



Calendar OF EVENTS

OCTOBER 4, 11, 18, 3:00 - 7:00 P.M.

Barrington Farmers' Market
Park Avenue & Cook Street
www.BarringtonFarmersMarket.com

OCTOBER 10

International Walk to School Day
Throughout the Village
www.walkbiketoschool.org

OCTOBER 13, 11:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

Scarecrow Festival
Memorial Park (Hough & Lincoln)
www.enjoybarrington.com

OCTOBER 13, 2:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

Barrington Wine Walk, "Sipping Saturday"
Check in at NeoTeca; pre-purchase tickets
www.BarringtonChamber.com

OCTOBER 16, 7:00 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.

Referendum Community Open House
The Garlands
www.barrington-il.gov

OCTOBER 27, 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Document Destruction Event
North Commuter Parking Lot
www.barrington-il.gov

OCTOBER 30, 7:00 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.

Referendum Community Open House
Barrington's White House
www.barrington-il.gov

**CROP
HUNGER WALK**
ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME

Barrington Area CROP Hunger Walk

October 21, 2018

The Barrington Area CROP Walk is an annual community hunger education and fund-raising event sponsored by Church World Service. This year the Walk takes place throughout the Village of Barrington, beginning at St. Paul United Church of Christ, 401 E. Main St., Barrington, on Sunday, October 21. Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. and the Walk will begin at 1:00. For more information, visit www.crophungerwalk.org.

18th Annual Scarecrow Festival

Saturday, October 13, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Barrington's annual Scarecrow Festival returns Saturday, October 13, from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Memorial Park in downtown Barrington.

This family-friendly event is FREE and open to the public and will feature pony rides; scarecrow, pumpkin and cookie decorating; and fun games for the kids.

Bob the DJ will be on hand to delight the crowd with his special costume and favorite spooky songs. Pumpkins, cookies, and materials for scarecrows will be provided; festival goers may bring clothing and accessories to personalize



their creations.

There will also be a variety of food options which will be available for purchase. Come and join the fun!

Vote for Your Favorite Scarecrow in the Village!

Voting Begins October 1 and Ends October 31



Scarecrows have been decorated all over the Village by our merchants, businesses, and local organizations. Vote for your favorite scarecrows by going to the Village's web site at www.barrington-il.gov. Click the QUICK LINK in the upper right-hand corner and hit "Scarecrow Decorating."

Click on the photo of your favorite scarecrow and a vote will automatically be cast or visit the Village Facebook page at Facebook/Village of Barrington and 'like' your favorite scarecrows. Vote for as many as you like - but it's only one vote per email per scarecrow!

The contest ends on October 31. Winners will be announced on the Village web site and at the Village Board meeting on November 12.

Farmers' Market Runs Through Oct. 18

Don't Miss the Best of the Fall Harvest!

Barrington's weekly Farmers' Market runs every Thursday until October 18 from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Park Avenue parking lot and features fresh produce, meats, pastries and bread, flowers, and other items from local farmers and producers. Ready-to-eat food and drink are also available. Fun for the whole family!

For more information, go to www.barringtonfarmersmarket.com.



PUBLIC MEETINGS

OCTOBER 2018

01	Committee of the Whole	6:00 pm
08	Committee of the Whole	6:00 pm
08	Board of Trustees	8:00 pm
09	Plan Commission	7:00 pm
10	Cultural Commission	12:00 pm
11	Architectural Review	7:00 pm
22	BWH Advisory Board	2:00 pm
22	Committee of the Whole	6:00 pm
22	Board of Trustees	8:00 pm
23	Plan Commission/ZBA	7:00 pm
25	Architectural Review	7:00 pm

NOVEMBER 2018

05	Committee of the Whole	6:00 pm
08	Architectural Review	7:00 pm
12	Committee of the Whole	6:00 pm
12	Board of Trustees	8:00 pm
13	Plan Commission/ZBA	7:00 pm
14	Cultural Commission	12:00 pm
26	BWH Advisory Board	2:00 pm
26	Committee of the Whole	6:00 pm
28	Board of Trustees	8:00 pm

Call (847) 304-3400 for more information.



National Walk to School Day

October 10, 2018

The Village of Barrington will be participating in International Walk to School Day on Wednesday, October 10, 2018. All Barrington elementary schools are invited to participate by either walking or biking to school. This event is a great way to teach children about healthier habits and a cleaner environment while promoting safety.

