



# HATE HAS NO HOME HERE.

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## Message from Mayor Rotering

Mayor Rotering reiterates the City's commitment to stand against racism, discrimination, and injustice in a statement responding to the tragic death of George Floyd.

## Celebrate July 4th

Show your patriotic spirit with opportunities for a community-wide virtual celebration. As the holiday falls on a Saturday, there are no changes to the refuse or recycling collection schedule.

## Message from Chief Jogmen

Chief of Police Lou Jogmen shares information about the Highland Park Police Department's commitment to fair and equitable policing.

## Access City Services Online

The City encourages all residents to take advantage of convenient online access to services while City buildings remain closed due to COVID-19.

# Hate Has No Home Here

## Message from Mayor Nancy R. Rotering

Our nation is in pain. We mourn the recent murders of Black Americans including George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Tony McDade, Ahmaud Arbery, and so many others whose names we haven't even heard. During this difficult time, it is important to reiterate that we as a City stand against racism, discrimination and the systemic injustices that have existed since our nation's founding. There must not be another name added to this list.

Necessary and meaningful changes are long overdue. It is up to each of us to ensure that change is far-reaching, swift, meaningful, and lasting. If we pledge "With liberty and justice for all," then we cannot allow racism and injustice to persist. It is our responsibility to take action.

We can start by listening more and talking less, resisting the urge to respond with a better or different insight, educating ourselves and others with factual information about systemic racism, and being empathic allies.

I speak for all of us at the City and ask that you join us as we work to build more bridges and move forward together as one community. We are a welcoming community and a caring community. Join us in upholding our values and actions as outlined in the City of Highland Park Statement Against Hate:

*The City of Highland Park unequivocally condemns any racist, misogynistic, anti-Semitic, anti-LGBT, ableist, or otherwise hate-motivated groups or individuals who are threatening any form of violent acts, bigoted harassment on, or discrimination against our residents, visitors, or city staff. This behavior is never acceptable, but it is particularly outrageous that any groups would further an agenda of hate and fear.*

*Highland Park will take every possible action to ensure that residents, workers, and visitors will not face discrimination or harassment. Violent threats have no place in our country, state, or city, and will not be tolerated. Reports of such hate*

*crimes are of great concern. Be assured that the City's Police Department will continue to work closely with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and other law enforcement agencies to ensure the continued safety of our community.*

*It is vitally important that our community holds to our values and stands together in denouncing all acts of bigotry and violence. Hate has no home in Highland Park or anywhere.*

These words, carefully crafted by elected and appointed officials and City staff, represent who we are as a community. The words are not an end, but a beginning. They will continue to guide all of us individually and collectively as we move forward peacefully, passionately, and with purpose to heal and seek to make our community and our nation better. The City of Highland Park will not waiver in its commitment to equal rights and respect for all.

*Nancy R. Rotering*



## A Virtual 4th of July Celebration

In observance of current rules about physical distancing, the City and Park District will not host the traditional 4th of July Day Parade, Fourth Fest, or fireworks display at Wolters Field. All residents are invited to join in a 2020 virtual celebration by participating in the following suggested activities:

- Fly a US flag, hang patriotic bunting, and decorate your home or business with red, white, and blue lights or light up the evening with luminaries. Email images of your decorations to [cityhp@cityhpil.com](mailto:cityhp@cityhpil.com) for possible posting on the City's social media.
- Virtual 4th of July Parade: Be part of the City's social media celebration by submitting a photo or video. Full guidelines for submissions will be posted at [cityhpil.com/july4](https://cityhpil.com/july4).
- Record yourself singing the National Anthem and email your video to [cityhp@cityhpil.com](mailto:cityhp@cityhpil.com) for a chance to be included in a compilation video.
- Enjoy celebratory activities from the Park District of Highland Park ([pdhp.org](https://pdhp.org)) and the Highland Park Public Library ([hplibrary.org](https://hplibrary.org)).

- Join the Highland Park Historical Society for a virtual trivia contest and other activities ([highlandparkhistory.com](https://highlandparkhistory.com)).
- Virtual Kids' and Pet Parade: The Highland Park Chamber of Commerce invites all children and their pets to 'participate' virtually with a photo or brief video of children with their decorated bikes and pets. Visit [chamberhp.com](https://chamberhp.com) for more information.
- Create a festive coloring sheet to display in your window, watch a movie about Independence Day, research your family history and more with resources at [cityhpil.com/july4](https://cityhpil.com/july4).



City administrative services are not available on Friday, **July 3** in observance of Independence Day. Residents may call Public Safety at **847.432.7730** if assistance is required.

Since the holiday falls on Saturday, July 4, there is no change to the weekly refuse and recycling collection schedule. Questions? Call Lakeshore Recycling Systems at **773.685.8811**.

## A Commitment to Fair and Equitable Policing

Message from Highland Park Chief of Police, Lou Jogmen

We as a City are terribly disturbed by the recent death of George Floyd and the systemic injustices suffered by so many for so long.

The Police Department and I deeply value our community relationships. We work to ensure that people of color living in or visiting Highland Park are treated fairly and respectfully. The City of Highland Park prioritizes eliminating hate and bias in our community and together we work to reflect the values of our community. I am proud of this partnership and our efforts.

