

# Northbrook Voice

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OF NORTHBROOK



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## Celebrating the 75th Anniversary of Glenbrook High School District 225

Northfield Township was a non-high school district for many years. That meant that the taxes collected were used as tuition payments for students to attend other high schools. In the early days, students who wanted to attend high school got on the train and went into Chicago to Jefferson Township High School. As high schools opened in the nearby suburbs, most Northbrook students began attending Deerfield Shields (now Highland Park) and New Trier High Schools.

As the communities grew, tuition kept rising. Residents of Northfield Township thought it was time to have their own high school. In 1928, the School District 28 School Board decided to begin a two-year high school at the Northbrook School (now Crestwood Place) on Waukegan Road. On the first day of school, seven Junior class members showed up wanting to attend school. From 1930 to 1938 Northbrook High School was a three-year high school. The first four-year high school class consisting of 29 students from Glenview and Northbrook graduated in 1939. Attesting to the rapid growth of the area, a Chicago Tribune article on June 20, 1948, stated that in the past 19 years

District 28's elementary school population had grown from 150 students to 1,655 and up to 800 high school students.

On April 12, 1947, residents went to the polls and voted to form their own high school district. Dr. Norman Watson, currently Superintendent of Northbrook High School, was chosen as the new Superintendent. Then the hunt for a location began. In June 1949, voters chose a site at East Lake Avenue and Sunset Ridge Road in Glenview. However, two successive bond issues to purchase the site failed. The issue again went before the voters with five sites on the ballot.

This time, the bond issue passed. A runoff election between the two top choices was needed because neither site garnered a majority of the votes as required. Voters again went to the polls on November 19, 1949. This time the 71-acre Oldfield Farm site in the center of the township received the most votes by a margin of 366 votes over the 40-acre Sunset Ridge site. Once the Northbrook site was purchased, building plans commenced. Some Glenview residents were not happy, and a suit filed on their behalf asked the court to rule that the District 225 School Board was bound by the selection of the first site.

Learn more about Northbrook history at [northbrookhistory.org](http://northbrookhistory.org) and [facebook.com/northbrookhistory](http://facebook.com/northbrookhistory).



## Flood Protection Is your property in a flood zone?



**Ask About Flood Insurance Rate Maps**  
The Village of Northbrook's Public Works Department assists property owners with Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) inquiries for all properties located within the Village limits. Flood Insurance Rate Maps are the official community maps that show special flood hazard areas.

The Public Works Department also maintains the Federal Emergency

Management Association (FEMA) Elevation Certificates on file for many structures that are located in or near the floodplain. FEMA information may help you make decisions about investing in a property. For more information, contact the Public Works Department at 847-664-4119.

### Check Your Insurance Policy

Keep in mind that standard homeowner's insurance policies do not cover losses due to floods.

Because the Village is in good standing with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), Northbrook property owners are eligible to purchase flood insurance for both their buildings and contents, while renters can insure contents only. The NFIP is available to everyone, even for properties that are located outside of the floodplain. Contact your insurance provider for details.

Additional information can be found at [floodsmart.gov](http://floodsmart.gov) and [insurance.illinois.gov](http://insurance.illinois.gov).

### CRS Classification Reduces Your Flood Insurance Premium

The Village presently has a Class 6 status within the Community Rating System (CRS) that provides property owners in the Village a 20% reduction in flood insurance premiums for properties located in a Special Flood Hazard Area and a 10% reduction for properties located outside a Special Flood Hazard Area.

The CRS program allows communities to achieve certain credits (i.e. reduction in flood insurance policy premiums) by implementing specified floodplain outreach activities and development regulations.

Get more information on flooding and stormwater management at [northbrook.il.us/stormwater](http://northbrook.il.us/stormwater).



### A Message from President Ciesla

Village of Northbrook

## Exciting Things are Brewing in Northbrook

To my Northbrook neighbors, The fall season is a time of excitement and change: leaves are turning gold, orange, and red, kids are heading off to school, and the fresh air becomes crisp, signifying that summer has come to an end. As autumn sets in, there is a lot to look forward to in Northbrook, and we are lucky to get to experience it together.

