



May 2012 Newsletter

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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

The April Confederation meeting stirred up a lot of good memories. These “stirrings” resulted from Councilmen comments about the valuable and integral part the NAHC plays in our neighbors’ day-to-day lives. Three areas, firsts for the Confederation, immediately came to mind: Smart Grid, Drug Awareness and Emerald Ash Borer.

The Confederation was the first organization to invite the Electric Department to fully explain and answer questions about Smart Grid. The program, presented to our members back in 2010, laid out the plans for this valuable project.

Our October General Meeting was the first public drug awareness discussion. Key was not just creating awareness of heroin in our City, or the vast resources available to assist addicted individuals. More importantly, the community learned that greater than 87% of our youth elect to NOT get involved with substance abuse. Unfortunately, youth making good, healthy choices are rarely featured in the news. From this first meeting, drug awareness programs have been replicated across the community.

The Confederation also took the lead educating about the Emerald Ash Borer. We followed a well-attended evening session for neighbors with an invitation only EAB Workshop for key local officials who came to our City to learn from a blue ribbon panel of experts. We refuted the conventional wisdom to cut trees down with a message of conservation, slowing impending rapid death of untreated ash trees, and scientifically proven insecticide treatments. This widely acclaimed workshop has since been presented in seven states.

We believe we do make a difference in our neighbors’ lives and are grateful for your support. Please attend the May 19th NAHC Annual meeting to learn more about our commitment and help shape our future, neighbor-to-neighbor. See you at 8 AM for coffee and goodies. The meeting starts promptly at 8:30 AM in Municipal Center rooms B and C.

Sincerely,

Dr Bob Buckman
President, Naperville Area Homeowners Confederation
drbobbuckman@sbcglobal.net

Confederation Annual Meeting is in May

Mark your calendar for our next general membership meeting, the Confederation's Annual Meeting, on Saturday, May 19th in lower level meeting rooms B&C of the Naperville Municipal Center. Coffee and Networking, sponsored by the DuPage Children's Museum, will begin at 8 AM with the formal meeting going from 8:30 until 10.



Our annual meeting is a time to look back at what we have done over the last twelve months, as well as begin planning for the next year. We will be electing our Secretary, Treasurer, and two At-Large Directors for two year terms. There will also be a vote on a proposed change to the

Confederation bylaws that will enable individuals not living within the boundaries of a member homeowner association to serve as voting members of the Confederation Board. Details on this vote and the election are later in this newsletter.

The upcoming year will be a busy one for the Confederation as we look toward candidate forums for the Fall 2012 and Spring 2013 elections. We are also planning a special information session for homeowners (and property tax payers) on what Common Core Curriculum will mean to our school districts and our tax bills. Our Liaison's will also continue their diligence over important aspects of our community life and governance. Your participation in the planning and execution of all of these events is critical and we hope to have more of our members involved in the coming months.

Please keep an eye on our website for updates and further information on this meeting. We are looking forward to seeing you on the 19th!

Do We Have Your Updated Contact Information?

In March we sent 2012 Dues Invoices to our members, and, for the first time, used email and not "snail mail." If you haven't paid yet, please do, as dues are our only income and, particularly with candidate forums coming up, this will be an expensive year! If you did not receive a dues invoice, please email us at nahc-naperhomeowners@wowway.com and we'll make sure one is sent your way.

When doing the mailing, we were concerned with the number of emails that bounced back due to bad addresses. With members moving, changing jobs, or switching to different Internet providers, our directory is in need of an update. If you believe the contact information for your association is out of date, please go to our website, www.napervillehomeowners.com and download and fill out an information sheet (new member application) on your association. There is a "hotlink" on our homepage to the Membership Application document.

Remember – the only way the Police, Fire Department, Park District, or even local realtors can get information on Naperville Associations is to ask the Confederation, We don't provide this information except on request, so privacy should not be an issue. Thanks!

Zoning and Land Use Update



Thom Higgins, chair of the NAHC Zoning & Land Use Committee, writes every month about new development and land use projects discussed at his monthly meetings with City Staff, that are of interest to Naperville area residents, and/or under consideration by Plan Commission and City Council. He also includes information obtained from other sources.

New Projects:

Lisle Auto Group: Is working out details with the building department to open an Infiniti dealership in the shuttered Bill Kay Chevrolet facility on Ogden Avenue. It is not expected to require Planning and Zoning or City Council review.

Monarch Landing, Rt. 59 and Ferry Rd: Has proposed an assisted living facility to be located west of the existing structures, essentially fronting along Rt. 59. The proposal is in the plan review stage and will require appearances in front of the Planning and Zoning Commission, and City Council.

Tide Dry Cleaning at Naperville Crossings: Tide (the detergent folks) has submitted plans for a free standing dry cleaning facility with a drive through at Naperville Crossings. It will make appearances at both the Plan and Zoning Commission and City Council, requesting a minor change to the Naperville Crossings PUD to allow its operation.

Ongoing Proposals:

Main Street Promenade East, Van Buren and Main: Received unanimous approval from City Council on April 3rd. for the major business terms contained in the development agreement between the developer and the City. Some of the terms are to extricate the City from ownership of part of the site where it had financed what was to be the original developer's construction of 41 parking spaces. When the first developer defaulted, the property reverted to the city. Additionally, there are terms that rebate a portion of the sales tax the property will generate, for a term of up to a maximum of 26 years, or \$1,929,035, whichever occurs first, to pay off a SSA that was created to pay for the cost of constructing required parking spaces. It also outlines the terms and conditions for the construction of a pedestrian bridge. Councilman McEllroy voice concern about the pedestrian bridge outright and also about the lack of any controlling ordinances for such bridges, although this is the second pedestrian bridge approved in the downtown (Water Street being the first). Staff indicated that creating a text amendment covering pedestrian bridges has been placed on staff's work schedule.

The \$30 million, four story, 60' tall project will contain 31,168 sf of retail space on the first floor, including an area the previous developer had planned to use for 41 private parking spaces. Upper floor will contain 66,345 sf of office space. The developer is proposing an aggressive timeline, with construction slated to start this August and a tentative opening in time for the 2013 Christmas season.

Draft of Development Agreement is here:

http://naperville.granicus.com/MetaViewer.php?view_id=2&clip_id=484&meta_id=75719

Daily Herald article:

<http://www.dailyherald.com/article/20120412/business/704129756/>

Arbor Trails, Maple Ave. and Benedictine Pkwy, Lisle: On April 15th Hovanian Homes received preliminary approval from Lisle Village Trustees to develop 163 single family homes on a large vacant parcel adjacent to Illinois Benedictine University. The homes are expected to list between \$300,000 and \$400,000 and feature 3-5 bedrooms on 6,240 and 9,750 sq. ft. lots. The developments amenities include a one acre park, a 10 acre nature area, extensive walking trails that the developer would like to connect to the Green Trails system, and two water detention areas. All told, the project commits 30% of the parcel for open space.

The developer will continue to work with staff on the annexation agreement (they are looking for R2 zoning) and will have to appear in front of the Village Trustees for final approval before construction can commence. The developer has requested a number of variances including the reduction of the minimum lot area, minimum lot frontage, set back requirements and building separation. Accordingly, they are looking for an increase in the allowable lot coverage for the homes. They are also requesting a reduction of the right of way from 66' to 50', a reduction in street width of 1' (28' to 27') and a reduction in sidewalk width of 1' (5' to 4').

