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COLONIAL ACRES PHASE V NEWSLETTER

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THE CLUBHOUSE WILL BE CLOSED THE FIRST TWO WEEKS OF FEBRUARY

ALL ACTIVITIES ARE CANCELED DURING THAT TIME

NO COFFEE, NO CARDS, NO BILLIARDS, NO LIBRARY, NO DANCING, NO SEWING

NO FUN FOR TWO WEEKS, SORRY!

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR PATIENCE!



Colonial Acres Phase V, Inc. Board Meeting Minutes 01.08.2020

I. Call to order at 1:02 pm the regular membership meeting of Colonial Acres Phase V, Inc. at clubhouse.

II. Conducted roll call, present: Bill Charles, Cindy Christenson, Judy Keeling, John McGraw George Excused: Birchmeier. Introduction of new members, Reggie & Lucy Hockin

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting, Bill asks for motion, moved by John, 2nd by Cindy. – Approved.

IV. Financial Report for prior month presented by Jim Reuschlein.Bill asks for motion to approve report, moved to approve by Judy, 2nd by Cindy - Approved

V. Management Report presented by Jim Reuschlein, Clearview Property Management Services Unit listed for sale are showing higher listing/selling prices, Asphalt completed as well as the stripping. Siding replacement is ongoing. Tax tribunal has moved our hearing to March 2020. Bill asks for motion to approve report, moved to approve by John, 2nd by Judy - Approved

VI. New business/discussions of board members

JUDY: Updates on clubhouse activities. 36 members attended the New Year's Eve event. Clubhouse will be closed the first two weeks in February for painting and improvements. Next Board meeting is set for Feb. 19, 2020. The Clubhouse Meeting will be Feb. 20, 2020. Pool signage is being reviewed for updated rules. Moved by Judy to update swimming pool rules 2nd by Cindy.

Age 4 can come to pool, no diapers, no alcohol, no food, no smoking, Members must accompany all guest and sign in when using the pool. Proposal to table the motion until the Feb meeting allowing time for Judy and John to review State regulations on the rule & regulations. Motion to table by Judy, second by Cindy, Approved

JOHN: Discussion about addressing the articles at the bus stop 72-4.

BILL: Since it involves an actual member it must be discussed in closed session.

JOHN: Last year we started issuing parking tickets. We have issued 55 tickets.

The writing process needs to be refined a little. A list of offenders will be turned over to Clearview, and warning letters will be mailed, additional violations will include a fine. **CINDY**: asked to have this discussion be moved to closed session, Bill agreed.

JOHN: The web site has a No Parking Along the Streets, No Exceptions. Needs to be removed. **STACY**: The notice about parking has been on the web site for some time & it was recently moved up on the page. Acknowledged the change & Stacy will correct. Noted that it was taken from a newsletter.

BILL: Clubhouse is moving the financial responsibility to the Board/Clearview but retains their money as a separate budget. It will all be separate but due to audit requirements we must have account auditable.

VII. MEMBER DISCUSSIONS

Williamson 70-4 requesting the gutters and downspouts be completed.

Betke 65-1: Does the management have the vehicle information? JIM: Yes, we do have some. Betke: Who brought Comcast to our community. Bill: They came to us.

Betke: They have cable ready units and Comcast wants a 10-year contract. Do we have to sign up if you let them in.

BILL: Phase 1-4 must agree as well as the Phase V membership to agree. We have not made any agreements with Comcast. We are still just talking to them. No changes have been made or entered into any negotiation with anyone.

Valentine 149-1: Judy I talked to you last month about reviewing with our attorney. Why are we revisiting something that has been settled? JUDY: We do not have a legal right to hold 50/50 raffles. JIM: The attorney said yes you need a permit, but it is unlikely it would be enforced. BILL: The state is very strict on what is legal, and the raffles or drawings are gambling.

Valentine: Concern that we keep the showering first before going into pool. I would like to keep that. The kids would still be able to relieve themselves in the warm water.

