

NEW TRIER Township Courier

Summer 2013

What Is Township Government?

The Township form of government was created in Illinois in 1849 to bring government closer to the people it served. It originated as the settlers' agency for maintaining order and dealing with lawbreakers. Over time, its focus has changed, and today it provides quality-of-life services that address the immediate and emerging needs of residents.

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Recently Elected Supervisor Shares Vision for the Township

I begin my term as Supervisor with gratitude for the faith you have placed in me and enthusiasm for the role our Township plays in the lives of residents. After 12 years serving on Township committees and four years as a Township trustee, I am pleased with the breadth of supportive programs the Township offers to residents. I intend to prioritize communications so that all residents are aware of these services, both those who may enjoy participating in some way and those who may need to take advantage of our programs.

It is my hope to engage more residents in the work of the Township. To that end, I invite you to consider joining one of our committees. You may be surprised at the rewards that come through service to neighbors and community. Please visit our website to learn the specifics of the commitment. You may feel free to contact me to discuss opportunities to participate in Township committee work. You may also join us for monthly Board of Trustee meetings or visit the Township Office to see the work we do firsthand.

I look forward to serving the community and continuing the implementation of our Township mission to provide resources to residents facing life's challenges.



Paddie Brennen
Supervisor



Second Installment Property Taxes Due

Your 2012 second installment property tax bill is scheduled to be mailed July 1 and is due August 1, 2013. Residents should check their bills to make sure they have received all exemptions for which they qualify. If you are missing an exemption, please contact the New Trier Township Assessor's Office at 847.446.8200 or the Cook County Assessor's Office at the Skokie Courthouse 847.470.7237. You may also contact the Township Assessor's Office by email at lcross@newtriertownship.com.

A Message From The Retiring Supervisor



Retiring Supervisor
Pat Cantor

Helen Keller once remarked, “Alone we can do so little. Together we can do so much.” This has been the lens through which we have projected the Township’s mission. It is only appropriate that we extended this theme to our Annual Town Meeting, which was a celebration of “Success Through Collaboration.” The theme served

to reinforce the spirit of cooperation that enables the Township to serve residents to the extent we do.

The Township has grown and changed in accordance with shifts in the economy and resident demographics. Your officials recognize the evolving needs of Township residents, and the Board has proven to be an innovative and effective force. Similarly, the challenges facing individuals and families in our community have evolved in an ever-changing world. Your Township has kept the pace with your needs and continues to demonstrate a responsive stance.

One of the fastest growing and most in-demand Township programs continues to be the Food Pantry. There were 1,888 actual visits to the Pantry, which account for 1,032 households made up of 2,522 persons. Another service of which residents are beginning to take notice is the newly established Mobility Access Program through which, in partnership with Council on Jewish Elderly, the Township provided 138 escorted rides to medical appointments for seniors and individuals who have physical disabilities and need assistance with transportation. We have redesigned our Dial-A-Ride program to be more user-friendly and efficient, and the improved system has been positively received by residents. Community Support Grants is also a growing program, with more than double the number of awards given in the current fiscal year versus last year. This year we were able to fund all 102 applicants. Our Township provided school supplies to 500 students this school year. We have introduced an Incubator Grants program, which will reach out to new sources of help for the community. Finally, we are pleased to announce that passport services will soon be available at the Township once again after a brief hiatus to allow for staff training.

All of these service increases, plus the many I have not mentioned, demonstrate the Township’s effort to stretch our resources and meet a variety of growing needs. Just as noteworthy are the impressive number of holiday food bags and senior gifts distributed—such efforts and several other initiatives reflect the spirit of generosity and endless compassion of our residents who contribute volunteer time, goods and financial donations to assist neighbors here in the New Trier Township community.

With our small yet dedicated group, we are able to do so much for so many. Our programs are stronger than ever before, and the numbers served bear that out. The staff, officials and volunteers find reward in carrying out the mission of the Township. I can personally attest to the great fulfillment I have found in serving, and I thank you for the privilege.

Pat Cantor delivered her final report at the April 16th Annual Town Meeting, and she subsequently completed her term and retired as Township Supervisor on May 20, 2013.

