

NORTHBROOK

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Northbrook's Earth & Arbor Day Celebration!

Saturday, April 21, 8:30am–2:00pm, Rain or Shine on the Village Green

You'll find fresh ideas and cost effective, earth-friendly ways to conserve energy, save money and help the environment at Northbrook's Earth and Arbor Day Celebration! Don't miss this opportunity to meet over 60 exhibitors promoting

earth-friendly ideas and concepts to implement in your home or business. This will include home weatherization measures, renewable energy ideas, information on regional organic farmers, local utilities and environmentally friendly products.

Kick-off the Day by Participating in the Community Clean-up!

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Electrical Aggregation Referendum Passed

Northbrook residents said “yes” to giving the Village authority to negotiate electricity rates on their behalf by approving an electrical aggregation referendum. As a resident, you may be wondering what happens next.

Several items need to be approved by the Board of Trustees before an electrical aggregation program can commence. The Board needs to approve an Ordinance establishing the program, a Plan of Operation and Governance which acts as a management plan for the program, and a contract with the selected alternate supplier.

A Special Board Meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, April 3 at 8:30pm to consider these items. Upon approval, Village staff and the North Shore Electricity Aggregation Consortium will be working to allow residents will see a savings on their summer bills. Prior to the switch-over, residents will receive ample notification on the new program and how to opt-out should they chose to.

Please visit www.northbrook.il.us/electricalaggregation for more details or contact Assistant Village Manager Philip Kiraly at 847/664-4012 or Management Analyst Kendal Maltas at 847/664-4017.

YARD WASTE PICK-UP

Yard Waste pick-up resumed.
Visit www.northbrook.il.us/Green for details about where to purchase stickers for new rate of \$2.05 each.



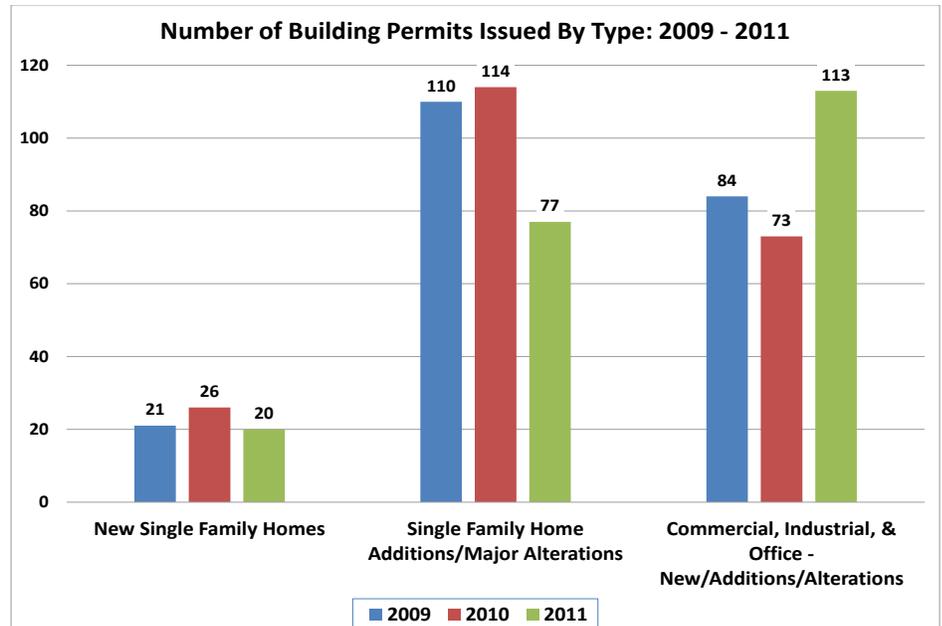
Business Briefs

Northbrook Building Permit Activity

The graph to the right, depicts the number of building permits that have been issued for single family homes, major home additions and work in our commercial, office and industrial areas. Though the overall construction activity seems to be leveling, residential construction activity, particularly for home additions, has experienced significant declines in terms of the number of permits issued.

Since experiencing significant declines between 2008 and 2009, overall construction activity in the Village has remained relatively stable over the last few years.