Read the Lisle Trustee's proposal packet: <http://www.villageoflisle.org/docs/20120215.pzcpacket.pdf>

Lisle Patch article: <http://lisle.patch.com/articles/trustees-grant-preliminary-approval-for-arbor-trails-subdivision-rent-agreement-with-convention-visitors-bureau>

McDonalds, Hillside and Washington: After considerable discussion, the Planning and Zoning Commission gave a positive recommendation for the proposal, adding the stipulation that employees

must use the McDonalds lot for parking. McDonalds requested a number of variances including asking for a reduction in parking spaces from 61 to 31. McDonalds successfully argued that 70% of its business goes through the drive up and thus fewer parking spaces are needed. They are requesting a number of setback variances due to the small size of the site. McDonalds is planning on operating a smaller sized store with a 24-hour dual lane drive-through at the site.

You can see the Commission packet information here:

http://naperville.granicus.com/MetaViewer.php?view_id=2&clip_id=492&meta_id=77562

Naperville Sun article: <http://napervillesun.suntimes.com/news/12003293-420/plan-for-mcdonalds-near-downtown-naperville-raises-traffic-concerns.html>

Naperville Fertility Center, Washington and Benton: Won approval on April 3rd, with Councilmen Fieseler and Hinterlong dissenting. The petitioner agreed to make all four sides brick, as opposed to using EPIS (stucco) on the rear of the building and agreed to change the name on the signage from Naperville Fertility Center to Naperville Family Building Center.

Silverado Senior Living, Brookdale and Bond: The proposal for a 90 bed Alzheimer/memory residential facility to be constructed on a vacant lot received a positive recommendation for a Conditional Use from the Planning and Zoning Commission on April 4th, and will appear in front of City Council on May 15th. <http://www.silveradosenior.com/>

First Community Bank, Washington and Gartner: First Community will be moving into the old Play it again Sports building. They will be adding a drive-thru. They will appear in front of the Planning and Zoning Commission on May 2nd.

The Oaks at Naperville Crossings: The proposal for a 366 unit apartment complex will appear in front of the Planning and Zoning Commission on May 16th, seeking approval for a change to the PUD from condo's to an apartment complex.

Parks-Edge Development, Plank Road: Marketing has begun on this development adjacent to Seager Park that was approved in 2010. Pricing and construction schedules are expected to be released August 31, 2012.

Ongoing Studies:

Building Code Update: Since October 2011, city staff and representatives from the building community have been reviewing the new building codes from various code organizations. The City revises building codes every 6 years. The most significant possible changes are the requirement for residential sprinkler systems in new construction and more extensive use of arc-fault circuit breakers in new construction as well. On April 17th staff received permission from Council to start the public review process. Further, Council directed staff to remove from residential sprinkler systems from consideration. Staff expects to have a webpage on the city's website soon.

Staff commentary:

<http://eagenda.naperville.il.us/sirepub/cache/3/402nuu45umvamy45v54itf32/15365704252012084053869.PDF>

List of major changes:

<http://eagenda.naperville.il.us/sirepub/cache/3/402nuu45umvamy45v54itf32/15365804252012083746525.PDF>

Naperville Sun article: <http://napervillesun.suntimes.com/12055232-417/council-against-mandatory-sprinklers-for-new-residences.html>

Bus Depot Feasibility Study, Downtown Metra Station: At the April 17th City Council meeting, in a 5-4 vote with the Mayor, Chirico, Krause and Wherli opposing, Council agreed to accept the section of the report that envisions a bus depot accommodating 12 busses in the Parkview lot sometime in the future. Council voted 7-2 (the Mayor and Wehrli dissenting), to accept the

section of the report that paves the way for the City to make site improvements to the parking lots on both the north and south side of the tracks and convert North Ave into a two-way street from Washington to Ellsworth.

Study website: <http://www.naperville.il.us/busdepotfeasibility.aspx>

Staff Commentary:

<http://eagenda.naperville.il.us/sirepub/cache/3/402nuu45umvamy45v54itf32/1536960425201209334388.PDF>

Naperville Sun article: <http://napervillesun.suntimes.com/12025833-417/bus-depot-on-hold-but-changes-still-coming-at-metra-station.html>

Coming In May – NAHC Elections

In accordance with our bylaws, the Naperville Area Homeowners Confederation will hold elections at the Confederation Annual Meeting, scheduled for Saturday, May 19, 2012 at 8:30 AM in Meeting Rooms B&C of the Naperville Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle Street, Naperville, Illinois. The offices to be voted on are Secretary of the Confederation (currently John Mesarchik); Treasurer (currently Dan Bulley); and two at large Director Positions (currently held by Tom Harris and Kathy Benson). John Mesarchik, Tom Harris, and Kathy Benson are eligible to run again for their current positions.



A nominating committee composed of President Dr. Bob Buckman, Vice President Bob Fischer, and Director Allen Panek announced at the April 21st General Meeting that **Boyd Briscoe for Treasurer, John Mesarchik (incumbent) for Secretary, and incumbents Kathy Benson and Tom Harris for Director have been requested to serve.** Nominations will also be accepted from the floor the day of the annual meeting. Any person who, at the time of the election, is a

member of a homeowners association which is a Confederation member in good standing may seek and hold office on the Confederation Board of Directors; except that there shall be no more than one Confederation Officer or a total of two Confederation Board of Directors members from any one Confederation member association. Duties of the positions to be elected are as follows:

Secretary - shall keep the current minutes of all Confederation Board of Directors meetings; shall present a written report of the Confederation's previous year's activities at the Annual Meeting; and shall be responsible for all correspondence related to the business of the Confederation. The Confederation Board of Directors shall approve all material correspondence relating to the business of the Confederation and the Confederation Board of Directors. The Secretary shall also keep current a list of Member associations and persons to contact, and shall maintain duplicate copies of the corporate records. The Secretary shall be responsible for all communications with Member associations or others as the President or the Board of Directors direct.

Treasurer – shall collect and receive all monies and assessments and deposit them to the credit of the Confederation in a bank approved by the Confederation Board of Directors; shall render a statement of accounts to the Confederation Board of Directors and to the Confederation membership At regular meetings; shall issue receipts for assessments upon request; shall challenge the right to vote of any Confederation member not in good standing at the time of any vote by reason of being in arrears in payments of assessments; shall present a financial report in writing at the Annual Meeting; and shall keep a list of all Confederation members currently in good standing. The Treasurer shall be responsible for preparing the annual budget, to be approved by the Confederation members at the November meeting of each year. The Treasurer shall disburse funds that are included in the budget line items upon presentation of adequate documentation for such items.

At-Large Board Members – shall be chairpersons of Ad Hoc Committees of the Confederation as formed at the discretion of the BOD. They shall be eligible to assume the terms and duties of

Confederation officers, if such officers resign, refuse, become ineligible, or are otherwise unavailable to fulfill their terms. At-Large Board Members shall be empowered to vote in all decisions of the BOD. If any elected Director is not able for any reason to complete a term of office, the BOD may appoint an Associate Director to serve as a Director until the next annual election and any individual so appointed shall be empowered to serve and perform their duties upon appointment.

