

# NORTHBROOK

APRIL 2017



## Don't Miss this Year's Earth & Arbor Day Celebration!

Saturday, April 22, 8:30am–noon, Rain or Shine, Village Green Park

In addition to a variety of recycling opportunities listed on page 5, you'll find fresh ideas and cost effective ways to conserve energy, save money and help the environment at Northbrook's Earth & Arbor Day Celebration on Saturday, April 22.

The Earth & Arbor Day Expo will feature exhibitors promoting eco-friendly ideas to implement in your home or business. This will include renewable energy concepts, home weatherization, environmentally friendly products and information from local utility companies.

Participate in the Community Clean-up & Recycling!

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## Celebrate Diversity throughout April

The Northbrook Community Relations Commission and Northbrook Public Library are sponsoring a Celebration of Cultures Film Series and Faire.

On Sunday, April 23, the Community Relations Commission will hold the second annual Celebration of Cultures Faire. This free family event will be held from 2 to 4pm at the North Suburban YMCA, 2705 Techny Road. Take advantage of this opportunity to experience and appreciate the variety of cultural backgrounds of people living and working in the North Shore.

The celebration will include dancing, singing, cultural art, artifacts and traditional costumes, as well as an opportunity to taste customary foods and talk to representatives of various cultures. You'll be inspired by the richness of the variety of ethnic backgrounds represented in our community as you learn about the different cultures.

For information visit [www.northbrook.il.us/CelebrateCulture](http://www.northbrook.il.us/CelebrateCulture)

### Wednesday Foreign Film Series

On Wednesdays throughout April, the Northbrook Public Library's Film Series will feature foreign films. Each film will be shown at 1pm and 7:30pm each Wednesday. For a full schedule, please visit the Library's website at [www.northbrook.info](http://www.northbrook.info)

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### LOCAL ELECTIONS - APRIL 4

Vote on Tuesday, April 4, at your precinct polling location from 6am to 7pm. Visit [www.cookcountyclerk.com/elections](http://www.cookcountyclerk.com/elections) or call 312-603-0906.



# Business Briefs

## Recent Development Activity in Northbrook

The following is a quick snapshot of major development activity in the Village:

### Mixed Use Development & Commercial Development

Construction has been completed on the *NorthShore 770* mixed-use development project located at the northwest corner of Dundee Road and Skokie Boulevard. Occupancy in the residential apartment building continues to grow.

Site improvements will soon begin on the mixed-use development project located at 1000 Skokie Boulevard, which is located on the east side of Skokie, South of Sunset Ridge Road. Construction on the *Life Time Fitness* facility will begin first, followed by the 5-story, 304-unit luxury apartment complex by the Finger Company. At this time, it appears that the *Children's Learning Adventure* early childhood center will not be proceeding as part of the development. Whatever use would replace that facility will require Village Board approval.

Construction continues on the new three-story building that is part of the *Village Green Center* on Shermer Road across from Village Green Park in downtown Northbrook. The building will include 10 apartment units on the second and third floors and 2,400 square feet of commercial space on the first floor with enclosed parking located behind the commercial space. Tenants for the commercial space have not yet been announced.

Construction continues on the *The Lock-Up Self Storage* facility located on the south corner of the intersection of Sunset Ridge Road and Skokie Boulevard. Once completed, the 120,000 square foot, three-story building will house nearly 950 individual storage units that would be accessed from inside of the building.

The Village Board recently approved a proposed 6,700-square foot multi-tenant building on the northeast corner of Dundee Road and Anthony Trail. Once the applicant applies for and receives building permit approval, they could begin construction.

### Residential Development

*Kogen Zivin Friedman* continues construction of homes in its 21-unit detached single-family home development on a 6.8-acre site located in the 3800 block of Dundee Road. Four homes are currently constructed with more to begin construction soon.

Edward R. James Homes has begun construction of its new 32-unit single-family home development on the 15.9-acre site at the northeast corner of Waukegan and Voltz roads. The building permit for the first home has been issued with more to follow.

Staff is currently in the process of reviewing the final planned development plans for the *Jacobs Companies* proposed 68-unit townhome development at 1179-1291 Shermer Road in downtown Northbrook (across from the Bank of America building). Once staff determines the application is ready for review by the Plan Commission, a public hearing will be set.

