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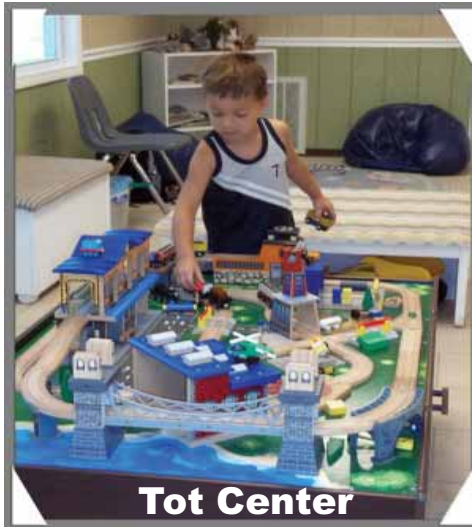
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SEARCH FOR NEW PARK DIRECTOR UPDATE

The Board of Directors began working with the Express Employment Professionals Specialized Recruiting Group last summer. They put out the ads for our new Park Director position. After receiving 17 applications and resumes, they researched the backgrounds of each candidate and reviewed their skills against our needs, and selected their top seven candidates.

The Board requested that members from the Park who were interested in helping make the final selection, apply to the Board. Three of the ten who applied were selected to join the four members of the Board's Personnel Committee to become the Selection Committee.

The head of the Selection Committee met with Mr. Kuperus, Search Specialist from Express, and they narrowed the group to be interviewed down to five. The Selection Committee met, had their interviews and narrowed the final group to their top two candidates, to be next interviewed by a committee made up of management level employees. They passed their opinions on to the Selection Committee. The final interviews were conducted by the full Board of Directors.

The Board then discussed their opinions, sent their secret ballots on to Express Professionals, who reported back the decision of the Board, and informed the candidates. The final candidate expressed that he was "extremely excited" about coming to Sandy Pines as our Park Director. That is where we are now.

The Board President and Treasurer will meet with the Financial Administrator and develop an employment package, seek approval from the full Board, and make the offer to the final candidate. We hope to be able to inform the membership and introduce the new Park Director in the next Footprints.

Board of Directors

Mission Statement:

The Sandy Pines Board of Directors will provide positive leadership and management direction so as to ensure the long term viability and success of Sandy Pines Wilderness Trails, Inc.

- Tom Aldrich (14)
- Terry Derks (13)
- Kelvin Kronemeyer (15)
- Greg Maichele (15)
- Stan Robbins (14)
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- Lon Arndt Maintenance Supt.
- Dawn Arndt, CPA Finance Admin.
- Steve Deyarmond Safety Director
- Jim Spray Golf Course Manager

Management Staff

- Mary Cooper Member Service Manager
- Kelli Blackman Guest Service Manager
- Kathy Brott Executive Assistant
- Don Weiss Park Inspector
- Kathy Molner Sales Manager
- Terry Derks Adult Recreation
- Mary Applehof Youth/Teen Rec. Activities
- Kim Day Aquatics
- Jack Schmidt Park & Garden

PARK DIRECTOR UPDATE by Max Gibbs



The summer season has come to an end. A special thank you goes out to our summer recreation staff. Kim Day, Mary Applehof and Terry Derks have done a wonderful job of providing programs for every age group in our Park. We appreciate all they have done!

Our new *first in the country* zip track is up and running. Some of you didn't get a chance to try it this summer, but it will be here when you come back next spring!

Thank you to the Board of Directors for the reception that they had for my retirement. The honor of naming the Recreation Station for me was overwhelming. Thanks to the Board and all of the Park members who stopped by the reception, or who have stopped me in the Park with your well wishes. Your kind words are greatly appreciated.

A special thank you also goes to all of the staff who have worked hard, and with dedication, to make your Park one of the best in our Country. We have all worked together to do our best, and to make your time here as relaxing as we can.

Good luck to our students as you begin another year. We hope that you can all visit the Park this fall and winter.

