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special anniversary celebration

Downtown Restaurant Crawl

Join us as we shut down Highway Avenue from 4-8 p.m. **September 28** for a spectacular extravaganza marking the one-year anniversary of Highland Main Street's wildly successful Downtown Restaurant Crawl.



food & retail specials



Eat your way through downtown, stopping at your usual haunts and discovering new favorites along the way. Enjoy food specials from 10 participating eateries: **The Counter, Dan's Pierogies, The Green Witch Café, Growlers, Jose's Family Restaurant, Langel's Pizza, Sakura Bowl, Sip, Traditions** – and making its crawl debut – **Fuzzyline Brewing!** Picnic tables will line Highway Avenue, allowing patrons to dine al-fresco, while businesses stay open late so diners can shop in between courses.



live entertainment



Live music will fill the air, with performances by **Crossthreads, Casa Casa** and **My Altered Angel**. Big thanks to **Highland Hometown Heroes** for hosting the bands. They'll be selling water. Show them your support!



classic car show



There will be a **Classic Car Show** downtown during the Crawl. Space is limited. Car show participants are first-come, first-served. For more details, please visit the Highland Redevelopment Commission page on Facebook for the latest information.

VISIT US ONLINE – HIGHLAND.IN.GOV – FOR THE LATEST UPDATES!



[NO BURNING LEAVES]

Just a friendly reminder that open burning of leaves, twigs or other yard waste is prohibited within the corporate limits of the Town of Highland. For more info, visit highland.in.gov/MunicipalCode to learn more.

[OUTDOOR CRIME WATCH]

Join us 6 p.m. **Sept. 15** for an outdoor crime watch meeting at Main Square Park. Questions? Call Sgt. Anderson at (219) 838-3184 or email sanderson@highland.in.gov.

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Got stickered? It's time to brush up on what's lurking in your recycling bin

More than a few residents are in sticker shock after their recycling loads were left and a sticker added to their bin detailing what was in there that isn't allowed.

For some, it was that greasy pizza box; cardboard container was okay — greasy part wasn't.

For others, it was those pesky plastic shopping bags that can be recycled at your local grocer, but are taboo in residential recycling or Styrofoam that is never acceptable.

Public Works Director Mark Knesek said Republic Waste's new recycling crackdown was just as much a surprise to him as it was to residents.

"We've had the do's and don't's of recycling featured in the April Gazebo Express and on the website for months," Knesek said. "I'm asking residents to get familiar with the rules to avoid getting stickered."

[KNOW WHAT TO THROW]

Make sure you're putting the right materials in your recycling container — paper, cardboard, metal cans, plastic bottles and jugs.

[EMPTY. CLEAN. DRY.]

Keep all recyclables free of food and liquid. One dirty item can contaminate an entire truckload.

[DON'T PLASTIC BAG IT]

Never bag or bundle recyclables in plastic shopping bags, which are not recyclable.

[NON-RECYCLABLE ITEMS]

Aerosol cans, aluminum foil, batteries, ceramic, clothing, napkins, food waste, glass windows, Pyrex, mirrors, plastic bags, shredded paper, stickers, tissue and paper towels. Visit highland.in.gov for a complete downloadable list.

\$14,000 in grant funds allow Highland police, public works to buy additional safety equipment

The same organization that provides affordable workers compensation for employees across the state awarded \$14,000 in grant funds to keep Highland's first responders — police and public works — safer.

Cmdr. John Banasiak said police now have their own safety glasses and hearing protection along with safety cones in each patrol car thanks to the Indiana Public Employers' Plan, Inc. "Our officers used to share both glasses and ear protection at the shooting range. With COVID, that isn't a safe

practice," Banasiak said. "IPEP agreed and made \$4,000 available for the equipment that is already in house. Public Works Director Mark Knesek said the organization provided \$10,000 to his department to purchase gas detectors to guarantee safe oxygen levels for workers going into sewers along with calibration stations.

"The IPEP grant is invaluable to our employees," Knesek said. "We will be applying again for 2022 because we have other equally important safety needs for our staff."

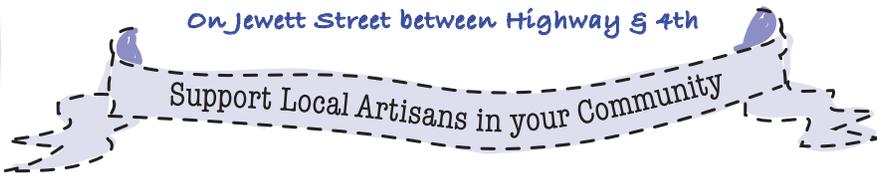
Highland Main Street presents ...



10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

On Jewett Street between Highway 5 & 4th



sidewalk sale

While downtown enjoying the market, be sure to check out the sidewalk sale! This is a great time to start your Christmas shopping and snag deeply discounted items!



for more information & updates

Visit the Highland Main Street Facebook page or the Highland Makers' Market Facebook Event page by clicking here.

