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Letter from the President by Tom Aldrich

The corn is rapidly approaching “an elephant’s eye” which signals mid-summer at The Pines. Time always flies by while you’re having fun at your favorite vacation resort. Your board has been active with our various committees. Our call for member support and participation has been well received. All of our committees have met at least once, and they are all involved in productive pursuits. We thank you for your continued support. We can always use more volunteers for our many events and activities. We are a member owned facility. Our continued progress is tied directly to member involvement.

We have four board openings at the end of our fiscal year. We have had several prospective member candidates pick up applications as of this writing. Your favorites will need your support at the polls on August 17. Traditionally, a minority of our members vote. Therefore, a minority determine the destiny of your Park. You have an opportunity to make your opinion count at the polls. Don’t think for a minute that your vote doesn’t count. The Recreation Station project won by only three votes. At this election, we will also have proposals and several rule changes and modifications. We will discuss these issues at our board meetings and in the FOOTPRINTS. Become informed and VOTE!

In the meantime, keep having fun in the beautiful Michigan July sun.

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Park Director Update by Gene Van Koevering

Now that we are in full summer mode, I'm certain you all have your Independence Day decorations out and that you are ready to fly the colors of the Old Red, White and Blue!! We are truly blessed to be in this great nation where we can enjoy the freedoms we have, that so many around the globe do not. To those in our Armed Forces, we thank you for the extreme privilege of honoring our country through your service, past, present and future. God Bless America!

Members, if you have not had a chance to meet all of the summer staff in Recreation, Rangers, Lake Monterey Golf Course and Maintenance, please take time to greet them. If you believe they are doing a great job, I'm sure they'd appreciate hearing it from you. Volunteers!!! There are numerous ways to get involved at Sandy Pines, but I'd like to invite you to check out this opportunity. We had a meeting in late May, the purpose of which was to bring the Garden Club back together. The Garden club was/is a group of dedicated people that love to get their hands in the dirt! We are grateful for those who came to offer their help and energy! However, because there is room for many more "green thumbs," we told them that we would call on you folks to help out too!

So, if you are looking to bless someone, why not let it be by doing something that will be enjoyed by hundreds, if not thousands of people? Please contact me and I'll get you hooked up with someone in your phase that could really use your help with the plantings and landscaping care. Sadly, we have some phases that do not have a Garden Club member at this time, so if you are willing to help beautify your phase by giving a little portion of your time, please let me know.

Guest Campers; if you are visiting us here at Sandy Pines, please accept our sincere welcome and thanks for spending your vacation time here at what we believe is the greatest Park in the world! If you are a guest camper, you have been visited by one of our Guest Camper Hosts. Their purpose is to make sure you are welcomed, that you know where to find everything in the Park, and that you have everything you need to make your stay enjoyable. When you were visited by the Host, one of the things they gave you was a copy of our Footprints Newsletter, it included a survey for you to fill out. The form includes a place for you to write a review of your Sandy Pines camping experience. We would greatly appreciate your time to fill out this form and turn it in to the Admin. office. As a token of our gratitude for your thoughts you will be entered into an end of season cash drawing!! Finally, in filling out this form you will help Sandy Pines tell many other camping families about Sandy Pines Wilderness Trails.

Finally, on behalf of our Staff and myself, thank you to all of the Members again for this great opportunity to serve you and this great Park. It is truly a blessing and privilege.

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Finance Committee Meeting
Thursday, June 6, 2013, 3:30 p.m.
Administration Building

- I. Call to Order: Aldrich, acting Chairperson
- II. Invocation: Kuiper
- III. Roll Call: Corstange, Aldrich, Michaels, Kuipers, Heilig, Rouble, Mast, Bakhuyzen. Staff: Van Koevering, Arndt. Absent: Maichele, Bleyerveld, Williams.
- IV. Motion by Heilig, supported by Michaels to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2013 meeting. All Ayes.
- V. Old Business
 - a. Van Koevering updated committee on RDI Meeting regarding Marketing.
 - b. Motion by Mast, supported by Heilig, to recommend going forward with the SPD trade-in program, maximum of four trade-ins, total limited to \$200,000. All Ayes.
- VI. New Business
 - a. Approve check distribution for Sandy Pines for April and May 2013. Motion by Bakhuyzen, supported by Kuipers. All Ayes.
 - b. Approve check distribution for Lake Monterey Golf Course for April and May 2013. Motion by Heilig, supported by Mast. All Ayes.
 - c. Approve financial statements for Sandy Pines and Lake Monterey Golf Course for April 2013. Motion by Heilig, supported by Michaels. All Ayes.
 - d. Discussion of Beene Garter agreed upon procedures/internal controls recommendations.
Motion by Aldrich, supported by Heilig, to have the Board President/Chairperson and Board Treasurer review expense reports for the Park Director/President and Finance Administrator on a quarterly basis. All Ayes.
Motion by Mast, supported by Kuipers, to have staff present proposals to address Beene Garter comments 1, 2, and 4. All Ayes.
 - e. Van Koevering reported on two land opportunities. Motion by Aldrich, supported by Corstange, to recommend purchase of 1.3 acre parcel west of Maintenance, owned by Feyen, for a maximum price of \$67,000; to recommend purchase of a 5 acre parcel, on east side of 26th Street, owned by Wentz, not to exceed appraised value; to recommend adding both land purchase proposals to the August 2013 ballot. All Ayes.
 - f. Motion by Bakhuyzen, supported by Mast, to approve non-budgeted expense for recommended tennis court renovations by Racquet Sports. All Ayes.

