



# September EVENTS

## Homecoming Parade

September 29, 10:00 a.m.

Continuing Barrington tradition, the Barrington homecoming parade will be held Saturday, September 29 at 10:00 a.m. (from Spring St., west on Main St. to Hart Rd., to BHS entrance). Experience marching bands, cheerleaders, pom squads, class floats, returning alumni, and so much more!



## Barrington Hosts Annual Public Safety Open House

September 29, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

In recognition of Fire Prevention Week, Barrington will celebrate its annual Public Safety Open House on Saturday, September 29, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon at the Public Safety Building at 400 N. Northwest Highway.

Citizens have the opportunity to meet and greet fire personnel and learn valuable safety information. Kids can come see rescue vehicles, try some of the equipment, enjoy refreshments, and meet Sparky the Dog. Special entertainment will be presented by Master Ron!



## School Safety Community Night: Open to the Public

September 25, 7:00 p.m.

As part of its week-long educational campaign called "Safety 220" Barrington 220 is partnering with the Barrington Police and Fire Department to host a "School Safety Community Night" on Tuesday, September 25 at 7:00 p.m. in the BHS Auditorium. Join Barrington 220 leaders and Barrington public safety leaders for a community discussion about school safety. All community members are encouraged to attend.



# SAFETY 220

## FEATURED COMMUNITY EVENTS

### September 13 & 27: "Flesk Fest"

Flesk Brewery at the Ice House Mall continues its outdoor beer garden this fall holding its final two "Flesk Fests" on Thursday, September 13, and the grand finale, "OktoberFlesk" on September 27. The festival is held from 6:00 - 10:00 p.m. and features one-of-a-kind craft brews as well as local bands, outdoor games, and restaurants and food trucks. For more information, go to [www.fleskbrewing.com](http://www.fleskbrewing.com).

### Every Thursday: Farmers Market

From now through October 18, the annual Barrington Farmers Market is held each Thursday from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Park Avenue parking lot.

The market features fresh produce, meats, pastries and bread, flowers, and other items from local farmers and producers. Ready-to-eat food and drink is also available.

In 2018 the market has undergone a revitalization in hopes of building a new food system, fostering entrepreneurship, and encouraging community. Fun for the whole family!



### October 13: Barrington Fall Wine Walk

Join us for "Sipping Saturday," Barrington's Fall Wine Walk, on October 13, from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Over 30 merchants around the Village will be hosting wine tastings as you stroll from shop to shop in downtown Barrington and sip delicious wines in each location as you browse the unique offerings of our one-of-a-kind shops, restaurants, and boutiques. Then, stay for dinner downtown!

Cost is just \$20 per person; everyone must check in at NeoTeca to present ID and receive a wristband. Each participant receives a free commemorative Wine Walk glass. For tickets, go to [www.barringtonchamber.com](http://www.barringtonchamber.com).



### October 13: Annual Scarecrow Fest

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.





## A MESSAGE FROM KAREN DARCH

President,  
Village of Barrington

## PUBLIC MEETINGS

### SEPTEMBER 2018

04	Committee of the Whole	6:00 pm
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10	Board of Trustees	8:00 pm
11	Plan Commission/ZBA	7:00 pm
12	Cultural Commission	12:00 pm
13	Architectural Review	7:00 pm
19	Firefighter Pension Board	7:00 pm
24	BWH Advisory Board	2:00 pm
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Call (847) 304-3400 for more information.

## 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](http://www.barrington-il.gov) or at Village Hall. For more information, contact Human Resources at (847) 304-3415.

## Why the Village Needs a 1% Sales Tax Increase

This fall, the Village of Barrington will place a question on the November ballot regarding increasing the municipal sales tax by 1%. This means that our sales tax would go from 7% to 8% in Lake County and from 9% to 10% in Cook County. You may not be aware that the Village only receives 1% of the 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.

