park District of Highland Park to grow fresh produce for our Township Food Pantry. We welcome volunteers to help plant, weed, water and grow nutritious produce for Moraine Township's Food Pantry this summer! Fresh air, sunshine, exercise - and a wonderful feeling of accomplishment – guaranteed!

The garden is located at the Park District of Highland Park's Woodridge Park (*off Barry Road*).

Planting occurs the end of May, and "tending" happens all summer long. If you can spare an hour or two weekly or every few weeks, please email volunteer@moraine-township.org and we'll connect you with our head volunteer and master gardeners and put you to work this spring & summer.

Please note that the above is submitted, written and edited by Moraine Township and does not reflect the views or opinions of the City.



Business Report - continued from back cover

BUSINESS RELOCATION

Untangle Hair Studio

Moved to 608 Laurel Avenue
773.759.6002

untanglehairstudio.com

Hair Salon

Laughlin Gallery

Moved to 1894 Sheridan Road
847.748.4568

laughlingallery.com

Art Gallery

BUSINESS RECOGNITION - 25 YEARS

Bella Via Ristorante – Since 1998

1899 Second Street

847.681.8300

bellaviahighlandpark.com

Bella Via Ristorante is a family-owned restaurant operated by Chef Maurizio Lo-Bosco. Bella Via is known for serving simple but flavorful traditional Italian comfort food with modern accents in an Old World setting. Bella Via offers al fresco dining, private event rooms, and special catering.

Steven C. Sommerfeld, D.D.S., P.C. –

Since 1998

1893 Sheridan Road, Suite 309

847.432.3448

sommerfelddentistry.com

Dr. Sommerfeld is a graduate of the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Dentistry where he received his DDS and a BS in Dentistry. Being a third generation dentist, he joined his father, Louis Sommerfeld, DDS, in private practice. In 1998, Dr. Sommerfeld purchased the dental practice that had been active since the 1960s.

Mindful Movement – Since 1998

502 Old Elm Road

847.344.7676

mindfulmovementchicago.com

Suzi Marks, Mindful Movement's owner, is a sensory movement specialist for adults with neurological issues and disorders as well as children with special needs, including stroke, genetic disorders, chromosome abnormalities, CP, Autism Spectrum, undiagnosed neurological conditions, developmental delays. She is certified in the Feldenkrais Method® and Anat Baniel Method NeuroMovement®.

Skin Care by Ellen – Since 1997

572 Roger Williams Avenue

847.432.8800

Skin Care by Ellen specializes in rejuvenating and teen facials, and is known for professionally acclaimed eyebrow shaping and arching. Ellen offers skin care consultations and the most up-to-date treatments and products. Additional services include face and body waxing, eyelash and eyebrow tinting, and dermaplaning.

Nozicka Center for Hypnosis and Psychotherapy – Since 1998

454 Central Ave # 206

847.804.2456

nozickacenter.com

Harry Nozicka, LCSW and Lynne Nozicka, B.A., C.H., are married practitioners who have successfully integrated Western psychology with contemporary adaptations of ancient Eastern principles offering creative, flexible and highly effective approaches to overcoming obstacles for the enhancement of optimal living. Clients develop awareness of their inner system of communication allowing them to make better choices.



Flood Mitigation - How to Prepare Your Home

As we welcome warmer weather, longer days and blooming flowers, we must also prepare for unwelcoming rains! The risk of flooding cannot be completely prevented, especially for those residing in flood plain areas (*adjacent to the two rivers*). In certain circumstances, there are solutions available to property owners to help mitigate flooding and help alleviate property or yard damage.

The below recommendations and guidelines may assist in minimizing flood risks:

1. Regularly inspect flood protection devices such as backflow preventers, sump pumps, and battery back-up systems. Check valves and standpipes to make sure they are in good working condition.
2. Contact a licensed plumber to have your storm sewer (*rainwater*) and sanitary sewer (*wastewater*) lateral service pipes (running from your home to the street) inspected to make sure they are free of roots and debris.
3. Contact a licensed plumber to inspect and verify that storm lateral pipes are not connected to sanitary lateral service pipe or vice-versa. These two lateral pipes should remain separate and are connected separately to the City

storm and sanitary main pipes.

4. Make sure all exterior drains such as window well drains, outside yard drains, gutters, or street drains are clear of debris, leaves and any other obstructions.
5. Install an overhead sanitary sewer system (*ejector pit*) to alleviate sanitary sewer backups.
6. The City has a voluntary sewer lateral cost-share program to assist with flood backups via sanitary sewer laterals: cityhpil.com/voluntarysewerlateralcostshare
7. To view floodplain areas, visit FEMA at msc.fema.gov/portal/home or on the City's website, cityhpil.com, navigate to Interactive Maps to view floodplain areas under Layers (*on the right side of map*).
8. To learn more about flood prevention tips, the City's efforts towards flood mitigation, and other useful information, please visit cityhpil.com/flooding

If you need additional information or would like to discuss specific flooding concerns, please contact the Public Works Sewer Section at 847.432.0807.



North Shore School District 112 Enters Spring with a Positive Outlook!