Member Service Information by Mary Cooper

Our office will be closing at 11:30 am on September 18th for Employee Appreciation

Fall Office Hours
Monday-Friday:
 8:30 am – 4:30 pm
Saturday: 8:30 - Noon
Closed Saturdays beginning 9/15
Sunday - Closed

Flea Markets 2013:

You may start reserving spaces for the 2013 Flea Markets, beginning Monday, October 1, at 9 am, from your computer or at one of kiosks' in the Park. The price will be \$30 per space. Dates for 2013 are: May 4 (Mayfest), May 25 (Memorial Day), June 8, July 6 (Independence Day), Aug 10 (Christmas), Aug 30 (Labor Day) and Oct 5.

Winterizings:

Maintenance will be winterizing trailers after Sept 10th. The cost is \$70 if you have your winterizing departure date before Oct 1st, and we have your keys by that date. After Oct. 1st, the cost will be \$90. All winterizing include a final pumpout. No winterizing will be accepted with a departure date after October 21st. We can only take the first 500 orders, so get your order in early. No phone orders can be taken, as a signature is required for this service. You can fax a signed copy to us at 616-896-7409 or email memberservice@sandypines.com.

Pumpouts:

Scheduled pumpouts will end the week of Oct 15th. Pumpouts will be available on Wednesday, Oct. 24 and Wednesday, Oct. 31, at the emergency rate of \$18. There will be no Saturday pumpouts after September 8th.

Water turned off: During the week of Oct. 15, water will be turned off according to the pumpout schedule.

Phase 1: Monday, Oct. 15
 Phase 4: Tuesday, Oct. 16

Phase 2: Friday, Oct. 19
 Phase 5: Wednesday, Oct. 17

Phases 3 & 6: Thursday, Oct. 18

Welcome New Members:

Jeffrey Starr, Wyoming
Renee Twigg, Long Beach, CA
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AUGUST 2012, BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION RESULTS

There were three positions available on the Board of Directors, with four candidates vying for those positions. At the election held on August 18, 2012, the results were as follows:

John Spoelman - 223 votes; Greg Maichele - 212 votes; Kelvin Kronemeyer - 207 votes, and Paul Haring received 173 votes.

John, Greg and Kelvin will begin serving their three year Terms of Office on September 1, 2012. Thank you to all of the candidates for the time and effort they put into their campaigns, and a special thank you to those of you who took the time to get out and vote.

Remember - this is YOUR Park, and you need to be active in the decision making process.



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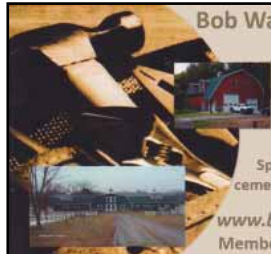
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SANDY PINES NEWS

Sympathy is extended to the following members and families:

Paul Achterhof, Site D-150, on the passing of his wife, **Doris**, on July 30th.

Here's What's Happening...

Happy Golden Wedding Anniversary

Leo & Lucille Herrmann, Site 458, celebrated 50 wonderful years of marriage on April 6th. They enjoyed a celebration at that time in Florida, and in July, they celebrated again here at Sandy Pines! We wish you many more years together sharing laughter, love and happiness! Congratulations to you both!

Congratulations on your Marriage!

Congratulations to **Sandi & Steve Baughman**, Site N-66, on the August 18th wedding of their daughter, **Kristine Baughman and Justin VanDerKamp**. **Nola VanBruggen**, Site N-56, is the Bride's Grandmother.

Florida Winter Gathering Info

Thank you to everyone who attended the Florida Winter Gathering in March. I apologize for the cramped conditions, but I had set up for a private room and more attended than I had expected – which was wonderful!

I am looking for someone to take over the get together in March. It would be nice to have someone more centrally located, if possible. I will be glad to help in any way that I can.

Please contact me via e-mail at momfontaine@hotmail.com if you are willing to take it over. If no one comes forward, I'm thinking of doing a 'Welcome Back' luncheon in June, and would like your feedback on that idea. Please let me know your opinion at the above e-mail. Thank you. Mary Ann Fontaine

Annetta Jansen/Project Hope Donations

Please remember: As you begin to pack up for the summer and head out of the Park, if you have any non-perishable food items that you would like to donate to Annetta Jansen's Project Hope, in Dorr, you may bring your donated items to Member Service or to the Rangers Station.