In the wake of the horrific murder of George Floyd and the events that followed, I want to update you regarding our daily work to address issues of bias and hate.

- Highland Park officers receive significant training, focusing on civil rights, human rights, procedural justice, cultural competency, as well as constitutional and proper use of law

enforcement authority.

- Highland Park officers require training on moral and ethical decision making, stereotyping and abuse of authority, empathizing and connecting with individuals, hate-crime legislation, cultural diversity training, and implicit bias training with the Anti-Defamation League.

- Through work on behalf of the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police, I recently partnered with the Illinois NAACP to develop 10 Shared Principles of Law Enforcement. These principles focus on understanding the problems faced by communities of color and their experiences with law enforcement and identifies improvements that need to be made. Every member of our police department has committed to these principles of fair policing, making us the first department in the state to do so. Since we made this commitment, over 160 other departments have followed our lead.

- We meet with high school students, bringing members of law enforcement together with students of color and establishing on-going dialogues.

- Highland Park officers have participated in city-wide anti-bullying initiatives.

- We value and uphold the City of Highland Park Statement Against Hate.

- We feel strongly that our staff reflect the community we serve. To that end, we work hard to recruit minority officers and have developed a departmental culture that respects and values the rights of all people, from every background.

It is vitally important that our community holds to our values and stands together in denouncing all acts of bigotry and violence. Hate has no home in Highland Park or anywhere.

**Lou Jogmen, Chief of Police**

**COVID-19 Resources:**  
[cityhpil.com/covid-19](http://cityhpil.com/covid-19)

**Call 4 Calm**  
free emotional support text line,  
Text "TALK" to 552020

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Updates



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



[www.facebook.com/HighlandParkIL](http://www.facebook.com/HighlandParkIL)



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[www.youtube.com/user/CityHPIL](http://www.youtube.com/user/CityHPIL)



### Sign Up for Smart911

Smart911 is critical to your safety. The City's Smart 911 service provides time sensitive emergency alerts to your phone via text or phone call. It also provides emergency services with important information about you and any household members during an emergency, such as your address, medical conditions, and emergency contacts. The City strongly encourages all residents and businesses to create a Smart911 profile. Smart911 registrants will receive an alert to update their Safety Profile every 6 months to ensure information is accurate and up-to date.

Register at [smart911.com](http://smart911.com). All information is confidential.



### City Services Now Digital

While City buildings remain closed to walk-in business in light of the coronavirus pandemic, City staff are working remotely and providing the same service levels to the community. In an effort to protect the health and wellbeing of residents and City staff, residents are encouraged to conduct business with the City online, by mail, or by phone to limit in-person interactions. Many transactions can be done online including licensing, administrative hearings, building permits, vital records, and records requests. For a complete list of City online interactions, by phone, or by mail, visit [cityhpil.com](http://cityhpil.com).

# Our Community



## Historic District Walking Tours

Looking for a new perspective of the City? Four walking tours of Highland Park's historical architecture, produced by the Historic Preservation Commission, are available at [cityhpil.com/walkingtours](http://cityhpil.com/walkingtours). Each tour includes a map and an audio clip about each of the homes included on the tour.



## Water Conservation Tips

Summer's rising temperatures often lead to rising water use for lawn irrigation. "Peak" water use occurs this time of year, usually June through September, when residential water use is highest due to an increase in outdoor water use.

Overwatering lawns and landscape areas may increase the average residential water use from 260 gallons per day to 1,000 gallons per day. One simple way to reduce water usage is to step on your grass; if it springs back, the lawn doesn't need more water. If your lawn needs water, irrigate in the cooler hours of early morning or evening. Also, direct or adjust sprinklers to spray the lawn and not the sidewalk.

Please follow the odd and even sprinkling restriction for the summer months. For more tips on water conservation, visit [www.cityhpil.com/waterconservation](http://www.cityhpil.com/waterconservation).



## COVID-19 Resources

The City's website at [cityhpil.com/covid-19](http://cityhpil.com/covid-19) is regularly updated with resources to assist community members in navigating the COVID-19 pandemic. Recent updates include a detailed Restore Illinois FAQ and a new page to highlight reopening efforts in the City of Highland Park. An overview of these initiatives is available on the back cover of this issue of the *Highlander*. Visit [cityhpil.com/restorehp](http://cityhpil.com/restorehp) to learn more.

The City's map of restaurants providing curbside pickup, delivery, or carryout has now been updated to denote those restaurants providing outdoor dining service. Visit [cityhpil.com/restaurantmap](http://cityhpil.com/restaurantmap) to access the map and enjoy a delicious dinner al fresco this summer.

Other resources available on the City's website include community resources, volunteer opportunities, mental health and wellness links and more. Find these resources at [cityhpil.com/covid-19](http://cityhpil.com/covid-19).



## Motorcycle Safety

Citizens can expect to see more motorcycles and motorized scooters with warmer weather. All riders are encouraged to enroll in a local motorcycle riders training program that includes classroom and hands-on training. Attendance can reduce the likelihood and severity of a crash by teaching risk management skills and developing essential riding skills. Contact the Motorcycle Safety Foundation at [www.msfsa.org](http://www.msfsa.org). Participants may receive lower insurance rates by attending these classes.

