

Northbrook!

June 2011

Downtown Northbrook Planning Efforts

Over the next several months, Village staff and planning consultant Teska and Associates will be working with a steering committee of community volunteers and members of the public to prepare a transit-oriented development (TOD) plan to guide the future redevelopment of Downtown Northbrook.

The focus of the planning efforts will be to develop appropriately designed and financially feasible conceptual redevelopment plans for four key sites in the downtown area. These site specific redevelopment plans will provide the public, property owners and future potential developers with an idea of the type of redevelopment the Village would consider. In addition, the plan will identify other general TOD principles that can be applied to other parts of the downtown.

During the creation of the plan, members of the community will be invited to provide input and to participate in the development of the plan's concepts. That input will take the form of participating in surveys, public meetings, web-based avenues and a four-day intensive planning workshop called a charette.

For more information regarding these efforts, visit www.northbrook.il.us/DowntownPlan *

Kick off the Summer with three awesome events!

Support the Youth of Northbrook.

ROCK, RUN & REEL

Rock, Run & Reel - June 10-13

Rock the Green



Run-Relay for Life



Youth Film Festival



A New Lens A New View
A New Voice

See page 3 for all the details!

2011/12 Vehicle Stickers Go On Sale Wednesday, June 1

**Stickers Must Be Displayed By
Midnight, Thursday, June 30**



*Purchase Vehicle Stickers
by 4:30pm, Thursday,
June 30, and take
advantage of the
discounted rate.*

Vehicle sticker prices for 2011/12 are as follows:

Category	Before June 30 @ 4:30pm	After June 30
Automobiles	\$30.00	\$38.00
Motorcycles	12.00	15.00

Half Price Stickers for Seniors and Hybrid Cars

Half price stickers are available for automobiles, motorcycles and recreational vehicles owned by persons 65 and over. All hybrid vehicle owners may purchase half price stickers as well.

Special Village Hall Saturday Hours In June:
Saturdays: 9am - Noon

Normal Business Hours:
Monday thru Friday: 8:30am - 4:30pm

For your convenience, mail your application or use one of the postage-free drop boxes at the train station, Wood Oaks Jr. High School, the Police Department or behind the Village Hall.

See page 4 for complete Pet Tag information.

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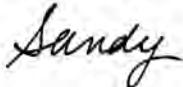
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Summertime and Community Events for All to Enjoy

Warmer weather is finally in sight and I look forward to the many wonderful events that will take place in our Village this summer. I'd like to thank the Village residents and business representatives that volunteer their time to serve our community and help make these events special for all to enjoy. Northbrook has over 150 residents and business representatives serving on 21 Village Commissions, Boards and Committees, as well as hundreds of others that volunteer with local organizations. These volunteers, along with our fantastic Park District, help make Northbrook the "place to be" in the summertime.



Events in June

This month I encourage everyone to kick off the summer by supporting the youth of Northbrook and attending "Rock, Run & Reel" as featured on page 3. The Park District's Tuesday night concerts in the park begin June 7 and will feature a variety of local food vendors during the season. See Park Fest on page 4. On Sunday, June 12, the Historical Society presents their 10th Annual Cemetery Walk with a new "tour" format. This year's event recognizes the Sesquicentennial of the Civil War and will include several cemeteries where local veterans of the war are interred. Reenactors will tell their stories. See page 4 for details. This year also marks the 9th Annual Rotary River-chance Duck Race, scheduled to take place at 7pm on Tuesday, June 14, on the Village Green right before Park Fest. See page 3 to find out how to sponsor your little yellow duck and a chance to win! Finally, gather your friends, neighbors and family for an evening of fun at the 4th of July Association's special Family Movie Night Fundraiser on Saturday, June 25. See page 5 for details along with a preview of the 4th of July festivities planned for this year.

Shopping and Dining in Northbrook

In addition to our enjoying our community events, I encourage every Northbrook family to shop and dine locally. Visit www.northbrook.il.us/ShopDine for a listing of local restaurants and shopping centers or scan the QR Code on the back page.

Developments in Northbrook

-The Future of Downtown Northbrook

The public will be invited to participate in various stages of planning efforts for future redevelopment initiatives involving downtown Northbrook. Please see the article on the front page for details and bookmark www.northbrook.il.us/DowntownPlan for updates on this important study.

-Development Activity

You may have noticed recent activity on the former Happ Nursery Property (south side of Dundee Road just east of Sanders Road). A local builder, KZF Developers, has demolished the existing structures, which had fallen into disrepair, and removed trees and nuisance vegetation. The developer received permission from the Village to demolish the structures and remove certain trees that are not "protected" by our tree preservation regulations. KZF has posted a sign on the site announcing future homes; however, they have not received permission to begin any type of construction on the property. For new development to occur, it will be necessary for the plans to be reviewed by the Plan Commission and be approved by the Board of Trustees.

Northbrook Notify- A Reminder for All Residents and Businesses

I want to remind residents and businesses to sign up for Northbrook Notify, the Village's new communications tool. Northbrook Notify enables you to sign up your cell phone number with the Village so we can contact you for Village emergency situations. Calls to your home and/or cell phones will be minimal and only used for emergencies, special community alerts and to share area specific neighborhood information such as hydrant flushing or area water main breaks that affect your water service. The system also includes a feature to sign up your e-mail address to receive non-emergency communications for notifications ranging from meetings and events to road construction and agendas. Visit our website at www.northbrook.il.us today. If you don't use the Internet, please call 847/272-5050, ext. 4226, for details on how to sign up for Northbrook Notify. 

