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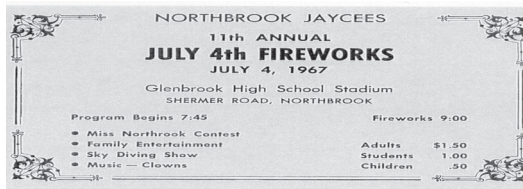
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The Only Constant is Change

Most of us think the 4th of July celebrations we hold dear have always been just as we remember them. Your memories may be vastly different than the memories others have of this day, a fact proven by the newspaper clippings and other materials in the Society archives. The history of our village has only one thing that is certain – change happens.

The first fireworks program was in 1957. The Northbrook Jaycees planned and ran the pre-program and fireworks at the Glenbrook North football stadium. The Jaycees final program in 1967 included a Miss Northbrook contest and a Sky Diving show.



For many years Northbrook's 4th of July parades were small and not well attended. A newspaper article reported the parade held in 1949 drew 150 spectators. The parade participants in 1966 were young people enrolled in Park District and YMCA summer programs, civic neighborhood groups, and scouts.

Marchers held over 1,000 transistor radios playing patriotic music transmitted from radio station WEEF radio compiled for the occasion. This parade without a band drew an estimated 22,000 spectators. It also made the news! Stories about the parade played on July 4, 1966, on local WMAQ-TV news with Floyd Kalber, on the national NBC Huntley Brinkley Report, and on The Today Show the next morning. The parade was such a success the participants with radios marched again the following year.



YMCA director Ken Thiel with some of the young people practicing for the 1968 parade he planned.

Another volunteer group took over the planning of the combined activities in 1968. The Northbrook 4th of July Association, Inc. was an all-volunteer group that planned and raised funding for the Independence Day

celebrations for the next 45 years. The Association reluctantly turned over their responsibility to the Village and Park District in 2013 when the Association was unable to raise enough funding to pay the exorbitant insurance costs to put on the event, and still secure specialty units, parade bands, and fireworks contracts.

While we hold dear the mile-long parades of yesteryear, those parades may be changed forever by the pandemic, the Highland Park tragedy, and other circumstances beyond the control of those doing the planning. With the many changes to parade day this year, we will make new memories in 2023. The country's Bicentennial and the Village's 75th birthday joined the Independence Day celebration with the first pancake breakfast and baseball game on the Village Green in 1976. On that day, the Museum opened its doors to the public for the very first time. While the Historical Society will not be open this year, we look forward to participating and making new memories in the coming years. We especially look forward to 2026, when the United States becomes 250-years-old, and our Village turns 125.

NORTHBROOK GRAND PRIX - JULY 27

Big. Crit. Energy.



The Village of Northbrook is set to once again host to the "Northbrook Grand Prix" on Thursday, July 27, 2023. This event begins at 11am and attracts amateur and elite cyclists

from across the globe as part of the 10-day Intelligentsia Cup series. These Criterium bike races, also known as "crits," are exhilarating events with bike riders speeding through downtown streets.

Northbrook is home to the Ed Rudolph Velodrome, the 2nd oldest velodrome in the nation, and a diverse community of cycling enthusiasts and competitive racers. The race course for the Northbrook stage is 1.1 kilometers and wraps around Village Green Park, providing the perfect backdrop for racers of all abilities to enjoy the challenge of this fast and fun course.

The Intelligentsia Cup is a 10-day road series in and around Chicagoland. The other venues in 2023 include: West Dundee, Glen Ellyn, Winfield, Mundelein, Lombard, Brookfield,

Elgin, Lake Bluff, and Chicago's Fulton St. This exciting series is the largest road series in the United States. Intelligentsia Cup is a part of the American Criterium Cup, a series of criteriums that share a vision to invigorate American criterium racing and create engaging events that are spectator-friendly, and great for the communities in which races are staged.

The race organizing committee will be holding a **community informational meeting on Thursday, July 6 at 5pm at Village Hall** in the Sandra "Sandy" Frum Board Room. The meeting will give a race plan overview and answer any questions from the community.

Learn more at intelligentsiacup.com/northbrook.



A Message from President Ciesla
Village of Northbrook

Northbrook, the coolest place in all the land

If you know me, you likely know that I wasn't raised in Northbrook but my Northbrook roots run deep.