### Back-to-School Safety & Resources

With school back in session, it's important for drivers to slow down and pay attention, especially in school zones and around bus stops. When a school bus stops and displays flashing red lights and an extended stop arm, that means children are entering or exiting the bus. Do not attempt to pass the bus.

As a mother myself, I understand the anxiety that may arise for parents and children heading back to school. In Northbrook, we have myriad resources available to help alleviate this stress and to help parents and children communicate.

See page 4 for more information.

### Community Events

I'm thrilled to spread the word about some exciting community events coming up in the next few weeks!

Trivia Nights at the Pop-Up Patch located at the southwest corner of Meadow Road and Cherry Lane are in full swing. All are welcome to this free event taking place Thursdays from 6:30-7:30pm through September 29. Also, keep your eyes



VILLAGE BOARD MEMBERS TOURING  
NORTHBROOK'S NEW DEMONSTRATION GARDEN

peeled for the Pop-Up Pumpkin Patch returning in October.

Back again this year, mark your calendars for Northbrook Brewfest! In partnership with the Northbrook Park District, we are happy to present this adults-only event to the community on Saturday, September 10, at Village Green Park. Tickets are selling quickly, so get yours while you still can! Visit [northbrook.il.us/brewfest](http://northbrook.il.us/brewfest) to purchase online.

Finally, get some gardening in before the winter frost comes! The Village of Northbrook is offering organic gardening sessions in our Grow Northbrook Demonstration Garden every other Tuesday through November 1 from 2-3pm. These sessions provide a chance for residents to learn how to grow their own food at home and further

the goals set forth in the Climate Action Plan.

Turn to pages 6-7 to get more details on Northbrook events.

### Stay Informed

With such a busy season coming up, it's important for Northbrook residents to receive up-to-date news and information from the Village. Sign up for our Thursday e-newsletter and, most importantly, emergency alerts at [northbrook.il.us/northbrooknotify](http://northbrook.il.us/northbrooknotify).

PRESIDENT,  
VILLAGE OF NORTHBROOK

# Responding to Emotional Trauma & Back-to-School Stress

by CATCH: Community Action Together for Children's Health

Trauma is an emotional response to a distressing experience. It has no boundaries regarding age, gender, socioeconomic status, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation. Trauma is a common experience for adults and children, and its effects place a heavy burden on individuals, families, and communities.

Now that the school year has started, the return to the classroom may be difficult for some families who are experiencing trauma. The emotions associated with trauma are complex.

CATCH:Community Action Together for Children's Health, teamed up

with Michelle Magida, LPCC, trauma-informed therapist and founder of TherapyEtc, for a community presentation in August. Magida advised parents that it is important to be honest with their children, in age appropriate ways, about their own feelings. Sharing truthfully with one's family develops trust and connection and is vital to helping kids process trauma.

Magida also encouraged parents to watch their child's behavior closely in three areas: emotional, social, and academic functioning. If you notice that your child's normal behavior has changed in one or more of these areas,

she advised getting your child mental health support to help process the trauma that could be behind these changes.

**Be compassionate and patient with yourself and your family. These may be challenging times.**

Reach out for support if you or a loved one needs it. CATCH has compiled a list of trauma-informed therapists who are ready and prepared to help.

Go to [www.catchiscommunity.org/trauma-therapists](http://www.catchiscommunity.org/trauma-therapists) to access the list.

## Diversity, Equity & Inclusion in Northbrook

### Chuseok: A Korean "Thanksgiving" Celebration, by Claire Noh

The Village of Northbrook has the highest Korean population in all of Illinois. With such a large demographic of Korean Americans, Korean holidays are enthusiastically celebrated, one of them being Chuseok. Chuseok is a three-day holiday celebrated annually in August or September, always on the 15th day of the 8th month of the lunar calendar. It is one of the biggest holidays in Korea.