Finance Committee would like to see a five year report on membership sales/trends and to request the sales prices from private transfers of memberships in the future.

Van Koevering commented camping revenues are up in May compared to last year.

- VII. Next Meeting: July 3, 2013, 3:30 pm
- VIII. Motion to Adjourn

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Long Range Planning Committee Meeting Minutes from May 15, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Dick Valone

Meeting Attendees: Chairperson, Dick Valone, Jess Larson, Rog Grinwis and Gene Van Koevering, Park Director

Old Business:

- Discussion on the new gate at the Adult Pool. It has been installed and we hope it works out for the membership.
- BMX Park – liabilities were too high for the amount of usage
- Dog Park – what to do with the old park, maybe a new dog park at the BMX site

New Business:

- Discussion was held on the Green area behind sites. Gene was going to talk to Stan Robbins to get clarification on the matter.
- Jess Larson asked about a possibility of setting up a Foundation for members who want to leave their site to the Park. Gene said he would try to get clarification on this matter.
- Gene mentioned that we have 59 campsites that we will be looking at to make sure they are up to par for our guests.

Suggestions made to the Long Range Planning Committee for future plans and ideas include; Identification of property parcels adjacent to, or near, Sandy Pines that pursued in the event they become available for sale; formation of amenities or events that could enhance the enjoyment of the members; research the viability of installing a septic waste water plant and system for the Park and neighboring plats; and development of a business model that would increase revenue from inside as well as outside, the Park. The intent of which would be to keep membership dues at a minimum.

Dick Valone resigned his position as Chairperson of the Long Range Committee, effective at the end of this meeting. Rog Grinwis was appointed Interim Chair.

Next meeting date: June 19, 3:30 pm, in the Conference Room at the Administration Office.

Meeting was adjourned by Dick Valone.

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Frequently asked about dates:

- July 4 Fireworks
July 6 4th of July Parade at 2 pm
July 13 Garages Sales for Phases 1, 2, 4 & Condos
July 20 Family Day/Kiddie Carnival
July 22-26 Vacation Bible School
July 27 Halloween
August 3 Meet the Candidates Meeting and Cardboard Boat Race
August 10 Christmas
August 17 Annual Meetings and Elections - Remember to Vote

Special Events Committee

by Terry Derks

The Sandy Pines Special Events Committee meeting was held on May 31. Terry Derks, Chairperson, presiding.

Present: Jack Schmidt, Gene Van Koevering, Jeremy Zeock-Vilas, Mike Young, Jim Schipper and Sandy Derks.

Discussion was held on the need for volunteers. It was agreed that most sign-ups and volunteers come at the last minute. It was suggested that we use FaceBook and e-mail. Committee members may also be called on to fill volunteer positions, as needed.

Events for June were reviewed. Prizes for some events or contests will be in the form of gift certificates that will be redeemable in the Park.

Mike Young suggested a bulletin board in the Adult Rec. Center. Jim Schipper thought signage for events be used the day of and the day before, as reminders of times and places. Gene showed us his A-frame white boards and was open to our using them for these occasions.

Gene mentioned his thoughts on purchasing a concession trailer for use in the future.

The Chapel Committee has expressed interest in restarting the Pancake Breakfast at the Flea Markets next year. No decision has been made at this time.

The next meeting will be July 5, at 9:30 am in the Administration Building

- Our Deepest Sympathies -

Sympathy is extended to the following members and their families:

Jerry & Miriam Dykstra, Site 323, on the passing of their mother, Stephanie, on April 5th

Arlene Pittman, Site K-310, on the passing of her husband, Al, on April 6th.

Matthew & Kimberly Heath, Site 819, on their passing, of their father, Rick Funk, Site 624, on May 31st. Sympathy is also extended to Katherine 'Kitty' Funk, Rick's mother.

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The opportunity to meet the Candidates running for the Board of Directors will be held on Saturday, August 3rd at 10 am, at the Chapel.

Please bring your questions and find out more about the members that want to be your Board of Directors.



