COLONIAL ACRES PHASE V NEWSLETTER

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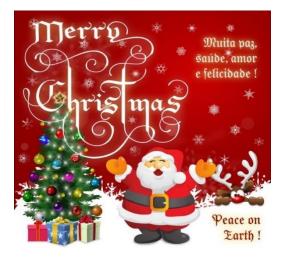
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DECEMBER



HAPPY HOLIDAYS



Phase V Men's Club is hosting the **2024 Annual Christmas Dinner** on December 8th at 5:30 pm. Tickets are \$16.00 and available through the Men's Club. (see page 11)

Kiwanis Holiday Senior Dinner is

December 9th from 5:30 – 7:30pm (see page 11 for additional information)

South Lyon Holiday Spectular is

December 7th from 10am-11pm. (see page 12 for additional information)

Lighting Up the Grand 2024 in Downtown New Hudson on December 14th from 2pm -7pm. (see page 11 for additional information)

Colonial Acres Phase V Board Minutes November 13, 2024

Meeting called to order 1:02 p.m. in attendance were Gloria Poirier, George Birchmeier, Gary Williams, Janice Broniak, Judy Stephens, Kelli Reuschlein, & Stacy Klabak . 20 Members in attendance

Pledge of allegiance

Approval of August Minutes: Approved

104-6 -Questioned why his fire pit had to be removed from the common area. Was told nothing can be put in common area without Board approval. Also, permanent fire pits are not allowed, only portable ones. Per the Board he has seven days to remove the permanent fire pit or it will be removed by Management.

138-1 Had airducts inspected and was told it needed an 8 inch hole in order for furnace to be cleaned. Per Paul that is correct.

Motion was made: Gary made a motion that fire pit rule will not be changed in the Rules & Regulations, 2nd and approved

70-3 Questioned why Members comments are not after the topic, Per George this was requested.

Management Report:

- ✓ The benches have been put in place, plaques still need to be ordered.
- ✓ Roofs have been completed for the year
- ✓ Empty unit 71-4 was inspected by Paul & no issues were found
- ✓ Concrete has been completed for the year
- ✓ If there's brick & cement work that should be inspected, it will be evaluated with the Spring walk thru 2025
- ✓ Paul Trala's contract & extra billing is being reviewed by the Board
- ✓ The schedule for 2025 open meetings will be posted in January 2025
- ✓ The board has been working on the 2025 projected Budget submitted by Clearview. Deciding the most urgent items that need attention.
- ✓ Board will be reviewing the Rules & Regulations for the clubhouse
- \checkmark The Board is implementing a new delinquent policy to begin 1/1/25
- ✓ The Board recommends Members regularly replace their furnace filters on a regular basis to prolong the life on the furnace
- ✓ Board suggested thermostat batteries be changed/checked on a yearly basis to ensure your heat remains on. Also to clean your dryer vent to prevent any fire Hazard.

Colonial Acres Phase V Board Minutes November 13, 2024 Continued:

70-3 Suggested contacting the Fire Department to check your smoke/carbon monoxide detectors

Management Report: Approved

Financial Report: Stacy gave the report. The highest items are water usage, which we can try & control and the Land Lease that we have no control over. We encourage everyone to conserve water use, check for leaks, & repair as needed by Member. We will be monitoring the water usage per building & may decide to inspect the unit if usage is too high. Do not water the lawn or wash your cars. Remember, we ALL pay the water bill, so we need to conserve!

Financial Report: Approved

Members Issues:

64-6 Thank you for the bench by pond in memory of Mike who gave so much of his time **73-3** Announced Friendsgiving tickets are on sale now.

107-4 Phase V Christmas dinner tickets are on sale now for a catered dinner, \$16, date December 8, doors open at 5:00 dinner is served at 5:30. There will be a 50/50 and gifts baskets, & gift cards to win.

Paul: announced Nozzlemen Club, which is a non-profit motorcycle club consisting of Firefighters & EMT/Paramedics. Ride for a cause supports burn camps to make a difference in the lives of young burn victims. Get in touch with Paul Trala.

Meeting adjourned at 1:47

Submitted by Gloria Poirier

Mark your calendar, the next Board/Members Meeting is December 11th at 1:00pm.



