

JANUARY 2017 Phase V Newsletter

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"The birds
are gone, The ground
is white,
The winds
are wild, They chill
and bite;
The ground
is thick with slush
and sleet,
And I barely feel my feet."

AROUND TOWN—NEARBY THINGS TO DO

1/1 2017 Michigan Winter Dog Classic—7000 dogs—Suburban Collection Showplace

1/6/2017 - 1/8/2017. In: 35th Annual Plymouth Ice Festival Kellogg Park Downtown is turned into a wonderland of ice carvings. Live demonstrations plus chain saw competition.

1/11/2017 - 1/22/2017 Phantom of the Opera Detroit Opera House.

1/14/2017 - 1/22/2017 North American International Auto Show Cobo Hall, 1 Washington Blvd Detroit, MI 48226

1/15-1/20/2017 Ann Arbor Restaurant Week. Many Bogos—Lunch \$5, Dinner 28.

1/25/17 - 1/30/17 Zehnders Snowfest, Frankenmuth

1/27/2017 - 1/28/2017. Saline Winterfest 2017. There will be 35+ indoor and 10+ outdoor activities scattered among 20+ locations in the 4 blocks of Downtown Saline. Ann Arbor Area

1/27- 1/29/2017 Novi Home and Garden Show Suburban Collection Showplace

PHASE V BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

December 14, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Bill Charles at 1:05 pm.

In attendance was Clearview Management, Jim Reuschlein, Bill Charles, Cindy Christansen, Doug Smith and Jerrie Valentine, Judy Keeling was absent.

The minutes from the last meeting were read and approved by the board.

Treasurer's report was read and explained by Jim/Clearview . Our expenses for the current month of November were \$105,320.00. Our budget for the Month was for \$126,645. showing a decrease of \$17,285. Our current Delinquencies have been reduced to \$9,899.55 which by the way is the smallest it has been in a very long time. Late Charges will be going added on for the members who continue being deliquent in their payments. We currently have 2 more units listed for sale one on Arlington for \$92,500.00 and one on Raleigh Ct for \$97,900.00. Our units are continuing to rise in value.

Winter tax bills have been received and should be in our hands before the end of December. There will be no additional Carrying charge going into 2017!

The New street signs are here and Waiting for Paul to install when weather permits.

Issues with the Snow removal company were addressed the lateness of the clearing, etc. This caught Lewis Brothers by surprise and they have also added Phase 1-4 to the plowing services. So there is a learning curve for them and we are looking forward to improved services and they gear up with employees and and equipment.

Jerrie Question if he had added the LOUD horns as promised a year ago? Jim will double check and make sure he is BLOWING loud and Clear as he approaches to clean our drive. Speaking of clear we must be conscious effort to No. 1 STAY off the curbs. You are breaking our Just repaired Sprinklers and No.2 Please do not park overnite or where you know the will be pushing the snow. (at the end of each street onto Heritage.)

Dick Biskner questioned if a member calls a Furnace Company or Water Heater replacement service company will Colonial

Acres Reimburse the member for the dollars spent. The answer is No we will not. Paul Trala is on staff to handle those issues. If you have questions on what might be responsibility. You can always call Clearview and Jim or Kelly are well informed and can pass the Info to you. Speaking of Paul, He also apologized for the upset he caused when attempting to explain what would be covered under warranty with new thermostats during the Energy presentation. Consumer accepted by all on the board. Discussion with Paul on what is expected on furnace inspections they have a mini inspection. Where they clean our forced air furnaces have a little window at the bottom that show a warning if something is getting ready to fail. Yearly they Have assigned homes to have a thourgh cleaning and check the homes scheduled for 2017 are listed on the bulletin board at the phase V clubhouse.

There was discussion by Bill Charles and the Board and attending members about the City Council Meetings of a week ago of which we were unaware of issues apparently on the New development planed and the possible exit onto Lexington drive and then to Heritage. We have requested our Attorney draft a letter to the city and also research what our rights are as Non land owners. More on this to follow. Jerrie Valentine reported that the city council can be viewed in its entirety on u tube. And also have requested to be added to the "Super Board" which consists of 2 board members from all Phases 1-4. Which attend a general meeting every 2 months. As we all share the same desires for the peace and quiet and beauty of our homesteads working together seems like right thing to do.

Finally we lost 2 Euchre card players this month which will be greatly missed.

Jean Parker, and Reggie Levesque.

