

# Village of **North Barrington**

# Spring



VILLAGE OF NORTH BARRINGTON NEWSLETTER

**SPRING**, 2006

Dear Neighbor:

There are big plans in the works for the Village of North Barrington.

We have commissioned our engineering firm to provide initial cost estimates for replacing the Woodland Drive Culvert along North Flint Creek. This project would dramatically reduce the breadth of floodplain delineation, convey greater amounts of surface water through our community and reduce high water level damage.

North Barrington has joined forces with the Flint Creek Watershed Partnership to determine the feasibility of a natural rehabilitation of that entire ecosystem, with the hope that humans, animals, vegetative growth and even microbiological life systems will all receive benefits. We will be approaching the families in our community who have the good fortune of living along Flint Creek to educate them on our intentions and to enlist their support.

Long term planning to improve our roads, water conveyance ditches and under driveway culverts is underway. We have created new ideas to attend the tricky teardown issues that plague so many Chicagoland communities. New pool and fence ordinances have improved the visual appeal of North Barrington and added another layer of safety for families who have or live near built-in pools.

Development within our community is continuous. It is to our great fortune that the builders who work here have a great respect for our way of life. The current projects underway and those we have examined for the future fit nicely into our community, add architectural and landscaping beauty to our vistas, and are engineered to help the community for decades to come.

I may be a broken record, but I again commend all the people who work for or with your Village to insure the seamless flow of our quality of life. The projects and their execution are not accidental. They take careful insight, studied engineering and a delicate concern for what exists to be properly melded into North Barrington.

We live in a wonderful place!

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Sincerely,

Bruce J. Sauer Village President

# **Spring Tulips**

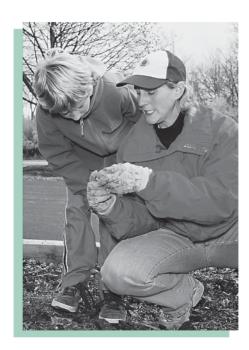
The Village Hall will have a new garden filled with red tulips this spring! As part of Red Ribbon Week, a national drug prevention awareness week held in October, tulip bulbs were planted by some members of North Barrington School's Bears Den #7. Troup leaders Karen Thomson and Mary Foersterling helped Colin Thomson, and Foersterling siblings Thomas, Patrick and Marielle plant over 100 bulbs! The program, Plant a Promise to be Tobacco-Free, was funded by the Illinois Department of Public Health and organized by the Northeastern Illinois Regional Tobacco Control Network. The bulbs were provided free to the Village from Lake County. Thank you to our volunteer gardeners!



# **Spring Chipping Program**

for Residents North of Miller Road (not including Wynstone)

The Village of North Barrington, with Cuba Township, will be offering a spring chipping program for residents who live north of Miller Road. The Fall Program, which was run in October of last year, applied to residents living south of Miller Road. The Spring Program will apply to residents living on and to the north of Miller Road (but not including Wynstone). 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, April 23rd. Chipping will begin on Monday, April 24th. The chipping truck will only make one trip through the Village; brush placed after Sunday, April 23rd will not be picked up. If you have any questions about the program, contact Cuba Township Highway Supervisor Tom Gooch at 847-381-7793. The fall program will be run again for residents south of Miller Road, although the dates have not been set.





# **Arbor Day**

Arbor Day is a nationally-celebrated observance that encourages tree planting and care. The Village of North Barrington has been a Tree City for the past five years. To qualify for Tree City USA, a town or city must meet four standards established by The National Arbor Day Foundation and the National Association of State Foresters. As part of the Village's observance of Arbor Day, trees have been planted at the Village Hall as well as Eton Park. This year's Arbor Day Celebration will take place at North Barrington School, on Friday, April 28th. Join Village Forester Susan Allman, Village officials, students and residents for the tree planting dedication. Further details will be available closer to the date of the dedication. Contact the Village Hall for further information.



# **Roads**

You may have noticed some changes on the roadsides after last fall's road program. In some areas of the Village concrete ribbons and concrete curbing were placed in order to retain the integrity of the road edge in high traffic areas or to control stormwater runoff. The Village is currently trying to formulate a plan to integrate the Village's stormwater and drainage issues into a comprehensive road program in order to maximize road life and effectively manage stormwater runoff. As part of the repaying program, shoulder areas of roads that were resurfaced are restored with either sod or seeding. In an effort to reduce vehicular and snow plow damage, temporary reflectors were placed in these areas to delineate the road's edge. The additions of these concrete ribbons and curbing, as well as the placement of reflectors, are just some of the measures the Village is researching.