SERVICE BY THE NUMBERS

- 1,888 visits to the Food Pantry serving 1,032 households made up of 2,522 persons
- 500 students qualified for Back to School gift cards
- 174 residents received financial assistance for shelter, utilities, and medical needs
- 92 holiday food bags were shared
- 158 holiday dinners were distributed
- 44 seniors received assistance gifts over two separate giving periods
- 97 families received financial aid for child care expenses
- 102 Community Support Grants awarded
- 12,034 Dial-A-Ride cab fares subsidized
- 138 escorted rides to medical appointments
- 57 Peer Jury cases resulting in 2,560 community service hours

A Message from the Township Clerk



Clerk
Jerome Hoynes

New Trier Township's 164th Annual Town Meeting extended an opportune time to contemplate the future of township government as we reflected on the successes and shortcomings of recent years. May of 2013 was a month of transitions as we expressed our genuine gratitude to retiring officials—Supervisor Pat Cantor, Assessor JoAnn Shrier Gordon, Collector Joe Fell and Trustee Alan Goldberg. Combined they contributed well over fifty years of service to the Township; we will miss them.

On May 20th, our newly elected officials were inaugurated—Supervisor Paddie Brennen, Assessor Marty Houlihan, Trustees Hamilton Chang and Jan Gargula, in addition to returning Trustees Gerri Kahnweiler, Stefan Mozer and myself. We welcome the new leadership team as they consider the mission, history, functions and purposes of township government while they chart a course for the future role of New Trier Township and how it should best serve the needs of our residents. Looking back at my first term as your Township Clerk, I wanted to share some highlights of these past four years—coordinating the Annual Town Meetings, keeping and posting Township records, providing a variety of voter services, supporting the Census 2010 efforts and updating the Township history book.

We are grateful to those of you who have attended our Annual Town Meetings. We have listened to a series of distinguished keynote speakers, including local historian John Newcombe in 2010, television personality Geoffrey Baer in 2011, Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle in 2012, and former Congressman Bob Dold in 2013. Special thanks to several of our Township's Girl and Boy Scout troops who have participated as well as members of the New Trier Citizens League for their assistance, particularly Coach Jim Carlson who has served as moderator for the Annual Town Meeting for the last five years.

Please visit our Township website www.newtriertownship.com to find evidence that transparency and easy access to Township records are goals that have been taken seriously. Residents may view or download copies of Agendas & Meeting Minutes (since 2010) as well as other important information including Township financial documents.

The Clerk's Office continues to function as a central point for voter services by serving as the Cook County Clerk's Local Election Official (LEO) for the April 2013 Consolidated Election, handling voter registrations and providing voting information to numerous residents seeking assistance. This was especially true following precinct and voting district changes due to the redrawing of election maps.

Another highlight from the first term was coordinating the production of our updated history book "New Trier Township: A Journey in Time, 1850-2010." We widely distributed this book throughout the Township. If you would like to have additional copies, please stop by the Township Office or contact us and we will be happy to send it out to you.

It is my sincere honor to continue serving as your Township Clerk.

SERVICE BY THE NUMBERS

- 230 temporary disability parking placards issued
- 43 passport applications processed
- 32 unincorporated Cook County vehicle stickers sold
- 187 voters registered
- 14 Township board meeting minutes recorded
- 9 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests

A Message from the Township Assessor



Assessor
Martin Houlihan

This fiscal year our office assisted residents with approximately 2,500 inquiries down from 3,700 last year, thanks in large part to more efficiency at the Cook County Assessor's office. Those inquiries related to property taxes, assessments and exemptions from a variety of sources—residents, realtors, attorneys, appraisers, villages, schools, and park districts. We also processed 449 building permits, a slight rise from 424 the previous year. Sales showed a more significant increase, from 901 last year to 1,020 this year. However, despite renewed buyer interest, property values remain down.

The second installment property tax bills came out on time (July 1, 2012) for the first time in 30 years and are promised by Mr. Berrios to continue on the first of July from now on. As expected, spending by taxing bodies rose so tax rates were up by 13-14% throughout the Township. This increase, coupled with the decline in the Senior Freeze and Long Time Occupant exemptions, adversely impacted many residents, particularly seniors. It also led to an unusual increase in appeals for the third year of a triennial. We co-sponsored an outreach program in Wilmette for Township residents and provided filing assistance as usual.

