



BANNOCKBURN NEWSLETTER

BANNOCKBURN, ILLINOIS 60015

JIM'S NOTE

In this newsletter you will find:

- 6 Month Goals Status Report
- 2012 Water & Sewer Rates
- Holiday Wish Program



Some of you may know who this is. But in case you don't... I can tell you, having taken Latin at a high school seminary and becoming familiar with Roman mythology, the image is of Janus, the God of Change.

Janus had two faces - one to see the past and one to see the future. Gates, doorways and other forms of transition were his domain. In the Roman calendar, the tenth month, December, contained the winter solstice, which the Romans celebrated on the 25th of December, a date which is still celebrated by many. The month which followed (Januarius) was the start of a New Year and was named in his honor. His feast day is January 1.

Because of Janus' association with beginnings, he was also associated with the origins of life. In the early history of Rome, shortly after its founding by Romulus and his mostly male followers, Romulus and his followers tried unsuccessfully to negotiate wives to start families. Fearing the emergence of a rival society, the Sabines refused to allow their women to marry the Romans. The Romans abducted the Sabine women, which then caused the Sabine men to attack the Romans (no surprise). Janus caused a hot spring to erupt and resulted in the Sabine men fleeing. In honor of this, the porta belli (Gates of War) to his temple were kept open during war so that Janus could protect the Romans. Wow... I never thought I'd have much use for Roman mythology when I was in school. If I did, I probably would have paid better attention.



New Year's Resolutions

- Eat Healthy
- Exercise More
- Enjoy Life...

VILLAGE
HALL
CLOSED
JANUARY
2, 2012

In observance of the New Year, the Village Hall will be closed on Monday, January 2, 2012.

As in the Roman era, this time of year is full of transitions. My yard has gone from living to dormant. Leaves are off the trees, (except for the darn Willow tree which will drop leaves all winter long, probably more leaves than were on the tree all summer) and the colors of summer have faded away. The types of food we eat also changes, more soup and stews, less salad (who wants one of those terrible pink-green tomatoes anyway?) and a book and fireplace start to look like a pretty good way to spend an evening.

In Bannockburn, the construction season is pretty much wrapped up for the year. Looking back, we got a lot of work done. Telegraph Road, Broadleys Court, and south Lakeside Drive, as well as the southern portion of Half Day Road, were all done this year. Looking forward, we still have to do road improvements on the north side of Half Day Road, north Lakeside Drive, and Wilmot Road next year.

The work load in Village hall also changes around this time of year. Budget planning usually starts in the beginning of January and runs until mid-April. We have been reviewing our liability insurance options and expect to save at least 40% on our new policy with similar protection. Meetings have been and will continue to be held regarding details of the next few years' water, sewer, and road projects, ironing out the requirements and preparing the necessary paperwork.

The Board is reviewing Fiscal Year 2011-2012 goals' list and drawing up priorities for the next fiscal year. The goals, like the budget, are a guide and help us determine

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



The Village Board of Trustees and Village Staff wishes everyone a safe and happy holiday season. The Village of Bannockburn Village Hall will be closed on Friday, December 23, 2011 and Monday, December 26, 2011.

JIM'S NOTE CONT.

if we are on the right path. Sometimes, the goals may need to be modified if circumstances change. Goals are good, but flexibility is also good. I am enclosing a copy of the 6 Month Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Goals Status Report, which the Village Board reviewed on November 14th. By and large, I think we are on track.

Looking toward the future, one item we have been looking into is electric aggregation. As you may or may not know, your electric bill consists of 2 parts: a delivery charge to Commonwealth Edison for the use of their wires and switches; and an electric supply charge. It is now possible to get your electricity from a different source *and* at a different price than what Commonwealth Edison is presently charging. You can easily switch your provider with a simple phone call. A change in electricity suppliers will typically save you 10-15% on the supply charge. Another option available is to switch via the Mayor's Caucus Clean Air Campaign (Mayorscaucus.org). They have a 6.2 cent per kilowatt hour rate, which is about 20% cheaper than Commonwealth Edison's rate. The third option, called electric aggregation, is to have a municipality or a group of municipalities combine and negotiate a rate for all their residents in their towns. Under this plan, all electric customers in a town are part of a group bulk purchase, unless they manually opt out of the group. Typically, these plans have saved 25-30% from the current cost of electricity. In order to do this, a referendum needs to be passed. In any case, Commonwealth Edison still delivers the electricity and is responsible for maintaining the lines, just as they do now. Commonwealth Edison still charges the 2.5 cents to deliver the electricity, and handles the billing. I mention this because the Board has to decide before January 1 if we will have a referendum this spring. If nothing else, these savings could offset the Smart Grid rate increases coming our way. If you have any strong feelings about this issue, please e-mail me at: jbarkemeyer@villageofbannockburn.org.

Our Annual audit was completed and presented to the Board last month. If you have ever spent time with an auditor, you know they are not generally an effusive, bubbly group of people. It is their job to look under rocks and try to find any and every thing wrong that they can. They seek the cloud in a silver lining. When they prepare the annual report, we get a list of errors and shortcomings in our internal controls system. This is done to make us aware of problems, and strengthen the controls in place. I remember years when we had 20-30 issues brought to our attention. We would fix as many as we could, some would go away, and sometimes new ones would pop up. Every other year, new Government Account Standard Board (GASB) rules are brought forward (at least so it seems) and the Village would have to comply with these regulations by a target date. I am really pleased to announce that the Village received a clean audit with a short, easy to fix goal's list for Fiscal Year 2012. Few municipalities get one of these. This is the result of Linda McCulloch's tireless efforts on our behalf. Thanks Linda, job extremely well done!

What will this winter be like? Snowy or Dry? Cold or Mild? Unlike Janus, I can only look backward, but I wish I could look forward. It would make planning a heck of a lot easier on everyone. I'm looking forward to the sights, smells and tastes of the Holiday Season, something I can predict, and I am looking forward to seeing everyone in 2012.

From the Village Board, the Office Staff, the Police Department and I, Happy Holidays to All!

Take Care,

Jim Barkemeyer

By the way, I'd like to thank Bishop Thaddeus Jakubowski for the Latin and mythology lessons. I wasn't a good Latin student, but it only took 40 years for me to be able to take one of these stories and weave it into something else. Thanks Jake!

SNOW PLOW SEASON

Winter is now upon us. The Village of Bannockburn would like to remind its residents to **immediately notify** the Village if there has been damage caused by the Village snow plow contractor. While restoration may not be able to occur until spring, providing this information to the Village Hall will allow us to visit the site and document the evidence.

Snow should not be plowed onto Village streets, pathways, or neighboring properties. Your cooperation is much appreciated. Thank you in advance.



DITCH SYSTEM MAINTENANCE

Keeping smaller ditches and streams free of debris can dramatically improve the run-off capacity of low-lying areas, as well as greatly reduce incidental blockage that significantly contributes to flooding. It is illegal to dump materials (leaves, debris, etc) into a ditch and violators will be fined. If you see someone in the act of dumping or see debris in one of our watercourses, please contact the Village at 847-945-6080.



