ABOUT TOWN



Dancing with the Barrington Stars' dancer Andrea Wright's fan club!

The QB Calendar

MARCH GENERAL MEETING Barrington Junior Women's Club Tuesday, March 7, 7 p.m.

Join BJWC for our March general meeting where we will discuss philanthropy, character counts, community service opportunities, and our spring fundraiser. Open to current and prospective members. Email bjwcmembership80@gmail.com for more details for prospective membership.

CFC ANNUAL MEETING Citizens for Conservation Thursday, March 9

Avante Banquets, 6-9 p.m.

"Inspiring Community Collaboration!" CFC celebrates a noteworthy year at its annual meeting in March. Note the meeting's new location at Avante Banquets in Fox River Grove. Members may attend for free; guests \$25/ticket. RSVP https://bit.ly/3xjoSFS.

"I HAVE A VOICE" NATIONAL GALA Gigi's Playhouse™ Saturday, March 11

Renaissance Schaumburg, 6 p.m.

20 Years of Believing! You are cordially invited to the Gigi's Playhouse upcoming national gala, celebrating 20 years of acceptance and hope, free programs for families, and an effort to change the world views on Down syndrome with a message of acceptance for all. Your support ensures that children and adults with Down syndrome in over 57 Gigi's locations will benefit from therapeutic, educational, and career training. The Black-tie optional event will be co-hosted by Chicago Bears icon Wendell Davis and actress Amanda Booth. Music will be performed by 7th Heaven. Visit gigisplayhuse.org/gala for individual tickets or to purchase a table of 10.

TIPS TO AVOID SCAMS AND IDENTITY THEFT

Zoom Webinar

Elderwerks Educational Services

Thursday, March 23, 10-11 a.m.

Scams, scams, and more scams. There are always individuals trying to take advantage of people and their possessions. Join Jackie Melinger and Lisa Lipton from My Personal Bookkeeper for an informative session on the

latest scams to be aware of and what you can do to protect yourself, now and anytime. All are welcome! There is no cost to join, but registration is required. Call Elderwerks at 847-462-0885 or email events@elderwerks.org.

FINANCE FRENZY ZOOM WEBINAR Elderwerks Educational Services Tuesday, March 28, 10–11 a.m.

Money personalities and lack of priority focus can interfere with proper financial planning. In this presentation, you will learn how to manage different views of finances and how to plan for essential senior priorities. Presented by Caren Naidoff and Alan Press, Managing Partners, Shire Law Group, PC. All are welcome! There is no cost to join, but registration is required. To register, call Elderwerks at 847-462-0885 or email events@elderwerks.org.

EASTER SHOP AND EASTER BUNNY PHOTOS

SafeHouse Farm Alpacas Saturday, April 1

10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Come to the farm to visit with the animals, shop the store, and get your photo with the Easter Bunny and a few live animals! Admission is free, photos are \$10. There are many local items and alpaca fur products in the shop. Come and see how Scooby and Shaggy have grown. Follow us on the website for upcoming spring and summer activities. Call or text Linda to book a private visit to the farm or book a party! The farm is located at 25638 West Chatham Rd., in Barrington. Visit safehousefarmalpacas.com or call 847-209-5513. Follow on Instagram @safehouse_farm.

SAFETY TOWN REGISTRATION IS LIVE Barrington Junior Women's Club Thursday, April 6

This summer we are offering four summer sessions. Sessions are June 12-16, June 26-30, July 10-14, and July 17-21. Classes go from 9 a.m.–1 p.m. at The Orchard Church in Barrington.

BJWC PROM SPRING FUNDRAISER

Barrington Junior Women's Club

Saturday, April 29

Wynstone Country Club

Get ready to dance like you're back in high school! This year's spring fundraiser is open to members and non-members, so grab your date and your prom best, and join us for a night of food, cocktails, music, dancing, and raffles. All proceeds will go towards our grant and scholarship programing. Ticket information and sponsorship opportunities coming soon! Visit bjwc.org.

SPRING CONCERT CELEBRATING COM-POSER RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS

Chicago Master Singers

Saturday, April 29 @ 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 30 @ 3 p.m.

Glenview Community Church

1000 Elm Street, Glenview

Chicago Master Singers' concerts will feature three seminal works by the great English composer Ralph Vaughan Williams: Dona Nobis Pacem. A Serenade to Music. and Five Mystical Songs. Music Director John C. Hughes will lead the 90-voice chorus and the Metropolis Symphony Orchestra. The vocal soloists will be soprano Michelle Areyzaga, mezzo-soprano Margaret Fox, tenor Klaus Georg, and baritone Keven Keys. Tickets range from \$15 for students to \$45. Discounts for seniors and season subscribers. Concert information is at chicagomastersingers.org/ concerts and tickets are available at tiny.cc/ CMStickets.

THE BEAUTY OF NATURE SPRING CONCERT

Barrington Children's Choir **Barrington United Methodist Church** Saturday, May 6

4 p.m.

Barrington Children's Choir announces its 2023 Spring Concert under the artistic direction of Joyce Hagg. "The Beauty of Nature" will feature choral favorites celebrating nature and the many ways it is featured in song. Will feature Roger Emerson's "Riversong," Ruth Elaine Shram's "Love the Earth," and Simon & Garfunkel's "Bridge Over Troubled Water." Tickets are \$25, available for purchase through the online box office at barringtonchildrenschoir.org.

