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## Letter from the President by Jean Richards

Welcome back to the Park for another season full of opportunities for great family and individual fun. Make time, and take the opportunities to make memories, every day. Don't spend all your time working; enjoy your surroundings and the multitude of activities available to you. Get out and get involved. Join an activity. Get to know more of your neighbors. Volunteer for committee work

or helping out with one of the many scheduled activities. Treat life with optimism, enjoy every day, and make it a day to remember. Make this season the one that you can look back on in October and say, it was the best ever! And, don't forget the second Friday of the month Board Meetings. Everyone is welcome to attend.



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## PARK DIRECTOR UPDATE by Max Gibbs



The 'Greening' of Sandy Pines has become a popular saying around the Park, as well as across the Country. We are one of the leaders in the Outdoor

Hospitality Industry. Please see the last page of this Newsletter for a Press Release from ARVC. You all contribute to our greening. I hope you have given us your e-mail address so we can continue to cut back on paper usage, postage and waste, by sending your statements via e-mail.

We are also offering you the option of receiving a link to the Footprints, via e-mail each month, rather than the printed copy. If that is something you are interested in, please e-mail us to let us know at [memberservice@sandypines.com](mailto:memberservice@sandypines.com), and we will accommodate that request. The Newsletter link would be sent to you on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month.

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grandchildren.

We are continuing to eliminate the dead and dying pine trees around the Park. When we do this in Green Areas, we are planting trees, grass and flowers. We are looking forward to the Garden Club beginning their projects for the summer. If you would like to be included in the 'Greening' and beautification of the Park, please let us know.

Welcome back and we hope you have a great summer. We are here to serve you and help you to have a safe and enjoyable summer!

### Member Service Information by Mary Cooper

#### Pumpouts:

To place a pumpout order call 616-896-8315 ext 111. Leave your name, site# and dates you would like your pumpouts done. You must call in no later than 4 pm the day before your scheduled day. Phase 1 must call in by 4 pm Friday.

**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.

#### Flea Markets:

Upcoming dates are: May 8, May 29 (Memorial Day), and June 12. Spaces are available for \$25/ea. or all seven Flea Markets for \$20/ea. Flea Markets run from 9am to 2pm.

#### Address Changes:

Let us know when you get back to the Park. Please make sure the office knows if you have a new address, phone number or email, here or at home.

#### Leaf Bags:

Leaf bags are sold at Park & Garden,

Rangers Station and Member Service. Plastic bags are not allowed.

#### WI-FI Locations in the Park:

Rangers Station, Core (Pavilion area), Library (Admin), CC#3 (Phase 2), outdoor pool (Phase 3), Adult Rec. Center (Indoor pool) & Recreation Station (Phase 6) plus all of the gate entrances.

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### The Green Book Info

Each month, as space is available, we will have a column with facts and information about how we can each help Mother Earth by becoming more 'green.' These excerpts will be taken from ***The Green Book, The Everyday Guide to Saving the Planet One Simple Step at a Time***, by Elizabeth Rogers & Thomas M. Kostigen. This book can be purchased at Kohl's for \$5, and is printed on 100% recycled paper.

There are about 1.6 billion homes in the world, about 100 million in the US alone. Yours is where you spend most of your time and where you use the most energy and water, and also create the most amount of waste.

On average, we create 4.5 pounds of trash every day! Over the course of a lifetime, that would total 600 times your average adult weight – in garbage! Waste, however, isn't our biggest impact on the planet: Americans use at least twice as much water and energy per person as anyone else in the world. Those are big problems considering there's a scarcity of both to go around.

Here are some simple steps that will allow us to make the biggest posi-


tive planetary impact, with the least amount of effort.

**Take a shorter shower:** Every two minutes you save on your shower can conserve more than 10 gallons of water. If everyone in the country saved just one gallon of water from their daily shower, over the course of the year it would equal twice the amount of freshwater withdrawn from the Great Lakes every day. The Great Lakes are the world's largest source of freshwater.

**Set your thermostat a degree higher for air-conditioning and a degree lower for heating,** and you could save \$100/yr. on your utility bill. Keep adjusting and you'll save even more! If every home in America did this, we could save more than \$10 billion/yr. on energy costs – enough to provide a year's worth of gasoline, electricity and natural gas to every person in Iowa!

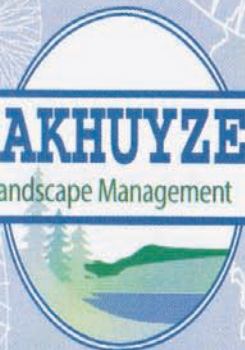
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## SANDY PINES INFO

### Senior Adult Activities

by Bill Meyer, President

Welcome back Campers and Snowbirds! We hope you had an enjoyable winter, wherever you were.

Our 2010 Sandy Pines season will officially begin on Saturday, May 8, with our first Pancake Breakfast from 8-11 am at the Flea Market. Our prices have increased this year due to rising food costs. This year, the cost will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for children. We will also have a Free Bingo on that date from 2-4 pm, for 12 years old and up, in the Pavilion. Please remember that the 'No Smoking' law went into

effect on May 1, therefore, you will no longer be able to smoke at the Pancake Breakfasts.

On Friday, May 7, there will be a Pizza Party and meeting for all Adult Activities members, at 6 pm in the Pavilion. If you would like to be part of our group, please join us for an evening of fun and fellowship.

Our next Bingo, for ages 18 and up, will be Saturday, May 22, at 7 pm, in the Pavilion. We will then have a Free Bingo on Monday, May 31, from 2-4 pm, in the Pavilion.

We will have another Pancake Breakfast on May 29, from 8-11 am,

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We hope to see you at our events throughout the 2010 season!