Many Thanks to Jim and Kelly Reuschlein, for their generous donation to our New Years Eve Party. Come one come all! Tickets are still available! Meeting was adjourned at 1:50p.m.

Jerrie Valentine, Secretary Bill Charles, President.

Colonial Acres Phase V Clubhouse Meeting 12/13/16

Meeting called to order by Co-Chair Sharon Makowski at 1:00 pm.

Present: Sharon Makowski, John McGraw, Judy Keeling, Laura Meyers, Jack Saunders, Jane Severn, Diane Smith and Deanne Carter.

Treasurers report: Bake Sale made \$102., Craft made \$65.and everyone was happy. Once the cookbooks cost is off the treasurer report we will have the same amount in the bank as last month.

The clubhouse decorating went well. Everyone would like to have the soup and chili back for next year.

The cookbooks are in and need binding. Some people will start early on Wednesday and different people will keep the binding going until we are done. They will be passed out with the newsletter this month. We really want to thank Debra Staebler and John McGraw for all the hard work getting the cookbook together and all the typing it took!

The Christmas dinner was canceled due to the snow. Linda is meeting with Bakers to set up another date. She will contact the people that had sign the list to go to the dinner with a new date.

News Year Eve Party has 6 people selling tickets for the even. A DJ this year and bring your own drinks and food to pass.

John and Jack discussed the raising of the prise of advertising in the newsletter. They agreed to follow John suggestion on the increase of advertising.

Jane has name of new co-op owners. Know one has been home or has move in yet.

Coffee on Monday mornings had 71 people for the month of November.

Diane Smith has worked very hard on all new contract for renting the clubhouse. She has spent many hours putting together rental agreements, event information forms, cleaning list and liability forms. We want to thank Diane for all her time and work! There were 28 clubhouse rentals for 2016, right now for 2017 we have 10.

Our clubhouse driveway needs to be ice and snow free for people's safety. We will call management for help with this. Adjourned @ 1:35pm.

Volunteer Needed—Use Your Expertise to Please!!!

The Clubhouse is currently looking for interested persons to fill the Committee vacancies listed below.

[1] Vacancies Once a Month Coffee Host or Hostess Contact Deane Carter, 248-667-7046

[1] Vacancy ... Pool Manager Contact Nancy Meininger 248-366-4845

[1] Vacancy ... Benevolent Fund Contact Kathleen Manuel, 248-446-5054

History in Your Back Yard-- Mill Pond Ice Skating



Remember how much you looked forward to winter sledding and skating on the old Mill pond? Well you can still spend an afternoon or

evening watching skaters zip across the pond or put on a pair of the free skates and take a whirl yourself. Gather your grand kids and friends together for some old-fashioned winter fun at the Plymouth Mill Pond Skate Rink located on the end of East Main Street. Special lighting allows for night skating. Admission is FREE so you can skate as often as you wish! A warming shelter sells snacks and warm drinks. Free skate rental too.Call 920-627-SKATE (920-627-7528) for the latest information. Hours (call to confirm) Monday-Friday 4pm—9pm Saturday 1pm—9pm Sunday 1pm—5pm www.plymouthgov.com

Solicitors are not allowed in Phase V. Do not answer the door or allow them to enter your unit under any circumstances. Call the police! 248-437-1771

DOT'S RECIPE BOX By Dot Saunders—239-352-6495

Scrumptious Hawaiian Cake!!!

1pkg(18-1/4) oz) yellow cake mix 1-1/4 c cold milk 1 pkg. ((3 .4 oz.) instant vanilla pudding 1 can (20 oz.) crushed pineapple drained 1 envelope whipped topping mix 1 pkg. (3oz.) cream cheese, softened 1/2 c. Sugar 1/2 tsp. Vanilla extract 1/2 c. Flaked coconut toasted Prepare & bake the cake according to package directions, using a greased 13 in.x9 in x 2 in baking pan. Cool. In a bowl, whisk together milk& pudding mix, let stand to thicken. Stir in pineapple. Spread over cake. Prepare whipped topping mix according to pkg. directions. Set aside. In a mixing bowl beat cream cheese, sugar & vanilla until smooth. Beat in 1 c. Whipped topping. Fold in remaining topping. Spread over pudding. Sprinkle with coconut. Cover & refrigerate for 3 hrs. Or overnight serves 12-15.