The Village Board recently reviewed a preliminary application for a proposed seven-lot subdivision by *Single Source Construction* located on the northeast corner of Dundee and Greenwood Roads. The next step would be for the applicant to submit a formal application, which will require a Plan Commission public hearing and consideration by the Village Board for final approvals.

### Senior Housing

The Essex Corporation will soon begin construction on Phase 4 of *The Lodge*, an independent senior housing development, located near the intersection of Founder Drive and Kamp Road. Phase 4 will be located north of the existing building and contain approximately 50 additional units.

Koelsch Senior Communities have completed construction of their proposed 69-bed *Northbrook Inn Memory Care* facility, located behind J. Alexander's restaurant along Lake Cook Road, between I-294 and Sanders Road. The facility is currently accepting residents.

The proposed three-story, 96-unit *Heritage Woods* assisted living facility at the southwest corner of Techny Road and Shermer Road was reviewed by the Plan Commission, but the applicant has asked for time to consider the comments made during the public hearing on this item. The date of the next public hearing on this proposal is not known at this time. Before the matter can be reviewed by the Plan Commission, a new public notice will be necessary.

## New Businesses

Northbrook welcomes the following new businesses to the community:

**Holicare Acupuncture**  
3100 Dundee Rd. Suite 402

**Silver Corner**  
Northbrook Court

**Lovitt Blind & Drapery**  
3157 Dundee Road

**Leg Moon**  
Northbrook Court

**Sanders Nail**  
4183 Dundee Road

**VIP Shades**  
Northbrook Court

**Tactic Sports Performance**  
1885 Holste Road

If you have questions or suggestions about business development in Northbrook, please contact David Schoon, Economic Development Coordinator, at 847-664-4052 or email [david.schoon@northbrook.il.us](mailto:david.schoon@northbrook.il.us)





# Notes from Village President Sandy Frum



Recently, I was asked to describe Northbrook in a short paragraph for a regional publication. Because our Village has so much to offer, I found it to be a little bit of a challenge based on the space constraints. I started out with a statement I have used in the past to introduce Northbrook: “For people who value community, family and opportunity, the Village of Northbrook provides a myriad of ways to pursue life’s rewards. Our village is comprised of beautiful quiet tree-lined neighborhoods; nationally recognized schools; diverse houses of worship; abundant open space and excellent recreational opportunities, all amidst one of Chicagoland’s premier retail and business hubs.”

In addition to talking about our access to transportation, including highways and railroads and our close proximity to two

airports, I went on to capture the essence of our Village and the unity within. “Family oriented local festivals and events, many held within the quaint surroundings of a real ‘Village Green’ nestled within the downtown area, provide opportunities for residents and visitors to enjoy the hometown feel of Northbrook. The Village is a civic-minded community with an array of organizations committed to enhancing the quality of life for those who call Northbrook home.” Being inclusive and friendly to all residents in Northbrook has been our tradition. Embracing all cultures and lifestyles are what add to the unity of our Village.

## **Celebrating Cultures in our Village**

This month the Northbrook Community Relations Commission presents a Celebration of Cultures Faire on Sunday, April 23, from 2 to 4:00pm, at the North Suburban YMCA. At this event, residents will have an opportunity to enjoy a variety of cultural traditions from art and song, to dance and customary foods. I encourage you and your family to attend. I’d also like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Community Relations Commission for all their time and effort in planning this special event. As part of the Celebration, the Northbrook Library will also be featuring foreign films on Wednesdays in April.

## **Celebrating the Arts and Northbrook’s Art Community**

This year marks the 15th Year of the Northbrook Originals Exhibit at the Northbrook Library. The exhibit features the works of artists that live in our community. I’d like to thank the Northbrook Arts Commission members and the Library staff for their time coordinating this beautiful display which will be featured throughout the library until May 31. For details, please see the front page and page 4.

If you are interested in serving on any of our Commissions or Advisory Boards, you can find information and on how to apply at [www.northbrook.il.us/CommissionInfo](http://www.northbrook.il.us/CommissionInfo)

## **Celebrating Earth and Arbor Day**

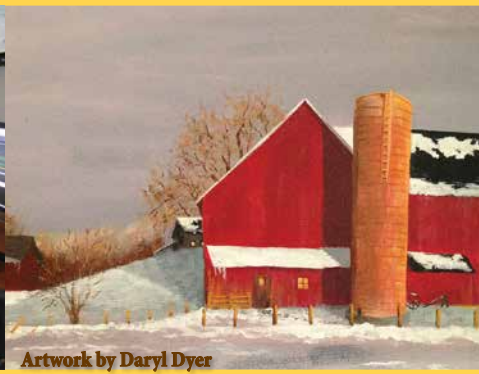
I invite all residents to take advantage of the recycling opportunities at this year’s 27th Annual Northbrook Earth & Arbor Day celebration on Saturday, April 22 and get involved in the community clean-up, as well as attend the Green Expo to learn more about earth-friendly concepts and products. Look for details on these events on the front page of this newsletter and on page 5. I hope to see you there.