**SMALL DISCOVERIES
GINGERBREAD BASH**

Small discoveries add up to big fun for your little ones! Join the Lake County Forest Preserve District on select Wednesdays each month as they explore a variety of topics through stories, hands-on activities, pretend play and simple crafts. It's a great opportunity to learn, make new friends, and get to know other families. Learn about gingerbread and the legend of the gingerbread man, then decorate a cookie of your own.

When? December 14, 2011,
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Where? Lake County Discovery Museum
27277 North Forest Preserve Road
Wauconda, Illinois

Geared Toward? Children ages 2-5
(Adult Supervision Required)

Cost? \$6.00/Adult for Lake County Residents
\$2.50/Child for Lake County Residents
Children 3 and under may attend for free

Registration Deadline is December 13, 2011. You may register by telephone at 847-968-3321 or online at <http://www.lcfd.org/login/index.cfm?fuseaction=logIn.viewEcomm&errList=&>

BANNOCKBURN GARDEN CLUB



On Sunday, December 11th we are having our annual holiday party at the home of Joanne and Jeff Burgess, 1735 Wilmot Road. Please call Rita Kirby (see below) for details.

On Wednesday, January 4th, at the home of Rita Kirby, 1340 Aitken Dr., we are having a program on *The Healing Power of Food*.

We meet the first Wednesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. We get together at different members' home, always have a wonderful brunch and great programs. Even if you aren't a gardener, you are welcome to join us at any time. Give Rita Kirby a call 847-945-5639 or rita.kirby@gmail.com.

NO PARKING ON VILLAGE STREETS

This is a reminder that there is **no parking** allowed on Village streets. However, if you anticipate that there will be parking overflow, please contact the Bannockburn Police Department in advance at 847-945-8490. Weather permitting, the Police Department will assist in placing temporary *No Parking* signs on one side of the street so that your guests may park on the other side. Limiting parking to one side of the street provides necessary access to residents and emergency vehicles. Please note that tickets will be issued to those who park on the street without prior permission, **including contractors and landscapers!** The Bannockburn Police Department thanks you in advance for your cooperation.

**WEST DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP
UPCOMING MEETINGS**

Please note the upcoming West Deerfield Township Board of Trustees meetings:

Tuesday, January 17, 2012	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, February 21, 2012	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, March 20, 2012	7:00 p.m.

Residents in the Township are encouraged to attend and participate.

BANNOCKBURN BOOK CLUB



The Bannockburn Book Club is a group of residents who hope to promote the enjoyment of reading among our neighbors. We read a variety of books, enjoy stimulating conversation regarding the books and usually have different opinions. All residents of the Village are invited; you are welcome to join us anytime. If you are reading the same book we are for that month, please come and be a part of the discussion. This is a great way to visit with fellow book lovers and get a variety of opinions on the book. Give Rita Kirby a call at 847-945-5639 or rita.kirby@gmail.com for more information regarding these events.

On Tuesday, December 13th, at 7:30 p.m. we are getting together for our annual baked goods and paperback book exchange at the home of Patty Rothing, 1350 Aitken Drive.

We are starting the New Year off by reading *Kitchen House*, by Kathleen Grissom on Tuesday, January 17th, at the home of Valerie Lewis, 1915 Meadow Lane.

If you are interested in attending any of these evenings, please contact Rita Kirby.

BANNOCKBURN UTILITY RATES AND DUE DATES FOR THE 2012 CALENDAR YEAR

The Village of Bannockburn Board of Trustees has approved a rate increase on water and sewer usage. Below is the rate schedule effective January 1, 2012 that will be reflected in your April 2012 Utility Bills.

Water

To encourage water conservation, the Village Board modified rates in its water structure. The minimum water bill will be \$227.20 per quarter. The new water rate schedule for all water customers who are connected to the Village of Bannockburn water system is as follows:



0 to 20,000 cubic feet	\$5.68 per 100 cubic feet
from 20,001 to 80,000 cubic feet	\$5.83 per 100 cubic feet
from 80,001 cubic feet and over	\$5.97 per 100 cubic feet

Sewer

Deerfield Sanitary District
(Billed by Village of Bannockburn)

\$3.73 per 100 cubic feet (Minimum
\$151.70 per quarter plus \$2.50 for
administrative charges)



North Shore Sanitary District
(Processing of sewage is billed by NSSD)

\$1.12 per 100 cubic feet (Minimum \$44.80 per quarter for
maintenance and use of Village owned pipes)

Lake County – Residential
(Processing of sewage is billed
by Lake County)

\$1.12 per 100 cubic feet (Minimum \$44.80 per quarter for
for maintenance and use of Village owned pipes)

Lake County – Commercial Properties
(Billed by Village of Bannockburn)

\$4.68 per 100 cubic feet (Minimum \$187.20 per quarter)

The Village bills on a quarterly basis for water, sewer, and special user fees. In order to assist residents and businesses in understanding billing dates and due dates, Staff has provided the following schedule:

Bills Mailed on	Payment Due
January 20, 2012	February 20, 2012
April 20, 2012	May 20, 2012
July 20, 2012	August 20, 2012
October 20, 2012	November 20, 2012

If the due date falls on a weekend or holiday, payment is required by close of the next business day following the holiday or weekend. Credit card payments can be made by going on-line to <http://www.bannockburn.org/services/water.asp>. A convenience fee will apply for credit card payments.

Please note: There is a 10% late fee for bills that are not paid by their due date.

HOLIDAY WISH PROGRAM



The Holiday Wish Program is an opportunity for our community to bring special happiness to some of our less-fortunate neighbors during the winter holiday season. Typically, the Township Food Pantry will register food pantry recipients and clients served through the State welfare program that lived in this township during the month of October. These "wishes" are passed along to volunteers (offices, families, churches, individuals, scout troops, etc.) who will know only the recipient's first name and age.

All recipients of the Holiday Wish Program live here, in our township.

Our recipients have been particularly hard hit by the country's current economic conditions. For these reasons, please give careful consideration to this year's Holiday Wish Program's suggestions:

- * Purchase gift cards from local grocery stores and pharmacies
- * provide one gift that reflects a recipient's particular needs

If you are interested in adopting someone's "wish" for the Holiday Season, please call the Township office at 847-945-0614 to ask about how you or your group could bring the holiday spirit to someone in need. Gifts will be delivered to the township office, wrapped, with the recipient's name and code number on each package by **December 14, 2011**. Staff at the Township will then arrange for the gifts to be either picked up or delivered in mid-December.

We hope you will again be a part of this wonderful community-supported program that has brought smiles to those without the means to provide holiday gifts for their children, and a warm heart to elderly living alone on very restricted incomes.



2012 DOG LICENSES



Dogs 6 months and older *must* have 2012 Village of Bannockburn Dog Licenses.

Registration forms were mailed in early December but you can stop into the Village Hall (2275 Telegraph Road) to pick up the form or call the Village Hall at 847-945-6080 to have the form mailed, faxed, or emailed to you.

Please return the completed registration form, proof of inoculation, and your registration fee (\$20 per non-neutered dog, \$10 per neutered dog).

Having your dog registered is essential if your dog gets lost. The dog's description is contained in the registration form and the Village has, on multiple occasions, united dogs with the pet owners before the pet owners even knew their dog was missing.

