

# THE SPRINGWELLS PARKER

May 2026

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello Neighbors,

Hope everyone is doing well and getting ready for Summer. It has been a quiet start to 2026. With the cooler than normal Spring we've had, it seems less has been going on around the neighborhood.

I have noticed many of the pristine lawns and gardens around the neighborhood, great work! For those just starting out, make sure that you are spraying for weeds early on and with one application you will find that it generally lasts the entire summer and even stunts the growth for the following year. There are still a few lawns that need to be treated and, as we all know, the spores spread across the neighborhood, so please do your best to address it as soon as you can.

We have also had a very steady stream of exterior improvements applications this year. Please make sure you are submitting those applications early enough in the process so that you are not delayed in your project. You will find a copy of the application in the newsletter as well as the full application on our website. All exterior modifications need to be approved by our deeds and restrictions committee.

May is when we set our budget and also, being this is an even year, we will hold officer elections at our annual meeting. Please make sure you are in attendance so that we can ensure we have 20 dues paying members to have a quorum to pass our votes. In addition, there is a big announcement that we will have at the May meeting, I won't ruin the surprise, you will have to attend to find out.

I wanted to give a special thanks to Cathy Carroll and all of our Parks and Commons volunteers. They have done a great job over the years, but especially these past few months in identifying and resolving issues with the commons. Really great work, and we all benefit from their efforts.

We will be at the club room on May 20, 2025, at 7 pm at the Dearborn Civic Center for our May meeting. Looking forward to seeing everyone there!

Sincerely,

Afan Bapacker  
SPA President



**Please  
SLOW  
DOWN**



**Make Our Streets Safer and Quieter**



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## ANNUAL MEETING

May 20 @7pm

Ford Performing  
Arts Center — Club Rom

**KEEP YOUR  
NEIGHBORHOOD  
BEAUTIFUL**

**PLEASE PICK UP THE  
TRASH ON YOUR LAWN  
AND STREET**

**NEW  
NEIGHBORS**

Please contact Therese Terns  
for your  
welcome packet

tjterns@gmail.com

## Summer Block Party

Once again, Springwells Park will celebrate being one of the best places to live in all of Dearborn and Metro Detroit! The Annual Summer Block Party is coordinated by an incredible bunch of hard working enthusiastic neighbors.

Over the last few years, it has turned into a great event we can all enjoy and one you will not want to miss.

As with all our events we need your support.

These wonderful neighborhood get-togethers are only lightly supported by our general fund and we need you to help make up the difference.



You can make donations at our Square Store or drop a cash donation with either Afan Bapacker or me, Cindy Polakowski — we are in the Blue Book.

Details of the day and time have yet to be locked down, but I will

be sure to keep you informed with an SPA Neighbor email and Instagram, detailing all the important information you will need to know.

Remember: volunteer, donate, and attend!

- **Cindy Polakowski, Events Chair**

## EGG HUNT 2026

This year's egg hunt took place on Saturday March 28th. The weather was on our side and it neither rained or snowed. All 500 eggs were quickly scooped up by the neighborhood children who attended with their families and two lucky hunters found the golden eggs. One of the best parts of the morning was that people lingered and enjoyed a cup of cof-

fe, hot chocolate, or both. Neighbors chatted and posed for pictures along with our personable Easter Bunny. I would like to thank all the generous neighbors whose donations made this possible. Whether you gave a cash donation, dropped pre packaged eggs at my house,

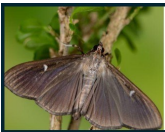


stuffed eggs at your house, or bought candy to help fill the eggs, your generosity is truly appreciated. A special thanks to Sue Baker and Carol McAdam who hid hundreds of eggs early Saturday morning, a task made a little tougher by the determined deer, bunnies, squirrels, and other critters who call our parks home.

A special Thank You to the Easter Bunny who makes sure that Springwells Park is on his calendar every year. And thanks to my son Nathan Keelan who always knows just where to find the big rabbit!

See you next year —

**Cindy, Egg Hunt Chair**



## BOXWOOD MOTH INFORMATION



## NEIGHBORHOOD SHOUT OUT

A huge "Shout Out" to the following neighbors for volunteering to help write the Springwells Park neighborhood historical book!

