

# May 2007 Newsletter

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In this month's newsletter we will preview the confederation's Annual Meeting on Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. We'll also talk about the Confederation's activities in opposition to HB 1500 and take a look at what will be happening around town.

This newsletter is an information conduit to our Member Associations, providing information you can use when managing your associations and communicating with your members. Please provide your feedback to our External Communications Director, Bob Fischer, at rafischer1@aol.com

#### President's Letter from Chuck Schlabach

Our May meeting marks a milestone and signals transition. This is the meeting where we elect Confederation Board members; review actions, opportunities and progress from the prior year; and set the stage for activities ahead. Offices up for election are President, Vice-President, and two of our four At-Large Directors. Further details on the election slate and the May meeting can be found on our website, www.napervillehomeowners.org.

This year's Board was a pleasure to work with. There was no shortage of lively discussion and calls to action. Looking back, the Board started it's year with a resolution supporting limited building heights in Naperville's downtown. This public position grew from Confederation membership input at a workshop meeting. As the year went on we, together with the Naperville Area Chamber of Commerce, led the charge for revisions to Home Based Business ordinances by proposing language that met the needs of homeowners and businesses alike. We also weighed in on the Frontier Park Rec Center, the planned parking deck at Nichols Library, Cable TV Competition, and Naperville's 2007 Legislative Initiatives. During our meetings we learned about Community Emergency Response and Preparedness and informed the membership about Transit Oriented Development. And, once again we hosted the Homeowners' Trade Show and Expo while sponsoring five very successful election Forums that helped introduce candidates for local offices through questions on subjects important to Homeowners.

I would like to thank this opportunity to thank our Vice President for the past four years, Dr. Bob Buckman, for his service. An example of Dr. Bob's capacity to analyze and think through topics can be found later in this newsletter as part of the HB 1500 discussion. Per our bylaws Dr. Bob cannot serve another term as Vice President. While it is hoped he will remain on the Board in another capacity, his presence as our Vice President will be missed.

Right now we are collecting annual Confederation dues from over 140 area associations. Dues "help keep the lights on," paying for coffee and donuts at monthly meetings, printing, web site licensing, and so forth. The real strength of our Confederation is the volunteer spirit of our members, officers, directors, and associate directors. Board members put in many hours of work on Confederation projects for no compensation and very little public recognition. Members of the Confederation bring their perspectives and energy to our meetings and serve on our government Liaison Committees. Beyond the "public" actions there is a great deal of activity behind the scenes from folks who all have "day jobs", are active in their own neighborhood associations, and still find the time and energy to devote to the community and Confederation.

Come to our May meeting at 8 AM Saturday, May 19th in meeting rooms A, B, and C of Naperville's Municipal Center, meet our Board and network with other homeowners from the community. I promise it will be a worthwhile experience!

Chuck Schlabach

President, Naperville Area Homeowners Confederation Chuckschla@aol.com

# NAHC Meetings: Your Forum!!!!

NAHC Meetings provide you, the homeowner, an opportunity to speak directly *with* (not to or at) representatives of "taxing bodies" including school districts, the Park District, the City, and Townships, in a relaxed, informal environment. If you have questions or comments on our meetings, their structure, future topics, or speakers, please contact one of the NAHC Board.

# May 19<sup>th</sup> 2007 Naperville Homeowners Confederation Annual Meeting Naperville Municipal Center Lower Level Rooms A, B, & C

# Preliminary Agenda

8:00 AM - Coffee, donuts and networking

8:30 AM - Call to Order & Introductions

8:35AM - Welcome, Chuck Schlabach, President NAHC

8:40AM – Armed Forces Day Recognition of those in the audience who are veterans or active military

8:45AM - NAHC Reports

- President's Report - Chuck Schlabach

- Secretary's Report - Kathy Benson,

- Treasurer's Report - June Edlund

9:00AM - NAHC Board Elections (Mike Reilly)

9:15 AM - Illinois HB 1500 Update

9:30 AM - TIF implications, Warren Dixon, Naper Township Assessor

9:45 AM – Open Discussion of Confederation priorities and programs for upcoming membership year