Any owner whose dog is found unlicensed after January 31, 2012 is subject to code violation enforcement, as noted in Ordinance 2004-16, Morals and Conduct.

It is the owner's responsibility to provide current rabies inoculation information as it becomes available.

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS?

While we are just entering into the winter season, it may be a good time to think of the upcoming projects you anticipate to do in the spring. Permits are required for a variety of projects, including (but not limited to) repaving/redesigning a driveway, installing/replacing a shed, fence, or other structure, and for renovation, additions, and new construction. Projects that affect the exterior of a property, more often than not, require approval from our Architectural Review Commission.

Before contemplating a project, the Village strongly encourages residents to contact the Village to find out what steps are required to obtain a permit. While some perhaps can take as little as a couple of days, some permits can take three to four weeks to obtain, longer if approval from the Architectural Review Commission is required (as they only meet once a month).

Performing work in your home or on your property without the necessary permit(s) may result in unnecessary delays, fines, and frustration. The Village has been and will continue to be diligent in enforcing our zoning and building codes.

Shop Bannockburn

When considering your Holiday "To-Do" list, consider utilizing the services in Bannockburn. From getting your holiday cards to cleaning your laundry for the holiday parties you will attend, to obtaining the perfect gift for your loved one. Bannockburn has retail stores, nail salons, and catering to serve your needs.

Bannockburn Green Retail Center

Alphagraphics - 2561 Waukegan Road, 847-317-9001

Bannockburn Shoe World & Repair - 2543 Waukegan Road, 847-374-0344

Chase Bank (inside Dominick's) - 2503 Waukegan Road, 847-405-0086

The Dogout - 2567 Waukegan Road, 847-317-0347

Dominick's - 2503 Waukegan Road, 847-940-0664

Eggsperience Café - 2545/2547 Waukegan Road, 847-940-8444

Erehwon Mountain Outfitter - 2585 Waukegan Road, 847-948-7250

Eye Care for You - 2527 Waukegan Road, 847-940-8010

Furla Photography & Video - 2513 Waukegan Road, 847-945-4200



Garbs Clothing - 2541 Waukegan Road, 847-236-0772

GNC (General Nutrition Center) - 2569 Waukegan Road, 847-374-9770

Newport Coffee House - 1121 Half Day Road, 847-940-7134

Panera Bread - 1211 Waukegan Road, 847-236-1599

Phoenix Nail & Spa - 2529 Waukegan Road, 847-914-0855

PNC Bank - 2595 Waukegan Road, 317-2352

Postino Wine Café - 2535 Waukegan Road, 847-444-1058

San Gabriel Mexican Café - 2535 Waukegan Road, 847-940-0200

Skokie Valley Laundry & Cleaners - 2577 Waukegan Road, 847-940-7707

Sport Clips - 2563 Waukegan Road, 847-914-0200

Starbucks Coffee (inside Dominick's) - 2503 Waukegan Road, 847-940-0664

Subway - 2531 Waukegan Road, 847-444-0137

Walgreens - 2501 Waukegan Road, 847-940-8104

Sears Outlet - 1951 Waukegan Road, 847-374-0497

College Park Athletic Club - 2223 Lakeside Drive, 847-948-5330

Midtown Athletic Club - 2211 Waukegan Road, 224-515-1618



**6 MONTH STATUS REPORT
MAY 2011 - APRIL 2012
FISCAL YEAR GOALS**

ROADS

Goal	Status
Recovery Zone Bond Projects: Road Improvements for Telegraph Road, North Lakeside Drive, South Lakeside Drive, Wilmot Road, Broadleys Court	Telegraph Road (north of Wilmot Road), south Lakeside Drive, and Broadleys Court road improvements were completed in Summer of 2011. North Lakeside Drive and Wilmot Road to be completed in the summer of 2012. Village will be obtaining 70%-30% funding through the Lake County Council of Mayors and IDOT for Wilmot Road roadway improvements.
Stirling Road and Valley Road Reconstruction Project	Project is complete with the exception of landscape restoration punch list items. Landscape restoration is at least 80% complete. Final restoration will be done in Spring 2012.
Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) Route 22 Widening.	Project is at least 51% complete. The Route 22 Widening Project is expected to be complete by August 31, 2012. Staff is working closely with IDOT to facilitate the construction process.
Pedestrian and Equestrian Pathways for Route 22, Dunsinane Lane and Wilmot Road	New Pathways will be installed on the north and south side of Route 22 next summer. Following the Route 22 pathway installation, Staff will work on securing easements for pathways on Wilmot Road and Dunsinane Lane.
Repair of Village Asphalt Paths	Damage to pathways will be assessed in Spring 2012. Repairs will be completed in Summer of 2012 in conjunction with the Recovery Zone Roadway Project.

GRANT FUNDED PROJECTS

Goal	Status
Local Agency Pavement Preservation (ARRA Funds)	South Telegraph Road Repaving Project, which included a grind and overlay along Telegraph Road from Wilmot Road to North Avenue, is complete. Final paperwork has been completed. Village awaits a bill from IDOT for its share of the project.
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) Projects: Stirling/Valley/Telegraph Road Watermain Replacement Project and Telegraph Road Forcemain Project.	Final paperwork and change orders submitted to the IEPA. Village awaits approval of change orders. Partial disbursements have been received.
IEPA Waukegan Road and Cedarcrest Lane Watermain Project	20 year loan at 2.295% interest to be obtained from the IEPA for Waukegan Road and Cedarcrest Lane water supply projects in 2012. Facilities Plan approved by the IEPA. Engineering plans submitted for approval to the IEPA. Seeking permit from IDOT. Working on easements from Cedarcrest Lane property owners.
Lake County Council of Mayors and IDOT	70%-30% funding will be obtaining for the Wilmot Road roadway project. Village's share is 30%.
Lake County Stormwater Management Commission.	The Village has been awarded two, 50%-50% matching 319 Grants from the IEPA for the construction of storm water drainage water quality BMPs at the Village's 12 acre site and by Waukegan Road to Middle Fork of North Branch. The Middle Fork project grant amount is \$152,139.00. The West Fork (12 acre site) project grant amount is \$145,780.00. Easements to proceed are underway.

**6 MONTH STATUS REPORT MAY 2011 - APRIL 2012
FISCAL YEAR GOALS CONTINUED**

STORM AND SANITARY SEWER

Goal	Status
Telegraph Road Sanitary Sewer Extension	The establishment of Special Service Area 17 was done in April 2011. The sanitary sewer installation for Special Service Area 17 was completed during in July 2011.
METRA Culvert	The installation of a culvert for drainage improvements was completed in September 2011.
Illegal Sump Pump Connection Inspections	The Village Engineer, on an ongoing basis, continues to check for illegal sump pump connections to the sanitary sewer system throughout the Village. Inspections have occurred along properties on Stirling Road, Valley Road, Robin Road, Meadow Lane, Aitken Drive, Hilltop Lane, and Thornapple Lane. Corrective action being pursued for known illegal connections.
Lake County Stormwater Management Commission	The Village continues to address Detention Basin Issues, as needed, and to work to comply with NPDES requirements. The education of residents via materials distributed through the Village newsletter and Village website are ongoing. On June 1, 2011, the Village's Year 8 Annual Facility Inspection Report was submitted to the IEPA.
Lift Stations Maintenance	Maintenance to lift stations is ongoing and done as needed.
Stormwater Best Management Practices (BMPs) at Village's 12 acre site and by Waukegan Road.	The Village will be constructing storm water drainage water quality BMPs at the Village's 12 acre site and by Waukegan Road to Middle Fork of North Branch. The Village received grants for the projects. The Middle Fork project grant amount is \$152,139.00. The West Fork (12 acre site) project grant amount is \$145,780.00.

