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Tow or Not to Tow, That Is the Question

You might recognize the title of this article from Shakespeare's famous play, Hamlet, where he pondered, "To be, or not to be, that is the question."

TVP Management has a plan to enhance the overall appearance of the Villages at Parkside grounds. They intend to enforce their Vehicle Policy once again, which means they will tag and tow cars that are non-operative, have expired license plates, or have flat tires. This decision stems from the realization that abandoned vehicles can cause various problems.

When cars are left abandoned, it invites trouble. Vandals are drawn to these vehicles, leading to acts of vandalism. Additionally, abandoned cars can become a hotspot for illegal activities such as drug drops or prostitution. Not only that, but they also accumulate waste and can be used as makeshift shelters by the homeless.



Photo by Z. Rowe

To address these issues, TVP Management has made the choice to take action. They will actively enforce their Vehicle Policy and remove cars that are causing problems. By doing so, they aim to improve the cleanliness and safety of the property, making it a more appealing place for everyone.

In the end, the question of whether to tow or not to tow has been answered by TVP Management—they are towing away the abandoned cars. By doing this, they hope to prevent problems and create a better environment for residents.

If your car is at risk of being towed, please call TVP Management at 313-822-1477.

TVP Mailbox Update: FOP received an email from TVP Management that they were approved to purchase two new mailboxes for the site.

BFYP Afterschool Highlights

Photos by L. Arnold



FOP partnered with MSU-Extension to bring its "Jump into Food and Fitness (JIFF)" program to Parkside children this past spring. Jump Into Foods and Fitness (JIFF) is a research-based curriculum that features eight "Kangaroo Jumps" or sessions that help kids ages 8 to 11 (grades 3 to 5) learn the importance of nutrition, increased physical activity, and food safety. "The children had an amazing time learning from Charlotte Rapids, Community Nutrition Instructor," said Zachary Rowe, FOP Executive Director. "If possible, we love to have Charlotte and MSU-Extension come back in the fall". For more information about the Jump into Food and Fitness, visit www.canr.msu.edu/outreach/

Free Meals for Parkside children start on June 26th

FOP will serve breakfast starting June 28th from 10:00-11 a.m. and lunch starting June 26 from 12-1 p.m. Monday through Friday for children ages 18 and younger at TVP Community Center, 5000 Conner. For more info call 313-822-0311.

FOP's Bright Futures Summer Youth program begins July 10th

This summer, FOP will offer five weeks of fun, educational activities for Parkside children. Each week will focus on one of the five themes - Music/Dance, Entrepreneurship, Technology, Arts & Crafts, and Sports. Activities include free meals, field trips, guest speakers, and more! Space is limited to 25 children. For more info or to sign up, call 313-822-0311 or use this link: bit.ly/fopbfyp

COMMUNITY HEALTH & SAFETY

Winner of the Reimagine the Community Center and Win Drawing

In the last issue of the Community Connector about the Space for Physical Activities & Community Education, residents had the opportunity to share their ideas and suggestions and be entered into a raffle drawing. The winner of the \$50 gift card is Carmen Jones. Please contact FOP at 313-822-0311 to make arrangements to pick up your gift.

RESIDENT MEMO TVP Launches Beautification Contest

May 30, 2023

Residents,

The summer months are quickly upon us, management would like your participation in Beautification residential. If you are interested in participating, please let us know. Management would like to start over the next 60 days beginning June 1, 2023. Ending August 30, 2023.

We will select the best yard prizes with give aways. If you would like to volunteer for the prize committee, please contact the office.

Beautification would be your front & rear yard, and around your property lines, keeping trash removed, adding flowers, mulch or other as long as approved per your lease. Removing all sheets, blankets, boards, plastic bags from the windows.

Keeping your trash can neat and in proper order (no trash placed on the ground, all trash must be placed in tightly sealed bags and put in the trash can.

As a reminder the lawncare team will be out cutting grass every Monday – Wednesday. Do not leave any bikes, yard toys, and as always, NO Swimming Pools are allowed; Cable cords must be buried properly – contact your provider as management will not be responsible for cut cords. Pet waste must be removed.

We welcome full resident participation, and hope 2023 is the best summer yet.

Thank you for being most valued residents.

Management

FOP Hosts Monthly Parkside Community Meetings to Connect, Share, and Engage Residents!

