

NORTHBROOK

JULY/AUGUST 2012



Northbrook 4th of July

A Village Tradition Since 1968. Enjoy a full day of family fun brought to you by the 4th of July Association.

The 2012 parade theme is *Imagine*. This year's Parade Marshals are the Current Northbrook Military Personnel serving in our Armed Forces. All are encouraged to make a sign or banner to display along the parade route thanking our Northbrook service men and women. Gather your family, friends and neighbors and get ready for a fantastic 4th of July in Northbrook.

All the traditional events, starting with the Pancake Breakfast in the Village Green Park to the 2:30pm Mile-long Parade and ending with music by the New Tradition Chorus followed by fabulous fireworks, will be held on Wednesday, July 4. Get ready for a day chock full of fun.

For a complete schedule of 4th of July events, please see page 9

Northbrook Moves Forward with Sustainability Plan

The Village of Northbrook and the Northbrook Park District both have a long-standing track record of environmentally sound practices.

Over the past several years, both organizations have aggressively engaged in energy efficiency and conservation programs and have actively recycled waste products associated with administrative operations, construction activities and residential materials. These practices help to safeguard the natural and built environment in our Village.

In the spirit of continuing this track record of environmental stewardship, the Village of Northbrook and the Northbrook Park District are partnering to draft and implement a community Sustainability Plan. The Plan will provide a framework to identify implementation opportunities, prioritize environmental initiatives, identify partnerships and build on our community sustainability. Participation and support from residents and businesses during the development of the Plan is crucial to the success of the project. The planning team is seeking interested residents to be a member of a standing panel to offer input and share ideas to make the Plan a useful planning tool for Northbrook's future. If you are interested, please call Dan Kaup, Assistant to the Village Manager, at 847/664-4016.

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ART IN THE PARK RETURNS

Enjoy this annual fine arts festival at the Village Green Park Saturday and Sunday, July 14 & 15. See page 4 for details!!



Business Briefs

Downtown Plan

Earlier this year, the Village's Downtown Plan Steering Committee completed its work on preparing its vision and formally recommended approval of a new Downtown Plan. The President and Board of Trustees are currently reviewing the document.

A copy of the draft plan can be found on the Village website at www.northbrook.il.us/downtownplan. The Downtown Plan takes the ideas gathered and developed throughout the public participation process and creates a comprehensive plan to guide the future of downtown.

The Plan identifies ways that the redevelopment and enhancement of the downtown occur in a coordinated and complementary way through land use decisions, transportation elements (transit, parking, circulation and access), public streetscape improvements (including entryway features), design guidelines, business development efforts, and zoning regulations.



The Plan also identifies potential redevelopment concepts for six targeted properties in the downtown. These redevelopment concepts were based upon the market study completed as part of the plan and were evaluated in terms of their potential financial feasibility.

The table on page 8 briefly summarizes the development options and the degree of public participation envisioned.

These general concepts were developed to create a vision of what could occur on each site. As developers express interest in development of any of these sites, the Village would remain open to proposals that generally meet the general goals of each of the concept plans.

As noted on page 8, some of the development concepts contain significant financial gaps due to a variety of factors and would require some form of public financial participation. For instance, the existing building on the Meadow Plaza site provides its owner with a significant income stream. For a developer to purchase this property for redevelopment,

they would need to pay the current property owners a price that reflects the current income stream – not just the value of the land. Having to pay a land price that truly reflects the value to the property owner is critical in successfully promoting redevelopment, but can also create a “gap” that may require some form of public financial participation. The Village Board has yet to decide if or how the Village would financially participate with the redevelopment of any of the sites.

One tool often used to promote redevelopment through public participation is tax increment financing (TIF). The “tax increment” is the difference between the amount of property taxes collected before and after the designation of a TIF District. The amount of taxes collected before the designation continues to go to all of the taxing districts. The tax increment is invested into development projects within the district that would not occur without the investment of the increment. Prior to the Board ever adopting the use of TIF financing, a process would take place that allows the other taxing districts and the public to participate in deciding the use of TIF financing. *continued on page 8*



Notes from Village President Sandy Frum



While the Northbrook Village Board spends a significant amount of time on local issues, the Trustees and I are also mindful to focus on regional, state and national issues that affect Northbrook. Whether we are dealing with transportation, environment, taxes or infrastructure, working with other communities, agencies and/or legislators is another important responsibility that we share.

