## The PARK BENCH

## Parkwood Estates Subdivison

## Spring 2020 Issue



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

## **Easter Egg Hunt Canceled**

Due to precautions recommended due to the COVID-19 situation, the Board has voted to cancel this year's Easter Egg Hunt, originally scheduled for April 4. The Easter Egg Hunt has always been a very popular event with residents, but the health and safety of our residents is our top priority.

More information local matters pertaining to Coronavirus/COVID-19 can be found on the Canton Township website at <a href="https://www.canton-mi.org/1277/COVID-19-Updates">https://www.canton-mi.org/1277/COVID-19-Updates</a>.



## Annual Subdivision Garage Sale/May 15-17

Our subdivision conducts a neighborhood garage sale each year. It gives our homeowners an opportunity to clear out those unwanted items, maybe make a little cash, and meet your neighbors!

**NOTE:** This year's sale might be impacted by the state's new rules implemented as a result of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). Watch for email notifications and further details on the **HOA web site**.

## **Annual Curb Appeal Contest**

The Parkwood Estates
Homeowners Association
wants to recognize those
homeowners who make an
effort to keep their property
attractive and pleasing.
Homes with curb appeal make
us proud of our community as
well as help maintain property
values.

To recognize homes in our subdivision with curb appeal the association holds an

annual Curb Appeal Contest. Each year three homeowners\* will be awarded a \$35 prize.

This year's judging will take place during the week of July 25 through 31.

Winner will be announced on the website and in the Fall Newsletter.

\*Board members and residents still owing dues NOT eligible.



## Welcome New Residents - Get Involved!

The Parkwood Estates Homeowners Association Board would like to welcome all new residents to our subdivision. We know you'll find this neighborhood is a great place to live and we encourage your participation in our activities and functions.

This newsletter is distributed four times a year, Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter. If you would prefer to receive the newsletter by email, send your request

The Parkwood Estates Homeowners Association to <a href="http://www.parkwoodestates-cantonmi.org/">http://www.parkwoodestates-cantonmi.org/</a>
Board would like to welcome all new residents subscribe form.html.

Finally, there are numerous ways to get involved, through volunteering to help with events, attending board meetings, and other ways that can be found in the newsletter and on the website.

We look forward to meeting you at a future event or activity!

## **Inside The Park**

By John Kouchoukos, Parks Chairman

Hi Neighbors...with Spring right around the corner I'd like to tell you about some maintenance items, scheduled projects to be completed and new approved projects coming in 2020.

First I'd like to say that the Board and I take the maintenance and

improvements of our common ground areas and Parks very seriously. We are always discussing ways to make the Parks safe and more enjoyable for our neighbors and we strive to improve the appearance of our Parks and Common grounds.

#### 2020 Maintenance

Beginning this month we will be trimming the trees along Lilley Rd to remove the shoots from the bases of trees and trim back low lying branches to make it easier for people walking or biking down the sidewalk. Technically Wayne County is responsible for this, but they rarely, if ever, make this a priority. Over the course of the summer we will also be removing old park sign bed areas and planting grass seed in them, removing dead trees in the parks and painting park equipment as needed. If there is a maintenance item that you would like see completed this year, please reach out to any Board Member and we will discuss it at a scheduled meeting.

We have the same company providing lawn maintenance this year, they will be scheduling the Spring Cleanup for late April or beginning of May, depending on the weather — as many of you know, the parks can stay pretty wet during the Spring.

#### **2020 Completed Scheduled Projects**

Over the last few years we have been improving the park entrances by installing new Park Entry signs & landscaping. We are happy to say that we will be completing the final 3 signs this summer. They are Winter Park Saltz entrance, Blue Mountain Saltz entrance and Loveland Park Redfern entrance.

It was approved last year to install 3 new main sub entrance signs. Other than some finish grading and the installation of perennials, they were finished up in early March. Let us know what you think!



One of the new subdivision entrance signs

## **2020 New Approved Projects**

It was approved last year to install new volleyball courts, consisting of Permanent Steel posts with covers, padding and a commercial grade net. The nets could then be used to hold a screen for having a Monthly Movie in the Park night.

We are very excited to announce that we have approved and scheduled a new play structure for <u>Blue Mountain Park!</u> The structure is intended for children 2-12 years old and meant to accommodate up to 22-26 children at a time. Depending on the weather, we hope the structure will be installed sometime in May, check in with the community Facebook Page for updates.

