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Highland Park's Community Emergency Response Team.
Visit cityhpil.com/cert for brochure.

Apply to serve on one of
the City's Advisory Groups,
Boards or Commissions (see
page 3).

For more ideas, check out
the Volunteer Fair at the
Highland Park Public Library
in collaboration with the Vol-
unteer Pool of Highland Park
(see page 13 for details).



Labor Day

City administrative offices are closed Monday, September 2. Call the public safety non-emergency line at **847.432.7730** if non-emergency assistance is required.

Refuse, recycling, and compost collection will be delayed by one day for the entire week. Contact Lakeshore Recycling Systems at **844.633.3577** for more information.

Register to Vote

Deputy Voter Registrars are available at City Hall. Contact the City Manager's Office at **847.926.1000** to learn what documentation is required and to schedule an appointment before October 1, 2024. For information about online voter registration, checking your voter status and more, visit cityhpil.com/elections.

Fall Events

Live music, family-friendly festivals, and Food Truck Thursdays continue into the fall!

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Communications Survey

Scan this QR code to share your feedback about ways the City can enhance communications like the *Highlander*, eNews & Week-ender, the City's website, Enjoy Highland Park and more!



Citywide Capital Improvement Project Descriptions & Updates

The City's Annual Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects are prioritized annually based on life safety considerations, functional deficiencies, age of infrastructure, and reducing long-term expensive rehabilitation costs. Regular updates on the 2024 public infrastructure CIP projects and future projects are posted at cityhpil.com/construction. Contact Public Works at 847.432.0807 with questions. Current CIP projects include:

Central Business District Resurfacing and Pedestrian Signal Improvements Milling and resurfacing of select streets in Downtown Highland Park is underway, slated for completion by September. To minimize impacts on businesses and parking, paving work will continue to occur at night from 9PM to 6AM. The project also includes improved pedestrian signals at Laurel, Central, Park Ave. West, and at Vine/First Street.

Second Street Improvements Project Construction to enhance the Second Street corridor between Elm Place and Central Avenue is anticipated to be complete by the beginning of September. This project includes widening the sidewalk along the east side of Second Street to provide a 7-foot wide sidewalk, installation of brick paver sidewalk along the east side of Second St., bump-outs with bollards to provide space for outdoor dining and for snow storage during winter, new LED street lighting, outdoor furnishings, trees and planter boxes, storm sewer upgrades and resurfaced asphalt pavement.

Second Street Parking Lot Reconstruction Reconstruction of this lot on Second Street's east side entailed conversion to an environmentally-friendly permeable pavement. New LED lighting and conduit for future EV Charging Stations were installed. Principal construction was completed in May.

Park Ave. W. Bridge over Skokie River This project includes reconstructed pavement east and west of the bridge to account for a rise in the vertical alignment of the roadway and replacement of the traffic signal. The new bridge's elevated vertical profile will improve water hydraulics at the Skokie River and features new, full-depth asphalt pavement, converted from existing concrete pavement. A portion of the existing water main was replaced. Principal construction was completed in July, 2024.

Maple Avenue Storm Sewer Project Construction to replace the storm sewer along Maple Ave. from St. Johns Ave. to the east end is scheduled to begin in late summer. The new storm sewer will be designed to current standards to capture a higher level of storm water runoff and includes a new storm outfall at the east end in the ravine. Other improvements include new concrete curb and gutter and pavement reconstruction. Construction is anticipated to be complete in fall of 2024.

Briergate Business District Improvements Project (TIFF Funded) This project entailed resurfacing of Old Skokie Valley Rd. from north of Old Deerfield Rd. to the north end, new LED lighting, landscaping, and permeable brick paver parking stalls to make the area more appealing for businesses. Construction is complete; landscaping will be completed in fall 2024.

Street Maintenance, Rehabilitation and Resurfacing Programs Three CIP programs address necessary work to improve riding conditions and extend the life of pavement on select streets throughout the City. Select asphalt streets will be ground and surfaced and deteriorated sections of select concrete streets will be replaced as part of the Streets Rehabilitation Program. Select streets with a good sub-base but poor asphalt surface conditions will see grinding of a thin layer of existing asphalt and replacement of the same amount of asphalt as part of the Surface Maintenance At Right Time (SMART Program). Additional select streets will see conversion of full-depth PCC pavements to composite pavements, creating a new asphalt overlay over existing concrete as part of the Additional Streets Resurfacing Program. Construction on identified streets is scheduled for completion in October. Visit cityhpil.com/construction to learn more and view impacted streets.

City Parking Lots Improvement projects to multiple City parking lots are slated for completion in fall 2024. Work at Fire Station #33 includes improvements to drainage structures and new concrete pavement. The City Hall Rear Lot, Community House Lot and North Ori Lot will be upgraded to environmentally-friendly permeable pavement, with new LED lighting and conduit for future EV charging stations. The Senior Center lot at 1201 Park Ave. W. will be reconfigured for new pick-up/drop-off, angled parking stalls and one-way drive aisles.



National Water Quality Month

August is National Water Quality Month, an important reminder to be mindful of how we use water and care for our water supply. For more information on the City's potable water quality or production, please call 847.433.4355, or visit cityhpil.com/waterquality.



SLMAD Notification List

The Southlake Mosquito Abatement District (SLMAD) provides alerts prior to adult mosquito control treatments. Sign up at clarkeportal.com/hotline. Residents may also notify the District of water that may be potential breeding sites or high mosquito populations through this website.



Celebrating Summer

Summer is fabulous in Highland Park - the weather is beautiful, school is out and there is so much to celebrate in our hometown! From visiting the beach, enjoying great music at Ravinia Festival, reveling with family and friends, shopping the Summer Sidewalk Sale, dining al fresco at our favorite restaurants (including several delicious new additions), and enjoying the return of the City's free concerts at Port Clinton Square, this summer has been full of fun activities - and there's so much more to come!

Food Truck Thursdays continue in the Ravinia District through September 26! Join the fun every Thursday night with food trucks from 4:30 pm to dusk in Ravinia's Jens Jensen Park. You'll hear

great live music and be able to choose from a broad range of delightful dining choices.

Looking for new things to discover? Pick up fresh goodies at the Ravinia Farmers Market (Wednesdays 7 AM – 1 PM, now through October 30 in Jens Jensen Park) and stroll the Port Clinton Art Festival (August 24-25, 10 AM – 5 PM, Downtown Highland Park).

Events at The Lot continue on September 14 (12 PM – 10 PM) as we celebrate Decades of good times in HP with headlining music from the 70s, 80s, and 90s. Travel back in time to experience the sounds, tastes, and trends from these three decades through a selection of live

performances and food and beverage vendors. Stick around for a drone show once the sun goes down!

More fun is on the horizon as summer turns to fall, with the return of community-favorite Oktoberfest on Sept. 28, the all-new Scarecrow Fest & Walk throughout Downtown Highland Park on October 19. We'll close out the 2024 season of community events on November 2, with the return of Stews & Brews (and the always-competitive contest for best in show.)