I traveled to Springfield in May to remind legislators that reforms for public safety pensions still need to be adopted. This visit was highlighted by a press conference along with discussions with legislators focusing on the lack of action on their part.

bill states that municipalities must allow their law enforcement personnel, firefighters or other persons “employed to protect the public safety” to solicit for a charitable organization on any street or in any intersection. My concern on this rests with safety.

Pension reform is still in the hands of the State legislature, as no reforms were passed during this session. We will continue to monitor proposals that are made in order to understand how any changes will impact our community and our employees.

What’s Going on Around the Village?

Frequently I am stopped by residents inquiring about various projects and issues going on in the Village. Here are a few topics you may be wondering about:

What’s going on with the property at Dundee and Skokie? Northwest Corner of Dundee and Skokie. The owner of the property, Beal Bank, has been marketing the property for a mixed use development. Interested buyers of the property had until June 8 to submit proposals and bids. Over the next several weeks and months, the bank will be evaluating the proposals and selecting a buyer. Any proposed development will need to be reviewed and approved by the Village Board.

What’s up with all the water main breaks on Waukegan Road?

Over the past year, there have been multiple water main breaks on Waukegan Road. Once a water main has a break, the main becomes weakened and the likelihood of additional breaks is increased. The Public Works Department has already installed three new valves on the main to help reduce the number of customers affected by any potential breaks in the future. The long-term solution is to replace the main. Currently, Public Works is expediting the design of a new water main for this area and hopes to begin construction in 2013.

Enjoy Northbrook this Summer

Summer is such a wonderful time to enjoy “community” in Northbrook. In addition to our traditional Northbrook 4th of July Celebration (see page 9) and Art in the Park (see page 4) there are numerous events and celebrations to enjoy this summer. See pages 4 and 5 for opportunities for other family friendly activities in Northbrook. Have a safe and fun filled summer.

The Capitol is an interesting place during the last week of a session. I found that trying to speak directly to a legislator is not the easiest thing to do. They are very busy in the House or Senate Chambers, debating (and voting on) bills. The process involves sending in your business card and then waiting to talk to the legislator. When they do, you have just a few minutes to make your case. You have to hope that your previous correspondence has at least familiarized them with your concerns on any given issue. The point, I think, is simply to let them know you are still interested in the outcome – and that you are watching. Does it make a difference? I think so.

The State’s 2013 budget was approved on May 31, at the last possible minute, and to our relief, it did not involve any major diversions of local government revenues. Some of the proposals originally floated would have affected us severely. After staunch opposition from local governments, none of them were included.

Two bills that I opposed did not move forward: One would have required that contractors working on public works or publicly financed projects comply with responsible bidder rules, including participation in a U.S. Department of Labor approved and registered apprenticeship and training programs. This would have prohibited virtually all small local businesses from bidding on Village projects. Another bill would have allowed banks to Fast Track Foreclosure of abandoned properties (a good thing) without provisions that would have greatly alleviated the burden on local governments to maintain these properties during the foreclosure process (not such a good thing).

And one bill I opposed passed: This bill bars municipalities from prohibiting charity solicitation by public safety personnel. The



Experience a Variety of Extraordinary Art Events This Summer!

This summer a variety of arts events will be held in Northbrook! Check out www.northbrookarts.org

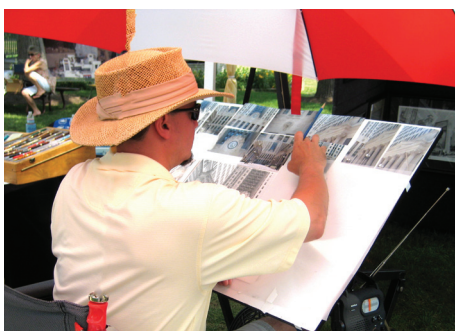
You'll enjoy the following performances at Art in the Park – A Northbrook Fine Arts Festival at the Village Green Park at the corner of Shermer and Meadow.

