



# The Highlander

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The City of Highland Park was proud to partner with Jewel-Osco pharmacy to provide over 600 COVID-19 vaccinations to seniors, those with high-risk conditions, and other eligible people at the Highland Park Country Club on April 8, 2021. The event was facilitated with support from the Park District of Highland Park and the Highland Park Public Library and was a great opportunity to connect Highland Park residents with COVID-19 vaccinations, another step forward in fighting the pandemic.

From our partners at Jewel-Osco pharmacy, "we're excited to provide access to vaccinations in the community we love and serve."

Visit [cityhpil.com/vaccine](http://cityhpil.com/vaccine) to learn more about safely resuming activities after you've been fully vaccinated, and how to protect others waiting for their appointment.



## Neighborhood Meetings

Neighborhood Meetings with elected and appointed officials from the governments serving Highland Park will be held virtually in April and May.

## COVID-19 Vaccine Updates

Sign up for the City's eNews to receive weekly COVID-19 updates in your inbox, including news about COVID-19 vaccine distribution.

## Pedestrian Safety

Drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians are all responsible for traffic safety. Check out these reminders for everyone to observe the rules of the road.

## Spring Clean-Up Begins April 24

Lakeshore Recycling Systems' 2021 Spring Clean-Up is for single-family residential customers only. As a reminder, electronic waste, yard waste and recyclables will not be pick up.

# Highland Park at a Glance



## 2021 Neighborhood Meetings

The City of Highland Park, North Shore School District 112, Township High School District 113, the Park District of Highland Park, Highland Park Public Library, Moraine Township, Lake County and other governments serving Highland Park will host several Neighborhood Meetings this spring to meet with residents and discuss community priorities.

Neighborhood Meetings are an opportunity for residents to interact with staff and elected officials in a friendly, informal environment. The public is invited to provide input and feedback to Highland Park's governing bodies. Residents may attend any meeting:

**April 15, 11 AM**

**May 3, 5:30 PM**

**May 19, 5:30 PM**

These meetings will be virtual. Please RSVP and indicate which meeting you wish to attend. The unique link will be provided. Links are also posted on the Meeting Calendar on the City's website. For more information, please contact the City at 847.926.1000 or [cityhp@cityhpil.com](mailto:cityhp@cityhpil.com).



## Memorial Day Reminders

Memorial Day is Monday, May 31. City offices will be closed. For public safety assistance, residents may call the Public Safety Switchboard at 847.432.7730.

Garbage will not be collected on Monday, May 31. Refuse and recycling collection will be delayed by one day for the entire week. Contact Lakeshore Recycling Systems at 773.685.8111.

The City will host a virtual Memorial Day Observance at 11:00 AM on Monday, May 31. More information is available at [cityhpil.com/memorialday](http://cityhpil.com/memorialday).



## Ravinia Festival Neighbors

Join representatives from Ravinia Festival and the City on Thursday, May 13 at 6:30 PM for a Ravinia Festival Neighbors Meeting. This is the first of two semi-annual open forums that Ravinia Festival has agreed to have with neighbors and is an opportunity for neighbors to share feedback and ask questions about the 2021 Ravinia Festival season.

This meeting is virtual. Please RSVP to receive the unique link. Links are also posted on the Meeting Calendar on the City's website. For more information, please contact the City at 847.926.1000 or [cityhp@cityhpil.com](mailto:cityhp@cityhpil.com).



## Friendly Spring Reminders from Public Works

### Fire Hydrant Flushing Program

During the process, which begins in spring and is completed before fall, 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. Street signage will be placed in the neighborhood prior to the flushing date. Updates will be included in the City eNews and the Construction Projects Interactive Map on the website, [cityhpil.com/construction](http://cityhpil.com/construction).

### Backflow Prevention Annual Testing Requirement

If you have a lawn irrigation (sprinkler) system, it's time to have a State of Illinois licensed plumber inspect and test your backflow device. A copy of the inspection report is required to be sent to [waterplant@cityhpil.com](mailto:waterplant@cityhpil.com) or faxed to 847.926.1193. For more information, please call 847.433.4355 or visit [cityhpil.com/backflow](http://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. Code requires this infrastructure to be in good condition, free from obstructions and openings, and in safe condition for pedestrian and vehicular travel. Call 847.432.0807 for more information.

### 2021 Wyland Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation

Mayor Rotering has accepted this annual challenge to conserve water and the energy and chemicals required to produce water and treat wastewater. Learn more about the City's water conservation initiatives and ways to conserve water at [cityhpil.com/waterconservation](http://cityhpil.com/waterconservation). Track your water usage at [mywateruse.cityhpil.com](http://mywateruse.cityhpil.com) and take the pledge at [mywaterpledge.com](http://mywaterpledge.com).



## City Receives Financial Reporting Award

For the 36th 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 (GFOA). 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 2019 fiscal year, the most recently audited report. An impartial GFOA panel determined that the report met the program's high standards, which include demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users to read the full report.



## Finding Answers to Your City Questions

*Nancy R. Rotering*  
– Mayor Nancy R. Rotering

What day is the big spring garbage pick-up? When is the next election? How can I get a pothole fixed? What is the City doing to help local businesses during the pandemic? 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 in unlimited quantities on demand, quickly, efficiently, and cost-effectively. It

covers the basics for almost all of your government questions.

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 COVID, 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 consider visiting and bookmarking the City website [www.cityhpil.com](http://www.cityhpil.com). While you are there, sign up for our semi-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](mailto:council@cityhpil.com) or call us at **847.926.1000**. We look forward to our continued work together.



