

SUGAR SCOOP

Mid –Michigan’s Finest Recreational Community

June 2021



“Be on the look out for these little ones. They are starting to be out and about”



Upcoming Events in Sugar Springs

Fireworks and Bake Sale
July 3rd

Boaters Safety
July 17th

Rummage Sale
September 4th



As I write this, Memorial Day is fast approaching. Docks are in, water levels are up, golf course is in great shape. Numerous projects are in the works.

Meet the Candidates minutes are in this month's Scoop and is also available to view on our website. Ballots will be mailed out May 27. Ballots must be returned Friday June 18 by 4pm. The new board members will be announced at the Annual Meeting on Saturday June 19. Good Luck to all candidates.

We have completed many projects already in 2020-2021. These include Trackman which has so far exceeded our expectations and has been totally funded. The aeration system has been installed in Lake Lancer to help reduce the amount of silt and muck in the lake. Your new website is up and running. Thank you to Liz and David Sullivan on taking the site to a new level. Many improvements will be made over the coming months. The sewer repair was completed in May at the Hearth and Activity Center. Thank you to Ken, Ryan, John and Will for your exceptional work to complete the project. The roof for our new deck at the Hearth will be installed later in June. We keep moving forward.

We continue to open up for indoor and outdoor activities as Covid restrictions slowly get lifted. I will always error on the side of health and safety but look forward to the elimination of all restrictions.

Sugar Springs POA, the Board of Directors and the Recreation Committee will be hosting our 1st annual Member Appreciation Event on Saturday June 26 from 2pm to 5pm. This is our way to say "Thank You" to all members for enduring the past 15 months. We will have a live band, food and beverages. Activities will include cornhole, putting contests, 50-50 raffles and much more. This is for members and their family. Fun for all ages!

The Hearth has been open 7 days a week for lunch and dinner for over 7 weeks! I want to personally thank you for your support. We will not be open for breakfast at this time. We are still looking for people to become part of our winning team. We are looking for cooks and servers. Come on in to the POA office or the Hearth to inquire and apply. We will train even with little experience. All you need is the right attitude. Please be patient with the staff as we try to fill positions like the majority of businesses in Michigan.

The golf course continues to move forward and is currently in great shape. Mark and his team are coming up with different events that are super fun along with some good competition. Come on in to the pro shop for upcoming events.

The lakes committee and volunteers have done a great job educating us on topics that include boater safety, plant identification, fisheries, water quality. Fertilizer use and MUCH more. They will be present at the Member Appreciation Event and the Craft Show to show us the importance of taking care of our lakes.

Wishing everyone a safe and Happy Memorial Weekend. We all have much to be thankful for. It does not matter if you are full time, part time, have a home or camper. WE ARE ALL SUGAR SPRINGERS. I think it is important to remember that and be courteous and respectful to all! We continue to move forward and I salute you all!

Regards,

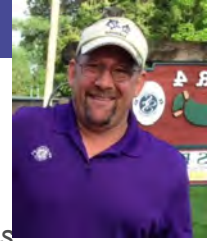
David Harris



GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT



SSPOA NEWS



From the Board of Director, President

Open letter to Sugar Springs Members. This communication is for Sugar Springs Property Owners Association members and cannot be reproduced/ pasted or shared to social media

David Harris (GM), POA staff and board have been very busy over the past few months. David jumped right in during the transition of being the new GM and hit the ground running.

Accomplishment since September of last year;

- 1). Completion of building project; Restaurant and Manchester beach club. As far as the restaurant I will quote from "Field of Dreams" - "If you build it they will come!" We had the highest sales revenue for the month of April in the history of Sugar Springs. Home delivery is a great addition for our membership. Please be patient as we are aggressively finding and training our new employees.
- 2). Security system put in at the storage facility and the chalet.
- 3). Trackman installed in January 2021. The cost of the equipment was provided through donation. In the two and half months it has generated over \$30,000.00 in revenue. The biggest upside is that it has helped drive our membership for both the men's & women's golf association.
- 4). New website was completed and launched early this year. I'm sure you will find it to be amazing and full of great content. We listened to members to make it easy to use and full of useful information. Please check it out at sugarsprings.net.
- 5). Installation of the aeration system at the mouth the Sugar River leading into lake Lancer. This is a proactive step to help reduce the silt coming into the lake. This system along with the pellet program will treat a 35 acre area and is the beginning of our overall watershed program being developed by the Lake Committee.
- 6). Permanent deck covering has been ordered and final measurements have been taken and should be installed by the end of June. This covering will be a permanent system.
- 6). Replacement of the main sewer line outside the restaurant has been completed and new black top installed.
- 7). Phase two of the drainage tile program for our storage facility will be completed this summer.
- 8). Flag poles will be completed before Flag Day June 14th with a mini service honoring the Veterans.

On to a fun day, several volunteers are working hard putting together a member's appreciation day. Please mark your calendar for June 26, 2021 from the hours 2-5 pm.

Thank you to the garden club and volunteers for all you hard work on the planting beds. They look Awesome. Thank you to Kim Ehrke for organizing and those that donated the hanging basket for the tee signs. I golfed yesterday and the baskets add a lot to the beauty of our course.

Thank you to my fellow board members and GM for your dedication researching and completing all of these projects

Wishing all members a safe and healthy summer season, looking forward to seeing and meeting many of you at the member appreciation day!

Tom Hug



Dear Member's/Property Owners,

Thanks for a great month of May!! We have just finished one of the busiest recorded months in my 14 years here for golf activity and business. The golf industry has been recording a boom in the number of new and returning players to the game. We expect this to continue for the remainder of the season. As a reminder, we take reservations up to 7 days in advance and the holiday weeks will continue to be busy.

The golf tournaments and events are underway, please keep an eye out for deadlines and event dates. The events vary from individual couples and team events. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the golf shop at 989.426.1162.

Stay tuned for Junior Clinic information in the next Scoop, we will be having the kids clinic the last week of July this season. This has been a fun time to get the kids from 7 - 15 ready to play from the beginner to high school player!!

Father's Day is just a few weeks away and the pro shop is stocked and ready to get his golf swag!! If there is anything you need, please reach out and we will do our best to accommodate all requests.

Special Thank You to my golf staff for continuing to provide excellent service to all our golfers!! Al, Bill, Dale and the outside staff as well and Dwight and the maintenance crew for keeping the golf course in top notch condition!! Thank you!!

Swing Easy,

Mark Bayer, PGA

Head Golf Professional





A friendly reminder for Members
Sugar Springs
Architectural & Environmental Committee

As Sugar Springs Members start preparing for Spring, please be aware of the following Rules and Restrictions:

Homeowner:

Construction Permits are required for the following:

**** Failure to acquire a SS Construction Permit may result in a \$250 violation assessment**

New Home

Garage/Carport/House Addition

Outbuilding

Lot Modification, Beach work (DEQ Permit also required)

Dock and/or Hoist: Must be no more than 4' wide and 20' long and must be placed no less than 10' from side property line

Setback Variance Request

Deck, Dog Pen, Gazebo

Siding/Roofing: No charge, must provide proposed colors for approval

Tree removal: Live trees greater than 4" in diameter

Boat trailers, snowmobile trailers and utility trailers may be stored on homeowner's lots year-round, provided they are stored completely behind the leading edge of the home, from the road side.

During the time period of **April 15th to the 3rd Sunday** in October, boat trailers, may be in the driveway of a home as far back from the road as reasonable.

During the time period from the **3rd Sunday in October to April 15th**, a snowmobile trailer, may be in the driveway of a home as far back from the road as reasonable.

Camping units are allowed at home for a maximum of two (2) weeks for performing maintenance and/or getting ready for a trip.

Camping:

Campers can only be placed on lot from the 1st Saturday of April through November 30th of each year

Camping Stickers

Camping sticker for each camping unit must be obtained from POA office without cost to the member

Suggested Sticker Placement: within 10' from the driveway and 10' from the front property line

Camping units are limited to two (2) per lot

Boats, jet skis, trailers of any kind, vehicles, lawn mowing equipment, etc. are not allowed on any lot without a camping unit in place.

At no time is solo tent camping allowed. Tents on camping lots are allowed only when a camping unit with a qualified sewer connection is present and available.

Construction Permits are required for the following:

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Camping pad: Placement - no closer than 10'. from any side property line, 75' from the normal high water lines of the lake and 35' from any street line (this is 68' from the center line of the road). Permanent camping pads and/or driveways are prohibited (i.e. asphalt paving, concrete paving, etc.).

Tree removal: Live trees greater the 4" in diameter

Well House: Cannot exceed 6' long, 5'wide, and 5' high at the roof peak

Decks: Ground level deck with no railing

Docks: Must be no more than 4' wide and 20' long and must be place no less than 10' from side property line

Sewer Connections:

Sewer connection must be within 10' from the approved camper location

Any questions concerning Butman Township Sewer Ordinance please contact Butman Township (989)426-4351

** For additional information on SS Rules and Regulations see the "SUGAR SPRINGS REGULATIONS AND POLICES" PAMPHLET, SS Covenants, and SS Bylaws. These documents can be acquired from the Sugar Springs web site or POA Office.

Partial listing of Non-Compliance Assessments currently in force:

Camper Permits

- Failure to post a current Camping Permit, First notice warning
- Failure to post a current Camping Permit, Second notice \$50 Assessment
- Failure to post a current Camping Permit, Subsequent notice \$100 and possible legal Action

Camper mobilization and de-mobilization

- Campers on lots prior to the first Saturday in April \$150
- Campers on lots after November 30 \$150
- Second mobilization violation \$500
- More than 2 campers on one lot, first violation \$150
- More than 2 campers on one lot, second violation \$500

Chronic or Flagrant violations \$500

Additional Violations

1. Starting construction without a permit \$250
2. Failure to meet approved setback requirements \$150 and cure
3. Dumping any waste water on ground \$1,000 and Referral to Legal
4. Home Owner Parking Violations, first violation \$100
5. Home Owner Parking Violations, second violation \$250
6. Unauthorized items on Lot \$50 - \$100

** Other assessments are levied based on severity and frequency of the violation

FINANCIAL NEWS

FINANCIAL TOTALS

April 2021

Cash on Hand: \$1,995,315 Lake Dredging: \$95,000 Emergency Reserve: \$128,000

Building Fund: \$64,726 Bathhouse Fund \$60,000

<u>REVENUE:</u>	April Actuals	April Budget	YTD ACTUALS	YTD BUDGET
Administration	\$44,531	\$55,700	\$1,129,658	\$1,083,100
Building & Grounds	\$11,189	\$10,940	\$153,741	\$146,090
Pool	\$3,414	\$4,875	\$29,154	\$26,900
Pro Shop /Golf Course	\$83,947	\$59,700	\$167,706	\$97,950
Restaurant	\$54,925	\$23,000	\$121,734	\$88,000
Lake Management	\$7,370	\$10,000	\$247,692	\$230,000
Total Revenue	\$205,376	\$164,215	\$1,849,685	\$1,672,040
<u>EXPENSES:</u>				
Administration	\$33,941	\$39,665	\$160,066	\$162,870
Building & Grounds	\$41,234	\$34,330	\$139,013	\$131,610
Pool	\$14,848	\$14,505	\$52,315	\$55,115
Pro Shop	\$47,360	\$42,485	\$85,935	\$71,385
Golf Course	\$43,168	\$31,895	\$73,968	\$61,340
Restaurant	\$65,657	\$37,740	\$173,058	\$150,930
Lake Management	\$500	\$50,200	\$101,450	\$105,700
Total Expenses	\$246,708	\$250,820	\$785,805	\$738,950
Rev. Less Expenses:	(\$41,332)	(\$86,605)	\$1,063,880	\$933,090

Cash Savings Account: \$19,230 Petty Cash Account: \$3,405

Memorial Savings: \$7,027



The following pages contain the biographies as submitted by the six (6) members running for the three (3) open Board of Directors seats in 2021.