10:00 AM - Open Forum

10:15 AM – Adjourn

10:15 AM - Liaison committee members get together after the general meeting

## **NAHC Elections to be held in May**

In accordance with our bylaws, the Naperville Area Homeowners Confederation will hold elections at the Confederation Annual Meeting, Saturday, May 19, 2007 at 8:30 AM in the Naperville Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle Street, Naperville, Illinois. The offices to be voted on are President of the Confederation, Vice President, and two at large Director positions

A nominating committee, chaired by Confederation Director Mike Reilly, was formed at the March 10<sup>th</sup> General Meeting and has prepared a slate of recommended candidates. These nominees are:

President: Chuck Schlabach
Vice president: Rick Strawbridge
Director: Dr. Bob Buckman
Director: Bob Fischer

Nominations will also be accepted from the floor the day of the meeting. Only those associations in good standing (for purposes of this election meaning those who have paid their 2006 or 2007 dues) will be allowed to vote, with there being one vote per member association.

Further information on the election process and candidate eligibility can be found on the Confederation website, www.napervillehomeowners.org under "News & Info", NAHC Information (NAHC Bylaws).

#### Illinois House Bill 1500

As discussed in last month's newsletter and as ratified by the membership at the April General meeting, the NAHC has joined with the City of Naperville and taken a public stand against the current draft of Illinois House Bill 1500, The Cable Television Competition Act of 2007. Details on the stand can be found on the Confederation website, <a href="https://www.napervillehomeowners.org">www.napervillehomeowners.org</a>.

While we have several issues with the bill's provisions, one issue that has not gotten wide publicity is the technical aspects of AT&T's proposed solution to compete with the Cable Companies in Naperville. Confederation Vice-President Dr. Bob Buckman reviewed the technology associated with AT&T's product and found it lacking. Dr. Bob's thoughts are printed below:

#### Colleagues:

After reviewing the Naperville Area Homeowners Confederation's opposition to HB 1500, it became apparent that most of us and our neighbors are not aware of the deficient technological aspects of the AT&T sponsored HB 1500 legislation being discussed in Springfield for a potential final vote prior to Summer recess.

I would like to pass along to you some observations gained from reviewing <u>Business Week</u> (Feb 12, 2007) and the writing of James Carlini, a certified infrastructure consultant who will be addressing the Illinois House Computer Technology Committee on May 10th.

As the AT&T system stands today, and what is proposed for Illinois and Naperville, is a system supported by existing copper wires. Because of this, AT&T may only be able to support one high-definition TV stream per household. According to <u>Business Week</u>, services offered by Verizon and the cable companies support multiple HDTV signals. Studies conducted at the University of California at Berkeley by Professor Jean Walrand have indicated the copper AT&T system may be insufficient to support households that have several HDTVs. This is because of the reuse of the copper lines that are the essence of the AT&T system. If copper loops are "longer than a few hundred feet, the bandwidth will drop," he says. AT&T has admitted that the average length of its copper loops is 3,000 feet! To be fair to AT&T, experiments are ongoing to erase this glaring defect but as of the <u>Business Week</u> publication none of these studies had been tried in the suburbs or in office buildings.

This is absurd for Naperville as it is for all of the great State of Illinois! I can't believe anyone would choose the AT&T solution when other suppliers providing higher levels of service are available.

Besides not being able to support more than one or two HDTVs, one must ask "so what's the low-down on the copper-based AT&T system?" HB 1500 does not set a requirement for high speed fiber optic transport to each of our homes and businesses. AT&T plans on using much less costly technology and will only bring fiber to the neighborhood but **not to our homes**. Carlini believes the old real estate adage of "Location, Location, Location" has to be updated to "Location, Location, Connectivity" because having a state-of-the-art- network infrastructure is one of the key factors for success in attracting and retaining business in Illinois.

As AT&T's proposed technology sits today, it will not provide state-of-the-art fiber optic network connections in Naperville, the state of Illinois's 4<sup>th</sup> largest city. Essentially, this means that in the future Naperville will not be able to compete globally nor will the state. Strategic decisions for locating businesses are influenced by the availability and quality of network infrastructure. We must continue being leaders and not laggards in having a state-of-the-art- network infrastructure as part of our platform for economic growth, says Carlini.

