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NORTH BARRINGTON, ILLINOIS 60010

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

#### **Sweet Update**

Dear Neighbors,

I cannot believe that Fall is already here. With the above normal temperatures, enjoy this lovely weather with your family outside.

**COVID19 Updates:** Based on revised COVID guidelines, in July we returned to our Village outdoor events at Eton Park. We were able to schedule three concerts.

We are slowly getting back to "normal".

Fall Fest at Eton Park will be held this year, Sunday, October 10th, 1:00-4:00 PM. See the Fall Festival article in this newsletter for more details. Hope to see you there.

**Census 2021 Results:** Village of North Barrington now has 3,171 residents up from the 2010 Census of 3,047 residents.

Financial Updates: For our second year in a row, we passed a balanced budget for Fiscal Year End 2022. The Board approved a Capital Project Fund for the first time in 61 years for the Village. As part of the FYE 2022 budget a Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan was developed to help the Village Board coordinate the timing, planning, and funding of the community's infrastructure and facilities.

Road Program Updates: We have been working hard on developing the 2022 road program. Along with Trustee Sauer, we have been meeting with staff and our Village Engineers to evaluate and finalize the list of roads for the 2022 program. Additionally, Robinson Engineering completed a road culvert assessment of the most critical culverts and found that the culverts are in good condition at this time. This is the first time in the Village's history a comprehensive analysis has been done.

Last month the Board approved a three-year contract with Mac's Property Management Services for snow and ice management services. **Board Update:** Please join me in welcoming our newly elected members, Trustees Kevin Horcher, Robin Kelleher, and Martin Pais. They are working very hard on your behalf.

The Board is in the process of reviewing a draft ordinance authorizing the operation of golf carts on certain Village streets.

I look forward to seeing you Sunday, October 10th, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 pm as we celebrate our 37-year annual Fall Fest event in Eton Park. (See more details on the back page). We need resident volunteers for this event.

Please keep me posted on how we can help you further.

Warm regards, Eleanor Sweet McDonnell, President 847-381-6000 Ext. 12 Email: esweet@northbarrington.org





# SPOTLIGHT





Robin Kelleher

**Trustee Robin Kelleher** has been a resident of the Village of North Barrington for 6 years. Robin is active raising her daughter in North Barrington. On April 21, 2021, Robin was sworn in as a Trustee for a four-year term.

Robin has had her own business as a professional lawyer. She received her undergraduate at Loyola University, B.A. – Political Science, and her law degree at DePaul University – College of Law – Juris Doctorate.

She believes in giving back to her community. She has been involved with St. Anne's School Advisory Board, Little Garden Club of Barrington, and the Barrington Area Community Foundation.

Robin is an avid gardener and nature lover.

"My goal in serving as Trustee is to help create a platform for the citizens of North Barrington to present ideas and initiatives to make our community a better place to live."

Robin currently serves as the Board liaison for Parks and Recreation Commission.

## **Board Meeting Highlights & Village Updates**

- Approved a contract with Robinson Engineering to evaluate the integrity of various street culverts
- Presentation by Thornton's Pump & Go Fuel Station for annexation and development of property at the northwest corner of Route 12 and Miller Rd.
- Approved an ordinance placing an expiration date of 18 months from the date of issuance for all building permits.
- Approved a three-year contract with Mac's Property Management Services for snow plowing services.
- Approved an ordinance establishing a Capital Projects Fund (CPF) and authorized \$1.5 million to be transferred from unrestricted reserves to the CPF.
- Authorized the drafting of an ordinance that would permit golf carts to be driven on certain Village streets.

## **Driveway Snow Removal**

You can help keep our streets clear of ice and snow when clearing your driveway by depositing snow to the sides and not into the street after the plow truck comes through. Once the plow driver makes a pass down the street it is considered complete. Snow and ice deposited on the street afterwards can ice up and create a hazard for others.

## **Commission Openings**

North Barrington residents interested in getting more involved with the community are encouraged to consider applying for Commission openings. There are currently openings on the Plan Commission, Environmental & Health, and Parks & Recreation. These volunteer positions provide residents the opportunity to give back to the community. To apply, please contact Village Hall at (847) 381-6000 for an application.

#### **Trick Or Treat Hours**

Trick or Treat Hours Sunday, October 31 from 3:00 – 7:00 PM. If you are welcoming trick-or-treaters to your home, please turn on your porch light.



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#### **Fall Festival**



Sunday, October 10 from 1:00 – 4:00 pm at Eton Park. There will be live music, and children's activities including pumpkin decorating, pony rides, a petting zoo and hayride. There will also be hot dogs, chips, apple cider donuts, cotton candy, popcorn, and beverages. All residents are invited.

#### **Oak Tree Care**

The loss of our large historic Oak trees is an ongoing issue that does not have a simple answer. Oak wilt and Oak decline are both evident in the Village. Unfortunately once these diseases become obvious it is too late to save the tree. The best thing that can be done is to keep the remaining Oak trees healthy. Here are some suggestions:

- To minimize the spread of disease only trim Oaks during the winter months (November through March).
- Water during dry periods.
- Properly mulch trees.
- Fertilize if soil testing results indicate the need.
- Chemical controls are available.
- Consult a certified arborist for additional tree care.
- Plant more trees for the future!

