

NORTHBROOK

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Hey Kids, Ask Your Parents to Bring you to the Fire Station Open House on October 12!

The Northbrook Fire Department will be hosting their 32nd Annual Open House on Sat., Oct. 12, from 9am to noon, at Fire Station 12 on Shermer Rd.

There is so much to learn and do at the Fire Department Open House. Kids of all ages can climb in fire trucks, use a fire hose, dress in firefighter gear, talk to firefighters, and pet therapy dogs! You'll find this and more at the Shermer Road Fire Station Open House! This year's Open House will have a variety of activities including

live demonstrations of fire apparatus and equipment, and a performance by the Northbrook Fire Department Special Teams. Refreshments and food will be available. Bring the whole family to enjoy this safety event.

Ample parking is available across the street at Maurice Sporting Goods, 1825 Shermer Road.

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4th Annual Celebration of Cultures: Festival of Lights and Colors on Sunday, November 3

Free Family Fun for all ages, with cultural food and entertainment at the Celebration of Cultures on Sunday, November 3 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the North Suburban YMCA (2705 Techney Road).

The Community Relations Commission invites all to celebrate the diversity of the North Shore at the 2019 Celebration of Cultures. Building on the cultural events of prior years, this year's celebration will be an exploration of cultures through the various holidays they celebrate in fall and early winter, including the many festivals of lights and colors observed around the world.

Discover holidays such as Dia de los Muertos, Diwali, Chuseok, and many more; see traditional dances and performances; and sample sweets from around the world. Food for purchase is available from Argentinian Empanada food truck 5411.

For more information on the event, visit www.northbrook.il.us/celebration.

Learn more about the Northbrook Public Library's October Foreign Film Festival! Visit www.northbrook.info

Trick-or-Treat Hours

The official Trick-or-Treat hours in Northbrook are Thursday, October 31, between 4 and 8pm. See page 4 for details.

From the Northbrook Economic Development Committee

Property Taxes in Northbrook

Over the past year, the Economic Development Committee (EDC) has partnered with our member taxing bodies, business groups and residents to demonstrate the tremendous value of being a Northbrook resident.

We are grateful to the Village of Northbrook for providing space within this Newsletter to promote and celebrate how our tax dollars are used to provide world-class public schools, park facilities, library services and other essential emergency and public services. Prior Newsletter articles have emphasized the importance of Northbrook having a diverse tax base. In this article, we are providing an overview of how property taxes are computed in Cook County, and how it varies for residential and commercial properties.

How are my taxes determined?

After each taxing body (e.g. school/park district, municipality) determines how much is needed to provide services for the year, it submits a formal request to the Cook County Clerk. The County Clerk's office then reviews the requests to calculate the maximum permissible funding level and determines the total amount of money to be collected through property taxes. This amount is divided among all of the taxpayers, by creating a tax rate for each \$100 of *equalized assessed property value* (EAV). It is important to note that simply because your assessed valuation goes up by a certain percentage, does not mean your property tax bill will increase by that same percentage.

When it comes to commercial properties, Cook County applies a tax rate that is 2.5 times higher than is applied to residential properties. This different tax rate approach is *not* used in surrounding counties, where there is no difference between commercial and residential tax rates. This difference results in a disincentive for commercial construction in Cook County.

Finally, the Illinois Department of Revenue annually releases an "equalization factor" for Cook County to try to achieve uniform property assessment throughout the state. The 2018 Cook County equalization factor was 2.9109. The chart below illustrates how similarly valued residential and commercial properties (each with a hypothetical \$100,000 market value) would have significantly different EAVs.

Market Value vs. Taxable Value (EAV) Example				
Type	Market Value	Tax	Equalization Factor	EAV
Residential	\$100,000	10%	2.9109	\$29,109
Commercial	\$100,000	25%	2.9109	\$72,773

How is the tax burden divided between homeowners and business owners within the Village?

Because of the differential tax rate used by Cook County, residential property owners pay proportionately less in property taxes than do non-residential property tax payers. The table below illustrates that point, as residential properties comprise approximately 85% of the property value in the Village, but pay about 69% of the total property taxes.