In 1968 my dad (well, not my dad yet) fresh out of college, was looking for a job. He'd heard there were teaching jobs in Northbrook or Northfield and since Northbrook came first in the phone book that was his first call. He had an interview with Homer Harvey and was hired as Northbrook Junior High's newest math and science teacher. Kids called him "Mr. K." It's a bit surreal to meet adults now who talk about my dad as a teacher.

In that very same summer, my soon to be mom, having graduated with a Master's degree in audiology, found herself sitting with Dr. Harvey interviewing for a job as a school district speech therapist. And yes, she was hired. Shortly thereafter my parents met at Meadowbrook, had a date at Tonelli's (boy do I miss Tonelli's) and the rest is history.

For much of my early life, I grew up in my dad's childhood home in Chicago. But I heard about this "Northbrook" all the time. My first Northbrook memory - the 4th of July parade. Maybe I was 6 or 7. Dr. Harvey, had become a mentor to my dad and we headed north to attend the 4th of July parade and meet Dr. & Mrs. Harvey for ice cream. At some point after that I was introduced to Little Louie's. Wow! Fast forward 20 or so years, my parents (mostly my dad) raised me to know that

Northbrook is likely the coolest place in all the land and just like that, I'm moving to Northbrook as an adult. We had some friends in town so our first Northbrook event as official residents was the 4th of July pancake breakfast. The line to buy flapjacks stretched to the Lion drinking fountain (well, almost.) I'll never forget it, I was in a real community with cool traditions. I'm ready.

The very next year I found myself at the 4th of July pancake breakfast pushing a stroller, introducing my then 3 month old to her first of many Northbrook traditions. Fast forward two years and I'm missing the 4th, because my second daughter arrived a bit early - my little firecracker!

From then till now it's been pancakes, parades and fireworks. In 2009 I was elected to the Village Board and holy cow, my kids and I were in the parade. If you're wondering, the fire truck ride is amazing. Like really amazing.



In 2020, COVID-19 messed with our traditions, it even limited time

with family. Last year, as we were poised to come back, to gather again, unspeakable tragedy took that from us.

This year, things are going to look a bit different. I know you all feel it, I do too, I promise I do. But even though it's going to be different, Northbrook remains the coolest place in the land. And I consider myself lucky to spend the fourth, celebrating my country and my firecracker with my parents, family and friends. For me, it's my people who make the memories special.



**Happy Birthday America!
Love, Northbrook**

PRESIDENT,
VILLAGE OF NORTHBROOK

What should you do about your kids' free time

A Message from CATCH: Community Action Together for Children's Health



We know it's tempting to keep the kids busy with activities and entertainment all summer long, but there are actually long-lasting mental health benefits in letting them experience some free time.

Research shows when they wake up and are left to figure out what the day will bring, children thrive physically, emotionally, and socially. Their creativity comes to life, and they learn to problem-solve. On the flip side,

our increasingly over-planned lives contribute to kids feeling anxious and stressed.

"There's a lot to be said for 'go outside with this stick and this empty box and do something'... and it doesn't need to make noise or have shiny lights," said Sue Carr, Director of Monona Grove Nursery School on the CATCH podcast, Parenting the Mental Health Generation.

The demands of the school year often make it difficult to carve out that important free time and we lose sight of its value. That means it's critical we take advantage of this chance to let our kids do nothing.

"We're so focused on achievement that there's less opportunities for kids just to be kids. Kids aren't out

just being kids and playing and being bored and figuring out how to organize games in the community and things like that. There's a lot of organized activities which have advantages for kids, but sometimes it's too much and it doesn't give them an opportunity to really just explore and try new things on their own," said Denise Duval Tsioles, LCSW during her April CATCH Lunch and Learn presentation.

So, you're off the hook! Welcome the summer boredom and see what comes. Watch your kids figure it out and explore their options. Watch them feel confident and capable in the process.

This is the sweetness of summer. Enjoy it!

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion in Northbrook

"We" Are Not Different From "Them."

By Mary Hansen

Remember in first grade when making a friend was as easy as saying, "My name is Mary. What's yours?" We likely didn't see skin color as an issue at that age but walk into any junior high cafeteria and you will likely see children seated by skin color. Some of our cafeterias are almost all White faces. Does this tell us we need to start with our children and make interracial playdates, picnics, projects?

