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...and so much more!

Spring is in the Air!

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Hello to everyone! 2024 is off to a great start, with exciting things planned for the remainder of the year.

Projects and Maintenance, Everywhere!
2023 was a very busy year for the city, and we’ll continue improving the city through 2024.

The Woodward cycle track and streetscape project is nearly completed, and we’ll put the finishing touches on the project this spring. The northbound streetscape portion of the project already looks fantastic, and I can’t wait to see it with the remaining landscaping in place and the construction materials removed. The final stages of construction will be much less disruptive than what we experienced last year.

We’ll be renovating and updating our brick public works building, located in Gainsboro Park along the eastern edge of our city. At 100 years old, it’s our oldest city-owned building and has gone without improvements for many decades. The building will be improved to maintain its historical character while updating it to meet modern building, plumbing, HVAC, and electrical standards.

You may have noticed the work underway to upgrade our kitchen at the community center. While functional, the old kitchen had become a bit tired. I’m excited that the Pleasant Ridge Foundation chose the kitchen as its major project for 2024, committing $80,000 to make the project happen. The Foundation is funding nearly all this project, and we thank them for it.

We’ll also see continued work on our water and road infrastructure this year. The Kensington water main and lead service lines will be replaced this year, Woodward Heights Blvd will see traffic calming project work, and we are finalizing the design and permitting for our next water main and lead service line replacement project on Oakdale.

Bean Counter Corner
Here’s something that never gets old saying... Pleasant Ridge is in good, stable condition financially. We don’t react to the day-to-day noise, but rather plan for the long haul by preparing a three-year budget plan each year. Many thanks to former Mayor Ralph Castelli and City Manager Jim Breuckman for your guidance as part of our city Investment Committee, and to all city staff for managing our spending well.

A Look Ahead
We’ll be doing a lot of planning in 2024 to prepare us for future projects. You will have extensive opportunity to contribute your thoughts as we work on the following:

• **Comprehensive Community Plan** – this plan will be our vision for land use, parks and recreation, and local transportation over the coming 5+ years. Past master plans have resulted in improvements to our parks, projects along Woodward Avenue, better community services and policies to preserve the flavor of our city.

• **Public Art Plan** – the recently created Pleasant Ridge Arts Council will be leading the effort to create a plan to guide where and how we can add public art in the community. Stay tuned for more information on how you can participate in this effort this coming spring and summer.
**Regional Safe Streets 4 All (SS4A) Plan** –
We will be collaborating with our neighboring communities in Southeast Oakland County to create a regional SS4A plan to improve the regional transportation network. This plan will also allow us to access significant grant funding from the Federal Government.

On the fun side of things, our Recreation Director Shawnie Stamper has put together lots of programming that everyone can take part in around town throughout spring and summer. If you’re not familiar, nearly everything is mentioned here in this issue of the Ridger, and the recreation center is open to take your questions and ideas for new programming.

**Welcome To Our New, Familiar Police Chief**
You may not have heard that there’s a new police chief in town, and one that you already know! I’m very happy to mention that Rob Ried has been promoted to Chief of Police. Rob has been serving as Interim Police Chief since the retirement of our past police chief Kevin Nowak last year. After an exhaustive search that yielded nearly 40 applicants, Rob’s great knowledge of our city and his excellent approach to community policing proved to be the best choice. Pleasant Ridge has always placed a high importance on its police department, and I’m sure that Rob will carry forward our tradition of exemplary policing.

**Thank You!**
I’ll finish with a big thanks to everyone. So much of what Pleasant Ridge is, is because of all the time, effort, and input our residents give to the city... it’s amazing! If you’re new to Pleasant Ridge, I encourage you to check out the various community groups that help to keep our city beautiful and fun. If you have any questions, thoughts, or feedback, please reach out to me directly at bscott@cityofpleasantridge.org.

— Mayor Bret Scott
Going On
Around Town

Monthly Movie Series
Movies the first Thursday every month
12 p.m. & 6 p.m. showtimes
Apr. 4, 12 p.m. only: TBD
May 2, 12 p.m. & 6 p.m.: TBD
Jun. 6, 12 p.m. & 6 p.m.: TBD

City-Wide Garage Sale
Sat., May 11, $25.
Signs available for sale April 1.
Purchase by May 9 at 5 p.m.
to be included on the map.

