



Sylvan Lake Shoreline

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Garden Club News

Thank You

The Ladies of the Lake send a sincere thank you to all who attended the memorial bench dedication for Rita Rak. It was a special afternoon in honor of a very special woman! Thanks specifically to Gary Love, Lee Dickinson and Roger Halvorsen for their contributions in making the lovely bench that graces Point Comfort Park.

Many thanks also go out to everyone who helped make the 4th of July celebration the wonderful event that it always is. So many contributed their time and energy to make it a great day. A special thanks to Laurie MacKay who really organizes most all of what the garden club does.

Last but not least, thanks to Rachel Finerty for her efforts with swimming lessons. The kids of Sylvan Lake thank you!

Upcoming Events

August 17, 2016, 7:30 p.m.	SLIA regular monthly meeting of the board Countryside Fire Station
September 4, 2016, 5:30 p.m.	Venetian Night and Pot Luck Pot Luck Dinner at the beach Venetian Night Boat Parade, 7:30 p.m.
September 21, 2016, 7:00 p.m.	SLIA annual meeting of homeowners Countryside Fire Station
October 1, 2016	Fall clean-up day
October 8, 2016	Octoberfest
October 19, 2016, 7:30 p.m.	SLIA regular monthly meeting of the board Countryside Fire Station
November 16, 2016, 7:30 p.m.	SLIA regular monthly meeting of the board Countryside Fire Station
December	No regular monthly meeting of the board

Hope to see you at all of the events!

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Rita Rak Memorial Bench

The Sylvan Lake Garden Club hosted the Memorial Bench Dedication for Rita Rak to honor her Garden Club service to our community, Sunday June 26th at Point Comfort Park.

Rita had been a part of the Sylvan Lake community for over 55 years and was very active in the Garden Club. Most notably, she was the Garden Club "Sunshine Lady" for over 40 years, greeting all new residents with homemade desserts. Rita passed away in January 2015.

State of the Lake

By Gary Goldblatt, SLIA President

Greetings fellow Sylvan Lakers! ☺
I Can't believe it is almost Back to School time. I don't know about you, but for me, this summer has flown by.

I want to shout out some Thank You's to our neighbors who have contributed lots of time and effort over this summer to keeping our Sylvan Lake a Great place to live:

Brian and Debbie Wawrzyniak for donating a big picnic table to Shwerman park and Glen Mortensen for the transportation of the table. The Sylvan Lake Garden Club for the fun activities and events that were planned throughout the summer. Lee Dickinson, Gary Love, Garden Club and all of the supporters for the Rita Rak "Sunshine Bench" dedication at Port comfort. Dan & Andi Dickinson, Alex Grandt, Patsy Sweeney, Betty Neises. The Hampsons, for their continued efforts to maintain and improve Bjorklund Park. Sandy Washburn, Linda Mihel and Tammy Trahan for making Wildflower beautiful. Mary Harroun and Warren Young for trimming and shaping trees at Bjorklund Park. Mark Anderson and Ted Thomas for replacing worn/torn American Flags in our parks. We salute you. Brian and Debbie Wawrzyniak for captaining the Boat committee and to it's participants - Debbie Pomazal, Sheri and Ken Liss, Sam Ford, Laurie Mackay, Jeri Swanson and many others who provided input along the way. Jim Bong for his help with the Lake Aerator repairs. Donn Hamm for always putting out a great Shoreline. Bill Pohl for his partnership with SLIA vendor safety requirements. Poul's Landscaping for keeping our parks looking great. Thank you all !!!!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

*I'm happy to introduce Ted Thomas as the new SLIA Treasurer. Ted took over when Dave Weiss moved out of the neighborhood. Ted and Dave worked together to make the transition a smooth one. Thanks to Dave for the many contributions he made during his tenure as Treasurer. Ted, you've been an awesome addition to the board.

*A new Baby Girl Born in Sylvan Lake: Please join me in congratulating Phoebe McCorkindale and John Friedrichs for the birth of their new baby girl. Bryn Elizabeth Friedrichs was born on 7/9 @4:17 pm. She was 7 lbs and 20" long. I've seen this beautiful little girl who has Beautiful parents.

*The SLIA board is comprised of the following Volunteer Members:

President: Gary Goldblatt

Vice President: Jeanne Peterson

Treasurer: Ted Thomas

Secretary: Lynda Throm

Garden Club President:

Laurie Mackay

Lake: Lee Dickinson

Beach: Chris Molsen

Parks, Easements & Environmental:

Jeri Swanson

Special Projects: Sam Ford

Recreation: Dave Kruse

Feel free to contact any of us should you have questions, suggestions, concerns or just want to get involved in helping out in one of these areas.