YES, but also that as adults we need to be part of the bridging, too. Interracial interactions can be awkward and intimidating to people of other races. Many White people do not have frequent interactions with Black, Asian Indigenous, or other non-White people and may be uncertain of what to do when we do meet someone.

One of the consequences of exclusively spending time with people like us – and particularly people from the same cultural community as us – is that

we often do not get an opportunity to step outside of what we know and learn new things about people who have different lived experiences. When paired with structural inequities and problematic and discriminatory messaging in the media, this can end up resulting in prejudice toward and intolerance of people who aren't members of our in-group. However, numerous research studies have concluded that friendships across races erase prejudices and increase trust, so friendship is one way to build racial harmony.

Still, there are questions we need to answer – "What should we talk about with people from another race? How can we convey what we think are unprejudiced beliefs? Is there a "good" or "bad" way to approach these interactions? How can we personally become more comfortable?" As a White person who grew up in a rural area with

almost no contact with anyone from another race, I had those questions, too. These are good questions to ask, and it is understandable that even the most well-intentioned and non-racist people may be apprehensive about interacting with people with a different skin color.

The more diverse friendship networks we cultivate, the less we think in categories of "us vs them." We come to realize that "we" are not different from "them." Rather, all of us as individuals, are different from everyone else, which is to say we are all unique. At the same time, all of us are struggling with similar problems based on common features of the human mind. This struggle is easier when we do it in relation to others, in peaceful cooperation and harmony. This realization is crucial to healing our world.

Meet Marie Junkmann



Northbrook Volunteer and Community Organizer

"I have always been passionate about working with children because children are the future of our society," said Marie. "I felt called to help local schools during COVID. I wanted to help keep our kids in school, help support our teachers, and help the community continue to operate in general."

She quickly became a regular visitor to school campuses around Northbrook. She joined an unofficial group of substitutes and volunteers that were on school grounds so much they felt like, and were considered, part of the regular full-time staff. This gave Marie a sense that she was playing a vital role because she was available to the community she loved at a time that it needed it most.

The other half of her double major in college was a business degree with an emphasis in finance and marketing. This would prove to be extremely useful in her next volunteer endeavor. The Northbrook NINE is a collective of community organizers that come together to promote some of the largest community events in Northbrook. The group started as a gathering of the minds connecting event organizers that played a role in large community events. The goal was to create an all-volunteer support task force to advertise the events and help provide outstanding experiences for the community. The Northbrook NINE has been around for more than a decade and while Marie was not a founding member, she found another calling once she got involved with the group. She used her background as a teacher and people-person to help make community connections. She also used her marketing and finance background to help organize and achieve the objectives of the group and elevate the profile of the events that were under the Northbrook NINE banner.

The current Northbrook NINE line-up includes Memorial Day, Block Party @ St. Norberts, Farmers Market, 4th of July Parade, Northbrook Grand Prix, Northbrook Days, Party On The Green, Fall Fest, & Trunk or Treat, Shermerfest, and Illuminate Northbrook. More information is available at northbrooknine.com.

Marie has met all kinds of people in this work in the boardroom, classroom, and through bringing the community together with fun events. Along the way, she has encountered very personal struggles on a one-on-one basis within Northbrook.

"Throughout the years I've met so many women in the community who have dealt with or are dealing with breast cancer, so I'm currently growing my hair out to donate it and give back. People can give back in so many ways," said Marie. "When I give back to the community or volunteer, I feel like it helps me be the best version of myself so the people I encounter help me in return."

Marie enjoys wearing different hats—from being a mom, substitute teacher, volunteer, and working on Northbrook NINE as well as other projects. She says she is constantly multitasking and that's what makes life interesting.

Marie is a perfect example of someone seeing a need in the community jumping in with all she has to find solutions and bring people together. The Village is proud to have Marie Junkmann as this issue's Northbrook Strong Neighbor Spotlight.

Nominate a resident for a Northbrook Strong Neighbor Spotlight! Find all the details at northbrook.il.us/neighborspotlight.

When Marie Junkmann moved to Northbrook in 2008, two things were almost instantly evident to her. **1)** She had made the right decision to move to a community that was a perfect place to raise her young children, and **2)** she felt a clear calling to get out into the community, meet new people, and more than anything be a force that gives back to her newly adopted hometown in any way she could.

