**New Residents**
A number of homes have sold over the past few months so we need to welcome some new residents to the Village of Bannockburn...so WELCOME to Theresa, Bethany, Deepak, Mary Jane, Mark, Patricia, David, Michael, Joanne, Wendy, Salim, Barb, Marty, Raisa, Eugene and your families.

**We Support Our Police**
This is a great time of year to put out your yard sign that “We Support Our Police”.
President’s Message, Continued

Here are some suggestions to help keep your home safe:

- When you are leaving town, if you advise the Bannockburn Police Department, they will put an extra watch on your home. Call 847-945-8490 to use this free service.
- Don’t put your outbound mail in your mailbox. You don’t really know who could steal your mail and possibly your identity. We have added a drive up USPS mail box in Bannockburn Green in the parking lot in front of Mattress Firm. Drop your mail off when you are shopping locally with our Bannockburn retailers.
- Smoke, Fire and Carbon Monoxide Detectors have changed over the years and now instead of replacing the battery every year, the newest models last for 10 years without the need to replace any batteries.

Reminder – Use the Clothing Recycling Bin at Bannockburn School

The program will accept new, used or unwanted/worn, women’s, men’s and children’s clothing and textiles. All fabrics will be accepted. Even clothes or textiles with stains or holes will be accepted. The great news is that almost 95% of the materials collected will be repurposed or recycled. Acceptable Items – All clothing items and household textiles such as sheets, blankets, towels, drapes and curtains.

RPZ / Water Backflow Prevention Requirements

Many residents and business properties received a letter from the Village that they may have a lawn sprinkler, pool or spa (with automatic water fill up), fire suppression or other system on the property. State law requires the Village to actively monitor these backflow devices because they are connected to the public water system and could cause contamination to the Village’s water system. As a reminder, if you have a backflow device, you are required by state law to test the device at least 1 time per year. There are some exceptions to the inspection requirement: your property/system is not connected to the Village’s water system (i.e. a private well) or your pool or spa is not automatically filled, among others. If you have not responded to the Village (and there are still a couple out there) about your backflow device, or your backflow device has not had a test within the last year, you are in violation of the Village Code and subject to fines up to $750 per day. For more information, visit our website at https://bannockburn.org/government/water/ ccp/ or contact Village Hall at 847-945-6080.

Transfer Compliance Inspections – Are You Selling a Home or Business?

All property sold within the Village of Bannockburn must receive a transfer compliance inspection prior to the transfer of the property. The purpose of the requirement is to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the Village and its residents by identifying “conditions of noncompliance” related to the water, sewer and storm water systems on properties in the Village through pre-transfer property inspections. This inspection is not intended to supplant home inspections that a prospective purchaser may desire to undertake.

What Is The Scope Of The Residential Property Transfer Compliance Inspection?

The scope of the transfer compliance inspection process will include an Administrative review and an On-site review. The Administrative review will include a review of the files and records relating to the property to

Back to School!!!

Students of Bannockburn School will return to school on Wednesday, August 22, 2018. General school hours are 8:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. [www.bannockburnschool.org/].

Deerfield High School students return on Monday, August 20, 2018. [www.dist113.org/dhs]
determine whether there are any outstanding fees or charges due to the Village (including a final utility bill); uncorrected ordinance violations that have previously been cited; fines due from prior tickets or notices of violation; recent permit activities or any open permits for work that has not received full and final inspections and otherwise been closed. The On-site review will be performed by a Village consultant who focuses on matters of water, sanitary sewerage and storm water systems on your property, particularly inspections for improper connections to any such system, illegal cross-connections between systems (for example, when a sump pump is connected to the sanitary sewer system), and unauthorized connections to any such system. The form can be found at Village Hall or on the Village of Bannockburn website (https://bannockburn.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/05/2014-Transfer-Compliance-Request.pdf)

While not discussed in detail within this article, Commercial Property Transfers also require a Transfer Compliance Inspection through the Village of Bannockburn. The application to request an inspection is the same form as noted above, but will require additional review by the Village Staff. If you should have any questions about the Transfer Compliance Inspection Process, please contact Ryan Mentkowski at the Village of Bannockburn via email at Rmentkowski@villageofbannockburn.org or via phone at 847-945-6080.