Rock, Run & Reel - June 10-13 (continued from front page)

“ROCK” the Green

A Battle of the Northbrook Youth Bands will rock the Village Green on Friday, June 10 from 6-9pm. All ages are invited to enjoy the musical showcase and competition. Audience members can help choose the winners and have a chance to win raffle prizes. The first-place winner of Rock the Green will perform at a Park Fest concert, win a cash prize and advance to a regional competition.

The event is sponsored by the Northbrook Park District, Northbrook Youth Commission and Northbrook Arts Commission. For more information, call 847/291-2995 or email rockthegreen2011@gmail.com Just a reminder: Pets are not allowed on the Village Green during community events.

“RUN” the Relay for Life

Join the American Cancer Society’s Relay for Life on Saturday, June 11, from 6am-6pm at GBS. Be a lifesaver at the American Cancer Society Relay for Life and help defeat cancer. Walk and raise funds to support Society research, educational programs and free services for cancer patients and their families. For more information, visit www.relayforlifenorthshore.com or call 847/328-5147.

“REEL” a Northbrook Youth Film Festival

Come and see the Oscar-winning directors of tomorrow at the Northbrook Public Library on Monday, June 13, at 7pm. Winning films and documentaries will be featured as well as a Q&A session and awards ceremony. For more information, call 847/272-5050, ext. 4223, or visit www.northbrook.il.us/YouthFilmFest



“Quack, Quack... We’re Back!”

It's the 9th Annual Rotary Riverchance at Park Fest
On Tuesday, June 14 at 7:00pm

Race begins at the Shermer Avenue Bridge in
Downtown Northbrook on the Village Green.

Sponsor a Duck and WIN! Just imagine 2,000 little yellow Rubber Ducks floating down the river while thousands of spectators cheer them on for a chance to win a “ducky” prize! The Rubber Ducks will race from the Shermer Ave. Bridge in Downtown Northbrook to the finish line near the Walters Ave. Bridge, next to the Historical Society, 1776 Walters Ave. Help Northbrook Rotary by sponsoring a numbered Rubber Ducky for a \$5 donation to the Northbrook Rotary Foundation, or donate \$25 to sponsor a Rubber Ducky “quack pack” of six.

Tickets will be sold at Park Fest on Tuesday, June 7, and from 6:00 to 6:30pm on race day, June 14. Tickets are also available from your favorite Rotarian or at www.northbrookrotary.org For more information, please call 847/272-7567.

**Come Out and See this Event.
It's Everything It's “Quacked Up” to Be!**

1st Place: \$700 Cash Prize 2nd Place: \$500 Savings Bond 3rd Place: \$200 Savings Bond

Event Sponsors: Northbrook Star, Hilton Chicago/Northbrook, Allgauer's On The Riverfront, UPS, Steve Foley Cadillac, Glenview State Bank, Harris NA, Allegra Print & Imaging and Northbrook Bank & Trust Company.



Don't miss....



**Art in the Park:
A Juried Fine Arts Festival**

Saturday & Sunday,
July 9 and 10,
Village Green Park

Featuring juried fine art and craft including paintings, fiber, jewelry, ceramics, sculpture and more!

- ◆ Fine Festival Food
- ◆ Community Art Project
- ◆ Junior Artists' Area
- ◆ Silent Auction
- ◆ Ample Free Parking
- ◆ Live Music All Day!

For more information, visit www.emevents.com or call 630/536-8416. Volunteers are needed! Call 847/436-5008.

10th Annual Cemetery Walk – Northbrook Historical Society

Sunday, June 12, 1 to 4pm. New Touring Format this Year!



To recognize the Sesquicentennial of the Civil War, the 10th Annual Cemetery Walk will tour several of the Northbrook cemeteries where veterans of that war are interred. Civil War reenactors will be at each of the cemeteries to talk about the War and share information about the local veterans interred at that location.

Please join us by visiting the Museum at 1776 Walters Avenue to purchase a ticket for \$5 and receive a map with parking directions and information for each cemetery. Tickets are available at the Museum on Thursdays, 10am-2pm, and Sunday, June 12, starting at 12:30pm, or you can purchase your ticket and start your tour at one of the cemeteries listed below at 1pm.

St. Peter Cemetery on Shermer Road (east side, south of Willow Road after the railroad underpass.)

North Northfield Cemetery on Dundee Road (north side, just east of Charlemagne Road and west of the drive for Our Lady of the Brook.)

Adults and children are all welcome. Children under 12 are admitted without charge. We hope to see you on June 12th to learn more about the role of Northbrook residents in the Civil War. Our history is fascinating. ☺

PARK FEST 2011

The Northbrook Park District presents free Tuesday night concerts in the park. Food service from area restaurants begins at 6pm and concerts start at 7pm.

