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## YOUR GUIDE TO THE 2015 SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION EVENTS

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**Saturday, April 25**

### **1865 STREET FESTIVAL**

Enjoy family fun in an historic environment at the 1865 Street Festival in downtown Barrington at Cook & Station Streets from 3:00–10:00 p.m.

**Sunday, April 26**

### **VINTAGE BASEBALL GAME; SHARE HISTORY AT THE LIBRARY**

The Crackerjacks vintage baseball re-enactors will play a game at Citizens Park at 12:00 p.m. Then gather at the Barrington Area Library to share Barrington-area photos and memorabilia from 2:00–5:00 p.m.

**Throughout the Month of April**

### **ICE HOUSE MALL 1860s EXHIBIT**

Barrington's historic Ice House Mall & Village Shops presents "What Our World Looked Like in the 1860s: A Tribute to Barrington's 150th Anniversary Sesquicentennial" display.

**Memorial Day Weekend, May 23–24**

### **ART FESTIVAL & HISTORIC DOWNTOWN WALKING TOURS**

Walking tours of historic downtown Barrington will debut during Barrington's annual Art Festival. Tour maps will be available at the festival and at Village Hall throughout the summer.

**Saturday, July 4**

### **FOURTH OF JULY PARADE, BRAT TENT & WHITE HOUSE**

The annual Fourth of July Parade kicks off at 10:00 a.m. on Main Street. Then celebrate the Grand Opening of the White House, the new community and cultural center for Barrington, and head over to the Brat Tent for food & fun.

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**Sunday, July 5**

### **VINTAGE BASEBALL GAME & ICE CREAM SOCIAL**

The Crackerjacks vintage baseball re-enactors will play a game at Miller Park at 12:00 p.m. Then join the Barrington Area Ministerial Association for a family fun afternoon of music, games, and an ice cream social.

**Friday, July 17**

### **150th BIRTHDAY PARTY**

The Barrington Park District will hold a 150th Birthday Party from 5:30–8:30 p.m. at Citizens Park.

**Sunday, August 30**

### **U.S. NAVY BAND, THE CRUISERS**

The renowned U.S. Navy Band, The Cruisers, will perform at Barrington High School stadium from 4:00–5:30 p.m.

**Friday–Sunday, September 18–20**

### **CIVIL WAR RE-ENACTMENT**

The Village and the Barrington Park District will host a Civil War Re-enactment at Citizens Park, complete with authentic soldiers, encampments, cavalry horses, musicians, and more. Also enjoy a Civil War presentation by Barrington native and BHS graduate Ron Cogswell, the chairman of the Civil War Trust in Washington, D.C., and a presentation by Guy Fraker, an expert on Lincoln's life and times.

**Friday, November 27**

### **BATTLE AT BARRINGTON RE-ENACTMENT**

On this date in 1934, infamous Chicago gangster Babyface Nelson engaged in a gun battle with FBI agents on Route 14, killing several before being killed himself. At Langendorf Park at 4:00 p.m., see the scene re-enacted complete with costumes and vintage vehicles!



**MARY ROSE SANTUCCI RECENTLY OPENED “MASSAGE BY DESIGN” IN BARRINGTON.**

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Santucci graduated Valedictorian from the Cortiva Institute of Professional Massage Therapy in 2010 and has since worked for both Asha SalonSpa and Dr. Lee Echelbarger, a highly specialized chiropractor in Schaumburg, gaining valuable experience in both areas. She is a Licensed and Nationally Certified Massage Therapist and member of AMTA and NCBTMB.

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On April 26, Garden Club of Barrington members and relatives of the Work family honor renowned conservationists Ruth and Robert Work with a memorial garden dedication led by the club's Chairman of the Ruth and Robert Work Park Project, Peggy Olsen, at the Barrington Area Library.