HIGHLAND TICKER

Got paint? A 4,500 sq. ft. free-standing **Sherwin-Williams** store is approved to begin construction on U.S. 41 in south Highland. ... Light it up! The Park Department is **testing solar lights** with the idea of making them permanent along the bike trail. ... The council president has proclaimed the week of Sept. 20-26 as **Rail Safety Week** – a reminder that it is up to each of us to resist any urge to go around rail gates to beat a train. Those few minutes waiting can save a life. ... The town's newest officer has four paws and a lush, beautiful coat. **K-9 Bane**, a German Shepherd from the Czech Republic, has been commissioned and is on duty with his partner Officer Anthony Kowal. ... More than 70 years in-the-making, residents on **Jewett Street between Johnston and Liable** will be getting new curbs, sidewalks, water line and paving with residents sharing with the town the cost of curbs and sidewalks. The 3500 block is one of a dwindling number of streets in need of improvement. ... **Webb Hyundai** has received approval for a five-year-tax abatement on improvements at its Indianapolis Boulevard showroom. ... Highland is banding together with neighboring communities to explore **more affordable water service** when the current 10-year contract with Hammond expires. Council President Roger Sheeman said a spike in rates led to the formation of the group.

[FRENCH & ITALIAN CLASSES]

Join us from your living room as we explore new cultures and learn the French and Italian languages via the interactive Zoom platform.

I Speak French

WHEN: 6:15-7 p.m. Mondays,
Sept. 13-Oct. 25 and Nov. 1-Dec. 13
FEE: \$52 residents / \$57 nonresidents

I Speak Italian

WHEN: 6:15-7 p.m. Wednesdays,
Sept. 15-Oct. 20 and Oct. 27-Dec. 8
FEE: \$52 residents | \$57 nonresidents
INFO: 219-838-0114 | highlandparks.org

[SKATEBOARDING CLASS]

Learn the fundamentals or elevate your riding with group instruction from nationally ranked competitive riders while connecting with local skateboarders and making new friends. Anyone – ages 4 and older – with a skateboard is welcome! Build proficiency in balance, pushing, riding, agility, ollies and obstacles.

WHEN: 5-6 p.m. Tuesdays, Sept. 7-21
and Sept. 28-Oct. 12

WHERE: Sheppard Park Skate Park
FEE: \$35 residents | \$45 nonresidents
INFO: 219-838-0114 | highlandparks.org

[BIDDY BOWLING]

Biddy Bowling is a non-instructional league for boys and girls ages 4 to 11. Register by Oct. 1 for this five-week program of lively bumper bowling.

WHEN: 12-1 p.m. Saturdays, Oct. 2-30
WHERE: Plaza Lanes, 8101 Kennedy
FEE: \$36 residents | \$39 nonresidents
INFO: 219-838-0114 | highlandparks.org

[GOLF OUTING]

Suburban Bible Church invites the community for an afternoon of golf. Lunch provided. Prizes awarded.

WHEN: Noon Saturday, Oct. 16
WHERE: Wicker Memorial Park.
INFO: Call Donna at 219-713-2993.



IMPROV CLASSES

Budding comics – ages 17+ – can explore new skills during this series of adult improv classes.

Students will learn how to perform memorable scenes all within a short-form format while developing communication skills, using their bodies and imaginations to create locations and characters.

WHEN: 7-9 p.m. Wednesdays, Sept. 22-Oct. 27
WHERE: Lincoln Community Center Room 116/118
FEE: \$75 residents | \$85 nonresidents
DEADLINE: Register by Sept. 15
INFO: 219-838-0114 or highlandparks.org

[HIGHLAND INVITATIONAL]

Hankering to lace up the runners? The Highland High School Athletic Department is welcoming all comers to the 20th Annual Highland Invitational Open Cross-Country Race. This 5K race will be run on the HHS Cross Country Course.

WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 25 –
Registration begins at 7:15 a.m.
Race starts promptly at 8 a.m.
WHERE: Highland High School track
FEE: \$5 per person
INFO: Everyone under age 18 must
have a waiver. Forms may be picked
up at the HHS athletic office or at the
track the morning of the race.

[ARTISAN VENDORS WANTED]

St. James the Less is seeking artisans, artists, makers and vintage vendors who specialize in one-of-a-kind items and special gifts for its November 6 Craft & Vendor Market. St. James welcomes wine, cheese, bread and other artisanal food vendors in addition to the bespoke items.

FEE: \$30 for an 8' x 10' booth space.
Additional costs include \$5 for
electricity and \$5 for a table.
WHERE: St. James the Less Parish Hall,
9640 Kennedy Ave.
INFO: Call Janis Theil at 219-742-3004
or email janistheil@yahoo.com to
register. Deadline is Friday, Oct. 15.