

Northbrook!

July/August 2011

NORTHBROOK JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

A Village Tradition Since 1968

Enjoy a Full Day of Family Fun - Monday, July 4th!

This year's theme: Honoring Old Glory

7:30am - Liberty Loop 5K

8:30 am - Liberty Lap Fun Run for ages 4-10

Techny Prairie Park & Fields

The Liberty Loop 5K Run/Walk returns to Techny Prairie Park and Fields, followed by a new, one-mile Liberty Lap. Proceeds from both races will benefit the Northbrook 4th of July Association. For more information, visit nbparks.org or call 847/291-2980.

7 to 11am - Pancakes in the Park

Village Green Park: Shermer and Meadow Roads

Join us for breakfast in the Park - good food - good fun - good friends.

9 to 11am - Music in the Gazebo

Village Green Park: Shermer and Meadow Roads

Featuring the Dooley Brothers

9 to 11am - Historical Society Museum & Inn Shop

1776 Walters Avenue

Treasures to look at and treasures to buy!

10 to 11am - Family Games

Village Green Park: Shermer and Meadow Roads

10 to 11am - Annual Police and Fire Department Softball game

Village Green Park: Shermer and Meadow Roads

Noon to 6pm - Cool off at the Pools

Meadowhill Aquatic Center and the Northbrook Sports Center Pool are open on the 4th of July.

The Northbrook 4th of July Association thanks the following businesses, organizations and individuals for their support in 2011.

PATRIOTS CIRCLE - \$3000 or higher
Northbrook Civic Foundation
Village of Northbrook

FLAG WAVERS - \$1000 to \$2999
Covenant Village
George Garner Cyclery
Mesirow Financial
Redbox
Sunset Foods

SPARKLERS - \$300 to \$999
K H Kim's Tae Kwon Do
Manuel Ruiz Landscaping, LLC

Northbrook Bank & Trust Company
Northbrook Toyota
Red's Garden Center
Strictly Fun Entertainment
UAL
Unique Upholstery

COUNTRYMAN-below \$300
Arangold Corp.
Auto Cars Import Repairs & Sales
Congregation Beth Shalom
Erickson Papanek Peterson Rose
Farmers Insurance
Gluten Free Store

Kloepfer Plumbing
New Way Barber Shop
Peerless Coffee
Spaniak Family
Thornwoods Custom Woodwork

OTHER SPONSORING ORGANIZATIONS
Boy Scout Troop #162
Knights of Columbus 7731
Northbrook Park District
Northbrook Rotary Club
Northbrook Methodist Church
St. Norbert Parish
Village Presbyterian Church

9am to noon - Mini-Golf Tournament at Sportsman's Country Club

All ages are welcome to test their skills and compete for prizes. Snacks and drinks are included - \$5/child and \$6/adult per game. Call 847/897-6133 to sign up and reserve a tee time.

Before the Mile-Long Parade - Join the Decorated Bike Parade at 2:00pm

sponsored by George Garner Cyclery.

Staging area and start located at Cherry and Western

Staging area opens at 1:30pm, Bike parade route will follow same route as 4th of July parade.

Roads will be closed to car traffic for bike parade

2:30pm - The Mile-Long Parade "Honoring Old Glory"

Mile-long Parade with floats, music and fun for all ages.

Parade begins at Cherry and Western and ends at the Village Green Park! Set up your lawns chairs and enjoy the parade!

2011 Parade Marshals: America's Greatest Generation
Northbrook WWII Veterans and WWII Veteran members of George W. Benjamin American Legion Post 791 and VFW Post 10236 America's Greatest Generation

8:45pm - Fireworks and short evening program at the Velodrome

Maple Ave. just west of Waukegan Road

Fireworks begin at dusk. Special guest Mia Vaananen will be singing The National Anthem before the fireworks.

Safe Fireworks Viewing Sites: Northbrook Jr. High and the Velodrome at Meadowhill Park. For last minuted weather information, go to www.northbrookjuly4th.org or call 847/272-1963. ☼

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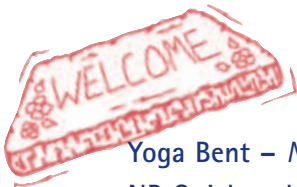
NORTHBROOK
The Forefront of the North Shore

Quarterly Business Briefs...

PROVIDE US INPUT ON DOWNTOWN'S FUTURE



Starting July 1st
PLEASE TAKE OUR ONLINE QUESTIONNAIRE AT
www.northbrook.il.us/DowntownPlan



New Businesses: Welcome to Northbrook!

Yoga Bent – Northbrook Court

NB Quickwash – 2825 Dundee Road

Josh's Hot Dogs – 873 Sanders Road

American Mattress – 51 Skokie Boulevard

If you know of other businesses that have recently opened, please forward their names and locations to businessbriefs@northbrook.il.us and we will list them in the next edition of Business Briefs.

