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BARRINGTON



Village Report

A GREAT PLACE!

Barrington is a beautiful, historic suburb that takes pride in its hometown charm and small-town heritage. More than 300 unique shops and restaurants are clustered in five distinct retail areas. The Village Center is the heart of town, with its stately Victorian homes, historic buildings, quaint shops, and restaurants for every palate.

A Spectacular Summer Coming Your Way!

Although it is still only Spring, Barrington is moving forward with one spectacular summer. To kick it all off, May brings us some memorable and exciting events.

Barrington Art Festival May 28 & 29 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Amdur Productions proudly kicks off its 28th season with the Barrington Art Festival on Memorial Day weekend. FREE and open to the public, the Barrington Art Festival will offer the work of 140 juried artists from around the world in a variety of mediums, including ceramics, fiber, glass, jewelry, metal, photography, watercolors, wood and more.



In addition to the incredible artwork available for purchase at the festival, guests will be able to enjoy live music from several bands and musicians who perform throughout the weekend. Epicurean delights, including indulgences from local restaurants, will also be available at the festival. Activities for kids, including an interactive art wall where children can help create a mural, make the Barrington Art Festival the perfect family experience.

Barrington Memorial Day Parade May 30, 10:00 a.m.



Join Barrington residents and members of the Barrington VFW at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, May 30, for the annual Memorial Day Parade. The parade kicks off at Cook and Main Streets and will end at Evergreen Cemetery with a short service to commemorate U.S. men and women who died while in military service to their country. Unite with friends and neighbors for this solemn occasion.

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Calendar

OF EVENTS

May 14

Lions Club Hearing Bus Free Screenings

1:00pm - 4:00pm

Citizen's Park

www.barringtonparkdistrict.org

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Community Kite Fly

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10:00am - 5:00pm

Citizen's Park

May 28 & 29

Barrington Art Festival

10:00am - 5:00pm

Barrington Village Center

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May 29

Dash to Cure Diabetes, 8:00am

Citizen's Park to Cuba Marsh

info@godash.org

May 30

Memorial Day Parade, 10:00am

Begins at Cook & Main Streets

June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Cruise Nights Begin, 6:30pm

Cook & Station Streets

www.barrington-il.gov

June 16, 23, 30

Farmers Market, 2:00-7:00pm

Park Avenue & Cook Street

(847) 382-3829

June 10

Relay for Life

Barrington High School Stadium

(847) 644-5991, www.relayforlife.com

Barrington Cruise Nights and Farmers Market Thursdays, Beginning in June!



Join us in downtown Barrington every Thursday, beginning June 2nd, for the 8th season of Cruise Nights. The weekly car show is held every Thursday night from June 2nd through September 1st at 6:30 p.m. This event is FREE and is located in downtown Barrington in the Harris Bank Parking lot on South Cook Street, just south of Lake-Cook Road. Each week there will be food and ice cream vendors, fantastic prizes

and entertainment by Bob Roig of Priceless Parties.

Beginning June 16th, the Barrington Farmers Market returns to the Village Center at Park Avenue and Cook Streets. This popular market is held every Thursday from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. through October. The market features fresh fruits and vegetables, meats, eggs, flowers, pastries, cheeses, seafood and so much more! For more information, go to barringtonfarmersmarket.org.

Relay for Life Friday, June 10

Help us create a new world record with 15,000 cupcakes as "we celebrate more birthdays and less cancer." Please join our entire Barrington community to raise funds for the American Cancer Society by making or joining a team. Then get out your baking mitts to create cupcakes and bring to the BHS Stadium on June 10th as you witness Barrington's Biggest Birthday Party! We will have fun activities for kids & adults and great entertainment starting at 6:00 p.m. If interested, and this is optional, you can bring your tent and stay overnight at the stadium, as cancer never sleeps. The event concludes at 6:00 a.m. Saturday morning. Fun for the entire family! Luminaries are available online for \$10.00 to purchase in honor or memory of your loved ones. There will also be a Silent Auction Tent with chance baskets that evening as well. Look for more information as we honor all survivors with a special event that evening too!

