

Do You Want to Build a Campfire?

Campfires are a summer tradition, a pleasant way to share a story, sing a song, toast a marshmallow, or just relax and enjoy the sounds of the frogs and cicadas.

The resort has several **community fire pits** that are available for your use & enjoyment. These include:

- Lighthouse Point (fixed up by Esther Thanks!)
- Marina Area just west of seawall/sidewalk area.
- Summer Way in the middle of the cul-de-sac
- Kline lakefront in front of Kline's house.
- North lakefront under maple opposite lots #24-25 Feel free to enjoy any of these spaces on a "first come" basis. Be sure to tend your fire and supervise small children. Please extinguish if smoke is blowing toward any of the neighbors. Quiet hours begin at 10 pm.

Firewood is available at the mower shed. Pay at the honor box and take a reasonable amount for the price. You don't need a big fire - just some good coals for the marshmallows.

Mailbox News

We have purchased 200 new mailboxes and hope to begin rebuilding the stands in June. Now is the time to decide if

you want to install a locking mailbox. We ask that they be **black** and be no more than 12" wide and 16" tall. Please **call the office to let us know** and when we get to your section we will leave a space for your new box. Ordering, installation and maintenance of the locking box is your responsibility.

Remember to secure your mail. It's a simple 1-2-3!

- 1. Use the drop box for outgoing mail. Every time.
- 2. Pick up your mail. Every day. (or ask a friend)
- 3. Put a hold on your mail when you are away.

We had another incident of mailbox theft last week. All the boxes were swept clean in just a few minutes. So take precautions to protect your personal information from identity theft.

Note: For help with install call Bob Cole: 269-506-8954

CALENDAR

May 29: Campfire Social 8:30 pm Summer Way

June 5: Tornado Siren test 12:05 PM

June 1 & 7: Foot Clinic: sign up CB

June 4: Memorial Service for Sue Ripley: 5pm at the tent. *All Susie's friends invited*.

June 5: Free Coffee & Doughnut 8:30 - 9 am if you wear your name tag to coffee hour under the tent!

June 6: Gospel Concert 6:30: Dr. Dan & Friends

June 12: Fishing Derby 7am. Weigh-in 1 pm

June 21: Memorial Service for Phyllis Mann. 11:30 - 1:30 at the tent. *All Phyllis' friends invited*.

JULY

July 3: Boat Parade 1pm: Friends of Portage Lake

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July 4: Gospel Concert: 6:30 Todd Allen & Family

Community Events

May 31: Memorial Day Parade 10 am from Vicksburg Middle School to cemetery. Also 11 am from Mendon Public Library.

June 4: Red Cross Blood Drive - noon to 5:45 @ West Mendon Community Church

June 11-12: Vicksburg Old Car Festival. Friday night cruise in. Saturday craft show 9-3

June 12-13: Free Fishing Weekend - no license needed

June 17-19: Three Rivers Water Festival

June 19: Strawberry Fest: 9am - 3 pm Coldwater

Farmers Markets

Thursdays: Mendon Reed Riverside Park 2-6 pm **Fridays:** Vicksburg Community Pavilion 2-6 pm



Phil's Corner It's beginning to look a lot like SUMMER ...

Docks are in, mowers are busy. With the tent up, we're holding some activities outdoors. The gospel concerts are on, but without finger food. Many activities are getting the green light - see page 4 for the list.

While the Memorial Day breakfast will <u>not</u> take place, Carers & Sharers are discussing whether to resume these. They will need help if they do; be ready to sign up when plans are announced.

I'm hopeful the lake will rise with the recent rain. But we're off to an unusual year on the lake. Look out for weeds and shallow water. The first weed control has been applied; the next ones are scheduled weeks of June 7, 21 and July 12. Watch for yellow signs.

If you're like me, the constant covid rule changes have become tiring. We just want it to be over. Limits on the size of <u>outdoor</u> gatherings are lifted effective June 1, while 50% limits on indoor gatherings remain until July 1. Mask requirements (unless vaccinated) and social distancing rules remain in effect, so we are still unable to host card games and other gatherings indoors. For now, we require masks in the office and clubhouse <u>unless you are fully vaccinated</u>.

IMHO, vaccines offer the fastest, safest, and most reliable protection. If you are "vaccine hesitant," I hope you will reconsider, for both your own sake and those around you. God Bless,

Emergency Weather

- When storms are forecast, stay tuned to TV or radio.
 Don't depend on just the sirens they may fail or be hard to hear. If in doubt seek shelter.
- ♦ Have cell phone, flashlight, batteries, emergency phone #'s, medical/ prescription info
- ♦ If you need assistance, make arrangements with a neighbor to help you move to the clubhouse.
- ◆ Unplug unneeded appliances (coffee, toaster, TV, video, microwave, computer).
- Stay away from windows, doors, porches. Don't shower or bathe during thunderstorms.
- Stay clear of downed power lines.
- Clubhouse will be opened in case of severe weather.
 Park in lower lot. Do not block street in front of CB.
 Volunteers will be there to assist.