Industrial and Commercial Development Commission

The Village of Northbrook's Industrial and Commercial Development Commission (ICDC) advises the Board of Trustees on "matters relating to the improvement of sound economic growth and business development" within the Village of Northbrook. The ICDC meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month and welcomes comments from the public. If you have questions or would like to bring an issue before the Commission, please contact, David Schoon, Economic Development Coordinator, by mail at 1225 Cedar Lane, by phone at 847/272-5050, or by e-mail at schoon@northbrook.il.us 🌸

Notes from Village President Sandy Frum



Sandy

☞ Telephone Number Changes for Village Staff

Many Village employees, including those at Police, Fire, Public Works and the Village Hall, will have new phone extensions later this summer. Please listen to the automated attendant for details and options to dial-by-name or press "0" to speak to the switchboard operator during business hours. These changes are necessary to increase call efficiency and save costs by reducing unused or unnecessary phone lines. A complete list of new phone numbers will be posted at www.northbrook.il.us/StaffDirectory

☞ Northbrook's Website

I just want to remind residents and businesses to visit www.northbrook.il.us for the latest Village news, events and meeting information. The website also offers an opportunity to report everything from potholes to property maintenance violations, and sign up for Village e-mails and community call-outs via cell phone in addition to home phone lines. Remember, our Village Board meetings and Plan Commission meetings may be viewed live at www.northbrook.il.us as well as on NCTV –Comcast channel 17 and AT&T Channel 99 (search Northbrook). The meetings are also archived on-line and searchable by agenda topic. This new technology provides residents and others involved in Village business the ability to access meetings live or archived from anywhere in the world using the Internet. Try it out for yourself at www.northbrook.il.us and click on the "Agenda, Minutes and Webstreaming" button on the right. For those that are on Facebook, please like us at www.Facebook.com/NorthbrookIllinois so you can be among the first to know about Village news.

☞ Preparing for Future Developments in Northbrook

Northwest Corner of Dundee Road & Skokie Boulevard

The property on the northwest corner of Dundee Road and Skokie Boulevard has been going through foreclosure proceedings over the last couple of years, and it appears within the next few months this process will be complete. Once the process is finished, the property will be free of a number of financial encumbrances, and the new property owner will be able to pursue potential development opportunities for the site.

Quonset Hut in Downtown Northbrook

A permit was recently issued for demolition and clean-up efforts for 1856 Walters Ave. in order to remove the remains of the existing Quonset hut structure, address unsafe conditions and properly secure the site. Measures were taken to fill the lower level and establish preexisting grades, along with the incorporation of topsoil and seed, in the interim of future plans for development upon the property.

☞ Pedestrian Safety Starts With You!

Each year cars and trains throughout the United States strike thousands of pedestrians. As pedestrians, we need to take responsibility for our own safety. Using good judgment and a few rules, we can increase our own safety.

- Always walk or run on the sidewalk when one is available.
- When visibility is low, such as at night, wear bright colored or reflective clothing.
- Always use crosswalks and obey traffic laws, signs and signals.
- Never, Never, Never walk around a lowered railroad crossing gate.
- Remember, a pedestrian will usually lose in a collision with a motor vehicle or train.

I'm especially concerned about commuters that use the crosswalk at the train station after their train pulls out of the station and the warning signals are still ringing. Always look both ways, listen for warning signals and obey warning signs before proceeding through designated track crossings. Never try to beat a train through a crossing. Commuter and freight trains can take up to a mile to stop. For more information on train safety, visit www.icc.illinois.gov/ILOL

☞ Northbrook – A Great Place for a Staycation

Merriam-Webster defines staycation as a vacation spent at home or nearby. Northbrook is the perfect community for your summer staycation. Why leave town? Take a few days off and explore Northbrook. Visit the Historical Society on a Thursday between 10am-2pm, check out the Wednesday Farmers Market and spend time shopping and dining in Northbrook. Take advantage of our top quality stores, parks and dining establishments! Please see "Business Briefs" on page 2 for a listing of new businesses in Northbrook and page 4 for information on convenient downtown Northbrook parking. Go to the Friday night Bike Races, bring the family for a swim or to the batting cages. There is so much to do this summer, from Tuesday evenings with free music in the Village Green, to 4th of July, Northbrook Days, National Night Out and Art in the Park. These events, combined with the variety of recreational activities offered by our wonderful Park District, make Northbrook the place to be! There are also a variety of events at the Library featuring arts and culture and free movies. Please see pages 8 in this newsletter. Have a safe and fun-filled summer! 🌸

Downtown Northbrook & the Village Green: Be There this Summer!

A Summer of Art and Music!

Northbrook Arts Commission Encourages You to Experience an Assortment of Extraordinary Art Events This Summer!

Check out www.northbrookarts.org



Art in the Park

- ✱ Juried fine art and fine craft including jewelry, fiber, paintings, ceramics, sculpture and more!
- ✱ Great Food Vendors
- ✱ Community Art Project
- ✱ Junior Artists' Area
- ✱ Silent Auction
- ✱ Free Admission

You'll enjoy the following performances at Art in the Park – A Northbrook Fine Arts Festival at the Village Green Park at the corner of Shermer and Meadow on July 9 & 10. The event is presented by the Village of Northbrook, the Northbrook Arts Commission and the Northbrook Park District.

Saturday, July 9

10-10:45am – Y'All Come Choir
11-12:30pm – Laughlin & Friends
12:45-2:45pm – John McHugh & Co.
3-5pm – Nightcrawlers

Sunday, July 10

10-11:30am – BMR4
11:45-1:45pm – Guitarra Azul
2-4pm – Out of Control Band

Dogs are prohibited at Art in the Park

Hometown Downtown – Sidewalk Sale

Don't miss The Downtown Hometown Event and Sidewalk Sale, July 8 & 9. Bring the family downtown to stock up on gifts, clothes, knick-knacks, cards, books, all at discount pricing. Local organizations will provide snacks and drinks for enjoyment throughout the day, and our great local restaurants will be cooking up a family feast of fine food. With strolling entertainment for the kids in tow, your day will be spent supporting your Hometown.

For more information, visit www.shopdowntownnorthbrook.com or call 847/878-2134. Brought to you by the Downtown Merchants Association.

Tuesday Night Concerts at the Village Green every Tuesday through July 19!