The most common causes of motorcycle crashes occur when:

- A vehicle turns left in front of a motorcycle that has the right-of-way
- A vehicle rear-ends a slowing or stopping motorcycle
- A vehicle changes lanes and strikes a motorcycle
- A motorcycle exceeds the speed limit or drives too fast for conditions
- A motorcyclist collides with an animal

Motorcycle and motorized scooter riders should wear proper protective clothing, which includes a Department of Transportation approved helmet, eye protection, jacket, gloves, pants and boots. To increase their visibility to other motorists, contrasting or light colored clothing should be worn by motorcyclists. Motorcyclists are encouraged to utilize turn signals, avoid traveling in a vehicle's blind spot and adhere to traffic laws. Motorists are encouraged to "Start Seeing Motorcycles."

For questions, please contact Police Sergeant Sean Curran at the police non-emergency number **847.432.7730**.



## Census 2020

The 2020 Census self-response deadline is fast approaching! Beginning in August, households that have not completed the official Census survey will begin to receive follow-ups from the U.S. Census Bureau. Completing your Census self-response survey is not only easy but vitally important to our democracy. The data collected through the decennial Census informs representation in Congress and allocation of federal funding, and provides aggregate data for future planning of emergency and community services. Some households may also be invited to participate in the 2020 Household Pulse survey, designed to measure the impact of COVID-19 on American families and businesses. The first batch of real-time Household Pulse data is now available to view at [census.gov/householdpulsedata](http://census.gov/householdpulsedata).

Complete the Census survey online at [my2020census.gov](http://my2020census.gov), by phone at 844.330.2020, or by returning the paper questionnaire that was mailed to you. All information collected by the Census Bureau is confidential. Learn more about the decennial Census at [2020census.gov](http://2020census.gov).



# Community Calendar

## *Ravinia Neighbors Association Presents* **Ravinia Farmers Market**

**Priority Shopping Hours: 7 - 8AM**

For safety for immunocompromised individuals, pregnant parents, & those at elevated risk for COVID-19

**General Public Hours: 8AM - 1PM**

**Wednesdays, June 3 thru Oct. 28**

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

Open rain or shine

RFM Manager Ed Kugler, 847.561.1302

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

Following COVID-19 special operating guidelines, the Ravinia Farmers Market includes up to 20 vendors offering fresh produce, meat, cheese, bakery goods, flowers and more.

- If you are sick, stay home.
- Please wear a face covering or mask and maintain a 6' distance between yourself, vendor employees and other customers.
- This is not a family event; limit attendance to one (1) person per household.
- Please no dogs at the Market unless it is a service dog.
- Please do not touch any of the produce or products. No hand-to-hand contact at the Market.
- Customers are encouraged to order items in advance online or check out vendor information before you shopping at the Market. There will be no lingering or gathering at the Market.
- Use credit or debit cards or no touch payments; no change will be given with cash purchases.

## *The Art Center of Highland Park* **Art in the Time of Quarantine - A Virtual Exhibition**

**June 19 - August 1**

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

How do artists connect in an era of separation? Do we connect through our art and if so how? In spite of the closures, there seems to be a constant, a unifying drive to do what artists have done throughout history. Artists continue to create. How they share their work may have changed, but the need to express our reactions to the world are vital.

### **Highland Park Players**

Stay up to date with the Highland Park Players! Check out many shows from the past on our YouTube page! Check-in on our Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram pages every Thursday for some #ThrowbackThursday photos of our past productions! Be sure to follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram for all things Highland Park Players! We can't wait to bring back live theatre to Highland Park and our surrounding communities!

*Highland Park Poetry presents*

### **Art Gets in Your Eyes 2020**

Poems accompanying many of the public art works throughout Highland Park's streets, trails, and parks will have you seeing art in a whole new way. For a complete list of poems and public art locations included in this year's display, visit [www.HighlandParkPoetry.org](http://www.HighlandParkPoetry.org).

Face coverings show  
respect for others  
and are required  
when 6' distance is  
not possible

## *Uptown Music Theater of Highland Park* **Music Theater Online Programs**

[umthp.org](http://umthp.org) or 847.877.0805

Uptown Music Theater of Highland Park is planning some fun online music theater programs this summer. You can view a recent performance of Les Miz's "One Day More" by our community during the quarantine and information about upcoming events at [umthp.org](http://umthp.org) or on Facebook [@uptownhp](https://www.facebook.com/uptownhp).

### **Affordable Housing Information**

**Tuesday, July 14, 6PM**

**Tuesday, August 4, 6PM**

Community Partners for Affordable  
Housing (CPAH)

400 Central Avenue, Suite 111

847.263.7478 ext. 10 / [CPAHousing.org](http://CPAHousing.org)

All staff available by phone and email. Classes and info sessions via Zoom while CPAH's offices closed. Register at [www.cpahousing.org/class-registration/](http://www.cpahousing.org/class-registration/) or call above. Meetings will be offered by Zoom as needed. Registration required in order to provide Zoom information.



## **Voluntary Sanitary Sewer Lateral Cost Sharing Program**

The Voluntary Sewer Lateral Cost Sharing Program assists residents in alleviating sewage backups into homes by paying up to 20% of the total cost of the sanitary sewer backup improvements, or a maximum of \$1,260, whichever is less.

