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The NAHC newsletter is published monthly to provide the news and information Naperville homeowners need. We welcome and appreciate your feedback. Send it to our Vice President and Newsletter Editor, Bob Fischer, at rafischer1@aol.com.

President's Letter

As the Confederation begins its 31st year, I'd like to thank all the Board members who have served over the decades. We really have evolved into a group of neighbors helping neighbors. Our monthly meetings, once again held on the third Saturday, are designed to be thought provoking. September featured two areas of community interest: electric energy and Water Street redevelopment.

The future of electric power was covered during a discussion of the Smart Grid initiative. The take home message was assured reliability and cost management. For homeowners, one can choose to utilize the features of Smart Grid or continue using power as today. It's your choice. Due to better power management, the Smart Grid will afford us a less expensive means to operate our homes.

The serious discussion of Water Street led to a motion to go on record opposing the revised concepts recently approved by Plan Commission. Why the strong outpouring of opposition? Mainly the enormity of the proposed structure and, if built, how completely out of character massive buildings that dwarf City Hall will be in our downtown. Confederation original concerns focused on plans that made the new structures the size of the existing Moser building. Rather than rework those troublesome plans, the developer added 3 more stories to the structure, incorporating a 150 room hotel with twenty \$1.5 million condos.

Simply speaking, the Confederation is requesting a careful review of this project to better reflect actual economic conditions. There are already unsold million dollar condos available in our City. The hotel concept is interesting but does it need to be 150 rooms? Is there a sound economic model for either condos or a hotel?

Bigger is not always better. We ask City Council to resist the speculative temptation of future tax money. We ask for a well-planned downtown based upon reasonableness, not raw speculation. It can only be built once.

Dr Bob Buckman
President, NAHC - drbobuckman@sbcglobal.net

Upcoming Confederation Meetings

The Naperville Area Homeowners Confederation's next general membership meeting will be October 16th, 2010, at 8:30 AM in lower level meeting rooms B&C of the Naperville Municipal Center. We will have coffee and networking beginning at 8 and the formal meeting at 8:30. Our goal is to complete the meeting by 10 AM so everyone can get on with their day.

Our focus for the October meeting will be employment resources and educational resources available to adults in a job search or changing careers. We also will have an update on the Emerald Ash Borer and what homeowners should do to manage their exposure to this destructive pest. We will update our website at www.napervillehomeowners.com with more information.



Looking ahead, our tentative meeting schedule through the Spring of 2011 includes:

November: ACTHA Homeowner Association Education & Information

December: Member appreciation night/Information Roundtables

January: State Legislators

February: City budget

March: "How to" on landscaping.

April: City council on the dais.

May: NAHC Annual meeting

While the Confederation plans to have the coffee pot on for our Saturday meetings (a real necessity for some of us at 8 AM), snacks are no longer be provided by the NAHC. We welcome "meeting sponsors" who might be willing to offset the cost of a light breakfast in exchange for the opportunity to share their message. Sponsor guidelines can be found on the Meeting Information page of our website, www.napervillehomeowners.com. Drop us a line if you are interested.

This schedule above is the vision of the Board, but our meetings are for our members. We welcome your suggestions. Please email your thoughts and ideas for meeting topics and focus to us at nahc-naperhomeowners@wowway.com.

Zoning and Land Use Update



This report from the Confederation Zoning & Land Use Committee includes development and land use projects discussed at monthly NAHC meetings with City Staff, of interest to Naperville area residents, and/or under consideration by Plan Commission and Council. It also includes information obtained from other sources.

New Proposals:

Coopers Hawk: A wine bar and restaurant chain is planning to construct a facility on the east side of Freedom Commons Rd. just north of Diehl.

Carillon Club; is requesting a minor change to their PUD. They are requesting to delete the plan to build 5 condo buildings and build townhomes instead.

Ongoing Proposals:

Water Street Development; Plan Commission at their August 18th meeting approved Marquette Properties proposal for two variations of their plan that, depending on economic conditions, will offer a seven-story, 130-room limited service hotel and 32 condo units in two five story buildings, or alternatively, 72 condo units, all in five story buildings.

Some aspects are still under review by staff, including the desirability of having the 700 stall parking deck empty onto to a 20' wide alley. No date has been set for its appearance in front of City Council. For more information, see page 6 of this newsletter

12 N. Webster; The petitioners request for variances was to have been continued to the October ZBA meeting, however that meeting has now been cancelled. We will assume that it will be in front of TAB for the November 6th meeting. They are requesting variances to construct a parking lot which encroaches into the required corner side yard setback (approximately 5') and to reduce the number of parking spaces required on-site from 25 spaces to 10 parking spaces in order to occupy the entire building with an office use (previous site approval included ground floor office and 2 upper stories of residential). To account for the difference in parking required vs. parking provided, the petitioner is working on potential solutions, including shared parking agreements with neighboring properties or buying-in to the City's deck. Source; City of Naperville staff.

Woods Along Old Plank Road: At its August 17th meeting, City Council approved, by a 5-3 vote, the controversial revised PUD for this site adjacent to Seager Park. The annexation agreement was scheduled to be heard at the September 21st and then rescheduled to the October 5th City Council meeting has been removed from the schedule.

Studies and Initiatives:

Naperville Downtown 2030 plan; Is currently in the "land Use" review phase. Notable changes to the existing plan are the increase in both the height allowed for structures (60') and in the downtown area itself. The plan envisions expanding the downtown core northward across Benton all the way to Douglas. Further, this area has been designated a "Special Study Area" with the planning to resemble the Water Street redevelopment effort. The plan talks about encouraging a large "anchor" or "destination" use (hotel, museum, movie theater, large retailer. etc.), and is willing to allow heights even taller than 60' here. The plan shows potential intensive uses all the way north to Douglas where they would face Washington Junior High School.

Another area where the plan again pushes into residential districts is in the Naper Elementary School area, namely, Jefferson Avenue (between Mill Street and Eagle Street) and Webster Street (between Douglas Avenue and Benton Avenue) where, quoting the draft plan it states; *"Moving forward, consideration may be given to alternative uses for these blocks based on the presence of office, commercial, and institutional uses in the immediate vicinity of each. Uses such as low intensity home-to-office conversions (which require review through a public hearing) may be appropriate for consideration on a case-by-case basis"*. There is a discussion in the draft plan regarding FAR (floor area ratio) which has become a contentious issue as parking decks, constructed as part of a private enterprise endeavor are seen (for the purposes of calculating FAR) as open space. This explains why the proposed Water Street project, which includes a seven story

**Naperville
Public Safety
Open House**

Saturday, October 2nd, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Public Safety Campus on Aurora Avenue

Fire extinguisher training for residents • Forensics booth • Kids Firefighter Challenge • Kids Police Challenge • Fire & Crime Prevention info • Police and Fire equipment and vehicle displays • Specialty team demos • Appearances by Sparky and McGruff • Powertown demo by DPU-Electric and much more!

Don't Miss These Special Events!

11 a.m. Flashover Room - Naperville Fire Department demonstration	12:30 p.m. Lifestar Helicopter Exercise - including Auto Extrication
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hotel/parking deck, can have a calculated FAR under 2.5, thus illustrating the numbers lack of real world relevance when compared to say, Main Street Promenade, that at 3 floors has a similar FAR but is a much smaller structure and presence.

Notable for its absence, is the lack of any discussion of the desirability of limiting the size and intensity of use in the downtown area due to the adverse impact large scale re-development will have on the existing, already overburdened transportation system.

