

## VILLAGE OF NORTH BARRINGTON

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## North Barrington's Annual Fall Festival-October 4th

This year's Fall Festival, being held October 4th from 1:00-4:00 p.m. at Eton Park, is going to be one of special distinction as the Village of North Barrington also celebrates its 50th Anniversary. Celebrations will kick off at the Fall Festival where residents' memories of sticky-handed cotton candy-eaters and scenic hayrides will once again materialize. Patch 22 will be on hand for pony rides, hayrides, and a petting zoo while magician Randy Bernstein mystifies the crowd. Slide blues guitarist Kraig Kenning, accompanied by Jim Siedel on electric bass, will delight your ears once again as you savor hot dogs and brats by Bella Lukes. Discover the history of North Barrington and celebrate its accomplishments as we also honor a special group of residents who have served the Village of North Barrington over the past 50 years. Don't miss the opportunity to celebrate your Village's history and accomplishments while enjoying food, fun, friends, and more.

The Fall Festival is sponsored by the Village of North Barrington. The Village's Parks and Recreation Commission chaired by Pat Ryan and members Ann Kafka, Jane Farrell, Lloyd Struttman, and Andy Seagren plan all aspects of the event. The Commission depends on and thanks the many additional resident volunteers who contribute to the success of the event year after year.



The Parks Commission hosted other events at Eton Park this summer including an ice cream social and talent show, a library read hosted by the Barrington Area Library, and the Ricky Raccoon Preschool Day Camp held in conjunction with the Foglia YMCA. In addition, they also hosted three concerts to satisfy the most eclectic listener; Pan Go Steel, Eleventh Hour Live, and Together Again were all spotlighted. All of these summer events were very successful. Planning for park events is a year-long task, and the Commission members are congratulated on their continued success as well as commended on all their hard work.

Once again, a big THANK YOU goes out to Biltmore Country Club and in particular Golf Course Superintendent Brian Thomson for all the maintenance work performed at Eton Park. This includes mulch placement, equipment repair, installing tents for camp and park functions as well as turf care. It is their grounds keeping expertise which keeps Eton Park looking it best. Brian and his crew recently gave the Biltmore Drive walking path a clean up by cutting back overgrown brush, removing dead limbs as well as mulching the path. The Village thanks Biltmore Country Club, Brian, and his crew for their continued dedication to the Village's public park and Biltmore Drive walking trail.



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I am constantly amazed by the quality and quantity of work accomplished in North Barrington by volunteers. The Village Board is made up of elected volunteers; the commissions are volunteer citizens; the special project groups like the North Barrington 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee are all volunteers; all work hard sacrificing time and usually some costs, on behalf of their community and their neighbors. It is a privilege to know and work with these exceptional people.

The responsibilities and the goals of the Village continue to expand. We are in the midst of a 10 year project that will ultimately rehab the entire length of Flint Creek. We have extensive plans for upgrading Eton Park and the surrounding land areas. An effluent dispersal system serving the Wynstone community which was made possible by the remarkable efforts of the Wynstone Property Owners Association, the Village of Lake Zurich, Lake County and North Barrington, will be completed this year. Nearly 80 acres of unincorporated Lake County will be voluntarily brought into the Village as a premier equestrian community and North Barrington will celebrate its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at our annual fall festival. These special projects are all in addition to the work needed to maintain the incredible quality of life we enjoy in North Barrington. We could use some more volunteers!

I am confident that each of you has a special interest in some aspect of our community. I know that the Village has come no where close to tapping the creativity and resourcefulness of our residents . . . and I am sure that each of us have full schedules, neglected projects and long "to do" lists . . . but I am asking for your help on behalf of your home.

Please stop by the Village Hall . . . give us a phone call . . . send us an email . . . schedule a carrier pigeon . . . just let us know that you want to get involved. I promise you three things will absolutely happen . . . we'll find a project that will fit your interests . . . you'll meet and work with great people who will become good friends and you will accomplish things that will simply make you proud. This isn't about getting . . . it's about giving. In the tough times we all share, nothing will bring us together, nothing will get us moving forward, and nothing will provide our children and others with role model standards better than getting involved.