## The Garden Club of Barrington Honors Conservationists Ruth and Robert Work

**GARDEN CLUB OF BARRINGTON MEMBERS AND RELATIVES** of the Work family gathered in front of the Barrington Area Library's terraced gardens Sunday, April 26th, to officially dedicate the gardens as a memorial to renowned Barrington conservationists Ruth and Robert Work. Leading the dedication ceremony was Garden Club of Barrington member and Chair of the Ruth and Robert Work Park Project, Peggy Olsen. She addressed the group by noting that, "The Works generously contributed to every cultural development in the Barrington community. They were especially interested in protecting nature and preserving the area's natural beauty and resources. The Works were interested in bird and animal life, were students of nature and boosters of conservation."

In 1958, the Garden Club of Illinois officially took on the job of landscaping the Illinois tollways. Seven Barrington garden clubs formed the Council of Barrington Garden Clubs and elected to develop and plant the 33 acres along the Northwest Tollway and the Barrington Road exit. In 1962, the Tollway Commission accepted the Council's request to name the park as a memorial to one of Barrington's power couples to recognize their work in conservation matters, and it was named the "Ruth and Robert Work Park". Recently, the State of Illinois requested the park to be relocated or removed due to a \$68 million dollar tollway renovation project to be completed by 2016.

Peggy Olsen and her committee took on the task of finding a suitable location for the park. After careful consideration of several sites, the Barrington Area Library gardens were proposed. It was a fitting location as the Garden Club of Barrington installed and has maintained these gardens since 1976, and Ruth Work was not only a founding member of the Garden Club of Barrington, but also one of the organizers



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*Ian and Jenny Pitcher are the great-grandchildren of the Ruth and Robert Work.*

#### HISTORY OF RUTH AND ROBERT WORK

Ruth M. Work (1878-1966) was widely-known and recognized for her work in conservation and conservation education. She wrote extensively on the subject and received a medal the Garden Club of America. She was a founder and honorary member of the Barrington Woman's Club and a leader of its Conservation Department. She was a founder and honorary member of the Garden Club of Barrington, and a four-term president, an honorary member of the Countryside Garden Class and charter member of the Little Garden Club in Barrington, all affiliates of the Barrington Council of Garden Clubs.

Ruth was one of the organizers of the Barrington area Library belonged to the Chicago Academy of Sciences, the Illinois Audubon Society, served as secretary for the Chicago Chapter of the Illinois Conservation Council, chapter member of the Wild Flower Preservation Society and honorary president of the group, a life member of the Chicago Historical Society, Barrington Natural History Society and affiliated with the Barrington Methodist Church.

Robert G. Work (1874-1960) moved his family to Barrington in 1907. He was a part of a circle of prominent architects including Daniel Burnham, John Root, Louis Sullivan and David Adler. He designed many local homes in the Barrington Hills area and the Village. He designed the Barrington Methodist Church on Cook Street in 1931, and although it burned in 1998, the Work steeple towers over the new church on Algonquin Road. He also designed the first (1926) and second (1931) clubhouse for Barrington Hills Country Club. After a fire destroyed the first wooden structure, he designed the second to be made of non-combustible materials and this design still stands today.

Robert was an active member of the American Institute of Architects in Chicago, the Chicago Art Institute, the Chicago Neural History Museum, the Chicago Academy of Science, the Chicago Tavern Club, the Barrington Hills Country Club, the Barrington Hills Countryside Association, and the Barrington United Methodist Church.

of the first Barrington Area Library, which opened in 1915, on Park Avenue. The Garden Council and the Library Board approved the proposal, and a granite marker was installed by Avant-Gardenscapes in December 2014, with a springtime dedication planned.

"As a member of the Garden Club of Barrington, I feel honored to dedicate the library garden as the "Ruth and Robert Work Memorial Garden" and I feel that this lovely setting is the perfect place to memorialize this extraordinary Barrington couple" remarked Peggy Olsen. Several Barrington Work family members were in attendance including the Work's great grandchildren Ola, Jenny, and Ian Pitcher, and their mother Ewa Pitcher. Jenny Pitcher read an essay to the group about her life growing up in the grandparents and parents home designed and built by her famous great grandfather architect Robert G Work.