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We also have a link in the Members Only section of our website to a payment service, which allows you to pay your Sandy Pines bill using a checking or savings account, or a credit/debit card at your convenience. This service charges \$.50 for bank account debits. That's less than the cost of an envelope and stamp. If you prefer to use a credit/debit card, there is a 3% fee to cover the costs charged by the credit/debit card processor. While not free, this service is "green" and allows the use of a credit/debit card, if that is your preference.

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Be sure to check out the trips we have planned for this summer. You can sign up at Member Service.

**Crossroads Village, Huckleberry Railroad and Fried Chicken** will take place on **Wednesday, June 30<sup>th</sup>** with a cost of **\$98/person**.

**Brown Bags, Haystacks and Legacy Five Gospel Music Show** is our next trip, scheduled for **July 30<sup>th</sup>** with a cost of **\$123/person**.

**From State-of-the-Art Technology to "Lazy River Cruisin!"** is our next trip, scheduled for **September 2<sup>nd</sup>**, with a cost of **\$117/person**.

I hope to have information on a few additional trips as the summer progresses.

Thanks for signing up to be 'on da bus! We're looking forward to a great season!

Rog Grinwis, Adult Recreation



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## HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SANDY PINES

### Sympathy is extended to the following members and their families:

**Rosetta Mills**, Site 534, on the passing of her husband of 59 years, **Posey**, on March 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Dave & Bev VanNoord**, Site D-145, on the passing of their mother, Emma VanNoord, on March 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Paula VanDyke**, Site 1246, on the passing of her husband, **Craig**, on March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Patty Homan**, Site N-381, on the passing of her mother, 'Bobbie' Callaway, on March 24<sup>th</sup>. Sympathy is also extended to **Roger & Renee Heath**, Bobbie's grandchildren and **Megan & Adam**, great-grandchildren, Site N-394. Bobbie was a former member of Sandy Pines and resided at Site N-394.

**Garry Wagner**, Site K-127, on the passing of his wife, **Linda**, on April 8<sup>th</sup>.

### Here's What's Happening...

#### Recycle your Shrinkwrap!

Bill Harrison has again arranged for a Company to bring in a dumpster for you to place your shrinkwrapping in, to be recycled. The dumpster is by the ball field next to our other recycling bins. Please be sure to place your shrinkwrap in this dumpster, rather than the dumpsters in the Park. This frees up the Park dumpsters, plus we are getting it free of charge! Thank you for recycling!

**The Adult Softball Team** is having a **Softball Field Work Day** on **May 8<sup>th</sup>** at 1 pm. Any players or fans that may be available, are needed to come help get the softball field in playing condition. Bring your rakes, shovels and any other tools or equipment you think we may need. We need a large roller to smooth out the outfield, if anyone has one. The more people who show up to work – the sooner we get to play! Email your questions to [recman02@yahoo.com](mailto:recman02@yahoo.com). Thanks!

#### Memorial Day Weekend Bass Fishing Contest

The Ranger Department will again be hosting the Annual Bass Fishing Contest. Opening day for Bass fishing is Saturday May 29<sup>th</sup>. Stop in, or call the Ranger Station at 616-896-9006, to enter. All persons must enter before the start of the contest (May 29<sup>th</sup>). Contest will run Saturday May 29<sup>th</sup> to Monday May 31<sup>st</sup>, and will end at 3 pm. All entries must be weighed by 3 pm on May 31<sup>st</sup>. 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.

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May 16: Worship service - **Pavilion**  
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May 30: **Vesper service - Outdoor  
Chapel** at 6 PM - The Olivetians

Free Pig Roast Dinner for Bill & Sherry Harrison's 2009 Shrinkwrapping Customers!  
Pig Roast will be on June 19<sup>th</sup> at the Tee Pee area from 11 am to 1 pm.

## RECREATION DEPARTMENT NEWS

### Adult Recreation

The time has come to start up our Saturday morning coffee and the Wednesday Night Potlucks.

The Saturday Morning Coffee will begin on June 5, from 9-9:45 am, in the Recreation Station, every Saturday morning.

Potlucks will use the same plan as last summer, the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month at 5:30 pm, in the Recreation Station. Our first Potluck will be held on June 9<sup>th</sup>. We're looking forward to seeing all of you at these events. Be sure to bring a friend and enjoy a good time.

For you Euchre players – May 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm, in the Adult Recreation Center is our first scheduled night, and we will play every Wednesday evening thereafter.

And, please remember to come to our Memorial Day Celebration at the Veteran's Memorial on Monday, May 31<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 am for the Flag Raising Ceremony. Coffee and cookies will be served after the program in the Recreation Station.

See ya! Have a great summer!

Rog Grinwis  
Adult Recreation Supervisor

### Teen/Youth Recreation

You can't wait? I can't wait! We won't have to wait much longer for our Sandy Pines summer fun to begin. We're on our way to a great time with the events planned for Memorial Weekend. We're going to have all of our regular tournaments: Tennis, 3-on-3 basketball, and teen volleyball. On Saturday, we will have the Treasure Dig for the kids (2-8 years old), Night Glow Mini Golf, Remote Control Car Races (so bring your cars charged) and of course movies will be shown at the Recreation Station. Keep your eyes on the Weekend Flyers for all the upcoming events - you won't want to miss out on any of the fun! A copy of the summer schedule can be picked up

at the Administration Office.

On June 19, beginning @ 9:00 a.m. we are going to have a Bicycle Safety Class presented by the Allegan County Sheriff's Dept. at the Recreation Station. The Bike Safety event will focus on: checking your bike, Riding Safely, proper hand signals, fitting your bike helmet (some will be given away too!), and riders will go through a mock safety course.