BUILDING

Goal	Status
Current Building Processes: Improve Building and Planning Procedures and Eliminate Backlog. Review procedures with Building Official (Lake Forest).	Back log has been eliminated and filing remains on-going. Reviewed permit documents with Lake Forest. Permit application documents were prepared to limit 3 inspections per required building code inspection in accordance with Lake Forest ordinance.
Building Code: Update building code regulations to the 2009 or 2012 ICC Code. Incorporate energy code / green updates.	Waiting for the City of Lake Forest to codify its code to the 2009 or 2012 ICC Building Code before Bannockburn updates its building code, as Lake Forest provides the Village's building inspections and plan reviews.
Elevator Inspections: Prepare an ordinance regarding local elevator inspection pursuant to the State Fire Marshall direction	Ordinance completed May 9, 2011.
Provide Notice to Architectural Review Commission (ARC) of Violations and provide explicit notification in newsletters of procedures, processes and codes that need to be followed and note penalties for noncompliance.	The ARC is made aware of non-compliance issues, as applicable. Notification of the Village's procedures, processes and codes that need to be followed and note penalties for noncompliance is periodically provided in the Village newsletter. In addition, information is included on the website.

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FISCAL YEAR GOALS CONTINUED**

FINANCE

Goal	Status
Grants and Recovery Zone Bond Closeout Documents	Continue processing required paperwork and tracking deadlines for grants, especially with regard to recovery zone bonds and IEPA stimulus funding of loans/grants. Paperwork required thus far is complete and staff will continue to process paperwork, as required.
Bannockburn Green Retail Center	Staff continues to work with Bannockburn Green Retail Center Management to lease space to tax-generating business.
Increase Revenues: Cell Tower	The Village continues to seek additional wireless carriers for the Village's Cell tower site.
Village 12-acre Site.	Staff continues to meet with developers to develop the 12-acre site with a sales tax or hotel tax generator. Various developers have expressed interest in developing the site into a hotel or corporate office park.
Expense Management: Maintain headcount level and manage expenses to fiscal 2010/2011 level.	Budget is currently not at Fiscal Year 2010-2011 level due to the approved Fiscal Year 2011-2012 budget being \$694,000 higher for operational costs.
Reserves: Start to rebuild our cash balance now that most infrastructure projects have been completed.	The approved Fiscal Year 2011-2012 budget does not permit for an increase of the Village's reserves. Reserves are not expected to be increased for 5 years due to extensive planned infrastructure projects.
Insurance: Reduce health and liability insurance costs, if possible, without reducing coverage.	Quotes from other companies/co-ops are being obtained for liability insurance coverage analysis. Liability insurance quotes will be reviewed and considered by Village Board in November 2011. Liability insurance costs expected to be reduced substantially.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Goal	Status
Website: Launch Redesigned Website. Maintain website.	Website has been launched. Maintenance and keeping it up to date is an ongoing project.
Real Estate Sales Community: prepare and distribute marketing brochure detailing benefits of Bannockburn to both residential and commercial real estate agents.	Brochure is complete. Distribution will begin shortly. A meeting with the commercial owners has been scheduled for November 21, 2011. Residents will receive brochure with newsletter.
Continue to develop and improvement relationships with the following organizations and entities: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. DBR Chamber of Commerce, 2. Township 3. School Districts 4. Lake County 5. Lake County Communities. 	Very cooperative relationships have been further developed. The DBR Chamber has been more actively involved in promoting Bannockburn. Articles were included in the Pioneer Place noting the Village's newly redesigned website, marketing brochure and leasing prospects. This is an on-going project.

**6 MONTH STATUS REPORT MAY 2011 - APRIL 2012
FISCAL YEAR GOALS CONTINUED**

POLICE

Goal	Status												
Accreditation: Complete Department Accreditation through the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police	Police Department is in process of obtaining Department Accreditation through the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police. 86 Files have been established which represent the standards set by the Illinois Law Enforcement Accreditation Program. The accreditation process should be finished in 2012. This will include an on-site inspection over a two day period with assessors going over the operation and policies of the Police Department.												
Emergency Preparedness: Complete table top exercises with County, Staff, Elected Officials, IPC, and Trinity.	The Police Department has been working together with appointed Emergency Management Agency Coordinator (and Resident), Peter Lederer, to establish a new disaster/preparedness manual for the Village. The manual and a tabletop exercise with Staff, Elected Officials, IPC, Trinity and Lake County Emergency Management Agency expected to be completed by 2012.												
Website: Input information (photos and articles) into the newly redesigned Police portion of the Village's Website. Continue and expand information onto website.	Initial information has been inputted onto the website and is continually being updated. Photos and more timely information is inputted as time permits. This is an ongoing project.												
Police Department Grants: Continue to pursue grants as they become available.	<p>The Following grants have been obtained, to date, by the Police Department:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>1. Tobacco Compliance</td> <td align="right">\$ 1,100.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2. Officer bullet proof vest</td> <td align="right">\$ 1,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3. K-9 Grant DAS foundation</td> <td align="right">\$ 837.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4. ICC Roadside Safety</td> <td align="right">\$ 825.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5. MEG Grant</td> <td align="right">\$18,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Value of Grants:</td> <td align="right">\$ 21,762.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>Chief Ron Price continues to seek additional grants and presently expects a K-9 Grant of \$4,785.00 and ICC Roadside Grant of \$1,000.</p>	1. Tobacco Compliance	\$ 1,100.00	2. Officer bullet proof vest	\$ 1,000.00	3. K-9 Grant DAS foundation	\$ 837.00	4. ICC Roadside Safety	\$ 825.00	5. MEG Grant	\$18,000.00	Total Value of Grants:	\$ 21,762.00
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Other: Update of other Police Department activity.	<p>Please note the following additional activity within the Police Department during Fiscal Year 2011-2012 :</p> <p>Seizure Funds– The Police Department received money from the Illinois State Police for a seized vehicle and cash in the amount of \$1,005.00. Police Department also received money from a Lake County MEG case in the amount of \$5,000.00. We hope to continue this trend.</p> <p>DUI Enforcement– The Police Department is on track to surpass last year's arrests for DUI. Officers have made DUI arrests on all three shifts this past year. We will continue to arrest intoxicated motorists and maintain our DUI patrols on the weekend night shifts through out 2012.</p> <p>DARE Program- We will continue our work with the Bannockburn School and the DARE program that was established in 2001. Officer Ogden and Officer Landy continue the education of our youth in the fifth through the eight grades.</p>												

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FISCAL YEAR GOALS CONTINUED**