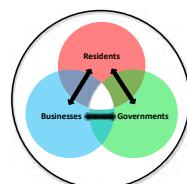
Estimated Market Value vs. Taxable Value (EAV) in Northbrook (2017)			
Type	Est. Market Value	% of Market Value	% of EAV
Residential	\$6.1 B	84.6%	68.7%
Commercial	\$805.3 M	11.2%	22.7%
Other	304.1 M	4.2%	8.6%
Total	\$7.2 M	100%	100%

Market Value X Tax% = Assessed Value
Assessed Value X Equalization Factor = EAV

How has the property in the Village increased in recent years?

The Village of Northbrook continues to see new economic and residential development on an annual basis. Statistics compiled by the Cook County Clerk show that the Village has experienced growth of \$445 million in EAV over the past five tax years. Given how taxes are distributed among all owners, the more new property value that is added within a community, the less each property taxpayer in the Village will pay. As new businesses and houses are built within Northbrook, these properties are added to the tax rolls to provide a new source of funding. This is why the EDC continues to advocate and encourage business, industrial, and residential growth within the Village of Northbrook.

Northbrook's diverse tax base eases the property tax burden on residents, compared to nearby communities. The next Village Newsletter will include another article by the EDC summarizing how a growing and diverse tax base combined with thoughtful land-use planning is a major benefit to the entire community.



Northbrook Economic Development Committee (EDC)
Sustainable Partnerships Built on Common Ground

Northbrook Welcomes New Businesses to the Community

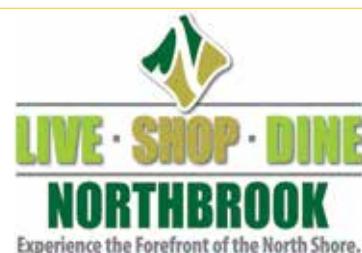
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145 Skokie Blvd

Green Growth Brands
Northbrook Court

Toy Heaven
Northbrook Court

BTR Chicago, Inc.
310 Anthony Trail

Orbis Production LTD
Northbrook Court





Notes from Village President Sandy Frum



Even though we are already several weeks into the fall season, there continues to be a variety of events and happenings planned for everyone to enjoy outside while the weather is still comfortable. Our Fire Department staff has been busy coordinating their annual Open House on Saturday, October 12, featured on the front page of this newsletter. Please come out to meet our first responders, see equipment demonstrations, and take advantage of this opportunity to learn safety tips to use at home and work. It's a fun and educational event for the whole family. You'll find a variety other community events listed on page 7.

Speaking of safety, I'd like to remind motorists to pay

particular attention to Trick-or-Treaters as they make their way door-to-door through the neighborhoods on Halloween. Residents in Northbrook may participate in this holiday tradition by keeping their porch light on to welcome the trick-or-treaters on Thursday, October 31, between 4 and 8pm. See page 4 for more information.

October also marks OAKtober, Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and Cyber Security month (see page 6). I encourage everyone to learn more about security whether at home, school, at work, or when working on a computer or other device accessing the Internet.

Social Service Resources for Residents of all ages

Please check out the Northbrook Cares website at www.NorthbrookCares.org. The website is a resource created and managed by the Village of Northbrook's Community Relations Commission with the goal of connecting teens, young adults, and their families with local social services that can assist with a variety of issues and concerns. The project focuses on partnering with agencies to promote their services and help those in need quickly access assistance, whether for your family, a friend, or yourself. See page 4 for more information.

Affordable Housing in Northbrook

Earlier this year, the Village Board listed developing affordable housing policies and programs as one of our top legislative priorities. On August 27, the Board held a special Committee of the Whole meeting to begin reviewing how to address this important topic. The term "affordable housing" means different things to different people.

Some groups prefer the term "workforce housing", while others use "attainable housing" and "missing middle" housing to describe a segment of the housing market that is being lost in many communities due to increasing home values or rent levels and redevelopment activity that targets the high-end or luxury market.