### Post-Vaccination Guidelines

According to the CDC, adults are fully vaccinated two weeks after receiving the second dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or two weeks after the single-dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine. After vaccination, continue to follow public health guidance to protect vulnerable neighbors: continue wearing a face mask over your nose and mouth, watching your distance, and washing your hands frequently. Learn more at [cityhpil.com/vaccine](http://cityhpil.com/vaccine).



### April 22: Award Ceremony

The City will recognize the outstanding achievements of residents of all ages at the annual Highland Park Awards Ceremony, which will be held virtually on Thursday, April 22 at 7:00 PM. Individuals interested in attending the Zoom event are invited to RSVP to [cityhp@cityhpil.com](mailto:cityhp@cityhpil.com) by 5:00 PM on Wednesday, April 21.

More details will be available on the City's website at [cityhpil.com/awards](http://cityhpil.com/awards).



### Help Ensure Pedestrian Safety

#### Drivers & Bicyclists must come to a complete stop and yield:

- When a pedestrian is in a marked crosswalk
- On school days, when children are in close proximity to a school zone crosswalk

#### Drivers & bicyclists must yield to pedestrians at any intersection, and:

- When a pedestrian is in an unmarked crosswalk on the driver's side of the roadway and there are no traffic control signals
- When making a lawful turn on a red light after coming to a complete stop at the white painted Stop Bar on the pavement
- After coming to a complete stop

at a stop sign at the white painted Stop Bar on the pavement, or if none, at the stop sign or for a flashing red signal at an intersection

- When a pedestrian enters a crosswalk before the traffic light changed
- When a pedestrian is walking with a green light, to a walking person symbol or a walk signal
- When a pedestrian is leaving or entering a street or highway from an alley, building, private road or driveway

#### Pedestrians should:

- Use sidewalks and crosswalks when crossing the street.
- Yield the right of way to drivers

by obeying traffic signals, observing walk lights and using crosswalks

- Give the right-of-way to drivers when crossing the road at any place other than a marked or unmarked crosswalk, including between closely-spaced intersections where traffic signals are in operation.
- Walk as close to the outside edge of the road as possible, face oncoming traffic look and listen for cars if walking in the street is necessary
- Obey railroad gates, and/or warning lights/bells.

Drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians are all responsible for traffic safety. For more information, visit [cyberdriveillinois.com](http://cyberdriveillinois.com).

# Our Community



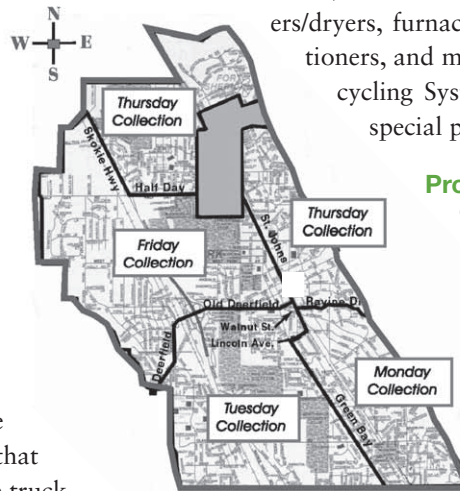
## Spring Clean-Up Begins April 24

The City's annual Spring Clean-Up Program will be offered by Lakeshore Recycling Systems on four consecutive Saturdays beginning April 24 and ending May 15, coinciding with residents' primary garbage 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. ***This program is for single-family residential customers only.***

To keep City streets clean, please do not place any material out for collection earlier than one week prior.

### Oversized Items

Lakeshore Recycling Systems will pick up all allowed oversized items that are placed at the curb during Spring Clean-Up. Only 1 cubic yard of construction material will be accepted. To discard waste from a do-it-yourself project, please make sure that the material is bundled so that one person can pick it up and place it in the truck. Carpeting must be rolled and should not exceed the weight that one person can carry. Waste material generated by general contractors will not be accepted.



### For Single Family Residences Only:

Area	Collection Day	Spring Clean-Up Day
SE	Monday	Saturday, April 24
SW	Tuesday	Saturday, May 1
NE	Thursday	Saturday, May 8
NW	Friday	Saturday, May 15

### Appliances

Residents with appliances for collection such as refrigerators/freezers (doors must be removed), stoves, dishwashers, washers/dryers, furnaces/boilers, hot water heaters, air conditioners, and microwave ovens must call Lakeshore Recycling Systems at **773.685.8811** to arrange for a special pick-up.

### Prohibited Items

The following items will not be accepted: regular garbage; yardwaste; debris generated by landscapers, tree trimmers, or contractors; demolition material from fences, roofs, or exterior building debris; rubber tires; batteries; and oil and household hazardous waste such as paint, pesticides, or pool chemicals.

Learn more about acceptable materials at [cityhpil.com/springcleanup](http://cityhpil.com/springcleanup). For additional information, call **847.926.1000** or email [cityhp@cityhpil.com/springcleanup](mailto:cityhp@cityhpil.com/springcleanup).



## Leaf Blower Restrictions

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**.



## Clavey Rd. Improvements Project

A new website for the Clavey Road Improvements Project has been launched at [claveyroadreconstruction.com](http://claveyroadreconstruction.com) to provide project updates, project information and a place to submit questions or feedback. Phase One construction includes installation of erosion control devices, a temporary signal at the bridge over the Skokie River, utility relocation & tree removal.



