

Townhomes of Rivermist

ISSUE: *May* VOLUME 16 HOA NEWSLETTER

April Board Meeting Highlights

Approval for edging and mulching all of the fronts and backs of units, as well as, all common areas.

A landscape committee was approved.
Board representative will be Mary Seymore.

Approval of two bush replacements for the berm behind 540 Katherine Circle

Approval of 3 boxwoods in front of 532 Katherine

Approval of 2 Burning Bushes behind 514 Katherine

Board Meeting

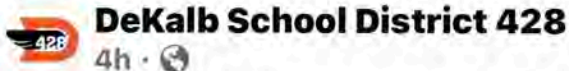
May 13, 2024 6:30p.m.
574 Katherine Circle

MONDAY MINGLES

Our outdoor mingles will resume beginning May 6th at 5:00 p.m. in the front of Jerry and Linda Busby's Weather Permitting

Everyone is welcome

Please bring a chair and your drink of choice.



Ready for May flowers? We are! The DHS Horticulture students are hosting their annual plant sale on May 3, from 3 - 6 p.m., and May 4 from 9 a.m. - noon at the DHS Greenhouse. Friday is also Family night with games and activities.

Senior Sam M. shares - "My favorite thing about the plant sale is being able to show the community what DHS students are capable of doing."

Come see for yourself and take home some beautiful plants!

*A Huge Shout out to Pam Knott
(our neighborhood baker.)*

If you noticed how lovely the center island on Spruce looks, thank Pam. She weeded and cleaned it all up. Thanks Pam for all your hard work. We truly appreciate you!!

The File of Life Presentation was successful. The DeKalb Fire Department came and distributed the forms and the magnetic holder that should be placed on your refrigerator door. They ask that it be in a consistent area so they know where to look. The purpose of the FOL is in case they need to be at your home for a medical emergency your medical information is readily available. They are able to care for you much faster having your medical history and medications available. They also recommend that if you have a Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) it be with your FOL on the fridge.

Back to the 1950's

Pasta had not been invented. It was macaroni or spaghetti.

Curry was a surname.

A take-away was a mathematical problem.

Pizza? Sounds like a leaning tower somewhere.

Bananas and oranges only appeared at Christmas time.

All chips were plain.

Oil was for lubricating, fat was for cooking.

Tea was made in a teapot using tea leaves and never green.

Cubed sugar was regarded as posh.

Chickens didn't have fingers in those days.

None of us had ever heard of yogurt.

Healthy food consisted of anything edible.

Cooking outside was called camping.

Seaweed was not a recognized food.

'Kebab' was not even a word, never mind a food.

Sugar enjoyed a good press in those days, and was regarded as being white gold.

Prunes were medicinal.

Surprisingly muesli was readily available. It was called cattle feed.

Pineapples came in chunks in a tin; we had only ever seen a picture of a real one.

Water came out of the tap. If someone had suggested bottling it and charging more than gasoline for it, they would have become a laughing stock.

The one thing that we never ever had on/at our table in the fifties ... was *elbows, hats and cell phones*.