COA News:

Both COA centers are gradually reopening. Meals "to go" must be ordered 48 hrs. in advance. Fitness classes include arthritis exercise with Cathy Taylor, cardio drum-



ming, chair yoga, and Zumba Gold. Covid restrictions remain in place. Call 279-8083 for info.

The popular restaurant program now includes Family Affair in Mendon, Meeks Mill & the Town Fryer in Constantine, the Royale Café' & Yoder's Market in Centreville, and Mr. B's and Main Street Café in Three Rivers. COA members can purchase low cost tickets from either COA center for prescribed meals at these restaurants.

Special events in June include "Doughnuts for Dads on June 18th, and Strawberry Shortcake at the water festival on June 18-19. Advance reservations or tickets are required.

We hope to see Friday luncheons return to Klines Resort this summer. Stay tuned for more info!

JUNE Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 2 Barb Burkland
- 3 Mike Clark Linda Stowers
- 5 Judi Wordelman Connie Jackson Rick Hanchon
- 6 Mary Bowersox
- 8 Larry Ketchbaw
- 9 Sharon Heivilin
- 10 Lorraine Attivissimo
- 11 Scott Kendrick
- 13 Sharalyn Vogel
- 14 Harold RudMargaret Snyder
- 15 Anthony Morgan
- 16 Carolyn Vandenberg
- 18 Kristy Prahin
- 19 Kathy Lafever Doug Keusch
- 20 Cindy Sears
- 21 Richard Ireland
- 22 Del CharlesWilma GraberRandy Hogaboom

- 23 Joan Elias Mike Emigh
- 24 Sharon Wright25 George Sampley
- 27 Ellie Peekstok James Lung
- 28 Randy Henschen
- 30 Bob Krull

ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Lon & Diane Huffman
- 10 Randy & Diane Jones
- 13 John & Myrna Huizinga Don & Janet Squires
- 14 Joe & Kim Hunt
- 15 Charles & Linda Stowers
- 16 Bill & Margaret Snyder
- 22 Randy & Michelle Henschen
- 24 Dan & Cydnea Pierce Don & Barb Rice
- 27 Duke & Ellie Peekstok
- 30 Wendell & Gerri Bole

Think Safety this Summer

Ahhh... The first holiday weekend of summer. Fishing gear: check. Boat & dock: check. Campfire and s'more supplies: check. We're ready - or are we?

How about these?

- Sunscreen. Mosquito and tic repellent.
- First aid kit (how old is it?). Flares.
- Fire extinguisher (has it been checked?).
- Boat registration & license (with you).
- Emergency weather supplies see checklist pg. 2.
- Life jackets in the right size.
- Bike helmets. Bike lights. Tire repair kit.
- Proper insurance coverage on all your "toys."

Here are a few Resort safety reminders:

- ◆ **DO NOT OBSTRUCT TRAFFIC:** Walkers & golf carts should not gather in the roadway. Go to side.
- ◆ CALL MISS DIGG 811 and Phil before digging!
- ♦ **Supervise children** whenever they are in clubhouse, using lawn mower, swimming; on playground, etc.
- ♦ Golf carts must have a licensed driver 21 years old or older seated beside any unlicensed driver.
- ♦ Respect the rules of the road: one-way street, traffic circle direction, stop signs, speed limit 10, etc.
- ♦ Use the Buddy system: avoid doing strenuous activities alone! Partner to launch boats, put in docks, or work out in the exercise room.
- ♦ Golf Carts: Do not overload your cart...
- **♦** Walkers: Please use the sidewalks...
- **♦** Dogs: Always on leash when outside

Please keep these items out of the trash:

No electronics! TV's, computers, monitors, cell phones, and other electronics should be taken to the county recycling day* or to another approved recycler.



Metal goes in scrap metal pile in south storage area.

No refrigerators, no air conditioners. Dismantle grills and remove glass, wood, plastics, etc.

<u>BRUSH</u> goes on burn pile behind red barn: <u>Nothing</u> <u>but tree parts</u>. No lumber. No furniture. No tires.

<u>Leaves, yard & garden waste</u> goes in compost area.

No plastic bags, flower pots, plant hangers, stones.

<u>Take to the landfill</u> any furniture, lumber, mattresses, construction debris, carpets, roofing, drywall, etc.

No Chemicals: Take gas, oil, paints, pesticides, etc. to County recycling* or an approved recycling center.

No Tires. No Batteries. Take to county recycling*

*Hazardous Waste recycling is offered twice a year at the county fairgrounds. Watch newsletter for dates.

Mixed Recycling Reminders

Recycling rules vary from place to place. Please refamiliarize yourself with our mixed recycling rules.

Recycling DO's:

- * Do recycle clean & empty bottles, cans, jars, and dairy/juice boxes. Rinse clean. Labels & caps are OK.
- * Only recycle plastic with symbols #1, #2 or #5 . Put plastic without one of these symbols in trash.