So one can readily see its more than competition but it is a fundamental technology choice that relegates all of our neighbors in Naperville to have copper wires of AT&T as opposed to the 21<sup>st</sup>

century technology supplied by the Verizon's of the world in their service territories. Our legislators will be making this choice for us in the next few weeks. It is time for you and your neighbors to write your state legislators that a **NO VOTE ON HB 1500** is the only reasonable choice for Naperville and the State of Illinois as we move forward.

Sincerely,

Dr. Bob Buckman Vice President Naperville Area Homeowners Confederation May 6, 2007

# Who's Digging in my Backyard?

One of the City's CATV providers, WideOpenWest (WOW), is planning construction in several Naperville Area neighborhoods. WOW has met with the city and informed them of the process and procedures in place to complete this project with minimal impact to homeowners' property and to ensure customer satisfaction. They are working closely with JULIE and Naperville's community relations team to make sure this process runs as smoothly as possible. Pertinent information will be posted on the city's website. Areas where construction will occur include:

- Timber Creek
- Ashbury
- Haverton TownHomes
- Windridge TownHomes
- Langstrom Court
- KinLoch (Ties in with Timber Creek)
- Tamarack North&West
- Hobson Villas
- ForestView Estates
- Latoscana TownHomes
- Nevis Drive
- Walnut Woods Phase 2
- Spring Green

### NAHC Website – What's in the member's Section?

If you've been to our homepage, <a href="www.napervillehomeowners.org">www.napervillehomeowners.org</a>, you may have seen an opportunity for member "log on." Once logged on, members can access additional documents and information including the Confederation on-line directory, minutes from General and Board meetings, NAHC Public Stands, and other documents not available in the "public" pages.

Also, in the "Members Area" is a document listing member associations and officers which includes names only and not contact information. Association officers interested in making their information available to the rest of the Confederation can self-populate the Members Directory with their address, phone number, and email address. The Confederation also maintains a separate directory of associations and officers to facilitate contacts in emergencies, special mailings, etc. For this **private** directory we ask that all member associations complete and return our membership survey (found on the public portion of the website) and keep this information updated as Boards change.

Association presidents and officers wanting access to the "Members" section should send an email to <a href="mailto:RAFischer1@aol.com">RAFischer1@aol.com</a> including Association name and title to receive a username and password. After logging on please update your information in the on-line directory.

# Be a Friendly Neighbor - Keep Sidewalks Free of Obstructions

As the weather warms up, residents are taking to the neighborhood sidewalks. The City of Naperville would like to remind residents to maintain the sidewalks in front of their property and keep them free of obstructions so your neighbors can walk safely.

The Naperville Municipal Code contains several regulations that are aimed to ensure that sidewalks, and other public rights-of-way, are maintained in a manner to provide safe and unobstructed passage for pedestrians. Following are a few tips for keeping your sidewalks safe:

**PARKING** – Do not park a vehicle over a sidewalk. In addition, no part of a parked vehicle may extend over the sidewalk. Doing so makes pedestrians walk into the street to negotiate around the vehicle. This is especially difficult for persons with disabilities. Ref: Sections 11-2A-1 & 11-2A-11

**LAWN SPRINKLERS** – Lawn sprinkler systems and heads are not be placed within four feet (4') of the back of the curb or within four feet (4') of the edge of the sidewalk. Furthermore, residents shall not be allowed to spray water directly onto any sidewalk, curb, gutter or street. Pedestrians should not be forced to alter their route to avoid water being directly sprayed onto the sidewalk. Ref: Section 9-1A-11:1.6

**OBSTRUCTIONS** – It shall be unlawful for any person to cause, create or maintain any obstruction on any street, alley, sidewalk, parkway or any public way. Common obstructions include basketball hoops and deliveries of materials, such as dirt or mulch. Ref: Section 9-1A-11:2