District 112 extends its gratitude for the community's support of the multi-year effort of facility upgrades and an end to long-deferred maintenance. With your support, Phase 2 is now a reality! Phase 1, 2018-2023, upgraded and modernized both District 112 middle schools. Northwood reopened its doors in 2021, and students will return to the new Edgewood in early April 2023.

In preparation for Phase 2 construction, the administration moved out of Green Bay School in February, and the Early Childhood Program will move to Oak Terrace School in the fall; this will make room for Green Bay School to be used as a swing site during Phase 2 construction, starting with Ravinia School this summer. Elm Place will continue to be used as a swing site, with Indian Trail School also moving there over the summer as construction begins at Indian Trail.

During April, we are thrilled to celebrate the month of the Military Child, honoring our nearly 300 children of military servicemen and servicewomen. We have children from military families at nine of our ten schools! We are proud to be part of KidsRank as well.

This spring, we also inaugurated a new celebration, a milestone recognition ceremony event where we honored eighty staff members with service awards from five years of consecutive service to the District up to 35 years of service! It was a special event, and we are so grateful to our staff for their dedicated service to Highland Park and Highwood children.

Like the rest of the nation and world, District 112 is highly focused on educational results for each child, every day. Consistent with that effort, in 2022-2023, we launched our second year of a ten-week focused results program with one of our learning partners, the DMGroup from Boston, MA. The goals of this program include collaboration with grade-level teams, analysis of formative data, development of teaching practices, planning standards-aligned instruction, and ultimately, the improvement student performance outcomes. This differs from the normal work every day with regard to learning, via specialized coaching with support and an intense focus on results. Last year the effort was in grades K-5 at both dual language schools. This year the focus is on kindergarten through second grade at the non-dual language elementary schools.

Last year this DMGroup effort concentrated on grades K-5 at both dual language schools, Oak Terrace and Red Oak (where we started this initiative). We saw tremendous growth and success at both! This year we are well underway at K-2 at the non-dual language elementary schools! In District 112, we measure success with multiple inputs: culture, climate, engagement, morale, standardized assessment data, classroom assessment data, and more! Our motto is to inspire, innovate, and engage (each child, every day)!

Michael Lubelfeld, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools
North Shore School District 112

Senior Center

May - August, 2023

The Highland Park Senior Center
Activity Guide - Abridged Version
1201 Park Avenue West
Highland Park, IL 60035
847.432.4110

Welcome to the Highland Park Senior Center!

The City of Highland Park proudly presents the Highland Park Senior Center's special, abridged edition of The Shorelines newsletter. The Senior Center strives to provide exceptional education, recreation, enrichment and support services targeting a population from 50 years of age and upward. Located at the Highland Park Country Club overlooking The Preserve of Highland Park, this facility offers spacious rooms, handicap accessibility, ample parking, and a beautiful view. Now is a great time to visit the Highland Park Senior Center and explore the many wonderful opportunities available.

- ~ Life-long learning including Brunch and Learn Speaker Series, music appreciation & more
- ~ Fitness classes including Tai Chi, Yoga, Zumba Gold, Triple Fit, & more
- ~ Classes in canasta, chess, mah jongg, bridge, art, Spanish & more
- ~ Bus excursions to the hottest musicals, museum exhibits and points of interest
- ~ Technology tutoring and assistance
- ~ Free transportation for seniors, on a fixed route within Highland Park
- ~ Resources, information, and referrals for families facing transitions including housing options, home care referrals, and a medical equipment loan closet
- ~ Full time Social Services Specialist providing support groups for those experiencing grief from a recent loss, as well as support for individuals seeking counseling

Annual membership cost is \$30 for a resident individual or \$50 for a resident couple and includes priority registration, many free activities, lower rates for fee based activities, and discounted ticket opportunities at a variety of local concert and theatre performances.

The Senior Center has a user-friendly online portal, where community members are able to purchase and renew memberships, register for Senior Center activities, and view the interactive, up-to-date calendar.

To access the full version of The Shorelines newsletter and the online portal, please visit: cityhpil.com/seniorcenter.



Senior Center Special Activities

Senior Prom - The Golden Gala

Highland Park Country Club
Saturday, May 6 from 5 - 7:30 PM
Fee: \$10, open to all seniors
Please register by Monday, April 24

Sponsored by Arbor Terrace Highland Park

The Highland Park High School Class of 2025 invites you to join them for a night at the Prom! Enjoy a fabulous evening of dinner, dancing, and entertainment. Guests will enjoy a catered buffet dinner and a sweet table with home-baked goodies. The HPHS DJ Club will provide music, and some of the high school's most talented artists will perform throughout the evening. The student hosts are planning an enchanting evening of glitter and gold; they will be dressed up... ready to serve, ready to dance, and ready to entertain!

Brunch & Learn Speaker Series

Highland Park Country Club
Tuesdays, 11:30 AM - 1 PM
\$10 / NM: \$20
Please register at least one week prior

Sponsored by Whitehall of Deerfield

Join others for a delicious brunch featuring bagels and cream cheese, vegetables, fresh fruit, breakfast sweets, and protein salad, followed by educational and entertaining presentations on music, travel, science, and more.