We will make sure that your donations get to Project Hope to help local families in need. Thank you in advance for your kindness!

Flea Market Sign-ups for 2013

You may sign up using our Member Web Access online, beginning October 1, 2012
Cost is \$30 per space.

Please remember to provide your winter address, updated phone number(s), e-mail address and any other pertinent contact information to Member Service before you leave for the season. Occasionally, we may need to contact you during the off-season, and if we don't have accurate information, it is hard to do!

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for Officers for 2013.
Saturday, September 15: Bingo at the Pavilion
7 pm. Ages 18+. This will be a special appreciation
bingo for all the bingo players who have participated in our
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Saturday, Oct. 6: Free Bingo 2-4 pm - Pavilion
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Saturday, Oct. 6: Potluck/Soup Supper - 6 pm -
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There were two divisions, and they demonstrated to all the fans watching, some of the best Jr. golf skills you can imagine.

I need to inform all of you out there, don't play any of these guys for money, because they will take you to the bank! The winning score was an amazing 32!

Special thanks to 'Scott's Carts Plus' for their sponsorship of this event.

Pictured are the 2012 winners left to right:

Alex Israels, Caleb Nichols, Isaiah Haverdink, Levi VandeBunte



Spencer Meyer Bone Marrow Drive Update

We wanted to thank those of you who participated in the Bone Marrow Drive in honor of Spencer Meyer. We are so grateful to those who supported the Meyer family with prayers, donations, and by joining the National Bone Marrow Registry.

Through your commitment, we were able to provide funds to the Meyer family in the amount of \$1,300, as well as \$500 to MI Blood, to assist in the cost of registering and testing people who join the registry.

As many of you may have heard in recent updates on Spencer's Carepage or from his Grandpa Dave on Sunday mornings, Spencer has experienced some complications during August. Your continued prayers and support of Spencer and his family are much appreciated.

We will leave their donation account with Macatawa Bank open through the month of September, in case anyone still wants to support their family with a donation. You can donate at any Macatawa Bank branch, or, if you prefer, you can mail donations payable to the "Spencer Meyer Medical Donation Account" to me, Denise Beyer, at 996 Colonial Ct., Holland, MI 49423.

You can also join the National Bone Marrow Registry by visiting marrow.org, If anyone would like a prayer bracelet, please feel free to stop by our lot, K-129 on the weekends and we would be happy to share these with you.

Again, a heartfelt thanks from us and the Meyers to all who supported the Bone Marrow Drive and for the continued support/prayers of their family. What a great community we have here at Sandy Pines. Sincerely,

Denise Beyer and Jenelle Japinga

Pictured are Spencer and Dad, Jason



MORE INFO

2013 DUES, CAPITAL, CABLE, & SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

The total annual membership dues, capital contribution, cable TV, and special assessment for the 2012/2013 season will be \$1,520 and will be on your September 30th statement as follows:

2013 Annual Dues	\$ 978
2013 Annual Capital	<u>300</u>
Total Dues/Capital	1,278
2013 Annual Cable TV*	117
Special Assessment – Golf Course (2 of 4)**	<u>125</u>
Total 2013	\$1,520

The cost of living increase for the annual dues and capital contribution is 2.8% or \$35.

*At the annual election held August 21, 2010, the membership approved a requirement that ALL memberships be required to participate in the bulk cable TV program which reduced each members cost of cable by 43% in the first year.

**At their meeting on August 12, 2011, the Board of Directors passed a motion to special assess the membership \$125 for four years to fund the golf course.

YOU HAVE TWO PAYMENT OPTIONS:

Dues, Capital Contributions, Cable TV, Special Assessments, and all other fees or charges (the total balance billed to your account) must be paid in full by October 31, 2012 to avoid service charges.

