

GREENER GLENVIEW BULLETIN

September 2024



SportSwap 2024: Another Success!

On Sunday, August 25 Greener Glenview held its second annual SportSwap with co-sponsor, the Glenview Park District. Shoppers started lining up at 11:30 at the Park Center, and by noon when we opened the doors, the line extended far down the hall.

Each year, the SportSwap has had three goals:

1. Give residents an incentive to clean out their garages and basements by donating unused equipment, thus keeping it out of the landfill
2. Let shoppers buy gently used equipment at low cost
3. Raise funds to support the non-profit Glenview Park Foundation's recreation "leisureships" for families with difficulty registering their children for park district programs due to financial constraints.

Though many shoppers bought equipment using the credit vouchers they received for their donations, others used cash. We raised \$1,033 for the Foundation!

We couldn't have been successful without the very able assistance of our Greener Glenview volunteer corps: Beth Allen, Jane Bradbury, Laura Brancky, Arushi Desai, Chaula Desai, Judy Dorr, Ellen Fogarty, Sue Gregory, Sarah Hill, Mike Hummel, Kimberly Kraft, David La Fontaine, Pavel Latash, Sheri Latash, Terri Morgan, Mary Munday, Mariia Novokreshchenova, Cindy Sammons, Sara Spitz, Sue Swaringen, Terri Morgan, Janine Warner, Cathy Wilson, Ann Yoshida, and Marie Zlotnikov.

Many thanks to the Glenview Park District team for their outstanding publicity, gym set-up, and cleanup after the event. Those staff include Park Center Director Natalie Liang, Angel Olan, Jimmy Fraus and the maintenance staff, and on the publicity side, Arianne Venuso-Paskvan.



Already Thinking About Halloween?



Boo-Tique Coming on October 5!

Save the date for the Glenview Park District's first ever Boo-Tique Halloween Costume Exchange. Start searching your closets for costumes to donate, and plan to come shop for gently used costumes October 5. See Events for drop-off and shop dates and times.

[Download Boo-Tique flyer](#)



Tree Preservation Ordinance Update Nears Completion

At its last meeting in July, the ENRC wrapped up discussion of the updates to Glenview's Tree Preservation ordinance. Commissioners and Community Development Director Jeff Brady discussed the meaning and need for tree species list classifications (A, B, and C), as well as additions or subtractions from the village's tree planting list. For example, the commission recommended that the Callery pear be added to the nuisance tree list, reflecting its invasive nature that only became apparent in the years following its popularity starting in the 1960s and becoming widespread in the 1980s.

At the September ENRC meeting, Brady and Planning Division Manager Tony Repp will present specific ordinance language to address the modifications in the ordinance addressed over the last several months in these areas: protection sizes, commercial and residential permit process, ENRC review for certain tree removal permits, the \$500 tree planting escrow, the updated tree species list and current tree planting list, and exemptions from fees associated with best practices.

After the ENRC approves the language, the updated Tree Preservation Ordinance will be presented to the Village Board for adoption. Public comment is welcome at ENRC meetings, which take place monthly on the third Monday evening at 7 pm at Village Hall.

[To confirm meeting date and time and to see the agenda](#)



Glenview 2025 Budget Workshops Begin September 5

Make your voice heard on environmental and sustainability matters (or anything else you care about) during Glenview's upcoming budget "workshops." In a less formal setting than a board meeting, village departments make budget presentations to the village trustees. At these workshops, members of the public are also invited to speak or ask questions about how money is budgeted and, in contrast to feedback at Village Board Meetings, public comments can give rise to open discussion by the trustees. These workshops can be observed by the public

in-person or by logging on to the village website (www.glenview.il.us/meetings.) Meetings are held at Village Hall.

During the second week in September, Greener Glenview will be sending you an email highlighting what we consider relevant budget issues and how you can support our advocacy. We invite you to email us at GreenerGlenview@gmail.com if you have budget ideas or concerns.

Here is the schedule with the topics to be covered:

Budget Workshop I—7:00 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5

- Corporate Fund Overview
- CIP (Capital Improvement Program—streets, sidewalks, sewers, water)

Budget Workshop II—7:00 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 26

- Corporate Fund with Department Presentations (Police, Fire, Public Works, Community Development)
- Internal Service Funds
- Water and Sewer Rates
- Library Preliminary Budget

Budget Workshop III—7:00 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 16

- Property Tax Levy
- Permanent Fund and TIF Funds
- Nonprofit Core Service Funding Update

Village Board of Trustees--7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19

- Property tax levy hearing

Village Board of Trustees--7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 3

- 2025 budget public hearing
 - Budget adoption
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Need help with a native garden?

GNH is available to answer questions and even make a visit to your garden to talk about native plants. Join our network of native habitat gardens that supports beneficial pollinators and birds across the village. [Contact us.](#)



Why Plant Natives in the Fall? (late August through early October)

Ideal Soil Conditions

While the heat of summer is subsiding, the soil in your garden bed still retains some warmth well into early fall. The warm soil retains moisture, and encourages plants to invest their energy and resources towards growing a strong root system. This optimal soil environment reduces shock and minimizes stress when transplanting young plants giving them a strong start. Healthy root growth is key for the long term success of any perennial, so planting in the fall can set the stage for a thriving garden come spring.

Cooler Air Temperature

While the soil may still be warm from summer, the air is beginning to cool down. This signals to plants they need to invest energy in their root systems

to prepare for winter. Additionally, the cooler air temperature provides a more comfortable environment for planting and gardening activities.