Saturday, July 14

10-10:45am: Northbrook Community Choir
11-12:00pm: Laughlin & Friends
1:30-3pm: Western Philosophers
3:30-5pm: The Bank

Sunday, July 15

10-11:30am: Air Mail Special
12-1:45pm: Guitarra Azule
2:15-4pm: John McHugh & Co.
Food Vendors – Little Louie's Red Hots, Sunset Foods, Hey Brothers Ice Cream and Small's Sweets & Treats.



Hometown Downtown Event and Sidewalk Sale

Northbrook Sidewalk Sale; Friday, July 13 and Saturday, July 14, 9am-3pm

The Downtown Northbrook Sidewalk Sale July 13th and July 14th on Church Street and Cherry Lane (by Sunset Foods) is all you remember it to be and more! Bring the family downtown to stock up on gifts, clothes, knick-knacks, cards, books, and lots more, all at discount pricing. Bring your appetites as there will be a variety of food, music, and excitement! For every \$25 spent, receive an entry in a raffle for daily cash prizes!

Kids can go on the "Where's Waldo" scavenger hunt, visit the firetrucks, have their face painted, jump in a bouncy house, and enjoy Dairy Queen Ice Cream treats. Saturday, you can double your fun! Park at the Village Green or walk downtown enjoying shopping and Art in the Park. Come hop aboard all day train rides at the Sidewalk Sale on Saturday!

Concerts at the Village Green every Tuesday through July 24!

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 begins at 6pm.

July 10: Rhythm Rockets
Restaurant – RoccoVino's

July 17: Johnny Russler and the Beach Bum Band
Restaurant – Whole Foods

July 24: Spoken Four
Restaurant – RoccoVino's

No dogs are allowed in the park during concerts, and no alcohol is allowed. In case of rain, call the Weather/Activity Hotline at 847/291-2985 for updates.

The Village Green is located at the corner of Shermer and Meadow in downtown Northbrook. All ages are welcome to attend the concerts.

TUESDAY NIGHT CONCERTS CONTINUE... AT A NEW LOCATION!

Introducing...Gig at the Y

The free summer concert series will continue at the North Suburban YMCA, 2705 Techny Road, in August. Concerts and food service will begin at 6:30pm.

Tuesday, August 7: Out of Control Band
Food: Little Louie's

Tuesday, August 14: Nightcrawlers
Food: Chicken Charlie's

Tuesday, August 21: People of Swing
Food: TBD

If there is a weather concern, the concerts and food service will be moved inside the YMCA building. For day-of updates, call 847/272-7250.



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 7, all are invited to join the Northbrook Police, the Northbrook Park District and the citizens of Northbrook in celebrating the 9th 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 in addition to information about safety and crime prevention tips. Bring your family and friends for a wonderful evening at the pool. Jeffrey's Climbing Tower will be open for demonstrations.

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.

National Night Out provides residents with an opportunity to talk with Northbrook Police, meet the Police Chief and other Village officials. Join us for a great evening on Tuesday, August 7, at Meadowhill Aquatic Center. For more information, call 847/664-4425. In the event of rain, the program will not be rescheduled.



Northbrook's Farmers Market

Northbrook is part of a movement sweeping the country in which farmers markets are cultivating positive social changes, making communities more economically vibrant, and building healthy relationships to the food, land, and farmers we too frequently take for granted.

Besides being just plain enjoyable, farmers markets benefit producers, consumers, the environment, and local communities and their economies. Here are some of the ways.

Farmers Markets benefit consumers by:

- Offering direct contact between producers and consumers so they know about the food they are buying.
- Fresh food tastes better.
- Consumers learn about where their food comes from.

Farmers Markets benefit the environment by:

- Reducing food miles, vehicle pollution, noise, and fossil fuel use
- Reducing packaging and creating less waste

Farmers Markets benefits communities by:

- Bringing activity to towns and cities and attracting business to local retailers: in one study retailers reported up to 30% more business on farmers market days.
- Encouraging social interaction, including between urban and rural communities
- Stimulating local economic development through employment and encouraging consumers to support local businesses, thus keeping dollars in the community

Additionally the Northbrook Farmers Market benefits the community by providing:

- Opportunities for students, Scouts, etc. to learn and do community service
- A Venue for local businesses and agencies to get the word out about their programs

Visit the Farmers Market on Wednesdays, between 7am - 1pm at Our Lady of the Brook parking lot, 3700 Dundee Rd., and beginning August 22 at the corner of Cherry and Western.