**LANDSCAPING** – Trees, bushes and other vegetation that interfere with free passage of a sidewalk shall be trimmed so as not to create an obstruction. Pedestrians should not be forced to alter their route or duck to avoid an obstruction. Ref: Section 9-1H-2

**SUMP PUMP DISCHARGES** – Sump pumps shall not be directed as to flow over a sidewalk or into a street. Often times, slippery residue from sump discharges build up on the sidewalk creating a dangerous condition. Ref: Section 9-1H-2

For more information on this or any other Code Enforcement issue, please contact the Code Team by phone at (630) 420-6693

# **Help Support Mass Transit**

The Regional Transportation Authority is requesting support in urging the Governor and members of the General Assembly to invest in the future of public transit.

Our state elected officials will only make the right decision if we tell them that we want to invest in transit. Please visit

http://movingbeyondcongestion.e-actionmax.com/showalert.asp?aaid=2524 to review the message and then send it to the Governor and members of the General Assembly.

Your message will be sent to each of the following officials:

- Governor
- Legislative Leaders
- Your State Representative
- Your State Senator

Deadline for responding: Please take action by Tuesday, May 15, 2007.



Help Maintain, Enhance & Expand Transit!

# **Little Friends Parent-Infant Program Debuts New Music Program**

Little Friends' Parent-Infant Program, which focuses on early intervention for children with developmental delays, will debut a new music program this summer. Summer Tunes for TOTS, which is ideal for children ages 3-4, will begin in early June.

Summer Tunes for TOTS utilizes music as a motivating stimulus to address individualized non-musical treatment goals such as building social relationships, imitating gross and fine motor movements, improving language skills and increasing on-task behaviors. Children will have the opportunity to sing, dance, and play instruments and generalize learned skills beyond the musical environment.

Group sessions meet two Tuesdays a month from June 5, through August 28, at the Little Friends facility, 1001 Chicago Avenue, Suite 151. Little Friends will offer two sessions each day with groups meeting from 9-10 a.m. and 11 a.m.-noon. Cost is \$30 for each group session. Space is limited.

The Little Friends Parent-Infant Program is an early intervention program providing therapy services for children, ages birth to three, who are experiencing developmental delays. Services include individual speech therapy, occupational therapy and developmental therapy. The Parent-Infant Program also provides small group developmental therapy, a speech and language group, a developmental and occupational therapy group and counseling and behavioral intervention for both parents and children.

To register for the Summer Tunes for TOTS program, please call (630) 305-4196. To learn more about the Little Friends Parent-Infant Program, please visit <a href="https://www.littlefriendsinc.com">www.littlefriendsinc.com</a>.

# Naperville Reuse and Recycle Event

Saturday, May 19, 2007, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Jefferson Avenue and Fort Hill Drive

The City of Naperville is hosting a one day recycling event. The following items may be recycled:



- **Electronics**: Computers, Monitors, Printers, Speakers, TV's, VCRs, DVDs, Stereos, Radios, Cameras, Camcorders, Fax Machines, Discs, Cords
- Books: All books are set out for the taking. Leftover books will be donated or recycled.
- **Scrap Metal:** Metal pipes, rusty swing sets, metal lawn furniture, tomato cages, wire hangers, chicken wire, hardware, vacuum cleaners, toasters
- **Gym Shoes:** Any condition, NO Lights, NO Cleats
- Tattered American Flags: Accepted by the Naperville VFW
- Eye Glasses, Hearing Aids, Keys: Donated to Naperville Noon Lions
- Ink Jet Cartridges: Donated to SCARCE
- Cell Phones: Donated to SCARCE
- Towels, Sheets, Animal Carriers and Crates, Leashes: Donated to Naperville Humane Society

Unacceptable items include console televisions, construction material, garbage disposals, fire extinguishers, household hazardous waste, regular garbage, and items with coolant, such as air conditioners and refrigerators. Participants will not be charged for the event. For more information, call the Department of Public Works at (630) 420-4190



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

#### Springbrook Golf Course to host Mizuno, Titleist /Cobra Demo Weekend

If you're in the market for a new set of golf clubs or equipment, you'll want to check out the upcoming Demo Weekend to be held at Springbrook Golf Course, located at 2220 W. 83rd St. in Naperville.

