



# The Farm Report

The Newsletter of the Clow Creek Farm Homeowners Association

## From the Editor

April | 2024

Submitted by Brian Marsalli | Editor | CCF HOA

**M**arch Madness is over. April is here and May not far behind. Soon it will be June. By the time you receive the next newsletter, the kids will be out of school.

The sounds of spring have arrived. Birds chirping. Lawn equipment operating. Don't let the sound of hammering and power tools in Clow Creek Farm Addition and elsewhere annoy you. It should be music to your ears, like the ka-ching of an old cash register – if you maintain your property. Okay, so maybe that isn't a good example considering most CCF residents are under the age of 55. Just insert whatever approval sound (whoo-hoo?) you make when you know that your pay was deposited electronically.

Anyway, it's not too early to begin spring cleanup or plan those projects to spruce up our properties. Projects can be as simple as using those bags of mulch or soil that have wintered in your back yard or garage. Perhaps it's replacing a mailbox or repairing that torn screen. Trim low branches on parkway trees. All of us can find something to improve. Working collectively, we can keep Clow Creek Farm a destination of choice for now and generations to come.

Speaking of generations, we welcomed at least three generations of current and former residents at our first social event in 2024. Our popular Easter Egg Hunt drew almost a dozen grandkids! Unless someone can prove me wrong, it was the largest turnout of residents' grandkids ever. Thank you to all who helped at the event. A little of your time goes a long way. Our next scheduled social event is the last week in June and highlighted in the newsletter. Volunteers are always welcome.

Thank you to former volunteer and board member, Alex Bacchetti, for providing the photo of Phil Murray in December's newsletter. I failed to mention it in the last newsletter.

Thank you, Veterans! On May 27th, we commemorate Memorial Day to honor all veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country. Take time to reflect on what their service means to our freedom and express your gratitude and support for their family and friends. One way to do this is to participate in the National Moment of Remembrance, by observing one minute of silence at 3 pm for the many military veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice, with their lives.

*Happy Mother's Day  
to all on May 12th!*

Wishing everyone the best!  
The CCF HOA Board

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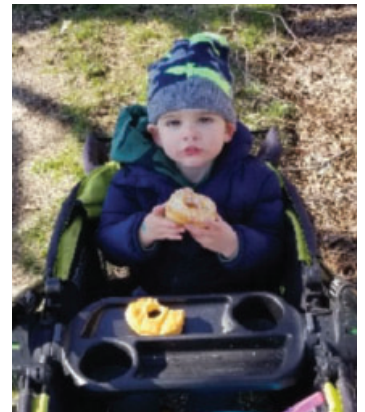
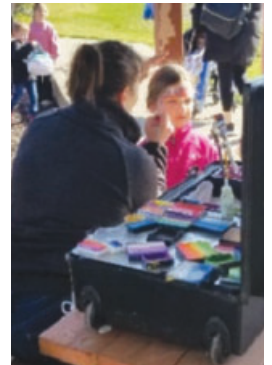


We're happy to report no eggs were poached at our annual Easter Egg Hunt held on March 16 at the Tot Lot! The little ones scrambled for the colorful orbs before enjoying doughnuts, having their faces painted or simply hanging around the playground equipment. One of the biggest draws of the day appeared to be the little stream in the retention basin. Each child received a goody bag to take home. We had 85 guests register for the event. Most likely, it was our largest turnout of residents' grandchildren



# Eggstravaganza

ever. Thank you to the Easter Bunny and the Duncan family for running the event! Stay tuned for the next event. (See related article.) For more information or to volunteer, contact Deanna Duncan at [deanna.duncan29@gmail.com](mailto:deanna.duncan29@gmail.com).





### Neighborhood Garage Sale – Who’s INTERESTED?

The board has been approached by a few homeowners as to whether we will hold a subdivision garage sale in 2024. We are willing to support the event if enough residents are involved. We can supply multiple realtor-type signs, promote the event in our newsletter and on social media, and provide financial support for a permit and limited advertising.

What we need are organizers to run the event and provide the proposal, including date and expected cost. Is the event going to be coordinated with neighboring subs? How can the popular Facebook Marketplace and Craig’s List be incorporated into the plan?

To increase the odds for a successful garage sale, the event must be planned well in advance. If interested in leading or helping with the event, please contact us at [ccfhoaboard@clowcreekfarm.com](mailto:ccfhoaboard@clowcreekfarm.com).