Judy Buck

Gwen Ald

Joe and Maureen Murray

Jeff and Aime Paddock

Bob Sliwinski

Glenn O'Kray has authored many award-winning books about various neighborhoods in Dearborn, and has longed for a book about our **historic** neighborhood to be written. Just think, your home might be featured! Glenn asked if anyone was interested and the list continues to grow. It's never too late to help. The more researchers and writers we have, the less work it is.

You can discover who lived in our houses, what they did for a living, and perhaps learn that they were famous!

**If you are interested, please contact Glenn O'Kray or Therese Terns**

Glenn O'Kray (313) 480-9415. [lglennokray@gmail.com](mailto:lglennokray@gmail.com)

Therese Terns (313) 657-3508, [tjterns@gmail.com](mailto:tjterns@gmail.com)

- **Therese Terns**

## SPRINGWELLS PARK IN CONCERT

Another beautiful evening for a music concert in the driveway “stage” at Steve and Velvet Boileau’s home is being planned for **July 11th at 6 PM!**

Julie Beutel and Bob O’Brien, and possibly a few more musicians, will perform a variety of songs to sing or dance along with for our neighborhood families and friends.

Donations will help cover the cost! Chuck and Lindel will host the edible refreshments that everyone will contribute to. Bring a beverage and a chair and be prepared to have a wonderful evening.

Be on the lookout for an email blast for all of the details.



***If you are not on the neighborhood email list, be sure to sign up at our website: [springwellspark.org](http://springwellspark.org)***

## PROPERTY IMPROVEMENT APPLICATION

Property owners must receive approval from the Restrictions and Improvements Committee before beginning work on external property improvements, renovations or additions, to assure compliance with Springwells Park Subdivision Deed Restrictions. The permit approval process assures compliance with deed restrictions and is required regardless of whether a building permit is required by the city of Dearborn.

When a city permit is required, the Springwells Park permit must be granted prior to application for the City of Dearborn building permit. Springwells Park property owners are legally bound to comply with Springwells Park Subdivision Deed Restrictions.

***Work must commence within 60 days of approval; beyond 60 days, an additional application is required.***

Please complete the following application ONLINE and submit to Rick Sims, Chairperson of the Restrictions and Improvement Committee at 8 Adams Lane, along with the builder’s or contractor’s contract, pictures, sketches or blueprints and sample colors. If you have questions please call Rick Sims at 313-240-6632 (if not available, contact Robert Villa at 313-586-8319).

**PLEASE USE THE FULL-SIZE APPLICATION DOWNLOADABLE AT [SPRINGWELLSPARK.ORG](http://SPRINGWELLSPARK.ORG)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### Type of work to be done

<input type="checkbox"/> Roof	<input type="checkbox"/> Fence	<input type="checkbox"/> Addition to garage
<input type="checkbox"/> Windows/Doors	<input type="checkbox"/> Pavers	<input type="checkbox"/> Deck / Hot Tub
<input type="checkbox"/> Siding / Trim	<input type="checkbox"/> Exterior Paint	<input type="checkbox"/> Permanent play equipment
<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete	<input type="checkbox"/> Addition to home	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

Details of work to be done:  
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\_\_\_\_\_

Company or person completing work:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Start and end dates work will be done:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

SPA Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Richard Sims, Deeds and Improvements \_\_\_\_\_ Date

## PUT GARBAGE CARTS OUT OF SIGHT

Walking in our beautiful neighborhood is such a treat unless ... The Garbage Carts are Out.

**Please remember to store your garbage carts out of sight – not in front of your home or garage.** The city ordinance concerning waste removal services asks that ***garage carts and yard waste be placed out no sooner than 5pm on Sunday*** and removed from the curb and stored out of sight by midnight Monday.

***Thanks for doing your part.***

## ATTENTION ALL NEIGHBORS

Please avoid parking on the grass and easement on Eastham Road. Repeated parking damages the vegetation, compresses the soil and stresses the roots of nearby trees causing long-term damage. Eastham easily accommodates parking on both sides when necessary.

Parking on the west/golf course side of Eastham on city service days is also prohibited. It prevents street cleaners from accessing this portion of the road leading to a build up of debris that can enter our sewer systems and cause backups as well as being unsightly.

***Please help protect and maintain this beautiful corner of Dearborn.***

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