Tennis lessons this year will again be taught by Julie VanWyk. Julie has been a Sandy Pines member for eight years. (She grew up at Sandy Pines as a kid, too!) Julie has a physical education background, and has coached high school tennis. Come meet Julie for tennis registration on May 29<sup>th</sup> from 9-10:30 am at the Recreation Station. Registration is important to ensure proper level placement and even class sizes. If you are not avail-

able for lesson registration over the Memorial Weekend, please e-mail us at [recreation@sandypines.com](mailto:recreation@sandypines.com) and we'll get back with you.

We are so happy that Dave DeMey has agreed to run our Golf Lessons again this year. Dave is a teacher and golf coach for Unity Christian High School. Golf lessons will be on Wednesdays for Beginners ages 7-16 at 11-Noon, and Intermediate and Advanced are from Noon-1 pm. Adults: ages 17 & up – Beginner 9-10 am, Intermediate: 10-11:00 a.m. Please check the weekend flyer for location each week. We will meet at either the Driving Range or at the Golf Course.

If you have any movie requests for this summer, or any cool new ideas, we always love to hear from you.

Looking forward to a great summer at Sandy Pines!

Mary Applehof, Teen/Youth Recreation Supervisor

### Aquatics News

Welcome back to Sandy Pines! Only one more month until our Summer Recreation Season begins! Don't forget - Swimming Lesson Registration will be available during Memorial Weekend at the Recreation Station. Registration dates and times are Saturday, May 29<sup>th</sup> from 9am-10:30am, and Monday, May 31<sup>st</sup> from 10am-Noon. Please stop by to find out more information regarding our new programs, Parent/Tot Swim Class and Swim Club. All the information you will need regarding skill levels and requirements will be available at registration and has already been posted on the recreation website. If you are not available for lesson registration over Memorial weekend, please register via email after Monday, May 31<sup>st</sup>. If you register via email please include the following information: Child's first and last name, parent's first and last name, child's age, skill level & time

you are registering for, site number, e-mail address, and a phone number. Be sure you print off skill level requirements from our website.

Lastly, Liz Emrich, will be coming out to Sandy Pines on Saturday, June 12<sup>th</sup> to begin the Lifeguard Training Course. If you are planning on taking the course, please send me an email to sign up by May 28<sup>th</sup>. She needs to know how many books to purchase for class use. The class costs \$175 which includes course training and materials. Participants will be certified in Lifeguarding, CPR, and First Aid. Class will start promptly at 8am on Saturday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at the indoor pool. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to email me at [BeckiArndt2003@yahoo.com](mailto:BeckiArndt2003@yahoo.com).

Becki Arndt, Aquatics Supervisor



## PARK RANGER NEWS by Steve Deyarmond

### **Disposal of leaves, vegetation and brush:**

The leaf dump is across 28<sup>th</sup> Street, west of the Ranger Station. Please do not dispose of items other than vegetation in the leaf dump. Large dumpsters are located in the area across from the Ranger Station for Park household appliances, old carpet, old furniture, old sheds, old grills and chairs. Please remove doors from refrigerators/freezers.

### **Dumpsters/trash receptacles:**

Please use the trash receptacles in your area for household trash. When emptying and cleaning your charcoal grills, please make sure that all fire is extinguished. It is not uncommon each year to have a fire in a dumpster because someone emptied their hot charcoal briquettes into it.

Please use the large dumpsters across from the Ranger Station for large items, carpet etc. The dumpsters in the Park are only intended for items from the Park. Please do not bring items from home to dispose of here.

### **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 cart. Your site numbers must be at least three inches in height, visible, and in contrasting color of the golf cart.

Golf Cart Registration Stickers were mailed in April. Please affix these stickers to your golf cart. If you did not receive a sticker, it can be purchased at the Ranger Station or at our Member Services office.

The Ranger staff will, and do, issue violations to anyone operating golf carts, boats and mopeds, in the Park without the Sandy Pines Registration Sticker displayed on the vehicle. All watercraft and vehicles in the Park must display a Sandy Pines Registration Sticker or Pass.

### **Operation of Golf Carts by youth:**

Youth 12 years of age must take,

and pass, the Golf Cart Safety program to operate a golf cart in the Park with an adult. Youth wishing to receive a Golf Cart Driving Permit must stop at the Ranger Station and pickup a Golf Cart Safety Study Guide. They should study the information and the parent should review the information with them. After the youth has studied the Golf Cart Safety Guide, they may stop at the Ranger Station and take a written test. After the written test is passed, he/she will be issued a Golf Cart Driving Permit to operate a golf cart with an adult. Twelve year olds must have an adult present on the golf cart to operate it.

Youth 13 years of age or older may also pick up a Golf Cart Safety Guide to study in order to operate a golf cart within the Park. After they study the Golf Cart Safety Packet, his/her parent should review the information with them. After the safety guide has been studied, they can stop at the Ranger Station to take a written test. After the the written test is passed, he/she must operate the golf cart with an adult for three weeks.

Proof of age is required for taking the Golf Cart Test. Proof of age can be a birth certificate, passport or school ID indicating age.

Fifteen year olds with State Issued Auto Driving Permits do not have to take the Golf Cart Driving Safety Course.

All golf carts operated within the Park must have \$100,000 liability insurance coverage.

### **Mopeds and Scooters:**

Two wheeled scooters with a seat and a motor are permitted within the Park. Motorized scooters without a seat are not permitted.

You must be 15 years or older and must have a State Issued Vehicle license or Moped license to operate a Moped, or Park-approved motorized scooter in the Park.