Family members from far and wide travel to their hometowns to celebrate this day with their extended family. Often compared to the American Thanksgiving, Koreans give thanks to their ancestors for the bountiful fall harvest with a variety of traditions. Typically, the day begins with ancestral worship, followed by lively folk games and traditional food. The cooks in the family work hard to prepare a grand Chuseok feast. By far the most appreciated food of all the Chuseok

delicacies is songpyeon: half moon shaped rice cakes filled with sesame, honey, and nuts. It is loved by all, adults and children alike. Beyond its chewy texture and sweet taste, songpyeon symbolizes good wishes and dreams.

To celebrate this special day, children and adults wear the traditional Korean clothing, hanbok. Hanbok is a garment characterized by deep, colorful hues. It is only worn on special occasions, usually just a few times a year.

To my childhood self, Chuseok was just a day where the dining table was fuller than usual, with strange faces telling me how big I had gotten. As a young adult I now understand and celebrate the true reason for Chuseok's celebrations: to show appreciation for our ancestors. Of course, I still relish in the celebratory ambiance that my young self adored so much.



It is fascinating to note the parallels between the Korean Chuseok and American Thanksgiving – the culture of giving thanks unifies the two countries.

Most importantly, Chuseok is a day for everyone to enjoy the company of their extended family and create cherishable memories in the midst of their busy lives. This year, Chuseok takes place September 9 through 12. It will undoubtedly be a joyous weekend in many Korean households!

## Meet Kevin Frangiamore

### Fire Marshal, Northbrook Fire Department



If you were to ask Kevin Frangiamore, Fire Marshal at the Northbrook Fire Department, how he got into his role, he would say that he was born into it. As the son of a former firefighter and fire marshal for the Palatine Fire Department, the job is in his blood.

Kevin started in the field working for Fire Safety Consultants, Inc. as a plan reviewer. During his time there, he worked with many fire departments, including Northbrook's. When the fire inspector in Northbrook announced plans to leave, he recommended none other than Kevin Frangiamore for the job! Four years later, he had worked his way up to fire marshal.

A fire marshal has many responsibilities including managing fire inspectors, reviewing commercial document plans for fire and life safety, overseeing alarm and sprinkler installations, along with enforcing the fire code. Something Kevin wants the business community to know is that he is there to work with them so their facilities can be safe and stay open. Kevin's main goal is to reduce the loss of life and property in Northbrook through

fire education and safety tips. Kevin's work is one of the reasons we can safely enjoy the fun public events we all know and love, as he personally inspects every ride, booth, tent, and even fireworks!

Kevin graduated with a degree in Psychology from North Central College in Naperville, Illinois, where he also played soccer. From his time as an athlete Kevin learned the importance of operating as a team, a value he carries with him as Fire Marshal. In Kevin's eyes, the Village is a team, and his coworkers serve as his teammates. The energy of his colleagues combined with the upbeat atmosphere in Northbrook make it easy for Kevin to go into work each day with a positive attitude.

**Kevin explains, "When I think about what 'Northbrook Strong' means to me, I think about the people working together for a common good. I think about the phenomenal people that are doing everything they can to make Northbrook better."**

When he is not at the fire station or out on inspections, Kevin's favorite thing to do in Northbrook is to ride his bicycle at the Velodrome. Along with riding his bike in his free time, Kevin trains in preparation for the Half IronMan competition, where participants swim 1.2 miles, bike 56 miles, and run 13.1 miles. The diligence and dedication that he shows in his hobbies outside of the station are the same qualities that apply to his work. Kevin spends the rest of his time with his wife, four children, 13 chickens, and three French bulldogs. He met his wife of nearly twenty years, Kristen Frangiamore, at their high school in Cary, Illinois.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Kevin helped organize drive-by visits from the Fire Department for children celebrating their birthdays at home. This idea was inspired by his daughter whose birthday plans were derailed by the lockdown, leading Kevin to arrange a drive-by parade for family and friends to celebrate safely. Planning the drive-by visits for the community is one of his fondest memories as Fire Marshal. He explained that the joy of watching a child's face light up when they saw the fire truck was priceless. In the three months that the Northbrook Fire Department held drive-by-birthday parades, they visited 360 homes.

Kevin's words of advice to the public on fire prevention are to keep an eye on electrical cords that could be fraying or pinching and to always pay attention when cooking (and never leave things on the stove unattended).