Carolyn Nielsen, Site 803

My name is Carolyn Nielsen I was born in Mt. Clemens, Michigan February 28, 1947. After growing up with six siblings in Sterling Heights, I moved to Hudsonville in 1975, and heard lots of "buzz" about this fun place called "Sandy Pines."

I am a retired registered nurse, worked in labor and delivery, and was a Resolve thru Sharing Counselor at Blodgett Hospital in Grand Rapids for 25 years. I contributed in designing the new birthing room suites and the nursing and medication station. While raising my three children in Hudsonville, family members from Sterling Heights brought their campers and their tennis racquets and enjoyed the amenities here at Sandy Pines. Since we purchased our lot, extended family members have brought their campers and enjoyed our great park.

I am an avid sports enthusiast. My Husband, Gary, and I enjoy a good game of tennis. In my spare time, I enjoy sewing and working in my flower gardens. After we purchased our lot, #803, I helped orchestrate the beautification of the Shore Line Circle green area. Come and enjoy the circle.

I am currently serving on the newly formed Maintenance and Grounds Committee in hopes of continually improving the facilities here at Sandy Pines.

If elected to the board, I will listen to the concerns of fellow members and let them know that their opinions matter. I will take these ideas and present them to the other board members for consideration. Your voice will be heard! We are a Member Owned Park and need to remember that even one person can make a difference. Feel free to contact me at nielsencg1996@gmail.com with any questions or concerns.

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Dan Kendall, Site 1054

This is my fifth summer at Sandy Pines, living in Phase 3, Site 1054. I share my experiences at the Pines with my three children and two grandkids. We all enjoy it very much and I would like to be able, as a board member, to help ensure these fun times for my family, as well as others. The

park is a wonderful place for young kids to grow up. I spend everyday here even though I am still working and enjoy all that the park has to offer. (Sandy Pines is 10 miles closer to my work than my home.)

I have been an accountant for 36 years. My career started as a CPA in Traverse City, at a local firm, moved to Grand Rapids to work at a national CPA firm. After 11 years in that field I worked for seven years in Hastings as Secretary/Treasurer for a national fire sprinkler distribution company. I have spent the last 18 years as Finance Director for Kent County Department of Public Works.

During my career I have been involved with many businesses and governments, big and small, as an outside auditor or the inside person responsible for all financial aspects. I am also a volunteer board member of the Kent County Credit Union. I would like to bring this experience to benefit Sandy Pines in any way I can. I believe the financial stability of this park is a key component of keeping it viable for the long-term future.



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Gerda (Greta) Pitcher,
Site 438

I have owned and operated my beauty salon for over 35 years. I enjoy being around people and talking about their concerns. If there is something I can help them with, I am always willing to do so.

I have been married for 41 years. We have 3 children and 7 grandchildren.

We have been members for 20 years. I love Sandy Pines and enjoy what we have here. It's important to me to do whatever it takes to keep and protect our community here.

The family memories we make here are priceless. I have met many friends in our years here, and many more to come.

I will do my best to serve our community.



Dennis King, Site 1076

Greetings, my name is Dennis King, I'm seeking a position on the Board of Directors. I'm a young 65 yrs. of age. Married, wife's name is Karin, we have 4 adult children between us, and 6 grandchildren. They all love coming to Sandy Pines to enjoy the various activities. I've been a associate member for

20 yrs. in phase IV and a full member 4 yrs. phase III, lot 1076. I live in the Kalamazoo area.

I served 6 yrs. military, 34 yrs. as a Law Enforcement Officer where I was assigned various positions before retiring. The past 7 yrs. I work as part time Security Officer at a Social Security Office. I also do motorcycle endorsement testing for Secretary of State.

I hold a Associate Degree in Business, I operated a motorcycle safety program for 20 yrs. as lead instructor, was on several union boards in the Public & Private sectors and negotiated several contracts. I'm a member of Northwest United Methodist Church where I am Finance Chair. I also have held Trustee and Transportation Director positions.

I believe my experiences will greatly benefit the members of this resort and Board as the goals and objectives are continually implemented under our new Director Gene Van Koevering.

I ask for your support and vote. Thank you!

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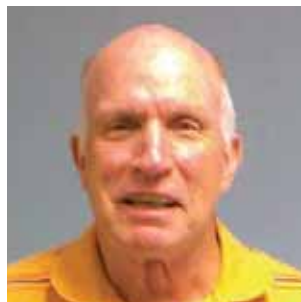
Kerry Bunce, Site N-295

Hello, my name is Kerrell (Kerry) Bunce. I'm asking for your support as I run for your board of directors. I have been a member of Sandy Pines since August 1976, my site number is N-295, which is the same lot I purchased way back then.