Mopeds must have a Sandy Pines

Moped Registration Sticker, and the membership site numbers on the front and rear of the moped must be at least two inches in height

All mopeds/scooters operated within the Park must have \$100,000 liability insurance coverage.

### **Rental Golf carts:**

To operate a rental golf cart within the Park, an individual must be at least 18 years of age with a valid State Issued Operators Permit. In the event that a person is found operating a rental golf cart within the Park that is under the age of 18 years, the Ranger staff will stop the golf cart, take the rental keys, issue a violation, and inform the rental agency. This may result in the loss of use of the rental golf cart and any rental fees.

### **Weather Siren Reminder**

The Weather Siren will be tested on the 4th Friday of each month at 11 am. Please review your emergency response plan with your family.

### **Park Inspector News**

**by Don Weiss**

Hello to everyone! Let me thank you in advance for taking the time to read this, as there are some important dates coming up for you to remember.

First, please make sure all tarps are off units and porches by June 1<sup>st</sup>. Second, please remember to have all lots and equipment cleaned by June 10<sup>th</sup>. Failure to adhere to these rules will result in either a fine, or a bill to have someone do the necessary work.

I am back on days now, and my summer hours will be as follows: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm. Tuesday and Saturday: 8:30 am – Noon.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at 616-896-7286 or [Inspector@sandy-pines.com](mailto:Inspector@sandy-pines.com)

## SANDY PINES

### Notice of Board of Directors Petitions

As per the Sandy Pines By-Laws, notice is hereby given that there will be three (3) positions available for the Board of Directors at the August, 2010, election.

Nominating petitions must be returned to the Administration Office by **June 23, 2010**, no later than 4:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Derks, Secretary, Sandy Pines Board of Directors

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**For Rent:** Furnished 2-bedroom, Park Model in Sherwood Forest, Kissimmee, FL. Four miles from Disney - \$400/week. Call Mike - Site N-296 at 616-437-3691.

**For Sale: Site 214:** 1985 two bedroom Park Model w/32x10 3-season porch on large landscaped lot w/lake view. Also includes 16' Glasstron power boat w/trailer, boat stake and dock near the Ice Cream Shop. Two golf carts w/shelter and chargers, patio, A/C, furniture, and utility shed. 2010 dues paid. Everything you need for only \$35,000! Call John: 616-318-1549.

**For Sale: Site 247:** 1996 Dutch Park Model, one-bedroom with front family room. Full glass and screen porch. Patio, storage shed and golf cart garage. Fully furnished \$45,500. Call: 616-914-1201.

**For Sale - Site 287, Phase 1:** Double lot w/single dues! Close to everything. Fire pit and golf cart shed. All dues will be paid for 2010 and has all upgrades - MUST SELL! Asking 19,900 OBO. Call: 616-881-1124 and leave a message or after 5:30 pm and anytime on weekends. Ask for Randy.

**For Sale: Site 301:** 1987 Garden House, totally updated - across the street from beach, CC, and Ice Cream Store. 18' Pontoon, golf cart, two decks, pond, shed and more. Must see - \$60,000. Call: 313-671-6926.

**For Sale: Site 459 - Phase 1:** 2001 Quailridge Trailer, 3-season porch, one bedroom w/queen size bed. Central air, pull out couch, large deck, nice lot with new trees. Golf cart negotiable. Asking \$45,900. Call: 616-299-4669.

**For Sale: Site 491 - Waterfront for sale:** 2002 Quailridge, one bedroom w/add-on room and large deck. Fully furnished, 2010 Dues are paid, wonderful views, professionally landscaped. Boat Stake and shared dock. Club Car Golf Cart - \$124,900 or best offer. Call: 616-893-4518 or 616-482-7213.

**For Sale - Site 597 - Phase 2:** Golf cart, shed and boat stake. 2010 dues paid. Ready for your RV - \$15,600. Call: 616-531-8195.

**For Sale - Site 613 - Phase 2:** with boat dock stake. '96 30 ft Sandpiper, Porch with nice furnishings, 02 EZ-Go Golf Cart and Golf Cart Shed. All in excellent condition! New carpet and blinds in 08 on

porch. Queen bedroom with triple bunks in back. Can sleep up to 11 people. On quiet Cul-de-sac with awesome neighbors. Green area behind camper with fence. Asking \$28,500. Call Paul at 616-560-8861.

**For Sale - Site 772:** Located on the Channel, quiet, shady site, fully furnished, screened-in porch, patio w/bar-b-que, boat dock and stake, close to CC - \$41,000. Call: 269-962-8972. ALSO FOR SALE: Outboard Motor - Chrysler 15 hp, Model 158-H30 - 2 stroke. All cables, electric start, fuel line, several new parts in place, (stator and CDI) needs some repair/tune. Repair manual included. \$150.

**For Sale - Site 694 - Phase 2:** 2005 Quailridge Park Model, back bedroom, front living room with a 10x30 insulated sunroom w/air conditioning. Park model has central air, tracking lights in kitchen, upgraded above range microwave. Bathroom has full size tub and sky lights. Ceiling fans in living room and master bedroom. Site includes boat stake, double cover-it garage, one electric golf cart, one gas golf cart (both in excellent condition) both carts have back seats and lift kits. Large bricked patio w/wooden flower boxes surrounding outside of lot (many perennials), 2007 8x8 Rubbermaid shed w/floor, built in fire pit, and grill. Park model fully furnished, two sofa beds to easily accommodate 6-8 people. All expenses paid for 2010, comes fully furnished (dishes too) ready to move in and enjoy your summer! Priced at \$38,500 to move quickly. Call: Home (616) 209-5232, Cell: (616) 862-5981.