May 16 Metropolitan Ecology
June 20 The Eastland Disaster
July 18 Operatic Royalty
August 15 Supreme Court Major Decisions

Book Club Discussion Group

Zoom; Registration Required
Mondays, 1 - 2 PM
Free for members / NM: \$10
Please register at least one week prior

Sponsored by Assured Healthcare

May 22 Demon Copperhead
by Barbara Kingsolver
June 26 Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and
Tomorrow
by Gabrielle Zevin
July 31 Maame
by Jessica George
August 28 Hello Beautiful
by Ann Napolitano

Wise and Well

Zoom; Registration Required
Wednesdays, 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
Free / NM: \$10
Please register at least one week prior

May 3 Managing Modifiable Risk Factors
and Preventable Diseases
June 7 Investing for Older Americans
August 2 Who Will Inherit the Mess?

Please register in advance;
staff will email a Zoom link to
all registrants on the day of
each presentation.



Senior Center Classes

Registration and Cancellations

Member Registration Begins: April 20

Open Registration Begins: April 27

Classes and activities will be offered either virtually or in-person, and may transition from virtual to in-person, and vice-versa, at any time.

Participants must register prior to the start of classes, trips and special activities; payment is due upon registration.

To register online, please visit www.cityhpil.com/seniorcenter or call 847.432.4110. If there is no staff available, please leave a message and someone will call you within the next business day.

Trips and special activities will have a posted registration deadline. Late registrations will be accepted when possible, and will be charged a \$5 administrative fee.

If you must cancel, a CREDIT will be issued ONLY if registration fills and a replacement can be found. CREDITS (minus a \$5 processing fee) will be processed after the activity is complete.

Links for virtual DROP-IN activities will be emailed to all current members, prior to the start of the program.

Links for virtual REGISTRATION REQUIRED activities will be emailed to registrants only, prior to the start of the program.

Classical Kaleidoscope

Day / Date: Mondays, 6/5 – 6/26 (4)

Time: 2:30 – 3:30 PM

Fee: \$10 / NM: \$30

Creative Writing Club

Day / Date: Tuesdays, 5/16 – 6/27 (6)

Time: 9:30 – 11 AM

Fee: \$10 / NM: \$30

Shakespeare Reading Group: Macbeth

Day / Date: Wednesdays, Beg. May 10

Time: 1:30 - 3 PM

Fee: \$10 / NM: \$30

Drawing for Beginners

Day / Dates: Wednesday, 6/14 – 7/12 (5)

Time: 1 – 3 PM

Fee: \$60 (Members only)

Painting for Beginners

Day / Dates: Wednesday, 7/19 – 8/16 (5)

Time: 1 – 3 PM

Fee: \$60 (Members only)

Bridge Classes

Beginning Bridge: Heart Series - Defense

Day / Dates: Mon, 5/8 – 8/28 (16)

Time: 9:30 – 11:30 AM

Fee: \$20 / NM: \$40

Continuing Bridge: Spade Series - Conventions

Day / Dates: Tues, 5/9 – 8/29 (16)

Time: 9:30 – 11:30 AM

Fee: \$20 / NM: \$40

Beginning Chess Instruction

Day / Date: Thursdays, 6/1 – 7/6 (6)

Time: 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM

Fee: \$10 / NM: \$30

Mah Jongg Class

Day / Dates: Tuesdays, 5/16 – 6/13 (5)

Time: 1:30 – 3:30 PM

Fee: \$70 / NM: \$90

Senior Center Trips

Registration for excursions is currently in progress; please call for availability.

Salvador Dalí & Van Gogh Exhibits

Art Institute of Chicago

Thursday, May 18

Bus departs at 10 AM & returns at 5 PM

Fee: \$60 / NM: \$80 *Fee for AIC members: \$40 / NM: \$60*

Registration Deadline: Tuesday, April 18

Milwaukee Highlights

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Friday, June 2

Bus departs at 9:30 AM & returns at 6:30 PM

Fee: \$120 / NM: \$140

Registration Deadline: Tuesday, May 2

Tristian Crist Illusions & Lunch

Lake Geneva, WI

Tuesday, July 11

Bus departs at 1 PM & returns at 7 PM

Fee: \$125 / \$145

Registration Deadline: Friday, June 9

MJ - The Musical

James M. Nederlander Theatre, Chicago

Wednesday, August 30

Bus departs at 12:30 & returns at 5:30 PM

Fee: \$135 / NM: \$155

Registration Deadline: Friday, June 30

Ring of Fire - Music of Johnny Cash

Drury Lane, Oakbrook

Thursday, September 21

Bus departs at

Fee: \$125 / \$145

Registration Deadline: Monday, August 21

Social Services

Social Services

Jennifer Aiello, LCPC, is available to help individuals and families as they navigate through life's transitions. In order to help maintain or improve one's quality of life and well being, social services include individual and family counseling, support groups, and information and referrals including:

- Information and referrals for caregiving agencies, alternative living facilities, transportation options, medical alert systems and mobile meals assistance
- Counseling for individuals experiencing loss, life changes, or seeking personal support
- Grief Group for those experiencing recent loss within the past year
- Appointments with a SHIP (Senior Health Insurance Program) volunteer
- Telephone Reassurance Program for senior adults living alone.

For further information or to schedule an appointment, call Jennifer at 847.432.4110.