### The Gall of Ash Trees

While Caitlin Clark may be draining threes in front of court logos, all you need to do is drain your street in front of your home. Those brown or green clusters hanging from branches of ash trees are known as ash flower galls. The galls do not harm the tree. What do they harm? The drains.

The drains become compromised after heavy rain and wind storms. Galls, leaves, branches and other debris clog the storm drains and cause roadway flooding. Trash that flows into the storm drains pollutes our waterways. Please be vigilant regarding the street storm drains near your house. Safely keep the curbs and drains free of debris throughout the year. Please be aware of surroundings, namely traffic when attempting to clear the debris.

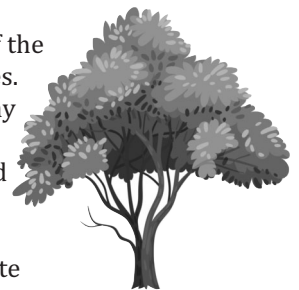


Protect life and property on land as well as in our waterways. Contact the Department of Public Works (DPW) whenever the drain issues are beyond routine maintenance. Examples are: inability to clean the drain; items hazardous to you and others; illegal dumping; and other issues that require special handling. When in doubt, call the DPW at 630-420-6095 to report a malfunctioning drain.

The City of Naperville also has a formal program called Adopt-a-Drain. To learn more about the program, visit [www.naperville.il.us/adoptadrain](http://www.naperville.il.us/adoptadrain).

### Hanging in Low Places? Branch Out

Parkway trees are the responsibility of the homeowner. Please trim low-lying branches. Naperville handles the trimming of parkway trees on a seven-year cycle.



The tree trimming program is intended to promote healthy, safe and attractive growth of these trees, which includes any planted in the parkway by the city or private homeowners.

Trained city personnel follow the most up-to-date techniques for trimming, including non-flush cutting of limbs. Naperville trims to a level of 12 feet over the curb line to provide enough clearance for truck traffic. In more developed areas which contain mature trees, the city concentrates on removing dead tree limbs.

Reach out to Naperville for help with trimming. Learn more at [naperville.il.us/residents/our-urban-forest/maintenance-and-landscaping/](http://naperville.il.us/residents/our-urban-forest/maintenance-and-landscaping/).

### WE NEED YOU! CCF HOA WELCOMES YOUR INVOLVEMENT



**IF INTERESTED** in planning and helping with social events, please reach out to social activities chairperson, Deanna Duncan at [deanna.duncan29@gmail.com](mailto:deanna.duncan29@gmail.com).

**IF INTERESTED** in joining the board or a committee, please tell a board member or contact the board at [ccfhoaboard@clowcreekfarm.com](mailto:ccfhoaboard@clowcreekfarm.com).

**IF INTERESTED** is there anything you would like to see added to the newsletter? Would you like to submit a recipe or story about someone or something in our neighborhood? Do you have a question regarding the newsletter? Do you have something to sell? Do you want to edit and manage it? Contact Brian at [ccfhoabmarsalli@gmail.com](mailto:ccfhoabmarsalli@gmail.com). Please note that information can change after the CCF HOA The Farm Report goes to press.



## CCF PART OF NASCAR CHICAGO RACE FESTIVITIES

Clow Creek Farm is the lucky recipient of a NASCAR Community Impact Award given to nonprofit organizations! The award is in conjunction with the Chicago Street Race

Weekend to be held on July 6-7. NASCAR is holding both Cup Series and Xfinity Series races on those days. The Xfinity Series practice and qualifying sessions and race, the Loop 110 (50 laps), will be held on Saturday. The Cup Series practice and qualifying sessions will be held Saturday, with the race, the Grant Park 165 (75 laps), scheduled for Sunday.

Julie Giese, Chicago Street Race President, said NASCAR officials and personnel will help CCF host a mini street race festival prior the Chicago Street Race Weekend. The CCF event is chock-full of activities. The activities will begin with a small parade of kids on bikes and a ribbon cutting ceremony on the evening of Friday, June 28. Dario Franchitti, retired Scottish driver and 3-time Indy 500 winner, will cut the ribbon and serve as grand marshal. The Motorsports Hall of Fame of America driver Franchitti was happy to participate because he is a relative of the Clow family, who immigrated from Scotland. A Carolina-style barbeque and entertainment at the Tot Lot will follow. Local band, Dirty Ernie, which includes CCF residents Drew and Kevin Shaffer, will reunite and headline.