From the Board

December 1, 2024

Colonial Acres Phase V 25865 Jamestown Ct South Lyon, MI 48178

IMPORTANT UPDATE IN RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Colonial Acres Phase V Board of Directors has been hard at work reviewing and analyzing our community rules and regulations to make our cooperative as successful as possible. Recently the Board assessed payment of monthly carrying charges which impacts the financial success of the cooperative and made changes that are put into effect immediately.

Monthly Carrying Charges/Late Payments/Non-Payment of Taxes

New policy is added and begins after the required 30-day notice period on January 1, 2025, stating:

IF IT IS NECESSARY TO ISSUE A DEMAND FOR POSSESION AND/OR NOTICE TO QUIT FOR NON-PAYMENT THREE (3) CONSECUTIVE MONTHS OR A TOTAL OF FOUR (4) TIMES WITHIN A TWELVE (12) MONTH PERIOD, NON-PAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAX FOR (3) CONSECUTIVE MONTHS. THAT MEMBER'S OCCUPANCY AGREEMENT SHALL BE TERMINATED BY THE CORPORATION.

The Board of Directors and the Members of the cooperative are depending on you to make your monthly payment and property taxes in a timely and efficient manner to make our cooperative as successful as possible. The cooperative requires everyone to be responsible for their agreed upon financial commitment. Where we are in the future depends on what we do today. Let's make those monthly carrying charge payments today!

If you have any questions about these changes please contact Clearview Property Management.

Colonial Acres Phase V Board of Directors

INCREASE IN MONTHLY FEE – JANUARY 1, 2025

Dear Members,

Cost-of-living increases directly impact our lives and our place we call home.

The current and previous Board of Directors closely monitored property expenses, and the budget to maintain a valued community for our members.

In 2025 the cost of utilities, materials, maintenance items, maintenance vendor contracts, land lease, property taxes, water, property and liability insurance, have all increased. Inflation risks are also a possibility throughout the year.

The community infrastructure is starting to show its age with our asphalt streets slowly crumbling in certain areas, roof replacements, wood fences and bus-stops rotting and needing new wood and paint, street drains failing and collapsing, crumbling concrete throughout the community, the life cycle of the boilers is also approaching causing more failures and repairs. These issues are all manageable and have to be done incrementally.

The Board of Directors and Clearview Property Management must inform the members of the community of a \$43 per month increase in our monthly fee. The increase will go into effect January 1, 2025.

Sincerely,

Colonial Acres Phase V

Board of Directors

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Clubhouse Committee Meeting Minutes November 07, 2024

Clubhouse meeting called to order by Laura Gola, for November. Barb Kibler gave the financial report. This report was accepted by all present. This meeting was the 2nd shortest on record. The last few "Clubhouse Meetings" have been held in the evening so people who work could attend.

Thank you, Laura and Mike Gola, for their donation of Hot Dogs at all the "Deck Parties held this summer. 50/50 was held with \$80.00 being the prize; \$80.00 added to Club House treasury. Deck Parties are well attended and enjoyed by all that attend. Can't wait till it is summer again.

Since the last newsletter we have had activities such as: Craft Show, Bake Sale, Game Nights, Men's Club meeting, Christmas Clubhouse Decorating and Cookie Exchange. Hope all who attended enjoyed themselves. Any ideas for clubhouse activities would be appreciated. Some ideas previously suggested are being considered. Remember each activity needs a coordinator. Do not be afraid to volunteer, you will get help. Remember we are a cooperative. These activities are great social events, come meet your neighbors, do not be strangers.

After the new year there will be an Italian Potluck taking place with more details coming.

We have had a health program held in conjunction with Phases 1 through 4 at their clubhouse. The fall Flu and Covid shot program. Let us all stay healthy this winter.

There are ongoing programs open to all residents such as Yoga at 11:00 on Mondays, Walking and exercise programs on Wednesdays and Fridays at 9:00. Stay healthy. Coffee and donuts every Monday at 8:30. Cards and game nights ongoing check calendar. Attend one or all. We also have a rather extensive library of books, magazines, games and puzzles for our use.

Cardmaking and scrapbooking are coming. Check for future updates.

Thanks to Melissa for stepping up for the newsletter.

Christmas party tickets and Friendsgiving tickets on sale in a limited number, get yours soon.

The South Lyon Fire Department has supplied us with "File for Life" packets. Fill out the information such as medications, who to contact in an emergency and medical conditions. After filling out the information place the packet on your refrigerator. If you have an episode, the information needed is readily available. Please pick one up and fill out. Everyone here needs this. If packets are out, we can get more, just let us know.

