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STREETSCAPE ENHANCEMENTS UNDERWAY

This spring, the Village of Barrington will begin Phase 1 construction of the downtown streetscape enhancement project on Cook Street, Station Street and the northwest segment of Park Avenue. The scope of work includes the removal of pavers, installation of new sidewalks and clay brick accents, relocation of the trash enclosure on Station Street, and enhanced landscaping throughout. At the time this insert was printed, the project was anticipated to begin at the end of March, weather permitting, with completion expected by the end of June. All businesses and restaurants remain open and accessible during construction. The latest information is available on the Village's website at **www.barrington-il.gov/construction-updates.**

Subscribe for Streetscape Email Updates

The public is encouraged to sign up to receive streetscape email updates by scanning the QR code or visiting **www.barrington-il.gov/streetscapeemails.**

NEW VIDEO SERIES HIGHLIGHTING BARRINGTON RESTAURANTS AND RETAILERS

In March, the Village of Barrington launched a new video initiative highlighting the amazing eateries and retail shops that make Barrington such a special place to shop, dine and explore. The first restaurant featured was Bowlful of Korea, located at 126 W. Main St. For more information, visit **www.bowlfulofkorea.com.** Stay tuned to the Village's Facebook and Instagram pages to view the latest videos or visit **www.barrington-il.gov/videos**.

Do you own or operate a restaurant or retail store in Barrington, and would like to be featured in an upcoming video? Please contact the Village's Communications Division at **communications@barrington-il.gov** for consideration.

SPRING CHIPPING SCHEDULE

MONDAY, MAY 4 – NORTH OF MAIN STREET

MONDAY, MAY 11 – SOUTH OF MAIN STREET

Please place branches and material at the curb by 7 a.m. on your designated Monday morning. The Chipper will make only ONE pass through your neighborhood sometime during your specified week.

The Chipper may take longer to get through these areas, but please have your materials at the curb on the dates listed above. Branches may be up to 10" in diameter and at least 4' in length. Stack branches neatly in a long, low pile on the parkway, with the cut end facing the curb. Branches smaller than 4' should be placed in the green yard waste containers on the regularly scheduled collection day.

HYDRANT FLUSHING SCHEDULE

APRIL 6 - APRIL 27 (6:30 A.M. TO 3 P.M.)

Village of Barrington, Paganica of Barrington Hills, Braymore, Weatherstone, Glencrest and Sanctuary of Inverness

MAY 4 - MAY 8 (6:30 A.M. TO 3 P.M.)

Abbey Woods and Estates of Inverness Ridge

Flushing will occur from April 6 through May 8, weather permitting. You may notice discoloration, low water pressure and rusty water during flushing operations. These scenarios may occur throughout the entire flushing period, even when flushing is not in your immediate area. If discoloration occurs, run your cold water tap for a few minutes until the water clears. If this does not correct the problem, wait approximately one hour and flush the cold water again. Do not run your hot water until the cold water tap has cleared. Although water may be discolored, it is safe to drink; however, until the water runs clear, you should avoid washing clothes, especially whites. For more information, please call Public Works at (847) 381-7903.

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YARD WASTE & FOOD SCRAP COLLECTION UNDERWAY

Reminder: Residents may resume placing yard waste and food scraps in the green yard waste containers for curbside collection. Please have recyclables, compostable yard waste and refuse at the curb before 6:30 a.m., but no more than 24 hours before pickup. Please do not place any containers in the street, and promptly remove your empty bins from the curb after pickup.

SPRING REMINDERS

ARBOR DAY IS FRIDAY, APRIL 24

In celebration of Arbor Day on Friday, April 24, Public Works is providing saplings to be distributed to all District 220 fourth grade students. Public Works staff will give a presentation to students, covering how trees produce food and energy for people and wildlife, how properly selected and planted trees conserve energy and more.

CALL JULIE BEFORE YOU DIG

Across the country, every nine minutes, an underground utility line is damaged because someone decided to dig without first calling a one-call center, such as JULIE. For your convenience, you can enter a self-service, locate request anytime (24/7/365) by going to **www.illinois1call.com** or simply dialing 811.

VALUE OF WATER

Water is essential to life. Conserving water helps ensure future access to clean, safe resources. Below are a few helpful tips to conserve water around your home:

- **Don't leave the tap running needlessly** - turn off your sink faucet while washing your hands, brushing teeth, and scrubbing dishes and pots.
- **Use a dual flush toilet** - do not flush it more than necessary.
- **Stop leaky toilets and dripping faucets** - a faucet that drips at the rate of one drop per second will waste 2,700 gallons per year.
- **Consider eating local organic food and less meat** - some foods require a lot more water to produce, especially foods with a carbon footprint.
- **Choose and use appliances wisely** - use energy-efficient appliances.
- **Reduce flows of water** - use a high-efficiency faucet aerator and a low-flow shower head.
- **Set up a rain barrel** - a rain barrel collects rainwater from eaves to water your garden.

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL

10: An Evening of Storytelling: "From Sea to Shining Sea: Road Trip Stories"

12: Midnight on the Potomac: Author Talk and Book Signing with Scott Ellsworth

16: Cocktails & Conversation with Daprato Rigali Studios – Restoring Icons: 5-Generations of Artistry

16: Third Thursday Art Night Out featuring Dan Rigali 5-Generations of Artistry – In Support of Our Friends at the Catlow 1927 Foundation

19: Jazz Pianist Fred Hersch: Solo at Barrington's White House

26: Elgin Symphony String Quartet: American Masters

MAY

07: Cocktails & Conversation with Shakespeare Behind Bars: A Conversation with Founder Curt Tofteland

9: Barrington Spring Wine Walk

17: Vanessa Becerra, Soprano: American Song and Spirit

21: Third Thursday: "Emerging Voices: Barrington's New Generation of Artists"

23-24: Barrington Art Festival

25: Memorial Day Parade & Ceremony

29: Back By Popular Demand! – An Evening with The Second City (two shows)

SCAN HERE FOR TICKETS & MORE EVENTS

BEAUTIFUL BARRINGTON PHOTO SUBMISSION PROGRAM

Capture the beauty and charm of our town this spring by submitting your favorite photos to the Village. The Village is looking for images that showcase the essence of Barrington, including shots of downtown, local landmarks, nature, people, animals, cultural events and community happenings. Your photo might be featured in Village publications, on our social media channels or on the Village's website.

To submit your photos, fill out the online form at **www.barrington-il.gov/photos** for a chance to have your work shared.

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