Best Practices for Disposing of Unused Medications

When was the last time you checked the expiration date on that bottle of Motrin® or Tylenol® in your medicine cabinet? Not only do over-the-counter (OTC) medications expire but prescription medications do, too. When a medication is no longer needed, it is important to dispose of it properly. Follow these tips to ensure you're disposing of unused medications safely.

- 1. A drop box is available inside the South Lyon Police Department lobby (219 Whipple Street South Lyon, MI) during business hours to deposit expired/unwanted medications. Medications placed inside the drop box are disposed of properly and are accepted with no questions asked.
- 2. Contrary to what many people believe, very few medications should be flushed down the sink or toilet. Examples of medications that are acceptable to flush down the toilet include Hydromorphone, Oxycodone, Morphine, and Hydrocodone. The FDA recommends flushing these medications down the toilet to get rid of

- them right away and ensure that they cannot be used again or accidentally ingested. Check with your pharmacist to see if any of your medications should be flushed down the toilet for safe disposal.
- As a last resort, you may also dispose of unused medications in the household trash using these steps:
 - a. Remove them from their original containers & mix them with an undesirable substance (coffee grounds, dirt, or kitty litter).
 - b. Place the mixture in a sealable bag
 - c. Scratch out all personal information on the prescription label
 - d. Throw the container in your household trash

Is there a topic you'd like to see discussed? If so, send an email to

ryangrant2015@gmail.com

Ryan F. Grant, Pharm.D., Walgreens Pharmacist – Novi, MI (248) 349-6771

Start 2017 On An Upbeat Note—Or A Two and A Three...

By Bill Semion

So all the hullaballoo is over. Time for another four-month—yes, I know, it's supposed to be three, but this is Michigan—winter.

Let's kick off the season indoors with some great events of note—symphonic and otherwise—notes, that is.

January is loaded with performances by the world-renowned Detroit Symphony, starting Jan. 5 featuring violinist Benjamin Beilman as the orchestra and young Ben perform eight Stravinsky overtures, and other works by Beethoven, Schubert and Paulenc.

As part of the orchestra's Mozart Festival, the orchestra performs some of the maestro's greatest hits Jan. 21-22, including the symphony No. 39 and overture to The Magic Flute. For DSO info, call 313-576-5111, or go to www.detroitsyimphony.com.

Haven't gotten quite enough holidaythemed music yet? Dearborn's Guido Theater presents the Russian National Ballet Theater's rendition of Tschaikovsky's "Sleeping Beauty" ballet, on Jan. 6. Check out tickets at www.dearborntheater.com, or call 313-943-2354.

If you don't want to head to or toward Detroit's resurgent downtown, the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra performs it own tributeband offering to Wolfie on Jan. 14 at the Michigan Theater. Have dinner downtown first and then head for the 8 p.m. performance. Call 734-994-4801, or go to www.a2so.com.

Like the music of Carole King? Get a group together and motor or limo it down to the Fisher Theater to see "Beautiful: The Carole King Musical," featuring, of course, the music of one of the modern masters of classical pop. It's on

through Jan. 8, one of several shows on the lineup for this season's Broadway in Detroit series. Head down for dinner before.

There's a great event for your young and younger grandkids at Flint's great performance space, the Whiting Auditorium on Jan. 27 and 28. The Flint Youth Theater presents "The Ugly Duckling," at 7 p.m. and 2 pm., respectively. Call the theater ticket center at 888-8CENTER, and ask about other events that take place now through April. Find out more at www.tickets.thewhiting.com.

Now, if you're a rocker from way back who's not ready for the rocking chair yet, or can't let go of the folk music era, which continues, here's some concert meat for you to chew on: Take a road trip west to Grand Rapids and make it to a folk-rock concert by Colorado's The Lumineers. The trio comes to Van Andel Arena, Jan. 26, and moves on to The Palace in Auburn Hills on Jan. 27.

Or, on Jan. 27-28, head to Ann Arbor for the 40th annual Ann Arbor Folk Festival at Hill Auditorium.

It's a fund-raiser for The Ark, that special, small entertainment venue downtown that's hosted many of the greats of folk. contemporary, and rising stars. This year's includes folk and country performers including Kacey Musgraves, the Indigo Girls and lots more, with the playbill changing each night. For more, www.theark.org/folk-festival, or call The Ark at 734-761-1800.

There's a start on your musical/festival/play calendar for the new year. Enjoy your time, and get out of your four walls to enjoy.