Photo: Thomas Balsamo

A MESSAGE FROM KAREN DARCH

President,
Village of Barrington



Your Vote Has Never Been More Important!

Please Go to the Polls on November 6

We often hear that our most important job (and privilege) as American citizens is to VOTE. As someone who has spent a number of years in public service, I couldn't agree more, and I would like to encourage each of you to exercise your right to vote this November. It is truly the most effective way that we can all use our "voices" at every level of government.

There are a number of important elections on the ballot this fall, including that of governor and legislators of the state of Illinois, as well as that of our representative to the U.S. Congress. In addition, we have an important referendum question on the November ballot here in the Village of Barrington.

As you may be aware, the Village is asking our residents whether they would support a 1% increase in our sales tax, which would take the current sales tax rate in the Lake County portion of the Village from 7% to 8% and from 9% to 10% in the Cook County portion. This additional 1% would not apply to vehicles, pharmaceuticals, or qualified groceries.

There are numerous reasons why this sales tax increase is important. The primary source of funding for our infrastructure program (maintenance of roads, sidewalks, parking lots, water system, etc.) has historically come through utility taxes, which have declined significantly since 2012. The decline is due to the decrease in land line phones as well as the loss of the Emergency 911 tax (the State of Illinois passed legislation to take this tax away from municipalities). Our revenue from these sources has declined by about \$465,000 since 2012. In addition, pension contribution costs (which are mandated by the state) have more than doubled in this same timeframe.

This has resulted in a nearly million-dollar gap in the Village's budget that has impacted our ability to continue to repair our infrastructure on a set 25-year schedule as planned. Instead, we have delayed or deferred infrastructure projects into the future, which is never a prudent option (it is much less expensive to repair a road than to replace it). And since more than half of Barrington's retail sales are made by non-Village residents, this increase will allow non-residents to help us support the infrastructure they use here in the Village.

You may not be aware that currently, the Village only receives 1% of the sales tax you pay (the rest goes to other governmental entities such as the county and the state). This new tax would be 1% additional, for a total of 2% of the sales tax going to the Village. This would generate approximately \$1 million in additional revenue that would be used to fund infrastructure.

If you would like more information about the sales tax referendum, I hope you will attend one of the Community Open Houses scheduled this month on October 16 and October 30 (see page 1 of this newsletter). There is also a detailed Q&A available on our web site at www.barrington-il.gov.

While I cannot (and would not), tell you *how* to vote in the upcoming election, I do hope that you will carefully consider the issues before you and exercise your right to vote so that your voice is heard.

Karen Darch
President, Village of Barrington

VILLAGE UPDATES

Village of Barrington's Development Services Staff Helps Fight Hunger through "CAN-struction" Project



In August, teams from the architectural, engineering, and construction industries came together to design and build colossal structures made entirely out of canned food – each can generously donated for our hungry Chicago and Cook County neighbors.

These "Cansculptures" were displayed as a canned art exhibition on the first floor of the Merchandise Mart in September. The Village of Barrington participated as a team with Gewalt Hamilton Associates to can-struct a Dump Truck as we work to "Haul off Hunger!"

Got Permits?

Any time you are beginning an indoor or outdoor remodeling or construction project, you should check with the Village about obtaining the required permits. Please call 847-304-3460 with any questions you may have, and our staff will walk you through the process.

RECYCLING UPDATES FROM SWANCC

The Village's partner in recycling efforts, the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC), will soon be making changes to its recycling programs that will impact what you should be putting in your recycling containers.

In order to make our recycling programs more effective (so that more of the material can be reused in a more efficient manner), **SWANCC asks you to do the following when you recycle:**

- Empty cans
- Take straws out of cartons
- Re-cap lids on glass and plastic bottles
- Flatten paper and cardboard boxes

In addition, below are items that you should NOT put into recycling bins:

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| •Plastic bags or film wrap | •Napkins/paper towels/tissue |
| •Plastic or paper cups/plates | •Diapers/wipes |
| •Cup lids/straws | •Cords/hoses/hangers |
| •Food/plastic containers | •Batteries/electronics |
| •Chip/candy wrappers | •Sharps (needles) |
| •Juice/food pouches | •Textiles/shoes |

A note about plastic bags and film wrap: Plastic bags and film wrap (plastic film packaging such as bread wrappers and dry cleaning bags) can be recycled, but not in curbside recycling programs. Bags and film wrap are considered "contamination" at a Materials Recovery Facility where recyclables are processed, because they get tangled in the equipment. To recycle these items, be sure to completely empty plastic bags and make sure film wrap is clean and dry. Then stuff into one bag, tie it closed and take to your nearest participating grocery or retail store. To learn more, visit plasticfilmrecycling.org.



