

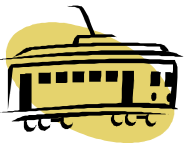
# THE SPRINGWELLS PARKER



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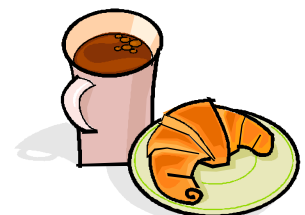
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### Annual Meeting Notice

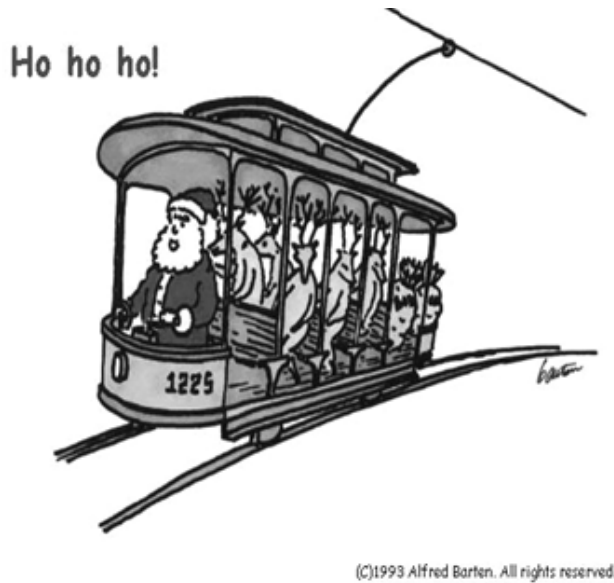
Please join us for the next Association  
General Meeting at St. Joseph's Hall

November 16, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Coffee and snacks will be served  
Childcare will be provided!



# **Come out for Santa's Trolley on December 16<sup>th</sup>!**



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**Join us for the annual Santa's Trolley event on Friday, December 16th. Come meet Santa as he rides the trolley through Springwells Park, have your picture taken with him, and get a treat. You don't have to be a kid to come out and share some cocoa and conversation with your neighbors. No one is ever too old to give Santa their Christmas list! Whether you've been naughty or nice, be sure to come to one of the following trolley stops.**

## **Schedule of Stops (times are approximate):**

- |               |                                |
|---------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>6:00pm</b> | <b>Woodland and Eastham</b>    |
| <b>6:20pm</b> | <b>Duxbury and Middlebury</b>  |
| <b>6:40pm</b> | <b>Eastham and Longmeadow</b>  |
| <b>7:00pm</b> | <b>Longmeadow and Branford</b> |
| <b>7:45pm</b> | <b>Andover and Enfield</b>     |

Call Rachel Nikolajevs at (313) 982-1289 or email [pnikolajevs@comcast.net](mailto:pnikolajevs@comcast.net) for more information.

# SPA Halloween Party

The annual SPA Halloween Party was held on Sunday October 30th at St. Joseph's church hall. Thanks to Nancy O'Reilly, Cindy Polankowski, Karin Sebastian and all who volunteered.





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## Report Suspicious Activity




Even though Halloween is over, our community must remain on the alert to suspicious activity. Keep your eyes and ears open as you walk or drive through the neighborhood. If you see something that doesn't seem quite right, please contact the police at the numbers below:

If you believe that the crime is in progress, call 911.

To report Suspicious Activity, call (313) 943-3030.

If you would like to report a non-emergency crime (a crime that has already happened), call (313) 943-2242.

Keeping the neighborhood well lit by turning on your outside lights will also help to deter any would-be thief. See page 13 tips on crime prevention.



## Great Job, Nick Boileau!

SPA resident Nick Boileau led the Edsel Ford High School boy's tennis team to the state championship tournament for the second straight year. The Thunderbirds finished in 15th place at the Division 2 finals in Kalamazoo on October 14th.

