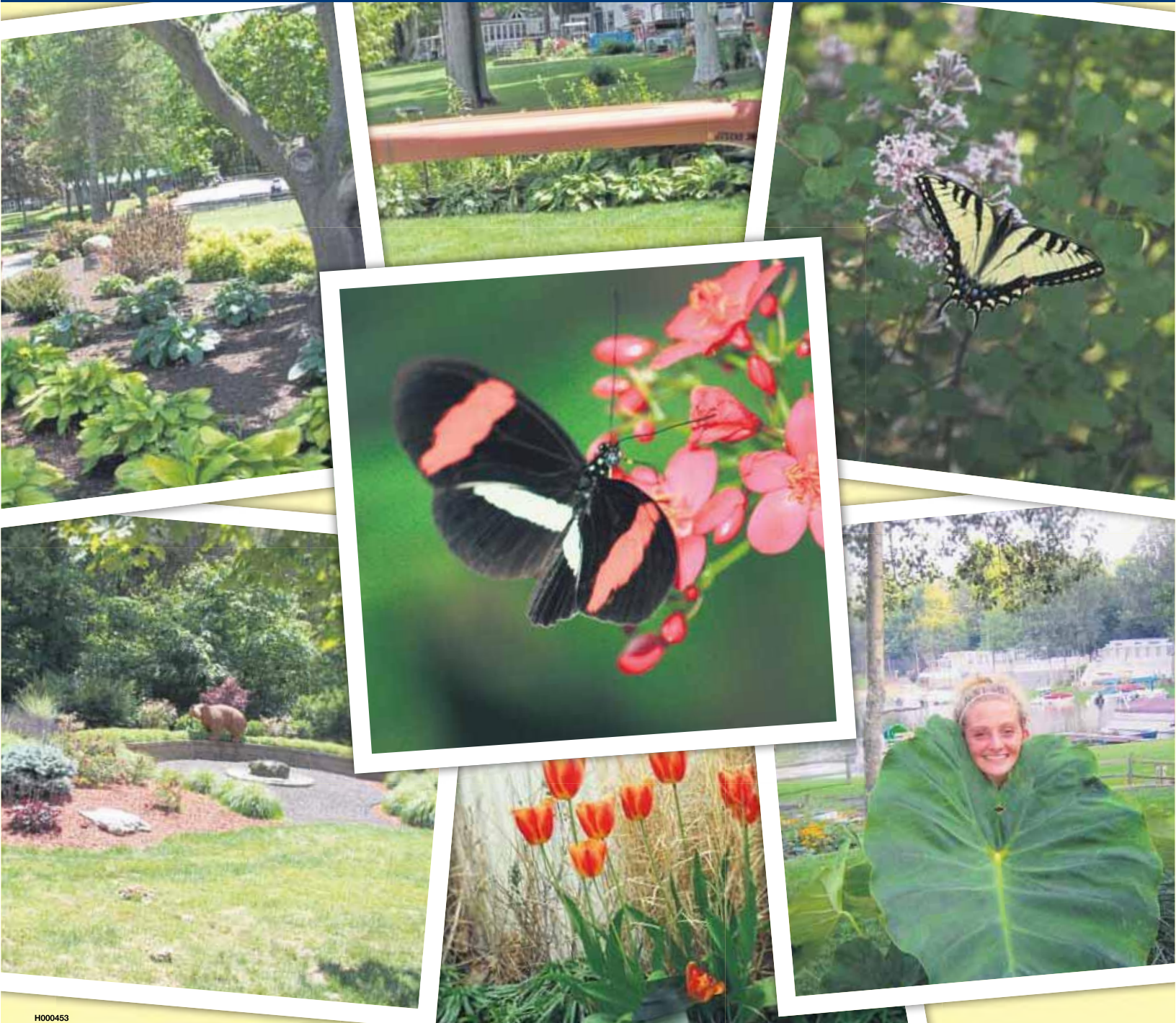




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Letter from the President by TOM ALDRICH

June is "busting out all over" and Sandy Pines is in full summer recreation mode. This is as it should be. I am also happy to report the condition of your Park is excellent. Our financial health continues to be very good. Beene Garter, our independent accounting firm, completed the selected audit of our 2012 financials and has given us a good report. Our financials are published on the website.

