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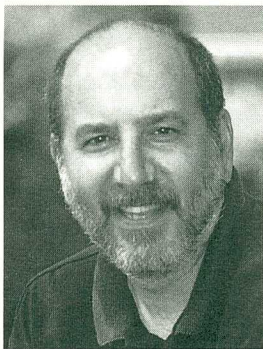
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LEADERSHIP NORTHBROOK: AN INSIDE LOOK

by **Barry Zweibel**, *GottaGettaCoach!*



Tensley Garris asked me to write a few words about the Leadership Northbrook program and in my view it boils down to this - COMMUNITY, CAMARADERIE, and

COMMITMENT. It's about the community of Northbrook and an inside look at its past, present and future. But it's also about the community of our local businesses, schools and public services - who they are, what they do, and how they cooperate with each other.

Leadership Northbrook is also about CAMARADERIE - the camaraderie of 19 people that developed during the eight months of the program, and the camaraderie with those who graduated from prior year's classes.

Leadership Northbrook is also about COMMITMENT - the commitment of the speakers who regaled us with stories of import and delight, the commitment of the organizations that allowed us to tour their facilities, and the commitment of the Chamber for spearheading this important local program every year since 1987.

Oh, I have plenty of good things to say about Leadership Northbrook. But it's not just me. Read what some of the other graduates of the Class of 2002 have to say:

"Leadership Northbrook provided both macro (tours of facilities, businesses etc.)

and micro (detailed explanations of taxation, property value, commercial development, etc.) views of how the municipal services, the business community, and the citizenry function together to make Northbrook a superior place to work and live." - **Brian Mack**, Covenant Village

"I live and work in Northbrook, have educated my kids here, and owe a lot to the community. Leadership Northbrook was a marvelous opportunity to get a behind the scenes understanding of the Village. It provided an interesting balance of the business, government, educational and recreational communities." - **Michael G. Welbel**, M.G. Welbel & Associates, Inc.

"Leadership will define the future of Northbrook. Leadership is a proven avenue for those individuals seeking an opportunity to help their community." - **Chad Raymond**, Northbrook Public Library

The Chamber is now accepting applications for the 2003 Leadership Northbrook class. The class will meet once a month from September through August to learn about the inner workings of Northbrook. Participants will explore a broad range of topics from Northbrook's humble beginnings to the complex business and transportation challenges that face the Village today. Scheduled tours include Underwriters Labs, Culligan Water Technologies and Glenbrook Hospital. To learn more about the program or for an application call **Annette Marshall** at 847-498-5555 x 204.