

Resort Report

Klines Resort March-April 2016

Short term Camping Reservations Begin March 1

Beginning March 1 the resort office will be taking reservations by telephone or in person only. The Resort is not accepting on-line reservations for short term campsites this year. Because of problems with our on-line service provider and the small number of sites and reservations involved, it is not cost-effective to continue this service.

As a result, we are making these changes for 2016:

- Only RV sites 12 and 13 are available for advance short term camping reservations in 2016.
- Reservations must be made in person or by phone during office hours, and full payment must be received within 10 days or the reservation will be canceled.
- No credit cards will be accepted. Cash or check only.
- All other sites are seasonal. If any remain available, they will be reserved for long-term campers only (one month minimum).
- If any of these unused sites remain available less than 10 days prior to arrival, they may then be booked for short terms.

Please share this information with your family & friends and encourage them to make their reservations ASAP.



FPL Spaghetti Dinner
Thursday, April 28
Serving from 5:30 to 6:30 pm
Clubhouse Dining Room

*Join us as we kick off our 2016 membership drive.
Dinner is free for all new and renewing Friends of Portage Lake. Donation \$5 for non-members.*

Resort "Frost Laws" are in Effect!

Do not drive on trails, lakefront, fields, storage areas, etc. when ground is soft. Check ahead for access to the RV Storage lot. It may be closed due to conditions. Please be patient and plan accordingly!



CALENDAR

Coffee Hour: Every Saturday @ 8:30am

Potlucks: Every Thursday @ 6pm

COA Exercise: Wed & Fri @ 11 am

- ◆ **March 5:** Tornado Siren Test
- ◆ **March 8: Presidential Primary election**
- ◆ **March 13: Daylight Savings Time begins, Change your smoke alarm batteries!**
- ◆ **March 13:** Sunday Service 6:30 pm
- ◆ **March 17:** Corn Beef Potluck: Sign up. \$1 & dish
- ◆ **March 23: COA Lunch on Wednesday** (closed Friday for Good Friday)
- ◆ **March 25: Good Friday** - office closed.
- ◆ **March 27: Happy Easter!**
- ◆ **April 1:** Seasonal Camp Agreements due.
- ◆ **April 2:** Tornado siren test 12:05
- ◆ **April 4 - 5:** Foot Clinic: \$25. Sign up CB.
- ◆ **April 8: Grand Opening of Sturgis Senior Center.**
- ◆ **April 10:** Sunday Service 6:30 pm.
- ◆ **April 14: Special Potluck** - Chili & Potato bar
- ◆ **April 16:** Begin summer office hours
- ◆ **April 28: FPL Spaghetti Dinner 5:30pm**
- ◆ **May 3: Elections - remember to vote!**
- ◆ **May 7: Resort Open House**

Office Hours thru April 15

Mon Wed Fri: 9 am - 2 pm

Office Hours beginning April 16

Monday - Saturday: 9 - 2

Closed Sundays and holidays.

Closed Good Friday - March 25

COA FRIDAYS

Call 279-8083 to reserve your place.

Feb. 26: Hamburger Bar

March 4: Soup & Salad Bar

March 11: St. Pat's Buffet

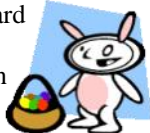
March 18: Deli & Soup Bar

Wed. March 23: Pasta & Salad Bar

(April meals tba)

March Birthdays & Anniversaries

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| 1 Lonnie Cotner | 23 Barb Skiba |
| 2 Janet Daggett | Patrick Oliver |
| 3 Gail Bratt | 24 Richard Flegel |
| Dick Goldschmeding | 25 Babette Garrison |
| 4 Phyllis Grevenstuk | 26 Cheryl Lung |
| Dora Kuis | 27 Jim LaCroix |
| Bob Tuinier | GloriaJean Grevenstuk |
| 5 Altha Maggard | Julie Thatcher |
| 6 John Arnold | 29 Judy McWatters |
| 7 Phyllis Mann | 30 Rose Derry |
| 8 Ken Allen | Sally Cullimore |
| 10 Joan Cole | 31 Janet Dudley |