All member associations in good standing are eligible to cast a vote in this election. To be considered in good standing, member associations are to be current in their annual dues. Other information on the conduct of the elections, or on membership status of associations, can be found in the Confederation Bylaws which are posted at:

<http://www.napervillehomeowners.com/NAHC/NewsDoc/NewsDoc8119.pdf> .

If your association or Board would like to learn more about the NAHC, a Board member will be happy to attend one of your meetings to update your community on what the NAHC can and does do for you. Contact us at nahc-naperhomeowners@wowway.com to schedule a presentation!

Proposed NAHC ByLaws Change

The NAHC leadership team wants to ensure that the Confederation remains a strong and vital voice for neighbors in our community. While, for over 30 years, neighborhood associations have been the backbone of our organization, changing development patterns and demographics have shown that by concentrating only on neighbors living within recognized homeowners associations, we are not properly representing the estimated 40% of Naperville residents who do not live within an organized HOA. To address this imbalance, and expand the pool of community leaders we can draw on, we are proposing to revise our bylaws to allow residents not part of a recognized homeowners association to take leadership positions within the Confederation.

This proposed change will still ensure that our member associations will drive the direction of the NAHC, but it will also allow motivated individuals the opportunity to participate and grow within our leadership structure. The changes outlined below will allow up to two non-Homeowner Association members to assume voting roles on the Confederation board of directors, subject to certain limitations and caveats. The proposed additional bylaws language, in two different sections of the bylaws, to facilitate this change in direction, is highlighted in yellow below:

Section 3: Membership and Associate Membership

B. Associate Membership: The Confederation Board of Directors may, by majority vote, accept as Associate Members of the Confederation certain organizations that do not strictly meet the requirements set forth in sub-section A., above, **and individual homeowners as well**, in accordance with the provisions of this sub-section B. Homeowner associations not eligible for full Membership due to their location outside the boundaries set forth in sub-paragraph A, above, **and individual homeowners**, may be eligible for Associate Membership under this sub-section B. In addition, organizations other than those comprised of homeowners (to include, but not limited to, organizations such as an association of those renting residential units within an identified group of rental units) are eligible for Associate Membership if they meet the foregoing requirements. Associate Member organizations **and individuals** shall be entitled to all notices and such other rights as are enjoyed by Member Associations, **including eligibility for election to the Board of Directors. Only Member associations and Associate Members currently elected to the Board of Directors as voting members shall be entitled to vote in any election or other vote authorized by these By-Laws. There shall be no more than two (2) voting Members of the Board serving at any one time who are Associate Members of the Confederation. The Board of Directors may, by majority vote, establish annual dues for all Associate Members, whether an organization or an individual.**

Section 4: Officers:

Any person, who, at the time of the election, is a member of a homeowners association which is a Confederation Member, **a representative of an Associate Member organization, or an individual Associate Member** may seek and hold office on the Confederation Board of Directors

These proposed bylaws changes, introduced at the April General Meeting, will be brought to a vote of the membership at the May 19th Annual Meeting.

NAHC Briefs – News You Can Use!

Linden Oaks at Edward and the Naperville Police Department will present **Opening the Door to Heroin: Drugs and Your Community** on Wednesday, May 2, 6–8 p.m. at Naperville Presbyterian Church, 943 Sanctuary Lane in Naperville.



Speakers will include Sgt. Russ Wolf of the Naperville Police Department; David Lott, MD, Medical Director of Addiction Services at Linden Oaks and Beth Sack, LCPC, CADC, Manager of Addiction Services at Linden Oaks..

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The City of Naperville will once again offer its **Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) classes** this May. Residents are encouraged to take part in this program and learn more about emergency preparedness in the community and how they can help Naperville be ready in the event of an emergency.



The free classes will take place from 6:45 to 9:30 p.m. on May 10, 17, 24 and 31 with the final class taking place from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 2. CERT offers basic disaster response training skills in areas such as fire safety, light search and rescue, first aid, disaster medical operations and

team organization, among many others. Once participants complete the program, they will be qualified to assist their neighborhoods or workplaces in cases of emergency when professional first responders cannot immediately make it to the scene.

Participants must be 18 years of age and must either live or be employed in the City of Naperville. Interested parties should download a registration form and waiver from www.naperville.il.us/cert.aspx and send it via mail to John Flannery, Citizen Corps Council Liaison, Naperville Electric Service Center, 1392 Aurora Ave., Naperville, IL 60540; via fax to (630) 305-6203; or by e-mail to flanneryj@naperville.il.us. Space in the class is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

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Boy Scout Troop 501's Annual Pancake Breakfast, Bake Sale, and Blood Drive will be Saturday, May 5, 2012, from 7:00 AM – 12:00 NOON at St. Timothy Lutheran Church, 1313 N. Mill St. (Across from Mill St. School). Tickets are \$5 Individual or \$15 Family and are Free for Active Scouts in Uniform and Free for all blood donors.

Enjoy pancakes, sausage, orange juice and beverages served by the scouts of Troop 501. A bake sale and blood drive will also take place in conjunction with the breakfast.

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The City of Naperville will begin resurfacing and reconstructing roads in several subdivisions as well as some of the City's major roadways as part of the **annual Roadway Resurfacing Program**.



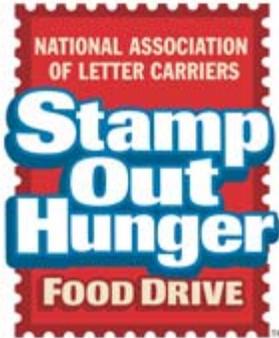
Roads in the following subdivisions are scheduled for resurfacing beginning in May: Breckenridge, Brookdale, Brush Hill, Cress Creek, In-Town East, In-Town West, Knoch Knolls, Old Farm, Old Saw Mill, Rose Hill, White Eagle and Wildflower.

In addition to the subdivision streets, several major roadways will also be resurfaced,

including Diehl Road from Route 59 to Raymond Drive and Book Road from 87th Street to 111th Street. For a map of the roadways included in the program and for more information visit the City's website at www.naperville.il.us/mip.aspx.

All of the work included in the 2012 Roadway Resurfacing Program is slated for completion by late October. Funded by state and local Motor Fuel Tax funds, Naperville's Roadway Resurfacing Program is designed to provide the City with safe roads. Each year City roads are evaluated to determine which roads need preventative maintenance such as patching, microsurfacing and crack-filling or complete replacement of the entire street surface layer by resurfacing or reconstruction.

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The Naperville branch of the National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) is picking up more than the mail on **Saturday, May 12th**. On that day, it will collect food for Loaves & Fishes Community Pantry during the 20th Annual Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive. Please place donations in a bag next to your mailbox by 11 a.m. for easy retrieval by your carrier or a volunteer. Nonperishable products that do not come in glass containers would be greatly appreciated. Please consult our Most Needed Items list <http://www.loaves-fishes.org/mostneededitems.html> for ideas. Thank you for helping to end hunger in our community by helping the NALC Stamp Out Hunger on May 12!

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Residents seeking information on home and fire safety are encouraged to visit the **new kiosk at Fire Station No. 7**, located at 1380 Aurora Ave., to obtain fact sheets on a variety of safety topics.

