City of Park Ridge’s Historic Preservation Commission
“Saving Places that Matter to You”

Preservation 2017 Poster Contest Entry Form

Celebrating Preservation Month May 2017

Landmark pictured left: 424 Talcott Place (private residence)

Please fill out this form in full and submit it with your poster entry. Posters should be drawn on the provided template! Good luck!

The City of Park Ridge Historical Preservation Commission sponsors its 7th annual “Saving Places that Matter to You” poster contest for third-, fourth-, and fifth-grade students attending an elementary school in Park Ridge and/or third-grade students residing in Park Ridge (i.e. private school outside Park Ridge, home school).

Child’s Name: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________
Grade: __________________
Home Address: ____________________________________________________________
Home Phone Number: _______________________________________________________
School child attends: ________________________________________________________
School City, if not in Park Ridge: ____________________________________________

I hereby certify that this poster was created entirely by the child above and is the child's original artwork and there are no copyrighted characters used. I agree that it may be offered for public display or publication at some time during or after the contest. I understand that this poster becomes the property of the City of Park Ridge and may be reproduced.

The only information that will be released is your child's name, school and grade.
Legal Guardian or Parent Signature: ____________________________
Legal Guardian or Parent (print name): ____________________________
Contact address (if different from above): ____________________________
E-mail Address (optional): __________________________________________________________________
Contact phone number: ____________________________________________

POSTERS ARE DUE BY Monday, April 3, 2017. Fill out this form in full and attach (staple) it to the poster.

You may give it to your art teacher at school or deliver it directly to Jon Branham, 2nd floor, City Hall. Visit the City of Park Ridge website for the latest poster contest information and applications. If you have any questions please contact Jon Branham, jbranham@parkridge.us or 847-318-5291.
Saving places that matter.

Take pride in your community
Notice special details in buildings you see
Become familiar with architectural styles around town such as Art Deco, Georgian, Prairie, Spanish Revival, Tudor Revival, and Victorian
Study up on people who lived or worked here
Learn from the past from books, photos, local groups and longtime residents
Help protect Park Ridge's heritage
Support new uses for old buildings
Appreciate your surroundings

Name and School

Name or Address of Place That Matters to Me

Sponsored by the Park Ridge Historic Preservation Commission
Find more information online at www.parkridge.us
Dear Educators and School supporters:

The City of Park Ridge Historic Preservation Commission is excited to invite all 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students to participate in the seventh annual Preservation 2017 Poster Contest! We are looking forward to your school’s participation this coming March 2017.

Please note the following dates:

- **By Friday, February 24, 2017:** notice to all schools will be sent via the District 64 news release and to the local papers.
- **Between Wednesday, March 1 - Friday, March 3, 2017:** Contest Rules and Entry Forms will be available (deliver by 3/3)
  - Packets to be available online at the City’s website, at Park Ridge Public Library and City Hall
  - One complete packet will be delivered to Park Ridge schools
- **Thursday, March 30, 2017:** Reminder to schools and teachers
- **Monday, April 3, 2017:** All entries must be submitted
- **Wednesday, April 5, 2017:** Historic Preservation Meeting (judging to take place at this meeting)
- **Monday, May 15, 2017:** Winners presentation at City Council Meeting

This contest is open to all third-, fourth-, and fifth-grade students living in Park Ridge or attending Park Ridge schools.

The fact is our places play a huge role in telling our community’s story. So we’d like students to share, in poster form, how they feel about our local places – a house that's been part of a family for generations, a school that children have attended for decades, lannelli Studios, Park Ridge Youth Campus, a church, a favorite shop Uptown or The Pickwick Theater, for example.

Two local landmarks are pictured above and to the right: 2101 W. Touhy Avenue (Town of Maine Cemetery) and 424 Talcott Place (private residence). To see our twelve historic landmarks in Park Ridge, type this link to view the City of Park Ridge’s interactive website page: [http://bit.ly/1u2SoiB](http://bit.ly/1u2SoiB)

When the contest information is made available, we kindly request that you post the contest information in your art rooms, highly visible bulletin boards, or distribute in the classrooms.

If you have any questions please contact Jon Branham, City of Park Ridge Planner, jbranham@parkridge.us or 847-318-5291.