It's Spring in our hood



Two flowering crab trees make the perfect arch way



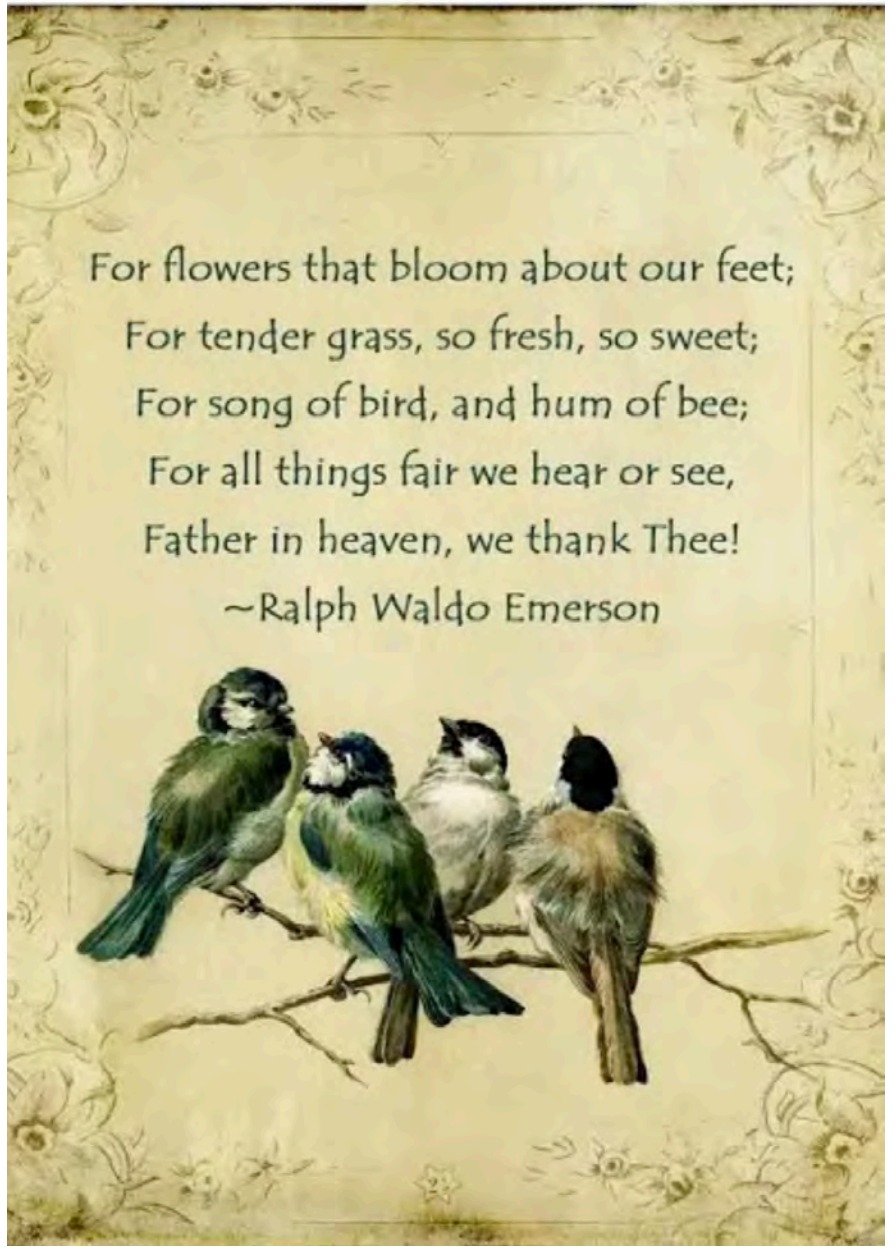
Pretty Purple Tulips



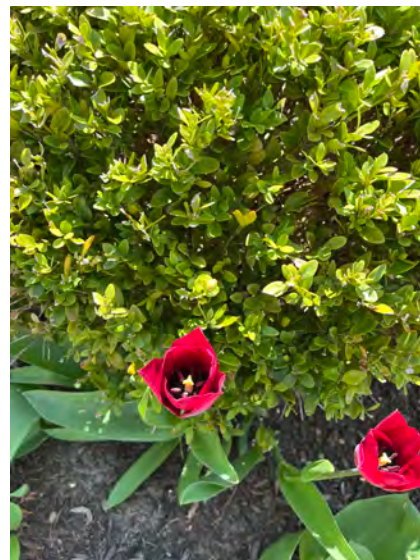
Bright Yellow Tulips



Pinkish Red Tulips



Red and Yellow STUNNING

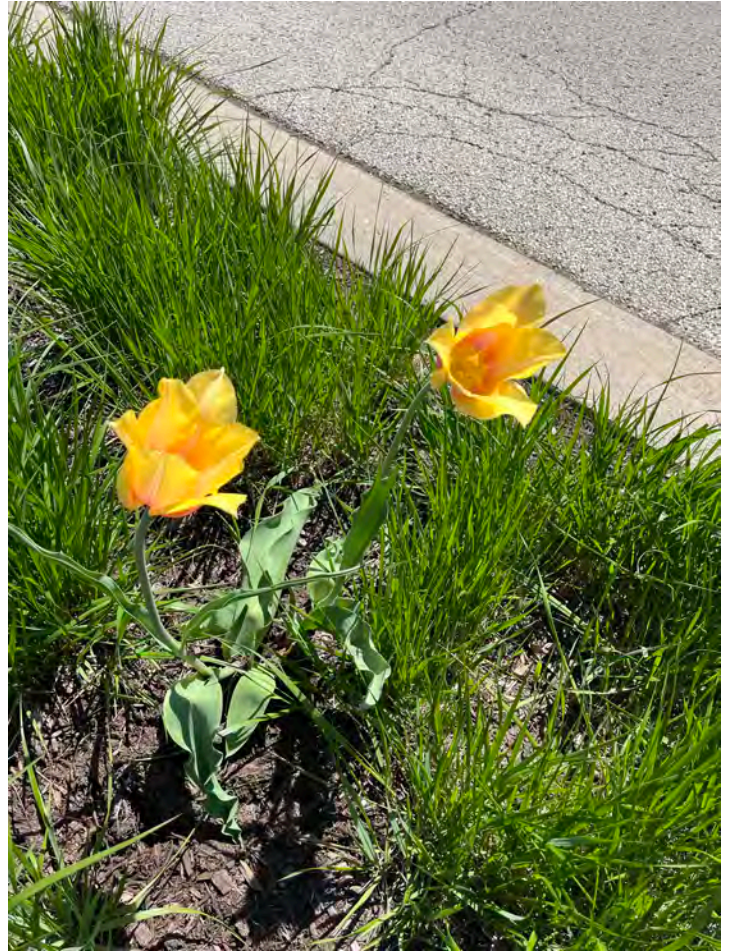


Deep Red and absolutely gorgeous



Didn't Pam Knott do an amazing job cleaning all the weeds out of this island?
It looks awesome.