The Naperville Plan Commission is still accepting public comments on the supplemental Downtown Building Design Standards Manual and the Land Use Section of the Naperville Downtown 2030 Plan. Residents, business owners and other interested stakeholders are encouraged to attend the Plan Commission meeting on Wednesday, October 20 to provide additional comments on the manual. Written comments may also be submitted via mail or in person to Amy Emery, Community Planner, 400 S. Eagle Street, Naperville, IL 60540, or via e-mail to emerya@naperville.il.us. All comments must be received no later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday, October 6, 2010. Draft Land Use section can be viewed here:

<http://www.naperville.il.us/emplibrary/Downtown2030-Attachment1-Downtown2030PlanDraftLandUseSection-PC10-1-114.pdf>

The main website is here; <http://www.naperville.il.us/napervilledowntown2030.aspx>

ROLC Land use and Zoning Designation. City Council conducted the first reading of the proposed ROLC ordinance on Sept. 21st. Council members posed a number of questions as to the need for the ordinance, setbacks proposed, and how to ensure commercial structures reflect a residential style and scale. The NAHC Board offered the following testimony on the proposed ROLC zoning district:

INTENT: While the staff memorandum and Intent section of the proposed ordinance explicitly discuss the 75th St. and Plank Road Study areas, staff has acknowledged that, if enacted, developers would be free to request ROLC designation in other areas. Additionally, there is already informal discussion of other areas where ROLC might be applied. Therefore, we believe that since it is to be allowed in more than the two identified areas, consideration of ROLC zoning requirements such as setbacks and rooflines must be carefully scrutinized by Council during this stage of its adoption as the potential impact of ROLC zoning will be to the City as a whole and not just the two areas specifically discussed in the staff memorandum.

SETBACKS: We question the reduction in depth of rear yard setbacks allowed for ROLC properties, since these properties are currently zoned residential and the proposed district encourages residential use as a right. At 15', they are less than the currently required 25' setback for all residential rear yards. If ROLC zoning is approved, the 15' setback currently proposed in the ordinance for all uses would provide less of a buffer for residents abutting these properties than required by the original residential zoning, negatively affecting the residentially zoned property owner. Residents should be able to know that existing rear yard setbacks of 25' would continue to apply in the ROLC zoned areas irrespective of use.

RESIDENTIAL SCALE AND CHARACTER: We feel staff has shown great willingness to work with residents so that office/commercial structures are residential in scale and character. Our two suggestions are:

1. Stipulate that roofs must be pitched, as a developer could conceivably construct a 35' tall, 3 story, flat roofed structure with some vaguely "Prairie Style" elements and claim they satisfy the requirement. Note that all illustrations show to the public were of 1 story, pitched roof, structures. However, during further discussion with Allison Laff of TED indicated that flat roofs would also be allowed. We do not believe that this contributes to a building that has a residential character and scale.

2. Amend Naperville's Building Design Guidelines to include a section discussing Naperville's vision of how commercial structures in areas such as these abutting residential homes should, in design, scale, and character, truly act as a transition to these residential areas. We find that the one sentence in A2.1 is inadequate to this task.

A date for the second reading of the ordinance has not been announced. City webpage for study can be found here; <http://www.naperville.il.us/ROLC.aspx>

Metra Station Bus Depot and Commuter Access Feasibility Study; The city is planning to conduct this study during the 2011 calendar year and has sent out an RFP (request for proposal) for a consultant to work on the study along side City staff. Additionally, the city is seeking funds from the RTA to pay for 80% of the cost. A decision by the RTA is expected by December of this year. The Confederation Board contacted the RTA and urged approval of these funds.

Candidate Forums

The Confederation held candidate forums in September for DuPage and Will County Board candidates and to look into the issues around the referendum questions for City Council term limits and district representation. Thanks to all of the candidates, panel members, and volunteers who helped make these a success.

Still to come on October 7th is a forum for candidates running for the legislative offices (State House) in our area. Watch our website, www.napervillehomeowners.com for late breaking information on upcoming forums.

All forums will be broadcast live on the City Access Station, WCNC (WOW Channel 6, Comcast Channel 10, AT&T channel 99) and rebroadcast on NCTV Channel 17. Watch the Confederation website for more details on the who, what, and when of these valuable voter education sessions.

If you are not registered to vote at your current address, voter registration will close on October 5th. Early voting for the November 2, 2010 election will be conducted from October 11-28, 2010

Legislative Update

A new law took effect recently intended to reduce crashes involving pedestrians and improve safety for pedestrians and drivers driving on Illinois' roadways.



The law states that while driving in Illinois, all drivers must stop for pedestrians in all crosswalks. Even if the crosswalk is unmarked, does not have a stop sign or traffic signal, the driver must yield to the pedestrian so that they may cross safely. With a reported 6000 pedestrian related accidents across the state each year by the Illinois Department of Transportation, the failure to yield to offense now has a minimum penalty of \$120.00 dollars.

Seniors and Veterans Health and Wellness Fair

Wednesday, October 13, 2010

10 am to 2 pm

Naperville City Hall

Meeting Rooms B and C

*Courtesy of Naperville Township Senior Services
And Veterans Community Relations*

- Flu Shots
- Blood Pressure testing
 - Glucose testing
- Hearing and Vision
- VA Registration
- Home Health Care
- Transportation
- Senior Travel Tips
 - Ramps
- Oxygen Saturation Testing
 - Home Safety
 - Fall Prevention
- And much, much more!

Admission is Free

*Parking is available on the upper deck of the City Hall
Parking Garage*

Naperville Sidewalk Replacement Program

The deadline to apply for the City of Naperville 2011 Sidewalk Replacement program is October 31, 2010. Call (630) 420-6195 to apply. Residential property owners pay 40% of their replacement costs, based on the citywide negotiated contract. To qualify, one of the following conditions must exist:

- Walks must be sunken or risen to a height difference of one inch or more between sections;
- Broken or separated into three or more pieces;
- 50 percent or more of the sidewalk surface is deteriorated.

Depending on the extent of the damage, a sidewalk is either repaired or replaced. Applicants will be contacted by the City whether or not their sidewalk is eligible for the program. If your sidewalk qualifies, the City will send a letter outlining the program. If the sidewalk is not eligible, it may still be repaired with 100% of the cost paid by the property owner. The owner must pre-pay this amount.

For more information, check out <http://www.naperville.il.us/sidewalkreplacement.aspx>.

Water Street Update

At our September 18th meeting, Confederation Associate Director Thom Higgins presented an update on the proposed changes to the Water Street Redevelopment project. Thom's presentation, along with the other slides presented at that meeting, can be found on our website at <http://www.napervillehomeowners.com/NAHC/NewsDoc/NewsDoc11906.pdf>.



Following the presentation, a motion was made from the floor and unanimously passed for the NAHC to refresh its opposition to these developments, as originally stated in our 2007 membership vote and

Public Stand, by incorporating opposition to the even taller buildings now proposed.