## All About Composting

The City of Highland Park is participating as a pilot community in the Lake County Community Compost and Food Waste Reduction Grant, awarded to SWALCO by the USDA. The need for this project is rooted in the USDA's goal to divert food scraps and other organics to a higher and better use as final compost as opposed to landfilling.

In 2015, Illinois published a statewide study on the composition of the waste

taken to Illinois landfills. Food scraps, uncoated cardboard, and compostable paper make up approximately 31% of the waste disposed! With the 2019 Lake County Solid Waste Management Update, Lake County has committed to attaining a 60% landfill diversion goal by 2030. Composting food scraps is essential to achieving this goal.

Be on the lookout for the Compostables! These characters are fun reminders to

compost food and food-soiled paper (like coffee filters) with your yard waste.

Lakeshore Recycling Systems offers year-round composting service. Learn more and sign up at [cityhpil.com/compost-programs](http://cityhpil.com/compost-programs).





# Community Calendar

## In-Person Events

City of Highland Park

### Arbor Day Celebration

Saturday, May 1, 9AM - 11AM

Downtown HP Metra Station

1700 St. Johns Avenue

[cityhpil.com/arborday](http://cityhpil.com/arborday)

The City celebrates Arbor Day 2021 with a socially-distanced, drive-thru event to give away hundreds of free native tree and shrub seedlings including oak, bald cypress, dogwood, buttonbush, and much more. Residents are encouraged to plant new trees on their property to replace trees lost to Emerald Ash Borer infestation.

### *The Art Center of Highland Park*

[TheArtCenterHP.org](http://TheArtCenterHP.org)

1957 Sheridan Road / 847.432.1888

Galleries Open Monday - Friday, 10AM - 4PM and Saturday, 12PM - 4PM

### EPHEMERA: The Power of Impermanence

May 7 - June 12

May 21 - Artist Reception, 5:30 PM

EPHEMERA celebrates the transient nature of things existing in the natural world.

### Draw Together

May 8, 12:30 PM - 3PM

A community-based art event. Get an official TAC Chalk Art Kit, reserve a sidewalk square at TAC, or create your own art.

May 8, 7 PM - 9PM

Annual TAC Spring Benefit with food, music, & more; tickets limited for COVID

### COVID-19 Safety Protocols

- Face coverings required for all over age 2
- Wash hands frequently
- Maintain a 6ft. distance from any others outside your household
- Stay home if you are feeling ill
- Stay home (1) if you have been exposed to or are experiencing symptoms related to COVID-19; (2) if you are awaiting a test or test results for COVID-19; or (3) if you are under any travel-related quarantine.

Learn more: [cityhpil.com/covid-19](http://cityhpil.com/covid-19)

## Virtual Events

HP Chamber of Commerce

### State of Education

Friday, May 7, 9AM - 10:30 AM

Hybrid: Elm Place Middle School

Auditorium, 2031 Sheridan Road.

In-person seating limited due to

COVID-19 mitigations.

Virtual participation via livestream.

RSVPs required: [ChamberHP.com](http://ChamberHP.com)

The Highland Park Chamber of Commerce announces the 2nd Annual State of Education in Highland Park – a community-wide discussion with our elementary/middle and special education school district superintendents. This year's program will address the impact of the global pandemic, actions being taken to address racial justice, and how the community can stay informed and supportive.

Community Partners for Affordable Housing

### Buying an Affordable Home in Highland Park?

Attend a Community Partners for Affordable Housing information session to learn about the program and how to apply. All programs held via Zoom.

Upcoming dates:

Tuesday, May 11, 6PM

Tuesday, June 8, 6PM

[cpahousing.org/class-registration](http://cpahousing.org/class-registration)

City of Highland Park

### Memorial Day Observance

Monday, May 31 at 11AM

Visit [cityhpil.com](http://cityhpil.com) for link to view the program.

The City of Highland Park will host a virtual Memorial Day Observance. Representatives from the local veterans groups will be present. Mayor Nancy Rotering and other special guests will speak. The Highland Park High School Band will perform.

## Virtual Events

### *Highland Park Historical Society*

All programs co-presented with Three Presentations. Register in advance via email to [Archives@HighlandParkHistory.org](mailto:Archives@HighlandParkHistory.org) to receive the program's Zoom link.

### Ravinia Music Under the Stars Around the World

Thursday, April 22, 7PM

A project of discovery through the basement, closets and file cabinets of an institution established in 1904, this presentation of key images and documents provides a historic timeline of Ravinia Festival.

### Highland Park's Lakefront Beach History

Thursday, May 11, 7PM

Two presentations from the 2020 Lake County History Symposium: "North Shore Yacht Club: A Century of Fun & Safety on Lake Michigan," by Maureen Hammond & Laura Knapp, past and present acting Commodores; and "A Day at the Beach (Ossoli Club of Highland Park) by Nancy Webster, Archivist of Highland Park Archives & Local History Collections.

### Exploring the Land of Lincoln

Thursday, June 17, 7PM

Charles Titus, Ph.D.'s one of a kind travel guide, Exploring the Land of Lincoln, invites road-trippers and history buffs to explore the Prairie State's most extraordinary historic sites.

### *Pilgrim Chamber Players*

### The Notorious RBG in Song

June 20, 3PM

847.433.0972

[carolhonig@comcast.net](mailto:carolhonig@comcast.net)

Tickets \$20, \$16 (senior), \$8 (student)

A salute to former Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, composed by her daughter-in-law, Soprano Patrice Michaels.