Sandy Pines has grown to 10,700 members and associate members. When you add the children, the population grows substantially. The market value of our membership is estimated at \$120,000,000. The book value of our infrastructure is an additional \$20,000,000. Managing an organization this large continues to be a challenge for the staff and your board. We are fortunate to have a seasoned professional director and an experienced staff running the day to day operations. However, we currently have a challenge at the Board level. We have three Board members retiring after their second term, and an additional Board member who plans to resign at the end of our fiscal year. We therefore have FOUR Board openings. The following is a summary of your Board of Directors responsibilities:

1. The Board is charged with establishing organizational direction and ensuring it is carried out. This includes setting and guarding the mission, preparing for the future and strategic planning.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Park Director Update by Gene Van Koevering

For many of our Members, June is the month their Sandy Pines summer begins! School will end, as will the long list of graduation parties to attend. Spring sports will be finished, unless your child or grandchild was fortunate enough to be in the play offs. To those of you who find themselves in this group, we say Welcome Back! Our Staff is ready and willing to help and serve you in any way that will make this your best season ever here at Sandy Pines.

On May 10th the Board had its first meeting of the year and I was really encouraged by the great turnout. When the meeting ended, there were many of you who came up to me and introduced yourselves or greeted me, and I truly appreciated your attendance and the fact that you took time to say hi.

We have sent in the required paperwork and reports to the Michigan DNR for the Goose Round Up for 2013. I have not yet received our permit, however we expect to be in compliance and receive the approval by the first week in June. We need a few boats to help with the Round Up, so if you have the time and a boat, please contact Kathy Brott at Admin. and let her know if you can help out, by calling 616-896-8315 x 105 or email her at kathy@sandypines.com.

We are at the final stage of hiring for the summer season and we ask that you welcome the summer staff, including those in Recreation, Rangers, Maintenance, Lake Monterey Golf Club or Administrative departments. Take the opportunity to approach them and introduce yourself. If you have questions or comments that they can not answer on the spot, please ask them to get back to you, or to pass on your request to their Department Manager. Provide them with your name, site number and phone number or email address, if you can.

Finally, I want to thank all of you for bringing me your thoughts and ideas. As you know by now, I am in the mode of reviewing our operational costs, needs and requirements to gain a good understanding of our financial foundation at the present, with the intent to preserve a good foundation for the future. With that in mind, we are focused on approving expenditures for "needs" rather than "wants" until our research is finished. I am, however, interested in your ideas for improvements and encourage you to call, email or approach me, with your thoughts.

Our first Face to Phase "tailgater" will be on June 15 from 8:30-10:00 am in Phase 1 near the Horseshoe court. Come out and meet us, and share a cup of coffee or a cold drink and a cookie!! See you there!

Letter from the President ...Continued from Page 2

2. Ensuring the direction corresponds appropriately with financial and human resources.
3. The Board should always be mindful of the entire organization and its members in establishing direction and carrying out its role.
4. The Board is responsible for its own diversity and complexity, offering expertise from multiple facets (from operations to management to facilities to finance) and to seek expert advice where needed.
5. Charged with the governance of the operations of the organization. The Board does not operate the organization day to day, but takes ultimate responsibility for the oversight of those who do.
6. The Board shall establish committees, define their roles and hold them accountable.
7. The Board shall establish policies, while the committees carry them out. Ultimate responsibility remains at the full Board level.
8. All Board members should take steps necessary to be financially and operationally literate with respect to the organization.

The deadline to run for the Board of Directors is June 17. You must have your application and petitions in to the office no later than 4:30 pm on that date. Please consider running for a position on the Board, and/or encourage those fellow members who you feel can make a contribution to the continuing growth and prosperity of the Park.

Don't hesitate to contact me, or any other Board members, if you have any questions.

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Vehicle Reminders by Steve Deyarmond

Vehicles in the Park must have a Park Registration Sticker or a Park Pass. You may register your vehicle at the Ranger Station and receive a Park Registration Sticker from the Ranger Station, at no cost. If you have guests in the Park, please use the on-line guest sign-in, which can be found at www.sandypines.com.