Music lovers can enjoy free outdoor concerts at the Village Green in downtown Northbrook in July as part of the popular Park Fest series on Tuesday nights. Concerts begin at 7pm, and food service from area restaurants begins at 6pm.

July 5 – One Foot in the Groove (classic rock)
Restaurant: Open Kitchens

July 12 – Od Tapo Imi (pop/rock/tropical)
Restaurant: Whole Foods Market

July 19 – Final Say (timeless favorites) Restaurant: Lou Malnati's

In case of rain, Park Fest concerts are moved to the Leisure Center, 3323 Walters Ave., and food service will be cancelled. Call the Weather/Activity hotline at 847/291-2985 for updates. ✿

Northbrook Days “Fun for People with Special Needs” on Saturday

Sponsored by The Northbrook Civic Foundation, Greek Feast by Georgie V's, UBS Financial Services, Berger's Elite Athletic Training and North American Midway Entertainment



Northbrook Days' event, “Fun for People with Special Needs,” will be held on Saturday, August 7, from 9:30 to 11:30am. Residents with special needs are invited to enjoy carnival rides, games, bingo and entertainment. **PLEASE NOTE:**

Attendance is limited to residents with special needs and their immediate family or caretaker living in the same household. You must register in advance to participate in this event by calling 847/272-5050, ext. 4600.



This program is dependent on the generosity of its sponsors. Northbrook Days will be closed to the general public on Saturday from 9:30am to 11:30am in order to accommodate this program for registered participants.

Your purchase of Northbrook Days Festival Grand Prize Tickets helps fund this event. ✿

Commuter Parking Lots and Free Downtown Parking on Evenings and Weekends!



The Village currently offers ten parking lots for residents, commuters and visitors to Northbrook. The Commuter Parking rate is \$1.00/day from 5-10am Monday thru Friday. On weekends and Federal Holidays, parking is free. Northbrook also offers free parking Monday thru Friday from 10am to 5am. We encourage you to use these spaces to visit all that Downtown Northbrook has to offer, to shop the “Shops of Northbrook” and dine in our local establishments. If you have any questions about parking, contact Public Works at 847/272-4711 and staff will gladly assist! ✿

The Northbrook Civic Foundation Presents Family Fun & Entertainment for Everyone!

87th Annual

NORTHBROOK DAYS FESTIVAL

August 3-7, 2011 on the Village Green, Shermer & Meadow

Free admission; free entertainment; free parking at the Village commuter lots.

Grand Prize Drawing Sunday night: Win a Jeep Wrangler, Infinity G37, BMW 128 Coupe, Fiat 500 Convertible + cash to equal \$30,000 or \$30,000 cash!

www.NorthbrookDays.com

Wed., August 3
6pm - 10pm



Opening Day

Back by Popular Demand!

Civic Beer and Wine Patio

Nightly starting at 6pm;
Sunday at 5pm

For Kids of All Ages

7-9pm
Mike Mauthe, the
Variety Entertainer
(Walk Around)

New This Year!

▶ **Electronic Game Arcade** ◀
Sponsored by Best Buy

Main Stage



7:30pm
American English
The Beatles Fantasy Lives On
Sponsor: Fields Auto Group

**Raffle at the Grand
Prize Booth 9:45 pm**

Thurs., August 4
6pm - 10pm



Family Fun Night



**Carnival
Bargain
Night!**
**Food & Drinks
& Discount
Rides**

For Kids of All Ages

7-9pm
John Measner,
Magician
(Walk Around)

Register for the
**Cornhole Bags
Tournament**

Practice everyday
for the tournament
on Saturday at 1pm

Main Stage



7:30pm
7th Heaven
A Must See Band!
Sponsor: Northbrook Civic Foundation

**Raffle at the Grand
Prize Booth 9:45 pm**

Fri., August 5
6pm - 11pm

Play **Bocce** Ball
Courts open all evening

Buy your
**Grand Prize
Tickets**

Buy one, buy more!
Win nightly prizes and big
drawing Sunday night!

For Kids of All Ages

6:30-8pm
Mike D., Magician
(Walk Around)

Why cook? Enjoy
"Taste of
The
North Shore"
every day and stay for the
great music!

BINGO

Begins Tonight
7:30-10:30pm

Main Stage



8:30pm
**California Transit
Authority**
Anchored by Danny Seraphine
of "Chicago"
Sponsor: Northbrook Civic Foundation

**Raffle at the Grand
Prize Booth 9:45 pm**

Sat., August 6
Noon - 11pm

**Fun for People with
Special Needs**
9:30-11:30am See page 4
Registration mandatory

Ride all you want - \$22
Noon-5pm (ponies 1pm)

1pm
**Cornhole Bags
Tournament**
on the Village Green

Noon
Play **Bocce** Ball
All Day

For Kids of All Ages

1:45-2:30pm
John Measner, Magician
(Bingo Tent)

2-4pm
Margaret Mauthe,
Face Painter
(Near Gazebo)

3:15-4pm
Mike Mauthe, Variety
(Bingo Tent)

BINGO

7:30 - 10:30pm Village Green

Main Stage



8:30pm
Ides of March
Famous Hits from the Past
Sponsor: Northbrook Bank & Trust

**Raffle at the Grand
Prize Booth 10:45 pm**

Sun., August 7
1pm - 9pm

Ride all you want - \$22
Noon-9pm

For Kids of All Ages

1:30-2:15pm
Mike D., Magician
(Bingo Tent)

1:30-3:30pm
Margaret Mauthe,
Face Painter
(Behind the Gazebo)

