



THE GLENMOOR GAZETTE



YOUR GLENMOOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS
WISH YOU ALL OF THE JOY AND HOPE THAT COMES EACH YEAR WITH SPRING!



Glenmoor Community Events and Reminders

• Apr. Fri. 12 and Sat. 13 Glenmoor Community Garage Sale!

◦ 8am to 3pm

- Signs will be strategically placed.
- Notices will appear in Nextdoor.
- We ask YOU to advertise among your friends, groups, and on FB
- Questions? Contact Sheila. 847-525-3275. We currently have 3 participants, but would love to see more jump in! It would be great to see this become an annual event! Spontaneous participation is also welcome.



• Apr. 20th - Groot FREE Spring Clean-up!

◦ PERFECT TIMING! Immediately following our Garage Sale

- Your chance to de-clutter, organize, and donate!
- Residents may place unlimited items at the curb for collection.
- Typical discarded items include toys, old clothes, couches, beds, dressers, grills, and patio furniture.
 - **Items PROHIBITED from FREE Spring Clean-up collection:**
 - Household garbage normally put out for weekly collection that requires a sticker, automobile parts, yard waste, white goods, appliances, air conditioners, household hazardous waste, electronics, and construction and demolition materials.

• FREE leaf and brush collection April 11-Apr. 26

- Leaves must be placed in standard paper yard waste bags or reusable containers that are clearly marked with a red "X". Brush must be tied in 4 ft. lengths.
 - Grass clippings and other yard waste will still require a collection sticker.
 - **Normal Groot weekly trash pick up on Thursdays all month. Stickers required.**





NOTABLE DATES IN APRIL

- **1st. April Fools Day** - No Kidding!
- **8th. Partial Solar Eclipse** - [Click HERE](#) for [interactive map](#).
 - Be sure to wear your sun safe goggles when viewing the eclipse!
- **14th. National Gardening Day** - Roll up your sleeves and get your garden ready for Summer. See Judi Z's "In the Garden" tips!
- **15th. Tax Day** 🤪

"April" takes its name from the Latin word "aperire", meaning "to open." (Just like flowers do in spring!)





Hummingbirds Are on Their Way!

- Hummingbirds usually begin to arrive in our area in mid April!
- **Attract and feed hummingbirds**, either by planting flowers they love or providing a feeder with nectar.
 - **Flowers Hummingbirds Love:**
 - Fuchsia
 - Petunias
 - Hosta
 - Honeysuckle
 - Daylilies (click above for MORE!)
 - **Feeders:**
 - If using a feeder with either homemade nectar or nectar you have purchased, **PLEASE remember to change the nectar and clean the feeder every 2 days** as old nectar may grow mold and poison the birds, especially in warm weather!
 - **Homemade Nectar Recipe for feeders:**
 - Mix 1c. Sugar and 4c. Water until dissolved.
 - DO NOT add red dye.
 - For storage, refrigerate any extra sugar water.



- **Hummingbird Fun Facts**

- Hummingbirds are the only birds that can fly backwards.
- Hummingbirds migrate as much as 3000 miles in one direction from Canada to Mexico.
- The average weight of a hummingbird is less than a nickel.
- Hummingbirds beat their wings 70 times per second. - that's 4000 beats per minute!
- Hummingbirds are the worlds smallest migrating bird
- Hummingbirds can only use their feet and legs for perching. They cannot hop or walk.
- Hummingbirds live 3 to 5 years.
- Hummingbirds hearts beat as many as 1290 times/minute.





COMMUNITY SAFETY ALERT!

Our beloved pets and good predators which live off of rodents may be easily and inadvertently **POISONED and DIE** due to use of **RODENTICIDES (Rodent POISON)**, either in the home or outdoors.