Grief Group

Thursday, May 11 - June 1 (4)

1:30 – 2:30 pm



Grief is a difficult journey to walk alone, and having a safe place to express feelings can offer great comfort. This group is for those who are experiencing grief due to the death of a loved one within the past year. Facilitated by Jennifer Aiello, LCPC, this four week interactive group will address the process of mourning, provide coping skills and offer the support of others facing a similar loss. Each registrant must attend the initial meeting in order to participate. Please register by Tuesday, May 9.

District 113 | Security



Dear District 113 Community,

By the time this issue of *The Highlander* arrives in mailboxes, the Board will have already held its April 11 meeting dedicated to security. The Board and Administration continually review school security measures and procedures, and details of security measures are discussed in closed session.

The Highlander is a place for District 113 to share high-level information about its schools: student news, long-term initiatives, and highlights, like Focus on the Arts, which begins its 28th season on April 17. Originally, this column was devoted to Focus on the Arts, which will continue as planned. Given the emotions we are feeling at the time of this writing, we need the arts more than ever.

We saw on April 4 the students and staff of Highland Park High School respond with courage and strength when facing the blind terror that comes from being on lockdown. We saw the care and concern that staff poured out to their students while law enforcement was sweeping the building to make sure it was secure. In short, our students and staff were great, and we are grateful to law enforcement.

In pointing out the greatness of our students and staff, we must not, however, normalize the threat that required them to be great. The business of school is providing students with the opportunities and experiences they can use to live the life they want as adults, and greatness in school should only apply to achievements in the classroom, in the arts, in clubs, and in athletics. It is tempting to accept the threat of gun violence in schools as normal, not just because of its ubiquity in the US, but also because as a country, we have not dropped everything to figure out how to remove this scourge from our schools. If as a country we were serious about it, we would put everything on the table and end the threat of gun violence in schools so students and staff throughout the US are no longer called upon to be courageous and strong in the face of the threat of gun violence.

We do everything we can to keep students and staff safe, and we constantly are reviewing our measures and procedures to see if they can be enhanced or improved, but the root question is not whether we are doing all we can. The root question is whether the US will continue to accept as normal acts of gun violence in schools and the threat that it could happen. The place to look for an answer is not what we as a country say. Look for the answer in what is done. Our students and staff are waiting for us to remove this scourge.

Bruce Law, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

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The Wonderful Life of Edmond Zisook



Lois and Edmond Zisook

ARCHITECT. LANDSCAPE DESIGNER.

Edmond Zisook was a true mid-century American architect, studying under Ludwig Mies van der Rohe at Chicago's Illinois Institute of Technology in the late 1940s and early 1950s. As a harbinger of his future in parks & recreation, his 1952 Master's Thesis at IIT was titled A Recreation and Social Center for a Neighborhood Community. After serving as a sergeant in the U.S. Army from 1952–1954, he joined Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, and then opened his own firm in 1955.

A LOVE OF COMMUNITY.

In 1964, Edmond and his wife Lois moved their young family to Highland Park. Ice skating was done outdoors at Sunset Park and school rinks, as there was no indoor ice rink in town. "Some other neighboring communities had indoor rinks," said his daughters, "and Dad and others felt that the residents of our community should have the best facilities as well." Since the Park District had land, but not the funds, a citizens committee was formed, with meetings held in the Zisooks' living room and Edmond as chairman and guiding force. Almost \$700,000 was raised through the sale of local revenue bonds to finance construction and Centennial Ice Arena opened to the public in 1973.

PARK BOARD COMMISSIONER.

The Park Board election in 1973 is remembered by some as a bit contentious. Edmond ran for the Board and urged the development of new parks and facilities, particularly in the south end of town which did not have a major park. He also urged equal access for women at Sunset Valley Golf Course, which was a radical notion in 1973.

During his years on the Board, Edmond pushed for development of Deer Creek Park, now Fink Park, and construction of the Deer Creek Indoor Tennis Center, as well as the development of Heller Nature Center. Edmond's daughters remember him taking constituents' calls late at night, and going out often to talk with residents and explain the Park District's position on matters of concern. As always, community service was the driving force. "He was always respectful of the citizens of the Park District. He listened to them, valued them, and worked to provide what they needed and wanted", they said. Edmond believed that the Park Board and the staff needed to provide the best services and facilities for the residents of the Park District.

A LIFE ON THE WATER.

Edmond Zisook was elected a Park Board Commissioner in 1973 and served as the Board President from 1975 to 1979. As important as that is to the history of the Park District of Highland Park, it's just a small part of the story of this extraordinary man whose life's work is embedded in the fabric of the community. Edmond died in March, 2023.

When you talk to people who knew Edmond, you hear many wonderful stories of how he deeply influenced their lives and come to realize that important parts of the Park District of Highland Park owe their beauty—and even their existence—to his unwavering dedication to the community. We hope this story may inspire you to find ways to make the community that Edmond loved an even better place to live, work and play.

For Edmond's entire lifetime, he loved Lake Michigan. He was an excellent swimmer, and began sailing as a teenager. He passed his passion for the lake on to his daughters. "In the summers, Rosewood Beach was our recreation," said his daughters. Weekends were spent swimming, playing in the sand, and sailing a small boat off the beach.