The number one question in our office remains: How can our property values go down and taxes go up? The simple answer is that the cost of government services is not falling. Property taxes provide most of the funding for public schools and other local government services, and these costs rise with inflation. In the property tax equation, tax rates go up to offset declining values resulting in the same or more funds available for the taxing bodies. There are caps imposed by the state on the amount of rate increases by taxing bodies, but the Assessor's office has no involvement in those.

We will continue to provide service with reassessments, appeals and exemptions. Please check our website for the latest information on these issues as well as general information about property taxes.

This year has been one of change in the Township Office. In the Assessor's Office, JoAnn Shrier Gordon moved outside of the Township prior to the expiration of her term, and I was honored to be asked by the New Trier Citizens League to replace Ms. Shrier Gordon. I was appointed to fill the void and have recently run for my first full term. My experience as a commercial real estate appraiser gives me the expertise necessary to serve as your Assessor, and I have found the work quite rewarding.

While I very much looked forward to working with Deputy Assessor, Lois Cross, to continue to provide you with the outstanding services the office is noted for, I have since realized that the current demands of my principle place of employment now preclude me from spending the time necessary to serve as Township Assessor. Therefore, with great regret, I too have resigned from this office. JoAnn Shrier Gordon has graciously agreed to serve as Interim Assessor while the Board of Trustees is in the process of selecting a candidate to appoint as my replacement. I assure you there will be no break in services from the Assessor's Office. Thank you for your support and understanding.

SERVICE BY THE NUMBERS

- 1,669 information calls
- 799 in-person appointments
- 150 reassessment appeals filed
- 1,020 property sales processed
- 449 building permits processed
- 100 outreach seminar attendees

A Message from the Retiring Township Trustee



*Retiring Trustee
Alan Goldberg*

As always, this year's Annual Town Meeting was meant to highlight the work and accomplishments of the past year, but I think it's also important to note some major changes in leadership here. Two trustees are departing as is our Supervisor of the last eight years, and two new Trustees are coming in to serve the Township. Among our most important duties has been overseeing the work of the Township Committees and a significant portion of the Township budget that is allocated through those Committees to local non-profits serving Township residents. While some Townships operate their own services such as daycare, youth and senior centers, home meal delivery and many other services, New Trier Township's philosophy is that it is more cost effective and less staff intensive to contract out with local non-profits or provide them with grants to

assist them in serving our residents. This nonprofit community, of which new Trier Township is a major facilitator, is a decentralized group of social service organizations who are interdependent for a common purpose. The organizations are able to contribute to the community good and address needs and problems while maintaining individual responsibility and independence. The Supervisor, Trustees, Committee volunteers and staff oversee this process.

One of our three funding committees is Mental Health, which oversees funding to agencies that serve individuals needing intensive mental health and well-being services. The Money Follows the Person Committee funds programs and services that assist persons with developmental disabilities. The Agency Oversight Committee funds programs that do not fall under the other two categories, including service to seniors, youth drop-in centers and services, crisis intervention/prevention services and others. This citizen review process involves local residents in one of the most important aspects of local government, service delivery and resource allocation. Each of these committees has between seven and twelve members who devote considerable time and effort to this process.

Committee members make site visits and maintain regular contact with the agency as a liaison, receive detailed grant proposals from these organizations and spend a great deal of time reviewing the proposals and developing questions and concerns. The committee conducts a funding hearing for each agency. Members report their learning back to the committee on a regular basis. This keeps us abreast of agency happenings, but more importantly, keeps us apprised of ongoing and unmet needs in the community. At the conclusion of the funding process, the committees make recommendations to the board for funding. This past year the committees and board allocated \$1,261,590 in funding to 37 agencies operating 46 different programs. One may visit our website to see the array of programs and services in our community that are offered by agencies we fund. The committees also revised our funding forms, held several educational events and created an Incubator Grants Program for new agencies who have been operating less than a year.

The fourth committee is our Disabilities Committee, charged with performing education and advocacy on behalf of persons with disabilities in our Township. This committee—comprised largely of persons who have a family member with a disability—regularly engages in a variety of projects and events. This last year they had a film discussion night focusing on the challenges and achievements of persons with disabilities. The committee also organized educational presentations by expert speakers on topics related to persons with disabilities.