Also, please take the time to fill out the census forms you will receive in the mail in March of 2010. Federal funds are awarded to states and communities based on census data; the Census affects your voice in Congress; the Census affects your representation in state and local government, and the Census is an informational source that impacts all your community's decisions! Be Counted!

I look forward to working with you and insuring that North Barrington remains a wonderful place to live.

Sincerely,

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### Village News

**2009 Road Program**. The 2009 Road Program started on Wednesday, August 19th. Roads

resurfaced as part of this year's program included Arrowhead Lane from Miller Road to end (north), and Signal Hill Road from Route 59 west to Seminole Road. The following list of roadways had variable depth pavement patching and other various improvements as part of this year's program: Biltmore Drive from Signal Hill Road to Miller Road; Eton Drive from Shady Lane to Kimberly Road; Carriage Road from Pinewoods Drive to Signal Hill Road; Honey Lake Road from Route 22 to Signal Hill Road and North Signal Hill Road from Old Barrington/Signal Hill Road intersection

to end (north). Chicagoland Paving received the contract for the Road Program in the amount of \$232,148.75.

**Moratorium on Removal of Certain Trees**. Pursuant to action of the Village Board of the Village of North Barrington, there is currently a temporary moratorium prohibiting the removal of any living tree in the Village of North Barrington which has a diameter of 20 inches or greater as measured at breast height. The Moratorium was put into place while the Board considers a Heritage Tree Ordinance.





The Barrington Area Council of Governments (BACOG) has established Halloween trick-or-treat hours for the BACOG area including the villages of Barrington, Barrington Hills, Deer Park, Lake Barrington, North Barrington, South Barrington, Tower Lakes, and unincorporated Barrington and Cuba Townships. The hours for trick-or-treat will start no earlier than 3:00 p.m. and end no later than 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 31, 2009. Parents are urged to allow children to trick-or-treat only at homes of neighbors and homes with porch lights on.

**Flint Creek Restoration.** The Village of North Barrington is committed to doing its part in protecting the Flint Creek Watershed. The Village is continuing its Flint Creek Restoration Project with the clearing and removal of buckthorn and other invasive species as well as the removal of debris jams along Flint Creek from Clover Hill Road downstream to Route 59. Issues identified in the Flint Creek Watershed include: bank erosion on shorelines and stream corridors; infrastructure problems; non-point source pollution; poor water quality; dumping by residents; roadway flooding; debris jams; little or no buffer along stream corridors; abundance of non-native species; older detention basins; and restoration of needed wetlands.

Tallgrass Restoration, LLC, (TGR) has been contracted by the Village to clear debris jams in Flint Creek. This is ongoing progress of a long-term environmental and educational project to restore Flint Creek to its natural state. Future projects under consideration are educational workshops and volunteer days. Nancy Schumm-Burgess from the Barrington Area Conservation Trust on behalf of the Village applied for and was granted a \$10,000 matching grant for educational purposes from the Lake County

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Stormwater Management Commission. Ms. Burgess has also applied for Section 319 Funding which would allow for residential matching grants in order to improve the watershed area. Goals include: to protect surface and groundwater resources and enhance overall water quality in streams of the watershed; identify and protect important natural areas; improve aquatic and terrestrial habitat in the watershed; increase communication and coordination among municipal decision-makers and other stakeholders; and foster appreciation and stewardship of the watershed through education.

**April Election Results.** Trustee **Ginger (Pennington) Das Gupta** was elected to the Board in April of 2009, after having served on the Village's Zoning Board of Appeals. She and her husband, Neil, have resided in the Biltmore neighborhood since August of 2004. Trustee Das Gupta serves as the Trustee Liaison to the Parks and Recreation Commission. Trustee **Camille Koertner** was elected to the Board in April of 2009 after having served as Trustee filling an unexpired position and before that as a Plan Commission member. Camille moved here in 1999 with her husband Bill and two children from Springfield. Trustee Koertner serves as the liaison to the Flint Creek Watershed Partnership as well as the Environmental & Health Commission, and as an appointed Director to the Board of SWALCO. Trustee **Al Pino** was re-elected to a four year term in April of 2009. He, with his wife Donna and three children have resided in North Barrington since 1995. Trustee Pino serves as Trustee Liaison for Roads as well as Finance Committee member.

