# **ABOUT TOWN**



The Maui Music & Food Experience Afterglow Ball, to benefit the Hua Momona Foundation, will be held on Saturday, November 9 at the Sanfilippo Estate. Details are in the calendar below. Pictured here are Founder Gary Grube, Executive Chef Zach Laidlaw, and Richard Olson, Sommelier.

# The QB Calendar

## 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.

# MAUI MUSIC & FOOD EXPERIENCE AFTERGLOW BALL

**Hua Momona Foundation** 

Saturday, November 9

Sanfilippo Estate

Event Opens at 4 p.m.

Experience the magic of the Maui Music & Food Experience at the Afterglow Ball to be held at the Sanfilippo Estate in Barrington Hills. Join the nonprofit Hua Momona Foundation to help address food insecurity resulting from the Lahaina fires in Maui. The Foundation has provided over 60,000 free hot meals to those affected by the fires and more are needed. Hua Momona's Chef Zach Laidlaw (Next Level Chef Season 3), Sommelier Richard Olson, and Maui Musician Jason Arcilla (The Voice, Season 24) will take you on a culinary and musical adventure. The event opens at 4 p.m. with a tour of the Estate, followed by the opening of the Carousel House at 5 p.m. Dinner begins at 6 p.m. followed by music and entertainment. For more information and tickets, visit huamomonafarms.com/pages/gala or https:// onecause/mauiafterglow.

# 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

## VETERANS DAY CEREMONY Village of Barrington

Monday, November 11

Remember our veterans at the local annual ceremony at 11 a.m. at the Veterans Memorial,

located at Park Avenue and Cook Street in downtown Barrington.

# 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.







Scan & make a difference in Barrington by volunteering

## December

# HOLIDAY BRASS AND PERCUSSION CONCERT

Elgin Symphony Orchestra

Sunday, December 1

St. Anne Catholic Community 3 p.m.

Members of the Elgin Symphony Orchestra's brass and percussion sections will present a free concert at St. Anne Catholic Community, 120 Ela Street, Barrington. ESO Music Director Chad Goodman will conduct this family-friendly program featuring festive holiday music and Christmas carols, which is sponsored by the Francis J. & Patricia A. Houlihan Foundation. RSVPs are encouraged and can be made at elginsymphony.org or by calling the ESO Box Office, open Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m.—noon and 1–3 p.m. at 847-888-4000.

## 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.

#### BARRINGTON CHILDREN'S CHOIR WINTER CONCERT

# Barrington United Methodist Church Saturday, December 14

3 p.m.

Barrington Children's Choir announces SING for JOY, the 2024 Winter Concert. Under the leadership of Artistic Director, Joyce Haqq, and Choral Director, Hope Miner, the five choral ensembles will perform a mix of wintry and holiday music that celebrates the playful days of the holiday season and the peaceful moments of winter. Established in 1986, BCC provides choral education with the finest music repertoire to children in grades kindergarten through 12. The 75-minute concert will be presented without intermission. Tickets are \$25, available for purchase through the online box office at barringtonchildrenschoir.org.

## WINTER WONDERFEST

# Barrington High School Fine Arts December 13 and 14

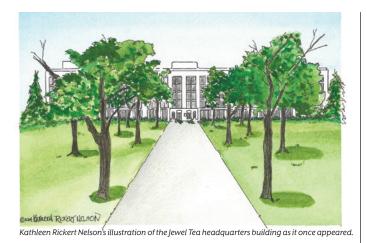
Barrington 220 Fine Arts proudly presents the 5th Annual Winter Wonderfest celebration at Barrington High School! This year's event runs December 13-14 and it will be an open house with activities happening primarily inside the new front atrium addition at BHS. The event will include DJs, carnival games, holiday crafts, hot chocolate for purchase, and more! Tickets will be available through the Barrington 220 online box office: https://app.arts-people.com/index.php?ticketing=d220



## WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA 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.



# Jewel Celebrates 125 Years in Business

THE JEWEL-TEA COMPANY began as a band of door-to-door salesmen, selling coffee, tea and household goods from the back of horse-drawn wagons. Founded by Frank Ross and his brother-in-law Frank Skiff in 1899, the company launched with just \$700, a rented horse, and a secondhand wagon. In the 1920s, the company built a historic Art Deco and Moderne style headquarters in Barrington. In the 1930s the company started a change to the grocery store model. In the early 2000s, the abandoned building, known as the "Gray Lady," was torn down to make way for Citizens Park.

