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Letter from the President by Jean Richards

I don't know about you, but I am ready for the Park to open. I winter in southeast Michigan, and last week had to be careful on icy roads and today I walked the dogs wearing shorts. The crocuses are in bloom and the daffodils are budding, so it must be time for the trek to the Park. In one short month (today is March 14), the water will be turned on. So much to do, and so little time to get things sorted out and packed to take for the summer. Can't wait!

While you are making your summer plans, please think about running for the Board —there are two of us who cannot run again as we have fulfilled our two consecutive elected terms, and will need to be replaced. We have one incumbent who can rerun, as he will have completed only one elected term. Check in the Footprints for info on where paperwork may be picked up, and the date by when it must be submitted

We are always looking for members to get involved. Think about it.
 See you soon!

Annual Sandy Pines Board of Directors Elections

As per the Sandy Pines Bylaws, notice is hereby given that there will be three (3) positions available for the Board of Directors at the August 2012 election. Nominating petitions must be returned to the Administration Office by June 18, 2012, 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 18, and your membership dues must be paid to date.

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PARK DIRECTOR UPDATE by Max Gibbs



This has been, for those of us who really live where there is a winter, one of the best we have ever had!

I know that without a lot of snow our members worry about the lake being full of water. The lake in the middle of March was 3" from overflowing the wier. We haven't even had our April showers...which bring May flowers!

The Federal Government has mandated that a lift be installed at our swimming pools to help handicapped members have access to the pools. This new law affects every hotel, motel and campground in the United States. We have ordered our lifts, and when they arrive our staff will install them.

The Bylaws allow the Board to pass an Assessment to pay for government mandated expenses, but due to the fact that we have managed our money well, this will not be necessary. The cost of the lifts will be taken from our contingency account, which was set up in 1997, and money is placed in this account to take care of unbudgeted items. Your Sandy Pines has been saving money, and we will use these funds, instead of assessing our members.

The new power poles have been installed in the Park. Wolverine Power has completed this project. They will also take care of landscaping, road repairs and grading the areas affected. This will take place during April and May. Some of the work can only be completed when the weather changes to summer.

Please put June 9th on your calendar for the Open House at the new golf clubhouse.

Members and Associate Members will need to present their mag cards to play free golf. Make sure that you have yours available when you go to the golf course.

Have a great spring and we will see you soon!

Spring Office Hours
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Member Service Information by Mary Cooper

Boat Stakes and Water Stickers:

We must have an up to date state boat registration by June 1st. After June 1st, your boat stake will be opened up for someone on our boat stake waiting list. You can email a copy to memberservice@sandypines.com or fax a copy to 616-896-7409.

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Reminder: Please make sure that the pumpers have easy access to the holding tank valve. Fences, flower gardens or sheds should not be in the pumpers path or blocking the valve.

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Park Director Position

In case you did not read last month's Footprints, I wish to repeat the information concerning Max's upcoming retirement. He requested the Board accept his desire to retire from his position as Park Director, as of January 1, 2013. We, as a Board, agreed to honor his request.

Again, the rumors about the Board asking for his resignation, and that his replacement has been selected, have absolutely no truth behind them. We are proud of his leadership in making Sandy Pines the financially sound and diversified Park that it is. With his leadership, we have offered many amenities for our members, and continue to follow his impetus for the "greening" of the Park, and also by investing in improvements that will eventually pay for themselves.

The Board selected a local firm to help us locate a qualified replacement. This takes away any question of impropriety shown by the Board in the selection process. The person you need to contact, if interested in making an application for the position, is Casey Kuperus, Search Specialist, at Express Employment Professionals in Grand Rapids. ALL applications and initial interviews will be handled by him. He will do the background searches and provide the Board with a list of candidates he feels we should consider. The Board will not accept any direct communication from any potential candidate.

After the Board receives the listed candidates' paperwork, the decisions for final selection will be the job of the ad hoc committee organized to make the final selection. I, as President of the Board, will appoint four Board members to this committee. The Board, as a whole, will select three members at large from the Park to sit on the committee. If you are interested in being a part of the process, and feel you have the experience in helping make this decision, please submit your name, site, years of membership, and any pertinent experience you have had in the area of Human Resources or employment interviewing, to Member Services, Attn: Jean Richards.

