## COLONIAL ACRES PHASE V NEWSLETTER

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Newsletter email: gj.poirier@gmail.com Newsletter deadline to submit items is the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.



In lieu of a Clubhouse Meeting for August we will be having a BOX lunch outside the clubhouse in the shaded area. Candidates running for the Board in Sept. will be there to introduce themselves & answer questions. Bring your own chair & lunch.

Thursday August 6th at Noon

**Colonial Acres Phase V Board of Directors ELECTIONS in Sept.** 

If you want to run for one of the three open positions get your resume to Bill Charles & Clearview Mgt. no later than August 11<sup>th</sup>.

Ballots will be mailed to all Units of Phase V the end of August to be sent to Clearview no later than September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

## **COLONIAL ACRES PHASE V BOARD MINUTES** July 16.2020

### **Open Meeting**

Bill Charles called to order the regular meeting of the Colonial Acres Phase 5 Cooperative at 1:01 pm on 07/16/20.

Roll call—

Board members present Bill Charles, John McGraw, George Birchmeier, Judy Keeling and Jim Reuschlein from Clearview property Management.

- G. Birchmeier made the motion to approve the June meeting minutes J. Keeling seconded and the motion passed.
- J. Reuschlein gave the financial report. J. McGraw made the motion to approve and G. Birchmeier seconded the emotion. The motion carried.
- J. Reuschlein gave the management report. G. Birchmeier made the motion to approve the report and J. Keeling seconded. The motion carried.
- J. Keeling said that the siding company still has not brought in a porta potty. J. Reuschlein stated that they have been given a second notice to get this done.

Buildings # 62, 71, 72, 84 and the clubhouse will be reroofed this year. The work is scheduled for the end of July.

September 16, 2020 has been set as the date for the annual meeting.

Clearview will work with the members in building #71 to solve the drainage issues behind the building.

We will replace the wood decking at the clubhouse this year.

Management will get a price to replace the double entry doors and the locks at the clubhouse. Management will contact Paul to get the drain pipe for the drinking fountain at the clubhouse replaced.

Management to get a price to replace all of the address numbers in the community.

Management to repaint the blue lines on the curbs throughout the property.

J. Keeling made the motion to close the meeting at 2:16, G. Birchmeier seconded the motion and the motion carried.



## ANNUAL MEETING of CA Phase V

Our Annual meeting will be held on September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 6pm. We will meet outdoors at the clubhouse. Bring your own chair. We will announce and introduce the new members to your board.

#### **CLUBHOUSE**

We have had instances of members and nonmembers entering the Clubhouse. The board has approved changing the locks to electronic locks. We are also looking into new doors for the clubhouse main entrance. Please do not enter the clubhouse. We have security cameras running 24/7 and we will start identifying members entering.

### MAINTENANCE TRAINER

Clearview has hired a maintenance trainer and inspector to oversee ongoing projects in CA Phase V and others under the Clearview auspices. Welcome to David Rudolph to our Clearview Team. David will be in our complex on a regular basis. David will be inspecting the vinyl project as part of his portfolio. Members should never engage or instruct the vinyl and gutter crews. If a member sees an issue, they need to report it to Clearview for their action.

## West Nile Virus -- Protect Yourself



#### 1. Protect yourself against mosquito bites

Use Repellent: Apply insect repellent to exposed skin when you go outdoors. The US Environmental Agency (EPA) has registered several active ingredients for use in repellents that can be applied to skin & clothing. Look for these ingredients on product labels:

- DEET do **NOT** use on skin
- Picardin
- Oil of lemon eucalyptus
- Permethrin, use on clothing, shoes, camping gear, **BUT NOT** skin

#### 2. Clean out Mosquito breeding sites

- Drain standing water: don't give mosquitoes a place to breed. A small amount of standing water can be enough for a mosquito to lay her eggs.
- Clean up: look around for possible mosquito breeding places. Be sure to empty water from buckets, cans, flowerpots, & other items.

## 3. Help your community control mosquitoes

• Report Dead Birds: dead birds may be a sign that West Nile Virus is infecting birds & mosquitoes in our area.

West Nile Virus now is present in most of the US. Generally, WNV is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito. Mosquitoes become infected with the virus when they feed on infected birds. **Adults over the age of 50 have the highest risk of becoming seriously ill** when they get infected with WNV. WNV Symptoms: Severe headache, high fever, stiff neck, mental confusion, muscle weakness, tremors (shaking)

Here is a spray you can make to keep mosquitos out of your courtyard:

One big bottle of blue mouthwash (any cheap kind) 12 oz. cheap beer

3 cups Epson salt

Mix above together until the salt is dissolved, put in a spray bottle. Spray anywhere you sit outside. This will NOT harm plants or flowers. It stays approx.. 80 days!