While the residential construction sector continues to face challenges, commercial, industrial, and office construction permit activity experienced a significant increase between 2009 and 2011. We will have to wait and see if these trends continue into 2012 or will an uptick in the economy lead to an even greater increase in building activity.



New Businesses

Please welcome the following new businesses to Northbrook:

I Accessories

Northbrook Court

TMD Creations

Iarca Gallery

Northbrook Court

Avi Leather

Northbrook Court

Payton Rose

2760 Dundee

Added Incentive

600 Academy Drive #130

Gluckenheimer

5 Revere Drive #110

Goodman Distribution

3600 Woodhead Dr.

NorthShore Health

Solutions - 1444 Techny

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



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NORTHBROOK

Experience the Forefront of the North Shore.

If you have questions or suggestions about business development in Northbrook, please contact David Schoon, Economic Development Coordinator at 847/664-4052 or david.schoon@northbrook.il.us



Notes from Village President Sandy Frum



During the past several months, the Village Board has been discussing the future of Northbrook and how best to comprehensively address two main issues in our community: funding of core services and flooding. This all comes together in the proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year 2012/13, which begins May 1.

A copy of the proposed 2012/2013 Annual Village Budget is available for public inspection on our Village website at www.northbrook.il.us/Budget, at the Northbrook

Public Library, and at the Village Hall during business hours. Please consider participating in the budget process by attending the public hearing and providing input on Tuesday, April 10, at 7:30pm at the Village Hall. The meeting will be cablecast live on NCTV – Comcast Cable Channel 17 (AT&T customers must access channel 99 and search Northbrook in the menu), replayed the following day, and on Sunday, April 15, at 9am and 7pm. You can also watch the meeting live or “on demand” on our website at www.northbrook.il.us – Just click on “meetings and agendas” on the right hand side of the page.

Suburban Concerns about NATO Summit

With leaders from as many as 70 countries expected to attend the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Summit in downtown Chicago May 20 & 21, the Northbrook Police Department is working with other surrounding communities to be prepared for possible problems that could arise from protestors. Northbrook Police, along with area law enforcement agencies, are working in collaboration with the FBI and other federal and state agencies. We are asking residents and businesses to be on alert for unusual or suspicious activity as there are concerns that protests could spill into the suburbs. Anyone witnessing anything suspicious should call 911. To receive direct phone or e-mail communication about this and other community alerts, individuals and businesses are advised to register their cell phones and email addresses on the Village’s Northbrook Notify system. Information about how to register is available on the website www.northbrook.il.us/NorthbrookNotify

Village Events for Everyone

Our Village Commissions have a variety of events planned for 2012. The Community Relations Commission will present a panel discussion featuring Korean Woman in America on April 30 (see page 4) and a Taste of Asia event featuring local food vendors, Asian dance and music, in addition to a very special culture and artifact display on Sunday, May 6. (See page 7). For a complete list of Northbrook Village Events, visit our website at www.northbrook.il.us/AnnualEvents

Help Keep Northbrook Green – Celebrate Earth Day

This month, I invite everyone to help clean-up our Village and participate in our Earth and Arbor Day celebration on Saturday, April 21. This is also a perfect time to take advantage of the multiple recycling collection opportunities and learn about ways to keep our Village Green. Check out the full schedule of events on page 5.

Speaking of recycling, did you know the Village collects used household batteries, small electronics and CFL light bulbs at the Village Hall, Library, internally in each Village Department, Earth Day and during the monthly “First Tuesday” recycling collection? Last year we collected about 18,000 pounds of batteries. During 2011 the Village collected 55,719 pounds of e-waste. We partner with Northfield Township Road District for latex and oil base paint, tires and structured Styrofoam recycling. In 2011 we collected three semi trailers full of paint. For more information on recycling visit www.northbrook.il.us/Green

Remember to STOP for Pedestrians in Crosswalks

Please note that drivers are required to come to a complete stop for pedestrians in all crosswalks. (Yes, even those in unmarked crosswalks.) Help keep our community safe.

I always welcome your comments, concerns and suggestions. Please call the Village Hall at 847/272-5050, ext. 5301, or send an e-mail to village@northbrook.il.us



April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Make Children a Priority

What Constitutes Child Abuse?

