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Letter From The President Donna Johnson

Only 2 More Weeks of Winter!

If Punxsutawney Phil's prediction is correct, that means that after March 15th Spring should erupt! I'm prepared! We have the initial Baker Creek Seed order underway! In a week or so we will have our first batch of orders fulfilled. I will be starting seeds of some of the plants destined for the heirloom Vegetable & Herb Sale. Those of you who placed your seed order will be contacted for pick up date. Anyone who would like to still place an early order, send it to the Nature Center Attention: Nature Club Seed Order Enclosed. I will continue to fill early orders.

Within this newsletter you will find the Heirloom Vegetable & Herb Sale order form. Take a look and see if there are items that pique your interest. We are anticipating adding a number small fruits and berries, gooseberries, goji berries, lingonberries, honeyberries and strawberries! We had a test supply of strawberries last year and they were very popular. Keep checking the website, www.springvalleynatureclub.org to see any new developments! It is best to get your order in early and if there are additional items that you may want, place a second order!

We are anticipating a very exciting program schedule for the 2018 calendar! So many visitors enjoy seeing our animal friends! We plan on having our team of Heritage Farm Horses visit, Monarch Butterflies, Raptors and coming on March 6, Dakotah Henn and his Reptilian Friends! More surprises throughout the year!

Spring Valley Nature Club Meeting March 7, 2018 7:00 pm

Dakotah Henn and his Reptilian Friends Dakotah is currently a freshman at Nazarene Olivette University in Bourbonnais. He is amazing in his knowledge of reptiles and small animals. This enterprising young man gives presentations on reptiles and their habitat. Dakotah speaks to the Huntley High School Medical students about venomous snakes! He not only speaks of their habitat and life cycles, he brings them along to amaze and entertain all who care to participate. You can view the animals and actually handle select species. Sure to evoke oohs and ahs from all who attend!

Bring your friends and neighbors to take part in this unique experience. You do not have to be a member of Spring Valley Nature Club to attend the program. Refreshments will be available. Be sure to bring a camera to save and share this informative and entertaining event!

Spring Valley Nature Club Meeting April 4, 2018 7:00 pm

What's New at the Heirloom Vegetable & Herb Sale? By Donna Johnson

After a long dreary winter of underflavored veggies, we will be taking a look at what's new for 2018! Yum! We will still have a plethora of the old favorites; the tomatoes, unique veggies, fragrant delicious herbs and New for This Year; Fruit and Berry bushes! I'll share recipes for herb bundles and tips for storing those treasured garden beauties. We'll even sample some examples of the new items and the old favorites as well. Be sure to bring your order forms and your appetite to share in the wonderful world of growing your own bounty! Invite your neighbors and friend to participate in this flavorful event.

Spring Happenings at Spring Valley – March/April, 2018

Spring is a busy and popular season at Spring Valley! See below for a list of upcoming events and programs! Note that some programs require pre-registration due to limited space. Visit www.parkfun.com or call (847) 985-2100.

Bison's Bluff Nature Playground Update!!

As we prepare to open our second season of active play at Bison's Bluff Nature Playground, please be aware that we've made some slight adjustments to the hours of use. In order to complete needed maintenance and upkeep tasks within the play area, Bison's Bluff will not open until 9 a.m. each day and will remain closed until noon on Mondays. The play area will also experience periodic delayed openings and/or early closings in order to accommodate parking at scheduled special events. Changes will be communicated by posted signs near the Nature Center and the play area entrances.

Sugar Bush Fair – Saturday & Sunday, March 17 & 18, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Celebrate winter's end at this popular annual event which features a delicious pancake breakfast with real maple syrup, demonstrations of maple sugaring, historic re-enactments, a kid's puppet show, and more. Admission is free; breakfast tickets cost \$5 for a half stack or \$7 for a full stack when purchased at the event. Discounted pre-purchased tickets – \$4 for a half stack or \$6 for a full stack – are available at the Nature Center until March 16.

Sunset Fire & Picnic on the Prairie – Saturday, April 7, 6-8:30 p.m.