You won't want to miss any of these great community events! For more information, head to enjoyhighlandpark.com.

– Mayor Nancy R. Rotering

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Hefty Launches ReNew Program in Highland Park

This September, Hefty's ReNew program is coming to Highland Park, making it easier than ever to collect and recycle otherwise hard-to-recycle plastics. The ReNew program is one way to help divert these resources away from landfills, reduce dependence on fossil fuels, increase efficiency at recycling facilities, and improve the quality of other recycled materials. Participating in the program is easy! Purchase Hefty's orange ReNew bags at local retailers, and fill them with hard-to-recycle, non-PET plastic, including Styrofoam, plastic grocery bags, food wrappers, shipping packaging, plastic utensils and straws, and food storage bags. Once filled, bags may be placed in your LRS Recycling bin. LRS will sort the bags, and the hard-to-recycle plastics will be repurposed for plastic lumber, available for purchase through Firststar Fiber Corporation. Note: please do not place Hefty ReNew bags in your yellow-lidded bin for curbside compost; these must be placed in your recycling cart.

In mid-September, residents can expect to receive a "starter kit" which includes one Hefty ReNew bag and a flier detailing what can go into the bags. To learn more about the program, visit hefty.com/products/hefty-renew.



Serve on a City Advisory Group, Board or Commission

The Mayor and City Council are preparing to appoint interested residents to City Advisory Groups, Boards & Commissions for terms beginning January 2025. *Applications for high school juniors to serve as Student Commissioners are also available.* Visit cityhpil.com/boardsandcommissions for a list of the various groups, the goals, responsibilities and what is required. For information, contact Jennifer Dotson in the City Manager's Office at [847.926.1006](tel:847.926.1006) or jdotson@cityhpil.com.



City Receives Budget Award for 31st Year in a Row

Congratulations to the City for receiving the Government Finance Officers Association's (GFOA) Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the 31st year in a row! The award reflects our commitment to the highest principles of governmental budgeting. For more information on the City's Budget visit cityhpil.com/budget.



Welcome, New Residents!

Stop by City Hall at 1707 St. Johns Avenue to pick up a Welcome Packet. Call [847.926.1000](tel:847.926.1000) or email cityhp@cityhpil.com with any questions, feedback or to request a virtual packet via email.

Community Events

FEATURED EVENT AT THE LOT: DECADES | SEPTEMBER 14, 12 - 10 PM



Decades, the Lot's newest food and music festival, will feature fantastic headlining entertainers performing iconic hits from the 70s, 80s, and 90s, bringing together decades of music fans!

Travel back in time to experience the groovy sounds, rad tastes, and cool trends from these three decades through a selection of live performances and food and beverage vendors. An interactive "Decades of Music" trail throughout downtown Highland Park businesses adds an element of adventure to this event. Plus, stick around after sundown for a totally tubular Decades-themed drone show at 8PM!

Visit enjoyhighlandpark.com/decades for all the details.

DECADES OF MUSIC TRAIL

On Sept. 14, from 10 AM - 5 PM, stop by Rock N' Rags (613 Central) to pick up a sticker card; collect stickers at participating businesses & redeem at The Lot for a \$10 coupon to on-site restaurant vendors.

LIVE MUSIC LINEUP

Four Man Band (12:15 - 2:15)
7th Heaven (3 - 4:45 PM)
The Disco Circus (5:30 - 7:45 PM)
The 1985 (8 - 10 PM)

PARTICIPATING RESTAURANTS

BWB Shakes	Michael's
Cafe Dacha	Ordo
Curt's Cafe	Pixca
Judy's Pizza	Ravinia Brewing Company
La Taquiza	Tamales

Looking Ahead at The Lot:

Oktoberfest

SEPTEMBER 28
12 - 10 PM

Start the day with traditional Oktoberfest fun: music, food, beverages, and family-focused activities. At 5 PM, we'll switch up the vibe with a headline band.

Scarecrow Fest & Walk

OCTOBER 19
12 - 5 PM

Celebrate Fall with scarecrow-themed family fun, kids' activities, and seasonal decor at The Lot. Stroll through downtown Highland Park to see festive scarecrows decorated by local businesses. Vote for best in show at The Lot.

Stews & Brews (& Booze & Blues)

NOVEMBER 2
5 - 9 PM

Stay cozy with fire pits, heaters, hearty food, and great live music. The evening culminates with a People's Choice competition for the favorite Stew and Brew.

Thank you to our sponsors!

Events at The Lot are presented by the City of Highland Park with the generous support of: Porsche Audi Exchange, First Bank of Highland Park, Ballyhoo Hospitality, Highland Park Bank & Trust, Highland Park Community Foundation, Sunset Foods, Arbor Terrace, Baird & Warner, Mariani Landscape, Highland Park Ford Lincoln, Hive2O and Studio41.

See all events at The Lot at enjoyhighlandpark.com.

Food Truck Thursdays in the Ravinia District

Food Truck Thursdays in the Ravinia District continue through September 26 at Jens Jensen Park! Savor fresh flavors from a variety of food trucks while enjoying warm summer evenings and dancing to great music every Thursday night, 4:30 PM to dusk in the Ravinia District. Be sure to stop by the tables in the park to explore local non-profit organizations and sponsoring businesses. Visit enjoyhighlandpark.com/foodtrucks to learn more. Follow us on Instagram [@raviniadistrict](https://www.instagram.com/raviniadistrict) and Facebook [@raviniadistrict.highlandpark](https://www.facebook.com/raviniadistrict.highlandpark) for photos, videos and more.

August 22

Highland Park Players (4:30 PM)
Radio Free Honduras (6 PM)

August 29

DJ The Graduate (4:30 PM)
The Drastics (6 PM)

September 5

The DBs (5 - 7 PM)

September 12

Basement Band (5 - 7 PM)

September 19

Dr. Mark & The Sutures (5 - 7 PM)

September 26

Tom Holland & The Shuffle Kings (5 - 7 PM)

Community Calendar

Weekly Events

Ravinia Farmers Market

Wednesdays, Now - October 30

7AM - 1PM / Open rain or shine

Jens Jensen Park and Dean Avenue between Roger Williams and St. Johns

RaviniaFarmersMarket.com

Vendors offer fresh produce, meat, cheese, bakery goods, flowers, artisan products and more.

Ravinia Food Truck Thursdays

Thursdays, Now - September 26

4:30PM - Dusk

Jens Jensen Park and Dean Avenue between Roger Williams and St. Johns

Enjoy a variety of food and drinks and a wide range of musical performances.

Highland Park Pops Big Band Rehearsals in the Park

Wednesdays in August and September
6 - 8PM

Sunset Woods Park Pavilion

This 17-piece band encourages people to stop by for part or all of the evening and keep the band "on its toes." Event is weather permitting. Bring your chair or blanket.