**For Sale: Site 804 - Shoreline Circle Phase 2:** On the water, fishing end of lake - great spot for fireworks show! 1990 Park Model, one bedroom, new living room hardwood floor, new bedroom carpet, 3-season, enclosed, insulated porch, furniture included. Large deck, fire pit next to green area and beach. Large and small sheds, and one gas golf cart, and boat stake. 2010 Dues paid - \$110,000. Call: 313-319-2836 - Don.

**For Sale - Site 977:** 2004 Heritage Park w/3-season porch on lot and a half. New. used one season - furnished. One minute walk from the CC, beach and playground.

2010 Dues are paid. Must sell - Price reduced again to \$43,000. Call: 616-893-2396.

**For Sale - Site 982:** 2000 29' Insbruck trailer w/slide-out. Two golf carts, golf cart shelter, shed, screen house, fire pit and boat stake. 2010 Dues paid. Asking \$27,000 - Call: 269-345-1863 (home) 269-290-3967 or 269-823-2867 (cell).

For Sale at Site 1060: 1994 18' Aurora Pontoon boat, w/48 hp Johnson motor, re-upholstered seats, runs good - asking \$2,900. Also for sale - 1998 Clubcar Electric golf cart - asking \$1,450. Call: 269-749-8013 and ask for Joe or Sandi.

**For Sale at N-14:** Turquoise paddleboat. Come and take a look. Asking \$100 OBO. Call: 616-994-7423.

**For Sale - Site N-81:** Perfect location quiet street near year-round CC and close to Golf Course entrance. Move-in ready! 1993 Trophy Park Model w/many upgrades including two floor-to-ceiling pantries, a second full size closet, 10x35 insulated e-season porch w/2 sliders, including blinds all around. Recently enlarged full length wrap around deck, new 3-tiered front garden, new paver platform, new enlarged stairway entry, and upgraded 100 pound propane tank. Lot includes boat stake near the dam, complete w/fishing boat, all appliances, three TVs, all furniture, lawnmower, and deck furniture. 2010 dues paid. Call Tom: 616-299-1136 for more info. Will consider a trade.

**For Sale - Site N-231:** 2001 37 1/2 ft., two bedroom with bunkroom and second table. Full size fridge, double slide-out in excellent condition. Storage shed, fire pit, huge deck on cul-de-sac lot - \$31,900. Call: 616-893-3981.

**For Sale - Site N-425:** on walkway to lake with lake view. 32' Cedar Ridge Park Model with 32' Four Seasons Sunroom w/all transom windows. Unusual floor plan with 2 full bedrooms + loft, side kitchen, bay window, side by side refrigerator + other upgrades. Has a large brick patio, 2 decks, storage shed, landscaped lot and golf cart. Second cart available - \$59,900. Call: 616-527-1497.

**For Sale - Site N-465:** 1998 3-bedroom Park Model, 1993 Starcraft 17' powerboat, dock slip and dock, two golf carts,

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close to the lake and the Water Park. **JUST REDUCED** – now asking \$57,900. Call: 616-890-1989.

**For Sale – Site N-470:** 1990 Quailridge Trailer w/3-season porch. Located in quiet, shady area, near the lake, beach and restaurant. One bedroom w/Queen bed, pull-out couch, fire pit and patio in back, porch and brick patio in front, golf cart shed (golf cart negotiable) air conditioned. Asking \$44,900. Call Lisa at 616-893-4534.

**For Sale – Site N-490:** Lakefront on desirable Sailboat Cove. Fully furnished 1995 Park Model Chariot with central air, fireplace, and two room porch. One bedroom w/queen bed, two queen sleeper-sofas and futon. Large lot with extensive landscaping, storage building, deck and patio/fire pit. Boat stake with 4-Winns speedboat/tubes and custom golf cart with shelter. Dues are paid. Ample green space, quiet, great neighbors, close to the Water Park. Asking \$124,900. Call: 269-544-2501 or 269-929-3628.

**For Sale – Site N-495:** 1984 Trophy Travel Trailer with attached 10x30 divided two-room porch, extra large lot. Close to CC and Golf Course. Comes with 10'x20' shed and boat stake. 2010 Dues are paid. Asking \$35,900 - OBO. Call: 616-318-1987.

**For Sale – Site K-4:** 1995 Trophy Park Model on serene Sailboat Cove. White three-season porch, across green space from Water Park on low traffic Cove Drive. Green space ideal for overflow parking, Frisbee, volleyball, kite-flying, etc. Beautiful perennial gardens. Terrific neighbors! Boat stake. In impeccable condition. See pics at <http://sandypinesk4.shutterfly.com>. An absolute give away at \$85,000! Call: 616-748-4430.

**For Sale – Site K-18:** 2007 Trophy with half loft, furnished, excellent condition with 3-season 10x32, attached air conditioned sunroom w/new carpeting (unfurnished). 1998 20' Sweet Water Pontoon, 40 horse/4-stroke motor, excellent condition. Boat stake and dock directly in front of trailer. One 2003 E-Z Go golf cart w/back seat, new batteries last season, w/front windshield and canopy. Located near Water Park. Best waterfront on Sailboat Cove. Outdoor furniture and miscellaneous items in shed

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**For Sale – Site K-50 on the water:** '08 Trophy – single loft, one bedroom, 10x30 w/Jamestown Patio Malibu Sunroom and wrap-around deck, front entry on a quiet cul-de-sac, vinyl railing, maintenance free! 200 sq. ft. Amish built storage building, patio slab all around the unit, professional landscaping. Full view of Sailboat Cove. One boat stake - \$139,900. Call: 616-896-8295 or 616-723-2615 (cell).