42ND ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Barrington Lions Club

Kemper Lakes Golf Club

Monday, May 15

Times Listed Below

Lions Club President Bob Thomas and the 2023 Golf Tournament committee chairs Curtis Pulkrabek and John W. Loomis invite you its 42ND Annual Barrington Lions Club Golf Tournament will be held on Monday, May 15, at Kemper Lakes Golf Club in Kildeer, The Barrington Lions Club is in its 98th year of serving the Barrington area community. Our tournament is played as a four-person scramble with prizes for the winners! We have two tee times to choose from - morning (registration begins at 7 a.m. and tee time is 7:30 a.m.) and afternoon (shotgun start at 12:30 p.m.). For early morning arrivals, we will have coffee and sweet rolls. A lunch is provided at 11 a.m. Following the afternoon round of golf, we will serve refreshments and hearty appetizers in the clubhouse with the awards ceremony and then we conclude with the silent auction.

SUNDAY IN THE PARK

Lake County Haven

Chicago Botanic Garden

Sunday, June 4

10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Lake County Haven empowers homeless women and their children to achieve permanent, independent living. The annual spring fundraiser is our biggest component for funding our mission. This year, six Barrington residents have joined the planning committee and will take attendees on a visual stroll through the streets of Paris as we enjoy the picturesque beauty of the Chicago Botanic Garden. Event is open to the public. Tickets are \$175 for General Admission and \$250 for VIP admission. For more information, contact Events Coordinator Eve Spector Swire at 224-595-3921. Or call Lake County Haven at 847-610-0840 or visit lakecountyhaven.org.

20TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING & DINNER **Barrington Area Community Foundation** The Club at Wynstone

Monday, June 5

The Barrington Area Community Foundation's 20th Annual Golf & Dinner Outing will be held on Monday, June 5th, 2023, at The Club at Wynstone in North Barrington. This is the

only fundraiser the BACF hosts each year. We work hard to create a day of fun on the links leading to an exceptional cocktail hour and dinner featuring prizes, raffles, and auctions. Details, sign up, and sponsorships will be on the BACF website under the Events tab. Visit barringtonareacommunityfoundation.org.

THE WRITING LIFE

Barrington's Writer's Workshop & **Barrington Cultural Commission** Saturday, June 17

2:30 p.m.

Three distinguished professors/authors will discuss topics that inspire the creative spirit in all of us. A Q&A session and book signing to follow. For more information, contact Mary Klest or call Barrington's White House at 224-512-4284.

New Library Director Shares His Vision

JASON PINSHOWER took on the role of Executive Director of the Barrington Area Library on January 12, 2023. Pinshower previously served as Head of Adult Services and Head of Operations at the Library. "Over the last four and half years, I've had the opportunity to work with the community and with Library staff, which allowed me to get to know the needs and wants of our customers," he said.



"Our organization prides itself on being a space for everyone to enjoy the freedom to read, play, learn, and explore. My vision is to expand that outside of the walls of the Library. I hope to utilize our natural outdoor spaces to enable the community to experience and interact with the Library in new ways. Whether that be attending a nature story time, reading on a bench in the forest, or attending an outdoor concert, we look forward to offering opportunities that are accessible to everyone."

Three new study rooms were added in 2022, and usage of meeting rooms, study rooms, and the MakerLab has skyrocketed over the last year. An adult computing area and Local History room are coming soon to the second floor. "If you're new to the area or haven't visited us in a while, come experience our wonderful staff and vibrant, exciting Library."



The illustration by Eleanor Tomlinson, shown above, was created after the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, and shows the Queen walking with the bear and one of her Corgis. It has become an unofficial mascot of Queen Elizabeth. Tomlinson's artwork was based on a sketch played during the jubilee celebrations, showing Paddington visiting the Queen at Buckingham Palace, an unforgettable moment. The Queen was praised for her comic timing and warmth in the sketch, and Paddington became an unlikely mascot for the late monarch. [Editor's note: We wanted to correct an omission in our last issue and give proper artist credit to Eleanor Tomlinson for her iconic Paddington Bear illustration.]



WOW MOM Karla Dogan

Local Business "Card My Yard" Praises Moms

CARD MY YARD BARRINGTON owner Ali Pallone is a wife, mother of four children, and entrepreneur. She recently started a contest to encourage local moms to enter a drawing and if chosen, can nominate a fellow mom to join them for a "Day with My Bestie" enjoying services from a group of local merchants in Barrington. "I love to give praise and remind moms how awesome they are," says Pallone. She congratulates recent WOW MOM Karla Dogan who was nominated by her friend, Jessica Frederickson, whose name was pulled in the contest.

The two friends will enjoy products and services from local businesses that include Yoga Six, Nekter Juice Bar, Natural Serenity, Neoteca, Tutu Nail, LUXE Wearhouse, Angelina, Francesca's Famiglia, Kamala's Own Perfumery, Barrington Flower Shop, and G&G Women's Boutique.

Dogan says: "I go from laundry to heels, and back to sneakers to soccer and football fields and back again. I'm a lover of life, I cook and bake, but am happiest on a beach. Fashion is my first love, but I love a good sale! My husband and I run one of the largest luxury bus transportation companies in Chicago (Infinity Transportation Management LLC). We have three kids, a 13yr-old, 11yr-old and my last baby who is 5. We've been in South Barrington since 2011. I was raised in Chicago and have always had a love for the Barrington area. I knew once we started a family this was where we would plant our roots. Our neighborhood has flourished with new families moving in and has given us some amazing friendships. Our kids have the neighborhood feel with all the perks. In the last several years we had been feverishly working to grow our business. I've (finally) been able to be home with our kids and look forward to embracing these years of full-on activities. As a mother, sometimes we feel drained, but time goes quickly, so I'm cherishing all the moments spent with them. Being a mom is my #1 job and the most rewarding."