As years passed, the lake level rose, storms battered the beaches all along the North Shore and Rosewood Beach deteriorated. The high waters eventually claimed the original beach house and pier. All during those years, long after his term as Commissioner, Edmond remained hopeful for the day when funds would be available and the beach would be rejuvenated for community recreation. His dedication to that idea would bear fruit in 2011 when the Park District, led by then Executive Director Liza McElroy, identified Rosewood Beach as a high priority for Renovation and formed the Rosewood Beach Task Force.

FIGHTING FOR ROSEWOOD BEACH.

The Rosewood Beach project was not without controversy. Some people were quite happy that the little remaining beach was almost always empty, quiet, and private. But private was the opposite of everything Edmond believed about community recreation. And that was especially true when it came to the beach. Only about a dozen cities in Illinois have Lake Michigan beaches and he believed that as a community fortunate to be on the lake the Park District of Highland Park should have an excellent public beach.

Edmond was an active and important member of the Rosewood Task Force, whose first responsibility was to recommend the architectural firm for the project. His expertise was critical in the presentation of the architectural renderings to local residents and concerned citizens who lived north and south of the beach. "Dad could explain how everything that was to be constructed would be in harmony with nature and in proper proportion," said his daughters. "Edmond was so well-liked and respected by everyone," said McElroy, "He was always a calming influence on the Task Force." Celebration of the beautiful lakefront was the primary objective, and it was achieved. The Rosewood Beach renovation was completed in 2015, with a grand opening on June 6. "It was exactly what Dad dreamed it would be and a huge

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True North Compass at Rosewood Beach in Honor of Edmond Zisook

Highland Park and its programs. In the last 25 years of his life, one of Edmond's true joys was watching his grandchildren grow up in Park District programs and facilities: parent & tot classes, swimming, day camps, ice skating, tennis, sports programs and travel leagues, nature programs, dance and art classes and after school classes offered by the Park District. Edmond was an active member of the Recreation Center of Highland Park and always had a critical eye for ways to enhance the members' experiences.

From its creation in 1992, Edmond and Lois were great supporters of the Park District's S.M.I.L.E. Scholarship Program and that states, "Everyone in our community should have access to Park District programs regardless of their family's financial situation." S.M.I.L.E. is funded through private donations and makes it possible for hundreds of residents to participate in camps, sports, lessons, and fitness programs.

In 2022, the Zisook family created the Lois & Edmond Zisook Rosewood Beach Summer Scholarship, through the Parks Foundation of Highland Park, to support the Park District summer camps at their beloved Rosewood Beach. The Zisook Scholarship is available annually to help fund High Tide, Low Tide Camp for School District 112 families facing financial constraints. There are currently three \$1,000 scholarships available.

For details on how to apply for the scholarship please visit the Park District's Scholarships & Donations page or email scholarships@pdhp.org. To donate to the scholarship in Edmond's memory, visit the Park District's Donation Information Page.

All of us at the Park District owe so much to Edmond Zisook and his wife Lois, and their dedication to our community. We are forever grateful to have known him.

source of pride for him," said his daughters. For a life dedicated to making sure that the Park District had the best recreational facilities, programs, parks, and open space for the entire community, this was a dream come true. Edmond loved visiting Rosewood and seeing people swimming, children playing on the beach, paddle boarders, and families picnicking and enjoying the boardwalk and Interpretive Center.

When you visit Rosewood Beach, be sure to find the compass located outside the Interpretive Center. It will show you the direction of True North, which isn't along the shoreline as you might think. It's a fitting tribute to Edmond's lifelong love of sailing on the lake, his love of the beach and how he helped guide the Rosewood project to a smooth landing.

A LEGACY OF SERVICE.

Both of Edmond's daughters grew up with a devotion to the Park District of

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Wed, Apr 19 | 10- 11am | STORIES IN THE SAND | Ages: 6 mo – 6 yrs
\$6, Rosewood Beach, 883 Sheridan Rd
Enjoy story time with a naturalist, take a short sensory hike and create a natural craft to take home.

Thu, Apr 20 | 6- 8pm | SIPS AND SUCCULENTS | Ages: 21+
\$50, Rosewood Beach Interpretive Center, 883 Sheridan Rd
Bring your own libations and follow along while our design instructor guides you step-by-step through a fun DIY project!

Wed, Apr 26 | 10 - 11am | STORIES IN THE WOODS | Ages: 6 mo – 6 yrs
\$6, Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd
Enjoy an interactive story with a naturalist, then engage in the signs of spring in the forest and prairie on a short hike, with hands-on nature activities.

Fri, Apr 28 | 6 - 7:15 pm | COZY CAMPFIRES | All Ages
\$10, Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd
Take a short hike with a naturalist along the trails, play games with family and friends, and enjoy marshmallows roasted over the campfire!

Sat, Apr 29 | 10 - 11:15am | TAKE ONLY PICTURES | All Ages
\$12, Rosewood Beach Interpretive Center, 883 Sheridan Rd
Learn the basics of lighting and composition with one of our Naturalists!

— SCREEN-FREE WEEK —

This week, celebrated all over the world, is an invitation for everyone — children, adults, and entire communities — to switch off completely from staring at screens and take a well-deserved break.

Mon, May 1 | 9:30 - 10am | STORYTIME | All Ages
FREE, Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd
Enjoy storytime!

Mon, May 1 | 4 - 5pm | PICK UP WHIFFLE GAME | Ages: 8-10
FREE, West Ridge Center, 636 Ridge Rd
Play whiffle ball!