I'd like to explain in simple terms why this additional sales tax is necessary. This tax increase would generate approximately \$1 million in additional annual revenue for the Village to use to fund its infrastructure program (road replacement and repair, sidewalks, etc.). The tax would be paid for by those who purchase goods and services in our downtown (importantly, vehicle sales, prescription drugs, and grocery items are exempt from this additional 1% tax by law). More than half of those who shop and dine in Barrington come from outside the Village, which means that this tax spreads the burden of cost to all those who actually use the infrastructure in the Village, even if they don't live here.

**Why do we need additional revenue for infrastructure?** Since 2012, the Village has lost approximately \$500,000 in revenue from utility taxes, which has historically been used to fund our roads and infrastructure 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).

This small sales tax increase would close the gap of this budget difference and allow us to continue funding our roads and infrastructure program without asking you, our residents alone, to consider a property tax increase.

Finally, this tax is already implemented in many of our neighboring communities, including Palatine, Deer Park, South Barrington, Schaumburg, Arlington Heights, and Hoffman Estates. When we shop and dine in these locations, our tax dollars support their infrastructure. With this new 1% tax, those who shop and dine in Barrington will support our infrastructure as well.

I invite you to learn more about this referendum by visiting the Village's web site at [www.barrington-il.gov](http://www.barrington-il.gov) for an in-depth Q&A that will answer many of the questions you may have. And as always, please feel free to reach out to me directly at [kdarch@barrington-il.gov](mailto:kdarch@barrington-il.gov) or 847-304-3400.

## A Wonderful Global Leadership Conference Experience

In August I again attended the Global Leadership Conference at Willow Creek Community Church alongside nearly 100 of my fellow Barrington-area neighbors and leaders, thanks to the generosity of the Barrington Area Community Foundation and the Barrington Area Development Council.

The conference was a wonderful opportunity to hear world-class thought leaders from across the globe speak about how we can be better, more creative, and more inspirational leaders. At a time when our world is changing so rapidly, having these opportunities to ground ourselves in the "why" of what we do with our time, energy, and focus is more important than ever. I hope that you will all have the opportunity to join the conversation at next year's conference!

*Karen Darch*  
President, Village of Barrington

## VILLAGE UPDATES

# Village Achieves Solid Financial Performance in 2017

In June, the Village Board reviewed and accepted the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017. The CAFR is the end result of the audit process and presents financial statements for all of the Village's accounting funds.

As in previous years, the 2017 audit concluded with an unmodified opinion from the auditor attesting that the CAFR presents the Village's finances "fairly, in all material respects." In addition, the Village received the Government Finance Officers Association Award for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the 33rd year in a row for its 2016 CAFR.

Barrington's Director of Finance, Jason Hayden, reported that at the end of 2017, the Village's current assets of \$26.2 million were four times greater than the Village's current liabilities of \$6.5 million. In addition, Barrington's Net Position, which is equal to total assets less total liabilities, equaled \$72.2 million, with \$130.4 million in total assets and \$58.2 million in total liabilities.

The General Fund, which funds the bulk of services such as public safety and street and property maintenance activities, achieved an excess of revenues over expenditures in 2017 of \$1,588,131 before transferring \$1.1 million to the Capital Improvement Fund for future infrastructure projects and vehicle & equipment purchases. At the end of 2017,

the General Fund's ending Fund Balance equaled \$9.1 million and included the equivalent of 4.07 months of expenditures in the Unassigned Fund Balance, the portion of the Fund Balance that can be used to meet ongoing obligations to residents and creditors (the "rainy day" fund).

In terms of capital improvements, 2017 included significant capital expenses related to the reconstruction of a sanitary sewer main from the west end of Liberty Street to North Avenue, and then south from the intersection of Liberty and North to Main Street, and then into the North Commuter Parking Lot. The Village spent \$7.4 million on this project in 2017, and this represents one of the largest capital expenses the Village has incurred in its history.

Barrington also made significant purchases of replacement vehicles and equipment in 2017, including a new five-ton dump truck that will be used for snow plowing. In addition, the Village continued the engineering for the North Commuter Parking Lot Route 14 entrance drive and completed other street improvement projects throughout the Village.