As you can imagine, I have seen many changes over the past 36 years...some good...some not so good. I'm from Dundee, MI, and after graduation from Dundee High school in 1971, I went to work for Ford Motor Company. While there, I worked in many different jobs. I was team leader for several years, and then went into supervision, where I worked myself up to lead supervisor. I retired after 34 years in 2005, and sold our home in Dundee in 2006. We bought a condo in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, and now spend our summers here at Sandy Pines, and winters in Tennessee, as much as we can.

My wife, Debbie, and I enjoy our time here at Sandy Pines and all the wonderful amenities the Park has to offer. I have been a member of the Thursday morning volunteers for a number of years now, as we work to help keep our Park looking good. I also volunteer at the golf course when needed, and my wife and I go to a church in Allegan on Thursday nights to help out at the food kitchen, feeding the people who are in need. Debbie and I also enjoy working at our golf course, part time, where we have met many new friends.

Thank you for your consideration when you vote, as I would be honored to represent you on the Board of Directors.



Glen Pettigrove, Condo C-27

I retired after 42 years of ministry in the Wesleyan Church. Sandy Pines was our family's 'get away' place. We purchased our first lot in 1979, in Phase 5. Our two children participated in swimming lessons, tennis, and evening recreation activities until they were old enough to join the recreation staff. Our son later drove the 'honey wagon; for several years while Amy helped to keep the recreation department functioning during a time of transition. After the children began working for the park, I became a member of the Sandy Pines Board and served for 6 years. We made a move to our 2nd lot in Phase 4. As we faced retirement and needed a home of our own, Sandy Pines Condos was a natural transition. Sandy Pines had been our home away from home for more than 30 years.

I have been a chapel speaker once a summer since the early 80's.

I believe in Sandy Pines as a place for family to grow together. I strongly support the Chapel and the Recreation activities. I also know we need a strong Maintenance Department to allow us to enjoy our park. I believe I can be valuable to the park as a 12 month resident.

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Sue Stank, Site 494

My name is Sue Stank, and I'm seeking election to the Board of Directors. My husband Dale and I have been active members for ten years. I am an active member on the Sandy Pines Member Outreach Committee, where I have served for four years. I enjoy meeting other park members, working with

the staff and the local community. I also assisted in development and planning of the Sandy Pines 40th Year Celebration. I'm currently serving as Trustee on the Summerhill Social Committee, in the Villages, Florida, where I plan and coordinate events for 200 members. I have served on the Windemeer Condo Association as Vice President.

I was the business owner of Alpine Decorators where I spear-headed project management for residential and commercial Interior Design, with emphasis on quality customer service.

I only wish I was a member when my three children were growing up. I'm very thankful and blessed that my grandchildren can enjoy the Sandy Pines experience just like their Grandma does in her golden years. As we all know, Sandy Pines is a fun, family friendly experience.

I would appreciate your vote, as I would like to serve and contribute in keeping our Park the 'best of the best' for the greatest camping!



Mike Young, Site 492

I have been a member of Sandy Pines for 30 years. I worked for 17 years in Recreation, three as Assistant Recreation Director, and 14 as Recreation Director. It was 30 years ago that I fell in Love with Sandy Pines and even after working 17 years and serving 2 – 3 years terms on the

Board I still feel the need to serve the members of Sandy Pines. After taking a year off from being on the Board I feel a continued hope to serve. Currently I am serving as Chairman of the Building and Grounds Beautification Committee and on the Special Events Committee. Also, I am one of the main organizers of the Sandy Pines Sr. Men's Softball games every Thursday and Saturday nights. Communication between the Board, Administration and Members has improved, and will continue under our new Director. My 17 years as a park employee and my time serving on the Board has given me exposure to all areas of Park Operation.

My career was in Education. I taught 31 years as an Industrial Arts Teacher and Coach. The last 10 years of teaching was with Hudsonville Public Schools.

Both my wife, Nancy and I enjoy tennis, softball and of course the Adult Pool here at Sandy Pines. Other activities include singing, karaoke, all sports, reading and most of all GRAND CHILDREN which we have 9 with number 10 on the way.

I ask again for your support and I renew my promise to work hard to respect and represent all members of Sandy Pines. I look forward to working with our new Park Director to improve our great park to even higher standards.

Please feel free to contact the Board through the Sandy Pines web site or me at Recman02@yahoo.com.

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Terry Emelander,
Site K-28

I have been a member of Sandy Pines for nearly 15 years. My wife Lorinda and I have been married for 39 years.

Owning sites in three of the six phases as our family grew to love Sandy Pines we have had the

privilege of sharing our summers here with our three children and eleven grandchildren. Lori and I have also had the privilege to meet and get to know many loyal Park Members and their families and have had the opportunity to volunteer, contribute and participate in several events and projects throughout the Park we care deeply about.