June 7 – Bopology (swing/jazz)

Restaurant: Piero's Pizza

June 14 – Billy Croft & The 5-Alarm (country/rock)

Restaurant: Once Upon a Grill

The concert will start at about 7:30pm, after the Northbrook Rotary Riverchance Rubber Ducky Race at 7pm

June 21 – World Class Noise (funk/rock/soul)

Restaurant: Chicken Charlie's

June 28 – Out of Control (Top 40/club dance)

Restaurant: My Pie

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

The Village Green is located at the corner of Shermer and Meadow in downtown Northbrook. All ages are welcome to attend the concerts. In case of rain, call the Weather/Activity Hotline at 847/291-2985 for updates. ☺

Don't Forget Your Pets!

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A lost pet will be quickly returned by the information on its pet tag.



Animal tags for 2011/12 must also be displayed by June 30. In order to purchase an animal tag, you MUST present a current rabies certificate for each animal with the application. A lower fee is available to pet owners who can provide a valid veterinarian statement showing that the animal has been neutered/spayed. Licenses for altered pets cost \$10 each; unaltered animals are \$20.

Questions regarding vehicle stickers and animal tags should be directed to the Finance Department at 847/272-5050, ext. 4200. ☺

Special Survey Coming

The Village of Northbrook has an exclusive franchise agreement with Veolia Environmental Services for all residential waste and recycling collection. This fall, the Village will conduct a residential survey to gather opinions about Northbrook's waste collection and recycling services. If you have any immediate concerns about your service, call Veolia at 847/272-4145 or contact Dan Kaup, Assistant to the Village Manager, at 847/272-5050, ext. 4228. ☺

Friendly Reminder...

Be a Good Neighbor!

Please keep your lawn and property maintained throughout the year. The Village has regulations that prohibit grass and weeds from growing to an average height of more than ten (10) inches. To report concerns related to overgrown grass or weeds in excess of ten inches, contact Mark Cacioppo at Cacioppo@northbrook.il.us or 847/272-5050, ext. 4215.

Help keep Northbrook beautiful by returning your garbage cans and recycling containers to the rear of your house or garage within 12 hours after pick-up.

Please, clean up after your pets, especially in parks, public rights-of-way and your neighbor's lawn!

Remember... Sprinkling restrictions are in effect weekdays, 10am-4pm until September 15. ☺

Flag Day

On Tuesday, June 14, the Village of Northbrook will celebrate Flag Day by participating in the Annual National Pause for the Pledge of Allegiance. Flag Day honors the adoption of the Stars and Stripes as our national flag by the Second Continental Congress on June 14, 1777. The Stars and Stripes first flew in a Flag Day celebration in Hartford, Connecticut in 1861.

The concept of the Pause for the Pledge of Allegiance is for all Americans everywhere to pause for a moment on Flag Day at 6pm to say simultaneously the 31 words of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. ☺



Fourth of July Fundraiser

Family Movie Night on Saturday, June 25

Don't miss this great fundraiser for our 4th of July festivities. Enjoy the "Yogi Bear" movie at dusk on the Village Green. Once Upon a Grill will be the food vendor. Ice cream sundaes and popcorn will also be available for purchase.

Preview of Monday, July 4th Events

Pancakes in the Park

Village Green Park from 7-11am, complete with entertainment, music, games and Police vs. Fire softball game.

Liberty Loop 5K Run/Walk

Techny Prairie Park and Fields at 7:30am, followed by a new Liberty Lap Fun Run for ages 4-10. All proceeds benefit the Northbrook 4th of July Association. To register for races, visit nbparks.org or call 847/291-2980.

The Mile-long Parade and Fireworks

Parade steps off at 2:30pm featuring floats, music and fun for all ages. A decorated bicycle parade will precede at 2pm, so start decorating your bikes soon. Northbrook's fantastic fireworks and short evening program will be held at the Velodrome, Meadowhill Park, 1475 Maple.

Promote your neighborhood or organization by entering a float or marching unit in the parade! Visit the official website at www.northbrookjuly4th.org or call 847/272-1963.

Our Fourth of July events are entirely funded by donations and organized by volunteers. Help by mailing a contribution to Northbrook 4th of July Association, P.O. Box 474, Northbrook, IL 60065-0474 or use the Pledge feature on the official website. ☺

Looking to Host a Special Event or Fundraiser?

Alcoholic Beverage Serving Seminar Coming to Northbrook on Wednesday, June 8

Looking to Host a Special Event or Fundraiser? If you are a liquor license holder, the owner or manager of a facility that serves or sells liquor, a seller or server of alcohol, not-for-profit organization, or are considering hosting a special event that will include alcoholic beverages, you are invited to attend an upcoming seminar on the rules and regulations for selling and serving alcoholic beverages in the Village of Northbrook. Owners and operators of businesses that sell and serve alcoholic beverages (such as restaurants, grocery stores, liquor stores, wines stores, etc.) will find this session beneficial, as will those businesses that have special events (such as grand openings, fashion shows, etc.) at which they would like to serve alcoholic beverages.

It is often these types of businesses that are least aware of the regulations with which they must comply. The Liquor Education & Training Program will take place on Wednesday, June 8 at the Northbrook Village Hall, 1225 Cedar Lane, from 2:00pm to 4:00pm. If you would like more information regarding the program or if you or others in your organization would like to sign up for this event, please contact Debbie Ford, Village Clerk, at dford@northbrook.il.us or 847/272-5050, ext. 4221. ☺



NCTV Cable Channel 17 June Programming

7am & 3pm "Memorial Day Remembrances" - Highlights of Northbrook's dedications to those who are serving our country.