**Pond Maintenance Public Hearing**

In Bannockburn, we are fortunate to have ponds throughout our community. Ponds can have a wide variety of aquatic and terrestrial plants and animals, stormwater detention benefits and visual appeal provided the ponds have good water quality and good shoreline conditions.

Just like cutting your lawn or trimming trees, ponds need care and maintenance too. If the ponds aren’t maintained and managed properly, stagnating waters, algal blooms, and other unhealthful conditions can develop, which can be breeding grounds for mosquitoes and other vector.

To protect the public health, safety, and general welfare of the Village’s residents and to mitigate against the negative health, visual, and other impacts of poorly managed and maintained stormwater management facilities (ponds), the Village Board will be considering an Ordinance Amending Chapter 196 of the Village of Bannockburn Municipal Code Relating to Maintenance of Certain Stormwater Management Facilities at their September 12, 2018 Village Board meeting. Such ordinance establishes Maintenance Standards related to ponds and other forms of stormwater facilities.

Here are some helpful suggestions & information (FAQ) to ensure your pond is at its best.

**FAQ ON PONDS**

*What is considered undesirable water quality of a pond or signs of degradation?*

**Turbidity:** Turbid water, appearing cloudy or muddy, is caused by sediment, algae, and other particles suspended in the water.

**Algae Bloom:** Algae thrive in water that is rich with nutrients phosphorus and nitrogen. Storm water runoff carries into detention ponds excessive amount of these nutrients from lawn fertilizers and pet and waterfowl waste. When algae become abundant enough to color the water green, it’s called a “bloom”. Like sediment turbidity, algae blooms block sunlight from reaching through the water to the pond bottom, which prevents the growth of rooted aquatic plants - a beneficial part of a pond ecosystem.

**Sedimentation:** Sedimentation can cover fish spawning beds and create mudflats where opportunistic weedy species such as purple loosestrife, reed canary grass, cattails, and willows can invade.

**Reduced Aesthetics:** Any of the above-mentioned signs of degradation can affect the decline in the pond’s visual appeal. High turbidity and green or brown water color can detract from the ponds appearance.
What are solutions to maintaining ponds?

Watershed Management: A “watershed” is the area of land that drains into a waterbody. Managing the activities going on within a detention’s pond’s watershed is just as important—if not more so—as managing the pond itself. There are ways to reduce the sediment and nutrient runoff in your pond, some of which include (i) establishing a buffer strip of native vegetation along the pond shore, (ii) having your soils tested to see what nutrients your lawn and garden areas really need, (iii) reroute your roof downspouts onto lawns rather than driveways or streets, (iv) cleaning your storm sewer catch basins and maintenance of vegetated drainage swales.

Other solutions are stabilizing eroding shorelines, pond cleaning, pond aeration and to minimize resident waterfowl populations. The best solution is regular inspection and maintenance.

All information was provided courtesy of Lake Notes, a publication of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. Visit [http://epa.illinois.gov/topics/water-quality/surface-water/lake-notes/index](http://epa.illinois.gov/topics/water-quality/surface-water/lake-notes/index)

Bannockburn Day 2018

Bannockburn Day will be held on Saturday, September 8th at the Village’s Open Space from noon – 3:00 p.m. MARK YOUR CALENDARS. Note – this is on Saturday vs our traditional Sunday date. This community event is open to all Bannockburn residents, friends and family. A separate invitation will be sent as the time gets closer with more details and a request for your RSVP so we can properly plan for the food to be served. Highlights will include…

- Great Food Supplied by Italian Kitchen
- Live Music by Pete Zaepfel
- Pony Rides
- Bounce Houses
- Face Painters
- Balloon artists

Bannockburn Golf Scramble

The golf scramble will be held Sunday, September 30th at the Deerpath Golf Course in Lake Forest. Last year the winners were the foursome of Michael Alch, Harrison Alch, Mike Cole and Kyle Wiley. The closest to the pin contests were won by Mike Mihalov, Mike Cole (2) and Jim McShane. The longest drive winners were Adam Randall and Kathleen Doetsch. The par 3 contest was won by John Nollin.

Mark your calendar and plan to spend the afternoon with other Bannockburn neighbors and friends.