Back in the old days, the smell of roasting coffee wafted across town from the Jewel headquarters. During the Great Depression, Jewel played a strong role in preserving Barrington through the hundreds of jobs it created and by keeping its payroll with the First National Bank of Barrington. Today, we appreciate our local Jewel-Osco and wish their employees a happy 125th anniversary.





# 2024 M Club Hall of Fame Class Welcomes Derek Blanchard

DEREK BLANCHARD ('08) was recently announced as a recipient of the Alliance, Ohio-based University of Mount Union's M Club 2024 Hall of Fame class for football. To be inducted, a student-athlete must have earned a degree from Mount Union and received two letters in one sport, or one letter in two or more sports. Athletes are eligible for selection 15 years after

graduation or their last competition. Blanchard is the son of Peggy and Steve Blanchard of Lake Zurich. Peggy Blanchard is a former director of economic development for the Village of Barrington.

Blanchard is a graduate of Lake Zurich High School. He participated in football, track, shot put, and wrestling at LZHS. Today, he is a financial advisor with Northwestern Mutual in Oakbrook, Illinois. "I am incredibly honored to be inducted into the Mount Union Hall of Fame," Blanchard said. "This recognition is a testament not only to hard work, but also to the dedication and support of my coaches, teammates, and my family. College football has shaped me in so many profound ways, and I am grateful for the lifelong friendships and invaluable lessons it's given me. I am deeply thankful for this extraordinary honor."

# Remembering Jolly Dandona

within our community, and she worked her way, literally, into the fabric of our lives. She spent time with us during some of the most magnificent moments of our lives—weddings, graduations, homecomings, proms, and celebrations. Jolly was the tailor to most of us, and a friend to all of us. She owned "Barrington Tailors" for 33 years, located in the heart



of Barrington. Jolly's life was like one of her perfectly tailored pieces—well measured, uniquely crafted, and leaving a lasting impression. Jolly is survived by her husband, Gary, her children, Crystal, Jazz, and Ajit, her grandchildren Japnaam, Aadroop, and Kirpa, and a community wrapped in the warmth of her memory. Though Jolly is no longer with us, her legacy lives on in the countless lives she touched, each stitch a testament to her kindness.

-By Susan McConnell, a long-time friend of Jolly.





## What's Happening at the Barrington Chamber



BACC WILL HOST its Annual Dinner and Scholarship Fundraiser on Tuesday, January 30, at Avante Banquets & Conference Center in Fox River Grove. Themed "Cheers to a FANtastic 2025," the evening promises an exciting mix of networking, live music, an online auction, and a delicious dinner buffet. Proceeds benefit the BACC High School Scholarship Fund. Guests can dress as their favorite sports, music, or celebrity fan, or opt for business casual attire. Tickets are \$70 per person. The event kicks off with a cash bar at 5:30 p.m. Tickets: BarringtonChamber.com.

The 2024 Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce and Women's Biz Net celebrates **Outstanding Women Leaders** in our community with the OWL Awards. This year's awardees were presented at the 2024 OWL Luncheon at Biltmore Country Club. They are (from left) Traci Sanders Campbell of the BIBO Foundation and BeSpire TV LLC: Mary Brennan of Barrington Dance Ensemble: Leslie Ferris Yerger for My Density Matters; and (not pictured) Linda Gump of Jovie Nannies & Sitters and College Tutors.



## **BACC Welcomes New Members**

St. Mark's Episcopal Church
Zap Beauty
Stone Hill Center
My Carpet Cleaning
MomBoss SwagBox
Northwest Golf Academy
Piershale Financial of Apollon
Christian Brothers Automotive - Barrington
5 Balloons

Elite Clothes For Men

Empower Financial Solutions
The Nest School Barrington
Ancho & Agave Mexican Restaurant
Growth Collaborations LLC
Steffen Law, P.C.
Region Kitchen & Bar
Bowlful of Korea
Events By Artful Decor, Inc.
Giostra by Fabio Viviani



BACC HOSTED a ribbon cutting ceremony for the nationally accredited Soul Harbour Ranch's for its newly completed 60x120 Training Center, generously donated by the Foglia Family Foundation. This versatile facility will expand the ranch's ability to train their therapy animals and serve as a space for unique community activities.