Northbrook Farmers Market Moves

Beginning Wednesday, Aug. 22, the Northbrook Farmers Market will move to the parking lot of Northbrook United Methodist Church, 1190 Western Ave. (corner of Cherry and Western) for the remainder of the market season. Shoppers are asked to use the parking lot entrance off of Western where there is ample parking.

Visit www.olbparish.org for details.

What's Playing? On NCTV Channel 17

Here is the schedule for Northbrook Community Television, Cable Channel 17.

7am & 3pm

Northbrook; Then and Now

9:30am & 5:30pm

Spotlight on Northbrook Arts

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

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

10am & 6pm

"Edens Theater: The Life of a Beautiful Bird" – Remember the Edens Theater?

11am, 7 & 11pm

Northbrook, The Fabric of Our History

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

Northbrook! The Video Newsletter

12 & 8pm, Midnight

Talk Around Town with Jack & Susan

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

NCDAA Focus:

(July) "Drug Wars – The New Marijuana"

(Aug) "Young Drivers-The High Risk"

1pm & 9pm

"NCDAA Parenting Series"

(July) Dr. Michael Manaicci;

2010 Parent Univ. Keynote Speaker

(Aug.) "Parents... You are Not Alone."



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 847/664-4116.

Village Board Highlights

Recognized

- Greg Weismann for his Years of Service on the Environmental Quality Commission.

Authorized

- Contract for water pipe repairs at Crestwood Place, \$27,420.
- Additional work for the new water tower; Strand Assoc., \$ 7,525.
- Site improvements for first phase of Willow North Development, 2370 Waukegan Road.
- Purchase of walk-in showers for Crestwood Place, \$39,900.
- Purchase of Uniforms for Fire Department, \$52,500.
- Purchase of three gear dryers for Fire Department, \$20,000.

Approved

- Collective Bargaining Agreement with the International Association of Firefighters Local 1894, from May 1, 2011 through April 30, 2015.
- Second Amendment to the Village Manager Employment Agreement with Richard Nahrstadt.
- Annexation Agreement Amendment, Northbrook Community Synagogue.
- Second Amendment to Restrictive Covenant, Red's Garden Center.
- Design Review Permit for an Outdoor Sculpture, Escape Salon.
- An Ordinance ascertaining the Prevailing Rate of Wages in Cook County.

Amended

- Rezoning and amending Northbrook Zoning Code and Map regarding assisted living facility at 1000 Sunset Ridge Road.
- Annual Fee Ordinance to reduce liquor license classes to reflect the closing of WineStyles.
- Northbrook Zoning Code to allow landscape Waste Transfer station by special permit, Red's Garden Center.

Watch Village Officials On-line

Most Village Board and Plan Commission meetings are streamed live on our website at www.northbrook.il.us and cablecast live on NCTV- Cable Channel 17. AT&T U-Verse subscribers must tune to channel 99 and search Northbrook.

Village Happenings

The Historical Society presents **Saturday Shermer Stories** from 7-9 p.m. on Sat., July 21 and Aug. 18, in Downtown Northbrook. Enjoy costumed living history performers telling short stories about Northbrook. Saturday Shermer Stories will have no stage or set performance time — just people telling stories about people and places of the past, people having conversation with their neighbors

The Northbrook Historical Society's 34th annual **ShermerFest** is set for Sunday, Sept. 16, and the "Classic Northbrook" antique car and truck display will be part of the festivities. Early registration fee to show a classic vehicle is \$12; day of show registration is \$15. Trophies will be awarded. For more info, call 847/498-2319.

Attention Parents! **Mark your calendar for the Nov. 3 Parent University at GBN.** The lessons you'll learn in one day will last a lifetime, or at least until your children become adults! Since your children didn't come with instructions, Parent University is a must. Presented by Northbrook Citizens for Drug and Alcohol Awareness (NCDAA).

Register Now for Fall Classes at Oakton.

It's not too early to think about registering for fall classes at Oakton. Fall semester registration is now underway. Classes start Monday, August 20.

Senior Olympics Adults age 50 and older are invited to compete in a six-county Senior Olympics between July 9 and July 26. For a detailed schedule and registration form, call 847/804-4876.

