ABOUT TOWN

The QB Calendar

September

GARDEN CLUB OF INVERNESS FALL PROGRAMS & HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

The following programs are open to the public and will be presented at All Saints Lutheran Church on 639 South Quentin Road, Palatine, by the Garden Club of Inverness. Programs will start at 10:30 a.m. and are free to attend.

Blooms to Business: The Story of Fancy Flower Girls on Thursday, September 19; Fall Outdoor Planter Design Featuring Joni Cotton from Hawthorn Gardens on Thursday, October 17; and Fall Centerpiece Design Featuring Joyce Grattoni of Flowers By Grattoni on Thursday, November 12.

Save the date of December 5, 2024. to attend the Garden Club of Inverness' annual luncheon at Medinah Country Club, guaranteed to be a highlight of the holiday season. For information, visit gardenclubofinverness.com, or contact Lauri Mitchell at laurimitch@comcast.net.

LECOMPTE/KALAWAY POLO MATCHES Barrington Hills Polo Club Barrington Hills Deepwood Polo Field Saturday, September 7

11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Enjoy a fun day in the countryside at Chicagoland's single largest polo event this September! Tickets are \$25 at the gate. Tailgates are \$300 which includes one vehicle and admission for six people. The new field-side Horseshoe Club is an all-inclusive way to watch the LeCompte/Kalaway Cup. Reservations go fast. For more information or sponsorship opportunities, contact barringtonhillskalawaycup@gmail.com.

7TH PATRIOT GOLF DAY Folds of Honor Barrington Hills & Biltmore CCs Friday, September 9

Please save the date for the 7th Patriot Golf Day benefiting Families of Fallen and Disabled Military and First Responders. Those who attended last year, helping to raise \$800,000, know what a special day and evening it was, providing educational assistance to over 150 families. Folds of Honor has awarded over 53,000 scholarships to families since its founding in 2007 by Lt. Colonel Dan Rooney. To sponsor or help, contact Bill Schey (Folds of Honor, Chicago and SW Florida) at billschey@gmail.com.

BARN DANCE '90S THROWBACK The Shepherd's Circle

Saturday, September 14

Advocate Barrington Barns, 6-11 p.m.

Toss on your country casual and dancin' boots for the 'gos Throwback Barn Dance at the Barns at Good Shepherd. This fun night of live music by Hillbilly Rockstarz also features a special online auction, unlimited food and dessert, beer and wine, and select non-alcohol beverages. Seating is FCFS. Tickets are \$150 per person. Self-parking is available at Good Shepherd Hospital in parking lot A. Uber, Lyft or taxi friendly drop-off and pick-up areas are available. Visit aah.org/barndance or email tamara.darr@aah.org.

BARRINGTON HILLS FALL FESTIVAL 2024 Village of Barrington Hills

Barrington Hills Park District Riding Center Sunday, September 15

Noon-4 p.m.

Rain or shine, come for a great time! Families, friends, and neighbors have made attending this fest an annual tradition! Live music, games, entertainment, and mouth-watering fest favorites are sure to please! Admission is free. Visit vbhil.gov/fall-fest for more information.

ALL WHEELS CHARITY CAR SHOW PAWS + PISTONS DOG SHOW Hosted by Kelleher & Holland, LLC Saturday, September 21, 2024

Saturday, September 21, 2024

The Club at Wynstone, 2-5 p.m.

Don't miss this year's All Wheels Charity Car Show and the NEW Paws + Pistons Dog Show. Enjoy a wide variety of cool cars and fun offerings such as wine, whiskey, and beer tastings for the grown-ups. There's fun for the kids at The Kids Zone and more. Every year Kelleher+Holland, LLC selects a charity to support and receive proceeds from the All Wheels Charity Car Show, and this year will be for Let It Be Us. The public is welcome to join us for this wonderful family (and doggie) event. Registration is not required.

COMMUNITY WELLNESS WALK AND FAMILY HEALTH FAIR

BStrong Together & Broncos Committed Sunday, September 22

Citizens Park, 12-Noon to 2 p.m.

Join us for the 3rd Annual Joe Kelsch Memorial Community Wellness Walk and Family Health Fair. Our ½ mile walk around Citizens Park begins at Noon. Enjoy music by Bob the DJ, and find numerous resources on mental health and parenting. Bring the kids who will enjoy games, activities, a scavenger hunt, and more. For more information or to become a sponsor, visit bstrongtogether.org or email kyle@bstrongtogether.org.