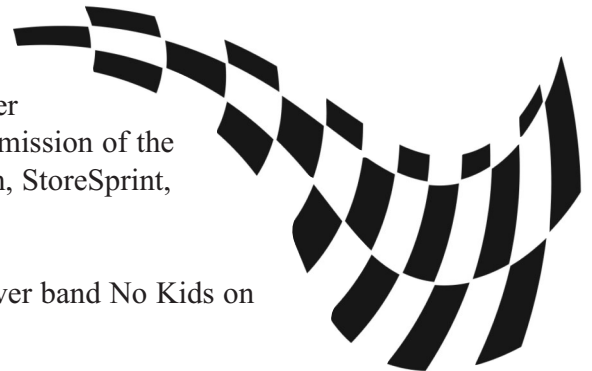
Resident racing practice sessions will be held on Saturday. The classic rock station DRV, known as The Drive, will be broadcasting live from the Tot Lot in the afternoon from 2-5 pm. The Canadian rock band Crash Test Dummies will perform from 7-8:30 pm. Qualifying sessions will be held on Sunday afternoon. The race will be held on June 31. CCF resident, David Scriven-Young, will sing the National Anthem. Shane van Gisbergen, 2023 Grant Park 220 Champion, will ride in the pace van, according to April S. Loofen, spokesperson for the Dutch driver.

Racing will consist of multiple courses and vehicle categories – van, SUV, auto, and EV. EV is a separate category because it has an acceleration advantage over internal combustion motors and its quieter when operating. Trucks will not be participating. The sprints will be held on Schillinger. An oval course will be set up to run on Dairymans and Wicklow. A longer, more complicated track will include the entire neighborhood and utilize all the cul-de-sacs.

The mini street races will incorporate concepts not seen in the auto racing world. No fencing or tires will be put up in the corners. NASCAR wanted street conditions to be as realistic as possible. Drivers are penalized for driving 25 mph or lower. They will also be penalized when coming to a complete stop exiting the cul-de-sacs. Drivers will be responsible for any damage to homeowner property though.

Cars will exceed 100 mph on the straightaways in the Chicago Street Race, only slightly higher than the speeds in Clow Creek on Schillinger and Wicklow. We recommend keeping kids and pets in the house until the racing is over. Residents are discouraged from walking, running, bicycling and doing yard work during the racing events.

All the race festival events are free to CCF residents because of generous sponsorships. There is no entry fee for those choosing to race. The Dairy Association of Illinois will sponsor drivers. Another major sponsor is online shopping group Guilt. CCF will get a commission of the items sold during the event. Additional sponsors include DoorDash, StoreSprint, Kaffeine Koffee, Krash Champions and Kars2Kids.



The racing festival will conclude with a divine performance by cover band No Kids on the Block.

# City News You Can Use

## Yard Waste Collection

Place grass, weeds, small branches, twigs and leaves in 32-gallon paper yard waste bags or yard waste carts. Branches less than 3" in diameter may be tied in bundles up to four feet long and two feet wide. Secure each bundle with biodegradable twine.

A yard waste sticker is required on each bag or bundle placed at the curb for collection on garbage day. Yard waste stickers are \$2.75 each and may be purchased at Naperville hardware and grocery stores or from the Finance Department in the Naperville Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle St. To view a list of local retailers that sell yard waste stickers, visit [naperville.il.us/yardwaste](http://naperville.il.us/yardwaste). Stickers that were \$2.50 in 2023 can be used through April 30, 2029.

Residents with greater yard waste needs and/or an interest in recycling organics such as food scraps can choose between two yard waste cart sizes. In lieu of purchasing paper yard waste bags and stickers, residents may rent a 65-gallon cart that holds approximately 3 bags a week, or a 95-gallon cart that holds approximately 4 bags a week. The 2024 fee to rent a 65-gallon cart is \$194.25 and a 95-gallon cart is \$236.25.

Residents choosing to utilize this convenient service can place all their yard waste in the provided cart as well as certain types of food waste. Please note: food waste composting will only be available to residents who subscribe to the yard waste cart option to avoid animal pilferage.

