

## May 2022

Wondering what is going on in Pittsfield Village? The board is trying out a new process to get board meeting minutes out to you more quickly.

Minutes are now emailed to us within a couple days of the meeting, and the board is trying an electronic editing and approval process so that these minutes can get approved and posted in time for the newsletter hitting your inboxes. This may result in the newsletter coming a few days later than it has in the past, but hopefully improves information sharing overall.

You can find all of our board meeting minutes at: <a href="https://www.pittsfieldvillage.com/government/monthly-board-minutes.php">https://www.pittsfieldvillage.com/government/monthly-board-minutes.php</a>

At any time, if you have any questions or suggestions you can contact the office, email the board of directors, or attend an open forum at a board meeting. Agendas for the board meetings are sent out to the community beforehand via email.

We also have the Pittsfield Village Annual meeting coming up on May 23, 2022. Watch your mail for a packet of information. Please let us know what questions you would like covered at the meeting. We look forward to (virtually) seeing you there!

We hope you all find this helpful for keeping in touch with what is going on in our wonderful community!

Jessica Lehr

### **GOT BUGS?**

The Association contracts Ehrlich for pest control needs such as treating the interior & exterior of units for ants, trapping & diagnosing entry points for mice or other critters.

Ehrlich services the community weekly on Thursdays. If you have pest control needs & would like to place a work order, please contact the Village office at 734-971-0223 or email us at office@pittsfieldvillage.com.

Pittsfield Village's Annual Meeting is scheduled to be held on **Monday**, **May 23**, **2022 at 7:00pm** via GoToWebinar.

If you haven't already, please register to attend using the link sent previously to you.

An official ballot + meeting handout were mailed via USPS to residents. Please contact the office with any questions or concerns pertaining to the annual meeting.

### Saturday, June 4:

Village-Wide Yard Sales!
Participation is voluntary. Sell or shop!



### **Flower Giveaway**

Update—see page 4!



### MAY FLOWERS?

Can you believe its May already? Leave it up to Michigan's weather to confuse everyone including nature. With these sporadic conditions, we all must remember to cover frost sensitive plants such as impatiens, periwinkle vinca, coleus, begonias, salvia, and moss rose just to name a few. Please don't forget about your bulbs. Even though they are maybe an early bloomer, frost can still give them a burning.

Bulb care is relatively easy for anyone. They just need a little nutrient such as a 4-10-6 combo but also having your own compost helps. Remember, when the flowers are done, it helps the plants when nipping the finished flowers off at the base of the pant but leave the leaves. This action helps the plant gain nutrients without expending it elsewhere.

### Bed care:

Mulching is a great way to help add nutrients to any bed. Before mulching, cleaning the beds out of any debris is a must! We also don't want mulched areas to be thicker than 3", otherwise it will constrict oxygen levels reaching the soil and literally suffocate your plants.

There are so many unwanted insects that hibernate within fallen leaves and, even though our needles help create an acidic layer helping with weeds, they can also harbor viruses that could ultimately kill your pines. Lastly putting down a pre-emergent will help you out in the months to come with weeds and unwanted traveling flowers that seed themselves. Just remember mulching comes last.

Our crews are currently out working hard to render these services to you. Please remember, if you prefer to do the work yourself, make sure your garden marker is out and that you are making a promise to the community and office that you will maintain your bed per required standards.

### Pruning:

It is getting a bit late for pruning but don't worry there are things that can still be done. Any small suckers or dead limbs on any plant, besides lilacs, are open for a little trim. After lilacs are done flowering, feel free to prune those suckers and any dead right out. We also try to do any hard cuts when the risk of transferring viruses or disease are at the most minimal. This normally is during winter months.

### Note to Readers:

I would love to have feedback, questions, or topics you would like to learn more about. I am here to help everyone and would like to do so. Please email me, Kristan LaFleur, at pvmastergardener@gmail.com. Please put "Kristan and Les" into the subject.

Thank you and have an amazing month!



Hi, my name is Irene Hayes, owner of 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.

Email to book your free meet and greet with me and to receive more information.

