## The PARK BENCH

## Parkwood Estates Subdivison Winter 2016 Issue

Smokler-Truesdell Homeowners Association, P.O. Box 87066, Canton, MI 48187-0066

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## SNOWING.....PLOWING.....PARKING

Your Board has approved another three year contract with Apex Snow Services. Per the contract, snow plowing services will

be performed after an accumulation of two (2) inches or more from any single snowfall during a twenty-four (24) hour period per Detroit airport readings and will be plowed within eight (8) hours of the completion of the snowfall. It is acknowledged that eight (8) inches or more accumulation of snow from any single snowfall during a twenty-four (24) hour period is considered a snow emergency and snow plowing may be delayed, however, every effort will be made to plow the snow as expeditiously as possible.

ALL VEHICLES MUST BE REMOVED from the street area in order for effective and cient snow plowing procedures to be employed. If vehicles are not removed from the street, then Apex Snow Services assumes NO RESPONSIBILITY OR LIABILITY for said vehicle having snow plowed around them. It is EXPRESSLY understood that snow plowing procedures WILL RESULT in snow being plowed along driveway entrances. Contractor **DOES NOT** remove any snow from property. Arrangement may be made with Apex Snow Services for removal of snow at an additional cost to the homeowner. Any concerns or problems with snow plowing should be directed to APEX **SNOW SERVICES** at (734) 981-4223 OR (734) 637-3222.

**WARNING!** Canton Township **DOES** have snow emergencies and, if a snow emergency is called, then all residents MUST move vehicles off the street or they will be TICKETED and/or be TOWED away.

The Board will also be taking a serious look at conditions such as ice build up that have been a problem for residents in the past and find a reasonable solution to those conditions.

## 2016 ASSOCIATION DUES 100 PERCENT PAID!!!

**Good News!** 

History has been made for Parkwood Estates Subdivision! As of November, all dues have been paid!. A big THANK YOU to Dave Givens for his concerted effort in making this happen as well as some help from Robert Fortune.

The dues for 2017 have been raised to \$100.00 per Section 3 of the By-Laws. Dues notices are sent December 1, 2016 with payment due by January 1, 2017. Dues paid after January 31, 2017 are considered late and subject to penalty.

Dues were raised this year because 85 percent of our dues are to cover fixed expenses such as lawn care, snow removal, newsletters, contests and egg hunt. This leaves a small amount to be used for Parks Improvements such as added play equipment and those funds will need to be built up.

Any resident interested in obtaining a 2017 budget or financial report can either go on our website and look at the left hand side in green for

"budget" and "financial reports" or call a board member or block captain for a hard copy.

## ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CONTEST

The Christmas season is fast approaching and It is always a pleasure to drive through the subdivision and enjoy the various ways the houses are decorated for the season.

The week of December 17th through 22nd will be the time when board members will be driving through the subdivision and deciding which homes have the best decorations. Three homes will be chosen for first, second and third place prizes consisting of \$50, \$25 and \$15 which may be used towards their increased electrical bill.

Homes that have either won in the last three years, belong to a board member or are behind in payment of dues will **NOT** be eligible for the contest.

## NEW BOARD MEMBERS ELECTED

Four board members were elected at the Annual Meeting on November 15th. A big THANK YOU to Paul Rork who served as Parks Chairman and to Judy Schantz who served as a trustee for several years. Judy will continue to serve as one of our block captains. Ruthann Bruce was reelected as well as three new residents: Ryan Miner, Jake Brasseur and John Kouchounkos. Board positions will be voted on at the December meeting and will begin their terms on January 2017. Continuing board members are very excited to have their ideas and suggestions. Welcome aboard!

The Board has also implemented volunteers who will be a Park Captain for each of our three parks. They are: Robert Fortune for Blue Mountain Park, Jake Brasseur for Loveland Park and Jeff Hall for Winter Park. They will be working directly with the Park's chairman in making sure parks are well maintained and bringing resident suggestions to the Board. There is also a need for two block captains: Copeland Circle West and Walnut Ridge West. If anyone in either of those blocks are interested in serving, please contact one of the <u>Board members</u>.

## WANTED......NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Anyone interested in taking over the publishing of our quarterly newsletter, please contact Roxanne Henke by Facebook, email—<a href="mailto:roxdefox@eid55.com">roxdefox@eid55.com</a> or call/text at 734-751-8206. Next edition will be the spring edition to be ready for distribution by March.

## WE NEED YOUR EMAILS......



One great way to keep in communications with residents is to send email notifications. If you have an email and wish to receive either communications and/or newsletters, please send your name, address, lot number and email address so it can be added to our registry. You may send to Webmaster or one of the board members.

### KEEP INFORMED.....

Information such as board meeting minutes, financial information and the monthly agenda for the board meetings are available on our website at <a href="http://www.parkwoodestates-cantonmi.org">http://www.parkwoodestates-cantonmi.org</a>.

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Classified Ads are available for those individuals who would like to provide a service to the residents such as babysitting, yard work or snow shoveling and are free to any members in good standing of Parkwood Estates and will only be placed on the <u>Website</u>.

You may send your advertisement copy electronically to: <a href="mailto:roxdefox@eid55.com">roxdefox@eid55.com</a> or <a href="mailto:webmaster">Webmaster</a> @MicroRAP.biz or mail to Smokler-Truesdell, PO Box 87066, Canton, MI 48187

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

<b>Dues Notices Mailed</b>	December 1, 2016		
Christmas Lights Contest	December 17-22, 2016	Subdivision Wide	Judged by December 22
Dues Late	January 31, 2017	Add 6% late fee	
<b>Dues Second Notices</b>	March 1, 2017		
Easter Egg Hunt	April 8, 2017 10AM	Blue Mountain Par	·k
Garage Sale	May 18-20, 2017	Subdivision Wide	
Curb Appeal Award	June 2017	Subdivision Wide	Judged June 18-30
Annual Meeting	November 21, 20167	Township Hall	
Monthly Board Meetings	3rd Tuesday of month	Sept—Mav	Township Hall

## **BOARD MEMBERS** (to be updated at December 2016 meeting)

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## **BLOCK CAPTAINS**