Over the next several months, the Board will be examining a variety of tools that are available to the Village as we seek ways to carefully incorporate affordable housing into new developments where appropriate and still maintain our existing housing options. This effort will involve soliciting input from a wide range of interested parties in the Village. Read future issues of the Village newsletter and check our website for more information on this important topic.

Plein Air Paintings on Display

In case you missed September's Plein Air Painting Festival, the local-themed artwork created at the event will be on display and available for purchase on Thursday, October 3, at the Village Green Center, 1810 Walters Avenue from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Plein Air paintings capture landmarks familiar in our town, while others feature nature, architecture, and scenes of our community which may have been "hidden in plain sight" but now captured on canvas. Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy one-of-a-kind local artwork! www.northbrookarts.org

Comments, Concerns, Suggestions

I always welcome your comments. Please call the Village Hall at 847-509-5301 or email me at sandy.frum@northbrook.il.us. If you would like to report a service request, such as a pothole, tall weeds, or low hanging wires, please visit www.northbrook.il.us/Request and access GONorthbrook, our online non-emergency service request system for staff review and potential action.



Compost and Yard Waste Options

Residents wishing to compost can select a year-round subscription for a 35-gallon (\$122.40/year) or 95-gallon (\$142.80/year) container.

With the subscription, Advanced Disposal will collect yard waste and compost weekly from April - November and every other week from December - March. Subscribers can place overflow in 32-gallon plastic/metal

containers or Kraft-type bags (not exceeding 50 pounds) for no extra charge.

For more information and acceptable compost items visit www.northbrook.il.us/RefuseRecycle

The compost program does not include raw or cooked meats, animal bones, or pet waste.

Residents not interested in the subscription service can dispose of compost and yard waste from April - November using 32-gallon plastic/metal containers or Kraft-type bags (not exceeding 50 pounds) and stickers. Stickers are available at Village Hall and local grocery and home/garden stores listed in article below.

Here's How to Handle Your Fall Leaves

The beautiful fall leaves eventually end up on the ground, and then it's time to start raking.

Collection reminders: Brush must be tied in bundles using biodegradable cord, rope, or twine; and not exceed 50 pounds in weight; two feet in diameter; and four feet in length, with sticker attached.

Stickers are \$2.08 each and are available from Advanced Disposal (847-272-4145), Village Hall, or the following:

- Northbrook Ace Hardware
1941 Cherry Ln.
- Jewel
2775 Pfingsten Rd., Glenview
- Red's Garden Center
3460 Dundee Rd.
- Sunset Foods
1127 Church St.
- Walgreens
1050 Waukegan Rd. Northbrook
2871 Pfingsten Rd., Glenview

Free "YARD WASTE" designation labels for reusable 32-gallon metal/plastic containers are available at the Village Hall and Advanced Disposal (2800 Shermer Road) during business hours. Weekly yard waste pick-up runs through the end of November. For details, visit www.northbrook.il.us/YardWaste

Remember, burning leaves or any other yard waste is not allowed in Northbrook.

Have you ever wondered what to do with old clothing, shoes, or towels?

It is estimated that approximately 85% of clothing is thrown away, which means more than 14 million tons of clothing ends up in landfills each year.



and either reuse them or resell them to promote their missions.

If you wish to recycle your clothing, the Village has partnered with Simple Recycling to offer curbside textile recycling to single family homes. Simple Recycling follows the same route and holiday schedule as Advanced Disposal. Information on what can be recycled,

requests for more bags, and information on the program are available through Simple Recycling's website at www.simplerecycling.com or call Simple Recycling at 866-835-5068.



Trick-or-Treat on Halloween, Thursday, Oct. 31

Northbrook's Official Trick-or-Treat hours on Halloween are from 4 to 8pm. To welcome trick-or-treaters, switch on your porch lights or any exterior lights.

Please welcome trick-or-treaters who carry official UNICEF collection boxes. (For more information on UNICEF, contact Georgina Winters, Senior Representative for the US Fund for UNICEF at 847-498-0558.)