## BITS & PIECES OF INFO

#### **EMERGENCY INFORMATION**

Clearview is NOT taking, nor needs to know, who & what number to reach if you are away from your home & there is an emergency to enter your unit. It is safer & faster to have the name & number taped to your door near the handle. This is so either emergency services or Paul can reach the person who has a key.

#### **CRAFT SHOW CANCELATION**

Since we do not know when the clubhouse will open the annual Fall craft show has been canceled. It takes several months to put a show like this together & Fall is around the corner. Let's hope next year all our fun activities return to our beautiful clubhouse!

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SOLD	25715 Adams Ct Unit #4	\$130,000				
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JULY NEWSLETTER CORRECTION: It was mistakenly stated that Kim Champ was retiring. She is still working & selling for all our residents in Colonial Acres. See her Ad on pg. 10

## **MONDAY MORNING COFFEE IS BACK!**

Meet at 8:30 am, bring your own chair & coffee. Meet where the white bench is in the garden by the clubhouse.



No Clubhouse meeting this month since it remains closed. In lieu of a meeting we are having a Meet & Greet box lunch with the candidates running for the 3 Board positions on Thursday August 6<sup>th</sup> at noon. Bring your own chair & box lunch and get to know your candidates. We will meet in the shaded area across from the clubhouse.

Please, let's not make this a confrontational get together. Let's have a civil discussion with the candidates while we eat & enjoy some neighborly friendship.

## Clubhouse Meeting Minutes July 2, 2020

Meeting came to order at 12:18 PM

Board President Bill Charles, Vice President Cindy Christensen, John McGraw, and Judy Keeling from our current board were in attendance for this meeting, also Stacey Keebler from Clearview Management attended to speak on Pool concerns.

Clubhouse Elections, as always, take place every July. Positions open were: Co Chair, treasurer, and ad biller.

Sue Brock ran unopposed as co chair and will be in that positio! Congratulations Sue! She will be a welcome addition!! Treasurer and ad biller are still open if you have computer skills and want to fill a position let Judy Keeling or Sue know

Although the clubhouse is currently closed under Governors guidelines when our Coffee Hour resumes Patti Dooley and Alice Cizjewski will host it.

Deanne Carter has been our lovely hostess for 7 years now making residents, councilmen & women & police welcome. She's taking a well deserved rest from it now but will help out if she's needed & we will still see her smiling face around! We all Thank Deanne for her service to the community & will see her at her other projects like sewing & Christmas decorating the clubhouse

The clubhouse had to be locked down & secured as two non- resident young men were captured on camera in our clubhouse by a board member, if they were injured we didn't want a liability & the virus edicts of Governor Witmer will keep both the clubhouse & pool closed for this season.

Stacey Kaebler from Clearview spoke to a membership on the laws of the governor & advised laws and guidelines about the pool being closed. It is understandable that many members want the pool to open as it's a very hot summer. There was a discussion between members, management, & the Board, sometimes contentious. The safety & health is a priority of the Board & management of the entire membership. We are all truly disappointed we're unable to use the pool this summer. Discussion & disagreement is expected, cursing hurling insults is not appropriate behavior will not be tolerated and anyone acting in this manner will be asked to leave in the future.

Finally to clear up a misconception: Members do not pay for the pool with their monthly dues or carrying fee, that is a land lease you're charged for the courtyard property your unit stands on. You're paying to lease that land. The pool and clubhouse are amenities this coop complex affords is as bonuses to live here is all and many complexes do not offer the same amenities, So we thank you all for your questions, concerns and input and thank you for your patience & understanding in these trying difficult days. We hope your summer is happy & safe and healthy!

#### **From your Board President**

Well we have made it to August and survived a blistering heat wave along with this ongoing Covid19 pandemic. Your board continues to struggle with the many challenges brought on by the changing rules. CDC guidelines, and Michigan Guidelines concerning this pandemic. We saw a large increase in cases in July. This and the onerous rules set by the State and County health departments have caused your board to continue the closure of the clubhouse and pool. While disappointing to many of us the board acted to be extremely cautious as we move through these times.

We had a great outdoor meeting of the clubhouse committee early in July. Many board members attended since this was the first good opportunity to meet one on one with our members. We learned a few things from this meeting. One particularly important lesson was the ongoing problem of timely communications with our membership. We have struggled with this issue over the years. The current situation of the board having online meetings without member attendance is an issue. We will look at other options. One will be to see about having outside meetings in the parking lot like the July Clubhouse meeting and having some members join our online meetings. Another option we are trying to fix is keeping the web site updated on a regular basis with better information. This web site is maintained by Clearview Management and they have many other duties. We will continue to explore this and other venues to keep our members in the loop. If anyone has suggestions for better and more timely communications, please contact one of your board members.