# Our Community



## Trees on Ravines or Bluffs: Extra Care Needed!

Highland Park's ravines or bluffs, known as Steep Slope Zone under Highland Park City Code (Chapter 150), are sensitive to disturbance and extra caution is needed to preserve these sensitive areas. Before doing any construction or landscaping work in the Steep Slope Zone, it is important to consult with a professional and contact the Department of Public Works Forestry Section regarding permit requirements. A Building Permit is required for removal of any vegetation, landscaping, or ecological restoration, and any construction within the Steep Slope Zone.

The ravines and bluffs provide invaluable ecological, structural, and financial benefits to the residents. Together the City and the Park District of Highland Park have developed a guide to vegetative management in the Steep Slope Zone. Learn more: [cityhpil.com/ravineandbluffBMPs](http://cityhpil.com/ravineandbluffBMPs). For more information or general inquiries on trees, please contact City Forester, Dr. Keith O'Herrin, at 847.926.1604 or [koherrin@cityphil.com](mailto:koherrin@cityphil.com).



## Home Fire Safe Escape Plan

If a fire starts in your home, you must be able to respond. Create a safe escape plan and practice it at least twice a year.

- Identify two exits from each room, choose a safe meeting place outside of your home and make sure all know where it is.
- When the smoke alarm sounds, immediately head for the exits. Do not stop to investigate or to gather possessions.
- Crawl with your head 12-24 inches above the ground to stay under the smoke. Move quickly.
- Test doors for heat using the back of your hand. If you feel any heat, don't open the door. Use your backup exit.
- If doors are cool, open carefully, checking for smoke and flames.
- Go directly to the safe meeting place outside. Never go back inside! One person should go to a neighbor's house to call 911.
- When the fire department arrives you can provide them with valuable information such as if everyone is out of the house.

For more information, contact the Fire Department at 847.433.3110.

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## Moraine Township Health Insurance Sign Up, Free Income Tax Preparation and Van Rides



The American Rescue Plan has great news for people who couldn't afford health insurance. The new law offers higher subsidies to make premiums more affordable.

With insurance premiums based on age, older individuals in particular may find that new subsidies in the tax law signed by the President on March 12 bring health insurance within reach.

Moraine Township Certified Application Counselors (CAC) can help people assess how the new subsidies change the cost of health insurance. Call 847.432.3240 and you will be connected with a CAC for free. REMOTE assistance to help residents understand their options, balance their medical needs and budgets, compare coverage and costs, and ensure that enrollees receive the premium

subsidies and cost-sharing reductions they may be income-qualified to receive.

To schedule a remote appointment with a Moraine Township Certified Application Counselor, call 847.432.3240.

### 2020 Income Tax Filing Deadline Extended to May 17, 2021

Moraine Township offers free tax return preparation REMOTELY to income-qualified taxpayers

Free tax return preparation is available remotely to taxpayers with basic tax returns and less than \$57,000 of income. To get started, leave a message at 847.780.6644. Calls for tax return preparation need to be received no later than May 12, 2021 to ensure processing and timely submittal.

### Door-to-Door Transportation for Seniors and Disabled Residents

Moraine Township's Door-to-Door van operates weekdays 8:30AM to 4PM and is available to Township residents age 65 or older, or disabled. Van rides are primarily for medical appointments up to 15-miles from Township borders (Evanston, VA, Libertyville), however, personal errands can be scheduled based on availability. Caregivers are required to accompany wheelchair riders (caregivers ride free). Cost is \$4.00 per trip; \$2.00 for income qualified residents. Call 847.432.3000 to schedule a ride.

**Important note:** The Moraine Township office is not open to the public at this time, but staff is available for remote assistance at 847.432.3240.

# Highland Park Senior Center

**Serving Seniors ages 50 and better**

**54 Laurel Avenue**

**847.432.4110**

The Highland Park Senior Center provides education, recreation, enrichment and support services targeting a population from 50 years of age and older. The Senior Center is currently closed due to COVID-19, however staff is committed to offering high-quality, virtual activities and a full array of social services throughout these unprecedented times. To access the full version of the Shorelines Newsletter please go to [www.city-hpil.com/seniorcenter](http://www.city-hpil.com/seniorcenter). Please call 847.432.4110 to join the Center or for program details and Zoom links.

## **Mindful Moment**

As a skill of being present, mindfulness involves refining awareness and deepening acceptance by observing thoughts and feelings without judging them as good or bad. The practice of mindfulness can strengthen coping skills and support well-being. To learn about the practice and benefits of mindfulness, join Jennifer Aiello with an opportunity to be present in the moment by focusing on breath and experience your senses.

Wednesdays, April 28 and May 26

10:30 - 11:15 AM

Free of charge

Zoom program; registration is required

## **Mah Jongg Class**

Mah Jongg is an ancient Chinese game which is gaining popularity in the U.S. Join other beginners and learn the basics of the game, virtually! Instructor Terri Argentar is excited to share her knowledge and love of Mahj through Zoom by using the Real Mah Jongg app to teach the game. Participants will be able to go from playing virtually to playing a real game with no further instruction. Fee does not include the required \$6.99 monthly app fee nor the Mah Jongg card.

Tuesdays, 5/11 – 6/8 (5)

3 – 4:30 PM

Fee: \$35 / NM: \$55

Zoom program; registration is required

## **News & Views Current Events**

Skip Jacobs moderates a lively discussion focusing on the hottest topics in the week's news regarding worldwide, nationwide and local current events. Share your thoughts with a wonderful group, where all ideas, opinions, and preferences are welcome and regarded with respect.

