



VILLAGE OF NORTH BARRINGTON

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Annual Fall Festival

North Barrington's Annual Fall Festival is scheduled for Sunday, September 25th from 1-4 p.m. at Eton Park. Celebrate the season at Eton Park! There will be many activities for all ages including a petting zoo, pony rides, hay rides, and pumpkin painting. Entertainment will be provided by Lucky Break, a local bluegrass band. Chicago's Beef-N-Dogs will be back providing tasty grilled hot dogs and brats along with soft drinks, thanks to sponsor State Bank and Trust. Our middle school students will once again be manning the popular carnival food booths. (There will be a nominal charge for the carnival food.) This event has been growing every year with over 700 people attending in 2004. Please bring your family and join your neighbors in celebrating the season in our beautiful park. This event is for North Barrington residents only.



A Letter from the President

Dear Neighbors:

North Barrington is a wonderful place to live. I am reminded of that simple, true statement almost daily and often reflect on just what makes our community such a delight.

We are blessed with a beautiful setting of rolling hills, majestic trees and passive wildlife that combine to paint a serene backdrop surrounding our homes. The retail and service properties do not penetrate the peaceful residential enclaves of our community but are easily accessible. The mixture of homes and golf courses, schools and restaurants flow seamlessly and help define the quiet lifestyle that we all enjoy.

While the environment we share is superb, it is not unique nor does it dramatically differentiate us from other nice communities. I believe the people of North Barrington are the assets that make up the cornerstone of this great place. Among my favorite people are those who work for and with the Village. The Board of Trustees are a collection of extremely talented elected officials who take protecting and enhancing your lives and rights very seriously, and they are good at it. The people who serve on our Village commissions watch over your parks, your streams, your homes and streets, the trees, and the tax dollars you contribute. They help design the North Barrington of today and protect the North Barrington of tomorrow. Their volunteer efforts award them with endless hours of research and discussion, meetings and phone calls, emails and voicemails. They are your neighbors and friends quietly serving the community they love. The Village staff brings years of experience and training to work everyday and they distribute that knowledge with a smile. From building codes to park paths, the staff knows the history and the daily aspect of every facet of Village life. They are remarkable!

I encourage everyone to get to know, get involved with, volunteer for, or bring ideas to the incredible people who do the Village work. I cannot offer enough superlatives to express my gratitude for all they do.

North Barrington is indeed a wonderful place to live.

Sincerely,



Bruce J. Sauer
Village President

October News

A Safety Reminder



October is **National Fire Safety Month** and an appropriate time to review your home fire safety plans, including the use of smoke detectors. **Daylight Savings Time** reverts to standard time at 2 a.m. on **Sunday, October 30, 2005**. Remember to change your clock back one hour. When you change your clock change your smoke detector batteries. This simple step can save lives.

SWALCO offers Hazardous Waste Collections. The Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO) is sponsoring a Household Chemical Waste Collection on **October 8, 2005 in Island Lake**. The collection site is Cotton Creek School, 545 Newport Court, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. For further information about this event, residents can check the agency's website www.swalco.org or phone them at (847) 336-9340.

Fire Station Open House

As part of **National Fire Prevention Week** and **National Fire Safety Month**, the Lake Zurich Rural Fire Protection District will be hosting an **Open House on Sunday, October 2, 2005** at Station One, 321 S. Buesching, Lake Zurich from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. This year's theme is intended to provide a better understanding of the hazards pertaining to candle usage in the home and at work. Fire Prevention Week was established to commemorate the Great Chicago Fire, the tragic 1871 fire that killed more than 250 people, left 100,000 homeless, destroyed more than 17,400 structures and burned more than 2,000 acres.



Halloween Trick or Treat hours
will be from 3-7 p.m. on
Monday, October 31, 2005.

Domestic Violence Awareness

October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. **A Safe Place/Lake County Crisis Center** provides shelter, court advocacy, referrals and comprehensive counseling programs for victims of domestic violence - women and children who have been physically, verbally, or emotionally abused. For more information about A Safe Place and the domestic violence help services and programs they provide, visit their website at www.asafeplaceforhelp.org, or phone them at 847-249-5147. A 24-hour helpline is also available, 847-249-4450.