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Jake Peterson (right), catcher for the varsity team, models his "150" patch to teammate and pitcher, Nick Covek.  
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## BHS Baseball Team Joins the Sesquicentennial Celebration.

**THE BARRINGTON HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL TEAM**, led by Head Coach Pat Wire, has joined in the celebration of Barrington's 150th year Sesquicentennial. Each player and coach will have a patch on their uniform for this 2015 baseball season. It is only natural that the local team supports this historic anniversary with one of the highest honors a team can render.

Coach Wire recently told the team at their first meeting "You represent the town of Barrington and the high school every time you put on this uniform. Show pride in your uniform, your town, and your team. It says *Barrington* on the front of your uniform for a reason."

The patch is based on the design for the village, and highlights the Catlow Theater marque in contrasting red lettering. At the conclusion of the season, each player will be able to keep their patch as a souvenir of this anniversary celebration. The patches were underwritten by a generous grant from a booster that wishes to remain anonymous, noting that no school or athletic funds were used.

Also new for this year, a bronco has been added to the left uniform sleeve. This was suggested by a recent varsity player, Nick Caminiti ('14), as a source of pride for the team and the school.

Another historic milestone has been marked with the baseball team this year. Long-time Assistant Coach Tim Rife will be retiring from his teaching position this year. He has compiled an enviable record of 26 years teaching History, 25 years coaching baseball, and 20 years coaching golf. The team is hoping that he will continue his coaching and mentoring them in his retirement.



## Barrington Country Garden and Antique Faire's 15th Anniversary!

**TOUR THE SPECTACULAR GARDENS** of three private estates in beautiful Barrington. Shop the French Market Boutique and wander through an historical barn brimming with antique and vintage furniture, and one-of-a-kind treasures. Tour an organic vegetable farm, attend fabulous home and garden workshops, and be inspired by designer created garden party vignettes. Musical performances throughout the day and gourmet lunch available for purchase. Faire proceeds benefit Hands of Hope, a community of women committed to helping women and children in Africa.

Tickets are \$45 until June 14th, and \$55 June 15th and after. Faire hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday only: 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.—shop the French Market and Avant Garden before the Faire opens with an “Early Buy” ticket for \$80. The event is on June 19 and 20, 2015. There is free parking and shuttle service to the gardens and shopping. Come to 800 Hart Road, Barrington, to park and pick up your shuttle.

To learn more, call 847-381-7367, or visit [www.hands of hopeonline.org](http://www.hands of hopeonline.org) to buy your tickets or for more information. Like us on Facebook—Hands of Hope (Barrington Country Garden & Antique Faire). (Photo: Laura Ekstrom)



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## Lions Club: Calling All Golfers

**THE 34TH ANNUAL** James R. Nelson Memorial Golf tournament is Monday May 18, at Kemper Lakes Golf Club. Registration begins at 6:30 a.m. for morning golfers, and 10 a.m. for afternoon golfers. The golf tournament starts at 7 a.m. for the morning golfers and 12:30 p.m. for the afternoon golfers—with a shotgun start. Come early, so you will have plenty of time for lunch (which will begin at 11 a.m.) and practice your game at the driving range and at the putting contest. Kemper Lakes Golf Course is a challenging course and there is always great competition.

Kemper Lakes Golf Club (Past host of a 1989 U.S. Open Tournament), is located at 24000 N. Old McHenry Road in Kildeer, Ill. It is less than a 15-minute drive from downtown Barrington. Head North on Rte. #59, (2 miles) to Route #22.

When you arrive, drop off your golf bag with The Lions Club members, and then park your car. On your way into the clubhouse, you'll be able to check in/register for the tournament. Then you'll be free to hit some balls and have lunch, at your leisure. Lunch is to begin at 11 a.m.