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SIX MONTHLY INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS to pay the dues, capital contributions, cable, and special assessments only in the amount of \$262.86 due by the 25th of each month (October through March). PLEASE NOTE: The payment plan includes only the dues, capital contributions, cable, special assessments, and related service charges. The payment plan DOES NOT include any other fees and charges billed to your account each month. You must add all other charges for services, electric, state unit tax, etc. to the monthly installment amount of \$262.86. Your Account needs to be paid in full by March 25, 2013.

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SANDY PINES NEWS

Thank you...

As the summer winds down, we want to take this opportunity to extend our heartfelt thanks to all of you who make Sandy Pines such a wonderful place to be.

Thanks to the Recreation Staff for putting together an excellent variety of activities throughout the summer for all age groups to enjoy. We thank our Board of Directors, Advisory Committee Members, Aquasize Instructors, Thursday Morning Volunteers, Library Ladies, CC Cleaners, Helping Hands Group, Garden Club, and all of our wonderful volunteers.

Special thanks to our Maintenance Staff for their hard work keeping the Park in beautiful shape all year long. We also thank the Ranger Staff for keeping everything running smoothly and safely, our Sales Staff, Inspector, Golf Course Staff, and Office personnel.

We would be remiss if we didn't take a moment to thank Max Gibbs for his 17 years of service as our Park Director. Congratulations on your retirement, Max, and best wishes to you as you enjoy some well deserved family time, rest and relaxation. Enjoy every minute of it!

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PARK RANGER NEWS by Steve Deyarmond

Preparing for the fall/winter storage mode:

- 1) Secure and place outdoor items in shelter.
- 2) Winterize your trailer prior to freezing temps and have your holding tank pumped before freezing temps.
- 3) Remove items that will freeze in cupboards. Remove alcoholic beverages from the Park.
- 4) Defrost and clean your refrigerator. Place baking soda in the refrigerator to absorb odors.
- 5) Place moth balls under your trailer to deter critters. Place Decon or mouse proofer down to deter mice.
- 6) Place golf carts in storage or affix to a stationary object or your second golf cart with chain and padlock to deter theft. A wheel can also be removed to deter theft. Disconnect batteries.
- 7) Turn off your propane tanks. Have your propane tanks filled if you plan to visit in the winter months. Have a furnace technician check your furnace for proper operation. Check chimney to make sure birds or other animals have not plugged the chimney with a nest.
- 8) Have your watercraft winterized and place in storage. Outboard motors should be secured with chain and padlock. Small outboard motors should be taken home or secured inside.
- 9) Contact your lawn service for fall leaf removal.
- 10) Close vents, windows, and roll up awnings. Place pop up campers in storage mode. Secure your door for the winter months. Have a technician check around roof vents for proper weather seal.
- 11) Turn off electric at the pedestal at the road. Lock panel cover.
- 12) Place stabilizer gas treatment in golf carts, lawn mowers, watercraft and mopeds.
- 13) Remove boat dock from the lake. Place boat dock on site. Boat docks may not be stored in the green area. Watercraft may not be stored on the beach or in the green areas.
- 14) Turn off your water at the water riser, disconnect your water line and mark your water line.
- 15) Make sure that Sandy Pines has your winter address and phone number. Update the Park if you move in the winter. Leave an emergency contact name with the Park if you plan to be out of state or a distance away in the winter months.
- 16) Remember to replace your smoke detector batteries before leaving this fall. If leaving for the winter remove batteries.
- 17) Remember to turn off your thermostat before leaving this winter. Some furnace blower motors will continuously run if the thermostat is left on.
- 18) Remove all collectibles and valuable items from your trailer for the winter months.

Park Inspector News by Don Weiss

By this time, most of you are probably getting back to life as normal with work and school.

It is hard to believe the summer is pretty much over. There's no telling what my schedule is going to look like this fall, so if you have any fall projects, please come and see me soon.

If you have a permit card still lying around that has not been returned to me, please do so quickly so I can do a final inspection. If you have a boat stake, please check and make sure the tag is still legible before winter, so that we can still read the numbers in the spring. If you need a tag, contact me and I can get you one. As always, if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at 616-896-7286 or Inspector@sandypines.com.