Barrington continued to improve its financial position in 2017 by retiring 14.8% of the debt outstanding at the beginning of the year. By the end of 2018, the Village will have retired all of its outstanding General

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Obligation debt, which has meant a 7.3% decrease in the Village portion of property taxes in 2018 and will cause a further projected 11.1% decrease in 2019.

Additionally, by the end of 2018, the Village will have repaid the Barrington White House promissory note from the donations received from private donors for the renovation of Barrington's White House.

The Village has maintained financial discipline during the turbulent economic events of the past decade by maintaining minimum staffing levels, controlling operating expenses, and continuing to provide services as efficiently as possible. The austerity in expenses, combined with improving revenues, have produced multiple years of solid financial results for the Village and have contributed to its positive financial position.



**Save the Date:**  
**October 21, 2018**  
**Barrington Area**  
**CROP Hunger Walk**

## BACOA warns Older Adults of Medicare Scams

With new Medicare cards being issued to all qualifying older adults, con artists are working overtime to obtain Medicare recipient information. "Some people are literally being called five or six times a day by scammers," said Barrington Area Council on Aging's Executive Director Joyce Palmquist. "It's important that no one ever gives personal information out over the phone."

Calls are coming from people claiming they work for the government and asking older adults to confirm personal information including social security numbers, bank accounts, date of birth and the like.

"It's really important to keep all personal information safe," said Palmquist.

# VILLAGE NEWS YOU CAN USE

## Make Your Home the Solution to Stormwater Pollution!

As stormwater flows over driveways, lawns, and sidewalks, it picks up debris, chemicals, and other pollutants. Stormwater can flow into a storm sewer system or directly into a lake, stream, river, or wetland. Anything that enters a storm sewer system is discharged untreated into the bodies of water we use for swimming and providing drinking water. **Polluted runoff is the nation's greatest threat to clean water.**

By adopting healthy household habits, homeowners can keep common pollutants like pesticides, pet waste, and automotive fluids off the ground and out of stormwater and help protect lakes, streams, and wetlands. For example, when walking your pet, remember to pick up the waste and flush it, if possible. Leaving pet waste on the ground increases public health risks by allowing harmful bacteria to wash into the storm drain and eventually into local bodies of water. For more information, visit the Village's website at [www.barrington-il.gov](http://www.barrington-il.gov).



## 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 the 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.



### Free Wood Chips!

Why pay for mulch when you can get free wood chips from the Village? Stop by the Public Works facility on Raymond Avenue today.

## FROM THE DESK OF JEFF LAWLER

*Village Manager,  
Village of Barrington*



Photo: Thomas Balsamo

## September Is National Preparedness Month: Is Your Family Ready?

While September is National Preparedness Month, the Village works throughout the year to enhance our emergency response to protect residents. Village staff, including representatives of Fire, Police, Public Works, and Administration, meet regularly to plan our mitigation efforts and response to disasters.



Elected Officials and staff members from each department are trained to the level required by Homeland Security for their particular position in the organization. This effort is continuous and has enhanced collaboration between departments to reach Village goals to protect the community.

As part of our communication and safety efforts, a monthly test of the Village of Barrington early warning systems have been established, including: tornado siren testing (first Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m.), social media, Reverse 9-1-1, and Cable Channel 4. To get timely alerts on local news, emergency bulletins, or crime alerts from the Village's reverse 9-1-1 system, please visit [www.barrington-il.gov](http://www.barrington-il.gov) where you will have the ability to set your preferences and enter email or text numbers, as desired.

Residents are reminded to review their individual family preparations by visiting [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov) to prepare, plan, and stay informed. A few minutes of preparation now is insurance that your family will be better protected throughout the year.

The Barrington Police and Fire Departments are holding their annual open house on September 29, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon allowing residents the opportunity to learn about the services and the equipment used to protect the community. Please stop by and visit your Public Safety Facility and the employees who are there to protect you.

*Village Manager*

# CREATING A MORE VIBRANT BARRINGTON

## Barrington Boat Club Celebrates Ribbon-Cutting

The Barrington area's newest concept in boating, Barrington Boat Club, gathered for a ribbon cutting ceremony with the Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, July 11 to celebrate its grand opening.