Well-known golf supplier Mizuno will kick off the weekend on Saturday, May 12 from 12:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., showcasing a variety of golf equipment on the Springbrook driving range. Then on Sunday, May 13 from 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m., Titleist/Cobra will be on site for golfers to test out their equipment offerings. Both days offer golfers with a golden opportunity to try out the equipment available through these suppliers, under the supervision of trained golf professionals. Both demo days are free and open to the public.

For more information on Springbrook and Naperbrook golf courses, visit: www.springbrookgolfcourse.org or www.naperbrookgolfcourse.org.

#### 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Duck Race

When: Sat., May 12, 10:00 a.m. - carnival; 1:00 p.m. - duck race

Where: Riverwalk's Rotary Hill

To sponsor a duck in the race for \$5 each, call the Park District at 848-5000; tickets also will be sold the day of the event. A carnival begins at 10:00 a.m.

#### Frontier Kite Fly

The Naperville Park District is hosting the first-ever Frontier Kite Fly Festival at Frontier Park on Saturday, June 2 from noon-6:00 p.m. and on Sunday, June 3 from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. The event is free and for all ages, and features exciting kite demonstrations, kite-making workshops, flying lessons, and much more. A NASA fun area, presented by Experience Saturn of Naperville/North Aurora will feature space-themed inflatables and activities along with a penny carnival with games and prizes. A \$5 wristband purchase is required to experience this area. The Frontier Kite Fly Festival is being supported by Experience Saturn of Naperville and North Aurora, MidAmerica Bank, Courtyard by Marriott, 95.9 The River, SCORE Educational Centers, and ChicagoKite.com

#### Wanted: Summer Girls Softball Umpires

The Naperville Park District Youth Girls Softball Program is recruiting new softball umpires for the Spring/Summer 2007 season. Share your enthusiasm for the game with youth players ages 5-14. The softball season will run from June 1 – July 31. The Park District will provide all the training, equipment, and support that you need. Mandatory training will be held during the month of May. Pay ranges are based on experience. We are hiring both youth (age 14 as of May 22, 2007) and adult referees. If you are interested in becoming a softball umpire, please contact Bob Trivett, Umpire Coordinator at 630-848-3550, ext. 2121.

#### Naperville Park District Preschool Program

Our preschool program helps your child grow and learn in a stimulating environment while focusing on the whole child by providing opportunities for social, emotional, cognitive, and physical development. Our play-based program will emphasize individual growth, self-esteem and meet the needs of each individual child by learning through exposure all the basic concepts (letters, numbers, shapes, and colors) in preparation for the next level of education. Our classrooms and creative materials encourage play to promote your child's means of expression, creativity, problem-solving, and thinking. Playing with others, participating in small and large group activities, and following directions will help your child achieve healthy, emotional development. Call 630.848.3540 for more information or visit www.napervilleparks.org.

#### TRIPS DESIGNED FOR ADULTS

#### Agawa Canyon - June 19-23

Join us as we head north through Michigan into Ontario, Canada to explore Agawa Canyon. Tour highlights include Saugatuck Sand Dune Adventure, resort town of Charlevoix, Soo Locks dinner cruise and tour, Algoma Central Railroad to Agawa Canyon, Great Lakes Shipwreck Museum, Taquamenon Falls State Park, National Railroad Museum and Kohler Village. The fee is: single occupancy - \$1,299; double occupancy - \$1,154; triple occupancy - \$1,039. The Registration Code is 57575. This trip is designed for those 45& up.

#### Ireland - Sept. 4-12

Join us as we embark on a 9-day journey to Ireland. Tour highlights include Bunratty Folk Park, traditional Irish Cailih, Cliffs of Moher, Gallarus Oratory, Dingle Peninsula, Muckross House & Gardens, Ring of Kerry drive, Blarney Castle, Cobh Heritage Center, Waterford Crystal Factory, Kilkenny Castle, Abbey Tavern, Dublin Castle and Guiness Storehouse. The Registration Code is 57574. This trip is designed for those 45 & up.