## **April is Child Abuse Prevention Month**

The future prosperity of a community depends on its ability to foster the health and well-being of the next generation. When children do not have equal opportunity for healthy growth and development — due to experiences of child abuse and neglect — we put our future at risk. You can make a big difference year-round through small acts that help protect children, strengthen families, promote traits that help protect families and ultimately, prevent the abuse and neglect of children. Please see page 4 for more information and resources.

## **Budget Review in April – Your Tax Dollars at Work**

The Village Board and I, along with staff, have been working on the budget for our fiscal year 2017/2018, which begins on May 1. I encourage you to review the draft budget on line at [www.northbrook.il.us/taxdollarsatwork](http://www.northbrook.il.us/taxdollarsatwork). A copy is also available for review at the Northbrook Public Library and at the Village Hall during business hours. Please plan to attend the Public Hearing on April 25 at 7:30pm and be part of the discussion. The meeting will be cablecast live on NCTV – Comcast Cable Channel 17, or watch it live or streamed “on demand” on our website at [www.northbrook.il.us](http://www.northbrook.il.us) – Click on Meetings and Agendas on the right hand side of the page.



Artwork by Daryl Dyer



## Honoring our 9-1-1 Telecommunicators

**Public Safety Telecommunicators operate radio, telephone and computer aided communications systems utilizing state-of-the-art technological techniques to ensure the safety of everyone in our community.**

Every day our residents, and those who travel through our Village, are able to get the care and protection they need in their most difficult moments due to the

efforts of the Northbrook Police and the Regional Emergency Dispatch (RED) Center Fire Telecommunicators.

Every hour of every day, Telecommunicators access, monitor and disseminate information of critical importance to police and fire personnel. They are the pivotal link between citizens and the police and fire departments.

The Village will celebrate our Northbrook Telecommunicators by issuing a proclamation from President Frum and the Village Board naming April 9 – 15 as Telecommunicators Week in Northbrook.

Please feel free to stop by the Northbrook Police Department, 1401 Landwehr Road, on Friday, April 14, between noon-1:30pm to visit the 9-1-1 Center. Refreshments will be served.

## Child Abuse Prevention... Everyone Has a Role to Play

### What is Child Abuse & Neglect?

Whether through action or failing to act, there are many forms of child maltreatment. Often the abuser is someone the child knows, such as a parent, relative, neighbor or friend of the family.

**Neglect:** failure to provide for a child's basic physical, emotional medical or educational needs. Child neglect oftentimes occurs when parents are overwhelmed with an array of stressors such as single parenthood, limited parenting skills, depression, substance abuse or interpersonal violence.

**Sexual Abuse:** any sexual activity with a child including exhibitionism, photographs or videos, pornography, prostitution, fondling or rape. Sexual abuse exploits and degrades children. Child sexual abuse is a crime and children can never consent to sexual activity.

**Physical Abuse:** an injury to a child that is not an accident or action that physically harms a child. This may include: hitting, kicking, punching, beating, burning, shaking or biting. Physical abuse is a form of trauma that impacts a child's cognitive, physical, social and emotional development. Multiple stressors on a family can lead to anger and loss of control.

**Emotional Abuse:** maltreatment of a child that may involve criticizing, insulting, yelling, swearing, rejecting or withholding love. Emotional abuse is a misunderstood form of trauma that can cause damage to a child's developing brain leading to long term learning difficulties, problematic behaviors and increased incidences of physical and mental health issues.

### What Can I Do?

If you suspect abuse, please report it.

### Take Action:

Anything you do to support kids and parents can help reduce the isolation & stress that often leads to abuse and neglect.