Memorial Day Ceremony
Mon., May 27, 9 a.m. at Memorial Park
The City will present a ceremony in memory of those soldiers and emergency personnel who sacrificed their lives and to honor those who continue to serve with dignity and courage daily.

Family "Splash Bash" Pool Party
Mon., Jul. 22, 7-9 p.m., $10 per person
Create lasting memories with your family at a fun and exciting pool party—we will have snacks, pool inflatables and more!

Teen Trip to Cedar Point
Fri., Aug. 9, Residents: $95, Non-Residents: $105.
Fee includes transportation, admission and chaperone. Must be 12 and older to attend.

Team up for Trivia
Fri. Apr. 12, Doors 7 p.m., Trivia Starts 7:30 p.m.
It’s your last chance to show off your trivia prowess before the summer break. Gather friends and neighbors for some fast-action raucous competition while supporting the PR Woman’s Club Scholarship Fund.

City Wide Campout!
Fri., Jun. 14, 6 p.m. to Sat. Jun. 15, 10 a.m.
Free to attend, but you must be pre-registered!

2023 Family Campout Photo Courtesy of David Zientek

Team of eight players (max) compete to answer questions covering every topic you can think of! BYO snacks and beverages (beer/wine ok; hard liquor not permitted). Theme/dress decorations encouraged to win a half-price table at a future Trivia Night.

Please register at least two weeks in advance, late-comers welcome. Event is limited to 14 tables.

To secure your place, send or deliver full payment ($20 per person), with your email, team name & members, to Pam Omiatek, 59 Kensington, PR, 48069. Cash, check (written to the Pleasant Ridge Woman’s Club) or Venmo (@Pam-Omiatek) accepted.

Questions? Send an email to jtreuter11@gmail.com or prwomansclub@gmail.com.

Save the Date!
Ice Cream Social
Wed., Jul. 17, 6-8 p.m.
(sponsored by Woodward Corners and Oakland County)

It’s EASY to register online for activities! Visit www.cityofpleasantridge.org and click on “Recreation Program Registration” under QUICK LINKS or scan the QR code with your device!

All events and activities are subject to change and cancellation. Please check with PR Recreation for the latest dates and times. Refund Policy: No refunds will be issued for any programs or activities unless canceled by the Recreation Department.
Pleasant Ridge Foundation 2024 Auction
“Kitchen Couture” Sat., May 18, 5:30-10 p.m.

Our annual auction is back for 2024! Join us for "Kitchen Couture," a night of culinary delights. Dress to impress in your most fashionable food-and-chef-inspired attire, and the best costume will win a prize! Nosh on delicious local cuisine, drink fabulous wine and beer and bid on exciting prizes that raise money for projects benefiting our community.

Proceeds from this year’s auction will pay for a remodeled kitchen at the PR Community Center; past funds have paid for exciting projects like the toddler playground at Gainsboro Community Center/Patio, and improved lighting in city parks.

Tickets will be available for purchase at www.pleasantridgefoundation.org.

PR Garden Club Spring Programs

The Pleasant Ridge Garden Club invites everyone to participate in their educational programs and popular events, held at the 4 Ridge Community Center.

For the latest information on these activities, check the Pleasant Ridge Garden Club Facebook page. For more Garden Club program information, contact Myra Walman at (313) 304-9393. For Junior Garden Club, contact Stephanie Vemula at Stephanie@rootconfig.com.

Enthusiastic gardeners and those looking to learn more are invited to join the PR Garden Club. Contact Barbara Bolz at barbbolz71@gmail.com.

Get The Dirt On.....Seed Germination
Mon., Apr. 8, 7 p.m.
Just in time for spring planting -- get the “dirt,” without getting dirty. Carol Broadback presents a program on seed anatomy, proper seed selection, and preparation. A brief membership meeting precedes the program at 6:30 p.m.

Taking Care of Business -- Annual Meeting & Brunch Mon., May 6, 10 a.m.