Be on the lookout for Kevin at the Fire Department Open House at Station 10 on October 15 from 9am to noon. For more information about the Open House, flip to page 7.

# Upcoming Events in Northbrook



## TRIVIA NIGHTS AT THE POP-UP PATCH | AUG 25-SEP 29

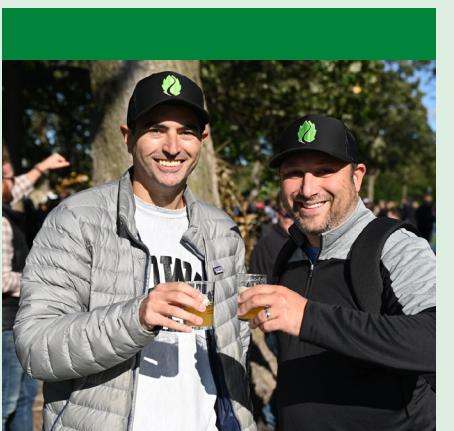
Back by popular demand! Trivia nights have returned to the Pop-Up Patch located at the southwest corner of Meadow Road and Cherry Lane. Test your skills as an individual or a team while enjoying a beautiful night outside. Trivia nights are held on Thursdays from 6:30-7:30pm. Each night will feature a different special offer from a local restaurant, so come on down and enjoy a meal or treat before or after trivia! An unlimited number of teams may participate with a maximum number of six people per team. Due to limited seating (five tables total), participants are strongly encouraged to bring their own chairs and blankets. Registration is free. Attendees do not need to register to attend a trivia night, but it is encouraged.

Register at [NorthbrookPopUpTrivia.eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/northbrook-pop-up-trivia-tickets-39347000000).



## FIREWORKS DISPLAY | SEP 3

Northbrook's rescheduled fireworks display is taking place on Saturday, September 3, at dusk. Fireworks are best viewed from Meadowhill Park and Techny Prairie Park and Fields. Eventgoers may bring their own food, non-alcoholic beverages, chairs, and/or blankets.



## NORTHBROOK BREWFEST | SEP 10

Something fun is brewing! Northbrook Brewfest is back again at Village Green Park from 2-6pm. The Village and Park District are excited to host this popular beer tasting event that will include 15 different breweries, live music from Infinity, food from Johnny's Snack Shop, and even a free caricature artist! Northbrook Brewfest is for attendees age 21+ only. Ticket options include General Admission and Access Only for those that want to join in on the fun but will not be drinking.

Tickets can be purchased at [northbrook.il.us/brewfest](http://northbrook.il.us/brewfest).



## SHERMERFEST | SEP 18

Join the Northbrook Historical Society for the annual Shermerfest at Village Green Park from noon to 4pm. The event will include a "Classic Northbrook" CARavan to start the day; Chalk Up Northbrook (a sidewalk chalk event for kids) presented by the Northbrook Arts Commission; a classic Northbrook car and truck display; music in the gazebo; mums for sale; popcorn, soda, water, and ice cream available for sale; and Cow Pie Moo-lette. The Museum will be open. Participants are welcome to bring a picnic lunch or takeout from one of Northbrook's downtown restaurants.



## FIRE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE | OCT 15

Join the Northbrook Fire Department for their annual Open House from 9am to noon. Kids of all ages can climb in fire trucks, talk to firefighters, and meet Sparky the Fire Dog, all while learning about fire safety. This year's Open House will have a variety of outdoor activities including live displays of fire apparatus and Tactical Rescue Drills including rope repelling and a "jaws of life" demonstration. Free giveaways, hot dogs, and water will be provided. New for this year, the event is taking place at Fire Station 10 (650 Huehl Road). Parking is available at the Public Works Center and the Center for Deafness.

This event is in conjunction with National Fire Prevention Week. This year's theme is "Fire Won't Wait. Plan Your Escape." Visit [nfpa.org](http://nfpa.org) for more on fire safety.



