



*The Preserve*  
A S S O C I A T I O N

## The Preserve Pathways Newsletter

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### Pool Season 2025



### **The Pool opened in 1975**

This season marks our 50th year! United States Senator, Hubert H. Humphrey can be seen here at the dedication of The Preserve pool opening.

The pool will open Memorial Weekend–May 24.25.26, June 7.8 and June 12 through Labor Day.

Pool Hours:

- Monday– Friday 12 noon to 8 PM
- Saturday 10 AM to 8 PM
- Sunday 11 AM to 7 PM

American Red Cross Preschool Aquatics and Learn-to-Swim Program.

Best outdoor swim lessons in Town!

Children 4 thru Pre-kindergarten 5 years old will be in the Preschool Aquatic Program. Ages kindergarten/ 5-year old's and up will be in the Learn to Swim Program. Full details online or at the office on swim lesson policies. Each nine-lesson session runs Monday through Friday in week

one and Monday through Thursday in week two. This allows for a makeup class on the last Friday if needed (Make-up only if classes cancelled for 2 weather related days).

Class fee: \$100 per session for members/\$125 per session for non-members.

Registration: Priority to Preserve members beginning April 15, 2025, then open to the general public.

To better serve your needs we request you come in and register in person if you have extensive questions. Otherwise, you need to register online at [The Preserve](#). Credit cards accepted (there is a 3.5% credit card fee)

#### 2025 Swim Lesson Schedule:

- Session 1 June 16 –June 26
- Session 2 July 14-July 24
- Session 3 July 28-August 7

#### Times:

- 10:00 - 10:30 AM Level 1 & 2 Preschool Aquatics, Level 1
- 11:00 - 11:30 AM Level 1 & 2 Preschool Aquatics, Level 1
- 11:00 - 11:45 AM Level 2-6 Learn to Swim
- 6:30 - 7:15 PM Level 2-6 Learn to Swim



### Preserve Association Opportunities

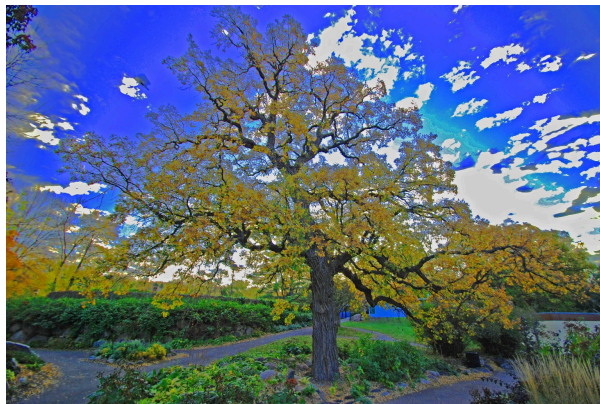
Now hiring:

- Lifeguards
- WSI's
- Grounds Crew
- Gardener

The Preserve is a wonderful place to work and a great summer job for High School and college students.

[Application](#)

## Events



## **Clean Up Day/Earth Day**

**Tuesday, April 22nd**

**Meet at The Preserve barn at 5 PM**

Years ago, The Preserve took part in the Adopt-a Street program. Each year we commit to a day to keep Anderson Lakes Parkway clean from Preserve Blvd to Garrison Way.

Please join us Tuesday, April 22nd at 5:00 PM.

Pizza will be provided afterward.

Can't make it? In the past, we have had families that couldn't make it on our scheduled date do their own clean-up day for The Preserve. We love receiving those photos when you do and want to say Thank you!

RSVP

## **Red Cross Blood Drive**

**Wednesday, April 23rd 1-7:00 PM**



The Preserve will be holding a Red Cross Blood Drive in the Barn.

To sign up go to [Donate Blood](#), enter zip code or The Preserve. There is always a need for donations.

## **2025 Annual Meeting**



**Tuesday, May 13th at 7:00 PM**

Watch for information to be mailed the week of the 14th of April regarding the annual meeting. You will receive the agenda, minutes from last year along with The Preserve financials. A proxy will be included if you can not attend this meeting.

Please contact us if you have an interest in being more involved at The Preserve. We can use your help, please consider being on any of our committees. It is a great way to see what The Preserve is like, you may even be interested in becoming a future Board member.