Nick, a senior captain, had a tremendous season playing No. 1 Doubles with fellow senior John Rye. Boileau and Rye compiled a 24 – 3 record while winning numerous tournaments including the All Area Championship, the Crestwood Invitational, and the Western Wayne Athletic Conference title. Nick was named to both the All Conference and the Press and Guide All Area teams.

Another SPA resident, Nathan Keelan, was a contributor on the junior varsity team this year. He will be vying for a varsity spot and his own appearance at the state tournament next year.





## *Welcome to Springwells Park*

Springwells Park Association welcomes the following new residents to our neighborhood.

**Craig Timmons at 7 Carlton Lane**  
**Imad Saad at 15849 Andover**

Julie Sweeney and Nadia Dakroub would like to welcome all new SPA residents with a welcome package that includes the latest newsletter and Blue Book, coupons and more. Contact Julie at 336-7482 or Nadia at 584-1259 for more info.

### Look at the size of this mushroom!

Karen Lawrence of Brewster Road found this mushroom in the commons behind Brewster, Adams and Ashby Road. She noticed it in the commons after children were poking it with sticks, but oddly, not wondering what it was. She amazed all her neighbors with her find.



### **Neighborhood Classifieds**

*Classified Ads from SPA members are welcome!  
Please inquire regarding prices and placing ads  
by contacting newsletter editor at  
(313) 336-4226 or by emailing  
[judyshpard@wowway.com](mailto:judyshpard@wowway.com)*

## Way to Go Lydia!

Lydia, 9 years, enjoys soccer like many energetic and athletic kids in Dearborn. Lydia started with soccer when she was 7 and was lucky to be placed on a team with a coach who played soccer for 12 years as a professional! With great coaching and a fantastic team, she was able to go to a Select Team when she was 8 years old. "Select" means the kids have to try out for the team then travel to locations such as Dexter, Brighton, Jackson, etc for games. Lydia is a goalkeeper for her team and helped her team win its division last season!



## Springwells Park Book Club

The SPA Book Club meets the second Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. All SP residents are welcome.



For information on where and when the club will be meeting next and what book are being read, contact Judy Carty at 313-271-6889.



## *SPA Happy Hour*

*SPA Happy Hour is on the second Friday of each month from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. It is a Bring Your Own Beverage (BYOB).*

*If you would like to host a future Happy Hour, contact Darby O'Reilly.*

*Thanks to all our past hosts.*

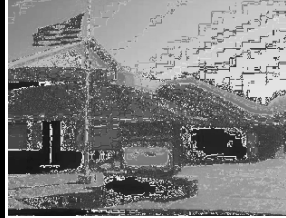
## Public Service Days End December 2

Dearborn's Public Service Days will end for the season on December 2 and will resume April 2, 2012. That means that parking restrictions related to Public Service Days will not be enforced from December 5 to April 1, 2012.

Until December 5, remember not to park on the street from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on your Public Service Day.

## Springwells Park

## Neighborhood Public Schools



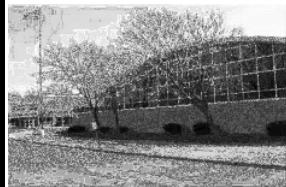
Geer Park Elementary (K-5)  
14767 Prospect  
Dearborn, MI 48126  
313-827-2300  
Principal Andrea Awada

<http://www.dearbornschools.com/schools/geerpark.htm>



Stout Middle School 6-8  
18500 Oakwood  
Dearborn, MI 48124  
313-827-4600  
Principal Julie Maconochie

<http://www.dearbornschools.com/schools/stout.htm>



Edsel Ford High School (9 - 12)  
20601 Rotunda  
Dearborn, 48124  
313-827-1500  
Principal Hassane Jaafar

<http://www.dearbornschools.com/schools/edsel.htm>

If you would like any information about your child's school published in upcoming newsletters, contact Nadia Dakroub at 584-1259 or [dakrouh@aol.com](mailto:dakrouh@aol.com)