If there is a new project that would benefit our community that you would like see completed in the future, please reach out to any Board Member and we will discuss it at a scheduled meeting.

## **Friendly Reminder**

As we start to get into warmer weather, we would also like to remind everyone to please drive at a safe speed and to not block sidewalks with their vehicles. We have a lot of walkers and children in the neighborhood and having to walk in the street to get around a vehicle is very dangerous. The Canton Twp. Ordinance Department is making it a priority to ticket vehicles that block sidewalks, so don't be the one that gets a ticket. **We are all looking forward to having a great summer outdoors!** 

## Goodbye to a Dear Friend, Judy Schantz

With heavy hearts, we announce the death of Judith Carol Schantz. Judy was born in Troy, New York. She passed away on February 15, 2020 at the age of 79.

Judy was a longtime resident, board member, block captain and dear friend to many.

She was loved and cherished by many people including: her husband Paul Schantz; her sons, Eric Schantz, Christopher Schantz and Tim Schantz; and her sisters, Deb Wright-Hinds and Phyllis Wikoff. She was also cherished by four grandchildren.

Family and friends can leave a sympathy message to the family on the memorial page of Judith Carol Schantz at <a href="https://www.everhere.com/us/obituaries/candle/10420984">https://www.everhere.com/us/obituaries/candle/10420984</a>

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, April 4th 2020 at 10:30 AM at the St. Michael's Lutheran Church (7000 Sheldon Rd, Canton, MI 48187).

## **Annual Dues**

Our Association By-Laws state that assessments are an obligation of all subdivision homeowners. The Annual Dues payment of \$115 was due January 1, 2020. If you have paid, thank you for your payment.

If you have not paid at this time, the payment is late and is subject to a \$25 late fee.

Assessment payments should be mailed to:

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

Please be sure your lot number appears on your check and that you return the invoice with your payment.

A lien may be placed on the homeowner's property or legal action taken for unpaid assessments as specified in our Association By-Laws. This and more information about annual assessments is available on the Parkwood Estates web site at

http://www.parkwoodestates-cantonmi.org/ annual\_assessment.html

# ADVERTISE IN THE PARK BENCH

**Sponsor Ads** for the newsletter range in cost depending on size as follows:

- 1/8 page (business card -1.07" X 1.38")
- @ \$35.00 per year
- 1/4 page (2.13" X 2.75")
- @ \$70.00 per year
- 1/2 page (4.25" X 5.5")
- @ \$105.00 per year
- Full page (8.5" X 11")
- @ \$140.00 per year.

Sponsor ads will be published in the newsletter as soon as payment is received by the Treasurer for one (1) year from date of payment. Payments should be made to Smokler-Truesdell and mailed to PO Box 87066, Canton, MI 48187.

The cost of the ad will include an ad approximately 242 x 136 pixels published on the website.

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 Website.

Send classified ad copy to the webmaster at:

webmaster@microrap.biz

Send your ad copy (Sponsor ads) to: cimcgorey@hotmail.com

Or mail to:

Smokler-Truesdell PO Box 87066 Canton, MI 48187



#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monthly Board Meetings 2nd or 3rd Tuesday of month, Sept—May, 7:00 pm, at Canton Township Hall

Subdivision Garage Sale May 14 –16, 2020 Subdivision Wide Curb Appeal Contest July 25 – 31, 2020 Subdivision Wide

Summer Picnic July 23, 2020 Winter Park
Fall Festival October 10, 2020 Loveland Park

2021 Dues Bills are Mailed December 1, 2020 2021 Dues to be Paid January 1, 2021 Dues are Late January 31, 2021

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## HELLO FELLOW PARKWOOD ESTATES NEIGHBOR!



## MANY GOOD HEALTH & SAFETY WISHES TO YOU ALL!

We have never seen unprecedented times like this. I want to help you look forward to better times just on the horizon.

#### A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR COVID-19 HEROES!

MEDICAL & HEALTH HEROES MILITARY HEROES, POLICE & FIRE FIGHTER HEROES

As a **THANK YOU GIFT**, I will be giving **YOU \$500** from my Closing Commission
(must be a closing transaction directly with a Buyer or Seller that is a COVID-19 HERO in 2020)

Spring is Here and Time to talk **HOME VALUE\$\$\$** ....How much **EQUITY** is in **YOUR HOME?**Low Inventory - Buyer High Demand - Low Interest Rates

Let's put an **ACTION PLAN** in place now!! **BUYERS** are eager to get back in the market to buy a home...

Could it be your home?

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