Yard Waste Burning

Days and Hours Burning Permitted. Leaves and other landscape waste may be burned only on the following days and during the following times: 1) January through April and **September through December: any day between noon and five o'clock p.m., except on national holidays.** 2) May through August: Thursdays and Sundays only, between noon and five o'clock p.m., except on national holidays. No fire shall be left unattended and there should be a ready source of sufficient water to extinguish the fire in the event of any emergency.

Recent Village Legislation

On July 25, 2005 the Village Board passed an Ordinance amending the Village Code in requiring that **all pools be protected by a barrier no later than June 1, 2006, and also specifying that pool covers will not qualify as the required barrier.** Landscaping will also not qualify as a barrier. In addition, the Village Board passed an Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance which states that hot tubs may utilize, in lieu of a fence, a safety cover capable of supporting a weight of 100 pounds across any one foot radius area of the covered hot tub within any region of the cover.

A building permit shall be obtained prior to constructing or installing any fence in the Village. If your pool is not protected by a barrier, or you have any further questions with regard to the new requirements, contact Building and Zoning Officer Kelly Rafferty at 847-381-6000, ext. 14. A copy of the new pool and fence regulations can be obtained at the Village Hall during regular office hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The **Plan Commission** has recently submitted a **Redevelopment Policy** to the Village Board for review. The redevelopment policy provides guidelines for replacing homes and is in response to concerns about the recent teardown trend. The **Plan Commission** spent many months working on this project which will eventually be incorporated into the Village Code. The Plan Commission recognizes that homeowners need to have the ability to upgrade their property to satisfy their personal needs and lifestyle and to keep up with surrounding real estate markets and that an overly restricted teardown/redevelopment ordinance may result in a gradual decline in the desirability of the community. The proposed ordinance will establish a maximum lot coverage area and modify permitted building height.

Meeting Schedule

(Meetings are held at 7:30 in the lower level of the Village Hall)

September

- 6 Health & Sanitation Commission
- 8 Environmental Commission
- 12 Parks & Recreation Commission
- 12 Plan Commission
- 13 Zoning Board of Appeals
- 22 Special Meeting of the Environmental Commission
- 26 Village Board

October

- 3 Parks & Recreation Commission
- 4 Health & Sanitation Commission
- 10 Plan Commission
- 11 Zoning Board of Appeals
- 13 Environmental Commission
- 24 Village Board

November

- 1 Health & Sanitation Commission
- 7 Parks & Recreation Commission
- 8 Zoning Board of Appeals
- 10 Environmental Commission
- 14 Plan Commission
- 21 Village Board

December

- 5 Parks & Recreation Commission
- 6 Health & Sanitation Commission
- 8 Environmental Commission
- 12 Plan Commission
- 13 Zoning Board of Appeals
- 19 Village Board



Veterans Day

The Village Hall will be closed on Friday, November 11th in honor of Veterans Day.

Veterans Day is the day set aside to thank and honor *ALL* those who served honorably in the military—in wartime or peacetime. In fact, Veterans Day is largely intended to thank *LIVING* veterans for their service, to acknowledge that their contributions to our national security are appreciated, and to underscore the fact that all those who served—not only those who died—have sacrificed and done their duty.

News from the Village Forester

Dutch Elm Disease



This summer's drought has made life difficult for many of our trees. When trees are stressed due to lack of moisture, trees are less able to resist pests and disease. So, it is not surprising that Dutch Elm Disease (DED) is having a banner year.

Although named after the Dutch pathologists that studied it, DED is of Asiatic origin. It is caused by a fungus (*Ophiostoma ulmi*) that came to the U.S. in the 1930s. Since its arrival, millions of American elms (*Ulmus Americana*) have died. All native and European species of elms are susceptible to DED. Luckily, Asiatic elms, such as the common Siberian elm (*Ulmus pumila*) are highly resistant to the disease.

Disease Spread. The disease can spread from tree to tree in two ways. If elms are growing near each other, the roots from one tree can be grafted to those of the adjoining tree. Should one tree get DED, it can spread to the next tree through the root grafts.