As a licensed contractor here at Sandy Pines, and working in the cottage and residential industry associations I offer my experience and am knowledgeable with bylaws, zoning ordinances, rules and regulations. Contracting with government agencies I am familiar with federal and state law, building codes and requirements associated with these agencies. My affiliation working with the DOE, and NASCS programs afforded me a nationally recognized award for my commitment and dedicated work ethic to go the extra mile serving the customer and the employees of these departments.

I am running for the Board of Directors to represent YOU the people with the same passion and with volunteer dedication, to work towards a goal that will maintain the member owned, safe family orientated community, today and tomorrow for all our Children and Grandchildren.

I would appreciate your vote. Thank you for your time.

Salvation Army Truck

The Salvation Army will once again be making one of their trucks available at our Garage Sale Days for you to bring your unsold goods following your sale, should you choose to donate them.

Garage Sale dates are **June 29** and **July 13**. The truck will be here from **1:30 - 4:00 pm** in the Flea Market area.

Thank you in advance for choosing to donate to the Salvation Army.



Jeff Hirt, *Site 274*

My name is Jeff Hirt, I am running for the Board of Directors. I am married to Linda and have 3 children, Katrina 22, Keith 13 and Samantha 11. I want to be considered because my parents Fred & Joyce Hirt, bought a lot at Sandy Pines when it first opened in 1971. I grew up coming out

here every season. I have recently transferred membership from Associate Member to Member, so I am now a second generation owner. I want my children to grow up coming out here as I did, and enjoy it as much as I have.

I am a successful businessman and own my own agency. I have a willingness to make everything around me successful. I have many ideas to improve the quality in and around the park. I have listened to many members suggestions on what they would like to change or improvements in the park. I am willing to bring up these ideas and concerns.

I see the future of Sandy Pines as a respectable, fun, enjoyable place for everyone to enjoy, whether you are a young child, teenager, adult or retiree. I enjoy all the programs available for people of all ages.

Sandy Pines has done a great job including everyone. I think the future is in everyone's hands. We just need to embrace each other and work as a team to make Sandy Pines the place I remember from my childhood.



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Winter Gathering Thank You

by Mary Ann Fontaine

First of all, I would like to thank all who attended the Florida Winter Gathering this past winter, as we had a very good turn out.

Secondly, I want to thank Ted and Loretta Lyons for doing a great job getting the restaurant reserved and helping get gifts for everyone.

If anyone would like to change locations and is willing to take charge of finding and making arrangements with that restaurant, please let me know. I will be willing to help again with computer and gifts, as I have done in the past. Contact me at email: momfontaine@hotmail.com or cell phone 616-558-4977.



Thanks again!

Facebook Statistics

Sandy Pines started our Facebook page on February 25, 2013. Since then, we have 676 likes. We reach approximately 3,000 people per week!

Our biggest post to date was for the Whitecaps Ticket give-away, which reached 6,764 people.

If you haven't 'liked' us yet, please do, and then spread the word and let's see how many 'likes' we can get by the end of the summer!



Thank you to everyone who has already joined our Facebook page, and for posting and sharing your wonderful experiences here at Sandy Pines.

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Breaking News!

We are excited to announce a brand new event to the Sandy Pines schedule. It is a "GOLF CART RODEO."

This is a timed event for couples, where the driver of a golf cart is blind folded, and the passenger gives directions through an obstacle course. This event is scheduled for Saturday, Aug 24, at the Adult Recreation Center Parking Lot. The start time has yet to be determined.

Two person teams can now register at the administration office. There will be a limited number of teams (ten) in each of two classes - Class 1: Ages 21-49; and Class 2: Ages 50 and older.

If you think you are a skilled 'blind' driver, get registered today!

Park Inspector News by Don Weiss

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer so far and getting ready for the big fireworks show. We have had a lot of rain this spring, so please check your lot to see if it needs to be mowed, so that I don't have to.

There have been some rule changes to be aware of, which include changes to decks, and the Grandfather Policy. Please refer to the updated Handbook online for the changes.

Also, if you have Maintenance issues on your unit, please refer to the Park Contractor list for repair people, not the Sandy Pines Maintenance Department. If you need any clarification on these rules please contact me. As always if you have any questions or concerns, you can contact me at Inspector@sandypines.com or 616-896-7286.

Thank you, and have a great summer!

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Aquatics by Kim Day

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer here at Sandy Pines! We have so many exciting activities for our children to experience!

We are happy to announce that we will have the annual Kid's Lock-In again! The Lock-In will be held on Friday, July 12, from 11 pm – 6 am, at the Indoor Pool. If your child cannot stay all night, please refrain from signing them up. We have all night swimming, games, pop, snacks, movies, and many other activities planned, to keep your child going all night long! The cost for the Lock-In is \$7 per child. Only ages 6-12 will be allowed to attend the Lock-In. Sign-ups will begin Sunday, June 30, at 11 am at the Recreation office. The first 50 paid sign-ups will be guaranteed a spot.