BILL: We would likely keep that item & we can say no diapers, but it looks like we may not be able to limit the actual age. Valentine: Not happy with the Clubhouse reports. Sometimes over stating attendance (recent event she counted 15 people not 30). Also, the reporting needs to tell us what was collected. It is not published, and I would like to see that.

JUDY: Not all events are meant to make money like the Christmas party. Community things to bring us together are what the money makers pay for. It is activities to keep us active.

During the Clubhouse meetings we discuss the cost and income / money made.

Walker 110-5: The corner house that is vacant is not being taken care of it. It is not listed for sale. BILL: Please talk to Jim about the unit

Theresa 56-3: Request for a no Ice Fishing posted BILL: We are also looking at a no car washing rule that will be discussed in closed meeting

Biskner 144-4: I understand the permit thing, if we get to the point that we must have a permit for cards then we will not have anything. BILL: I do not know all the rules, but we just want to make sure we abide by the law. JUDY: We just want to make sure we remain legal but still have fun.

VIII. Adjournment

Bill adjourned the meeting at 2:14 pm.

Minutes submitted by Stacy M. Klabak / Jim Reuschlein Minutes edited by John McGraw, Secretary Minutes approved by Bill Charles, President1



Colonial Acres Phase V

Land Lease Figure for 2019 Tax Reporting

The annual member portion for the 2019 land lease cost is \$1,586.28. The monthly amount for those who have not lived in Colonial Acres the entire year is \$132.19.

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Clubhouse Meeting Minutes for January 2, 2020

Came to order at 12:00 Noon

A Pledge of Allegiance was said to start

Last months minutes were approved

Treasurers report was given

We had income from advertising and rentals and spaghetti dinner.

Outgoing from newsletter and cleaning, fixes of clubhouse .

Deanne reported there were70 people for coffee in Dec. and there will be no coffee hour Feb. 3rd-10th due to clubhouse painting

Christmas Dinner was held at Aubrees and 30 people attended.

It was a nice time for all that attended, with lovely decorations and door prizes .

New Years Eve Party was held at the clubhouse and a good time had by all , we took in a good profit .

Our January event is chair massages at 11:00 am and also Catherine Rivera of the senior center will be there .

Pool Rules are being revised after a vote was taken at meeting .

Painting of clubhouse will begin first week of Feb. and no rentals will be scheduled or any events till completed .

Christmas Decorations will come down Sunday Jan. 12 h. at 3:00 p m Bring a drink and join in the fun .

Meeting for Clubhouse changed to Feb.20th, board on the 10th for February only.

New Pool rules will strictly prohibit drinking due to a state liability clause.

No containers of any kind allowed.

Age for children recommended to be lowered to age 4 & a rule of absolutely no diapers , there are no longer lockers on site .

February has no special events scheduled.

April/ May event will be an on site Tea Party Wed. the 20th , at 12:00, Mike G. said Garage sale will be April 17 &18 , Friday & Saturday this year

St Patrick's Day Dinner will be the Saturday before holiday on March 14th starting at 5:00, Laura Meyers is our hostess.

John suggested we start a phone chain to inform member / residents of emergency situations that might arise , so there will be an insert in newsletter in future for pertinent info like e mail address so you can receive or text messages.

Judy , Gloria & Katy will update clubhouse rules .

There will not be any ice fishing allowed due to liability

BITS & PIECES OF INFO





SUNSHINE CORNER

Bring a ray of sunshine to a neighbor who may need encouragement or a get well wish. Dottie Saunders & Faith Phee will send a card to lift someone's spirits.

Please contact one of these two ladies if you would like a note sent that says we care. Dottie 248-446-4005 Faith 313-418-0067

Benevolent Fund

We live in a very caring community & our Benevolent Fund provides a bit of comfort. Please **contact** Judy Keeling, 734-972-0066 or **Char Elliot**, **231-818-0162** with death notices of residents in Phase V.

We are in need of donations for this fund, please think of donating \$5 or \$10 to help keep it going

The Library will not be accepting donations of books & puzzles until after the clubhouse has finished with the painting & everything is put back in order. Check back in early March.