Board of Directors Candidate 2021

Thomas Hug

Salisbury Realm Lot #196



Professional Background:

College—NIT, Veteran United States Army Reserves.

I worked in the Baking industry for over twenty five (25) years. I was a Vice President of Sales and Marketing for a large supplier to the super-market industry. I was responsible for over \$20 million in annual sales. My responsibilities included Profit and Loss statements, cost containment of travel and expense budgets for my division. Managing 20 to 30 employees, annual sales budget; which included working with operation and facility teams to create a quick return on investments of capital expenditures, problem solver provider, taking data from all parties and develop a solution to meet all needs.

Personal:

I bought property in Sugar Springs in 2000, and camped for two (2) years. After seeing what a wonderful area it is and meeting several great people, I decided to build my first home in 2002. For ten (10) years I enjoyed spending weekends and summer vacations in Sugar Springs.

Unfortunately in July, of 2012, I was diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma (cancer). I would have to say that the wonderful people in this community helped me get through this trying time. Going to my mail box down state I received at least one (1) if not three (3) to four (4) cards a day from the caring people in Sugar Springs. That is what makes this community so special!

In 2017, I built my permanent home on Lake Lancer. I have been living in Sugar Springs full time since November 2016.

I serve on the following committees:

Member Guest 2010 to present, active participant with the Recreation Committee (art/craft show, winter fest, rummage sale, super bowl party and the tree lighting ceremony).

Security improvements at the Camper Storage facility and Chalet.

GM Search Committee, involved in searching, interviewing and hiring of current GM.

Lakes Committee Board Rep, working closely with the committee on score the shore and sign placement. Placement of aeration (April 2021) to help mitigate silt build up. Help organize the creek cleanup (December 2020), Lake Shore Clean Up (January 2021) and annual swim buoys placement and removal.

Board Restaurant Committee Co-Chair, working closely with all parties on development of plan.

Volunteer and support the following: Air Park Fly In pancake breakfast, Camping Committee, New Dawn Shelter fundraiser, Veterans Fund-raiser, Butman Township Fundraiser, painting the out of bounds stakes and buildings on the golf course, spring cleanup golf course and annual plug removal on greens at the golf course.

I host the Arthur Hug Memorial outing benefiting the Alzheimer Association.

Reason wanting to serve on the Board of Directors:

As I'm sure most would agree, there has been quite a bit of enhancement made around Sugar Springs in the past few years. The board makes a concerted effort to enhance all amenities throughout Sugar Springs. It is an honor to serve such a wonderful community. As communication is the key to our future, I would like to continue working on and developing a communication network with all the membership to develop a one (1), three (3), five (5) year plan, and will continue to share with the membership annually. We will be flexible to make any necessary changes as we go forward. Sugar Springs is here for all member to enjoy. I thank you in advance for your support.

Recreational Interests include: Boating, fishing, golfing and volunteering



Board of Directors Candidate 2021

Walter James Issitt

(Incumbent)

Highlanders II Realm Lot #344,345 ,346



Resume of Candidate:

After thirty (30) years experience in consumer goods sales, retired as VP of Sales in the N.E. United States. I managed a yearly budget in excess of \$300 million. I moved to Sugar Springs with my wife Pat in 2003, as our permanent retirement home.

I have enjoyed the wide variety of activities available to everyone here and have been involved in Sugar Springs Committee work since moving here. I have been a member and chaired the Planning Committee, serving on the Budget Committee, and you will also see me involved, along with Pat, in all the Recreation Committee activities.

Reason for wanting to serve as a Director on the SSPOA Board:

I have been a board member for nine (9) years, and served the past seven (7) years as President of the Board. Even though I no longer sit in the chair's seat, I take great pride in this new team that works to complete projects impacted by the pandemic and to prioritize new projects important to all areas of Sugar Springs. Most of all, I enjoy working with this diverse group as it transitions to a new board president and new General Manager.

Recreational Interests:

Woodworking, golf, travel, spending quality time with family and with the many friends I have made in Sugar Springs



Board of Directors Candidate 2021

Sandra Kitchen

Highlanders II Realm Lot #317



Resume of Candidate:

I am currently retired and live full time in Sugar Springs with Glenn, my husband of thirty four (34) years. Between the two (2) of us we have four (4) children, five (5) grandchildren and two (2) great grandsons.

I have worked twenty (20) years for law firms in Oakland County, MI as a legal secretary, legal assistant and office manager. The attorney I worked for the longest, Richard Campbell, practiced mostly corporate and contract law. The firm represented Independence and Brandon Townships in Oakland County, drafting and enforcing township ordinances, so I am very familiar with legal interpretation. Mr. Campbell owned a bar and restaurant which I helped open and run.

I worked thirteen (13) years for Seaver Title Company, as an Escrow officer and Branch Manager responsible for my own escrow account handling millions per month.

I worked fourteen (14) years gradually phasing out for friends who owned Michigan equipment rental in Clarkston, MI (would be much like mid state here in Gladwin) I handled all funds, accounts receivables, account payables, hired and fired employees, rented out equipment, etc. The owners were gone in the winter.

I have been a Board Member on a Condominium Association.

In August, 2019, I resigned as Charity Chairman for the PSI Chapter of Sigma Beta Sorority as it was downstate. We raised money by running by running poker games authorized by the State of Michigan. I was responsible for all funds and filing of forms with the State of Michigan. In turn, we donated to other charity organizations.

Reason for me wanting to serve as a Director on the SSPOA Board:

As I have the time and knowledge, I would like to continue to learn about the workings of the Bylaws and Rules and Regulations of Sugar Springs in order to provide better communication to the members.

Recreational interest include:

Golf and Travel



Board of Directors Candidate 2021

Chuck Norris

Winchester Realm Lot #280



Resume of Candidate:

Robyn (my wife of thirty five (35) years, and the love of my life!) and I have lived in Gladwin area since, 1993. Having many friends in Sugar Springs, we purchased our property in 2017. We originally camped on our lot, but now we are building our dream home, in a dream community, on Lake Lancelot. We have three (3) grown children residing in different areas throughout Michigan. We love to fish, hike, golf and especially visit with friends and family throughout the community.

I was employed with:

Bob Evans Restaurant 1980—1983, Corning Glass Company Statistical Engineering 1984—1988, Dow Chemical Senior Research Technologist 1989—1996, Gladwin Tank Manufacturing General Manager 1996—1998, AFLAC Regional Sales Coordinator 1998—Current.

Robyn and I have always believed in serving others in the communities where we live. After moving to Gladwin serving as a firefighter for Gladwin County for fifteen (15) years, serving on the Executive Board of Directors for The Springs Camp on M-30 for over ten (10) years, as well as serving as Chair for two (2) of those years. And also serving on the Skeels Christian School Board for several years.

Reason for wanting to serve on as a Director on the SSPOA Board:

Since we have chosen Sugar Springs as our forever home, I would like to assist in maintaining it as the beautiful community it is, well into the future. A couple of specific ideas I would like to promote...

I would like to suggest/serve on a task force in conjunction with Butman Township to make compliance with our new sewer ordinance more affordable.

I would like to help implement a security system to protect both our personal and shared properties.

Mostly, I would like to help ensure compliance with and the understanding of the Bylaws and Covenants of Sugar Springs.

Interests:

Sugar Springs was the obvious choice for us and for our interests. We love to fish, hike, golf and especially visit with community friends and family!



Board of Directors Candidate 2021

Mark Smith

Winchester Realm Lot #98



Resume of Candidate:

Seventeen (17) years working as a Project Manager (Department of Defense Contractor) managing a team of 8—16 personnel providing contracted consulting and subject matter expertise to the United States Transportation Command Force Protection Antiterrorism Division, Scott Air Force Base, IL. Expertise included critical infrastructure protection, antiterrorism and traditional physical security. Major responsibilities included personnel management; daily face to face an written communications with the customer and team members to ensure professional support and customer satisfaction; managing a multimillion-dollar budget; developing business growth opportunities.

Twenty three (23) years active duty service as a United States Army Officer. Occupational specialty Military Police with a secondary specialty of Plans and Operations. Served in both Command and Staff Officer positions. As a Commander, I served as the Chief Executive Officer for the organizations I commanded. Military Police organizations I command ranged in size from 100 to 200 plus personnel working within multiple functionally organized departments. As a Staff Officer, I performed specialized duties on staffs at multiple levels ranging form Brigade to the Department of the Army Staff in the Pentagon. All Staff Officer positions required exceptional analytical skills, ability to conduct in-depth research, seasoned planning skills, and strong written and verbal communications skills. Retired at the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

Education: Master of Science Degree (General Administration); Central Michigan University; 1992 Bachelor of Science Degree (Education); Central Michigan University; 1978

Board of Director Experience (all volunteer work). O'Fallon Boosters Club, O'Fallon, IL (Director; Secretary; President); 1996—2017

O'Fallon Sportsman's Club, O'Fallon, IL (Director); 2001-2016 Canada Creek Ranch Association, Atlanta, MI (Director; Secretary); 2018—2020

Family:

Married to Jaye (Piersante) Smith (43 years); 2 sons; 5 grandchildren

Strengths gained through work experience, education, and previous board of director experience transferable to working on the Sugar Springs Board of Directors:

- Leadership • Initiative • Team Player • Communications (oral and written) • Research and Analysis
- Strategic and Long-Range Planning • Decision Making in accordance with fiduciary responsibilities • Open-mindedness

Since purchasing our home in Sugar Springs in 2017, my wife and I have enjoyed becoming involved in community groups and association committee activities. I serve as an asocial member of the Lakes Committee. In this role I have volunteered my time and efforts to most of the activities of this committee. I have assisted with stream clearing, putting in and removing buoys at beaches, clearing brush from shorelines, participating in committee meetings, and I am currently attending an Introduction to Lakes course through Michigan State University to enhance my knowledge of lakes management and protection. I volunteered my time to help the Recreation Committee with the Winterfest. My wife participates in the Lake Committee meetings; is a Sugarcise instructor; and is actively involved in the Stitchers. Through our involvement in these association and community activities, we have gained an appreciation for how special this community is. My desire to serve on the S.S.O.P.A is rooted in this appreciation. I have years of experience serving on Board of Directors in three (3) separate organizations. Most recently from 2018-2020 in a large private club north of Atlanta, MI (Canada Creek Ranch Association). I understand and commit to the fiduciary responsibilities required of a Director. I believe the experience I have will be an asset to the Board, but more importantly, to our community as a whole.

Recreational Interests: Lake activities (fishing, pulling the grandkids on the tube, and relaxing, slow evening cruises with close friends); Golf (I golf on Wednesday and Thursday men's leagues). I have participated in water volleyball and used the association exercise facility.



Board of Directors Candidate 2021

Sherri Visnaw

Highlander I Realm Lot #95



I was born and raised in the Chicago suburbs. I married my husband Mike Visnaw in 1994. I worked in an Administrative position, mostly for transportation companies, for 20 plus years. From 1995 to 2014 we lived in 16 different places in 9 different states. As Mike's job took us all over the country, I was fortunate enough to work from home with one company for 13 years as a Collection Analyst, which made moving around easier. We really enjoyed experiencing the different parts of the country.

Mike and I moved to Sugar Springs as full-time residents in the fall of 2014 when Mike retired. We loved Sugar Springs right from the beginning and set out to get to know as many people as we could and to learn as much as possible about Sugar Springs.

