



SAYBROOK GARDEN CLUB

GARDEN CONNECTIONS NEWSLETTER

**LOOKING TO GET INVOLVED IN YOUR COMMUNITY?
JOIN A SAYBROOK GARDEN CLUB COMMITTEE!**

April 2019

It's Spring!

Spring is in the air! For most of us it felt like winter would never end. Trivia Night was a wonderful break from the long winter blues. There were a lot of new faces there which is always a wonderful thing to see. For those of you that have never attended the event you are missing a good time. The trivia host said more than once that we are his rowdiest group! Trivia night would not be possible without our wonderful committee of organizers. So a big shout out to Tricia Hutton, Hillary Andrlik, Becky Stanton, Mary Kate Watkins, Amanda Solomon, Chrisma Ibarola and Christin Kacedan. The ladies that organized the event do such a wonderful job at gathering raffle items (which is no small task), organizing the small prizes for winning at trivia and helping out with ticket sales on trivia night. That being said, some of these ladies are looking to move on to bigger and better things within SGC, so this event will need some new members to keep it going. Trivia Night is our largest fundraiser, which provides high school scholarships and 8th grade graduation boat trips. It would be a huge loss to the SGC and would greatly inhibit our philanthropic goals. I know that the ladies have a process in place to make the event successful, so if you would be interested in helping out next year please send an email to Saybrookgardenclub@gmail.com or sign up during the Salad Supper.

With spring comes the highly anticipated Progressive Dinner. This year's Progressive has a funky theme with a focus on food, so make sure you have your annual dues paid up so that you receive your invitation. You can check your SGC status on our website under Membership.

As any successful organization, we rely solely on volunteers and many hands make light work. None of the committees are difficult and after years of practice there are easy steps in place to make each event successful. Also the planning is sometimes more fun than the event itself, and is a great way to meet new people in the neighborhood. Once summer approaches keep an eye out for more information on the Adult Float and the Salad Supper, which are both in August!

SGC Co-Presidents
Maura Hoff and Jennifer Riordan

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**BEEBE GARDEN
COMMUNITY WORK DAY**
April 14th

EASTER EGG HUNT
April 20th

MOTHER'S DAY GNO
May 9th

FLAMINGO FRIDAYS
MAY TILL AUGUST
(Watch for a flamingo!)

PROGRESSIVE DINNER
June 1st

BLOOD DRIVE
June 7th

GARDEN WALK
June date TBD

ADULT FLOAT
August 4th

SALAD SUPER
August date TBD

If you would like to volunteer and help out with any of these events, please email saybrookgardenclub@gmail.com

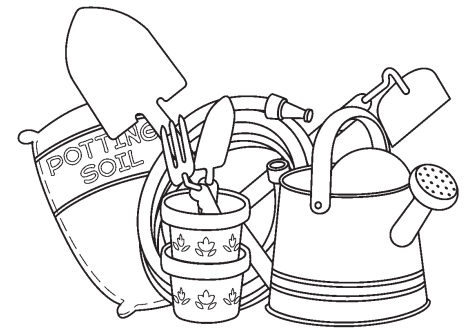
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Beebe Garden Community Work Day

Sunday, April 14th 1:00-3:00

Come help prepare the Beebe Garden for spring planting. Beebe students will plant vegetable seeds in May, and the garden beds need some work before that can happen. We'll be cleaning up the vegetable beds, butterfly garden, and spreading mulch. Bring garden gloves and a trowel if you have one! If you have any questions or would like to help in a greater capacity, email HannahGraver@gmail.com.



Gardner's Corner

Now is the time to start planning and preparing for spring!

- Watch weather conditions for an appropriate window of time to spray fruit trees or large deciduous trees with dormant oil. Spray if aphids, scale, or mites were a problem in the past. There are many spruce trees in Saybrook showing signs of spidermite damage. Most treatments can only be applied in the spring so check your trees or contact a local tree expert.
- Fertilize woody plants four to six weeks before they begin new growth only if they have shown signs that they could use it. These would include poor leaf color, failure to completely fruit or flower, or stunted growth. Use a slow-release granular fertilizer and water in well. Do not fertilize newly planted trees or shrubs. Wait one year before making this application.
- Prune trees and shrubs. The ideal time to prune is in the dormant season, just prior to new growth. Wait to prune spring-flowering plants to avoid removing this year's flower buds. Cut back to the ground all perennials and ornamental grasses that were left standing for winter interest.
- Order seeds and garden plants to add to you landscape.

(Gardening information via: Chicago Botanical Gardens & Morton Arboretum)

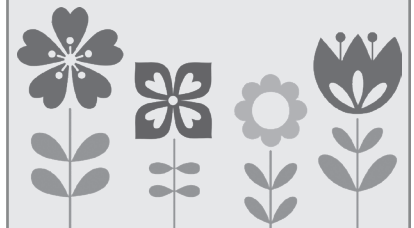


Saybrook Garden Walk

Do you have a beautiful garden, shed or hardscape? We would love to showcase your outdoor area at the 1st Saybrook Garden Walk.

