

Annual Meeting will be held virtually on Monday, October 5, 2020 @

7:00pm!

September 2020

PITTSFIELD BLVD ROAD REPAIRS

The City of Ann Arbor is planning to do repairs
Pittsfield Blvd in the near future. Temporary no
parking signs have already been installed on
sections of Pittsfield Blvd. According to the
City, contractors will control traffic utilizing intermittent lane closures in each direction. Only
one side of the street will be closed at one
time, so residents will be able to park on the
opposite side of the street. The Village office



will communicate more information as it becomes available from the City of Ann Arbor.

PEST CONTROL

If you are experiencing a problem with ants, bees, mice, etc., and would like the exterminator to provide treatment, please call the PV office (734-971-0233) by Wednesday to be put on the schedule for that week.

POOL UPDATES

Beginning September 1, 2020, the pool will close at 8:00pm. The pool will remain open, 7 days a week from

11:00am-8:00pm for the remainder of the season. The last day of the pool season will be Sunday, September 13, 2020!

Paws & Tails Pet Care

I'm located right here in Pittsfield Village!

Have peace of mind while you're away with quality care and affordable rates for your furry family member!

I provide daily dog walking for people who have long, busy, work hours, new puppies who need potty breaks and socialization, or for those that want their dog to have a fun break in their day!

I also provide house visits for dogs, cats, and small animals for those gone on vacations and business trips. Boarding is also available for pups in my home for 24/7 care!

Email to book your free meet and greet with me and to receive more information. **Irenehayes03@yahoo.com**

Homebody Practice:

Mindful movement, inspired by yogic traditions.

Community classes weekly on Zoom:

Wednesday Unwind: 8:30pm - 30 min

Sunday Reset: 1:00pm - 1 hr

There are no prerequisites, no rules, and no expectations. I offer variations for poses and I design the sequence with beginners in mind. All my classes are streamed live from my living room, right here in the Pittsfield Community.

For more information or to sign up:

Website: bit.ly/homebodypractice

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LET'S HEAD OUT TO THE GARDEN- September 2020

By Lisa Joseph, Staff Horticulturist



GET READY TO PLANT BULBS! LET'S TALK ABOUT MY FAVORITES

Early season bulbs, known as **Minor Bulbs**, are the first plants to bloom in spring, the harbingers of the warm season to come. Their bright colors always lift the spirits, and most minor bulbs are long-lived and are not attractive to deer and rabbits. They go dormant early so that the unattractive ripening foliage goes away before the perennials start emerging and blooming. Try to make your display look naturalized, not planted in straight lines. Plant bulbs in clusters, in groups of odd numbers. Many specialty bulbs will naturalize and increase in numbers over time.

To help them send out roots, fertilize your bulbs after planting with a slow-release fertilizer formulated especially for bulbs. I avoid using bone meal because it attracts rodents and dogs. I've had good luck with Dr. Earth Bulb Food that I buy from Ace Hardware (probably available from Amazon too).

Lastly, be sure to water in your newly planted bulbs.

WEED WATCH! LISTEN UP!

DEVIL'S BEGGAR TICKS- BIDENS FRONDOSA

Although I've found this plant listed in Wildflower references, it has worn out its welcome with it's stick-tight seeds and overpopulation around North America. It will self-seed eagerly and prolifically. I don't know if it was intentionally planted here at the Village, but it is now rampant in quite a few landscapes around the community. Before setting seed, it proves to be very insidious, keeping itself hidden and inconspicuous. My fall cleanup crew invariably runs into it, someone always coming out with those brutish seeds adhering to clothing and gloves, stuck in there like glue. Watch out for your pets! In its growing phase, this plant has small yellow flowers, compound leaves with 3 to 5 leaflets, and can grow to about 4 feet tall. Check diligently for it growing up into your shrubs and perennials. Please remove it BEFORE it sets seed! (see photos for id)



Watering shrubs and trees is essential during drought conditions, especially late in the season before the plants go into winter dormancy.

Avoid frequent, light watering and instead, water deeply once a week. Let a garden hose run at medium pressure at the drip line of the tree. Move it around the tree if possible to get good distribution. At medium pressure, it would take about five minutes to get ten gallons of water. It's impossible to give a formula on how much or how often to water a tree to moisten the soil 8 to 12 inches deep. The amount of water needed varies with site conditions. I sometimes use a sprinkler to water my smaller trees. I place a 5-gallon bucket under the tree and run the sprinkler until the bucket is 2" full. The fine, water-absorbing roots are in the first 6 to 10" of soil. Another benefit of the sprinkler under the tree is that the songbirds like to sit in the branches and take a little bath! They love it! Newly planted trees



and shrubs are still establishing a root system. These plants are drawing most of their moisture from the root ball. Be sure to check the root ball even if the surrounding soil feels moist. The root ball can dry out easily in a couple of days. Give the root ball an inch of water per week. It takes about 2 to 3 years for newly planted trees and shrubs to establish a good root system.

TASTY SUMMER THYME ALL WINTER LONG? HERE'S HOW:

As summer starts to wind down, I freeze my thyme in a super simple fashion. This method works for Rosemary as well. Simply take your cuttings and spread them on a cookie sheet and put the sheet into the freezer. Once frozen, pack the twigs into a freezer bag, express out all the air, and store it in the freezer. Ta-da!

September 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 6:00 pm M&M committee meeting	2	3	4 office closed	5
6	7 office closed— Labor Day	8 6:00 pm Landscape committee	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 6:15 pm Board of Di- rectors' meet- ing		ll meeti held vir	

Pittsfield Village Office

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