The prairie wildfires that awed and frightened early settlers to Illinois were important factors in the prairie's survival. Learn about the importance of fire while enjoying an early spring picnic, then watch as trained staff conduct a controlled burn as the sun is setting. Space is limited to the first 400 paid attendees. Admission is \$3/person or \$12/family; kids 3 and under are free. Tickets can be pre-purchased at the Nature Center in early March. All activities take place near the Nature Center. Note: you may bring your own picnic dinner or purchase grilled food at the event. In the event of rain, the event will be postponed to April 14.

Meet the Turtles – Saturday, April 14, 1-3 p.m. Stop by to meet and learn about the Nature Center's resident turtles and then create a cool turtle craft to take home. Free admission – no registration required! Suitable for ages 3-5.

Springtime on the Farm – Sunday, April 15, 12-4 p.m. Spend a day on a busy working farm at this popular family event. Kids can help with farm chores in the kitchen garden, house cleaning – 19th century style, planting oats after the horses have prepared the field, butter churning, and more. In addition, there will be kid's games, crafts, and refreshments for purchase. Fee is \$4/person or \$16/family; kids 3 and under are free. Admission is paid at the gate.

Earth Day Party – Sunday, April 22, 12-4 p.m.

This FREE family and kid-centered event will feature a display of live birds of prey, beekeeping demonstration, birdhouse building, craft activities, refreshments, and more. The new monarch butterfly rearing station will also be dedicated at this event! Additional parking will be available at the District 54 Administration building with shuttle service for this event.

Walpurgis Night Campfire – Friday, April 27, 6-8 p.m. Learn about the unique German custom of Walpurgis while enjoying a bonfire, hot dog and marshmallow roast, and horse-drawn wagon rides. Fee is \$7/person – admission is paid at the gate. A tractor shuttle from the Nature Center parking lot to the Heritage Farm will be available.

COMING IN MAY & JUNE!

Native Plant & Heirloom Vegetable Sale – Sunday, May 20, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

This event features an extensive native plant sale sponsored by the Schaumburg Community Garden Club, heirloom herb and vegetable sale sponsored by Spring Valley Nature Club, information on attracting birds sponsored by the Prairie Woods Audubon Society, information on home composting, and more. Admission is free! Note that pre-ordering of plants is recommended – order forms for heirloom vegetables and herbs are available on this website, and for native plant ordering at www.schaumburggardenclub.org.

Bargain Bulb & Plant Sale – Saturday, June 2, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Sponsored by the Schaumburg Community Garden Club, this event not only offers discounted tulip bulbs of many varieties, but potted perennials, native plants, shrubs, etc.

Spring Valley Country Fair – Saturday & Sunday, June 23 & 24, 12-4 p.m.

Experience the magic of a community farm fair as this event transports you into the rural Schaumburg of the 1880s. Visit the livestock tent, domestic arts tent, watch the poultry judging, engage in games and contests, enjoy refreshments, and listen to a travelling medicine man hawk his wares.

Nature

My father came from Sweden in 1920. Nineteen years of age and alone, he traveled to South Dakota to stay with cousins, learned the language, traveled on and finally became an ingredient in the melting pot of America. So I am the son of an immigrant.

The land was new and the surroundings were strange to many newly arrived immigrants. And like my father, they longed for a touch of the old country, something to remind them of friends and family that they had left behind. So in 1853, this led to the first successful introduction of the most common and readily recognized bird in America, the English sparrow.