Watercraft must have a Park Registration Sticker when in the Park. Please place this registration sticker on the right rear of the watercraft, above the high water mark. Golf carts need to have your site number on the front and rear of the golf cart that are 3" in height, and are a contrasting color to the golf cart, and highly visible.

Bicycles must have a head light and rear reflector, if operated after dark. Flashlights are not a substitute. Bicycles must obey traffic signs in the Park. Please stop at all stop signs. Mopeds must have site numbers at least 2" in height, displayed on the front and rear of the moped, be in contrasting color and highly visible. They must display a moped registration on the rear of the moped.

The safe operation of a golf cart/moped is the responsibility of the owner, of the membership, and the owner of the golf cart. Last year, we had a very safe season, with few accidents and injuries.

Park Guests:

Please utilize the on-line guest registration program. This is located at SandyPines.com. Contractors that are not registered contractors with Sandy Pines must also be registered as a guest on-line. Please register your guests before their arrival. Failing to register your guests in advance creates backups of traffic, additional staff time involvement, and an inconvenience to your guest. Violations for unregistered guests are expensive. Using your membership card to let in an unregistered guest is a fine of \$100. Members, please take the time to explain to your associate members and grand children that guests must be registered, and the member/owner must be present in the Park.

Golf Cart Operation:

To operate a golf cart in the Park you must be at least 12 yrs of age, and have studied, taken and passed, a Golf Cart Safety Test. The test is 61 multiple choice and true false questions. Youth must show proof of age (birth certificate, passport or school ID with a birth date). Study Guides may be picked up at the Ranger Station for \$2, or printed from the Sandy Pines website at no cost.

After a 12 yr old passes the Golf Cart Safety Test. he/she must operate the golf cart with an adult until the age of 13. Children 13 yrs. or older, must also take the Golf Cart Safety Test. If you are older than 13, you must, upon passing the test, operate the golf cart with an adult for three weeks.

Golf Cart Reminders:

All golf carts in the Park must have at least \$100,000 of liability insurance. Passengers must be properly seated and may not be in the lap of the driver. Rental golf carts must be driven by persons at least 18 yrs of age.

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Adult Recreation by Terry Derks

By the time you are reading this, our summer fun activities are well underway. I hope you were at the holiday Flea Market on May 25th and that you stopped by to check out the Sandy Pines summer activities schedule. If you were not, let me remind you of a few events coming up this month.. There are many other events scheduled, so please be sure to check the Website Events Calendar.

Classic Car Parade is June 15: You can join us with your classic car, or just sit back and enjoy the show. Please let me know if you want to join in. Member/Guest "Golf for Fun" golf outing June 22: This is a fun tournament for all. Register SOON!

Bus Trip to South Bend, IN, June 2: We will visit the Studebaker Museum and the Oliver Mansion. We will also tour the Notre Dame Campus (Home of the Golden Dome). On our way home we will be stopping at a 50's Diner for some great food. This trip is educational, as well as fun.

The Whitecaps Baseball Team visits Sandy Pines on June 29: The team will be here to visit with our kids and those of us who still think we are kids. It's Saturday morning, from 10 until noon at the Softball Field.

I hope you enjoyed the Memorial Day Service and shared with us, remembering and honoring our veterans. We have many veterans in our Park, and again, we want to thank all of you for your service. THANK YOU!!

I am putting out a final notice to see if anyone is interested in "Wood Carving." If you are, please let me know.

I continue to look for, and need volunteers to assist in the running of our many activities. We now have a place on the Sandy Pines website where you can pick an event you would be willing to volunteer for, and you can even choose the particular task you would like to do. Simply go to our website, click on "Special Events Volunteers," choose what you would like to be part of, and then e-mail adultprograms@sandypines.com. Thanks!

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Youth/Teen Recreation by Mary Applehof

Taking the line from a very cool country singer: ***"I don't want easy, I want crazy...."***
When you talk about Sandy Pines and our summer schedule I truly think it is crazy!