Please come out as we CELEBRATE, REMEMBER, GIVE HOPE, and FIGHT BACK against cancer on June 10th! For more information, please call (847) 644-5991 or visit www.relayforlife.com.

SAVE THE DATES Fourth of July Festivities

As always, Barrington celebrates the Fourth of July like no other community. The Brat Tent Celebration begins Friday, July 1st through Monday, July 4th. Fireworks will be held Sunday, July 3rd at dusk at the Barrington High School. Run for the Arts returns on Monday, July 4th on Park Avenue, beginning at 7:30 a.m. The Fourth of July Parade will be held Monday, July 4th at 10:00 a.m.



And new this year, Barrington Breakfast Rotary is "Bringing the World to Barrington" by hosting its very first International Fest on Wednesday, July 6th in the Brat Tent from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

And ending the week long celebration in the Brat Tent are the UnCork Barrington Wine Tasting on Friday, July 8th from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., and the Barrington Brew Fest on Saturday, July 9th from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

*A message from Karen Darch,
the President of the
Village of Barrington*



Photo: Thomas Balsamo

PUBLIC MEETINGS

MAY		
02	Committee of the Whole	6:00 pm
03	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:00 pm
06	Fire & Police Commission	9:00 am
09	Committee of the Whole	6:00 pm
09	Board of Trustees	8:00 pm
10	Plan Commission	7:00 pm
11	Fire Pension	7:00 pm
12	Architectural Review	7:00 pm
23	Committee of the Whole	6:00 pm
23	Board of Trustees	8:00 pm
24	Police Pension	5:30 pm
24	Plan Commission	7:00 pm
26	Architectural Review	7:00 pm
27	Sesquicentennial Cmte	7:00 pm
28	Architectural Review	7:00 pm
JUNE		
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Call 847-304-3400 for more information.



Village President Karen Darch served at the Barrington Area Council on Aging's Senior Lunch and Activity program at the Barrington Park District. President Darch was participating in BACOA's Mayors for Meals campaign, which spotlighted BACOA's senior nutrition programs.

Pains, Rains, Trains and Gains

On March 28th, I gave my annual "State of the Village" address to the Village Board, staff, and local residents. The "State of the Village" address is my opportunity to let you know how things are going, as well as what might be important going forward. The address is divided into four topic areas: the pains, rains, trains, and gains of the Village of Barrington.

In my speech, I touched on several topics currently affecting the Village of Barrington.

The "pains" of the Village of Barrington include:

- The economic "pain" of our recent past and initiatives set in place to close any service level gaps and find more efficiencies in service delivery
- Unemployment issues being addressed through a concerted effort with Career Place, Cuba Township, and other resources
- Efforts made to foster local economic development
- Monitoring state and federal law makers to ensure their actions will not cause expensive unfunded mandates on municipalities
- Dealing with "growing pains" and participating in and monitoring regional planning and decisions that could change the landscape of the Village

The "rains" of the past year include issues that:

- Ability to gain a realistic picture of our water supply, the demands on it, and how best to manage stormwater, groundwater, and waste water
- Define the best way to protect property and insure an adequate water supply for generations to come

The "trains" in the Village:

- Continue to pursue grade separation for railroad tracks to relieve the impacts of CN's increased freight traffic, including pursuing grant opportunities, such as the TIGER II planning grant from the US Department of Transportation

The "gains" for the Village include:

- Achieving many positive steps on the environmental front
- Recognition for excellence in financial reporting and budgeting, with a budget surplus as a result of careful budget management
- Upgrades to our computer system, our communications program and our newsletter
- Refreshed emergency operations plan
- Over 33 new businesses opened in Barrington in 2010
- In 2010, we will show a 9% increase in sales tax revenue over 2009
- Work on the Quiet Zone at Route 59 and the EJ&E continued, as did work on the Hart Road and other road and traffic projects

Each day, in the Village of Barrington, we witness a spirit and vitality in this community which in so many ways will not quit. Given this spirit and our track record we should feel confident in addressing any challenges we face. Continued focus on our vision, attention to details and prompt response in addressing challenges like rains, pains, and trains will keep providing gains for our Village.