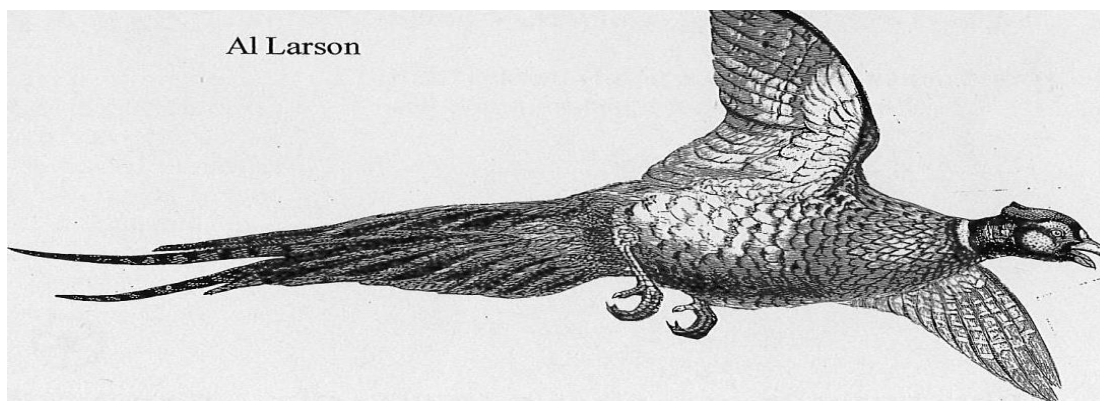
Fifty of them were set free in Brooklyn, New York. And by the time my Dad arrived from Sweden, they had taken up permanent residence along the California coast. They followed the railroads west and easily adapted to city life, exploiting nesting opportunities and surviving under metropolitan conditions not conducive to native American birds. They are successful immigrants.

English sparrows were not the first non-native bird to prosper in North America. That honor belongs to the pigeon. Early settlers brought them as a source of ready meat. They are now common in cities where they produce groans from building owners and municipal health officials, and feelings of warmth from park bench feeders of these hardy urban survivors.

The starling is another English bird that was fruitful and multiplied. Its introduction was as a result of Shakespeare. A bird lover and Shakespeare fan wanted to bring to America all of the birds mentioned in the great bard's works. Sixty starlings were released in New York City in 1890. The rest is bird history.

Not all bird immigrants have produced the negative reactions inspired by the English sparrow, the pigeon and the starling. There is a successful transplant that is difficult to fault. Although the first attempt to establish them was in 1730 in New York, it wasn't until 1882 that ten cock pheasants and eighteen hens, shipped from China, became the breeding colony that established the ring-necked pheasant as one of America's prime hunting birds. Delivered to Oregon and successfully released, descendants were soon live-trapped and shipped throughout the country.

They became so numerous in South Dakota that they were named that state's official state bird. I'm sure my father noticed them when he arrived there. A meeting of fellow immigrants.



CARSON STORES

**Community Days will be held at all Chicagoland Carson Stores
Wednesday thru Saturday 8:00am–10:00pm
Thursday March 1, - Saturday March 3, 2018**

One of the many benefits of membership in the Spring Valley Nature Club is the opportunity to save money for yourself using the Carson's coupon book, with savings up to \$500 during the holiday season. This book is free to all Nature Club members in good standing.

You may also drop by Spring Valley Nature Center and sign out 10 or more books as a fund raiser for the club. Selling them to your friends, family, neighbors, and co-workers for only \$5 each. When you sell out return the monies to Spring Valley and if your able ask for 10 more books to sell.

What a great way to support your club!

The coupon books are available for pick-up at the Spring Valley Nature Center 1111 E Schaumburg Rd.

COMMUNITY
DAYS 2018



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Thursday, March 1 - Saturday, March 3