# Culvert 50/50 Cost Share Program

The Village has started a 50/50 cost share program for under driveway stormwater culvert replacement. The

Village will pay half of the cost of the replacement, with the homeowner paying the remaining half. The work is performed by Cuba Township's Road Department. It is important for all property owners to maintain their culverts for proper stormwater conveyance. A clogged or collapsed culvert can cause flooding problems on the homeowner's property as well as neighboring properties, and in some cases force water to spill over roads causing washout situations. Keeping ditch lines clear of all obstructions is equally important. If you have questions about this replacement program contact the Village Hall.

# **Road Bonds**

Road bonds are typically required as part of the building permit or health and sanitation permit process. Applicants deposit one thousand five hundred dollars, five hundred dollars of which is a nonrefundable road fee, and the balance of which serves as a cash deposit to be utilized to reimburse the Village in the event of damage to roads and public ways. The



one thousand dollar road bond will be fully refunded, after the project is completed, if there are no damages. The road fee and deposit is not required if the property for which the building permit or health and sanitation permit is being applied for is in a subdivision where the roads are private.

# Vehicle Stickers

Residents are reminded that vehicle stickers are required for every vehicle or motorcycle that is registered to a North Barrington address. These vehicle stickers are not only mandatory, but also provide an important source of Village revenue, and the fees from these stickers are used towards road improvements in the Village. Stickers are available now from the Village Hall and can be obtained at the basic rate (\$10 for a passenger vehicle) until MARCH 31, 2006; after this date a penalty rate will apply (\$35 for a passenger vehicle).

# **Village Board News**

Trustee Dave Peterson stepped down from his position as Village Trustee in November of 2005 due to time constraints. Trustee Peterson had served on the Board of Trustees since elected to the position in April of 2003. Before serving on the Village Board, Dave was a member and later Chairman, of the Village's Environmental Commission. The Village would like to thank Trustee Peterson for all his time and effort spent in the last four and a half years on the Village's behalf. The Village relies on many, dedicated volunteers to serve on the five commissions including Parks and Recreation, Planning, Zoning, Environmental and Health & Sanitation, as well as the Village Board. We thank all of our volunteers for giving of their time and talents; this Village could not run without them! If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the Village Hall.

The Village welcomes
Trustee Frank
Tripicchio to the Board
of Trustees. Mr.
Tripicchio was appointed to the Board in
February to serve the
un-expired term of
Trustee Peterson.
Trustee Tripicchio and
his wife Margaret have
lived in the Biltmore
area for the past 6
years. Trustee



Tripicchio is the Director of Public Works for the Village of Lincolnshire and has been assigned as Trustee liaison overseeing Roads. The Village is anxious to utilize Trustee Tripicchio's experience in this area.

# **Village Board & Commission Meeting Dates**

Meetings are held at 7:30 in the lower level of the Village Hall. Dates for all the upcoming Commission and Board meetings are as follows:

### March

- 6 Parks & Recreation Commission
- 7 Health & Sanitation Commission
- 9 Environmental Commission
- 13 Plan Commission
- 14 Zoning Board of Appeals
- 20 Village Board

### April

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

### May

- 1 Parks & Recreation Commission
- 2 Health & Sanitation Commission
- 8 Plan Commission
- 9 Zoning Board of Appeals
- 11 Environmental Commission
- 22 Village Board

### June

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

### July

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

### August

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

# 50/50 Tree Planting Program

In October of 2005 the Village of North Barrington conducted its first 50/50 Tree Planting Program. The Village contracted with the Barn Nursery for the purchase and installation of 20 trees at a total cost of \$400 per tree. The Village paid half of the cost with the homeowner paying the remaining half. Residents were able to submit an application, accompanied by a check, in order to qualify for the program. Trees were required to be planted in the front yard at a location approved by the Village Forester

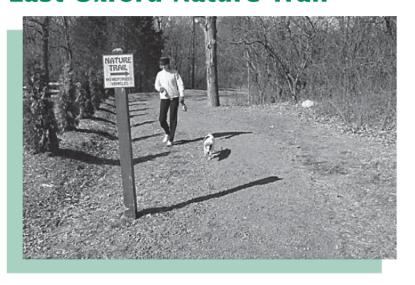


and there was a limit of one tree per household. Seventeen residents took part in the program. The Hackberry tree was selected because it is considered native to Illinois and is a good urban tree. The Village will run the 50/50 program again this fall although details on the program are not available at this time. As with last year's program, an application will be sent to all residents in the fall.