My Sugar Springs Involvement —

Recreation Committee:

Past Chair, Vice Chair, and current Treasurer for the past three (3) years

Road Sign Maintenance for two (2) years

Organized Super Bowl Party, Michigan / Michigan State Party, Potluck Dinners, Cornhole

Participated in the organization of the Tree Lighting Ceremony & Cookies with Santa, Road Rally, Winter Fest, Pool Fest

Organized and managed the Craft Show Concession Stand for three (3) years

Nominating Committee:

Past Chair for one (1) year

Activities:

Golf: Member of the 9-Hole Women's league for four (4) years; 9-Hole Rep for three (3) years; participate in Sunday-night Couples' Golf and as many tournaments as possible.

Participate in weekly Monday-night Euchre, Wednesday-night Team Trivia, past participant in Sugarcise and Pinochle

Stitchers & Quilters Group: Past Vice-President for four years; Current Secretary; Member of Machine Embroidery Club for three (3) years

I am running for a seat on the board because I would like to be involved in helping to maintain this beautiful community as a wonderful place for its residents and visitors to enjoy for many years to come. Living in a deed-guided community requires rule enforcement to preserve the beauty of Sugar Springs. I believe there are many current rules and regulations that benefit our beautiful community but also feel there is room for improvement. I would like to be part of that process.

**SUGAR SPRINGS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION
(SSPOA)**

**MEET THE CANDIDATES FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MAY 22, 2021**

The following was audio recorded at a Meet the Candidates meeting sponsored by the SSPOA Board of Directors and SSPOA Administration. It was held in the Activity Center under the Covid-19 restrictions and guidelines issued by the State of Michigan. Approximately fifty (50) members attended.

Transcribers note: In several instances, audio sounds prevented recorder from picking up verbiage. Those moments are indicated as such: (*)unintelligible). Names of questioners were not included in this text but made available to candidates who wished to contact them individually.**

Meeting began at 10:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by General Manager, David Harris speaking:

Welcome to Meet the Candidates, 2021. I did put out a notice on Constant Contact with the Agenda for this meeting. Before we start, I'll ask if you are vaccinated. --- (All in attendance responded with a wave of arm.) – Congratulations to all. I'll go over the rules and have each of the candidates come to the podium to give a brief explanation as to why they are running for the Board. At that point, if anyone wants to ask a question, we have provided paper and pencils on the table, please write your name and realm and question. Hopefully we will answer all the questions that are asked. Before I ask each candidate to come up, I would like to have you stand up and introduce yourselves;

Thomas Hug (Incumbent)
James Issitt (Incumbent)
Sandra Kitchen
Charles Norris
Mark Smith
Sherri Visnaw

In the same order, I'd like each candidate to come to the podium and for two minutes state why they want to be here. No video recording is being done. The meeting will be transcribed verbatim and will appear on Constant Contact and in the Sugar Scoop when it is available.

Thomas Hug: First and foremost, I want to speak to everyone in the audience and thank you for all your patience during the last year during the Covid times. It was a challenging time with moving to a new General Manager. We didn't know where all the financial information was going to "shake out". We didn't know if we could open the golf course or not. We didn't know if all we were planning last year was really going to happen. I am just going to talk about my time on the Board. I have a lot of passion for Sugar Springs. When I was diagnosed with cancer in 2012 and I wasn't sure how long I was going to be here, this community was one of the best communities I have ever lived in in my life. I was getting cards from people I didn't even know. I could see 48624 but they only heard about me. I have a lot of passion for this place, have been involved in a lot of things, have been on the Board for six years and anyone that has been around for six years or longer can see the vast improvements that we have made. I look at the restaurant – I call that the "field of dreams". We got the thing done. It wasn't Phase 2 of the big project, but when you look at the numbers, April of this year is the best April as far as sales go and the best in the history of Sugar Springs. If we compare the numbers from 2019 we are \$25,000 ahead of what they were in 2019. I would like to share with everybody to please be patient when you are there. We are struggling to get employees due to the pandemic. The service might be a little slow, but we are working with a minimal, skeleton-type crew. At this point we are trying to get new employees up and trained. (Two minute timer timed out)

James Issitt: Good morning everyone. Anybody that knows Tom knows that two minutes was not going to work. (Laughter) My wife, Pat, and I have called Sugar Springs home since 2003. When we got here we were immediately greeted by friendly faces; got to learn that volunteerism here is huge here in Sugar Springs. For all of you who haven't volunteered you should volunteer. That is the life blood of the community. The Board couldn't do their job completely without the help of the individuals who are on the Recreation Committee, the Lakes Committee, and all the Committees. They are advisors to us as we try to carry forward with the business of Sugar Springs. I have to favor Tom's comments about passion ... I love Sugar Springs, Pat loves Sugar Springs. That is recognized as the fact that we both served on committees here, we both chaired committees. I have been on the Board and finishing my ninth year as Board member and for seven of those years I was Board President. A job which I enjoyed and felt the job was

challenging and a job that I felt was rewarding in the things we wished to accomplish. I have since turned over the Presidency to Tom and he is to be commended for the job he has done. Other than that I look forward to your questions. I must say to enjoy what you have, cherish what you have as it's a rare commodity that we have in Sugar Springs.

Sandra Kitchen: Good morning everyone. I hope everyone had a better year than I did. I had Covid in November so I am still walking a little funny, but am still right up here. Glen and I are fairly new to Sugar Springs. I used to be very involved wherever I was at. I have a legal background and a Title Company background and I really want to understand how everything works and to get involved with the Bylaws and I love to meet new people. I'm here to answer any questions that anyone might have.

Charles Norris: People ask why you want to serve on the Board. Joking aside, I had enough people that didn't like me. Robyn and I moved to this community 29 years ago and actively involved. I served on the fire department for 15 years in Gladwin and on the Board of Directors at The Springs Camp. We try to give back to our community. I was asked to put my name in, Robyn and I have lived in Gladwin for 28 years, but we actually have only been in Sugar Springs since 2017. We bought our lot and were campers when we decided that this is where we wanted to call home. We put in our application to build and this is going to be our forever home. We are full time residents. We want to give back to the community that we like so much. I think that 2020 has really focused us to understand that this is a precious jewel we have. All we have to do is look at Sanford and Edenville and realize how quickly things can change. How we can easily lose the things we take for granted. So I am asking to serve in that capacity. To build a focus on the future and maintain what we have now. Thank you.

Mark Smith: I'd like to thank everybody for allowing me to volunteer to serve on the Board. My wife, Jaye and I moved here in 2017 and we live on Lake Lancelot. Over the past three-plus years we've made many great friends and we've become involved in our community and serving on the committees for the Property Owners Association. We are full timers. We enjoy all the seasons have to offer us and we have two sons and five grandchildren. I mentioned that I am involved in the association committees. I have been volunteering on the Lakes Committee for the past three-plus years and involved in everything that the committee is doing to improve our watershed and our lakes. I was recently selected as a whole voting member to that committee – prior to that I was an associate member. In addition to participating in that committee's meetings, I am very involved in all the activities that the committee is responsible for. Whether that be

clearing tributaries or cutting brush along the lake shorelines, putting buoys in at our beaches, taking them out in the fall; I've been involved in taking silt measurements and also in goose roundups. In summer months I completed the extension course that deals with Michigan Lakes Management and I have been applying what I learned in that course to the committees workings and I think that has been a valuable addition to the committee. I am on a sub-committee of the Lakes Committee that is looking at the fisheries in both our lakes. We are moving on that. In addition to the Lakes Committee I have also volunteered my time and effort for things that are well received by our Recreation Committee. I assisted with the last Winterfest. When you boil it down, I am going to do what is right for the community. If I get elected as a Board member, I will look at all the issues, be open minded and formulate my opinion in my book for what's good for the community. (Two minute timer timed out)

Sherri Visnaw: I am a full time resident of Sugar Springs. We moved here in 2014 when my husband, Mike, retired. I have been on several different committees, currently I am the treasurer of the Recreation Committee and have been on that committee for three-plus years. I have been on the Nominating Committee, also the Stitchers and some of the womens groups. We rented here for the first year we were here. We didn't realize what Sugar Springs was and it didn't take us along before we realized that this is where we wanted to stay. We are now in our second home that we purchased here and it is our forever home. We are on the golf course which is where you will find me most days in the summer. In the winter I am involved in all of the things that don't require nice weather. Why do I want to run for the Board? I think there is a need ... there is always room for a fresh perspective and I would like to help preserve Sugar Springs as the beautiful community that it is. Thank you.

David Harris and POA Board Member, Craig Taunt organized the questions submitted, read the question and to whom it was directed to. Two minutes were given for response.

Q. Directed to Sandra Kitchen: The last time you ran, you said you hadn't served on any committees at Sugar Springs. Have you been on any committee since then?

A. Sandra Kitchen responded: No I haven't. I have twice submitted my name for a committee. I just recently heard regarding one and I will be on the Memorial Committee and other than that I have not heard from anybody nor been accepted by anyone else. I do wish to be on them. Thank you.

Q. Directed to all candidates: How many hours per week do you volunteer here at Sugar Springs?

A. Responses:

Charles Norris: Not much. There hasn't been an opportunity.

James Issitt: I would say 24/7 because when anybody calls and needs something done around Sugar Springs Pat and I jump in the car and help them. We are both on committees and have Board responsibilities. Whenever we are called, we go where we are needed.

Sherri Visnaw: I'd like to say a similar thing. Although I am not on the Board, I am on the Recreation Committee and all kinds of things arise. My husband is involved in many things and we are always available and have been called upon in many instances.

Thomas Hug: I am President of the Board, on the Recreation Committee and Lakes Committee, Marketing Committee, and so on. I spend time driving around the community making sure that there are no issues. If someone needs something, I respond to it.

Mark Smith: For me it varies. I am primarily focused on the Lakes Committee. (***)unintelligible) It could be 3 to 4 hours a week. Sometimes more. It is not uncommon to read emails and deal with items relating to the lakes on a daily basis.

Sandra Kitchen: I have tried to get involved but at this point I was not able to get involved with anything for the winter. The first year we were here I did work at the Trunk and Treat. That was a lot of fun. We were involved with cars and our daughter came and helped with children inside. Hopefully we will be able to do that again this year.

Charles Norris: In addition to my initial comment, I would add that Robyn and I have helped neighbors who are away from their homes with security and other issues that have arisen.

Q: Directed to Mark Smith: What are the most pressing issues moving forward in Sugar Springs and please suggest ways to best address these needs.

A: Mark Smith responded: Being involved with the lakes, one of the most pressing issues moving forward is the health of our lakes. All lakes have a natural lifespan and there is this thing called 'cultural effects' and it has to do with what the community does around the lakes and in the watershed. The practice is that how we take care of our watershed which our lakes are part of. I think that without the lakes in Sugar Springs this place would be a totally different place. It takes a community to take care of its lakes. If we want these lakes to be around for our kids and grandkids and for the future, we need to come together as a community – practice good practices and take good care of our lakes and Sugar Springs will be around for many years to come. That's one of the big issues we can all do something about.

Q: Directed to Charles Norris: What is your view on people who modify POA property for their own personal use?

A: Charles Norris responded: I'm not exactly sure what that means. I think that Commons is there for the entire community to use for our enjoyment but again if permission was done through committees, and to help community, I'm not sure what that means.

Q. Directed to all Candidates: What is your stand on Jetskis and boats coming too close to shore and swim platforms at a high rate of speed? What can be done?

A. Responses:

Sandra Kitchen: I do not live on the lake, so I don't see that, but I have been around lakes all of my life – a lot in Michigan. Anyone that does that type of thing – there certainly should be some sort of fines. Something be put in place to curtail this. All the homeowners in Sugar Springs that live on the lake or who have property here are concerned with safety.

Mark Smith: There are a couple of parts to this. First of all, a good education program where you can tell people that are coming too close to swim platforms, boats – to Jetskiers not to do that. The other part is the enforcement piece of it. We do not have law enforcement people on the lakes all the time to catch people doing these unsafe acts but we again as a community can call people out on it. You can do it in a way that's not confrontational. Wave the person down to get them stopped; talk to them. The third thing is to report them. You can take photos, report it. You can get the MC number off the vessel – that can be reported. Put it in the right hands.