Here are a few safety tips for parents to remind their trick-or-treaters

- Walk in groups or with an adult, bring a flashlight, and stay on the sidewalks.
- Examine all treats before eating them and eat only factory-wrapped treats.
- Visit www.cdc.gov/family/halloween for more tips!



Plan and Practice Your Escape!

Northbrook's firefighters are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home and business fires and related injuries through prevention, protection, and education.

National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) statistics show that in 2017 U.S. fire departments responded to 357,000 home structure fires. These fires caused 2,630 fire deaths and 10,600 fire injuries. On average, seven people died in a fire in a home per day during 2012 to 2016.

In a fire, seconds count. Using these small three steps can help you escape a fire quickly and safely.

That's why this year's Fire Prevention Week theme, "Look. Listen. Learn. Be aware. Fire can happen anywhere" is so important.

Situational awareness is a skill people need to use wherever they go. No matter where you are, look for available exits. If the alarm system sounds, take it seriously and exit the building immediately.

Use these three steps to help quickly and safely escape a fire:

- Listen for the sound of the smoke alarm. You may have as little as two minutes to escape safely from the time the alarm sounds.
- Stay low and crawl to an exit to avoid smoke inhalation.
- Learn 2 ways out of every room. Have a plan and practice it!

Learn more about fire safety at the Fire Department Open House

Come to the **Northbrook Fire Department Open House** on Saturday, October 12, from 9am to noon, at Fire Station 12, 1840 Shermer Road. *Ample parking is available, across the street at Maurice Sporting Goods, 1825 Shermer Road.*



Remember to Change Your Clocks & Replace Your Smoke Detector Batteries

When you change your clocks for daylight savings time on Sunday, November 3, remember to change your Smoke and CO detector batteries.

- Test the alarms monthly. A smoke or CO detector with a dead or missing battery is the same as having no alarm at all.
- Replace the entire detector every 10 years. Working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in a home fire in half.
- A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat, and fire.
- Large homes may need extra smoke alarms.
- Smoke alarms detect and alert people to a fire in the early stages. The alert can mean the difference between life and death in a fire.
- Install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of the home, including the basement.
- Make sure everyone in the home understands the sound of the smoke alarm and knows how to respond.

A Resourceful Website for Those in Need & Looking for Support Resources

The Community Relations Commission hosts a website at www.northbrookcares.org, to help teens, young adults, or parents who are in need to connect with resources in the community.

On the site, you'll find resources, articles, and other helpful information on mental health and other topics. The site is continuously updated with events and other information, so check back often.



Own IT. Secure IT. Protect IT. October is Cyber Security Awareness Month

Each individual plays an important role in online safety and should take proactive steps to enhance cybersecurity at home and in the workplace.

Own IT: Understand your digital profile

Internet-based devices are present in every aspect of our lives: at home, school, work, and on the go. Constant connection provides opportunities for innovation and modernization, but also presents opportunities for potential cybersecurity threats that can compromise your important personal information.

Understand the devices and applications you use every day to help keep you and your information safe and secure.



Secure IT: Secure your digital profile

Cybercriminals are very good at getting personal information from unsuspecting victims, and the methods are getting more sophisticated as technology evolves. Protect against cyber threats by learning about security features available on the equipment and applications you use. Apply additional layers of security to your devices – like Multi-Factor Authentication – to better protect your personal information.

Protect IT: Maintain your digital profile

Every click, share, send, and post you make creates a digital trail that can be exploited by cybercriminals. To protect yourself from becoming a cybercrime victim you must understand, secure, and maintain your digital profile. Be familiar with and routinely check privacy settings on your accounts to help protect your privacy and limit cybercrimes.

For more security information visit the US Department of Homeland Security at www.dhs.gov/stophinkconnect

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Domestic violence can be defined as a pattern of behavior in any relationship that is used to gain or maintain power and control over an intimate partner.

Nearly three out of four Americans personally know someone who is or has been a victim of domestic violence. Now is time to take a stand and break the cycle. Support survivors and speak out against domestic violence all month long.