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In August, we will be holding our annual Kid's Triathlon on August 3rd. Sign-up begins Monday, July 8, at the Recreation office. The cost is \$1 without a T-Shirt or \$9, which includes a T-Shirt. Sign-up deadline is Wednesday, July 24, to order T-shirts. You may still sign-up with no T-shirt order through August 2nd. Please make sure you register BEFORE the day of the Triathlon. We will not register anyone the day of the Triathlon

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Adults Crafts Class is held on Tuesdays, in the Pavilion from 10 am to Noon. Aggie Kurzmann is leading the class this year. Please come and see all of the great things you can make! If you have questions, please contact Aggie at aggiesnyder@yahoo.com or 616-862-5926. Hope you can join us!

The Helping Hands Group meets on Mondays, at 10 am in the Pavilion. Judy VanKlombenburg is organizing the group again. If you have material suitable for girl's dresses and aprons, and also gently used pillowcases, that you would like to donate, please call 616-335-1022, or bring them to the Administration Office. Thank you in advance for your donations and help!

Adult Euchre is on Wednesday nights at 7 pm, in the Pavilion. See you there!

Park and Garden

by Jack Schmidt

In need of flags to decorate for the 4th? Stop by Park and Garden to see our items.

With the high gas prices, now is a good time to see if we carry what you need, rather than pay those prices to travel to find your items. We try to carry what most of the members need. If you have a special hardware item that we don't carry, ask, and we'll see if we can get it for you.

In need of batteries for your golf cart? We have complete sets of both 6 and 8 volt batteries.

Tired of the rust stains or the hard water? Stop and order a Maynard's water softener. We are still installing them for the season. We also have home water coolers and the 3 and 5 gallon bottles at the store.

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Youth/Teen Recreation by Mary Applehof

Have you tried out the Hula-hoop contest yet? (Sat. at 3:00 p.m. at the Water Park) How about the Campfire singing and S'mores? (Wed nights at 8:00 p.m. at the ph. 4 beach) I hope that you are taking advantage of all that Sandy Pines has to offer you! Check out some of the other things going on in your park:

The Golf Lessons are going great! You may join in anytime without registration. There is no charge, but you must bring your own golf clubs. We meet at the Golf Course every week. Please check the Summer Activities Schedule for the time your group meets. The summer schedule is posted on the bulletin board with the areas of golf we will be working on each week.

Pickle ball courts are staying busy! You may check out the equipment from the Ice Cream Shop at the Water Park during Water Park hours. You will need to leave your golf cart key or a membership card as collateral. Rules and instructions on how to play the game are also available. If you would like to order your own set of paddles and balls, please go online to our web page and print off an order form.

For all of our tennis, swimming and golf lessons we will be using an e-mail or texting blast to let you know of cancellations. If you would like to sign up for this blast please e-mail us at recreation@sandypines.com with your e-mail and your phone number and cell phone service provider if you want the text alert.

Some upcoming events to put on your calendar: Saturday, July 13 will be a chalk drawing contest in the parking lot of the indoor pool! Saturday, July 20 is Family Fun Day; Friday July 26 is a Halloween teen dance. Saturday, July 27 is Halloween and the "trick or treating" with the tractor ride with a character. Soccer Tournament will be Saturday, August 10 at 9:00 a.m.

We are looking for volunteers (adults and anyone over the age of 13) for many areas of Recreation this summer: Family Fun Day, Trunk or Treat and the Sandy Pines Triathlon please call 616-896-8318 to sign up to volunteer.

I want to remind you to keep checking your Weekend Flyer for upcoming events. All of our recreation events are also posted on the Sandy Pines website.

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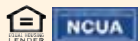
Senior Adult Activities by Carol Hoffman

- Thurs., July 4** Free Bingo in the Pavilion from 2-4 pm for everyone 10 years and older.
- Fri., July 5** Potluck in the Pavilion at 5:30 pm. Bring a dish to share, your tableware and beverage. Everyone is welcome. Senior Adult Activities meeting at 6:30 pm, following the potluck.
- Sat., July 20** Regular Bingo in the Pavilion at 7 pm for everyone 18 years old and over. You must buy at least four cards for \$1 and you play on those cards all night. Please bring correct currency.
- Fri., July 26** Free Karaoke at the Adult Recreation Center from 7 - 9 pm, (please check the Weekend Flyer and our Senior Adult Activities board in the core area for any change of date or time for this event).
- Fri., Aug. 2** Potluck in the Pavilion at 5:30 pm. Bring a dish to share, your tableware and beverage. Everyone welcome. Senior Adult Activities meeting following at 6:30 pm.
- Sat., Aug. 3** Free Bingo in the Pavilion from 2 - 4 pm for everyone 10 years and older. Free popcorn available at all bingos. Donations welcome. Bring your own beverage. No alcoholic beverages allowed in the Pavilion.