OTHER UPDATES:

*SAVE THESE DATES:

9/21 = annual meeting, 7:00pm at the Countryside Fire station.

10/1=Fall clean up day

10/8=Octoberfest

(more info to follow as we get closer to these events)

***MESSEGE BOARD:** The board has approved a new message board to be installed in the area of the beach and near the lamp post opposite the lake on Highland. This will be a great addition to our community and will go a long way to improving communication of events, notices and general happenings around Sylvan Lake. ETA Fall

***DAM UPDATE:** Engineers of the Illinois planning commission have requested a couple of minor changes to the plans that have been submitted by Fremont township engineers. These were the same plans that were available at last years annual meeting. Happy to report that those minor changes have been submitted by Fremont Township. Thanks all for your continued patience on this as the waiting game continues. It's now is a question of when not if, the project will happen.

*Fremont Township is considering doing some roadwork this Fall along Highland Ave., just north of the bridge. Details are vague at this moment but roadwork would be completed to help with water runoff in that area. Sylvan Lake notification would proceed the work.

On behalf of your SLIA board, we wish you all a great and safe Fall!!!!

Carp O Rama - 2016

Carp O Rama was once again a GREAT success.
Residents reeled in 50 carp over the long weekend.

- *Congratulations to all winners:*

Thank you
Dave Kruse

Biggest Carp:
John King Carp
Rollinger
11 pounds



Most Carp Caught:
Pete Graham - 13

Most Carp Caught - Kids Division:
Zoe & Dylan Trahan - 2



Community Interests

Reduced Fair Pass for RTA, CTA and Metra

65 years old or older? Apply at Fremont Township for the RTA reduced fare permit.

The RTA Reduced Fare permit allows older adults, age 65 or over, qualified people with disabilities and Medicare recipients to ride all RTA fixed-route services at a reduced fare. These fixed route services include CTA buses and trains, Metra trains and Pace buses in the six-county region of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry and Will. Discounts don't apply on Ride Lake County West and Ride Lake County Central. - Questions? Call Nancy at 847 223-2847

Food Drive to Benefit Fremont Township

The Community Protestant Church is holding a community wide food drive on Saturday, August 13th, from 9 am til noon. The event benefits both the Libertyville and Fremont Township Food Pantries. Non-perishable food items, paper products, and household cleaning products can be dropped off in the Community Protestant parking lot. They are located at the corner of Hawley and Prairie in Mundelein. Call 847 566-4000 for information.

Sylvan Lake Celebration 2016!

A huge THANK YOU goes to all the volunteers who spent part of their 4th to help make the picnic another great success. All at the picnic had fun, good food and great conversation.

The weather was beautiful, our Country Side Fire Department again shared their fire truck and sprayed water from the lake over the beach area for the thrill of all! Games were fun and the kids (and parents and grandparents) had a great time. Once again the wonderful food and drinks were the crowning touch!

We are blessed to have this country and community.

