

Labor Day Refuse Collection Reminder

Due to the Labor Day holiday, no curbside garbage, recycling or yard waste will be collected on Monday, Sept. 2.

Collection services will take place one day later than usual throughout the entire week.

The Electronics Recycling Center and non-emergency City offices will also be closed on Sept. 2.

Join the Embracing Community Book Read

The City of Naperville and the Naperville Public Library invite the community to read along during the Embracing Community Book Read. In the selected book, "Community: The Structure of Belonging" (2018 edition; Berrett-Koehler Publishers, Inc.), author Peter Block explores the power of connection and building a thriving community. The Book Read is free and open to all, but registration is required. For registration information, visit naperville.il.us/embrace-community.

Participants are invited to read the book before Oct. 5. The book is available through book retailers and the Naperville Public Library at naperville-lib.org, including audio and e-book formats. During October, two sessions of volunteer-led discussions will be held at various times and locations, culminating with a final inclusive community conversation on Nov. 7. More information will be available later this summer through the City's website and social media.

Register Today for Upcoming Senior Conference

Registration is open for the free 2024 Healthy, Wealthy & Wise Senior Conference, presented by the Naperville and Lisle Townships TRIAD in partnership with the City of Naperville. The conference takes place from 8:30 a.m. to noon on Friday, Sept. 6, at the Naperville Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle St.

Enjoy refreshments, free blood pressure screenings and two insightful sessions:

- Staying Sharp: Christine M. Palumbo, an award-winning registered dietitian, will discuss how to maintain memory and enhance overall health through nutrition.
- Positive Aging: Motivational speaker Jacqueline Sander will talk about positive mindset and the power of lifestyle choices.

Space is limited and advance registration is required. Organizers will provide a complimentary boxed lunch to registered participants who attend the entire event. To register for the event, call 630-548-2992 or visit naperville-lisle-triad.org.

Stay Informed About Special Events

Special events throughout the year set our community apart and offer chances to support causes, experience cultures and celebrate the seasons.

There are many events taking place in the late summer/early fall. To find the times, dates and locations of special events in Naperville, check the Event Info page on the City's website at naperville.il.us/eventinfo.

To receive a heads up about road closures associated with special events, sign up for Naper Notify special event alerts at napernotify.com.

See Public Safety in Action on Sept. 28

The Naperville Police and Fire Departments invite you to their annual Public Safety Open House from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 28, at Naperville's Public Safety Campus, 1380 Aurora Ave.

This free, family-friendly event features live demonstrations, food trucks and police and fire vehicle equipment displays.

Visit with safety mascots Sparky and McGruff and learn tips for preventing fire and crime that can help keep your family safe. For more details, visit naperville.il.us/PSOH.

Seniors: Stay Safe with Silver CPR

The Naperville Senior Task Force encourages community members to take Silver CPR classes to teach seniors the lifesaving skills of basic CPR, use of an automated external defibrillator and choking intervention.

Silver CPR classes are free to participants and taught in a relaxed setting by Naperville Fire Department paramedics. Classes are scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 17, at 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. at the A. George and Patricia Pradel Safety Town of Naperville, 1320 Aurora Ave. To register, visit the following links:

- Sept. 17, 10 to 11:30 a.m.: bit.ly/silvercprfallam.
- Sept. 17, 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m.: **bit.ly/silvercprfallpm.** For more information, email silvercpr2024@gmail.com.

Enroll in the "Smart Driver" Program

The Naperville Police Department is partnering with AARP to offer a "Smart Driver" program. This classroom driver refresher course, designed for drivers aged 50 and older, has helped millions of mature drivers stay safe.

The curriculum was updated recently. Topics include:

- · Understanding the effects of aging on driving.
- · Driving strategies for mature drivers.
- Identifying the most common crash situations.
- An update on the rules of the road.
- Vehicle accessories and local traffic hazards.

Classes will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., on Tuesday, Oct. I and Wednesday, Oct. 2, at the Naperville Police Department, I 350 Aurora Ave. Participants must attend both days.

There is a \$25 fee for the course (\$20 for AARP members), payable by check on the first day of class. Please make out the check to "AARP."

Space is limited — please register by Friday, Sept. 20. Register online at naperville.il.us/aarpsmartdriver or call 630-420-8479.

A Safer Naper: Back-to-School Safety

Students are getting ready to return to school, making this the perfect time for back-to-school safety. No matter their age, be sure to discuss safety information with your students before school starts.