9:30am & 5:30pm "Spotlight on Northbrook Arts" - Host Terry O. Luc gives us a look at the Art in the Park displays and festivities.

10:30am, 6:30 & 10:30pm "Our Environment: If Not Now, When" - Join Dr. Lewis Cohen as he features Northbrook's 2011 Earth and Arbor Day.

11:30am, 7:30 & 11:30pm "Northbrook! The Video Newsletter"

12 & 8pm, 12am "Talk Around Town with Jack & Susan" - Jack and Susan learn all about Northbrook's 4th of July celebration from Committee Co-Chairs Shari Bergstein and Sharon Latek.

12:30 & 8:30pm, 12:30am "NCDA Focus" - R.I.D., U.S.A. Presents 'Without Warning,' the dangers of Teen alcohol abuse. ☀

Village Board Highlights

Highlights of Recent Village Board Actions

• Proclaimed

-June 14, 2011, as "Flag Day" in Northbrook.
-June 6-12, 2011, as "National Garden Week" in Northbrook.

• Approved

-Class B Classification and Incentive Agreement with Microlink Devices, Inc., 300 Wainwright Drive.
-Level Three Design Review Permit to allow colocation of personal wireless telecommunication antennas and related equipment cabinets on the existing building at 1200 Shermer Road in the Village Green Overlay District.

• Amended

Northbrook Municipal Code regarding the Boards of Trustees of the Firefighters' Pension Fund and the Police Pension Fund.

• Recognized

-Kati Spaniak for exemplary service as a member of the Board of Trustees.
-Doug Gerlman for 15 Years of Volunteer Service as Chairman of the Environmental Quality Commission.
-Canine Rex of the Police Canine Unit for dedicated service to the Village of Northbrook.

• Authorized

-Purchase of 476 Parkway Trees from Suburban Tree Consortium, \$182,600.
-Custodial Maintenance Renewal for certain Village buildings, \$80,965. ☀



Zap Phantom Loads!

Many appliances are designed with 'standby' features, which mean they're ready for action at a moment's notice. It also means they're constantly drawing electricity 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Every year, U.S. consumers waste an estimated \$4 billion on these phantom loads, which amounts to about 5 percent of the country's total electricity load. If you're serious about conserving energy, find those phantoms, which include computers, TVs and other appliances with remote-controls or clock displays.

💡 Use power strips that let you unplug several appliances by flipping a single switch. This is especially important for TVs, VCRs, microwaves and computers, which are the worst culprits. Unplug appliances when you're not using them.

💡 When buying new appliances, choose models with the lowest standby power consumption.

Residents can check out a Kill-a-Watt, a device that measures phantom loads drawn from your household appliances. Visit www.northbrook.il.us/KillAWatt for more information. ☀



Northbrook's 54th Annual Student Government Day

On May 4, thirty-three 8th grade students participated in Northbrook's 54th Annual Student Government Day. The students experienced what it would be like to be an elected official or an employee of the Village, Park District or Library by taking the role of their counterpart. Staff and elected officials met with the students throughout the day in preparation for the evening Student Village Board mock meeting. The day proved to be a great learning experience for the students and a chance for local government staff to highlight the many aspects of our community.



Northbrook 8th Grade Village Board – Back row, Left to Right: Maryn Boger, Alex Brandt, Johnny Bear, Josh Cohen. Front row: Ethan Handler, Laila Abdelmonem, Andy Han, Amelia Samett.



Park District and Library Administration – Back row, left to right: Jordan Crane, Ryan Spector, Asher Rothstein, Sara DiPietro, Rachael Glogovsky. Front row: Ben Rosenblum, Sarah Nwia, Johnny Felsenhall, Julia Masterman.



Village Administration – Back row, left to right: Anika Newaz, Griffin Tucker, Peter Witty, Maria Kardasis, Rebecca Panitch, George Hook. Middle row: Naomi Ecanow, Najma Fakir, Mia Bakis, Nick Niznik, Toby Klein. Front row: Yasmine Ramachandra, Colleen Doolan, Ben Gutman, Jazzia Ubeid, Brooke Schwartz. ☺

Northbrook Farmers Market

The Northbrook Farmers Market will kick off its third season on Wed., June 22, at Our Lady of the Brook Church parking lot, 3700 Dundee Rd. The Market will be open from 7am to 1pm every Wed. from June 22 through October 12. Fresh flowers, produce, knife sharpening and much more. Proceeds benefit local food pantry. For complete details, be sure to go to olbparish.org/FarmersMarket.html

Everyone is Invited to the Special Opening Day Events!

There will be a ceremonial watermelon-cutting by Village President Sandy Frum at 9:30am. There will also be free popcorn from Sunset Foods, hula-hoop lessons by Alihoops, balloon artist, kid's projects and Police squad car and Fire Department engine tours. Fun for all ages. ☺



Community Bulletin Board

Looking for bargains? Check out new and used merchandise at reasonable prices at the **Park District's Flea Market** on Fri., June 3, from 10am to 4:30pm at the Leisure Center. You can expect to find jewelry, toys, antiques, clothing and household items. For more information, go to nbparks.org

Sample a variety of adult fitness classes from June 6-10 at three Park District locations. The classes include Zumba, Pilates, Nia, Yoga, Belly Dancing, Women on Weights, Boot Camp and Cardio-Strength. Preregistration is not necessary, but entry is on a first-come, first-served basis. Times are listed online at nbparks.org and in the Summer Guide. For more information, call 847/291-2995.