Fridays, throughout the year

10 - 11:30 AM

Free for members

Zoom program; drop-in





## The New Northwood Middle School Opens



Spring Break is complete in our communities and it's now time for the final weeks of learning, leading, teaching, and experiencing life! This year has been full of change, transition, opportunity, obstacle, confusion, clarity, fairness, unfairness, resiliency, and creativity! The final days of this school year also mark an epic historic moment with the opening of the newly renovated Northwood Middle School, the 2nd "new" school in the history of North Shore School District 112.

Northwood students and staff have been learning and teaching at Elm Place School since 2019 for the massive modernization project and now, in the midst of this pandemic, and a completed construction project (on time and on budget), the new Northwood Middle School opened to students on March 30 in the Hybrid Learning Model and it will open again on April 12 in a full in-person and full virtual model.

The Northwood modernization was designed to create an educational palace for its students, staff, and community members. Northwood was originally constructed in 1959 with smaller additions in 1961, 1970, 1999 and 2004. In 2018, North Shore School District 112 approved its Long-Range Plan Phase I ushering in a \$38 million investment at Northwood without adding any new taxes to fund the project.

The new learning center has added a series of features designed to maximize academic and social emotional learning opportunities for all students that attend the school. The Northwood construction project removed two major areas of the existing building to allow for new, modern additions. The front entry and entire single-story classroom wing has been removed and replaced with a two-story classroom wing and a secure main entry. This addition created a new curved façade for the building meant to better embrace the neighborhood and provide a welcoming and secure main entry. The rear northwest corner of the building has also been removed and in its place now stands a new music wing for band, orchestra and choir programming. The music addition will also serve as a storm shelter for the school and the surrounding community. In a nod to the environment, the new school is certified LEED Silver, there are solar panels about to be installed on the roof, and the construction project saved a 254 year old heritage Swamp White Oak Tree in partnership with the City of Highland Park. In addition to air conditioning, there is an abundance of fresh air and natural light throughout the new school.

There is so much more to explore and discover in the new Northwood Middle School and the District is looking forward to accommodating a public ceremony and tours of the building sometime this spring and summer. Thank you for your support as we continue to Inspire...Innovate...and Engage! Next up is the planned and approved construction project at Edgewood Middle School. You may have noticed the signage at Elm Place designated it "Edgewood Middle School at Elm Place". Construction will start this summer with a projected end date and opening early in 2023. Our Future is NOW! And nothing can stop us in District 112.



## District 113 | School Year 2020-21 Update - Fourth Quarter

Dear District 113 Community,



By the time you receive this month's issue of The Highlander, District 113 will have transitioned to full-day, in-person learning. We are now able to do that thanks to the Illinois State Board of Education and Illinois Department of Public Health on March 9 relaxing social distance requirements in schools.

While we are excited that we have made this much progress and look ahead to school that is increasingly normal, the only way we can make full-day, in-person learning work is to consistently and correctly follow our multiple layers of mitigations against virus transmission.

As long as we are in a pandemic, we have two goals: providing as many students as possible the opportunity to participate in on-campus learning, sports and activities and reducing the risk of transmission of the COVID-19 virus among our students, staff, their families and our community. It is only by accomplishing the second goal that we can make progress toward the first. Correct and consistent implementation of mitigation best practices, inside and outside of school, is the key to making that happen.

In early March, we saw a spike of 22 infections among our students. What was the effect of that spike? The Lake County Health Department put those 22 students in isolation, which also means a two-week quarantine for those 22 families. It also resulted in the Lake County Health Department putting 117 other students identified as close contacts in quarantine for two weeks. Each positive case can impact our schools well beyond just those infected.

We meet with the Lake County Health Department to discuss this matter. During that meeting, the Health Department officials indicated that they believe the source of these cases was activities outside the school. This is not surprising as we have multiple layers of mitigations in place to reduce the risk of COVID-19 virus transmission in school, including wearing face coverings, observing social distancing, extra cleaning, and as of March 2, mandatory COVID-19 testing for students. In addition, individuals identified through contact tracing as close contacts of persons who tested positive for the virus are subject to at least 10 days of quarantine. This, too, is an important mitigation against the risk of further transmitting the virus to others.

We talk a lot about the need for us to "work together" as a community to beat back the virus so we can keep getting closer to our "normal" daily routines and interactions. The fastest way to get to normal is to consistently and robustly apply outside school the mitigations we practice inside school. Parents and community members play an important role in supervising students' social gatherings outside of school and in regularly reminding them to practice masking and social distancing in these situations.

Please join us in our ongoing commitment to protect the health and well-being of our students, staff, their families, friends and neighbors by continuing to practice the necessary public health mitigation strategies at school, at home and in our community. Let's work together to ensure that students who want to be in school can stay in school.

Bruce Law, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools



## **NEW THIS YEAR!** Rosewood Beach Swimming Season Pass

This summer beach season, a Rosewood Beach Swimming Pass is required for each individual to access the swimming and recreation beach coves during the swimming hours (10am-6pm daily).

### **Fees**

**Resident Season Pass** – FREE (with proof of residency, see below for details)

**Non-resident Season Pass** – \$100 (head of household) \$25 (each additional household member)

**Non-resident Daily Pass** - \$10 per person

### **Resident Rosewood Swimming Beach Season Pass Proof of Residency Requirements\***

Residents must provide **ONE** of the following forms for proof of residency:

#### **Adults (Ages 16 & Up) –**

1. Current driver's license with a Highland Park address.
2. State of Illinois identification card with a Highland Park address.
3. Real estate tax bill (prior year) with the owner's name and a Highland Park address. Applicant must also present a corresponding photo ID.
4. Current automobile registration with name and Highland Park address. Applicant must also present a corresponding photo ID.
5. Copy of a real estate contract with a Highland Park address stating a closing date. Applicant must also present a corresponding photo ID.
6. A current utility bill with resident's name. Applicant must also present a corresponding photo ID.
7. Current rental lease with name and Highland Park address. Applicant must also present corresponding photo ID.