Announcement of tournament play will be made at the golf cart area. The Lions Club would like all afternoon players to be at their carts promptly at 12:15 p.m., so that we can send you off to your assigned starting tees and everyone can meet the shotgun starting time of 12:30 p.m.

After play concludes, there will be a reception in the clubhouse. Players favorite beverages and cocktails, along with a heavy hors d'oeuvres buffet, will be served in conjunction with the presentation of awards to golfers who distinguished themselves on the golf course or who have completely lost their way on the course. All golf stories are fair game at the reception!

On the day of the tournament, we'll all be out at the golf course. If, for any reason you need to contact the Lions Club then, you can call Kemper Lakes Golf Club Pro Shop for directions at 847-726-5534. For more information, contact Curt Pulkrabek 847-922-4154, or John Loomis 847-370-4439.





AMITA President Mark A. Frey

## AMITA Health Reflects New Integrated Health System

### THE BOARD OF THE JOINT OPERATING COMPANY (JOC)

formed by Adventist Midwest Health and Alexian Brothers Health System (ABHS) has chosen the name AMITA Health for its newly integrated health system, the third-largest health system in Illinois and one that serves the West and Northwest Suburbs.

AMITA Health encompasses nine hospitals and an extensive provider network of more than 3,000 physicians serving the west and northwest suburbs of Chicago. After legal and regulatory approvals, the two entities officially entered into the JOC, effective February 1. The non-binding letter of intent to form the JOC was announced in June 2014 and, after a period of due diligence, the definitive agreement was announced in October 2014.

Adventist Midwest Health is part of Adventist Health System in Altamonte Springs, Fla., and Alexian Brothers Health System (ABHS) is part of Ascension, the largest non-profit health system in the U.S. and the world's largest Catholic health system. "This name marks a new beginning firmly rooted in our faith traditions and our past accomplishments," said Mark A. Frey, president and CEO of AMITA Health. "The name is our promise to deliver the most efficient, high-quality, faith-based care."

The name AMITA is inspired by the meaning it has in several languages: friendship in Italian, honesty and truth in Hebrew and spiritual light and boundlessness in Hindi, reflecting the organization's core values of friendship, truth and mutual respect for all, as well as its faith-based call to healing. "We wanted an inspirational name because we know our team of dedicated caregivers is driven by a higher calling

to help others," said David L. Crane, AMITA Health's Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. "Each day we extend God's healing touch through mutual respect for all, and we strive to do everything humanly possible to deliver excellent, patient-driven care."

AMITA Health was chosen after an extensive process that began during the early stages of discussions between the two organizations. The deliberate, scientific research process included interviews of many randomly chosen associates and patients from both Adventist and ABHS, as well as board members of both organizations and their foundations and religious leaders.

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Bill Hannay and Peer Lykke, both members of the Sesquicentennial History Work Group attend the April 26, 2015 downtown 1865 Festival. (Photo: Bob Lee)



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**OUR LARGE TEAM OF PEOPLE**—writers, researchers, historians, photographers, artists, committee leaders, and more—have wrapped up our project. Copies will reach you in the next two weeks by mail if you placed an order. In the future, additional copies will be available for sale at Village of Barrington locations and events. All of us thank you for your patience, and hope you truly enjoy our special edition.



## The Key to Academic Success

Barrington High School students are (in front, from left) Chip Batko, Brittany Albrecht, Miss Southern Sweetheart; (second row, from left) Madeline Claustro, Jessica Christoffer, Katherine Hoffman, Victoria Patrone, Maanvi Amin, Alecia Jilly, Kathleen Reilly, Madeline Claustro, Jessica Malec, Patrick Fitzgerald, Priyanka Voruganti, Sofia Saroni, and Lauren Heintzelmann; (in back, from left) David Tung, Jordan Meyer, John Postlethwait, John Dombek, Joe Roeckell, Anthony Priola, Kyle Patel, and Elizabeth Bruckner. (Photos: Daniel DuVerney of Chicago)