Tue, May 2 | 3:30 - 4:30pm | CHALK THE WALK | All Ages
FREE, Sunset Woods Park, 1801 Sunset Rd
Use chalk to decorate the sidewalks!

Wed, May 3 | 11- 11:45am | PRESCHOOL OPEN

GYMNASTICS | Ages: 3-5
FREE, Lincoln School, 711 Lincoln Ave West
Tumble and roll during open gymnastics!

Wed, May 3 | 4 - 5pm | LEGO BLOCK PARTY | Ages: 4-7
FREE, West Ridge Center, 636 Ridge Rd
Play with legos!

Thu, May 4 | 4 - 5pm | MAY THE 4TH BE WITH YOU CRAFT | Ages: 7-10
FREE, Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd
Make a craft for May the Fourth Be with You Day!

Fri, May 5 | 6 - 7:15 pm | ARCHERY BASICS | Ages: 8-Adult
\$12, Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd
Learn the basics of archery, then spend time practicing on the range!

Sun, May 7 | 3 - 4:15pm | ARCHERY GAMES | Ages: 8-Adult
\$12, Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd
Join us in playing some games with a bow and arrow such as tic-tac-toe, Bingo, and Trivia.

Wed, May 10 | 10 - 11am | STORIES IN THE WOODS | Ages: 6 mo–6 yrs
\$6, Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd
Enjoy an interactive story with a naturalist, then engage in the signs of spring in the forest and prairie on a short hike, with hands-on nature activities.

Fri, May 12 | 4:15 - 5:30pm | PAINTING PARTY | Ages: 8-10
\$35, West Ridge Center, 636 Ridge Rd
Channel your favorite painting artist with us!
Sat, May 13 | 9am - Noon | CHICAGO RIVER DAY | All Ages
FREE, The Preserve of Highland Park, 1207 Park Ave West
Celebrate Chicago River Day with Friends of the Chicago River by cleaning up trash and debris from the site as it occurs in the floodplain of the North Branch of the Skokie River.

Sun, May 14 | 8am - 5pm | MOTHER'S DAY MINIATURE GOLF | All Ages
FREE, River's Edge Mini Golf, 2205 Skokie Valley Rd
Moms receive a free round of miniature golf.

Sun, May 14 | 8:30 - 10am | MOTHER'S DAY YOGA & MIMOSAS | Ages: 13+
\$20, Rosewood Beach, 883 Sheridan Rd
Treat your mom to a special Mother's Day yoga class.

Wed, May 17 | 10- 11am | STORIES IN THE SAND | Ages: 6 mo – 6 yrs
\$6, Rosewood Beach, 883 Sheridan Rd
Enjoy story time with a naturalist, take a short sensory hike and create a natural craft to take home.

Sat, May 20 | 1 - 2pm | ARFS & CRAFS | Ages: 17+ with dog
\$15, West Ridge Center, 636 Ridge Rd
Join us for a fun afternoon with your PAWcasso and take home an original pup piece of art. All supplies are included.

Sat, May 20 | 1 - 4pm | ENCHANTED FOREST | All Ages
\$30/child, \$10/adult, Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd
Step into the majestic forest of fairies and gnomes!

Sun, May 21 | 3 - 5pm | HIGHLAND PARK STRINGS: HERBERT CELLO CONCERTO | All Ages
FREE, Highland Park High School, 433 Vine Ave
Alexander Hersh will play the marvelous, but often neglected, Concerto No. 2 by Victor Herbert.

Fri, May 26 | 5:30 - 7pm | BYOB PAINT AND SIP | Ages: 21+
\$40, Rosewood Beach Interpretive Center, 883 Sheridan Road
Bring out your inner Picasso! Bring your favorite beverage and we will supply the rest.

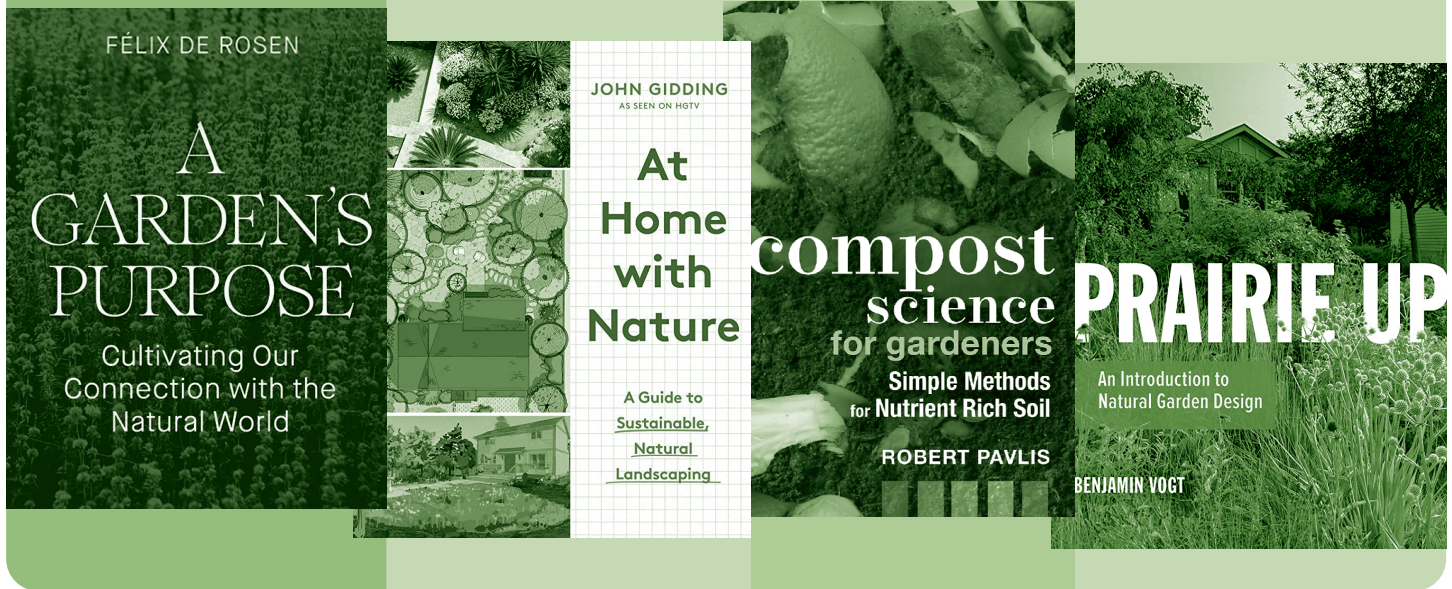
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What To Read For Spring?