Fri. night bicycle races get rolling on June 10 at 7pm 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.

Jeffrey's Climbing Tower is open for an exciting adventure on Sat., June 11 in Meadowhill Park. Usually limited to groups, the 30-foot tower is available for individuals, age 10 years or older. Climbers will learn safety techniques during the program, from 9-11am. Register online at nbparks.org or at any customer service location. For more information, call 847/291-2995.

Attention Seniors! The **Park District Senior Center** is accepting reservations for the following trips: Lake Geneva Cruise & Luncheon, June, 7; Oneida Casino and Radisson Hotel in Green Bay, June 14-16; "A Closer Walk with Patsy Cline" at Fireside Theatre, June 22; Mix and Mingle, June 9 at Ravinia. Stop by the Senior Center or call 847/291-2988 to register.

Stop by the Village Hall to see the Art Display in the lobby of the Village Hall and featured artist in the Village Gallery Board Room, through the end of the month.

Mim's Gift Shop offers jewelry, glassware, crystal, china, figurines, linens, picture frames and collectibles — all items are donated by North Shore Senior Center members. Handmade items are also available for purchase. Sale proceeds go directly to North Shore Senior Center, a 501(c)3 organization. Open Mon-Fri., 9:30am-3:30pm. Located just south of Willow Rd. at 161 Northfield Road in Northfield. (east of Waukegan and west of Happ; north of Winnetka Road) 847/784-6000.

On Wed., June 22, the Secretary of State's Office will present a free **Rules of the Road** review class at the Leisure Center at 10am. The class can help prepare adults to renew their driver's licenses. Register by June 17 at the Senior Center or call 847/291-2988.

Parisian Salon Concerts are held the first Fri. of every month at 7:30pm at the Northbrook Public Library.

It's easy to enjoy **Flamingo Fridays** in your own neighborhood throughout the summer. Go to www.northbrook.il.us/Flamingo to learn how or call 847/272-5050, ext. 4232.

Help support "**Recycling Avenue**", a non-profit organization, by donating used cell phones, digital cameras, DVD's, game consoles, ink cartridges and laptop computers for recycling. Please drop them off at the Village Hall during business hours. Tax donation letters are available next to the drop off bin. Please note that computer towers, DVD players, monitors, fax machines, televisions and printers may be dropped off at the fleet maintenance garage, located behind the Village Hall, on the first Tues. of every month. Please call 847/272-5050, ext. 4228, with any questions.

Get the scoop 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, it's for your safety.

Johnny Depp Film Series. Wednesdays at 1 and 7:30pm at the Library. June 1: *Don Juan DeMarco*; June 8: *Donnie Brasco*; June 15: *Ed Wood*; June 22: *Chocolat*; June 29: *What's Eating Gilbert Grape?*

Join the **Northbrook Public Library Adult and Youth Summer Reading Clubs** starting June 1 and earn prizes for the books you read.

Music for Grownups - Songwriter, storyteller and actor Keith Torgan and flutist Barbara Siegel perform songs and stories on Fri., June 17, at 3pm at the Library.

Travelogues with world traveler Bill Helmut on Mondays at 7pm at the Library. June 20: Syria; June 27: Lebanon.

The Essential Tremor Support Group meets Sat., June 11, at 10am at the Northbrook Public Library.

A "**Teen Safe Driver Clinic**" will be held at the Northeastern Illinois Public Safety Training Academy (NIPSTA) on Sun., Sept. 25. Run by the Audi Car Club Chicagoland Chapter, the clinic is open to all licensed drivers 16-18 years old as an opportunity to improve their skills in a safe, controlled environment. Advanced registration required; a parent must accompany all participants. See www.AudiChicago.org or e-mail Mark@AudiChicago.org

The **Low Vision Study Group** meets Tues., June 14, at 10am at the Northbrook Public Library.

The **6th Annual Block Party at St. Norbert** starts at 8am on Sat., June 11 with a Kid's Fun Run and a 5K Run. The afternoon festivities begin at 3pm and consist of an array of family fun including a "kids corner" with games, inflatables, face painting and DJ entertainment. Live bands will perform throughout the afternoon and a headliner band will take the stage at 8pm. The food and beverage tent will be open all day. Rain or Shine! Visit www.stnorbertblockparty.org for more information.

Baseball clinics from the Y! Sharpen your skills during these clinics led by collegiate baseball players. All clinics are located at Allstate Field in Northbrook. Skills Clinic for grades 1-3 will be held on June 5 and 12; Advanced Baseball for grades 4-8 will be June 3, 10 and 17. For more information, contact csassorossi@nsymca.org ☺

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

Northbrook Budget

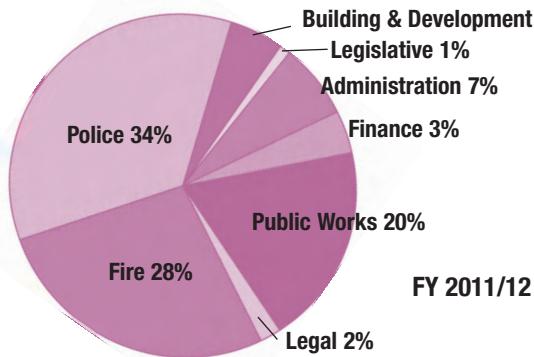
At their April 12, 2011 meeting, the Village Board adopted a budget of \$72,897,685 for the fiscal year beginning on May 1, 2011. This figure is 0.2% above estimated expenditures for the previous fiscal year. Though this budget anticipates declining revenues, all Village services have been maintained at current levels.