KIM'S CORNER

61962 Yorktown Dr. 91-3...... \$94,900 25118 Jefferson Ct...... 63-5...... \$88,900 <u>ACTIVE</u> 62361 Arlington Cir. 110-5...... \$92,500

PENDING

25111 Heritage Ct	61-6	\$79,900
62402 Raleigh Ct	97-2	\$97.900
25635 Lexington Dr	70-6	\$95.900
25748 Lexington Dr	77-1	\$99.900

Bare trees reveal hidden homes

By Denise Semion

Once leaves fall from trees, a world of stark silhouettes is revealed to us. Take a minute to look up among bare branches to see squirrel nests and other evidence of wildlife. Last month, I spotted a large football-shaped wasp nest hanging in a tree along Heritage Boulevard near Potomac Street. I glanced up at it each time I drove by. One day it was gone, and I became curious about who built that paper nest.

Searching the Internet, I discovered three types of wasps construct paper nests. Bald-faced hornets make large, football-shaped nests, like the one I saw hanging from the tree. Paper wasps build umbrella-shaped nests suspended under eaves, overhangs, nooks and crannies. Yellowjackets can construct their nests underground. Generally speaking, these three types of wasps build their nests the same way.

Wasps are expert paper makers, capable of turning raw wood into sturdy paper homes. First, a suitable support is chosen, such as a window shutter, a tree branch, or a root in the case of underground nests. A wasp queen uses her mandibles to scrape bits of wood fiber from fences, logs, or even cardboard, breaks the fibers down in her mouth using saliva and water to weaken them, and then flies to her chosen nest site with a mouth full of soft paper pulp, which she adds to the support.

The nest itself is comprised of hexagonal cells in which the young will develop. The queen protects the brood cells by building a paper envelope, or cover, around them. The nest expands as the colony grows in number, with new generations of workers constructing new cells as needed.

In Michigan, wasps abandon their nests in the fall; the nests degrade naturally over the winter. All the workers eventually die due to starvation and cold weather. After mating, the queens seek protected sites in which to spend the winter; they are the only ones that survive the season. The next spring, they emerge from their long winter's rest and search for a suitable nesting sites and begin constructing new nests. Old nests are never reused, but the same nesting site may be selected year after year.

Despite their threatening appearance and potential to sting us, wasps do provide some benefit. Paper wasps and bald-faced hornets prey on other insects, and play an important role in controlling plant pests. If these wasps were totally eliminated, many pests could gain free reign to destroy valuable plants and vegetables.

So the next time you look out your window or venture outside, take a moment to look up at the trees. You might see something new on the wilder side of life.

Thank you from the Lathams

Larry and I would like to thank everyone who turned out for the Christmas clubhouse decorating party and farewell for us. It was a warm and wonderful gathering of friends and neighbors. It was a great pleasure living among so many outstanding people. If ever in the

neighborhood, please give us a call. 248-622-6265. We would be more than happy to have you stop by.

You'all come !!

Larry and Sue

Say Hello To...By Jane Severn, Resident Greeter

99-1	. Patrick & Marguerite Cenkner	62622	Raleigh	Ct	.586-662-1721
99-1	. Ronald LaBelle	62622	Raleigh	Ct	734-546-2832
65-3	Irene Lindaren	25118	lefferso	o Ct	2/18-762-753/



Our thought and prayers go out to the friends and families of Jean Parker (93-6) and Reggie Levesque (153-6) who passed away recently.

AFTERNOON READING ADVENTURES

Reviews by Jessica Hesselgrave of Salem South Lyon Library

Moonglow by Michael Chabon

Moonglow unfolds as the deathbed confession of a man the narrator refers to only as "my grandfather." It is a tale like no other — of adventure, war, marriage, desire, doubt, madness — the novel shows an era of time through a single life and compacts this man's

life into a week's worth of stories, experiences and explores the power (and impact) of keeping secrets and telling lies. Based on Chabon's real-life discussions with his own grandfather as he sat with him on his deathbed, this fictional nonfiction is all at once a novel, a memoir, and an autobiographical work of literature.

The Nine of Us: Growing up Kennedy by Jean Kennedy Smith

Jean Kennedy Smith, the last surviving child of Joe and Rose Kennedy, offers an intimate memoir of growing up in America's royal family. Her childhood was spent with parent's who used newspaper headlines as a starting point for intelligent dinner conversation, instilled a love of country, strong work ethic, and an appreciation for all that they had. In these pages, Kennedy Smith shares anecdotes about her famous siblings, and their relationship with their parents. "They knew how to cure our hurts, bind our wounds, listen to our woes, and help us enjoy life," she writes. "We were lucky children indeed."