Domestic violence includes behaviors that physically harm, arouse fear, and prevent a partner from doing what they wish or force them to behave in ways they do not want.

It can include acts of physical and sexual violence, threats and intimations, emotional abuse and economic deprivation. Many of these different forms of domestic violence can be occurring at any one time within the same relationship.

The devastating consequences of domestic violence can cross generations and last a lifetime.

Remember, each type of abuse is serious, and no one deserves to experience abuse of any kind, for any reason. Contact the following agencies for assistance:

Important Resources for Help

Northbrook Police Department

Emergency - 911

Counseling Services Unit - 847-664-4183

Illinois Coalition Against Domestic

Violence Help Line - 877-863-6338

National Domestic Violence Hotline

800-799-7233

Adult Protective Services

North Shore Senior Center

847-784-6040

Illinois Adult Protective Services Hotline

866-800-1409

Did you know that in Illinois the month of October is known as OAKtober?

Did you know that an oak supports more than 500 species of pollinators, butterflies and moths? And that the White Oak is the Illinois State Tree and the Bebb Oak is the Village's Heritage tree?



Oaks represent strength and stature and create a sense of awe and wonder. These trees work for us by cleaning our air and water, reducing ambient air temperature, and usage of energy. They reduce flooding and support our native wildlife. Our oaks, and trees in general, improve our well-being and support a sense of community.

OAKtober is the Perfect Month to Maintain Your Trees.

Maintenance tip: After November 1, you can safely have your oaks and American elm trees trimmed without concern. The insects that vector fatal diseases, such as Oak Wilt and Dutch Elm Disease, become dormant after this time period and are less likely to be attracted to your oaks and elms.

Cooler temperatures and tree dormancy allow your arborist to assess the tree's architecture more readily so your trees will look and grow better next season.

For a full list of Northbrook's recommended tree replacements, visit www.northbrook.il.us/TreeReplacement

If you would like to plant an Oak on your parkway, look for information about the Spring Cost-Share Tree Planting Program in the February Village newsletter.



Village Happenings

Learn about Chicago's World Fairs: 1893 & 1933 from Ellen Shubart of the Chicago Architecture Center on Thurs., Oct. 3 at 7pm at the library. Reserve a spot by calling 847-272-6224.

Explore how and why teens are lacking resilience and what parents can do to **Help Teens Fail With Purpose** on Thurs., Oct. 3 at 7pm at the library. Reserve a spot.

The North Suburban YMCA will conclude its 50th anniversary celebration with "Fall Fest", on Sat., Oct. 5 from 4 to 10pm at 2705 Techny Rd. Free and open to the public, Family fun for all ages with bounce houses, games, pony rides, bingo, and a "Haunted Trail". Food, beer, and wine will be available for purchase. Live music by Northside.

The NGSA House League registration is open for girls 2nd- 9th grade. Visit www.northbrooksoftball.com for more info.

Mother-Son Date Night Enjoy a pizza dinner and superhero-themed entertainment from 6-8pm, Fri., Oct. 4 at the Northbrook Park District Leisure Center, 3323 Walters Ave. Cost is \$49 res/\$65/non. Register at www.nbparks.org

On Wed., Oct. 9 at 11:15am at North Suburban YMCA, **learn how to navigate the maze of long term care options available**. Free and open to the public. Pre-registration requested; RSVP to 847-272-7250 or online at www.nsymca.org

Northbrook Farmers Market, corner of Cherry and Meadow, is closing for the season. The last day is Wed., October 9. Li'l Pumpkins special event! Come in costume and bring the little ones! Sponsored by NorthShore University HealthSystem, free pumpkin decorating for kids ages 3 to 6 (must be present).