Need to Shred? Bring Papers to Our Document Destruction Event

October 27, 2018, 9:00 a.m. – Noon

On Saturday, October 27, the Village of Barrington will host a Document Destruction Event at the North Commuter Lot from 9:00 a.m. – noon. (Enter at Klingenberg Lane and Northwest Highway.)



The event is sponsored by the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC), and residents from Barrington and other SWANCC communities are eligible to participate. **However, materials will not be accepted from non-SWANCC residents, businesses, schools, or institutions, and IDs will be checked for verification of residency: www.swancc.org/swancc-member-communities.**

Acceptable documents can include medical forms, bank statements, personal files and retired tax forms. There is a limit of six file boxes or paper bags, and all plastic, metal clips or binders must be removed. **DO NOT** bring paper in plastic bags. Plastic is a contaminant, as are photos, slides, and any non-paper items.

"Every consumer is at risk of identity theft, and criminals have gotten very astute at going into garbage cans and recycling bins to steal names, addresses and even bank account numbers," said Mary Allen, SWANCC's Recycling and Education Director. "Because of this constant threat, SWANCC wants to assist residents with destroying their personal information, making sure that all shredding is done on site at the host location before being recycled."

For more information on SWANCC's Document Destruction Events or other programs and resources, please visit SWANCC's website at swancc.org or call (847) 724-9205.

VILLAGE NEWS YOU CAN USE

Fall Chipper Schedule

Monday, October 1 - North of Main Street

Monday, October 8 - South of Main Street

Get ready for the Chipper! Please have all material out to the curb by 7:00 a.m. on your designated Monday morning. Stack branches neatly in a long, low pile on the parkway, with the cut end facing the curb. Please note that Public Works crews cannot pick up material on private property, and the Chipper will make only ONE pass through your neighborhood.

Branches may be up to 10" in diameter and at least 4' in length. The following items cannot be picked up: root balls and stumps; building materials; anything with nails, wire or bolts; any materials placed in a box or garbage can; grass; leaves; or any materials other than wooded branch materials. Remember to utilize your Groot yard waste tote throughout the season.

Sanitary Sewer Back Up?

If you experience a sanitary sewer back up due to an extreme rain event, please contact the Public Works Department as soon as possible: we are available Monday through Friday at 847-381-7903 or after hours at 847-270-9111. A Village representative will come out to confirm the backup and investigate the source of the problem.

It's Leaf Season Again

Autumn is a time of year when those beautiful leaves begin to fall to the ground and need to be disposed of. In order to be more environmentally friendly, we are asking that you consider mulching or composting your leaves.



Being "green" will help to reduce the energy expended for transportation, processing, and disposal. If you have leaves that cannot be mulched or composted, you may utilize your large green yard waste tote or purchase leaf bags at Jewel/ Osco.

Please do not rake or blow your leaves on to the street, as this can create safety issues and clog storm drains and pipes.

WE'RE HIRING!

Village Seeks Seasonal Support Staff

The Village is seeking seasonal support staff for a variety of snow and ice control activities, including snow plowing, salting, hand shoveling, and other duties as assigned. Because this is a seasonal support position, the typical work week will vary, depending on weather conditions. Applications are available on the Village's website at www.barrington-il.gov or at Village Hall. For more information, contact Human Resources at (847) 304-3415.

FROM THE DESK OF JEFF LAWLER

*Village Manager,
Village of Barrington*



Photo: Thomas Balsamo

The Latest on the Underpass and the Homes in Jewel Park

You may have noticed recently that a new fence was installed along Route 14 along the Jewel Park subdivision (located at the northwest corner of Routes 14 and 59). The fence was installed by the Village to replace the existing deteriorating fence in advance of the planned demolition of five homes on the south side of Elm Road in Jewel Park. These homes were five of the eight homes identified for removal as a part of the Route 14 underpass project at the CN railroad and Lake Zurich Road.