View images and descriptions of all plants at www.springvalleynatureclub.org

Spring Valley Nature Center 1111 E Schaumburg Road (847) 985-2100

Sunday, May 20, 2018 - 10:00AM – 2:00PM -- Order Form 2018

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<u>Tomatoes</u>	Price	Qty	Total
1000- Aunt Ruby's German Green – Heirloom very sweet 1-2lb pale green 85 days	\$4.00	_____	_____
1001-Belgium Giant – Heirloom sweet mild 1-2lb fruits dark pink 85 days	4.00	_____	_____
1005-Big Rainbow – Heirloom very juicy 1-2lb gold bi-colored fruits 82 days	4.00	_____	_____
1010-Black Cherry – Heirloom sweet robust flavor 65 day burgundy colored 65 days	4.00	_____	_____
1012-Box Car Willie – Heirloom reddish-orange very prolific old fashioned flavor 80 days	4.00	_____	_____
1015-Brandywine Pink - Heirloom connoisseurs favorite 1lb fruit 85 days	4.00	_____	_____
1020-Brandywine Red – Heirloom rich deep flavored juicy fruits 1 ½ + lb 90 days	4.00	_____	_____
1022-Carnival – Hybrid impressive early ripening beefsteak type prolific 68 days	4.00	_____	_____
1025-Cherokee Purple - Heirloom dusky purple pink superb flavor very large fruit 80 days	4.00	_____	_____
1030-Great White - Heirloom white very large 1lb unique very sweet taste 83 days	4.00	_____	_____
1035-German Johnson–Heirloom large 1lb pinkish red very few seeds 76 days	4.00	_____	_____
1037-Indigo Rose-Hybrid deep purple highest in antioxidant of any tomato 55 days	4.00	_____	_____
1040-Kellogg's Breakfast - Heirloom very flavorful superbly sweet yellow low acid 80 days	4.00	_____	_____
1045-Mortgage Lifter-Heirloom sweet rich flavored pink large 1lb crack free 80 days	4.00	_____	_____
1050-Moskvich- Heirloom cold hardy Siberian early maturing 6 oz red fruit 60 days	4.00	_____	_____
1055-Orange Oxheart- Heirloom orange heart shaped delicious 1 lb low acid 90 days	4.00	_____	_____
1060-Patio–Hybrid dwarf 2' tall no staking 4oz fruit great in containers 70 days	4.00	_____	_____
1064-Pinapple-Heirloom yellow /red streaked flesh super sweet 2lb 78 days	4.00	_____	_____
1065-San Marzano-Heirloom Italy's famous best tomato for sauces & cooking 65 days	4.00	_____	_____
1070-Sun Sugar – New Introduction extra sweet yellow cherry good in containers 60 days	4.00	_____	_____
1072-Sugary-Hybrid super sweet grape large yields good for containers 60 days	4.00	_____	_____
1074-Sweet 100-Hybrid very productive bearing long trusses of small sweet cherries 60 days	4.00	_____	_____
1075-Tumbling Tom -Hybrid cherry great in containers & hanging baskets 55 days	4.00	_____	_____
<u>Vegetables & Fruits</u>			
2001-Asparagus – Heirloom Mary Washington tender green spears spring harvest Perennial	\$5.00	_____	_____
2002-Celeriac-Heirloom hardy large root has sweet crisps celery flavor good keeper 80 days	4.00	_____	_____
2003-Cucumber-Hybrid bush type short vines full sized cukes can grow in containers 57 days	4.00	_____	_____
2005-Eggplant – Fairy Tale Japanese type 5" x 1" Striped delicious pale lavender 50 days	4.00	_____	_____
2008-Fennel Heirloom – Florence bulbing type delicious raw or cooked 90 days	4.00	_____	_____
2015-Kale Lacinato – Heirloom Tuscan cold tolerant salads & cooked greens	4.00	_____	_____
2020-Kale Red Russian- Cold tolerant tender & refined attractive in containers	4.00	_____	_____
2025-Lettuce Heirloom – Drunken Women frieze red tinged butter head 75 days	4.00	_____	_____
2030-Leeks – Sweet & mild gourmet onion family for stew, soup, egg dishes 75 days	4.00	_____	_____
2034-Parsley Root-Heirloom tops used as parsley, roots used in soups & stews	4.00	_____	_____
2045-Pepper – Chocolate Beauty sweet bell great color & flavor 70 days	4.00	_____	_____
2055-Pepper- Lady Bell Red Sweet uniform shape very prolific 71 days	4.00	_____	_____
2060-Pepper Heirloom– Sweet Banana mild yellow turn red 6" 72 days	4.00	_____	_____
2065-Pepper – Thai Hot Very hot Asian pepper	4.00	_____	_____
2070-Pepper – Valencia Orange Sweet bright color intense full flavor 70 days	4.00	_____	_____
2080-Swiss Chard – Bright Lights multicolored stems delicious steamed	4.00	_____	_____
2500-Goji Berry – Orange/Red berries Vitamin & antioxidant rich Gal. Shrub	12.00	_____	_____
2505-Gooseberry – Sweet/Tart delicious fruit Gal. Shrub	12.00	_____	_____
2510-Honeyberry Indigo Gem – Super fruit high antioxidant & vitamin C Gal. Shrub	12.00	_____	_____
2515-Honeyberry Indigo Treat – Blue berries high antioxidant & vitamin C Gal.	12.00	_____	_____
2520-Lingonberry – Red tart fruit for Jam Pink flowers low growing Gal. Shrub	12.00	_____	_____
2525-Strawberry Rainbow Treasure – Ever bearing w/red flowers	6.00	_____	_____
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Spring Valley Nature Club's Heirloom & Herb Order Form 2018

