# the View from the Hill ASSOCIATION NORTHFIELD HILLS CONDOMINIUM

## June 2025



## Happy Father's Day

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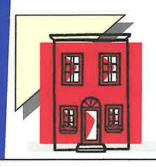
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## Condo Corner

**June** 2025

### Mark Your Calendar

CANH Fishing Tournament July 19th

Additional information to come in upcoming flyer

## Important Guest Pool Band Reminder

A maximum of 4 guest pool bands are allowed per unit per day.

For persons under the age of 17 you will only be allowed 1 guest pool band.



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## Get Ready for 2025 Patio Inspections

It's that time of year once again.

Patio Inspectors will be looking at NH patios through the month of June, so time to spruce it up and pull the



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\*Please take some time to review the following, often repeated, information.

#### **❖ EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Newer residents might not be aware of the fact it is imperative <u>your emergency</u>

<u>contact</u> information <u>is added or updated</u> in your condominium file. There is a <u>log book</u> in the Clubhouse listing your **I.C.E.** (In Case of Emergency) contacts and numbers in case an <u>unplanned for situation</u> might develop.



Speak with NH Staff at the Clubhouse to follow through on the above matter. All of this data is kept <u>confidential</u>. It is important this <u>information</u> and a key for access to your unit is at the Clubhouse.

#### \* TWO IMPORTANT NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERNS:

-Residents and visitors: Please remind your children who are riding their bicycles along sidewalks to use common courtesy to move off the sidewalk for those walking before you come up on them. Walkers do have the right-of-way on our paths and sidewalks.

-Make sure your enthusiastic bike riders take care when crossing streets. Remind them to stop, look both ways for oncoming traffic as well as walkers, then proceed with caution. Our community cares about safety, but parental guidance is most important.

#### **❖ TRASH BAGS/RECEPTICLES:**

With warmer weather here, please remember there will be more critters out at night roaming through our courts looking for a meal!



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Traditionally, this month is the beginning of many local art fairs. If you are interested, here are a few:

- June 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Farmington Downtown
- June 14th Berkley Art Bash
- June 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> Orchard Lake
- June 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> St. Clair, Boardwalk Palmer Park

Others at: www.artfaircalendar.com

#### Annual Bay-Rama Fishfly Festival

Downtown new Baltimore (Free)
Wednesday, June 18<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>
-This is the month the infamous fishfly visits our S.E. Michigan shores. The more fishflies, the healthier is Lake St. Clair!

- Midway carnival, entertainment, and food & beverage vendors.



- Fireworks over Lake St. Clair, at Walter & Mary Burke Park, Front Street, Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at dusk.
- Parade starting at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Details at: <a href="https://www.Bay-Rama.com">www.Bay-Rama.com</a>

#### **Shelby Summer Fest**

Civic Center Campus, Van Dyke Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup> – Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup> - A fun family outing with different activities running each day. Petting zoo, kids' games, rock climbing, music and food. Details: www.shelbytwp.org

#### Annual Fourth of July Celebration

City of Clawson, Custer Street Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, July 4th



- A variety of activities each day for the whole family. There will be a kiddie parade, arts & crafts, games and a Midway.
- Check out parade & fireworks detailed information at: <a href="https://www.cityofclawson.com">www.cityofclawson.com</a>

#### **Annual Ford Fireworks**

1 Hart Plaza, Detroit riverfront
Monday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> - 9:55 p.m.
-This event goes throughout the
entire day with entertainment,
events and food vendors. Be advised to be
there early, as this is always well attended.

For other fireworks celebrations, visit: www.michiganfireworks.com/



#### NHCA 2025 Election Results

#### **Total Ballots Counted**

Total 186 / Quorum necessary 161.5

#### **Candidates:**

Kristy Watkins-Visnaw (incumbent) Gary Newville (incumbent) Joshua West (incumbent) Lena Gjoka

#### **Results:**

Kristy Watkins-Visnaw – 167 Gary Newville – 168 Joshua West – 168 Lena Gjoka - 167



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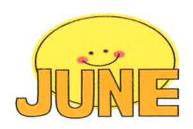
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#### Fun, Facts & Trivia

Most sources agree that June is named after Juno (Hera), the wife of Jupiter. She was the Queen of the Gods and the goddess of marriage. Therefore, the Romans considered it good luck to marry in June. In the U.S. this is the most popular month for weddings.