ANNIVERSARIES

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| 12 Barb Lee | 4 Morrie & Bonnie Cole |
| Sherrie Mandigo | 9 Dick & Pat Salisbury |
| 13 Bernie Daggett | 14 Mel & Dora Kuis |
| 14 Dale Fraaza | 17 Harold & Shelley Vogt |
| 15 Sharon Souder | 18 Bob & Diane Grice |
| 16 Darlene Mortimer | Fred & Shelly Burnett |
| Donna Cleary | 21 Larry & Dixie Farmer |
| 17 Joyce Morgan | 24 Paul & Becky Roberts |
| 18 Christie Peters | 26 Tom & Sherrie Mandigo |
| Chris Taylor | 29 Charles & Pat Sparks |
| 19 Ron Stafford | 31 David & Mary Bowersox |
| 22 Margaret Cornish | |
| Doug Davis | |
| Bill Sonnycalf | |

April Birthdays & Anniversaries

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| 1 Barb Goldschmeding | 22 Beverly Flinn |
| 2 David Timm | 23 Betty Bailey |
| 3 Lelia Ann Barnhardt | Crystal DeVries |
| Bill DeDoes | Jill Dudley |
| 8 Delbert Hite | Maureen Herder |
| Cydnea Pierce | 24 Anna Allen |
| 9 Dennis Rinke | Karen Crook |
| 10 Donna Smith | Sandi Sikkema |
| 11 Paul Roberts | Sharon Woods |
| Kim Sears | 25 Connie Klimp |
| 12 Suzanne Taylor | Gordon Sorensen |
| Ann Hughson | 26 Glory Bragg |
| Karel Eames | 30 Judy Wagner |
| David Parks | |
| 13 David Bratt | 2 David & Nellie Buckhout |
| Jim Souders | 8 Frank & Lorraine Attivissimo |
| Barbara Martus | Gordon & Arlene Sorensen |
| 14 Tami Yonkers | 10 Helmer & Barb Larson |
| 15 Susan Knapp | 16 George & Fran LaBonte |
| Ferne Tanner | 19 Phil & Tama Kline |
| Terry Miller | 24 Bob & Kathy Golec |
| Gloria VanderNoot | 26 Mike & Mary Peters |
| 18 Sara Bent | Butch & Ferne Tanner |
| Donna Robins | Mark & Charlene Buckhout |
| 20 Paul Kline | 27 Dick & Marlene Sutton |
| Madison Henschen | |



ANNIVERSARIES

Phil's Corner

2016 is off to an interesting start, with controversies far and wide. So here is my "Good News - Bad News" edition:

- **Good News!** Our mild El Niño winter has been welcomed by all except perhaps the ice fishermen. **Bad News:** Speeding complaints have been noted.
- **Good News!** The mosquitoes known to carry the Zika virus do not live in Michigan. **Bad News:** We're still concerned about West Nile & Eastern Equine Encephalitis, as well as the tick-borne Lyme disease. Let's be vigilant about wearing repellents and preventing mosquito habitat.
- **Good News!** The IRS won't telephone demanding payments and personal information. **Bad News:** We're still hearing reports of attempted telephone scams. Caller ID on your phone or TV is a great help. I just bought a new phone with a call blocking feature that I love. If I answer a junk call, I hit a button and that number is blocked from calling.
- **Good News!** With a little effort you can save on your Comcast bill. **Bad News:** Comcast continues to raise rates. Don't be afraid to call and complain, and ask if they have a better package. Packages expire annually; be prepared to call every year. We no longer have a Comcast rep, so you must do everything by phone.
- **Good News:** We test resort water for lead following EPA guidelines. Results are published in our annual water reports. Results show all is good here! **Bad News:** Lead pipes in Flint's water supply won't be fixed any time soon. We'll be paying for their problems for years.
- **Good News:** The new Sturgis Senior Center opens this month. **Bad News:** The road commission needs funds, and the county refuses to use its surplus to help. We'll be asked to vote on a new road millage on May's ballot.
- **Good News:** Gas prices remain low, and inflation is in check. Even adjusting for a typical retiree's spending, the CPI is only up 0.5%. **Bad News:** No Social Security increase this year...
- **Good News:** I'm now old enough to join COA. **Bad News:** I'm now old enough to join COA...
- **Good News:** Jesus loves you!

"Bad news has good legs."
— [Richard Llewellyn](#)

"There is no bad time for good news."
— [Stephen King, Cujo](#)

God Bless,

Phil



Special Potlucks

March 17: Corn Beef & Cabbage



Sign up CB. \$1 & dish to pass.

April 14: Chili & Baked Potato Bar