You may also send this information to me through the Sandy Pines Website—Letters to the Board.

If you, or someone you know, has an interest in applying for the position of Park Director at Sandy Pines, please read the following. If you are not interested, wish us luck in selecting the right person for the job of YOUR Park Director.



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Qualified candidates will possess a Bachelor's degree in job-related study or experience deemed equivalent to the degree. Demonstrated administrative, financial and management skills, as well as public relations experience are essential to this position. Individuals who are familiar with West Michigan and the ideals and values of Sandy Pines, are preferred. Experience in city or municipal planning is a plus.

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Sympathy is extended to the following members and families:

Jan Fisher, Site 289, on the passing of her husband, **Roger**, on December 12th. Sympathy is also extended to **Ken & Kathleen Edwards**, Site 7. Roger was their father.

Jack & Jeri Herd, Site N-190, on the unexpected passing of their daughter, Rhonda Johnston, on December 19th.

Raymond Michuda, Site 600, on the passing of his wife, **Selma**, on February 1st. Sympathy is also extended to daughters, **Diane & Frank Aguilera**, Site 532, **Sally & Ed Schaack**, Site D-59, sister, **Donna & Chuck Gress**, Site 661, and granddaughter **Rachel Lynch**, Site 523.

Doris Brahle, Condo 5, on the passing her husband, **Jack**, on February 12th.

Mary Cooper, Member Service, on the passing of her husband, Dan, on March 1st.

Willis & Norma Klingenberg, Site 41, on the passing of their daughter, Diane Bennett, on March 1st.

The Ted Parsons Family, Site K-218, on the passing of their mother, Elizabeth Parsons, on March 6th.

Carolyn Taylor, Site K-224, on the passing of her husband, **Bob**, on March 10th.

Juanita (Elsie) St. Bernard, Condo 16, on the passing of her brother, Ken Welch, on March 16th. Sympathy is also extended to **Diane Welch**, Site 1305, sister-in-law; **Richard & LaVonda Welch**, Site 1274, nephew/niece; and **James & Erin Hurst**, Site 1212, great nephew/neice.

Doug & Sue Slinkman, Site D-35, on the passing their mother, **Jean Slinkman**, Site K-124, on March 13th. Sympathy is also extended to Jean's nieces/nephews, **Thelma and Bucky Bulhuis**, Site K-128, and **Dorothy & Pete Kamp**, Site 636.

The Susan Bussa Family, Condo 7029, on her passing, March 21. Son, **Alan Bussa**, Site 1197 and daughter and son-in-law, **David & Merrie Lou Nelson**, Site 419.



Here's What's Happening...



Congratulations to **August & Mary Garbrecht**, Site K-380, who celebrated their 63rd Wedding Anniversary on March 5th. We would also like to extend a **belated Happy Birthday to August**, who turned 90 on March 25th! May you continue to enjoy many more years of love, laughter and happiness together!

Congratulations to **Bob and Cheryl Holdren**, Site 975, who celebrated 50 wonderful years of marriage on March 7th. May you always enjoy love and happiness with your family and friends.

Sweet Adelines of Grand Rapids are coming to Sandy Pines on July 27th. They will be performing at the Chapel. Please mark your calendars – Time to be announced.

Whitecaps Baseball game

Sandy Pines Night at the Whitecaps baseball game this summer at Fifth Third Ball Park is July 19. We are offering reserved seating, for only \$7.50. These tickets are regularly priced at \$9.

If you would like to join us for an evening of fun, please e-mail your reservation for tickets to memberservice@sandypines.com, indicating your site number and the number of tickets you will need. You may also stop into the office to make your ticket reservations.

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These compactors have allowed us to eliminate 29 dumpsters around the Park. This is a big cost savings on trash removal. This also keeps the big truck from driving on our roads twice each week during the summer, to empty the 29 dumpsters.

These compactors are for garbage only. All other items need to be taken to Phase Seven, across from the Ranger's Station and disposed of in the large compactor.

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We will continue the monthly Photo Contest this summer, so we can all enjoy your photos as the summer progresses. It was wonderful seeing all of the great pictures that you took last summer, and we posted them on our website each month for everyone's viewing pleasure. Send your digital images to kathy@sandypines.com.