2:45-3:45pm
Ken Schultz,
The Flying Fool
(Bingo Tent)

Play **Bocce** Ball
Tournament 2pm
Courts open all day

BINGO

6 - 9pm Village Green

Main Stage



7:15pm
Heartless
Featuring Music of Heart
Sponsor: The Landmark Inn

**Grand Prize
Raffle and Drawing**
tonight at 8:45pm!!
at the Grand Prize Booth

Children's Entertainment provided by A to Z Entertainment

Rides & Games provided by North American Midway Entertainment

Civic thanks all the individuals and organizations whose volunteer efforts make this festival a success! All performers were confirmed as of publication date. Civic cannot be responsible for changes to the program that may occur due to circumstances beyond our control. Pets/dogs are prohibited at Northbrook Days. Your cooperation is appreciated. 🍀

Construction and Improvements

During this year's construction season, please note the following construction projects. Remember to use caution in construction zones and be mindful of the workers. These short-term disruptions will provide long-term benefits!

A variety of neighborhood sewer and water projects are already underway. The residents for the asphalt resurfacing will be notified as construction gets closer.

Asphalt Roadway Resurfacing: Anticipated Start Date of August 1.

Bellevue Place
Butternut Lane
Cedar Lane (Maple to Oak)
Edgewood Lane
Eskin Drive
Glendale Avenue
Heritage Drive
Holly Lane
Horizon Lane
Penfold Place
Regent Drive
Stratford Place
Summerton Place
Walters Avenue (Sanders to Daniel Ct.)
Whitehall Drive
Wildwood Lane

Water Main Replacement:

Edgewood Lane
Holly Lane
Wildwood Lane
Red Haw Lane
Surrey Lane

Sanitary Force Main Replacement:

Edgewood Lane

Regional Construction Projects

Lake-Cook Road Construction
November 2011 completion

Pedestrian underpass at Deerfield Road Metra Tracks
Visit www.deerfield.il.us

Dundee Road west of Wolf Road in Wheeling
One lane in each direction through October for water main relocation and bridge reconstruction.

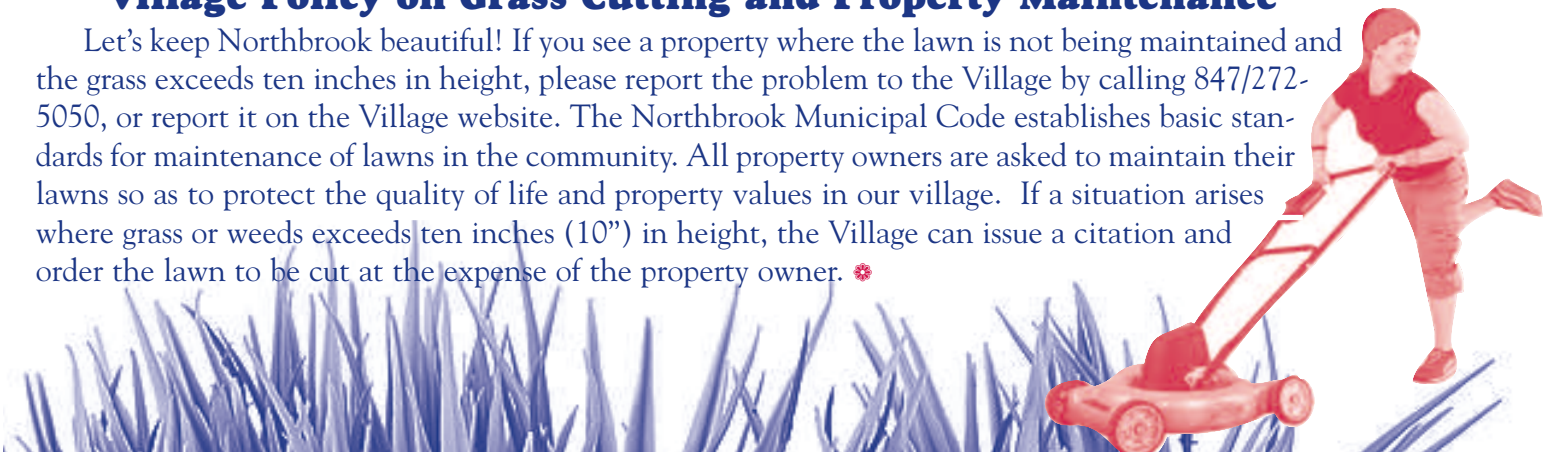


As with any construction project, residents are reminded that there may be traffic disruptions, noise, dust, minor detours or parking and access inconveniences in your neighborhood. In addition, selected small scale point repairs on the sanitary and storm sewer systems will continue as required. Your patience and understanding during "construction season" are appreciated. For construction updates, visit www.northbrook.il.us/ConstructionProjects

***Remember: No cell phone use in construction zones.
Drive now; talk & text later. You can't do both! ❀***

Village Policy on Grass Cutting and Property Maintenance

Let's keep Northbrook beautiful! If you see a property where the lawn is not being maintained and the grass exceeds ten inches in height, please report the problem to the Village by calling 847/272-5050, or report it on the Village website. The Northbrook Municipal Code establishes basic standards for maintenance of lawns in the community. All property owners are asked to maintain their lawns so as to protect the quality of life and property values in our village. If a situation arises where grass or weeds exceeds ten inches (10") in height, the Village can issue a citation and order the lawn to be cut at the expense of the property owner. ❀



Northbrook Happenings

National Night Out Against Crime- A Community Event for All Ages

Great Food, Music, Games and Prizes! Stop by and see McGruff the Crime Dog!