### Illinois Child Abuse Hotline

800-25-ABUSE (800/252-2873)

800/358-5117 (TTY)

[www.illinois.gov/DCFS](http://www.illinois.gov/DCFS)

### Northbrook Police Department

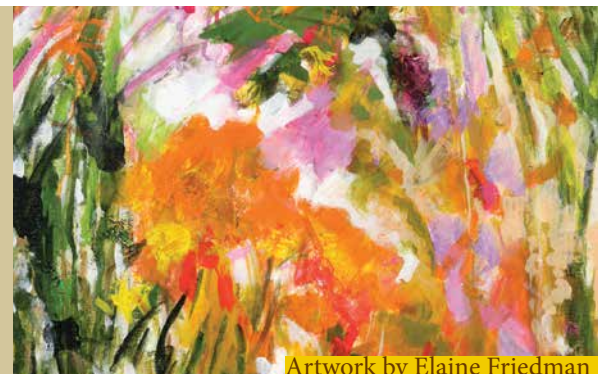
911 Emergency

### For additional information

[www.preventchildabuseillinois.org](http://www.preventchildabuseillinois.org)

## Artwork by Northbrook Artists on Display

Support our local artists! The Northbrook Arts Commission, in collaboration with the Northbrook Public Library, is proud to present the 14th Annual Northbrook Originals Art Exhibit at the Northbrook Public Library, April 1 – May 31. This is a wonderful opportunity for Northbrook's artists to have their original artwork seen by the community. The exhibit has a wide range of mediums including photography, oil, acrylic, watercolor and pastels. Stop by today! An opening reception will be held on Thursday, April 6, from 7 to 9pm in the Youth Services Department.



Artwork by Elaine Friedman

# Earth & Arbor Day Activities

Pitch in and join the Community Clean-up at 8:30am and then stay for the Green Expo. A variety of exhibitors promoting Earth Friendly ideas and concepts to implement in your home or business will be featured. Take advantage of the Special Recycling Collection in the west commuter parking lot! See schedule below for details.

Clean-up teams will be assigned specific areas to collect debris and windblown trash. Clean-up volunteers should meet at Village Green Park, at the corner of Shermer and Meadow, at 8:30am to sign-up and receive supplies. Between 9am and noon, 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/EarthDay](http://www.northbrook.il.us/EarthDay) or call 847-664-4017.

**Earth Day Sponsors:** Village of Northbrook, Northbrook Park District and Northfield Township Road District

## Earth & Arbor Day Schedule of Events for Saturday, April 22 Free Fun for Everyone on the Village Green from 8:30am to noon

### 8:30am:

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

### 9:00am - noon:

- Free Tree Seedlings & a Chance to Win a Tree
- Learn about Birds
- Environmental Vendors & Exhibits Featuring a Variety of Green Services, Products and Ideas
- Children's Activities including Pony Rides



### Earth Day Recycling Opens at 8:30am

Recycling Drop-off at the **west side** commuter lot by the Northbrook METRA Station. *Just drive-through and drop-off.*

- ▶ Paint (Oil/Latex only. No thinners or solvents, 10 gal. limit.)
- ▶ Molded Styrofoam
- ▶ Tires (Four tire limit.)
- ▶ Printer Cartridges
- ▶ CFL, LED and Tube Fluorescent Bulbs
- ▶ Computers, TVs, & other Electronics
- ▶ New & Used Household Goods and Clothing to Donate
- ▶ Residential Document Shredding (Three bag limit.)
- ▶ NEW THIS YEAR - Potato Chip Bags & Dental Products (Toothbrushes and empty toothpaste tubes.)
- ▶ Household Batteries
- ▶ Bicycles

### Volunteer at Earth Day!

Each year, the Village designates clean-up areas throughout the Village. Volunteer for a clean-up and your name will be entered for a chance to win 1 of 5 \$20 giftcards. To sign up for a location in advance, call 847-664-4017.

### April is Bring Your Own Bag Month

The Illinois House of Representatives has recognized April as Bring Your Own Bag Month, which encourages everyone to utilize reusable bags in place of plastic. This simple, sustainable action can help keep plastic bags out of landfills. Please remember to use your reusable bags when shopping in Northbrook.



### Celebration of Cultures Faire – Sunday, April 23

The recognition of a common humanity is the first step in the celebration of our differences - differences that inform our cultures, our values, our minds and all our ways of being in the world. Community-based cultural events, such as the Celebration of Cultures Faire, bring people together in many ways to share their ideas, traditions and values. All are invited to attend the Faire on Sunday, April 23, from 2 to 4pm at the North Suburban YMCA, 2705 Techny Road. Presented by the Northbrook Community Relations Commission. Visit [www.northbrook.il.us/CelebrateCulture](http://www.northbrook.il.us/CelebrateCulture) for more information.