Please contact the Village Forester, Susan Allman if you have any questions (847)-382-5933 or sallman@northbarrington.org

#### Tree of the Year Award

The 2021 recipient of the Tree of The Year award is Evelyn Gasher on North Hill Drive. The award-winning tree is a beautiful 29.5-inch diameter Norway Spruce. Congratulations to Ms. Gasher.

## **Refuse & Recycling Collection Service**

In July the North Barrington Board of Trustees approved Prairieland Disposal's request to assign the contract between the Village and Prairieland Disposal to GFL Environmental. The Village entered a contract with Prairieland in September 2020 and ends August 2025. Effective in August 2021 GFL assumes all rights and obligations in the contract and is the Village's new waste and recycling provider. Residents should see no change in services. If you have any questions, please contact the Village at (847) 381-6000.

**Senior Discount:** A 15% senior citizen discount is available to residents 65 years and older. To apply for the discount you can email, fax, mail, or visit their office. A copy of a federal or state ID such as a driver's license or FOID card showing a North Barrington address is needed to receive the discount.

#### **Contact Information for Senior Discount**

GFL Environmental 21988 N. Pepper Road Lake Barrington, IL 60010

Email: sales@prairielanddisposal.com

Phone: 847-381-9300 Fax: 847-382-5244

## **Solid Waste Agency**

Upcoming date for SWALCO'S Residential Household Chemical Waste Event.

- October 16th
- October 23rd

Appointments are necessary. You may check back regularly for cancellations. The facility is located at 1311 N. Estes St., Gurnee. To schedule an appointment and review accepted items please go to the following link http://www.swalco.org/164/Household-Chemical-Waste-HCW

## **Cuba Township Brush Pickup**

Cuba Township-wide fall brush pick-up set for the week of October 25. Please have brush piles no larger than 10'x4' with limbs no larger than 8" in diameter. Brush must be placed at the end of your driveway by 7:00 AM on October 25. It will take the road district all week to pick up brush for the entire township and they DO NOT return if your pile isn't ready by 7:00 AM Monday, October 25.

## Composting

Which item would you guess takes up the biggest portion of household trash, by weight: yard waste, food, or cardboard? If you guessed food, you'd be correct. In Illinois, food scraps are the largest category of household waste by a large margin; we send 4 times more food to landfills than yard waste.

- Food waste makes up 20.2% of the material deposited in landfills. The next highest material deposited in landfills is yard waste which makes up 4.7%.
- Diverting food waste from landfills reduces methane gas. Methane is a greenhouse gas and is more potent than carbon dioxide (CO2). Landfills are the third largest emitters of methane.
- Nationally, 30-40% of food that we grow in the United States goes to waste. How can we combat food waste at home?
  - 1. **Mindful Shopping:** Planning and storing of food is top of the list. For more help in planning meals and storing food better visit savethefood. com and the USDA's FoodKeeper app.
  - 2. **Composting:** Not only does composting reduce greenhouse gas it also is a terrific natural fertilizer for plants that provides nutrients and improves the texture and composition of soil to allow for better water absorption and retention.
  - 3. What can be composted? Anything that grows! Yard trimmings, grass, leaves, all food waste including eggshells and bones.
- Did you know that you can have your food scraps collected at curbside the same day as your garbage collection. Contact GFL Environmental for more details at (847) 381-9300.

## Staying Connected with the Village

In addition to our printed newsletter, we encourage you to sign up for our E- newsletter. In our email newsletter you will find the most current updates on Village news.

Go to **www.northbarrington.org** to sign up to receive your timely email Village updates.

Social Media - Please **FOLLOW US** on Facebook, **www.facebook.com/northbarrington** and Instagram, at "**villageofnorthbarrington**"

#### **Thank You Corner**

Appointments and Reappointments
One year term unless otherwise noted

Mike Sands - Village Treasurer

Fuqua Winter, Ltd - Village Attorney

Kelly Rafferty - Building and Zoning Officer

Natalie Karney - Village Health Officer

Susan Allman - Village Forester

John Beissel, Robinson Engineering - Village Engineer

Kelly Dittmann - Parks and Recreation Commission

John Huber - Parks and Recreation Commission

Ken Such – Vice Chair - Plan Commission (term ending 6-30-2024)

Kathleen Leitner - Administrative Adjudicator



Fall Fest 2019



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#### **Board of Trustees**

Village President Eleanor Sweet McDonnell Finance, Emergency Mgt.

Trustee Kevin Horcher
Plan Commission

**Trustee Robin Kelleher**Parks & Recreation

**Trustee Martin Pais**SWALCO/Environmental & Health

**Trustee Gregory Rogus** Zoning Board of Appeals

**Trustee Janice Sauer** Roads & Stormwater Mgt.

**Trustee Lawrence Weiner**Public Safety

# Contact Information Village of North Barrington

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