The City's sanitary sewer mains and residents' sewer laterals pipe sizes are designed to carry only waste water coming from the homes or businesses. These pipes are not meant to carry rain water. If the sanitary sewer lateral is not properly maintained (*no breaks or leaks*), these pipes will contribute to inflow and infiltration (*I/I*) of storm water of laterals and eventually to City's sanitary sewer mains. The additional stormwater in the sanitary sewer could lead to City sewer sur-

charges resulting in sewer backups of residential laterals.

Prior to the City authorizing the cost sharing program, a building permit will be required for the work. As part of the building permit, the City will inspect the property for any cross connection of storm sewer laterals to sanitary sewer laterals. If found, the property owners are required to disconnect the cross connection laterals at their own expense. Upon approval of building permit inspections, the City would reimburse 20% of the total cost of the improvement, or a maximum of \$1,260, whichever is less. For more information, please visit [www.cityhphil.com/sewerlateral](http://www.cityhphil.com/sewerlateral) or contact the Public Works Department at 847.926.1150.



## Floodplain Information and National Flood Insurance Program

The City in partnership with Lake County Stormwater Management Commission (LCSMC), Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR), and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) administer the floodplain management program. FEMA designates the floodplain areas through its Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM). Within our City, floodplain areas are primarily designated along Skokie River and Middle Fork of the North Branch of the Chicago River. The common flood plain area, Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), is defined as the area that will be inundated by the flood event having a 1-percent chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year. The 1-percent annual chance flood is also referred to as the base flood or 100-year flood. SFHAs within the City are typically labeled on the FIRM as Zone A. Whereas Zone X (shaded) are areas between limits of the base flood and 0.2-percent annual chance flood or 500-year flood. Additional information is available at: [www.fema.gov/flood-zones](http://www.fema.gov/flood-zones).

The City is a certified National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) community. FEMA provides residents with subsidized flood insurance rates as a good standing member of the NFIP. The NFIP program aims to reduce the impact of flooding on private and public structures by providing affordable insurance to property owners, renters and businesses and by encouraging communities to adopt and enforce floodplain management regulations. Visit [www.floodsmart.gov](http://www.floodsmart.gov).

To determine if a particular lot is in the floodplain, please see options below:

1. Visit the FEMA Map Service Center website, [msc.fema.gov](http://msc.fema.gov). Type in an address to view the map online. Scale your lot on the map to see the limits of floodplain.
2. Visit the Lake County website, <https://maps.lakecountyil.gov/mapsonline> and under Layer List click on National Flood Hazard Layer and zoom in to your property.
3. Visit [cityhpil.com](http://cityhpil.com), under Quick Links click on Interactive Maps and turn on Highland Park Layer. Zoom in to your property. Or contact Public Works' Engineering Division at **847.432.0807** for floodplain information. City staff does not disclose the FEMA flood zone information over the phone for lots, which are close to the floodplain areas. You may view the FIRM maps at Department of Public Works located at 1150 Half Day Rd. Please call ahead if you plan to visit.

The City regulates all development within the flood plain lots per the requirements of Lake County Watershed Development Ordinance (WDO) and City Code, which requires properties to comply with both City and FEMA floodplain requirements. Typically, City floodplain elevation is a foot higher than FEMA floodplain elevation providing additional protection. For information, contact Emmanuel Gomez, P.E, City Engineer at **847.432.0807**.

## Moraine Township

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

### Food Pantry Drive Thru Keeping Residents, Volunteers & Staff Safe During a Challenging Time



**Moraine Township Assistance**  
for Residents Call **847.432.3240** /  
Si conoce a alguien que necesita  
ayuda comuniquese con nosotros:  
**847.432.3240**

Food Pantry: Tuesdays / los martes -  
10AM to 2PM

Emergency Assistance for rent/  
mortgage or other emergency needs

SNAP (AKA Food Stamps) application  
assistance

Other resources and referrals for help

Medicaid application assistance

Health Insurance on the Federal  
Marketplace: Certified Application  
Counselors help residents who have lost  
health insurance enroll on the Federal  
Marketplace and obtain the premium  
subsidies and help with co-pays and  
deductibles they are eligible for based  
on their current income.

Free Income Tax Preparation for low-  
income taxpayers call **847.780.6644**  
to schedule an appointment. Filing  
deadline for 2019 income tax returns is  
July 15, 2020.

**Moraine Township**  
**Assessor Office**

**847.432.2100**

Call the Assessor's office with questions  
or for help applying for the Senior  
Assessment Freeze.

To qualify for the senior assessment  
freeze, taxpayers must:

- Be 65 years of age or older
- Have owned and occupied the home  
as their principal residence on January  
1 of each of the past two years
- Have a total household income of  
\$65,000



# 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. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Senior Center is currently closed and the Highland Park Connector bus is also out of service.

Despite the interruptions to regularly scheduled programming, the Highland Park Senior Center is committed to offering high-quality, virtual activities throughout these unprecedented times. Interactive programs are carefully selected in order to bring people together, make connections, and promote a feeling of inclusion in an uplifting and supportive community. If you have an idea for, or would like to volunteer to facilitate a unique virtual program, please email Christina at [cearle@cityhpil.com](mailto:cearle@cityhpil.com) or call **847.432.4110** to leave a voice mail.