-The Pearl, Moonstone and Alexandrite are the traditional June birthstones.



- The Birth flowers are: the Rose, a symbol of love and romance, the Honeysuckle showing bonds of love.

Some of this month's events are Flag Day on June 14<sup>th</sup>, Father's Day on June 15<sup>th</sup> and our summer solstice on June 20<sup>th</sup> - the longest day of daylight in the year. June also marks the beginning of the Atlantic hurricane season.

The first weekend in June is National Donut Weekend - enjoy! Since it is Rose month, it makes sense there is a Gardening Week too.

June 6<sup>th</sup> is National Yo-Yo Day and June 21<sup>st</sup> is National Skateboarding Day. It is Great

Outdoors month, Aquarium month and Fresh Fruit and Vegetable month.

Historic events in the month of June:

- June 1, 1813: James Lawrence, the mortally wounded commander of the USS Chesapeake, gave the now famous saying, "Don't give up the ship!"
- June 26, 1870: Christmas was declared a federal holiday in the U.S.
- June 16, 1884: One of the world's first roller coasters opened at Coney Island, New York.
- June 9, 1934: The character Donald Duck debuted in "The Wise Little Hen."
- June 30, 1938: The first Superman Comic was published.
- -June 29, 2007: The first Apple iphone was released.

Starting in June, if you are walking around Beechwood Lake at dusk, you might notice the bats flying overhead. Bats are good for keeping balance in the environment, as they devour night-flying insects and keep down the mosquito and June bug population.

Wishing everyone a "Joyful June."



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#### **FLAG DAY**



Flag Day is celebrated only in the United States every year on June 14th. It commemorates the adoption of the "stars and

stripes" as the flag of the United States of America, which occurred on that date in 1777 by resolution of the Second Continental Congress.

The colors of red, white and blue were chosen by the members of the Continental Congress. The color red stands for hardiness and courage, white for purity and innocence and blue for vigilance and justice.

- The first Flag Day was observed in 1877 for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our country's "Old Glory."
- Students first said the "Pledge of Allegiance" to the flag in 1892, the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Christopher Columbus' arrival in the Americas.
- In 1949 President Harry Truman signed a law to observe National Flag Day every June 14<sup>th</sup>.
- The U.S. Flag Code as adopted by Congress, states "The flag represents a living country and is itself considered a living thing."

Let's remember to fly our American flag with pride and give it our full respect. For information on flag display: www.usflag.org

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June has arrived!
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fruits, veggies and

herbs – fresh at local markets.

Available now will be asparagus, beans, carrots, cucumbers, leeks, mushrooms, rhubarb, snow peas and spinach; as well as basil, cilantro, dill weed, garlic, and parsley.

Some markets have Michigan blackberries; then mid - to late June they will have <a href="https://www.home.grown">home grown</a> tomatoes, strawberries and cherries.

Lavender is also in markets and most nurseries now. It is easy to grow your own. Use for aroma therapy or dry the leaves and florets and put into small mesh bags to scent a closet or bureau drawers.

Following are some of the local Farmer Markets:

-The **Rochester** Market will temporarily be located between Third and Water Streets on

Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

- -Shelby Township's Market will be held at the Packard Proving Grounds on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- -The **Royal Oak** Farmers Market, on Eleven Mile Rd., two blocks east of Main Street will be open on weekends. Hours: http://romi.gov/farmersmarket

-Farm Boy Produce on the north side of Auburn Road just west of Squirrel in Auburn Hills, has freshly picked veggies, fruits and plants.

In addition to the locally grown fruits, veggies and flowers, some markets will have kids' activities, entertainment and giveaways.



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This year, Father's Day is celebrated on **Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup>** – a day for recognizing the role fathers and fatherlike figures have played in the lives of their children, grandchildren and greatgrandchildren.

It has been recorded that the first, but unofficial Father's Day, was held on June 19th, 1910 at the YMCA in Spokane, Washington. Sonora Smart Dodd knew of Mother's Day and wanted to celebrate her father, William Jackson Smart, a civil war veteran and single parent, who alone raised six children after the death of her mother. June was her father's birth month.