To hear more about the Board, please contact our President, [Michael Beukema](#)

**Community Bike Day June 1st**

## **Preserve Parking Lot**

Sunday June 1st 1- 4 PM FREE



Mark your calendars and join the fun. Bring your bike to The Preserve parking lot for a free safety check and on the spot adjustments! Freewheel Bike and their "Ambassador of Good Times," Mario Macaruso, is bringing the Freewheel Mobile Repair Truck and a few of his friendly bike technicians to The Preserve! Bike adjustments, demos and a bike tour will be planned.

### **Mobile Bike tune up station**

- Will bring mobile truck with tools
- Clean chain and lubricate all pivot points
- Check shifting components and brake parts
- Check tires, inflate or deflate as needed
- Check all fasteners to spec and perform test ride
- Will give complete evaluation and recommend any repairs or parts if needed

### **Presentations and Demonstration**

- Flat tire repair demo
- ABC quick check of al bike before riding
- Discussion of efficient transportation and mobility opportunities in the neighborhood

## Activities continue at Nesbitt Park

The Preserve has teamed up with the City of Eden Prairie. The city will have some activities at Nesbitt Park that include:

- Obstacle courses
- A bike fleet from Three Rivers Park. There will be at least 10-15 youth bikes to try out along with a few adult bikes.
- Bike vendors
- Community bike ride around Neill Lake
- Raffle
- Bike helmets (\$),
- ice cream truck (\$)

This event is organized by The Preserve Association, FreeWheel Bike Shop and Eden Prairie Parks and Recreation.

If you have questions, please contact [Cindy](#).



## Bike Eden Prairie

Bike Eden Prairie is devoted to making cycling in Eden Prairie safer and more accessible for casual and avid cyclists of all ages. Please scan the QR code and join the Bike Eden Prairie Facebook group to keep up our progress and contribute your thoughts. While you're doing that, please invite a friend, too!



## Mah Jongg- Instructor Needed

Great news! We have found someone willing to teach us, now we need more residents interested in learning it to let us know.

Please Contact [Cindy](#) for more information.

We would love to hear what you would like to see for events at The Preserve. Please fill out this [survey](#). Thank you.

## Neighborhood Spotlight



### Spot light on our neighborhoods

#### New Facebook Group for The Preserve Residents!

There's a new resident-run Facebook group just for The Preserve community in Eden Prairie! It's a great way to stay connected, share updates, and easily exchange helpful information with neighbors.

In this group, you can:

- ✓ Share and get recommendations (contractors, babysitters, dog walkers, etc)
- ✓ Spread the word quickly about lost pets
- ✓ Help each other out—whether it's borrowing a cup of sugar or tracking down a missing Amazon package
  
- ✓ Just be neighborly and have some fun!

**Please note:** This group is run by residents and is **not monitored by The Preserve HOA**. For any official HOA matters (like barn rentals or amenities), please contact The Preserve office directly.

**Join the group here:** [The Preserve Neighbors Private Facebook Group](#)

If you live in a neighborhood or have a neighbor that you feel is extra special we would love to hear about it!

## Save The Date

- Beach Blast TBD
- Ice Cream Socials at the parks starting May 28th
- Swimming lessons -- June 16-26, July 14-24, July 28-August 7



- Summer Social -- August 8th Live Music, August 9th BINGO
- Beach BBQ -- August 21st
- Summer pickleball league and lessons. TBD working with our instructor and will send out information when dates and times are determined sometime in May.

Look for more information in our July Newsletter.



### **Pickleball Open Play**

A message from Preserve pickleball players:

Hello Pickleball Fans! We're a small group of intermediate level players who meet weekly on Monday nights from 6 to 8 PM at The Preserve courts, starting May 5th - please consider joining us.

In addition, a summer league, for beginners and intermediate players will be announced soon. After the league ends, we'll look to possibly schedule weekly open-play sessions for beginners, if there's interest.

We use the GroupMe app to coordinate events and updates. All preserve members are welcome to join! Hope to see you on the courts!- use the QR button to connect to the Group Me

QR Code



## **YOGA- is back at The Preserve in April and May**

Spring Yoga Program at The Preserve with One Eleven Yoga + Wellness

Beginner Yoga 5:30 – 6:30 pm



Ready to dip your toes into yoga (or maybe do some serious stretching)? This class is perfect for newbies or anyone craving a slower, more accessible flow. Focus on building strength, balance, and flexibility, with a side of introductory poses to help you grow. You will leave feeling stronger, more relaxed, and totally ready to take on the world – one pose at a time. Drop in \$10 per class.