The top three selections each month will be displayed on the Pavilion Bulletin Board, the Recreation Station, at the Administration Office, the Ranger Station, and the Indoor Pool area. Winners will be given the honor and glory that goes with the opportunity to display their work, and all of us will enjoy the memories that have been created. Here are the timelines: May photos are due on June 1; June photos are due on July 2; July photos are due August 1; August photos are due Sept. 3; and September photos are due Sept. 31.

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Many of our members live in the Greater Grand Rapids area, and are familiar with the fall event called Art Prize. This past summer, over 1,500 people provided art for people to see and experience.

In July, Sandy Pines would like to invite our own members to display their artistic talents and abilities. Please put July 7-16 on your calendar. We will provide sign-up material for you next month for everyone who would like to enter our own summer art experience. We are calling this event the Sandy Pines Art Expo.

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Saturday, May 5 - Free Bingo - 2-4 pm - Pavilion
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Saturday, May 19 - Regular Bingo - 7 pm - Pavilion
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Be sure to check the bulletin boards around the Park for dates and times of our summer events. Thank you for supporting us!

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Maynard's Water Conditioning to the rescue!

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If you are looking for soft water, spot free dishes and no more iron stains in your Park Model, look no further. Simply stop by Park and Garden and sign up for an affordable "exchange tank". This tank will provide softened water to your site, and can be easily installed by you or the staff from Park and Garden.

The tank features standard garden hose fittings on the inlet and outlet valve of the tank. Set the tank on a level area next to your park model (you may want to strap or secure the tank so that it does not tip over). Disconnect your water supply at your trailer, and connect the male end to the inlet side of the tank. Next, connect an additional portable water hose (available at Park and Garden) from the outlet side

of the valve, back to your main water connection on your park model. It's that simple! You have all the luxuries of home away from home, why not have the feel of luxurious water!

The basic cost for one tank for the summer season is \$155. If you were to need a second tank, the cost would be \$95. Last year, 98% of our members only used one tank during the entire summer.

If you would like someone from Park and Garden to install your tank for you and come back and pick it up in the fall, that is an additional \$45. If you wish to install yourself, but have Park and Garden come and pick it up in the fall, that is an additional \$20.

Please visit our website to complete an application and get started using your soft water right away!



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SANDY PINES NEWS

BMX Bike Course

Spring and summer are just around the corner. Our new BMX Bike Track, which is located behind CC#13 in Phase Six, is ready for our bike enthusiasts.

Safety is important, as well as having fun. We have available on our website, the permission form that all bike riders will need to complete before they may use the course.

If a rider is under 18 years of age, they must have their parent sign the form. All riders 18 years and above may sign the form for themselves.

Be sure to bring a signed permission form with you to the course the first time you ride. We will keep it on file for future reference.

Bike Riders – mark your calendars! We are going to have ‘**Special BMX Bike Track Events**’ this summer at our new course.

We will be doing age group timings, to see who the fastest rider is. The first event will take place on June 15 at 7 pm.

We also plan to have events on July 20, and August 17. These will be competition events, so get ready for a fun season at the Track!



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Sandy Pines
By Aiden (Ted Parson's 2nd grade grandson)

I went to Sandy Pines. I have a cabin there. My cabin is close to the water park. Every day I would wake up my Dad early in the morning. I would ask if we could go swimming. We usually had donuts for breakfast then after swimming we would go to Mini-Putt golf. It was very fun. I like Sandy Pines!

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PARK RANGER NEWS by Steve Deyarmond

Memorial Day Weekend Bass Fishing Contest

The Ranger Department will be hosting the annual Bass fishing contest. Opening day for Bass fishing is Saturday May 26th. Stop in or call the Ranger station at 616-896-9006 to enter. All participants must enter before the start of the contest (May 26th). Contest runs from May 26-28, and ends at 3 pm on May 28th. All entries must be weighed before 3 pm on May 28th. Contest winner will be determined by the weight of a single Bass. Entry fee is \$10 per entrant. First prize is \$100. Contestants must bring the Bass to the Ranger Station to be weighed. We support catch and release. Funds other than prize money will go toward the restocking of fish into the lake. Good Luck!