Clubhouse Chair Update for December 2024

Let me start by giving a special thank you to Melissa G - co-chair - who helps me execute our events when I am out of town - This Fall has been tough for me to coordinate these events with unexpected trips to FLA. In addition, lets also thank her for stepping up to fill the editor of newsletter position that just became available again. Thank you on behalf of all of us!

- Applebee's in October brought in \$150 in profits, thanks to all that attended.
- Chili Cookoff was well attended in October and made a nice \$60 in 50/50 income. Congrats to Peggy Booker on winning best chili! Thanks to all participants!
- Flu/Covid shot session Oct 17 had 60 participants!
- Kibler/Men's club lead up and completed Fall Cleanup! and hung outside lights for the Season thanks to all!
- Our Medicare consultant sessions on Nov 7 were well attended those that participated give me feedback please on if this is a worthy exercise.
- November Craft show went well thank you Connie and team for this effort. Th Craft Show earned \$432 towards for the Clubhouse.
- Barb Kibler and LG held the first Scrapbooking session on November 10, attended by 3 but hopes for more down the line. Next Session is January 12. If you are new to scrapbooking or have an interest in it, please stop by between 10 and 3 and check it out! Feb 16 after that.
- Clubhouse decorating and Holiday Cookie Exchange was held on Nov 17 and within an hour, the team had the Clubhouse well decorated and beautiful and I personally have a great selection of cookies for the Holidays! Consider joining next year!
- At the time of this printing, the Friendsgiving event has come and gone, and I am confident it all went well, and we had a fabulous time! Thanksgiving is my favorite Holiday and I am hoping all that attended consider this a special event also! Thanks to all who brought a dish or helped through the event!

Upcoming Event updates - mark your calendars!:

- November 30, Michigan VS Ohio State Game in Clubhouse Bill
- Floor repair has been delayed twice due to Vendor availability. Floor repair is now scheduled for Tuesday, December 3, Floor repair Seghi 8 12, Anyone that wants to join me to oversee this is welcome to drop by LG
- Dec 8, Xmas dinner at Clubhouse, Men's Club planning now. If you are interested in donating a basket/other for event please contact Bill Aldinger. Will be another great event!
- Jan 9th, Famous Dave's Novi Dinner fundraiser 20% to Phase 5 See article details in December
- Sunday, January 19, 2025 Italian Potluck, 2 5! Bring your best Italian dish to pass Details in December newsletter
- Pancake Breakfast, February 1, Men's club.
- Sunday, February 9, 2025 Super Bowl Party/Mexican Potluck 5 pm Whip up your best Mexican dish and come cheer on your favorite team (Lions?!!)).

- February 20th, Applebee's Lyon, Dinner Fundraiser 20% to Phase 5 details in January.
- Tiger Baseball game possible?? needs chair 2025, request for this. Men's club?
- Possible new activity Book Club, do we have a chair?
- Others, Scavenger Hunt Polaroid Party, Disco Party, Mystery party...more discussion to come.
- Budget discussions in 2025 need to understand all bills and what is then left to spend more accurately.
- Ongoing fabulous card, bingo (returns Feb 5th) and exercise events see calendar for specific dates.
- Laurie K. has stepped up to replace Mike F. as Clubhouse supplier Buyer Thanks Laurie and Mike for your service!

Other:

Men's Club looking for new members. Meetings are 1st Mondays, 1pm. We will need a new volunteer to update the Large Clubhouse sign beginning in May.

Finally,

I am blessed to lead such an awesome volunteer community that pulls off all the fabulous events at the Clubhouse each month! Here's hoping you all also had a Wonderful Thanksgiving!

Sincerely, Laura Gola – Clubhouse Chair

Next Clubhouse meeting 12/5 - 12 noon. No meeting in January.

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Dan Tomakowski passed November 15, 2024 RIP Bring a ray of sunshine to a neighbor who may need encouragement or a get well wish. Faith Phee will send a card to lift someone's spirits. Please contact Faith 313-418-0067 if you would like a note sent that says we care.