# Flint Creek Watershed Partnership

The Village has joined the Flint Creek Watershed Partnership whose goal is to educate while building partnerships for projects to improve water quality, reduce flooding, and preserve and restore wetlands, and prairies. Lake County Stormwater Management Commission (SMC) recently awarded it a Management Assistance grant for 2006-2007. The first step involves a stream inventory which will be performed this summer by SMC interns. The inventory will take about five weeks during the summer. We will notify homeowners whose property abuts Flint Creek when we have definite dates. Please contact the Village if you have any questions.

# **East Oxford Nature Trail**



While taking in the sights of spring, notice the improvements which were made to the entrance of the Nature Trail at East Oxford Road. The entrance was reconfigured and delineated, a culvert and catch basin relocated and buried. The path is scheduled to be cleared and mulched.

# **Tree Ordinance**

Residents are reminded that the Village has a Tree Ordinance. The purpose of the Tree Ordinance is to establish high tree preservation standards for all public and private properties within the Village and to preserve trees as an important public resource enhancing the Village's natural character and heritage. Before removing any trees on your property, consult the Village office. It is the duty of the owner of any property in the Village to removed Diseased Trees found with Oak Wilt or Dutch Elm Disease. The Village Forester is charged with enforcement of this Ordinance, and after notification, a property owner is required to remove and properly dispose of the diseased tree within ten business days. If the property owner does not comply, the Village is authorized to proceed with the removal of the tree and assess the costs against the property owner. Information on Dutch Elm Disease can be found online from the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service at

http://na.fs.fed.us/spfo/pubs/how-tos/ht\_ded/ht\_ded.htm.

# **Village Information**

### **Pool Fencing**

As previously reported, 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. 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.

### Garbage Pick Up



If your service day falls on or after a holiday, your service will be one day late that week. Regular service resumes the next week. Observed Holidays Include: Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Pick up after the Memorial Day as well as Independence Day holidays will be one day late. For customer service call (800) 796-9696 or visit their website www.wm.com.

### Waste Management Seasonal Yardwaste Program

The program begins April 1, 2006 and ends November 30, 2006. The service is \$65.82 for the season and allows for unlimited 32 gal cans/bags. Grass and leaves must be in brown Kraft paper yardwaste bags or marked yardwaste cans and weigh no more that 50 pounds. Brush must be bundled and tied with biodegradable twine or string in distinct piles that are no longer than 4 feet in length, 2 feet in diameter and weighting no more than 50 pounds with no individual branch being greater than 3 inches in diameter. Pick up is the same day as regular trash pick up.

For residents who strictly use the program for leaf pick up in the fall, Waste Management is offering a **6 week leaf program in the fall.** The dates will be decided by the Village and Waste Management. Residents wanting to dispose of leaves only, must place one leaf sticker on each biodegradable Kraft paper bag or properly marked can (maximum 32 gallons and 50 pounds) for collection. Stickers will be available for purchase through the North Barrington Village Hall and Waste Management. The cost of the stickers is \$1.00 each.

#### **Days and Hours Burning Permitted**

Leaves and other landscape waste may be burned only on the following days and during the following times: January through April and September through December: any day between noon and five o'clock p.m., except on national holidays; 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. Burning on any public street or right of way within the Village is prohibited and subject to fine. The Village asks that all residents do their part in promoting the health and safety of all by following Village Ordinances.

### Septic Systems and Wells

It is important to maintain septic tank systems property. Regular inspections and licensed pumping should be done every two to three years. In some cases the Village may have records on file with regard to your system. All new septic systems, major repairs or modifications to septic systems require permitting from the Village. If you have any questions or concerns regarding septic systems, operation and maintenance or permits, please contact the Village Hall.

