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TownSq makes it easy to connect with **Pittsfield Village** and access the resources you need for better community living, all through one user-friendly app!



**Halloween
Pumpkin
Carving**

Join us on Saturday, October 27th from 2:00pm to 5:00pm in the garage at the Pittsfield Village office building. We'll carve pumpkins (supplied by Pittsfield). We'll have cider, donuts and other Halloween treats! Costumes encouraged!



Scott Irving Ryder died peacefully at home the evening of Sat, Aug 4, in Pittsfield Village at the age of 66 years. You could often find him sitting on his front porch, where he was found after dinner, enjoying an ice cream treat.

Scott is survived by his wonderful neighbors, special friends, siblings, nieces and nephews, and loving extended family. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Scott was born on Jan 21, 1952, in Garden City, and grew up in Dearborn. He graduated from Sacred Heart High School in 1970 as a football star, then earned a BS degree in 1977 from Eastern Michigan University. He worked many years at the DTW airport in many capacities, retiring in 2016 as an airline ramp agent/baggage handler.

He was generous, fun, well traveled, and passionate about his spiritual journey. Scott always enjoyed conversations about sports, and those he spoke with came away with a renewed sense of the need we all have for inner peace.

The family of Scott send special thanks to our Village neighbors for your love and care over the years. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be sent to Sacred Heart Elementary School, 22513 Garrison, Dearborn, MI. <https://www.shparish.org/giving-opportunities>



AVOID SKUNKS – THEY ARE NOT YOUR FRIEND!



Submitted by Village resident, Dr. David Lyman, MD, MPH

- ✦ Don't keep wild animals as pets. Americans keep more than 4.7 million exotic animals as pets. These are animals that may not – and often cannot - be vaccinated against rabies.
- ✦ Avoid direct contact with wildlife, dead or alive. Never touch any wildlife with your bare hands. If you find a sick or injured wild animal, call your local animal control agency or humane society and let the experts handle it.
- ✦ Avoid animals displaying unnatural behavior. Wild animals that are unusually friendly or displaying other unnatural behaviors may have the rabies virus.
- ✦ Discourage contact between pets and wildlife. Don't let your pets roam unattended or encourage them to interact with unfamiliar domestic or wild animals. Avoid contact with unattended domestic animals whose vaccination status is unknown.
- ✦ Feed your pets indoors. Leaving food and water outside your home may attract stray dogs, cats and wildlife to your yard.

✦ Animal-proof your trash. Make sure your trash lids are locked, and don't leave bags of garbage outside the cans.

✦ Prevent wild animals from getting into the house. Prune tree branches that overhang the roof. Keep screens on windows and cover small openings, such as chimneys, furnace ducts and eaves.

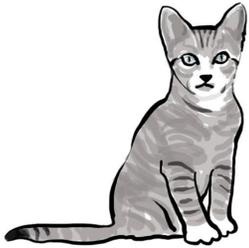
Report all stray animals to animal control. Stray animals may not be vaccinated for rabies. They also run a high risk of exposure to wild animals who may carry rabies and transmit the disease through a bite.

Adapted from:
American Humane
1400 16th Street NW, Suite 360
Washington, DC 20036
UPDATED August 25, 2016



Reminders...

Are you enrolled in the Garden Marker Program? Fall garden bed cleanup begins soon. If you would like the Village to handle fall cleanup for you, remove your red garden markers by October 1, 2018 / ASAP and bring them to the office. If you do NOT remove your markers, you are responsible for cleaning your beds by removing dead plant material. Any questions, please contact the Village office.



No pet is permitted to be tied up or staked on the common or limited common elements. All pets, including cats, are to be confined to the interior of the unit EXCEPT while on a leash under the pet owner's direct control.

Many Trick or Treaters will be out on Wednesday, October 31!

If you plan to hand out candy, please place an orange paper jack-o-lantern, being delivered to you in the next week or two, to your porch light to indicate your participation!



IN THE GARDE N- October 2018

By Lisa Joseph, Staff Horticulturist

FALL CLEAN UP TIME FOLKS!

The landscape crew will start the full-blown clean up on October 15th. We are in the process now of removing tatty plants from the common areas that are tired and ready to retire for the season.

If you complete your own garden maintenance, remember to keep up with the weeding in your beds.

TAKE CARE OF YOUR GARDEN TOOLS!

Fall is the time to clean garden tools with soap and water, removing dirt and plant debris with a brush (I use an old toothbrush). Stubborn plant sap and rust can be removed with a steel wool pad or a wire brush. Dip tools in a diluted solution of household bleach. Give wooden handles a light rubbing with linseed oil.

Sharpen your pruning equipment yourself if you know what you're doing or take tools to a hardware store to be professionally sharpened.

Store your tools in a place where they will remain dry and free of rust. A great way to store small shovels and trowels is by keeping them in a pot filled with sand that has been soaked with motor oil. This helps keep the metal well-conditioned. I never do get around to this step. I wouldn't mind having a staff of helpers at my house.

LET ME SHARE WITH YOU ONE OF MY 2018 FAVORITE ANNUALS- THIS ONE IS NOT ONLY A STUNNER BUT ALSO A ROCK STAR PERFORMER!