General Fund Expenditures

By Department

Total – \$36,953,310

The General Corporate Fund provides for the day-to-day operations of the Village and comprises 50% of the total budget. The following chart shows a breakdown, by department, of the budgeted expenditures for the General Corporate Fund:



Of the General Corporate Fund's 82% budget, 34% is devoted to police protection, 28% to fire protection and 20% to public works operations which include street maintenance, snow plowing and fleet maintenance.

The FY 11/12 budget assumes that we will continue all Village services at current levels without raising taxes. Planned General Fund expenses are nearly \$250,000 less than the Board approved for FY 10/11. Operating expenses have been reduced to their lowest level in over four years. Proposed capital spending for FY 11/12 is the lowest it has been since 2005. We have again limited the replacement of capital equipment to only those items we consider to be critical to maintaining operations. We continue to review and adjust our planned replacement schedules on an annual basis to reflect the actual maintenance history of each individual piece of equipment.

Despite these measures, this budget as approved will require using \$465,500 from that portion of the reserves that is in excess of our forty percent policy. This is not dealt with lightly. While we have significantly reduced expenses and have seen sustained but moderate growth in the local economy, the FY 11/12 budget includes two significant revenue decreases from the previous year. FY 10/11 included a one-time annexation fee of \$613,000 from the Astellas Pharma U.S. Headquarters site in Glenview. Additionally, the 2010 property tax levy keeps the Village's portion of the levy flat despite required funding increases to our police and firefighter pension funds. In order to achieve a flat levy amount, the Village reduced the General Fund portion by approximately \$600,000 in light of the economic pressures facing our residents and businesses. We also estimate the Village will lose \$150,000 annually in State shared revenues due to a 3.6% loss in population per the 2010 Census.

This budget estimates that the Village will have reserves of \$2.34 million above our forty percent policy at April 30, 2012.

Expenditure Summary

Fund	FY 10/11 Estimate	FY 11/12 Budget	% Change
General Corporate	38,170,550	36,953,310	-3.19%
Debt Service	3,952,790	4,239,111	7.24%
Water	10,249,985	8,822,683	-13.92% (1)
Sanitary Sewer	1,343,940	1,831,225	36.26%
Parking	449,140	166,640	-62.90% (2)
Other Funds	18,584,407	20,884,716	12.38%
	72,750,862	72,897,685	0.20%

(1) Decrease due to higher capital expense in FY 10/11 for construction of new water tower

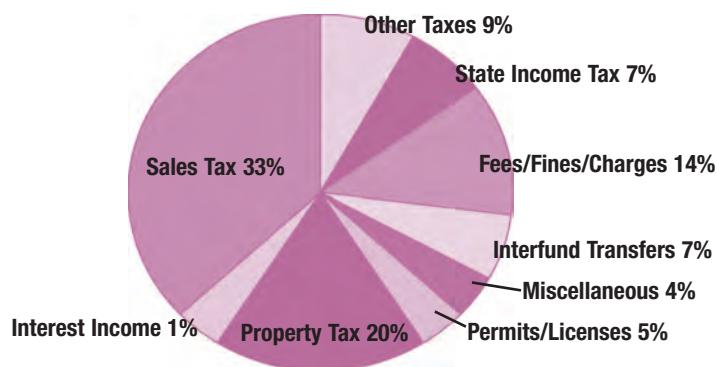
(2) Decrease due to higher capital expense in FY 10/11 to resurface west commuter lot.

The operations of the General Corporate Fund are supported by a variety of revenue sources. Even though the Village has a diverse revenue mix, we are still very reliant on sales taxes. Heavy reliance on an elastic revenue source such as this can be problematic when economic conditions beyond the Village's control cause a reduction in this source. However, high sales tax receipts have allowed the Village to maintain one of the lowest property tax rates in the area. The Village's share of the property tax bill represents just less than 6% of the total. This means that the Village receives less than 6 cents from every dollar paid in property taxes. ☀