Father's Day is always celebrated in the U.S. on the third Sunday in June. It was first recognized in 1966 by President Lyndon B. Johnson. Then, in 1972, President Richard Nixon proclaimed it a federal holiday.

This celebration has developed a wide range of family traditions; such as, sharing dinner, sending cards, giving gifts, or participating in a sporting or golfing event!

Whatever suits his style, we wish all our Northfield Hills neighbors a special, relaxing and *Happy Father's Day!* 

#### **ADOPT-A-SHELTER-CAT**

Each June for the past 45 years, American Humane has sponsored Adopt-A-Shelter-Cat Month to help promote adoption of felines.



The 100-year-old organization chose June as that month is when cats are known to reproduce. Considering each litter might include seven kittens, it is not surprising there are almost three million felines in rescue facilities throughout the United States.

Local shelters and rescue groups have so many cats of every breed, age and personality – all waiting for a loving home. Whether you are looking for young and frisky or mature and mellow, you are sure to find the perfect cat companion.

There are great sources for both cats and kittens: The Michigan Humane Society in Rochester Hills at 248-852-7420, Michigan Anti-Cruelty Society in Detroit at 313-891-7188 and Tiger Lily Rescue, a 501(c)3 non-kill shelter, call 586-431-5353 or tigerlilyrescue@aol.com.

Adoptable cats in our area may also be found at: www.petfinder.com.

If you are not in a position to adopt, here are other ways to help:

- Pass on an understanding of the importance of pet adoption. Talk to your family and friends about animal shelters and why pet adoption is needed, as well as spaying/neutering your family pet.
- Donate to a local shelter or rescue group, or if you are able to, sign up to be a foster volunteer.

Shelter cats all deserve a chance for a safe and loving life – a furr-ever home.



#### **VERY EASY COOKIES**

(adapted from a "Heloise" newspaper column)

These cookies begin with a cake mix and your imagination! Try a variety of cake mixes- cherry chip, lemon, chocolate, etc. Add whatever goodies tickle your fancy.

#### **Ingredients**

1 cake mix - any flavor

2 eggs

½ Cup of vegetable oil

Approx. ¾ Cup of raisins, chopped nuts, chocolate chips, rice krispies, coconut, candied fruit, etc.

Note - do not add water.

#### Preparation

Add eggs, vegetable oil, and any extra goodies to any cake mix. Mix well and drop by teaspoon on to an ungreased cookie sheet, two inches apart. Bake at 350 for 8 to 10 minutes. Cool on a rack.

#### **ENJOY!**



#### **Barbecue Chicken Pizza**

This recipe is easy and good for you!

Ingredients:

2 tsp. olive oil

1 cup sliced onion

½ cup thin green or red pepper strips

1 cup cooked chicken, cut into small cubes

½ cup bottled low-sodium barbecue sauce

1 ready-made 12 inch-diameter thin pizza crust

1 cup shredded part-skim, low-moisture mozzarella cheese.

#### **Preparation:**

Preheat oven to 450°. Heat oil in a frying pan and add onions and pepper strips. Fry over medium heat until soft, adding a little water instead of more oil if onions and peppers start to burn. Add chicken and barbecue sauce. Stir and remove from heat.

Place crust on cookie sheet. Spread chicken, onion and pepper mix evenly on crust. Top with mozzarella. Bake for 10 minutes, watching carefully that cheese doesn't brown too much. Cut into eight slices.

Nutritional information per one-slice serving: 217 calories; 7 g fat; 23 mg cholesterol; 329 mg sodium; 25 g carbohydrates. From BlueCross/Blue Shield newsletter, Living Healthy/Sp.2011. Find more recipes and nutrition help at bcbsm.com. Log in to Member Secured Services, Click on Health and Wellness, then click on Blue Health Connection®

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At the request of the Board of Directors, the View is publishing the rules and regulations currently in effect for use of the Association's tennis courts by our residents and guests.

#### **TENNIS RULES**

The Association has three tennis courts and a practice board for the use of our residents.

The tennis courts are a "SMOKE FREE" area.