To sign up for the yard waste cart program and order your cart, please call Groot at 630-892-9294. For more information, visit [www.naperville.il.us/yardwaste](http://www.naperville.il.us/yardwaste). For more info about bagged or bulk curbside pickup, visit [naperville.il.us/services/brush-leaf-and-yard-waste-collection/](http://naperville.il.us/services/brush-leaf-and-yard-waste-collection/).

## Garbage and Recycling App

The Groot Recycling and Waste mobile app provides info regarding garbage, recycling and yard waste. View the collection calendar, sign up for

collection reminders, receive service alerts and plan an e-waste pickup. The app's Waste Wizard also helps you to quickly find out how to properly dispose of various items. Go to [naperville.groot.com](http://naperville.groot.com) for additional info.

## Arbor Day Tree Sale

The City of Naperville's sale link closes on April 17 at 5 pm, or until all trees are sold, whichever comes first. Residents are limited to six trees. Residents will schedule their pickup time online after the order is complete. A drive-thru tree pickup will take place on Saturday, April 20 at the Public Works Service Center, 180 Fort Hill Dr., from 8 am to 1 pm. For safety reasons, residents are asked to stay in their vehicles. City staff members will load the tree(s). For more info, visit [naperville.il.us/arbordaytreesale/](http://naperville.il.us/arbordaytreesale/).

## Rain Barrels Available

Naperville, in partnership with the Conservation Foundation and Upcycle Products, offers rain barrels for purchase. Your order must be received in mail-in form by April 12 or online before April 15 in order to be picked up during the tree sale drive-thru on Saturday, April 20 at the Public Works Service Center from 8 am to 1 pm. A portion of rain barrel sales will be donated to the Conservation Foundation. Rain barrel orders must be placed through \*Please bring receipt for order when picking up. <https://upcycle-products.com/il-programs/nprv/>

## \$50 Electric Lawn Rebate

Naperville residents can apply for a \$50 rebate by purchasing electric lawn equipment in 2024. To qualify for the rebate, residents must purchase a battery-powered electric lawn mower, trimmer, edger or snow blower on or after Jan. 1, 2024. Also included are manually-powered reel lawn mowers. A copy of the purchase receipt is required. The City will accept applications until May 31, 2024, or until all funds are allocated. You are eligible for one rebate per household per calendar year. To apply, visit [naperville.il.us/sustainabilityincentives](http://naperville.il.us/sustainabilityincentives).

## Naperville Memorial Day Observances and Parade

Judd Kendall VFW Post 3873, American Legion Post 43, and the Naperville Municipal Band will conduct Memorial Day observance activities on Monday, May 27. The parade is scheduled to begin at 10:30 am. The main parade starts off from Jackson Avenue and West Street. It heads east to Main Street, then north to Benton Avenue. It turns east to the Saints Peter & Paul parking lot. A Memorial Day Observance Ceremony will be held at Central Park following the parade, beginning at approximately 12:00 pm.

Prior the parade, the day's events will begin with a memorial service behind City Hall at the Commander Dan Shanower Memorial. Additional memorial services will be held at various military memorials around Naperville including Veterans Park, St. Peter and Paul Cemetery, Burlington Square and Naperville Cemetery. Members of the community are invited to join the memorial services.

Our local Veterans organizations also ask that we "participate in the National Moment of Remembrance, by observing one minute of silence at 3 pm for the many military veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice and lost their lives in service to our country, including the 114 residents of Naperville that died while on Active Duty."



## Frontier Kite Fly Festival

The Kite Fly Festival will be held on Sunday, June 2 from 12-4 pm at the Frontier Sports Complex, 3380 Cedar Glade Drive. Kite enthusiasts from Chicago Kite will fly gigantic kites. Bring a kite to fly or purchase one at the event. General admission is free. For details, visit [napervilleparks.org/kitefly](http://napervilleparks.org/kitefly).

## Park District's Summer Camps

Beginning April 24, explore NPD's summer camps online and download registration forms at [napervilleparks.org/programguides](http://napervilleparks.org/programguides).



# Secretary's Report

Heidi Weiland | Secretary | CCF HOA

## CCF HOA Board Meeting Summary March 12, 2024 - 95th Street Library

**Attendees** - Board members present were Heidi Weiland, Matt Schuman, Andy Hollinger and Brian Marsalli. Umar Ahmad was absent because of travel. No residents attended.

**Secretary Report** - The January 8 board meeting minutes were approved unanimously. Most of the annual dues have been received. A second notice was placed in mailboxes of homeowners who not submitted payment yet. We have no new homeowners to report since annual meeting.