I thank each member for their understanding during these times of challenge for all of us. Hope you are all well. Have a great August.

## Colonial Acres Phase V Board of Directors ELECTIONS

We are still accepting applications to run for election to your Board of Directors. The only requirement is that you are a member in good standing of CA Phase V.

We will now accept bios until 11 August 2020. This is so your bio can be included in the September 2020 Newsletter. Submit your bio to <a href="wcharles@ameritech.net">wcharles@ameritech.net</a> and <a href="mailto:office@clearviewmi.com">office@clearviewmi.com</a> no later than close of business 11 Aug. We will include in September newsletter.

Each member residence will receive a mail in ballot in late August with the slate of candidates. You must mail the ballot into Clearview Management no later than 11 September 2020. You may also place the ballot into the outside box in the clubhouse parking lot by the same deadline.

Ballots will be counted on 14 September 2020 at the clubhouse with selected monitors. So please hold your ballot so you can read any additional biographies in the September newsletter and then get your vote in.

## **BOARD ELECTION BIOGRAPHIES**

Hello! I am **Susie Brock** and I want the opportunity to serve on the Colonial Acres Phase V Board. I have lived on Lexington for 1-½ years. My husband and I are very happy here. I like to be active and involved. I am an organized outgoing lady who wants to participate in our community.

I am familiar with the Robert's Rules of Order pertaining to Board Members. I have served on other Boards. My entire professional career has been in the medical field. The majority of my career, I have been a Practice Administrator for 3 corporations simultaneously. I just recently retired.

My husband and I walk around the Fabulous Phase V complex daily. We are easy to spot as he is very tall and I am short. Please feel free to introduce yourselves as we walk by. We'd like to meet all of our neighbors. I am very approachable and believe communication is the key to success!

I would appreciate your vote and promise to do all I can. Thank you!

**Katy Kay** I am running for one of the positions open for our Board of Directors. Many of you may know me, I have lived here since 2014. I love our community & have been an active member participating in many activities & positions over the last six years. I took care of Rentals for the clubhouse for two years, was involved in pool maintenance for three years, have been involved in helping with dinners & activities along with attending many of those at our great clubhouse.

I am involved in the Sewing group that meets on Wednesday from 10 to 12. This is a great group, even if you don't sew, the conversations & friendships are priceless. All the activities that keep our clubhouse a busy social gathering have been greatly missed these last few months. It has been difficult having the clubhouse shut & all our fun activities put on hold. It will take some time to implement new safety measures so we can get back to enjoying all the fun that happens at our clubhouse. I would like to be a part of making that happen.

I was a nurse for 47 years until my retirement 2 years ago. Working with patients has taught me how to be compassionate, caring, & a great listener. As we come out of our COVID 19 in Michigan I would like to help navigate us back to our "NOW" normal.

If you see me out in the mornings riding my bike feel free to stop & talk to me about your concerns for our future. We're all in this together!

Thank you for considering me for the important role as a member of our Board of Directors here in Colonial Acres Phase V.

**Phillip Garlow** I am putting my name in for election to the board for Colonial Acres Phase V.

I was born in Michigan and lived here until 1980 when I moved to Texas to continue my life and career. I met my wife Christen there and we lived there for 35 years until it became clear that there was an upcoming need to return back to Michigan to help take care of my parents. We moved back in June of 2015 and purchased our home in Colonial Acres in September of that year. During our time here we have made many friends and are enjoying our community. It became clear earlier this year that my parents, who have lived in Colonial Acres since the 80's, needed more help so we moved them in with us and have been taking care of them. While my father just recently passed, we are still taking care of my mother and so I will definitely be very interested in how the community is being run and taken care of. Our plans are to be residents here for the rest of our lives and have invested in our home to meet that goal.

I had previously served on the board from 2017 to 2019 so I have some experience on what it takes to help run the community. During that time the board made several changes for the future of the community to help control and/or lower costs to the residents. Even in doing so though there was a need to raise the fees to the community to meet the current operational costs. With my wife, mother and I living in phase V and my sister and her son living in phase 3, I am committed to making sure that things continue to move forward with the community to make sure the infrastructure will have what is needed to operate to the best of its ability. Unfortunately, that means is that what is best for the community means making hard decisions that will be popular with some and not so with others. I have always believed that for the community to prosper there must be compromises made by everyone and by the board and I am willing to be sure that this is being done. I do need to point out though that like more and more of our residents, I am still working and have a job to do to support my family. This means that the board meetings that will be held during the day will be difficult for me to attend and as I did at the end of my last term will work with the board with email and evening meetings to inform the board and be kept informed of operational issues. The board will also need to be sure that communications amongst the board are timely and detailed to keep all up to date.