#### **Children (Ages 4-15) –**

Parent/guardian may need to provide a birth certificate or other proper document(s) to show proof of parental relationship or guardianship between the child(ren) and the adult(s) applying for the swimming beach pass.

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For your convenience, proof of residency can be submitted online during your online purchase. Just upload a digital image or scanned copy during your purchase. Please note: you must be logged into your account to submit documents.

### **About Us**

Enriching community life through healthy leisure pursuits and an appreciation of the natural world.

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[pdhp.org](http://pdhp.org)



### **ARE YOU SIGNED UP TO RECEIVE OUR EMAILS?**

One of the fastest ways to get updates on Park District news is through our emails! To sign up for our emails go to [pdhp.org](http://pdhp.org) and click on **"Join Our E-List"** under **"Quick Links"**.

## NEW THIS YEAR! Lakefront Parking Decal

This year, a lakefront parking decal is required for **all vehicles** at all lakefront parking lots (in lieu of the discontinued City vehicle sticker). Residents are required to purchase a decal.

### Fees

**Resident:** \$30 (with proof of residency, see below for details)

Provides parking access every day including holidays through December 31, 2021 at the following beach lots: Lower Rosewood, Upper Rosewood, Park Avenue – North Lot, Central Park – Upper Lot, Millard, and Moraine. Valid dawn to dusk every day.

**Non-resident:** \$285

Provides parking access every day, excluding holidays, through December 31, 2021 to the following beach lots: Upper Rosewood, Park Avenue – North Lot, Central Park – Upper Lot, Millard, and Moraine. Valid dawn to dusk every day, excluding holidays.

**Rosewood Daily Parking:** \$40/4 hours or \$15/hour (*Valid for Upper Rosewood Lot only. Pay for parking in upper lot at auto-attendant*). Not valid on holidays (July 4, Memorial Day, and Labor Day). Non-resident daily parking is not allowed at Moraine, Central, Millard, Park Avenue North Lot, Rosewood Lower Lot.

### Resident Lakefront Parking Decal Proof of Residency Requirements\*

One of the following proof of residency is required to purchase a Resident Lakefront Parking Decal:

1. Current driver's license with a Highland Park address.
2. State of Illinois identification card with a Highland Park address.
3. Real estate tax bill (prior year) with the owner's name and a Highland Park address. Applicant must also present a corresponding photo ID.
4. Current automobile registration with name and Highland Park address. Applicant must also present a corresponding photo ID.
5. Copy of a real estate contract with a Highland Park address stating a closing date. Applicant must also present a corresponding photo ID.
6. A current utility bill with resident's name. Applicant must also present a corresponding photo ID.
7. Current rental lease with name and Highland Park address. Applicant must also present a corresponding photo ID.

If you are purchasing more than one parking decal per adult residing in the household, in addition to proof of residency, you must also provide proof of vehicle ownership (vehicle registration or lease documents, names/addresses must match above proof of residency documentation) for each vehicles you are requesting a decal.

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# Park District of Highland Park

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## EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic programs and events are subject to change. Please go to [pdhp.org](http://pdhp.org) for the most up-to-date information.

### Sat & Sun May 1-2 | 10am-Noon | Golf Day | Family

FREE, Highland Park Golf Learning Center, 2205 Skokie Valley Rd  
Take part in free "Try Golf" clinics, ask questions about short game techniques, full swing, rules of the game, and getting started in golf, weather permitting.

### Fri & Sat May 14 & 15 | Spring Skate Showcase: Skate University

Centennial Ice Arena, 3100 Trail Way  
Over 50 performers of all ages will perform in this annual showcase event! Support the hard work and dedication of Centennial's skating school and Highland Park Figure Skating!

### Fri May 14 | 6-7:30pm | Explore S'more Parks! | All Ages

\$12, Danny Cuniff Park, 2700 Trail Way,  
Take an interactive hike with a naturalist that ends around a cozy campfire with s'mores! [Register at pdhp.org](http://pdhp.org).

### Sat May 15 | 10-11:15am | Busy Bee Workshop | Ages 6-Adult

\$30  
**VIRTUAL** Look into a working hive and see why we call our bees busy! Use real bees wax to create a candle and hand salve to help you relax after your busy week. [Register at pdhp.org](http://pdhp.org).

### Sun May 16 | 3-6pm | Golf Swing Analysis | All Ages

FREE, Highland Park Golf Learning Center, 2205 Skokie Valley Rd  
Looking to find ways to improve your golf swing? We're offering a free 30-minute video analysis for golfers at Highland Park Golf Learning Center. Please call Rob Saunders at 847.579.4162 to reserve a time slot. [Register at pdhp.org](http://pdhp.org).



### Sat May 22 | 1-5pm | All Ages

Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd  
Step into the majestic world of fairies and gnomes. Set out on a pony ride\* in search of a unicorn, meet a fairy, make a craft and go on a quest to find homes built for gnomes and fairies. Don't forget to wear your enchanted attire!