Current Zoom programs include:

**BEGINNING BRIDGE** - Volunteer instructor David Nehmadi, ACBL Certified Best Practices Teacher, will teach Bridge from square one. No previous knowledge or experience necessary.

**BINGO** - Calling all Bingo lovers! Enjoy an afternoon of virtual fun, friends and an exciting chance to win some prizes! Open to the first 30 participants to join the ZOOM meeting. *Sponsored by Aperion Care*

**BOOK CLUB** - Professional facilitator, Alice Moody, leads an engaging and topical discussion. Explore notions of theme, style, tone and perspective, and connect the reading with your own personal experiences.

**KNITTING** - Join other knitters from the comfort of your own home to enjoy a morning of chatting and knitting together! Share your tips and tricks for the perfect purl stitch.

**NATURE BYOBrunch and Learn** - Various nature and environmental programs presented in cooperation with PDHP. *Sponsored by Radford Green.*

**NEWS & VIEWS** - Senior Center members gather virtually for a lively, intellectual discussion on worldwide, nationwide and local current events.

**SHARING THE GOOD** - Welcome to a place where you can share a smile with others. "Sharing the Good" is where members come together and share either personal, uplifting stories or ones you have heard or read about.

Senior Center virtual programs are free for members of the Highland Park Senior Center. If you would like to become a member or would like membership information, please email Mike at [mswanson@cityhpil.com](mailto:mswanson@cityhpil.com) or call **847.432.4110** to leave a voice mail.

Staff recognizes the Stay at Home order has been difficult for many, and together with events being covered on the news, members may experience feelings of despair. Should you feel sad, depressed or overwhelmed, and would like to speak with the Senior Center's Social Services Coordinator, please email Jennifer at [jaiello@cityhpil.com](mailto:jaiello@cityhpil.com) or call **847.432.4110** to leave a voice mail.

For general information or questions about the Highland Park Senior Center, please email Laura at [Lfrey@cityhpil.com](mailto:Lfrey@cityhpil.com).





## SCHOOLING MAY NEVER LOOK THE SAME AGAIN!

This was one of the strangest school years in modern District history! We stopped in-person schooling on March 12, and we've been educating our nearly 4000 students in grades PK-8 remotely. What an unusual way to end the school year. While our #1 focus was on finishing this school year as strongly as possible on June 4th, we have had our eyes and plans on returning to school in the fall.

During the "crisis shift to e-Learning" our teachers, staff, administrators, students, and parents were amazing! Never before had we ever embarked upon a complete and total shift in service delivery in a period of days and weeks. Together we experienced learning at home and learning from a distance. We learned new ways to connect educationally, socially, emotionally, and we made it.

During the e-Learning period, with a partner organization, ECRA Group, we administered surveys to parents, students, and staff. Their insights and input (excerpts shared here) will help to guide and inform our District commitment to continuous improvement and enhancement of e-Learning and overall education moving forward. The results show that 24% of our middle school students, 37% of parents, and 67% of staff were satisfied or very satisfied with e-learning.

Additionally, 79% of students, 88% of parents, and 82% of staff reported satisfactory Internet service at home for e-learning. In addition to the multiple-choice responses, there were many open-ended responses with very detailed feedback to the District on both high points and low points with respect to the student, parent, and staff experience with e-learning.

In anticipation of next year's reopening, we are pouring over content and planning and guidance from the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC), Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), other state plans and professional association guidelines for returning to school. The guidance on return to school from the state of Illinois is forthcoming. We will provide a formal update on June 30, 2020, at the regular Board of Education meeting.

Our Back to School planning is focused on keeping student learning at the forefront - safe, healthy, and intentional focus on learning.

Generally, we are anticipating three prongs as we return to school:

1. In-Person schooling - with health safeguards. We are waiting for the Illinois Department of Public Health/Illinois State Board of Education return to schooling guidance
2. Hybrid Approach - some in-person schooling and some remote learning 2.0
3. Remote Learning - taking what worked in the crisis, what we learned in the crisis, and input from the surveys to refine and improve e-Learning

We know that the past few months have been challenging. Our students, staff, and families continue to be in our thoughts as we collectively experience this pandemic. We are stronger when we work together and appreciate the support, care, and attention that our staff and you have provided our students during this difficult time.



## District 113 | Class of 2020 and Preparing for School Year 2020-21



First things first, congratulations to the Class of 2020!

We know all of our students did not have the spring they expected, and for our graduating seniors, this was an especially difficult time. Given the constraints of Phase 3 of Governor Pritzker's plan to reopen Illinois, Highland Park High School held a virtual graduation for the entire class June 3 and will be presenting diplomas to individual graduates over four days beginning June 18. While social distancing means we cannot all be together to celebrate in all of the traditional ways, the District 113 community is proud of the Class of 2020, their accomplishments and resiliency, and we look forward to what they have chosen to do next.

