

## Pittsfield Village News

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September  
2016

### Check out the roundabout!



GET READY, FRIENDS WITH  
CANINE COMPANIONS, for the

4th Annual

Pooch Plunge!

This party has gone to the dogs! Literally!

Thursday, September 8th

5 pm to 7 pm



Comcast Bill Review  
Thursday, September 15  
2:00 pm—6:00 pm

Representatives from Comcast will review your services and packages to make sure you are getting the very best value! If you want to save money and would like to secure an appt, call Terri at 734-679-0116.  
Walk-ins welcome.

# REMINDERS

## Modifications Requests

Why do I need to submit a modification request?

Any changes or additions to the exterior or interior of your home must be approved in writing by the Maintenance and Modification Committee before the proposed modification can take place.

What do I submit?

Please use the modification request form found on our website (pittsfieldvillage.com), in your resident handbook, or at the office. Note that you must include a drawing of the modification, include a detailed list of materials to be used including; color, type, size, etc. The more detail and clarification you can provide the better! Please return the completed modification request form at least 3 days prior to the committee meeting to:



Pittsfield Village Condominium Association  
2220 Pittsfield Blvd.  
Ann Arbor, MI 48104  
or

Email: office@pittsfieldvillage.com

M&M meets on the 1st Tuesday of each month!

Pittsfield Village requires written approval for Landscape Modifications as well. Basically, the same procedure is followed. Your application must be reviewed and approved by the Landscaping Committee.



## Ants? Mice? Bees?

call the office to schedule the exterminator.

Eradico Pest Control comes to PV every Thursday—all you have to do is call us **prior** to Thursday to be put on the schedule!

PV office hours: 8:30 to 5:00

Monday through Friday

## DID YOU KNOW?

The Pittsfield Village Community Building is available for co-owners to rent for just \$20.00.

Call the office for an available date and then complete a simple form—it's that easy!

Thank  
you!  
Volunteers!

## IN THE GARDEN- September 2016

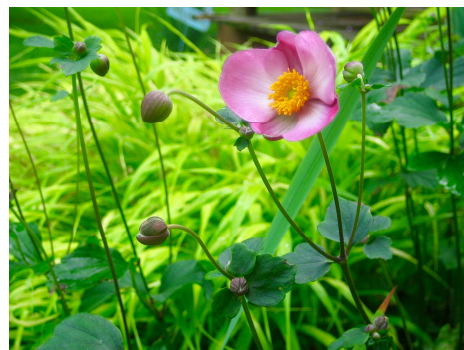
By Lisa Joseph, Staff Horticulturist

When the temperature soared for days on end, I inadvertently started a most delightful ritual. Late one afternoon, I decided that I would set up a little sprinkler with a gentle spray under a small ornamental tree so that I could water the tree and the Zinnias and Catmint at the same time. I was sitting on my back deck not far from the tree when I noticed the birds were all twittering and gathering in the tree branches to take a nice bath under the soothing sprinkle of water. They'd sit in the lower branches and flap their wings and chirp and fluff up their feathers. Now whenever I'm making my way over to the spigot to turn on the sprinkler, the birds all assemble in the branches watching and waiting.

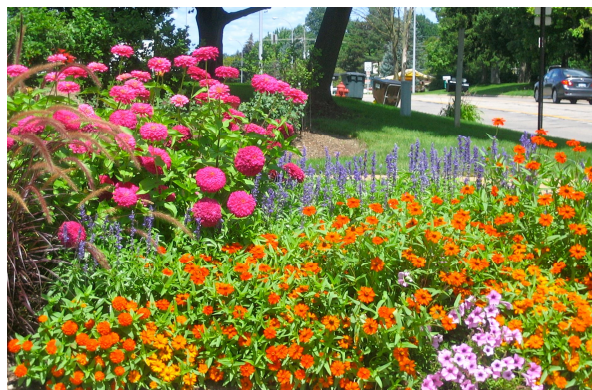
### LISA'S PLANT OF THE MONTH: ANEMONE 'SEPTEMBER CHARM'

(see photo).

Tall graceful flower stalks with their bright pink blooms sway above the foliage from August through October. Anemones enjoy partial shade and soil enriched with organic matter. The mature size is 30" in height and at least 30" wide. Anemone will spread a bit more in ideal conditions but not aggressively. It is very easy to remove unwanted invaders. Anemone foliage will burn at the edges if the plant is left to fend for itself in dry spells. It is best divided in spring. If you must complete your dividing tasks in autumn, be sure to add a nice layer of mulch to help it survive the winter chill.



Anemone 'September Charm' pairs perfectly with Hosta, especially one with yellow variegated leaves, ferns, and Japanese Forest Grass.



Another favorite plant of mine that is just spectacular at this time of the season is Zinnia 'Benary's Giant'. It is fully in bloom from July through fall when many garden plants are looking a bit on the shabby side. The sturdy stems reach a height of about 3 feet and hold up impressively large double 5" blooms. These Zinnias come in colors of red, lilac, rose, yellow, white, and orange. They love heat and don't really suffer from any insect or disease problems. Swallowtail Butterflies flock daily to the Zinnias- watch for them on the Zinnias planted around your community. I find it's best to plant a stand of at least 3 to ensure that there are plenty of blossoms for a beautiful bouquet. My favorite arrangement is Zinnias and Dahlias from my own garden gathered in a mason jar. So charming.

### IF YOU HAVE A RAISED VEGETABLE BED:

Once you harvest your vegetables and your bed is emptied, try growing a cover crop or "green manure" crop. Cover crops improve the soil fertility and structure, provide food for earthworms and microorganisms, help control weeds, and the flowers of some cover crops provide an early food source for bees. Sow a cover crop such as winter rye and crimson clover in the fall and then till it under in May.

As summer winds down and we get ourselves ready for the cold days ahead, be sure to enjoy the outdoors every chance you get.

# SEPTEMBER 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5 OFFICE CLOSED / <b>POOL CLOSES</b> at 9 pm for the season	6 <b>M&amp;M</b> committee meeting 6:00 pm	7	8 <b>POOCH PLUNGE!</b> 5 pm to 8 pm	9	10
11	12	13 Landscape committee meeting 6:00 pm	14	15 Comcast Bill Review at the office 3 pm to 6 pm	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 6:15 OPEN FORUM  6:30 pm: Board of Directors Meeting	29	30	

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