> Sympathy Corner: Please notify editors of any deaths in the community & a card will be sent to the family on behalf of our Phase V community Ticonderogagals1@gmail.com

Condos for sale in Colonial Acres Phase V

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Per Kim Champe

\$145,000.00 \$155,000.00

2 Condos

Condos pending in Colonial Acres Phase V

4 Condos \$150,000.00 \$154,900.00 \$159,000.00 \$159,900.00

Condos sold in Colonial Acres Phase V

4 Condos	\$145,000.00
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Thíngs Happeníng ín and AROUND Phase V

Phase V 2024 Christmas Dinner

Hosted by the Men's Club and tickets are available from the Men's Club



When: Sunday, December 8th 5:30pm Where: Phase V Clubhouse Cost: \$16.00 per Tícket



Doors Open at 5:00pm. There will be 50/50, Prizes and Plenty of Fun!

Catered event serving: Oven Roasted Chicken, Vegetable Lasagna, Green Beans, Oven Roasted Red Potatoes, Salad, Rolls and Cake for dessert! Bring a beverage of your choice. Water and Coffee will also be available.



Kiwanis Holiday Senior Dinner

When: Monday, December 9th 5:30pm - 7:30pm Where: South Lyon High School Commons 11 Mile & Pontiac Trail FREE DINNER for South Lyon Residents 65 and older No RSVP Needed Doors Open at 5:00pm. Dinner, Magic Show and Live Music



Lighting Up the Grand 2024

When: Saturday, December 14th 2:00pm – 7:00pm Where: Downtown New Hudson

2-5:45pm: Holíday Market at Dolsen Elementary School 4:30-7pm: Free Cookíe Decoratíng at Men Bake Cookíes

Full List of activities can be found at https://www.funonthegrand.com



South Lyon Holiday Spectacular

When: Saturday, December 7th 10am – 9pm Where: Downtown South Lyon

10am-2pm - SL Farmers Market ínsíde VFW Hall
4pm -8pm - Hístoríc Víllage Open for Tours
4pm-7pm - SL Downtown - Ice Sculptors & Street Performers
6pm - Holíday Parade
7:30pm - Tree Líghtíng Ceremony at Heínanen Porch

Full List of activities can be found at https://www.southlyonmi.org/residents/events/cool_yule.php

Making Greeting Cards with Faith on the **3**rd **Wednesday of Each Month** (December 18th this month) at **Noon**. The cost is \$7.00 for materials to make three cards. You need to bring an adhesive and scissors. Please let Faith know by Monday (the 16th) if you would like to attend. Her number is 313-418-0067. This event is open to all Phases.

Reminder that there will be **NO Bingo** in December & January. It will resume February 5th weather permitting.

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Exercise Class	11:00 am	Monday December 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th
Exercise Class	11:00 am	Wednesday, December 4th, 11th, 18th
Christmas Dinner dinner	5:00 pm	Thursday, December 5th, \$15.00 per ticket Catered (Space is limited, get your tickets early!)
Potluck/Euchre (\$5:00 Come f (Bring a dish to	6:00/7:00 or one or both) o pass)	Saturday, December 7th Friday, December 20th

Save the Date Events

Scrapbooking January 12, 2025 – 10am – 3pm Colonial Acres Phase V Clubhouse

Pancake Breakfast **February 1, 2025** – 9am -10:30 am Colonial Acres Phase V Clubhouse Italian Themed Potluck January 19, 2025 – 2pm – 5pm Colonial Acres Phase V Clubhouse

Mexican Themed Potluck/Super Bowl Party **February 9, 2025** - 5:00pm Colonial Acres Phase V Clubhouse

Scrapbooking **February 16, 2025** – 10am – 3pm Colonial Acres Phase V Clubhouse



Famous Dave's Bar-B-Que January 9, 2025 - Dinner 43350 Crescent Blvd Novi, MI 48375 (248) 735-1111

Fundraising Events



Applebee's **February 20, 2025** – Dinner 30686 Lyon Center Dr E New Hudson, MI 48165 (248) 446-1770

Dine in - Order Online - Take Out

Just mention <u>**Colonial Acres Phase V Clubhouse</u>** and the Clubhouse will receive 20% of the proceeds (minus taxes).</u>

Recipe of the Month

from the kitchen of Christen Anttila

Roasted Cornish Hen and Vegetables Christmas Dinner for 2

 9.5-inch baking dish 2 Cornish Hens rinsed or tofu, turkey or 2 chicken breasts ½ t rosemary 1 t salt divided 2 lemon wedges 4 cloves of garlic , or garlic powder 4 carrots, thickly chopped 4 red skin potatoes, quartered 2 t olive oil, divided 	 Put spices in cavity of hens, (you can use 2 chicken breasts instead). Arrange vegetables on bottom of greased baking dish. Place hens or breasts on top of vegetables. Drizzle oil on top, sprinkle with salt and pepper. Place butter on top of the hens. Bake for 25 min at 425. Reduce heat to 350 for 35 min more.
2 T butter	Reduce neat to 350 for 35 min more. Rest for 15 min. before carving.