Barrington Boat Club is designed for people who want to enjoy the luxuries of boat life without the hassles of owning a boat. Those who join can choose from a variety of premium boats to reserve throughout the summer. "All our members have to do is make an online reservation and we will have the boat uncovered, gassed, and ready



for them to use," said owner Michelle Streit.

For more information call Barrington Boat Club at (847) 380-5488 or visit [www.barringtonboatclub.com](http://www.barringtonboatclub.com).

## Events & News from the Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce



### Network to Success Scramble

Thursday, September 20, 11:30 - 2:00 p.m.  
*Pinstripes, South Barrington*

Registration is now open for the Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce (BACC) Network to Success Scramble Luncheon, a high-powered networking event that helps local businesses meet new contacts and make business connections.

The Network Scramble offers attendees powerful one-on-one networking over lunch. Each participant is assigned to sit at different tables for each of the three courses where they have the opportunity to pitch their business and answer discussion questions to promote their marketing initiatives. Tickets are on sale for \$40 per Barrington Area Chamber member and \$50 per guest and include a three-course lunch. Sponsorship opportunities are available.

For information, visit the BACC website at [www.BarringtonChamber.com](http://www.BarringtonChamber.com), or call (847) 381-2525.



### Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce Inaugural Outstanding Women Leaders

Thursday, September 27  
*Biltmore Country Club*

The Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce (BACC) and Women's Biz Net (WBN) will honor local women leaders during their inaugural Outstanding Women Leaders (OWL) Awards Luncheon on September 27, 2018 at the Biltmore Country Club, 160 Biltmore Dr. in North Barrington.

OWL Award Recipients will be recognized in the following categories: Professional Excellence, Community Contributions, Nonprofit Leadership, Mentorship and Education.

Go to [www.BarringtonChamber.com](http://www.BarringtonChamber.com) for more information.

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

### Douglas Automotive Celebrates 25 years in Barrington



Douglas Automotive will celebrate its 25th anniversary in Barrington with a special anniversary event on September 4.

The shop, which now has several locations, began 25 years ago in Barrington. Douglas

Automotive delivers comprehensive maintenance and repair service for all makes and models, import, domestic and diesel. They also offer an extensive tire selection. Work is provided by ASE-certified technicians and backed by a 3-year/36,000-mile warranty. The shop's mission is to make automotive repair understandable and convenient while reducing cost of ownership. Call (224) 633-2188 for more information.



### 18/8 Celebrates 3rd Anniversary

18|8 of Barrington, located at 120 S. Hough Street is celebrating its 3rd anniversary of taking the idea of the classic barbershop and giving it an upgrade, bringing it up to speed with the style of today. With a wide selection of professional salon services, from signature executive haircuts and straight-razor shaves to refreshing nail and skin treatments, they make it easy for you to always look your best. Visit [eighteenight.com](http://eighteenight.com) or call (224) 633-2188 for more information.



### Redefined Salon Celebrates 2nd Anniversary in Downtown

Redefined Salon located at 104 S. Cook Street is celebrating their second year in downtown Barrington. Redefined prides themselves on being "beyond the salon" with their fun, energetic team and reclaimed lounge atmosphere. Visit [redefinedsalon.com](http://redefinedsalon.com) or call (847) 381-4335 for more information.

# CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

## Joe Kelsch Memorial Run for BStrong Together

Sunday, September 9, 8:00 a.m.  
Citizens Park

Register for the 2nd annual Joe Kelsch Memorial Run, hosted by BStrong Together. The event features a 5k and 1-mile run, community walk, and family fun festival. Register at [www.raceroster.com/15764](http://www.raceroster.com/15764).

## BDE Nutcracker Auditions

Sunday, September 9, 12:00-3:30 p.m.  
Barrington Dance Academy

Be a part of the magic of *The Nutcracker!* Male and female dancers ages 6 and up from any studio are invited to audition. Performance dates are November 30, December 1 & 2 at Barrington High School. Call 847-382-6333 for more information.