Scheduled Events

Amdur Productions

41st Port Clinton Art Festival

August 24 - 25, 10 AM - 5 PM

260 artists showing and selling their paintings, photography, jewelry, ceramics and sculpture. *The following streets are closed to vehicles:* Central Ave. between Green Bay Rd. and the train tracks; Second St. from Laurel Ave. to Central Ave.; First St. will be closed between Elm Pl. and Laurel Av. with no access to First Bank of Highland Park's drive-through; Second St. north to Elm Pl.

The Art Center Highland Park

TheArtCenterHP.org

1957 Sheridan Road / 847.432.1888

Objects, Images, Signs & Symbols

Open August 16 - September 28

Opening Reception: August 16, 5:30 - 8PM

Free General Admission, 10AM - 4PM

Multimedia artist E-B Martinez explores our

subconscious reactions to everyday media. In conjunction, TAC presents "Conversations: The Art of Bex Wilkinson."

Draw Together

Saturday, August 17, 11AM - 2PM

TAC invites community members to draw TOGETHER as a community. This event raises funds to support TAC's scholarships and educational programming. Participants will also DRAW together on the sidewalks around TAC with music, food, and fun.

Annual Recycled Art Sale

October 18 - October 27

Free General Admission, 10AM - 4PM

A community favorite for over 20 years, the variety of items is vast and of high quality, including paintings, prints, ceramics, decorative objects, vintage posters, sculpture, art glass, jewelry, and more.

Fire Department's All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast & Open House

Sunday, October 20

Breakfast 7:30 AM - 11 AM

Fire Station #33, 1130 Central Avenue
\$7/Adults and \$3/Kids, ages 12 & under

Highland Park Historical Society archives@highlandparkhistory.org

Highland Park History Trivia

Sunday, September 22, 2 PM

Secret World Book, 1774 Second Street

American Doughboys in WWI

Monday, November 11, 7 PM

Hybrid event via Zoom and at Highland Park Public Library, 494 Laurel Avenue.

Email to register and receive link.

Historic Preservation Commission CityHPIL.com

2nd Historic Homes Bike Tour September 14, 12PM

Meet at Moraine Park, 2501 Sheridan Road
The June 1st tour was cancelled due to rain. Tour begins at Moraine Park heading south towards the historic Belle Avenue, Linden Park Place and Vine/Linden/Maple historic districts with plenty of historic and architecturally significant homes along this route! Bike participants enjoy free beach access from Moraine Park courtesy of the Park District of Highland Park. Bring your own helmet, bike and water. Please bike to

the start of the tour rather than driving to conserve parking spaces for Moraine Park visitors. Please RSVP to Zubin Coleman at zcoleman@cityhpil.com or 847.926.1853.

Highland Park Players

HighlandParkPlayers.org

The Prom

August 15, 16, 17, 23 & 24 at 7:30PM

August 24 & 25 at 2PM

Visit website for tickets and venue details. *The Prom* is a funny, smart, big-hearted musical about big Broadway stars, a small town, and a love that unites them all.

Pilgrim Chamber Players

PilgrimPlayers.org

4 Gorgeous Cellos

Sunday, September 29, 3PM

Highland Park Community House

1991 Sheridan Road

Tickets: \$20/Adult & \$10/Student

Music by Mark O'Connor, Brahms, Eicca Toppinen, Bernstein, Billy Strings and others. Visit website for tickets and information.

Highland Park Poetry

HighlandParkPoetry.org

Road Trips Publication Party

Saturday, August 17, 4 PM

Secret World Books, 1774 Second Street

Celebrating "Road Trips: Poets Respond to Travel by Life's Highways and Byways," a new anthology by Highland Park Poetry Press.

William Carey & Karian Markos Reading + Poetry Open-Mic

Saturday, September 14, 4 PM

Wayfarer Theater Office, 1850 Second St.

Community Partners for Affordable

Housing - cpahousing.org

Buy an Affordable Home in HP!

Attend a virtual session to learn more and to apply, [September 10](http://cpahousing.org) or [October 9](http://cpahousing.org) at 6 PM via Zoom. Register at <https://cpahousing.org/class-registration/>.

Fire Department - cityhpil.com

Heartsaver® CPR-AED/BLS CPR-AED

September 28, 9 AM - 12PM

Fire Station #33, 1130 Central Avenue

Course fee: \$50 per participant. Register: 847.433.3110 or fire@cityhpil.com

Our Community

Share Your Feedback: Public Transit Survey

This year the City is conducting a comprehensive assessment of transportation options available to residents. We are coordinating this study with our transportation partner agencies, including Moraine Township, Pace, and Ride Lake County. Our goal is to identify and summarize current available options, as well as identify gaps in services that we can work to improve.

Your feedback is a vital part of this process, regardless of your current use of public transportation options. We want to understand how those who live, work, and play in Highland Park use public transportation today or could use it in the future. By completing this survey, you'll help us improve transportation options within and around Highland Park. The survey asks 14 questions and will take approximately 10 minutes to complete.

Learn more about this project at cityhpil.com/transitstudy. You'll find an overview of existing public transit options, as well as links to the City's MoveHP and Sustainability Strategic Plans.

For project updates, please email transitstudy@cityhpil.com.

Electronics & Foam Recycling Center at 1180 Half Day Road

The City's Electronics & Foam Recycling Center, a partnership with the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO), is open year-round on Tuesdays and the first Saturday of each month, from 7 AM to 1 PM (closed on holidays). For a full list of accepted items, please visit cityhpil.com/recyclingcenter or call the Department of Public Works at [847.432.0807](tel:847.432.0807) during normal business hours.

2024-2025 Dog License Renewals

Watch your email! Renewal notifications for the 2024-2025 City of Highland Park Dog Licenses will arrive in August. Renewal fees are \$7.00 for spayed/neutered dogs and \$12.00 for unaltered dogs. A current rabies vaccination certificate is required if the previous one has expired. The City will not send printed renewals. Instead, you can complete your renewal online. Existing license holders will receive a letter with instructions for the new online portal. City staff will review your details and notify you by email when your invoice is ready. Upon payment, a dog tag will be mailed. For more information, contact the Finance Department at [847.432.0800](tel:847.432.0800) or finance@cityhpil.com.



Community Mental Health Board Proposed by Moraine Township

The Moraine Township Board of Trustees passed a resolution for a referendum to be placed on the November 5, 2024 ballot asking whether Moraine Township should create a Community Mental Health Board. The authority to make these Boards were established under an Illinois law (405 ILCS 20/) that was passed in the 1960's. Currently, there are more than 90 Community Mental Health Boards in Illinois.

If approved by the voters, Moraine Township would establish a Community Mental Health Board for the purpose of funding increased access for residents to obtain services for:

- mental health
- substance use disorder
- intellectual and developmental disability (I/DD)

A referendum question will appear on the November 5, 2024 ballot asking voters:

Shall Moraine Township levy an annual tax not to exceed .03% for the purpose of providing community mental health facilities and services, including facilities and services for persons with an intellectual or developmental disability (I/DD) or a substance use disorder?

For the 2024 levy year, the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against a property containing a single-family residence, and having a fair market value or \$100,000, is estimated to be \$10.00 per year.

