



MEMORANDUM VILLAGE OF NORTHBROOK

TO: Staff

COPY: Village President & Board of Trustees – Department Heads

FROM: Richard Nahrstadt, Village Manager

DATE: December 1, 2017

SUBJECT: STAFF BRIEFING

WEEK OF November 27, 2017

ARTS COMMISSION MEETING

On Thursday, November 30, the Arts Commission held a special meeting. At the meeting, the Commissioners voted to not host Art in the Park for 2018; however, they are going to discuss expanding the scope of the 2nd Annual Plein Air Outdoor Painting Festival, which is scheduled to be held during the last week of September 2018. Building on the success of the inaugural Plein Air event, the Commission is coordinating several Plein Air Painting workshops in the spring. Northbrook's Plein Air event is gaining national attention and an article highlighting the event was featured in *Outdoor Painter, the home of PleinAir magazine*: <https://www.outdoorpainter.com/looking-nice-in-northbrook/>

The next Arts Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, January 4, 2018.

NORTHBROOK TO HOST ILLINOIS BICENTENNIAL FLAG RAISING CEREMONY – MONDAY, DEC. 4

Illinois will become 200 years old on December 3, 2018. All are invited to attend Northbrook's Flag Raising Ceremony as the Village joins other municipalities and counties across the state to kick off the Illinois Bicentennial yearlong celebration by raising the official Bicentennial Flag.

The ceremony will take place on Monday, December 4, 11:45am at Freedom Park, (between Northbrook Village Hall, 1225 Cedar Lane and the Northbrook Library). The ceremony will feature presentations by local officials, including Village President Sandy Frum and representatives from the Northbrook Park District and Northbrook Public Library. In case of rain, the ceremony will be moved to the 2nd floor of the Northbrook Library, overlooking Freedom Park.

Illinois, known as the Land of Lincoln, became the 21st state in the Union on December 3, 1818. The year-long celebration between December 3, 2017 and December 3, 2018 will honor our state's 200th birthday.

BIKE & PEDESTRIAN PLAN PUBLIC MEETING

The public meeting for the Master Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan is scheduled for Wednesday, December 6, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall. The meeting will consist of a one-on-one discussion "open house" format from 5 to 6 p.m. with a formal presentation at 6 p.m. The Village's bicycle and pedestrian survey is available for residents to fill out before the public meeting at www.northbrook.bikepedplan.com. Residents will also be able to take the survey during the public meeting at the provided computer stations.

SCHOOL LOCK DOWN DRILL

On Thursday, November 30, School Liaison Officers Marc Fainman and Bryan Meents participated in a lockdown drill at St. Norbert School. The officers assisted the school principal, administrators, teachers and students in the exercises. They also discussed the reasons for lockdowns and what can or might be expected in terms of police response. Such drills are held periodically with all schools.

RAINBOW THERAPY DOGS TRAIN WITH NORTHBROOK FIRE DEPARTMENT

On Saturday, November 18, the Fire Department and Rainbow Animal Assisted Therapy, a volunteer organization that utilizes dogs in therapeutic environments, participated in a training scenario as part of Rainbow’s annual accreditation process. The dogs were run through numerous stations that included a ladder walk, patient intervention, and firefighter exposure. All participants passed with flying colors and will continue serving their critical roles in disaster scenarios. Rainbow participates annually in the Fire Department’s Open House held in September.



CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT INFRASTRUCTURE AND STREETScape PROJECT

This week, the Village’s contractor focused on completing miscellaneous punch list items in the Central Business District. Crews from the project’s signage subcontractor also installed new signs at various locations in the downtown area.

ILLINOIS AND OAK ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

This week, the Village’s contractor completed lining approximately 2,000 linear feet of sanitary sewer located along Oak Avenue and Illinois Road. Next week, crews will complete any lining in the area.

WEEK OF December 4, 2017

SAT.	12/2	9am-Noon	Electronics Recycling – PW Garage, behind Village Hall
MON.	12/4	11:45 a.m.	Flag Raising Ceremony Celebrating Illinois’ Bicentennial- Freedom Park
TUES.	12/5	7am-3pm	Electronics Recycling – PW Garage, behind Village Hall
		8:30am -6:30pm	Village Hall Front Desk Cashier open on Tuesday
		7:30 p.m.	Plan Commission – Board Room
WED.	12/6	5-7pm	Cyclists & Pedestrians Master Plan Open House – Board Room
THURS.	12/7	7:00 p.m.	Community Relations Commission Canceled & Rescheduled 12-14-17
		7:00 p.m.	Arts Commission Regular Meeting - Canceled
FRI.	12/8		No Meetings