Golf cart registration stickers

When receiving your golf cart registration stickers this spring, please check your golf cart for site numbers on the front and rear of the golf cart. Your site numbers must be at least three inches in height in contrasting color of the golf cart and visible. Golf cart registration stickers were mailed to members that did not request to have them left at the Ranger Station. Please affix these golf cart registration stickers to your golf cart. These are to be placed on the right rear bumper or fender in a visible location. If you did not receive a golf cart registration sticker, one can be purchased at the Ranger Station or at the Member Services Office. Golf cart/moped stickers are \$10 each.

Allegan County Public Warning and Notification System

An outdoor warning siren is located in Phase 1 next to the Phase 1 beach.

Testing Procedures:

On the **4th Friday of each month at 11 am**. You should take this time to review your family emergency plans.

Emergency Activation Procedures:

The Severe Weather Siren is activated by the Allegan County 911 Dispatch Center. When the siren activates you will hear a three minute "steady" tone. At this time, you should seek shelter inside a sturdy structure and tune to local radio and television for further instructions.

Severe Weather:

Please take the time to discuss with your family your emergency plan for severe weather. Discuss where you plan to take shelter, where to meet after a storm (if separated), where to take shelter if out in the Park, and what to do if out on the lake. It is also advisable to designate a relative outside Sandy Pines to contact in the event of an emergency that all family members can contact.

A Severe Thunderstorm Watch:

This means that atmospheric conditions exist that could produce severe weather such as lightning, high winds, heavy rains, sleet and hail.

Severe Thunderstorm Warning:

This means that severe weather associated with thunderstorms is occurring such as high winds, lightning, hail, sleet and flooding.

Tornado Watch:

Atmospheric conditions exist that could permit the creation of a tornado.

Tornado Warning:

A tornado warning means that a tornado has been sighted or detected on radar. Tornadoes often, but not always, occur in conjunction with a severe thunderstorm.

Early warning preparation suggestions:

Be aware of changing weather conditions and weather forecasts. Listen to local radio and television stations. Purchase a NOAA weather radio. These commonly have a weather alert tone that activates when watches or threatening weather approaches. These will alert you to changing conditions and wake you as you sleep. Be prepared for electrical outages, with flashlights and spare batteries. Try to refrain from using candles which are a major cause of house fires. Remember that trees may block roadways after a storm, and to stay away from damaged electrical boxes and downed power lines.



SANDY PINES

Park Inspector News by Don Weiss

Wow! The nice weather here at Sandy Pines continues, and many of you have been taking advantage of it by starting projects and doing clean ups. As a reminder, when doing your site clean ups this early, remember to check your site again at the beginning of June. We sometimes have strong spring storms that can ruin a clean up by then.

Also, when cleaning your leaves, they must be removed from the site and not blown into retired lots or green areas. If you are seen doing this, you will be required to remove the leaves and receive a violation. By removing the leaves, you will be hindering mosquitoes and other bugs from breeding.

I am not sure if I will be back on days before you read this or not, but I should be by the 15th of April for sure. I am currently still working Wednesday night through Sunday mornings, midnight to 10 am until I'm back on days.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me by e-mailing Inspector@sandy-pines.com or calling 616-896-7286.

Thanks!



Tot Center

The Tot Center is almost ready for young members, their parents and grandparents to enjoy.

The Tot Center is located in the Pavilion at the Core Area of the Park. The entrance will be easy to locate. If you find the new Tot Playground and the big brown bear, you are getting close! The sign on the building will also help.

You will enter the Tot Center by using your member or associate member magnetic card. You must accompany your children or grandchildren while they are in the Tot Center. We are blessed to have a grandmother and a couple of mothers who are stocking the center with all of the items needed to have a good time.

Please come and enjoy this new area with your tots!



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We have more 'Site For Sale' listings online at www.sandypines.com.

Please call Kathy or Dale at 616-896-8315 x 113 and 114, for more information, or to schedule an appointment to come in and check things out. Thanks!

FOUND: Over the winter months, several tame cats have been found wandering aimlessly in the Park. If one of them may belong to you, please contact Amy Pietras at 616-868-2154. Thanks!