Reduced Maintenance

The colder temperatures also mean there are fewer pests and weeds to cause concern and require maintenance. The minimal presence of weeds means there is less competition in resources for the plants, giving them better access to the necessary water and nutrients they need. The higher rainfall during this season reduces your need for supplemental watering, saving you both time and money.

Early Support for Next Year's Pollinators

Planting in the fall greatly benefits future pollinator populations. The ideal planting conditions provided by this season put new plants on a fast track for success. When spring rolls around, overwintered plants will be on their natural clocks, generally blooming earlier than spring-planted perennials, and offering food for butterflies, bees, and other beneficial wildlife.

[Source: My Home Park](#)



Looking for native plants?

Check out the Go Green Winnetka Fall Native Plant Sale.

WHEN: Saturday, September 7 @ 9 AM to 11 AM

WHERE: Indian Hill Park, Winnetka

[For more details](#)

Landscapers for Native Gardens

Several of our members sent us in names of landscaping companies or individuals who work with native plants. These aren't endorsements, but names to contact if you are interested in more information about native landscaping.

[Red Stem Landscaping](#) (Chicago)

Julia Bunn, [Spirited Gardener](#) (Evanston)

Karen Glennemeier, [Habitat Help](#) (Wilmette)

[Woods to Wetlands](#) (W2W) (Streamwood)



The Mulch Center Discount!

Thank you to the Mulch Center for continuing to offer a discount to Greener Glenview members. Mention Greener Glenview when you order and you'll get a discount on the mulch and delivery costs.

[Order here](#)



Go Green Winnetka Native Plant Sale

WHEN: Saturday, September 7 @ 9:00 to 11:00 AM

WHERE: Indian Hill Park, 131 Wilson St. Winnetka

Fall is the ideal time to plant natives. The plants are more vigorous than in the spring. The cooler temperatures, warm soil, and ample sunlight of autumn create an ideal environment for new plants to establish robust root systems before winter sets in. Over 40 varieties of native plants will be offered. Zelle, PayPal, and Credit Cards accepted.

[For more information](#)

Morton Grove Sustainability Fair

WHEN: Saturday, September 14 @ 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

WHERE: Morton Grove Civic Center, 6140 W. Dempster, MG

Hosted by Morton Grove's Environment and Natural Resources Commission (ENRC) and Village, this free, family-friendly event features exhibits from local businesses and organizations that are providing greener services, ideas, and opportunities to Morton Grove residents and businesses. The Recycling Fest helps divert a variety of waste types from landfills.

[For more information](#)

Glenview Park District Moths Matter Presentation

WHEN: Tuesday, September 10 @ 7:00 to 8:00 PM

WHERE: The Grove

Join The Grove and the Glenview Gardeners to learn about the wild and wonderful lives of moths, nature's nocturnal pollinators! Local lepidopterist

Violet Krol will discuss how moths differ from butterflies, their importance as pollinators, and what you can do to support them. The presentation is free. RSVPs are requested due to space limitations.

For more information & to RSVP call Grove Recreation Supervisor Diane Michalski at (847) 299-6096.

Go Green Wilmette 2024 EV Car Show

WHEN: Saturday, September 28 @ 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

WHERE: St. John's Lutheran Church, 1235 Wilmette Avenue, Wilmette

Come learn about many different electric vehicle (EV) models available from your friends and neighbors at our local EV exhibit in the parking lot of St. John's Church at 1235 Wilmette Avenue in Wilmette. Check out the Rivian truck and SUV, and a variety of EVs from Tesla, Hyundai, Chevrolet, Volkswagen and Nissan, and more. Learn more about local and road-trip charging options.

For more details or to register your car in the show, click [HERE](#)

Boo-Tique Costume Exchange

WHEN: Saturday, October 5 @ 10:00 AM to Noon

WHERE: Mini Gym at Glenview Park Center

Join us for the Halloween Costume Swap! Get ready for a festive time at our Boo-tique Costume Exchange. **Drop off your gently-used costumes on Thursday, October 3, from 9AM to 12PM, or Friday, from 12PM to 3PM at the drop-off table in the Glenview Park Center lobby.** Sponsored by The Glenview Park District

[Download the flyer](#)

Innovations for a Healthy Energy-Efficient Home

WHEN: Monday, November 18 @ 7:00 to 8:30 PM

WHERE: Glenview Public Library

Plan now for a healthier, gas-free home before your old equipment fails. Join an expert panel on energy audits and learn about new clean energy

alternatives like heat pumps, as well as current incentives and rebates available. Co-sponsored by Greener Glenview and the Glenview Public Library

[Register](#)

Restoration Work Days

Glenview Park District: Restoration Work Days

WHEN: Sunday, September 15 @ 9:00 to 11:00 AM

WHERE: The Grove

For ages 8+, volunteers under age 15 must participate with an adult. Collect seeds or remove non-native, invasive plants to make way for native wildflowers, grasses and trees. Bring work gloves if you have them and meet at the Interpretive Center. RSVPs are appreciated so we can so we can plan appropriate Work Day activities. Work parties may be cancelled due to inclement weather.

[Learn more](#)

North Branch Restoration Workdays

All workdays are 9:00 AM to Noon

[To register for any of these workdays](#)

Watersmeet Woods

WHEN: Saturday, September 7 and September 21

WHERE: This site is located in the village of Northfield near the Glenview border. On Winnetka Road, east of Wagner Rd. Park on Avon Ave, a side street to the north of Winnetka Road. Meet near the Forest Preserve sign, across the road from Avon

Harms Woods (Glenview Woods)

WHEN: Sunday, September 22

WHERE: Meet at the forest preserve Glenview Woods parking lot on the west side of Harms Road, just south of Glenview Road.