**DID YOU KNOW THAT LISTENING TO MUSIC** has been shown to raise one's IQ? Recent Barrington High School graduate Brittany Albrecht does, and she has recently spoken about the importance of the arts at BHS and A.C. Lines Elementary School as the newly crowned "Miss Southern Sweetheart." Albrecht was crowned in Marion, Ill., last November, and her social platform, "Art and Music Education: The "Key" to Academic Success" was first presented to the third-grade classes of Mrs. Sarah Giunchedi at A.C. Lines. Mrs. Giunchedi felt that her students learned "That the arts change your brain in order to make you smarter. They are just as important as academics are for building intelligence."

A few weeks later, Albrecht spoke to the entire school assembly at A.C. Lines' holiday sing-a-long. Principal Jill Schweiger said, "The students were very excited about Brittany's visit to Lines School. They learned about the brain benefits that music has on people and how that positively impacts their learning."

In January, she also spoke to several choir classes at Barrington High School, and presented a power point lecture. New BHS Choral Music Teacher, Chip Batko, said: "Students were more understanding as to what cognitively happens in the brain when it is engaged in activities such as music and how that cognitive function carries over into their core classes such as math and

science." Since Mr. Batko chose music education for a career, he knows its benefits first-hand. "Music education has helped me to become a better test taker" he said. "Music is something that forces you to focus from a visual, aural, and kinesthetic perspective."

Music has also had a tremendous impact on Albrechts' education. While at BHS, she was in choir, madrigals, and the musicals all four years, and was twice selected for the District Choir as a first soprano. The University of Illinois freshman also earned the talent award at the "Miss Southern Sweetheart" pageant for her performance of "Part of Your World" from Disney's The Little Mermaid. She is the recipient of a \$500 scholarship, coaching, and prizes, and will compete in the Miss Illinois competition this June.

Miss America's official philanthropic recipients are the Children's Miracle Network Hospitals, which holds a special place Albrecht's heart, as she was hospitalized at Children's Memorial at the age of two. If you would like to donate to her page, please visit: <http://missamericaforkids.org/Donate/brittanyalbrecht>



*Brittany Albrecht*





## Barrington Spring Wine Walk

**THE MERCHANTS IN DOWNTOWN BARRINGTON** will host a Spring Wine Walk on Saturday, May 16, 2015, from 2 p.m. to 6: p.m. This event is planned to kick-off the summer shopping season with a variety of wonderful merchandise from the unique stores in Barrington.

The Spring Wine Walk offerd free wine tastings and other tasty treats along the way. Over twenty shops and ten restaurants smf wine merchants are participating in this enjoyable event. Customers can begin the Wine Walk at any participating business by picking up a location map for the tasting. The participating stores are:

- Village Center Merchants are Anderson's Candy Shop, Allegro Dance Boutique, Angelina, Barrington Flower Shop, Bravura Home & Gift Shop, Cooper's, Grassroots, Notice, Solisq, The Annex and Vin Chicago.
- Norton's U.S.A., Barrington's uniquely American general store, and The English Daisy will host their events on Lageschulte Street.
- Jewel will offer wine tastings at The Ice House Mall on behalf of the Barrington Cultural Arts Center, Once in a Blue Moon, Savvy Spirit, Tommy Terri Boutique & Gifts and Tootsies Shoes
- Barrington Commons merchants are Carol and Company and Jennie and Vera's Sweets & Savories

North Cook Street merchants will be Heads Up Boutique and OMO  
Barrington's Spring Wine Walk Wine Walk is a wonderful opportunity for shoppers and visitors to experience the shops and restaurants in the Village center, the Shops on Lageschulte, Barrington Commons, North Cook Street and the Ice House Mall. The merchants look forward to showcasing the unique gifts and specialty items that make their stores distinctive. Plan to spend the day walking around town, sipping samples of wine, socializing with friends, finding that unique one of a kind gift, and then settling in for a wonderful dinner on one of the fine restaurants in Barrington.

