



*Project Dignity's Teen Board members are pictured at Barrington High School with Let It Be Us leaders (from left) Susan McConnell, Jennifer McAndrews, and Elizabeth Felice (end, right) and Tom and Darby Hills (center) from Barrington Children's Charities.*

## Project Dignity: BHS Students Help Illinois' Foster Children

Barrington Children's Charities and Let It Be Us share a mission of helping children. On November 29, Barrington's annual Giving Tuesday, the Let It Be Us Teen Board accepted a grant of \$10,000 from Barrington Children's Charities to expand Project Dignity, which provides duffel bags full of new school supplies and personal care items to children in Illinois as they enter the world of foster care.

Project Dignity is a leadership program in social entrepreneurship and this is the first grant the Teen Board has received. They applied for the grant in a concerted effort to intertwine the two charities. "This is the beginning of a great relationship, and a lesson in the values of generosity and going big," Elizabeth Felice, co-chair of the Teen Board said. "Co-Presidents Maggie Horak and Matt Ben made a compelling presentation to Barrington Children's Charities, explaining their passion for this project and the impact this mission can have on Barrington students across all grade levels. Once again, these students have taken initiative and made a difference. They shot for the moon ... and it worked! I could not be more proud to work with them," she said.

# ABOUT Town



BACC annual Dinner and Scholarship Fundraiser to be held on January 19 at the Stonegate.

## The QB Calendar



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### January

**BEETHOVEN'S EROICA**  
**Elgin Symphony Orchestra**  
*Saturday, January 7 – 7:30 p.m.*  
*Sunday, January 8 – 2:30 p.m.*  
**Elgin**

Winner of the Menuhin International Violin Competition, Angelo Xiang Yu will perform Prokofiev's lush and lyrical Violin Concerto No. 1. The performance also holds Stravinsky's Octet and concludes with Beethoven's triumphant Symphony No. 3, *Eroica*, which he

wrote after emerging from a deep depression and recommitted to a life in music. The groundbreaking work marked the beginning of his Romantic period with innovations that transformed classical music. Hemmens Cultural Center, 45 Symphony Way. [www.ElginSymphony.Org](http://www.ElginSymphony.Org)

**LENSES, X-RAY AND PAINT, OH MY!**  
**Using Technology to Uncover Paintings' Hidden Secrets**  
**Art Institute of Chicago, NW Chapter, Cura-**

tor Presentation

Friday, January 13

Barrington's White House

1 p.m.

Many of our beloved paintings hold secrets. Maybe the composition has been changed, areas painted over or vibrant colors hidden by age. Kelly J. Keegan, a paintings conservator at The Art Institute of Chicago, will review impressionist masterpieces and how, using high-resolution imaging and scientific analysis, the paintings' untold stories have now been discovered. General Admission at no charge, but Reservations Required at: bncarereservations@gmail.com

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SPIRIT OF EXCELLENCE

Barrington Area Chamber

Thursday, January 19

Stonegate Banquet & Conference Centre

The Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce will present its top business awards and announce its new leadership during the "Spirit of Excellence" Annual Dinner & Scholarship Fundraiser on The event attracts nearly 200 business, community, and governmental leaders for a year-end celebration of business and community achievements. Tickets to the event are \$50 per member, \$65 per guest and can be purchased online at www.BarringtonChamber.com.

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GERSHWIN RHAPSODIES

Elgin Symphony Orchestra

Saturday, January 28 - 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, January 29 - 2:30 p.m.

Elgin

This program, with guest pianist Yana Reznik, features *Cuban Overture*, written after Gershwin's 1932 visit to Havana; *Lullaby for Strings*, highlighting the ESO's spectacular strings; and *2nd Rhapsody*, which may be the most experimental of his works. The concerts also hold *Rhapsody in Blue* and conclude with Gershwin's iconic tone poem *American in Paris*, which depicts busy Parisian streets traversed by an American tourist. Hemmens Cultural Center, 45 Symphony Way, Elgin. www.ElginSymphony.Org

February

PAT MCKILLEN IN CONCERT

Solo Acoustic Singer/Songwriter and Recording Artist

Barrington's White House

Friday, February 10

8 p.m.

A great Valentine's Day weekend date night! Or chance to mingle with friends. One of Barrington's own, Pat McKillen returns after last year's sold-out performance. He'll share his original soulful lyrics accompanied by acoustic guitar. Songs of love, childhood and his Irish roots. A fusion of folk, pop and rock, with songs from his new album. Cover Charge \$20 | Cash Bar. Purchase Tickets at: BarringtonsWhiteHouse.com

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ROMANCE AT THE FOUNTAINS OF ROME

Elgin Symphony Orchestra

Saturday, February 11 - 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, February 12 - 2:30 p.m.