# Want to Save Water, Reduce Flooding and Water your Garden?

Northbrook is pleased to offer a program to promote the use of rain barrels for its residents.

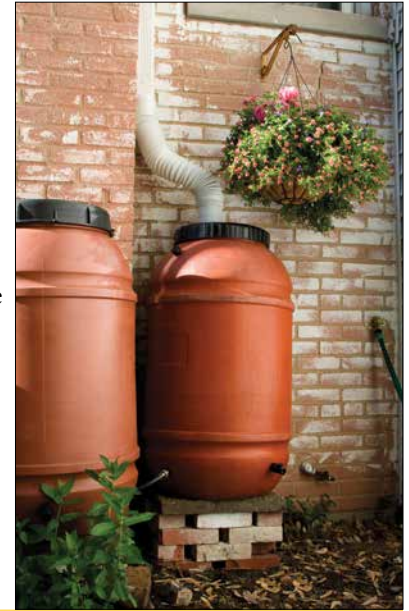
The Village is selling 55-gallon rain barrels at a price of \$25 each (they typically sell for around \$100) to reduce the amount of water that enters our storm sewer system. Residents are limited to two (2) barrels per household. The rain barrels can be purchased in the Village Hall lobby during regular business hours.

*Please ensure you have the means to transport the rain barrels home, as the Village does not offer rain barrel delivery services.*

The barrels are terra-cotta colored to match planters and hanging pots that most nurseries and greenhouses currently sell. The color also blends in well with red brick homes. There are holes drilled into the lid for the water to drain into from your downspout. The screening over the holes keeps debris from entering the barrel and keeps mosquitoes from breeding, as well. Because all barrels are equipped with a spigot at the bottom, you have several options on how to water your plants — a garden hose, landscape tubing or drip tubing can be attached to the barrel.

If you want to use a watering can, simply situate the barrel on a wooden pedestal. The barrels also have an overflow fitting to allow excess water that flows from the downspout to be diverted away from the barrel and a linking hose fitting so barrels can be joined together and fill up from just one downspout.

**Interested?** For additional information please call 847-664-4010 or email [village@northbrook.il.us](mailto:village@northbrook.il.us)



## Northbrook Community Portal – Information Right at Your Fingertips!

Residents who are interested in obtaining detailed information about properties in the Village now have a free resource available to them.

It's all available by simply searching an address.

The Northbrook Community Portal can be found on the Village of Northbrook website. With the click of a button, an address can be searched and an array of information can be accessed by residents, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year!

Information available includes the property PIN (property index number), zoning information and what school district, township and/or county the address is located in.



The voter precinct name and number, along with polling locations are also provided, in addition to the names of state and federal elected officials.

Other important information is available to residents, including garbage, recycling and waste collection times, as well as a Map Gallery that highlights information like responsible jurisdictions for road maintenance. All of this and more is

available through the Northbrook Community Portal.

**It's information you want to know, right at your fingertips!** Visit [www.northbrook.il.us](http://www.northbrook.il.us) and start searching by address in the Property Information Online search widget on the top right side of the page.

## Attention Commuters — Metra Station Improvements

Improvements to the Northbrook Metra station are scheduled to be completed by the end of May.

The improvements include new doors, windows, roof replacement, exterior concrete stairs, vestibules, ADA ramp replacement, exterior railing replacements and interior tile floor repairs. Because of the construction, there may be longer lines at the parking machines, so commuters should allow extra time while improvements are underway. Signage will be posted at the station with timely updates as the work progresses. If you have questions regarding the project, please contact Northbrook Public Works at 847-272-4711.



While the station pictured to the left is Northbrook's third train station which was built in 1988, Northbrook's first train station, pictured below, was located on the east side of the railroad tracks and built in the late 1800s. The train stop was called Shermer Station and later Shermerville, in 1885. The same name was used for our Village when the area was officially incorporated in 1901 as Shermerville.