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Park and Garden News

It has been our pleasure to serve you with supplies of stone, mulch, hardware and RV items this summer. If you have not been in the Park and Garden store this year, stop by before the end of the season to see what we offer. Our golf cart rental has been very popular again this summer, along with all of the landscaping supplies.

For those of you who need numbers for your golf carts we have an abundant supply.

If you are on the boat removal program, you can begin calling to set up times for Park & Garden to provide the service for you. We will be available to help you with your boat until September 30th.

Those members who have the water softeners will need to notify the Park and Garden when you will be closing your trailer for the winter. We would like to start getting the softeners in soon after Labor Day weekend. If you installed the softener yourself, you will need to return it to the Park and Garden before the end of the season. It would be very helpful if you would notify us of the date when we can pick up the softener, or when you will be bringing the softener back to the store. If you do not notify us of a date, we will begin picking up the softeners on September 20th.

Park and Garden will remain open during September with limited hours. Our hours beginning September 10th will be Closed Sunday thru Wednesday; Open Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 10 am to 4 pm. We are available on the days we are closed to get boats out of the lake, if you call ahead to make an appointment.

If you do need items such as stone or mulch in September, we can deliver on the days we are closed, if you make arrangements with us.

Fireworks at Dusk on Sept. 2nd from the Dam



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The Condos of Sandy Pines have recently been reduced by \$20,000!

Be sure to stop by and check out the Model Home when it's open. Fridays 4-7 pm and on Saturdays 2-4 pm.

The Sales Model will close for the season on September 29th, but you can still view them by appointment.

They will re-open for the 2013 season on April 19, 2013.

Thank you!

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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!

Wanted RV Owners: We need used travel trailers, 5th Wheels, pop-ups, and Mobile Homes. Will pay Cash or assist with your sale. Please call: 616-745-4026 for more information.

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 - Site 294: 1991 Quailridge with 3-season porch. One bedroom, sleeps 8. Fully furnished. Lots of storage throughout trailer. A/C in trailer; & a unit on porch. Large green space area in back yard. Large brick patio, wood back porch, large front deck. Close to beach, stores, tennis/basketball courts. Many updates including new insulated porch roof, and new shingles on trailer. Electric golf cart. Additional shed. Well maintained. Asking \$55,900. Call: 248-437-6821.

For Sale - Site 394: 1992 Chariot - one bedroom, two sofa beds, sleeps six possibly eight using futon on 10x25 glassed in porch. Built in entertainment

center and microwave, central air. Located on quiet cul-de-sac, adjacent to laundry, store, beauty parlor and monthly Flea Market area. Includes EZ-Go Yamaha gas golf cart, vinyl shed. Dues paid for 2012. Asking \$43,000 or \$44,000 w/furniture. Call: 810-730-3017.

For Sale - Site 425: 1988 Woodland Park that sleeps six, 10'x30' Jamestown porch and a deck on each end. 2005 golf cart and garage. Six by eight shed, patio, fire pit, boat stake at the end of Sandy Beach. This site is a must see. Asking \$34,900. Call: 616-896-0267, 720-633-1110 or (home) 616-455-7601.

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: 2011 Sprindale Camper - never used w/expando. Electric awning, air conditioner, outside shower, could sleep up to six. Slim line TV, DVD player and radio, full new propane tanks, no seepage pit, but we can work on that. Convenient to the grocery store, garden center and Flea Market. Electric and cable, 2012 Dues paid. Asking \$39,000. Call: 269-496-7936 or 269-273-8788.

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 gas golf cart, paddle boat, row boat, an O'Brien floating bouncer, lawn mower, and numerous tools. The 2012 pontoon is negotiable. The asking price is \$105,000. For more information call Joe or Sandi @ (269)749-8013.

For Sale from Site 1131: 2005 Vespa 150 cc motorcycle. Only 3,600 miles - Asking \$3,000 or best offer. Call Ruth at 616-422-0724.

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 \$46,000 or best offer. Call: 616-249-0596.

For Sale - Site N-160: Great location - across the street from Tennis courts, beach and lake. Almost everything in and on the house is new: roof, deck, landscaping, newish golf cart and golf housing. Inside - new laminate floors, new kitchen sink, stove, refrigerator. New sink and toilet in bathroom. Three bedrooms,

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all with new mattresses. Large shed for storage. Must see. Price: \$69,000. Call Nan/Bill Plakos at (616) 534-0152.