#### **COURT RESERVATIONS**

The following rules apply to the use of the courts:

- Courts can be reserved with the management staff no earlier than 6:30 PM on the day before the reservation.
- Courts may be reserved on a one-hour basis for two single players, or on a two-hour basis for doubles, with at least a one-hour time lapse between reservations.
- Reservations are limited to two hours per condominium per day.
- Reservations begin on the hour, and players must arrive five minutes before the hour or forfeit the reservation.
- The Clubhouse must be notified of cancellations at least one hour before the reserved time. If you do not cancel, you will not be allowed to make reservations for the following day. Please do not make reservations unless you are certain to keep them.

#### TIME AND DURATION OF PLAY

- The management staff will issue Reservation Slips which must be obtained at the reception desk and posted on the court door at the time of play. The name of each player and his unit number must be written on the Reservation Sheet at the reception desk at the time of play.
- Single players who have played one hour, or doubles players who have played two hours, as listed on the reservation sheet, cannot reserve or play during the next hour of play.

#### **Exceptions:**

- If an unreserved court is open, a reservation slip must be obtained from the Management Coordinator. Waiting resident players have first choice over those who have just finished playing.
- It is strictly against the rules for two single players to sign up for two successive hours of single play.

#### SPECIAL EVENTS

- With prior announcement, the Tennis Committee may set aside certain courts and times for tournaments.
- There shall be no tennis lessons, instructions, or clinics for private gain permitted.

#### **GUESTS**

• One guest and one resident are permitted for singles, and two guests and two residents for doubles.

#### **COURT CONDUCT**

- Only tennis players, properly attired, are allowed on the courts at all times.
- Only tennis shoes may be worn.
- Smoking is prohibited on the courts.
- Eating or gum chewing is not allowed inside the tennis court fence.
- Beverages must be in non-breakable containers.
- Skateboards, roller blades, wagons, strollers, bicycles, etc. (no wheels or tires of any kind) are not allowed on the tennis courts.
- No animals are allowed on the courts at any time. Players' pets may not run loose or be tied anywhere on the common grounds while players use the courts.
- Spectators with pets must have them on a leash.
- Repeat offenders of rules of court conduct will be banned from the courts for the season.

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## Patio Rules



#### **Height Limits of Patios**

Regardless of the choice of patio materials, the top surface of patio must not exceed the height of the bottom of the door-wall, and the natural drainage must not be altered.

#### **Outside Plantings**

Maintenance of any co-owner plantings outside the patio fence is the co-owner's responsibility.

The following Patio Restrictions have been formulated to preserve the beauty and general appearance of Northfield Hills and to insure the quality of life for yourself and your neighbors:

#### PATIO RESTRICTIONS

- 1. Grass and weeds in the patios should not exceed 5 inches.
  - 2. Chimineas and tiki lights are not permitted.
- 3. Pet droppings should be controlled no more than one day's accumulation is permitted.
- 4. Kiddie pools are allowed. No <u>swimming</u> pools or hot tubs are permitted in patios.
- 5. No more than three (3) trash containers (all must have secure covers) can be stored. No loose debris should be left out.
- 6. No food products or trash that will attract animals should be stored in patios.

- 7. One standard table-top umbrella, enviro-shade, or umbrella screen house is permitted. No awnings, canopies, patio roofs, or tents, permanent or temporary, are permitted.
- 8. Firewood may be stored for winter use; storage is not to exceed the height of the fence. Firewood in the patio must be stored on a pallet or similar platform raised at least four (4) inches from the ground to prevent the nesting of rodents.
- 9. Arbors are permitted providing they are free-standing and are brown, black or dark green.
- 10. Climbing plant material on the exterior of the units is not permitted.
- 11. No grass or tree clippings, discards, or trash receptacles, etc., can be stored outside the fence.
- 12. Gate areas should remain unobstructed; no trees or bushes should be planted on either side of the gate.
- 13. Any plantings outside of the patio fence must be maintained by the co-owner.
- 14. Trees and shrubs touching buildings or interfering with neighboring units are not permitted.
- 15. All existing gates must be kept in good working order.