**For Sale – Site K-199:** 1994 Quail Ridge w/five year old attached 3-season porch. Fully furnished. Full bedroom plus loft that can easily sleep 4-6. Includes boat dock/stake right across the street on the pathway to the Green Area for lake swimming. Great location – two minute walk to the Water Park. Large lot – a must see at a great price - \$62,500. Call Dorothy Meiers at 616-882-1659, or Suzie at 616-682-2417.

**For Sale at Site K-322.5:** 2000 16' Hobie Sailboat. Also for sale: Counter-top Stainless Steel Ice-maker. For more information call: 616-836-7648.

**For Sale – Site K-353:** Two bedroom Park Model, fully furnished on corner lot. New garage and one golf cart, JUST REDUCED TO \$39,900 – or best offer. Call: 269-673-4934 or 269-217-4916.

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**For Sale – Site K-394:** 2002 Kropf w/4-season porch, deck and shed. Lakeview lot. One bedroom, plus loft. Ducted air and heat w/additional heater on porch. 2010 dues paid. Call 517-206-3147 (cell) or 517-750-4503 (home) or e-mail jrjenkins@prodigy.net.

**For Sale – Site K-412 – Phase 5:** 2002 Trophy Park Model w/large enclosed glass porch, deck and patio. Site is three lots large w/single dues! Two golf carts, central air, furnished – close to restrooms - \$72,000. Call: 269-998-2095 or 269-207-4610.

**For Sale – Site K-434:** Lakefront. Two bedroom Park Model w/porch. New roof, carpet, deck, fridge, and water heater. Sandy beach w/gradual slope. Quiet

wooded cul-de-sac site w/large parking area. Newly landscaped. Golf cart, storage shed, and boat stake. Call: 616-292-4690.

**For Sale at Site D-24:** Sofa-bed, queen size mattress, good condition, asking \$100. Call 878-4723 or 862-4117, weekends.

**For Sale – Site D-59:** 2001 Trophy Park Model, immaculate and completely furnished. One bedroom and two new sleeper sofas. Large 4-season porch w/air and heat. Wrap-around deck, one golf cart, boat stake and dock. Asking \$119,500. Call Chuck: 708-890-2008 or Tom: 616-896-1864.

**For Sale – Site D-79 (Phase 6):** 1994 Trophy Park Model w/large enclosed glass porch, deck and patio, all w/an awesome view of the lake and lots of beach to enjoy! One bedroom, plus loft, nice size kitchen and living room w/sleeper sofa. Central air. Boat stake. Porch furniture and golf cart negotiable. Quiet, great neighbors, ample parking, close to restrooms. Reduced price - \$97,500. Call 616-318-3120 or email Kimberly.rodin@gmail.com.

**For Sale – Site D-162:** 1996 Trophy park model on no-wake cove just behind the Chapel. Great fishing / beautiful gardens / great neighbors. Furnished with white 3-season porch, patio, firepit. Beautiful beach with dock and boatstake. In great condition, with new carpeting throughout. See pics at <http://sandypinesd162.shutterfly.com> A great buy at \$119,900. Call: 616-748-4430.

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## Group Walk and Bike Ride for 2010

As was indicated last month, the trip will be to all 30 of the Major League Baseball Parks around the nation. We will begin at Sandy Pines, White Caps, and visit the 16 National League Stadiums first, for a total of 8,252 miles, and we'll finish with the 14 American League Stadiums, 9,617 miles, ending up back at Sandy Pines, for a grand total of 17,869 miles.



It is a long trip and we need all walkers and bike riders to turn in their mileage at the main Ranger Station—in the box on the window shelf by the Inspector's office. We will also

accept miles done on treadmills and exercise bikes.

Mileage slips will be picked up on a weekly basis beginning May 1, but you may turn them in daily, weekly, monthly, or any other format that fits your schedule. Just participate and turn them in. Individual mileage will be posted weekly as well as group mileage being plotted on our map—location yet to be determined.



No prizes just good exercise!! I hope to see you on the roadway or in the exercise room. Jean Richards

Be sure to visit our website, [www.sandypines.com](http://www.sandypines.com) under Member's Only, for a Tentative 2010 Lake Treatment Schedule and details. This information is also posted on the bulletin board at Member Service and at the Ranger Station.

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Thursday: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Kendra)  
Friday: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Kendra)  
Saturday: Will vary from week to week.  
*Hours subject to change based on appointments scheduled.*

We use Redkin color and Matrix perms. We offer a variety of retail product for sale and are able to special order most items.



### Baker's Dozen Update

The Baker's Dozen Coffee and Donut Shop will open on Memorial Day Weekend. We hope you had a nice winter and are ready for another great season at Sandy Pines!

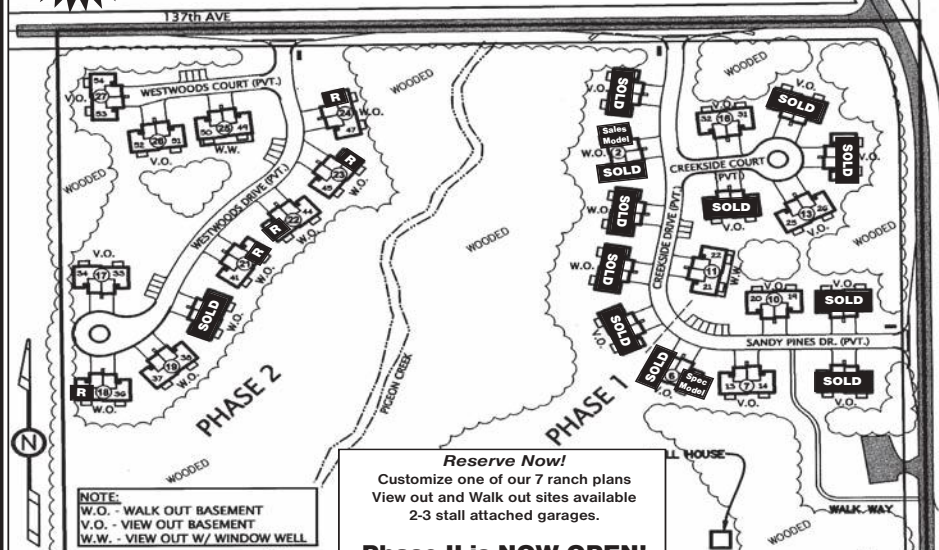
We're looking forward to seeing everyone again and hope that you'll stop by and see us when you return to the Park.