PAINT THE TOWN BARRINGTON!

Plein Air began in Barrington with three local painters gathering on a Friday to paint their favorite landmarks. Today, it has grown to 20 to 30 painters who compete in the annual event hosted by the Village of Barrington and Barrington's Cultural Commission. **Painting**

Dates: Friday, September 27 through
Saturday, October 5, 2024. Competition
Details: Submission of paintings to be
considered for the competition is on Saturday,
October 5, from 12-Noon until 1 p.m. A
luncheon for painters is in the ballroom
at the same time, at Barrington's White
House. Awards Reception: Winners will be
announced at Barrington's White House at a
reception on Saturday, October 5, at 2 p.m.
Prize monies awarded will be \$500 for First

Place, \$300 for Second, \$200 for Third, along with dining cards for Honorable Mention and Artists' Choice. **Sign Up:** Painters can sign up at: barrington-il.gov/pleinair. Registration will be limited to 40 registrants.

BHS HOMECOMING 2024

Friday, September 27 Saturday, September 28

Calling all BHS alumni! Homecoming weekend kicks off with a Welcome Night for all alumni. Reunion classes ending in 4 and 9 may have their own events in the area. On Saturday, join the annual Andy Anderson Pancake Breakfast at BHS. The Homecoming Parade Kicks off at 10 a.m. from the Metra Station and marches to BHS. Don't miss the Homecoming Football Game at 1 p.m. at Barrington Community Stadium at BHS. From 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. is the annual BHSSA Tailgate Party for all BHS alumni and friends at Chessie's parking lot, 200 Applebee Street.

WALK & ROLL TO CURE FSHD WITH JOANNE'S WARRIORS

FSHD Chicagoland Chapter

Saturday, September 28 Citizens Park, Barrington, 9 a.m.

The FSHD Society is a nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing research, offering patient services, and promoting awareness for Facioscapulohumeral Muscular Dystrophy (FSHD). FSHD is a genetic disorder that leads to the weakening of skeletal muscles. The City of Chicago is gearing up for the annual Walk & Roll to Cure FSHD, an inspiring event led by the FSHD Society and dedicated volunteers. This important fundraiser will be held in Barrington on Saturday, Sept. 28, 2024, at Citizen's Park, 511 Lake Zurich Rd. Please join Joanne Dalessandro and walk with her "Joanne's Warriors" team. You can reach her at 847-502-7794. For more information and to sponsor, visit https://give.fshdsociety.org/ chicagowalkroll24

October

90TH ANNUAL BUMC RUMMAGE SALE Barrington United Methodist Church 98 Algonquin Road, Barrington

October 4 & 5

Begun in 1932, neighbor-to-neighbor amid the Great Depression, a local activity in times of need evolved into one of the most anticipated events on Barrington's annual community calendar. These proceeds provided the church with funds to support their mission work, a means for helping needy families. The Women's Aid Society led the efforts, but today, United Women in Faith's preparation

for the sale and the sale itself often involves entire families in the five-day effort. BUMC's long-standing annual Rummage Sale is a don't miss! Stop by on Oct. 4 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., and on Oct. 5 from 9 a.m. to noon.

35TH ANNIVERSARY GALA 2024 Barrington Dance Ensemble Sanfilippo Estate

Saturday, October 5, 5 p.m.

An inspired evening with dinner and dancing, live and silent auctions, and a variation of the romantic ballet "Paquita" to be performed by BDE's company and set by former Joffrey dancer Jackson Liee. The festive fundraiser is in celebration of Barrington Dance Ensemble's 35 years of providing cultural enrichment through exceptional dance education, performance, and scholarship. For tickets, visit barringtondance.org/fall-gala/

HORRIFIED: AN EVENING OF SCARY, EMBARRASSING OR AWKWARD STORYTELLING

Barrington Cultural Commission Friday, October 11

Barrington's White House, 7:30 p.m.

Back by popular demand, spooky storytelling returns to Barrington's White House this Halloween season with the theme, "Horrified." Professional storyteller Megan Wells will headline the show and local talents are welcome to submit their stories for review. The Submission deadline is September 15. Submitters will be notified by Sept. 20. Visit barringtonswhitehouse.com for more information.