#### Please note:

Patio inspections usually start at the beginning of June. If a violation is found, the co-owner receives a violation notice. If the violation is not corrected within five (5) days, a second notice is given with another inspection three (3) days later. If the violation notice is not complied with, the Association will notify the co-owner in writing. Failure to correct the condition and reply to the Association IN WRITING will result in a fine being levied of no less than \$50.00.



At the request of the Board of Directors, the View is publishing the rules and regulations currently in effect for use of the Association's swimming pool by our residents and guests.

#### **SWIMMING POOL RULES**

A heated swimming pool is available for residents' use from Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day each year.

The water temperature in the pool is thermostatically controlled and maintained between 78 and 80 degrees Fahrenheit. Changes in water temperature are not rapid. If the outdoor temperature drops significantly overnight and the water temperature cools, the pool heater will start automatically. However, depending upon the degree of temperature change, several hours may be required to restore the water temperature.

Comments or complaints regarding the pool or its operations should be directed to the management staff in the Clubhouse. A resident must complete a Complaint Form obtained at the reception desk.

The Association and its Board of Directors will not be responsible for loss of, or damage to, personal property.

The pool deck and the pool terrace are "SMOKE FREE" areas.

The following rules apply to everyone using the swimming pool. The word "adult" is used frequently. For purposes of these rules, an "adult" is any person eighteen years of age or over.

#### HOURS OF OPERATION

The pool opens Saturday of Memorial Day weekend in May and closes Labor Day Monday in September. Hours of operation are as follows:

Sunday – Thursday	11	AM -	9 PM
Friday, Saturday, and holidays	11	AM –	10 PM
Sunday, if following day is a national holiday			

#### **POOL IDENTIFICATION**

Pool identification bands are issued to all co-owners and eligible family members upon request. They are available from the management staff when valid identification is verified by records maintained at the reception desk.

- Pool identification will be issued to renters and eligible family members if an Co-owner Release Form transferring the co-owner's pool privileges to the lessee has been submitted by the co-owner and registered in the Clubhouse.
- Guest pool identification will be issued to co-owners' guests (a maximum of four at any given time). Pool identification tags must be worn at all times within the pool enclosure by all co-owners, residents, and guests. There are no exceptions to this rule.
- Replacement pool bands are available at a cost of \$20.00. If the lost band is found and returned within the same season, the payment will be returned.

#### **CHILDREN**

- Children aged 5 through 11 will be issued special colored pool bands.
- No child wearing diapers will be allowed in the main swimming pool at any time.
- No child under the age of three will be allowed in the main swimming pool at any time.
- In compliance with Michigan Department of Health Act 368 of the Public Acts of 1978 rules for public swimming pools, children who are not toilet trained are not allowed in the main pool.
- Children aged of 3 through 11 must be accompanied by an adult or a responsible babysitter (age 14 or older) in the main pool, the tot pool, the pool enclosure, and the locker room.
- Parents must sign a release form confirming that a responsible babysitter must accompany their child and that the co-owner accepts responsibility for the babysitter's actions. This form must name the babysitter and will be kept at the reception desk.
- Children must have close parental, adult, or babysitter supervision at all times.

#### **GUESTS**

- Each unit is permitted a maximum of four guests at any one time. Residents aged 12 through 17 years of age are limited to one guest at any one time.
- All guests must be registered with the Management Coordinator and are issued guest identification bands which **must be worn at all times**. Guest pool identification bands are single use and should be discarded daily.
- Guests must be accompanied by the sponsoring resident when obtaining bands and using the pool facilities.
- Guests must follow all pool rules.
- Co-owners are responsible for the actions of their guests.