## BACT Land Preservation and Conservation Easements Program

Tuesday, September 11, 7:00 p.m.  
Barrington's White House

Join the Barrington Area Conservation Trust and the Fox Valley Hound Heritage Foundation to better understand how conservation easements work as a land preservation tool for private landowners and how preserved open space increases land values in a community. Speaker Holley Groshek of the Equine Land Conservation Resource and Lou Harrison of Harrison and Held will share their expertise on horse related conservation easements and the tax benefits associated with conservation easements.

## An Evening with Tom Dreesen

Saturday, September 22, 6:30 p.m..  
Marquardt of Barrington

The Illinois Fatherhood Initiative hosts an Evening of Laughter & Memories of Sinatra from Stand-Up Comedian Tom Dreesen. Tickets are \$85 or two for \$150; reservations are required. The evening features cocktail hour, open bar, appetizers, and the show at 8:00 p.m. Call 847-381-2100 for tickets.

## Barrington Area Library Media Fair

Sunday, September 23, 1:30 p.m.  
Barrington Area Library

Interested in becoming a Podcaster? Blogger? YouTube Content Creator? Online Shop Owner? Explore a showcase of our community's online media success stories at the Barrington Area Library's first Media Fair. Drop in. Meeting Room.

## Art in the Barn Barrington

September 23 & 24  
Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital

The 44th annual Art in the Barn is held on the grounds of Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital in Barrington, where more than 5,000 visitors enjoy the 175 artists exhibiting in all art mediums. Hours are 10am-5pm both days, and admission is \$5.00. Visit [www.ArtInTheBarn-Barrington.com](http://www.ArtInTheBarn-Barrington.com) for more information.

## BHS Alumni Homecoming Celebration

Saturday, September 29, 11:00 a.m.  
Chessie's Restaurant

Barrington High School Alumni Association will hold its Homecoming celebration at Chessie's Restaurant on Saturday, September 29 at 11:00 a.m. Festivities include live music, food tent, beer tent, games and fun for the whole family. The tailgate party for alumni, friends and family starts at 11:00 a.m. after the Homecoming parade.

## Smart Farm to Table Dinner

Saturday, September 29, 5:30 p.m.  
Barn at Good Shepherd Hospital

Come out and enjoy good food, good music, and support a good cause! Sign up at [www.smartfarms.org/event/smart-farm-to-table](http://www.smartfarms.org/event/smart-farm-to-table). Smart Farm volunteer workdays are also held every Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Join us when you can! [www.smartfarms.org](http://www.smartfarms.org).

## Launching Emotionally Healthy Young Adults

Monday, October 1, 7:00 p.m.  
Barrington Area Library

The Barrington Area Library and the National Alliance on Mental Illness - Barrington Area present this important topic for parents of school-age children. Report cards and test scores assess academic preparation. How do we gauge young peoples' mental and emotional readiness for greater independence? Parents, 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. Register. Barrington Area Library Meeting Room.

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**SAVE THE DATE:** October 5: Barrington United Methodist Church Rummage Sale.  
October 21: Crop Walk.



## Upcoming Events at Barrington's White House

Go to [www.barringtonwhitehouse.com](http://www.barringtonwhitehouse.com) for information and tickets for all events.

### Thomas Balsamo: A 40-Year Retrospective in Portraiture and Filmmaking

3rd Thursday, September 20, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.  
Saturday, September 22, 12:30-4:00 p.m.;  
1:30 presentation

Join us in honoring this talented and prolific Barrington photographer and videographer! Thomas Balsamo will display decades of photographic and video pieces and share how he's discovered and used his gifts, passions, and talents to make a positive impact using his photography and filmmaking.

### Rachel Barton Pine, Violin Recital

Sunday, September 23, 3:00 p.m.

As Barrington White House's inaugural violin virtuoso, Rachel Barton Pine returns for a homecoming performance in our intimate ballroom. Be amazed by her warm tones and dazzled by her virtuosity. Works will include performances of Chevalier de Saint-Georges, Beethoven, Brahms and William Grant Still. Rachel will close with a special selection dedicated to long-time music patron and Barrington-area resident Mary B. Galvin.