Herbs

	Price	Qty	Total
3000-Basil Genovese-Heirloom favorite "sweet basil" bold full flavor Annual	\$4.50	_____	_____
3001-Basil Red Rubin- Intense deep purple leaves holds its color all season Annual	4.50	_____	_____
3003-Basil Perpetuo – Intense basil aroma & flavor decorative variegated leaves Annual	4.50	_____	_____
3005-Basil Thai Siam Queen- Decorative and delicious anise flavor Annual	4.50	_____	_____
3015-Borage- Cucumber flavored leaves blue flowers used as edible garnish Annual	4.50	_____	_____
3020-Chives- Snip leaves for salads & garnish clump forming Perennial	4.50	_____	_____
3022-Chamomile-Soothing aromatic, for tea,potpoutti & spa use Perennial	4.50	_____	_____
3025-Chervil- Licorice flavor great on potatoes, fish & chicken Annual	4.50	_____	_____
3027-Cilantro flavor favorite for salsa & Asian cuisine Annual	4.50	_____	_____
3031-Dill Fern Leaf delightful pickle herb great on fish & cooked beets & potatoes Annuals	4.50	_____	_____
3035-Fennel – Bronze ornamental & delicious anise flavor on fish & vegetables Annual	4.50	_____	_____
3040-Horseradish – Heirloom zesty hot root for condiment young leaves for salad Per.	4.50	_____	_____
3045-Lavender Provence – Use in sachets & potpourri, ingredient in "herbs de Provence"	4.50	_____	_____
3050-Lemon Grass – Lemon flavoring essential in Thai cooking Tender Perennial	4.50	_____	_____
3051-Lemon Verbena-Intense lemon flavor for tea & drinks, fragrance for potpourri Annual	4.50	_____	_____
3055-Lovage- Celery & anise flavored leaves entire plant edible Perennial	4.50	_____	_____
3060-Marjoram Sweet – Delicate oregano like flavor great on fresh tomatoes Annual	4.50	_____	_____
3065-Mint Corsican- Low growing great fragrance flavoring of Crème de menthe Perennial	4.50	_____	_____
3070-Mint Mojito- Delightful warm mint flavor great for mulling in drinks Perennial	4.50	_____	_____
3074-Oregano Greek-The original flavor for Italian & Mediterranean fare Tender Perennial	4.50	_____	_____
3075-Oregano Hot & Spicy - Intense flavor for pizza & spaghetti sauce Perennial	4.50	_____	_____
3076-Oregano Variegated-Beautiful addition to herb garden lovely cream edge Perennial	4.50	_____	_____
3080-Parsley Italian flat leaf - Leaves for garnish & tempura frying Biennial	4.50	_____	_____
3082-Rosemary-Spicy woody herb great for chicken & Mediterranean fare Tender Perennial	4.50	_____	_____
3083-Sage-Savory herb used in stuffing soups & Mediterranean dishes Perennial	4.50	_____	_____
3084-Pineapple Sage- Fruity addition to teas, fruit garnish hummingbird magnet Annual	4.50	_____	_____
3085-Savory Winter- Ingredient in "herbs de Provence" for meat & bean dishes Perennial	4.50	_____	_____
3090-Sorrel- Red Veined tart flavor great accent in soups and salads very ornamental Per.	4.50	_____	_____
3093-Stevia – Sugar plant non caloric sweetener use fresh or dried Annual	4.50	_____	_____
3095-Sweet Annie- Fragrant and attractive used in wreaths, potpourri, and sachets. Annual	4.50	_____	_____
3101-Sweet Woodruff- Fragrant flowers for potpourri and room freshener Perennial	4.50	_____	_____
3102-Thyme English-Most familiar thyme used in soups stews & roasts Perennial	4.50	_____	_____
3105-Thyme Silver Edge- Ornamental use in "Bouquet Garni"& "herbs de Provence" Per.	4.50	_____	_____
3110-Thyme Spicy – Orange flavor great with chicken, fish, salads and tea. Perennial	4.50	_____	_____
3111-Thyme Variegated Lemon-Very decorative rich lemon flavor Perennial	4.50	_____	_____