Visit morainetownship.org to learn more about what a community health board is, how it could help Moraine Township residents, and answers to frequently asked questions such as:

- What does a community mental health board do?
- What are the current needs in Moraine Township for mental health, substance use disorder, and I/DD services?
- How does a Community Mental Health Board work?
- How is a Community Mental Health Board funded?
- How can Community Health Board funds be used to help Moraine Township residents?
- What is the relationship between a Township Board of Trustees and a Township Community Mental Health Board?
- What will I see on my ballot November 5?

This information is provided to inform voters and help them decide if a Community Mental Health Board is appropriate for Moraine Township.

If you have questions, please email info@morainetownship.org or call [847.432.3240](tel:847.432.3240).

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

Highland Park Senior Center

Monday - Thursday, 9 AM - 4 PM and Friday, 9 AM - 1 PM

Registration Required: 847.432.4110

www.cityhpil.com/seniorcenter

DAY EXCURSIONS

Brookfield Zoo - Intergenerational

Brookfield, IL

Friday, August 16 / Rain Date: August 23

Bus departs HPSC at 9 AM

Bus returns at approximately 5 PM

Fee: \$85 / NM: \$105

Ain't Too Proud:

The Life and Time of the Temptations

CIBC Theatre

Wednesday, September 25

Bus departs HPSC at 11:30 AM

Bus returns at approximately 5 PM

Fee: \$200 / NM: \$220

Registration Deadline: 8/26/24

Hispanic Heritage, Art, & Culture

Little Village and Pilsen, Chicago

Tuesday, October 15

Bus departs HPSC at 10 AM

Bus returns at approximately 5 PM

Fee: \$100 / NM: \$120

Registration Deadline: 9/16/24

A Beautiful Noise:

The Neil Diamond Musical

Cadillac Palace Theatre

Sunday, November 17

Bus departs at 11:30 AM

Bus returns at approximately 5 PM

Fee: \$240 / NM: \$260

Registration Deadline: 10/21/24

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

National Senior Citizens Day Lunch

Whitehall of Deerfield - Deerfield

Wednesday, August 21

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Fee: \$5 / NM: \$15

Registration Deadline: 8/12

Sponsored by Whitehall of Deerfield HealthCare

Labor Day Luncheon

North Shore Place - Northbrook

Monday, September 2

12 - 2 PM

Fee: \$5 / NM: \$15

Registration Deadline: 8/19

Sponsored by North Shore Place

Grounds for Discussion

Highland Park Senior Center at COHPS

Monday, August 5 and October 7

1 - 2 PM

Free and open to the community at large

Registration Deadline: One week prior

Presented by the Highland Park Police Department

Sponsored by Arbor Terrace Highland Park

Fire Station, Fire Safety, and Fire Pizza

Highland Park Fire Station #32

Tuesday, October 8

12 - 1:30 PM

Fee: \$10 / NM: \$20

Registration Deadline: 9/24

Presented by the Highland Park Fire Department



North Shore School District 112 Reflecting on a Year of Success and Progress

Summers are always eventful at North Shore School District 112, and the summer of 2024 was no exception. From signing a new contract with our dedicated teachers and advancing construction projects at our schools to planning a strategic change process, the district has been bustling with activity. We are excited to share these developments with the community as we get set to open our doors to students for the 2024-2025 school year.

Teacher Contract

In June, the board of education ratified a new five-year agreement with the North Shore Education Association (NSEA), which represents nearly 400 teachers in District 112. Andi Simon, the NSEA's chief negotiator, commented, "The negotiation process was a stellar example of cooperation and positivity. Our union is delighted to have collaborated with the school board to secure a fair contract that not only supports our students but also acknowledges the dedication and professionalism of our educators." Board Member Art Kessler, who was involved in the negotiations, added, "The ultimate beneficiaries will be the students, as this contract sets the stage for the best possible learning environment."

Major Renovations Progress at Elementary Schools

Significant progress is being made on the renovation of two elementary schools as part of Phase 2 of the district's Long Range Facilities Plan. Indian Trail Elementary School is expected to be completed by late summer, with students returning in late fall. Meanwhile, renovations at Ravinia Elementary School are proceeding smoothly, with completion anticipated before the 2025-2026 school year. These projects are funded by the referendum passed in November 2022, which received strong community support. Sherwood is next on the modernization list for winter 2025, followed by Braeside in fall 2025, and Wayne Thomas in 2026.

Strategic Change

For the first time in over a decade, District 112 is embarking on a strategic change management planning process. Partnering with the Schlechty Center, this initiative aims to refine the district's focus on key priorities and initiatives for both the short and long term. This strategic planning is essential to ensure alignment and collaboration among all stakeholders, continuing to provide high-quality education. All community members are welcome and encouraged to participate in this process. Visit www.nssd112.org/strategicchange to learn more.

Fostering Equity and Belonging

Our district is dedicated to promoting equity and belonging in all nine schools and throughout the community. This summer, staff members voluntarily attended a boot camp led by Dr. Sonya Whitaker, a nationally recognized expert on diversity in education, aiming to create a more culturally responsive educational environment. Dr. Whitaker will continue working with the district during the school year. Additionally, all nine schools are striving to achieve the "No Place for Hate" designation from the Anti-Defamation League. The district is committed to teaching students the value of diversity, with a parent/community book study launching in the fall.

Collaborative Efforts Enhance District Safety and Security

Safety and security remain top priorities for the district. In July, representatives from various organizations met to coordinate safety and security strategies. The group included first responders, city leaders, library staff, park district staff, the Sheriff's office, other County leaders, and representatives from neighboring school districts. Committed to ensuring the safety of students and staff, this group continues to work diligently on this vital issue.

As we anticipate the new school year, North Shore School District 112 remains devoted to excellence, innovation and community engagement. Stay tuned for more updates and join us in celebrating the exciting advancements in our district. Together, we will continue to foster a vibrant, inclusive and high-achieving educational environment.

District 113 | Welcome to the 2024-25 School Year



Dear District 113 Community,

I am thrilled and honored to serve in the role of Superintendent for District 113. As we begin the 2024-25 school year, I want to take this opportunity to highlight our district's mission, our theme for the year, and core tenets that will guide our journey together.

Our district's mission speaks to our "aim to provide each student with the opportunities and support needed to reach their unique potential." Every student in our district deserves the best educational experience possible, but it requires us to understand who each of our students are and what they may individually and collectively need to flourish while engaging in our district and beyond. This means that a student's economic status, ability, race, gender, language and other factors should not be a predictor of success in our district.

Inclusive School Community

We are focusing on creating an inclusive school community. An inclusive community ensures that every student feels seen, heard, and valued. Our commitment to inclusivity revolves around three main areas of focus relevant for each of our learners: access, belonging, and achievement.

Access: We believe that every student should have opportunities to explore their interests and passions. Evidence shows that the more students have access to rigorous and meaningful opportunities, the more they succeed in growth and achievement. We are dedicated to removing barriers and providing resources that allow all students to thrive.