Barrington is a great community. Her past is a testament to caring citizens, thoughtful action and hard work. Those three ingredients will continue to make her future bright. Barrington's success is our desire and our residents expect, deserve, and will receive no less.

Karen Darch

President, Village of Barrington

The complete State of the Village address will be in your next water bill, or you may go to www.barrington-il.gov to view and read the complete "State of the Village Address."

Creating a More Vibrant Barrington

Welcome Americas Best Value Inn

Barrington welcomes Americas Best Value Inn Northwest Chicago (formerly Days Inn), providing the best value and hospitality. Americas Best offers amenities to please both business and leisure travelers. Americas Best offers an 800 sq. ft. meeting room with free high speed internet to accommodate your business needs.



Congratulations Sweet Spot On Your One-Year Anniversary

Visit Sweet Spot at 102 S. Hager Avenue, on Saturday, May 7th where they will have M&M characters, free popcorn, samplings, as well as other activities all throughout the day.

The Shops on Lageschulte Street

Take a stroll into Barrington's newest business district. The Shops on Lageschulte just southwest of downtown, feature many businesses, including:

- The Original Tracks
- Kranz Service
- Lets Go Cruizin'
- Studio 4 Hair Salon
- Total Look, Inc.
- Bataille Academie of the Danse
- Pink Geranium
- Surface Group International
- JT's Auto Body
- One Girl
- Bella Style Boutique
- The Dog House of Barrington
- Nortons U.S.A.



Village News You Can Use

Village Awarded Grant for Emerald Ash Borer

The Village has been awarded an Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Grant for technical assistance in the amount of \$20,000 through the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus, as part of a State-wide forestry initiative. The funds will be used to conduct a comprehensive public tree inventory and create an Emerald Ash Borer action plan. Actual inventory work is scheduled to begin in early June and the inventory and action plan are expected to be completed by October.

In the meantime, if you believe you have seen infested ash trees, please contact Mike Szymanski, Village Forester, at (847) 381-7903. Symptoms of the EAB are similar to many other ash distress symptoms including a general appearance of poor health. Specific signs include very small "D" shaped exit holes in the bark and unusual sprouts on the trunk.

For detailed information about preventing the spread of EAB, visit www.emeraldashborer.info. For further information about the grant, EAB, or other Forestry topics please see the Village's web site or contact our Village Forester, Mike Szymanski at (847) 381-7903.



Spring Chipper Schedule

The Chipper will make only one pass through your neighborhood.

Monday, May 2 - North of Main Street

Monday, May 9 - South of Main Street



Fire Hydrant Flushing Scheduled May 1 - May 18

The Village conducts an annual flushing of the water distribution system to eliminate as much mineral content as possible from the domestic water supply. Fire hydrant flushing removes a considerable amount of loose mineral content and "settleable" solids that accumulate in the water supply system over a period of time. Fire hydrant flushing operations will be conducted from May 1 through May 18, 2011 and will be conducted during the evening hours between 10:30 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. for residents in the Village, and between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. for those areas we service outside of the Village. Customers may experience discoloration, low water pressure, and rusty water during flushing operations. These symptoms may occur the entire two-week flushing period, even when flushing may not be in your immediate area. Although water may be discolored, it is safe to drink; however, until the water runs clear, it is advisable to avoid washing clothes, especially white fabrics. Any questions regarding this subject should be directed to Public Works at (847) 381-7903.



*From the desk of
Jeff Lawler,
Village Manager*



Photo: Thomas Balsamo

Expect Another Spectacular Summer!