Thanks Pam for helping to keep our "hood" looking great!!



The flowering Crabs are so pretty when in bloom.

Sharon Johnson, 574 Katherine is collecting plastic grocery bags for the DeKalb Barb Food Mart. If you have extras that you'd like to pass on the Pantry would certainly appreciate it.

Hopefully you all received your invitation to our Summer Gathering.

Sunday, June 9th at 1:00 p.m.
564 Katherine Circle

We are going with a tropical theme and are having it catered.

Everyone is asked to bring their own chairs and drink of choice. Sam will be making his famous slushies for those of you that would like to partake in a little adult libations.

I had some questions regarding the meat.

The chicken pieces will be quarters so
white will be Breast/Wing
Dark will be Leg/Thigh
You can choose which you prefer if you want chicken.

If you have any questions
Please feel free to reach out
Mary (815) 814-5403

Hope everyone can join us

It's Spring Cleaning Time

If you are in need of Window Washing

Wilson Window Cleaning, Inc
(847) 742-8007 (815) 754-7700
www.wilsonwindowcleaning.com

The landscapers have started edging and are preparing to spread mulch. I want to make sure that they are digging deep enough for a proper edge. That helps keep the mulch somewhat in place. Pam and I have been going around looking at and taking pictures of things that we see need to be repaired, replaced, or removed. Larry Knott will be doing outdoor maintenance for us and is already repairing some of the downspouts that we saw that needed repair. We have only done Katherine Circle and within the next few weeks will be working on Brant. In the meantime, if you have an issue please let me know. It is important that we stay on top of any issues. There is a maintenance request sheet on the website, please do not hesitate to use it. Larry will also be changing out any outdoor light bulbs that need replacing. In a few weeks you will see Pam and Larry coming around and cleaning out the pop up drains. Some of us will be doing front porch cobweb removal, outdoor light fixture cleaning and power washing. If you are interested in helping or have questions please let me know.

For those of you 65 and older you may be eligible for a Homestead Exemption that is available to DeKalb County Residents. You can go online to the DeKalb County Supervisor of Assessments Office at www.dekalbcounty.org for more information and requirements. Telephone, (815) 895-7120

There are many programs available so if you haven't looked into it, please do.

DeKalb Township has a community Resource Guide

There is a link on our website for this complete guide.
There are over 40 topics with various programs and resources available.
Check it out!

JUST TWO MORE
PAYMENTS AND IT'S
ALL MINE



a scammer called my grandma
and said he had all her
passwords

she got a pen and paper and said
'thank god for that, what are
they' 😂

The 8+8+8 Rule

Distribute your day (24hrs) into 8+8+8 hrs
to make a good balance sheet of your life.

- 8 hrs of hard work,
- 8 hrs of good sleep and
- 8 hrs should be spent on (3Fs, 3Hs, & 3Ss)

3Fs are family, friends, and faith.

3Hs are health, hygiene, and hobby.

3Ss are soul, service, and smile.

To all of my friends 50 years & up:

Most of us are going through the next phase of our lives. We're at that age where we see wrinkles, gray hair, and extra pounds. We have run homes, paid bills, and dealt with sickness, sadness, trauma, and everything else life has assigned us. We are survivors, we are warriors, we are like a classic car or a fine wine. Even if our bodies may not be what they once were, they carry our souls, our honor, courage, and our strength. We shall all enter this chapter of our lives with humility, grace, and pride over everything we have been through. Never feel less than for getting older. It's a privilege denied so many.

THE WORLD IS YOUR OYSTER 30 HAPPINESS HABITS

1. BE KIND
2. EAT WELL
3. EXERCISE
4. MEDITATE
5. BE HONEST
6. DREAM BIG
7. BE PATIENT
8. JUDGE LESS
9. SMILE OFTEN
10. LOVE YOURSELF
11. FORGIVE EASILY
12. SHOW GRATITUDE
13. THINK POSITIVELY
14. DRINK LOTS OF WATER
15. BELIEVE IN YOURSELF
16. KEEP AN OPEN MIND
17. PUT YOUR NEEDS FIRST
18. DON'T MAKE EXCUSES
19. SPEAK WELL OF OTHERS
20. LISTEN TO UNDERSTAND
21. CHOOSE FAITH OVER FEAR
22. MAKE THE MOST OF NOW
23. EXERCISE SELF DISCIPLINE
24. LOOK ON THE BRIGHT SIDE
25. AVOID SOCIAL COMPARISON
26. SEE FAILURE AS AN OPPORTUNITY
27. DON'T TAKE OPINIONS TO HEART
28. SELECT FRIENDS THAT LIFT YOU UP
29. LET GO OF WHAT CAN'T BE CHANGED
30. HAVE A HEALTHY SLEEP PATTERN

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I hope there are days when your coffee tastes like magic, your playlist makes you dance, strangers make you smile, and the night sky touches your soul. I hope there are days when you fall in love with being alive.

BROOKE HAMPTON

Thanks for being a part of our community