"The Naperville Fire Department's job isn't simply to respond to emergencies; we also want to proactively prevent emergencies that could harm life or property from ever occurring," Fire Chief Mark Puknaitis said. "We are proud to offer home and fire safety information on a wide variety of topics that can be used to help educate your family, friends, social groups and more. I encourage everyone to stop by Fire Station No. 7 to review this material. It could save your life someday!"

Safety information on display includes:

- Microwave Oven Safety
- Home Safety for People with Disabilities
- Scald Prevention
- Smoking and Home Fire Safety
- Candle Safety
- Electrical Safety
- Halloween Safety
- Gel Fuel Warning
- Grilling Safety
- Dryer Safety
- Cooking Safety
- Escape Planning
- Campus Fire Safety
- Generator Safety
- Fireworks Safety
- Lightning Safety
- Smoke Alarms
- High Rise Apartment and Condo Safety
- Home Fire Sprinklers
- Hotel and Motel Safety
- Christmas Tree Safety
- Smoke Alarms for Deaf or Hard of Hearing



- Carbon Monoxide Safety
- Thanksgiving Safety & Winter Holiday Safety
- Winter Safety
- Heating Safety

For more information on the Naperville Fire Department, visit www.naperville.il.us/fire.aspx

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The City of Naperville is proclaiming Friday, April 27 through Friday, May 4 as **Emerald Ash Borer Awareness Week**. Events include an open house for residents to learn more about the treatments being used to fight the beetle.

As part of EAB Awareness Week, the City will be hosting an **EAB Open House from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Monday, April 30 in Meeting Rooms B&C of the Naperville Municipal Center**, 400 S. Eagle St. Residents may stop in at any time during the open house for information about the EAB and to learn more about the City's EAB treatment program, as well as options that can be considered for treating private ash trees.

The EAB was first discovered in Naperville in 2008 and has destroyed healthy ash tree populations throughout the Midwest. Ash trees are the most numerous species in the City's parkway tree inventory, representing about 25 percent. The City is currently implementing an aggressive multi-year treatment plan for all healthy ash trees that are located in the City's parkways to reduce the devastating effect of the beetle in the community. If the City does not treat any of the parkway ash trees, it is expected that all of the ash trees will be dead within five years.



Licensed contractors will utilize 3 types of treatments for the City's estimated 16,300 parkway trees:

Xytect - (imidacloprid)

The City will be using this treatment for most trees that are less than 20 inches in diameter. This treatment is applied as a soil injection annually around the base of the tree.

TREE-äge® - (emamectin benzoate)

Used for larger trees, this treatment consists of a chemical application that is injected directly into the tree and lasts for two years.

Safari - (dinotefuran)

A limited number of trees will be treated with Safari. This product is reapplied every year.

Homeowners with parkway trees that receive treatment will be notified with a door hanger indicating what treatment has been used. Treatments will be performed in April, May and early June to protect the trees for this season. By treating the tree in early spring, the chemical moves up through the tree and is ingested by the beetles' larvae, which kills them and protects the tree from serious damage.

Badly infested parkway ash trees will be removed. Residents will be contacted if a tree in their parkway needs to be removed.

Residents are encouraged to visit the City's website at www.naperville.il.us/eab.aspx to view an interactive map that will allow them to track treatment progress of parkway trees in their area. The map also indicates the size of parkway trees and what treatment, if any, has been completed.

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"FREEDOM from HUNGER" Community Food Drive COMPETITION
GOAL: 60,000 pounds (1 week's worth of groceries)

On June 14th Loaves and Fishes is conducting a special **Freedom From Hunger Food Drive** with the goal of raising 60,000 pounds, the equivalent of the groceries distributed in one week at Loaves & Fishes. Any individual, group, Homeowners Association, faith community, social or service club, or sports league is invited to participate.

Bring your donations to be unloaded and weighed between 2-5 p.m. They will announce the winners at 6 p.m. from the stage, before the Brother John Concert. Go to our <http://www.loaves-fishes.org/DWH.html> to register and learn more.

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Effective May 1, the City is implementing a change to **the garbage collection carts program**. These carts will be available to be picked up at the Public Works Service Center (PWSC), 180 Fort Hill Drive, or can be delivered to resident's homes. They will no longer be available at the Naperville Municipal Center.



Under the City's voluntary garbage collection cart program, residents have their choice of purchasing a 32-gallon (two bags, \$43), 68-gallon (four bags, \$57) or 95-gallon (six bags, \$63) cart. Delivery is available for an additional \$10 fee. For complete program information, or to purchase your garbage cart for home delivery, visit www.naperville.il.us/garbagecarts.aspx

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Naperville Electric utility customers can learn more about the **Naperville Smart Grid Initiative (NSGI) at neighborhood open houses** that feature several stations where people can talk with NSGI Ambassadors and have their NSGI questions answered. Upcoming Open Houses are Wednesday, May 2nd at Welch Elementary School, 2620 Leverenz Road, Wednesday May 30th at Owen Elementary School, 1560 Westglen Drive, and Wednesday, June 6 at Naperville North High School, 899 N. Mill St.. All Open Houses are scheduled from 7-9 p.m. A "virtual open house" is also available to view at www.naperville.il.us/nsgivoh.aspx.



As part of the NSGI, the City is visiting homes and businesses to replace existing electric meters with new smart meters. These digital smart meters measure energy use in 15-minute increments and securely and safely transmit this data remotely to the City's electric utility on a daily basis, giving customers a new level of awareness and control over their energy use. An interactive map of installation dates, along with more information about the NSGI and what customers can expect during their smart meter installation is available to view on the City's website at www.naperville.il.us/smartgrid.aspx. If you wish to opt for a manual read meter please call Bernie Saban with the city at 630-420-6135.

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The Naperville Fire Department is seeking donations of used and "clunker" vehicles from residents and local businesspeople. Firefighters will be able to practice critical auto extrication skills with the donated vehicles.



Auto extrication is the practice of safely removing victims from vehicles that are involved in accidents so severe that traditional entry and exit means are unusable or inadvisable. In these



instances, firefighters and other rescue personnel may be required to use braces to stabilize vehicles and then the "Jaws of Life" or other hydraulic or pneumatic cutting tools to sever through sections of a vehicle to remove victims. The more practice that rescue personnel receive in a simulated setting, the more prepared they will be when a true emergency occurs.

All vehicles must have titles and keys available. If a vehicle cannot be driven to the Naperville Fire Department, but is located within 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 make a vehicle donation, contact Ruthi Sommers at (630) 305-5900 or sommersr@naperville.il.us.

Lightning Safety Awareness and Preparedness

With the start of more active spring weather, our city will face an increased danger from lightning hazards. According to NOAA, lightning kills about as many people as tornadoes do in an average year and more than are killed by hurricanes. Lightning deaths average 55 deaths per year, tornadoes 58 and Hurricanes 48 between 1981 and 2010. The following tips are provided to help you learn more about lightning risks as well as how to protect yourself and your loved ones.

1. **Plan in advance your evacuation and safety measures.** When you first see lightning or hear thunder, activate your emergency plan and make your way to a building or a vehicle. Lightning often precedes rain, so don't wait for the rain to begin before suspending activities. No place outside is safe when thunderstorms are in the area. Lightning can strike up to 10 miles from the edge of the storm. If you can hear thunder, you are in danger.