Variety Show for Northbrook and Glenview Seniors on Friday, July 27 at 1pm at the Glenview Senior Center, 2400 Chestnut Avenue. Share your talent for a chance to win \$175. All talent is welcome; the registration deadline is Friday, July 13. Admission is free for spectators. Call 847/291-2988 to register.

Farmers Market Special Summer Events: July 11- **Voters Registration.** July 25, **Art of Recycling Day** sponsored by Veolia, Northfield Township will bring all household recycling collection and paper-shredding vehicles. Aug. 15, the market will host **Summer Stock**, a collection drive of donated paper goods, diapers, and household cleaning products to restock township pantry shelves. Aug. 29, the annual **What's In Season Pie Baking Contest.** Visit www.olbparish.org for more details. The North Suburban YMCA welcomes everyone to **Sunrise Yoga at the Northbrook Farmers Market** all summer. Y yoga instructors will lead a class at 7:15am. No fee or registration; just bring a mat.

Enjoy free **Parisian Salon Concerts** on first Fridays of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Northbrook Public Library

The **Northbrook Park District Senior Center** offers a variety of classes, discussions, driving classes, field trips and more. Call 847/291-2988 for more information about the July 11 Second City Comedy Trip, and other exciting events.

Understanding How Your Home Works: A guide for Saving Energy and Money – Saturday, July 21, 10am in the Library Pollak Room The presentation provides information on some Do-It-Yourself projects to improve your home's efficiency.

The **Park District Board of Commissioners** meets on Wednesday, July 25 and Aug. 22 at 7pm at the Northbrook Sports Center. Agendas are posted at www.nbparks.org in the *About Us* section, under Board of Commissioners.

The **4th Annual "Golfing for the Stars of International Center on Deafness and the Arts"** (ICODA) July 27 at Old Orchard Country Club, 700 West Rand Rd., Mt. Prospect. Take the afternoon off to golf and raise funds for a wonderful organization that brings the gift of the arts to children who are deaf, hard of hearing and hearing throughout the Chicagoland area. Contact p.force@icodaarts.org Golf or just come by for dinner and entertainment. Purchase a numbered ball for the helicopter drop. For details call 847/509-8260.

NATO and Chicago: America and the World Tues., July 31, 7pm, Library Auditorium - Arthur I. Cyr, will discuss the importance of NATO.

Civic is looking for volunteers to help at Northbrook Days. Gather your friends and family and pitch in Aug. 1-5! Call 847/513-6362 today!

Mark Damisch will perform in the Library Auditorium on Sun., Aug. 12, 2pm, to kick off his summer concert tour where he will perform in India, Vietnam, Cambodia, Australia and New Zealand. Works by Debussy, Copland and Chopin featured.

A **Parkinson's Support Group** meets from 10am to noon at Covenant Village of Northbrook, on the second and fourth Monday of the month. Call 847/509-0927 for information or to register.

A **Memory Loss Support Group** for families and caregivers dealing with Alzheimer's and other dementias meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00pm at Covenant Village of Northbrook. Call 847/412-7303 for information.

Attention Male Singers! The New Tradition Chorus relocated its rehearsal site to Temple Beth-El at 3610 Dundee Road and meets every Monday from 7 to 10pm. New guests welcome. Call 847/242-1336.

Northbrook Community Nursery School is now enrolling for the 2012-13 school year for 18 months to 5 years including Parent/Tot. Please call 847/272-5430 or visit www.ncnskids.org

Friday Night bicycle races run through August 17 at the Ed Rudolph Velodrome in Meadowhill Park. Riders of all ages and abilities are welcome to participate. The public is invited to watch **top cyclists compete on Thursday nights.** Visit www.nbparks.org or call 847/291-2980.

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.

Visit the Village Gallery in the Board Room at the Village Hall, 1225 Cedar Lane, and enjoy paintings by Northbrook artist Terry Luc through July and paintings by Northbrook artist Sheila Day, in August/September. Check out the lobby display case highlighting Northbrook summer events.

Get the scoop BEFORE you dig! Call the Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators (JULIE) at 811 or 1 800/892-0123 BEFORE you dig. It's free, it's required and it's for your safety.