The regular summer schedule begins the week of June 17th. Tennis lessons are Tuesday-Friday; Kids club –ages K-9 (1:00-2:30) and pre-teen club- ages 9-12 (2:30-3:45) run from Tuesday-Friday. Teen club (must be 13 to attend) will run on Tuesday evenings (7:00-9:00 p.m.) Nature Connection for the pre-teen will be from 7:00-8:00 p.m. This class will either meet at the Rec. Station or at the nature trail in ph. 3. Golf lessons will be on Wednesday's for ages 7-12 11:00-Noon and ages 13-17 from Noon-1:00 p.m. All Golf lessons will be held at the Golf Course. Movies will be shown in the Recreation Station on Fridays (G-rated) and Saturday's (pg or pg13) at 8:00 p.m. Also a few changes for the sports nights: Mondays (7:00-8:30) will be 3 on 3 Basketball; Wednesday's (7:00-8:30) will be Disc Golf/Ultimate Frisbee alternating with pickle ball; Thursday will be Soccer (7:00-8:30) - each of these sports will start with ½ hour of drills and instruction of the sport then the next hour will be spent playing! (Ages 8 +) **New this summer: We are going to do campfire singing and smore's on Wednesday nights 8:45 p.m. on the ph. 4 beach.

The zip line is open for this summer. I want to remind you of a few things that you should know about the ropes course/zip line: You must be 48" or taller to participate. You must have shoes on that will not come off – no flip flops will be allowed. There is a weight limit of 300 lbs. The ropes course will be closed if it is raining. The hours of operations are: Mon- Thur.:1-3:00 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m. Fridays: 1:00-4:00 p.m. and 6:00-9:00 p.m. and Saturdays: 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. and 5:00-9:00 p.m. Sundays: 1:00-4:00 p.m.

We have a few changes for the Adult Tennis lessons this year. The lessons will still be held on Thursday evenings, starting June 20th with the Beginners (please leave this time for those who would like to learn the game) from 5:30 – 6:00 p.m. For the Intermediate player please come from 6:00 – 7:30 and the advanced players from 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. Please only come to one time to make sure that everyone has a lesson. If you are not sure what time to attend please feel free to talk to Don Collison.

Dates to put on your calendar:

Boaters Safety is Sat. June 22 from 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.at the Recreation Station You must be registered to attend. To register please e-mail us at Recreation@sandypines.com.

The Whitecaps will be here Saturday June 29. **** please note change of date****

Bring your glove and be at the baseball field at 10 a.m. for a great baseball experience with the Whitecaps baseball players. Autographs and picture opportunities are available at 11:45 a.m.

We are looking to hold a Red Cross Babysitting class again. The cost for this class is discounted for Sandy Pines and runs \$80.00 per student. We need 8 students signed up to take the class for it to happen – so please call Mary Applehof at 616-318-3492. The class would be on June 15 from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. at the Recreation Station. We keep a list of all certified babysitters at the Administration office for Sandy Pines Members to use for their baby sitting needs.



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If you have any questions regarding the Recreation schedule, or have any new ideas to share with us, please feel free to call or stop in. We love our summers here at Sandy Pines!

Membership Cards

Who may have membership cards?

Member/Owners – Sandy Pines permits the member owner(s) (usually an individual, a husband and wife, or in the case of joint memberships two individuals).

Associate Members – The owner/member's children, step children, parents and grandparents.

Designated Associate – Several years ago, the Board of Directors added a membership card called a Designated Associate. This was intended to provide a single member without any associate members the opportunity to designate one associate member to their membership.

Grandchildren of the member owner qualify for a grandchild card.

Recreation Card – A Park Recreation card will permit access into the Adult Lounge, the Water Park, the Fitness Center, the leaf dump, and golf course. Adult Recreation cards are issued to member/owners of memberships. A member/owner may have a member card and a recreations card. The Park does not issue recreation cards to associate members or grandchildren. Recreation cards do not allow access into the Park via our gates.

All new cards are \$10 each. Cards reissued or reactivated because of a past due balance are \$20 each, 3-4 cards will cost you \$55, and five or more cards is \$80.

Anyone other than those listed above, may not have membership cards. Brothers, Sisters, Aunts, Uncles, Cousins, friends and other persons are not permitted to have associate cards. Cards found that have been issued to anyone in those categories will be deactivated, and entrance fees, golfing fees, and other relevant fees will be charged to the membership, as well as any fines for violation of Park rules.