#### **POOL SAFETY**

- Lifeguards have a primary responsibility to maintain orderly and safe conditions.
- Lifeguards may remove any person who violates pool rules.
- Repeated violations will result in the loss of pool privileges for the current season.
- Running, boisterous or rough play, wrestling, etc., are not permitted in the pool enclosure.
- Only one diver at a time is permitted on the diving board.
- No diving is permitted off the side of the board or the side of the pool.
- Guard stands are for use by the lifeguards only. Climbing or playing on, or diving from, the guard stands is not permitted.
- Two marked pool lanes are designated and kept clear for people swimming laps in the pool.
- The diving board may be closed by the lifeguards to allow swimming in the diving well.
- Safety equipment must not be tampered with or used for anything other than its intended purpose.
- The lifelines in the pool may not be played with or sat upon.
- Sitting on the pool steps is not allowed.
- Michigan law requires that the pool must be closed for at least half an hour when the lifeguard determines there is thunder or lightning in the area.
- Throwing any hard object is prohibited to avoid injury to other swimmers. Acceptable items are soft beach balls and other soft water toys.
- Prohibited items include tennis balls, footballs, beanbag balls, Frisbees, and any item that could potentially cause injury when thrown.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

- All co-owners, residents and guests, including children, must wear suitable swimwear.
- Nothing may be hung on the railings or fencing in and around the pool area enclosure.
- No one is permitted in the Clubhouse with wet clothing.
- The only public entry and exit to the pool is the gate from the pool terrace.
- Climbing is prohibited on any of the fences in the pool area.
- A red flag is flown on the flagpole when the pool is closed during normal pool hours for reasons other than inclement weather. Notice will also be displayed on the Clubhouse entry drive sign.
- Smoking is not permitted on the pool deck or the pool terrace area. A designated smoking area is provided near the pool and is equipped with chairs and disposal receptacles.

#### **HEALTH AND SANITATION**

- All applicable Oakland County and State of Michigan Board of Health rules and requirements are hereby incorporated into the NHCA rules:
- Persons with infections cannot be admitted to the pool facilities. Persons with an apparent infectious condition will only be admitted to the pool upon presentation of a physician's statement indicating the condition is not communicable.
- A cleansing shower with soap is to be taken before using the pool. Shower clogs or thongs are recommended footwear in the shower area for your safety. No street shoes are allowed in the pool enclosure.
- A foot spray is available at the entrance to the pool deck and must be used before entering the pool deck from the upper terrace.
- Spitting or otherwise polluting the swimming pool water or related facilities is prohibited.
- No child shall be allowed in the main pool unless toilet trained.
- A child must be 3 years old and toilet trained to be allowed in the main pool.
- No pets are allowed in the pool enclosure or the terrace.
- No eating or drinking is allowed in the pool enclosure.
- Only battery-operated audio equipment with earphones are allowed on the terrace or in the pool enclosure.
- Canned drinks and plastic containers only are permitted on the terrace. GLASS containers must not be used on the terrace or the pool deck. Drinking water in plastic containers is permitted in the pool enclosure.
- Bicycles, skateboards, skates, etc., are not permitted in the pool area or terrace. All bikes must be parked in the bike rack.
- Hairpins, bobby pins, hair curlers, etc., are not permitted in the pool.
- Excess suntan lotion should be removed before entering the pool.
- Smoking, eating, and loitering are not permitted in locker rooms, saunas or shower rooms.
- Each co-owner, resident, and guest uses the pool at his own risk.



#### IDIOMS, SAYINGS & PHRASES PART IX

Below is another group of sayings and phrases some of us have heard or used during the past years. Some might even be in your vocabulary!

- -"Fire in the Belly" an idiom meaning being driven to win a race or achieve a goal, It was first printed in 1882 in an essay by Robert Louis Stevenson comparing two politicians. Other sources believe it might be from a metaphor for ambition which came from stoking a potbellied stove.
- -"Haste makes Waste" a proverb stating a warning against rushing into tasks without taking time to plan, can lead to errors and wasted time and resources. First recorded in 1575, but originally credited to John Ray's 1678 printed collection. Ben Franklin shortened this phrase to its current adaptation in 1753, publishing it in "Poor Richard's Almanac."
- "Ignorance is Bliss" an idiom meaning there is an advantage in not knowing some things, as it could lead to a happy life. This is attributed to English Poet, Thomas Gray in one of his poems in 1742, "Where ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise." However, it has been written that Greek Philosopher, Publilius Syrus had believe that 'In knowing nothing, life is most delightful."
- "There is nothing to fear but fear itself" a proverb meaning great things can be accomplished if we look at problems face on, rather than being held back by doubt and fear.



This condition is known as: phobophobia. Franklin D. Roosevelt said this in his first inaugural presidential address on March 4, 1933. This phrase had been mistakenly attributed to Winston Churchill.