2. **If you are outdoors, avoid areas that could put you in danger.** Avoid water, high ground, open spaces and all metal objects including electric wires, fences, machinery, motors, power tools, etc. Lightning will travel through water and metal. Unsafe places include underneath canopies, small picnic or rain shelters or near trees. If possible, find shelter in a substantial building or in a fully enclosed metal vehicle such as a car, truck or a van with the windows completely shut. If lightning is striking nearby, you should:



A. Proceed to the nearest **shelter** as fast as possible. You will only be safe if you are in a sheltered area.

B. If there is no shelter available, **crouch down** in the lowest point available. Put your feet together and place your hands over your ears to minimize hearing damage from thunder. Lightning is attracted to the tallest, pointiest and most metallic object.

C. **Avoid proximity** to other people to prevent multiple injuries. Stay away a minimum of 15 feet.

3. **Even if you are indoors, avoid water and wiring.** Stay away from doors and windows. Do not use a wired telephone. Take off head sets. Turn off, unplug and stay away from appliances, computers, power tools and television sets. Lightning may strike outside of the building and travel through plumbing and wiring, inducing shocks to inside equipment.

4. **Suspend activities for 30 minutes after last observing lightning or thunder.**

5. **Injured persons do not carry an electrical charge and can be handled safely.** If someone is injured, monitor the victim and begin CPR or AED if necessary and you are qualified to do so. Call 9-1-1 or send another individual for help immediately.

6. **Know your emergency telephone numbers.** Add them to your cell phone along with an ICE (In Case of Emergency) contact. First responders know to call the ICE contact in case something happens to you.

For more information about emergency preparedness, consider attending one of the Emergency Preparedness classes taught by the Naperville Citizens Corps Council. Classes are held from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at the Alfred Rubin Riverwalk Community Center (ARRCC), 305 West Jackson Ave., Room 206. You can contact the Emergency Preparedness Education Team at (630) 305-7000, ext. 570, or email beready@Naperccc.org to reserve space.

Submitted by Naperville Citizen Corps Council

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ACTHA will also be hosting a number of seminars during May as part of their Certification Program: Learn and Lead. If interested in Certification the cost is \$100 for all six courses if an ACTHA member; \$150 for non-members. If not pursuing Certification, seminars are free for ACTHA members and \$ 20 per person for non-members. To register and for costs, go to:
http://www.actha.org/pages/certification_learn_lead/31.php

****Seminar Topic:** Insurance/Risk Management of an Association

Date: Wednesday, May 9th

Time: 7 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Location: Oak Park Village Hall, 123 Madison St. in Oak Park

Presenter: Barbara Wick of CARMIC, LLC

Seminar Topic: "Top 10 Myths of Community Associations"

Date: Tuesday, May 29

Time: 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Location: TBA but south suburbs

Presenters: Dawn Moody of Keough and Moody and Martin Stone of HSR Property Management

****Learn and Lead Graduate Course**

Date: Wednesday, May 30

Time: 7 - 10 p.m.

Location: Oak Park Village Hall, 123 W. Madison St. in Oak Park

Presenters: David Bendoff of Kovitz Shifrin Nesbitt, Marck Cantey of Mark Cantey Associates, Marcia Caruso of Caruso Management Group, Kami Farahmandpour of BTC, Barbara Wick of CARMIC, LLC

Note: This seminar is open to Learn and Lead graduates and property managers. Others are invited to attend but only as observers. Cost: \$50 for Learn and Lead graduates and ACTHA property managers; \$20 for others.

Proposed City Council Districts

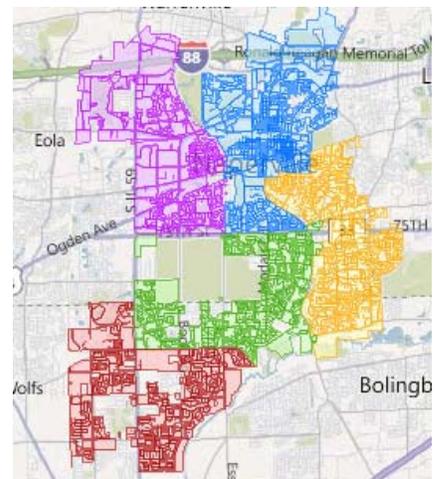
Information on the proposed City Council districts beginning with the 2015 municipal election is on the City's website at www.naperville.il.us/districts.aspx.

The City will host a series of open houses to discuss the proposed Naperville districts map. The first five open houses are being held within their respective districts, with the sixth and final open to residents of all five districts. The Open House schedule for the remaining sessions is:

District 4: Tuesday, May 8, 6:30-8 p.m.
Clow Elementary School, 1301 Springdale Cir.

District 5: Tuesday, May 22, 6:30-8 p.m.
Fire Station No. 10, 3201 95th St.

All Districts: Tuesday, June 12, 3-4:30 p.m.
Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle St.



News from Naper Settlement



Chicagoland's Outdoor History Museum

Discover Naperville's history through engaging and unique experiences at Naper Settlement, Chicagoland's outdoor history museum, located in the heart of Naperville. Explore historic homes and businesses throughout the 12-acre site where you'll understand the past and how it connects to the present. Preservation is a key component of the museum's mission and Naper Settlement has a reference library and archival collection. Naper Settlement offers special events, such as Civil War

www.napersettlement.museum

523 South Webster Street

Naperville, Illinois 60540

(630) 420-6010

(630) 305-5255-fax

Days and All Hallows Eve, programs, classes, camps, architectural walks, group tours and school programs, and rental opportunities for meetings, weddings, parties and other social occasions. For Summer Season begins April 1

Naper Settlement began its Summer Season April 1. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, through Oct. 31. Admission is \$12/adults, \$10/seniors 62+ and \$8/youth (4-12). Naperville residents receive free daily admission with proof of residency. Blue Star Museums is a program that offers free admission to museums for active duty military personnel and their families from Memorial Day, May 28, through Labor Day, Sept. 3. Show your government ID card for free admission to Naper Settlement. Visit

www.napersettlement.museum.

The theme of the upcoming year is "Celebrating the American Spirit."

Community Heritage Month

During the month of May, Naper Settlement, along with its

community partners, recognizes Community Heritage Month in Naperville, an opportunity to learn about the organizations, events and activities that contribute to our heritage.

Weekends in May at Naper Settlement

During weekends in May, in addition to visiting the historic buildings and exhibits, join Naper Settlement and take a look back at the role of Americans before, during and after wartime. A variety of activities will

be offered throughout the month, including flag trivia, rolling bandages, learning about the Pledge of Allegiance in the Schoolhouse, a Victory garden tour and more..

My Country, 'Tis of Thee

Throughout our country's history, patriotism and the American spirit have been called upon and tested time and again. On Saturday and Sunday, May 5-6, visit activity stations commemorating the Civil War, World War II and the Vietnam War. Interact with replicas of artifacts on loan from the First Division Museum at Cantigny; view artifacts from Naper Settlement's museum collections; and learn about Naperville servicemen and women.

Girl Scouts May Day

It's a badge-earning bonanza for Daisies, Brownies and Junior Girl Scouts from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 6 at Naper Settlement, 523 S. Webster St., Naperville. Pick up your Badge-in-a-Bag at check-in, visit the activity stations, tour the buildings, play games and earn your Petal or Badge. Fee is \$10 Girl Scouts/Youth and \$8 for adults. Registration is required. Visit www.napersettlement.museum.