As I write this we are in an intensive planning process to launch school year 2020-21. While we don't know what the next year will bring, we are planning for Remote Learning 2.0. Using the feedback from students, teachers and parents, we are working to improve upon the remote learning experience from spring and refine it for next year. We are grateful to the Board of Education for giving us the time at the end of the 2019-20 school year to plan so that we are ready to deploy remote learning next year. A report on all of this work will go to the Board on June 15 and we will share more information with our families and the community after that.

People often think that summer is a slow time for schools. I can tell you that summer is never slow, there is always so much work to do to prepare for the following school year. This summer will be even busier because there is so much uncertainty ahead. While holding school onsite is what all of us want and offers the best experience for students, the governor said in May that schools need to be ready to deliver instruction in multiple ways. Phase 4 of the governor's plan says the schools can reopen, but opening is also juxtaposed with a restricted size of gatherings of groups of 50 people or fewer. It is not until Phase 5 that we hold school as we normally do, onsite uninterrupted from August until June.

As we await expected guidance from the Illinois State Board of Education and the Illinois Department of Public Health on opening school, we will have teams working all summer so that we will be ready to open school in whatever format that guidance dictates. Administrators are in constant contact with colleagues with other high school districts, our Project 440 partners, our municipal partners, and other local and state agencies. District 113 will continue those conversations and we will be planning all summer to determine how we will hold school, how we will pivot between remote learning and onsite instruction if that becomes necessary, and how we will offer as many co-curricular opportunities as possible under such conditions while engaging with students to support their social emotional well-being.

While you will have a break from hearing from me here because this is the June/July issue of *The Highlander*, I encourage you to go to our website at [dist113.org](https://dist113.org) to join our mailing list and follow us on social media because I will be providing updates when appropriate over the summer. I hope that all of you can enjoy some of the delights we typically attribute to summer even if this summer won't be like any other summer. The next time you read my letter it will be August, when I look forward to updating you again. It is my sincere hope that we will be onsite as we start the year, we will prepare as best we can for the unexpected, so that whatever the new school year brings it will be a good start and a safe start.

Bruce Law, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT DURING THESE VERY CHALLENGING TIMES

*For updates and information on Park District of Highland Park events, programs, and facilities visit us at [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!

# June & July In-Person Programs

adult • early childhood • youth/teen

New in-person programs are now available. This summer you and your family can enjoy a variety of outdoor programs and mini-camps including golf, tennis, nature, recreation, gymnastics, fitness, and more. In-person programs are now included in our monthly digital brochure. Additional in-person programs are being added constantly, so check back often.

New virtual programs include art, theater and dance classes, professional golf, tennis, and baseball swing analysis, E-Sports tournaments, and much more. Don't miss out on this excellent opportunity to add in-person or virtual recreation, fitness, art, sports, and leisure back into your routine.

**June Programs going on now! Register today at [pdhp.org](http://pdhp.org)**  
**July brochure coming soon!**



## About Us

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

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## Live & In-Person!

**We're looking forward to seeing you again!**

### Deer Creek Racquet Club | 701 Deer Creek Pkwy

*Private Lessons, Court Reservations, Tennis Programs and Mini Camps Now Available!*

### Recreation Center of Highland Park | 1207 Park Ave W

*Get in and Get Fit! Now Open for Personal Training and Outdoor Group Fitness Classes.*

### Highland Park Golf Learning Center | 2205 Skokie Valley Rd

*Driving Range and Mini-Golf Course Now Open! Golf Lessons also available!*

**For more information visit [pdhp.org](http://pdhp.org)**

## Exercise Your Heart & Pay It Forward

**Now, more than ever,  
local families need your help.**

Living an enriched and healthy lifestyle should not be constrained by financial hardship.

The Parks Foundation of Highland Park is dedicated to giving every resident the opportunity to participate in Park District programs.

If you are enjoying our online classes, or social media content please remember your neighbors in need and donate to the Parks Foundation of Highland Park today.



**Donate now  
at [pdhp.org](http://pdhp.org)**

## Staying Happy & Healthy at Home



During the Park District closure, our team has been creating videos designed to keep you active, entertained, and healthy. Get your workout in with Recreation Center fitness instructors, practice your tennis swing with our pros from Deer Creek Racquet Club and Sunset Valley, learn something new with your family with our ParkSchool and Heller teachers, and so much more.

**Visit [pdhp.org](http://pdhp.org) today for all our offerings!**



**NORTH SHORE AMATEUR**  
*Golf Tournament*

**Wed & Thu | Jul 29-30**



Since 1956, thousands of Chicagoland's greatest amateur golfers have competed at the annual golf tournament. Join us for two days of lively competition with golfers from throughout northern Illinois as they play for the honor of the game and the win!

**Sign up today at [SunsetValleyGolfClub.org](http://SunsetValleyGolfClub.org)**



**SUNSET  
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— est. 1920 —



# Highland Park Public Library

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## We're Back!

We hope to see you soon in the Library.  
Until then, pick up your materials using Grab & Go.

### GRAB & GO

Use The Library's Contact-Free Pickup Service. Here's How:

**Request materials at [hplibrary.org](http://hplibrary.org) or by calling 847.432.0216.**

**You will be notified when materials are available and have been checked out to your account.**

**Look for the bag with your name on it in the vestibule on the Library's lower level.**

**Please follow the directional signage and enter one at a time.**

**Materials can be picked up from 11 AM – 7 PM.**

Upon return, materials will be quarantined for seven days.