Advanced-Beginner/Intermediate Yoga 7:00 – 8:00 pm

Feeling ready to level up your practice? This vinyasa flow class will keep you moving with a bit more speed and challenge. We will focus on building strength and fluidity, while also exploring those fun “wow” poses like Crow, Warrior III, and Dancer. Expect a moderately challenging class that will leave you feeling both physically accomplished and mentally centered. Perfect for those looking to deepen their practice or for a fun challenge! Drop in \$10 per class.

Classes run Thursdays in April 3, 10, 17, 24 May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 All levels welcome!



## Help Remove Garlic Mustard with Friends of Eden Prairie Parks

Join Friends of Eden Prairie Parks and The Preserve Association for a garlic mustard removal event in the woods east of Neill Lake on May 10 from 10:00am-12:00PM.

Last fall, the Preserve cleared sickly ash and overgrown buckthorn from the woods along the east side of Neill Lake. We are actively working on restoring the area to a mesic maple-basswood forest grove, and in order to make room for the native plants and shrubs that will benefit the area, we need extra volunteers to remove unwanted garlic mustard.

### ***Why garlic mustard?***

Garlic mustard might look like a harmless leafy plant, but once established, it grows quickly and spreads aggressively—often crowding out native wildflowers and ferns. Garlic mustard releases chemicals into the soil that disrupt beneficial fungi and harm many native plants (a condition called allelopathy). When native plants are pushed out, pollinators and other local wildlife lose essential food and habitat sources. The good news? Garlic mustard is relatively easy to pull by hand, especially in moist spring soil. A pair of gloves, a bag to collect the plants, and a sharp eye are all you need to make a huge difference. No special skills required! By removing garlic

mustard, we're protecting important pollinator plants—and the insects, birds, and critters that rely on them.

**Your hands-on help matters—together, we can stand up to this invasive plant and protect the splendor of our community's natural spaces.**

**Date:** May 10, 2025

**Time:** 10:00AM-12:00pm

**Location:** Preserve Parking Lot (11221 Anderson Lakes Pkwy)

**Supplies:** Bring your favorite pair of garden gloves and wear long pants and sturdy shoes. We will be going off-trail and walking on uneven terrain. Weed removal tools like hand trowels and weed pickers are not necessary but may be nice to have.

Learn more about Friends of Eden Prairie Parks at [www.friendsofepparks.org](http://www.friendsofepparks.org)

## Amenities

### **\*\*15 FREE PASSES FOR 2025\*\***

The Preserve wants you to have a great summer at the pool.

Everyone that lives in The Preserve has been given 15 guest passes added to their household. This is per household not per person. If you bring a guest to the pool, please let the pool staff know that you have a guest before they check you in and your guest will be able to enter the pool with you. After the 15 have been used, they can still come in as your guest at \$5.00 for adult and \$3.00 per child.



### **Ice Cream Social**

Did you know The Preserve has 5 parks we affectionately call Tot lots? Join us as we visit each of The Preserve parks.

- Northmark, May 28
- Amsden, June 25
- HighPoint, July 23
- Preserve Barn, Aug 13
- Basswood, October 15

We will start at 6 PM and go until the ice cream is gone.

## The Preserve Party Room

Continues to be a wonderful venue with a lift installed in 2020 and new carpeting installed in 2023.

Whether you are having a shower, rehearsal dinner, or celebration don't forget this wonderful space available only to members of The Preserve.

Rates and rules can be found on our website [The Preserve](#)  
Call 952-941-8400 or email [Cindy](#) today to see if your date is available.

We would love to see photos from your event and feedback on how to make The Preserve barn the best venue for your parties.



## Aqua Jogging

Wednesday June 18th -July 30th

6:30-7:15 PM FREE

Maximum class size is 30 participants Available on a first come first served basis

Our instructor, Tricia, has been in the Health & Fitness industry for 33 years. She has taught most formats of Group Fitness, but has the most fun with her deep-water aqua classes.