\*pony rides are limited to riders 90 lbs and under.  
1-5pm Timed Ticket Event  
\$30/Child \$15/Adult



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## The Library is Now **Fine Free!**

**Fines are no longer charged on overdue items in order to provide equitable access to the collection.**

### Here's How It Works:

Fines are fees charged for overdue library materials. "Fine free" refers to eliminating fees charged for returning library materials after their due date. Eliminating fines removes barriers to the Library's collection.

While you will no longer be charged a fine, after a Highland Park Public Library item is two weeks overdue, your account will be suspended. Once the item is returned, additional items can be checked out. This includes access to the Library's digital collections such as downloads from Libby, hoopla, kanopy, etc and databases.

Items still have due dates and need to be returned in good condition. If items are kept 45 days past their due date or are damaged, you will be charged for the replacement cost.

Please note that materials checked out at other libraries are subject to their fine policies.

Automatic renewals will still be in effect. New items will only renew once; older items will renew twice. An item will not renew if someone else is waiting for it.

**For more information, please visit [hplibrary.org/fine-free](http://hplibrary.org/fine-free).**

## We no longer have fines, but here's what we do have:

(along with books, DVDs and CDs!)

### Thousands of eBooks

from bestsellers to classics, to cookbooks and kids titles.

### Online Classes and Resources

Take a professional development or personal enrichment class, learn business skills, and find tutoring for kids. Get started at [hplibrary.org](http://hplibrary.org). Click on Resources, Online Resources, and Category, and scroll down to eLearning.

### Movies to Download and Stream

Choose from thousands of titles at [hplibrary.org](http://hplibrary.org) or check out a **Roku** to stream other TV shows and movies.

### Memory Kits

Memory Kits are designed to engage and stimulate interaction for people with dementia and related disorders. Pick up a new spring-themed kit with pictures, a story, scented bookmarks, and more. Funded by a generous grant from the Highland Park Community Foundation.

### Printing from Home

Need something printed? Email printing jobs to [hppla@hplibrary.org](mailto:hppla@hplibrary.org) and pick them up at the Library. You'll receive an email when your print will be ready to pick up; it is usually the next day. At the Library? Stop at the Computers and Technology desk for printing guidance. Visit [hpplprint.org](http://hpplprint.org) for email instructions and printing costs.

### Assistance Registering for the COVID-19 Vaccine with AllVax

Lake County residents can register through the AllVax Portal. For assistance with registration, call the Library at 847.681.7031 and we will register you.

### Mobile Hotspots

### Virtual Storytimes, Author Events, and More!

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## LIBRARY IN YOUR LIVING ROOM

Join us on Zoom for our series of virtual programs. Register at [hplibrary.org/events](http://hplibrary.org/events).

### Your City @ Home

Embark on a series of virtual field trips and explore all that the Chicagoland area has to offer! Join us on Saturdays in April and May.



**Garfield Park Conservatory — April 17, 1 PM.**

**National Museum of Mexican Art — April 24, 2 PM.**

**Chicago Children's Museum — May 1, 1 PM.**

**Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center May 8, 2 PM.**

**The Art Institute of Chicago — May 15, 1 PM.**

Visit [hplibrary.org/events](http://hplibrary.org/events) for additional Your City @ Home virtual field trips.

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### Sound Opinions Presents: The 10 Most Important Artists in Chicago Music History

**Tuesday, May 11, 7 PM.**

Join music critics Jim DeRogatis and Greg Kot, hosts of Sound Opinions, the world's only rock 'n' roll talk show, as they celebrate Chicago music. They'll trace the city's rich musical history via the 10 artists they feel contribute the most enduring and influential sounds over the past half-century. Genres include Gospel, Blues, Rock, R&B, and more!

Presented in partnership with multiple libraries.

### How To Create A Personal Brand Tuesday, May 18, 7 PM.

Jessica Zweig, brand authenticity expert, CEO of the SimplyBe., and author of the new book, *Be.*, redefines what "personal branding" truly means and gives you insights into why you need to define yours, and the power of understanding your unique value.

### An Evening With Martha Hall Kelly

**Tuesday, June 1, 7 PM.**

Martha Hall Kelly, author of *Lilac Girls*, *Lost Roses*, and *Sunflower Sisters*, will discuss her writing process and the inspiration for her stories in conversation with a library staff member.

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### Through the Ether[net]: Interactive Magic and Illusory Demonstrations

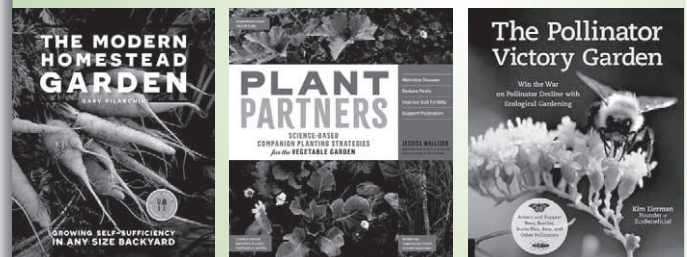
**Thursday, June 17, 7 PM.**

Mystify yourself in this elegant, interactive magic performance by Jeanette Andrews, hailed as one of the most innovative illusionists in the world. Weaving together science and folklore with performance and experiments, she'll lead the audience in co-creating the performance with their own hands. Please have four playing cards with no sentimental attachment. Visit [jeanetteandrews.com/download](http://jeanetteandrews.com/download) for printable cards or as a guide to draw your own.

Presented with Glencoe Public Library, Highland Park Public Library, and Vernon Area Public Library.

## Spring Reading

We're welcoming spring with a selection of new gardening books. Check one out today!