New Trier Township provides many essential human services; a food pantry, Emergency and General Assistance, day care scholarships, Peer Jury, and other services. However, our allocations to local non-profits, many of whom would likely close their doors without our funding, remain our most important community service.

SERVICE BY THE NUMBERS

- \$1.26 million awarded
- 46 different programs funded
- 37 social service agencies supported

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FY2013 Budget—Town Fund

PROGRAMS & SERVICES:

Agency Oversight Committee

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| North Shore Senior Center | \$ 125,000 |
| YWCA/Shelter & Legal Advocacy | \$ 18,000 |
| Volunteer Center of New Trier Township | \$ 8,000 |
| Meals At Home | \$ 5,000 |
| Senior Action Service | \$ 8,000 |
| Glencoe Jr. High Project/Youth Services | \$ 15,000 |
| Glencoe Youth Services/Youth Services | \$ 32,390 |
| Youth Connection/Youth Services | \$ 23,000 |
| Warming House Youth Center | \$ 45,000 |
| Winnetka Youth Organization | \$ 48,000 |
| Harbour | \$ 12,000 |
| Links | \$ 62,000 |
| Open Studio Project | \$ 5,000 |
| Career Resource Center | \$ 9,000 |
| Interfaith Housing/Landlord Tenant Relations | \$ 2,000 |
| Rebuilding Together | \$ 10,000 |
| Sub-Total | \$ 427,390 |

Money Follows The Person Committee

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| Center for Enriched Living | \$ 22,000 |
| Lambs Farm | \$ 20,000 |
| Glenkirk | \$ 121,000 |
| Shore | \$ 5,200 |
| Clearbrook | \$ 10,000 |
| Our Place of New Trier Township | \$ 65,000 |
| Special Gifts Theater | \$ 10,000 |
| Arts of Life/Artist Support | \$ 10,000 |
| Glencoe Youth Services-Young Adult Program | \$ 15,000 |
| JJ's List | \$ 20,000 |
| Sub-Total | \$ 298,200 |

Mental Health Committee

| | |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| Haven | \$ 106,000 |
| New Foundations (WilPower) | \$ 65,000 |
| Peer Services | \$ 71,000 |
| Josselyn Center | \$ 143,000 |
| Cancer Wellness Center | \$ 10,000 |
| Children's Advocacy Center/CASI | \$ 4,500 |
| Erika's Lighthouse | \$ 14,000 |
| Family Counseling/Glencoe | \$ 36,000 |

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|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Family Counseling/Winnetka | \$ 31,000 |
| Family Service Center/Wilmette | \$ 53,000 |
| Nat'l Assoc. of Mental Illness (NAMI) | \$ 2,000 |
| Sub-Total | \$ 535,500 |
| Total Programs | \$ 1,261,090 |

Child Care Services

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|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Summer Camp Scholarships | \$ 35,000 |
| Day Care Scholarships | \$ 50,000 |
| Before/After School Daycare | \$ 25,000 |
| Total Child Care Services | \$ 110,000 |

Transportation Services

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|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Dial-A-Ride | \$ 95,000 |
| Mobility Access | \$ 15,000 |
| Total Transportation Services | \$ 110,000 |

Other Services

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|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Disabilities Employment Svc. | \$ 1,000 |
| Total Other Services | \$ 1,000 |
| Grand Total Services | \$ 221,000 |

Special Funds

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|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| Community Grants Program(s) | \$ 160,000 |
| Special Projects | \$ 75,000 |
| Incubator Funds | \$ 50,000 |
| Total Special Funds | \$ 285,000 |

Meeting Expenses

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|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Sponsored Meetings | \$ 3,000 |
| Committee Meetings | \$ 500 |
| Peer Jury Program Meetings | \$ 500 |
| Township Event | \$ 2,500 |
| Annual Town Meeting | \$ 8,000 |
| Total Meetings Expenses | \$ 14,500 |
| Total Programs & Services | \$ 1,781,590 |

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FY2013 Budget—Town Fund & General Assistance

