

A Full Pink Moon will rise across the world on April 13. This will be the fourth Full Moon of 2025



*Upcoming*  
**COMMUNITY  
EVENTS**

**NOTE THESE IMPORTANT DATES**

- Annual meeting/BOD Election: May 5
- Flower Giveaway + Expo: May 17
- Pool Party: July 19

**REMEMBER TO:**



Clean up after your dogs.  
Bag up the "doodoo" and  
place it in your trash cart,  
not in the playground  
areas. Thank you!

Let us know soon if your **window flower box** is  
in need of repair. Call 734.971.0233 or email  
the onsite staff at [office@pittsfieldvillage.com](mailto:office@pittsfieldvillage.com).

Thank you!



**New Fiscal Year Budget**

The **new fiscal year begins May 1, 2025**.  
The 2025-2026 budget along with the new fee  
structure was mailed to all co-owners.

If you are already on automatic withdrawal, the  
new amount will be adjusted accordingly.



If you have any questions regarding payment  
options, please contact Wanda Buster at  
[wbuster@kramertriad.com](mailto:wbuster@kramertriad.com).

## CITY OF ANN ARBOR

### COMPOSTING

Check out the city's tips page for suggestions on how to deal with yard material and ideas for those who want to explore alternatives to disposing of compost material at the curb.

#### Compost carts

The City is offering 64 or 96 gallon size compost carts. Residents can pick one up for free or one can be delivered for a charge.

The first cart is free, additional carts will be charged an additional cart fee.

To order or pick up a cart, please first contact the Customer Service Center by phone at 734.994.7336, or via email [customerservice@a2gov.org](mailto:customerservice@a2gov.org).

#### Paper yard bags and bundled brush/tree limbs

Paper yard bags may be used for yard trimmings such as leaves, weeds and other vegetation. Bundled brush or tree limbs, four feet or less, can be tied with natural twine in bundles up to 18 inches in diameter, and left at the curb for pickup. Individual tree limbs must be less than 6 inches in diameter.

As bags can be difficult to service at times while also posing a greater injury and health risk to staff, we are encouraging all composters to take advantage of carts if able. If you must use paper yard bags, please don't overload them. If you can't lift it comfortably, neither can city staff. Thank you!

Please check for updates through the City of Ann Arbor's website: [www.a2gov.org](http://www.a2gov.org) for updates regarding the City's composting program, or at 734-994-7336.



### Realtor/For Sale Signs

*'For Sale' signs can only be placed within your unit's garden bed, not in the common area*

#### Section 6. Aesthetics

*The Common Elements, Limited or General, shall not be used for storage of supplies, materials, personal property, or trash or refuse of any kind, except as provided in duly adopted rules and regulations of the Association.*

*No unsightly condition shall be maintained on any porch. ...In general, no activity shall be carried on nor condition maintained by any Co-owner either in the Co-owner's Unit or upon the Common Elements, which is detrimental to the appearance of the Condominium.*

## Flower Giveaway Expo Saturday, May 17, 2025

In conjunction with the annual Flower Giveaway, the Landscape Committee is excited to host an Expo in the Village parking lot. This event will feature various contractors, booths for special projects, and will showcase resident talents.

Spaces for the Expo are limited. If you would like to reserve a spot, please contact Theresa Moore, Landscape Committee Chair, at

**[landscapecommittee@pittsfieldvillage.com](mailto:landscapecommittee@pittsfieldvillage.com)**

Additional details to come

# The Great American Elm

By Kyler Melmoth, Landscape Committee

There were once great giants that towered over and protected every city in the US including Ann Arbor. After a long hard-fought war there are only a few of these great trees left and one of these is in The Village.

This is the story of the Great American Elm tree, a true American tree. Elm trees are classified as stately trees with their vase shape that provides lots of shade. The species is known for their resistance to and tolerance of most adverse conditions. In the 1930's they were dispersed everywhere throughout the U.S. Then one day a terrible disease made its way to the U.S. from Europe where it was already ravaging their Elms. This disease was known as Dutch Elm Disease because it was discovered in the Netherlands, even though it originated in Asia. The disease arrived on timber destined for Ohio that was harboring bark beetles that carry the disease. The spread of the infection was abated, but then when World War II came along, funding was needed elsewhere and the fight against the disease was stopped. By 1950 the disease had reached Michigan! Hundreds of thousands of trees died and almost every city in the USA was ravaged. America had lost its premier tree just after they had lost another stately tree -- the American Chesnut. Some American Elm trees did persist, and people around the USA have worked hard to bring the American Elm back with the help of the trees that survived.



Multiple cultivars have been developed that are Dutch Elm disease resistant. These include the Princeton and New Harmony cultivars that both keep the great vase shape of the American Elm Tree and the green double-serrated leaves that turn bright yellow in the fall.

All over the country, the Elm trees are starting to come back. We have our own American Elm tree that has survived the great war with Dutch Elm Disease. This summer, go check out our wonderful American Elm tree, cherish its shade and greatness, maybe have a picnic under it, or even hug it! You'll find this grand beauty south of Parkwood, west of Fernwood. We are lucky to have such a strong persistent tree within The Village.



Dear Neighbor,

A City of Ann Arbor ordinance requires that carts be kept behind homes where they are out of view, but the City Council agreed it can be a hardship for many of us—especially those not on the ends of buildings—to pull carts around the building, across the grass, snow, or slush. Therefore, the City gave Pittsfield Village a waiver to allow carts to be kept in front as long as they are screened.



You have the choice of keeping your carts behind your home next to your deck, but when they are in front, they must be screened by shrubs or an approved fence (PV Maintenance Dept can install a fence on a bill-back basis).

**So, please keep your carts behind your home or in front where they are screened** to keep us in compliance with the City ordinance.

If you have any questions, please call the office at (734) 971-0233 or email [office@pittsfieldvillage.com](mailto:office@pittsfieldvillage.com).

Thank you! Pittsfield Village Condominium Association

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The **A2Zero (OSI) Committee Meeting** check-in is virtual. Residents are welcome to bring questions or suggestions! To attend the meeting on April 16 at 10:00 am, you may email [pittsfieldzero@pittsfieldvillage.com](mailto:pittsfieldzero@pittsfieldvillage.com) a minimum of 24 hours prior to the meeting and share the item or items you would like to add to the agenda.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 M&M Committee 6:00 pm	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 Landscape Committee 6:00 pm	9	10	11	12
13 Full Pink Moon	14 Go-Doc Committee 3:00 pm	15	16 A2Zero Committee 10:00 am	17	18 office closing early	19
20 	21	22	23 BOD meeting 6:00 pm	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			



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