Fred & Donna Bleyerveld  
and staff

### THE CONDOMINIUMS OF SANDY PINES

Closed for the Winter Season.  
We will re-open on April 16, 2010.

**CONDOS STARTING AT \$140,900**



**NOTE:**  
W.O. - WALK OUT BASEMENT  
V.O. - VIEW OUT BASEMENT  
W.W. - VIEW OUT W/ WINDOW WELL

**Reserve Now!**  
Customize one of our 7 ranch plans  
View out and Walk out sites available  
2-3 stall attached garages.

**Phase II is NOW OPEN!**  
Six units are reserved.

Prices subject to change without notice



**Call Linda Hall**  
**616-292-4848**  
lindah@rdicompanies.com

## SANDY PINES

### Park & Garden

April showers bring May flowers. It's that time of year to think about beautifying your sites. We will have a full supply of stone and bark in by the time we open. Our flowers will also be here by the second week of May.

If you need to put your boat in, give us a call at 616-896-9334. We will be open beginning Monday, May 3rd. We have new hours this year. We used to be open on Sunday, but this year we will be closed. There simply wasn't enough business on Sunday to warrant that we open. This year's hours are:

**Monday: 10 am - 4 pm**

**Tuesday: 10 am - 4 pm**

**Wednesday: 10 am - 4 pm**

**Thursday: 10 am - 4 pm**

**Friday: 10 am - 5pm**

**Saturday: 9 am - 4 pm**

**Sunday we're closed**

See everyone soon!

John Parmeter

### Welcome Back!

Dave Meyers and the staff at the Country Store would like to welcome everyone back to Sandy Pines. Check out our daily and weekly specials in the Weekend Flyers when they begin on Memorial Weekend.

Stop by to say 'hi' and check out what we've got! We look forward to doing business with you during the 2010 Season.

### Proposed ByLaws Changes

Please go to our website: [www.sandypines.com](http://www.sandypines.com) to review the changes that are being proposed to amend some of the wording in the ByLaws. This was printed in the January/February Footprints. The ByLaws document, in its entirety, is available online for your review. Meetings will be held in the spring to get your input regarding the proposed changes.

### Softball Field Clean-up Day

The Adult Softball Team is having a Softball Field Work Day on May 8<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm. Any players or fans that may be available, are needed to come help get the softball field in playing condition. Bring your rakes, shovels and any other tools or equipment you think we may need. We need a large roller to smooth out the outfield, if anyone has one. The more people who show up to work – the sooner we get to play! Questions? E-mail [recman02@yahoo.com](mailto:recman02@yahoo.com). Thanks!



Please help!

### Upcoming Blood Drive Information

Every minute of every day, someone needs blood. That blood can only come from a volunteer donor – a person like you – who makes the choice to donate. There is no substitute for your gift.

When you make a blood donation, you join a very select group. Currently, only three out of every 100 people in America donate blood!

Sandy Pines supports the American Red Cross Blood Drives, and plans to host three of them during the 2010 season. The first Blood Drive will be held on Saturday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, from 10 am – 4 pm, in the Pavilion. For your convenience, there will be an Appointment Sheet available at Member Service for you to sign up for a scheduled time to give blood, or if you prefer, walk-ins are always welcomed! Please be sure to bring a picture ID with you when you donate.

As summer approaches, please be aware that the demand for blood becomes greater. Please mark your calendars for July 3, and September 4, which are the dates for the other two Blood Drives we will host this summer.

Thank you in advance for your support and donation at these events. Additional information and reminders will be forthcoming in the Weekend Flyers.

### Thank you Members Paperless is a Hit!

Thank you to everyone who has provided us their e-mail addresses. We have sent out e-statements and the Cable Channel Guide, thus far, and have had very positive comments from our membership!

Some of our members have requested that we send their Footprints via e-mail to save on printing, paper and postage, so if this is something you are interested in please let us know, and we will send you a link to the Footprints on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month when the Newsletter is put on our website – plus – it's in full color for your reading enjoyment.

**“I love spring anywhere, but if I could choose, I would always greet it in a garden.”**

Ruth Stout

### Volunteer Opportunities

We have many volunteer opportunities for our members who would like to give something back to their Park.

Please go to our website – [www.sandypines.com](http://www.sandypines.com) – in the Member's Only Section and read about these opportunities. If something is of interest to you, you can sign up at that time.

Thanks to all of you who do volunteer, and we welcome all of our new members!

## LAKE MONTEREY GOLF COURSE INFO

### Lake Monterey Golf Course News by Jim Spray

Welcome back to Sandy Pines and the Lake Monterey Golf Course! It's always great to have our golfers back and our course busy!

I wanted to remind you about our Saturday Morning Men's Scrambles, our Sunday Men's Fun Morning, and our Friday Ladies Open Scramble. Check at the Clubhouse for beginning times for each event.