KIM'S CORNER RECENT SALES

ACTV	61711 Williamsburg	\$142,000
SOLD	25121 Jefferson Ct.	\$114,900
ACTV	61745 Valley Forge	\$125,000
ACTV	62351 Arlington Circle	\$138,000
PEND	25888 Lexington Dr.	\$127,900
PEND	25720 Lexington Dr	\$117,900
ACTV	61702 Williamsburg	\$133,900
ACTV	61751 Alexandria	\$124,900
PEND	25691 Lexington Dr.	\$124,000

A Big thank you to Kim Champe for donating VISA gift cards for our New Year's party. AND a Big bag of candies to put on the tables.





NEW NEIGHBORS

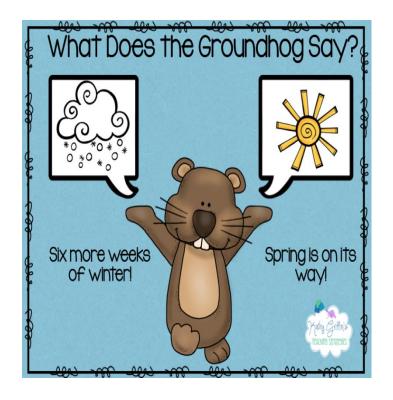
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Did you know February is Fun because......

Although February is the shortest month of the year there are many fun things it packs into 28 days! Take a look below, enjoy some or all February has to offer.

First off is **Ground Hog Day**, always on **February 2**nd, this year on a Sunday. Here are some facts & folklore about Groundhog Day. It's much more than a wacky weather prediction from a plump marmot! Today, most people know about the legend of the groundhog: If he sees his shadow on this day, there will be six more weeks of wintry weather; if he doesn't, then spring weather is right around the corner.

However, what most don't realize is that Groundhog Day is actually rooted in astronomy. The date is tied to the movement of the Earth around the Sun; it marks the approximate halfway point between the winter solstice and the spring equinox in the Northern Hemisphere. Let's all hope the little critter doesn't see his shadow!

Super Bowl happens on the same day this year, **February 2nd**. It's always the first Sunday in February. Let's get ready to cheer on our favorite team, **San Francisco 49ers or the Kansas City Chiefs.** The game starts at 6:30, have your snacks & drinks ready for an exciting evening. Half time will be Jennifer Lopez & Shakria. If by chance you're not a football fan there are some perfect alternative games. Just switch over to Animal Planet channel to watch some rousing puppies play football in "The Puppy Bowl" or see some VERY cute kitties run up & down the field in the "Kitten Bowl" on the Hallmark channel. Enjoy your Sunday evening whatever you watch!

If you're an avid movie goer you'll enjoy the **92nd Academy Awards** ceremony to honor the best films & actors of 2019. Watch it all on Sunday **February 9th** at 8:00pm on ABC.

Valentines Day, celebrated on February 14th, a day of Romance. While the European folk traditions connected with Saint Valentine but St. Valentine's Day has become marginalized by the modern American customs connecting the day with <u>romantic love</u>, there are some remaining associations connecting the saint with the advent of <u>spring</u>. Send some love to those you care about while you're thinking "Spring is right around the corner"!

President's Day is celebrated in February. Contrary to popular belief, the observed federal holiday is actually called "**Washington's Birthday**." Neither Congress nor the President has ever stipulated that the name of the holiday observed as Washington's Birthday be changed to Presidents' Day. This year we celebrate Presidents day on **February 17**th.

George Washington's Birthday is one of only eleven permanent holidays established by Congress. It is observed on the third Monday in February. One of the great traditions, followed for decades, has been the reading of <u>George Washington's Farewell Address</u>—which remains an annual event for the Senate to this day.

In a sense, Washington's birthday helps us reflect on not just the first president but also the founding of our nation, the values, & what Washington calls for in his Farewell Address, the "beloved Constitution & Union, as received from the Founders".