Paul's Corner - Where is the Leak?

During the November board meeting, the topic of high water bills was addressed. The largest culprit of high water bills is plumbing that has failed. This can range from a dripping faucet, to a malfunctioning appliance, or even a toilet in need of repair. Faulty plumbing not only causes high water bills, but can also put strain on the water heater which can lead to failure. It is the responsibility of the resident to find the leak and manage repairs in a timely manner.

Only the water heater and furnace/boiler are covered by the co-op; all other plumbing, after the main shut-off valves to each unit, are the responsibility of the unit owner. To save time and money, please follow this guide to locate any leaks prior to calling in a repair.

Toilets are a common area that is often overlooked.

Have you ever heard the toilet flush long after its last use?

Perhaps you've heard a whistling noise, or what sounds like a jet engine airplane taking flight? These are all signs that your toilet is in need of repair.

There is a simple test to check for issues. Take off the lid from the toilet tank and set it in a safe spot. Place 2-3 drops of food coloring into the tank water and replace the lid. Wait about four hours and check the bowl. If you see colorant in the bowl water, your toilet needs repair work.

If you find water on the floor near your toilet, run your hand under the tank to check for moisture. It may be that the supply line or tank has a crack, the bolts have come loose, or a gasket has gone bad.

Faucets leaks, whether it be in the kitchen, bathroom, or utility room, can be easy to find. You might see water inside the cabinet, pooling on the counter, dripping into the basin, or spraying from areas that shouldn't be spraying.

Sometimes, it's not as obvious. To test, take a small baggie (like a ziplock) and tie it to the faucet spout or shower head. If you come back in three to four hours and see water in the bag, there is a leak and a repair is needed.

When you find water in your utility room, take a moment to find the source. Although it may be the water heater, there are other sources the water may be coming from. If the washing machine was recently ran, the discharge line may have popped out of the laundry tub or the laundry tub drain may be clogged. The water softener may be leaking or the salt barrel may be cracked. If the unit has central air, the drain line may be clogged and overflowing. Be sure to also look up for signs of water, as plumbing from the upper level may be leaking into the basement.

Please, take the time to look over the responsibility grid (which can be found online at <u>www.ColonialAcresPhaseV.com</u> or on the bulletin board at the clubhouse) and familiarize yourself with what is covered by the co-op and what is the responsibility of the homeowner. It will be the responsibility of the resident to pay for any service rendered that is not covered by the co-op, regardless of if the emergency maintenance phone number is called.

Help yourself, and your fellow neighbors, by keeping an eye out for plumbing leaks. It doesn't onlyaffect you and your wallet, but also theirs.Paul's Plumbing Services 248-437-0501

Remember that Participation is key to a successful thriving community!

Colonial Acres and SLARA pair up for a successful Trick-or-Treat Event

by Denise Semion

A big THANK YOU to everyone who donated candy for the South Lyon Trick-or-Treat event October 24 in downtown South Lyon!

Excellent weather brought out kids of all ages to wander the streets to collect candy and treats. I also want to thank volunteers Melissa Godzik and Janice Klatt-Broniak, who helped me register people for the annual Pup Pawrade and Linda Belanger and Ray Redilla for helping hand out candy to more than 1,500 kids.

This is the second year Colonial Acres Phase V partnered with South Lyon Area Recreation Authority.





Looking for a Notary Service?

The Salem-South Lyon District Library offers a Free Notary Service on:

Wednesday from 10am-11am on December 4th, 11th & 18th

Monday from 6pm-7pm on December 30th.