**The Springwells Park Association**

Richard Sims

Chairman, Deed Restrictions

8 Adams Lane, Dearborn MI, 48120

[www.springwellspark.org](http://www.springwellspark.org)

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**THE IMPORTANCE OF DEED RESTRICTIONS**

The Springwells Park association, or Ford Foundation, was founded in 1939 as a unique development. The combination of colonial-style homes, “commons”, and cul-de-sacs was intended to create a special community unlike any other in Dearborn. Its architecture was planned around a colonial theme, with open spaces and curved streets. Variation in home design was planned within narrow bounds so that the community would retain a consistent look throughout, unlike so many of the other subdivisions in the metropolitan Detroit area which were developed haphazardly and look different from street to street.

The consistency of architecture in our subdivision holds a special attraction to prospective homeowners which allows for less homeowner turnover and in a better market higher property values, as well as an extraordinary beautiful place to work and grow. In order to retain all of these characteristics restrictive covenants were incorporated into the deeds of our properties i.e. Deed Restrictions.

Some times we take things for granted, maybe it’s important for residents and especially those in doubt of the need and importance of Deed Restrictions to take a few minutes and drive or walk around our sub. Then visit one of many subdivisions that were developed haphazardly and do not have Deed Restrictions. You will probably have a whole new appreciation for Springwells Park, Deed Restrictions and the uniqueness of our sub.

The Deed Restrictions Committee does its job within the boundaries of the restrictions. If a problem arises within those boundaries, recommendation and solutions are followed by the book. No one is singled out, every one is treated the same without bias.

Since the Deed Restrictions Committee cannot be all places at all times we thank the residents who take the time to report violations.

To retain the special character of our community we all need to do our part and understand that Deed Restrictions are the reason this character has remained in place for over 70 years, especially those who are going to call Springwells Park home for years to come. For more information on Deed Restrictions please go on line at [www.springwellspark.org](http://www.springwellspark.org).

Thank you,

The Deed Restrictions Committee

## Congratulations Abby!

Abby competed in Arabian Youth Nationals in Albuquerque, New Mexico in July 2011. She has a horse named May and has been training in Western Pleasure riding for two years when she qualified to compete in the national event. She won her class in Western Pleasure Walk/Trot against horses and riders all over the USA, including some past National Champions. Attached are some photos. Abby trains at Rushlows Arabians in Romulus, MI, which has an extensive lesson program for kids and adults.





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## Parking is not allowed on lawns

From The Back Fence

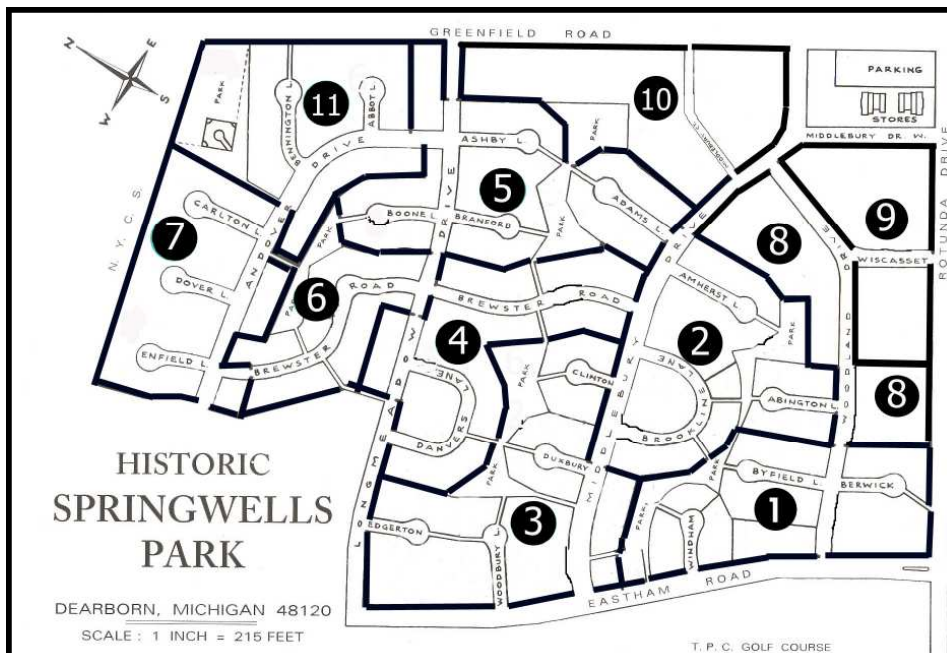
Parking vehicles on front and back lawns is prohibited in Dearborn and could cost you \$70 if you are ticketed. In addition, cars on the street must be parked with the passenger side closest to the curb. Parking this way means the vehicle is facing the proper direction for traffic on that side of the road. These violations are becoming visible issue in neighborhoods and frequent topics of complaints about new residents who may not know the rules in Dearborn.