#### For the month of **June**:

- "A rose by any other name..." – an idiom meaning the essence or true nature of something remains unchanged, regardless of what it is called or labelled. Originally in William Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*, 1597 and 1599. Juliet says the fact that Romeo is from a rival family does not detract from her love for him. He will always be Romeo.



#### Pet Emergency Preparedness



Taken from the Home Again Newsletter

Summer storms are here, it's important to think about the fact that, for cat and dog owners, storm safety involves some additional planning.

When you have a pet, emergency preparedness becomes a great deal more complex.

Whether you live in a place where hurricanes are the danger, or you're more at risk from tornadoes and wildfires, the principals of pet emergency preparedness are basically the same:

 Make a pet evacuation plan – If you have to evacuate your home, you'll want your pets to go with you. If you don't have a car, find out if there are local emergency services organizations that will help you transport your pet.

Research which evacuation shelters will allow you to bring your pets with you in an emergency, and find some additional pet-friendly shelters outside the immediate area in case you have to flee further afield.

 Keep a full list of animal shelters, boarding facilities, and even hotels that accept pets during emergency evacuations. Think ahead and make contact with these places before disaster strikes so that you understand their emergency protocol.

Remember that disasters are busy times for animal shelters, and having a complete list of emergency resources is a smart way to protect your pet. This way you'll have different options for places that can help your pet when you need it most!

 Identify your pet clearly – Make certain your pet's tags are up to date, and be prepared with medical tape and a permanent marker to label your pet's collar with the location of your emergency shelter.

Pets should also be microchipped. That way any animal shelter or veterinarian with a scanner can identify your pet and learn how to get hold of you. Microchips, in contrast to tags, never fall off or become scuffed, marred, or otherwise unreadable! Also, be sure to keep your microchip information up to date and have an alternate contact listed for your pet. If you need to evacuate, having an alternate

contact listed on Fido or Fluffy's account may be critical to reuniting with them.

Put together a pet emergency preparedness kit –
This should include not only food, water, dishes,
medication, and necessary supplies, such as
leashes and litter, but also your pet's medical
records.

If you need to be away from home for an extended period of time, and it becomes necessary to board your pets, having their medical records will help you find a place willing to take them.

 Make certain you have secure transport for your pet
 If a carrier is impractical, then a good leash and harness will do

In an emergency, it will probably be harder to control your pet than usual. Animals may become frightened and aggressive and could endanger both of you by panicking or running away.

Some people think that when disaster strikes the best thing to do for their dog or cat is to turn them loose outside to take care of themselves. They're wrong. Most pets are unable to survive on their own under such conditions, and, even if they did, it might be impossible to ever find them again.

It is never a good idea to leave your pet at home during emergency evacuations. However, there are times when evacuation organizations mandate that you leave pets behind for safety reasons. In those circumstances, protect your pet by taking some basic precautions. Leave them in a safe area of the house and provide them with sufficient food and water to last twice as long as you think you might be gone. Prop open or remove the toilet seat and bathroom door so that they will have a good source of clean water. Finally, post a notice on your doors that there are pets inside and include contact information for both you and your vet.

Having a pet as part of your family can be a wonderful experience, but it's one that comes with a great deal of responsibility. Developing a pet emergency preparedness kit and a pet evacuation plan may seem like a lot of work, but in a disaster it could save your beloved animal's life.

Quick Tip: Call your local animal shelters to find out what area shelters might take your pet in an emergency. If you live in an area particularly prone to large-scale disasters, such as hurricanes, consider finding an out-of-town friend who will take care of your pet if you are displaced long term.

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## MONTH of June 2025 Northfield Hills Condominium Association

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Clubhouse Committee Meeting 6:30PM	3	4 Knitting Club 7PM	5	6	7
8	9 CANH Meeting 5PM	10	11	12	13	14 Flag Day
Happy Father's Day!	16	17	18	JUNETENTH	Stimmer Solstice	21
22	23	24	25 Board Meeting 6PM	26	27	28 Trivia Night 6:30 PM
29	30	31				

\*Water Aerobics every Monday, Wednesday and Friday @ 10AM