**Cindy Christiansen** I have lived in Colonial Acres since May of 2006, which is also the year I became a member of the Board of Directors, 2006 to 2012. I rejoined the Board in September 2018 after I retired. I was the Director of Maintenance and Construction for the Inter Cooperative Council in Ann Arbor, MI from 1998 to 2015. I am a card-carrying journeyman pipefitter, as well as a licensed cosmetologist and message therapist.

We are moving along with the vinyl project – while dealing with Covid 19. This 5 year program is one that I would like to see come to its conclusion. We have much more work to address in the future, expressly the roads. We are currently trying wrap our arms and minds around this pressing and expensive road project in the future.

It is pretty well clear that we will not be holding open Board Meetings for the public until we all feel safe. We are still having meetings remotely. So, I am hoping that you will give me your support and vote for me again for another term on the Board of Directors.

Thank you, Cindy 8

Household Hazardous Waste and Document Shredding Dates

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Spring Household Hazardous Waste events were cancelled this year. There are still opportunities to clean out your storage areas and properly dispose of Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) and shred documents. HHW includes a variety of everyday household items, such as cleaners, paints, herbicides, insecticides and solvents that are flammable, combustible, corrosive, reactive or toxic and would be harmful to the environment if thrown into a regular landfill.

Here is the current schedule, as posted at <a href="https://www.rrrasoc.org">www.rrrasoc.org</a>

- Tuesday, August 11, 10 am noon. Document Shredding Novi Civic Center Complex, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi. Bring up to three boxes or 100 pounds of paper to be shredded.
- Wednesday, September 2, 2 pm 6 pm. Household Hazardous Waste, Wixom Department of Public Works, 2041 Charms Road Wixom.
- Saturday, October 3, 9 am 2 pm. HHW and Document Shredding, Novi DPW Garage, 26300 Lee BeGole Drive, Novi.

Make the 2020 Census Count!

Why fill out the United States 2020 Census? How does it affect South Lyon? I had to opportunity to speak with Paul Zelenak, South Lyon city manager, on this. He explained that the 2020 Census sets the amount for funding for the 10 years, and it also determines our representation in government. The federal and state governments distribute money based on census figures, and the more people who fill out the census provides more money for roads and infrastructure; community development block grants, which benefit the Center for Active Adults and other agencies; funds for highway, highway safety and public transportation, like new roads or bridges. About 81 percent of South Lyon residents have filled out the census forms. Potentially tens of thousands of dollars each year could be lost because people did not fill out the census form. If you haven't filled out the form sent to you yet, you can avoid having a census taker knock on your door by filling out the form online at www.2020census.gov.

Stay Safe – Vote by Absentee Ballot

<u>The August 4 Primary and November 3</u> Presidential elections are coming up, and you can avoid crowds by voting by absentee ballot. Apply for an absentee ballot online at <u>www.southlyonmi.org</u> under "Clerk/Treasurer" or

http://cms5.revize.com/revize/southlyonmi/2020%20absentee%20voter%20application.pdf or call South Lyon City Hall at 248) 437-1735.

It sounds like everyone in Colonial Acres Phase V has been very carfule the last few months about staying safe. Here is just a little reminder on how to keep it up. **CONTINUE TO STAY SAFE!** 

To prevent infection and to slow transmission of COVID-19, do the following:

- Wash your hands regularly with soap and water, or clean them with alcohol-based hand rub.
- Maintain at least six feet distance between you and people
- Avoid touching your face
- · Cover your mouth & nose when coughing or sneezing
- Stay home if you feel unwell.
- Refrain from smoking and other activities that weaken the lungs.
- Practice physical distancing by avoiding unnecessary travel and staying away from large groups of people
- Wear your mask, required inside public places!