For more information, visit [hplibrary.org](http://hplibrary.org).

### LIBRARY IN YOUR LIVING ROOM

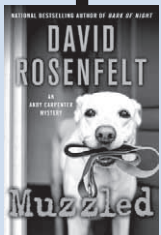
MEET THE AUTHORS  
VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM!



#### Sarah Blake *The Guest Book*

Thursday, June 25, 7 PM

Sarah Blake discusses her bestselling and award-winning book, a family saga spanning three generations.



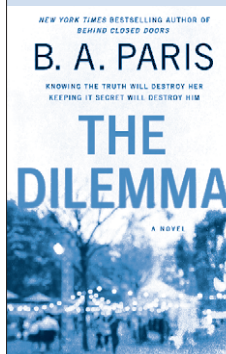
#### David Rosenfelt *Muzzled*

Tuesday, July 7, 7 PM

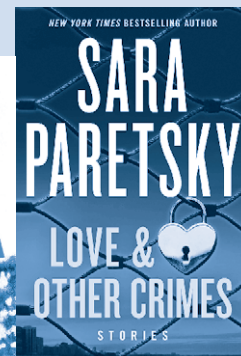
Bestselling author David Rosenfelt kicks off his book tour with the Library! He discusses the newest title in his popular Andy Carpenter mystery series.

Registration required.  
Register at [hplibrary.org/events](http://hplibrary.org/events).

### Dive Into These Hot Summer Books!

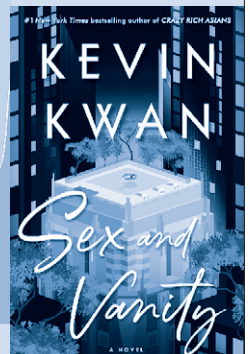
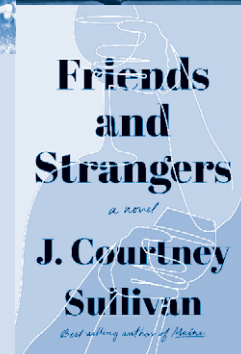


*The Dilemma*  
by B.A. Paris  
*Friends and Strangers*  
by J. Courtney Sullivan



*Love & Other Crimes*  
by Sara Paretsky

*Sex and Vanity*  
by Kevin Kwan



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## Join Us For Summer Reading!

### SUMMER READING CLUB JUST FOR KIDS

Dig Deeper!  
Read,  
Investigate,  
Discover!



#### Littlest Explorers Babies – Age 4

Register for the Littlest Explorers challenge and log your activity.

Earn a virtual badge and a prize just for signing up!

Earn additional virtual badges by completing activities.

Each virtual badge earned is entered into a drawing for a grand prize!

Complete all activities to earn a prize and a certificate of completion.



#### Investigate: READ!



Ages 5 – 14

Register for the Investigate: READ! Challenge. Your summer reading goal is to complete 24 hours of reading.

Earn a virtual badge and a coupon for a free treat at a local restaurant just for signing up.

Log the minutes you spend reading starting June 22.

Earn a virtual badge for every 4 hours of reading completed and an entry for weekly prize drawings.

Complete all 24 hours by Sunday, August 2, and earn a paperback book and a certificate of completion.

**Monday, June 22 – Sunday, August 2 • Register now at [hplibrary.org/youthsummerreading](http://hplibrary.org/youthsummerreading).**

Prize distribution may be delayed due to the Library closure. Check [hplibrary.org](http://hplibrary.org) for updates or email [hply@hplibrary.org](mailto:hply@hplibrary.org) with any questions.

### SUMMER STORYTIMES

#### Storytime Live!

**Fridays, 10:30 – 11 AM.**

Preschoolers and siblings are invited to enjoy great stories, puppets, music, and activities that foster pre-reading skills and encourage a love of books. Join Miss Deena via Zoom for storytime fun in your living room! Registration required. Register at [hplibrary.org/events](http://hplibrary.org/events).

#### Stuffed Animal Storytime

**Tuesdays, 7:30 – 7:45 PM.  
For preschoolers.**

Preschoolers can put on their jammies, grab a favorite stuffed friend, and settle down for goodnight stories with Miss Deena via Zoom. Registration required. Register at [hplibrary.org/events](http://hplibrary.org/events).

#### Lunchtime Libros

**Wednesdays, June 17, July 1, July 15, July 29  
12 – 12:30 PM. Ages 3 – 6, accompanied by an adult.**

Grab your lunch and join us for a bilingual storytime on Zoom! We'll sing songs and read a story in English and Spanish. Speakers of either language (or both!) are welcome. Registration required. Register at [hplibrary.org/events](http://hplibrary.org/events).

¡Toma tu almuerzo y júntanos para un tiempo de cuentos bilingües en Zoom! Cantaremos canciones y leeremos un cuento en español y en inglés. Hablantes de cualquier idioma (¡o los dos!) son bienvenidos. Se requiere registrarse sobre el calendario de eventos de la biblioteca.