*The Modern Homestead Garden: Growing Self-Sufficiency In Any Size Backyard*, by Gary Pilarchik

*Plant Partners: Science-Based Companion Planting Strategies For The Vegetable Garden*, by Jessica Walliser

*The Pollinator Victory Garden*, by Kim Eierman



## FUN FOR KIDS Register at [hplibrary.org/events](http://hplibrary.org/events).

### Grab & Go Craft: Kites

**Monday, April 26 – Friday, April 30. Ages 3 – 10.**

Celebrate Día del Niño with us and make your own kite. Pick up your craft kit while supplies last. Instructions will be available in English and Spanish. Watch our how-to video on YouTube for tips! You will need a scissors and markers at home.

### Tongue Twister Challenge

**Wednesday, April 28, 4 – 4:30 PM.**

Put your tongue to the test! Say some wacky tongue twisters for a chance to win the coveted prize... a big gummy tongue! Tongue twisters will be available in English and Spanish.. This program will be held outside and will be rescheduled in the event of inclement weather. Masks will be required.

### Zoom Games Friday, April 30.

**Grades 1 – 2**

**2:30 – 3:30 PM.**

From freeze dance to Simon Says, we can still have fun on Zoom! Join our librarians for these and other silly games.

**Grades 3 – 5**

**3:30 – 4:30 PM.**

Come game with us on Zoom. We'll play Scattergories, Mad Libs, and more.

**Grades 6 – 8, 4:30 – 5:30 PM.**

Game with us on Zoom! We'll play Scattergories and Drawful on Jackbox Games. Participants will need a computer and a different device (cell phone/tablet) on which to play.

### Ready, Set, STEM: Bees

**Monday, May 10 – Sunday, May 16. Ages 5 – 14.**

Learn about bees with your own STEM kit! Pick up your kit during Library hours while supplies last and then watch our how-to video on YouTube for tips! You'll need tape, scissors, glue, and a pencil at home.

### Star Wars Trivia

**Thursday, May 13.**

**Grades 3 – 5, 6 PM.**

**Grades 6 – 8, 7 PM.**

Show off your Jedi mind skills in our team trivia competition. Use the Force to win the big prize!

### Interactive Outdoor Movie

**Friday May 21, 6 – 8 PM.**

Join us for a socially-distanced showing of a fun family movie! Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, and bug spray to our parking garage-turned-movie theater! For this interactive experience, participants will receive a list of callout responses and a prop bag to join in the fun!

Space is limited. Please register each family member attending.

### Grab & Go Craft: Dragonfly or Ladybug Beaded Keychain

**Monday, May 24 – Sunday, May 30. Ages 9 – 14.**

Celebrate spring by making your own dragonfly or ladybug keychain! Pick up your craft kit during Library hours while supplies last.

### Bad Art Challenge

**Friday, May 28, 2 – 3 PM. Ages 9 – 14.**

**Program will be held outdoors, weather permitting or rescheduled.**

Get creative with art supplies! Make a painting, sculpture, collage, necklace, mobile — whatever you want, as long as it's REALLY BAD. We'll vote and the best bad art will win the Bad Trophy. Good luck!

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## Business

Highland Park's vibrant community of restaurants, shops, fitness studios and others are open for business! From installing safety barriers to providing hand sanitizer, upgrading air filtration and more, Highland Park businesses have implemented new services, technologies, and fixtures to help you shop and dine with confidence.

To highlight these exciting changes, the City has partnered with businesses throughout the City's business district to create a video and interactive website in support of Highland Park's Welcome Back Promise.

As part of this project, participating businesses promise to take steps to create a healthy and comfortable environment for all:

- Masks are required, and hand sanitizer is available.
- Social distancing is encouraged.
- Capacity is limited in accordance with IDPH guidelines.
- High-touch surfaces are frequently cleaned.
- Employee health is monitored.

Learn more about the promise at [cityhpil.com/welcomeback](http://cityhpil.com/welcomeback).



## New Businesses

**Bodyworks For Vets**  
1480 Old Skokie Rd, Unit A  
312.818.9712

[bodyworksforvets.org](http://bodyworksforvets.org)  
Massage, Acupuncture, Reflexology,  
Counseling

**Caliber Collision Centers**  
2868 Skokie Valley Rd  
847.681.2299  
[calibercollision.com](http://calibercollision.com)  
Auto Body Paint & Repair

**Highland Park Dental Salon**  
1770 First St, Ste 310  
847.432.5400  
Dental Office

**Law Office of Edith Rios P.C.**  
2640 Waukegan Ave  
847.730.9839  
[lawofficesofedithrios.com](http://lawofficesofedithrios.com)  
Legal Services

**V3 Fit Club**  
1480 Old Deerfield Rd  
847.780.3717  
[v3fitclub.com](http://v3fitclub.com)  
Personal Training

**WashSavvy**  
598 Laurel Ave  
847.780.3572  
[washesavvy.com](http://washesavvy.com)  
Car Wash

**Tria Salon**  
462 Central Ave  
847.433.5444  
[triasalon-hairsalon.business.site](http://triasalon-hairsalon.business.site)  
Hair Salon

**New in Salon Lofts**  
1831 St. Johns Ave  
**Demetra G Salon**  
312.303.9350  
[salonlofts.com/demetra\\_georgakopoulos](http://salonlofts.com/demetra_georgakopoulos)  
Hair Salon & Cosmetic Tattooing

**New in Salons By JC:**  
229 Skokie Valley Rd  
[salonsbyjc.com](http://salonsbyjc.com)  
**Megan Skyler Tonsorial Artistry**  
847.212.8193  
**The Brit Chick**  
847.322.3395

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