It's called CLEOME 'SENIORITA ROSALITA' 3-4' in height x 2' in spread

Senorita Rosalita doesn't have the thorns, stinky foliage, or the mid-season bare knees of older varieties. What it does have is lush dark green foliage and sweet rosy lavender pink blooms from June through October. I have not done one thing to these beauties in my garden all summer besides supplying supplemental water.

Combine Cleome Seniorita Rosalita with tall Dahlias, blue annual Salvia like 'Cathedral Deep Blue', and Apricot or Yellow Profusion Zinnias. I especially loved it alongside the blush pink and white Dahlia 'Nadia Ruth' (shown right) and the willowy lavender Brazilian Verbena, Ver-



bona bonariensis 'Meteor Shower'.

Shady garden? Don't despair! Listen up...

LISA'S PLANT OF THE MONTH:

ARUNCUS AETHUSIFOLIUS- Dwarf Goat's Beard

6" tall foliage mound with a 14" spread; flower spikes rise up to 12".

This perennial gem has delicate glossy ferny foliage, deep green in summer and turning brilliant yellow and orange in fall. The creamy white flower spikes rise up above the foliage mound in early summer. The 3-inch long flower spikes last well into midsummer and attract small pollinators.

Dwarf Goat's Beard is a great addition to shade beds and grows most happily in organically rich soil with consistent moisture. I like to use this charming little plant at the front of the border where it can be viewed up close. Combine Dwarf Goat's Beard with Hosta, Coral Bells with purple foliage, and Toad Lily.



INTRODUCING THE NEW POLLINATOR GARDEN

The landscape crew has installed a new garden that will be a safe haven for pollinators and birds. We have added nectar-rich perennials, food sources for caterpillars, boulders for butterflies to land on to warm up, and plants that offer shelter from wind and predators. It is a work in progress, with plans to add spring-flowering bulbs, a water source, a mason bee house, and annuals and herbs.

WHERE IS THIS FABULOUS NEW GARDEN?

Cruise on over to Pittsfield between Norwood and Oakwood and visit soon. It is newly planted now, but by next season, it will be especially spectacular. The Pollinator Garden has been generously donated to the community by your landscaping company, Superior Mow and Snow. I welcome any questions or ideas from residents.



Lisa's Quick Tip:

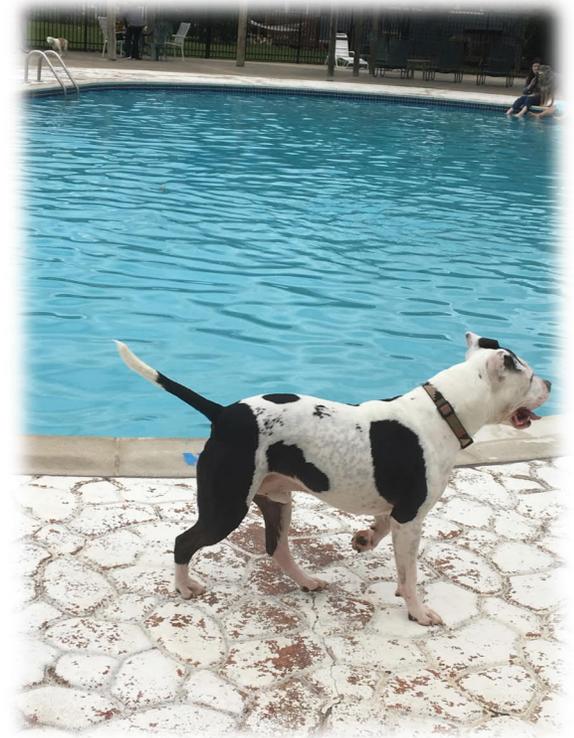
Aphids are drawn to the color yellow. Set a shallow yellow pan of soapy water near your aphid-infested plants, and the aphids will plunge in to their quick demise. Another successful method to fight aphid populations is to wrap a long piece of tape around your fingers with the sticky side out and blot those buggers right off your plant.

Autumn is such a fleeting season. I hope you are able to get out and enjoy the cooler crisp days, take trip to the cider mill, divide those perennials you've been meaning to get to, put away all your garden art and planters for the winter. And by all means take time to enjoy the beautiful fall colors.

Success again! Another fantastic **POOCH PLUNGE**, doggies and people galore. Not all the dogs went in the water but they all had fun. If you were there you watched them running and playing. One dog continued retrieving a duck decoy from the pool. If you weren't there make sure you are next year.

Kat did all the shopping and there were great treats for doggies and cider and donuts for people. This was one head over heels party. Hosted by Madonna, Sophia and Bebe (Rudie and Rufus were keeping everyone in line, when they weren't eating donuts.)

Thanks to everyone that participated. You make it the success it is. See you next year!



OCTOBER 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 M & M Com- mittee 6:00 pm Open / 6:15 pm Meeting	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 Landscape Com- mittee 6:00 pm Open / 6:15 pm Meeting	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 BOARD MEETING 6:15 Open Forum; 6:30 Meeting	24	25	26	27 HALLOWEEN PUMPKIN CARVING PARTY 2-5 pm
28	29	30	31 			

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