

VILLAGE OF NORTH BARRINGTON

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NORTH BARRINGTON, ILLINOIS 60010

A Message from Eleanor Sweet McDonnell President, Village of North Barrington

Sweet Update

Dear Neighbors and Friends,

I normally devote this column to Village matters and happenings in the community. However, this time I would like to express my great appreciation and heartfelt gratitude to two trustees that have served our community for many years. Trustee Lawrence (Lawre) Weiner, and Trustee Greg Rogus. Both have decided to step down as Trustee on the Village Board to dedicate more time to family and to pursue other interests.

Trustee Weiner was first elected Village Trustee in 1997 and apart from a short break between 2003-2007 he has served as Village Trustee on the Village Board. After completing his term in April 2023, Lawre will have served the community for a combined total of twenty-nine years. Prior to his election as Trustee in 1997, Lawre was appointed to the Plan Commission in 1990 where he served for seven years prior to his election to the Village Board. During his tenure on the Village Board, Lawre served on the Finance Committee and liaison to overseeing Public Safety.

When asked his favorite memories during his tenure as Trustee, Lawre remembers the many wonderful volunteers that devoted their time to make North Barrington a better place to live and raise your family. He also expressed his appreciation for the current staff at Village Hall. His most proud accomplishment is knowing that he is leaving the Village Board with the knowledge that the Village is on solid financial ground and equally proud of being part of the contract negotiations for police services with the Lake County Sheriff, which resulted in a lower cost for police services for the Village.

Trustee Greg Rogus was elected to the Board of Trustees in 2019, after serving four years on the Plan Commission. When his Trustee term expires in April of 2023, Greg will have served the community a combined total of eight years. During his tenure on the Board, Greg served for 2 years as liaison to the Plan Commission, and more recently as liaison to the Zoning Board of Appeals. He also was part of the negotiating team with Trustee Wiener on the contract negotiations for police services

with Lake County Sheriff which resulted in significant savings to the taxpayers. Greg's service to others doesn't end with the Village Board. Greg has served on the Board of The Falls at Wynstone Homeowners' Association since 2005 and as Board President since 2010. When asked about his tenure on the Village Board, Greg commented that, "I'm glad I have had the opportunity over the past eight years to give a little something back by participating in the Village's government and helping shape Village policy."

I want to express my profound appreciation to Greg and Lawre for their public service and their steady, thoughtful leadership during their tenure on the Village Board.

Please join me along with the Board of Trustees, Plan Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, Environmental & Health Commission and Parks and Recreation Commission, in wishing Lawre and Greg a wonderful adventure going forward in their lives.

Warm regards,

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In the spirit of supporting our Village, please remember to vote in our upcoming Village elections. Early Voting starts March 20 -April 1, 2023. Final day of voting is Tuesday, April 4, 2023. PLEASE SEE ELECTION INSERT FOR DETAILS.

Commission Openings

North Barrington residents interested in becoming more involved with the community are encouraged to consider serving on a Commission. There are openings on the Environmental and Health Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission, Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals. These volunteer positions provide residents an opportunity to give back to the community. Please contact the Village Hall at 847-381-6000 or email the Village Hall at info@northbarrington.org for an application.

Special Resources for Senior Citizens

Senior Homestead Exemption Benefit

This exemption lowers the equalized assessed value of your property. The Senior Homestead Exemption is \$8000 for Tax Year 2023 in **ADDITION** to the \$8000 General Homestead Exemption. The General Homestead Exemption was increased from \$6000 to \$8000. The change will be reflected in the 2023 tax bill payable in 2024. To qualify, applicants must:

- ✓ Own and live in the property as their principal residence.
- ✓ Be 65 years of age or older during the Tax Year.
- ✓ Have lived on the property on or before January 1 of the tax year.
- ✓ Can only receive benefit for one property.

Applications are initiated at either Ela Township or Cuba Township Assessor's office depending on where you live. Residents can also apply online by visiting www.lakecountyil.gov/457/Senior-Homestead-Exemption. Applicants are required to provide proof of age (Driver's License, State-issued ID). Applicants need only file once for this exemption.

Properties Held in Trust

If your property is held in a Trust, the Township must verify you are a beneficiary of the Trust. The exemptions cannot be applied without this verification. Please include a copy of the pages of the actual Trust Agreement that state the applicant is the beneficiary. This can usually be found on the first few pages of the Trust document. If you have questions, call 847-377-2100.

Pace Bus Service

Please be aware that prior to making a reservation, a senior citizen or disabled person must call **800-273-5939** to REGISTER IN THE SYSTEM. Reservations may be made between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. for rides during the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. One day notice is required, and 7-day notice is required for medical trips. **THE FARE IS \$2.00.**

The service area includes Barrington, Good Shepherd Hospital, Lake Zurich, Deer Park, and Wauconda. For a complete list of locations please visit: <https://www.pacebus.com/dial-ride-services-lake-county>.