AARP Magazine says

Moving Your Feet to the Beat Not Only Feels Good and May Reduce Fall Risk

Movement helps improve circulation to ease the pain of osteoarthritis, so common in older adults. Dancing alone or with others can be a great way to feel better fast. In a small study from St. Louis University Medical Center, researchers found that dancing eased hip and knee pain and also helped older adults move better.

The findings are especially noteworthy because they point out that older adults who walk too slowly are more likely to fall, become hospitalized or require care from others.

Dancing requires coordination, balance and control—all useful in preventing falls. Styles of dance exercise classes include everything from Zumba Gold (the senior version) to more free form styles such as Nia.

You can also derive benefits from the more formal partner dance classes where you can learn everything from salsa to waltz, and meet people while doing it since partners are not required.

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January Birthdays

- 2 Joan Spencer
- 3 Denise Catt
- 3 Alice Ciszewski
- 3 Ron Makowski
- 4 Wally Tomiuk
- 7 Dottie Saunders
- 8 Eileen Cowen
- 8 Kathy Pemberton
- 9 Linda Walpale
- 10 Michael Livingstone
- 10 Kathy Waker
- 10 Nico Akemann
- 11 Nancy Meininger
- 17 Susan Leu
- 17 Pat Sparrow
- 17 Angie Spitzig
- 18 Jack Hay
- 19 Georgette Rose
- 20 Debbie McGinniss
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- 20 Doug Fox
- 21 Richard Stinson
- 23 Phyllis Powloski
- 24 Margaret Banaitis
- 24 Joyce Kemp
- 24 Michael Pehrson
- 24 Barbara Tognetti
- 24 Frank Hoskins
- 25 Marita Neal
- 25 Catalina Stadwick
- 27 Norma McNeill
- 27 Charles Page
- 28 Sue Dull
- 28 Janet Johnson
- 28 Mary Ann Merritt
- 28 Carl Womack
- 29 Ann Marie Polasky
- 31 Larry Teahen

January Anniversaries

- 24 Matt & Karen Palazzola
- 19 Ken & Peggy Berry
- 30 Ray & Sue Brown
- 30 Doug & Elaine Wendrick

If you are considering renting the clubhouse for a special event, please review the guidelines below provided by our new rental chairperson, Diane Smith.

Procedures for renting Phase V Clubhouse

Owners in good standing: Property Owners that are current in their assessment and own or have a valid long term lease are eligible to use the Clubhouse.

Use of the Clubhouse will be granted on a first come first served basis.

Clubhouse reservations will have a completed rental agreement and a \$50 deposit. This deposit will be applied to the \$125 rental fee. If rental is canceled less than 30 days before the event, the deposit is forfeited.

- 1. Please inquire about the availability of the clubhouse.
- 2. Once your selected date's availability is confirmed, you must fill out the Clubhouse rental form and return it to the representative with a \$50 deposit.
- 3. Thirty days before the event you must deliver to the representative a check for the remaining \$75 rental fee. Also a second check for \$200 made out to Colonial Acres Phase V for a security deposit.
- 4. This check will not be deposited unless damages or violations occur during your rental
- 5. Once the rental is complete and Clubhouse inspected, deposit check will be returned or shredded if no damages or violations are found.

Clubhouse is not for rent for commercial events where items are sold.

Commercial use of the Clubhouse is permitted, with Manager or Board approval, for educational recreational use that does not involve selling a product or service for financial gain.

If you would like to reserve the Clubhouse for 2017, please call Diane Smith at (248) 667-1705.

All those with reservations for December of 2016, please call me as soon as possible to complete your reservation.

Those with reservations for 2017 will be contacted after the holidays to complete a rental agreement and give your deposit.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me.

Thank you, Diane Smith

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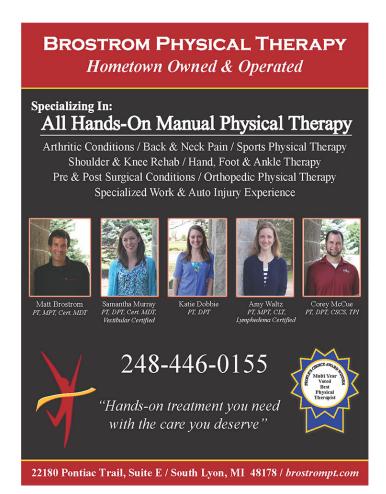


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