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Member Outreach Committee

by Kel Kronemeyer

'Welcome to Sandy Pines' Bags for new members in 2013 were distributed at the new member Ice Cream Social Reception on June 21. Sue Stank is heading up a subcommittee to get coupons updated and bags stuffed. Going forward the bags will be distributed by the sales office at closing.

The first of two receptions for new members will have been held on June 21 from 6:30 to 8:30 PM at the core area outdoor pavilion in the format of an ice cream social. The second will be held on Friday Aug. 23, same place, same time for new members received during the time until then and for those who can't make the first reception.

Four mantra's have been submitted following the format of:
It's a good thing to remember.
It's a better thing to do.
Be part of the construction gang
And not the wrecking crew.

A sign/banner has been made to be posted at each Board Meeting. Each of the four mantra's and others submitted by members will be featured regularly in the Footprints.

The committee feels there is merit in pursuing developing a prototype of an attractive, durable "member since" sign.

Each Phase, with the exception of 7, will have a member from that phase as a liaison on the outreach committee to assist in mentoring and assimilating new members into the life of Sandy Pines. They are as follows:

- Phase 1: Timothy Garvin - Site 273,
E-mail: heloc1@aol.com, Cell: 616-822-5272
- Phase 2: Don Delano - Site 804,
E-mail: baldie2461@yahoo.com, Cell: 313-319-2836
- Phase 3: Jeremy Zeock-Vilas - Site 1313,
E-mail: jeremyzeockvilas@yahoo.com, Cell: 269-680-7463
- Phase 4: Harold J Bruxvoort - Site N-455,
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- Phase 7: Kelvin Kronemeyer - Site 362,
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The committee is also reviewing the possibility of restarting the Sat. morning coffee hour if they discern sufficient interest.



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“Face 2 Phase” (F2P) by Gene Van Koevering

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I'm hopeful that you'll take this opportunity to come out, have a cup of coffee or cold drink and a cookie with me, and get acquainted.

All the Phases will have a designated area that I hope to visit at least one time this season. Please look at the schedule below and note the date and location where I'll be. Put it on your calendar and come on out!!

I plan to be parked in each location on this rotation from 8:30 am until 10 am, on the days indicated below. If the weather is not conducive to being outside, I will be located inside at the Adult Recreation Lounge.

Thank you for considering coming out to meet me! Gene

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JULY 20	PHASE 4	IN THE PARKING LOT BY THE ADULT REC. CENTER
AUGUST 10	PHASE 5	IN THE PARKING AREA BY THE WATER PARK
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- Jack & Deb Lanenga, Villa Park, IL
- Gary & Sherrie Brower, Holland
- Kenton & Selena VanKlompberg, Holland
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- Thomas & Sheryl Ruthven, Kalamazoo
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Adult Recreation by Terry Derks

Can you believe it's July already? It seems like the summer is going way too fast. Please note that a new bulletin board has been installed next to the entrance door at the Recreation Station. This new information board is dedicated exclusively to Special Events and activities and will be updated weekly. Check It Out

As I write this article, (mid-June), we are anticipating another fantastic 4th of July Fireworks show. The Sandy Pines fireworks show is always one of the best in the West Michigan. As always, it's a great way to kick off the month of July. Some of the other events in July you should be remembering are: The Holiday Parade, on the 6th, including Golf Carts, Bikes, Floats and Cars. Oh yes, there will be awards for the best entry in each class. Also on the evening of the 6th, Susie Zook will be performing at "Concert in the Core." Larry Woodward will be performing with his group on the 20th. Don't miss either one.

I hope all of you artistically talented people are ready to submit your Art work in the "Art Expo" that will be held in the Pavilion this year. The Show opens on July 10, and runs through the 12th. Please let us all enjoy your talent. Hurry, get registered and reserve your spot A.S.A.P. Oh yeah, great prizes too. Member votes will determine the winners again this year.

Family Day is always one of the premier events of the summer, and this year is no exception. Along with all the regular fantastic games, rides and food, the "Critter Barn" from Holland, will be here with lots of farm animals that the kids can enjoy. They are all petting friendly. This promises to be a big hit for all the kids, and moms and dads too! Be there, its July 20.

Don't forget the Musical "Half Stitched" as part of our bus tour on the 25th.

Jr. Golf Championship: Moms, Dads, Nanas, and Papas: Watch your favorite youth golfer go for the 2013 Sandy Pines Junior Golf Championship on July 27th at 10 am. Some of these kids are really talented golfers. Maybe some of us older duffers can learn a thing or two.