Anne Garrette, event and marketing coordinator for the Village of Barrington commented that "This is the fourth year the Village has hosted wine walks, and the merchants are delighted to use this event to bring in shoppers from throughout the area to see everything Barrington has to offer." The wines for Saturday's event are being provided by Heinen's Fine Foods, Garfield's Beverage Warehouse, Cooper's, The Annex, McGonigal's Pub, Grassroots, Ciao Baby, Jewel, Vintage Wine & Spirits and Vin Chicago.

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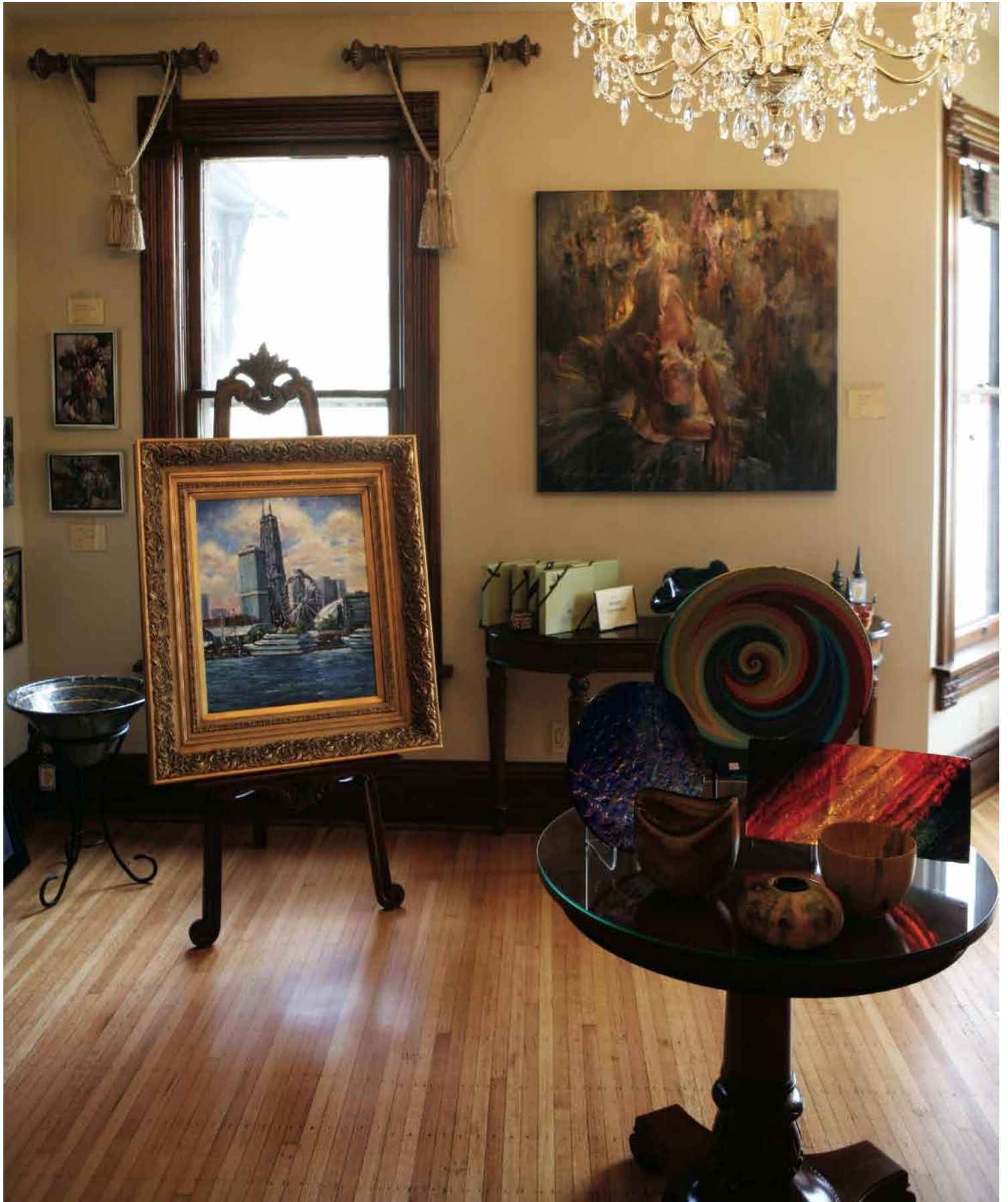


