



Barrington Township Republican Organization

October Newsletter

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Dear Lauren,

We extend our sincere gratitude for your ongoing support of BTRO, both in the past and present. The past few weeks have been frantic as we face increasing uncertainty in the world as we see horrific acts of terrorism by Hamas on innocent civilians in Israel and the war in Ukraine continues. Here in Illinois, Democrats led by Pritzker continue to lie to Illinois citizens that the state is growing as data shows the state continues to lose population. The illegal migrant crisis also grows as Democrats feel the pressure of their sanctuary rhetoric and the financial burden on Illinois taxpayers increases. This is a direct result of Biden's failure to enforce our immigration laws and immigration policies.

So where to start? Our focus at BTRO is to get the vote out and elect representatives that will put a priority on Illinois citizens. The Barrington Township Republican Organization remains steadfast in upholding a conservative and responsible perspective. Our focus includes organizing Town Hall Events designed to address crucial topics such as taxes, public safety, and education and hold membership meetings where BTRO members can network and meet like-minded Barrington residents.

Our next membership meeting is on Saturday, Nov. 11th at the Barrington Library from 10am to 12 noon. Our guest speaker is Bill Bishop, a retired Navy SEAL team leader in honor of Veterans Day. There will be time afterwards to network and meet with BTRO leadership and other members. Please RSVP below!

We invite you to be an active part of the solution by becoming a member of BTRO, if you haven't already. It's very easy to join, just go to our [website here](#) and select the level of membership you would like or make a donation. In addition, our website provides several areas where you can sign-up to get involved or volunteer. You can also follow us on [Facebook](#).

Once again, we express our heartfelt appreciation for your continued support.

Peter Kopsaftis, Chairman / Committeeman

Edgar Alvarado, President

Upcoming Events



Tuesday, November 7, 6pm - Neighborhood Coordinator Orientation

Join us for an important training session that will equip our Neighborhood Coordinators with the knowledge and tools they need to make a meaningful impact in our community. We are shifting our focus to empower dedicated volunteers in each neighborhood, enabling them to build strong relationships and trust with voters.

By leveraging technology and data, you can help us reach out to voters effectively, boosting Republican voter turnout and working together to turn Barrington Township solid RED!

[Click here to RSVP!](#)

Join the Barrington Township Republican Organization for a

SPECIAL EDITION MONTHLY MEETING
WILLIAM L. BISHOP
 RETIRED NAVY SEAL
 PRESIDENT OF THE LAKE BARRINGTON SHORES VETERANS ASSOCIATION

Join us on November 11 at 10am at Barrington Area Library (505 N Northwest Hwy, Barrington) as we honor our Veterans!

Bill Bishop served as a Navy SEAL for eight years, completing three tours in Vietnam. After his military service, he became president of three suburban area banks and actively contributed to various civic organizations. In retirement, he proudly serves as the President of the Lake Barrington Shores Veterans Association, while also dedicating 27 years as a volunteer for the Illinois Special Olympics swimming program.

The Barrington Area Library provides Meeting Room space as a community service. The Barrington Area Library neither sponsors nor endorses this event nor the presenting individuals or organizations.

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Saturday, November 11, 10am - Monthly Member Meeting

We cordially invite you to join us on November 11th for our monthly gathering.

Bill Bishop served as a Navy SEAL for eight years and during that time served 3 tours of duty in Vietnam. After leaving the Navy in the early 1970's, Bill became a banker and during his professional career was president of 3 different suburban area banks. Bill has served in many civic organizations and now that he is retired he is the President of the Lake Barrington Shores Veterans Association.

Bill has served as a volunteer in many civic organizations but is most honored to have been a volunteer for the Illinois Special Olympics swimming program for 27 years.

Not a member yet? [Click here to learn more!](#)

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News + Updates

District 220 Board plans to seek community feedback about new fine, visual & performing arts spaces at BHS

"At the October 17 Board meeting, the Board continued its discussion about possibilities for new fine, visual, and performing arts spaces at Barrington High School. The design work for these new spaces was an identified project within the \$147 million dollar referendum that Barrington area voters approved (were sold) in 2020. The cost to build these new spaces was not included in the referendum."

[Click here to read more.](#)

District 220 enrollment numbers continue to decline

"At the Oct. 17 Board meeting, the Board heard an [update on student enrollment numbers](#) in Barrington 220. Thirty days into the 2023-24 school year, the district's total enrollment was 8,043 students, which is a decrease of 178 students compared to last school year."

[Click here to read more.](#)

Think tanks analysis of state's fiscal health gives Illinois failing grade

"Illinois is ranked 48th in the report for its fiscal health and received an "F" grade. Only Connecticut and New Jersey scored lower...

'We are also disappointed that the governor is highlighting that the budget is balanced and we are running a surplus while he is shorting the pensions by \$5 billion every single year,' Weinberg said."

[Click here to read more.](#)

Illinois sending \$41.5 million to 6 Chicago-area governments taking in migrants

"Six Chicago-area local governments are set to receive more than \$41 million in taxpayer-funded grants from the state of Illinois to serve some of the 15,000 non-citizen migrant arrivals.

Gov. J.B. Pritzker said at first, the state was helping pay for hotel stays for new migrants in Chicago."

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Have you considered becoming a member of BTRO?

You'll have first access to exclusive speaker events, movie screenings, preferred seating at events, Republican merch, and more. [Click here for more details and JOIN THE PARTY!](#)

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***Peter Kopsaftis, Chairman /
Committeeman***

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Edgar Alvarado, President

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