"We are beyond grateful to the Foglia Family Foundation for making this vision a reality. This new facility not only strengthens our capacity to train therapy teams but also serves as a welcoming space for the community to come together, learn, and experience the unconditional love of our animals. It will be essential in our mission to reach and support even more individuals in need of comfort and healing," said Jodie Diegel, President and Founder of Soul Harbour Ranch. Visit soulharbourranch.com.

Left: Jodie Diegel (center, holding scissors) with husband Jerry Diegel, and Soul Harbour Ranch volunteers, high school Soul Buddies, community leaders, and local business owners.

# Ambrosia Euro Patisserie Debuts "Nutcracker Blend" for the Holidays

#### THIS DECEMBER 7,

Ambrosia's cheerful team will be offering samples of their new "Nutcracker Blend" for the holidays.



But you don't have to wait that long to buy a pound or two (\$20 per lb.) available from Nov. 30 until Dec. 31 at their patisserie. Tasting notes of the festive new blend include hazelnut, white chocolate, cinnamon, and vanilla. For owner Elise Sigler, there is a special meaning.

"Growing up as a dancer, every year I would take part in Midwest Dance Collective's traveling Nutcracker," Sigler said. "Later, when I started working at Ambrosia, I loved helping Deb Rivera decorate the shop with our beautifully hand-crafted nutcrackers from Germany. To honor our longstanding relationship with Barrington Dance Ensemble and its beautiful rendition of 'The Nutcracker' alongside all of these personal holiday memories, we couldn't deem it more appropriate or festive to introduce our new seasonal coffee—the Nutcracker Blend. We hope you enjoy our new blend and find holiday fare and desserts for your whole family at Ambrosia!"

Ambrosia is located at 710 W. Northwest Hwy., Barrington, in The Foundry. Hours are 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday–Saturday. Visit online at discoverambrosia.com.

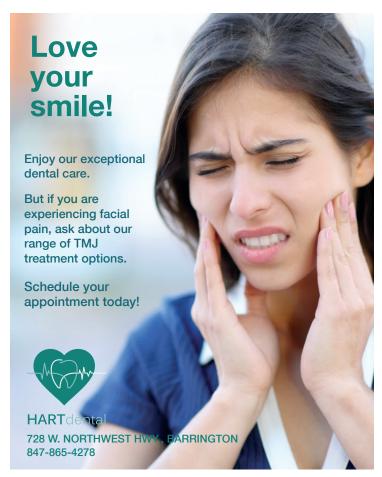


## Santa Portraits with Light Drawn Studios

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TIME of the year! Santa Claus is coming to Light Drawn Studios of Barrington, November 9-10 and November 23-24. Don't miss this exclusive opportunity to capture

the innocence of childhood while your children still believe! Your child's one-hour Santa portrait session will include "everything Santa" from checking the Nice List to painting magic on the toys! These treasured renderings of your children will become heirlooms for generations to come...stopping time and giving you right here, right now, forever. Santa sessions will benefit Toys For Tots. To schedule call 224-655-7801 or visit lightdrawnstudios.com.





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# Giostra by Fabio Viviani Opens at The Arboretum of South Barington









FABIO VIVIANI and his team welcomed guests to their grand opening celebration of Giostra by Fabio Viviani. Named for the magical old carousel that anchors the Piazza della Repubblica in Fabio's hometown of Florence, Italy, Giostra will transport guests to a charming slice of Old Florence. The menu at Giostra will center around classic Italian dishes, lovingly crafted from recipes passed down through generations, including those of Fabio's mother and grandmother. Guests can look forward to savoring homemade pastas, seafood, steaks, and more. Learn more at giostrabyfabioviviani.com.





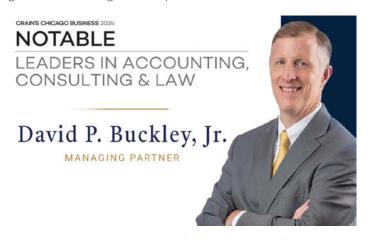






## Buckley Fine Law Names Newest Partner

BUCKLEY FINE LAW recently announced that Nicole S. Arnold has been promoted to partner. Arnold concentrates her practice in corporate transactional work, business representation, commercial real estate, nonprofit formation and compliance, and estate and business planning. She advises businesses and business owners on all aspects of their ownership, including entity formation and compliance, review and drafting of ownership agreements, employment and contract matters, corporate governance and mergers and acquisitions. Nicole is licensed in Illinois.



## Crain's Best Places to Work

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