Preserving Your Family Heirlooms

Preserving Your Family Heirlooms offers information on basic care and proper handling of furniture, metals, ceramics, and glass objects to prevent and reduce damage from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, May 12, at Naper Settlement's Collections Care and Storage Facility, located at 180 Fort Hill Drive, Naperville. Attendees will have an opportunity to consult about care and storage options for their own special family heirlooms. The program includes a tour of the Museum Collections Care and Storage Facility. Enter through Door C at building's far northwest corner. Admission is \$10 person, \$8 NHSS members. Reservations recommended. For ages teen to adult. Visit www.napersettlement.museum.

History Speaks Lecture Series: Julie Andrews – The Early Years

Jenny Riddle dramatizes and performs songs from the life of Julie Andrews before she was Mary Poppins or Maria Von Trapp during this presentation of the History Speaks Lecture Series: Julie Andrews – The Early Years from 4 to 5 p.m. Sunday, May 13 at Naper Settlement's Century Memorial Chapel. Advance ticket: \$6 person, \$5 student and NHSS Member; at the door: \$7 person, \$6 student and NHSS Member. Reservations recommended. For all ages. Visit www.napersettlement.museum.

Civil War Days

During Civil War Days, Naper Settlement is transformed into a Civil War encampment where visitors can experience firsthand a turbulent time period in our nation's history. Learn how the nation changed through the insights of famous people who made a difference in history from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, May 19-20. Hundreds of reenactors participate, staging a battle with raging artillery and marching infantry. Purchase advance tickets online at www.napersettlement.museum or at Naper Settlement's Visitor Center. Advance ticket: \$10 adult (13+), \$5 senior (62+) and youth (4-12); at the gate: \$15 adult, \$10 senior/youth. Members are free. Visit www.napersettlement.museum.



Walking with Soldiers: The Civil War Tour

Mark the 150th anniversary of the Civil War with a special tour at Naperville Cemetery during Walking with Soldiers: The Civil War Tour from 2 to 3:15 p.m. Saturday, May 26. The tour begins at the Naper Settlement Visitor Center, 523 S. Webster St., Naperville. Learn the story of how Levi Shafer's gun fired the first two shots at Gettysburg; view the grave of a Confederate soldier; and hear stories of Civil War veterans from Naperville. For ages teen to adult. (Some historical material may be too graphic for younger audiences.). Tickets are \$12 person; \$10 NHSS members. Reservations recommended. Visit www.napersettlement.museum.

Footsteps: A Guided Tour of Century Walk Art

Step through the pages of Naperville's history as a Naper Settlement museum educator shares the stories represented by eight of the extraordinary pieces of Century Walk public art during Footsteps: A

Guided Tour of Century Walk Art from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Sunday, May 27. Learn about the artists and inspiration behind the murals, mosaics, reliefs, mobiles and sculptures located within a half mile walk of the museum. The tour steps off from the Naper Settlement Visitor Center, 523 S. Webster St., Naperville. Tickets are \$12 person: \$10 NHSS members. Reservations are recommended. *This project is supported in part by an award from the National Endowment for the Arts: Art Works.* Visit www.napersettlement.museum.

Naper Settlement is seeking donations of memorabilia related to food and restaurants

Naper Settlement is presenting a new interpretative focus, centering around food, in five buildings on the museum grounds – the Log House, the Murray House, the Blacksmith Shop, Halfway House and the Martin Mitchell Mansion. The theme: “food connects us through shared community, traditions and work” includes hands-on activities, programming, community partnerships and collecting artifacts for the museum’s holdings. This new interpretation is being introduced to enhance the visitor experience.

Naper Settlement is seeking memorabilia that supports the museum’s food-themed interpretation, both for the historic buildings represented at the museum, as well as for preserving Naperville’s contemporary food history. On the curators’ wish list are items from the Spanish Tea Room, a well-known restaurant of the 1920s and 1930s, Kandy Kitchen, Tasty Bakery, Cock Robin/Prince Castle and the lunch counter at Naperville Pharmacy. The museum is also seeking Naperville restaurant-related items, including menus, service ware, aprons, etc. Other items sought include family cookbooks used locally as well as community cookbooks compiled by local organizations, such as churches and not-for-profits.

To donate your memorabilia, call Naper Settlement at (630) 420-6010 or e-mail Registrar Sarah Buhlig at buhlig@naperville.il.us.

Naper Nights announces summertime line-up of entertainment

Naper Nights sets the stage for three summer weekends in June, July and August of nonstop music at Naper Settlement, Chicagoland’s outdoor history museum, 523 S. Webster St., Naperville.

American English, a Beatles tribute band, starts off the concert series on Friday, June 22. Hailed as the best Beatles tribute story of our time, the band takes listeners on a musical journey from the Fab Four’s early years to their final years as a band. The Smithereens returns to the stage at Naper Settlement on Saturday, June 23. An iconic band of the 1980s, The Smithereens (pictured at left) took



blues-influenced rock and turned it on its ear, playing tuneful British invasion-style originals at a volume worthy of many heavy metal bands. Buckwheat Zydeco will get the crowd dancing with their good time Creole party dance music on Saturday, July 28. One of the musical stars of the 1970s, Al Stewart, who recorded the multi-million-selling hits, “Year of the Cat” and “Time Passages,” will perform on Saturday, August 25. Bring a blanket or lawn chair for this opportunity

to enjoy music under the stars on the beautiful grounds of Naper Settlement throughout the summer.

Naper Nights hours are 5-10 p.m. Friday night tickets are \$10 adults, \$5 youth (4-12); Saturday night tickets are \$15 adults, \$10 youth (4-12). Admission is free for Naperville Heritage Society members. No outside beverages are allowed. No advance ticket discount. All proceeds benefit the Naperville Heritage Society. Sikich LLP is the presenting sponsor of Naper Nights. Sikich is a management consulting firm with a top 50 accounting practice. For more details on Naper Nights, including other sponsor opportunities, call (630) 420-6010 or visit www.napersettlement.museum.

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Naper Settlement has again achieved accreditation by the American Association of Museums (AAM), the highest national recognition afforded the nation’s museums. Accreditation signifies excellence to the museum community, to governments, funders, outside agencies and to the museum-

going public. Naper Settlement was initially accredited in 2002. All museums must undergo a re-accreditation review at least every 10 years to maintain accredited status.

AAM accreditation brings national recognition to a museum for its commitment to excellence, accountability, high professional standards and continued institutional improvement. Developed and sustained by museum professionals for 35 years, AAM's museum accreditation program is the field's primary vehicle for quality assurance, self-regulation and public accountability. It strengthens the museum profession by promoting practices that enable leaders to make informed decisions, allocate resources wisely, and remain financially and ethically accountable — all in order to provide the best possible service to the public.

Of the nation's estimated 17,500 museums, 778 are currently accredited. Naper Settlement is one of only 25 museums accredited in Illinois, the only accredited museum in DuPage County and the state's only accredited outdoor history museum.