CHICAGO CHARITY CLAYS 2024

Friday, October 11

12 Noon to 11 p.m. Northbrook Sports Club VIP Event Oct. 10 at 4 p.m.

Chicago Chairty Clays brings together some of our most extraordinary military personnel to join guests for a fun and meaningful day at Northbrook Sports Club in Hainesville. Since 2014, Chicago Charity Clays has raised over \$2M for the Special Operations Care Fund, a nonprofit based in Atlanta (soc-f.org) that helps meet the mental and physical health needs for members of the Special Operations community from all branches of our military. Visit chicagocharityclays.com to learn more.

BARRINGTON AREA CROP HUNGER WALK Church World Service

Starts at Salem United Methodist Church Registration at 12:30 p.m.

The Barrington Area CROP Hunger Walk is an annual community hunger education and fund-raising event sponsored by Church World Service. The Walk will take place throughout the Village of Barrington, beginning at Salem United Methodist Church, 115 W. Lincoln Ave. Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. and the Walk begins at 1 p.m.

The need for food and resources for our local agencies and around the world is ever present. The Barrington Area CROP Hunger Walk ranked 23rd in the nation in 2023, raising \$44,000. We hope to exceed that amount this year. It's easy to sign up and donate to the Walk. Visit crophungerwalk.org/barringtonil.

DANCING, DESSERT, & MORE DANCING

Operation Veterans Success

Saturday, October 19

St. George's Greek Catholic Church,7–11 p.m.

Operation Veterans Success is a nonprofit that helps bridge gaps for emergency housing

BARRINGTON AREA







Scan & make a difference in Barrington by volunteering funding needs for U.S. Military Veterans.
Started as a GoFundMe site in 2023 by
Veteran Joe Gerak and his parents Mary and
Jay Gerak, the organization now has a board
of directors that represents each branch of
the military. Join this event for a fun night of
dancing, raffles, and to help our veterans keep
their housing. Learn more at opvetsuccess.org.

BARRINGTON AREA TASTE FEST Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce Wednesday, October 23

Wild Onion Brewery, 5-8 p.m.

Enjoy a night of complimentary samplings from area restaurants, microbrewers, wineries, and distillers. The evening includes live music and a chance to grab some fast-moving cash in the Barrington Bank & Trust Co. money machine. The first 200 attendees will receive a collectible TasteFest glass at the door. To purchase Advance Tickets for \$40 (\$45 at the door) click the Register button below! To Sponsor or be a vendor, email: communications@barringtonchamber.com

AFTERNOON TEA, DRAMA, & BOUTIQUE Hosted by Signal Hill Chapter, NSDAR Wednesday, October 23

The Garlands of Barrington 1000 Garlands Ln.

Our boutique opens at 11a.m. Tea served at 12 p.m., Drama at 12:45 p.m. This year's event features Martina Mathisen as Flora the Flapper in "Chicago: True Stories of the 1920s." Tickets are priced at \$55 per person. For more information, visit signalhilldar.com.

PURPLE TIE BALL WINGS

Saturday, October 26

Marriott Lincolnshire, 6-11:30 p.m.

Join WINGS for its 24th annual Purple Tie Ball to commemorate October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and celebrate survivors who are now filled with hope, living free, and thriving. Enjoy a Winter Wonderland theme along with a cocktail reception, dinner and program, live auction, awesome raffle prizes, great entertainment and other surprises. An outstanding WINGS graduate will be honored with the David K. Hill award. Visit wingsprogram.com for details and tickets.

33RD ANNUAL CURES GALA

Gateway for Cancer Research Saturday, October 26

Barrington Hills Estate

Please save the date for our upcoming 33rd Annual Gateway for Cancer Research Cures Gala hosted by Dr. Stacie J. and Mr. Richard J Stephenson, Gateway's vice chair and chairman. We invite you to join us for an amazing evening of finding, funding, and furthering vital cancer research designed to provide better, safer treatment options giving patients more time, improved quality of life and the healing power of HOPE! For more information, contact Jeremy Alonso at 847-951-8270 or email Jeremy. Alonso@GatewayCR.org.