Thomas Hug: We have a thing called Constant Contact. What the Lakes Committee is doing is constantly sending our information that is going to help with Mark's point – education, education, education. We have rules that say you must stay 100 feet away from shoreline. Can we enforce it as a POA? No, but the DNR can. As far as swim platforms and that type of thing, that has to go through a process of getting a permit through the DEQ or DNR. The DNR has been to the Lakes Committee meetings and talked about it. It is challenging for people who live in tight coves. I agree with Mark – we must go to the people and talk to them about rules. It seems as though in today's society it is a “do what I want to do and it doesn't matter to other people” but it's getting to the point where the erosion factor arises and that affects us all. When you start losing shoreline and it goes into the lakes, that hurts the health of the lake. We can as members, talk to our friends – approach our neighbors and say “Hey, follow rules!” Another point I'll make is about fertilizer. Constant Contact is appearing soon (if you haven't signed up for Constant Contact, please call the office and do so) and will have an appeal about using fertilizer. Fertilizer going into the lake from your lawn is a problem and affects the algae bloom among many other things. It's a whole part and parcel. The Lakes Committee is looking at the big picture – not just water sampling.

Sherri Visnaw: They have kind of said it all. Unfortunately one of our lakes is a public lake. We have a lot of non-members coming in. Chances are that I hope that most of the people that live on the lakes do the right thing. As far as others coming in through the townships launch, I'm not sure what can be done. As Mark said – get the MC numbers and turn them in.

James Issitt: Basically what they all said is what I would say. It is unacceptable behavior, but its nothing new. For ten or twelve years it's been manifesting and growing and even now it's more problematic than it has been in the past. I have sat on many township meetings and talked to many of chair people – getting law enforcement out here is nearly next to impossible. It's unfortunate, but when it is there (law enforcement) we see a decline in what is unacceptable in activities on the lakes. I wish we could do it more often but that's what we need to do ... get the registration off the vehicle. That's step one in the information that law enforcement needs to be effective ... even if they just go out and talk to the individual. Be vigilant – looking out for yourself and your neighbor. Try to get what law enforcement needs and perhaps we can get some additional assistance out here. By the way, the township just hired an enforcement officer for some of the issues we are having on land and it's a step in the right direction. They are listening.

Charles Norris: Obviously everything that has been said is true. We are seeing a greater instance of people who are not obeying the rules. I think a lot could be done through education. I don't think that younger folks are being made aware of rules. We see it on the smaller lake – people are going in the wrong direction all the time. If you see something, say something. If you see something, address it. You don't have to do it in a way that is completely argumentative; but if you let people know the rules –sometimes people don't know the rules. If you say it positively it may help. People are going by at 60 miles an hour and it is affecting our shorelines and affecting everyones safety. We have been on the boat and have had Jetskis come within a few feet of us. It can cause a lot of damage. With the lakes being down in the other areas, we are seeing a large influx of people on the public lake. I think there are things we can do through education in helping people understand not only the hazards to someones body but also the shorelines.

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Q. Directed to all Candidates: Finish this sentence – Wouldn't it be great if ...

A. Responses:

Charles Norris: Wouldn't it be great if we came here and saw only great things instead of only finding problems. One of the things we have lost along the way is the ability to get along. I think we have so many things in this community that bind us that make us a community that people want to be part of that it saddens me to hear of people who want to leave our community because of discourse. I would like to see that changed. I'd like to see people wait in lines to buy lots and homes to share our facilities. Wouldn't it be great to continue to build this community.

James Issitt: Wouldn't it be great if we could just live another forty years? And see what this place will finally become after all the effort that these people have put in at this point in time – that dreams really do come true. That's my hope for Sugar Springs.

Sherri Visnaw: Wouldn't it be great if we could all get along? If there was no perceived division – everybody would be equal – homeowners, campers, part-timers, full-timers – everybody treated with the respect they deserve. Just live peacefully.

Thomas Hug: Wouldn't it be great if ... I have been on the Board for six years and have been to many meetings ... wouldn't it be great if your thought was "I'm a Sugar Springer". I'm not a 'laker', I'm not a 'golfer', I'm not a 'quilter' ... those are all activities that we enjoy as a community. There's a lot of volunteer organizations that do these, but if we all thought about being a Sugar Springer first instead of separating ourselves. We do that ourself. I sit on the Board – I camped up here before I built my first place, then I moved to the lake because that was my dream. So if everybody could take a deep breath and say "What can I do for Sugar Springs?" I'm a Sugar Springer, I am proud to be in this community. We have one of the finest communities in the State. We have 98 different activities that happen on a monthly basis that happen in Sugar Springs. Whether you want water aerobics, cards, stitchers, quilters, pickle ball, tennis, bocce ball and so on ... those are all activities with minimal fees. Let's be a Sugar Springer first.

Mark Smith: Wouldn't it be great if we all embraced the diversity that we have in this community? The diversity of interests and have an overarching view that's good for the whole. That, in my mind ... the big umbrella of the 'whole'. At the same time, we like to do the things we like to do and all pull together for the good of the 'whole'.

Sandra Kitchen: Wouldn't it be great if I had more to say! Everybody has expressed exactly how I feel. That we all need to get along and respect each others opinions – that we are one community. No divisions. Thank you.

Q: Directed to Sandra Kitchen: Last year you were for yearlong camping and VRBOs. Do you still support both of these?

A: Sandra Kitchen responded: We have to define a lot of that. Nothing is black and white. With regard to long term camping what I mean is that people should be able to store their campers on the lot because of the deterioration that is caused by dragging them in and out during times when the land does not really benefit from it. Also they own the property, but why not? You have all been here longer than me so you can tell me. As far as short term rentals, it wasn't that I was for or against it, I did not believe that it was defined on a correct legal basis which then caused a law suit which cost the members a lot of money. So as far as short term rentals – anytime anybody violates something, something should be put in place to enforce the abusers. Thank you.

Q: Directed to Mark Smith: What is your opinion of one of the most important issues facing our community:

A: Mark Smith responded: One of the most important issues is our lakes – taking care of our watersheds and our lakes. As I said before, it is a community effort ... all the things we do around our homes that we pay attention to ... anything that gets put on the ground potentially goes into the lake at some point in time. We want these lakes to stay around for many years. Lakes have a natural lifespan and you can help extend that lifespan with practices we take in our watershed. I think that that is a major issue that all of us have in common.

Q: Directed to Mark Smith: If elected, how will you remain visible within the Sugar Springs community?

A: Mark Smith responded: Obviously if I get on the Board, it's going to take a lot more of my time, but in the activities that I have been involved in I see Tom there, I see Jeff there, I see others that have served on the Board and they manage to find time to be in all those activities. I believe that I'll do the same. I'll be able to continue supporting activities that the other committees that we have to oversee and still do my job as a Board member. As a Board member I'll not only have those meetings, but there are work sessions and other meetings and it is a time commitment and I'm signing up for that. I think I'll still be visible and active in the community.

Q: Directed to Sherri Visnaw: If elected, how will you remain visible within the Sugar Springs community?

A: Sherri Visnaw responded: I will continue what I am doing. Like Mark said, I am already on several committees and I intend to stay on them, attend the Board meetings, attend the work sessions and help out where I can.

Q: Directed at all candidates: Your stand on long term (12 month) camping; short term rentals.

A: Responses:

Sandra Kitchen: You now must add in there the sewer requirements that the township is enforcing which improves that factor. If they are required to be on the sewer, maybe make that more feasible. I was not definitely talking about them actually camping. That is something that would have to be addressed by the whole community. I was more talking about being able to store their unit, cover them properly if they wish. They own the property; it seems like a property right to me. I know a lot of people don't like that. I have been a camper. My husband and I had a place in Manistee which stayed all year round but we didn't camp in the winter. It was just that you could store it there so that you didn't have to worry about bringing it off, bringing it in ... we did not have a vehicle to do it. We just left it there and it stayed there. It was a really nice thing to have because we could just hop in the car ... they had sewer and electrical there ... an attorney and friend of mine owned it. That's what I had in mind with regard to camping. With regard to short term rentals, as I said before, short term rentals ... there is always going to be abusers. The abusers have to be addressed. Not the entire community. There was nothing in the Bylaws or what the court said to say that was not allowed.

Mark Smith: First of all I say that I support what is in the Covenants and Bylaws and rules of the association. If there are ways to change those documents, it takes a lot of people – very organized and voting to change them – I am not in favor of changing them right now. As I said in my opening remarks, I am going to look at each issue with an open mind and listen to the discussions and formulate my own opinions and vote that way with the good of the whole of the organization and community. Regarding short term rentals, I don't have all the information on that issue so it's difficult to stand up in front of you and have an opinion one way or the other. I have heard stories from both sides but again this is another issue that if I do get elected and it comes before the Board and stays in front of the Board I will definitely participate. But right now I don't have the detailed information in order to come down on one side or the other on that issue.

Thomas Hug: Storage on lots? Bylaws and Covenants are our ruling documents and we've gone through this. In my time on the Board we have met with the Camping Committee and if you go back to our original documents, you can camp in your lot for five years. There has always been a "time on" and a "time off". When you are looking at a camping unit (I said I camped here for two years I had to put gravel in so that I could get my camper in and camper out and I didn't have that big of a camper), some of the newer campers can cost \$100,000 or more. If it was me, no matter what, I would want it off site and stored appropriately for the winter. When we discussed camping, we approved the camping season to start a bit earlier and extended a bit later to accommodate hunters. We further allowed a small storage shed. We followed the Bylaws and

Covenants. The easiest way to understand them is that Bylaws are how we operate our business, the Covenants covers land use. We have to get 66& 2/3% of the people to vote in the affirmative; and you have to get 66&2/3% of the membership (currently 1700 members) to vote to change those documents. We cannot touch the Bylaws and Covenants until 2028. As far as short term rentals go, we voted on that issue on the advice of the A&E Committee – it's still with our legal team.

Sherri Visnaw: Year round storage of campers on lots. It is not supported by the Bylaws and Covenants. I don't think that every camper is built for that. We have some that get neglected or made differently than for use in cold climates. We have storage for those campers. I am not in favor of year round storage on lots. Short term rentals – I don't think it really matters as it's still in the courts and will leave it there.

James Issitt: Oh the hours we've talked about this in our work sessions! Right up front – storage on lots twelve months a year, No. Not acceptable. Camping year round? It's available – in the Campgrounds. Our campgrounds are open twelve months a year. That's an available option. Short term rentals – We have not received any feedback yet. They have taken our statements and they have heard the opposition and it is in court. It is taken out of our hands. The lawyers and our insurance company says that each association that has such things has an insurance policy to protect them against litigation and fines and fees. Those are the people that are controlling the situation right now and when its finally going to be resolved, we don't know. One suggestion that I had that we discussed before and it's a possibility is to put up a set of rules and regulations for homeowners who are going to have short term rentals. These would include restrictions and guidelines and fines if they are not followed. Just to keep it as close to the vest as possible and control some of what is going on. Some people have no trouble with short term rentals, some people have a lot of trouble with short term rentals and for those people who have dealt with it – the neighbors who have had the adverse effect – we are sorry. We are thinking about it but we will have to wait and see. Again, it's in the court system and we will find out soon. Thank you.