Contact: <u>Irenehayes03@yahoo.com</u>

# Bloom Times A Guide to Spring and Summer Bulbs

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	Bulb	Early Spring	Mid Spring	Late Spring	Early Summer	Mid Summer	Late Summer	Fall
ı	Chionodoxa							
١	Crocus							
,	Iris Reticulata							
	Scilla Siberica							
	Snowdrops							
4	Winter Aconite							
١	Daffodils, Early							
	Tulips, Early							
9	Double Early, Emperor							
į	Kaufmanniana, Greigii							
ı	Anemone Blanda							
	Daffodils, Midseason							
	Hyacinths							
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Ĭ.	Tulips, Midseason							
ı	Darwin Hybrid, Triumph							
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	Fritillaria							
	Anemone							
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2	Daffodils, Late							
	Dutch Iris							
п	English Bluebells							
ı	Spanish Bluebells							
	Leucojum			1				
ì	Tulips, Late							
4	Single Late, Double Late							
8	Fringed, Lily, Parrot							
	Alliums							
	Ranunculus							
	Eremurus							
	Hardy Gladiolus							
8	Iris							
ŝ	Bearded, Siberian							
B	Camassia							
á	Lilies, Early							
N.	Asiatic							
	Iris							
ı	Ensata, Louisiana							
ı	Lilies, Midseason							
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ı	Trumpet, Species							
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i	Gladiolus							
	Liatris							
	Caladiums							
1	Tuberous Begonias							
	Calla Lilies							
	Crinum							
	Acidanthera							
	Hymenocallis							
	Lilies, Late							
	OT, Oriental							
	Canna Lily							
fi .	Crocosmia							
	Agapanthus							
	Nerine							
	Dahlias							
	Elephant Ears							
	Autumn Crocus							
	Colchicum							
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### **The Flower Giveaway Returns for 2022**

The Flower Giveaway returns this year on Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022, 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM, at the corral behind the office where it's always been. But, due to the reality of COVID, things will be organized differently than from what they were in years past.

- There will only be one flat of annuals available this year. No window box kits will be available.
- Annuals will include such varieties as impatiens, petunias, coleus, marigolds, snap dragons, cleomes, zinnias, annual dahlias, dusty miller, and begonias.
- **HOWEVER**, the above list is very **tentative** at this time. The final plant selections will not be made by Pittsfield Village staff until very shortly before the event. Therefore, the final list may change based upon availability. Please understand this.
- There will be signage on the corral fence the day of the event informing you of what actually **is** available and asking you to make a first and second choice. In addition, there will be a table in front of the fence with one flat of each available variety, so you'll be able to see what they look like as you wait in line.
- There will be marks on the parking lot to indicate where people should stand to maintain proper distancing. For the safety and good health of everyone, including Landscape Committee members and Pittsfield Village staff who have to be there throughout the entire event, please respect and adhere to these markings.
- Also, masks will be required. No mask, no flat. If you don't have a mask, a small supply of cloth ones will be available the day of the event.
- There will be a table by the corral gate staffed by volunteers. When it is your turn, tell the volunteer what your first and second choices are. They will then retrieve your flat for you from the corral. If your first choice is no longer available, they will retrieve a flat of your second choice. If neither is available, they will work with you to choose something you might like. Thanks for understanding.
- You will not be allowed to enter the corral area.
- If you cannot attend in person due to work commitments, etc. then please fill out the request form below and either return it to the office drop box before the event or send with your neighbor the day of the event. Your choice, as best we can honor it given the above constraints, will be delivered to your front porch.
- If we should have flats left over after the event, this will be announced via an email blast on the following Monday. You are then welcome to come and choose whatever you might like from whatever is still available.
- The Board will not be cooking hot dogs, etc., this year.

Flower Giveaway Event

### Pick-up AUTHORIZATION

OWNER name:	OWNER unit:
Neighbor name:	Neighbor unit:
Signature	_Date:

# **May 2022**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 M&M Committee @ 6:00pm (Virtual)	4	5	6	7 Hentucky Decky
8	9	10 Landscape Committee @ 6:00pm (Virtual)	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 Flower Giveaway 11am—1pm
22	7:00pm Annual Meeting via GoToWebinar	24 Trugreen Lawn Application	25	26	27	Pool Opening!
29	30 MEMORIAL DAY OFFICE CLOSED	31 Trugreen Lawn Application (rain date)	Next board meeting will be held in June			

### **Pittsfield Village Office**

Monday — Friday, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

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### COMMITTEES

Maintenance & Modification: Lisa Lemble, Chair

Landscape: Brian Rice, Chair

### **Meeting links**

M & M-- https://meet.goto.com/526776981

Landscape- https://meet.goto.com/465598541

Annual Meeting: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4582619751253463056

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Join us for the annual City of Ann Arbor Fire and Police open house

Free, family-friendly activities:
Fire and Police Vehicles
Smoke House Demonstrations
Police K-9 Officers
Vehicle Extrications and more!