When Marie first moved to the Village her children were just starting school and she joined the Northbrook Community Nursery School Board. She found joy and excelled in her time on the board and eventually became Board President. As time went on Marie took on other roles in local schools, including serving 3-years as the PTO Co-President at Greenbriar Elementary School. Her children and the parent community drew her to these volunteer roles but it was also her educational background as a double major with one of those majors being in elementary education. As the COVID-19 pandemic took hold of the world, Marie looked to her local community and asked herself how she could help. The pandemic exacerbated a substitute teacher shortage that existed before March of 2020, and she wanted to dive right in and help wherever there was a need.

VILLAGE OF NORTHBROOK

Here are some of the large-scale private development projects that are going through the Village's review process, have been approved, or are currently under construction. For more information on these and other developments visit

northbrook.il.us/development

**UNDER
REVIEW**

1515 LAKE COOK RD.



NORTHBROOK COURT REDEVELOPMENT

The Village of Northbrook and Brookfield Properties have entered into a non-binding Pre-Development Agreement for the Redevelopment of Northbrook Court. Brookfield Properties, the owner of Northbrook Court since 1995, has presented a Conceptual Master Plan that envisions a redevelopment described as a retail & dining destination for the region, preservation of the site's role as a commercial anchor, a mixed-use neighborhood, incorporation of open space, parks, walkability, and community amenities. On June 13, 2023, as part of the Village Board of Trustees Regular Board meeting, a review of a Preliminary Plan Application for the proposed redevelopment of Northbrook Court was presented to the Board of Trustees.

WITHDRAWN

916 DUNDEE RD.

FORMER GREEN ACRES COUNTRY CLUB PROPERTY

Erickson Living proposed to purchase the former Green Acres Country Club site for development of a Continuing Care Retirement Community. The developer was to dedicate 80 acres to public use, including a possible municipal fire station and green space. On May 10, the Village received a statement from Erickson Senior Living:

"Erickson Senior Living has made the difficult decision not to move forward with the development of the Green Acres property... this decision comes only after a thorough evaluation of the project's long-term feasibility and potential market conditions."

While we do not know what the future will hold for the property, the Village will continue to consider developments that add to the vibrancy and prosperity of our community.

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DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS



1200 SKOKIE BLVD.



TESLA SALES, SERVICES, AND DELIVERY

On March 14, 2023 the Village Board of Trustees approved the necessary actions to allow for the construction of a Tesla Sales, Service, and Delivery (SSD) facility located at 1200 Skokie Boulevard on the vacant land south of Lifetime Fitness. The Developer intends to construct a high-quality building consisting of 48,000 gross square feet of floor area and related structures, and make significant improvements to the surrounding property. The timeline for groundbreaking has not yet been determined.



1103 WAUKEGAN RD.



STARBUCKS COFFEE DRIVE-THROUGH

In January 2023 the building permit was issued for construction of the new Starbucks Coffee building which will contain space for two additional tenants. To date, the developer has demolished the previously existing gas station and has begun site work.



1657 SHERMER RD.



MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT

On January 24, 2023, the Village Board of Trustees approved the necessary actions for a mixed-use development at the former Grainger site located at 1657 Shermer Road. The approved development consists of a 318-unit luxury residential apartment building, a 48 unit affordable and supportive housing apartment building, and a 6,500 square foot commercial building with inclusion of roof top space for outdoor dining. Timeline for groundbreaking has not yet been determined.



175 POINTE DR.



TOWNHOME DEVELOPMENT

On February 28, 2023, the Village Board of Trustees approved the redevelopment of a vacant privately owned parcel located at 175 Pointe Drive. The approved project includes 34 rental townhomes to be constructed, including 5 affordable townhome units. The developer has also proposed to include solar panels on one of the cluster of townhome units. The timeline for groundbreaking has not yet been determined.



The Northbrook 4th of July Committee, comprised of staff members from the Village of Northbrook and the Northbrook Park District, is set to host the first 4th of July Independence Day Parade since 2019 on Tuesday, July 4, 2023 starting at 4pm.

This is the tenth year that the agencies are working together to coordinate the holiday festivities, and the focus remains on fun and safety. For many people in Northbrook, the Parade is the highlight of the day. The Parade Grand Marshal this year is the Northbrook Historical Society.

Parade Route

The parade route will be slightly reduced from a 1-mile route to a 0.7-mile route. This year's route will start just west of Westmoor School, 2500 Cherry Lane, and will end at Village Hall, 1225 Cedar Lane. See the map of the official parade route by scanning the QR code below.