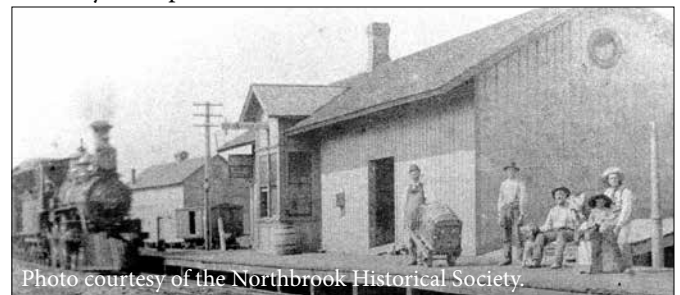


Photo courtesy of the Northbrook Historical Society.

# Village Happenings

**In honor of the Celebration of Cultures**, the Library's Wednesday Film Series will feature acclaimed foreign films, screened in their original languages with English subtitles. Wednesdays in April at 1pm & 7:30pm.

**Hop on over to meet the Spring Bunny.** Children ages 10 and under, can hunt for candy/toy filled eggs and enjoy face painting and activities on Sat., April 2, from 2:30-4:30pm at GBN. Bring a basket!

**An AARP driving program** on Apr. 3 & 4 can sharpen driving skills. The fee is \$15/AARP members, \$20/non-members. Call 847-291-2988 or stop by the Senior Center to register.

**Northbrook Garden Club** discusses preparing your garden for a new season on Tues., April 4, 10am, at Northbrook United Methodist Church, 1190 Western Ave. Open to the public. For details email [nbkgardclub@gmail.com](mailto:nbkgardclub@gmail.com) Backyard Butterflies will be topic on Tues., May 2. Visit [www.northbrookgardenclub.org](http://www.northbrookgardenclub.org) for details.

**Celebrate National Poetry Month** with the Library's Poetry Slam Workshop on Tues., April 4, where you can learn the basics of writing and performing your story. Registration is required; this workshop is for ages 13 to adult.

Bright Start Theatre Company works with the Northern Suburban Special Recreation Association— presents **Shake with a Zombie** on Sat., April 8, at 5pm and Sun., April 9, at 1pm at the Northbrook Theatre. \$12/ticket online at [www.nbparks.org](http://www.nbparks.org) or at the door.

**Mother-Daughter Spring Tea** -Sip tea and share small plates of food at an elegant tea party. Grandmothers, aunts and other adults are welcome to attend at the Leisure Center on Sat., April 8, from 2:30-3:30pm. Bingo, a spring craft and other surprises await. Visit [www.nbparks.org](http://www.nbparks.org) for details. Ages 3 and up with Adult

The **Northbrook Symphony presents The Soul of Imperial Russia** at 4pm, Sun., April 9, at The Sheely Center for Performing Arts at GBN. The NSO and Music Director Lawrence Rapchak will unravel the mystery of this immortal masterwork. Please visit [www.northbrooksymphony.org](http://www.northbrooksymphony.org) or call 847-272-0755 for more info.

**Teens interested in volunteering** at the Library this summer must attend one of the upcoming information meetings: April 9 (3pm), April 14 (5pm) or April 19 (7pm). Applications due by May 6.

On Mon., April 10, at 7:30pm, laugh at the antics of crooked lawyer Groucho "Flywheel" Marx and his bumbling assistant Chico "Ravelli" Marx in a **live re-creation of their 1930s radio series** at the Library.

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

**Say hello to your new robot overlords!** On Tues., April 11, drop by the Library's Pollak Room from 6 to 8pm to meet our collection of robots. All ages welcome.

Local artist Alisa Singer and Loyola Professor Nancy Tuchman use art as a springboard to discuss **the science of climate change** on Thurs., April 13, at 7pm in the Northbrook Library's Pollak Room.

**Barbara Rinella: Book Dramatization of the story of Lena Scheinman Woodward**, a Jewish teenager living in Poland when the Nazis took power on Fri., April 14, from 11:30am - 2pm at the Park District Senior Center. Lunch will be served before the dramatization. Members \$39/ Non-members \$49. [www.nbparks.org](http://www.nbparks.org)

**Rock 'n roll returns to the Library** on Saturday, April 15 for a family-friendly Rock Music Day! Stop by to explore music with TerraSounds at 10:30am, followed by a family concert featuring The Boogers at 2pm.

The Community Associates of the Art Institute will be attending an **Art and Music program at the Art Institute** on April 18, from 9:30am - 3:30pm, entitled "Gold and Steel: Art of Medieval and Renaissance Europe". Lunch is on your own. Members \$50/Non-members \$60. Reservations accepted until April 5 at 847-498-2742.