Belonging: A sense of belonging is essential for every student's well-being and success. Each student should feel that they are an integral part of our school community. Building strong relationships is key, and it starts with students developing connections with trusted adults and each other. We, as staff, are committed to helping students find their place and demonstrating to them that they matter to us.

Achievement: Our ultimate goal is for students to maximize their full potential not just through attainment, but through a focus on growth. It is our responsibility to support the growth of each student. By fostering an environment where students feel supported and encouraged, we can help them achieve their highest aspirations.

While there are many things to celebrate, we must remain dedicated to continuous improvement. We recognize that there are opportunities to build on, and that we should challenge ourselves and our practices to foster an environment that helps students optimize their experience in high school and prepares them for post-secondary opportunities. By focusing on access, belonging, and achievement, we can ensure that every student has the opportunity to grow and succeed.

As we embark on this exciting journey together, we will create a thriving educational community where every student can achieve their full potential. I look forward to collaborating with the many stakeholders in our school community to make this vision a reality.

Thank you for your dedication and commitment to our students and our community. Let's make this year one of growth, achievement, and collective success.

Warm regards,

Dr. Chala Holland
Superintendent of Schools

PARK DISTRICT: AN ESSENTIAL SERVICE FOR COMMUNITY AS PARTICIPATION LEVELS SOAR

"PARKS BELONG TO THE PEOPLE."

-Frederick Law Olmsted, renowned landscape architect.

We often write about the benefits your Park District provides to the community, and it's something those of us who work here think about every day. Recently, we looked at a 5-year analysis of our participation numbers and were stunned—in the best possible way—by what has happened in Highland Park and Highwood in the past few years. Many of you know what we're talking about because you see it first-hand when attending a fitness class or enjoying a West Ridge program. Here is a story we think you'll like as much as we do.

Everything Grows.

For decades, steady, average growth in the population of Highland Park was reflected in our work to grow and expand our programs and events, build and renovate parks and facilities every year, responding to the community's changing needs. Of course, what the community needed and how we provided those programs changed dramatically in 2020. We moved some classes outdoors. Parks, green spaces, walking paths, beaches, tennis courts, and the golf course became even more critical to the health and well-being of the community's kids, teens, adults, and families.

Since 2020, the Highland Park and Highwood communities have continued to deepen their connections to the Park District, as you'll see in the dramatic increases in participation numbers.

It's not a fad. It's a trend that shows more people are signing up for multiple classes each season. This extraordinary growth indicates how important what we do here daily is to you and your family. It's also a testament to our instructors and staff across the district. We care about our community. We care about you. Your response makes us want to do even more, and you'll see many wonderful additions to your Park District in the next few months.

Some Basic Facts & Figures

We typically measure participation from the start of our fall season. From September 2018 to August 2019, Highland Park's population was 29,537. The number of households registered as participating in Park District programs was 2,936. We had 4,847 unique participants and 12,882 registrations, including Highland Park residents and non-resident participants. Those are good numbers.

However, the difference was dramatic when we compared those to the past 12 months, July 2023–June 2024. The population of Highland Park has grown 2.5% and is now 30,272. It's not an untypical increase. However, the number of unique participants at the Park District has increased by more than 40%, and the total number of registrations is 23,991—up more than 86% since 2019.

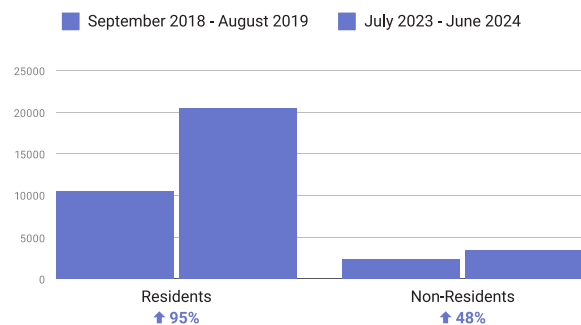
"Highland Park has always valued recreation, cultural arts, sports, and nature-based programming," said Executive Director Brian Romes. "The pandemic reminded us of the essential role parks, recreation, and natural areas have on our social, emotional, mental, and physical health."

"Essential" was the word that stood out when everyone reviewed the analysis. Board President Cal Bernstein said, "These dramatic participation increases are a testament to how essential our Park District is to the Highland Park community."

Of particular interest is the effect on participation that the Park Board had with its groundbreaking 2021 resolution, allowing kids and teens from Highwood to register at the same time and at resident rates as their Highland Park schoolmates. They no longer had to wait two weeks to register with non-residents. It was a game-changer for classmates, friends and families, and the results have been life-changing.

Over 10,500 resident registrations were taken in 2018–19. In the past year, that number has doubled to 20,581. The profound vision of our Park Board has made people we know, our friends and neighbors, physically and mentally healthier. That makes our extended community stronger. Board President Bernstein added, "I am proud of our staff's outstanding creativity and dedication to ensure our residents and visitors have extraordinary experiences each time they visit our parks and facilities and participate in our programs."

Total Participants in Park District Programs



Here's a statistic we like: 90% of US adults say that parks and recreation are an important local government service. Highland Park and Highwood residents easily fall into that category based on the numbers in our 5-year analysis and the responses we get from the community at our facilities and through surveys.

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NORTH SHORE

Smash for Charity

PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT

SAT SEPT 21 • 8AM-2PM

Danny Cuniff Park – Pickleball Complex • 2700 Trail Way

Proceeds benefit the Parks Foundation of Highland Park

Fee:
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Women's Doubles: 8-10am
Men's Doubles: 10am-Noon
Mixed Doubles: Noon-2pm

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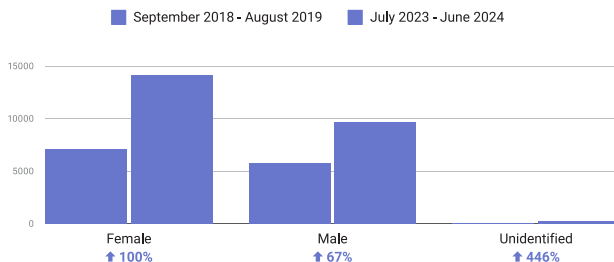
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Some Not-So-Basic Facts & Figures

Other insights from the analysis showed increased participation among males over the past 12 months, up more than 31% over the 2018–19 season, based on unique registrations. Total registration is up a whopping 66%. However, in the same comparison, unique participation for females is up more than 46%, and total registrations...wait for it... have doubled!

Total Participants by Gender



"Our programs and services not only enrich life but are critically important to individual well-being and community resiliency," said Brian Romes. The community feels the same way.

Cal Bernstein added, "How lucky are we to live in a community with over 800 acres of parkland, four beautiful Lake Michigan Beaches, award-winning facilities like Rosewood Beach, Sunset Valley Golf Club, the one-of-a-kind rocket ship playground at Sunset Woods Park, the largest outdoor pickleball complex on the north shore at Danny Cuniff Park, and unique programs like ParkSchool."

Forget Your Troubles, C'mon Get Happy!