No plastic

- * **Do keep it clean.** Rinse cans and bottles. *Remove all contents. No peanut butter! No pizza boxes. Air dry.*
- * **Do dump everything <u>loose</u>** into bin. Empty bags and reuse or place in trash.
- * **Do flatten boxes.** Remove all bags, foam, and packing materials. *Use west container (behind ministorage) for flattened cardboard only.*
- * Do recycle <u>FLAT</u> paper, newspaper, & magazines. You <u>may</u> use a <u>paper bag</u> for these. No string. No napkins, tissues, shredded paper, paper cups, paper plates, plastic ware or trash!

Recycling DON'Ts:

- * **Don't throw in the bag.** Dump everything loose so it can be inspected. (Grocery bags can be returned to local grocery stores for disposal.)
- * **Don't include** paper napkins, plates, cups, or tissues. No wadded or shredded paper. Put in trash.
- * **Don't recycle** plastic films, plastic wraps, strapping materials, or packing peanuts. Put in trash.
- * **Don't add sharp or dangerous materials.** No needles, no electronics, no plate glass or mirrors, no batteries.
- * **Don't toss in "tanglers."** No hoses, wire, rope, string, straps, holiday lights, extension cords, hangers, etc.
- * **Don't include bulky items:** No construction materials. No plastic furniture. No tires. No scrap metal. No clothing, textiles, bedding, rugs or carpets.
- * No propane tanks. No chemical, paint or oil cans.
- * **No Styrofoam.** This includes foam egg cartons, take home boxes, deli trays, meat packaging. Put in trash.
- No hazardous waste in any trash or recycling container. It is your responsibility to take these to a hazardous waste collection center. (oils, chemicals, poisons)

Please: Don't use recycling unless you can follow these rules! If in doubt, throw it out - just put it in the regular trash (unless it is a hazardous waste).

Special thanks to the volunteers who check the recycling bins and remove unapproved items!

You're Invited!

Here's a list of activities and opportunities offered by and for resort residents. Don't be shy - give it a try!

Line Dancing: Wednesdays under the tent @ 9:30 am. Join the Fun! Info call Sherri: 269-986-7773.



- Sew & Sews: Wednesdays @ 9am -Fireside Room. Info call Christie: 269-816-5089. Social distance / masks if not fully vaccinated.
- Free Tennis Lessons: Learn from our local "pro" Joe Hunt. Call to arrange time: 269-207-6363
- Learn Sudoku! If you want to learn or if you have already tried and need some pointers - Lynda Sharpe can help you get started with some simple strategies. Call 269-206-0241.
- Pickleball: Play 9 am Tu Th Sat. All are welcome!
- Learn Pickleball! Meet 9am Mondays during month of June for "Pickleball 101." Wendy would love to teach you the basics and get you ready for the regular play times. Info 248-767-0685
- Yoga for Anybody! Mondays at 9am in CB basement. 6 ft. social distance. Group may need to split if too large.



We'll decide a time once we know who's interested.

Remote Control Aircraft: Watch the flyers at wa-Generous Hands: We're collecting for the VCS ter tower field on quiet evenings. Spectators welcome - but please park out of the way.



• Learn to Fly! If you want to learn to fly RC aircraft, contact Robert Barton at 269-649-9513.

Phil's Book Corner...

Reluctant P.I. Alex McKnight lives in the U.P. and solves cases around the state. Both "Let It Burn" - set in Detroit - and "The Hunting Wind" - set in West Michigan - use familiar Michigan landmarks and U.P. humor to set up suspense-filled surprise endings. The series is by Michigan author Steve Hamilton.

Welcome to the Lake!

Lot 21	Fred & Shelly Burnett (from lot 275)
Lot 83	Mike & Cara Brink 269-491-4253
Lot 179	Eriks & Kristen Mezsets (from 276)
Lot 188	Eldon & Gay Looker 734-770-1759
Lot 268	Jack & Cheryl York 269-605-9744
Lot 275	Deb Curtis 616-990-4227
Lot 276	Dorothy Mayfield 810-655-4817

nnnnnnnnnnnnFirst Sunday Gospel Concerts June 6: Dr. Dan and Company **July 4: Todd Allen and Family** Aug 1: Skylight Group **Sept 5: Lindley Creek** 6:30 pm on lakeside stage. Bring folding chair. Mask if not fully vaccinated. Love offering will be taken. ההההההההההה

Jottings...

garage. Self serve - honor can inside fridge. Thanks Jeff & Kathy!

backpack program. Current needs are peanut butter, jams & Jellies, other non-perishable snacks. Collection tub is located in garage at lot 39. Questions call Virginia 649-4162.

COA Advisory Board: The County Commission is seeking volunteers to serve for openings in June. If interested complete a "Citizen's Interest Form" and submit ASAP. See Phil for info.

REMEMBER...

If it isn't pee or poo, do not put it in the loo! Never flush wipes, cleaning products, or personal care items down the toilet. So-called "flushable products clog our pumps. Dispose in trash instead.