- Physical Abuse - An injury to the child that is not an accident such as beating, burning, biting, shaking, kicking, cutting or punching.
- Emotional Abuse - Maltreatment of the a child such as insulting, rejecting, manipulating, criticizing, screaming or withholding love.
- Sexual Abuse - Any sexual contact with a child including pornography, photographs/films, rape, or fondling.
- Neglect Failure to provide for a child's basic physical, emotional, medical or educational needs.

*You may be a child's
only lifeline to safety.
Please pay attention
to the treatment of
children around you.*

What Can I Do?

If you suspect abuse, please report it. Below are the numbers to call.

Illinois Child Abuse Hotline

800-25-ABUSE (800/252-2873)
800/358-5117 (TTY)

Northbrook Police Department

911 Emergency

For additional information

www.preventchildabuseillinois.org

National Take Back Initiative

All are invited to Participate in this initiative by Disposing of Unused Prescription Drugs

Bring your unwanted, unused over the counter and prescription medications to the Northbrook Police Station front lot at 1401 Landwehr Road on Saturday, April 28, 10am to 2pm.

Last year, as part of a nationwide effort, the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) sponsored a National Take Back Initiative and collected over 377,086 pounds (188.5 tons) of unwanted or expired medications for safe and proper disposal.

Please note: The Village continues to be a sponsor of the "Save-A-Star" program, whose purpose is to collect and safely dispose of unwanted and unused medications. The "Save-A-Star" collection box, located in the lobby of the Police Department, is accessible 24 hours a day throughout the year.

Korean Women Past and Future in America

The Northbrook Community Relations Commission will present a panel discussion on the role of Korean women past and future in America, on Monday, April 30, 7pm at the Library Auditorium. The panel features Korean women in philanthropic work, business, religion,

culture and medical fields in America. The Korean Women's Choir will perform a few songs.

Refreshments, courtesy of Sunset Foods, will be served.



Earth & Arbor Day activities begin at 8:30am at the Village Green, at the corner of Shermer and Meadow.

Calling all volunteers! Clean-up teams will be assigned specific areas to collect debris and windblown trash.

The Park District will join the Village of Northbrook in a community clean-up on April 21 in honor of Earth Day. Clean-up volunteers should meet at Village Green Park at 8:30am to sign up, receive supplies and join a Village team. The Park District Prairie Dawg Team will clean up Techny Prairie Park and Fields. For more information call 847/664-4016.

Between 9:30am and 2pm, after the clean-up, the Northbrook Village Green will be bustling with excitement as everyone enjoys the exhibits, food and entertainment. For more information, please visit www.northbrook.il.us or call 847/664-4016.

Earth & Arbor Day Schedule of Events for Saturday, April 21 Free Fun for Everyone on the Village Green

8:30am:

- Registration for Clean-up Begins: Clean-up teams collect debris in designated areas

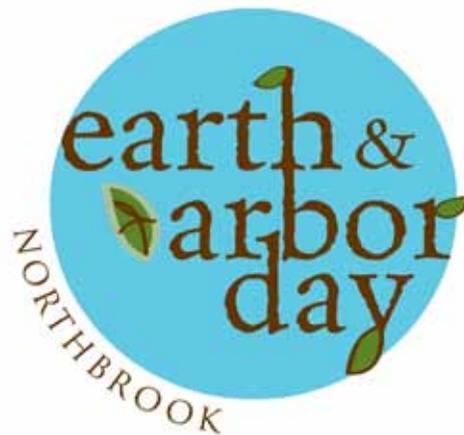
9:30am - 2pm:

- Free Tree Seedlings & a Chance to Win a Tree
- Environmental Exhibits highlighting new “green” services, products and ideas
- Children’s Activities including Pony Rides
- Healthy Foods
- Music by local performers!

Noon:

- Reclaimed Wood Sawmill Demonstration

Earth Day Sponsors: Village of Northbrook, Northbrook Park District, Veolia Environmental Services, Northfield Township, Do It Best Hardware, Underwriters Laboratories, Northbrook Bank & Trust, Glenwood Tree Service, Red’s Garden Center, Sunset Foods & Starbucks



Earth Day Special Recycling at New Location:

Collection at the **west side** commuter lot by the Northbrook METRA station.