WANTED at Site 116: We need a Park Model! Don't trade yours in call us first. Cash waiting! Call Pam at 616-878-9656.

For Sale - Site 153 - Phase 1: 2004 Trophy with double loft, 3 Season Mulder glassed in porch, huge deck, and vinyl sided shed. Includes an E-Z-Go gas golf cart with vinyl cover. Trailer has central air and loft has individual air conditioner. Site is located on a quiet cul-de-sac adjacent to a well-equipped playground and CC #1. All trailer, porch and deck furnishings included. Site has block cement patio with fire pit. Dues paid for 2012. This is a must see. Asking \$69,000. Call: 616-915-2967.

For Sale from Site 459: Queen sized sofa sleeper w/matching chair - \$250; 50" glass top dining room table w/4 chairs - \$200; small table w/2 chairs - \$75; pair of end tables and one sofa table - \$50; cream colored rocking chair - \$60; Broyhill sofa - \$150. Call: 616-516-6679, for more information.

For Sale - Site 479: Large corner lot, located conveniently near the Flea Market area. Lot includes new, fully wired 11X18 building with overhead storage, shelving, and a convenient slop sink. Also includes large deck, brick patio, landscaping, and underground sprinkling. Asking \$23,500 o.b.o. Call 231-834-2915 for more information.

For Sale - Site 493: Right on the lake in Phase 2. Trailer has new stove, microwave, water heater and porch, as well as five new windows on the lake side. Pontoon boat, two golf carts, boat stake, three car driveway and good, strong boat dock. This is a must see. Call: 269-501-8338.

For Sale - Site 555: Site only for sale with water and electric hook-ups. Asking \$15,000. Call: 269-273-8788.

For Sale - Site 559: 1990 Brookwood with Full Porch and deck. Nice lot with professionally bricked patio. Convenient location on a quiet horseshoe road. Large kitchen (full size stove), tub and shower in bathroom. Furnishings stay, including sofa sleeper and futon. Two air conditioners and ceiling fans. Boat stake within easy-walking distance. Electric Golf Cart, Golf Cart Shelter and Shed. 2012 dues paid. Asking \$39,900. Call Paul at 269-838-8191.

For Sale from Site 673: 2002 Park Model (UNIT ONLY). REDUCED \$25,000. Master bedroom w/queen bed. Two additional rooms, each with set of bunks. Air conditioned (under model unit). Purchased new and place on lot spring of 2003. Well cared for by non-smoking owners. Replacing with loft unit, will need to coordinate move with purchase of our new unit as it is attached to porch. Company we are purchasing new unit from can move/set-up on your lot for a fee and also has contacts for financing if needed. Pictures available on craigslist in RV section just search "Sandy Pines" or

"Park Model". Contact, Rae at 616.915.3733 or 616.887.5760.

For Sale - Site 983: in Phase 2. 1993 Wilderness 5th Wheel Trailer (25ft). Sleeps six, back bedroom has double bed. Excellent condition. Three season porch is attached. Shed included. Golf cart garage was new in 2010. 2006 Yamaha Electric golf cart with 36V batteries, back seat that folds down to cargo area, extended roof, and full rain cover included. 1978 Dolphin Pontoon with 25 HP rebuilt Johnson motor. Boat stake #2073R with property. Large lot fully shaded by three oak trees. Quiet section in phase 2. Lake view - Asking: \$22,500. Call or email Amy at 810-627-9322 or amorris2@comcast.net Photos available by email.

For Sale from Site 1394: Opportunity knocks: 140 square feet of summer fun. Are you seeking an affordable 3-season porch enclosure? Our old campground closed unexpectedly at the end of last season so we have a 2011 Dura Bilt 10 x 14' glass & screen sun room with an insulated 6' sliding glass entry door for great visibility. The 3" insulated roof has 1' overhang on all sides. Stored at our new-to-us Sandy Pines site. Asking \$4,000. Call 248-350-0361 or email DaisyCuts@gmail.com for photos. Looking for something to attach it to? See our next ad.