We will be sponsoring a "Fore-Better – Fore Worse" Tournament on June 19. Please see related article below for additional information.

We will again have our Junior League this summer. Signups will begin in June at the Clubhouse, with the League playing in July.

We will be posting our Weekend Specials again this summer in the

Weekend Flyer. Be sure to check weekly to see what's being offered. Weekend Flyers begin on Memorial Day Weekend and run through Labor Day.

We are looking forward to another great summer at Lake Monterey Golf Course. Be sure to stop by the Clubhouse and enjoy a snack or a beverage.



### 1<sup>st</sup> Annual "Fore-Better – Fore-Worse" Couples Golf Tournament



We are now taking registrations for our First Annual Couples/Team Golf Tournament that has been fondly titled "Fore-Better – Fore Worse." The Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:15 pm. This event is limited to only nine teams, consisting of three couples on each team. This will be a "Shotgun" start, played on the front nine holes of our course. Following tournament play, we will have an 'Awards Dinner' and Social Hour. The cost of the event is \$100 for the entire team of three couples. Included in that price is your Golf, Trail Fees, Dinner and Prizes. Registration forms are available at Member Service or the Golf Course Clubhouse. Please sign up soon, as nine teams is the limit.

Following is a description of the tournament guidelines:

**Tournament is limited to nine teams of three couples each;**

**Play is on the front nine with a Shotgun start;**

**Each team plays three balls – one for each couple;**

**Couples alternate shots until the hole is complete;**

**The team takes the best two of the three couple scores, added together for the score on that hole;**

**The score of each couple must be used at least two times;**

**Men tee off from holes 1, 3, 5, 7 and 9;**

**Ladies tee off from holes 2, 4, 6 and 8;**

**A Tournament Official will randomly select one hole score following play, that will be deducted from the team total;**

**Prizes, Awards and Dinner follow Tournament Play in the Clubhouse.**

Cost: \$100 per team, consisting of three couples  
(All Inclusive) includes nine holes of golf, Trail fees, Dinner and Prizes



This is a fund raiser event. All proceeds from Tournament Entry Fees and beverage sales are to be used for Lake Monterey Golf Course improvements.

## PRIVATE CAMPGROUNDS AND RV PARKS ARE FINDING THEY CAN SAVE MONEY AND DO SOMETHING POSITIVE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT BY INVESTING IN VARIOUS GREEN INITIATIVES

As the nation celebrates Earth Day, growing numbers of private parks are investing in energy and water saving technologies in addition to stepping up their recycling efforts

HOPKINS, Mich., April 2010 – Sandy Pines made headlines last year when the 2,220-site Park announced its investments in geothermal heating and cooling systems, which it uses to heat and cool the Park's laundry, store, beauty shop and donut shop, in addition to heating water for use in the Park's car wash.

The Park also converted two of its swimming pools from chlorine to salt water filtration systems.

But the green initiatives didn't stop there. This year, Sandy Pines plans to add geothermal heating and cooling to two more buildings while adding salt water filtration systems to two more swimming pools, said Managing Director, Max Gibbs. The Park has also recently installed T-8 florescent lighting and other high-efficiency lighting systems in 20 buildings, and added three instant hot water systems to its buildings, he said.

While the green initiatives undertaken by Sandy Pines are exemplary, it is, in fact, one of a growing number of private campgrounds across the country that are making investments in a variety of energy, water and natural resource saving programs. Some are doing so on their own initiative, while others are doing so with active encouragement from the National Association of RV Parks and Campgrounds in Larkspur, Colo., which launched a green parks initiative three years ago called "Plan-it Green."

"Industry research shows that consumers like to go to parks that are environmentally friendly, which is an additional benefit to parks that invest in green practices," said Linda Profaizer, president and CEO of the national association.

Here's a sampling of some of things campgrounds and RV parks across the country are doing to help the environment:

- Crossroads RV Park in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa: Park operator Jeff Krug built this Park with green initiatives in mind, including compact fluorescent light bulbs, motion detector light switches and a tankless water heater. "We also don't use any paper products in our bath and shower rooms," Krug said. "Instead, it's electric hand dryers." He also installed geomat under the park's gravel roadways. "This strengthens, firms and holds a solid sub-base so the rock will not be lost in the mud," he said. This year, Krug plans to provide his guests with separate bins so that they can sort their glass, plastic, and paper waste for recycling.
- Flagstaff KOA in Flagstaff, Ariz.: In addition to having two windmills, which supply 10 to 25 percent of the electrical hookup needs for its 200 campsites, depending on the season, all of the Park's outdoor lighting is solar powered, while it uses energy efficient light bulbs inside its buildings. The Park also uses six 55-gallon barrels to capture rainwater, which it uses to irrigate its native landscaping. Last year alone, the Park captured about 5,000 gallons of rainwater, which was significant given that 2009 was a drought year.
- Hill Country Jellystone in Canyon Lake, Texas: This Park recently added two energy efficient cabins that it purchased with R-19 insulation, dual pane glass, a metal front door and R-30 roof insulation. The Park also uses electronic confirmations and recently started using an online brochure, which should cut down on their printing costs.
- Jellystone Park Camp-Resort, Williamsport, Md.: This Park has received awards from the Washington County Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Corporation as well as the National Association of RV Parks & Campgrounds last year for its successful recycling initiatives involving local charity organizations. The park recycles all of its aluminum cans through Star Community, a local non-profit community for people with developmental disabilities. The park also collects plastic and cardboard on behalf of ARC Inc. of Washington County, which works to improve the lives of people of all ages with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Park owners Ron and Vicki Vitkun have also invested in motion activated lights and programmable thermostats and are exploring the merits of solar power for water heating and power generation.