Charles Norris: What a question to finalize the question and answering! I believe this is one of the issues we talked about earlier. There is an opportunity to advise when we need to. My wife and I have been married almost 35 years and in most of those years we have had a camper. I just don't believe that leaving a camper on site year round is best for you personally or the community. It's not just a camping issue, it becomes a security issue. If we have campers on site year round, we have more susceptibility to people who are into mischief as they do. We can see signs of that even within our homes that are left in the wintertime – breaking in. So I would not be in favor of leaving a camper year round. Personally I would not leave my facility there. When you have a huge financial investment in your property, you want to protect it. As far as short

term rentals, this is a sticky one. Whatever the courts decide, the Board is going to have to abide by. Now I have suggested that as each realm is allowed camping every so many years, maybe there is a proposal out there to do the same thing with short term rentals. Each realm could decide which way they want to go. I think personally that it would be awful to have someone next door to me that doesn't have any rules or regulations on how that property is used. I know that up north most short term rentals are controlled by the township and not by the POA. They had a problem up north with a young group that came in – they were having parties – I just think it's an issue you have to be careful with.

----- End of Q&A-----

Craig Taunt brought up an issue: FYI: Every member that has an older home or a camping lot or one that has been transferred from one person to another – I urge you to contact the Gladwin County Building Department to check your address to make sure your address is in the 911 system. You get your Consumers Power bills to that address – however the County does not have that address in their system. If you have an emergency and you call 911, they do not know where to go if it's not in the system. Please check your address with them.

David Harris thanked everyone for attending and thanked all candidates for their involvement.

BALLOTS WILL BE MAILED ON MAY 27 AND MUST BE RETURNED NO LATER THAN 4:00 P.M. ON JUNE 18, 2021. ELECTION RESULTS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING, SATURDAY, JUNE 19 AT 1:00 P.M.

Full Bios on all candidates are available in the May Sugar Scoop and available on the Sugarsprings.net website.

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May 2021



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Board of Directors

Meeting Dates

All meetings will be held in the Activity Center at 10:00 am

Due to Covid-19 meetings may be subject to change

March 20, 2021

June 19, 2021

(Annual Meeting at 1:00 pm with the General Membership meeting following at 2:00 pm in the Activity Center)

September 18, 2021

27 December 11, 2021



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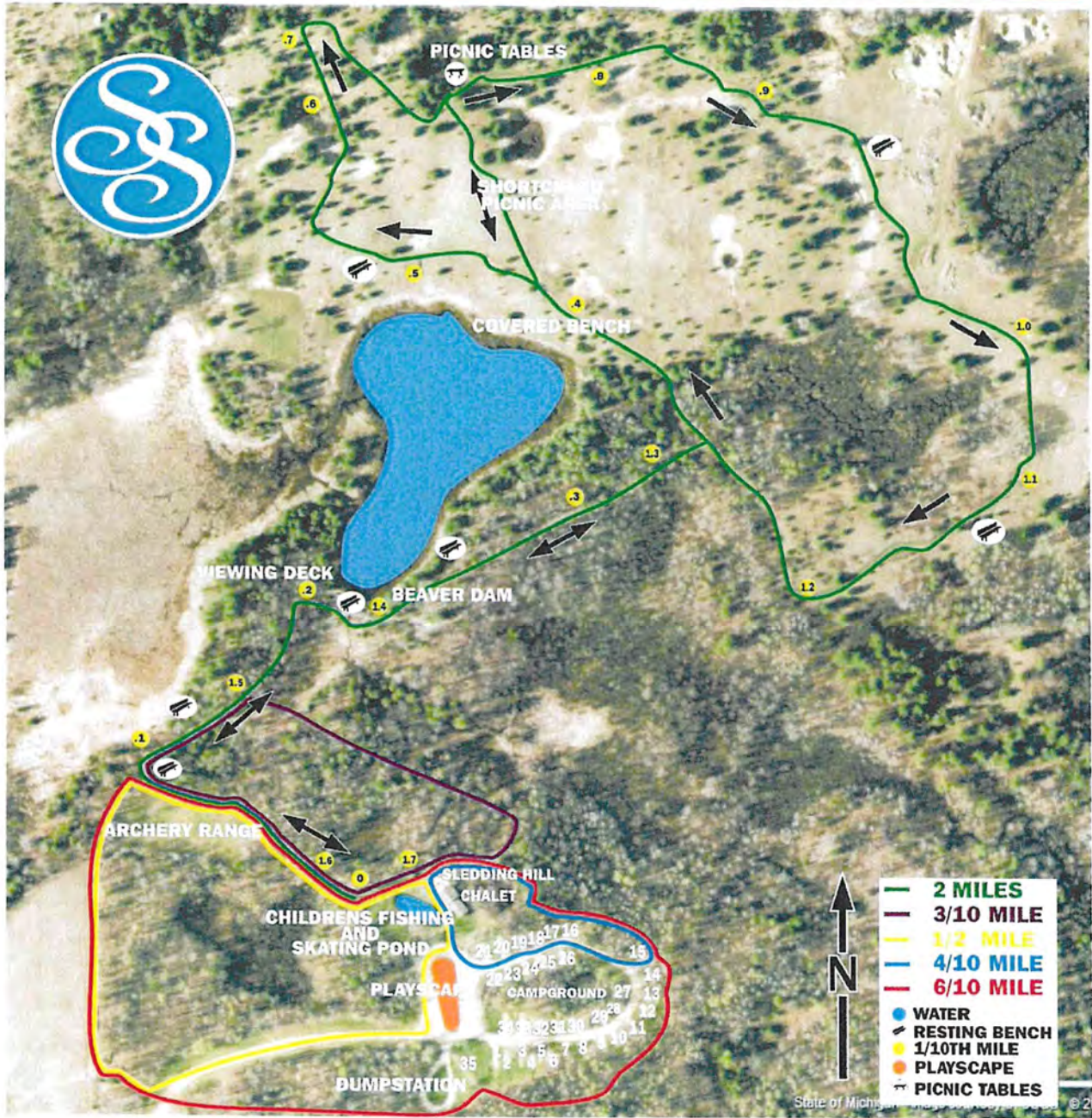
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Members	\$18	\$105	\$350	\$16
Guest	\$20	\$118	\$390	\$17
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Walking Trail Map around Lake Lancelot

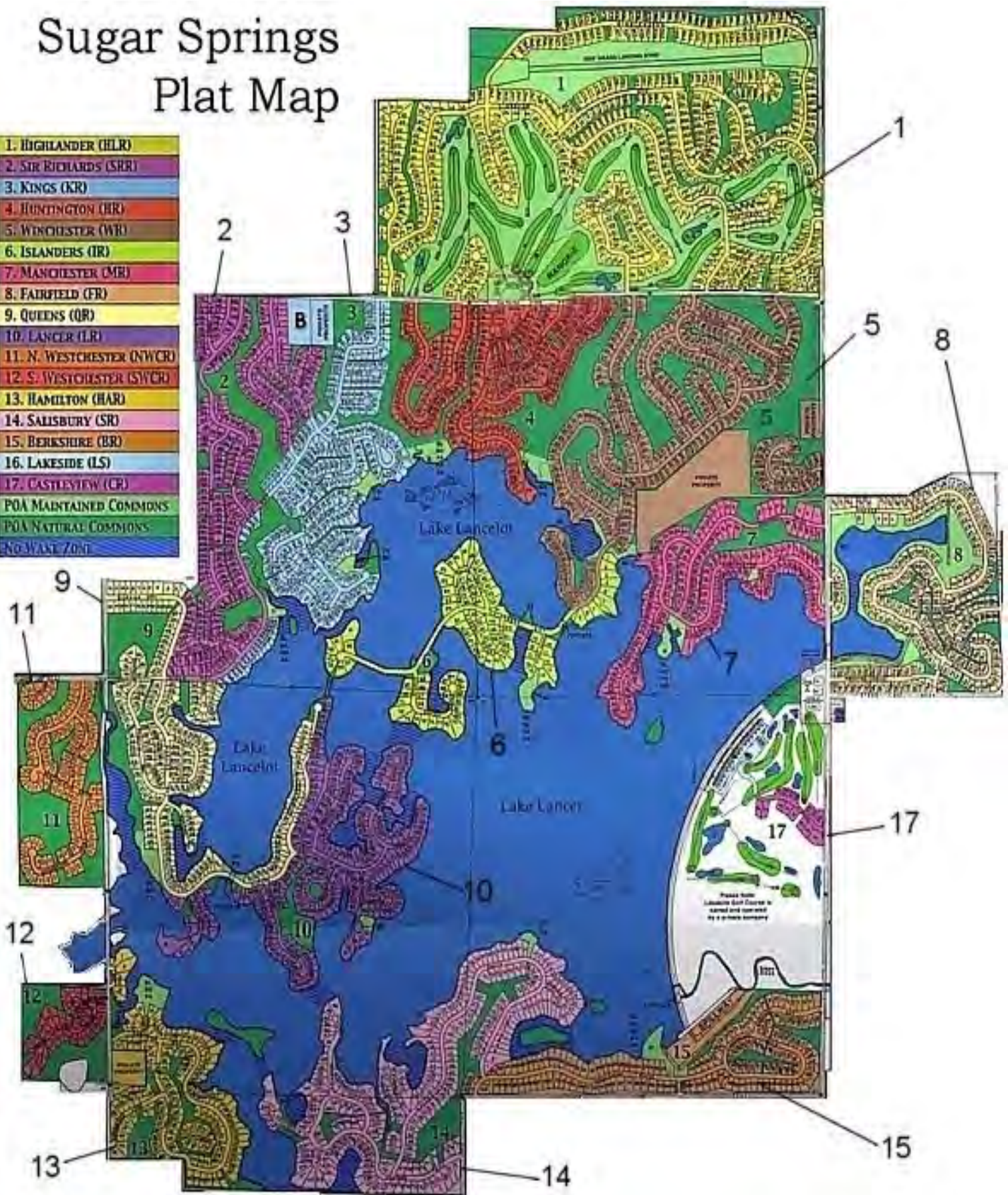
You can start from anywhere from the directions below. Parking is available at the Queens Way Boat Launch, Huntington Beach Club & Winchester Commons Area.



From the Queens Way Boat Launch take Queens Way to Lancelot Court
Cross Causeway between the two lakes to Islanders Way
Take Islanders Way to Winchester Way
Turn left onto Winchester Way
Go to the Winchester Commons Area (on the left)
Cross over the Footbridge to Huntington Way
Follow Huntington Way to the Huntington Beach Club
Follow path through Commons to Knights Circle to the left
Follow the Access to the Pavilion
Follow commons to King Arthurs Court, then to King Henry Circle
Cross over Footbridge to Kings Way
Take Kings Way to Queens Way and you should be back where you started

Sugar Springs Plat Map

- 1. HIGHLANDER (HLR)
- 2. SIR RICHARDS (SRR)
- 3. KINGS (KR)
- 4. HUNTINGTON (HR)
- 5. WINCHESTER (WR)
- 6. ISLANDERS (IR)
- 7. MANCHESTER (MR)
- 8. FAIRFIELD (FR)
- 9. QUEENS (QR)
- 10. LANCER (LR)
- 11. N. WESTCHESTER (NWCW)
- 12. S. WESTCHESTER (SWCW)
- 13. HAMILTON (HR)
- 14. SALISBURY (SR)
- 15. BERKSHIRE (BR)
- 16. LAKESIDE (LS)
- 17. CASTLEVIEW (CR)
- POA MAINTAINED COMMONS
- POA NATURAL COMMONS
- NO WASTE ZONE





Restaurant Hours

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Friday 11am - 9pm

Saturday 11am - 9pm

Sunday 12pm - 7pm

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Starters:

Bada Bing Shrimp

Lightly dusted shrimp, fried to a crispy golden brown, tossed in our house made sweet spicy Asian sauce. **\$10.00**

Mozzarella Cheese Sticks

Italian seasoned, breaded deep fried and served with marinara or ranch dressing. **\$7.95**

Beer Battered Onion Rings

Thick cut slices of sweet onions, battered and deep fried. **\$8.00**

French Fries

Basket of French fries deep fried to a crispy golden brown and served with ketchup. **\$5.50**

Chicken Tenders

Breaded chicken tenders deep fried and served with choice of ranch, honey, honey mustard, BBQ or hot sauce **\$8.00** (add fries **\$2.75**)