For Sale from Site 1394: Opportunity knocks: Nearly new 2011 Forest River Cedar Creek Destination Trailer, Model 40CFL. This 3-slide gel coated beauty has nearly every option available. For sale because our old campground

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closed unexpectedly at the end of last season. Save thousands on a unit that was only used a handful of nights. Stored near Sandy Pines. Asking \$40,000. Call 248-350-0361 or email DaisyCuts@gmail.com for photos. Want a complete package? See related 3-season porch ad (above). We even have the custom built deck available.

For Sale - Site N-95 - (Phase 4) Beautiful sunsets overlooking Golf Course. Nicely landscaped lot. Large brick patio and fire pit, detached covered deck and storage shed. Includes E-Z-Go electric golf cart and vinyl golf cart enclosure. Clean 1986 Shasta Travel Trailer with awning. Close to CC. Dues are paid for 2012. Asking \$26,900. Call 269-428-2963.

For Sale - Site N-149: 2009 Quailridge Front living super bay one bedroom with electric golf cart, boat stake with 18' pontoon boat, and storage shed. Close to beach and indoor pool. Asking 56,000 or best offer. Call: 616-249-0596

For Sale - Site N-161: 2007 Quailridge, great location with lake view right across the street from the beach area. One bedroom, excellent condition. Boat stake within easy walking distance. Electric golf cart with golf cart shelter and an additional shed for storage. Asking \$74,900. Please call 616-218-0679 or email www.sckl@sbcglobal.net

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, \$43,000. Call: 734-459-3481.

For Sale - Site K-17: Price reduced to sell. Now asking \$97,900 or best offer. Large prime lot with full lakefront view of Sailboat Cove. Prime Location. Water Park and mini-golf are within walking distance. Price includes 1987 Oakland Park two bedroom trailer with screened in porch, deck, fire pit, and boat stake; 2002 20' Sweetwater boat with 40hp Mercury Big Foot motor, and an electric golf cart. Call: 734-216-7770.

For Sale - Site K-170: 1992 Trophy Park Trailer with 3-season porch w/shed. One bedroom, however sleeps 8. Fully furnished including 3 TVs and a full size bathroom. Lots of storage throughout trailer. Roof Air Conditioner w/air conditioning unit on porch. Underground sprinkling, large brick patio w/firepit next to quiet green area. Two Yamaha gas golf carts w/brand new shed. Boat stake within walking distance, short walk to water park. Great location, in

great condition. 2012 dues paid. Asking \$49,500. Call: 616-446-7436 or 616-914-9924.

For Sale - Site K-310: Lakefront lot and trailer. Beautiful view. Excellent condition. Fully furnished, two boat stakes w/dock. Golf cart and new paddleboat. Asking \$140,000. Call: 616-741-9071 or 616-403-7673.

Service Available from Site K-412: Pulling Pontoons In-or-Out \$25 one way. Call Harrison's Shrink wrapping at 269-673-4934 or 269-217-4916. Seven days a week any hour. Bill and Sherry Harrison.

If you would like to place an ad in the Classifieds, please e-mail kathy@sandypines.com or call 616-896-8315 x 105 by the 16th of the month prior to when you wish your ad to run. Your ad runs until you let Kathy know you wish to remove it. Your account will be billed \$15 for each month that your ad is in the Footprints. Thanks!

THE CONDOMINIUMS OF SANDY PINES

Seasonal Model Hours resume
Friday, April 20th - 4 to 7 pm
and Saturday, April 21st - 1 to 4 pm

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RECREATION UPDATES

Adult Recreation by Terry Derks, Adult Rec. Supervisor

At last the snow is gone, the temperatures are starting to warm up, and the 2012 Sandy Pines season is getting underway! I just want to give you a few updates and reminders of what is planned for your adult summer activities.

First of all, please be aware that the visit, parade, and show from the Holland Vintage Car Club date is now June 16. There was a conflict with other car shows in the area, and they requested the new date so as many of their members as possible, would be able to visit our Park. This event begins around 6:15 pm when they will parade their classic cars through the Park, starting at the Chapel parking lot in Phase 6, all the way to the Tee-Pee area. There, they will display their cars so you can enjoy them. If you have a classic car and would like to join in with the group, please let me know, so we can make you part of the festivities.