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## FINDING THE BEST SUMMER ICE CREAM TREATS By Gloria Poirier & Katy Kay

We rated them with stars, one being the worst & five being the best; in order of when we visited:

- 1. **Ritter's** The custard is so rich & delicious & they are very generous with their sizes. They have a lot of flavors to choose from. There's a drive thru window, plenty of parking, & picnic tables to sit outside if you want. A plus is it's only a few miles from us.
- 2. Snack Attach... This is on Milford Rd. before you get to the town. We went there on April 30<sup>th</sup>, my birthday, & I was feeling very low because I couldn't see my kids or grandkids. So good friend Katy took me on a ride to cheer me up & we ended up here. Before we could get out of the car the skies opened up & it started to pour. I didn't want to get out of the car, no drive thru window, so being a sport Katy got out and got us each a cone. I rate this place 4 stars because they also have Guernsey ice cream along with soft serve & their portions are VERY generous. I don't know how it is when they're busy because there's not too much parking & only a small space to sit in front. The owner is super friendly tho.
- 3. Dairy Queen in downtown Brighton Although they also have a drive thru window they are squeezed between buildings & there is not many places to eat your cone. We drove down the block behind them & found a place to park in a church parking lot. It was shaded & quiet. As we ate we noticed a car parked further away with orange cones around it & someone in it. Before we left we had to check it out & found it was a drive by confessional!!!
- 4. **South Lyon Dairy Queen** This also has a drive thru window, plenty of parking, & a large seating area. We recommend this because it is in our own town & has good service.
- 5. **Merry Go Round...** This is in downtown Plymouth on South Main St. I lived in Plymouth for 35 years & wanted Katy to visit this one. The building is shaped like a merry go round with several merry to round horses for kids to sit on. They also have tables with umbrellas & plenty of parking. They have some unique cone flavors. One is an Almond Vanilla with Dole Pineapple coated in chocolate swirl. YUM!!!
- 6. **Creamy Freeze...** In Commerce, on Commerce Rd. & Bogie Lake Rd. This is Katy's favorite! She used to stop here on her way home from work all the time. The custard is so rich & creamy, even better than Ritters. They also have soft serve & ice cream. There is decent parking, a nice patio with stone tables & benches, surrounded by bushes.

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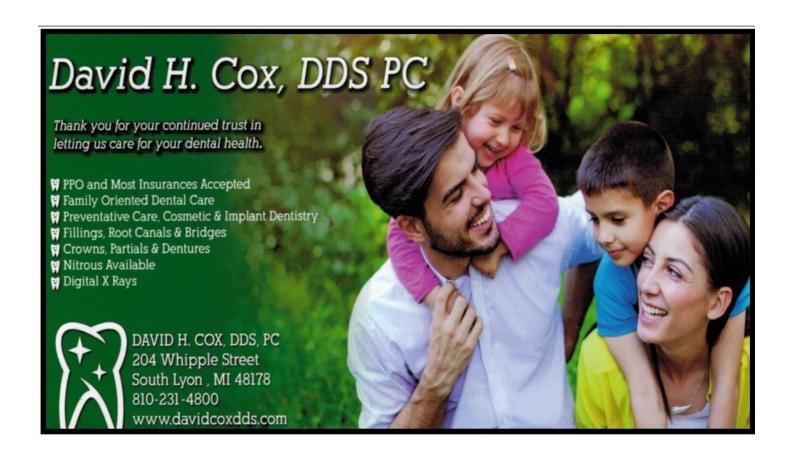
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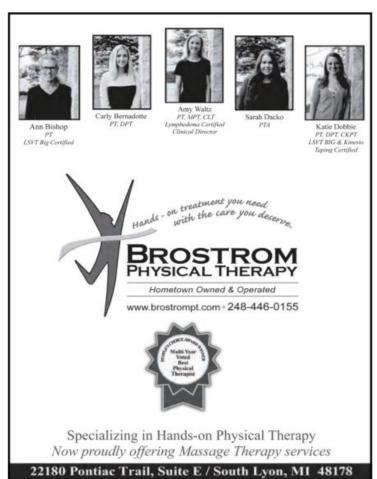
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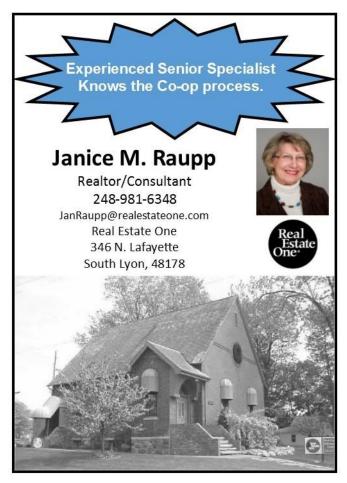






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2	3 8:00am coffee outside clubhouse, bring your own coffee & chair	4	5	6 Meet at Noon outside clubhouse, bring box lunch & chair. Get to know your Brd. candidates	7	8
9	10 8:00am coffee outside clubhouse, bring your own coffee & chair	Last day to turn in Bio's to run for a Board position	12	13	14	15 ****Newsletter Deadline****
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