The Lake County Health Department recommends that all water wells be sampled at least once a year for bacteria and nitrate. The Lake County Health Department has a very informative website which provides information on well and septic systems, www.co.lake.il.us/health/ehs. Or you can reach them by phone (847) 526-1125 (Wauconda Office).

### **Parks & Recreation Commission News**

### **Rebate Program**

The Village of North Barrington offers a Park District Rebate program. The program reimburses a portion of the cost difference between the In-District Fee and the Out-of-District Fee at applicable area park districts. There is a refund limit of \$25 per program per participant for each session attended and a \$75 limit per family per year. The Rebate Program does not apply to membership fees or pool passes. Courses must have been completed at the time of submission and rebate forms must be submitted within 60 days of course completion. This program is administered by the Parks and Recreation Commission and may be changed at any time. For further information about this program, contact Village Hall staff. Rebate forms can be picked up at the Village Hall or mailed out upon request.

### **Barrington Park District Pool Pass**

For a limited time this spring, the Barrington Park District will be offering discounted rates for the 2006 Season Pool Pass. Residents are encouraged to act early to take advantage of these lower fees if interested in obtaining a season pool pass. The Barrington Park District brochure is scheduled to be in the mail the last week in March and will provide further details on the program. The earlier you purchase your pool pass, the deeper the discount, and the full rate will apply after May 1st. If you have questions about this program, contact the Barrington Park District at (847) 381-0687.

Dogs - Residents are reminded that every person who owns a dog and allows the dog to run at large, other than on the premises of the owner, shall be guilty of a violation of Village Code and the offending dog will be declared a public nuisance and shall be apprehended and impounded. Also, any dog owner who fails to remove excrement deposited by his dog upon any premises, public or private, other than on the premises of the owner, shall be guilty of a violation of Village Code. Both violations are subject to fines.

**No Solicitors Invited -** Door-to-door solicitors are required to secure a permit from the Village of North Barrington, which can be somewhat difficult to obtain. If you have any concerns about solicitors, contact the Village Hall or the Lake County Sheriff's Department non-emergency number (847) 549-5200.

**Hazardous Waste -** The Solid Waste Agency of Lake County, IL (SWALCO) will soon begin their

### Camps at Eton Park

The Parks and Recreation Commission is busy planning events for the summer season. As in past summers, the Commission is working with the Foglia YMCA to provide summer camp programs at Eton Park. Included again this summer will be the Ricky Raccoon Pre-School Camp, Crafty Kids, and various sport camps. There will also be a Barrington Area Soccer Association sponsored camp. Watch your mail for a flier to be mailed out later this spring.

#### **Summer Events at Eton Park**

The Parks and Recreation Commission is planning to host another concert at Eton Park this June. This will be the third year for the popular family event. The casual, early evening concert is a great place for picnics with family and friends. The Commission is also considering a Family Movie Night in late summer, also at Eton Park. The dates for both these events have not been scheduled. Watch your mail for further information.

**SAVE THE DATE:** North Barrington's Annual Fall Festival is scheduled for October 8th!



Household Chemical Waste (HCW) collection program to help residents dispose of their chemical wastes safely and conveniently. Latex paint is no longer accepted at HCW collections. Residents can call the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County at (847) 336-9340 or check the agency's website (www.swalco.org) for further information about the HCW collection events. To help residents dispose of Latex paint, SWALCO provides bags of crushed corn cobs. Crushed corn cobs are very absorbent, and can dry out a can of paint in as little as 30 minutes. After equal parts of paint and crushed corn cobs are mixed together and allowed to dry, the cans of paint can be disposed of with the rest of the resident's trash. The Village Hall has a supply of these free crushed corn cobs for residents.

### Village of North Barrington

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**Village Board -** meets 4th Monday of the month Residents Welcome

Village President Bruce Sauer

Finance, Legal, and Utilities

**Trustee Rick Contorno** 

Police, Fire, Public Safety

**Trustee Jane Farrell** 

Parks and Recreation

**Trustee Jim Moran** 

Planning, Finance

**Trustee Albert Pino** 

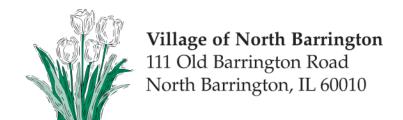
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