November

134TH GALA, "TIMELESS ELEGANCE"

The Service Club of Chicago

Saturday, November 2 Ritz-Carlton Chicago

Join Chairs Alex Meneses, Kelly Uihlein to celebrate our 134th Annual Gala, our largest annual fundraiser to support our Philanthropic Grant program. We have an elegant, glamorous, and heart-felt evening planned that will include Hollywood Celebrities from one of Chicago's prime time hit TV shows and other celebrity guests. Guests will enjoy delicious food, stunning décor, dancing and more! Peruse our live and silent auctions filled with one-of-a-kind, can't miss items you can't get anywhere else. The Party Faithful is our musical entertainment! For tickets, visit serviceclubofchicago.org.

RUNWAY AT THE PALM ROYALE FASHION SHOW

Barrington Junior Women's Club Saturday, November 9

Makray Memorial Golf Club, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Join BJEC for our signature Fall Fashion Show fundraiser event. This year we are transporting our attendees to 1960s Palm Beach to experience the Runway at the Palm Royale. Last year this event raised tens of thousands of dollars that were reinvested into the community in the form of grants and academic scholarships. Join us for a day of fundraising, friendship and, of course, fashion! Registration details available at bjwc.org. Contact: bjwcmedia@gmail.com

2024-2025 GRANTS WORKSHOP & RECEPTION

Barrington Area Community Foundation Thursday, November 14, 2024

Barrington's White House 145 W. Main Street, Barrington Workshop: 4–5:15 p.m. Reception–5:30P –7 p.m.

RSVP for the workshop and reception by calling 847-382-8800 or emailing admin@barringtonareacommunityfoundation. org.All are welcome (past grantees or new) and need to be a 501(c)3 organization and organization that services majority of the Barrington area which is the greater of the Barrington Area Council of Governments (seven villages) and the area Barrington 220 School District serves.

December

ANNUAL CLUB HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

Garden Club of Inverness

Thursday, December 5

Medinah Country Club, 11:30 a.m.

The Garden Club of Inverness will be hosting its annual luncheon at Medinah Country Club with the theme "Sleigh Bells Ringing." The event will feature a silent auction, Christmas crafts, and a raffle in addition to a presentation on floral arrangements for the holidays. Tickets will be on sale for \$75 in September and one need not be a member to attend. It is always a festive and informative affair. Contact Lauri Mitchell at laurimitch@comcast.net.

3RD ANNUAL COMMUNITY HOLIDAY TEA

Barrington's White House

Sunday, December 8

Barrington's White House, 11 a.m.

Join us for the 3rd Annual Community Holiday Tea at Barrington's White House. Enjoy a sophisticated, adults-only afternoon tea with your girlfriends, moms, and sisters, featuring traditional treats, champagne, and more. For women 21 and older. Tickets are \$85 per person at barringtonswhitehouse.com.

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

$\label{thm:chapter} \textbf{Hosted by Signal Hill Chapter, NSDAR}$

Saturday, December 14

Evergreen Cemetery

Join us for a Memorial Service at 12-Noon. We invite guests and volunteers from the public to place wreaths on graves of more than 825 Veterans in Evergreen Cemetery, which is located at 610 Dundee Avenue in Barrington.



Updates on the Catlow 1927 Foundation's Theatre Renovation Project

BY MATT AVERY

AT THE HEART of our cherished downtown stands The Catlow Theatre, a historic treasure now undergoing a remarkable transformation thanks to the Catlow 1927 Foundation. This architectural gem is being meticulously preserved and will become a multi-use venue and vibrant community hub. Once reopened, The Catlow will offer an enriched entertainment experience that seamlessly blends historic charm with modern amenities. Spearheading a downtown Renaissance, the revitalized theatre is poised to attract visitors from near and far, driving tourism and commerce while showcasing all that Barrington has to offer. With a clear vision and strong local support, Catlow 1927 Foundation is committed to ensuring that this beloved theatre returns to its former glory. In this Q&A with Julianne and Brian Long, directors of the foundation, we explore the origins of the foundation, the evolving vision for the theatre's future, and how community members can contribute to this transformative project.

What call-to-action and donor opportunities are available for those who wish to support Catlow 1927 Foundation?

Immediate monetary donations are essential and needed to keep restoration on schedule. The foundation's goal is to complete the restoration of The Catlow in time for its 100-year anniversary on May 28, 2027. Donations of any amount are greatly appreciated, and donors contributing \$1,000 or more will have their names cast in the official bronze restoration plaque, prominently displayed in the main lobby of the theatre. There are only four remaining naming rights opportunities left for

restoration partners to secure the naming rights for significant locations within The Catlow. Beyond that, there are multiple donation tiers, each with specific levels of recognition. The goal is to raise \$6 million dollars, and we appreciate the community's early contributions.