FREE from Site N-171: Two cats (they are sisters) indoor/de-clawed. Great pets looking for a new home. Good with kids. Stop by and meet them or call 734-658-7972 with any questions.

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.

For Sale from N-259: Awning for sale – less than one year old. Awning for slide-out of RV from Carefree from Colorado. It says it fits a slide-out width from 159¾" to 165" wide. Fabric length is 165" long and 4' deep, with the hardware (or tube thing) being 167.5" long. All hardware INCLUDED. Original cost over \$500. Asking - \$400. Call: 616-446-8553.

For Sale - Site N-414 – Phase Four: Two bedroom Franklin Park Model with full porch with A/C. Includes all trailer and porch furnishings. Also includes EZ Go Golf Cart, Sheds, Canopy and outdoor furniture and fire pit. Centrally located near beach, Indoor Pool and playgrounds. Asking \$38,500. Call: 616-550-3577 or e-mail consydra@yahoo.com.

For Sale-Site N-510: One of the Best Lakefront lots! 2005 Trophy Park Model, double loft w/ Westhouse porch. Fully furnished

and includes Weber Gold grill, 9' Patio Umbrella, Patio Furniture, Porch Furniture, 2 electric golf carts and golf cart tent, shed, 15X 38 composite maintenance free deck and walk. Includes Boat Stake. Like new \$169,900. Call 616-893-3981.

For Sale from Site K-41: 20' Pontoon Boat, 40 hp Mariner Outboard (dependable). Asking \$4,500 OBO. Call Kevin at 616-481-4780.

For Sale – Site K-261: Reduced Price – now \$32,000! '07 27 ft. Springdale w/slideout. 10'x32' deck, gas golf cart, double garage, 8'x8' shed with full sized refrigerator for extra storage. Picnic table, lawn mower, new gas grill, fire pit, folding chairs, and boat stake within walking distance. Close to Water Park. Call: 616-245-2926 or 616-304-4705.

For Sale – Site K-294: Awesome Site! A large waterfront property with beach and large green area. Great panoramic view of the beach, lake, island for fireworks, pavilion, indoor pool and play area. '86 Oakland Park Model, well maintained and decorated. Spacious cottage 35 feet w/full deck, all furniture and 45" TV included. Common grassy area for picnics. A steal at \$85,000, OBO. Can be shown by appointment. Call Ed at 616-447-8821 and leave a message.

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 \$130,000 OBO. Call: 616-741-9071 or 616-403-7673.

For Sale Site D-60: Lakefront, 1998 Chariot Park Model Trailer w/one bedroom (sleeps eight adults), Central Air, Boat Stake, gas golf cart and shelter, underground sprinkling, professional landscaping, indoor fireplace, most furniture included – move in ready. Three-Seasons glassed in porch. Dues paid for 2012. Asking \$125,000. Call: 616-690-7080 or 616-291-3098.

For Sale Site D-67: Premier waterfront site. Great view of the lake. Quailridge Unit. 10x30 front porch, 10x18 back porch (room), large front deck w/privacy. RV awning on deck, new 200 sq. ft. garage, one gas golf cart. 24' alumacraft pontoon w/60 hp, 4-cycle Yamaha motor w/power thrust prop. Boat stake, fire pit, porch swing. Roof replaced this spring. Lawn sprinkling system, furnishings included. All for \$135,000. Call: 269-968-9904 or (cell) 269-317-3339.



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. Ads cost \$15/mo. and will be billed to your account each month that your ad is in the Footprints. Your ad runs until you let Kathy know you wish to remove it. Thanks!

RECREATION UPDATES

Adult Recreation by Terry Derks, Adult Rec. Supervisor

So...here we are. The end of another great summer at Sandy Pines. The kids are back in school. Moms are very happy about that, but we're all a little sad because the summer fun at Sandy Pines is over for another season.