July 27th "Swing Dance" lessons at the Pavilion. Would Benny Goodman or Glen Miller be proud of our dancing? Well...Maybe! (Not)

Advance Notice: Boat Builders, get registered for the big Cardboard Boat Race on Aug. 3!

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For Sale - Site 133: 2000 27' Fifth Wheel Trailer, 1996 Crest 18' Pontoon boat w/25 hp Mercury motor, 2000 electric Golf Cart, 37' deck and 8x8 shed. 2013 Dues are paid. Asking: \$23,900. Call: 517-484-4607.

For Sale - Site 307: Location, location, location... Large deep lot with green area

corner lot lake view. Across from Ice Cream Store, central location to all activities. Awesome neighbors. Oakland Park Jack & Jill – 2 bedroom with open floor plan, 10x20 glass porch 10x10 open porch, includes golf cart. Completely furnished. Extras: two barns 10x14 and 6x8. 2013 Dues paid. Asking \$55,000 - firm. Call: 616-455-6545.

For Sale - Site 394: 1992 Chariot – one bedroom, two sofa beds, sleeps six possibly eight using futon on 10x25 glassed in porch. Built in entertainment center and microwave, central air. Located on quiet cul-de-sac, adjacent to laundry, store, beauty parlor and monthly Flea Market area. Includes EZ-Go Yamaha gas golf cart, vinyl shed. Dues paid for 2012. Asking \$43,000 or \$44,000 w/furniture. Call: 810-730-3017.

For Sale - Site 429: Phase 1 - 1999 Wilderness Trailer with 3 Season Porch. Sleeps 6-8. Asking: \$28,700. Sun. pm to Thurs. pm call: 616-942-8837; Fri. pm and Sat. pm call: 616-896-1720. Bob & Joni Velthouse – At site 475 on weekends.

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For Sale from Site 658: Two person paddleboat with seat cushions and cover. Asking \$125. Call: 248-349-5263.

For Sale - Site 804 - Phase 2: Shoreline Circle. 1991 Casa Villa with one bedroom and an enclosed newly painted porch (30x10) and deck. Most furniture is negotiable. Enjoy the lake as you sit on your huge deck on the 'fishing' end of the lake. Lots of green area, one shed, golf cart storage for two, one golf cart, and a boat stake with dock. Asking \$115,000.

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For Sale - Site N-10: 1989 Oakland Park Model. Excellent condition. Located on sandy beach with gorgeous lake view overlooking Island and long view of lake. Landscaped with pavers, decorative bricks, lights and large deck. New roof and air conditioner. Heat Pump in porch that provides heat and air conditioning. 200 square foot garage, two EZ-GO electric golf carts and boat stake. \$129,000. Call 517-712-9465.

For Sale - Site N-23: 1996 Dutch Park with double loft. Beautiful lake view lot with boat stake plenty of parking and great access to beach. 2009 custom built porch with Pella sliding windows and doors, cottage style wainscoting, wood grain vinyl floor and custom window blinds. 2009 16x7 golf cart shed. 2009 10x14 composite deck with vinyl rails. 1992 Yamaha golf cart. Professionally landscaped, sodded yard with sprinkler system and patio furniture. Move in ready, fully furnished. Great neighbors!! Asking \$94,900. Call Tom@ 815 693-3754.

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For Sale - Site K-228: 26 Ft - 1999 Fleetwood Prowler. One bedroom but sleeps 6. Full kitchen with microwave, self cleaning oven and am/fm radio with CD player. Bath/ shower, central air & heat. Attached pull out awning for outside shade, trailer tower stabilizer, tool shed, gas golf cart with vinyl cover and shed. 100 Ft lot with water and electric hook up....also throwing in lawn mower and charcoal BBQ grill. Asking \$28,000 -O.B.O. Please contact Milous West @ 313-861-8003.

For Sale - Site K-283 in Phase 5:

Beautiful 1993 Dutch Park waterfront site with sandy beach just inside no-wake zone. Fully furnished one bedroom with loft. Many interior upgrades to include new flooring and counter tops, insulated porch and windows. Site also includes new roof, garage, central air, boat stake, electric golf cart and a wrap around deck. This is a must see! Asking \$134,900. Call: 910-367-6081.

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For Sale Site D-28: Canterbury Unit. Waterfront site with boat stake. 20' 2005 Sylvan Pontoon w/50 hp motor. New roof. Very clean. Fire pit, Sunsetter awning, sprinkling system, 200 sq. ft. garage. Two golf carts - 1 gas, one

electric. New refrigerator in garage. New carpet throughout. Fully furnished. Asking \$127,000. Call: 269-963-3279 or 269-282-2345.

For Sale by owner K-444: Used 1987 Oakland Park, two bedroom Park Model trailer. Stored in Park Storage. Ready to move. Asking \$5,500. Can be seen by appointment. Call: 616-218-5450.

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