IDOT acquired these five homes in accordance with the homeowners' requests for early acquisition; the other three homeowners elected not to participate in the first round of acquisitions. [IDOT has informed us that demolition of these initial homes is set to begin in mid-October or early November by Copenhaver Construction of Gilberts, Illinois.](#)

Prior to demolition, residents will begin to see limited and necessary tree removals and construction site fencing appearing on the properties. The vast majority of trees are being saved, with removals limited only to those alongside the home foundations which would be destabilized by the removals.

Demolition of the homes is slated to be completed by mid-December. The Village had hoped that demolition would be completed earlier this fall so that the grass seed could be established and growing before the winter season. Instead, the contractor will dormant-seed and blanket the disturbed areas so that the grass will come up in the early spring. The Village of Barrington has agreed to maintain the landscape of the vacant lots until construction begins on the underpass.

We are actively seeking funding for the underpass project, and when funding is received, we will move forward with the completion of Phase II engineering and then construction. The planning and initial design Phase I were completed in 2014 (see image below), and final construction drawings will begin as soon as funding is finalized.

I would like to thank all our residents, and especially our Jewel Park neighbors, for their understanding and patience during this project, which is critical for the future of our community.



Jeff Lawler
Village Manager

CREATING A MORE VIBRANT BARRINGTON

Region Restaurant Opens at the Foundry



The new Region Restaurant in the Foundry (718 N. Northwest Highway) is now open and features contemporary American and global cuisine in a casual-elegant environment, with drinks that are getting rave reviews online for being “creative and tasty.” Stop by to see what’s new and exciting!

Ella Bonella Opens Pie Shop On Northwest Highway



Barrington’s new favorite place for pie is open at 421 N. Northwest Hwy. Ella Bonella celebrated its Chamber of Commerce ribbon-cutting on September 13. The shop was founded by Andrew Monsour and Cliff Mulnix, who ran Frank’s Karma Cafe in Wauconda for more than a decade. The shop offers delicious sweet and savory pies as well as a variety of lunch and breakfast options.

The Altar Bridal Salon Is Now Open in Barrington



You’ll find bridal gowns at every price point at Barrington’s newest bridal salon, The Altar. Open at 236 W. Northwest Highway, owner Maureen Mika has a wide selection of off-the-rack, sample, and discount gowns ranging from \$500 to \$5,000. Alterations are also on-site, making the entire process very convenient for brides. For more information, go to www.thealtarbridal.com/barrington.

“Spooktacular” Events at the Ice House Mall



Spooktacular Halloween Costume Pageant at the Ice House Mall

Saturday, October 27, 1:00 p.m.
Ice House Mall

Children of various age groups are invited to participate in the Sunburst Spooktacular Pageant and Costume Contest at the Ice House Mall & Village Shops. A winner and runner up is chosen in each age group/ category. Entry forms are available at all Ice House Mall stores and online at www.sunburstbeauty.com. For information, contact Mary@sunburstbeauty.com or call 813-839-8054.

Trick or Treating at the Ice House Mall

Wednesday, October 31, 12:00–5:00 p.m.
Ice House Mall

Come trick or treat at the Ice House and participate in a Halloween Kids Craft Corner. Fun for all ages!

Events & News from the Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce



Annual Legislative Breakfast

Wednesday, October 3, 7:30 a.m. Registration
The Garlands of Barrington

Join us for this networking and breakfast buffet with first-hand updates on State affairs. Invited panelists include Senator Cristina Castro, Senator Dan McConchie, Representative Anna Moeller, and Representative Helene Miller Walsh. Tickets are \$25 per person. Register at www.Barrington-Chamber.com.

Great Barrington Area TasteFest

Wednesday, October 24, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.
The Onion Pub & Brewery

Tickets are now on sale for one of the most popular tasting events in the region. The Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce (BACC) will host its 15th annual Great Barrington Area TasteFest on Wednesday, October 24 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at The Onion Pub & Brewery, located at 22221 N. Pepper Rd. in Lake Barrington. The annual event showcases samples from some of the finest purveyors of food and spirits in the Barrington area. Tickets are \$35 in advance or \$40 at the door. Register at www.BarringtonChamber.com.



The 85th Annual Barrington United Methodist Church Rummage Sale

Friday, October 5 & 6

The Barrington United Methodist Church Rummage Sale is Friday, Oct. 5 from 9:00 am to 7:00 pm and Saturday, Oct. 6 from 9:00 am to noon. The sale is at 98 Algonquin Rd., the southeast corner of Routes 59 and 62. You’ll find everything from clothing to children’s and household items as well as antiques and collectibles.