The public is invited to share stories, poetry, or music for the library's **Open Mic Night** on Thurs., Oct. 10 at 7pm. Reserve a spot. Contact fictionmedia@northbrook.info to be a performer

The Cat in the Hat -A mischievous cat along with Thing One and Thing Two take over the stage at Northbrook Theatre, 3323 Walters Ave., Oct. 12-Nov. 3, with weekend and weekday performances available. Tickets \$14. For details visit www.nbparks.org/tickets

Celebrate Autumnfest from 2-6pm at Meadowhill Park, 1479 Maple Ave. on Sat., Oct. 12. The free fest features hayrides, storytelling, a bonfire with s'mores, pumpkin patch, children's entertainment, and a variety of other fall activities!

Stream TV and movies to your screen using an Internet connection and a streaming device. Learn to Cut the Cable on Mon., Oct. 14 at 7pm at the library. Reserve a spot by calling 847-272-6224.

The Northbrook Symphony Orchestra, presents Passing the Baton: From Mastro Rapchak to Maestro Zikri! on Sun., Oct. 13, at 4 pm, at the Sheely Center (GBN). For tickets, visit www.northbrooksophony.org or call 847-272-0755.

Hearing and Your Balance Seminar on Mon., Oct. 14 at 11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at North Suburban YMCA followed by Free Hearing Screenings from 12:00 -2:00 p.m. at North Suburban YMCA. Pre-registration requested; RSVP to 847-272-7250 or online at www.nsymca.org

Lunch and a Movie on Tues., Oct. 15 from noon-3pm at the Northbrook Park District Senior Center, 3323 Walters Ave., to see At Eternity's Gate. This film is a journey inside the mind of Vincent Van Gogh. Register at www.nbparks.org or call 847-291-2995.

Learn All About Bats on Tue., Oct. 15 at 10am at the library. A mammalogist with the Illinois Bat Conservation Program will discuss why bats are so crucial to our ecosystem. Reserve a spot.

The library's **Environmental Book Club** will discuss Mary Robinson's Climate Justice on Tue., Oct. 15 at 7pm. Books are available at the Reference desk a month before the discussion. Reserve a spot.

Dealing with Alzheimer's seminar on Wed., Oct. 16 at 11:15 a.m. at North Suburban YMCA. Pre-registration requested; RSVP to 847-272-7250 or online at www.nsymca.org

Knitting and Crocheting Club meets Wednesdays from 10am-noon at the Northbrook Park District Senior Center. Open to all skill levels. Yarn donations are welcome. For information, call 847-291-2995.

Nutrition for Women: Unique Considerations on Thurs., Oct. 17 at 11:15 a.m. at North Suburban YMCA. Pre-registration requested; RSVP to 847-272-7250 or online at www.nsymca.org

Ever wondered why Queen Elizabeth "reigns" but doesn't "rule"? Learn this and more at the library's All Things British program on Thurs., Oct. 17 at 7pm. Reserve a spot by calling 847-272-6224.

Hear Chicago author and historian Richard Lindberg discuss the **100th Anniversary of the Chicago Black Sox Scandal** on Sat., Oct. 19 at 2pm at the library. Reserve a spot by calling 847-272-6224.

Discover creative writing techniques to make your characters come alive with short story writer Sarah Kokermot in a two-part workshop at 1pm at the library on Saturdays, Oct. 19 and 26. Reserve a spot.

Learn about the Electoral College's history and its impact on democracy on Mon., Oct. 21 at 7pm at the library. Reserve a spot by calling 847-272-6224.

Healing Shoulder Pain Naturally on Mon., Oct. 21 at 11:15 a.m. at North Suburban YMCA. Free and open to the public. Pre-registration requested; RSVP to 847-272-7250 or online at www.nsymca.org

Learn about Bullet Journals and how you can use them to help you accomplish goals on Tue., Oct. 22 at 7pm at the library. Reserve a spot.

50 Tips on Dating After Divorce on Wed., Oct. 23 at 11:15 a.m. at North Suburban YMCA. Free and open to the public. Pre-registration requested; RSVP to 847-272-7250 or online at www.nsymca.org

Hy Speck brings an encore presentation of legendary musicians Frank Sinatra, Barbra Streisand, Bette Midler, Sammy Davis Jr., and Tony Bennett on Thurs., Oct. 24 at 2pm at the library. Reserve a spot.