**Treasury Report** - Reported income of \$56,121.89 was received from annual dues. The budget is \$59,500 and we expect to meet that amount when all the dues have been received and processed. Expenses of \$3,473.71 have been

paid so far this year for utilities, insurance, office supplies and website maintenance. Current cash balance is \$152,274.39. Based on budgeted income and expenses we are budgeted to end the year with a cash balance of \$4,626.21

**Outdoor Beautification Report** - The Tot Lot and Entrance improvements that are contracted for completion in 2024 are on schedule. Andy Hollinger is taking over as chairperson of this committee.

**Social Events/Communications Report** - The Easter Egg Hunt is taking place on March 16. Flyers were placed in homeowner mailboxes. The next newsletter comes out in April.

**New Business** - No new business was presented. No homeowners attended.



The Board has been receiving complaints that dog owners are not doing due diligence in picking up after their pets.

Do not allow your dog to use homeowners front yards to do their business, but instead the parkway or your own yard. Those of us who work hard to maintain our lawns are finding it difficult to do so because of the disrespect of dog owners.

Be a respectful pet owner and bring your doggie bags with you and scoop the poop and dispose it in your trash bin.



## Treasurer's Report

Matt Schuman | Treasurer CCF HOA

**Annual Dues** - Thank you to all the residents who have paid the annual assessment dues. Please submit your payment immediately to avoid late fees. For more information regarding Maintenance Assessments for Clow Creek Farm, please refer to Article IV, Sections 1,2,3,9 and 10 of the Clow Creek Farm Covenants and Restrictions. You can find this information on our website [clowcreekfarm.com](http://clowcreekfarm.com). Or please send an email to one of your Board Members requesting a copy.

**Annual Budget** - The 2024 budget is in the December newsletter or by request.

# Codes & Covenants

Submitted by Brian Marsalli | Committee Chairperson

**\*\*\*Attention Vacation Goers.\*\*\* *Have someone put recycling receptacles back into the garage. Being gone for an extended period does not relieve you of your duty to follow our rules and regulations.* Moreover, making sure your trash and recycling cans are inside your garage protects your property. Storing them outside provides a highly visible clue to burglars that no one is home.**

People are already reaching out to the board for upcoming projects. Thank you to those who have reached out before beginning an outdoor project. Those who submitted project information received replies within 24-48 hours. As a reminder, major outdoor projects completed in 2023 without board approval may be subject to modification later and/or fines due to noncompliance. If you had work done, please notify the board to get your project properly recorded. ***Whenever in doubt whether a project requires board approval, please reach out to the Board.*** The Board provides an approval directly to you. The contractor never receives direct approval from us. The Codes and Covenants were put in place to protect the value of our properties. Both the Codes and Covenants and Rules and Regulations are available on our website at [clowcreekfarm.com](http://clowcreekfarm.com) under the "Association Documentation" section.

## PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CREATES VALUE & SAVES MONEY

**Did you know that maintaining your property in good condition is codified in our *Declaration of Covenants, Restrictions, Easements, Charges, and Liens for Clow Creek Farm*?** Maintaining your property doesn't always involve a big ticket item. Replacing a mailbox, trimming overgrown branches, removing straggly or dead bushes, repairing torn screens and professionally painting the front door are small dollar outlays that bring noticeable results. Badly damaged siding, trim, gutters, fences and old roofs, as well as dead tree removal, are examples of larger ticket items that need prompt attention. Maintaining your property to the highest standards also helps your pocketbook by preventing both minor and major issues with structural damage.

## The Clow Creek Farm *Legacy*

As residents of Clow Creek Farm we live on a storied property in Wheatland Township. The Robert Clow family immigrated from Scotland and settled in Naperville in 1844. Robert paid \$1.25 an acre for what now includes Clow Creek Farm. His great-great-great grandson William F. Clow sold the property to MAF Developers, Inc. The development of our community began in the mid '90's. During the growth of our neighborhood, William F.'s wife Betty Jean continued to live on the undeveloped property which became Clow Creek Farm Addition. Betty Jean was a terrific neighbor for several years before moving. Betty Jean, who lived most of her adult life on the Clow-Land Dairy Farm, passed away in February of 2023 at 101. Clow Creek Farm was good for her as she was for it.

Let us honor the legacy of Betty Jean and William F. and the rest of the Clow family by respecting the history of the land, upholding its beauty and creating our own family memories.