Keep yourself informed

In addition to the newsletter, the Village’s website of www.bannockburn.org, and the Bannockburn Police Department Facebook page, you can stay informed about Village events through a group email that I maintain. You will be blind copied to protect your email, but you can stay informed. Send me an email at frankrothing@comcast.net to be added to or deleted from the list.

If you have any questions or comments about the Village, please contact me at frothing@villageofbannockburn.org or my cell at 773-255-9137.

Thanks for your support.

Sincerely,

Frank “Bud” Rothing

Village President
Mosquito Control Tips

Defend your home and garden:

- Tip and toss free-standing containers such as flowerpot saucers, watering cans and buckets.
- Change the water and clean bird baths with a garden hose weekly.
- Empty water that collects in folds of tarps used to cover woodpiles, boats, etc.
- Clean leaves and debris from roof gutters.
- Clear debris to allow water to flow freely from drainage ditches and culverts.
- Position corrugated drain pipes to ensure drainage or dump out water.
- Filter or aerate ornamental ponds using a circulation pump, or stock the pond with fish.

For mosquito concerns and to report water standing more than 3 days: notify southlake@clarke.com, or call the hot line, 800-942-2555.

To report dead birds you can also call the hot line at 800-942-2555.

Second Installment of Property Taxes due

The second installment of property taxes is due Thursday, September 6, 2018. To avoid late penalties, payments must be received or U.S. postmarked by September 6. Per Illinois Statute, any payment received after the due date must include a 1.5% monthly penalty.

Lake County Treasurer’s Office hours: Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

For more information, visit the Lake County Treasurer’s office at www.lakecountyil.gov/treasurer.

The Bannockburn Garden and Social Arts Club: Growing Great Neighborhoods

No--Aunt Bea is not a member, but we would love for you to be!

The Garden Club has been a fixture in our community for almost 80 years and we are excited to add a new twist. We are not just residents who enjoy flowers and nature, we love the Arts, and share many other interests! We all chose the peace and beauty of Bannockburn, now let’s be neighborly and maybe meet a new and interesting friend that lives just a few doors away.

Join us for our event on Wednesday, September 5th...

We welcome the brilliant and inspiring Tim from Wild Birds Unlimited, Glenview, as we explore the amazing wildlife flying around Bannockburn, and great ideas for bringing wildlife beauty into your view! Got bugs? Learn how to entice the feathered friends that can help!

We would love for you to join us!

RSVP—Nancy Nervick [nancy@nervick.com] or Joanne Burgess [ibjomomma1735@gmail.com]
Property owners will be receiving their blue assessment notices over the next few weeks. It’s important for taxpayers to read and understand this notice. This newsletter will connect you to resources to help you evaluate your property assessment.

Assessment Notices Contain Important Information Like:
- A summary of the current year’s valuation changes;
- Property characteristics;
- Homestead exemptions that were received on the previous tax bill;
- Township Assessor contact information;
- Assessment publication newspaper and publication date;
- Assessment appeal filing deadline;
- Tax assessment help center dates; and
- Key-code to access the Online Appeal Filing system

Evaluating Your 2018 Property Assessment Valuation
- Review all of the information on the assessment notice.
- Visit http://www.lakecountyil.gov/154/Chief-County-Assessment-Office to review assessment information including property characteristics, comparable property information, and the e-filing process.
- Discuss any questions on your assessment value or property information with your township assessor’s office (Bannockburn is in the West Deerfield Township).
- If an assessment appeal is in order, prepare evidence by using the Lake County Comparable Grid at assessor.lakecountyil.gov, and other materials such as appraisals or sales documents.
- Complete an assessment appeal form (by paper, or electronically using the e-filing system) and submit with supporting evidence to the Board of Review by the prescribed deadline.
- You can attend the hearing in person, by telephone, or submit case materials and ask the Board of Review to decide the case based on the evidence provided. Often, cases can be resolved without an in-person or telephone hearing, particularly cases based upon a recent purchase of a subject property, or those based upon an appraisal provided by an Illinois licensed provider.

Building, Remodeling, or Doing Property Improvements? – You May Need a Village Permit

Bannockburn Residents contemplating repaving or redesigning their driveway, remodeling (new windows, new roof, new house color, new spa, new bathroom, etc.), adding an addition, installing sheds, fences, or any other structures on their property must come to the Village Hall to seek a permit and to follow any additional approval procedures. Performing work in your home or on your property without a permit may result in unnecessary delays and fines.