Accreditation is a very rigorous, but highly rewarding process that examines all aspects of a museum's operations. To earn accreditation a museum first must conduct a year of self-study, then undergo a site visit by a team of peer reviewers. While the time to complete the process varies by museum, it generally takes as much as three years

Help the NAHC Achieve Its Mission



The NAHC is looking for more Associate Directors to help us interact with our neighbors. If you have an interest in a local governmental (i.e. tax dollar supported) entity or other quasi-governmental organization, we need liaisons to report back to the Confederation Board on developments and directions from these organizations and how these may impact our neighborhoods.

We are also looking for an Associate Director willing to help with the NAHC publicity duties, including communicating news of our meetings to area news outlets, assisting with the web site, www.napervillehomeowners.com and helping prepare this newsletter.

If you are interested, please drop us an email at nahc-naperhomeowners@wowway.com or speak to President Dr. Bob Buckman or Vice President Bob Fischer for more details

Help Create Our Story, Naperville!



As part of NCTV17's year-long 25th Anniversary celebration, starting at midnight on May 2, you can be a part of the making of "Our Story." For the next 24 hours everyone in Naperville is invited to participate in the creation of a community-wide documentary modeled after Ridley Scott's *Life in a Day* documentary (<http://www.youtube.com/user/lifeinaday>.)

Grab your phone camera, camcorder, or digital camera between 12:00 AM and 11:59 PM on Wednesday, May 2nd and capture a moment in your day. It may be a run in the park with your dog or practicing the piano or waiting at the school bus stop. You can record part of an event or activity that makes you happy or something that brings a tear to your eye. Tape a moment that showcases who you are or what you love about Naperville. Record something organized or something spontaneous. It's all good - as long as you record it on May 2nd and upload your video to NCTV17.com!

NCTV17's award-winning production team will review all the submissions and edit the media together into a stunning testimony to a day in the life of Naperville.

Be a part of creating Our Story: one day, one community, made up of thousands of moments! The documentary will premier in the fall. As May 2nd approaches, visit www.NCTV17.com for detailed directions for uploading your recorded moments to our website.

Park District Updates



Stay connected with the Naperville Park District throughout the year by following them on Facebook, Flickr, Twitter, LinkedIn and Park Talk Blog. Sign up for e-news by visiting their homepage at www.napervilleparks.org

Registration dates to remember	
May 2 at noon	Online resident registration for fall session of Naperville Youth Soccer
May 3 at noon	Resident online registration for all other summer programs
May 7 at 8:30 a.m.	Nonresident, phone-in and walk-in registration.

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Thanks to an early spring, the Naperville Park District **opened the Riverwalk Eatery** April 28. Preseason hours will be from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on weekends only until Memorial Day. **The Paddleboats will open Sat., May 12**, with the same hours as the Eatery on weekends until Memorial Day.

Beginning its second season under Naperville Park District management, the Eatery will offer a menu featuring snacks and hot and cold beverages. The menu will expand to include sandwiches and a greater variety of items once Centennial Grill opens for the season.

Paddleboat rides may be purchased at the Eatery. Four-passenger models are available for 20-minute and 40-minute rides. Fees are \$8/boat for a 20-minute ride and \$10/boat for a 40 min. ride.

Centennial Beach will open on Sat., May 26 at 11:00 a.m. for the 2012 season. Early bird membership rates for residents are available through May 20. Membership renewals may be completed online prior to May 25. New members must apply in person with photo identification at the Park District Administration Building at 320 W. Jackson Ave. or at the South Maintenance Facility at 3415 Book Rd.

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Kids, families and all ages are invited to Naperville Park District's **EcoFest 2012**, a new, free event that will take place Saturday, May 12 at the Riverwalk Grand Pavilion, located at 912 Sindt Court, west of Centennial Beach. EcoFest is sponsored by Gerald Auto, Liberty Mutual, Midwest Trading and Whole Foods Naperville.

EcoFest will run from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., with eco-friendly games and crafts supported by Girl Scout Troop 50192, and interactive conservation exhibits. The Northern Illinois Raptor Center will present a live birds of prey show from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, featuring four birds of prey native to Illinois. The audience can get a close look at birds such as a great Horned Owl and a Red-Tailed Hawk and learn about their life histories. Please bring a blanket for seating. The first 200 families in attendance will receive an eco-friendly gift.

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Immediately preceding EcoFest 2012 the Naperville Park District will offer a **free electronics recycling** event on Sat., May 12 in the Centennial Beach



parking lot at 500 W. Jackson Ave. The public is invited to drop off electronics from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Acme Electronics Recycling will be on site to accept household and office electronics including computers, small appliances, and communications devices. A full list of acceptable items can be found at:

<http://www.napervilleparks.org/docs/recyclinglistofaccepteditems.pdf>.

Please note that televisions and CRT monitors will not be accepted at this event.

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Spring weather in the Chicago area is famous for being unpredictable, with temperatures sometimes rising or falling more than 30 degrees from one day to the next. **On Sat., May 12 at 1:00 p.m. sharp, the public is invited to take the plunge into the chilly water at Centennial Beach**, whatever the air and water temperatures happen to be that day.

At the sound of the lifeguards' first whistle of the season, guests may take a quick dip in the shallow end of the Beach or just watch those who are more daring. Following the plunge, Centennial Beach lifeguards will demonstrate their skills, including safety drills and behind-the-scenes training routines. The festivities will include complimentary beverages and snacks and a chance to win a 2012 Beach membership, among other prizes.

In 2010 over 100 participants, including Park District Executive Director Ray McGury, braved the cold water, with many more cheering them on.

The regular Centennial Beach season will begin on Saturday, May 26 with the final day of operations for the season on Monday, September 3.

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Millennium Carillon at Moser Tower and Visitor Center - Located along the Riverwalk near Rotary Hill at 443 Aurora Avenue

Climb the 253 steps or ride the elevator to the observation deck and enjoy a spectacular view that stretches for miles! Learn about the history of Naperville, the Riverwalk and the Carillon at the Visitor Center. The Carillon and adjacent Visitor Center is open for tours from April-November. Admission is \$3 for ages 5 and older. Children 4 and under are free. Visitors under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. 2012 Millennium Carillon and Visitor Center hours of operation: **May 5-November 11** – Saturdays, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.; Sundays, 12:00-6:00 p.m. Friday tours will be added to the schedule beginning **May 25-August 17** during the hours of 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

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Naperville Park District Summer Camps

No matter what the kids at your house are interested in, we have summer camps that are sure to please. From sports camps to creative camps for preschool and youth all the way up through age 17, your child will be active, have fun and make new friends! And, all of our camps are taught by excellent, qualified instructors. For more information, visit www.napervilleparks.org or call 630-848-5000.

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Disc Golf Course - 336 Knoch Knolls Road

Challenge yourself by participating in one of the fastest growing sports in the world – Disc Golf! The 9-hole Disc Golf course is located in Knoch Knolls Park, 336 Knoch Knolls Road, Naperville, IL, near the gravel parking lot. There is no charge to play. Rules are posted.

**Museum
CLOSED
Monday,
May 28**

May 2012

Mon. 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.; Tues.–Thurs. 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
 Except Third Thursday of every month, open until 8:00 p.m.
 Fri. 9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.; Sat. 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
 Sun. Noon – 5:00 p.m.
 Summer hours begin after Memorial Day.
 Hours subject to change; check the website to plan your visit.