Dig into one of these new gardening books.



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Many gardening magazines are available to download using **Overdrive** or its app, **Libby**. Access Overdrive at hplibrary.org/download or add Libby to your device from the App Store or Google Play and find gardening information and ideas with free magazines 24/7.

For help using Overdrive or Libby, please contact the Computers & Technology desk or schedule a one-on-one appointment at hplibrary.org/book-a-librarian.



All About Composting

Tuesday, May 9. Drop in from 1:30 – 4 PM

Celebrate International Compost Awareness Week (ICAW) with our friends from Go Green Highland Park! Stop by the Library to hear personal stories and tips for both backyard and curbside composting. Unearth the meaning of “greens and browns” and get the scoop on compostable products. Dig into finished compost and discover the many ways it can improve soil health for your plants and yard.

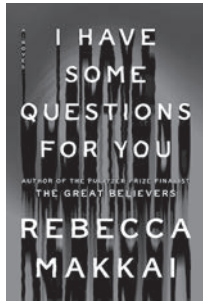
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Meet The Authors!

Rebecca Makkai *I Have Some Questions For You*

Monday, May 1, 7 PM



Award-winning author Rebecca Makkai's new book is a transfixing mystery. Set in the woods of New Hampshire, the novel follows a film professor and podcaster forced to reckon with her past

and reexamine the murder of her high school classmate. A page-turner and a profound and deeply felt novel that interrogates our cultural obsession with true crime and violence against women.

Books will be for sale and the event will conclude with a book signing. Join us at the Library.

Named a most anticipated book of 2023 by more than 30 outlets!

Join us on Zoom. Register at hplibrary.org/events.

Secrets of a Puzzle Master: A Conversation with Will Shortz

Tuesday, April 25, 7 PM

Will Shortz, editor of *The New York Times* crossword puzzle, the author/editor of more than 500 puzzle books, and the world's only academically accredited puzzle master, discusses crossword puzzles.

In honor of this event, Will Shortz has created a special crossword puzzle that will be sent to all registrants.

On Being Fabulous with Jonathan Van Ness & Kristi Yamaguchi

Wednesday, May 17, 7 PM

"Queer Eye" star, bestselling author, and ice skating superfan Jonathan Van Ness talks with his idol, Olympic gold medalist Kristi Yamaguchi about figure skating, fabulous style, and whatever else comes up!

Navigate Your Stars: Jesmyn Ward

Tuesday, June 6, 7 PM

Two-time National Book Award winner Jesmyn Ward discusses her life, her literary vision, and her unique perspectives on love and loss.

Events made possible by Illinois Libraries Present (ILP), a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events.

Violins of Hope

An Evening with Avshalom Weinstein, Exhibit Founder

Wednesday, April 26, 7 PM

Violins of Hope, an international exhibition, features a collection of restored violins played by Jewish musicians before and during the Holocaust, showcasing Jewish stories of resilience, resistance, and unity through the power of musical performance. Violins of Hope founder Avshalom Weinstein, an Israeli violin maker, along with his father, has located and restored the violins to reclaim their lost heritage, give voice to the victims, and reinforce essential messages of hope, harmony, and humanity. Weinstein speaks about the exhibit. A violin will be on display.

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Let's Read!

Book Discussions

Register at hplibrary.org/events.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Davis Schneiderman, English professor at Lake Forest College, leads the discussions. Meet at the Library.

The Memory Monster, by Yishai Sarid

Monday, April 17, 7 PM

The Weight of Ink, by Rachel Kadish

Thursday, May 18, 7 PM

Noted book discussion leader Judy Levin leads the discussion. Meet at the Library or join us on Zoom.

Tomorrow and Tomorrow and Tomorrow by Gabrielle Zevin

Tuesday, May 9, 1 PM

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Raise a Reader

Summer Storytime Sessions **R**

Storytime sessions feature activities designed to foster pre-reading skills.
Summer storytime sessions meet June – August.