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Monarch Waystation

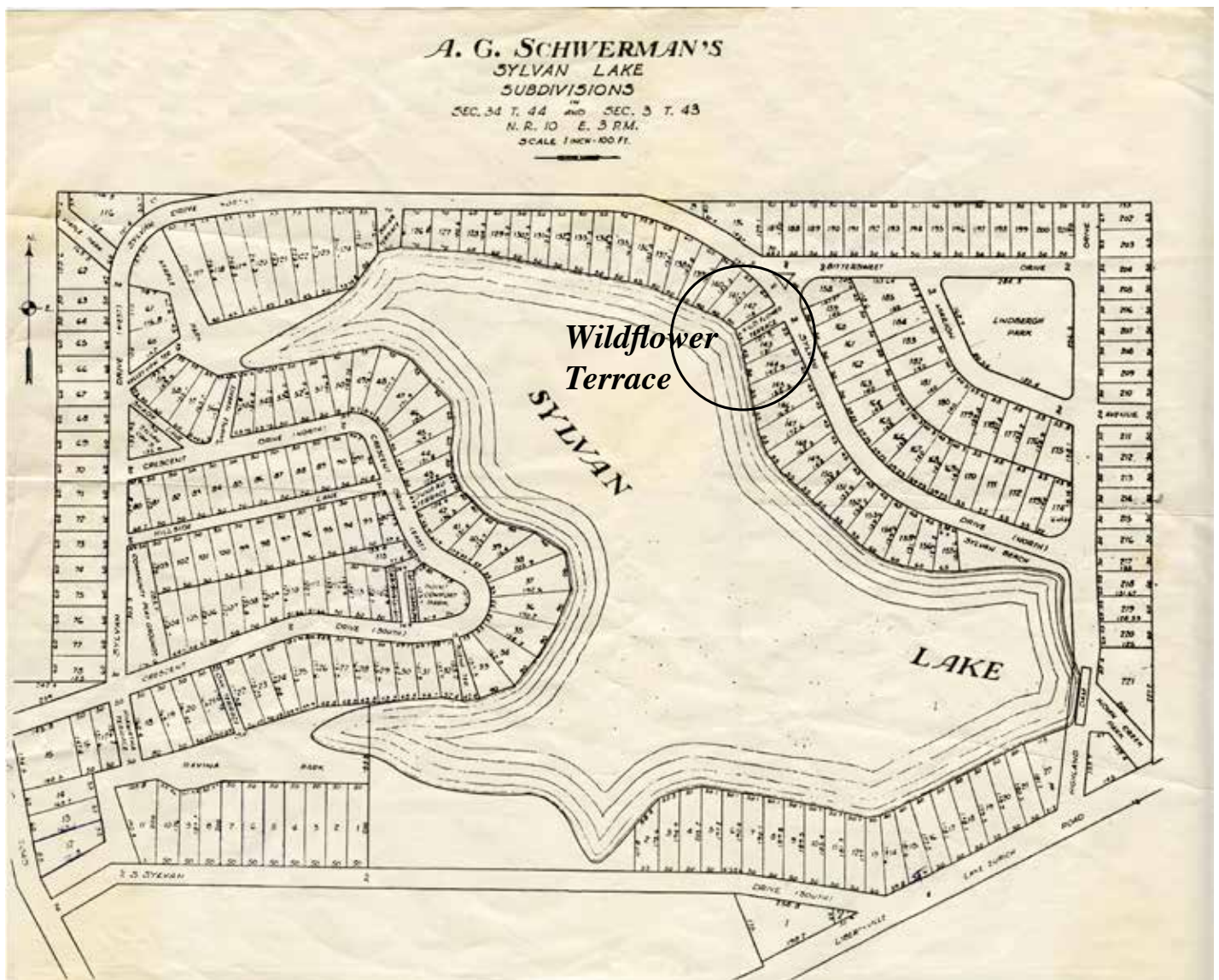
By Sandy Washburn

Wildflower Terrace is now officially a Monarch Waystation!

A plaque will be installed in the near future. This designation recognizes the use of a variety of plants that support Monarchs at all stages. Visit www.MonarchWatch.org if you would like to learn more.

If you haven't stopped by, there are many beautiful, blooming plant varieties in the garden area, most of them native to our area. If you are thinking of adding some new plants to your landscape, natives are a great choice, not only are they beautiful, they are deep rooted, which result in reduced need for watering, added fertilizer and chemical pesticides. At the same time, they support Monarchs and other butterflies, birds, and pollinators while stabilizing soil to prevent erosion. We left labels by most of the plants to help you identify plants that you might like to try in your own garden. True natives are available at very reasonable prices at native plant sales in the spring. They are sponsored by Conserve Lake County, the Lake County Forest Preserve and Citizens for Conservation and others.

Thanks to the many volunteers that helped to transform Wildflower Terrace into such a lovely place!



Someone You Should Know About

Continuing to remember a Sylvan Lake Faithful

This is the story about my Dad Sam Roland.

Sam Roland moved into Sylvan Lake in 1969 with his wife Dorothy and their children. They have 7 children, 6 sons and 1 daughter. They knew it would be the perfect place to raise their family with the surrounding parks and the lake. And it still is!

Sam is a WWII veteran, along with being a Korean and Vietnam veteran. He was in the Navy for over 23 years. He was a E9 Master Chief. He then worked at the Glenview Post Office for the next 20 years. He married the love of his life, Dorothy in 1946 and they were married 52 years until she passed away in 1998. Sam now has 15 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. He will have another great-granddaughter very soon.

Sam just celebrated his 100th birthday, and relatives and friends came from all over the country to attend this special celebration. He went to the Chicago Cubs game the day before his birthday, and they treated him like royalty. He loves watching the Cubs, and that was his first Wrigley game. An anonymous retired Marine had sent him free tickets. He had a great day! He was also honored at the Brewers game in Milwaukee along with other veterans on the field. They also treated the veterans like royalty. It was an amazing day, and he was so happy.

Anyone that knows Sam will say he's a wonderful person, a great neighbor, and he can surprise you with his sense of humor. He likes to read the newspaper, watch the various birds that come to our feeders, and he especially liked when the Mallards came with their baby ducklings this year. They would come to our yard a couple of times a day for quite some time. If he was taking a nap, he wanted to be woken up just so he could watch them.

Sam credits his longevity with his close-knit family, and he loves hot chocolate and clementines. Oh, and he loves our dog, Smokey.

Karen Roland



Sam Roland, promoted to Master Chief



Early 1940's when Sam first joined the Navy.