WATER

Goal	Status
Water Reservoir: Complete preventive maintenance of mechanical equipment.	Preventive Maintenance of mechanical equipment will occur in December 2011. A water system cross connection program is being developed.
Water Flow: Reduce unaccounted water flow. Complete calibration of commercial water meters.	Audit is currently ongoing to evaluate unaccounted water flow. Calibration of commercial water meters is being done on a rotational basis and is an ongoing project.
IEPA: Pursue funding for two drinking water projects (Waukegan Road and Cedarcrest watermain replacements). Obtain approval from and easements from Cedarcrest homeowners, as needed.	IEPA approved facilities plan for both drinking water projects. Engineering plans have been submitted. Remaining documents to be submitted by February 1, 2012. Funding expected by Summer 2012. Easements are being pursued for the Cedarcrest project. Plans have been submitted to IDOT to obtain permit.
Water Meters: Complete installation of new water meter heads for the new water meter reading system.	All water meters heads have been installed.
Construction Site Water Usage: Create a water usage fee for water used at construction sites.	This issue remains to be completed.
Del Mar Woods: Pursue a conveyance agreement to deliver water to Del Mar Woods residents.	In process of actively working on necessary agreements.
Valve testing and replacements	This is an on-going project.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Goal	Status
Lake County Partners: Work with Lake County Partners and develop relationships in general to generate economic development. Attend ICSC conference.	Staff worked with Lake County Partners to facilitate the relocation of a Fortune 100 company and other corporate prospects in Bannockburn. Attended the ICSC Conference with Lake County Partners.
Trinity: Continue excellent Trinity relationship.	Staff meets periodically with Trinity President and Director, David Hoag, and other staff personnel. Staff worked with Trinity Staff to facilitate the removal and replacement of 80 signs on campus.
Economic Development Commission: Work with business community to improve leasing of office space and sales at the retail center. Organize events to promote Bannockburn.	The Village has held several meetings thus far this fiscal year with the business community to provide construction updates and to promote Bannockburn. Sidewalk Sale took place October 2011.
Bannockburn Green Retail Center: 1. Find tenants 2. Attend economic development type conferences or seminars 3. Develop first class restaurant in Phase III 4. Lease spaces with sales tax generating businesses.	The Village continues to work with management to find tenants for Bannockburn Green Retail Center. Staff attended the ISCS Conference in October 2011 to meet with prospective tenants.

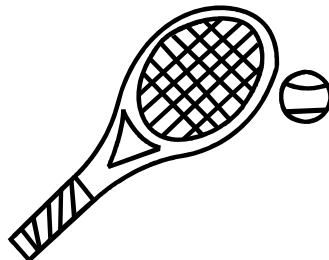
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SPECIAL EVENTS

Goal	Status
Holiday Lighting: Install holiday lights by Thanksgiving Day weekend.	Holiday Lights will be installed in November 2011 and will be removed in January 2012.
Golf Outing: Organize event.	2011 Golf Outing is complete.
Arbor Day: install tree to maintain Tree City USA status.	2011 Arbor Day Celebration is complete. 2012 Arbor Day Celebration will take place April 2012.
Bannockburn Day	2011 Bannockburn Day is complete.
Tennis Day: Organize event with Midtown for the Bannockburn community.	March 2011 event completed. Next event: March 2012.
Horses and Ponies: Create/develop event that highlights favorable zoning for horses within the Village.	To be completed.
Parade: Look into a pet parade/kid parade in conjunction with Bannockburn School.	To be completed.
4 th of July Parade: Continue to sponsor the bagpipers to promote the Village of Bannockburn at the Deerfield Parade.	Completed.
Couples Bridge Event	To be completed.

Save the Date

Sunday, March 4, 2012
Bannockburn Tennis Day





While much has changed since the founding of the Village, Bannockburn has remained true to the original country urban vision of William Aitken, the Village founder, and to its very first master plan.

our history.

The first settlers to the area where Bannockburn stands today arrived in 1835 from County Meath, Ireland. Michael Meehan built a log cabin near what is now the northwest corner of Hilltop Lane and Telegraph Road and gradually acquired a total of 283 acres.

William Aitken was an architect and builder who is credited with bringing modern real estate development to the Village. He created a master plan covering 110 acres where he intended to build "country estates" for people who wanted that genteel style of living. Aitken was born in Scotland and used the name "Bannockburn" for his own home and in the names of his subdivisions.

The first homes were built in 1924 and by 1929, when application was made to incorporate the area, there were 30 families in the community – on Meadow Lane, Robin Road, Aitken Drive, Telegraph Road, Stirling Road, and Valley Road and in the Wilmot Road/Sunset Lane area. Early residents were very active in developing and shaping the community that they loved, serving as trustees on the Village Board, organizing the Bannockburn School, creating zoning ordinances that formed the basis of our current zoning codes, and organizing a garden club and numerous charitable activities.

Over the years more land was acquired and today the Village encompasses 2.5 square miles located approximately 26 miles north of Chicago and 4 miles west of Lake Michigan and 60 miles south of Milwaukee.



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A hidden gem located 26 miles from downtown Chicago, nestled next to the well-known North Shore communities of Lake Forest and Highland Park, is the approximately 1,300-acre enclave of Bannockburn. Its founder, a native of Bannockburn, Scotland, set out nearly a century ago to create a village of "country estates." The resulting Village of Bannockburn today has over 250 homes that sit on generous multi-acre lots, the largest of which are suitable for stabling horses.

Although the rural character of the Village has been preserved, current residents enjoy top-ranked public schools, easy access to highways and rail transportation, and upscale shopping and fine dining in Bannockburn's commercial areas. These areas are clustered away from the Village's homes, maintaining the peaceful, quiet nature of this community that residents cherish. Larger shopping districts and other highly rated eateries are just minutes away in nearby Deerfield, Northbrook, Riverwoods and Lincolnshire, as well as Lake Forest and Highland Park.

The Village of Bannockburn combines the best features of country and urban living. It is one of the safest communities in the Chicago region—one in which children can walk to their schools and neighbors gladly pick up their neighbor's mail while they are on vacation. At the same time, its large home sites afford privacy and the "elbow room" that is so hard to find in such a convenient, close-in location. Bannockburn truly is a hidden gem.

Community Facts	
Population:	1,583
Households:	250+
Village Size:	2.5 square miles
Government:	Home Rule
Financially Strong:	1-year reserve
Standard & Poor's AAA rating	
Full-time Village Police Department	
Deerfield-Bannockburn Fire Protection District	

Proximity to:	
Deerfield Metra Train Station	1 mile
Lake Forest Metra Train Station	1.5 miles
Tri-State 294 Tollway	Adjacent
I-94 Edens Expressway	3 miles
O'Hare International Airport	15 miles
Marriott Theatre (Lincolnshire)	3 miles
Ravinia Music Festival (Highland Park)	8 miles
Lake Michigan	4 miles
City of Chicago	26 miles
Wisconsin State Border	29 miles
Milwaukee, WI	60 miles
Michigan State Border	95 miles
Bannockburn, Scotland	3,730 miles

Village Shelter



Bannockburn schools prepare children for a successful, bright future.