We encourage you to join your friends, and neighbors as they enjoy everything the Park District has to offer. Our goal is to be welcoming and caring every day and provide you with extraordinary parks, programs, and events year-round.

Summer is in full swing; the beaches are beautiful, and open spaces like The Preserve have acres of accessible trails, paths, and playgrounds for the whole family to enjoy. Courts and diamonds, where all are welcome to come and play, await you. To help keep you motivated, Fall Registration is open!

You can find hundreds of exciting things to do on our website, 24/7.

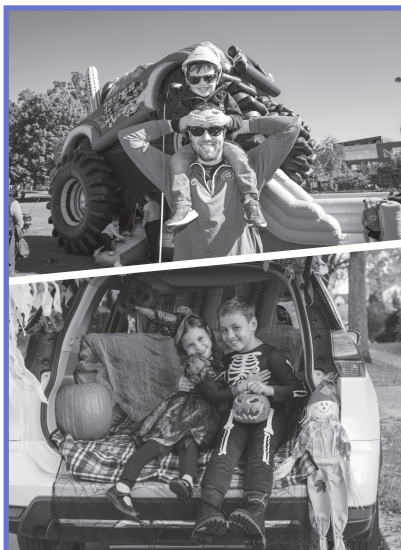
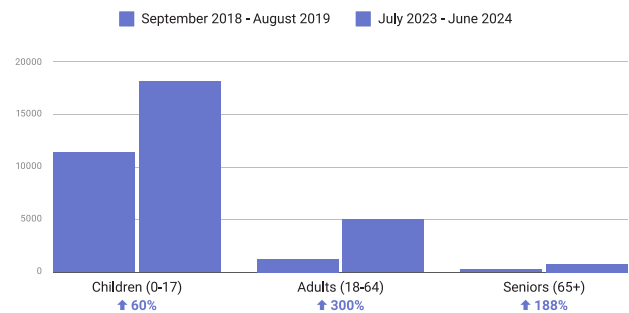
Parks remind us of the beauty and majesty of nature. A walk in the park is an easy way to press the pause button in a fast-paced world. Give it a try.

And here's a last bit of inspiration from someone you might not expect. We know he's right and wouldn't dream of ignoring his advice!

"YOU CAN'T TELL A KID THAT IT'S TIME TO EXERCISE; THAT'S A TURN-OFF. YOU HAVE TO SAY, 'LET'S GO TO THE PARK AND HAVE SOME FUN!' THEN YOU GET THEM TO DO SOME RUNNING, PLAY ON THE SWINGS, PRACTICE ON THE BALANCE BEAM, AND BASICALLY GET A FULL WORKOUT DISGUISED AS PLAY."

- Arnold Schwarzenegger

Total Participants by Age Group



FREE TRUNK or TREAT

Sat, Sep 28 • 9:30am - Noon

Hidden Creek AquaPark, Parking Lot (1220 Fredrickson Pl)

Check out the view from the driver's seat and pick up some treats along the way! The biggest, coolest, shiniest trucks around will be on display for exploring and trick or treating!

First half hour of the event is sensory-friendly, meaning no horns can be honked and there will be no sirens or flashing lights so children with sensory issues can enjoy the event.

Sensory Friendly: 9:30am-10am | Main Event: 10am-Noon

Registration is not required however costumes are encouraged, so just drop in!

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

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Projects in Progress

Exciting Projects Around Your Park District

Construction is expected to begin for the following projects:

- Port Clinton Park Playground Replacement
- Old Elm Park Playground Replacement & Ballfield Conversion
- Sunset Woods Park Improvements
- Woodridge Park Court Repair
- Kennedy Park Backstop Removal & Replacement
- Park Avenue North Beach Access Improvements
- Danny Cuniff Park Playground Fence Replacement & Tot Lot Resurfacing

Construction is expected to begin for the following projects:

- Lincoln Park Improvements
- Larry Fink Memorial Park Tot Lot Playground Renovation
- Rosewood Park Playground Renovation:

Scan to learn more about these and other projects



EVENTS & ACTIVITIES | Register at pdhp.org

Sun, Aug 18 | 9:30-11:30am | Honey Harvest Demo | Ages 8+
\$16, Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd • Learn how to harvest our honey with one of our naturalists and take home a small jar you harvested from the hives.

Sun, Aug 18 | 11am-Noon | Park Pop-Up Series: Dancing In The Park | All Ages
FREE, Sunset Woods Park, 1801 Sunset Road • Twist and shout to the music with our Dance teacher Miss Rebecca and HPHS dance clubs!

Fri, Aug 23 | 7-8:30pm | Glow Out and Play! | Ages 7-11
\$18, Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd • join us, the sunset, and perhaps a few last fireflies to delight in the science of glowing magic!

Sat, Aug 31 | 6:30-9:30pm | Park Pop-Up Series: Celebración in the Park | All Ages
FREE, Sunset Woods Park, 1801 Sunset Road • Celebrate the Hispanic and Latino cultures with an exciting performance by Trabuco Latin Salsa Band followed by an outdoor showing of Encanto.

Wed, Sep 4 | 10-11am | Stories in the Woods | Ages 6 mo - 6 yrs
\$6, Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd • Engage in a hands-on nature inspired activity, enjoy a story, and take a short hike.

Fri, Sep 6 | 6:30-7:30pm | Family Art Night | Ages 4+
\$15, West Ridge Center, 636 Ridge Rd • A delightful evening of creativity and bonding for all ages.

Sun, Sep 8 | 10am-1pm | Grandparents' Day | All Ages
\$13/child, \$25/Adult, Rosewood Beach, 883 Sheridan Rd • It's a celebration of seniors and all they do for us! Enjoy a catered brunch, while children participate in making nature-inspired gifts for their grandparent.

Wed, Sep 11 | 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 on the beach or in the ravine, and explore a nature activity that pairs with our story.

Fri, Sep 13 | 6:30-10pm | Swifties Under the Stars | All Ages
\$20, West Ridge Center, 636 Ridge Rd • Dive into the magic of Taylor Swift's iconic Eras Tour at Swifties Under the Stars!

Sun, Sep 15 | 10-11:30am | Fall Plant Patterns | Ages 6+
\$13, Rosewood Beach, 883 Sheridan Rd • Learn to identify plants the fast and easy way... by family resemblance!

Sun, Sep 15 | 11am-Noon | Amate Art | Ages 6+
\$13, Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd • Inspired by the Mexican art of making paper from traditional fibers, use recycled paper, natural materials, and paint to make our own amate paintings come to life!

Tue, Sep 17 | 6-7:15pm | Harvest Moon Yoga | Ages 13+
\$15, Rosewood Beach, 883 Sheridan Rd • Join us for a candlelight event at the beach in celebration of the Harvest Moon.

Wed, Sep 18 | 10-11am | Stories In The Woods | Ages 6 mo - 6 yrs
\$6, Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd • Engage in a hands-on nature inspired activity, enjoy a story, and take a short hike.

Fri, Sep 20 | 5-6pm | Apples & Honey Campfire | All Ages
\$15, The Preserve of Highland Park, 1207 Park Ave West • Join us for a seasonal delight: Apples roasted over a campfire, with honey to dip!