Accordingly, and following member notification requirements within our bylaws (assume that this article is the required notice), the NAHC will vote at our November 20th meeting to express our opposition to this project because: Briefly, the Confederation Board's concerns (some of which were repeated from 2007, others of which are specific to the new proposal) are;

a. The height and density of the project. At 7 floors the tower building will be 85' to 90' compared to 54' for the existing Moser building. This building, and its attached 690 space parking deck is a massive monolithic structure that will dominate the skyline.



b. At 5 floors, the Loggia and Theater Buildings along the river overpower and commercialize the Riverwalk.

c. Narrowing the street/sidewalk from the standard 66' to 57' has numerous and significant negative implications for traffic, and especially, for pedestrians.

d. The potential traffic/safety problems from constructing a

very large, busy, parking deck, whose only access/egress is a 20' wide alley. An additional concern is the fact that the deck will certainly have to share spaces with any redevelopment along Aurora.

e. A private pedestrian skyway across publicly owned Water Street right of way for the sole use of 20 luxury condo owners to the North further "canyonizes" an already narrow street, obstructing views.

f. With 3 years of the 23 years on the TIF already expired, what will be the financial effect of an extended construction timetable further reducing the TIF's life? Will the Tower/Mixed Use building be able to service the TIF's financial requirements on its own?

g. Is a hotel financially viable in this economic climate? Is there a market for additional luxury condominiums? How can Naperville be assured that it will not be "left holding the bag" financially and aesthetically, if the project fails to provide adequate return on investment?

Quite simply, we believe that bigger is not better for this location. The charm and livability of the downtown will be lost with the massive structures(s) being suggested in such a small area.

The pictures included with this article are part of a series of black and white drawings provided to the NAHC by City staff (after the developer refused to provide them to us because "...the last time we made a presentation to you. You betrayed our trust by using those documents to arm your attacks on the project. So although we'd like to help you in providing information to your group, we can't in good conscience believe that the info won't be used against us and the project.")

Needless to say, we haven't made changes to the documents, just shared them as presented because we think that they truly speak for themselves. You can see the entire set of drawings at <http://www.napervillehomeowners.com/NAHC/NewsDoc/NewsDoc11904.pdf> and at <http://www.napervillehomeowners.com/NAHC/NewsDoc/NewsDoc11905.pdf>.

In the event Council is scheduled to hear the revised plan prior to November 20th, the Confederation Board is reviewing activities it may or may not take in that circumstance. Input from our membership is welcomed at nahc-naperhomeowners@wowway.com.

NAHC Briefs – News You Can Use!

Edward Hospital has been recognized by the Food and Drug Administration with the Director's Special Citation Award for exemplary sustained contributions in improving patient safety nationwide.

Edward is one of 350 hospitals in the U.S. that participates in the FDA's Medical Product Safety Network (MedSun), a program that works with healthcare providers to identify, report, understand and solve medical device-associated problems.

For more information about Edward's safety efforts, visit www.edward.org/howwepperform.

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The **Naperville Woman's Club** will hold its **Annual Fashion Show Luncheon** on Saturday, October 23rd at White Eagle Golf Club. This year's theme is *It's De Lovely*. A Silent Auction, raffles, and a 50/50 drawing will begin at 10:30 a.m., with luncheon and the fashion show following starting at noon. Fashions from Naperville-area merchants will be coordinated by Two K Productions. Net proceeds will be shared by Family Shelter Services and other community organizations supported by the Club's philanthropic efforts. Tickets are \$45 each, or \$450 for a table of 10, with \$23 of each ticket considered tax-deductible.

For reservations, please call 630-355-3792.

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Naperville high school juniors and seniors are invited to apply to fill positions on several city boards and commissions.

Interested students should submit a one-page essay expressing their interest in serving, the strengths they would bring to a board/commission and what they hope to gain from the experience. The essay should include the student's name, address, phone number, high school and grade level and also indicate on which board/commission they are most interested in serving.

Applicant essays can be submitted by mail or in person to the Mayor's Office at the Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle St., or by e-mail to mayor@naperville.il.us. The deadline for submitting letters of interest is Thursday, October 7, 2010. For more information, please contact the Mayor's Office at (630) 420-6018. Students should anticipate actively participating on the boards/commissions; therefore, consideration should be given to the time commitment required.

Listed below are the boards and commissions and their scheduled meeting times. All meeting times are subject to change. For more information, visit www.naperville.il.us/boards.aspx.

- Advisory Commission on Persons with Disabilities - One Wednesday a month at 7 p.m.
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board - One Monday a month at 7 p.m.
- Board of Library Trustees - One Wednesday a month at 7 p.m.
- Fair Housing Advisory Commission - One Monday a month at 6:30 p.m.
- Historic Preservation Commission - One Thursday a month at 7 p.m.
- Naperville Community Television Board (NCTV17) - One Wednesday a month at 7 p.m.
- Naper Settlement and Museum Board - Four times per year at 8 a.m.
- Plan Commission - Two to three Wednesdays a month at 7 p.m.
- Riverwalk Commission - One Wednesday a month at 7:30 a.m.
- Sister Cities Commission - One Wednesday a month at 6 p.m.
- Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) - One Saturday a month at 8 a.m.
- Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) - One Tuesday a month at 7 p.m..

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The Naperville Fire Department is seeking **donations of used and otherwise so-called "clunker" vehicles** from residents and local businesspeople. Donated vehicles will be used to allow firefighters to practice auto extrication skills.

All vehicles must have titles and keys available. If a vehicle cannot be driven to the Naperville Fire Department, but is located within the Naperville city limits, Fire Department staff will make arrangements to have it picked up.

Donations may possibly be written off on taxes at the end of the year. Please consult your personal accountant or a tax preparation professional for more information and eligibility.

To donate a vehicle, contact Ruthi Sommers at (630) 305-5900 or sommersr@naperville.il.us.

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The City of Naperville's draft **Renewable Energy (Solar and Small Wind) text amendment** is available online for public review and comment. The purpose of the code amendments is to provide regulations for safe, effective and efficient development of renewable energy systems, such as wind turbines and solar panels. To view the draft ordinance language, visit the city's website at www.naperville.il.us/renewableenergy.aspx. A presentation given at the September 18th NAHC meeting is available as part of the meeting deck at: <http://www.napervillehomeowners.com/NAHC/NewsDoc/NewsDoc11906.pdf>.

The Plan Commission has continued the hearing on these changes until their October 6, 2010 meeting. The Confederation plans to testify at that meeting and provide input from the perspective of homeowners associations.

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The Parent Diversity Advisory Council (PDAC) of Indian Prairie School District 204 will host a World Café from 7 to 9 p.m. on Thursday, October 14 in the cafeteria at Waubonsie Valley High School, 2590 Ogden Ave. World Café is a facilitated dialogue model that will bring together parents, school staff, district administrators and community members in a dialogue focused on positively impacting the academic achievement of a diverse student population. For more information, visit <http://ipsdweb.ipsd.org/Subpage.aspx/PDAC>.

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“AMERICA’S FORGOTTEN VICTORY.” The Naperville-based Korean War and Cold War Era Ceremony Committee is planning a special tribute to honor all area veterans who served in the Korean War and Cold War era, defined as June 1950 to January 1955. This event will take place from 2 to 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 17 at the Naperville North High School auditorium, 899 N. Mill St. The Naperville Jazz Band, Naperville North students and others will be making a special effort to ensure this is a memorable ceremony where the Naperville community can show these veterans how they feel about their service and sacrifice. If you are a Korean War/Cold War era veteran, or know of someone who is, please e-mail korea.coldwar@gmail.com. For more information about the ceremony, call (630) 240-8868 or e-mail wayne.L.fischer@gmail.com.

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A preschool fair will take place from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 19 in Meeting Room A/B at the 95th Street Library, 3015 Cedar Glade Drive. Attendees can meet with representatives from 30 area preschools to help make the right decision in selecting a preschool. This educational, drop-in program is intended for parents and caregivers; children must be supervised by an adult. No registration is required. For more information, visit www.naperville-lib.org.