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The concept of Savour Art Gallery is to provide a unique venue for shopping and events, featuring original artwork from all over the world. Paintings, art glass, hand-turned wood bowls, wire baskets from Paris, Canada, Africa, Budapest, and the Midwest may be found throughout the gallery. Savour also caters to lovers of wine, cigars, and fine chocolates. Savour's wine bar is always open, with unique and hard to find vintages available for tasting.

With the addition of vintage gardens, Savour Art Gallery is a wonderful year-round venue for bridal parties, fashion shows, art exhibits, and more. To learn more, visit [www.savourgallery.com](http://www.savourgallery.com), or call 847-363-2424. Savour Gallery is located at 302 South Main Street in Algonquin. (Photos: Susan McConnell)







## Barrington Art Festival Returns on Memorial Day Weekend

**THE SIXTH ANNUAL BARRINGTON ART FESTIVAL** returns Memorial Day weekend (May 23-24), along Cook and Station Streets in downtown Barrington. This year, the festival, which runs from 10 a.m.- 5 p.m., coincides with the celebration of the Village's 150th anniversary.

"The Barrington Art Festival is delighted to serve as part of the festivities that are marking the Village's anniversary," says Amy Amdur, president of Amdur Productions. "Adding art to Barrington's already charming downtown, which is filled with fantastic café's, boutiques and restaurants, only enhances the Village's appeal as a must-visit, must-see weekend destination."

Free and open to the public, the Barrington Art Festival will showcase the work of more than 130-juried artists from around the world in a variety of mediums, including ceramics, fiber, glass, jewelry, painting, sculpture and more. In addition to the incredible artwork available for purchase, attendees will be able to interact with artists through demonstrations and booth chats. Live music, kid-friendly activities, such as the patARTic graffiti wall, and epicurean delights also will be available for visitors to enjoy. Drawings at the Festival will take place daily, allowing some lucky festivalgoers to win Art Buck\$, courtesy of Amdur Productions, which they can spend at any of the Amdur Production 2015 festivals.

For more information about the free Barrington Art Festival, visit [amdurproductions.com](http://amdurproductions.com), call 847-926-4300, or email [info@amdurproductions.com](mailto:info@amdurproductions.com).