One of February's best-known holidays is **Fat Tuesday**, the day before Ash Wednesday. This is a day of celebration before a time of fasting & reflection. Also known as **Mardi Gras**. This year it falls on Tuesday **February 25th**. Get your order in at the bakery for your paczkis, a traditional Fat Tuesday treat of deep-fried dough filled with sweet fillings & covered in powdered sugar. **YUM**!

What's Happening at the Clubhouse......

We had a great number of fun & happy people for the New Year's Eve party. The DJ played a lot of line dances, hokey pokey, & macaranga. We joined in & had a great time. There was a lot of food & table snacks. We watched the ball drop on tv & the DJ did the countdown. I wish you were all there so I could have wished you a Happy New Year! Your Chairperson Judy Keeling.

All activities at the clubhouse, for the first two weeks in February are canceled due to the painting of the main room. Please come **Saturday February 1st at 1:00** to help box up the library books, movies, & puzzles. Watch the bulletin board to see when we will need help putting the library back together. Probably sometime the third week of February.

The Clubhouse meeting for February has changed to **February 20th at noon** & the Board of Directors meeting has moved to **February 19th at 1:00pm**. **Mark your calendars**!

Our annual **St. Patrick's Day dinner** will be held **Saturday March 14th at 5:00pm**. Tickets will be on sale soon, watch the bulletin board for more details.

GARAGE SALE APRIL 17TH & 18th

We will be accepting items during that week & will need help setting up on Thursday April 16th. As it gets closer there will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board with the times we will need help during those three days. This is a great fundraiser for the clubhouse & a great reason for residents to Spring clean & unclutter. Mike Giordano is in charge of this event again this year!





Since last year's **Tea Luncheon** was such a success, we will be having it again on **Wednesday May 20th at noon**. More details to follow as we get closer to Spring.



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Stories in the Snow by Denise Semion

Our cat, Sadie, loves looking out the door wall in our back room to watch "her" grey squirrel scurrying around our back patio & beyond. Whether you venture outdoors in the winter, or are content to watch wildlife from your window, you can find plenty of clues as to our local wildlife here at Colonial Acres and beyond. My friend, **nature writer, Jonathan Schechter**, writes about wildlife tracking. See below some of his observations & enjoy watching & identifying the tracks outside your windows this winter.

Rabbits bound between shrubs and brush, and when a rabbit bounds (they don't "walk"), they land with their hind feet side by side and their front feet behind their back feet, with the front feet landing with one in front of the other. Confusing? Not once you get field practice! However, if the tracks end at the base of a tree & just disappear, it's either a tree climbing rabbit (a very rare species indeed), or more likely a squirrel.

Squirrel track patterns are similar to the bounding pattern of rabbits, but their front feet & side by side, unlike rabbits whose front feet land one in front of the other. But just like a rabbit, the hind feet of squirrels, which are larger than the front feet, land in front of the front feet. The common squirrels of Oakland County; the gray squirrel , red squirrel, & fox squirrel, as well as the eastern chipmunk , all leave similar track patterns as they hop along, with the size of their tracks being the most obvious difference between the species. Behavior may give a clue too, as to what species of squirrel left the tracks. If squirrel tracks end under evergreens and pine cones have been chewed, it's most likely a red squirrel; gray squirrels favor oak trees. In winter, red squirrels follow well-established runways, both above and below the snow. Their predictability is often noticed by Red-tailed Hawks that perch on a tree limbs with a clear view of the meadow & wait for a small mammals to pass by.

Raccoons will be on the move in March, searching for mates. They become very active in the early days of March & wander woods & wetland edges searching for mates, as well as open creeks to hunt for crayfish. Their tracks almost resemble a tiny human hand. If snow is powdery & not too deep, the five finger-like toes on each paw will be clearly visible.

Skunks love will soon be in the air. They wander far & wide in the closing days of February, looking for suitable sites to raise their young, & when feeling threatened, perfuming the air. While the snow remains deep, their tracks resemble what an imaginative mind might construe as a five-inch wide snake slithering about, for their thick fur often obscures their paw prints in the snow. The front and hind feet of the skunk are similar in size, but when tracks are left in melting snow or mud, the noticeably longer nails of the front feet may be noted. Skunks are excellent diggers & once lawns begin to thaw, they dig for lawn grubs, leaving small circular dig marks.