General Corporate Fund Revenues

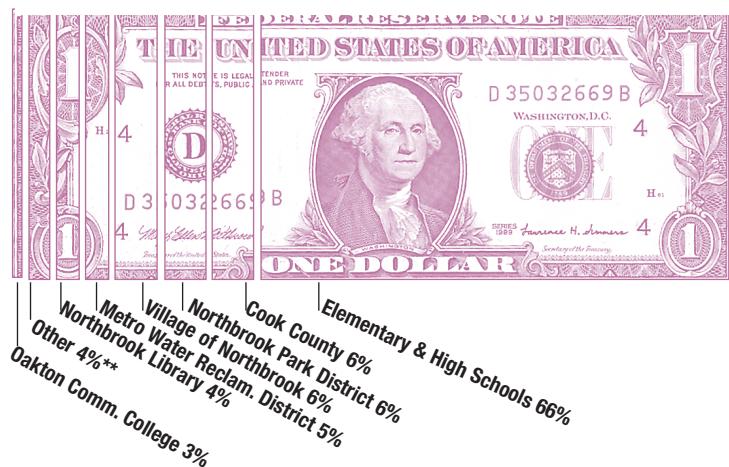
By Source - FY 2011-2012

Total \$36,363,090



Sample Property Tax Bill

Breakdown by Jurisdiction



Northbrook Water – Consumer Confidence Report

General Introduction to Water Supplies

This information is provided as required by USEPA & IEPA

Drinking water - tap and bottled water - originates in rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over or through the ground, it may dissolve naturally occurring minerals and radioactive material and/or pick up substances left by animals or human activities. Possible contaminants are:

• **Microbial** – including viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife;

• **Inorganic** – including salts and metals, which may be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming;

• **Pesticides and Herbicides** – which may come from a variety of sources, such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff and residential uses;

• **Organic Chemicals** – including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and may also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff and septic systems;

• **Radioactive Materials** – including naturally occurring or resulting from gas and oil production and mining.

USEPA prescribes tap water regulations limiting amounts of certain substances in public water systems. FDA regulates bottled water which

must be as safe as tap water. Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised individuals such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, as well as some elderly and infants, can be particularly at risk for infections. These people should seek advice from their health care providers about drinking water. USEPA/CDC (Center for Disease Control) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 800/426-4791.

Source Water Assessment

The Illinois EPA considers all surface water sources to be susceptible to potential pollution. By its very nature, surface water allows contaminants to migrate into the intakes with no protection except dilution. Thus, IEPA mandates treatment for all Illinois surface water supplies. A work group from the Great Lakes States was organized to develop a protocol for assessing the Great Lakes. The mission of the Great Lakes Protocol was to develop a consistent procedure with the flexibility to conduct proper source water assessments of our Great Lakes drinking water sources. This flexibility takes into account source variability and site specific concerns for determination of source sensitivity and susceptibility (Appendix S, Illinois EPA, 1999). Sensitivity is the intrinsic ability of surface water to be isolated from contaminants by the hydrologic or geologic attributes (Illinois EPA, 1999). According to the sensitivity analysis, Northbrook's two intakes are located far enough offshore that shoreline point sources are not a water quality factor. However, at certain times of the year, the potential for contamination exists due to stormwater runoff and wet weather flows from the North Shore Channel. If currents are flowing in a northerly direction, contaminants from these flows could migrate to Northbrook's intakes and compromise water quality. A correlation between Northbrook's rainfall data and coliform data combined with North Shore Channel discharge dates show the potential effect of these

flows on Northbrook's water quality. The best way to ensure a safe source of drinking water for a water supply is to develop a program designed to protect the source water against potential contamination on the local level. Since land use within Illinois' Lake Michigan watershed is mostly urban, most watershed protection activities in this document are aimed at this purpose.

Citizens must be aware that activities around the house may have a negative impact on their source water. The main efforts of the immediate community should be an awareness of storm water drains and the direct link to the Lake within the identified Lake Michigan watershed. A proven best management practice (BMP) for this purpose is the identification and stenciling of storm water drains. Stenciling, along with education about proper storage, disposal and use of potential contaminants, is necessary to keep the Lake a safe, reliable source of drinking water. Lake Michigan, as well as all the Great Lakes, has a variety of organizations and associations that are currently working to either maintain or improve water quality. Water supply officials from Northbrook are active members of the West Shore Water Producers Association. Coordination regarding water quality situations (i.e., spill, tanker leaks, exotic species, etc.) and watershed protection are frequent topics discussed at quarterly meetings of this organization.

Northbrook Water Quality Report

Substance	Type	Units	MCLG	MCL	Range of Levels	HDL	Comments
Barium	Inorganic	mg/l	2	2	0.019 – 0.019	0.019	Drilling waste & metal refinery discharge, natural element
Chlorine	Inorganic	mg/l	MRDLG/MRDL=4		0.891 – 1.2275	1	Water additive for disinfection
Coliform (non-fecal)	Microbial	% positive	< 5% monthly samples positive		0 – 2.3	2.3	Naturally present in environment
Copper	Inorganic	mg/l	1.3	AL = 1.3	0.17* (No site over AL)		Plumbing system, natural erosion, wood preservative leaching
Fluoride	Inorganic	mg/l	4	4	0.86 – 0.86	0.9	Fertilizer & aluminum factory discharge, decay preventative additive
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	DBP	µg/l	n/a	60	12.1 – 24.8	19	Chlorination by-product
Lead	Inorganic	µg/l	0	AL=15	7* (1 site over AL)		Plumbing system & natural erosion
Nitrate (as N)	Inorganic	mg/l	10	10	0.33 - 0.33	0.33	Fertilizer run-off, septic run-off, sewage
Selenium	Inorganic	µg/l	50	50	1 – 1	1	Metal, petroleum, refinery & mining waste. Also naturally present in environment.
Sodium	Inorganic	mg/l	n/a	n/a	7.5 – 7.5	8	Natural erosion, water softener
Total Trihalomethanes	DBP	µg/l	n/a	80	20.8 – 37.7	33	Chlorination by-product
Turbidity	Microbial	% <0.3 NTU	lowest % meeting limit		100%		Soil run-off
Turbidity	Microbial	NTU	Limit TT = 1 NTU		0.12 HSM		Soil run-off

Note: All test results under "Range of Levels" were completed in 2010 except for lead and copper which were sampled in 2008. Not all results may have been used for calculating HDL because some results may be part of an evaluation to determine where compliance sampling should occur in the future detections.