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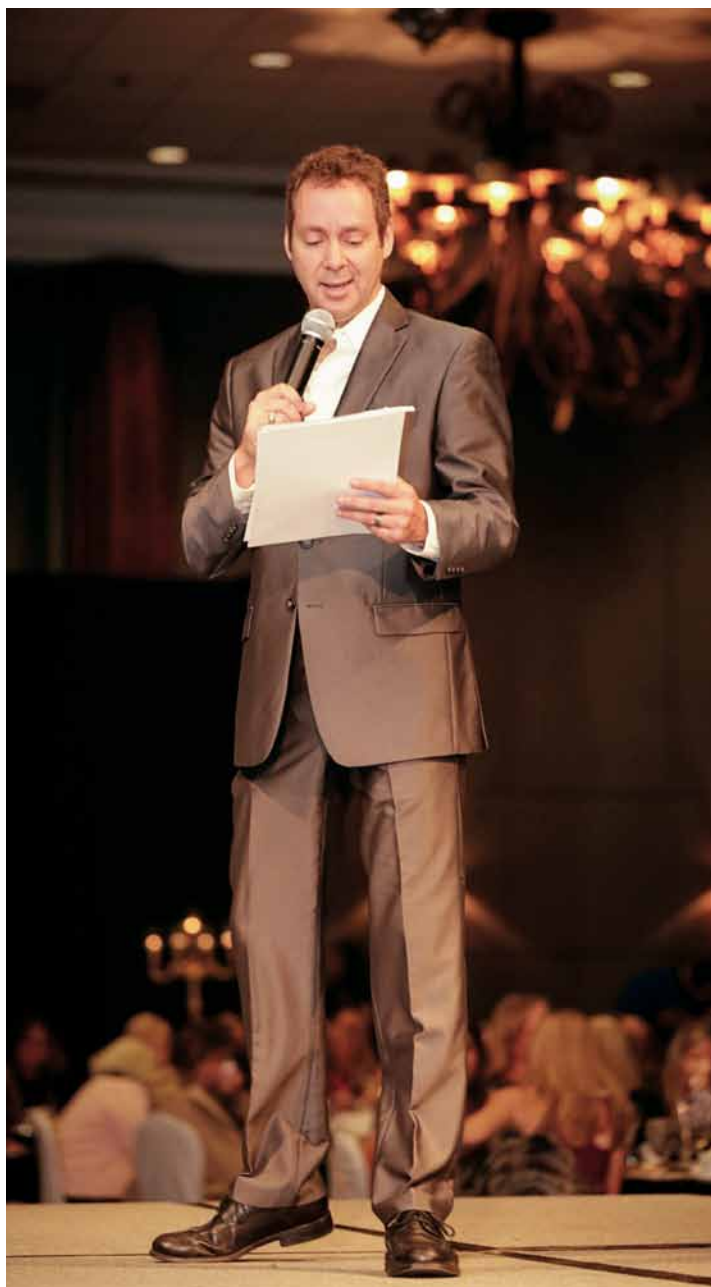
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## The Voice of Barrington: Bob Roig

**YOU'VE SEEN HIM EVERYWHERE**—Barrington Junior Women's Club Fall Fashion Show, Cruise Nights in town, Scarecrow Fest, Trick or Treat Trot, and many more. Known best as "Bob the DJ"—Roig knows how to work a crowd and make events the best they can be. Roig is one of those lucky people who is doing what he loves. "It's exciting, to be able to help make a difference is very fulfilling for me," he says.

Roig started his business 11 years ago, and he often becomes



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part of the event, not only keeping his hosts calm, but being part of the performance. "I love helping people with their success," he says. He also enjoys the wide variety of people he meets on the job.

Roig was born in Oak Park and grew up in Arlington Heights (he's now a Barrington resident). He is the youngest of five children and credits his talented siblings—who are musically and comically talented—as part inspiration, and part on the job training for him.

One of Roig's strengths lies in the coordinating and choreographing the music choices and flow, musical selections, and scripting for the event. "I focus on the prep work—do a lot of research," he says. "I have a good ear for mixing and blending music." That's a big change from being in corporate sales and even being certified as a PC and Mac technician.

Being the Voice of Barrington is more than just speaking into a mic. Roig has three suggestions for a great event: get a credible event planner; have enough lead time to book everything you need in advance; and spend time with your event planner to assure a good outcome and so that you know what to expect.

*To learn more about Bob Roig and his services, email [bobthedj@live.com](mailto:bobthedj@live.com), or call 847-217-2762.*



# Kid Fest!

**ON SATURDAY, MAY 2,** Kid Fest brought out the best of both children and their parents. The fun annual event is a group effort that includes Barrington Park District, Leave No Child Inside, and Barrington Breakfast Rotary Club. The 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. adventure-filled day included kite flying, nature learning, and a chance to test outdoor skills at Citizen's Park in Barrington. This don't-miss event for families is free to the public.  
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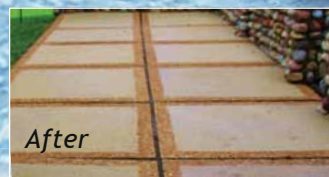
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