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Season
Closer

DuPage Symphony Orchestra String Ensemble
Saturday, May 5, 10:45 a.m.

Chicago Opera Play House performing Cinderhood
Sunday, May 20, 2:00 p.m.

**Summer Camps
at DCM**

ONLINE REGISTRATION OPEN! See website.

Preschool Summer Camps (Ages 3-5)

**Play-Well TEKologies Engineering with LEGO® Camps
(Ages 5-10)**

Summer STEM Camps* (Ages 7-10)

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING & MATH

** Early registration discount expires May 31.*

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

May 4 Good Show! Gallery Opening 5:00 p.m.
Sponsored by BMO Harris Bank

May 11 Family Science Night 5:30 p.m.
Sponsored by PNC

**May 18 Anima Young Singers
of Greater Chicago** 6:00 p.m.

May 25* Print Making, Math Discovery 5:00 p.m.
**5/25 will be the last Friday night until the fall.*

**Spring/ Summer 2012
Creativity
Classes**
Pre-registration and pre-payment required.

CLASSES FOR 18 MONTHS TO 10 YEARS!

Paint in a Bubble (Ages 2-3)
Wednesday, May 9 9:30 – 10:15 a.m.

The Tiny Seed by Eric Carle (Ages 4-6)
Tuesday, May 15 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
See the full schedule of classes online.

**Story Telling
at DCM**

NEW FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER*
Sponsored by Edward Hospital

Wednesday, May 2 Naperville Public Library 10:00-10:30 a.m.
Fridays in May DCM's Ben Webber 10:00-11:00 a.m.

**See photos of the FRC makeover on the website.*

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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Library News



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

Naperville Public Library Needs Volunteer Help

Saturday, May 5 is Spring Cleaning Day at the Naperville public Library and we need your volunteer help. It's an opportunity to give back to the community as well as earn 4 hours of volunteer time.

"We're looking for volunteers that are in the 9th grade or older," explains Pat Larson, the Library's volunteer coordinator. "We're hoping that community members will be willing to help work on Library projects. This is a wonderful opportunity to earn volunteer hours as well as make the Library more user friendly. One important project involves moving books so they're easier to access."

Other projects include planting flowers, dusting book shelves, and cleaning books and toys in the Children's Departments at all 3 Library buildings.

Volunteer information is on the Library's website, www.naperville-lib.org. "If you already are a Library volunteer, all you need to do is send me an email," explains Pat. "If you're new to volunteering with us, there's a special application just for this event at <http://bit.ly/IBPOUZ>." **Monday, April 30 is the deadline** for applying.

For more information contact Pat Larson, 630)961-4100 x2236, plarson@naperville-lib.org.

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Want to Try an eReader? Check One Out at the Naperville Public Library - Starting from May 1, NPL will have 30 Nook Simple Touch eReaders and 6 Nook tablets for check out! And you can place a hold on those eReaders right now.

The Library is making it very easy for you to try an eReader. Our Nooks will come pre-loaded with the hottest titles in fiction and nonfiction. There's no need to get an account or try to figure out how to purchase titles from online stores. Everything is ready for you, all you have to do is push the "on" button.

Are you a romance reader? We have a Nook for you. Interested in best sellers? Look for that Nook. Crime is your idea of capital entertainment? There's a Nook just for mysteries and thrillers! The list goes on. On our Nooks you'll find Harlan Coben, Jayne Ann Krentz and even James Patterson!

And our pre-loaded Nooks aren't just for adults. We'll have Nooks that come just with children's and teen titles. There's fiction and non-fiction for all ages, picture books for children as well as graphic novels for teens. Look for children's and teen titles by Wendy Mass, Rick Riordan, and Jon Scieszka.

If you already enjoy eReaders or tablets, our Nooks come pre-loaded with some titles not available from our regular downloadable collection. That's another reason to give this new service a try.

"We're very excited about this new service," explains Yan Xu, Adult and Teen Services Supervisor at Naper Boulevard Library. She and a team from all three library buildings are coordinating this service. "We knew from talking with our users that some were very curious but also nervous about downloading books. We decided to make it easy for them!"

All you need to get started is a valid Naperville Public Library card. Checking out an eReader is totally free for a 3 week loan period. When you're finished, you'll need to come into one of our 3 buildings and return the eReader to a staff member. Using the book drop results in a \$5.00 fine. overdue fines are \$1.00 a day.

Of course, Yan and her team are ready to help with any problems you may encounter. Stop by any Adult and Children's desk and get ready to be eased into the eReader experience. Come on in, the reading is fine!

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May Program Highlights from the Naperville Public Library

Celebrate Naperville Heritage Month with a James Nichols Walking Tour - Join the Naperville Public Library as we celebrate Naperville Heritage Month with a James Nichols Walking Tour. James Nichols grew up a penniless orphan. Yet, upon his death in 1895, he bequeathed \$10,000 to the City of Naperville to build its first public library. Who was he and how did he become so successful? We'll talk about that as we visit places relating to Nichols and his life on Saturday, May 12 at 10:00 a.m. The tour group will meet at the upper level entrance of the Nichols Library, 200 W. Jefferson. Rain date for the walking tour is May 19.

In addition to the walking tour, there will be displays about Naperville's heritage in all the Children's, and Adult and Teen Services departments.

Teens, Come Study at the Nichols Library for Finals - On Monday, May 21, the Dziedzic Community Room in the Nichols Library, 200 W. Jefferson Ave. will be reserved for teens in grades 6-12 from 4:00 to 8:30 p.m. During Exam Cram teens can study, do research, or write a paper. Reference help will be available. There is Wi-Fi access for laptops and big tables for group study. During breaks, teens can enjoy snacks and board games.

Kids! Spend a "Night" at "The Museum" at Nichols Library - Kids, have you ever wondered what happens during a night at the museum? Join us and let's find out! We'll read stories, dance, sing, and visit some of the most popular exhibits! You'll even bring home a souvenir craft from your "night" at the museum.

Dates and times for these programs for children ages 3 to 5 are Thursday, May 3 in the Nichols Library, 200 W. Jefferson Ave.; Thursday, May 17 in the Naper Boulevard Library, 2035 S. Naper Blvd., and Thursday, May 24 at the 95th Street Library, 3015 Cedar Glade Dr. All Night at the Museum programs are from 1:00 to 1:45 p.m.

Coming In June: Confused about Computers? Attend Adult Computer Camp, June 4 to 7 - Want to learn about computers? Come to our 4-day computer camp and get all the basics. You'll learn all the terminology and practice new computer skills. We will supply the computers or you can bring your own. Camp dates are Monday June 4 through Thursday, June 7 from 1 to 3 p.m. Advance registration for the camp is required at the Computer Labs in any of the 3 Library locations - Nichols Library, 200 W. Jefferson Ave.; Naper Boulevard Library, 2035 S. Naper Blvd. or the 95th Street Library, 3015 Cedar Glade Dr. The registration fee is \$20.

The next NAHC General Membership meeting is our Annual Meeting and elections on Saturday morning, May 19th at 8:00AM (for coffee, meeting at 8:30) in meeting rooms B&C of the Naperville Municipal Center

Until then, keep an eye on www.napervillehomeowners.com for late-breaking news and information

Our next Newsletter will be sent out on or about June 1st

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