Book group discussion: Raising White Kids: Bringing Up Children in a Racially Unjust America by Jennifer Harvey on Thurs., Oct. 24 from 7-8:30pm. Northbrook Public Library and R.A.I.N. Registration required. Call 847-272-6224.

Understanding Rheumatoid Arthritis will be the topic on Mon., Oct. 28 at 11:15 a.m. at North Suburban YMCA. Free and open to the public. Pre-registration requested; RSVP to 847-272-7250 or online at www.nsymca.org

The library's 27th season of Fine Arts Fall is back on Sundays at 3pm with a stellar lineup. Visit www.northbrook.info/fine-arts-fall for the full details.

Throughout Oct., the library's Wed. Film Series, screened at 2pm and 7pm, showcases a **Celebration of Cultures**, featuring films including Spain's Gloria and South Korea's Burning. Reserve a spot.

Stop by the library for a demonstration on **how to Digitize 8mm/Super8 film** on Thurs., Oct. 31 at 10:30am or 6pm. Demo only; do not bring film to digitize.

The Park District Senior Center's Lending Closet loans free medical equipment for up to three months. For more info, call 847-291-2988.

Find Halloween and Fall decor, unique collectibles, estate and contemporary jewelry, greeting cards, baby quilts, sweaters and more at the North Shore Senior Center's Shop at the Center (161 Northfield Road). Donations are always welcome. Call 847-784-0635 for more information.

The **Northbrook Park District Senior Center**, 3323 Walters Ave., offers a wide variety of programs for adults age 65 and over. For information or to schedule a tour, call 847-291-2995 or visit www.nbparks.org

Save the Date! The Artists Studio Tour is Sat., Nov. 9, from Noon to 4pm. Visitors are invited to start the tour at the Village Green Center, 1810 Walters Ave.

TotalLink2 Community, a Northbrook non-profit providing opportunities for people with disabilities presents their gala, The Revelry, on Nov 8. Join them as a sponsor, make a donation or purchase your tickets today, www.totallink2.org for more details.



Artwork by Plein Air Artist Henryk Ptasiewicz

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Historian's Corner

The Traveling Building and Bar Reunited

Reflections from Historical Society President Judy Hughes

In 1973, the newly formed Northbrook Historical Society was offered a decrepit, aging gem of a building as a possible new home – just one caveat, the building needed to be moved from the corner of Waukegan and Shermer roads where it stood since 1894, or it would be torn down.

Despite the many obstacles of moving and rehabbing the building, then known as Bartelme's Northfield Inn, the Society members enthusiastically said "yes, we will do this."

Whether the building was torn down or moved to become Museum property, it was coming off the tax rolls. The Museum is an example of redevelopment and how the community's equalized assessed value (EAV) tax value rose with that move. Redevelopment of the site at Waukegan and Shermer roads added a large three-unit condominium complex to the tax rolls whose EAV far exceeded the value of the old Inn.

After securing a place to move the building, and the money to rehab it, the day finally came for the "Big Move" to happen. It was very cold that January 17, 1975 when the building slowly rolled down the moraine and across Village Green Park to rest until the new foundation and lower level could be built the following spring.

Just as the building traveled, so did many of its contents. Over the years, people who purchased items at the Bartelme's *Going Out of Business Sale* in January 1974 have brought the items they purchased back to the Society and asked if we wanted to add them to our collection. Among the Bartelme artifacts are the first back bar, dishes, a couch, and business paperwork. Recently, a lovely carved bed was added to the collection.

Here's the Amazing Part!

In May 2019, after 45 years, the largest and most traveled of the artifacts was donated to the Museum after a journey of approximately 2100 miles. The front bar, the second back bar, and a display hutch, complete with Northbrook business license decals on it, are now on display. Their return has dramatically changed the Museum. These items were used until the Inn closed.



Stop by the Northbrook History Museum, 1776 Walters Ave. on a Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. to see these historic artifacts and learn more about how this amazing donation came about.