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A church group from the Hope United Church of Christ is interested in doing service work on October 31...leaf raking, gutters, painting, yard clean up, etc. Are there residents in your HOA who might need this service? Call Shannon at [630-639-6781](tel:630-639-6781).

DuPage Symphony Orchestra

The DuPage Symphony Orchestra (DSO) and Madcap Puppet Theatre presents “**FAIRY TALE FANTASIA**,” A Family Concert on Sunday, November 14 with two performances at 2 and 4 p.m.. at Wentz Concert Hall, 171 East Chicago Avenue in Naperville, on the campus of North Central College (NCC).



You and your family will not want to miss this opportunity for family fun and a great kid’s party. Join in the fun as Madcap Puppet Theatre of Cincinnati shares the stage with the DSO. You’ll hear marvelous music and fantastic fairy tales as the musicians of the DuPage Symphony collaborate with their newfound friends: a host of whimsical puppets that are friendly, furry, shiny, colorful, and (most of all) BIG!

Tickets are \$12 per person and available from the North Central College Box Office. Call 630.637.SHOW/7469 or visit <http://tickets/noctrl.edu/>.

**Technology does
not drive change –
it enables change.**

*Canadian philosopher Marshall
McLuhan*

Keeping Tabs on Technology

Growing up, most parents today didn't have cell phones, text messaging, or e-mail. But lots of us did have our own phone lines, and made calls to formal or informal hotlines for information on everything from movie times to the location of the best weekend party to crisis counseling. Our own parents had their "new" technologies, too. And none of it was good or bad; it was simply different from that of previous generations.

It's up to us as parents now to figure out how to help our kids navigate their world by being knowledgeable, involved, compassionate, and curious about how they socialize, recreate, and get information through the latest technology.

Here are some examples of what we mean. Try it...

For parents with children ages birth to 5

- Pay attention to the messages you model—stay off the cell phone, personal digital assistant (PDA), and other electronic devices when you're driving or engaged in other activities that deserve your full attention.
- When you're spending time with your kids, turn off the devices. That's what voice mail is for! Your kids need, want, and benefit from your full attention.

For parents with children ages 6 - 9

- Make sure your kids know what your limits are for cell phone, computer, and other device usage. Many, for example, know (or can figure out) how to access the Internet to play games online or on cell phones and PDAs.
- Don't let your kids use the Internet unattended. It's easier and more practical to monitor their usage if you have the family computer set up in a common space in your home. You can "watch from afar" or just regularly glance over to see what they're up to.
- Online social networking communities such as MySpace and Facebook are very popular, even with elementary-age kids. If your kids use these sites, know whom they allow access to on their pages and make sure they know why you've set up limits on this access.

For parents with children ages 10 - 15

- Let your kids know that you will regularly check their e-mail, phone, and text messaging content on both incoming and outgoing lists, and that they should limit those lists to friends and family members, not people they meet online. If you see names you don't recognize, find out who they are and how your child knows them.
- Have rules about when and where your children and you will use handheld communication devices. Suggestions include not using them at mealtimes, when visiting family or friends, when driving or operating other machinery, or when in the middle of another conversation.
- Know the school rules for cell phones in class, and consider limiting their use to before and after school only.

For parents with children ages 16 - 18

- Understand that regardless of the way you use technology, it's part of how young people today build their social networks and their community. Be sure that your teens understand the degree of public and private access that others have to their communications. Talk with them about what's inappropriate to share publicly, and why.
- Keep computers out of teens' bedrooms and in central family areas of your home.
- Let your teen know that some employers and colleges search the Internet for information related to applicants who apply to their institutions. Discuss the kinds of information that may compromise their chances of acceptance.
- Find out what technologies are being used in your teen's school. Do teachers keep blogs? Are student groups organized on MySpace or Facebook? Do teachers use digital whiteboards? If so, check these out periodically.

From information provided by Search Institute's MVPParent (www.MVPParents.com).



www.KidsMatter2us.org



*** Wed, October 6th (12P.M> - 1 P.M) Common Interest Community Association Act Webinar**

What You'll Learn: Presenter Lara Anderson, Tressler LLP will cover:

- Important sections of this newly signed law impacting non-condo properties
- What impact it may have on Condo associations which are part of a master association including non-condo properties
- The similarities and differences between the Condominium Property Act and the CICAA

**** Thurs., October 7th:** "Physical Aspects of an Association", 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., Northeastern Illinois University, Carruthers Center for Inner City Studies, 700 E. Oakwood Blvd., #211 in Chicago. Presenter: Kami Farahmandpour of Building Technology Consultants, PC

What You'll Learn: Maintenance, Repair & Replacement, Planning for Major Improvements, Capital Asset Programs, Reserve Studies

Sat., October 9th: ACTHA will host its NORTH EXPO at the Lincolnshire Marriott Center from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

- FREE Trade Show
- FREE Interactive Demonstrations
- FREE Breakfast
- FREE Parking
- Educational Seminars - to view program details, go to <http://www.actha.org>

***Wed., October 13th:** Financial Aspects webinar series. "Understanding Financial Statements", noon - 1 p.m. Presenter: Mark Cantey, CPA of Mark Cantey Associates

What You'll Learn: How to understand the key elements of financial statements to help manage an Association more effectively

****Thurs., October 14th:** "Risk Management of an Association", 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., Northeastern Illinois University, Carruthers Center for Inner City Studies, 700 E. Oakwood Blvd., #211 in Chicago. Presenter: Barbara Wick of Carmic, LLC

What You'll Learn: Risk- Its Nature and Management, Risk- Process and Application, Risk-Management and Tools, Aspects of Insurance Needs

*All Webinars **REQUIRE** pre-registration 24 hours before the start of the program. The cost is \$20 for ACTHA members and \$50 for non-members.

** This program is part of ACTHA's Certification Program: Learn and Lead. If interested in Certification the cost is \$ 100 for all six courses if an ACTHA or BARCC members; \$ 150 for non-members. If not pursuing Certification, seminars are free for ACTHA and BARCC members; \$ 20 per person for non-members. To register and for costs, click on "Education/ Certification" to the left.

To register, visit www.actha.org, call 312-987-1906 or email kevin@actha.org

NAHC Dues – A Bargain at Only \$30

We're into the tenth month of the year and the NAHC is still collecting annual membership dues for 2010. If you haven't paid yet – you will be receiving another invoice. If your Association does not receive an invoice, if there have been significant changes in your Association's contacts, or if you would like to become a member; download and complete the Membership Application found on our website and send it to us along with your dues.

Please return a 2010 Dues check for \$30 to:

Naperville Area Homeowners Confederation, Inc.
PO Box 5245
Naperville, Illinois 60567-5245

Your dues support meetings, issue and candidate forums, and the "legal requirements" needed to enable us to serve neighbors.

In addition, by having a robust "dues paying membership," our community credibility is preserved when we advocate on behalf of Naperville Homeowners.

Remember – the City and Park District, as well as realtors and potential residents, contact homeowners associations through the Confederation. Due to past FOIA issues, we do not provide our entire directory to outside parties including government units. This prevents the membership list from being used by third parties wanting to contact HOA's for commercial or political purposes. We take your privacy seriously and value our members!

Contact the Confederation at nahc-naperhomeowners@wowway.com if you have any questions, would like one of our Board members to attend your association's meetings, or need an invoice.