On Tuesday, August 2, all are invited to join the Northbrook Police Department and the citizens of Northbrook in celebrating the 8th Annual National Night Out at Meadowhill Aquatic Center, Waukegan and Maple Roads, from 6-9pm. The free event includes DJ entertainment, hot dogs and drinks, games and raffles, the use of the pool and crime prevention tips. Jeffrey's Climbing Tower will be open.

National Night Out is a community wide event, sponsored by the Northbrook Park District and the Village of Northbrook, designed to promote partnership between local police and the community and to share information and ideas about crime prevention and public safety. Join us for a great evening on Tuesday, August 2, at Meadowhill Aquatic Center. For more information, call 847/564-2060. In the event of rain, the program will not be rescheduled.



Volunteer Recognition

Do you know someone who has made an outstanding contribution to Northbrook?

Every year, the Northbrook Civic Foundation salutes outstanding residents of Northbrook who serve as volunteers in the many non-profit organizations that enrich and enhance the quality of life in our community. Civic is asking that each organization make a nomination to their Awards Committee. Contact the Awards Chairman at jnarens@ups.com. The nominations should be in letter form telling the Committee about the outstanding contributions of the proposed candidate. Please include the total years served, the variety of the contributions and the effect of those contributions on the sponsor organization or the community. The deadline for nominations is Sept. 30. For more information on award applications, visit www.northbrookcivic.com ❀

Recycling Available for Northbrook Residents:

CFL, Batteries, Paint and Household Electronics Drop-off

Did you know that the Village of Northbrook provides drop-off bins for Northbrook residents to bring their compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs) and household batteries for recycling? The drop-off bins for CFLs and batteries are at the Village Hall, 1225 Cedar Lane, and accessible from 8:30am - 4:30pm on Monday through Friday. The Northbrook Public Library, 1201 Cedar Lane, will accept household batteries only during their hours of operation. There is a bin in the lobby. CFLs will not be accepted at the library.

Household Electronics Drop-off - First Tuesdays at the Village Hall!

Northbrook provides a household electronics drop-off opportunity for materials such as TVs, stereos, radios, computers, printers, etc. The household electronics drop-off takes place the first Tuesday of every month, from 8:00am - 3:00pm. The drop-off location is outside of the fleet maintenance garage, behind the Village Hall, under the Water Tower. Batteries, old paint, tires and CFLs will also be accepted at that location on the first Tuesday of every month.

These programs are not part of curbside recycling. The Village of Northbrook will not accept any drop-off from a nonresidential source. The material cannot be comingled with other materials such as solid waste, hazardous waste, landscape waste or other recyclable materials not intended for this collection.

As the Village of Northbrook continues its commitment to the environment, these recycling services will be provided to encourage the use of CFLs as well as the recycling of CFLs, household batteries, paint and electronics. For more information, please see www.northbrook.il.us/GREEN ❀

Community Bulletin Board

Knitters needed to make wool helmet liners for our service men in Afghanistan. It is extremely cold in the mountains where they sleep in tents guarding the Pakistani border. Please phone for an instruction sheet, or you can donate wool in dark colors such as black, brown, olive green, dark beige, etc. Phone 847/272-3936 for more info.

Harry Houdini: His Life and Legend with professional magician William Pack on Tues., July 19, at 7pm at the Northbrook Public Library. Designed for adults and those age 11 and up.

Finding Hallowed Ground: America's Civil War Sites Today will be discussed by Michael Weeks, author of "The Complete Civil War Road Trip Guide" on Tues., Aug. 9, at 7pm at the Northbrook Public Library.

Books and E-Books – Books for summer reading will be discussed by Librarian Lori Siegel on Thurs., Aug. 4, at 1pm at the Northbrook Public Library. Also, learn about the library's downloadable audiobooks and e-books.

The Essential Tremor Support Group meets Saturdays, July 9 and Aug. 13 at 10am at the Northbrook Public Library.

Visit the Village Gallery in the Board Room at the Village Hall, and enjoy watercolors and acrylic paintings by award winning **Northbrook artist Carol Reagan** and beautiful oil paintings by **Northbrook artist Kathy Kathrein** in Aug./Sept. Check out the lobby display case highlighting Northbrook summer events in July and in Aug. **Northbrook artist Margaret White's** wonderful watercolors will be featured.

A **Corporate Decathlon** invites area teams to Meadowhill Park on July 23 from 9am to 5pm. The new event from the Park District features 10 events, including swimming, running, cheerleading and beanbag tossing. For more information, call 847/291-2980.

On Sept. 11, the **Northbrook Symphony and the New Tradition Chorus** present "From Sea to Shining Sea" a special performance to remember our Heroes and celebrate our spirit... 10 years later, at the Sheely Center for Performing Arts-GBN. Ticket prices \$35-\$15. For details, visit www.TheNSO.org

Bicycle races get rolling at 7pm on Friday nights at the Ed Rudolph Velodrome in Meadowhill Park. Riders of all ages and abilities are welcome to participate. On Thurs. nights, the public is invited to watch top cyclists compete, beginning at 7pm. The spectator fee is \$2; children under 12 are free. For more information, visit nbparks.org or call 847/291-2980.

Lunch and a Movie: Enjoy a catered lunch and a great movie: July 7 at the Leisure Center - "The Fighter," based on a true story about an underdog boxer who becomes a champion with help from his troubled brother. Aug. 11 at the Senior Center - "Fair Game," a thriller based on the story of undercover CIA operative Valerie Plane, whose career was destroyed when her identity was exposed by a politically motivated press leak. The programs begin at noon, and the fee for lunch and the movie is \$6.