Please note that on the back page of the Footprints, you can read all about the new Member/Guest Golf Outing. If you like golf, and you like fun, I suggest you sign up early. Outing will be held on June 23, this year.

Yes, there will be three Bean Bag Toss tournaments this year. The dates are not yet set. I will post them when we get them finalized. This is a fun event, and the prizes will be great!

Don't forget our three bus trips. June 22, July 26 and Aug. 28-30. Sign up early so you don't get left behind. I've checked with people who have gone on these tours and have received some great reports!

I just finalized a Thursday night concert with the Sweet Adeline's of Grand Rapids. They will be here on July 27th.

Remember the new class of boats for the Cardboard Boat Regatta! I am looking for groups, families, a club or whatever...even a few brave individuals to build a cardboard boat on the day of the race, July 28th. YES, I will supply the cardboard and duct tape. You simply supply the work and the fun! Please sign up soon because entries will be limited.

Don't forget our new Art Expo. It will run from July 9 through 15. You can enter your artistic talent or just enjoy the talents of your fellow members. Remember, your vote will determine the winner.

These are just a few of the many activities we have planned for your summer enjoyment. Stop by the Sandy Pines booth at the May 26 Flea Market for more information.

Youth/Teen Recreation by Mary Applehof, Supervisor

Spring! What does spring mean to me? Spring means change, new and exciting changes. We have some new and exciting events planned for you this summer. New this summer will be Ga-ga Ball. The Ga-ga Arena is at the Recreation Station. Ga-ga ball is a form of Dodgeball. Have you ever played Ga-ga Ball? If not, you need to discover the thrill! Ga-ga Ball is a fun and competitive game that almost anyone can play, regardless of age! It's a great way to get exercise and have fun doing it! Ga-ga Ball is played in an Octagon or Hexagon pit. The object is to hit or slap the ball (not throw it) into another player's leg. It must hit at the knee or below to get someone out. I can't wait to see you playing Ga-ga ball this summer!



Also new and exciting is the BMX bike trail. We will have open hours for the BMX trail: Monday 4-8pm; Tuesday 11am-2pm; Wednesday 2-8pm; Thursday 4-8pm; Friday 4-8 p.m, Saturday 10-2 & 4-8 pm; and Sunday 11am-3pm. Please check out the Sandy Pines Website and read and sign the track rules. You will need to bring a copy with you the first time that you use the trail. We will then keep the copy on file for you for the rest of the summer. Helmets must be worn and there will be no exceptions to this rule. We believe in safety first.

Some important dates to put on your calendar: The Boater's Safety class is Saturday, June 9 from 8 am - 2 pm. You must be pre-registered to attend. Register by e-mailing recreation@sandypines.com.

The White Caps will be here to run a baseball clinic for the kids on Saturday, July from 10 am – Noon. Photos at 11:45 am.

I am looking for some new ideas for our Family Fun Day games. If you have an idea for a new game, I would love to hear it! Please e-mail recreation@sandypines.com

Be sure to check the Sandy Pines Calendar. It has all of our activities posted. Looking forward to another great summer at the Pines!

SANDY PINES NEWS

Aquatics Update by Kim Day, Supervisor

We've had such a beautiful (and early) Spring, and Summer is right around the corner! We will be opening the pools again on Memorial Day weekend. We are changing the hours of the Water Park to 11 am to 9 pm Monday through Saturday (staying open between 5 pm - 6 pm) and 10 am - 5 pm Sunday. These hours will be during our recreation season, which begins June 18. The hours for off-season (before June 18th) are 1 pm - 9 pm Monday through Saturday (staying open between 5 pm - 6 pm) and 10 am - 5 pm on Sundays.

We are offering a Lifeguard Training Course on Saturday, June 9 through Friday, June 15. This Lifeguarding class will teach many important lifesaving and water safety skills such as patron surveillance, water entries, water rescue skills, and back boarding. Participants will also learn CPR, First Aid, and how to use an AED.