Arboretum Activities



Fall fan favorites return to The Morton Arboretum's Fall Color Festival, October 2-31, set against the backdrop of trees from 40 countries: the most unique autumnal display in the Midwest. Fall just began dishing up its annual eye candy with trees displaying hints of yellows, oranges, reds, and purples; and with wildflowers blooming in between the trees at The Morton Arboretum. Seventeen hundred beautiful acres feature 186,000 trees and other plants formally registered into the living collections,

plus thousands more in the woodlands. With trees from 40 countries, it's like a world of fall color, all in one place. And something is peaking every week in autumn.

Families make memories for a lifetime by touring the tree collections and enjoying the Arboretum's fall festival activities:

Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde stalk the woods in a "theatre-hike." When Dr. Jekyll tries to find a potion that will eliminate the "bad" in people and tests a concoction on himself, he actually brings out an alternate "bad" persona, Mr. Hyde. Around the same time, a series of murders occurs in London. Coincidence? Come find out! Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde is recommended for children ages 13 and older. Each theatre-hike presents a different scene at a different location on the Arboretum grounds. Regular hikes are on Saturdays and low-impact hikes (suitable for strollers, walkers and wheelchairs) are on Sundays. Hikes begin at the Thornhill Education Center. Tickets \$13-\$19 (discounts for Arboretum members). Weekends in October and Columbus Day: 1 – 3:30 p.m.

Lace up the running shoes and get outdoors for the Fall Color 5K Run and Walk! Trade the treadmill for a walk or run through a hilly course lined with majestic trees that are turning color! Kids even have their own "track" in the "Kids Dash." Free post-race refreshments are available. New this year! Enjoy a post-race "\$5 5K Breakfast" special: Delicious pancakes with coffee or soft drink! Plus, our full Sunday morning breakfast menu will be available starting at 7:30 a.m. All runners who participate in the 5K will receive a special discount. Cost \$30 for 5K Run/Walk and \$12 for Kids Dash (discounts for Arboretum members). Register at www.mortonarb.org/fallcolor5krun or at the Visitor Center. October 3: 5K Run and Walk: 8 a.m.; Kids' Dash: 9 a.m.

The "Scarecrow Trail" features artistically decorated scarecrows from local Girl Scout troops. They design and build nature-themed scarecrows that delight and entertain visitors as they stroll around

Meadow Lake. Grab friends, family or fly solo, enjoy the beauty of fall and find your favorite to vote for at the Visitor Center! All ages. Meadow Lake. Daily in October: 7 a.m. – sunset

Play tricky games, make fun fall crafts, and plant a tree seed to take home as your treat during “Trick or Trees.” Enjoy pumpkin and spider crafts, a spider game, prizes, and more. We encourage everyone to wear costumes! Small pumpkins to paint are available for \$3. All ages. Children’s Garden. Weekends in October: 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. (weather permitting)

Hear a live reading of “Marcie, The Marvelous Tree.” The musical storytelling is based on the real events of third grade girls who planted a tree and named it Marcie. As the girls grew up, they continued to care for the tree, saving it from disease, vandalism, and much more--causing them to receive an award from the President of the United States. All ages. Visitor Center Columbus Day, October 11: 11 a.m. - noon

Stop by “GourdWorks” to purchase or simply admire the beautiful and functional creations crafted out of dried gourds. The Illinois Gourd Society will be on hand to show off their wares, and answer questions. Weekends in October and Columbus Day: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The Ginkgo Grill is cooking up “Festive Fall Fare” with favorites like grilled corn, brats, and other tasty treats! Then for dessert, design your own mouth-watering taffy apple with nuts and candy toppings, at the Taffy Apple Bar. Prices per order. Visitor Center area. All ages. Weekends in October and Columbus Day: 11 a.m.–4 p.m.

Unless otherwise specified, all Arboretum destinations including the Children's Garden and Parking are free with Arboretum admission. For Program Registration, call 630-719-2468 or visit www.mortonarb.org. The 2010 Arboretum events rates are:

- \$11/adult, (\$7 on Wednesday), ages 18-64
- \$10/senior, (\$6 on Wednesday), ages 65 and over
- \$8/child (\$5 on Wednesday), ages 2-17, Under age 2 is free

Soup’s On

The Rotary Club of Naperville will hold its second annual Soup’s On! Fall fundraising event on Sunday, October 18th from 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Tellabs in Naperville.



This event, which features a delicious selection of soups, stews and signature items from local restaurants, will benefit Loaves & Fishes, DuPage PADS, and Hesed House.

Award-winning live entertainment from School Districts 203 and 204 will also be featured.

Admission is \$40 for adults, \$10 for children 6 through 18, and free for those under age 6. Early Bird tickets are \$35 (if purchased before September 18). Please note that with proper ID, Seniors, College Students, and Active Duty Military can purchase tickets for \$30. Tickets are on sale at Loaves & Fishes or online. Please contact Jody Bender at jbender@loaves-fishes.org or (630) 355-3663 to purchase yours.

For complete details, visit the Soup’s On! website at <http://www.soupsonrotary.com/>.

Monday, Oct. 11*
MUSEUM OPEN
9:00 a.m. –
4:00 p.m.

October 2010

* In observance of Columbus Day school holiday.
See Web site for regular hours listing.



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**FAMILY FUN
FRIDAY NIGHTS!**
DCM's open Fridays until 8:00 p.m.
Different activity every Friday night!

**Great Pumpkin
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**October is
Grandparents Month
at DCM!**

SPECIAL! **Third Thursday,
Oct. 21**
Activities 5:00 -7:00 p.m.
The Museum's open until 8:00 p.m.!

Joel Frankel – Singer, songwriter and children's entertainer
Saturday, Oct. 2, 10:30 a.m. – Noon

JABBerowocky Marionettes – *Urban Wildlife and Aquatic Tails*
Sunday, Oct. 24, 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.
FREE to Members or with Museum admission!

October Friday Night Activities*

- Oct. 1 **Storytelling with Mr. Eric**
- Oct. 8 **Insect Zoo**, Sponsored by Anderson Pest Solutions
- Oct. 15 **Leaf Exploration**, An Art Discovery
- Oct. 22 **Kite Flight**, A Science Discovery
- Oct. 29 **DCM Costume Party**

All activities start at 5:00 p.m.



We need you to vote!
Which pumpkin do you like the best?

Pumpkins decorated by area realtors will be on display at DCM from **Friday, Oct. 8 through Tuesday, Oct. 12**. After voting is complete, the pumpkins go to the Pediatric Center at Edward Hospital.
Contest sponsored by BrickKicker Home Inspection Company
Plan a DCM visit and cast your vote for your favorite!

DCM ♥ Grandparents!

Celebrate the importance of grandparents during October at DCM!
Special discounts, activities and photo op days throughout the month.
Visit the Web site for more details.

In honor of National Disabilities Awareness Month...

- Easter Seals DuPage and the Fox Valley Region partner presentation from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
- Youth String Quartet, 6:00 p.m. performance
- Tour the Smile Squad Mobile Dentistry Van
- Special Art Studio activities

Everyone is welcome – learn more about services offered to families of children with autism spectrum disorder, visual and mobility impairments.

Distribution of information and materials through the schools does not imply District 203 or 204 endorsement of them.

Visit www.dupagechildrensmuseum.org for a complete program schedule.
Keep up with our latest news! Like us at [facebook.com/DCMFanPage](https://www.facebook.com/DCMFanPage)

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Electronic Device Registry

In a proactive response to reports of lost or stolen items at local schools, the Naperville Police Department is partnering with Indian Prairie School District 204 and Naperville School District 203 to offer a free and voluntary registry for electronic devices brought to or used at school.