The Northbrook Park District Senior Center offers an **AARP Driver Safety Program** on July 11 and 12 and Aug. 15 and 16 from 9am-1pm. Drivers who complete the course may qualify for a discount on car insurance. Call 847/291-2988, or stop by the Senior Center to register. The fee is \$12 for AARP members, \$14 for non-members.

Come join David Geake and Wayne Messmer & Assoc. on Sat., Aug. 13, from 11am-1pm at 40 Skokie Blvd., Suite 150, to help children and their families at the free inaugural **For the Kids Charity Event** benefiting Children's Memorial Hospital and Youth Services of Glenview-Northbrook! Donate a brand new toy for Children's Memorial or bring office supplies/home goods to help support Youth Services! Join us for food and festivities from 11am-1pm. Call 847/564-9900.

All Northbrook residents and business representative are invited to join the Northbrook Civic Foundation. Come and meet some of the many members on Mon., July 11, at 8pm, 2002 Walters Ave. Go to www.northbrookcivic.com or call 847/513-6362 for more information.

Civic is looking for volunteers to help at Northbrook Days. Volunteering is a great way to meet new friends and help the community! So gather your friends and family and pitch in Aug. 3-7! Call 847/513-6362 today!

Save the date - Sept. 18 is Shermerfest! Antique and classic car and truck display. Enter your prize vehicle today! Registration fee is \$10 and trophies will be awarded to favorite entries. For more info, call Dan Kaye at 847/498-2319.

Get the scoop BEFORE you dig! Call the Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators (JULIE) at 811 or 800/892-0123 BEFORE you dig. It's free, it's required and it's for your safety. Visit www.illinois1call.com for more details.

Northbrook Civic Foundation is seeking donations for this year's Northbrook Days. Fun For People With Special Needs Program and the Entertainment Committee could use your financial support. Please send donations to: The Northbrook Civic Foundation, P.O. Box 232, Northbrook, IL 60065-0232.

Stop in and browse the **Inn Shop at the Northbrook Historical Society**, 1776 Walters Ave. Inn Shop hours are Thurs. - Sat. 10am-4pm and Sun. 2pm-4pm. Gifts & antiques. Consignments accepted Wed., 11am-2pm. Feel free to call 847/498-0884 for more information.

Gifts for all ages at the **Friends of the Northbrook Library Gift Shop**, located at the west entrance of the Library. Shop hours are 10am-4pm daily, except Sun. 10% discount for members of Friends.

The **Cancer Wellness Center**, 215 Revere Dr., offers monthly networking groups. Programs and services are free. Call 847/509-9595.

The **Northfield Township Food Pantry** welcomes food and donations! The pantry helps residents experiencing financial need and provides necessities. Help by donating food, kid-friendly snacks, paper goods, school supplies and grocery certificates. For more information or questions, please call 847/724-8300.

Do you know any Northbrook residents currently serving in the military? Please call 847/272-5050 with their name, rank and station. The information will be used to update the plaque at Freedom Park, the area between the Village Hall and Northbrook Library and to pass send pre-paid phone cards to our troops.

The **batting cages at Techny Prairie Park and Fields** are open daily. Choose baseballs or softballs! Call 847/291-2369 for more information.

Join **Project Linus**, a not-for-profit volunteer organization that supplies handmade security blankets to comfort children who are critically ill, traumatized or otherwise in need. Come to Sit & Stitch the third Wed. of every month at Starbucks, 1931 Cherry Ln., from 7-9pm. Call 847/521-0672 or visit www.projectlinuschicago.webs.com and learn how to make fleece blankets!

The **Northbrook Community Associates of the Art Institute of Chicago** will hold its fall coffee at the Library on Tues., Sept. 20 from 10am to noon. Kathleen Malee Kamal, Assistant Professor at College of DuPage, will present "Stories on Stones: Pearls." All adults are welcome as the meeting is open to present members as well as those interested in joining. Call 847/564-0915.

The **Illinois State Poetry Society** meets at the Northbrook Public Library on Sun., July 10, at 1pm. New members are welcome. Bring 10-12 copies of two of your poems.

The **Low Vision Study Group** meets Tuesdays, July 12 and Aug. 9, at 10am at the Library. 🌸

The Northbrook Arts Commission (NAC) encourages you and your family to enjoy the arts events highlighted in red.

NCTV Cable Channel 17 – July/August Programming

7am & 3pm

“Northbrook; Then and Now” (July & Aug.)

9:30am & 5:30pm

“Spotlight on Northbrook Arts” -

Terry O. Luc interviews Northbrook Photographer Allen Cohen. (July)

Terry O. Luc interviews Northbrook artist Heeyoung Kim. (Aug.)

10am & 6pm

“2011 Field of Honor Highlights and Ceremonies” - A program not to be missed! (July)

“Edens Theater: The Life of a Beautiful Bird” - Remember the Edens Theater? You'll enjoy this look back. (Aug.)

11am, 7 & 11pm

“Northbrook, The Fabric of Our History” - Threads of the past woven together by time and human experience into a community with a remarkable story to tell. Presented by the Village of Northbrook and the Northbrook Historical Society. (July & Aug.)

11:30am, 7:30 & 11:30pm

“Northbrook! The Video Newsletter”

12 & 8pm, Midnight

“Talk Around Town with Jack & Susan” -

Doug Gerleman & Brian Bruce discuss Community Gardens in Northbrook. (July)

Featuring Kevin Frangiamore, Director of Fire Prevention for the Northbrook Fire Dept. (Aug.)