Elgin

From Respighi's passionate *Fountains of Rome* to Liadov's serene *Enchanted Lake*, these concerts will awaken the senses and present the listener with a musical rainbow of sound. The program also holds Dukas' *The Sorcerer's Apprentice* and Saint-Saëns' *Symphony No. 3*, featuring guest organist Jonathan Rudy, and containing a melody called "so gorgeous that it seems plucked from an operatic love scene by Bizet or Gounod." Hemmens Cultural Center, 45 Symphony Way, Elgin. www.ElginSymphony.Org

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OSCAR SHORT FILMS FESTIVAL

The Catlow Theater

Saturday, February 18

Saturday, February 25

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### BLACK & WHITE GALA

Fellowship Housing

Saturday, February 25

Chicago Marriott Northwest

6 p.m. Cocktails

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### HOPE THROUGH CARING GALA

Honoring Ken Hoffman

Les Turner ALS Foundation

Saturday, February 25

The Loews Hotel Chicago

6:30 p.m.

On Feb. 25, the Les Turner ALS Foundation will present Ken Hoffman of Deerfield with the Hope Through Caring award at the Hope Through Caring Gala at The Loews Hotel in Chicago. As president of the Les Turner ALS Foundation Board of Directors, Hoffman is a visionary leader committed to ensuring that someday in the near distance we will live in a world free of ALS. The Loews Hotels, 455 N. Park Drive, Chicago. \$400 per person, \$5,500 per table. Call 847-679-3311 or visit [www.hopethroughcaring.org](http://www.hopethroughcaring.org) The evening will feature a balloon raffle, paddle raise, dinner, and dancing. Music will be provided by The Chicago Players. For more information, call 847-679-3311 or visit [www.lesturnerals.org](http://www.lesturnerals.org).

### KENNETH ENDER, PRESIDENT, HARPER

COLLEGE: LECTURE

College Affordability and Completion:

Ensuring Pathways to Opportunity

Barrington's White House

Sunday, February 26

3 p.m.

Learn about a new concept in post-secondary education—the “Communiversities”. Dr. Kenneth Ender explores how to expand career paths and employment opportunities for young

adults by creating a network of secondary schools, the community college, and a local state college or university to deliver a flexible, high-value education at a reasonable cost. No Admission Charge, but Reservations Required at: [BarringtonWhiteHouse.com](http://BarringtonWhiteHouse.com)

## March

### NANCY BRAITHWAITE: AN EVENING WITH FRIENDS

Chamber Music Performance with Clarinet,  
Cello, Piano and Voice

Barrington's White House

Wednesday, March 1

7:30 p.m.

Internationally acclaimed clarinetist Nancy Braithwaite is joined by local talents soprano Joanne McDade, cellist Walter Preucil, and pianists Kenneth Smith and William Koehler, as they perform pieces from Beethoven, Brahms and Schubert, and other works. Traditional and modern works that are both moving and fanciful. General Admission: Adults \$20. Students \$10. Purchase Tickets at: [BarringtonWhiteHouse.com](http://BarringtonWhiteHouse.com)

### NIGHT OF THE LION

Saint Viator High School

Saturday, March 4

Night of the Lion will be held at the school with a focus on bringing alumni, past parents, and current families together. The event will honor Rev. Arnold Perham, CSV from 1961 to the present. Register by Feb. 1 for a special discount. Visit [www.saintviator.com](http://www.saintviator.com) for more information.

### DALE GRIFFITH HUMANITIES PRESENTATION

Alternative Narratives in Our Contemporary  
World: Secular Egotism vs. the Lonely Man  
of Faith

Barrington's White House

Sunday, March 5

3 p.m.

How do stories orient us to the world—either consciously or unconsciously? Dale Griffith, a former Barrington High School teacher, and his current colleague, Dr. Rebecca Schorsch, explore the understanding of



## The Barrington Business Club

**BARRINGTON BUSINESS CLUB** is a local business mixer that meets once a month, typically the last Thursday of every month. The group was created to offer local business people a casual atmosphere for people to network and enjoy a night out. This is a laid back, fun group of local business people. There are no 'rules' like some groups, and no limit on the amount of people from a business category. The only thing we ask is that you are respectful of each other. The group was started this group so that more local people can do business with each other.

At the moment there is no fee to come to this group. Typically, everyone keeps their own tab or we will order some pizza and appetizers and everyone chips in.

Find us on Facebook and Meetup.com to learn more about the group and meeting times.

religion in literature. With dramatizations and discussions of Albert Camus' *The Fall* and Joseph Soloveitchik's *The Lonely Man of Faith*. General Admission: \$10. Purchase Tickets at: [BarringtonWhiteHouse.com](http://BarringtonWhiteHouse.com)

### BARBARA L. BENSON BARRINGTON HISTORICAL LECTURE SERIES

**The Octagon House Letters: Stories of Emaline**

*Afternoon Tea and Presentation*

*Barrington's White House*

**Thursday, March 23**

Tea at 2 p.m.