Who should know who can have cards?

It is each member's responsibility to follow the rules of the Park.

Card requests have been based on each member's honesty. Unfortunately, some people take advantage of purchasing cards for those who should not have cards in their possession, or hand off their membership cards so that persons not properly affiliated with a membership can receive benefits that they are not entitled to. Giving your membership card to family and friends to gain access into the Park may seem trivial, however; when you start looking at a free golf each weekend, free use of the water park, free use of the membership site because the entrance fees were bypassed, it all adds up. Guest passes are only \$3, whereas if you are caught giving your card to someone else for free entry, that fee is \$100. Please take the time to pay the \$3 guest entrance fee.

Please remember to bring your card with you when you enter the Park. Park rules indicate that members must have a membership card and vehicle registration sticker to enter the Park. The frequency of members arriving at the Main Gate without a membership card is becoming a common problem. When you enter the Park and do not have your membership card, staff must verify that the person is a member in good standing, and is an actual member. This takes time and traffic backs up. Please bring your card with you when you come to Sandy Pines. If you have lost your card, please come to the Ranger Station and have a replacement card made. Thank you!

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Park and Garden by Jack Schmidt

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The store is now open regular hours: Monday through Friday – 10 AM to 4 PM. We are open on Saturday from 9 am to 4 pm and Closed on Sundays. Stop by the store and see what we have added this year to our inventory.

If you have something that you need and we don't have it ask and we will try and get it for you. The softener program is in full swing. Enjoy the feeling of soft water in the shower or as you wash the dishes. No rust stains in the sink from the water. Stop by and ask us about the program.

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

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Aquatics by Kim Day

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If you didn't get a chance to register your child for swimming lessons over Memorial weekend you still have the opportunity to stop in at the Rec. office to register them.

Don't forget, we will be offering a Lifeguard Training course which includes training and materials for \$180. The class starts June 8th and ends June 14th. Participants will be certified in Lifeguarding, CPR, and First Aid. If you are interested please email Chad Bareman at cbareman@sbcglobal.net or call (616) 570-5942.



Lastly, children playing in the Water Park who are less than 48 inches tall and unable to swim or touch bottom in the family pool, are required to wear a flotation device, i.e. swimies or a ring. Our pools are VERY busy, and to ensure the safety of everyone, flotation devices will be required, even if the parent is swimming directly with the child. Kids in the zero-depth entry area are also required to wear flotation devices, should they enter the deep-end by accident. To accommodate and help you follow this requirement, flotation devices are sold in the concession stand inside the Recreation Station.

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Adults Crafts Class will begin Tuesday, June 18, and will be held in the Pavilion from 10 am to Noon. We are happy to have Aggie Kurzmann leading the class this year. Please come and see all of the great things you can make! If you have questions prior to the first class, please contact Aggie at aggiesnyder@yahoo.com or 616-862-5926. See you this summer!

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

Harrison Shrinkwrap Customer Appreciation Dinner will be held on June 22nd from 4-6 pm, at Site K-412. This is for customers who used Harrison's this season. Bill is providing a fish fry and chicken dinner for immediate family, only, please. Be sure to bring your own chair. Thanks!

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Flea Market Vendors:

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Pumpouts:

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Frequently asked about dates:

- June 29 – Garage Sales for Phase 3, 5 & 6
- July 4 – Fireworks at Dusk
- July 6 – 4th of July Parade
- July 8-14 – Art Expo
- July 13 – Garage Sales for Phase 1, 2, 4 & Condos
- July 20 – Family Day
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Rules Committee

by Stan Robbins

Board Chairman of the By-Laws & Rules Committee


Your Rules Committee met on May 11th, and will, as of the June Footprints, have met again on May 25th and June 1st. Our next meeting will be on June 22nd.

Our Committee will be discussing the present Rule Book and working on doing a complete upgrade and/or revision of the Rule Book. If you have any suggestions with regard to areas that need to be clarified, please let me or any committee member know. I can be reached at Site 723, Hillside Circle, Phase II, or you can e-mail me at stan_g_robbins@msn.com. This is your Park and your input would be appreciated.