FOP is excited to announce that we will be hosting monthly Parkside Community meetings to foster a stronger and more connected neighborhood. These gatherings will serve as a forum for residents to voice their concerns, collaborate on solutions, network with fellow residents and stakeholders, and stay informed about the latest happenings in the neighborhood. We invite you to mark your calendars for the fourth Tuesday of each month from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. to join us for these engaging sessions.

Key Details:

When: Every fourth Tuesday of the month

Where: TVP Community Center, 5000 Conner, Detroit MI 48213

Time: 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Purpose: To provide residents with an opportunity to share concerns, problem-solve, network, and stay informed about community matters.

What to Expect:

Open Dialogue: Participate in open and inclusive discussions where your ideas and concerns are valued. This is a safe space for everyone to share their thoughts.

Problem-Solving: Collaborate with other Parkside residents and stakeholders to find creative solutions to issues and challenges that affect us all.

Networking: Connect with like-minded individuals, build relationships, get to know your neighbor, and expand your network within the community.

Stay Informed: Receive updates on upcoming community events, initiatives, and important news affecting Parkside.

Refreshments: Enjoy complimentary refreshments as we come together to strengthen our community bonds.

These monthly meetings aim to empower our community and create a supportive environment where every voice is heard. We encourage you to actively participate, bring forward your ideas, and contribute to the betterment of Parkside.

We look forward to seeing you at our first Monthly Parkside Community Meeting on June 27, 2023, from 6:00-7:30 p.m. to discuss "Safety".

For more information or to suggest a topic for an upcoming Parkside Community meeting, please call 313-822-0311.

7th Annual Parkside Curb Ball Tournament Photos

Photos by Red Base Media



LIST OF SPONSORS, VOLUNTEERS, AND CONTESTANTS CURB BALL TOURNAMENT

We would like to thank the following for making the 2023 Seventh Annual Parkside Curb Ball Tournament a big success:

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“What is the name of the company that led the *2-hour workshop for the SPACE project?*”

Last issue Question: What company sponsored the FOP Tool Lending Library?
NexTiles

Be the FIRST resident with the correct answer to WIN a FREE GIFT!

**Text your answer to Text 586-232-5952, call 313-822-0311, or
email: newsletter@friendsofparkside.org**

*Answers must be submitted by Thursday @ 5pm.
The winner will be published in the next issue of the newsletter.

FOP is now a health insurance enrollment site.

If you need help
or to schedule
an appointment,
please call

313-822-0311
or email
help@friendsofparkside.org

NEED HEALTH COVERAGE?

**SIGN UP TODAY
AT
HEALTHCARE.GOV**

#GETCOVERED



**SCREENING
HAS
MEANING**

REGULAR SCREENING FOR COLON CANCER MAY SAVE LIVES.^{1,2}

THERE'S STRENGTH IN SCREENING.

If you're **45 years or older**—at average risk* for colon cancer—you should screen now. Even if you don't have symptoms or a family history.^{1,2} Fact is, colon cancer is the **third most commonly occurring cancer in both men and women.**² And **Black and Hispanic Americans are more likely to be diagnosed with colon cancer at later stages.**²

The good news is that screening regularly may increase the potential for **finding and treating colon cancer.**³ There are even at-home, noninvasive options.²

*Per the American Cancer Society, people are at average risk if they do not have: a personal history of colon cancer or certain types of polyps, a family history of colon cancer, a personal history of inflammatory bowel disease (ulcerative colitis or Crohn's disease), a confirmed or suspected hereditary colon cancer syndrome, such as familial adenomatous polyposis (FAP) or Lynch syndrome (hereditary non-polyposis colon cancer or HNPCC), or a personal history of getting radiation to the abdomen (belly) or pelvic area to treat a prior cancer.⁴

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To learn more about why you should screen for colon cancer—and your options—visit **ScreeningHasMeaning.com**, or scan the QR Code.

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14TH ANNUAL PARKSIDE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND JOB FAIR

"HEALTH IS WEALTH"



 **WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2023 10:00AM - 4:00PM**

 **VILLAGES AT PARKSIDE II COMMUNITY CENTER**
5000 CONNER, DETROIT, MI 48213

Join us for free refreshments, free health screenings, music, games, raffles, COVID vaccinations, children's activities, immunizations, health insurance enrollment, free internet eligibility information, and more! Bring your resume to check out job opportunities.

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