## NORTHBROOK PUMPKIN SMASH | NOV 6

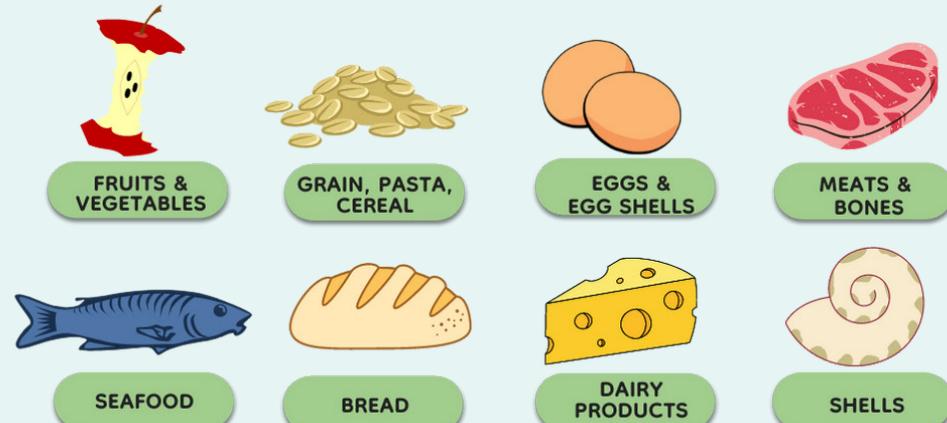
This fall season, don't send your Jack-O-Lanterns to the landfill! The Village is hosting a Pumpkin Smash event in Northbrook Court's parking lot between noon-3pm. Community members can stop by to compost their pumpkins, play games, and learn about the benefits of organic waste recycling.

Find more event information at [northbrook.il.us/events](http://northbrook.il.us/events).

# WHAT TO COMPOST

## GUIDELINES FOR CURBSIDE ORGANICS COLLECTION BY WASTE MANAGEMENT

### FOOD SCRAPS



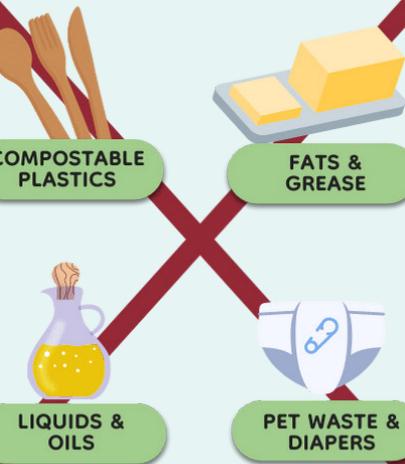
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### YARD WASTE



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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

# Refuse & Recycling



The Village of Northbrook contracts with Waste Management (WM) for refuse, recycling, landscape waste, and organics collection for all single-family and many multi-family properties within the Village's municipal boundaries.

#### How can I contact Waste Management?

Residents can contact WM at 800-796-9696 for missed pickups, service requests, container swaps, billing issues, or any other WM related issue. Residents may also submit concerns or issues online at [wm.com/support](http://wm.com/support).

#### When will WM collect my refuse?

Waste Management conducts pickups throughout your collection day anytime between 6:30am and 5:00pm. Containers should be outside and accessible for the driver. For curbside 1x week customers, refuse, recycling, and compost/yard waste collections happen on the same day.

#### How can I find out my refuse collection day?

Residents can find their collection day through the Know Your Neighborhood tool under the "Living & Visiting" section of the Village website. Enter your address in the search bar and click the magnifying glass icon. Your pickup date will be under "local services."

#### I am a senior. Do I get a discount?

Yes! WM offers a 10% discount to residents over the age of 65. The discount is available to qualifying residents who request it. Call 847-664-4010 for more information.

#### I have mobility issues and cannot get my carts to the curb. What can I do?

Residents who are physically unable to bring containers to the curb can apply for the hardship service by contacting the Village at 847-664-4010. Hardship residents receive weekly backdoor service at the weekly curbside rate for both recycling and refuse. The Village will review each request on a case-by-case basis once a doctor's note has been provided.

#### Does WM have a recycling program?

Yes! WM's single stream recycling system accepts common household

items like paper, metal, most plastics, and glass. Plastic types 1-5 are accepted; plastics type 6 and 7 or plastics with no label are not.