12:30 & 8:30pm, 12:30am

“NCDA Focus”:

‘Drug Wars – The New Marijuana’ (July)

‘Young Drivers – The High Risk’ (Aug.)

1pm & 9pm

“NCDA Parenting Series”

Dr. Michael Manaicci; 2010 Parent Univ. Keynote. (July)

‘Parents... You are Not Alone.’ An educational lecture on successful parenting behaviors presented by Bob Leece. (Aug.)

Watch Local Government in Action on NCTV!

Regular Village Board Meetings & Plan Commission meetings are cablecast live and replayed the following day at 9am and 7pm and on Sundays at 9am and 7pm on NCTV- Cable Channel 17. AT&T Subscribers may view NCTV on AT&T Channel 99 –scroll menu for Northbrook. Also, NCTV is now streaming meetings live and archived at www.northbrook.il.us 🌸

Village Board Highlights **Highlights of Recent Village Board Actions**

►►Recognized

-Ken Cooke for 36 years of service on the Police Pension Board.

►►Approved

-Special Permit for transitional service facility and front yard variation, Covenant Village, 2075 Pfingsten Road.
-Establishing the Community and Sustainability Committee of the Board of Trustees.
-One year extension of amendment to a special permit for Covenant Home, 2625 Techny Road.
-Transfer agreement for ownership of retired police Canine “Rex” to Northbrook Police Officer Seiler.

►►Authorized

-Purchase of Rock Salt for the 2011-12 Winter Season, \$312,770.
-Contract for televising of Sanitary and Storm Sewers, \$78,650.
-Contract for lining of Sanitary and Storm Sewers, \$238,170.
-Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) funds for the rehabilitation of Cherry Lane and Meadow Road Bridge Decks, \$60,000.
-Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) funds for the 2002 Concrete Street rehabilitation and reconstruction project, \$11,774.
-Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) funds for the 2001 rehabilitation and reconstruction of Shermer and Pfingsten Roads in accordance with IDOT auditing standards, \$181,969.
-Contract for 2011 Fiber Optic I-net Extension, \$77,639.

-Purchase and Installation of ten walk-in shower units at Crestwood Place, \$39,900.
-Contributions to community programs and non-profit organizations, \$154,500.
-Membership Agreement with Chicago's North Shore Convention and Visitors Bureau, \$43,944.
-Renewal of contract for treatment of 69 Elm Trees, \$21,800.
-Trade-in of old backhoe/loader and purchase of new backhoe/loader and equipment, \$82,486.
-Change order for repair of Police Department Garage, \$13,967.
-Purchase of 4 Police Squad Vehicles, \$105,892.
-\$4,000 contribution to a Community Program or Non-Profit Organization. 🌸



Special Messages for Northbrook Residents

Teen Parties Have Adult Consequences

Residents are reminded that parties and teen alcohol use can have serious if not tragic consequences, not only for the teen but for parents as well. Most people know that State law and local Village ordinance prohibit the possession and consumption of alcohol by persons under 21. However, parents must supervise parties at their home, because **they** are responsible for keeping it under control.

Teen Party Reminders

- Don't have a party at your home unless a responsible adult is supervising.
- Speak to your child before the party and set the rules.
- Have all guests come to one entrance and greet guests as they arrive so you can see what they're bringing into your home and what kind of condition they are in. Some teens may have been drinking before they arrive at your home; think twice before allowing them inside.
- Frequently check on the party. If they know that you're likely to check on them, they will be less likely to behave irresponsibly.
- Beware of the guests that makes trips to their car or guests that arrive through another entrance.

If you feel the party is out of control and/or the teens have been drinking, end the party and start contacting parents to pickup their children. Teens that have been drinking should never be allowed to drive. If you need help, call the Northbrook Police at 847/564-2060. 🌸

Parents: Are You Aware of the Curfew for Teen Drivers Under 18?

Did you know there are restrictions on the time that anyone under the age of 18 (with a permit or driver's license) can be out driving? On Fridays and Saturdays, teens are only allowed to drive until 11pm and on Sunday through Thursday until 10pm.

Despite the driving restrictions, the curfew laws are still the same for Northbrook. These hours are 11pm - 6am on weekdays (Sunday through Thursday) and 12am - 6am on weekends (Friday and Saturday) for anyone under the age of 17. The nighttime driving restriction is from Sunday through Thursday, 10pm - 6am and Friday and Saturday from 11pm - 6 am.

There is a common misconception that teens who turned 17 before this law went into effect are exempt from these changes. These new restrictions apply to all teens who are under 18 and on the road. Parents and children, please be aware of this change because any teen disobeying this law can be arrested for unlicensed driving.

However, there are exemptions. Teens driving to or from religious functions, employment or school activities are allowed to be out as long as they make no extra stops and head home immediately after. There are other situations that may not result in penalty. For more information on driving laws, please visit Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White's website at www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/drivers/programs/gdl.html 🌸



West Nile Virus is Still a Concern in Illinois

Remember to thoroughly inspect YOUR property and eliminate "mosquito breeding habitats" such as any standing water! Make sure birdbath water is changed frequently and eliminate containers that hold water, such as old pottery or containers. Swimming pools that are not in service and improperly maintained compost piles are another concern. Eliminate Every Possibility Of Mosquitoes Breeding On Your Property! 🌸

Can You Taste the Water?

From time to time during summer and early autumn months, the Village receives inquiries about a musty/earthy taste and odor of the Village's drinking water. This phenomenon may begin as early as July and can last through October. The problem appears to be the result of ecological changes due to the colonization of Zebra mussels along the shoreline of Lake Michigan.