All District 203 and 204 students, parents, and staff members are encouraged to register common electronic devices, such as calculators, cameras, cellular phones, laptop computers, MP3 players and GPS units. The Naperville Police Department School Resource Officer Unit, through the City of Naperville, will maintain the registry and use it to identify and investigate lost, stolen, or recovered devices, with the emphasis on reuniting lost or stolen property with the rightful owner. Students, parents and staff members of all Districts 203 and 204 schools can use this free registry.



The registry is available at <http://bit.ly/devicereg>. It is also available by visiting the City of Naperville's website at www.naperville.il.us and clicking "Citizen Support" in the top tool bar and "Submitting a Request" on the following screen, followed by clicking on "Electronic Device Registration."

Once a device is registered, the user will receive an email confirming the registration, as well as vital information regarding the specific manufacturer, model, and serial number. It is recommended that you retain this information for your own files. Please make sure to provide a phone number, in addition to an email address, so you can be contacted in the event your property is located.

Park District Updates



For additional details, visit www.napervilleparks.org or call 630-848-5000

Naperville's *Riverwalk* was created in 1981 as a permanent memorial to Naperville's Sesquicentennial anniversary, celebrating 150 years as a community. It has been recognized as one of the most beautiful places in the Midwest. The covered bridges, fountains, landscaping and distinctive shepherd's crook light poles are symbolic of Naperville's ties to its historic past as the oldest settlement in DuPage County.

Currently, the Riverwalk measures approximately 1.75 miles from end to end. Riverwalk amenities include Millennium Carillon at Moser Tower and Visitor Center, Centennial Beach, Centennial Skate Park, Jaycees Playground, Paddleboat Quarry and Fishing Pier. A place for all seasons, the Naperville Park District offers trails, skating, sledding on Rotary Hill, sand volleyball pits, Children's Lunch-Hour Entertainment, Halloween Happening and Santa House on the Riverwalk. Visit www.napervilleparks.org for an interactive Riverwalk map.

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Performers in 4th grade through age 18 who can act, dance, and sing are invited to audition on October 16-17 for Magical Starlight Theatre's January production of Disney's Aladdin Junior.

With Naperville Central High School's theater under construction for the 2010-2011 season, Magical Starlight Theater needed to find a new, temporary home for their popular and successful community theater productions. They will perform Aladdin Junior for one weekend only January 14-16, 2011 at Naperville North High School.

Auditions will be held on Saturday, October 16 and Sunday, October 17 at the Alfred Rubin Riverwalk Community Center at 305 W. Jackson Avenue, with call backs scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on October 18, if needed. Audition times by grade level are as follows:

- Actors in 4th-8th grade - Saturday and Sunday from 1:00-2:30 p.m.
- Actors in 9th grade- age 18 - Saturday and Sunday from 2:30-4:00 p.m.

Rehearsals generally will be scheduled for Thursday evenings and Sunday afternoons. Character descriptions are available at the Magical Starlight web site at: www.magicalstarlighttheatre.org. For more information, please contact Magical Starlight Theatre at info@magicalstarlighttheatre.org.

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Looking for a place to launch your canoe? The Naperville Park District offers three location options: Pioneer Park, 1212 S. Washington Street; Weigand Riverfront Park, 2436 S. Washington Street; and Knoch Knolls Park, 336 Knoch Knolls Road, Naperville, IL. To view park maps or find driving directions, please visit www.napervilleparks.org. Canoe launches are open to the public from sunrise until one hour past sunset every day.

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Naperville Park District and Summer Place Theatre present Ghost Stories in the Park . . . In the Dark! - October 1, 2, 3, 8, 9 and 10 - Riverwalk Grand Pavilion, 912 Sindt Court, \$7(R)/(N)

Come join the fun as the Summer Place Theatre presents its annual Ghost Stories in the Park...in the Dark! Hair-raising tales, poems and songs will shiver your spine and tickle your funny bone! This is an outdoor event, so please dress warmly and bring blankets and cushions. G-rated shows are on Saturdays at 6:00 p.m. PG-rated shows are on Fridays and Sundays at 7:00 p.m. PG-13 shows are on Saturdays at 8:00 p.m. and are not recommended for children under 5. Tickets are available online beginning Sept. 11. They also may be purchased at the Park District Administration Building, 320 W. Jackson Ave., and South Maintenance Facility, 3415 Book Road. Tickets are available at the door on a cash-only, limited seating basis. Sorry, no refunds. Visit www.napervilleparks.org or times and Registration Codes. Designed for those ages 5 and up.

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Naperville Park District's Halloween Hayrides - October 23, 30 and 31 at Knoch Knolls Park, 336 Knoch Knolls Road, and Seager Park, 1163 Plank Road - \$9(R)/\$13(N)

Calling all witches, wizards, ghosts and goblins! Dress up in your favorite Halloween costume (parents included) and join us for a Halloween Hayride. Each registered child ages 1-12 years who checks in with the hayride coordinator will receive a Halloween goodie bag filled with treats and prizes. Bring your own food to cook over the bonfire or bring the fixings for s'mores. We provide hot chocolate and apple juice. No alcohol allowed. Bring your own skewer. Picnic table are provided; bring your chairs, blankets, flashlights and insect repellent. For rainout information and times, please visit www.napervilleparks.org. Designed for those ages 1 and up. Children under one may ride for free and do not need to be registered. Registration required.

Naperville Park District and WOW! Halloween Happening - October 24, 1-4 p.m. Riverwalk Grand Pavilion, 912 Sindt Ct. **Free event**

Enjoy lots of free Halloween activities at Naperville's best Halloween fest for little ones ages 10 and under! Visit us at www.napervilleparks.org or call 630.848.5000 for more information.

Library News



For more information go to <http://www.naperville-lib.org>

The Naperville Public Library will be closed Friday, Oct. 1 for in-service training. Normal hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. will resume on Saturday, Oct. 2. Drive-up returns for all Library materials are available 24 hours a day. Materials may be renewed on our website, <http://www.naperville-lib.info> and click on "My Account" or you can check due dates by calling 961-0460.

Saturday, Oct. 2

Trace Your Family History

Get step-by-step instructions about tracing your family history with the Library's online databases. Federal census records, obituaries and death notices, passenger lists, and other important sources will be featured. Participants will have a chance to practice in this free class. Online registration at www.naperville-lib.info, or any of the Adult or Children's service desks at the three Library buildings and a Naperville Public Library card are required to attend. Seating is limited. Library Computer Classroom, 95th Street Library, 3015 Cedar Glade Dr., 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.

National Novel Writing Month Preparation, Part I

Join the Naperville Chapter of NaNoWriMo (National Novel Writing Month) in preparation for the international not-for-profit annual event designed to encourage and support people writing a 50,000+ word novel in just 30 days. This is the first of two preparatory meetings and focuses on the nuts and bolts of novel writing. The actual novel writing will take place in November. This event is open to the public and is the perfect opportunity to fulfill your dreams of becoming a novelist. For more information see www.naperwrimo.org; No registration is required. This program is presented in partnership with NaNoWriMo. Community Room, Nichols Library, 200 W. Jefferson Ave., 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 6 - Self-Made In Naperville: The Naperville Woman's Club

One of the longest established organizations in the City, the Naperville Woman's Club's purpose is to be an integral part of the community. Discover how for 113 years the connections between the Woman's Club and the Library, North Central College, Edward Hospital, and many other organizations have contributed to making our City what it is today. Find out what is next for this organization entering its second century of service. Open to the public. No registration required. Presented in partnership with the Naperville Woman's Club. Community Room, Nichols Library, 200 W. Jefferson Ave., 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 8, 15, 22, 29 - Get In The Game!