# Ohio's Amish Country & Scenic Back Roads - REGISTRATION IN PROGRESS October 1-5, 2007

Join us for a vacation to Ohio's Amish Country. This trip will combine a perfect balance of sight-seeing as well as precious down time. This part of the U.S. boasts rolling hills with a beautiful countryside and is home to the largest Amish population in the country. Enjoy 4 nights in the same hotel, where each room has a balcony and an incredible view. View various artisans plying their personal crafts at businesses such as Wendell August Forge, Warther's Carvings, Velvet Ice Cream Company, Guggisberg Cheese Factory and Longaberger Basket Company where you won't be just viewing basket making, you actually will make your own keepsake basket to bring home as a precious memory of your trip to Ohio! Amish Country cooking is like no other! It's home-style cooking at its finest, but we won't limit our palates to simply Amish cooking; we will sample German, Swedish and Italian cooking as well. The fee is: Single occupancy - \$1,289.00; Double occupancy - \$979.00; Triple occupancy - \$899.00. This trip is designed for those 40 and up. The Registration Code is 58929.

# **Community Shred Day**

The City of Naperville's Elderly Services Team is partnering with Shred-it, a Securit Company, to provide a community "Shred Day" in Naperville. It will be open to all citizens; however, our emphasis will be on seniors, and those who do not own a personal shredder, to take advantage of this identity theft prevention program.

We all know identity theft is a serious crime. People whose identities have been stolen can spend months or years - and thousands of dollars - cleaning up the mess thieves have made of a good name and credit record. Surprisingly, research shows that most identity thieves obtain information through traditional paper-based sources rather than electronic channels. Citizens can best protect themselves against identity theft by securely shredding documents rather than disposal in non-secure places where information can be stolen such as garbage cans or recycling bins.

Citizens will be able to drive-up, drop-off the documents they wish to have securely shred, and never leave their vehicle. A limit of two boxes per vehicle will be accepted, free of charge, for destruction. A certificate of destruction will be provided by Shred-It and identity theft prevention information will be given out by the Naperville Police Department.

"Shred Day" in Naperville will be held Saturday, May 19, 2007, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Safety Town parking lot, 1320 Aurora Avenue. The rain date for this event is June 2, 2007, same time and location. For further information on this program, please contact Marita Manning, Crime Prevention Specialist, Naperville Police Department, at (630) 420-6725.

# **DuPage Children's MUSEUM**

# New DCM Programs!

# ...where learning comes in to play.! May 2007

#### Call 630-637-8000 TO REGISTER:

Pre-registration and pre-payment required.

Please visit www.dupagechildrensmuseum.org
for a complete program schedule.



Start in Art<sup>o</sup>: Starting in art means discovering the basic skills and art processes young artists need to create masterpieces

later on by playing with lines, color and shapes.

Member / Child Partner \$35; Non-member / Child Partner \$40

Code	Title	Ages	Dates	Times
SIA-907	Art Shapes	2-3	May 16, 23, 30	9:30-10:15 a.m.
SIA-1007	Art Shapes	2-3	May 16, 23, 30	10:45-11:30 a.m.

Start in Seience<sup>6</sup> Empty or Full: What are empty and full?

Fill 'er up in this active science class for preschoolers. Play with

sand, water and other things to discover volumes about volume.

Member / Child Partner \$19; Non-member / Child Partner \$14							
Code	Title	Ages	Date	Times			
SIS-707	Empty or Full	2-3	May 22	9:45-10:15 a.m.			
SIS-807	Empty or Full	2-3	May 22	10:45-11:15 a.m.			

Wef. 'n' Messy<sup>0</sup>: Create something amazing with your preschooler by pouring and mixing common ingredients!

Call today to reserve your space—different activities each month!

Member / Child Partner \$35; Non-member / Child Partner \$40

Code	Title	Ages	Dates	Times
WNM-707	Wet 'n' Messy	2-3	May 1, 8, 15	9:45-10:15 a.m.
WNM-807	Wet 'n' Messy	2-3	May 1, 8, 15	10:45-11:15 a.m.
WNM-907	Wet 'n' Messy	2-3	May 4, 11, 18	9:45-10:15 a.m.
WNM-1007	Wet 'n' Messy	2-3	May 4, 11, 18	10:45-11:15 a.m.