Township Office & Staff Expenses

| | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Staff Salaries | \$ 353,000 |
| Social Security Cont. (all) | \$ 35,000 |
| IMRF Contributions (all) | \$ 45,000 |
| Employee Health Insurance | \$ 60,000 |
| Officials/Staff Expenses | \$ 15,000 |
| Dues/Subscriptions | \$ 8,000 |
| Disabilities Committee Expenses | \$ 500 |
| Telephone | \$ 16,000 |
| Office Equipment and Contracts | \$ 25,000 |
| Office Supplies | \$ 10,000 |
| Postage | \$ 12,000 |
| Printing & Publishing | \$ 35,000 |
| Legal | \$ 10,000 |
| Auditing | \$ 9,500 |
| Consultation Fees | \$ 15,000 |
| Assessor's Office & Operation | \$ 6,725 |
| Communications | \$ 30,000 |
| Contract Hire | \$ 20,000 |
| General Assistance (GA) Support | \$ 1,000 |
| Back To School Supplies | \$ 30,000 |
| Supplemental Support | \$ 1,000 |
| Miscellaneous | \$ 1,000 |
| Website Maintenance | \$ 5,000 |
| Total Office/Staff Expenses | \$ 743,725 |

Town Hall Expenses

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|--|-------------------|
| Building Maintenance, Repairs & Improvements | \$ 100,000 |
| Insurance & Bonds | \$ 35,000 |
| Utilities | \$ 13,000 |
| Total Town Hall Expenses | \$ 148,000 |

Compensation of Officials

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|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Supervisor | \$ 15,000 |
| Clerk | \$ 12,000 |
| Assessor | \$ 12,000 |
| Trustees | \$ 4,000 |
| Total Officials Compensation | \$ 43,000 |
| Total Town Fund Expenses | \$ 2,716,315 |

GENERAL ASSISTANCE:

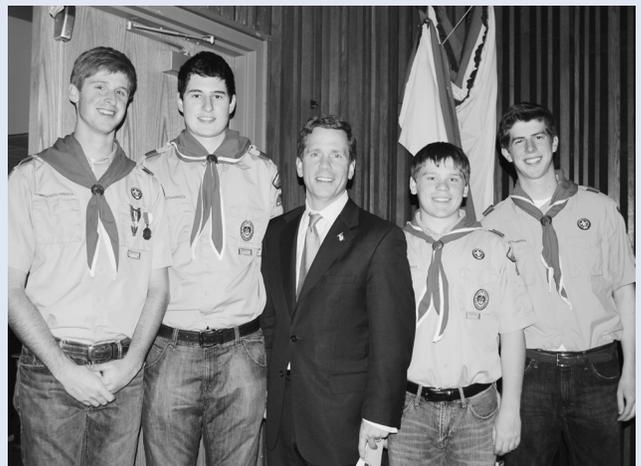
General Assistance Fund Expenses

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|---|-------------------|
| Access to Care | \$ 1,500 |
| Home Relief | \$ 100,000 |
| Emergency Assistance | \$ 75,000 |
| Outpatient Services | \$ 10,000 |
| Pantry | \$ 25,000 |
| Hospitalization | \$ 25,000 |
| Hospitalization Insurance | \$ 3,000 |
| Salaries | \$ 50,000 |
| IMRF & SS Contributions | \$ 12,000 |
| Office Expenses | \$ 5,000 |
| Town Fund Support | \$ 100 |
| Total General Assistance Fund Expenses | \$ 306,600 |

Annual Town Meeting Highlights

Tune in to NewTrierTwp and watch highlights from the 2013 Annual Town Meeting held on April 16, 2013. You can view reports from elected officials, presentation of awards to Township volunteers and the keynote address by former Congressman Robert Dold. [YouTube](#)

Scouts of Kenilworth Boy Scout Troop #13 (left to right) Rich Nicolaides, Tony Kirsch, Matt Roberts and Charlie Brown pictured with former Congressman Robert Dold.



Township Recognizes the Invaluable Service of Residents

Citizen volunteers make a welcome contribution and play an integral part in our ability to fulfill our purpose to enhance the quality of life for Township residents. We would like to acknowledge the volunteers who contribute their time and talents in various ways from providing oversight of social service agencies we fund, making new program recommendations, stocking the shelves of our pantry or serving on our youth peer jury program. We thank you for your service.