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Bannockburn School

- Kindergarten through 8th grade
- Student-to-teacher ratio is 10:1
- Under 200 students
- Average class size is 18
- Foreign language instruction K-8
- Low student-to-computer ratio
- Band, choir, orchestra
- Middle School sports include co-ed soccer, girls volleyball, and boys and girls basketball
- Professionally directed school play
- Top state-wide academic test scores

Deerfield High School

- Extensive student library
- Seven student computer labs
- Foreign language lab includes Chinese, French, Modern Hebrew and Spanish
- Writing and English resource center
- Over 30 sports teams
- Ranked in the 99th percentile of national norms with an average ACT score of 27.1 (2011 results)
- 93% of students accepted to a four-year college (2010 results)

Trinity International University

A family of four Christian-centered schools, three of which are located within the Bannockburn boundaries:

- **Trinity Evangelical Divinity School**
- **Trinity College**
- **Trinity Graduate School**
- 1,300 undergraduate students
- 1,800 graduate and seminary students (includes 600 doctoral)
- Student body comprised of 1,600 full-time students and 1,500 part-time students



Bannockburn School



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Since the Village received Lake County Storm Water Management's 2009 "Community of the Year" Award, Bannockburn residents, schools, and businesses have continued to make a collective effort to improve our environment.

Trinity International University has allowed the Village to build three rain gardens on university property. The rain gardens will reduce flooding in the surrounding area. They will also serve to filter runoff pollution, improve water quality, and create a habitat for birds and butterflies.

On May 1, 2010, the Village began a Rain Garden Public Participation Program that encourages residents to install and maintain rain gardens on their own private residential properties. Rain gardens can be eligible for a Village grant of up to \$2,500.

During July 2010, Bannockburn School installed a closed-loop geothermal system. This technology relies primarily on the Earth's natural thermal energy to heat and cool the building and saves harmful carbon dioxide emissions from entering our atmosphere.



The commercial areas of the community are quiet and conducive to providing employees with less stressful work environments.

business.

The Village of Bannockburn offers businesses both large and small an excellent environment in which to start and/or grow. Village personnel are available to guide business owners through the process of joining this vibrant community including obtaining a business license, occupancy permit, sign permit or any zoning approvals that may be needed. Bannockburn's tax rates are very competitive with those of the surrounding communities.



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2010	Bannockburn	Deerfield (Lake County)	Deerfield (Cook County)	Glencoe	Highland Park	Highwood	Lake Bluff	Lake Forest	Northbrook
Audit Tax	0.011						0.004		
Bonds		0.034	0.010	0.224	0.140			0.096	0.035
Corporate	0.141	0.143	0.129	0.570	0.107	0.431	0.091	0.446	0.254
Firemen's Pension					0.060	0.098		0.037	0.018
Garbage Disposal		0.059	0.055				0.068		
IMRF							0.037	0.059	
Library		0.204	0.189	0.157	0.160	0.148	0.134	0.130	0.207
Parks/Park Maintenance								0.106	
Playground & Recreation								0.046	
Police Pension				0.080	0.065	0.113	0.084	0.057	0.007
Police Protection	0.221						0.056		
Recreation for Handicapped/Special Recreation								0.013	
Street & Bridge	0.033	0.003	0.003		0.054				
Street Construction									
Tort Judgment and Liability Insurance	0.021						0.050		
School Crossing							0.001		
Social Security							0.047		
Total:									
Municipal Tax Rate (Including Library Dist. Taxes)	0.427	0.443	0.385 (2009 Rate)	1.031 (2009 Rate)	0.586	0.790	0.572	0.999	0.521 (2009 Rate)
Park District Tax Rate		0.460	0.436 (2009 Rate)	0.398 (2009 Rate)	0.379				0.334 (2009 Rate)
Total:	0.427	0.903	0.821 (2009 Rate)	1.429 (2009 Rate)	0.965	0.790	0.572	0.990	0.855 (2009 Rate)

Municipal Tax Rates data listed above does not include school districts.
Sources: <http://www.lakecountyil.gov/CountyClerk/TaxAndRealEstate/TaxRates.htm>; <http://www.cookcountyclerk.com/tsd/taxagencyreports/Pages/default.aspx>

Electricity Tax Rate (in cents)			
Municipality	First 2,000 kilowatt-hours in month	Next 48,000 kilowatt-hours	All electricity after 20,000,000 kilowatt-hours
Bannockburn	NO TAX	NO TAX	NO TAX
Deerfield	0.61	0.40	0.30
Glencoe	0.54	0.42	0.12
Highland Park	0.55	0.39	0.08
Highwood	0.58	0.38	0.29
Lake Bluff	0.55	0.42	0.20
Lake Forest	0.54	0.39	0.13
Northbrook	0.22	0.15	0.11

Other Rates and Charges			
Municipality	Telecom Tax Rate	General Merchandise Sales Tax	Vehicle Registration Sticker
Bannockburn	4.00%	0.50%	no charge
Deerfield	6.00%	1%	\$30.00
Glencoe	6.00%	none	\$50.00
Highland Park	6.00%	1%	\$50.00
Highwood	6.00%	1.50%	\$60.00
Lake Bluff	5.00%	1.00%	\$40.00
Lake Forest	6.00%	0.50%	\$85.00
Northbrook	1.00%	0.75%	\$38.00

Source: <https://www.revenue.state.il.us/app/trii/>

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Bannockburn's natural landscapes and open spaces are preserved due to the foresight and commitment of the residents of the Village of Bannockburn, past and present.

nature.

This upscale estate neighborhood has equestrian trails and a pedestrian-friendly path system for walking, jogging or biking. Five minutes away by car are the Prairie Wolf Slough walking trail, the Lake County Forest Preserve District's 552-acre Ryerson Conservation Area, Captain Daniel Wright Woods, and a nearby dog park. Bannockburn features 12 acres of open space, park shelters and offers easy access to the Des Plaines River Bike Trail and to the nearby Green Bay Bike Trail which extends a total of 18 miles from Wilmette to Lake Bluff.



Village's Open Space

Conveniently located adjacent to Tri-State 294 Tollway, near I-94 Edens Expressway, and only 45 minutes from downtown Chicago, Bannockburn is a great place to work, dine, and shop.

shopping & more.

Bannockburn Green Retail Center

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- Allstate Insurance
- AlphaGraphics
- Bannockburn Dental
- Bannockburn Shoe World & Repair
- Chase Bank (inside Dominick's)
- Deerfield Healthworks, SC, Dr. Bernard Lakemaker
- The Dogout
- Dominick's
- Eggsperience Café
- Erehwon Mountain Outfitter
- Eye Care For You
- Furla Photography & Video
- Garbs Clothing
- General Nutrition Center
- H & R Block
- Lake-Cook Behavioral Health Resources
- Language Stars
- Newport Coffee House
- Panera Bread
- Phoenix Nail & Spa
- PNC Bank
- Postino Wine Cafe
- San Gabriel Mexican Café
- Skokie Valley Laundry & Dry Cleaners
- Sport Clips
- Starbucks Coffee (inside Dominick's)
- Still Water Physical Therapy and Massage
- Subway
- Sylvan Learning Center
- Walgreens

Sears Outlet

Health & Fitness

- College Park Athletic Club
- Midtown Athletic Club

Clubs & Organizations

- Book Club
- Garden Club
- Recreation Committee



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Bannockburn Green Retail Center

GOVERNMENT AT WORK



The Architectural Review Commission (ARC) considered the following at the September 13th and October 18th Meetings:

- Request for Approval of (i) Exterior Modifications to the Previously Approved Site Plan, and (ii) the Installation of a Grill at the Pool Terrace, and (iii) the Installation of a Pergola at an Existing Portion of a Terrace, at the Existing 8,084 Sq. Ft. Home Located at 26 Aberdeen Court in the Tarns of the Moor Subdivision - *approved*;
- Request for Approval of (i) Redesigned Entryway and (ii) a Landscape Plan, Located at 1200 Lakeside Drive - *approved*; and
- Request for Approval of a Revised Fence Plan Along the Eastern (Front Entrance) Portion of the Property at the Existing (New) 7,980 Sq. Ft. House - *deferred to the Board of Trustees*.

The Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals (PCZBA) Commission did not meet in October or November, but the following was considered at the September 6th Meeting.

- Consideration of an Amendment to an Existing Special Use Permit and Any Other Zoning Relief Necessary Pertaining to the Use of the Below-Grade Area of the Building on the Property Commonly Known as 2801 Lakeside Drive (and alternatively as 100 Corporate North) - *recommended for approval*.

The Board of Trustees approved the following at their September 26th, October 11th, October 24th, and November 14th Meetings:

- Resolution 2011-R-33 Approving the Annual Treasurer's Report for the Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2011;
- Resolution 2011-R-34 Approving a Proposal from the Care of Trees to Remove Hazardous Trees on Public Property;
- Resolution 2011-R-35 Expressing Appreciation to Charlotte Bank for Her Many Years of Service;
- Resolution 2011-R-36 Regarding Tax Extensions for the Village of Bannockburn Special Service Area Number 17;
- Resolution 2011-R-37 Authorizing the Village of Bannockburn's Deer Maintenance and Management Program for Fiscal Year 2011-2012;
- Resolution 2011-R-38 Determining Amounts of Money to be Raised through Ad Valorem Property Taxes;
- Ordinance 2011-30 Amending the Special Use Permit for the 100 Corporate North Property (2801 Lakeside Drive). Waiver of Competitive Bids and Approval of a Contract Between Sciarretta Enterprises and the Village of Bannockburn for Snow Plow Services for the Village of Bannockburn Roadways and Sidewalks/Pathways along Telegraph Road and Waukegan Road;
- Ordinance 2011-31 Amending Bannockburn Ordinance No. 2004-16, As Amended, The Bannockburn Morals and Conduct Code, Relating to Liquor Licenses;
- Ordinance 2011-32 Proposing the Enlargement of Bannockburn Special Service Area Numbers Three (3) and Seven (7) for 2125 Wilmot Road;

GOVERNMENT AT WORK



The Board of Trustees approved the following at their September 26th, October 11th, October 24th, and November 14th Meetings Continued:

- Approval of a Bannockburn School Fun Run/Walk on October 15, 2011 ;
- Approval of a 5K Run/Walk within the Village of Bannockburn on November 25, 2011;
- Approval of a Revised Floor Plan for the Grocery Store at Bannockburn Green Retail Center;
- Ratification of Approval of a Shelter Request from the Deerfield Junior Women’s League;
- Approval of Waiving Rental Fees for the Garden Club’s November 21, 2011 Use of the Village of Bannockburn Open Space Shelter;
- Acceptance of the Village of Bannockburn April 30, 2011 Annual Financial Report, Single Audit Report, and Management Letter;
- Approval of a Cooperative Service Agreement between the Village of Bannockburn and United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Wildlife Services (WS) for the Village’s 2011-2012 Deer Management Program;
- Approval of a 2012 Calendar Year Schedule for the Village Board of Trustees Regular Meetings;
- Approval of an Agreement between the Lake County Stormwater Management Commission and the Village of Bannockburn (Agreement Illinois EPA Grant FAA 3191110 – Bannockburn’s Lakeside Drive Restoration Project);
- Approval of a Lake County Stormwater Management Commission and the Village of Bannockburn (Agreement Illinois EPA Grant FAA 3191110 – Bannockburn’s Waukegan Road to Middle Fork of the North Branch Project);
- Approval of the Appointment of Will Montgomery to the Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals;
- Approval of the Appointment of Louise Feeney to the Architectural Review Commission; and
- Approval of a Change Order for the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) Public Water Supply Project L173208 (Stirling Road, Valley Road, and Telegraph Road Watermain Replacement Program).

BOARD HONORS FORMER COMMISSIONER FOR YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE

On Monday, October 24, 2011, the Village of Bannockburn Board of Trustees paid tribute to former Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals (PCZBA) Charlotte Bank who has served the Village in this capacity for over 20 years. Mrs. Banks stepped down from the position upon selling her property. Her institutional knowledge and familiarity with the Village of Bannockburn’s Zoning Code will truly be missed.



President Barkemeyer presents Charlotte Bank with the Village of Bannockburn Flag



Charlotte Bank standing by her farewell cake.



From left to right: PCZBA Chairman James McShane, PCZBA Commissioner Susan Knaack and Charlotte Bank take one last picture.

NORTH SHORE HEALTH CENTER JOINS P2D2 PROGRAM OF HIGHLAND PARK AND WILL COLLECT EXPIRED DRUGS

The North Shore Health Center of the Lake County Health Department/Community Health Center is now a collection site in Highland Park where residents can dispose of unused or expired prescription drugs in an environmentally safe way. The Health Center has joined P2D2, the Prescription Pill and Drug Disposal Program of Highland Park, which is working to keep prescription drugs out of the water supply and out of the hands of children. Drugs disposed of at this site are collected by the Highland Park Police and incinerated. The public can drop off prescription drugs in a mail box shaped receptacle in the foyer of the North Shore Health Center, 1840 Green Bay Road in Highland Park, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Acceptable Items for Disposal

- Prescription medications (except controlled substances);
- All over-the-counter medications;
- Medication samples;
- Pet medications;
- Vitamins and supplements;
- Medicated ointments, lotions, creams and oils;
- Liquid medication in leak-proof containers;
- Homeopathic remedies;
- Suppositories

Pills can be placed in glass or plastic containers, baggies, or foil.

Unacceptable Items for Disposal

- Needles/sharps;
- Syringes with needles;
- Thermometers;
- Controlled substance prescriptions;
- IV bags;
- Bloody or infectious waste;
- Personal care products;
- Empty containers;
- Hydrogen peroxide;
- Illegal drugs and narcotics

Residents should not flush drugs down the toilet as the chemicals become integrated with the water and most treatment plants are unable to remove such chemicals from the water supply. Fish and wildlife in Lake Michigan are negatively affected by these drugs, showing signs of neurological and physiological damage. Unused portions of drugs in medicine cabinets also pose a danger to children who may accidentally ingest these drugs or to others who may use these drugs for recreational purposes. In Highland Park, drugs may also be disposed of at the Highland Park Police Department, 1677 Old Deerfield Road in Highland Park, 24 hours a day.

WINTER SAFETY TIPS FOR YOUR PET



Winter weather can be a time of illness and injury if people fail to take appropriate health and safety precautions, but harsh conditions can be just as dangerous to our pets. Following are some tips from the Lake

County Health Department/Community Health Center on how to help keep your pet safe and healthy this winter.