- ▶ Paint (Oil and Latex Only. Sorry, no thinners or solvents)
- ▶ Molded Styrofoam
- ▶ Tires
- ▶ CFL and Tube Fluorescent Bulbs
- ▶ Printer Cartridges
- ▶ Household Batteries
- ▶ Computers, TVs, Electronics
- ▶ New & Used Sports Gear for Shelter Donation
- ▶ Residential On-site Document Shredding



A Northbrook Fine Arts Festival

Join us for an artful experience! Mark your calendar for this event at the Village Green Park on Saturday and Sunday, July 14 and 15. Volunteers are needed! Call 847/664-4017. Set in the picturesque Village Green, Art in the Park – A Northbrook Fine Arts Festival presents the highest quality in fine art and craft. In addition to the many artists and artwork, the festival will include food vendors, live music, children’s activities, a silent art auction and more.

Are you an Artist? For information and applications, please contact EM Events, Inc., 630/536-8416 or www.emevents.com

What's Playing? On NCTV Channel 17

Check out the April schedule for Northbrook Community Television:

7:30am & 3:30pm

2002 Cemetery Walk – The Northbrook Historical Society presents an encore presentation of the 1st Annual Northbrook History Cemetery Walk.

9:30am & 5:30pm

Spotlight on Northbrook Arts – Host Terry O. Luc interviews Northbrook artist Heeyoung Kim.

10am & 6pm

Choosing to Act: Stories of Rescue – Honoring the National Days of Remembrance. Presented by the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum

11am, 7 & 11pm

Our Environment; If Not Now, When?
Host Dr. Lewis Cohen visits the 2011 Earth and Arbor Day.

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

Northbrook! The Video Newsletter

12pm, 8pm & midnight

Talk Around Town with Jack & Susan
This month, AARP Driver Safety Program Instructor Bruce Rayman is featured.

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

NCDAA FOCUS – Young Drivers: The High Risk Years.

1pm & 9pm

NCDAA Parenting Series – *Raising Respectful, Responsible & Resilient Children in a World of Privilege* with Lauren Bondy and Karen Jacobson.



Solicitors at Your Door and on the Phone

Every year, especially during the spring and summer months, the Northbrook Police Department receives calls from residents concerned about the number of solicitors going door to door.

The law guarantees solicitors the right to solicit in the Village; however they must abide by the regulations in the Village ordinance governing solicitation. The Police Department screens all solicitor permit requests before a permit is issued.

Door to door solicitation permits fall into two categories:

- Commercial – Commercial permits are issued to solicitors that are selling goods and services door to door. This would include people hanging flyers on your doorknobs. Commercial solicitors should have a Village permit with their photo on it with the name of the company and dates for which the permit is valid.
- Not for Profit or Charitable Groups – This category includes religious and political groups that are asking for donations. By law, they do not need a permit to solicit, but they do need to prove to the Village that they are a charitable organization in good standing with the Attorney General's office. Those that contact the Police Department are issued a letter acknowledging their request to be in Northbrook and are advised as to the regulations set forth in our ordinance.

Permits are not required for all door-to-door solicitors. People who come to your door and do *not* ask you for any donations, such as political candidates or certain religious organizations, do *not* need any type of permit or acknowledgement from the Police Department.



Those who do not want their privacy disturbed should display a "NO SOLICITORS" sign on their property.

"No Solicitors" signs/stickers can be obtained at local hardware stores or made up by homeowners. If you have a "No Solicitors" or any other similar notice on your property, a solicitor should not ring your doorbell or hang any type of flyer on your door handle, no matter under what category they fall.

If residents have any questions concerning solicitors, call 847/664-4425.

Phone Solicitors

The National Do Not Call Registry at www.donotcall.gov gives you the opportunity to limit the number of telemarketing calls received over the phone. Most telemarketers should not call your telephone number once it has been on the registry for 31 days. If they do, you can file a complaint on the Do Not Call website or by calling 888/382-1222. The Village does not regulate phone solicitations.