CULTURAL EVENTS AND COMMUNITY NEWS

Launching Emotionally Healthy Young Adults

Monday, October 1, 7:00 p.m.

Barrington Area Library

How do we gauge young peoples' mental and emotional readiness for greater independence? Learn from a panel of local experts who will address warning signs, proactive steps to maintain mental health, successful interventions, long-distance crisis response, managing a diagnosis, achieving autonomy, and more. Registration required.

How to Transition A Good Idea into a Great Business

Monday, October 1, 7:00 p.m.

Barrington Area Library

The Business Model Canvas has been a great invention for everyone from startups to large companies. We review the components of the Business Model Canvas and begin constructing a preliminary plan. Presented by Chris Banakis from SCORE. Registration required.

BACOA's Powerful Tools for Caregivers

Tuesdays, Oct. 2, 9, 16, 1:00-3:30 p.m.

The Garlands of Barrington

The Barrington Area Council on Aging presents this series to help you acquire the needed resources to care for a loved one while also learning how to take care of yourself. Go to www.bacoa.org.

Free Community Meal

Thursday, October 4, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

St. Anne Catholic Church

Our mission is to show Christian hospitality by providing a welcoming place, nourishing food, a listening ear, and acceptance to all regardless of faith beliefs or economic means. The simple act of sharing a meal together gives hope to the elderly, lonely and hungry.

Hayrides at the Park

October 5, 12, 19, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Citizens Park

Enjoy an old-fashioned hay ride and then warm up with hot cocoa, cider, and s'mores by the fireplace. Pre-registration is required: www.barringtonparkdistrict.org.

Incredible Bats with CFC

Tuesday, October 9, 7:00 p.m.

Barrington Area Library

Educators Sharon and Dan Peterson will discuss the environmental benefits of native bats. Sharon is an elementary school teacher and librarian trained by Bat Conservation

International; Dan is a bat naturalist. For more information, call CFC at 847-382-7283.

Introduction to Deconstructing the News with BACOA

Thursday, October 11, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Barrington's White House

As a part of the Lifelong Learning Series, BACOA and Harper College present an overview of news literacy and the tools you need to make your own informed analysis of news stories. Information and registration at www.HarperCollege.edu/lli.

BACT Oak-Tober Fest

Saturday, October 13, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Far Field Preserve, Barrington Hills

Gather at Barrington Area Conservation Trust's annual Oak-Tober Fest to plant native plants, collect seeds and learn about bees and honey production. Sit around the bonfires and listen to live music. For info, call (847) 387-3139 or visit www.bactrust.org.

Barrington Dance Ensemble Fall Gala

Saturday, October 13

Sanfilippo Estate, Barrington Hills

Performances by Barrington Dance Ensemble, tours of the antique collections, live and silent auctions, cocktails and dining. For more information, call 847-382-6333.

Paris Market Antiques Fall Festival

October 18-20, 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Paris Antiques, Ice House Mall

The Paris Market Antiques Fall Festival will feature special sales on vintage fur coats, vintage clothing and hats, tablecloths & linens. Find the perfect home decor items to bring the colors of the fall season into your home and garden.

CFC Autumn Bird Hikes

October 19 & 26, 8:30 a.m.

Cuba Marsh & Galloping Hill

Citizens for Conservation and Audubon Great Lakes present fall bird hikes led by Barrington-area naturalist Wendy Paulson. Walks are free but space is limited and RSVPs are required. Call 312-453-0230 to reserve your spot.

Halloween Spooktacular

Saturday, October 27, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Barrington Park District Fitness & Rec Center

A Halloween party for all ages, including childrens music, games, glow-in-the-dark mini golf, inflatables, facepainting, cookie decorating, candy hunt, balloon animals, egg hunt, and hayrides. Pre-registration required: www.barringtonparkdistrict.org.



Upcoming Events at Barrington's White House

Go to www.barringtonwhitehouse.com for information and tickets for all events.

American Art Presentation: Crystal Bridges Museum

Sunday, October 14, 3:00 p.m.

Learn about many of America's most famous paintings and gain insights into the collecting strategy of founder Alice Walton (daughter of Walmart founder Sam Walton). Noted art historian and professor Gayle Seymour, Ph.D., will present a slide lecture with highlights from the esteemed museum's collection – some of the most recognized pieces in American history. *Complimentary reception.*

Be Still: Paintings by Bobbie and Steve Puttrich

Thursday, October 18, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

FREE 3rd Thursdays Event

Finding stillness and natural beauty in the people, places, and things around them, Steve and Bobbie present recent works in watercolor and oil – paintings that encourage us to stop and connect to the moment. Don't miss Steve's stunning watercolor of the House displayed on the staircase landing. *Complimentary reception.*

A Night at the Costume Ball

Sunday, October 28, 3:00 p.m.