#### Does WM collect compost & yard waste?

Yes! Residents can participate with a year-round subscription or through the sticker program. With the subscription, WM will collect unlimited yard waste and compost weekly from April-November and bi-weekly from December-March. Residents not interested in the subscription service can dispose of compost and yard waste from April-November using proper bags clearly labeled with prepaid disposal stickers. Stickers are \$2.12 each and can be purchased at Village Hall and local hardware stores.

#### What items are unacceptable for composting?

Liquids, pet waste/litter, packaging, fats, grease, and oil are some items not acceptable for composting. Please note even packaging that is "certified compostable" will not be accepted by Waste Management. Visit the Village's website for more information on acceptable composting items.

#### How can I dispose of a bulk item?

Residents can dispose of two bulk items for free each week. Any additional bulk item will need a sticker that can be purchased at Village Hall. Bulk items cannot be over 4ft wide and 6ft tall. Visit the Village's website for more information on acceptable bulk items.

#### Can I dispose of a mattress as a bulk item?

Yes! Mattresses are an acceptable bulk item. The mattress must be covered in plastic or with a mattress disposal kit.

#### My HOA or condominium contracts with WM too. Do these programs apply to me?

It depends. All residents are able to utilize the electronics, textile, and plastic bag recycling programs. Other services, like compost/yard waste, would be through your property's separate waste hauler contract.

# VILLAGE HAPPENINGS

**Electronics Recycling**  
September 3 & October 1, 9am-noon

September 6 & October 4, 7am-3pm

**Fleet Maintenance Garage**  
behind Village Hall, 1227 Cedar Lane

Bring your old and unused electronics to be recycled. Residents are responsible for removing items from their vehicle for contactless disposal. Do not leave items at the Village's facility outside of the recycling events.

**Labor Day**  
Monday, September 5

In observance of Labor Day, all non-emergency Village offices will be closed. Waste Management collection will be delayed by one day for the week.

**September is Library Card Signup Month**

1201 Cedar Lane  
September is the perfect month to get or renew your library card! When you sign up or renew your library card, you'll be entered for a chance to win a prize. Visit the library or learn more at [northbrook.info/get-a-card](http://northbrook.info/get-a-card).

**Touch-A-Truck**  
Saturday, September 17, 10am-noon

Underwriters Laboratories, 333 Pfingsten Road

This free family event, presented by the Northbrook Park District, allows children to see, touch, and explore a variety of trucks and emergency vehicles. Adult supervision is required. This event will occur rain or shine.

## Seniorpalooza Health & Fun Fair

Wednesday, September 14,

1-3pm

2705 Techy Road

The North Suburban YMCA will host its annual Seniorpalooza, a health and fun fair for older adults. This free community event brings together a wide variety of local organizations offering wellness presentations, health screenings, giveaways, and demonstration classes. All participants must register in advance at [nsymca.org/seniorpalooza22](http://nsymca.org/seniorpalooza22).



**Northfield Township Recycling Program**  
Weekdays through October 28, 7am-3pm

Township Road District Garage, 237 Melvin Drive  
Northfield Township residents can bring accepted items to be recycled. Visit [northfieldtownship.com/recycling-program.html](http://northfieldtownship.com/recycling-program.html).

## Help the Library Stock the Food Pantry

Through September 30

1201 Cedar Lane

Northbrook Public Library is collecting donations for the Northfield Township Food Pantry to help support local families in need. Please drop off non-perishable items in cans, plastic containers, or boxes in the library's lobby.

## Jewish Art Calendar

Chabad of Northbrook published a new edition of the Jewish Art Calendar. To receive a free copy (one per person, while supplies last), email [info@ChabadNorthbrook.com](mailto:info@ChabadNorthbrook.com).

## Calling all Northbrook Artists

Are you an artist living in Northbrook? The Northbrook Arts Commission wants to hear from you! The Commission is currently accepting applications from artists interested in exhibiting at the Northbrook Public Library. Artists must be over the age of 18. To get your name on the list, visit [northbrook.il.us/arts](http://northbrook.il.us/arts) and fill out the online form.