Date will be scheduled for a Sunday morning sometime from late June to mid July depending on the participating homes.

Contact Hillary Andrluk at hillaryann@gmail.com if you're interested in participating.



Winter storms have taken a toll on our beautiful parkway trees in Saybrook. While no planting will take place till spring we thought we would remind the neighborhood about Naperville's parkway tree replacement program. If you lost a parkway tree please check out this opportunity our city provides.

Parkway Tree Removal and Replacement | The City of Naperville
www.naperville.il.us/residents/our-urban-forest/parkway-trees/

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Annual Saybrook Easter Egg Hunt!

Hippity hop hop! The 2019 Saybrook Easter Egg Hunt will be held on **Saturday, April 20 at 10:30 am** at the **Beebe Elementary School playground**. There will be one hunt time and the field will be divided into 4+ and under 4. The field will be for kids under 4 years of age. The bigger playground will be home to the hunt for kids 4 and older. Those families with 4-year-olds can pick which hunt they prefer their child to attend. Please plan to arrive 15 minutes early to sign in. Don't forget to bring your own basket!



Trivia Night Wrap-UP

Thank you to all who ventured out through the freezing January snow for our annual Trivia Night! The evening was a rousing success and a good time was had by all!

We raised a \$1,000 more than last year, at the annual event, and the money goes directly to help kids at Beebe Elementary, Jefferson Junior High and Naperville North High School communities. Because of your generosity we can...

- send ten underprivileged junior high students on the 8th-grade boat trip, which they might not otherwise afford.
- provide three \$1,000 scholarships for deserving Naperville North students.

We are immensely proud to serve our local community and help all children grow, but none of this is possible without your charity. Thank you again for coming out! We couldn't do this without SGC members participation or the generous donors of our raffle prizes. See you next year!

Mother's Day Girls Night Out!

Are you hoping to receive the perfect Mother's Day present? Then you should buy it for yourself! Join us for a fun GNO at Lauren Rae Boutique in downtown Naperville. Lauren Rae has a beautiful and affordable selection of jewelry and accessories, and SGC will provide the drinks and light appetizers. A portion of the proceeds will return to SGC Philanthropy, which supports our local schools, so mark your calendars for **May 9th from 7-9 PM!** For more information on the boutique you can visit www.shoplaurenrae.com.

BOUQUET OF CHEER!

**Please welcome our
new neighbors:**

**Katherine Kohler and
Patrick Stevens
1032 N. Brainard**



Flamingo Fridays Coming Soon...

As you drive and walk around Saybrook this spring watch for flamingos in your neighbor's yard. When flamingos are spotted you can expect a casual neighborhood get-together at that residence! Just look for the pink flamingo in someone's yard and you'll know where the party is! Want to host? We'd love to have you! Just email us at SaybrookGardenClub@gmail.com.

Beautification Fund Update

If you haven't already, please consider paying your yearly Saybrook Beautification Dues! **We are still in need of additional funds as we need to replace the light fixtures and electrical wiring on the main entryway signs to the neighborhood on 12th.** Any amount helps!

If you would like to submit a donation, please fill out the form below with a check made payable to **Saybrook Beautification** and return to **Melissa Lavigne, 5 E 14th Avenue, Naperville 60563** OR for online donations, send money **via PayPal** to **Saybrook.beautification@gmail.com**.

Special thanks to all who submitted dues for Saybrook Beautification for this year thus far. The money will go toward servicing and maintaining the entry islands, as well as holiday lights.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$10 \$25 \$50 Other Amount _____

Remember, Saybrook doesn't have a homeowners association. So while the dues are optional, we urge you to contribute so that we can keep Saybrook beautiful for all of us to enjoy. Every little bit helps!

Saybrook Directory

The newest version of the Saybrook Directory will be coming out later in May. **With the directory we will be updating our Kids Helper List. If you live in Saybrook and would like your child included in the kids list please email saybrookgardenclub@gmail.com** and include your child's first and last name and a phone number. We encourage you to use your house phone or your personal cell phone in place of your child's cell phone number so that you can screen the callers. Some examples of "jobs" that your child might be interested in are dog walker, pet sitter, house sitter, lawn care, baby sitter, tutoring, mother's helper, and snow removal.

If you would like to advertise your business in the Saybrook Directory email saybrookgardenclub@gmail.com.

Progressive Dinner

Get ready for the party of the year on June 1st. Remember you must be a SGC member to attend. **We are still looking for a house to host appetizers and a house to host desserts.** If you would be interested in hosting, please send an email to **saybrookgardenclub@gmail.com**.



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