Accessible Parking

There will be handicap accessible parking at the Northbrook United Methodist Church and restroom locations at Westmoor School and portable restrooms on Cedar Ln.

Parade Safety Guidelines

Safety barricades will be placed along the parade route. All spectators are expected to stay on or behind the curb or safety barricades and out of the street. Candy and giveaways will be handed out only to those on or behind the curb or barricades. Squirt guns are prohibited at this year's parade for safety reasons.

Fireworks Display

Come early and enjoy DJ entertainment at the Ed Rudolph Velodrome at 7pm. Eventgoers may bring their own food, non-alcoholic beverages, chairs, and/or blankets. At dusk, the spectacular fireworks display is best viewed from Meadowhill Park and Techny Prairie Park and Fields. As a safety reminder, always leave fireworks to the professionals.

northbrook4thofjuly.com

Scan QR code
to view parade
route map



COMPOSTING

It's As Easy As 1,2,3

1.

First, save money and stop buying those green yard waste stickers at \$2.12 each (plus buying the paper lawn bag), because you can compost food scraps and your yard waste (aka organic collections) in a Compost Bin.



2.

Second, join the Waste Management subscription program for yard waste and food scraps by calling 800-964-8988. The cost is about \$12 a month depending on bin size and at the same time, downsize your garbage can to the smallest (and cheapest bin) which is 35 gallons for just under \$15.50 per month (or just under \$14 if you are 65 years of age or older).



3.

Third, tell your neighbors that you are doing your part to reduce waste going into the landfill and greenhouse gases because landfills are the third largest, manmade source of methane, accounting for 11% of the estimated total global methane emissions. Food discards and residuals that decompose in landfills release methane, a greenhouse gas that is at least 28 times more potent than carbon dioxide. This fact makes food wasting a significant contributor to solid waste greenhouse gas emissions.



The Village of Northbrook is partnering with Waste Management to offer a 25% discount to **new** residential compost subscribers. Interested residents can reach out to the Village's Sustainability Coordinator (847-664-4134) or the Village Manager's Office Management Analyst (847-664-4015) to sign up for the program and see if you qualify. Please note, only new compost subscribers are eligible for the discount.

VILLAGE HAPPENINGS

Liberty Loop 5k Run/Walk Saturday, July 1, 7:30-9am

Downtown Northbrook
Participants will enjoy a scenic run or walk on a certified 5K course through Techny Prairie Park and Fields and Meadowhill Park. Winners receive medals, and pre-registered participants receive a dry-fit T-shirt, gift bag and post-race snacks. Race day registration is from 6:15 - 7:15am inside Techny Prairie Activity Center. For more information, call 847-291-2993.



4th of July Parade Tuesday, July 4 at 4pm

Downtown Northbrook
This year's parade route will start just west of Westmoor School, near the intersection of Cherry Lane and Crestwood Drive, and will end at Village Hall, 1225 Cedar Lane. The parade will be followed by a Fireworks Display at dusk. Come early and enjoy DJ entertainment at the Ed Rudolph Velodrome at 7pm. Eventgoers may bring their own food, non-alcoholic beverages, chairs, and/or blankets. Check for 4th of July updates at northbrook4thofjuly.com.

Grow Northbrook Organic Gardening Sessions July 18 and August 15 2:30-4pm

Grow Northbrook Garden (1201-1225 Cedar Lane)

Join the Village of Northbrook and local business The Organic

Gardener for hands-on workshops at the Village's new demonstration garden. Participants will have the opportunity to take home fruits and veggies, and all leftover produce will be donated to the Northfield Township Food Pantry. All ages and abilities are welcome. Register at bit.ly/grownorthbrook.

Storytime in the Park Northbrook Public Library Friday, July 21, 10-10:30am

Village Green Park (near the gazebo)
Grab your blanket or lawn chairs and join the library's Youth Services staff at Storytime in the Park.

Pop-up Patch July through August

What's going on at the southwest corner of Meadow and Cherry? The Pop-Up Patch! The Village of Northbrook invites you to play, relax, and enjoy this new outdoor space. Stop for lunch at one of the picnic tables or test your skills with a yard game like cornhole or giant Jenga!.



National Night Out Tuesday, August 1 at 6pm

Meadowhill Aquatic Center
Join the Northbrook Park District and the Northbrook Police Department for some serious fun at the pool! The event includes DJ entertainment, games and raffles. The event will be canceled for inclement weather.