### SUMMER FUN FOR KIDS!

**LIBRARY  
IN YOUR  
LIVING  
ROOM**

#### Read to a Librarian!

**Starting Monday, June 22. Ages 5 – 14.**

Sign up for an individual 15-minute appointment to read to your own personal librarian via Zoom! Choose any book, short story, poem—we'll listen to it all! Questions? Email Calli at [clevantis@hplibrary.org](mailto:clevantis@hplibrary.org). Registration required. Register at [hplibrary.org/events](http://hplibrary.org/events).

#### Silly Songs

**June 24, July 8, July 22, August 5, 3 – 3:20 PM.**

**For preschoolers and older.**

Tune in via Zoom and sing along to some silly ukulele songs with Miss Kelly! For even more fun, play along with your own instruments, real or homemade! Registration required. Register at [hplibrary.org/events](http://hplibrary.org/events).

#### Middle School Team Trivia

**Wednesday, June 24, 7:30 – 8:30 PM.**

**For students entering grades 6 – 9.**

Test your knowledge against other middle schoolers in this virtual trivia game. Chat with a team virtually or play on your own via Zoom! Registration required. Register at [hplibrary.org/events](http://hplibrary.org/events).

**Zoom instructions will be provided upon registration.** For more summer fun, check out the Library's YouTube channel for youth activities and follow us on Instagram at [@494Laurel](https://www.instagram.com/494Laurel) every Wednesday for early literacy tips and videos for parents of babies to five-year-olds.

## ADULTS, JOIN IN THE SUMMER READING FUN! June 15 – August 31

Dig deeper and discover all the treasures the Library offers. Complete a row, column, or diagonal on this bingo card to be entered into a raffle for a chance to win one of five \$25.00 gift cards to the Book Stall. For more information, visit [hplibrary.org/adultsummerreading](http://hplibrary.org/adultsummerreading).

### DIG DEEPER! Adult & Teen Summer Reading

Read a biography of a president.	Read a mystery.	Use your library card to watch a movie from <b>hoopla</b> or <b>kanopy</b> .	Reread a book you love.	Read, listen, or watch what you want.
Look up an issue that interests you in the database <b>Opposing Viewpoints</b> .	Attend an online program.	Read a true crime book.	Read, listen, or watch what you want.	Read a book that became a movie or TV show.
Listen to music by a musician new to you.	Read a non-fiction book about science or the environment.	Get a library card at <b><a href="http://hplibrary.org">hplibrary.org</a></b> .	Look up your polling place at Lake County Voter Power.	Read a book a friend recommends.
Use your library card to watch a documentary from <b>hoopla</b> or <b>kanopy</b> .	Read, listen, or watch what you want.	Read a book set in a different country or translated from another language.	Read a book about history or politics.	Explore a database at <b><a href="http://hplibrary.org/databases">hplibrary.org/databases</a></b> .
Read, listen, or watch what you want.	Take a virtual tour of a museum.	Tell someone about a book you've read.	Read a book about a leader of another country.	Read a book that takes place in or on another world.

## HIGHLAND PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY

Registration required. To register, email [hppla@hplibrary.org](mailto:hppla@hplibrary.org) with your name and address. Send a photo of your completed bingo card to [hppla@hplibrary.org](mailto:hppla@hplibrary.org) to be entered into the raffle. Open to Highland Park Public Library cardholders 14 and older. Don't have a library card? Register for a temporary library card at [hplibrary.org](http://hplibrary.org).



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## New Businesses: Opening Soon

Highland Park welcomes new businesses opening this summer!

**Lao Sze Chaun**  
1935 Sheridan Road  
**312.804.0048**  
[www.laoszechuanusa.com](http://www.laoszechuanusa.com)  
Chinese Restaurant

**Bright Bowls**  
777 Central Ave, #1A  
**773.354.4888**

[www.brightbowls.com](http://www.brightbowls.com)  
Smoothie Bowl Cafe

**Madame Zuzu's Tea House**  
1876 First Street  
[madamezuzus.com](http://madamezuzus.com)  
Vegan Café and Event Space

**Untangle Hair Studio**  
1788 Second Street, Suite 203  
**773.759.6002**  
Hair Salon



## Destination Highland Park

Highland Park is open for business! The City has worked closely with business owners and elected officials to develop and implement a plan to allow businesses to take full advantage of all Phase 3 provisions of the Restore Illinois statewide reopening plan. Business owners may now file applications for temporary use of outdoor spaces, including: outdoor dining, merchandising, displays, seating, or other permissible use. Fitness gyms and studios may also submit an application to use City-owned green spaces for outdoor fitness classes. Information for business owners can be found at [www.cityhpil.com/restorehp](http://www.cityhpil.com/restorehp).

Questions regarding temporary outdoor use applications and permits may be directed to the Office of Business Development, **847.926.1027**.

This summer, shop local to support your favorite Highland Park stores and restaurants. In Phase 3, many businesses have reopened with new guidelines. Accordingly, please be aware of some changes in the City's business districts, including:

- Street Closures
- Outdoor table-service dining
- Picnicking

Please take care to follow the Phase 3 guidelines when shopping or dining:

- Face coverings are required
- Enjoy alcoholic beverages only in designated areas.
- Maintain a safe, six-foot distance from others. Gatherings are limited to 10 people; dining parties are limited to 6.

More information is available at [www.cityhpil.com/destinationhp](http://www.cityhpil.com/destinationhp).