## Tree Giveaway

Help us meet our Climate Action Plan goal for 500 new trees planted on private properties in the Village by the end of 2022! Native trees will be offered to Northbrook residents while supplies last. If interested, fill out the form at [northbrook.il.us/trees](http://northbrook.il.us/trees).

**Northfield Township Recycling Program**  
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Township Road District Garage, 237 Melvin Drive  
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## Leave the Leaves

Leaf blowers aren't just noisy and pollutant-emitting, they also disrupt the local ecosystem and food chain for wildlife. When we blow leaves off our properties and bag them up for disposal, we are throwing away the source of shelter and overwintering habitat for important pollinators like dragonflies and bees. For best practices towards a more sustainable Northbrook, consider raking leaves into garden beds this fall. The leaves will provide insulation and break down into nature's best fertilizer for your plants.

## Mental Health Coping Kits for GBN Freshmen

Glenbrook North High School freshmen are the next recipients of CATCH's Mental Health Coping Kits, made possible by a grant from the Village of Northbrook. Distribution is set for early September when counselors will meet with students in small groups. The kits contain tools and resources to help the students build resilience and ask for help when needed.

## Lights Out Northbrook Now through November 15

The Village has launched a voluntary Lights Out Northbrook campaign where community members commit to leaving their lights off after 11pm each night. Participants will receive a free native seed packet by registering with the Village's Sustainability Coordinator. This movement is part of a larger effort to protect the rare migratory birds that pass through Northbrook during fall. Researchers believe that exterior lights on buildings confuse the navigation systems of birds leading them to circle buildings repeatedly and die of exhaustion or collision. Email [tessa.murray@northbrook.il.us](mailto:tessa.murray@northbrook.il.us) with your address to collect your free native seed packet. Call 847-664-4134 with any questions.

## Down Syndrome Awareness Month

October

October was first designated as Down Syndrome Awareness Month in the 1980s and has been recognized every October since. It is a time to celebrate people with Down Syndrome and make others aware of their abilities and accomplishments. Watch out for Down Syndrome Awareness Month banners in downtown Northbrook!

## Recycle Right: Your Questions Answered

Wednesday, October 19, 7-8:30pm

**Virtual**  
Join the Northbrook Arts Commission and Northbrook restaurant Kamehachi for a new culinary arts event. Participants will get an opportunity to learn from a professional sushi chef and make their own creations. Keep an eye on the Village's website at [northbrook.il.us/arts](http://northbrook.il.us/arts) for more details and the date of the event, coming soon!



## Domestic Violence Awareness Month

October

Domestic Violence Awareness Month is dedicated to raising awareness about what domestic violence looks like, the availability of services, and the very real costs to families and communities. Domestic violence is a prevalent issue facing every community and it takes courage for a survivor to seek help. Organizations, like the North Suburban Legal Aid Clinic, are dedicated to keeping individuals and families safe. Visit [www.NSLegalAid.org](http://NSLegalAid.org) or call 847-737-4042 for confidential assistance.

## Cybersecurity Awareness Month

October

The 2022 theme for Cybersecurity Awareness Month is 'See Yourself in Cyber' to emphasize that you can take steps to be cyber-safe no matter what role you play. Some of those steps include being wary of phishing emails, creating strong passwords, using multi-factor authentication, and updating your software.

## OAKtober

This OAKtober learn about all of the benefits these trees provide to our ecosystem! Oaks can be an excellent source of food and shelter for native animals, plus their expansive roots help store carbon in soil and absorb excess stormwater. Looking to welcome wildlife through planting an Oak tree on your property? A limited number of oak saplings will be given away by the Village at the Farmers Market on October 5. If you would like to plant an Oak on your parkway, learn about the Village's spring cost-share Tree Planting Program by calling 847-272-4711.

## Diwali

October 23-27

Happy Diwali to all who celebrate! The word 'Diwali' translated to English means 'Festival of Lights.' It is a five day holiday observed by millions of people across the world, and it is one of the biggest holidays in India. To celebrate, people light oil lamps and place them around their homes to signify the triumph of life over dark and good over evil.