To add your number to the National Do Not Call Registry call 888/382-1222 from the phone you wish to register.

Village Happenings

The **Northbrook Garden Club** will present the program: "Three French Gardens: Artist, Connoisseur, and Prince" on Tues., Apr. 3, 12:30pm at Northbrook Civic, 2002 Walters Ave. Guests are welcome. On Tues., May 1 the club presents a program on Hostas. Questions? Please email: info:nbkgardenclub@gmail.com

The **Northbrook Woman's Club** will meet at noon on Thurs., Apr. 5 at the Northbrook Park District Sports Center, 1730 Pflugsten Rd. Kellie O'Brien from English Gardens Limited will present. Call 847/559-8997 for reservations.

"No Dogs Allowed!" – is the spring production from the **Northbrook Musical Theatre for Young Audiences** on Saturdays at 10:30am and 1pm, April 7 - May 19. Tickets at the Box Office, online at northbrooktheatre.org or by phone at 847/291-2367. Tickets are \$8/\$10.

An **AARP driving program** on April 9 and 10 from 9am-1pm can guide adults toward safer driving habits. The fee is \$12 for AARP members, \$14 for non-members. Call 847/291-2988 for details.

The new **Bright Star Theatre Company**, designed for teens and young adults with special needs, will perform **"The Princess and the Pea"** on Sat., Apr. 14 at 4pm and Sun., Apr. 15 at 12:30pm at the Northbrook Theatre. Tickets are \$8 and \$10. For more information, visit nbparks.org or call 847/291-2995.

Family Sports Nights begin on April 14 at the new Greenbriar Gym. Enjoy sports activities from 6-8pm on Saturday nights with a different theme each week, starting with basketball. The seven-week program is \$75/residents and \$95/non-residents. For more info, visit nbparks.org or call 847/291-2995.

The **Batting Cages at Techny Prairie Park and Fields** will swing open on Sat., Apr. 14, weather permitting. Hours are: 4-9pm Mon.-Fri., 10am-8pm on Sat. and noon-8pm on Sun. Twelve pitches for \$1. Call 847/291-2980.

Help needed for a **community service project** assembling kits containing personal care items for people around the world affected by natural disasters on Sun., Apr. 15, 11:30am-1pm or call 847/272-0400 to register. Sponsored by Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 1133 Pflugsten Rd. or make a financial donation (\$5 per kit). All ages welcome.

The **Northbrook Symphony** presents "Olympian Genius," on Sun., April 15 at 4p at the Sheely Center at GBN. Guest pianist George LePauw will perform, using a Yamaha high-tech piano. Free pre-concert lecture starting at 2:30pm. For more details visit www.northbrooksymphony.org or call 847/272-0755.

2 Special Back-to-Back **Classical Concerts** in April at the Library – The Elaris Duo on Sun., Apr. 15, 2pm and Pianist Norman Lee, Mon., April 16, at 7:30pm.

The **11th annual Krolak Cup** will be held at the Northbrook Sports Center from April 16-22 for an International hockey and friendship tournament. Teams of junior high school players from Sweden will compete against local players. The games are open to everyone. For more info call 847/291-2993.

Children of the Holocaust – Tues., April 17, 2pm, Library Auditorium – Dr. Gertrude Pollitt, a certified psychoanalyst and holocaust survivor shares her experiences. Program is co-sponsored by the Friends.

Autism Discussion for Parents – Sat., Apr. 21, 10am at the Northbrook Library. Join our parent panel for an open discussion about their experiences parenting children with autism.

A Tribute to the Civilian Conservation Corps – Mon., Apr. 23, 7pm at the Library Auditorium - Bill Jamerson, author and songwriter shares the stories and songs of these men and their work. Program co-sponsored by the Friends and the Northbrook Historical Society.

Reminiscing with Larry -On April 24 at 1pm at the Leisure Center, adults can revisit the Big Bands, enjoy music played at the Aragon, Edgewater Beach Hotel and other ballrooms. Fee is \$10 members/ for Senior Center members and \$15 for non-members. Call 847/291-2988 for reservations.