Did you plan to establish a foundation at the time of purchasing The Catlow Theatre?

Shortly after the theatre was obtained, it became clear that establishing a 501(c)(3) foundation was the best path forward. Once restoration is complete, The Catlow will be financially self-sustaining while at the same time generating revenue to give back to the community and its charities. The Catlow will not need annual fundraising or additional campaigns. As a multi-use venue, The Catlow will accommodate everything from live stage performances to private events, cinema, and more. It will ultimately elevate our downtown area and provide long-term benefits to the community. The Catlow will continue to serve as a vibrant cultural and social center for years to come.

Who is managing the physical renovation efforts?

The Catlow 1927 Foundation is fortunate to be working with Daprato Rigali Studios, proven restoration experts since 1860, now dedicated to preserving The Catlow Theatre. Daprato Rigali Studios has a vast and accredited portfolio of many historic Chicago properties including Holy Name Cathedral, Music Box Theatre, The Rookery Building, Queen of All Saints Basilica, and Ramova Theatre. With over a century of experience, Daprato Rigali Studios will ensure The Catlow's historic features and elements will be perfectly preserved.

What are the greatest needs in the theatre's renovation project?

The Catlow needs a complete overhaul of the exterior masonry as well as a new roof. Once the building is watertight, interior restoration can begin. The theatre has been marginally maintained over the years, but it suffered significant damage between 2020 and 2022. The Long family stepped in and executed immediate masonry repairs to eradicate flooding issues. They also put in new furnaces and worked with Nicor to provide new gas service ensuring The Catlow's survival through the winter of '22/'23. With added modern amenities including ADA-compliant restroom facilities, The Catlow will be able handle the diverse needs of its patrons. In addition, a new bar/lounge is planned for guests to enjoy before, during, and after events. To preserve The Catlow's legacy, the greatest need is to immediately secure as many donations at all levels as possible. These contributions are crucial for covering the extensive costs associated with this restoration project.

When do you plan to reopen The Catlow Theater to the public?

The goal is to reopen in the fall of 2026. The foundation is planning to celebrate the theatre's 100-year anniversary, scheduled for May 28 through May 30, 2027. The Catlow Centennial Weekend will be a legendary event with special performances and other festivities to honor its rich history.

How can people reach you to discuss donations or other inquiries to Catlow 1927 Foundation 501(c)(3)?

Anyone interested in discussing naming rights or donations can contact Catlow 1927 Foundation's team by calling 847-381-0777, emailing hello@catlow1927.org, or visiting Catlow1927.org.



Barrington Wreaths Across America™ Event

DID YOU KNOW that there is a growing database of Barrington Veteran profiles on the Barrington Area Library website? As part of the Wreaths Across America mission to "Remember the fallen, Honor those who serve, and Teach the next generation the value of freedom," members of Signal Hill Chapter, NSDAR, have compiled and published more than 300 profiles of the 800 Veterans buried at Evergreen Cemetery. A record of honor for these military servicemen and servicewomen now "lives and grows" on the library website, to educate and benefit families and genealogists beyond Barrington. Read about Civil War Veteran PVT Joseph Whitney here: https://balibrary.org/local-history/2544-whitneyjc. This database grows by 80 to 100 profiles yearly. To provide a profile of your Veteran relative, please email a DAR representative at signalhillnsdar@gmail.com. Join us in honoring Veterans at Evergreen Cemetery on Wreaths Across America Day, December 14, 2024, at 12-noon.

Barrington Children's Choir Invites Singers Grades K–12

BARRINGTON CHILDREN'S CHOIR (BCC) invites children grades kindergarten through high school to join us for the Spring '25 performance season. No children will be turned away from joining the entry-level ensembles, Cherub Choir (kindergarten-1st grade) and Grace Notes (2nd-4th grade). Singers wishing to join Prelude Choir (5th-7th) and Chamber Choir (8th-12th) will be accepted based on their vocal placement. (barringtonchildrenschoir.org/sing-with-us). The community is also invited to celebrate the holidays with BCC at the annual Winter Concert, December 14, 4 p.m. at Barrington United Methodist Church. Tickets available for purchase in November through the online box office at barringtonchildrenschoir.org. Follow BCC on Facebook and Instagram for performances as well as plans for international touring in 2026.

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