Feeling "board"? "Pictureka[®]" yourself, your friends, and family having a fun time playing from our collection of games! "Checkers" out our extra large and regular size games, too. Play an old favorite or try something new. Game selection will vary at each library. This is a program for children and families. No registration is required.

Children's Department, 95th Street Library, 3015 Cedar Glade Dr., 5:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Children's Department, Naper Boulevard Library, 2035 S. Naper Blvd., 5:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Children's Department, Nichols Library, 200 W. Jefferson Ave., 5:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 9 - Kaplan[™] SAT[®] Practice Tests -- Are YOU Ready??

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Monday, Oct. 11 - Don't Blow Your Dough: A BizKid\$[™] Workshop with Kristine Kowalski, KCT Credit Union

Teens, come learn how to protect the money you already have – beware of scams and avoid identity theft! You'll also meet some young people who did blow their dough and learned important lessons the hard way. The program will feature an episode from the Emmy award-winning BizKid\$[™] PBS Series that teaches kids about money and business. Kristine Kowalski, Vice President of Marketing and financial literacy/identity theft expert at KCT Credit Union, will lead this fun workshop. This program is

appropriate for students in grades 6 to 12 and is open to all interested teens. To register, please call 630.961.4100 ext. 6328. Community Room, Nichols Library, 200 W. Jefferson Ave., 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 15 - Create and Design Your Own Book

Teens, have you ever wondered how books are made? Want to try your luck learning how to construct and design a book? Be ready to create your own text for your book. All of the supplies will be on hand, feel free to bring any images or pictures you may want to include within the pages of your book. Online registration at www.naperville-lib.info, or any of the Adult or Children's service desks at the three Library buildings and a Naperville Public Library card are required to attend this program and seating is limited. Program Room, Naper Boulevard Library, 2035 S. Naper Blvd., 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 16 - National Novel Writing Month Preparation, Part II - Naperville Chapter of the National Novel Writing Month

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Sunday, Oct. 17 - Naperville Men's Glee Club in Concert

In this Sunday afternoon concert, you will hear the melodic sounds that have thrilled Naperville residents since 1988. The Naperville Men's Glee Club's large and varied repertoire runs the gamut from "I Only Have Eyes for You" to "Ave Maria" to "God Bless America." The performance by this outstanding volunteer organization is not to be missed. No registration is required. This program is presented in partnership with the Naperville Men's Glee Club. Meeting Room A/B, 95th Street Library, 3015 Cedar Glade Dr., 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 17 through Saturday, Oct. 23 - Celebrate *Books with Beat* @ your library during Teen Read Week (TRW)

Play the TRW10 Daily Giveaway: Every day this week, come to the Library, answer the Question of the Day, and win a cool prize! Take a guess in the TRW10 Guessing Game: Can you guess how many hours of music are locked in the aquarium? During this week, look for the Guessing Game aquarium in the Teen area at each Library. Closest guess wins the prize! Join us for open-play Wii™ gaming at the 95th St. Library on Oct. 19 and Oct. 22 at the Nichols Library. Take a look at the teen voting results for this year's best teen books posted on our website. Walk to the rhythm of your own beat to the Library, and check out CDs, poetry, books on CD, eAudiobooks, graphic novels, and more! Sponsored by Cookies by Design.™

Tuesday, Oct. 19

Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2007®

This class is based upon Microsoft Excel 2007®, a component of Microsoft Office 2007®. The class will start with an introduction to the structure of a Microsoft Excel® worksheet window. Definitions of various components and location of common commands will be described. The class will cover data entry into cells, organizing and formatting the data tables and basic charts. Printing options for tables and charts will be shown. A basic understanding of keyboarding and mouse operation is required for this class. Each class is free-standing and not part of any series. Computer class registration must be done either in person at any Computer Lab or by calling 1-630-961-4100, ext. 4990 for the 95th Street Computer Lab or 1-630-961-4100 ext. 6335 for the Nichols Computer Lab. Please have your Naperville Public Library card ready. You may sign up just once for each computer class. If you wish to take the same class more than once you will be placed on a waiting list. There is a \$10 non-refundable attendance fee for each class that must be paid at the time of registration. Library Computer Classroom, 95th Street Library, 3015 Cedar Glade Dr., 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Creating Business Lists

Premium online business directories available through the Library can help you create customized target lists. Come learn how to access millions of companies through ReferenceUSA® and LexisNexis® Library Express. These valuable resources provide capabilities for locating potential employers or customers, selecting companies based on specific criteria, developing business contacts, and conducting powerful market research. Online registration at www.naperville-lib.info or any of the Adult or Children's Service desks at the three Library buildings and a Naperville Public Library card are required to attend this program. Library Computer Classroom, 95th Street Library, 3015 Cedar Glade Dr., 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 20 - Looking for a Good Read? Novelist Plus® Can Help!

Learn more about Novelist Plus®, the premiere database for finding new fiction...and readable nonfiction. You'll find out how to make use of Novelist Plus® tools, including lists of award winners, author read-alikes, resources for book groups, recommended reading lists, feature articles, and more! Online registration at www.naperville-lib.info or any of the Adult or Children's Service desks at the three Library buildings and a Naperville Public Library card are required to attend this program. Community Room, Nichols Library, 200 W. Jefferson Ave., 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 21 - The History, Mystery and Magic of Chocolate with Cathy Bouchard

Can chocolate really alleviate pain, lower blood pressure, reduce cholesterol, relieve heartburn, combat depression, ease headaches, increase stamina, and help you lose weight? Join Le Chocolat du Bouchard owner Cathy Bouchard as she shares her years of research to unravel the truth about the health benefits of one of the most sought after foods in the world. A free chocolate tasting will follow the program. Online registration at www.naperville-lib.info or any of the Adult or Children's Service desks at the three Library buildings and a Naperville Public Library card are required to attend this program. This program is presented in partnership with the Le Chocolat du Bouchard. Meeting Room A/B, 95th Street Library, 3015 Cedar Glade Dr., 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 22 - Brass Bonanza with The DuPage Symphony Orchestra Brass Quintet

The DuPage Symphony Orchestra Brass Quintet presents an evening of music guaranteed to appeal to the whole family. Traditional and popular arrangements will be featured along with information about the history and the unique characteristics of brass instruments. Following questions and answers, you will have the opportunity to meet the musicians. The DuPage Symphony Orchestra was voted the 2007 Illinois Community Orchestra of the Year and is dedicated to the mission of "Surrounding Our Community with Music." No registration required. Program presented in partnership with the DuPage Symphony Orchestra. Meeting Room A/B, 95th Street Library, 3015 Cedar Glade Dr., 7:30 to 8:30 p.