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Golf Course Committee Update by Ron Corstange

Welcome back, golfers! Despite the incredible flooding rains, the golf course is in great shape thanks to Jim Spray and the golf course staff. We are all looking forward to wonderful times together again this summer.

I have been appointed as the Interim Chair of the Golf Course Committee, and as such, I want you to know that I welcome your input and opinions with regard to the golf course.

A new Tee-time Reservation system has been put in place. This system will give much information about play on the course, and will greatly aid in making decisions in managing the operations.

The Golf Course Committee is responsible for addressing various operational issues given to them and making recommendations to the Park Director and the Board of Directors.

Last year, the decision was made to include some golf course funding in the member's dues and have free golf for members and associate members. This decision is to be reviewed over the next few years, and this committee has been given the task to coordinate that review.

In analyzing the golf course financial statements over the past ten years, it becomes apparent that the course cannot sustain itself on greens fees only. We are not alone in the problem. Many golf courses in Michigan are having financial difficulties. In fact, each year a number of courses in the area have either just ceased operations, or have gone into bankruptcy.

Our golf course is a wonderful asset to Sandy Pines. Many members have indicated that a key reason that they purchased a membership in Sandy Pines, or have continued to stay here, is the access to golf on our course.

In order for the Golf Course Committee to do a proper review, it is important that the membership has adequate opportunity to give input. With that in mind, a website is being developed that will allow for you to give your opinions, and eventually, we hope to have survey information on that site, as well. In the meantime, please forward your questions and comments to director@sandypines.com.

Be sure to include your name and site number when you send your questions and/or comments. You may also post your comments on our Facebook or Twitter accounts. We are hoping that our new social media will be of benefit to the members. It is a great way to keep everyone informed of what's happening with up to date and current information.

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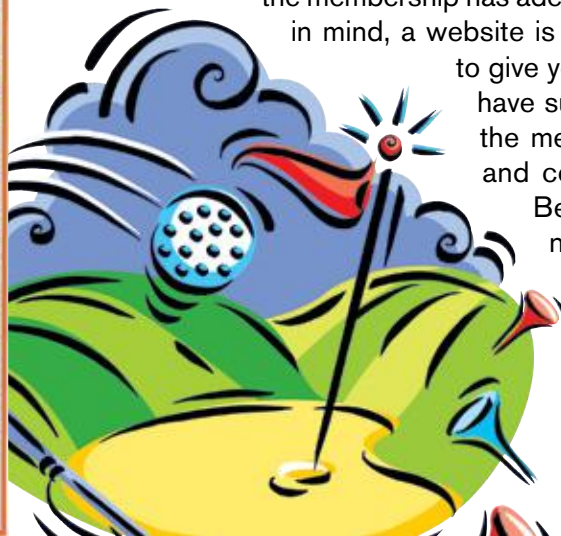
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Annual Golf Tournament Saturday, June 22, 2013

1. Tournament Date: **Saturday June 22.** Registered players check in between 9:30-10:15 am
2. 10:15 am: Players/Teams go to respective tee assignments
3. 10:30 am: Shot Gun Start - Lake Monterey Back Nine plus Putting Green
4. 12:45 pm: Lunch, Awards, Prizes and Social Hour

Note Teams Tied with the Winning Score will have a Putt-Off on the Practice Green*

Tournament Play Format

1. Open to all Sandy Pines Members & Associate Members and their guests age 14+
(One team member must be a Sandy Pines member or associate member)
2. Play is between teams that consist of two people each; Men, Women, and Youth.
3. Tees: Red - Ladies and Youth age 14-15. Gold - Seniors age 75+
Blue - Players with handicap under 9 (you know who you are) White - all others.
4. Tournament Format using a Revised "Chapman" Handicap System (see below)
5. There will be prizes for every skill level, as well as a putting contest.
6. The cost is \$25 per team (2 people) (\$35 if one is a non member or associate).
Entry Fee Includes; Golf, Trail fee, Lunch Buffet, Social time and Prizes.
7. Maximum of 36 teams. Advanced registration is required. This event will fill up quickly, so early sign up is suggested. You can sign up at the office.