The **Park District Board of Commissioners** meets on Wed., Apr. 25 at 7pm in the Little Theatre of the Leisure Center, 3323 Walters Ave. The public is welcome to attend. Agendas are posted online at nbparks.org in the About Us section, under Board of Commissioners.

Stop by the Village Hall during business hours and visit the **Village Gallery** featuring Northbrook Artists. This month the display case in the lobby will feature recycled art by Northbrook Artist Brian Martin in celebration of Earth Day.

The **Northbrook Nurses Club** has scholarships available to Northbrook residents enrolled in an accredited school of nursing. Call 847/564-4866. Deadline May 1.

Calling All Bands!-April 30 is the deadline to apply to be part of **Rock the Green, Battle of the Northbrook Youth Bands**. The competition takes place Fri., June 8. Applications at nbparks.org or call 847/291-2995.

The **Northbrook Park District Senior Center**, located at 3323 Walters Avenue, offers a wide variety of programs and classes for adults, age 55 and over. Most programs are held at the Senior Center unless otherwise noted. For information and reservations, call 847/291-2988, visit nbparks.org, or stop by the Senior Center. Try something new!

The **Northbrook Park District Choir** rehearses on Thursday mornings at the Leisure Center under the direction of former concert pianist Evelyn Binz. The Park Larks choir is looking for new members; there is no charge to join, and all voice parts are welcome.

The **Northbrook Woman's Club Foundation** offers scholarships to Northbrook residents who are graduating from high school or who are current college/technical school students. Applications are at the guidance office of Glenbrook North or apply through Naviance account.

Northbrook Public Library announces **Call to Artists** for the 10th Annual Juried Art Exhibition, "Journeys," to be held Oct. 12 - Nov. 30. Application deadline: May 31. Artists 18 years and older, working in all 2-D and 3-D art media, may submit digital entries. Call 847/272-7074 or visit www.northbrook.info/journeys

The **Sixth Annual Ken and Alta Thiel Strong Kids Dinner** on Wednesday, May 16 at Allgauer's Restaurant in the Hilton-Northbrook. This community event supports the Y's Strong Kids fund, enabling families in financial need to participate in the YMCA's programs. For more information on the dinner or to make a donation, call Tara Bilby at 847/272-7250, or visit www.nsymca.org.

SAVE THE DATE! The **"Taste of Asia"** festival will be held on Sun., May 6, from 1-4pm, at the North Suburban YMCA. The annual event, which is open to the public with free admission, will feature art exhibitions and demonstrations, music and dance performances, and a wide selection of delicious dishes to sample. The festival is presented by the Northbrook Community Relations Commission.



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Historian's Corner

presented by the Northbrook Historical Society

Northbrook's Outdoor Public Art

Nestled in the brick plaza at the entrance to the Village Green Park at the corner of Shermer and Meadow roads are three sculptures erected in 2001 to honor the Village of Northbrook Centennial. Another sculpture by the same artist, James Haire, stands beside the memorial dedicated to Northbrook service men who gave their lives in defenses of the country while serving in war and peacetime in the Military. These four sculptures in the Village Green Park are just a sampling of the outdoor public art in our Village.

Northbrook's first public art, "Steel Sculpture," created by world-renowned sculptor Abbott L. Pattison (1916 - 1999), was dedicated to the Northbrook Library in 1970. Now located on Cherry across the river from the Library, it is one of

more than 20 Pattison sculptures located in parks, libraries and public spaces in the Chicago area. His work is also in many private collections, as well as at the Art Institute of Chicago, the San Francisco Museum of Art, the Whitney Museum of Art in New York City, the Israeli State Museum in Jerusalem, the U.S. Embassy in Venezuela and Buckingham Palace in London, England.

Another of Pattison's works was outside of the Culligan International headquarters and is now part of the Northbrook Historical Society Collection.

Outdoor art enhances our lives. It often hints through design or material something about the decade or purpose for which it was created.

www.northbrookhistory.org



Northbrook's first outdoor public art sculpture can be found at the Northbrook Public Library. Please send your photos of Northbrook Public Art to northbrookhistory@comcast.net