Tuesday, Oct. 26

Literary Criticism for Teens

Having trouble finding criticism on Mary Shelley's "*Frankenstein*" or Jane Austen's "*Pride and Prejudice*"? There is no need to stay up all night searching Google™ when the Library has just the resources for you! We will be exploring the Library's databases on literary criticism as well as providing some basic instruction on how to cite these online resources. Online registration at www.naperville-lib.info or any of the Adult or Children's Service desks at the three Library buildings and a Naperville Public Library card are required to attend this program. Library Computer Classroom, 95th Street Library, 3015 Cedar Glade Dr., 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Planning For "What If...?": Financial Issues As You Age with Karen Chan, CFP®, University of Illinois Extension

What tools can you use to aid you and your family in the event of disability, incapacity and death, or marriage, remarriage and divorce? Whether your assets total \$60 or \$60,000,000, you need to have a plan for who will pay your bills and handle your finances, where the money will come from in case of emergencies and illness, how your property will be distributed, and how your dependents will be cared

for. Karen Chan, an Educator in Consumer & Family Economics with the University of Illinois Extension is well-known for making complicated financial subjects easy to understand. Her programs are based on fact and research, with no hidden agenda to sell products or services. She uses her training as a Certified Financial Planner to address investing, retirement issues, insurance, and income taxes in a straightforward way that is refreshing and enlightening. No registration is required. For more information, please call 630.961.4100, ext. 6328. This program is presented in partnership with the University of Illinois Extension. Community Room, Nichols Library, 200 W. Jefferson Ave., 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 28 - The 10 Secrets To Getting Your Book Successfully Published! with Joseph Durepos and Bret Nicholas

Most people who want to write a book understand very little about what *really* goes on in the world of publishing and what they need to know in order to be successful. Joseph Durepos has 30 years experience in the book-publishing industry and has sold more than 150 titles as a literary agent. Bret Nicholas is the author of 26 books including two national bestsellers. Nearly one million copies of his titles have been sold. Join Joe and Bret and get an eye-opening overview of today's competitive publishing environment. No registration is required. This program is presented in partnership with Joseph Durepos and Bret Nicholas. Community Room, Nichols Library, 200 W. Jefferson Ave., 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 29 - Halloween Spook-Tacular!!

For a fun and SPOOK-tacular outdoor storytime, join us at the Riverwalk Amphitheater. We'll have Halloween stories, songs and a puppet show for all to enjoy. Join the BOO-tiful people and come in costume!! For children of all ages and their caregivers. No registration required. In the event of severe weather, the program will be held in the Community Room of Nichols Library. If seating limit is full in the Community Room, then there will be two shows, one right after the other. Riverwalk Amphitheater, 4:30 to 5:15 p.m.

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A Historic Museum Village

News from Naper Settlement

www.napersettlement.museum

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Naperville, Illinois 60540

(630) 420-6010

(630) 305-5255-fax

Accredited by the American Association of Museums, Naper Settlement has 30 historic structures ranging from a rustic log cabin to an elegant Victorian mansion, listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Through October, hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$9 adults, \$8 seniors 62+ and \$6.50 youth 4-17. For more information, visit www.napersettlement.museum or call (630) 420-6010.

Oktoberfest

During Naper Settlement's Oktoberfest to be held from 4 to 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1, and from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, join in the fun under a lively tent in the village. Hear live music as you enjoy authentic German cuisine during this salute to our community's German heritage. There are children's activities scheduled from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday. Tickets are \$10 per person; \$8 in advance with online ticket purchase. Additional cost for food and drink. For more information, visit www.napersettlement.museum.

All Hallows Eve — A Village of Fear

Experience two of the darkest nights of the year from 6:30 to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Oct. 22-23, in a Village of Fear during All Hallows Eve — A 19th Century Halloween at Naper Settlement. The entire village comes alive with haunting creatures, eerie entertainment and must-see horrors when some of the scariest literature and characters of the 19th century are brought to life. Not recommended for young children. Tickets are \$15 per person (\$2 off advance purchased tickets at Naper Settlement and several Naperville retailers). For more information, visit www.napersettlement.museum.

The Ghosts of Edgar Allan Poe

The sixth season of the popular History Speaks Lecture Series begins with performer and educator Brian "Fox" Ellis presenting "The Ghosts of Edgar Allan Poe" from 7 to 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24, at Naper Settlement's Century Memorial Chapel. Spend a spine-tingling evening in the parlor of Edgar Allan Poe as he recounts the tormented true tales of his life and how they led to his classic tales of terror. Hear him recite "The Raven" and "The Tell-Tale Heart" as well as some of his lesser-known works that have inspired generations of writers. Recommended for ages 10 and up. Advance tickets are \$6 for adults, \$5 for students, youth and Naperville Heritage Society sustaining members; tickets at the door are \$7 for adults, \$6 for students and youth. For tickets, call (630) 420-6010. Visit www.napersettlement.museum for more information.

History Speaks Lecture Series 2010-2011

The History Speaks Lecture Series begins its sixth season for 2010-2011 with a variety of historical performances and presentations that run through May at Naper Settlement's Century Memorial Chapel. Advance tickets are \$6 for adults, \$5 for students, youth and Naperville Heritage Society sustaining members; tickets at the door are \$7 for adults, \$6 for students and youth. For tickets, call (630) 420-6010. Visit www.napersettlement.museum for more information.

Susan B. Anthony — You Can't Vote

Celebrate the 90th Anniversary of women winning the right to vote when Lynn Rymarz portrays Susan B. Anthony from 4 to 5 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 14. Until 1920, the law of the land said women were not allowed to vote. Susan B. Anthony spent her lifetime fighting for equality for women and the right for women to vote. Hear the story of how one woman's dedication and determination made a difference in helping to change history.

Charles Dickens

Actor and historian Terry Lynch portrays the great 19th century author Charles Dickens from 4 to 5 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 12. Mr. Dickens has a big birthday coming up in 2012 - he's about to commemorate the bicentennial of his birth! As this date quickly approaches, Dickens reflects on his life and discusses some of his best known works including the beloved classic, "A Christmas Carol."

Charles Darwin and the Voyage of the Beagle

During "Charles Darwin and the Voyage of the Beagle," to be held from 4 to 5 p.m., Jan. 23, 2011, imagine an evening at London's Royal Geological Society with the affable, young Charles Darwin among friends, telling the stories of his amazing adventure sailing around the world on the HMS Beagle. Storyteller and science teacher Brian "Fox" Ellis steps into Darwin's shoes to model the scientific process and engage listeners in a discussion.

Sweet Home Chicago: The History of the Candy Capital of America

For most of its history, Chicago produced about one-third of the nation's candy. Actress and historian Leslie Goddard shares the history behind these tasty treats from 4 to 5 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 13, 2011. The city has called itself the Candy Capital of America since the turn of the century and Goddard will explore why Chicago is such a powerful location for candymakers. Delicious!

Toulouse-Lautrec: Decadence & Spectacle in Fin-de-siècle Paris

Art historian Jeff Mishur leads a discussion on the major works of Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec from 4 to 5 p.m., Sunday, March 13, 2011. Toulouse-Lautrec's paintings are synonymous with the Montmartre district of Paris at the end of the 19th century. Mishur also will compare these works with those painted by other important artists working in Paris during the same period.

Harriet Beecher Stowe: Insights to Uncle Tom's Cabin

Actress Paddy Lynn portrays Harriet Beecher Stowe, American abolitionist and famed author of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," from 4 to 5 p.m., Sunday, April 10, 2011. Her best-selling book galvanized the abolitionist movement and contributed to the start of the Civil War.

Nellie Bly: Daredevil Reporter

Lynn Rymarz portrays Nellie Bly, newspaper reporter, for whom nothing was too daring or impossible to scoop a story from 4 to 5 p.m., Sunday, May 8, 2011. Hear about her life lessons and some of her stories, such as how she got herself committed to an insane asylum, was arrested, danced as a chorus girl, rode an elephant and raced around the world.

The NAHC is looking forward to seeing all of our members and interested homeowners at our meeting on Saturday Morning, October 16th. Come early, enjoy a cup of coffee with the Confederation Board, and tell us what is on your mind.

Keep an eye on www.napervillehomeowners.com for late-breaking news and information of importance to homeowners and neighborhoods.

The next newsletter will be on or about November 1st

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