The Village has been and will continue to be diligent in enforcing these codes.

The Building Permit Applications are found online at: www.bannockburn.org/government/documents_applications/

If you have questions or are unsure if you need a permit for your work, PLEASE contact Village of Bannockburn Staff at 847-945-6080 to discuss your proposal.
Six Pests You Should Know About

According to the Arbor Day Foundation, the best way to protect your trees from pests that could do serious damage is to know what to look for. So they worked with Bayer Advanced™ and their Healthy Trees for Life program to provide you with information about the six pests that are posing the largest problems in the U.S.: Asian Citrus Psyllids, Asian Longhorned Beetles, Emerald Ash Borers, Japanese Beetles, Hemlock Wooly Adelgids and Whiteflies.

This new addition to their Tree Health Guide—entitled Six Pests You Should Know About—is a good resource for finding out more about these pests, the threat they pose and what you can do to help stop the spread and potentially protect your trees. Take a moment to review this helpful information. (this link will take you to the Arbor Day Foundation Website—www.arborday.org/trees/health/pests/)
The Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals (PCZBA) June 4th Meeting was cancelled & No meeting was scheduled for July.

The Board of Trustees approved the following at their May 14th, May 29th, June 11th and June 25th meetings:

- Ordinance 2018-15, an Ordinance Amending the Village of Bannockburn Municipal Code, Chapter 20, Entitled “Departments, Officials and Employees”, Article IX, entitled “Manager”, Section 38-J, entitled “Powers and Duties”.

- Ordinance 2018-16, an Ordinance Further Amending Ordinance No. 97-33 Regarding the Telecommunication Tax reflecting an increase in the tax to 6%, and subject to correction of the Ordinance to form.

- Ordinance 2018-17, an Ordinance Amending Section 260-1104 Correcting Ordinance No. 2017-33 Regarding the Membership of the Architectural Review Commission.


- Resolution 2018-R-36, a Resolution Authorizing the Village Finance Director to Pay Certain Vendors Prior to Submitting the Bills to the Village Board of Trustees.

- Resolution 2018-R-37, a Resolution Authorizing an E-Payment Service Agreement with Point & Pay, LLC.

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- Resolution 2018-R-38, a Resolution Approving a Proposal from Prate Roofing & Installations, LLC. for the Installation of a New Roof and Related Improvements (Fascia, Soffits, Frieze Board and Gutters) at Village Hall in the amount of $53,600.00.
- Resolution 2018-R-39, a Resolution Regarding the Regulation and Permitting of Small Wireless Facilities Located Within the Village.
- Resolution 2018-R-40, a Resolution Approving an Amended Mutual Aid Agreement for the Northern Illinois Police Alarm System.
- Resolution 2018-R-41, a Resolution Establishing a Purchasing Policy.
- Resolution 2018-R-43, a Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Regional Transportation Authority and the Village of Bannockburn regarding Pilot Project for Last Mile Transportation Services and an Agreement Between the Village of Bannockburn and Glenstar.
- Resolution 2018-R-44, a Resolution Approving a Contract Between the Village of Bannockburn and SavATree for Plant Health Care and General Tree Care Services on various Village Trees Situated on Village Property in an amount not to exceed $6,000.
- Resolution 2018-R-45, a Resolution Approving a Proposal from American Underground Inc. for Jet Rod Cleaning of a Storm Sewer (Telegraph Road).
- Resolution 2018-R-46, a Resolution Approving an Amendment to The Village of Bannockburn Personnel Policies and Procedures.
- Approved the Ratification of Bills Paid on May 8, 2018, Approval of the May Bill Submit List and to direct staff to transfer $500,000 to a new higher rate certificate of deposit at First Bank of Highland Park.
- Approved a Waiver of Competitive Bids for the Installation of a New Roof and Related Improvements (Fascia, Soffits, Frieze Board and Gutters) at Village Hall in the amount of $53,600.00.
- Approved a Request by the Bannockburn School Parent Organization for the following: (i) Use of the Village’s Shelter and Open Space, (ii) Play Music at the Village’s Open Space, and (iii) a Waiver of Applicable Fees for an Ice Cream Social on August 21, 2018.
- Approved the following Village of Bannockburn Proclamation: September Is National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month.
- Approved a Donation to the Deerfield Family Days to Sponsor the Shannon Rovers at the July 4, 2018 Parade.
- Approved Arthur Clesen Inc. as a Supplier to the Village of Bannockburn for Landscape and Outdoor Supplies Not to Exceed $3,500.00.
- Approved a Request by Lucy Hammerberg (2140 Telegraph Road) for (i) Use of the Village’s Open Space Shelter/Park on Friday July 27, 2018, (ii) a Family Reunion Get Together to Take Place After Dusk (between 3:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.), and (iii) to Allow Alcohol at the Event.
- Scheduled a public hearing for August 13, 2018 related to the Submission of a Public Question to Establish a Real Estate Transfer Tax.
By now you should have received the new Village of Bannockburn Utility Bills (water/sewer bills). Besides a more calming and easier on the eyes bill, one of the greatest improvements for users is the ability to quickly see what their water usage has been over the last 4 quarters of billing!