**THEN  
&  
NOW...**

### Homeowners, do you have CCF photos that you are willing to share?

Photos from earlier times can be especially fun for the newer residents to learn about CCF and for long term residents to reminisce. If so, please send them to me with information regarding the photos. Photos can be of the neighborhood in its earliest stages of development, the opening of Kendall, Crone and Neuqua, the first day of school in the early days and past events such as the CCF summer party. Please send your info at your earliest convenience to [ccfhoabmarsalli@gmail.com](mailto:ccfhoabmarsalli@gmail.com).

## Kendall Kids at the *Turn* of the Century

Six Kendall Elementary School Patriots from Clow Creek Farm, first through fourth graders, and two siblings, one happy and one sad, are shown on the first day of classes in 2000. Was the future Patriot sad to see her sister head back to school or was she unhappy because she wanted to be there? It may have been a little of both. She is now a teacher. There is no truth to the rumor that the two "enforcers" in the group got lunch money from the little ones to provide for their protection.



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allegranaperville.com



### NEWSLETTER ARTICLES & CLASSIFIED AD DEADLINE 15th of each month

**NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS**  
Any resident interested in adding content to  
the newsletter is welcome.

Residents looking to buy or sell, advertise  
an upcoming event, praise a resident for a  
kind act, or share a recipe, should send any  
information to our editor Brian Marsalli  
**ccfhoabmarsalli@gmail.com**

"Publication of paid advertisements in the Association's newsletter is not an endorsement or recommendation of any advertised product or service. The Association and Allegra Marketing Print Mail are not responsible nor liable for the content of any advertisement published, here."

### MOVING?

If you are selling your home, you will need a paid  
assessment letter and a 22.1 disclosure form. Please  
have your attorney email me with a request for this  
information as soon as a closing date is determined.  
Please reach out at ccfhoahweiland@gmail.com.

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### CCF HOA Upcoming Events

- May 14** Board Meeting - 6:30 pm - 95th Street Library
- July 4** July 4th Event - TBD
- August 6** National Night Out - TBD
- August 13** Board Meeting - 6:30 pm - Tot Lot
- September 7** Block Party - TBD - Tot Lot
- October 8** Board Meeting - 6:30 pm - 95th Street Library
- October 31** Halloween Event - TBD
- November 12** Annual Meeting - 6:30 pm - 95th Street Library

- Residents are welcome to attend the bi-monthly board meetings.  
**Please note that meetings now begin at 6:30 pm.** Residents will  
present their topic at 7 pm or later. Time, date, and location are subject  
to change.
- Stay tuned to future newsletters, our website and Facebook page for  
updated details about events. The committee heads and volunteers will  
coordinate the times, dates, and activities for hosting social events such  
as the Easter Egg Hunt, Garage Sale, National Night Out and Block Party.

**THE CCF HOA IS LOOKING FOR SOCIAL COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS  
TO HELP CREATE AND PLAN EVENTS.**



# Puzzler Page

## GOLF CLUB'S TARGET

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- 16. Sensible
- 18. Indefinite article
- 20. Sheep talk
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- 28. Works with clay
- 29. Thumbs-up

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- 21. Cairo's waterway
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## GARDENING DAY

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P	Y	T	I	N	U	M	M	O	C	A	E	R

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| ARBORETUM  | ORANGERY  |
| BOTANICAL  | ROCK      |
| BUTTERFLY  | ROOF      |
| CACTUS     | ROSE      |
| COMMUNITY  | SCULPTURE |
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| FLOWER BOX | TERRACE   |
| HANGING    | TROPICAL  |
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| KITCHEN    | WATER     |
| MAZE       | WINTER    |
| MEMORIAL   | ZEN       |
| MOSS       |           |

## April Sudoku

### How to solve sudoku puzzles

No math is required to solve a sudoku. You only need logic and patience.

Simply make sure that each 3x3 square region has only one instance of the numbers 1-9. Similarly, each number can only

2	8	3	9	4	1	7	6	5
9	7	1	5	6	2	3	4	8
5	6	4	7	8	3	9	1	2
1	4	8	2	3	6	5	9	7
6	3	5	1	7	9	2	8	4
7	9	2	8	5	4	1	3	6
4	2	6	3	9	5	8	7	1
8	5	9	4	1	7	6	2	3
3	1	7	6	2	8	4	5	9

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9			5				4	
				8		9	1	2
1			2			5		
	3		1		9		8	
		2			4			6
4	2	6		9				
	5				7			3
	1					4	5	

appear once in a column or row in the larger grid. The difficulty on this puzzle is easy.