- Mice, rats, squirrels, chipmunks, voles, moles, ground squirrels, and more are common rodents in Illinois. They can be entertaining and cute, but are sometimes destructive to homes, vehicles, and landscaping.
- Placing [rodenticides](#) (rodent poison), either inside or outside of your home, may seem like a good solution to a rodent problem, but is often a **deadly threat to pets, birds of prey such as owls, hawks and local bald eagles, foxes, coyotes, and other helpful apex predators which naturally control rodent populations!**
 - A pet, bird of prey, or any wild animal may be poisoned by:
 - **Directly consuming poison meant for rodents.**
 - **Consuming a rodent which has eaten poison.**
 - **Signs of poisoning:**
 - Vomiting, diarrhea, seizures, lethargy, abnormal heart rhythm, high temperature or blood pressure or dehydration.
 - If your pet shows these signs, **seek immediate veterinary attention.**
 - Should you see a wild animal or bird of prey exhibiting symptoms of poisoning, contact a local rescue organization such as [Flint Creek Wildlife Rehabilitation](#) for guidance and assistance.
- **Safer methods of rodent control:**
 - Check out this detailed article addressing [safe Rodent Control Strategies](#)
 - Be aware that bird feeders attract rodents.
 - Numerous natural scented plants or products can be strategically placed to repel rodents. (Note: Chopped up chunks of Irish Spring soap repels them!)
 - Plants which repel rodents:
 - Marigolds, mint, rosemary, catnip, daffodils, chrysanthemums, onions, basil, hyacinth, sage, lavender, and more!
 - If traps are used, be sure to check them frequently.
 - Electronic or “zap traps”, live traps such as a “tin cat”,
 - Avoid snap traps for outdoor use as they are potential threats to other animals and birds.
 - [HavaHeart](#) offers repellants and live traps for release and re-location.



Now is the Time...To Fertilize

PEONIES-The most important time to fertilize your peonies is right before or just as the bush is beginning to break through the ground in very early spring. They are breaking through **now**.

ROSES-See a picture of my favorite Rose product below which works and saves lots of time, Bayer Rose and Flower Care.

- **PLANT FOOD:** Promotes strong roots & beautiful blooms
- **INSECT KILLER:** Kills Japanese Beetles, Aphids, Leafhoppers, and other listed pests
- **DISEASE CONTROL:** Fungicide controls Black Spot, Powdery Mildew, Rust, Southern Blight and more
- **RAINPROOF PROTECTION:** Systemic rainproof protection lasts up to 6 weeks.

Now is the Time for... GardenSpring Tasks

[click here to find out why and details](#)

EASIEST...

- **Stop feeding the birds** (store feeders till next year)
- **Flush street side plantings** (Flush the planting beds near the street with plenty of water to dilute the road salt that has accumulated in the soil.)
- **Put out stored yard decorations & a rain gauge** (helps to gauge when and how much to water)
- **Tune up the mower** (Make an appointment, beat the rush)
- **Apply Preen** (reduces weeds in beds)
- **Fertilize and Aerate the lawn** (hire someone)



A LITTLE MORE WORK...by Order of Importance

- **Clean up perennial grass** (cut to 3-4 inches)
- **Rejuvenation Pruning shrubs** (Cut all branches off of gangly, ugly deciduous shrub, off to 6 inches from the ground.) Good candidates: flowering spirea, potentilla, overgrown lilac, dogwood, privet, honeysuckles and forsythia (most lilacs rejuvenated by this method will not bloom for two to three years.)
 - **See me for a FREE consultation** with identifying what to do.
- **Prune roses** (helps promote blooms, prevent disease & pest damage)
- **Prune other shrubs** (Lilacs should be only be pruned after blooming)
- **Divide perennials** (share with friends and neighbors, sell at garage sale)
- **Clean & Sharpen Tools** (save task for a rainy day)



➤➤➤ Your Glenmoor Community Needs YOU! Consider Volunteering!

Become an active part of **your Glenmoor community**
Bring your voice, ideas, creativity, expertise, and energy to the table!

We have a terrific group of hard-working Board Members and Committee Members, but more help and input is always appreciated!

To volunteer, contact your Glenmoor Board at
GlenmoorHOA60102@gmail.com

Glenmoor Committees:

- Architectural
- Landscape
- Welcome
- Newsletter
- Well Being

Committees can always use additional help!

Current Open Positions:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary

Currently filled position:

- Treasurer

(The above are filled by the Board. Let them know if you have interest!)

Elected Positions:

- 3 Board of Directors and 1 Alternate BOD position are voted on annually. The BOD fills other positions by appointment.



Our Glenmoor HOA newsletter is provided via email distribution. Should you have any items, suggestions, ideas, or announcements you wish to share with your neighbors, contact:

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