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. Call 847/498-0884.

Caregivers: Sign up now for a six-week educational series designed to provide you with the tools you need to take care of yourself while caring for a loved one. Tuesdays, Sept. 19- Oct. 23, 6:30-8pm at the NSSC, 161 Northfield Rd., Northfield. Call 847/784-6041 for details.

World's Greatest Train Journeys on Sunday, August 19, 2pm at the Library Auditorium. World traveler Bill Helmuth will escort you on a ride through some of the greatest train journeys of all time. Program is cosponsored by the Friends of the Northbrook Library.

Traditional Jewish Holiday Foods: Understand the History and Meaning, Mon., Aug. 27, 7pm at the Library Auditorium. Tasting samples will be served. Presented by Rabbi Meir Moscovitz of Lubavitch Chabad, Director of the Northbrook Jewish Institute.



Downtown Plan

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The Downtown Plan sets a framework for the how the downtown could redevelop and be enhanced.

Over the next several months the Village Board will be identifying specific initial steps the Village can take to encourage this. However, the Village itself cannot dictate when and how the downtown actually redevelops. A partnership of

downtown business and property owners, developers, residents, and the Village is required to make change happen.

Keep posted to the Village's website at www.northbrook.il.us and newsletter to follow the progress with the downtown.



Site	Description of Redevelopment	Public Financial Participation Required
West Metra Parking Lot	Construct a new structure with multi-family residential units and combination of surface and structured parking spaces containing 567 spaces for Metra users (an increase of 127 new Metra spaces).	A new public parking structure would require additional public investment to construct and operate.
Meadow Plaza Shopping Center	Two Redevelopment Options were studied: Option 1. Modest rehabilitation of the existing structures and new "storefronts" facing Meadow Road. Option 2. A major redevelopment of the shopping center, adding nearly 100 multi-family residential units while retaining approximately 90,000 square feet of commercial space. A five-story mixed use building and a one-story commercial structure were envisioned.	Option 1 would not require public financial participation, but would involve increased rents for tenants Option 2 would not be economically self-sufficient and would likely require public participation and much more favorable market conditions.
C-1 Zoned Properties Along Southeast side of Shermer Road	Increase the permitted density of development to allow small shops, restaurants and offices	Would not require public financial participation.
"Weizmann Property" Northwest Corner of Meadow & Shermer	Preservation of existing structures and the construction of a new one-story building along Meadow Road.	Would not require public financial participation, but a creative approach to address parking.
"Shermerville Common" Detention Area Behind Village Hall & Library	Create a park and walkway system to connect the Village Hall/Library campus with the downtown. Examine creating a pond that could help provide some of the stormwater retention requirements for redevelopment sites.	Would require public financial participation to make the desired improvements and relocate the existing Village Public Works garage.
Northbrook Shopping Center Expansion	Allow for some new retail uses at the corner of Shermer and Church by replacing a current office structure and a portion of the Bank of America parking lot with new retail buildings.	Would not require public financial participation, but would require increased rents.



Northbrook 4th of July

4th of July Schedule of Events

7 to 11am Pancakes in the Park*

Breakfast in the Village Green Park
Good food - good fun - good friends.
Dairy Free/Gluten Free option available again this year!
Proceeds benefit the Northbrook 4th of July Association.



7:30am Liberty Loop 5K*

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

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.

Visit www.nbparks.org or call 847/291-2980 for details.



*Proceeds from these activities benefit the 4th of July Association. The volunteer group relies on donations to fund the 4th of July holiday activities.

9 to 11am Music in the Gazebo

Featuring Northbrook's Very Own New Traditions Chorus

9-11am Historical Society Museum & Inn Shop

Treasures to look at and treasures to buy!

9am-1pm Mini-Golf Tournament at Sportsman's Country Club

10-11am Family Games at the Village Green Park

10-11am Annual Police and Fire Department Softball game

All morning activities take place in the Village Green Park Shermer and Meadow Roads



Noon- 6pm -Cool off at one of the Northbrook Park District Pools

For last minute weather information or to make a donation to the 4th of July Association to help support the wonderful fireworks show, visit www.northbrookjuly4th.org or call 847/272-1963.

2pm Decorated Bike Parade 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 Northbrook's 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!



