

Forester's Report 4 26 2018

With the return of spring rains and spring green-up burning permits are again available. A total of 5 burning permits were issued during May.

Street weight limit signs were taken down on May 1st.

I have received a report that eagles are maintaining a nest near Sunfish Lane.

The Arbor Day Green Fair was held on Saturday, May 5th. A special thanks to Cassandra Schueller, local recycling coordinator, who provided recycling information and staffed the info table. Special thanks also to the volunteers who planted 15 new deciduous trees along the SE side of Salem Church Road on that morning. Many young trees were sold and are reported to be doing well.

The winter deer rubbing protection tubes have been removed and stored from trees in Musser Park and along Salem Church Road. More than 150 trees in those locations have been mulched with shredded hardwood mulch to encourage growth and help suppress weed/grass competition.

The second meeting of the "Welcome to Sunfish Lake" committee will be held on Wednesday, May 6, 7 pm, at the Heartland Credit Union community room at the corner of S. Robert Trail and Upper 55th Street. Additional members are welcome.

Have consulted with various residents regarding burning permits, fishing on Sunfish Lake, a nesting eagle pair, tree species choices, and other tree issues. Recent storms did fell a couple trees and broke some large branches but all were on private property and caused no big issues.

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