Thank you for your support and participation!
City of Park Ridge’s Historic Preservation Commission announces its seventh annual “Saving Places that Matter to You” poster contest

Did you know that the Pickwick Theater is a designated Park Ridge local landmark? We are proud of its history – and that of many places in our city like Iannelli Studios, the Park Ridge Youth Campus or the Gatehouse at the Town of Maine Cemetery (pictured left). To see more historic landmarks in Park Ridge, type this link to view the City of Park Ridge’s interactive website page: http://bit.ly/1u2SoiB

May is Preservation Month and in that spirit we’re pleased to invite all third-, fourth-, and fifth-grade students to enter our annual “Saving Places that Matter to You” poster contest.

The fact is our places play a huge role in telling our community’s story. So we’d like students to share, in poster form, how they feel about our local places – a house that’s been part of a family for generations, a school that children have attended for decades, a church, a favorite structure uptown or in the South Park area, for example.

Please read and follow all the contest rules carefully so that all posters/drawings will be eligible.

- Winning entries, which will be announced by the second week of May or earlier, will be displayed in prominent locations in Park Ridge throughout the month.
- Winners and their families will be invited to attend an awards ceremony on Monday, May 15, 2017 at the City Council’s meeting at City Hall.

Poster contest rules

- Entry is open to all third-, fourth-, and fifth-grade students who live in Park Ridge or attend a Park Ridge school.

- Monday, April 3, 2017: Submit all entries can be submitted at the City Hall (2nd floor) or participating schools can request a pick-up by Park Ridge Historical Preservation Commission representatives. All entries become the property of the City of Park Ridge once submitted.

- The poster drawing must relate to the theme “Saving Places that Matter to You” and should include a building in Park Ridge that you feel is important. Optional: Include a short paragraph about why this important place to preserve.

- The finished poster should be submitted on an official poster template. A limited number of copies will be provided to elementary schools in Park Ridge. The template is also available online and can be printed on 8-1/2” x 14” paper. Those not submitted on the provided template will not be included in judging purposes.

- Only one entry per child will be allowed. Parents/sponsors are limited to verbal assistance only. All drawings must be an individual effort and be free-hand originals. No traced pictures please. Crayons, markers or color pencils only should be used.

- Each poster must be completed with the participant’s name (First Name and Last Name initial is acceptable) and school. The entry forms should be completed with name, address, telephone
number, and family e-mail address clearly printed and included with the poster submission to be eligible.

- Criteria for judging includes creativity and how well the poster expresses the contest theme “Saving Places that Matter to You.”

*For more details and for entry forms, go to [www.parkridge.us](http://www.parkridge.us). If you have any questions please contact Jon Branham, City of Park Ridge Planner, 847-318-5291.*

**Please note**

The winning poster(s) may be offered for public display or publication at some time during or after the contest. This poster becomes the property of the City of Park Ridge and may be reproduced. The only information that will be released is your child’s name, school and grade.

**Historic preservation resources**

To see more historic landmarks in Park Ridge, type this link to view the City of Park Ridge’s interactive website page: [http://bit.ly/1u2SoiB](http://bit.ly/1u2SoiB)

preservationnation.org/resources/teaching-preservation/
architeacher.org/teachers/teachers-lessons2a.html
教学历史.org/教科书/教学指南/24264

**Why teach preservation?**

The places in our community link us with our past and help us understand who we are. It's not just that history happened – it's that it happened here. And the difference between simply reading about history and actually visiting a place where history happened is immense.

**What makes a place worthy of preservation?**

Older buildings embody our history, and that’s one reason why it's important to save them. But that isn't the only reason.

Many older buildings are important – and worth preserving – simply because they're good to look at. They are “a gift to the street” whose style, textures, materials, and charm (and maybe even eccentricity) enrich and enliven their surroundings. These buildings are worth saving because our communities would be less interesting, less attractive and less distinctive without them.

Other buildings are worth saving because they have plenty of good use left in them. Innovative examples of “adaptive use” can be found everywhere. Factories have been turned into convention centers, train stations reborn as restaurants, mills converted into shopping centers, office buildings transformed into apartments and on and on. This process is good for the environment – the ultimate form of recycling.