- ◇ Do not leave dogs outdoors when it becomes uncomfortably cold. Most dogs and cats are safer indoors except when taken out for exercise. Regardless of the season, short-haired dogs, very young or old dogs, and all cats should never be left outside without supervision. Short-coated dogs may feel more comfortable wearing a sweater during walks. If your pet is shivering, it's time to bring it inside.
- ◇ No matter what the temperature, wind chill can threaten a pet's life. If your dog is an outdoor dog, he or she should be protected by a dry, draft-free doghouse that is large enough to allow the dog to sit and lie down comfortably, but small enough to hold in his or her body heat. The floor should be raised a few inches off the ground and covered with cedar shavings or straw. The house should face away from the wind, and the doorway should be covered with waterproof covering or heavy plastic.
- ◇ Pets that spend a lot of time outside during the winter need more food because keeping warm depletes energy. Make sure to routinely check your pet's water dish to make sure water is fresh and unfrozen. Use plastic bowls for food and water bowls when the temperature is low, the pet's tongue can stick and freeze to the metal.
- ◇ Salt and other chemicals used to melt snow and ice can irritate the pads of your pet's feet. Wipe the feet with a damp towel before your pet licks them and irritates his or her mouth.
- ◇ Antifreeze is a deadly poison that has a sweet taste, which may attract animals. Wipe up spills and store antifreeze out of reach. If possible, use antifreeze coolant made with propylene glycol. If this is swallowed in small amounts, it will not hurt pets.
- ◇ Do not allow your dog to run freely on open ice. It can be difficult to judge the safety of the ice, and your dog could be at risk of falling through or breaking a leg.





THE BANNOCKBURN BEAT

WINTER TIPS FOR YOU AND YOUR CAR

Reliable transportation is especially important in the winter. If you have a car, make sure it is ready for whatever winter may bring. Not only should your car be kept in top operating condition all year round - for safety and fuel economy, it is especially important to get it winterized to avoid any unpleasant or dangerous situations while traveling in frigid weather. The following should be checked:

- ignition system;
- fuel system;
- spark plugs;
- brakes;
- exhaust system;
- wiper blades;
- snow tires;
- tire tread;
- defroster;
- proper grade oil;
- cooling system;
- battery;
- lights; *and*
- antifreeze.

Always fill the gasoline tank before entering open country (even for a short distance) and stop to fill-up long before the tank begins to run low. Keeping your tank as full as possible will minimize condensation, providing the maximum advantage in case of trouble. A Citizens Band (CB) radio and/or cellular phone can be very useful to you or another stranded motorist in case of an emergency.

It's a good idea to keep a winter survival kit in your vehicle. Having essential supplies can provide some comfort and safety for you and your passengers should you become stranded. Recommended items include the following:

- tire changing items (properly inflated spare tire, jack, lug wrench);
- shovel;
- jumper cables;
- tow rope;
- bag of salt or cat litter;
- tool kit;
- working flashlight;
- road flares;
- first aid kit;
- ice scraper/snow brush; and
- gas line antifreeze.

In addition, if you are traveling long distances in cold, snowy, and/or icy conditions, you should carry supplies to keep you warm and keep some non-perishable snacks on hand.



DRINKING AND DRIVING - IT'S NOT WORTH THE RISK

Did you know? According to National Highway Traffic Safety Authority (NHTSA) ... in 2009, 10,839 people were killed in alcohol-impaired-driving crashes. These alcohol-impaired-driving fatalities accounted for 32 percent of the total motor vehicle traffic fatalities in the United States. Traffic fatalities in alcohol-impaired-driving crashes decreased by 7.4 percent from 11,711 in 2008 to 10,839 in 2009. The alcohol-impaired-driving fatality rate per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT) decreased to 0.36 in 2009 from 0.39 in 2008. An average of one alcohol-impaired-driving fatality occurred every 48 minutes in 2009.



Being arrested for Driving Under the Influence (DUI) will cost you. Not only are there the costs to get your vehicle out of impoundment, attorney's fees, and court fees, but a conviction could:

- ◆ cost you thousands in fines;
- ◆ result in a suspension of your driver's license and/or restrictions on your driver's license, including the cost to install a breath analyzer device on your vehicle and monthly maintenance fees on the device;
- ◆ increase auto insurance rates for an extended period of time;
- ◆ Require you to attend a remedial substance abuse class;
- ◆ Result in incarceration, especially if an accident occurred due to the DUI;
- ◆ Result in loss of income or your job due to incarceration and/or court appearances;
- ◆ Result in additional costs for medical treatment if there is a crash involving injuries or death as the person/people you injure due to your DUI may sue you for damages; and
- ◆ Strain you and your family's relationship and cause you embarrassment among your family, friends, and peers.

In 2011, the Bannockburn Police Department has made 26 DUI arrests thus far. The Bannockburn Police Department continues to make the roads safe by aggressively prosecuting drunk drivers. Support the strengthening and vigorous enforcement of impaired driving laws as these laws save lives.

If you are drinking, **DO NOT DRIVE**. If you plan to drink, designate a non-drinking driver. If you drive to an event, take a cab home or find a hotel... it's a lot cheaper than the consequences of being arrested for a DUI. If you have a young driver in your family, strictly enforce a zero tolerance policy when it comes to alcohol and remind him/her that the best defense against a drunk driver is wearing your seat belt.

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VILLAGE HALL CLOSED ON MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY

The Bannockburn Village Hall will be closed on Monday, January 16, 2012 in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

U P C O M I N G M E E T I N G S

All Residents, and other interested persons, are encouraged to attend the various public meetings held throughout the year. The Members of the Board and the various Commissions were elected or appointed to represent all Residents and want to know your thoughts on issues. All meetings, unless otherwise noted, are held in the Village Hall (2275 Telegraph Road) at 7:00 P.M. Please feel free to log onto the Village's Website at www.bannockburn.org, call 847-945-6080, or stop by the Village Hall for the latest information, confirm the following scheduled meetings, or to discuss upcoming issues.

Architectural Review Commission

December 12, 2011 (**Second Monday**), 6:00 p.m.
January 17, 2012 (Third Tuesday)
February 21, 2012 (Third Tuesday)

Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals

January 3, 2012 (**First Tuesday**)
February 6, 2012 (First Monday) - tentatively
March 5, 2012 (First Monday) - tentatively

Board of Trustees

December 12, 2011 (Second Monday)
December 27, 2011 (**Fourth Tuesday**) - *Cancelled*
January 9, 2012 (Second Monday)
January 23, 2012 (Fourth Monday)
February 13, 2012 (Second Monday)
February 27, 2012 (Fourth Monday)
March 12, 2012 (Second Monday)

S T A F F A N N I V E R S A R I E S



The Village of Bannockburn's Board of Trustees would like to acknowledge recent anniversaries from Village Staff and Police.

Part-Time Records Clerk, Ken Williams, celebrated his 7th year with the Bannockburn Police Department in October.

Village Administrative Assistant Blanca Vela-Schneider who has celebrated her 10th year with the Village Hall in December.

Their service and dedication to the Village of Bannockburn is greatly appreciated.

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