White footed mice leave bounding footprints in the same pattern as a squirrel, but so very much smaller. They are unmistakable & the occasional drag mark of the tail is an extra clue nature-detective kids love. Sometimes the trail ends in a clump of shrubs where the mouse climbed up to an empty bird nest it had converted to a cozy home out of reach of four-legged predators. This bird nest was even capped with berries by an industrious mouse. And other times, the track disappears into a tunnel in the snow.

Becoming a track detective on the wilder side of Oakland County is a great adventure, but it can also be deceptively tricky, especially when snow melt & the tracks distort. That's when a house cat track morphs into a cougar & a human print transforms into Sasquatch. Winter is waning, but there's still plenty of time to read the stories in the snow.



What's New in Downtown South Lyon.....

"The Lemon Tree Gift Shop" has moved a few doors down on Pontiac Trail. They are now in the former Art & Crafts building. They did a great renovation job replacing the green exterior with a classic look. Lemon Tree originally opened in 2017. They will continue to sell plants, gifts, & their unique/eclectic treasures. Stop by & check them out.

The Corner Café has done a remodel this Fall. They have added a bar & are offering alcohol, wine, & some craft beers. It's the same cozy atmosphere but with a Prohibition/Speakeasy style. They have a "smoker" at the bar to enhance the flavor of their Bourbons & are serving some unique specialty drinks. Right now, the menu remains the same, even their ice cream, but they will be adding small plates & appetizer's for the evening crowd. With their cozy couches & sitting area this will soon become a favorite place to gather. In the warmer weather they also have some outdoor seating. Check it out!

Coming this Spring, next to the Bakery in the former Scrooge & Barley Shop, is a **Nitrogren Ice Cream Shop**. Chris & Christine Curvin have been looking for the right location for their shop & found it here in South Lyon. Chris graduated from South Lyon High School & is glad to be back in town. This ice cream will be made right in front of each customer. The nitrogen makes the ice cream smoother & creamier. Watch for the opening of "**Curvins Family Creamery**" when the warmer weather arrives!

What's Happening in & around South Lyon

Check out our Salem South Lyon Library on February 23rd from 2-3. Live Detroit Jazz & Blues Mardi Gras Show. Wear your beads & come for some good listening!

AARP is again doing **FREE income tax preparation for Seniors**. Starts Feb 4th thru April & appointments are for Tuesday & Thursdays. Taxes are prepared by certified volunteer tax counselors at the Senior Center on Pontiac Trail. Call now for an appointment, 248-573-8175, times fill up fast.

The Acoustic Café, in the Howell Opera House

Acoustic Café is an annual music series held at the historic Howell Opera House that features outstanding Michigan performers, now celebrating its 12th year! **February 2020 Schedule:**

2/7 Dave King's Elvis
2/14 Julianne Ankley & the Rogues
2/21 Jackie & Gary
2/28 The Jill Jack Band
Friday evenings: Price is \$12, Doors open @ 7:00, concerts are at 7:30

Here's a Super Bowl Game Day recipe:

- 1 Med onion
- 2 pickled banana peppers
- ½ head iceberg lettuce
- 1 hig tomato seeded
- 1 big tomato, seeded
- Half Time Hoagie Dip ½ C Mayonnaise 1 (3

1 TLB olive oil

1 ½ tsp dried basil

- 1 (3 oz) pkg. thin sliced salami
- 1 tsp dried oregano

1 (12 in.) round bread

¹⁄₄ tsp red pepper flakes 8 Hoagie rolls

1 (7 oz) pkg. ea. Thin sliced ham & turkey breast

1/4 lb thin sliced white cheddar cheese

*Chop the onion, peppers, lettuce, tomato, salami, ham, turkey, & cheese; toss into a bowl

*In a separate bowl, whisk together the mayo, oil, oregano, basil, & pepper flakes; add to the meat mixture, stirring until well combined. Chill until ready to serve

*Carve out the center of the round bread loaf keeping the sides & bottom intact. Pack the meat mixture into the bread bowl. Cut the hoagie rolls & bread scrapes into big chunks. To serve, mound the dip into the bread chunks & enjoy a mouthful!