"Revised Chapman Handicap" 2-person team golf competition

Both members of a team tee off, then they switch balls. Player A plays player B's drive and vice-versa. Each player hits his or her second shot, then they select the better of the second shots. From there, a two person scramble format is used, each person plays a ball from the same location until holed (the lowest score is recorded on card).

Holes #13 & 16: Each player plays his/her ball start to finish.

The tournament committee randomly selects one hole from which scores will be subtracted from team total. Team Names and Scores are posted on Clubhouse Score Board.

Annual Sandy Pines Board of Directors Elections

As per the Sandy Pines Bylaws, notice is hereby given that there will be four (4) positions available for the Board of Directors at the August 2013 election. Nominating petitions must be returned to the Administration Office by June 17, 2013, no later than 4:30 pm.

NOTE: Petition forms are available at the Administration Office during regular business hours, Monday-Friday: 8 am to 4:30 pm, and Saturday 8:30 am – Noon. In order to qualify as a candidate, you will need to submit a petition with at least 25 signatures from Sandy Pines members, by June 17, and your membership dues must be paid to date.

Park Inspector

by Don Wiess

Well it seems as if summer has finally arrived at Sandy pines. I see a lot of you out doing your spring projects before the first major holiday of the season. I have a few things to remind you all of. First off by now you should have tarps off of your units, lot cleaned up and units washed if needed. I thank all of you who have been diligent with these issues as it saves me a lot of time when the members take care of this on their own. Secondly in the leaf dump across from the ranger station there is a big pile of building supplies that has accumulated. This is not an area for dumping old building materials. The big dumpster is where those should be thrown. If you are caught dumping in the pile you will be charged for the clean up. Also contractors are not allowed to dump any construction waste at the dump. This is reserved

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3. The pickup schedule will be changed on all compactors, with the exception of the compactor in the leaf dump area, to have the dumpster units picked up at least one time a week; likely to be Thursdays.
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Outreach and Communication Committee News by Kel Kronemeyer

The Board approved a recommendation to invite new members to the board meeting where their application for membership will be approved, to recognize their presence and to give them their Certificate of Membership at the meeting.

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The Board approved two receptions for new members, one in early June and one in late August, to be organized and facilitated by our committee. Specific dates will be determined at next meeting. We welcome volunteer assistance.

The committee is developing a series of catchy mantra's/slogans in the format of:
It's a good thing to remember but a better thing to do
Be part of the construction gang and not the wrecking crew.

4th Annual Night with the BUMS
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One has already been submitted. We are inviting members to submit others, keeping the first two lines the same and adding another two lines to remind us of the good things Sandy Pines is, or concerns that need to be addressed in a positive way. Email these to kkron7636@att.net.

The committee is evaluating and improving our welcome packets for new members. If any local member has a product or service discount coupon that they would like to have placed in the packet, please email to the above address.

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At our next meeting we will be discussing development of a small, attractive sign to be available for purchase which can be placed in a uniform spot on each site, indicating the year you became a member. We welcome ideas, sketches and your designs.

We will also be discussing forming a Camper's Helping Hand Group, to assist members who have physical limitations and limited financial resources who may need help in maintaining their site. We welcome your input and willingness to be part of such a group.

We also want to motivate every member to create an epidemic of Random Acts of Kindness to both known and unknown friends/members.

Our next Committee meeting will be Saturday, June 6, from 9:30 to 11 am in the conference room at the Admin. Office. We welcome your ideas and feedback!

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The family of **Kathie Evans**, Site 637, on her passing, February 24th.

Caron Dvorak, Site N-350, on the passing of her husband, **Bill**, in March.

Howard Murray, Site 170, on the passing of his wife, **Marjorie**, on April 11th. Sympathy is also extended to **Roy & Barb Murray**, Site 186, brother-in-law and sister-in-law; **Geraldine Murray**, Site 180, sister-in-law, and the **Ted Compton** family, Site 177, cousins.

Brent & Sue Sebright, Site 479, on the passing of their mother, **Avis**, on April 29th.