Note: The percentage of total organic carbon (TOC) was measured each month. Northbrook meets all IEPA requirements.

AL: Action Level: The concentration of a substance which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements.

DBP: Disinfection By-Products

HLD: Highest Level Detected

HSM: Highest Single Measurement

MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLG as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

mg/l: Milligrams per liter, or parts per million (ppm)-or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water.

µg/l: Micrograms per liter, or parts per billion (ppb)-or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water.

"Level" is the range of sample data collected annually. In some cases, only one sample was collected.

Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of water. Turbidity is a good indicator of water quality and the effectiveness of our filtration system and disinfection practices. Our water leaves the plant at about 0.04 NTU.

Sodium is not regulated by USEPA or IEPA, but monitoring is required to provide information about sodium intake due to dietary precautions. If the level is greater than 20 mg/l and you are on a sodium restricted diet, you should consult a physician.

Disinfection by-products (TTHMs & HAA5s)- The maximum contaminant level (MCL) for total trihalomethanes and haloacetic acids is 80 ppb and 60 ppb respectively. Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years experience problems with their livers, kidneys, or central nervous systems and may have increased risk of developing cancer.

MRDL: Maximum Residual Disinfection Level: The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water.

MRDLG: Maximum Residual Disinfection Level Goal: The level of disinfectant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs allow for a margin of safety.

n/a: Not applicable.

NTU: Nephelometric Turbidity Unit- used to measure cloudiness in drinking water.

%< NTU: Percent of samples less than 0.5 NTU.

TT: Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant.

***** Indicates 90 percentile result

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800/426-4791).

Northbrook water, which is solely derived from Lake Michigan via its pumping station in Glencoe, meets/exceeds all State and Federal quality regulations.

Northbrook had no water testing violations during the past year. If you have any questions, please call Ken Gardner, Utilities Superintendent, at 847/509-5335.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those whom may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools and businesses.) You can do so by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

You may have read about some water systems that have used questionable sources of water. All of Northbrook's water is obtained directly from Lake Michigan, and is subjected to rigorous scrutiny by the USEPA and IEPA. Public Works publishes a comprehensive brochure about its water system. A new version is scheduled to be published this summer. This booklet includes information about Northbrook's source of water, treatment processes and distribution facts. It is available at the Village Hall, Public Library and Public Works Center, and can be viewed on Northbrook's website (www.northbrook.il.us). Water system decisions requiring Village Board action are normally considered at regularly scheduled meetings on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. For additional information, call Ken Gardner, Utilities Superintendent, at 847/509-5335. ☀

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The Historian's Corner

Beside the Villages' 110th birthday there are several other milestone anniversaries to note this year:

- **1871** Chicago Fire (October 8)
- **1906** Sidewalk program began and the Village President authorized purchase of the triangle at Shermer and Walters. It became the Village's first park after the Park District was formed in 1927.
- **1911** District 28 purchased 1-1/2 acre site on Kiest Ave. at Waukegan Rd. for the Shermerville School. The four-room brick school is now Crestwood Place.
- **1916** Ordinances passed for the construction of the water system and laying of water mains.
- **1926** The Cook County Forest Preserve bought some of the Werhane farm on Dundee Rd. for use as Somme Woods. Ordinance passed to eliminate all out houses in the Village within six months.
- **1936** Culligan Zeolite Company established.
- **1946** Youth Center was built with public contributions – Now Village Green Center.
- **1951** Bond issue for a public library passed by 6 votes - 135 yes, 129 no.
- **1956** Bond to build Cherry Lane underpass approved by voters.
- **1961** Sunset Foods opened in Northbrook. Meadowhill Pool opened. Original train depot burned & replaced by a new station on the west side of the tracks. St. Peter's Church, built in 1863 on Shermer Rd. south of Willow, burned down.
- **1971** Fire Station on Dundee Road was built and first full-time 24-hour Firemen were hired. The Book Bin opened.
- **1976** Northbrook Court opened anchored by Neiman Marcus, Lord & Taylor, I Magnin and Sears. Northfield Inn opened its doors on July 4th for the first time as the Northbrook History Museum.
- **1986** Original Shermerville/Northbrook School stone marker became a monument. Ferris Bueller's Day Off opened in movie theaters June 11.
- **1991** First of the Techny Barns was torn down.
- **1996** Fire Station #10 on Huehl Road and Station #12 on Shermer Road were dedicated.
- **2006** American Legion Post 791 on Pfingsten Road closed and the property was sold. ☺



In 1987, the water tower was painted with the words Save Ferris for the filming of "Ferris Bueller's Day Off." By the time the film opened (35 years ago this month) the tower had been repainted.



The Village grew rapidly in the 1950s. By the time the first library opened, it was nearly too small to serve the growing community. Today, the building at the corner of Shermer Rd. and Church St. houses offices.