Join the singing and dancing adventures of three wacky witches, a level-headed broom and some mischievous elves attending Frankenstein's ball in hopes of winning best prize. An original musical presented by a troupe of actors for primary-aged audiences. Costumes and audience participation encouraged. A zany good time!

Did You Know?

If you experience a sanitary sewer back up due to an extreme rain event, please contact Public Works at (847) 381-7903 and a Village representative will confirm the back up and investigate the source of the problem.

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.

TRICK-OR-TREAT HOURS:
Wednesday, October 31,
3:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Trick-or-Treat! Wednesday, October 31, 3:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Safety Tips for a Happy Halloween

Halloween is a cherished tradition, but the excitement of the night can cause children to forget to be careful. Please review the safety tips below and share them with your child to ensure a safe Halloween.

- Use face paint instead of masks to ensure your children can see well, and provide them with lights or reflective tape to ensure that they can be seen by others.
- Instruct your children to approach only those homes that are well-lit and never to enter a stranger's home.
- Instruct your children to eat nothing until they come home and the treats have been inspected by you.
- Instruct your children to travel only in familiar areas and along an established route.
- Do not light your pumpkin with a candle; instead use a flashlight or cold chemical light-stick.



- Autumn leaves, dry corn stalks, berry branches, similar fall decorations, and even some Halloween costumes can be hazardous. Keep lighted bulbs, open fires, and even adult smoking materials at a safe distance.

Notify the police department of any unusual occurrences or incidents. Call 911 in an emergency.



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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.



**Questions about the Sales Tax Referendum?
 Attend an Informational Open House in October**

Tuesday, October 16, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., the Garlands

Tuesday, October 30, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., Barrington’s White House

On November 6, Village of Barrington residents will see three referenda questions on their ballot. There is one binding question – for a 1% additional municipal sales tax – and two advisory questions (regarding parking and renewable energy).

Community Open Houses have been scheduled to allow residents the opportunity to discuss and ask questions about the referendum. The first open house was in September, with the remaining two Open Houses to be held on Tues., October 16, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at The Garlands and on Tues., October 30, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Barrington’s White House.

Currently, the sales tax rate in the Village of Barrington is 7% in Lake County and 9% in Cook County. If the referendum passes, the rates would go to 8% in Lake County and 10% in Cook County.

You may not be aware that currently, the Village only receives 1% of the sales tax you pay (the rest goes to other governmental entities such as the county and the state). This new tax would be 1% additional, for a total of 2% of the sales tax going to the Village.

The Village would use the additional dollars to fund its infrastructure program. Since 2012, the Village has lost approximately \$500,000 in revenue from utility taxes, which has historically been used to fund our road repair and replacement program.

In addition, pension contributions during that time have doubled, which has resulted in a difference in the Village’s net position of (\$967,954). For a detailed Q&A on the sales tax referendum question, please go to www.barrington-il.gov.

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DID YOU KNOW?
 The Village receives only 1% of the sales tax that you currently pay.



**Barrington Fall Wine Walk
 October 13, 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

Sponsored by The Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce and the Village of Barrington, “Sipping Saturday” will take place on Saturday, October 13, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m. Attendees are invited to visit many unique stores in downtown Barrington and enjoy great wine at each stop. Check-in begins at 2:00 p.m. at NeoTeca (130 S. Hough St.). Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased at www.BarringtonChamber.com.

Ticket price includes: access to a 1-oz. pour at each merchant location, souvenir wine glass, and a map of the wine-tasting locations. **NEW this year:** The Wine Walk Trolley will transport attendees throughout the downtown Barrington area.



Monthly Utility Bills Will Start November 1

Beginning in November, residents will see a change to our utility billing that will make payments and monthly budgeting easier for our residents.

All residents and businesses receiving Barrington utility services will receive a monthly bill in November, with payment due dates remaining at 20 days after bill date. Utility bills include fees for water and sewer, as well as waste removal charges.

You are encouraged to enroll in Direct Debit for utility bill payments by completing the application found on our web site. Questions? Call (847) 304-3400.