Free Shredding Event

Saturday, March 25, 2023, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Cuba Township Road District Garage. 28070 W. Cuba Road, Barrington. *Limited to 4 full brown shopping bags per car*

Garbage Collection Service Senior Discount

North Barrington Seniors 65 years and older are eligible for a 15% discount on small, medium, and large wheeled garbage/recycle carts. No discount is available for Back Door service or any other service. Please call LRS at 847-381-9300. Their website is www.lrsrecycles.com. Their office is now located at 1350 North Old Rand Road, Wauconda, IL 60084.

Environmental News and Recycling

Street-Side E-scrap collection will be May 23, 2023 and September 26, 2023. These dates are on your regular refuse collection day. The following regulations apply.

- Limit 1 TV or monitor per customer and up to five (5) additional items.
- Electronics must be placed outside the night before. **LRS will come early and only do a one-time pass.** If you miss the date, LRS will accept a drop off at their Wauconda office, 1350 N. Old Rand.
- Place electronics by the recycle bin, **DO NOT** place the item inside the recycle bin. If you have small electronics (such as wires) place in a box by the garbage/recycle bins.
- **NO** kitchen appliances will be accepted (i.e., mixers, hand-held blenders, etc.).

The Village offers recycling for small electronics, shoes, and holiday lights. The bins are located at the north end of the Village Hall.

The Village of Tower Lakes, as well as the Ela Township Library offer textile recycling bins. Walmart in Lake Zurich offers eye glass recycling. The Lake Zurich American Legion, 51 Lyons Drive, Lake Zurich, IL 60047 offers recycling for American Flags.

Cost Share Tree Planting Program

An Ordinance was passed establishing a cost sharing tree planting policy on private property in North Barrington. The Village recognizes the importance trees have in the community. The planting of trees provides benefits to the community including improved property values, reduction in carbon dioxide, provides food and shelter for wildlife, stabilizes soil from erosion, has a cooling effect through transpiration, and provides a natural buffer between homes and roadways.

A resident may request financial reimbursement from the Village for the planting of a tree on private property located within the Village. The Village will reimburse the property owner up to 50% of the actual cost of the purchase and planting of the tree or \$300, whichever amount is less. Upon application, the following program guidelines shall apply:

- ✓The quote must be from a nursery engaged in the business of selling and planting trees and include a one-year guarantee. The quote shall include the cost of the tree, species of the tree, caliper of the tree (minimum of 2 inches), planting cost of the tree and the one-year guarantee.
- ✓The tree planting location must be marked by the owner and JULIE (homeowner is responsible to arrange), be in the front or side yard, not located in the ROW and approved by a Village official.
- ✓One tree per year per residential address, applications will be first come first served and reimbursement is subject to the availability of Village funds.

House Watch

- Leaving home for an extended period of time? Did you know that you can request the Lake County Sheriff's Office perform random checks of your home while away? Call (847) 549-5200 to arrange a House Watch.

Golf Cart Registration

Effective July 2022, Golf Carts driven on public streets must be registered with the Village of North Barrington, and meet the requirements stipulated in the Village Code. Please find the application and instructions on the Village website.

Spring Drainage Issues

With spring comes rain and frequent drainage problems. Please make sure your driveway culvert is clear of debris and other obstructions. If you see obstructions of major storm pipes under the road or flooding, please notify the Village at 847-381-6000.

Summary Of Burning Regulations

TYPE OF BURNING	MONTH	DAYS	HOURS
LEAF BURNING	April 1 – May 31 Oct. 1 - Nov. 30	Thursday and Sunday (excluding national holidays)	10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
LANDSCAPE WASTE	Jan. 1 – Dec. 31	Sunday thru Saturday (7 days a week – excluding national holidays)	12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Concerts In The Park Series– Eton Park

The Parks and Recreation Commission will be presenting four summer Concerts beginning in June. Please watch for Village e-news and check the Village website for the dates. All concerts will be from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Saturday. Tropical Chill Ice Cream Truck will be there with a variety of ice cream.

Cost Sharing Culvert Replacement Program

In February 2022, the Village Board passed an Ordinance implementing a cost sharing culvert replacement program which assists residents with replacement of culverts underneath their driveway. The key elements of the program are:

- 1) Maximum reimbursement benefit is the lesser of \$2,500 or 50% of the lowest quote.
- 2) A minimum of two (2) quotes for the culvert replacement are required.
- 3) Property owners must provide evidence that the contractor(s) have been paid for the work, prior to reimbursement by the Village.
- 4) Village Administrator has the authority to determine if there are sufficient funds in the budget for reimbursement. The Village Administrator may deny reimbursement if there are not sufficient funds in the budget.
- 5) Applications can be obtained at Village Hall 847-381-6000 or by visiting the website at www.northbarrington.org.

Resident Safety

If you observe any sort of suspicious activity in your neighborhood, report such behavior to the Lake County Sheriff's Office at 847-549-5200. Residents can also request the Lake County Sheriff's Office perform random checks of your home if you are away.

Electrical Outages: Stay up to date on outages this spring by downloading the ComEd app or by visiting their website: www.comed.com/Outages/CheckOutageStatus/Pages/default.aspx

Board Meetings-Live Stream

Watch Village Board meetings live every third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Link to the meeting can be found on the Village website at www.northbarrington.org. The full Board Meeting packet is available on the Village Website two days prior to the meeting.

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