- Before kindergarten, young children should know their address and a parent's phone number. They should always walk to and from school with an adult or group and know their bus number if they ride the bus to and from school.
- Older students should use the buddy system, too. Students driving to school must slow down, avoid distractions and be aware of their surroundings. Check the safest school walk routes and traffic control plans at naperville.il.us/schoolwalkroutes.
- All students need reminders about never leaving school with anyone their parent or caregiver hasn't instructed them to leave with. Tell them to always check first before going anywhere with anyone.
- Safety also applies to college-bound students! Before sending your student to campus, review personal safety guidelines, help them understand the consequences of their actions and take an inventory of their electronic devices in case of loss or theft.

Together, let's make this school year safe and successful. Explore additional tips at naperville.il.us/asafernaper.

General Election Early & Extended Voting

Early voting in Naperville for both DuPage and Will County residents will be available from Monday, Oct. 21, through Monday, Nov. 4, at the Naperville Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle St. In addition, DuPage County residents *only* will have expanded early voting opportunities at the Municipal Center from Thursday, Sept. 26, through Saturday, Oct. 19. For additional information about voting and voter registration at the Municipal Center, including dates and times, visit naperville.il.us/voting.

For additional information about voting based on your county of residence, please visit:

- DuPage County dupagecounty.gov.
- Will County willcounty.gov.

Save with ENERGY STAR Appliances

ENERGY STAR appliances use significantly less energy and water than standard models, which helps lower your utility bills. For example, an ENERGY STAR certified refrigerator can use up to 15% less energy than a non-certified model, potentially saving you hundreds of dollars during the appliance's lifespan.

Choosing ENERGY STAR appliances also contributes to a healthier environment. Reduced energy consumption lowers greenhouse gas emissions, playing a crucial role in combating climate change and reducing air pollution. Upgrade to ENERGY STAR appliances today to enjoy reduced energy costs and preserve the planet for future generations.

For a list of community resources that can help you live more sustainably, visit bit.ly/naperville-sustainably.

Join Conservation@Home. An expert from The Conservation Foundation will visit your home to give landscaping advice and certify your yard if you meet their criteria. The City will cover consultation and certification fees for a limited number of residents in 2024. For more information, visit bit.ly/conservation-at-home.

GOVERNMENT MEETINGS: Meeting locations and how to listen and participate are noted on each upcoming meeting's agenda. Please refer to the Government Meetings calendar at naperville.il.us or scan the QR code below to access the calendar directly and for information



about any changes or meeting cancelations. Watch City Council, Planning and Zoning Commission and Transportation Advisory Board meetings on WCNC (Astound – Ch. 6, AT&T U-verse – Ch. 99, or Comcast – Ch. 10) or stream at naperville. legistar.com/Calendar.

Apply to Serve on a Board or Commission

Looking for a way to become more involved in your community? The City seeks talented, dedicated residents to fill volunteer positions on City boards and commissions. Consider applying to serve on a panel that fits your interests and expertise.

Residents may submit applications for any board/commission even if there is not a current vacancy, and applicants can submit to be considered for up to three boards. All open vacancies are posted at naperville.il.us/boards. To apply, click on the board or commission name you are interested in and click on the "Apply" button.

Before applying, consider attending a meeting of the board/commission you're interested in to see if it's a good fit. You can view the Boards and Commissions Guide to learn about each advisory panel's mission, member expectations and the application process, including a helpful checklist.

Find the guide and links to each board and commission's web page at naperville.il.us/boards.

Curious about available board/commission vacancies?

Starting this month, we'll highlight one board/commission vacancy in Connected, with additional boards/commissions and their vacancies highlighted in future issues.

Human Rights and Fair Housing Commission:

Members play an important role in the implementation of City policies relating to housing, unlawful discrimination and fair housing practices. Members should have experience in the duties of the commission by training, life experience or employment. To learn more about this commission, visit naperville.il.us/boards and click on "Human Rights and Fair Housing Commission."

Contact the Customer Care Center

Naperville's Customer Care Center is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to serve the residents of Naperville. Call the Customer Care Center at 630-420-6060 to report power outages, roadway flooding, damaged streetlights or signs, water main breaks and streets in need of repair.

You can also request assistance through the Help Center (GovQA) under "Quick Links" in the upper left corner of naperville.il.us.

Find more helpful City contacts at naperville.il.us/contact-us.

Official City Website: naperville.il.us
Naper Notify: napernotify.com
Meetings: naperville.legistar.com/Calendar
Help Center: Click Help Center at naperville.il.us
Facebook: facebook.com/NapervillelL

X: x.com/NapervillelL
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Office of the Mayor: 630-420-6018
Office of the City Council: 630-548-2983
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Emergency Ambulance, Fire and Police: 9-1-1
Non-Emergency Police: 630-420-6666
Non-Emergency Fire: 630-305-5900
Electric, Street Light, Water & Sewer
Problems: 630-420-6187

WCNC Government Access TV:

Astound – Ch. 6, Comcast – Ch. 10, AT&T U-verse – Ch. 99

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