Two types of insects, the native elm bark beetle (*Hylurgopinus rufipes*) and the European elm bark beetle (*Scolytus multistriatus*), also spread the fungus. The beetles feed on twigs and carry the disease from sick to healthy trees as they make their rounds. They lay their eggs under the bark of unhealthy elms. Emerging beetle larvae tunnel through the wood until they reach the tree water conducting cells, or xylem. Spores of the fungus clog the xylem cells which cause the tree to wilt and, eventually die.

Symptoms. DED is most easily spotted in early summer when leaves on an upper branch curl and turn gray-green or yellow. Such "flags" generally indicate DED, but not always. To be certain, consult a trained arborist.

Treatment. An infected tree may be saved by removing the diseased branch promptly after spotting the first "flag." When pruning a diseased elm, be careful to sterilize the saw before using it elsewhere on the tree. Infected trees can also be injected with systemic fungicides such as Alamo or Arbortect. If their use is deemed appropriate, these chemicals should only be applied by certified arborists.

Sanitation. By the time a diseased elm is discovered, it is often too late to save it. If the bark is still attached to the tree, it needs to be cut down as soon as possible. Remember, the beetles lay their eggs under bark, not out in the open. Elm wood should be burned, or chipped immediately. Do not place elm wood in firewood piles!

Village Road Program

The Village's 2005 paving program has been awarded to Peter Baker and Son Company. Motor Fuel Taxes Funds are allocated to municipalities from the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) to use on the repair of municipal roads. Annually the conditions of the Village's roads are reviewed to determine the year's road program. Bids for this road work were solicited via the IDOT Bulletin, and Peter Baker and Son Company returned with the lowest bid, \$346,714.75. The paving program will begin September 12th. If your street is on the paving program, you will be alerted via a letter from the Village. Baxter and Woodman, the Village's engineering firm, will be overseeing the work of the contractor and will work on the Village's behalf to assure that the quality of the project meets specific standards. If you have any questions and or comments during the project, please contact the Village Hall.



Cuba Township Highway Department has been repairing potholes and defective culverts in the Village. A comprehensive map of the Village's culverts and storm water catch basins was prepared by Village engineers Baxter & Woodman, Inc. and will enable Cuba Township to routinely clean these structures in order to properly convey storm water in the Village.

The Village of North Barrington, with Cuba Township, will be offering a **chipping program** for residents. The **Fall Program will apply to Residents living south of Miller Road** and the **Spring Program will apply to Residents living north of Miller Road**. The program's intent is to assist with removing homeowner-cut brush and there is a limit to the materials placed for removal. Brush no larger than 4 inches in diameter must be stacked neatly at the edge of the road, with large ends out, and the pile cannot exceed eight (8) feet in length by three (3) feet in height. **All items for chipping should be placed by the end of the day Sunday, October 9th.** Chipping will begin on Monday, October 10th. The chipping truck will only make one trip through the Village; brush placed after Sunday, October 9th will not be picked up. If you have any questions about the program, contact Cuba Township Highway Supervisor Tom Gooch at 847-381-7793.



Eton Park News

The **Foglia YMCA** and the Village of North Barrington Parks and Recreation Commission have been “working together to help you better” and the result was that Eton Park was very busy this summer! There were three sessions of Ricky Raccoon Preschool Day Camp, with the first session for five consecutive days; a first for the Foglia and it was well received. There were also two specialty camps held at the park, Sports Combo and Krafty Kids. Anticipating the needs of our residents and campers, the Parks & Recreation Commission had a portable restroom placed at Eton Park for the entire spring, summer and fall seasons.

Two summer concerts were also held in the park this year, on Saturday June 11th and Saturday July 23rd. June’s concert featured **Young Souls**, described as “high energy pop”. North Barrington resident Pat Ryan is the band’s manager and drummer. July’s concert featured **Kraig Kenning**, an urban blues slide guitarist and singer/songwriter who has previously performed in the Village. Both events were very well attended and everyone enjoyed the casual concert, picnic setting. The Commission is also looking into the feasibility and logistics of hosting family movie nights at Eton Park. **Many thanks to the Parks and Recreation Commission for all their hard work for our residents!**



Young Souls perform at Eton Park

A special thanks to Wynstone resident **Michael Chan**, an eighth grader at Barrington’s Station Campus and a member of Boy Scout Troop #21. Michael offered to clean up Eton Park as part of a service project for Boy Scouts as well as the National Honor Society.

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