Sat, Sep 21 | 8am-2pm | "Smash for Charity" Pickleball Tournament
\$150/team, Danny Cuniff Park, 2700 Trail Way • Join the fun at our annual tournament! See details at pfhpil.org.

Wed, Sep 25 | 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 on the beach or in the ravine, and explore a nature activity that pairs with our story.

Fri, Sep 27 | 6:30-8pm | Campfire Folklore & Churros | All Ages
\$13, Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd • Gather around the campfire and listen to tales of Hispanic Folklore. Learn some Spanish words and create a folktale of your own, all we enjoy some churros.

Sat, Sep 28 | 9:30am-Noon | Trunk or Treat | All Ages
FREE, Hidden Creek AquaPark, 1220 Fredrickson Plaza • Check out the view from the driver's seat and pick up some treats along the way! See details on previous page.

Wed, Oct 2 | 10-11am | Stories in the Woods | Ages 6 mo - 6 yrs
\$6, Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd • Engage in a hands-on nature inspired activity, enjoy a story, and take a short hike.

Wed, Oct 2 | 6-7pm | Family Bingo Night - Space Odyssey | Ages 7+
\$15, West Ridge Center, 636 Ridge Rd • Prepare for an exhilarating Space Odyssey-themed Family Bingo Night!

Thu, Oct 3 | 9am-3pm | STREAM Explorers School Day Off | Ages 5-10
\$72, West Ridge Center, 636 Ridge Rd • Split between Heller Nature Center and West Ridge Center, this program features a variety of activities in Science, Technology, Recreation, Environment, Art, and more.

Sat, Oct 5 | 9:15-10am | Stories and Savasana Pop-Up | Ages 3-5
\$15, West Ridge Center, 636 Ridge Rd • Join author Arianna Brooks for sweet stories, stretches, and savasana with your tot!

Sat, Oct 5 | 10:15-11am | Little Global Explorers Pop-Up | Ages 3-5
\$15, West Ridge Center, 636 Ridge Rd • Jump aboard an imaginary airplane and fly to Australia with local children's book author, Arianna Brooks.

Wed, Oct 9 | 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 on the beach or in the ravine, and explore a nature activity that pairs with our story.

Sun, Oct 13 | 3-4pm | Lotería | All Ages
\$13, Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd • Let's play Lotería! This traditional Mexican game of brightly colored cards is easy to play if you're familiar with Bingo.

Wed, Oct 16 | 10-11am | Stories In The Woods | Ages 6 mo - 6 yrs
\$6, Heller Nature Center, 2821 Ridge Rd • Engage in a hands-on nature inspired activity, enjoy a story, and take a short hike.



For more events visit pdhp.org

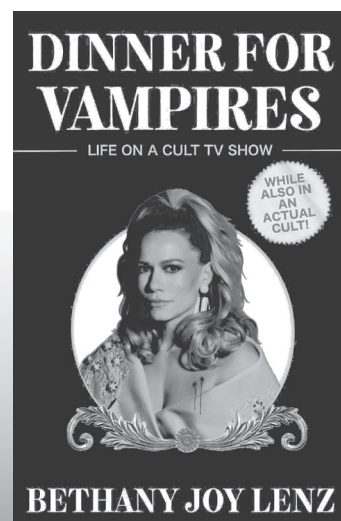
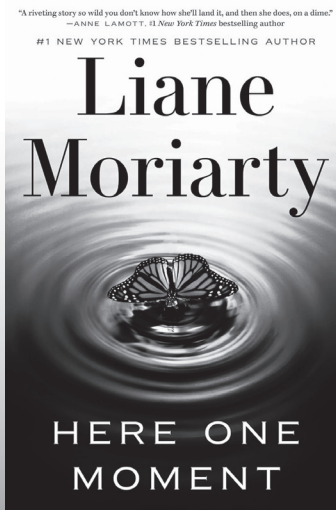
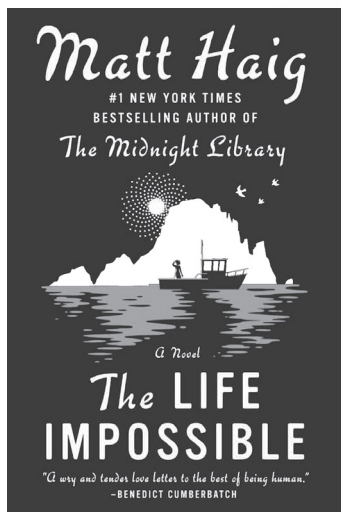
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Fall's BUZZY BOOKS

Check out these titles, coming this fall, that our librarians are recommending.



For more new books news, we've got you covered!

Fall Book Buzz

Thursday, September 12, 7 pm

Find out what to read this fall when librarians and book discussion leader Judy Levin highlight new fall titles. Join us for a fun evening and discover what to add to your TBR (to be read) pile or find new ideas for your book group.

Get Book News Delivered to Your Inbox

Receive news of new fall titles each week this fall (the big publishing season), and occasional emails throughout the year. Subscribe at hplibrary.org/newsletters.



Learn Something New This Fall With Library U!

Take a series of classes and learn something new. Register beginning Monday, August 26.

Learn Spanish, try poetry or memoir writing, or learn to play mah jongg or canasta. Visit hplibrary.org/libraryu for more information and to register.

Library U is a continuing adult education program made possible by the generous support of the Alvin H. Baum Family Fund. Fees apply for classes.

Volunteer Fair

Thursday, September 5
10 am – 12 pm

Looking for opportunities to volunteer and ways to get involved with community organizations? Stop by the Library to meet representatives from local organizations and find out about their volunteer needs.

Presented with the Volunteer Pool of Highland Park.

September is Library Card Sign-Up Month

Use your library card to access books, ebooks, audiobooks, and museum passes. Stream or download entertainment or take an online class. Visit the Library and select from one of our special cards or apply for a card at hplibrary.org.

Get started today and enjoy all that the Library has to offer!

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Books and Authors

Book Discussions

Register at hplibrary.org/events.
Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Noted book discussion leader Judy Levin leads the discussions.

***The House Is on Fire* by Rachel Beanland**

Tuesday September 10, 1 – 2:30 pm

***Chasing Beauty* by Natalie Dykstra**

Tuesday, October 8, 1 – 2:30 pm

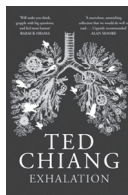
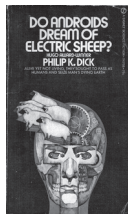
Davis Schneiderman, English professor at Lake Forest College, leads the discussions.

***Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?* by Phillip K. Dick**

**Wednesday, September 25
7 – 8:30 pm**

***Exhalation*, by Ted Chiang**

Wednesday, October 23, 7 – 8:30 pm



Meet The Author **Pamela D. Toler** ***The Dragon From Chicago: The Untold Story of an American Reporter in Nazi Germany***

Monday, August 19, 7 pm

Note for Note Concert Series

Join us for a multicultural concert series featuring diverse genres and musical performances. Find more information at hplibrary.org/notefornote or scan the QR code.