Presentation at 2:30 p.m.

Late 19th century Barrington comes alive through a series of 700 letters written from the Octagon House by Emaline Hawley Brown to her daughter Laura Nightingale in Fairmont, Minnesota. Historian Barbara

Benson shares their stories—for an intimate view of Barrington and the love between mother and her “dear little girl beyond the Mississippi”. General Admission \$20 (Includes Tea, Coffee and Desserts.) Purchase Tickets at: [BarringtonWhiteHouse.com](http://BarringtonWhiteHouse.com)

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## Freddie Herriman Pederson Splashpad Groundbreaking

**ON NOVEMBER 30**, representatives of the Park District, Barrington Junior Women's Club, the Barrington Area Community Foundation, and Freddie Pederson, for whom the specialized park is named, gathered for a groundbreaking ceremony at Langendorf Park. Major donors that made the project possible include the Freddie Herriman Pederson Family, Barrington Area Community Foundation, Barrington Junior Women's Club, Barrington Area United Way, Pat and Vince Foglia, Sanfilippo Family, Barrington Breakfast and Noon Rotaries, and Barrington Children's Charities.

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# CFC Community Education Series Begins January 14

Upcoming CFC programs in the series include:

**“Living Soils,” Saturday, February 11.** Jeff Weiss, from the College of Lake County's Horticulture Department, will discuss how use sustainable organic methods to develop healthy soil for native plants and vegetable gardens.

**“Native Shrubs as Habitat and Host Plants,” Saturday, March 11.** Connor Shaw, owner of Possibility Place Nursery, will discuss how indigenous creatures use native shrubs for food, shelter and reproduction.

**“Personal Land Restoration,” Saturday, April 8.** Ders Anderson, greenways director at Openlands, will tell the story of the prairie that he and his family began in 1981.

All programs begin at 10 a.m; come for coffee, conversation and handouts at 9:30. Programs will be held at Barrington Village Hall, 200 S. Hough St., Barrington. Parking is available in the lot behind the building. Program is free for CFC members; \$10 for nonmembers. Please RSVP to 847-382-SAVE (7283) or to [communityed@citizensforconservation.org](mailto:communityed@citizensforconservation.org). Provide your name, phone number and the program name.

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# WOMEN'S CLUBS NEWS



LEFT: The Women's Club of Inverness 2017 Spring Fashion Show Committee at the Inverness Country Club.



BELOW: A WCI Scholarship recipient, Valerie Anderson, helps out the club by taking photos. Here she is with Eileen Kohne, the WCI president.



ABOVE: On Dec. 8, 2016, at the Women's Club of Inverness December meeting and holiday luncheon, the Spring Fashion Show co-chairs revealed the theme of the show—My Fair Stylish Lady—which will take place at the Stonegate Conference Center on April 13. The show's "reveal" is a club tradition.



RIGHT: Barrington Junior Women's Club members made a holiday-time visit to Alden Estates of Barrington to visit with patients who are there for rehabilitation. In front, from left: Gerelyn Wozniak, Alden Estates, Peggy Elmes, a Lake Barrington resident, and Jackie Kapcheck. In back, from left: Mary Dale, BJWC president, Heather Morgan, and Marcy Sparr, all club members.







Marcia Gummerson is host mom to Christian, and Larry Shoemake is host to Fabiolo.



Jeff Degner, (center) is president of the Illinois/Indiana Chapter of Healing the Children, a nonprofit that sponsors children coming to Good Shepherd each year for surgery.

## Healing the Children

BY LIZ DONOFRIO

**TWICE A YEAR**, cardiologists from the Advocate Heart Institute at Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital in Barrington, Ill. change the lives of Latin American teenagers forever.

Through a charity program, Healing the Children ([www.htc-il.org](http://www.htc-il.org)) teenagers from El Salvador, Guatemala, Nicaragua, and even Jamaica have traveled for the first time out of their home country to receive life-changing procedures. Two teenage recipients who have recently returned home were the charity program's 29th and 30th patients at Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital. They flew using donated United Airlines flyer miles.

Alejandra Fabiola Romero Aguilar, 14, and Christian Alexander Cubias Rivas, 16, are both from El Salvador and have Wolff-Parkinson-White syndrome (WPW), a condition where the heart's upper and lower chambers cause rapid heartbeats due to an extra electrical pathway. Some of the symptoms of WPW include shortness of breath, rapid heart rate and heart palpitations.

Alejandra and Christian's overall quality of life is hindered due to WPW because they can't participate in a lot of activities that normal teenagers do because their hearts won't allow them.