Well, Good News! The Adult Recreation Department is already in the planning stages for 2013. The dates are penciled in for Family Day, Golf Outings, the Cardboard Boat Regatta, Garage Sales, Flea Markets and much more. There will be two new bus trips through Carolyn Mac Tours next season: One to Shippshewana and the Blue Gate Theatre, and another to South Bend Indiana, and the Oliver House, historical home, along with the Studebaker Museum and Notre Dame Campus tour. The third trip is a special shopping trip that the Recreation Dept. has arranged especially for Sandy Piners and friends. This "Back to School" August shopping trip will be going to Schaumburg, IL. where you will have a great day of fun and shopping at the famous IKEA store and the 295 stores at Woodfield Mall. This new outing includes Deluxe Motor Coach transportation, drinks, donuts, games, prizes, and a full dinner on the return trip. We are pricing this trip very inexpensively so early registration will be important if you want to enjoy this fun day with your Sandy Pines Friends. More information and registration forms will be available in future Footprints. Watch for it.

Yes, (many people have asked) we will be having another "Art Expo" in July of 2013. Please start to plan what you will be showcasing next year at your exhibit, so the rest of us can enjoy your artistic talents.

Many other events and activities are also in the planning stages. Again, watch your Footprints for updates and announcements as activities are scheduled.

If you have suggestions for something you would like to see happen, please contact us. Also, as you all know, none of these great events happen without volunteer help. Thanks again for those who do. You are so appreciated. For those out there who don't volunteer, please consider helping in 2013, maybe for just one event. You might be surprised at how much fun you will have.

Stay Tuned, More to Come...

Thank you for sharing your families with us this summer!

What an awesome summer! We believe that this is the hottest summer that we can remember! We just need to tell you how blessed we feel to have Sandy Pines both as our Summer Home and our job location. We want to thank our Recreation Staff, and all the volunteers that have helped at all the events this summer, and to everyone who made the summer of 2012 a great time at Sandy Pines!

Mary, Kim and the
Recreation Department Staff



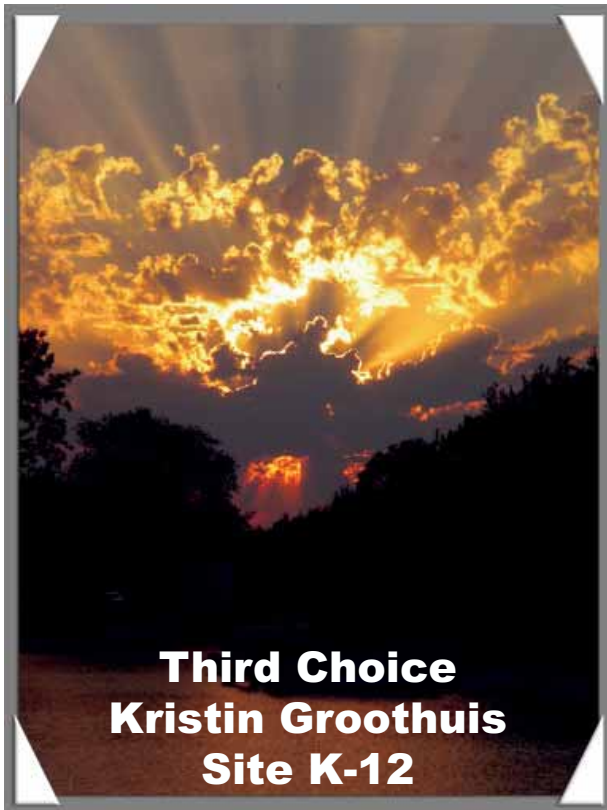
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JULY PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS



**First Choice - Brenda Brenner
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**Third Choice
Kristin Groothuis
Site K-12**



**Second Choice
Jessica Roberts
'Saluting the Soldiers'
Site N-93**



Photo Contest

Please send your digital images, as you capture the beauty of Sandy Pines, 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. August photos are due Sept. 3; and September photos are due Sept. 30.

Each member may submit up to ten pictures each month, and a judge will select the top three entries. Thank you for sharing your beautiful pictures with us! All entries may be viewed on our website.