On April 22, 23 and 29, the Northbrook Theatre Jr. Company presents **The Lion King JR** at 12:30 and 4pm. Tickets are \$12 in advance at the Box Office in the Leisure Center and at [www.nbparks.org](http://www.nbparks.org)

**Money Smart Week** is April 24-28! Come to the Library to learn how to manage your finances while navigating the world of social security, personal investments, healthcare and retirement. Visit [www.northbrook.info](http://www.northbrook.info) for detailed information on the Money Smart Week programs.

**Covington's Windy City Bluegrass Band** will perform a free show at the Library on Thurs., April 27 at 7pm! Enjoy their take on America's musical traditions, including blues, ballads, country, and more.

The Northbrook Park District is accepting registration for **Summer Camps and Workshops**. Camp information is online at [www.nbparks.org](http://www.nbparks.org) or any Registration Office to reserve your spot or call 847-291-2995 for details. Register early and save! The Park District offers half-day and one-week programs, prorating (in Session II), a hot lunch option, extended care and a payment plan.

The **Northbrook Park District Senior Center** at 3323 Walters Avenue offers a wide variety of programs for adults age 55 and over including Lunch and Learn, movies and more. For information and reservations, call 847-291-2988.

**Friends of the Northbrook Farmers Market** help insure that the market continues to grow and thrive well into the future. Volunteer as much or as little as you wish based on your interests and availability. What you receive in return is satisfaction of contributing to your community and the market you love. Contact us at [NorthbrookFarmersMarket@gmail.com](mailto:NorthbrookFarmersMarket@gmail.com).

**Stop in and browse the Inn Shop at the Northbrook Historical Society**, 1776 Walters Ave. Hours are Thurs.-Sat., 10am-4pm & Sun., 2-4pm. Consignments accepted Wed., 11am-2pm. Call 847-498-0884.

The **Friends' Bookshop at the Northbrook Library** is now open Mon.-Sat. from 10am-4pm. Sun. hours are from 2-4pm. Volunteers are needed to process donations and supervise sales. Two-hour shifts are customary at least once a week. Training is provided. Call the Bookshop at the Library at 847-272-6224, ext. 175.

Area businesses, non-profit groups and community organizations are encouraged to participate in the **Northbrook 4th of July Parade**. To enter the parade or for sponsorship opportunities, contact the Park District at 847-897-6119.

**Summer Workers Needed!** The Village of Northbrook has limited openings for outside laborers and office workers for the summer. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age. Visit [www.northbrook.il.us/jobs](http://www.northbrook.il.us/jobs) to apply on line.

**Stop by the Village Gallery** in the Village Hall Board Room to see beautiful pastels by Northbrook Artist Karen Bonner, during the month of April and May.



Artwork by Karen Bonner

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# Historian's Corner

presented by the Northbrook Historical Society

Northbrook Voices Capture Our Village History... Leaving a Legacy for Generations

Each month, interviewers for the Northbrook Historical Society have the privilege of sitting down with Northbrook residents to talk about and record their Northbrook stories. While each story is different, there is a thread that runs through them all. A thread that includes neighborhoods, schools, parks, houses of worship, civic organizations and most of all, the feeling of home. Some of the stories talk about life in other countries before coming to Northbrook and how Northbrook provides a safe and welcoming place to call home.

This feeling of community is true for all generations from the very beginning of our town. In early times, it was the immigrants who joined with the English speaking population to build a community. Louis Voltz, our first Village President, was a first-generation immigrant.



Eighteen of the streets in town carry the names of some of the first immigrant settlers. These immigrants and their neighbors began the fire department and incorporated our Village.

Together, in 1907, they formed the Shermerville Improvement Club *"To actively promote, by the united effort of the citizens and property owners, the material interests of the Village, endeavoring at all times to increase prosperity, beauty and facilities of the Village, to the comfort and welfare of its inhabitants."* Today, we know this same organization run by community volunteers as the Northbrook Civic Foundation.

Our schools enroll many students whose native language is not English. Many of the families in our neighborhoods are first and second generation immigrants from a multitude of countries including, but not limited to, Asia, Poland, Germany, Russia, Columbia, Mexico and Argentina. Their religious preferences are as varied as their country of origin. So while the nationality of our citizens may have changed over the generations, the Northbrook welcome they received has not.

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