Wings

Boneless:	Small \$7.50	Large \$10.75	Available Sauces:
Traditional:	Small \$9.50	Large \$12.75	Plain, hot, mild, dirty, BBQ, or garlic herb parmesan butter

Soups:

Seasonal Soup of the Day	Cup \$3.75	Bowl \$4.75
Roasted Poblano Corn Shrimp Chowder (Poblano available weekends only)	Cup \$5.75	Bowl \$6.75

Mixed Greens:

Caesar Salad

Chopped romaine lettuce, tossed in a creamy Caesar dressing and topped with parmesan cheese and house made garlic croutons. Can be gluten friendly when prepared without croutons. **\$9.50** (Add chicken **\$3.00**) (Add Salmon **\$7.00**) (Add Shrimp **\$5.00**)

Grilled Cherry Chicken Salad

Chilled mixed greens topped with dried cherries, grilled chicken, tomatoes, cucumbers, red onions and toasted almonds. Served with raspberry vinaigrette dressing. **\$12.50**

Steakhouse Salad

Sirloin steak in a balsamic marinade chargrilled to your preference, bacon, red onion, tomatoes and bleu cheese crumbles served on chilled mixed greens with a balsamic vinaigrette dressing. **\$12.50**

Chef Salad

Chilled mixed greens, ham, turkey, bacon, tomatoes, red onions, cheddar jack cheese and sliced egg. Served with choice of dressing. **\$12.00** (Substitute chicken instead of ham and turkey add **\$2.00**)

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Choice of Crust: Traditional or butter garlic. Gluten free cauliflower crust is available in 10" pizza only for additional **\$6.00**

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	Extra Cheese \$1.50		Extra Cheese \$2.50

Toppings: Pepperoni, ham, Italian sausage, ground beef, bacon, red onions, mushrooms, green bell peppers, red bell peppers, black olives, pineapple, spinach, tomatoes, banana peppers, jalapenos and anchovies

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Add Chicken	\$3.00	\$6.00
Add Crumbled bleu cheese or feta	\$1.00	\$2.00

Specialty Pizza and More

	10"	14"
Supreme		
Pepperoni, ham, Italian sausage, green peppers, red onions and mushrooms	\$10.50	\$16.99

Mediterranean

Pizza sauce, mozzarella blend cheese, feta cheese, fresh spinach, red onions black olives tomatoes, mushrooms, red peppers and artichoke hearts	\$10.99	\$17.99
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Meat Lovers

Pepperoni, ham, Italian sausage, bacon and ground beef	\$10.50	\$16.99
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Calzone

Your choice of two items **\$10.00** (Additional items **\$1.00** each)

Cheesy Garlic Bread

Served with pizza sauce for dipping **\$6.75** (Add jalapenos **\$.50**)

South of the Border

Wet Burrito

Made with your choice of chicken or seasoned ground beef with refried beans and smothered with enchilada sauce and melted cheddar jack cheese. Served with lettuce, tomato, onions, black olives and salsa \$10.50

Chicken Quesadilla

Large flour tortilla stuffed with chargrilled chicken, cheddar jack cheese, diced red onions, tomatoes, red and green bell peppers. Grilled and served with salsa and sour cream on the side \$10.00

Chicken and Spinach Quesadilla

Large flour tortilla stuffed with a blend of white cheeses, chargrilled chicken, red onions and fresh spinach. Grilled and served with salsa and sour cream \$10.00

Nachos

Our house made yellow corn tortilla chips topped with melted cheddar jack cheese, seasoned ground beef, lettuce, tomatoes, red onions, black olives and jalapenos. Served with salsa and sour cream on the side \$9.50

Burgers & Sandwiches

Sugar Springs Burger

Build your own favorite. ½ lb. hand pattied ground beef, seasoned and char-grilled. Served on a brioche bun with lettuce, tomato, onion and house made chips \$9.95.

Add: American, Swiss, Provolone, Cheddar Jack, Grilled Mushrooms & Onions, Black Olives \$1.50 each

Premium Add On: Blue Cheese Crumbles, Crumbled Feta Cheese or Bacon \$1.50 each

Patty Melt

Our traditional hand-pattied burger seasoned and char-grilled, served on grilled rye bread with Swiss cheese, grilled onions and Thousand Island dressing with house-made chips \$10.25

Club Wrap

Shaved ham, turkey, bacon, mayonnaise, romaine, tomato, Swiss and American cheese wrapped in a 12" tortilla and grilled \$9.95

Sliders

3 beef topped with grilled red onions and American cheese or 3 chargrilled chicken topped with grilled red onions and swiss cheese. \$7.50 (no mix and matching)

Chicken Hani

Chargrilled chicken breast julienned with melted provolone cheese served on a warm pita bread with mayo, romaine, tomatoes and red onions \$9.95

Chicken Caesar Wrap

Chargrilled chicken breast diced and served in a 12" flour tortilla with romaine, creamy Caesar dressing, parmesan cheese and grilled \$9.25

(All sandwiches are served with housemade chips. Add fries \$2.75; onion rings \$3.25. House side salad \$2.75; Side Caesar salad \$4.25)

Entrees

Balsamic Steakhouse Sirloin

Hand cut sirloin steak in a balsamic marinade and cooked to your preference. Topped with garlic herb butter \$16.00
(add sautéed mushrooms or red onions \$2.00)

Chopped Sirloin

Hand pattied ground beef steak seasoned and chargrilled to your preference then smothered with grilled red onions and house made brown gravy \$12.00
Add sautéed mushrooms \$2.00)

Liver and Onions

2 slices of beef liver grilled to your preference and topped with grilled red onions and bacon \$13.00

Chicken Alfredo

Chargrilled chicken breast julienned with sautéed red onions, sweet peas and red bell peppers in a garlic parmesan cream sauce and served over fettucine pasta \$15.00

Shrimp Scampi

Jumbo shrimp sautéed with zucchini and garlic in butter, lemon juice and white wine. Served over angel hair pasta \$16.95

Chargrilled Chicken Dinner

2 chicken breasts chargrilled, served plain or basted with BBQ sauce \$13.00

Raspberry Almond Chicken

Chicken medallions dusted in seasoned flour and pan seared. Topped with our house made raspberry sauce and toasted almonds \$14.00

Chicken Marsala

Chicken medallions dusted in seasoned flour and pan fried with mushrooms and garlic in a marsala sauce and served over fettucine pasta \$15.00

Fish & Chips

Hand cut COD fillets prepared your way. Hand dipped in our house made beer batter and deep fried; pan fried or lemon pepper seasoned and baked \$13.00

Salmon

Salmon fillet either chargrilled or blackened and topped with our house made Cajun sauce \$19.95

(All entrées are served with a house salad or a cup of our seasonal soup and choice of the following side items except for pasta dishes: baked potato, mashed potato, French fries, wild rice or vegetable of the day. Additional sides \$2.75. Add Poblano corn shrimp chowder, weekends only \$2.25)

* Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish or eggs may increase your risk of foodborne illness, especially if you have certain medical conditions

HEARTH KIDS MENU


**The kids menu includes an entrée,
A drink and your choice of 2 sides.**

- Hot dog
- Grilled cheese Sandwich
- Macaroni & cheese
- Sliders W/Cheese
- Kids pasta W/ Choice of white or red sauce
- Kids Chicken Tenders

Your choice of 2 Sides

- French fries
- Carrot sticks w/ ranch
- Mashed potatoes
- Vegetable of the day
- Small Salad
- Seasonal Dessert

\$5.99

Thanks...  with hot pink sprinkles
and a cherry on top!

*Thanks for making the
Ice Cream Social a fun event
for kids of all ages in Sugar Springs!*

Kudos to
Unicorn Princesses Emma & Kennedy Kuhlman

Bubble Queen Betty Bossick
Bubble Princess Deb Krenz

Artists Carole Krecloch, Dorothy Kolhoff,
Diane Plocharczyk, Laura Gentry

Storyteller Joe Remenar
Photographer David Poxon

*We especially appreciate the time donated by
the Butman Township Fire Department.*

And, a sweet thanks to all the helpers on the line!
From peeling bananas, to cleaning the tables, to
pumping the hot fudge, teamwork made it happen.

Thanks!
SS Recreation Committee



The Sugar Springs Recreation Committee invites you to attend their monthly Birthday Dinners held on the 4th, Monday, of the month at 5:00 pm at the Hearth Restaurant.

Join us for dinner and we will provide the dessert. Have fun with friends, or make new ones as we celebrate those who have had their birthdays throughout the month. Even if its not your birthday come on out and celebrate with us!

Monday, May 24th, 2021

Monday, June 28th, 2021

Monday, July 26, 2021

Monday, August 23, 2021

Monday, September 27, 2021

ACTIVITIES

<p>What: SUGAR SPRINGS ARTISTS When: Tuesdays –Painting on Your Own Where: Activity Building Time: 10:00 AM Cost: \$10/year + Art Classes once a month at \$15 plus supplies Contact: Carole Krecioch, Coordinator caronkre@gmail.com Comments: Mostly two-dimensional artists in all mediums – acrylic, charcoal, graphite, oil, pastels, pen & ink, watercolors, photography, quilt art, sculpting, weaving & woodworking. Supportive and non-competitive atmosphere. We have fun trying new things and sharing art and friendship. Beginners and Newcomers most welcome!</p>	<p>What: BIBLE STUDY When: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays Where: Activity Building Time: 5:00 – 6:30 PM Cost: Member ID only Contact: Barb Clough 989-426-3571 Comments: All faiths welcome.</p>
<p>What: BOCCE BALL When: June 2 to August 3, 2019 Organizational Meeting: May 22, 2019 at Activity Center Where: Bocce Courts Time: Teams choose Cost: \$15 + Member ID Contact: Dick Fawcett 989-426-5386 989-329-0152 dadfawcett@gmail.com Comments: Unable to commit for full season? Consider signing up as a substitute and try out this fun way to meet neighbors and socialize!</p>	<p>What: BRIDGE When: Monday Where: Activity Building Time: 1:00 pm Cost: \$1.00 + Member ID Contact: Ann Mastny 426-9001 Comments: No partner needed to play.</p>

ACTIVITIES

<p>What: CHICKS WITH STICKS Knitting Group</p> <p>Temporarily Closed</p> <p>Watch for Updates</p>	<p>What: CORN HOLE Bean Bag Toss</p> <p>When: Thursdays: Sept – April</p> <p>Where: Activity Center</p> <p>Time: 2:00 PM</p> <p>Cost: \$1.00 (paid out in prizes)</p> <p>Contact: Ron Francetic 989-737-3499 racingron4568@charter.net</p> <p>Comments: Random draw for partners, all levels of expertise welcome.</p>
<p>What: EUCHRE</p> <p>When: Monday nights</p> <p>Where: Activity Center 7 p.m.</p> <p>WATCH FOR RESUMPTION AFTER LOCKDOWNS</p> <p>Cost: \$1.00 / person to play, \$.25 / person prize drawing, \$1.00 per person add'l lone-hand competition plus \$.05 for indiv. euchre. All money returned as prizes. +Member ID</p> <p>Contact: Mike Visnaw 281-323-2214 mvisnaw@yahoo.com</p> <p>Comments: Must have a table of 4 players to enter or you can join a substitute list.</p>	<p>What: GADABOUTS</p> <p>When: 1st Wednesday of month</p> <p>Where: Activity Building</p> <p>Time: WATCH FOR RESUMPTION AFTER LOCKDOWNS</p> <p>Cost: \$10 yearly + cost of event</p> <p>Contact: Nancy Purdy 989-426-3192 napurdy50@gmail.com</p> <p>Comments: We are an active Sugar Springs women's club. We like to meet new people and Gadabout at monthly outings. We are always looking for new places to explore and have lunch.</p>