Funded by a grant from the Highland Park Community Foundation.



Missing in Chicago

Tuesday, August 27, 7 pm

Reporters Sarah Conway and Trina Reynolds-Tyler discuss “Missing in Chicago,” their Pulitzer Prize-winning investigative series that exposed patterns of mismanagement in Chicago police’s handling of missing persons cases — which disproportionately affect Black women and girls.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Memory Cafe Senior-Friendly Fitness

Thursday, September 19, 1:30 – 2:30 pm

A safe space and social gathering place for individuals, loved ones, and caregivers who live with memory loss, mild cognitive impairment, early Alzheimer’s, or other dementias. Join us at the Library to socialize and explore a topic that engages the senses. A fitness instructor from Beans Fitness will lead a senior-friendly exercise session. Register at hplibrary.org/events.

Nobody’s Fool: Why We Get Taken In and What We Can Do About It

Thursday, September 19, 7 pm

We’re all susceptible to misinformation, often spreading it unknowingly. Dan Simons, professor and co-author of *Nobody’s Fool*, explains how deception works, how to recognize the signs, and how we can empower ourselves. Join us on Zoom. Register at hplibrary.org/events.

Presented with multiple libraries and the League of Women Voters of Illinois Mis/Disinformation Task Force.

Banned Books Week

September 22 – 28

Celebrate the right to read and the freedom found in books during Banned Books Week.

The ABCs of Book Banning

Monday, September 23, 7 pm

View a screening of the Academy Award-nominated short documentary film *The ABCs of Book Banning* followed by a Q&A session with Heidi Smith, executive director of the Library.

Make an “I Read Banned Books” button before or after the film screening. Drop in from 6 – 8 pm.

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Fun For Kids!

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Se requiere registrarse. Regístrate en hplibrary.org/events.

Homeschool Meetup

Tuesday, September 3, October 1, 12 – 1:30 pm
Ages 5 – 14

Meet other homeschool families and enjoy crafts and/or activities.

Messy Monday

Monday, September 9, 9:30 – 10:30 am
Ages 5 and younger accompanied by a caregiver

Join us for messy fun! Be ready to explore, play, and get your hands dirty!

Sewing Basics: Star Pillow **R**

Wednesday, September 18, 5 – 7 pm
Ages 10 – 14

Learn the basics of sewing and create a cool and comfy pillow. Supplies provided. Register at hplibrary.org/events.

Drop-In Playdate

Friday, October 11, 10:30 – 11:30 am
Ages 5 and younger accompanied by a caregiver

Drop by for a Library playdate! Try out our toy collection as you meet other little ones and their caregivers.

Grab & Go Craft

Leaf Silhouette Art

Monday, September 23 – Sunday, September 29.
Ages 5 – 14

Create a unique fall leaf that is ready to show off. Pick up your kit at the Youth Services desk while supplies last.

Storytimes

Raise a reader. Storytimes feature activities designed to foster pre-reading skills.

Space is limited. Check in at the Youth Services desk 30 minutes prior to the start of storytime. Children must be the correct age.

Baby Booktime

Wednesdays, September 11, 25, October 9, 23
10 – 10:30 am or 11:30 am – 12 pm
Babies – 18 months accompanied by a caregiver
Enjoy stories, rhymes, and songs.

Rock & Read

Mondays, September 16, 30, October 14
10:30 – 11 am or
Thursdays, September 5, 19, October 3, 17
10:30 – 11 am or 11:30 am – 12 pm
18 months – 3 years accompanied by a caregiver
Let's rock! Join us for a musical storytime where you can make lots of noise. Explore instruments, listen to stories, and sing along!

Please attend only one session per week.

Storytime Live!

Tuesdays, September 10, 24, October 8, 22
1 – 1:30 pm
Ages 3 – 5 accompanied by a caregiver
Read stories, sing songs, and more.

PJ Storytime

Thursdays, September 12, October 10
6:30 – 7 pm
Ages 3 – 5 accompanied by a caregiver
Put on your jammies and join us for a fun family storytime featuring stories, songs, and more!

Sábado Morning Stories

Saturday, September 28, 10 – 10:30 am
Families with children up to age 5
Sábado, 28 de Septiembre, 10 – 10:30 am
Para familias con niños hasta cinco años
Join us for a bilingual family storytime! Enjoy stories and songs in Spanish, English, or both!

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



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Business

Support Downtown Highland Park Businesses During Construction!

Highland Park's Central Business District is receiving a major facelift! Construction is underway to allow for newly paved streets, expanded pedestrian walkways, ADA accessibility, increased outdoor dining space, and inviting new streetscape, including new benches, lighting, and landscape. We appreciate all of your patience and feedback during all improvement projects.

Downtown Highland Park businesses are open throughout ongoing construction! Please continue to shop and dine local and support businesses while construction is underway.

Check out business listings, spotlights and more at enjoyhighlandpark.com/downtownhp to find your next shopping or dining destination in Downtown Highland Park.



Business Report

New Service Businesses

Flexx Personal Training Highland Park
1946 First Street
847.860.6338 | flexxpersonaltraining.com

Keshet
799 Central Avenue, Suite 300
847.205.1234 | keshet.org
Programs for children and adults with disabilities

Business Relocation

Accessorize Me
1442 Skokie Valley Road
847.926.7346 | accessorizemeinstyle.com
Fashion Accessories

Bella Via Ristorante
431 Temple Avenue
847.681.8300 | bellaviahighlandpark.com

Children's Theatre Company
425 Laurel Avenue, Suite B
847.997.1317 | thechildrenstheatrecocom
Musical Theatre classes and programs

Under New Ownership

RMarts Shell HP
1411 Park Avenue
847.433.6633 | rmarts.net
Gas Station and Convenience Store

RMarts Shell North Shore
10 Skokie Valley Road
847.236.0930 | rmarts.net
Gas Station, Convenience Store, Car Wash

Business Recognition: 25 Years

Gordon Salon
653 Central Ave.
847.266.7777 | gordonsalon.com
Gordon Salon is celebrating 25 years in business. A business that carries on the legacy of five generations of hairdressing in the Gordon family, Gordon Salon offers a full range of hair and beauty services. From cuts, styling, hair color, smoothing treatments, extensions and more, stop in to treat yourself and congratulate Tony Gordon, his family, and the rest of the team on their continued success.

Business Recognition: 25 Years

Norton's Restaurant
1905 Sheridan Rd.
847.432.3287 | nortons-restaurant.com
Norton's Restaurant is celebrating 25 years in business. Often described by locals as "The Cheers of Highland Park," Norton's was founded in 1999 by childhood friends and North Shore natives Richard Holleb and Jeffrey Mages. Norton's is a family-oriented restaurant that offers straightforward traditional American fare, a wide variety of drinks, alfresco dining, and frequent live evening entertainment. Open for lunch and dinner, Norton's energetic atmosphere, delicious food, and friendly staff keeps patrons coming back time and time again.