R	E	V	E	C	O	M	M	O	N	I	N	P
E	R	A	R	B	O	R	E	T	U	M	E	I
W	S	I	E	S	O	R	C	Z	U	T	S	W
M	O	T	R	O	P	I	C	A	L	U	M	O
O	K	T	C	J	O	F	W	S	M	T	O	S
S	N	F	T	C	C	H	A	V	X	R	X	C
S	A	S	O	F	W	S	M	T	O	S		
B	C	B	A	N	A	T	B	C	W	N	R	G
U	G	U	R	I	W	R	V	N	A	T	B	C
T	K	T	X	T	Q	B	C	W	N	R	G	U
S	T	K	I	M	Z	E	N	N	I	E	K	T
S	T	W	S	T	A	G	E	W	W	S	T	O
B	E	F	E	Y	R	E	G	N	A	R	O	B
R	R	R	H	D	I	D	E	C	D	I	V	L
F	F	F	H	I	D	E	C	D	I	V	L	R
L	L	L	G	L	V	I	N	A	T	B	C	B
L	L	L	N	L	H	M	E	M	O	R	I	A
Y	Z	Y	N	S	C	U	L	P	T	U	R	E



**Naperville is a Safe Community...  
It's not a Crime-Free Community!**

## Victims' Rights

Nationally, April 21-27, 2024, is recognized as Crime Victims' Rights Week. Did you know two-thirds (66.2%) of female stalking victims were stalked by current or former intimate partners? The most common stalking tactic experienced by both female (78.8%) and male (75.9%) victims of stalking was repeated unwanted phone calls, voice, or text messages (CDC).

Abuse can take on many forms such as physical abuse, harassment, intimidation, and interference with personal liberty or willful deprivation. During this month's Safer Naper campaign, visit the police department's website to learn what to do if you or someone close to you has been impacted by domestic violence or if you are looking for other ways to positively impact victims and their journey to safety. For more information on this month's Safer Naper topic of Domestic Violence and Victims' Rights please visit <https://www.naperville.il.us/ASaferNaper>.

### Senior Housing Options Expo

Thursday, April 11, 2024  
5 - 7 pm  
Friday, April 12, 2024  
9 am - noon

On Thursday and Friday, April 11 and 12, the Naperville-Lisle Triad in conjunction with the City of Naperville are pleased to present the eighth annual Senior Housing Options Expo (SHOE) for those interested in learning how to make the most of their senior living experience. The expo will take place at Grace Pointe Church, 1320 Chicago Ave., Naperville.

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# Editor's Note...

Finally, make it a happy, belated April 1. **PLEASE SLOW DOWN.** The speed limit is 25 mph. Come to a stop when exiting a cul-de-sac. Slow down when entering one. Be aware of your surroundings. A child could dart out into the street leaving you little time to brake. Be aware that many residents have devices such as camera doorbells that capture illegal or poor behavior.

How do we dramatically reduce reckless auto behavior? The alternatives are not favorable. Although Naperville does not typically endorse stop signs on cul-de-sacs, we can petition the City to install speed bumps there and on main streets. We can place solar-powered radar signs on streets for a short period to show the daily speeds. We can place "Child at Play" signs near the road. We can request the Naperville Police Department to perform traffic enforcement.

None of these options are ideal. **SIMPLY — SLOW DOWN.** Remember, *sometimes an accident is not an accident.* Thank you.