ACTIVITIES

<p>What: GARDEN CLUB When: 3rd Thursday, May - October Where: Activity Building Time: 9:30 AM Cost: Free + Member ID Contact: Elaine Gagnon 989-245-8686</p> <p>Comments: More info in next issue.</p>	<p>What: HAPPY GO-GETTERS When: First Wednesday of the month Where: Meet at Sugar Springs Time: Dependent on travel time Cost: \$20 annual + cost of event Contact: Kathy Baker 989-615-2906 cell</p> <p>WATCH FOR UPDATES AFTER LOCKDOWNS Comments: We are a group of Sugar Springs ladies who like to get together to visit new places, learn about our community, share a meal, and catch up with friends.</p>
<p>What: LADIES' HAND & FOOT When: Every Friday Where: Activity Building Time: 1:00 pm Cost: \$1.00 / person + Member ID (paid out in prize money) Contact: Sherri Visnaw 630-877- 0370 sherri.visnaw@gmail.com</p> <p>Comments: Beginners and experienced players welcome.</p>	<p>What: MACHINE EMBROIDERY CLUB When: 2nd Thursday each month Where: Activity Building Time: 11:30 AM Cost: No annual fee, but possible small monthly fee for designs, materials, etc. Must be SS Member or Social Member. Contact: Cathy Gossett 248-804-9277 cathy.gossett@yahoo.com</p> <p>Comments: Come join us for embroidery fun! Small group with various skill level, we always welcome new members. Individual instruction available. Whether experienced or looking for a new hobby, stop by and see what we are creating.</p>

ACTIVITIES

<p> What: MAH JONGG When: Tuesday Where: Activity Center Time: 6:00 – 8:00 PM Cost: Member ID Contact: Karole Strieter 989-387-2614 akstrieter@gmail.com </p> <p> Comments: If you enjoy the game of Mah Jongg, this group is for you! </p>	<p> What: DOUBLES MAH JONGG When: Thursday Where: Activity Center Lancelot Room Time: 10:00 AM – 1:30 PM Cost: Member ID Contact: Mary DeMatio 989-424-0372 </p> <p> Comments: This version is played with two people. </p>
<p> What: PICKLE BALL When: Monday, Wednesday & Friday Where: Outdoor Courts in front of Golf Barn Time: 9:00 – 11:30 AM Cost: SS Member ID no cost to play Contact: Dave Poxon (248) 207-2955 dwpoxon1@gmail.com </p> <p> Comments: We have 3 portable courts set up in the golf center parking lot. Our group of players (20) consist of all ages and experience levels. First time players can borrow a racket and team up with experienced players to explain the game, rules and etiquette. Play begins when the weather warms up and continues through colder mornings in fall. Email Dave to get your name on the contact list. </p>	<p> What: PINOCHLE When: Thursday Where: Activity Building Time: 6:30-9:30 PM Cost: \$2.00 All money returned to winners. Contact: THIS GROUP IS LOOKING FOR A LEADER. IF YOU'D LIKE TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE CONTACT: Pat Issitt 989-426-0793 </p> <p> Comments: We play single deck, either three- or four-handed, based on number of participants. </p>

ACTIVITIES

What: STITCHERS & QUILTERS
When: 2nd, 3rd, 4th Wednesdays
Where: Activity Building
Time: 11:30 AM
Cost: \$20 / year + Member ID
Contact: Kim Ehrke
 kehrke@gmail.com
 586-405-0992

Comments: We are a quilt guild and so much more! If you are an experienced sewist or a beginner, you'll find something here: From quilts, home dec projects, crafts, to service projects. Business meetings on 2nd Wednesday with calendars, class schedules, etc..

What: SUGARCIZE
When: Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Where: Activity Center
Time: 9 AM
Cost: Free with POA Member ID or Social Membership (\$50)
Contact: Joyce Lewis
 812-593-3915

Comments: Everyone welcome.

What: TEAM TRIVIA
When: Wednesdays
Where: Activity Building
Time: 7:00 PM
Cost: \$2 / person + Member ID
Contact: Jo Hagey
 989-426-2177
 johagey@yahoo.com

Comments: This is a no-stress activity. We draw cards to make up teams each week and the money collected goes to pay prizes. Questions, developed by players who volunteer, cover a wide range of topics. And, we have snacks.

ACTIVITIES

<p>What: WATER AEROBICS</p> <p>When: Mon-Fri: 9:15 & 10:15 AM Tues & Thurs: 4:00 PM</p> <p>Where: Sugar Springs Pool</p> <p>Cost: Activity Center Membership or Punch Card</p> <p>Contact: Jo Hagey 989-426-2177 johagey@yahoo.com</p> <p>Comments: These classes are for all levels of ability. We use different CDs for instruction during the week; the average time is 50 minutes. No prior experience necessary; we love to help new members.</p>	<p>What: WATER VOLLEYBALL</p> <p>When: Monday, Wednesday, Friday</p> <p>Where: Sugar Springs Pool</p> <p>Time: 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM</p> <p>Cost: Activity Center Membership or Punch Card or \$5.00 Daily Rate</p> <p>Contact: Dennis Hagey 989-426-2177 denhagey@yahoo.com</p> <p>Comments: This is a fun, drop-in activity. No water skills are needed. Most play tends to be in winter months from mid-October until April or until golfing season begins.</p>

**Volley
Ball**



Adult Co-Ed

Please join us Monday,
Wednesday & Friday from
11:30am - 1:00pm every week
in the Sugar Springs Activity
Center Pool, for lots of fun
and some great exercise.



INVITATION TO PLAY BOCCE BALL SPRING/SUMMER 2021



With the nice weather it's time to think about a fun outdoor activity – Bocce Ball. We are looking for individuals who enjoy socializing and a little competition. You need NO EXPERIENCE as it is an easy game to learn. Games will be played once a week on a day agreed upon by the teams beginning the week of June 7th through August 6th. If you know 4 people who could make up a team, please use this form to list member information and indicate your captain. If you are interested in playing and do not have a team, please sign up as a group of 3, 2 or even as an individual and teams will be set-up. If you are not able to commit to a full season, but would be interested in subbing, please sign up on the Substitute Player section.

Questions? Contact Dick Fawcett: **Cell: 989.329.0152** or Email: dadfawcett@gmail.com.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING AT 10:00 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2nd, IN THE ACTIVITY BLDG (Next to POA Office)

TEAM OR INDIVIDUAL SIGN-UP INFORMATION

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

NAME/CAPTAIN: _____ PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

SUBSTITUTE SIGN-UP (No registration fee for subs, but if you would like to attend the banquet there is a \$10 charge.)

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

**RETURN THIS FORM TO THE SSPOA OFFICE, OR CALL/EMAIL THE INFO TO DICK FAWCETT
OR BRING THIS FORM TO THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2**



Fitness News

Member \$5.00 Guest \$6.00 Public \$7.00



Monday

Fitness Room: 8am-8pm

Lap Swim: 8am-9am

Water Aerobics: 9:15am-10:15am
&
10:15am-11:15am

Co-Ed Water Volleyball: 11:30am-1pm

Open Swim: 1pm-8pm

Tuesday

Fitness Room: 8am-8pm

Lap Swim: 8am-9am & 11:30am-1pm

Water Aerobics: 9:15am-10:15am
& 10:15am-11:15am & 4pm-5pm

Open Swim: 1pm-4pm & 5pm-8pm

Wednesday

Fitness Room: 8am-8pm

Lap Swim: 8am-9am

Water Aerobics: 9:15am-10:15am
& 10:15am-11:15am

Co-Ed Water Volleyball: 11:30am-1pm

Open Swim: 1pm-8pm

Thursday

Fitness Room: 8am-8pm

Lap Swim: 8am-9am & 11:30am-1pm

Water Aerobics: 9:15am-10:15am &
10:15am-11:15am & 4pm-5pm

Open Swim: 1pm-4pm & 5pm-8pm

Friday

Fitness Room: 8am-8pm

Lap Swim: 8am-9am

Water Aerobics: 9:15am-10:15am &
10:15am-11:15am

Co-Ed Water Volleyball: 11:30am-1pm

Open Swim: 1pm-8pm

Saturday

Fitness Room: 8am-8pm

Lap Swim: 8am-9am

Open Swim: 9am-8pm

Sunday

Fitness Room & Open Swim: 1pm-8pm

Summer Is back in Sugar Springs!

The Hearth Restaurant is now open with summer hours, and daily lunch specials. The Activity Center is open and still at a limited capacity.

The pools max capacity is 25 people, and the fitness room is 10.

Bocce Ball is back and leagues begin in June. Sugar Springs Arts & Crafts show and fireworks display is coming! July 3rd 10am-3pm, and fireworks at dusk. Veteran's Appreciation Golf Outing is in June, so contact the Pro Shop to get more information and sign up. Keep an eye out for other Golf outings happening in Sugar Springs, there is more to come!

Please remember to practice
safe boating and social distancing.

HAPPY SUMMER!!



Activity Center 1930 Sugar River Rd Gladwin, MI 48624 - 989.426.0938

Sugar Springs

Property Owners Association

34th Annual



Art & Craft Show

Saturday, July 3rd, 2021
10am - 3pm

★ FOOD AND SNACKS AVAILABLE

★ HANDICAP RESTROOMS ON SITE



**COME AND ENJOY ORIGINAL WORKS
FROM THE BEST LOCAL ARTISTS AND FINE CRAFTERS!**

THE ART AND CRAFT SHOW IN SUGAR SPRINGS, KNOWN FOR THEIR QUALITY SHOWS, IS HELD AT 5477 WORTHINGTON COURT, GLADWIN, MICHIGAN BETWEEN GLADWIN AND WEST BRANCH. IT BORDERS ON SUGAR RIVER ROAD ACROSS FROM THE SUGAR SPRINGS GOLF COURSE AND HEARTH RESTAURANT.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 989/426-4111
OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT www.sugarsprings.net



Sugar Springs' Best

BAKE SALE

SATURDAY
3
JULY

Activity Building
at the
Craft Show!

10 AM
to
1 PM

CAKES

COOKIES

PIES

CANDIES

RAFFLE

Volunteers Needed to Bake!

Drop-Off Dates:

Friday, July 2 4 - 6 PM

Saturday, July 3 8 AM



Sponsored by
Sugar Springs Recreation Committee

Save the date ...
& your great donation items!

Sugar Springs

Rummage Sale

Saturday, September 4

**Activity
Center**



Fill a bag for \$1 after 1 pm!

Drop Off Donations for Sale:

Friday, September 3

9 am - 4 pm

NO CLOTHING OR SHOES, PLEASE

The Calendar Team presented the GM, David Harris, with a check for an outstanding amount donated for the fireworks display that will be held on July 3rd.

Thank you everyone for your hard work and dedication to Sugar Springs!!
You are all very much appreciated!

Pictured left to right is...Susi Justus, Colleen Thompson, Patty Regnery, Lisa Whipple, Patti Berg and David Harris.



Sugar Springs Garden Club

Will meet every month from May to October on the 3rd Thursday of every month at 9:30 am in the Lancer Room.

Dates are the following

May 20th

June 17th

July 15th

August 19th

September 16th

October 21st

**We would love to get new
members who love gardening.**

Elaine Gagnon, Chairman

989/246.8686



Boating Safety Class

When: Saturday, July 17th 2021

Time: 10am to 3pm

Where: Lancers Room (Activity Center)

Cost: Class is free, \$5 for lunch paid in advance

Who may attend the class?

Age requirement for the course is at least 6 months before your 12th Birthday to adults.

