# THE GLENMOOR GAZETTE



YOUR GLENMOOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS WISH YOU A SAFE AND FUN-FILLED JULY 4TH. - INDEPENDENCE DAY!



### **Glenmoor Community Reminders**

• July 4th. - Independence Day - Remember to proudly fly the Flag!



- Let us remember how it began:
  - "Taxation without representation!" was the battle cry in America's 13 original Colonies!
  - On June 11, 1776, the Colonies' Second Continental Congress met in Philadelphia to draft a document which would formally sever ties with Great Britain. Thomas Jefferson, considered the groups most eloquent writer, crafted the original draft document.
    - 86 changes were made to his first draft!
    - The final version of the Declaration of Independence was officially adopted on July 4, 1776.
  - "All eyes are opened, or opening, to the rights of man. ...For ourselves, let the annual return of this day forever refresh our recollections of these rights, and an undiminished devotion to them."
- Thomas Jefferson June 24, 1826, Monticello
  - Groot weekly trash pickup:
    - Friday, July 5 due to the July 4th. Independence Day Holiday.
      - All other weekly pickups will be on our normal day, Thursday.

"July" was named to honor Roman dictator, Julius Caesar, (100 B.C.- 44 B.C.)



## LOCAL JULY RECREATION, EVENTS, AND ACTIVITIES

- Check out these links for local July 4th. and summer-long activities:
  - Barrington
    - Click HERE for a lengthy list of summer and July 4th. events in Barrington.
      - Including: Parade, Community Fireworks,
         Concerts, Farmers Market, and more!
  - City of Elgin
  - Crystal Lake



The Village of Algonquin does not have July 4th. events, but you may enjoy the many activities of Founder's Days, July 25-28



- Music and Concerts
- Movies
- "Taste of Founder's"
- Cardboard Boat Regatta
- Parade
- Games
- 5K and 10K run
- Car Show



Our Neighbors, Ron and Sabrina Thomas, have a passion: Children in need, bicycles, and improving health through physical activity!

- Through their foundation, C.A.R.E Cultivating At-Risk Environments,
   (a 501c3) Ron and Sabrina collect, repair, and donate bicycles, to at-risk children
   in order to foster personal confidence and independence and encourage a love of
   outdoor activities and the joy of physical fitness.
  - C.A.R.E.'s big bicycle donation event is July 13!
  - Should you have a bicycle to donate or are willing to make a monetary donation, please contact the Thomas's at:
    - 847-529-9650 or 2200 Periwinkle Lane

Do you have any friends or family who may have a bicycle to donate?





#### PLEASE LEAVE FIREWORKS TO THE EXPERTS!

Illinois hospitals reported over 168 burn, eye related, or amputation injuries, caused by fireworks in 2022!

OVER 10,000 INJURIES WERE REPORTED NATIONWIDE.

(As Hospitals in IL are not required to report, numbers may be higher.)



#### VILLAGE OF ALGONQUIN FIREWORKS REGULATIONS:

• Due to the high risk associated with the use of fireworks, Illinois and the Village of Algonquin prohibit the sale, possession, or use of fireworks. Any use or possession of fireworks, without proper permit, can result in *penalties* ranging from a \$100.00 fine to being arrested.

#### FIREWORKS CAN CAUSE EMOTIONAL AND PHYSICAL HARM TO:

#### VETERANS -

 Fireworks can be a trigger for veterans with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). The sights, sounds, smells, and shockwaves of fireworks can cause emotional and physiological reactions, and may bring up trauma memories from the past. This can include flashbacks to combat or training accidents, nightmares, and intense anxiety and fear.

#### WILDLIFE -

 The shock of fireworks can cause wildlife to flee, ending up in unexpected areas or roadways, flying into buildings and other obstacles, and even abandoning nests. Fireworks also have the potential of starting wildfires, directly affecting wildlife and destroying essential habitat. Litter from firecrackers, bottle rockets and other explosives can be choking hazards for wildlife and may be toxic if ingested.

#### PETS -

- Fireworks can cause anxiety, fear, and phobias in pets.
  - In some cases, pets may panic and escape, become lost, injure themselves, or even die due to extreme stress.
- FIREWORKS CREATE DANGER OF HOME, GRASS, OR WOODLAND FIRES.

Your Glenmoor Board and concerned neighbors ask that you forgo personal fireworks, and instead, enjoy them in the comfort and safety of a local professional display.

**Report violations or concerns to:** 

THE VILLAGE OF ALGONQUIN 847-658-2700
ALGONQUIN POLICE NON-EMERGENCY 847-658-4531
IN CASE OF INJURY, FIRE, OR EMERGENCY, DIAL 911



## Volunteer Redbud. Under my 30 foot



Which one of these is not like the other one?





#### **Problem: Controlling Volunteer Trees**

What is a Volunteer Tree?

The wrong plant in the wrong place. If the tree is still small and a desirable species, you may want to consider transplanting.

By volunteer trees, I mean those that come from seed rather than suckers that originate from the roots of an existing tree. You didn't plant them. The wind, birds, etc. carry the seeds to inappropriate locations. Often under or close to the parent tree or close to the house, etc. Not where you would plant a tree and where they will cause damage if allowed to mature.

**Easiest Solution**: Pull them out when they are small like the small Redbud on the left. Left to alone it could grow to 30 feet.

**Next Solution**: I can't identify the next volunteer tree even using Google Visual Search feature. Since it's larger than a few inches I'm digging it out. I was on vacation and missed it on my daily walk in the garden.

This one is a neighbor's **volunteer Maple**. It's growing directly under the parent. If left alone, it will cause problems. The volunteer should be dug out. Often the roots are longer than the plant is tall. You can also try girdling the tree. Girdling involves making deep cuts, past the bark into the trunk of the tree. Girdling is used for larger trees but it works for smaller volunteers also. You'll probably have to do it more than once. Search for videos about girdling trees if you want to know more. The principles apply to volunteer trees. Simply cutting the volunteer will make it come back stronger as pruning encourages growth.

**Hard Solution**: This volunteer tree has been allowed to grow between a rock wall and rock patio. Digging it out would probably destroy the wall and/or the patio. You can use chemicals, not my choice, or use multiple girdles.

By recognizing and addressing volunteers early you help to prevent damage to your home and save money.

Look on your property. You might be surprised the number of volunteers that you have. If you've wondered why would someone plant a tree so close to the house or in the middle of other shrubs, it's probably a volunteer. Contact me if you want to walk your yard and help you identify volunteer trees. It's **FREE**!

Thanks for sharing this gardening journey with me!

## Glenmoor Annual Meeting Notes and Recap!

- Jeff Petrin, Tom Caprille, and Dave Hahn have graciously agreed to continue as Board Members. Andrea Bohner will remain as Treasurer. Robert Taylor will continue as Alternate Board Member. We thank them for their service!
- President, V.P., and Secretary positions remain open. Should you have an interest in contributing to the Glenmoor community in any of these positions, or as a committee member, please contact your Glenmoor Board at GlenmoorHOA60102@gmail.com
- Discussion Notes:
  - Seeking ways to create a stronger feeling of unity w/in our Glenmoor community.
    - Ideas for upcoming events:
      - Annual Block Party 2024 or upcoming years.
      - Holiday caroling led by our resident opera singers, Michelle and Robert Taylor, with their students and any residents who wish to participate.
  - There was on-going discussion re Village involvement and non-working vehicles parked long term, weeds and debris on properties, and cars parked on sidewalks.

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:

Your Glenmoor Board at: GlenmoorHOA60102@gmail.com

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Enjoy a happy, safe, and adventure-filled Independence Day with dear family and friends!