Baker Creek Heirloom Seeds - Order Sheet www.rareseeds.com

After completing Baker seed order form "print it" and attached to this form

Do not mail to Baker seed, we place the order to save on shipping charges	TOTAL PAGE 2	\$ _____
	TOTAL PAGE 1	\$ _____
Use this line for your seed order total ----->	BAKER SEEDS	\$ _____
PAGE 1 + PAGE 2 + BAKER SEEDS ORDER =	GRAND TOTAL	\$ _____

NAME _____ TELEPHONE _____
 STREET _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 CITY _____ E-MAIL _____

Mail to Spring Valley Nature Center 1111 E. Schaumburg Road Schaumburg, IL 60194
 Checks payable: Spring Valley Nature Club - Mark Envelope Nature Club Order Enclosed
 Preorder cutoff May 7, 2018 ---- Order Pick Up is Sunday May 20, 2018
 Quantities limited to avoid disappointment order early to assure availability.
 Questions? Contact Spring Valley Nature Club: springvalleynatureclub@gmail.com
Thank you for your support of the Spring Valley Nature Club

Start Planning Your 2018 Heirloom Vegetable & Herb Garden!

Have you noted all your successes and/or failures? Now is the best time to plan for your “2018 Heirloom Vegetable & Herb Garden”! Daydream of the taste of summer tomatoes on your lips, it’s time to decide if you want to add or delete some of the choices you’ve had the past season.

While the winter winds blow, and the last snow drifts melt, warm your spirits with a look at Baker Creek Seeds on line catalog! If you would, keep www.rareseeds.com in mind when planning your 2018 seed purchases.

We have a unique arrangement with Baker Creek Seeds of Mansfield Missouri whereupon our members and friends can submit their seed order and check made payable to Spring Valley Nature Club! Mail to Spring Valley Nature Center 1111 E Schaumburg Rd Schaumburg IL 60194 and mark the envelope “Seed Order Enclosed”. Nature Club will place a group order when we have a qualifying amount. Please note you do not need to be a member of Nature Club to place an order with us. You will be notified as to when you can come to pick-up your seeds. As a courtesy from Baker Seeds we do not pay a shipping charge and Nature Club gets a special rate allowing the club to derive a profit from all the seeds that we purchase.

We will place orders continuously throughout January through May to accommodate any request for seeds you may have. Additionally we will take orders for seeds on the 2018 Heirloom Vegetable & Herb Sale Order Form.

Please continue your loyalty to our cause, it is with support from our members and friends of Spring Valley, that we can assist the Spring Valley Nature Center in its educational and environmental efforts to provide programs for the community. Thank you.



1974 And Beyond

Spring Valley began as a dream by one of the founders of the Village of Schaumburg, Ellsworth Meineke.

Early on he referred to it as “The Spring Valley Dream.” It was he who convinced the Schaumburg Park District and the Village of Schaumburg to work together to acquire and preserve land for Spring Valley. Ellsworth founded the Spring Valley Nature Club in 1974 as a not-for-profit service organization which provides volunteer and financial support for Spring Valley and promotes conservation, nature, and environmental education. The Club sponsors nature programs and teacher field trips, and members volunteer at festivals and fund raisers. We have been working hard since 1974. Won’t you join us?

These words reflect the dedication that the founders felt for the purpose of the Club and the love of the natural world around us. Since the Schaumburg Park District assumed the responsibility of recruiting volunteers, Nature Club’s purpose has evolved to share its love of Spring Valley by offering timely programs that reinforce a more wholesome lifestyle. We have initiated monthly educational programs that instill a comprehension of our ability to lessen our carbon footprint by reducing waste, recycling and reusing our valuable resources. Our monthly programs enlighten us to appreciate our environment and respect its fragile beauty.