The water is safe to drink. The presence of algae by-products poses no health risks and the taste and odor gradually subside with the onset of cooler weather. If you have special sensitivity to this taste/odor, you may wish to consider an in-home treatment device with an activated charcoal filter that has replaceable cartridges. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact John Schwarz, Water Monitoring/Meter Services Supervisor at 847/272-4711.

New Program to Save Money & Conserve Energy

Save on your ComEd bill and earn rewards!

Northbrook's

GREEN TIP of the Month

The Village partnered with the Citizens Utility Board (CUB) Energy Saver, the nation's first website that tracks actual ComEd Bill Savings and offers rewards for energy efficiency.

The Village of Northbrook has launched an Energy-Saving initiative on CUBenergysaver.com, the nation's first online service to offer members rewards for cutting their electric bills. This partnership

offers residents an opportunity to track their energy usage in an accurate and rewarding way to lower their energy usage and earn rewards by doing so. CUB Energy Saver, created in June 2010, has already saved its 112 Northbrook members \$3,751. The Northbrook residents who have used CUB Energy Saver to monitor their electric use saved a combined 33,615 kilowatt-hours of electricity—enough to power four average Illinois homes for a year!

The savings are actual, not estimates, because CUB Energy Saver links to your ComEd bill and suggests hundreds of money-saving actions that are personalized for your particular home. The free service then rewards residents with two points for every kilowatt-hour of electricity saved. Those points can be redeemed for gift cards, museum passes and restaurant and shopping discounts. Participants can receive rewards from national brands and online retailers.

All ComEd customers can sign up to join the Village of Northbrook's Energy-Saving team by visiting their website, www.CUBenergysaver.com/teams/northbrook. Anyone who signs up through Northbrook's Team page automatically becomes part of the Village's team.

To find out more about CUB Energy Saver and the Village of Northbrook's commitment to environmental responsibility, go to www.Northbrook.il.us/CUB and check out how Northbrook Goes Green! ❀

Northbrook's Farmers Market

Every Wednesday, Northbrook Farmers Market is open from 7am to 1pm in the parking lot of Our Lady of the Brook church, 3700 Dundee Road. Find fresh fruits and vegetables, pastries, artisan breads and cheeses, hormone-free meats and much more. Visit www.olbparish.org for more information. Check out the schedule for special entertainment and events such as the Pie Baking contest and Vintage Car Day! ❀



Tree Removal Reminder

The Village of Northbrook has an ordinance that prohibits the removal of trees without a permit.

Tree removals are strongly discouraged unless the tree is dead, diseased or potentially hazardous. For all tree removal requests, a no fee permit application must be completed and submitted to the Development and Planning Services Department.

❀ All trees, 6 inches or larger in diameter at breast height (DBH) or 4.5 feet above the ground are protected in the entire yard.

❀ The tree removal application requires that you explain/justify the reason for the proposed removal of any protected tree.

❀ Should you need to remove a tree that has been damaged in a storm and is an imminent hazard, you may remove the tree as soon as possible without a permit. You will be required to submit an application with pictures documenting the damaged tree to the Development and Planning Services Department within the following 48 hours.

For a complete list of landmark and heritage trees, you may request a copy of our tree preservation pamphlet by calling 847/272-5050. Please visit us online at: www.northbrook.il.us/Tree ❀



Home Improvements

Permits are required for removing and replacing or enlarging driveway, sidewalk, apron, patio and all new impervious areas (basketball courts, tennis courts, etc.).

Permits are not necessary for driveway seal coating, however, the Village encourages residents to obtain local references from your seal coating contractor and contact the references.

Permit questions? Call 847/272-5050. ❀

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Shop Northbrook First!

Keep in mind that the Village receives one and three-fourths cents in sales tax for every dollar spent in Northbrook. Retail sales taxes help control municipal property taxes. Shop Northbrook first!

Northbrook!

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2011: Year of Celebrations and Commemorations

On July 4, 1976, as the country and our community celebrated America's bicentennial, our Village also celebrated its 75th birthday. The inauguration of a Fourth of July tradition and beginning of a community institution also began that day. Both of these endeavors continue because of the efforts of countless volunteers.

Fast forward to July 4, 2011 – we're now celebrating the 110th birthday of our Village and the 235th birthday of America. The start of our day-long Independence Day celebration begins with the 35th annual Pancakes in the Park. The Historical Society's Northfield Inn, located in the Village Green Park, opened its doors to visitors for the first time on July 4, 1976, as the Northbrook History Museum. So, it too is celebrating its 35th anniversary. Just as they did that first day, visitors will flock to the museum to learn about the many Village stories that have been collected and verified.



After 18 months of renovation, the Northbrook History Museum opened its doors and welcomed visitors for the first time on July 4, 1976.

One story that should be told is that of the Bartelme family who bought the Northfield Inn in 1901. Frank Bartelme jumped right into politics and was elected a Village Trustee in 1902. He served until 1909 and then served again from 1912 to 1915. The Bartelme's son, Frank, became involved in the governance of our small town some years later when he served as Village trustee from 1920 to 1934. They are still the only father and son to serve in this capacity. Their other son, Clarence, served on the first Park District Board as a Commissioner from 1927, when the Park District was organized, until 1941. In 1935, he served as the first Commander of the George W. Benjamin American Legion Post 791.

We have much to commemorate this year. As we celebrate, we should also give thanks to the legion of volunteers who have carried on the traditions begun 35 years ago. 🌸



Each year, the Northbrook 4th of July Association is joined by members of the George W. Benjamin American Legion Post 791, the Northbrook Rotary Club, Boy Scouts and other volunteers to cook and serve Pancakes in the Park.

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