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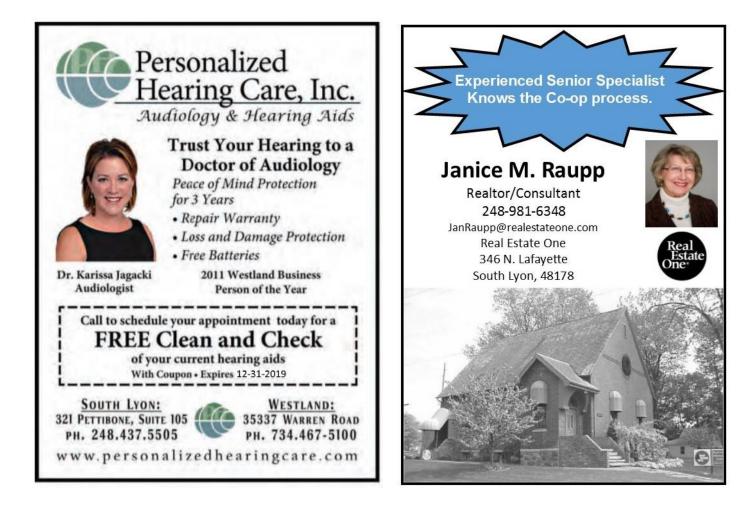
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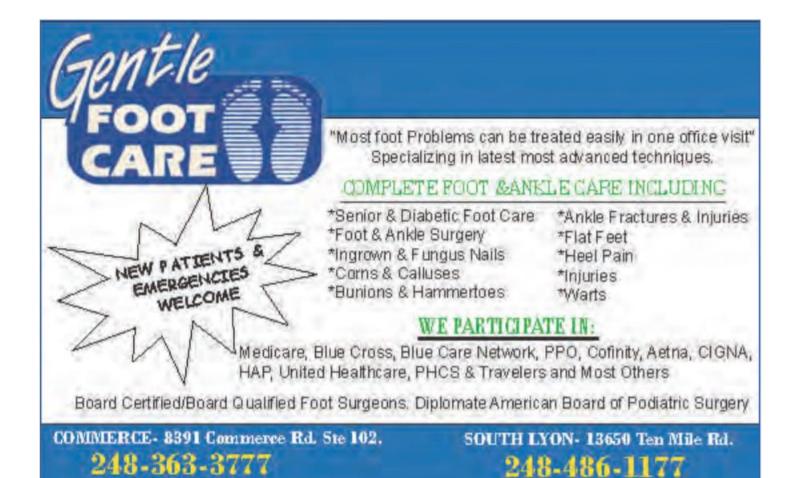


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Michael Forgach, PT, DPT, OCS, joined the PPTS team in 2015 after graduating from Michigan State in 2009 with a Bachelor's Degree in Kinesiology and receiving his Doctorate of Physical Therapy from Wayne State University in 2014. Since joining the PPTS team, Mike has worked with a variety of patients, including post-surgical rehabilitation and those patients with complex or thopedic conditions. Mike has a passion for working with, treating, and educating athletes; whether they are just beginning, high school, collegiate or on a professional level. After working in Orthopedics and Sports Medicine through PPTS, Mike is now a boardcertified Orthopedic Clinical Specialist (OCS). Mike hopes to continue his passion for physical fitness by incorporating and educating his patients throughout their treatment. Mike's goal is to provide positive outcomes for his patients by teaching them the exercises, skills, and techniques to return to them to their functional goals.

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	7pm Poker 7PM Euchre	7pm Hold 'em	7pm pinochle	10am Needlework 7pm pinochle	7:00pm Bible study	