Last year was dubbed, the "Best Summer Ever." I wasn't sure we could top that this year – but it looks like we are headed in the right direction. This summer promises to be more festive, more entertaining, and more spirited than ever with many activities planned in the Village. The 10th annual Community Kite Fly is scheduled for Saturday, May 14th. This event has gained in popularity over the years, and dots the skies with colorful kites, bringing families together for a great afternoon. The Barrington Cultural Arts Center is bringing back "Art in the Park" on May 22nd, with the 2011 theme, 'Journey Into the Arts.' You can expect to travel through a maze of artwork and feel the inspirations and motivational atmosphere as you view each exceptional artwork and get to know the local artists. The spectacular Barrington Art Festival returns this year over Memorial Day weekend with works from 140 juried artists from around the world. Gourmet foods, including indulgences from local restaurants, will be featured at the Festival, along with plenty of activities for kids, making this the perfect family experience. Members of the Barrington VFW kick off the annual Memorial Day parade on Monday, May 30th at 10:00 a.m. The parade route begins at Cook and Main Streets and ends at Evergreen Cemetery with a short service to commemorate U.S. men and women who have died while serving our country.

All of these events occur, and we haven't even begun the summer festivities, yet! Cruise Nights, Farmer's Market, Relay for Life, Fourth of July celebrations, Run for the Arts, the First International Fest, Barrington Brew Fest, UnCork Barrington, Concours D'Elegance and the First Annual Barrington Community Follies are all scheduled to make this a spectacular summer. I've always enjoyed the small-town atmosphere of Barrington, and these events bring everyone together in a way that makes our Village such a great place to live, work, and play.

Remember to visit our website at www.barrington-il.gov for details on all of these upcoming events.

Jeff Lawler

Village Manager

scenes from the celtic fest



Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, is a day of remembrance for those who have died in our nation's service. With Memorial Day approaching and Flag Day set, annually, as June 14th, many of us are planning to fly our American flags and are concerned about properly displaying and honoring one of our nation's most visible symbols.

The Flag Code, which formalizes and unifies the traditional ways in

which we give respect to the flag, also contains specific instructions on how the flag is not to be used. Some of these instructions include:

- The Flag should never be used as apparel, bedding, or drapery.
- When the Flag is lowered, no part of it should touch the ground or any other object; it should be received by waiting hands and arms.
- When displaying a flag outdoors, it should not be displayed on days when the weather is inclement, except when an all-weather flag is displayed.
- The Flag should not be draped over the hood, top, sides, or back of a vehicle or of a railroad train or a boat. If displayed on a motorcar, the staff should be fixed firmly to the chassis or clamped to the right fender.
- When displayed from a staff in a church or public auditorium, the flat of the United States should hold the position of superior prominence. No other flag or pennant should be placed above it, or if at the same level, it should fly to the right of the U.S. flag.
- The Flag should form a distinctive feature of the ceremony of unveiling a statue or monument, but it should never be used as the covering for the statue or monument.
- On Memorial Day, the Flag should be displayed at half-staff until noon only, and then raised to the top of the staff.
- The Flag should be cleaned and mended when necessary. When it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, it should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferable by burning. Most American Legion Posts regularly conduct a dignified flag burning ceremony. There is a flag drop-off box at Veteran's Park at Park Avenue and Cook Street.



For more information, please visit www.usflag.org/flagetiquette.html.

Cultural and Community News

On this page, we offer cultural and community events and news. Please note that these items are not sponsored by the Village of Barrington and are published in the newsletter on a first-come, first-served basis.

Artists on Exhibit

May 2011

BCAC Gallery at Good Shepherd Fitness Center

The works of Carol Foster, Lynn Loch, and Dixie Rogus will all be on display through May.

BHS Spring Play: Rumors

May 5, 6 & 7

Barrington High School

BHS Theatre is proud to be producing RUMORS, one of the biggest hits by America's "King of Comedy", Neil Simon. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for students, and free for seniors. Tickets can be purchased at the BHS Box Office or by calling (847) 842-3200.

Community Kite Fly

May 14, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Citizens Park

Colorful dancing kites will dot the skies over Barrington, as families gather for the annual Kite Fly. For information, visit www.barrington-parkdistrict.org.

Art in the Park

May 22, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Citizens Park

Expect to travel through a maze of artwork and

feel the inspiration and motivational atmosphere as you view each piece and get to know the artists. Take this time to "Journey into the Arts." Call (847) 347-2931 for information.