Mental Health Committee

Chuen Chow Tam, Chair
Nancy Blake
Rosalie Epstein
Rosemary Gwyther
Mona Golub
Margaret Hastings
Linda Tam
Tammy Smiley

Money Follows the Person Committee

Keith Dronen
Sheila Fisher
Carol Rosen
Debby Hahamy
Ann Sickon

Agency Oversight Committee

Margaret Cornog, Chair
Ronald Drucker
Barbara Ruth Engel
Jerome Ginsburg
Barry Hoobler
Pete Kula
Janet Lerman

Advisory Committee on Disabilities

Barry Fleischer, Chair
Tom Babinszki
Jeanne Beckman
Barbara Takahashi
Diane Reeves Wojcik
Christine Walker

Peer Jury Program Adult Volunteers

Donna Lebovitz
Elliot Robbins
Mary Sido
Ellyn Stone

Food Pantry Volunteers

Frank Craven
Jane Gallery
Derrick Schram
Mary Louise Schram
Lynette Stone
Our Place of New Trier Township

The Township is always looking for new community volunteers for the Advisory Committees. Interested parties may submit their names to the Township Office by contacting Community Services Administrator Brian Leverenz at bleverenz@newtriertownship.com or 847.446.8203. For more information, a detailed overview of committee work is offered on the Township website under the "Volunteer" category of the "Get Involved" tab.

2013 Award Winners

Pictured from left to right Spencer Savitz of Glencoe, Superior Service to Persons with Disabilities Award recipient; Carolyn Rodman of Wilmette, Peer Jury Scholarship Award recipient; Sarah Aiken of Wilmette, Superior Service to Persons with Disabilities Award recipient; Trustee Alan Goldberg of Wilmette and Supervisor Pat Cantor of Glencoe, Township Excellence Awards for retiring officials recipients; Jessica Tucker of Winnetka, George E. Noyes Community Spirit Award recipient; JoAnn Shrier Gordon of Glencoe, Township Excellence Award recipient; Chuen Tam of Glenview, Supervisor's Superior Service Award recipient.



Award presentations can be viewed on the Township's YouTube channel: New Trier Twp. 

Peer Jury Scholarship Awarded



Peer Jury Scholarship recipient Carolyn Rodman of Wilmette (center) with her father and mother, Ben and Mimi Rodman.

Carolyn Rodman of Wilmette was awarded the 2013 Peer Jury Scholarship. The competition is open to graduating seniors who have served as peer jurors. The recipient is selected through a competitive process which includes a written essay outlining the student's Peer Jury service experience as well as his/her academic record and peer jury participation. Carolyn read her winning essay at the recent Annual Town Meeting.

Carolyn, who is a graduate of New Trier High School and plans to attend Georgetown University, is the fifth recipient of the \$1,500 award. The scholarship was established in 2009 to mark the tenth anniversary of the Peer Jury program and to recognize outstanding peer jurors.

The Township's Peer Jury program was created by a collaboration of the Township Board, police departments from Wilmette, Kenilworth, Winnetka, Northfield and Glencoe, public and private high schools in the area and social service agencies that serve the Township.

New Trier Citizens League Seeking Volunteers

The New Trier Citizens League is a non-partisan community organization made up of volunteers who function as a caucus to slate candidates to serve as Township officials. Secondarily, the Citizens League functions as a watchdog group to provide oversight on behalf of residents to observe the work of New Trier Township. The relationship between the Citizens League and the Township is a partnership wherein members of the Citizens League educate themselves on the business of the Township to assure the Township stays focused on its core mission.

The Citizens League is currently seeking about 15 new members. The commitment is not great as there are only five meetings per year, however League members report the experience is quite rewarding. The group meets three times each year; the next scheduled meeting is set for September 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the New Trier Township Board Room. Meetings typically last less than one hour. In addition to these three meetings, each member of the group attends a public meeting of the Township Board of Trustees and its Advisory Committees. Members then report back to the Citizens League. Finally, the group attends the Township Annual Town Meeting in April of each year. In addition to seeking out candidates to tap into their expertise for the benefit of residents and overseeing the work of the Township, the Citizens League also serves as a resource to the Township for issues that arise on an as needed basis.