Census 2010. The U.S. Constitution requires a national census be conducted once every 10 years. The census is a count of everyone residing in the United States: in all 50 states, Washington, D.C., Puerto

Rico, U.S Virgin Islands, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and American Samoa. This includes people of all ages, races, ethnic groups, both citizens and noncitizens. The 2010 Census questionnaire, which will be mailed out in March of 2010, asks only a few simple questions of each person-name, relationship, gender, age and date of birth, race and whether the respondent owns or rents his or her home. This simple, short questionnaire takes just a few minutes to complete and return by mail. The Census Bureau does not release or share information that identifies individual respondents or their household for 72 years. Your responses are strictly confidential and protected by law. The Census directly affects



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how more than \$300 billion per year in federal and state funding is allocated to communities for neighborhood improvements, public health, education, transportation and more. The Census affects your voice in Congress, as well as your representation in state and local governments. **2010 Census: It's in our Hands!** Be counted! Further information can be found on the Census 2010 website, <a href="https://www.census.gov">www.census.gov</a>.

Proposed Ordinance for Maintenance of Private Sewage Disposal Systems. The Environmental & Health Commission is proposing an ordinance requiring periodic maintenance of private sewage disposal systems. The goal is to educate homeowners, prevent and detect failing systems,

and reduce contamination risks to water sources within the Village. The proposed Ordinance is still being formulated and input from the public is welcome.

Fall Leaf Collection and Burning Regulations. Residents are encouraged to use landscape waste pick up or composting to dispose of leaves. Waste Management offers a seasonal landscape waste pick up program from April to November, for a flat fee. For residents who prefer to only use the service for leaves in the fall, Waste Management offers a 6 week leaf program. Stickers are purchased for \$1 each and placed on biodegradable bags. Stickers can be purchased at the Village Hall. Residents can also dispose of yard waste by burning. Landscape waste burns may be conducted January through December on any day between noon and 5 p.m. but not on any national holiday. Leaf burning may be conducted April 1 to May 31 and October 1 to November 30 on Thursday and Sunday between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. but not on any national holiday. Please be mindful of neighbors and keep water nearby when burning.

East Oxford Nature Trail. North Barrington resident Cameron Thomson is a sophomore at Barrington High School and is working on the rank of Eagle in the Boy Scouts. For his Eagle Scout Project Cameron proposed to build two boardwalks over the wet areas on the Nature Trail between East Oxford Road and Shady Lane. Approval for the project was secured from the Village's Parks & Recreation Commission as well as the Village Board. It was then submitted to the Boy Scouts of America, Signal Hill District, for the final approval. The Boardwalks will be completed by the end of September with help from volunteers and others members of Barrington's Troup 21. He will also be installing mulch on the trail. Materials were purchased at Home Depot who awarded Cameron a 10% discount due to the nature of a Scout project. A big thank you to everyone involved with this beautification project to benefit North Barrington residents!



#### **50/50 Tree Program.** In honor of the Village's 50th

birthday, the Village's 50/50 tree program will feature a Red Oak. Under this program, the Village will pay half of the cost of purchasing and planting twenty two-inch red oaks on private property. The Village has contracted with the Barn Nursery for the purchase and installation of these trees at a total cost of \$400 per tree. There is a limit of one tree per household. Look for your application in the mail.

Fall Chipping Program. There will be a fall chipping program for residents living south of Miller Road. Brush no larger than 4" in diameter must be stacked neatly at the edge of the road, with large ends out, and the pile cannot exceed 8' in length by 3' in height. All items must be placed by the end of the day Sunday, October 11th. Chipping will begin on Monday, October 12th. The chipping truck will only make one trip through the Village; brush placed after Sunday, October 11th will not be picked up. If you have any questions about the program, contact the Village or Cuba Township Highway Supervisor Tom Gooch at 847-381-7793.

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**Village Board** – generally meets the 4th Wednesday of the month, but Nov. & Dec. meetings will be on the third Monday due to holiday schedule.

Residents Welcome

**Village President Bruce Sauer** 

Legal

**Trustee Pete Boland** 

Police, Fire, Public Safety

**Trustee Ginger Das Gupta** 

Parks & Recreation Commission

**Trustee Camille Koertner** 

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Commission, Mosquito Abatement

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