Barrington Art Festival

May 28 & 29, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Village Center

Over 140 artists display their work, representing a variety of mediums. This free festival includes live music, food and fun for the entire family. Visit www.barrington-il.gov for information.

Live & Unplugged Presents:

Songbirds of Barrington

May 22, 7:00 pm

Francesca's, 100 E. Station St

Nashville songwriters Jessica Rae, Pete Sallis and Greg Friia will perform to benefit the Make-



a-Wish Foundation of Illinois. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$30 at the door and can be purchased at www.live-and-unplugged.com or (847) 381-4705.

Barrington Youth Dance Ensemble: Spring Concert

June 17, 7:00 pm

June 18, 2:00 pm

Barrington High School

BYDE is proud to announce the 2011 spring concert, featuring Barrington Youth Dance Ensemble members and student dancers from Barrington Dance Academy in three one-act ballets. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for students, and free for seniors. Tickets can be purchased at the www.BYDE.org, or by calling (847) 382-6333.

Barrington Community Follies

August 26 & 27

Barrington High School

This show will be entirely community-focused with local talent and crew. Information for interested performers and crew can be found at www.bhstheater.com.

Severe Weather Siren Information

Severe Weather Sirens are tested on the first Tuesday of every month at 10:00 a.m.

Outdoor warning sirens are used to alert residents of danger from approaching severe weather, hazardous materials incidents or other emergencies where wide-spread notification is required. The warning sirens transmit numerous audible warning sounds and have the capability to broadcast voice instruction. Sirens are battery-powered and will work even if a power failure occurs in the area. There are two main types of sirens used to alert citizens of severe weather.

LONG STEADY SIREN lasting 3 to 5 minutes indicates conditions are correct for a tornado and that severe weather is approaching the area. Residents should take cover.

OSCILLATING (UP AND DOWN) SIREN lasting 3 to 5 minutes indicates that a tornado has been spotted. **TAKE COVER IMMEDIATELY.** The best place to take cover is in a basement, or small interior room under a heavy table, or a low ditch or ravine if caught outside.

NO "ALL CLEAR" SIGNAL WILL BE GIVEN. Residents should monitor local news and weather to determine if the threat has expired.



Did You Know...

Effective June 1st, all Village residents should obey the Village's Outside Water Conservation Program. Use of sprinklers and irrigation systems can only be used on odd days, if your address is an odd number, and even days if your address is an even number. For more information, visit www.barrington-il.gov.



Did You Know?

The Village Hall will be closed on Memorial Day, Monday, May 30, 2011.

Village Vision

The vision of Barrington is to preserve and promote its unique small-town heritage, preserve its distinct ecological and historical character, provide a moral and safe environment, maintain a high quality of life through the efficient use of community resources, and respond to future challenges through citizen participation in all civic, social and cultural endeavors.

Due to the Memorial Day Holiday, Groot refuse, recycling, and yard waste pick-up will be Saturday, June 4.

Barrington Welcomes New Trustee



Robert Windon

At the April 5th Consolidated Election, Jim Daluga and Paul Hunt were re-elected as Trustees for the Village. Robert Windon was newly elected as Trustee.

Windon said that in choosing him, he believes voters expressed satisfaction with Barrington's current direction.

"I think what the three of us shared was the feeling that we're moving in the right direction," he said.

All three Trustees will be sworn in at the Village Board Meeting to be held on Monday, May 9, 2011 at 8:00 p.m.

Robert Windon replaces outgoing Trustee Jeff Anderson, who did not seek re-election. Trustee Anderson has generously served on the Village Board since 2005. Village President Karen Darch said, "I know I speak for the entire Board when I say, Trustee Anderson was a pleasure to work with. He brought to the Board excellent experience in organizational and financial process and administrative detail, as well as a deep love for his hometown of Barrington. We have all been honored to serve with him on the Village Board for the past six years, and thank him for his service to our community."



Jeff Anderson

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