We have lessened our impact on landfill waste by eliminating the mailing of our bimonthly News Leaf. We are encouraging members to attend educational programs which teach us the importance of the wildlife around us, the art of using our natural resources wisely and being more self-reliant by advising how to live a more wholesome lifestyle, grow and live more organically and become more self-sufficient.

With the kind donations and assistance from local merchants and organizations, we can exist more ecologically by shopping locally. Some of the wonderful supporters and contributors to the club have been, Roselle Ace Hardware for their support in offering a discount coupon for purchases at their location; Schaumburg Park District for the 1-day Fitness Pass; Platt Hill Nursery for their support and discount coupon at their garden centers; Holistic Art Studio for their discount coupon; Bon Ton Stores for their coupon book for discounts throughout the store. The Bon Ton coupon books are valid for their other stores that are located throughout the US. A listing of their stores is on the membership dues page.

Our wonderful supporters have given us a way to lessen our footsteps by offering valued products and services at discounted prices while saving our energy dollars by reducing the number of miles we travel. Please support our supporters. With their help, we have been successful in raising additional funds to sponsor educational programming for our Club members, Spring Valley Volunteers, and school children and teachers from our community. We have supplied funds for books for Spring Valley’s Library and have sponsored various free to the public programs and events that the Center has offered.

Thanks to you all, and especially our valued Members and Supporters of Spring Valley Nature Club!

Please take time to review all the wonderful benefits we are offering to our members with their Nature Club membership. Won’t you join us?

Spring Valley Nature Club is a 501(c3) organization and contributions may be tax deductible. Check with your tax advisor.

Spring Valley Nature Club 2018 Membership Rates

To show our appreciation for our members' loyalty, we have come up with special benefits for all members.

“Discount Coupon Packet” This packet will include certificates and coupons for various merchants, i.e. Holistic Health Studio (massage discount), Schaumburg Park District (1 day Fitness Pass), Roselle Ace Hardware (discount on purchase), Platt Hill Nursery (discount on purchase), Chick-Fil-A (Free Sandwich - Schaumburg Stores only), Back In Line Chiropractic (Discount on Services) Bon-Ton Stores Seasonal Discount Coupon Book (Carson's, Younkers, Herberger's, Bergner's, Elder-Beerman, Boston Store, etc., estimated value up to \$500.00

A special benefit is an invitation to the Spring Valley Volunteer/Meineke Award Picnic on the first Friday in August. A postcard will be sent to current members in good standing by mid-July asking for an RSVP.

Free Entry to the Nature Club Programs: Allows you to attend any or all of the ten Spring Valley Nature Club monthly meetings and educational programs from February through November where you can enjoy some refreshments and camaraderie with fellow supporters of the Nature Club and the Spring Valley Volunteers.

Membership Card: Identifies you as a supporter of the Nature Club's efforts.

Life Membership: In addition to the above items, this membership includes a Nature Club Commemorative Fleece Throw (\$35.00 value); this fleece throw is for **New Life Memberships Only**.

****All current Life Members** are eligible to receive the **“Discount Coupon Packet”** for a \$10 yearly donation.

Family Fun Membership: In addition to all of the standard items above, this membership category includes a Spring Valley Annual Family Pass (\$120.00 value) to be used for a 15% discount on most Spring Valley Programs; 10% Discount on Summer Camps and Birthday Parties; 15% discount on Honey & Gift Shop purchases at Spring Valley and free admission to all Spring Valley events including the Pancake Breakfast. (The discounts do not apply to the Solstice Hop & Vine or the Haunting in the Valley.)

Your Membership Packet needs to be picked up in person at the Spring Valley Nature Center 9:00 – 5:00 daily.

Yearly Memberships Begin February 1st through January 31st

Individual		\$15.00
Family		\$25.00
Supporting		\$35.00
Senior		\$10.00
Family Fun		\$120.00
Life	**	\$150.00
Sponsor		\$1000.00

Individual – Family – Supporting -- Senior -- Family Fun -- Life -- Sponsor

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Checks should be made payable and mailed to:
Spring Valley Nature Club - 1111 East Schaumburg Road, Schaumburg, IL 60194