8:45pm Fireworks and an evening program featuring the New Traditions Chorus

Come to the Velodrome at Meadowhill Park on Maple Ave. just west of Waukegan Road.

Fireworks begin at dusk

Safe Fireworks Viewing Sites- Northbrook Jr. High and the Velodrome at Meadowhill Park.

NORTHBROOK DAYS

FESTIVAL OF FUN

Wednesday, August 1
Opening Day
Hours: 6 – 10:00pm

Back by popular demand
***Beer & Wine Garden**

- *Wednesday 6-10pm
- *Thursday 6-10pm
- *Friday 6-10pm
- *Saturday 6-10pm
- *Sunday 5– 9pm

6:00 – 10 PM
BOCCE & BAGS COURTS
OPEN ALL EVENING
(RIGHT FIELD)

Fun For All Ages

7:00-9:00pm Mike
the Variety Entertainer
(Walk Around)
8:00pm 7th Heaven



Enter our Bags
Tournament - Saturday
1:00pm on the Green

Practice every day at our
tournament site.

Thursday, August 2
Hours: 6 – 10:00pm

FAMILY FUN NIGHT!

Carnival Bargain Night!

6 – 11:00pm
Beer & Wine Garden

WHY COOK? EVERY
NIGHT ENJOY
THE “TASTE OF
NORTHBROOK”
AND STAY FOR THE
GREAT MUSIC!

6:00 – 10 PM
BOCCE & BAGS COURTS
OPEN ALL EVENING
(RIGHT FIELD)

Fun for All Ages

6:30 – 8:00pm – Brian
Wisner – Hoop Head
(Walk Around)

6:00 - 7:00pm
Northbrook Garage



8pm
Libido Funk Circus



Friday, August 3
Hours: 6 – 11:00pm

6:00 – 10 PM
BOCCE & BAGS COURTS
OPEN ALL EVENING
(RIGHT FIELD)

Fun for All Ages

7:00-9:00pm Mike D. -
Walk Around Magician

6:00 – 9:00pm
Beer & Wine Garden

6:00 – 7:30pm
Peter Quinn and the
Hicktafires



8:30pm
Dick Holliday and the
Bamboo Gang



Don't forget to
purchase your Grand
Prize Ticket!

www.northbrookdays.com

Saturday, August 4
Hours: noon – 11pm

12:00-5:00pm - RIDE
ALL YOU WANT
FOR \$22

3:00 PM. – BAGS
TOURNAMENT

Fun for All Ages

1:45-2:45 pm
Mike Mauthe on Stage

2-4:00 pm Face Painter
(Near Gazebo)

3:15-4:00 pm – Simon
Says Challenge (Main
Stage)

2:30 – 5:30pm – Susan
G. Komen Wine Tasting
(Beer & Wine Garden)

Live music by Brock &
Abrams

\$10.00 from each \$35
ticket will be donated
to Susan G. Komen /
Chicago

6 – 11:00pm
Beer & Wine Garden

6 – 7:30pm
RICO (Main Stage) –



8:30pm Louie Zagoras
and Rollover



Sunday, August 5
Hours: 1 – 9:00pm

2:00 pm Bocce Ball Tournament
(Right Field)

BOCCE & BAGS COURTS
OPEN ALL EVENING

1:00-9:00pm RIDE ALL
YOU WANT FOR \$22

Fun for All Ages

1:30-2:15pm Mike D -
Magician (Main Stage)

1:30-3:30pm Margaret
Mauthe - Face Painting
(Near Gazebo)

2:30-4:30pm Rick Colen
– Juggler (Walk Around)

5– 9:00pm
Beer & Wine Garden

7:15pm Dot Dot Dot



Don't miss the drawing
tonight at 8:45pm
\$25,000 Grand Prize Raffle
or choice of
2012 Mini Cooper or
2012 Chrysler 200S or
2012 Jeep Wrangler or
2012 Fiat 500 Convertible

Northbrook Days Fun for People with Special Needs:

On Saturday, August 4th from 9:30am until 11:30am, residents with special needs and their immediate families are invited to enjoy carnival rides, bingo, and entertainment.