Baby Booktime

1st & 3rd Fridays
10 – 10:30 AM or
1 – 1:30 PM.
For babies up to
18 months
accompanied
by a caregiver.

ROCK & READ

1st & 3rd Thursdays
10:30 – 11 AM or
11:30 AM – 12 PM.
For toddlers
accompanied
by a caregiver.

Storytime Live!

2nd & 4th Mondays
10 – 10:30 AM.
For ages 3 – 5
accompanied
by a caregiver.

Register beginning Monday, May 1, in the Youth Services Department
or by calling 847.681.7030.

Sábado Morning Stories **R**

Saturdays, April 15, May 13, 10 – 10:30 AM.

For families with children up to age 5.

Join us for a bilingual family storytime! Enjoy stories and songs in Spanish, English, or both!

Sábados, 15 de abril, 13 de mayo, 10 – 10:30 AM.

Para familias con niños hasta 5 años.

¡Acompáñanos para un tiempo de cuentos familiar bilingüe! ¡Disfruta cuentos y canciones en español, inglés, o los dos!

PJ Storytime **R**

Mondays, April 17, May 15
6:30 – 7 PM. Stories are best
suited for ages 3 – 5, but all
ages are welcome!

Put on your jammies and head on
over to the Library for a fun family
storytime featuring stories, songs,
and more!

Drawing Comics with

Jarrett J. Krosoczka **R**

Saturday, May 6, 10 AM.

Sharpen your pencils, bring out the paper, and join us on Zoom for
a drawing workshop with bestselling author and illustrator Jarrett
J. Krosoczka! Perfect for the entire family, the workshop is sure to
inspire the inner artist in everyone.

This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present (ILP), a statewide
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Drop-In Chess

Fridays, April 21, May 19

3:30 – 5:30 PM. Ages 7 – 14.

Drop by for chess! Bring a friend or
play someone new! Pick up books and
handouts to help develop your chess skills.

Panel to Panel: A Graphic Novel Book Club **R**

Tuesdays, April 25, May 23

4 – 5 PM. Grades 4 – 7.

Graphic novel fans, join us to discuss
*Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales: Donner
Dinner Party*, by Nathan Hale in April
and *Hilo: The Boy Who Crashed to
Earth*, by Judd Winick in May. We'll
wrap up with a fun activity! Stop by to
pick up a swag bag with a copy of the
book!

Sensory Bins

Saturday, May 6

Drop in from 10 AM – 12 PM.

For babies – five-year-olds
accompanied by a caregiver.

Explore sensory bins with your little
ones! Sensory play allows kids to
connect ideas with concrete experiences,
strengthen neural pathways, and build
motor skills. Plus, who doesn't like
squishy, smooth, textured, crunchy,
colorful, and smelly stuff?

Homeschool Group

Tuesday, May 9

12 – 2 PM.

Local homeschool families — come to
the Library to meet other homeschool
families. Enjoy crafts or activities.

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Food Truck Thursdays
June 1 - September 21

Food Truck Thursdays return to the Ravinia District this summer! Enjoy a variety of food and drinks and a wide range of musical performances every Thursday from June 1 - September 21, 4:30 PM - dusk in Jens Jensen Park (Roger Williams Ave. between St. Johns & Dean Ave.) The full lineup will be announced soon, but in the meantime, save the date for three theme nights:

June 15: 80s Night
July 20: Country Night
Aug. 17: Grateful Dead/Tie-Dye Night

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NEW RETAIL BUSINESSES

Loud Pizza Records
716 Central Avenue
847.926.7380
loudpizza.com
Record Store & Pop Culture Collectibles

M Magnit Cafe
1960 First Street
224.517.5507
Eastern European Carryout Restaurant

MoonRock Tobacco and Vape
1870 Sheridan Road
217.305.3341
Tobacco and Vape Store

Vintage Rescue
473 Roger Williams Avenue
224.507.3766
ravinianeighbors.org/businesses/vintage-rescue
Antique Sales

NEW SERVICE BUSINESSES

Bubbles Academy
1736 First Street, Suite 102
312.874.6840
bubblesacademy.com
Children's Play Space, Parent Education,
Early Childhood Enrichment

Escobar Painting
1866 Sheridan Road, Suite 304
773.707.7340
escobarpaintinginc.com
Residential/Commercial Painting

In Home Caregivers
440 Central Avenue
847.219.3316
inhomecaregivers.net
Home Health Care Services

Light On Anxiety CBT Treatment Centers
1160 Park Avenue West, Suite 6E
847.241.1195
lightonanxiety.com
Outpatient Therapy Services

Salons by JC:
229 Skokie Valley Road, Suite 26
Quetzal Innovative Massage Services
847.722.2867
Massage Therapy

Sola Salon Studios:
1883 Second Street, Suite 6
Glam Nails
224.419.5622
Nail Salon

Work of Heart Studio
1891 Second Street
847.257.9747
workofheartstudiohp.com
Art Classes

BUSINESS NAME CHANGE

Megan Skyler Tonsorial Artistry is now
Parlor 1923
1866 Sheridan Road, Suite 218
847.212.8193
meganskyler.square.site
Hair Salon

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