She has the following certifications:

- AFAA Certified Group Fitness Instructor
- Certified Water in Motion Instructor
- Certified Silver Splash Instructor
- American Red Cross CPR/AED, First Aid Certified
- NASM Certified Personal Trainer and Nutrition Coach



**Selling your home:** Contact The Preserve Office. The new homeowner must be provided a resale disclosure certificate as well as association documents prior to closing. Without it, the sale of your home could be delayed. If you are planning to sell your home, please let your agent know you are part of The Preserve Association and have them contact [Cindy](#) **If you live in a town house or condo, you are part of two separate HOA's and both should be contacted by your realtor.**

**Firewood:** We have free firewood available (you must split), please contact [Scott](#) for more details and to schedule a time to pick up.

**Design Review form:** Anything done to the outside of your home must be approved by our Design Review Committee. A form can be found on our website [The Preserve](#) (residents, information for buying and selling properties) or by contacting The Preserve. We would love to see photos of your finished projects, please email them to [Cindy](#)

**Trash Cans:** Please remember to put trash, recycling and yard waste cans away. Christmas Trees should be brought to the curb and not burned.

**Preserve pool cards:** Make sure you have your Preserve card for the pool and tennis/pickleball courts. Preserve cards can be picked up any time of year during our business hours T-F 8:30 am -4:30 pm. Please contact [Cindy](#) to schedule a time to pick up. **A photo on the card is required and will be taken at the pool if you haven't had one taken.** Do not throw your pool cards away. Pool ID cards are permanent and are available for members at The Preserve. POOL CARDS ARE KEPT FROM YEAR TO YEAR and are \$15.00 each to replace. All association members must pick up cards to gain admission to the pool and the pickleball/tennis courts.

Guests accompanying Preserve members pay a fee of \$3 per child under age 18 and \$5 for adults. If bringing a guest swimming, payment is paid at the pool and if playing pickleball/tennis, payment can be paid on our website or in our secured locked box to the right of the door if after hours.

**Buckthorn pullers:** The Preserve has buckthorn pullers to loan out. Contact us to see if one is available.

**Little Library:** We are always in need of books for our Little Library. We currently have 4 Little Libraries that need filling. When you are spring cleaning, please consider dropping off books at The Preserve.

## Proudly Partnering With



### **PROP**

PROP: If you have any canned goods or items you would like to donate, please drop them off at The Preserve.



### **My Very Own Bed**

My Very Own Bed is a local non-profit organization created to provide new beds, bedding, stuffed animals, and books to children and adolescents after experiencing homelessness or unstable housing. Once stable housing is established, many children still find themselves sharing a bed with parents or siblings or sleeping on the floor. My Very Own Bed was created to ensure that each child has their own bed to support healthy sleep and as a result, healthy learning and growth.



### **Metro Blooms**

Minnesota based Metro Blooms offers free educational opportunities through their Blue Thumb program. Maybe you've heard of Lawns to Legumes? A grant to help you create pollinator friendly gardens! Metro Blooms, through their educational arm called Blue Thumb, offers workshops and online learning geared to help the DIYer develop skills for projects on rain gardens, native plantings, shoreline plantings, pollinator habitat and more. There are both online and in person opportunities. All free! April 15th is the next in person event, Planting for Pollinators! Learn more here: <https://bluethumb.org/events/> Watch for a potential Blue Thumb fall shoreline restoration class here at The Preserve. Meanwhile, take a walk round the lake to observe the progress made in year two and three along the SW shoreline of Neill Lake shoreline.

## Helpful Links

Trail Map

Design Review Guidelines

Design Review Request

Pay Annual Dues

FYI



## **Report City Maintenance Issues with Your Phone**

**EP See Click Fix is a mobile application for reporting nonemergency issues in our community, such as potholes or public property damage.**

Download the app on your mobile device and use it as a quick and easy way to help the City address maintenance issues.

In addition to the mobile app, you can report maintenance issues online at **[edenprairie.org/EPSeeClickFix](https://edenprairie.org/EPSeeClickFix)**.

## **Tree removal on Anderson Lake Pkwy**

The absence of ash: Tree removal reshapes Anderson Lakes Parkway  
***By Joanna Werch Takes***

A tree removal project to address infected ash trees along Anderson Lakes Parkway has dramatically altered the landscape.

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