A procedure that is performed on a regular basis here at Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital, cardiologists Dr. Mehran Jabbarzadeh and Dr. Eric Kessler, along with a team of nurses and caregivers, completed a cardiac ablation procedure on each of the teenagers. A cardiac ablation procedure finds the areas causing the abnormal heart rhythm, which allows doctor to use mild radio frequency heat energy to prevent the abnormal electrical signals from occurring.

Dr. Kessler says he feels honored to have been a part of these teenagers' lives and with all the past patients involved with the charity program at Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital.



Fabiolo and Christian with Dr. Mouyyad Rahaby

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David Nelson runs drills with the team.

## Boys' Basketball at Hough Street School

**FOR THE LAST 36 YEARS**, David Nelson has coached the 5th grade boys' basketball team. It began when Ron Brandt, the principal of Hough Street School, came up to him after a "back to school" night and said that he had heard the played a little basketball and he needed a 6th grade (later was changed to 5th grade) boys' coach for a year until he could find someone else. "It was a difficult choice because I was a train commuter to Chicago daily, but I decided to say "yes," remembering I always wanted the opportunity to coach when I was in college with a P.E. Minor," Nelson said. "This was my opportunity and I am sure glad I accepted. It has been an amazing experience. I love watching the various classes bond as a unit before they go off to middle school."

Nelson says watching the boys have fun and teaching the Hough Street Hawks Honor Code—to make honorable decisions, even if no one is watching; be respectful to your family; if you are a talented player, take time to help the less-talented players; and always show good sportsmanship.

The basketball season at Hough is from November through January. The games start after Christmas break.

# “Love Our Land” with BACT During Valentine’s Week, February 13-16

**FEBRUARY IS THE MONTH OF LOVE**, and this year the Barrington Area Conservation Trust invites the community to celebrate the beautiful open spaces and landscape we enjoy during “Love Our Land” week, from February 13-16.

Each day will feature inspiring stories from local landowners who love their land, and BACT will offer different activities to celebrate our land and increase awareness of the work that BACT does to protect it.

**Monday, February 13** – Love Our Land Kickoff with stories from local landowners and a Teens4Green (Youth Advisory Board) fundraiser.

**Tuesday, February 14** – Instead of flowers this Valentine’s Day, donate \$75 to BACT and we’ll deliver a “Suet for Your Sweetie” right to your home (60010 zip code). This cute, heart-shaped suet birdfeeder will feed lots of wildlife this winter and celebrate your love of the environment.

**Wednesday, February 15** – We will honor Freddie Pederson with an invitation-only reception at the Garlands to celebrate her generous donation that allowed BACT to purchase Pederson Preserve.

**Thursday, February 16** – BACT will host an Open House reception at the White House for our volunteers and the community 3–5 p.m. Everyone’s invited!

For more information, call BACT at 847-387-3149 or visit [www.bactrust.org](http://www.bactrust.org).



**LOOKING FOR** indoor family fun this winter? Look no further than the Barrington Area Library’s Youth Services department. Open seven days a week, the library offers museum-quality interactive play experiences for children of all ages, and family entertainment from musicians, theatre companies, and travelling exhibits throughout the year. Families can explore the MakerLab, digital studios, computers, and tech workshops, or simply enjoy the fun of bringing home plenty of books and movies. Learn more at [balibrary.org/kids](http://balibrary.org/kids).

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Joy Wagner of fitMN NeuroBalance Center won the grant in 2016.

## The 6th Annual Power of the Purse

A WOMAN'S PURSE IS MIGHTIER THAN THE SWORD

**BARRINGTON AREA UNITED WAY** is beginning its preparation for the 6th Annual Power of the Purse Initiative and Luncheon on March 2, 2017. "The Power of the Purse is a charitable women's giving initiative that is dedicated to making a significant impact in the lives of women in our community," said Judy Stetson, 2017 Co-Chair.

For the last five years, The Power of the Purse has been an inspirational fundraiser, chaired by women who want to put their purse where their passions are. This hard-working group of women looks to create opportunity, nurture deserving women's programs, and transform our community in the process.

Women across the community are invited to join the Initiative by making a \$100 membership donation. Members, who join by February 1, can participate in selecting the 2017 grant recipient.

The Initiative culminates on March 2 with a luncheon at the Onion Pub of Lake Barrington. This lively event includes an impact raffle, silent auction of designer and custom handbags and the new Wall of Wallets raffle. The winning grant recipient will also be announced at the event. According to Leslie Luther, BAUW executive director, this event has become a spring signature event for Barrington Area United Way and the community at large, with luncheon event tickets selling out in the past two years.

To learn more about the Power of the Purse Membership and the March 2 Luncheon, visit Barrington Area United Way online at [www.bauw.org](http://www.bauw.org) or call the BAUW office at 837-382-8778.