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Sales Department by Kathy Molner

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I want to thank the many volunteers who were so wonderful with helping at the RV shows this winter. I couldn't do it without you! For those who are not aware, I go to two RV shows in the winter to promote our beautiful Park. This in return, promotes our sales office and the potential sale of your property. We attend one in January, in Grand Rapids, and one in Novi, in February. If you think you would enjoy speaking to people who are interested in our Park, please let me know and I will put you on a list. I'd be happy to call you next winter.

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As you know, I am new, so 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!

JUNE 15	PHASE 1	BY THE HORSESHOE FIELD
JUNE 29	PHASE 2	OUTSIDE BY THE TENNIS COURT/DISC GOLF AREA
JULY 13	PHASE 3	PHASE 3 GARDENS AREA
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
AUGUST 24	PHASE 6	MEET NEAR THE DOG PARK/CC AREA
AUGUST 31	PHASE 7	MEET IN FRONT OF THE MODEL HOME

Senior Adult Activities by Carol Hoffman

Friday, June 7: Potluck in the Pavilion at 5:30 PM. Everyone welcome. Bring a dish to pass, your tableware and beverage. The SAA meeting will be at 6:30 PM following the potluck.

Saturday, June 15: Money Bingo at 7 PM in the Pavilion. Free Popcorn is available, bring your own beverage. You must purchase at least four cards for \$.25 each and you play on those cards all night. Please bring the correct change for your cards. We do not have a lot of change for large bills. Your must be at least 18 years old to play this bingo.

Friday, June 21: Free Karaoke in the Adult Recreation Center from 7-9 PM

Saturday, June 22: A Golf Cart Poker Run is planned from 2-4 PM. Register at the TeePee Area. Cost is \$5 per person. Please check the Weekend Flyer or our SAA sign in the core area between the Dairy Dip and the Pavilion for any change in information.

Thursday, July 4: Free Bingo in the Pavilion from 2-4 PM. No charge for the bingo. Play for prize donations. Free Popcorn available, please bring your own beverage. Ages 10 and up.

Friday, July 5: Potluck in the Pavilion at 5:30 PM. Everyone welcome. Bring a dish to pass, your tableware and beverage. The SAA meeting will be at 6:30 PM following the potluck.

Schedules of our events are available at each event. Information is also available on the bulletin boards in the Convenience Centers throughout the Park and on our Senior Adult Activities sign in the core area.

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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 \$66,900. Call: 616-455-6545.

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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 \$110,000. Call: 313-319-2836 and ask for Don or e-mail baldie2461@yahoo.com for more information.

For Sale - Site 1060 - Phase 3: Ready to move into, fully furnished, air conditioned, double loft, Country Manor Trailer, purchased new in 2009. It has a 10'X30' three seasons room, and large wrap-around deck, both newly carpeted. The trailer sits on a lake-front lot with a huge sandy beach, private dock, decorative lighthouse, fire pit, and a new garage built in 2010. Included are a paddle boat, row boat, lawn mower, and numerous tools. The 2012 pontoon is negotiable. The asking price is \$99,000. For more information call Joe or Sandi @ 269-749-8013.

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 EZGO electric golf carts and boat stake. \$129,000. Call 517-712-9465.

For Sale - Site N-20: 1992 air-conditioned Trophy Trailer on a nicely landscaped lot right near the water. A great view of the island and long area of lake. Comes with all furniture, boat stake, golf cart, 10 x 20 golf cart garage built in 2010. Upgraded, air-conditioned Westhouse porch built in 2001. New roof in 2009. Asking \$95,500. Call 815-693-6417.

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.

For Sale - Site N-53: Phase 4 Corner lot with lake view and boat stake! New and/or Clean everything: New Garage, New Roof, New A/C on porch with gas heater, PVC porch railings. Golf Cart Optional. Moving to Florida. Asking \$89,000. Call: 941-720-0909.

For Sale - Site N-210: 2005 Kropf one bedroom with family room/2nd bedroom on quiet circle close to the CC, beach and indoor pool. 3-season porch, deck and patio with large fire pit. Beautifully landscaped yard with fountain and gazebo. Electric golf cart and shed, \$37,000. Call: 734-459-3481.

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For Sale - Site K-28: Lake front, Phase 5. Trailer, porch, patio, deck, boat stake and dock. Very quiet and peaceful area. Call: 616-218-5450 for details.

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 1983 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.

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