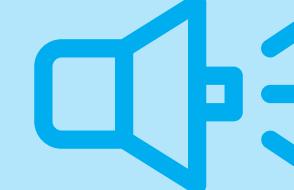


## Northbrook Artists Studio Tours

Saturday, November 5, noon-4pm

Support your local artists while touring various locations around Northbrook. More details will be shared at [northbrook.il.us/arts](http://northbrook.il.us/arts).

# Talk Around Town:



## Northbrook Community Identity Strategy & Development

### Background

At the Block of Cheese Meeting in 2020, the Village Board discussed a refreshed community identity, informally known as a brand, as a priority for a future fiscal year. Following a competitive Request for Proposals process, the Village selected a5 Branding & Digital to carry out the project.

The purpose of the Northbrook Community Identity Strategy & Development project is to create a fresh and updated perception of the Village for residents, the business community, visitors, and stakeholders.

### Project Details

The Northbrook Community Identity project will result in a successful written and visual image for the Village, including a new logo and tagline, that distinguishes Northbrook from its neighbors and represents the community. The refreshed identity will translate across all communications platforms, professional correspondence, public information, and content used by every Village department.

Research and engagement with the community are crucial parts of this initiative. In addition to the survey detailed below, keep an eye out for a5 at Northbrook events and around town - we want to hear from you!

### Northbrook Community Survey

When you think of Northbrook, what comes to mind? We'd like to know how Northbrook is perceived by those living and working within it. Make your opinions known with our short, anonymous survey.

Take the survey by scanning the QR code below or visiting [www.surveymonkey.com/r/northbrook2022](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/northbrook2022). The deadline to complete the survey is Friday, September 15.



# Northbrook Voice

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Northbrook Information Association  
1225 Cedar Lane, Northbrook, IL 60062

**p8** Curbside Composting  
Guidelines

**p11** Talk Around Town:  
Northbrook Community  
Identity

Postal Customer  
Northbrook, IL 60062

**Village of Northbrook**  
1225 Cedar Lane  
Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm  
[northbrook.il.us](http://northbrook.il.us)

Village Hall ..... 847-272-5050  
Village Hall Fax ..... 847-272-1892  
Police/Fire Emergency..... 911  
Police Non-Emergency ..... 847-564-2060  
Fire Non-Emergency ..... 847-272-2141  
Public Works..... 847-272-4711

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## News You Can Use

### Emergency Preparedness

September is National Preparedness Month. Are you prepared for emergencies? As a first step, the Village strongly encourages residents and community members to sign up for our emergency alert system at [northbrook.il.us/northbrooknotify](http://northbrook.il.us/northbrooknotify). Include your current home address, email address, and phone numbers with which you would like to be notified via phone call and/or text message. If you need to update your information or need help signing up, email [notify@northbrook.il.us](mailto:notify@northbrook.il.us) or call 847-664-4016.

On Tuesday, September 27, at 10am, there will be a Village-wide test of the emergency alert system. When the test is activated, residents who are signed up for emergency alerts will receive a notification via email, text, and/or phone call with a message indicating "This is a test of the Northbrook Notify system. No further action is needed." This test is performed on an annual basis in September.

### September 11 Remembrance

On Sunday, September 11, all are invited to join as we honor the heroes and remember the victims of the September 11, 2001, attack on America. At 7:45am, Police and Fire personnel will assemble at each of the Northbrook Fire Stations for a solemn remembrance of the victims.

### Halloween in Northbrook

Trick-or-treating hours in Northbrook are 4-8pm on Halloween (Monday, October 31). If you would like to alert trick-or-treaters of your household's participation, download one of the Village's signs to display on your front door at [northbrook.il.us/halloween](http://northbrook.il.us/halloween). If you don't have access to a printer, signs will be available for free pickup at Village Hall in October.

### Illuminate Northbrook

Save the date for the Village's second annual Illuminate Northbrook event, taking place in November! Keep an eye on our website at [northbrook.il.us/events](http://northbrook.il.us/events) for a date and more details.