Northbrook Days

August 2-6

West Metra Commuter Lot

This community festival includes rides, games, live music, food, beer & wine, and much more! Don't miss this summer tradition. Visit northbrookdays.com for more information and updates on the events.

Violins of Hope Display Sunday, August 6, 1-2pm

Northbrook Public Library
In partnership with JCC Chicago, the Northbrook Public Library will display five of the remarkable instruments from the Violins of Hope collection.

Party on the Green Northbrook Park District Saturday, August 12 at 4pm

Village Green Park
Bring your family for a fun, festive day full of live music featuring Gen FuZe and the Blooze Brothers. You can also enjoy games and giveaways at Village Green Park. Food and beer will be available for purchase. The event will conclude with a viewing of *The Mitchells vs. the Machines* at Dusk.

Mosquito Abatement

To help limit West Nile Virus concerns in our area, thoroughly inspect your property for items that may contain stagnant water. If it can hold water, it can breed mosquitoes! Learn more at northbrook.il.us/mosquito.

Solar Power Hour Monday August 14 at 7pm

Northbrook Public Library Pollak Room
The Village is partnering with the Library and Solar Switch Chicagoland to offer a Solar Power Hour. In this hour-long presentation you'll learn the basics of solar, how it can save you money, and how the solar group buy discount program works. At the end of the presentation, participants can receive

a free assessment for their property to get the ball rolling on going solar. Register at visit.northbrook.info/event/8455723



Northbrook Park District Summer Events

Spend the remaining days of summer in the parks enjoying special events! Upcoming activities include Tuesdays in the Park on July 11, 18, 25 August 1, 8; Kids' Duathlon on August 19. Visit nbparks.org/events to learn more.

Stay Cool in Summer Heat

Avoid heat stroke and other heat-related injury by drinking plenty of fluids, and staying in the shade or indoors as much as possible. Take frequent breaks while working outside as well. We also recommend that residents check on elderly neighbors and those with functional needs; take pets indoors and make sure they have plenty of water; and never leave children or pets unattended in a vehicle. Those who do not have access to air conditioning are encouraged to take advantage of cooling centers throughout Cook County. Visit cookcountyil.gov/service/cooling-centers for locations.

Wayne Messmer Quartet at the North Suburban YMCA Friday, September 8 at 7pm

2705 Techny Rd
An adult evening of music and dancing featuring the Wayne Messmer Quartet. Event proceeds will support needed equipment for the pool. Get more information and register at nsymca.org/programs-classes/community/events.

Business Owner Disability Awareness Event
September 11, 9:30–10:45am (check in & light breakfast at 9am)
Northbrook Public Library Auditorium

The Special Needs Inclusion Commission is excited to partner with JJ's List, the Northbrook Public Library, and the Northbrook Chamber of Commerce to offer Disability Awareness Trainings for local businesses owners and employees. Learn more at business.northbrookchamber.org/events.

Northbrook Strong Neighbor Spotlight

Do you know any community members who contribute to our Village or have a unique story to tell? Nominate them for a Northbrook Strong Neighbor Spotlight! Find all the details at northbrook.il.us/neighborspotlight.

Buckthorn Removal Program

Did you know the Village will pick up and safely dispose of buckthorn debris removed from your property for free? Invasive buckthorn aggressively spreads and outcompetes native plants, negatively impacting biodiversity, altering ecosystems, and reducing habitat quality for wildlife. The Village of Northbrook encourages residents to participate in our buckthorn control program. Contact Public Works at 847 272-4711 to schedule a pickup.

Premise Alert Program – New Online Submittal Option!

The Village of Northbrook Police Department administers the Premise Alert Program, a useful tool for first responders to be aware of special information or instructions regarding persons with special needs or disabilities that require attention when calls for service are requested.

Information collected is considered to be confidential as cited in Section 25 of Public Act 096-0788. The information will self-expire two years from date received by the Police Department and must be resubmitted to keep the file on record. Submit at northbrook.il.us/Alert-Program.

Lock your Car Doors

Auto burglary is a crime of opportunity; lock your car doors to prevent becoming a target! Take your keys and key fob whenever you leave the vehicle, even in your driveway or if you will just be out of the car for a minute. Also be sure to remove or hide all valuables from your vehicle, including your garage door opener. Learn more at northbrook.il.us/9pmroutine.