Register today and save when you enroll by May 31! Early Registration Cost: \$80 Members / \$90 Non-members; Cost starting June 1: \$90 Members / \$100 Non-members

ELECTRIC EXPLORERS: Lights, buzzers and motors! Electrify summer in our amazing camp that explores circuits, electricity and magnetism.

Learn what makes things work; then design and make your own project!

Code Mini-Camp Title Ages Dates Times

SMC-307 Electric Explorers 7-10 July 24, 25, 26 9:00-Noon

SMC-407 Electric Explorers 7-10 July 24, 25, 26 1:30-4:30 p.m.

Books and Beyond: Hey 4-year olds, this 60-minute class for ages 4-7 combines the inspiration of a good book, Christina Katerina and the Box by Doris Burn, with creative visual arts expression. Participate in a dramatic reading and then create your own inspired box art piece, and share your creation over a story-themed snack. Build your creativity as you build your own structure!

 Member / Child Partner \$16; Non-member / Child Partner \$20

 Code
 Title
 Ages
 Date
 Time

 BB-207
 Books and Beyond
 4-7
 May 12
 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Cancellation Policies for all DCM Classes: No portion of the enrolment feewill be refunded as of the day dass begins. Registrants withdrawing one week prior to the beginning of class will be charged a 50% administrative fee. Registrants withdrawing prior to the week before classes begin will be charged a 25% administrative fee.



#### SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, June 24!

Come join the fun, as we celebrate 20 years as the place where learning comes in to play™! Meet many of the people who helped get the Museum started, talk with children who grew up with us as members, current members, staff and volunteers, check out some of the original exhibits, learn more about the Museum's history, enjoy refreshments, special activities and more. Please call for additional information.







#### Free with Museum Admission

Come discover the megic of live performance, in the Creetivity Connections neighborhood, these Saturdays, 10:30 - Noon:

May 5 DuPage Symphony Orchestra, music

May 19 Paul Abella, jazz trio June 2 Liz Carroll, Irish fiddle

June 16 Michael Sundblad, saxophone

June 30 Betsey Means, bird stories



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# **Upcoming Garage Sales**

Windgate and West Wind are going to join forces and have a garage sale on June 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm. The closest major intersection is Book and Rickert.

Westside Home Owners Association community garage sale is Thursday, Friday and Sat (5/10, 11 and 12).

If your Association is planning a Garage Sale, please let us know

# **ACTHA Predatory Lending Seminar**

Every day there are reports of increasing foreclosures which are often a result of predatory lending practices. This impacts not only individuals but neighborhoods and particularly condo and other community associations which are dependent on a full complement of owners to maintain the common property of the association.

The Association of Condominium, Townhouse and Homeowners Associations (ACTHA) will host an educational program on "Predatory Lending: How It Is Effecting Associations" on Thursday, May 17, 2007 at the 95<sup>th</sup> Street Library, 3105 Cedar Glade Dr. in Naperville from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Brent Terry of Burnet Title Company will provide background on mortgage lending, attorneys Marshall Dickler and Sandra Kahn of Dickler, Kahn, Slowikowski & Zavell, Ltd. will address legal options for associations, Tim Haviland of Itasca Bank will offer guidance on financial stop gap measures and Angel Runnion of Williamson Management will provide the practical implications from a management perspective.

This program is free to ACTHA members; \$20 per person for non-members. Space is limited therefore those interested should pre-register. To make a reservation, call 312-987-1906 or visit the ACTHA web site at: www.actha.org

ACTHA is the largest statewide organization representing community association homeowners. Its mission is to provide education and information to help associations run more efficiently and effectively.

For up-to-date information on upcoming meetings

Please check our website at:

www.napervillehomeowners.org

Watch for the next newsletter during the week of June 4th!!!!

See you at the annual meeting on May 19th!!!!!!

Bob Fischer Newsletter Editor & Director - NAHC