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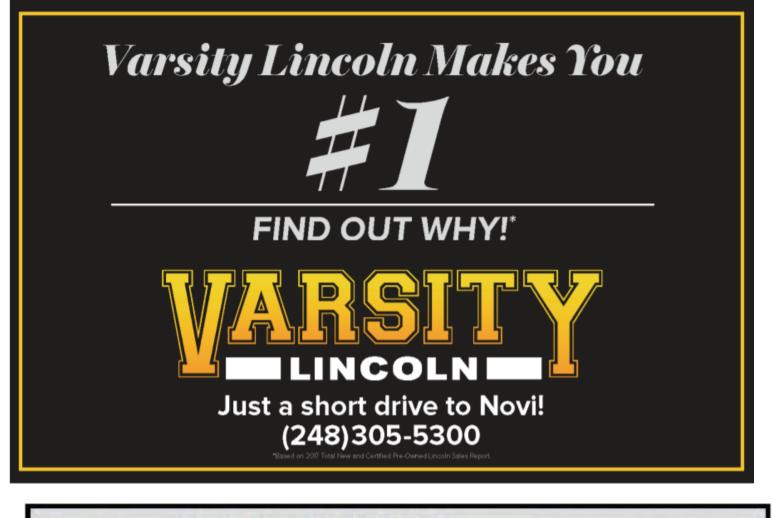
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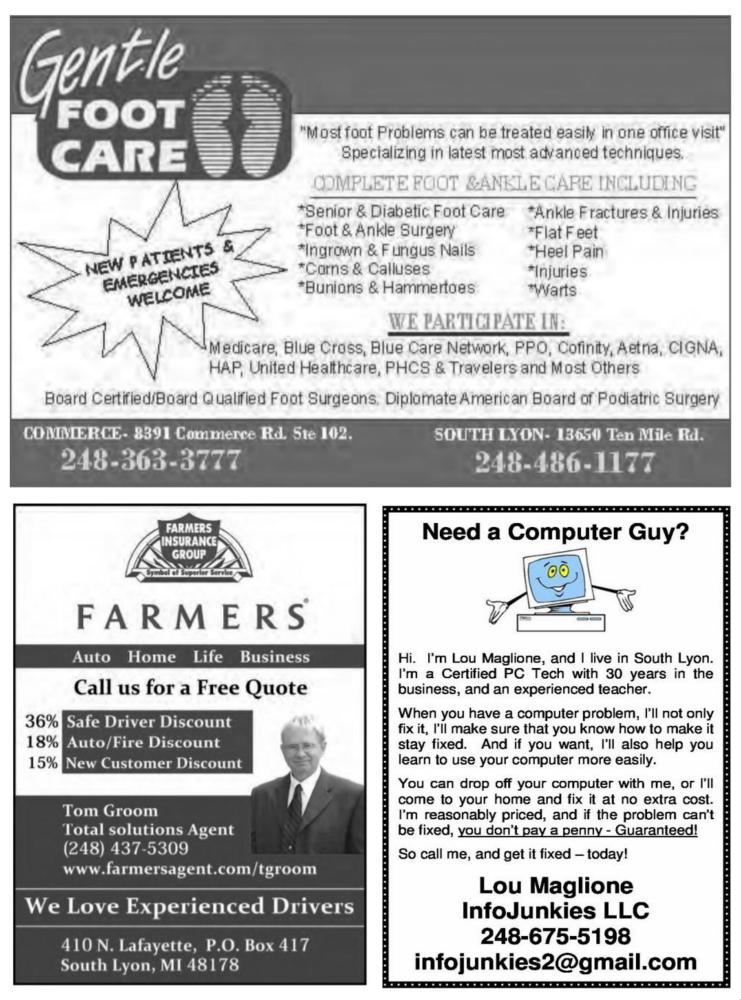
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1	2 8:30 am Coffee hr 3-5 pm Happy Hr Aubrees 7 pm Euchre	32-5 pm Billiards7 pm TX Hold em	4 9-10 am Walking Exercise class 10-12 Sewing	5 <mark>12pm -</mark> Clubhouse Mtg 7 pm Euchre	 6 9-10 am Walking Exercise class 7 pm TX Hold em 	7 RENTAL Pearl Harbor Day 1941
8 5:30 pm Phase V Christmas Dinner Doors open at 5pm	 9 8:30 am Coffee hr 11-12:30 Yoga 1 pm Men's Social 7 pm Euchre 	102-5 pm Billiards7 pm TX Hold em	 11 9-10 am Walking Exercise class 10-12 Sewing 1pm – Board Mtg 6 pm Game Night 	12 7 pm Euchre	 13 9-10 am Walking Exercise class 7 pm Bible Study 	14 RENTAL
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22 RENTAL	23 RENTAL	24 RENTAL Christmas Eve	25 RENTAL Christmas Day	26 7 pm Euchre Hanukkah Begins	27 RENTAL	28 RENTAL
29 RENTAL	30 RENTAL	31 7 pm TX Hold em New Years Eve				