Reservations are required. Attendance is limited to residents with special needs and their immediate family or caretaker living in the same household. You must register in advance for this program by calling 847/664-4260. Northbrook Days will be closed to the general public to accommodate this program. Your purchase of Northbrook Days Festival Grand Prize Tickets helps fund this event. *Also Sponsored by: A-Z Entertainment, Berger's Elite Athletic Training Landmark Bar and Grill UBS Financial Services – Northbrook*

Northbrook Apartments for Senior Citizens

Crestwood Place Apartments for Seniors, 1000 Waukegan Rd., just south of Dundee Rd. has lovely apartments, which include eat-in kitchens, and very reasonable rental rates!

Applications are available to seniors 62 and over. Priorities are given to current residents of incorporated Northbrook, retired Village employees and parents of residents of incorporated Northbrook, in that order. Seniors without the Northbrook connection are welcome and encouraged to apply, as well.

For more information, please call 847/272-0170, weekdays, 9:30am – 4:30pm.

Shop Northbrook!

Whether you're enjoying Northbrook Court or one of our other shopping areas, 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. When shopping - remember Northbrook First!

Village Goes to Great Depths for Stormwater Improvements

How deep do you have to dig to construct an 84 inch (7-foot) diameter storm sewer under Techny Road? No, it's not a trick question but the answer may surprise you.

To construct the 7 foot diameter storm sewer under Techny Road, excavations have to go down more than 17 feet. This is because a base of stone must be put down under the 8 foot segments of pipe (weighing 11 tons each) and the roadway to provide sufficient support for the infrastructure. As part of the Techny Road construction project the Village will be installing 1,100 feet of 7-foot diameter sewer, 3,435 feet of 6-foot diameter sewer, and 1,500 feet of 4-foot diameter sewer pipe, which in total is enough to hold almost 1,184,0000 gallons of stormwater – more volume than our new water tower.

During construction, Techny Road will remain two-way between Second Street and Shermer to minimize impacts on Glenbrook North High School and Second Street. Access to Covenant Village from Foxglove Drive will remain open during construction. All other eastbound traffic will be directed to Willow Road as the detour route until construction is complete in December 2013.

Motorists will be able to access the YMCA and Northbrook Covenant Church from eastbound Techny Road until approximately late July, at which point this portion of Techny will be closed for construction. Residents will be able to continue accessing the YMCA and Covenant Church from westbound Techny Road during this second portion of construction.”



Northbrook's Village Engineer Paul Kendzior, 6-foot tall, stands in one of the 7-foot diameter sections of storm sewer that will soon be placed under Techny Road. The project is scheduled for completion in December 2013. For more information visit www.northbrook.il.us

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Imagine

In July we commemorate the independence of our nation. In August, we will celebrate our community at Northbrook Days. *Can you visualize our summer without these beloved events?*

There was a time when these celebrations and many of the organizations and other celebrations intrinsic to our community did not exist. What we know today began because someone or some group cared.

In 1925, volunteers organized the first Northbrook Day. The name of the organization that planned it evolved through the years to become the Northbrook Civic Foundation. The event and the community spirit continue today.

From 1956 through 1967, the Northbrook Jaycees planned and ran the fireworks program. The Northbrook Jaycees no longer exist. Yet the spirit in which they planned the first celebration is still evident today.

In 1963, Bert Pollak, who served as Village President from 1957 to 1969, issued a proclamation that captured that spirit. The proclamation said in part:

"... historically the 4th of July has been a time for reflection on the blessings of freedom inherent in the Declaration of Independence . . . we urge all the citizens of Northbrook to pause and reflect . . . upon the blessings of our American heritage."

In 1966, Ken Thiel, who was then the North Suburban YMCA general secretary, planned a 4th of July parade that made national news. That year marchers carried transistor radios tuned to a local station playing patriotic music. The parade, with no bands, drew an estimated 22,000 spectators.



The Northbrook 4th of July Association became an Illinois Not-For-Profit Corporation on June 20, 1968. Since that time, a revolving core of dedicated community volunteers has planned the July 4th celebrations we all love.

Today is the time to reflect upon the countless men and women who give of their time and talents for the betterment of the community. Please take a moment to thank them. "Imagine" is the theme of this year's Independence Day parade. Imagine a Village without volunteers who step up to take over when others leave. The future of this story is yours to write.