The group consists of citizens who are registered voters and reside in the Township. There are members who come from all the villages that make up the Township. If you are interested in serving on the New Trier Citizens League, please contact League Vice President Peter Tyor at ptyor@ripco.com or 847.446.2217.

The commitment is not great as there are only five meetings per year, however League members report the experience is quite rewarding.

Food Pantry Needs Support in the Summer

The Township Food Pantry operates all year long, and we are blessed to have a fairly consistent influx of donations from residents and businesses during the school year. However, the summer months are historically a time when people don't adhere to schedules and as a result they do not make Pantry donations as frequently as they do during the school year. The tapering off of donations occurs annually simultaneous to the increase in need.

When the school year ends and children are home for the summer, families who relied on school lunch to feed their children suddenly have to provide three meals a day. As a result, the needs of the Food Pantry increase dramatically during the summer months. We ask that you keep the Pantry in mind and consider making a donation at this time. If you are interested in running a food drive, please contact Community Services Administrator Brian Leverenz at bleverenz@newtriertownship.com or 847.446.8203.

Our current needs are always available at the Township Office and on our website. At present, we are looking for donations of the items below. The Township is grateful for your generosity and ongoing support for this critical program.

- tissues, paper towels, and napkins
- laundry detergent, cleaning supplies, dish soap, and dishwasher soap
- aluminum foil, plastic wrap, and baggies
- shampoo, conditioners, and mouthwash (large sizes)
- olive oil and cooking oil
- cookies, crackers, granola bars, nuts, raisins, and other healthy snacks
- juices and juice boxes (smaller sizes)
- canned spaghetti and ravioli
- salad dressing and mayonnaise
- condiments and sauces



Important Dates and Deadlines for Assistance Applications

The chart below gives notice of upcoming deadlines for financial assistance programs so those interested may plan accordingly. Please visit the Township website at www.newtriertownship.com or call the Township Office at 847.446.8202 for additional information on the programs listed.

| | |
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| July 15..... | Day Care Financial Assistance applications due |
| July 31..... | Before/After School Care Assistance applications due |
| Mid-August..... | Back to School gift cards available—To apply please contact your local school district, the Josselyn Center, or Family Service of Glencoe, Wilmette or Winnetka-Northfield |
| September 16 | Social Service Agency Program Funding Grants applications due by noon |
| Late September .. | Community Support Grants applications available |
| December 31..... | Community Support Grants applications due |

Township Calendar

July

- 4 Office Closed in observance of Independence Day
- 9 Township Board of Trustees Meeting @ 7:30 PM
- 23 Committee of the Whole Meeting @ 7:30 PM

August

- 13 Township Board of Trustees Meeting @ 7:30 PM
- 27 Committee of the Whole Meeting @ 7:30 PM

September

- 2 Office Closed in observance of Labor Day
- 10 Township Board of Trustees Meeting @ 7:30 PM
- 24 Committee of the Whole Meeting @ 7:30 PM

All meetings are held at the Township office located at 739 Elm Street in Winnetka unless otherwise noted. Meetings are subject to change. For the most up-to-date schedule visit www.newtriertownship.com.

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Relief for Families Provided by Back to School Program

Any parent of school age children knows that the cost of school supplies is surprisingly expensive, and it seems to increase every year. Children find the back to school shopping spree a fun preparation, and the aisles at local retailers ring out with youthful excitement. However, for families with financial challenges, the cost of school supplies can be a burden. The National Retail Federation estimates that families spend an average of \$688 on their children prior to the start of school. To offset these expenses, the Township provides Back to School assistance to approximately 500 qualifying students every year. Thanks to the generous support of residents and organizations, the Angel Fund provides gift cards to help economically disadvantaged families stretch their budgets. Monetary donations can be made to the Angel Fund, a registered 501(c)3 organization administered by New Trier Township.

Angel Fund Donation Form

Your contribution will make a difference to someone facing financial adversity.

Make check payable to: Angel Fund – New Trier Township.

Enclosed is my contribution in the amount of \$ _____.

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Email _____

Mail to: New Trier Township, Angel Fund, 739 Elm Street, Winnetka, IL 60093



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