Pop Up Pickle Ball

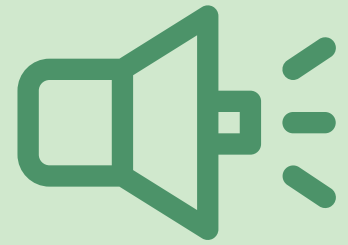
Pop Pickleball returns this summer in downtown Northbrook! This free program is offered daily through Labor Day and is brought to you by the Village of Northbrook and the Northbrook Park District. Visit northbrook.il.us/events for more information.

Zoning Code Rewrite

The Village of Northbrook's current Zoning Code was adopted in 1988 and has been amended periodically. Over time, the Village adopted new goals based on organic land development, market trends, new technologies and an emphasis on sustainability. We now seek to develop a new Code to incorporate community values. We invite you to be active in this process. Get started by scanning scanning this QR code.



Talk Around Town



LEAD IN YOUR PIPES? WHEN IN DOUBT CHECK IT OUT

The Village of Northbrook is committed to ensuring the safety of its residents' drinking water. The Lead Service Line Replacement and Notification Act (Public Act 102-0613) requires water system owners and operators, like the Village of Northbrook, to identify and ensure lead service lines are replaced. While the Village's water distribution system does not have any lead water mains, some homes constructed before the mid-1950's with their original water service lines may have lead service lines connecting them to the water main.

As part of this legislation, the State of Illinois requires the Village to complete a final survey of service line materials and submit that to the State by April 15, 2024. The State also requires that lead service lines that are disturbed (i.e. shut off because of a water main break, service line break, water main replacement project, etc.) must be replaced within 90 days, or 120 days if circumstances prevent the line being replaced sooner. During the 90 or 120 day period, the Village will provide water filters for affected residents in accordance with State requirements. An exception to this is if property owners sign an IEPA waiver that is then filed with the State of Illinois.

To assist residents in replacing their lead service lines, the Village Board has authorized the Lead Water Service Line Replacement Cost Sharing Program beginning in July 2023. This program aims to defray the costs associated with replacing lead service lines and ensure the safety of your drinking water.

Program Overview

Under the Lead Service Line Replacement Cost Sharing Program, property owners are eligible for reimbursement for the full cost of replacing the service line between the water main and the shut-off valve. Additionally, they can receive up to 50% of the low bid or \$5,000 (whichever is less) for the portion of the service line between the shut-off valve and the foundation of the home.

Lead Service Line Identification

The Village has sent survey letters to homes that may have lead service lines. Through this process, the number of potential properties with lead service lines has been significantly reduced. If you believe your home may have a lead service line and have not received a survey letter or you need help in identifying the material, please contact the Public Works Department at 847-272-4711 for further assistance.

For Questions or Concerns

For more information call 847-664-4711 or visit northbrook.il.us/LeadLineReplacement.

Northbrook Voice

Northbrook Information Association
1225 Cedar Lane, Northbrook, IL 60062

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Postal Customer
Northbrook, IL 60062

Village of Northbrook
1225 Cedar Lane
Monday–Friday, 8:30am–4:30pm
northbrook.il.us

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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

Door-to-Door Solicitors

The Northbrook Police Department occasionally receives concerns from residents about solicitors. The law guarantees solicitors the right to solicit; however, they must abide by the regulations. The Police Department screens all solicitor permit requests, and solicitors must present this permit when asked. Some solicitors do not require permits, such as charitable organizations, not-for-profits, political candidates, and certain religious organizations. “No Solicitors” signs can be made at home or obtained at local hardware stores and the Police Department. With this notice on your property, a solicitor should not ring your doorbell or hang any type of flyer on your door handle. If a solicitor violates these regulations, call the Northbrook Police non-emergency line at 847-564-2060.

Before you Dig...

Call the Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators (JULIE) at 800-892-0123 or 8-1-1 before you dig. It’s free, it’s required, and it’s for your safety.

Plastic Bag Recycling

Plastic bag recycling is available in the bins behind Village Hall. Accepted items are clean and dry bags made of lightweight plastic, like grocery bags, dry cleaning bags, newspaper sleeves, and Ziploc bags. Cereal bags, bubble wrap, and plastic film will not be accepted. Excessive contamination from unaccepted items will result in discontinuation of the service.