Prerequisites: All participants must be at least 15 years old by the last day of class. Participants must be able to swim 300 yards continuously with 100 yards being front crawl, 100 yards Breaststroke, and 100 yards either one. Participants must be able to tread water for two minutes, using only their legs. Participants must also be able to swim 20 yards, surface dive 10 feet, retrieve a 10 pound diving brick, return to the surface, and swim with the brick 20 yards back to the starting point in 1 minute and 40 seconds, or less. Certifications upon passing of this class is American Red Cross lifeguarding/First Aid/CPR/AED valid for 2 years. We will be doing all our lifeguarding practice in the Indoor Pool and will be watching the video presentations and learning CPR in the Recreation Station. Here are the times for training course: Saturday meet at the Indoor Pool from Noon-3 pm, and we will complete the course prerequisites and discuss how the course is going to run. Monday - Friday 8 am-3 pm (more information about location each day will be given on the first day of class. Class times will vary, though they will not start before 8 am, nor will they end after 3 pm). The cost is \$180, which includes lifeguarding course, book, and certifications. Cash or check made out to Chad Bareman will be accepted the first day of class. To register or ask questions, please email Chad Bareman at cbareman@sbcglobal.net or call (616)-570-5942.



Golf Course 2012

This is going to be an exciting year at your Golf Course!

A new reservation system has been set up for you. You will need to go to our website and click on Golf Course, and then click on 'reservations.' This can be done from home, at the Sandy Pines Kiosks around the Park, and also at the Golf Course.

The Clubhouse Grand Opening is scheduled for June 9, from 1 to 4 pm. We will be offering free food and tours and discounted prices on beverages. Bring the whole family!

Member Golf Outing will be held on June 23rd this year. See info on back page of the Footprints. You can find an entry form on our website, or stop at the office or Clubhouse to sign up.

Golf Course Policies for this season are on our website under Golf Course. Please be sure to read them before the season begins.

Golf Course Etiquette

- Play Ready Golf. Ready Golf is a method of play suggested, unless in competition, for speeding up play on a course.
- Avoid distracting the other players. No one should move, talk, stand close to or directly behind the ball or the hole when a player is addressing the ball or making a stroke.
- Please do not step in the putting line of another player when on the green to prevent indentation in the line of the intended putt.
- Please lay the flagstick down carefully so no damage is made to the putting green.
- Players should play without delay in the interest of all golfers on the course. When the play of a hole has been completed, players should immediately leave the putting green.
- Please avoid playing more than one ball on any hole.
- Please use receptacles provided for trash and do not discard cigarette butts on the course.

2012 Sandy Pines Golf Outing Info

Get ready for an **all new** Sandy Pines Golf Outing for 2012. This new format puts the emphasis on more fun, as well as golfing skills. The date, time and the format are all new for 2012. The name of the event has even changed. It will now be known as the **“Sandy Pines Golf Fore Fun”** tournament. Here are the details

Sandy Pines - GOLF FORE FUN - 2012 Tournament

1. Tournament date is Saturday, June 23. Registered players - Check-In starts at 4 pm
2. A Food Buffet, featuring our Clubhouse new and expanded menu, begins at 4:30 pm
3. Players depart to their assigned tees for start of tournament at 5:30 pm
4. Tournament “Shot Gun” Start at 5:45. Tournament is played on the Back Nine
5. Social time, with snacks following play, in our new Clubhouse, along with the Prize awards will be announced at approximately 7:45 pm
6. The cost is \$20 per team for two people, or \$30, if one player is a non-member or associate.

Tournament Play Format

1. Open to all Sandy Pines Members & Associate members & 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 and 15. Gold = Seniors age 75+. Blue = players with a handicap of 8 and under (you know who you are) White = all others.
4. Tournament Format is using the “Chapman” Handicap system (details online)
5. There will be hole prizes for every skill level, as well as a putting contest.
6. The cost is \$20/team (two people) or \$30 if one player is a non-member or associate. Entry Fee Includes: Golf, Trail fee, Dinner Buffet, Social time snacks and Prizes.
7. Maximum of 40 teams. Advanced registration is required. This event will fill up quickly, so early sign up is recommended. You can sign up by completing the info below or go online for an entry form with additional information about the Tournament.

Team Name (Be creative) _____

Player # 1 Name _____

Player # 2 Name _____

Contact Information E-mail _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone: _____

Entry forms are also available on our website, at the Admin. Office and at the Clubhouse.