### Garry Wills Explores the Qur'an: Panel Discussion with Local Pastors

Thursday, September 27, 1:00 p.m.

Pulitzer Prize-winning author and Northwestern University Professor Emeritus Garry Wills, Ph.D., will be joined by a panel of Barrington area ministers to engage in a thoughtful conversation on what the Qur'an means and why it matters.

## Stay in the Know During an Emergency: Sign Up for Community Alerts

Visit [www.barrington-il.gov](http://www.barrington-il.gov) and click on Reverse 9-1-1 under Quick Links to receive phone calls, texts, and/or e-mails in the event of a community emergency.

## 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.*

## HOLIDAY REFUSE & RECYCLING

Due to the Labor Day holiday, Groot refuse, recycling, and yard waste pick-up will be Saturday, September 8. Village Hall will be closed Monday, September 3.

# TRAFFIC ALERT: Route 14 Repaving

## Route 14 Paving Is Now Underway; Will Continue Through September

IDOT has begun its resurfacing of U.S. Route 14 from Cumnor Avenue on the west to Main Street on the east/south. Residents and commuters will experience temporary lane closures and shifts during the roadwork, but Route 14 will still remain open for traffic. The construction is expected to continue into the end of September or early October, depending on the weather.



This resurfacing is a temporary measure designed to keep the road in acceptable condition until the Route 14 underpass can be completed in the future.

It is important to remember that not all roads fall within the Village's jurisdiction (such as Route 14), so we try our best to keep you informed on all projects, even those that are the responsibility of other governmental entities.



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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.



## Barrington's White House Receives a \$50,000 Unrestricted Operating Grant

Barrington's White House has launched its fall season, with its first program featuring a 40-year retrospective by beloved local photographer **Thomas Balsamo** on September 20 & 22. The season also includes a performance by renowned virtuoso violinist **Rachel Barton Pine** on September 23. In addition, **Garry Wills**, the **Crystal Bridges Museum**, **Marta and Ani Aznavoorian**, and **Ron Hawking** are on the fall schedule as well.



Support for these vital cultural and community programs occurs through the Friends of Barrington's White House, which has recently announced that it received a \$50,000 unrestricted operating grant from the Willow Springs Charitable Trust. This is a first-time grant from the Trust, which is a strong supporter of cultural organizations in the region including the Elgin Symphony Orchestra, the Raue Center for the Arts, Lakeside Legacy and the McHenry County Music Center. It is their hope that this gift will help build capacity and challenge others to give.

"We are thrilled by the news of this extremely generous gift from Willow Springs," said Beth Raseman, the director of Barrington's White House. "I would like to acknowledge the efforts of **Jack Kruper**, a long-time supporter who helped us

solicit this important grant. The generosity of Willow Springs, as well as our other major donors, is helping put the White House on solid financial footing. In addition, the work of our **White House Advisory Board** and our new board of the **Friends of Barrington's White House** have also allowed us to very strategically map a sustainable path for the future that does not burden our taxpayers. We couldn't be more thrilled."

For information on how you can support our Cultural and Community Center, contact Beth Raseman at 224-512-4291 or [braseman@barrington-il.gov](mailto:braseman@barrington-il.gov). Visit the website to find out more information [Barrington-whitehouse.com](http://Barrington-whitehouse.com).

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## Utility Bills Will Be Sent Monthly Starting in November

This November, residents will see a change to our utility billing that will make payments easier. For years, Barrington has billed its utilities on an every-other-month basis, but many residents have asked for monthly billing so that they can better plan their monthly budgets.

In order to create more convenient billing for our residents, **beginning in November the Village of Barrington will switch from bi-monthly utility bills to monthly utility bills.**

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.

Barrington utility customers are encouraged to enroll in Direct Debit for utility bill payments by completing the application found on our website. The form is located on the Water and Sewer Utility Services page. The Village also offers convenient online payment via the State of Illinois EPay system. You can access EPay by clicking the link on the home page of our website. Questions? Call (847) 304-3400.

### DID YOU KNOW?

The Village's current assets of \$26.2 million were 4 times greater than its liabilities of \$6.5 million. See article, p. 4