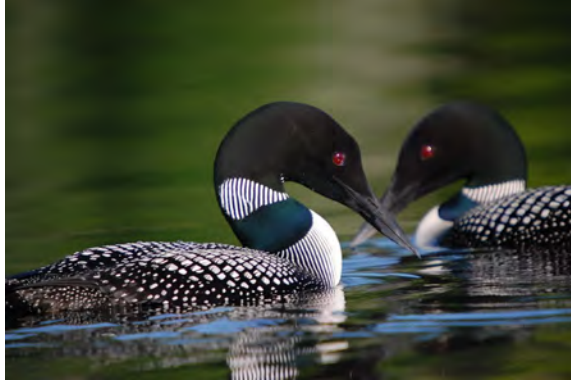
Results: Obtain your Boating Safety Certificate



*Come in or call
the POA Office to register!
989.426.4111*

**Sponsored by the
Sugar Springs Lakes Committee**

Message from our Lakes Committee



Loons – Our Treasured Wildlife

As residents of Sugar Springs, we are blessed with an abundance of wildlife. Deer, fox, turkey and many other small animals roam about unencumbered. Our lakes are full of all types of game fish. Many species of birds fill our sky and lakes, including Bald Eagles, hawks, gulls, geese, ducks, and songbirds. The bird that best exemplifies our community is the Common Loon. Its wailing call invokes a wilderness feeling in our soul.

The loon is a very large bird and can be recognized by its many white spots on its black back, and a white necklace around its neck. It is an excellent swimmer diving for food with consummate grace. They require a lake with clear water and large surface area; clear water for spotting fish below the surface, and large areas to take and fly. Their legs are in the rear of their bodies which makes for excellent swimming and diving but almost impossible to walk on land. Unlike other birds the loon's bones are not hollow which makes it easier for diving but difficult to lift off the water to fly.

Loons are monogamous having the same mate for its entire life, reuniting with their mates each summer. They build their nests in coves and on islands close to banks. Both male and female tend the nest made from mud and grass. Their eggs hatch in May. One or two chicks is normal. Chicks can swim after a few hours and can be seen following the female or riding on her back. Many chicks are eaten by large fish like pike and bass. Hawks, eagles, and gulls also are predators of the small chicks. Adult loon's biggest predator is man. Acid rain, oil, and other pollutants kill many adult birds.

Loons eat small fish, crustaceans, frogs and insects. A family of loons can eat 1000 pounds of fish in their 15-week summer stay on one of North America's lakes. When the October winds turn cold, they start for the ocean coast for their winter homes.

As members of our community, it is our responsibility to assure our lakes are kept clean, and nesting areas are protected. Failure to do so may someday spell the end to this magnificent bird.

Edited May 2021

For further information:

Michiganloons.org, and Northern Michigan's Common Loon; mynorth.com

Lake Lancer and Lake Lancelot Update from our Lakes Committee

Did You Know that May 29th is “Opening Day” of the 2021 Bass season? Many anglers know both Lake Lancelot and Lake Lancer have an extremely healthy Bass Fishery. It is not uncommon to hook into a Bass above the legal size of 14 inches. For those who have caught Bass, you know the thrill of the fight this predator fish provides us. Speaking of predator fish, **Did You Know** that in addition to large Bass, we also have an abundant population of another ferocious predator fish in our lakes, the Northern Pike? These two predators (Bass and Pike) have unsatiable appetites and their menu is basically the same – Pan fish. Taken together, in large populations such as we have in our lakes, these predators can have a significant impact on the pan fish population that is usually seen by low numbers of Pan fish that survive to a larger “keeper” size. Those of us who have eaten Bluegill and Crappie know they rate toward the top of good eating freshwater fish.

“Balance” is important in all ecosystems. Our lakes are no different. Keeping our predator fish from proliferating is an important step toward maintaining “balance”. That said, the Lakes Committee is encouraging those fishing both Lake Lancelot and Lake Lancer keep legal size Bass and Pike. As a reminder, the state regulations for Pike and Bass are as follows:

Northern Pike in Lake Lancer is five (5) of any size with only one greater than 24 inches allowed in the daily limit possession. (Page 14 Northern Pike special regulations, Michigan Fishing Guide 2021)

Northern Pike in Lake Lancelot is two (2) being a minimum of 24 inches in length daily possession limit. (Page 12 Michigan Fishing Guide 2021)

Large Mouth Bass regulations are the same for both lakes. A minimum length of 14 inches with a daily possession of five (5). (Page 12 Michigan Fishing Guide 2021)

Finally, **Did You Know** that many people consider Pike very tasty, some people ranking its taste comparable to that of Walleye? Many people don’t keep legal Pike because their Y-bones require different filleting techniques. There are several popular techniques anglers use to get tasty fillets off Pike. Like many other topics, YouTube has several very good videos that will have you filleting Pike with confidence. Just search by “Filleting Pike”. You can also find several videos on YouTube discussing recipes for cooking Bass.

So as our summer of fun starts this Memorial Day weekend, please consider keeping the legal-size Bass and Pike you catch in both Lake Lancelot and Lake Lancer.

“Tight Lines” from your Lakes Committee!

A Message from our Lakes Committee

Sugar Springs: Lake Lancer & Lake Lancelot

Important Michigan Boating and Personal Watercraft (PWC) Safety Rules

- Michigan law prohibits anyone from boating while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- All Boat/PWC operation must be 100 feet from shore and other vessels when above idle speed.
- Personal Floatation Device (PFDs) must be worn by all tubers, skiers, wakeboarders, and PWC operators/riders.
- PFDs must be worn by children under 6 years old and should be worn by all children on board.
- Keep all channels clear: No anchoring, fishing, swimming, skiing/tubing.
- Non-motorized craft (sailboats, rowboats, canoes, etc.) and any boat being overtaken have the right-of-way over motorboats.
- Observe passenger limits on your boat.
- High speed times: 11:00 am to 7:30 pm. (Per Butman Township High Speed Boating Ordinances)
- All boats/PWCs must be operated in a counterclockwise direction around the lake.
- Observe idle speeds (no white water behind watercraft) in all No Wake areas.
- All boat passengers must be within the railing of the boat. No riding on gunwale, bow or stern.
- All boats operating from sunset to sunrise must display navigation lights.
- All boats/PWCs skiing, tubing or towing must have an observer.

PWC Specific Rules (In addition to the above)

- All PWC passengers must ride **behind** the driver, never in front of the driver. Children who are too small to do this should not ride.
- A PWC shall not cross a boat's wake closer than 150 feet from the boat.
- Anyone riding on or being towed behind a PWC must wear a PFD.
- The lanyard of the PWC engine cut-off switch must be attached to the operator.
- It is illegal to operate a PWC from sunset to 8:00 am.
- Legal PWC Operation:
 - Is not allowed by anyone under 14 years of age
 - Is allowed by those 14 and 15 years of age with a boating safety certificate **and** accompanied by or within 100 feet of a parent/guardian
 - Is allowed by those 16 years of age and born after 12/31/1978 **only if** in possession of a boating safety certificate.
 - Is allowed by anyone born on or before 12/31/1978 without restrictions.

Memorial Fund

Donations to the Sugar Springs Memorial Fund in memory of your loved ones can be made at the POA office. Funds are used to beautify and enhance activities at Sugar Springs

Donations are managed by the Memorial Committee

Projects future and current include:

Trees and flowers around buildings and golf course

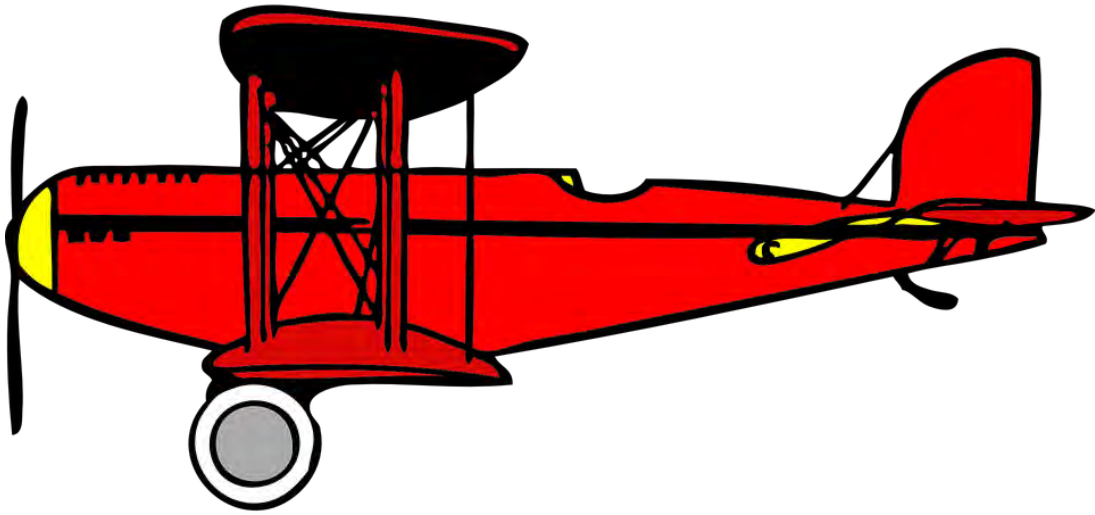
Memorial Library (Take a Book- Leave a Book)

Replace picnic tables and benches at recreational areas

Playscapes for beach clubs

Dog Park

**Please consider donating to the Sugar Springs
Memorial Fund**



AIRPARK REMINDER

As the weather improves, the airpark will become more active. Only authorized personnel and vehicles are allowed on or near the runway. If a person has to enter the runway, they should call the Airpark manager for permission, except in an immediate emergency.

Dave Wood

Cell: 317-523-3131

Airpark Manager

Butman Township News



Butman Township

Information and communication are important, and we want to keep the residents of Butman Township informed as changes that are occurring at the Township level. This is the purpose of this column.

Code Enforcement Officer

At our last board meeting, we voted to hire Mary Urbanczyk as our new code enforcement officer. Mary is a year round resident of Sugar Springs. She is a former police officer with 22 years' experience in the Detroit Police Department. Mary will be working in this capacity from April 1st to September 30th. Her duties will entail the following:

- Identifying code violations reported throughout Butman Township.
- Enforcing ordinance violations regarding blight, sewer, and noise.
- Issuing notifications, warnings, and citations when necessary.

Since this is a new position in the Township we will be evaluating it at the end of the year to determine what changes, if any, need to be made. We appreciate Mary's willingness to serve and welcome her on board. If you have occasion to meet her, please give her your complete cooperation.

Golf Carts

Also at our last board meeting, we discussed the use of golf carts on the roads of Sugar Springs. After much discussion, we decided to table the subject until our next meeting.

Currently, golf carts are not allowed on the roads of Sugar Springs, even though they are prevalent. Our discussion centered on approving a resolution allowing golf carts. Our main concern is safety on the roads. Many golf carts are being driven by young underage children, and unaccompanied by any adults. This is not safe or acceptable.

This resolution merely emphasizes the State Laws concerning the operation of golf carts. At the present time there is no desire to create an ordinance to back the resolution. We simply want to allow golf carts use yet emphasize the importance of safety for all. The subject will be brought up for discussion at our June meeting.

Garbage Collection

We are truly sorry and exasperated over the garbage service the last few months. Republic has informed us it has a shortage of drivers and has been unable to keep up with recycling and yard waste.

At our April Board Meeting we voted to accept a bid from American Waste-GFL to begin garbage collection on July 1st. Under this new contract, trash will be picked up on Monday and recycling and yard waste on Wednesday. Large items will be picked up once a month on a specific day that is yet to be determined. New bins will be distributed by American Waste-GFL beginning in mid-June.

In the meantime, we are doing our best to hold Republic accountable, and at the same time look for other options. We appreciate your continued patience with this situation. It is frustrating for everyone..

Conclusion

I trust this information is helpful, even though it does not answer all your questions. Our Board Meetings are on the second Wednesday of the month, at 10:00 a.m., at the Township Hall. We welcome your attendance. If you are available, please consider this an invitation to attend.

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