Tickets will be issued to vehicles parked on lawns or pointed in the wrong direction on the street. Residents should be aware that overnight parking of boats, campers, and recreational vehicles on public streets is prohibited except for loading and unloading.

## Crime Prevention Tips from Dearborn Police

From the Back Fence

- Always keep your home's doors and windows locked
- Secure all lawn and gardening equipment in you garage
- Keep your garage door closed and locked
- Never leave your garage open and unattended
- Keep your porch light on
- Do not allow solicitors into your home
- Do not allow mail or newspapers to build up n your mailbox or on your porch
- If you go on vacation, register your home with the Dearborn Police Reserve Vacation House Check program at 943-2241
- Keep your parked vehicle's doors locked and the windows closed
- Do not leave your vehicle running with the keys in it and unattended
- Do not keep valuables in your vehicle, such as GPC units, laptops, or iPods
- Be aware of your surroundings
- Follow the rule of: If You See Something, Say Something
- Call the Suspicious Activity line at (313) 943-3030



The map shows each Springwells Park area. See page 18 for the area representative that corresponds to the area number.



# Real Estate News from Springwells Park

*7 Bennington Lane* *\$ 39,900*  
*Nice duplex on a Cul de Sac. Two bedrooms and two full baths. Also includes a breakfast room. Immediate occupancy for this great buy. 928 square feet.*

*15730 Middlebury* *\$ 70,000*  
*Spacious 3 bedroom ranch loaded with hardwood floors, two full baths and a 13 X 10 kitchen. Nice sized lot measuring 55 X 132. 1259 square feet.*

*26 Danvers Lane* *\$139,900*  
*Custom built Cape Cod with gorgeous curb appeal. Spacious living room, 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, finished basement and a sprinkling system. Family room leads to 2.5 car garage. Immediate occupancy. 1585 square feet.*

*16 Brookline Lane* *\$155,000*  
*Lovely Colonial home with a spacious family room, banked by windows overlooking the courtyard gardens. 2 fireplaces, update kitchen and baths, hardwood floors—a real beauty. 1602 square feet.*

*8 Amherst Lane* *\$185,000*  
*Very roomy Colonial with 4 bedrooms and 2 full baths! Formal dining room, fireplaces in the living room and family room. 1.5 baths and occupancy at closing. 1839 square feet.*

*2 Branford Lane* *\$249,900*  
*Unique and charming Cotswald Cottage in fabulous condition. Living room features a Cathedral ceiling, fireplace and French doors to enclosed porch. DeGuilio kitchen, formal dining room, 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, family room and so very much more. 2825 square feet.*

<i>3756 Brewster</i>	<i>PENDING</i>	<i>\$ 46,900</i>
<i>6 Windham Lane</i>	<i>PENDING</i>	<i>\$112,500</i>
<i>3532 Eastham</i>	<i>PENDING</i>	<i>\$129,400</i>
<i>1 Berwick</i>	<i>SOLD</i>	<i>\$117,000</i>

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# Springwells Park 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.**

Please complete the following application 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 313-717-2826).

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	<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: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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