◊ If you want additional information about the new utility bills (from a content perspective), please visit our website at: bannockburn.org/government/water/bsa-utility-billing-info-2018/

◊ All of the options to pay your utility bill can be found at: bannockburn.org/utility-bill-payment-options/

◊ If you are looking to pay via credit card, that option can be found directly at this link: https://bsaonline.com/OnlinePayment/OnlinePaymentSearch?PaymentApplicationType=10&uid=2647

Additionally, as a reminder, the Village will have to switch water reading software shortly after the implementation of the billing software. The new water reading program will provide residents the ability to view hourly water reads, trends of water usage, as well as monitor their own water usage to ensure no water is wasted by leaks in the house. Once the program is closer to roll out, additional information will be provided directly to all utility users.
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Tips for Home Security While Away

Going away this summer? Whether your travel plans are for one month or one day, unless the proper precautions are taken, it can also be a perfect time for a burglar to strike.

The Bannockburn Police Department has compiled the following list of suggestions to help strengthen the security of your home. While most of the tips are meant to assist in the event of an overnight trip, many of them are practical all year round. Taking some basic security precautions is a relatively simple thing to do and will normally cost little, if anything at all. However, not doing them can cost you plenty, both in time and headaches.

⇒ Stop all deliveries. A pile of newspapers or mail is like hanging out a sign telling others that no one is home.

⇒ Install and use appliance timers. They are inexpensive and having one on each floor to a light on and off make it appear as if someone is home. You can also use one to turn on a radio that is near a door.

⇒ Give a key to a trusted relative, neighbor or friend. Arrange for that person to stop in every so often and make the house look “lived in”. Some ways of doing this include moving the car in and out of the garage, opening and closing the drapes and blinds, and bringing in the newspapers and mail if the deliveries weren’t stopped. Also, don’t forget to ask someone to cut the grass if it gets too long.

⇒ Never hide a key outside. You’re not the only one who knows that these things exist; burglars do too.

⇒ Call the police and ask for a vacation watch. This is in addition to other security steps. The police will check your house periodically while you are away. Almost all police agencies offer this free service. All it takes is for someone to not close a door completely and you’ll be glad that you called.

⇒ If not already installed, make sure your home security system has a cellular back up.

Bannockburn residents who would like to arrange a house watch should call (847) 945-8490.

A Reminder That the Bannockburn Police Department is on Facebook!

Facebook.com/BannockburnPolice
The Village of Bannockburn’s Board of Trustees would like to acknowledge upcoming anniversaries from the Bannockburn Police Department and Village Hall.

*Administrative Assistant Joan Koriath will celebrate her 4th year with the Village of Bannockburn on September 29, 2018. Their service and dedication to the Village of Bannockburn is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Upcoming Village Meetings

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
August 14, 2018
September 18, 2018
October 16, 2018

Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals
August 6, 2018
September 10, 2018 (6:00 p.m.)
October 1, 2018

Village Meetings, Cont’d
Board of Trustees
August 13, 2018
September 12, 2018 September 24, 2018
October 9, 2018 October 22, 2018

West Deerfield Township Meetings
Residents of West Deerfield Township are invited to attend and provide their input at the West Deerfield Township Board of Trustees meetings [www.westdeerfieldtownship.org].

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