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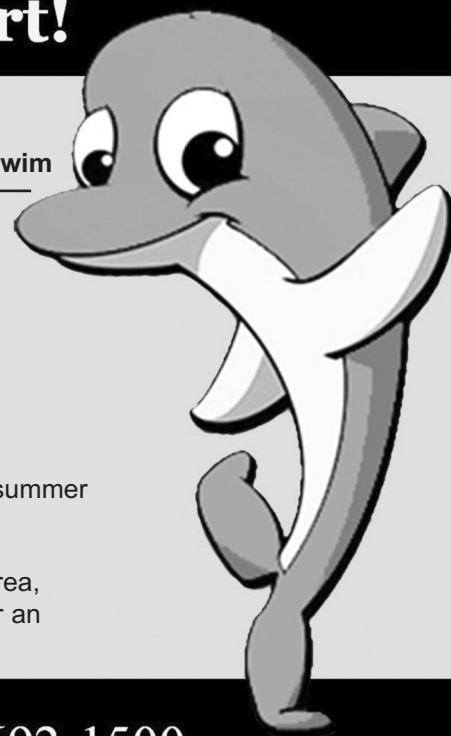
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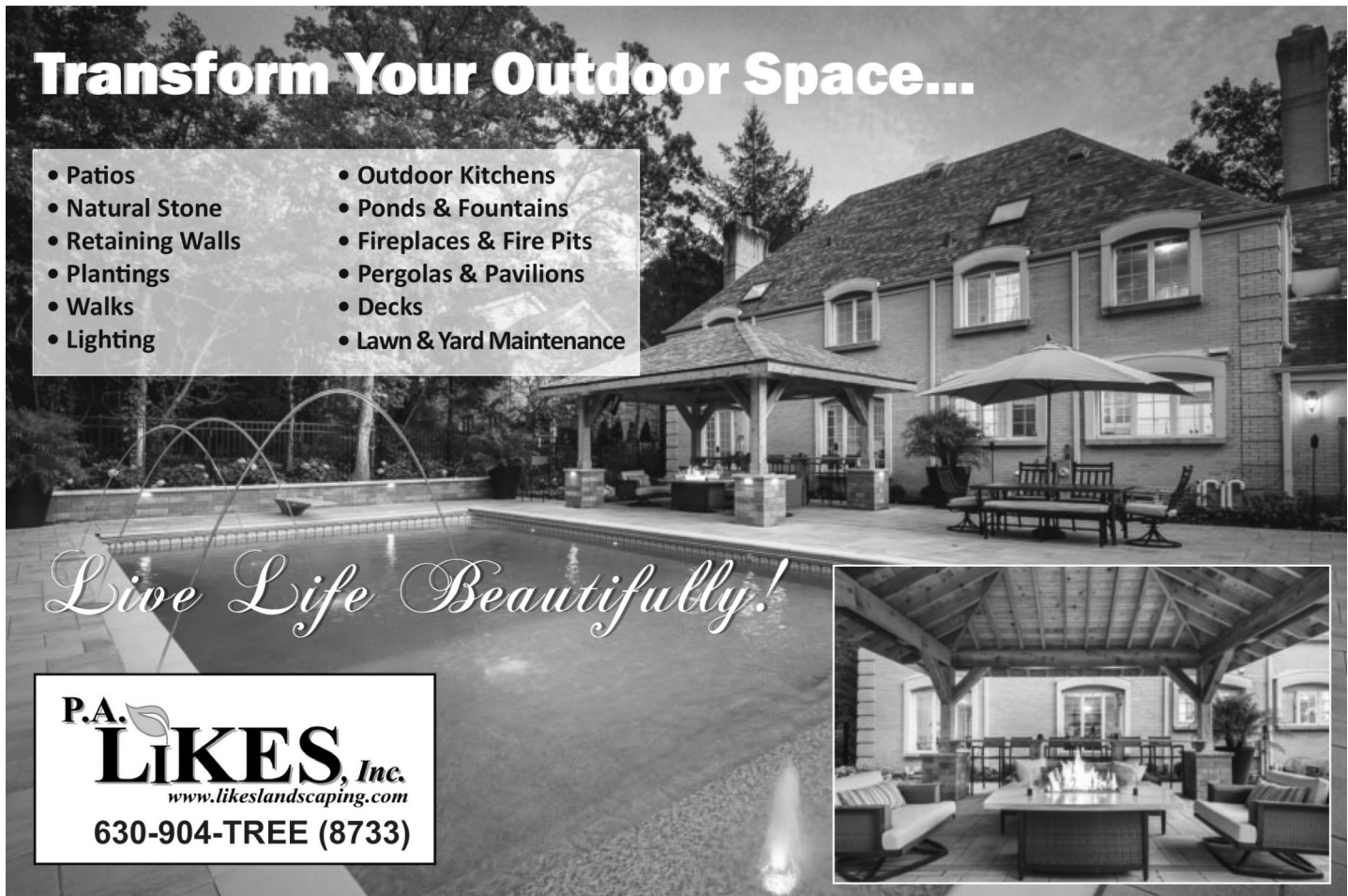
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