Business Meeting/Installation of Officers Brunch followed by Tour of El Moore Gardens Mon., Jun. 3, 10 a.m.
Following an important meeting and brunch, the group travels to El Moore Gardens in Detroit where we enjoy a self-paced tour of this exceptional neighborhood garden filled with Michigan native plants. The garden was designed to provide quiet relaxation and also is home to Seasons Market, a neighborhood food store and café. Reclaimed and repurposed materials dominate the garden and Dalgleish Cadillac water tower serves as the entrance, with main gates made from Thomas Edison’s workshop gates.

Junior Garden Club
Specially created for children from kindergarten to age 12, programs are held at the Pleasant Ridge Community Center, and snacks are served. Check the Pleasant Ridge Garden Club Facebook page for registration details.

May Day Baskets & Crowns
Sun., Apr. 28, 10 a.m.
Children are invited to create and decorate paper crowns and paper cones to fill with flowers, greens and sweets, and encouraged to give them away to neighbors, family, and special friends to celebrate spring on May 1. A small card describing the history of May Day baskets is added to each basket.
50 + Club Spring/Summer Activities

Please watch for additional trips and activities to be added to the schedule. Please check your email and the PR Facebook page often for updates!

50 + BINGO
Thu., Apr. 4, 6 p.m. Cost is $7.
Hot dog dinner and fun provided! Must be pre-registered. Wear your Detroit Tigers swag!

Book Tower Tour
Fri., Apr. 9, 10:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m. Cost: $10.
Lunch cost is on your own.
A storied building for the books. Commissioned by the Book brothers, Book Tower was designed by architect Louis Kamper to transform Washington Boulevard into an upscale and fashionable intersection of Detroit. When it opened in 1926, it was the tallest structure in the city at 38 stories, designed with Roman-influenced intricacies and sparkling interiors that featured fine dining, shopping, and offices.

Today, Book Tower is an instantly recognizable Detroit landmark. The restoration and renovation embrace century-old design and modern amenities, revealing a collection of spaces for visitors to live, work, dine, celebrate, and stay once again.

Diamond Jack Detroit River Tours
Fri., June 28. Depart at 8:30 a.m., return 1 p.m.
Cost: $26. Lunch cost on your own.
Diamond Jack’s sightseeing tours are a great way to take in many popular and interesting attractions along the Detroit riverfront. Facilitated by one of our knowledgeable tour guides, each public tour includes detailed narration highlighting various points of interest and historic landmarks along the Detroit river.

Dequindre Cut Walking Tour
Wed., May 22, 10:30 a.m.—3 p.m.
Cost: $6 Lunch cost is on your own.
The Dequindre Cut Greenway is an urban recreational path that opened to the public in May of 2009. The two-mile greenway was developed through a public, nonprofit, and private partnership—comprising the federal government, City of Detroit, the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan and the Detroit Economic Growth Corporation—and offers a pedestrian link between the East Riverfront, Eastern Market and several residential neighborhoods in between.

Michigan Princess Lunch Cruise Along Lansing’s Grand River: Bianco Tours
Tue., Aug. 20, 8:15 a.m.—4:30 p.m.
Cost: $120. Reservations required by Jul. 1.
This Bianco Tour includes round-trip transportation via deluxe motorcoach to Lansing, guided tour of the Michigan State Capitol Building, Michigan Princess Riverboat Lunch Cruise, and a stroll through Horrocks Farm Market! Don’t miss this wonderful day trip opportunity presented by Pleasant Ridge Rec.

Join the Pleasant Ridge Club
The PR (Social) Club has been bringing friends and neighbors together for fun and socializing for over 110 years! Please consider becoming a member. Look for spring/summer party plans on our Facebook page and via member emails. For more info on becoming a member (including $20 annual dues), please contact Mark Kueber (markkueber@gmail.com), Jeff Husby, or Susie Sherman-Hall via Facebook Messenger.

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**It’s Spring Cleaning Time**

As you’re sorting through closets, cupboards, basement, and attic, put your best items aside to donate to Ridge Resale!

Clean and gently used donations can include women’s and men’s clothing, jewelry, fashion accessories, glassware, wall art, and household items. Sorry, no children’s clothing, toys, books, music, luggage, electronics or office equipment. If you have bedsheets you no longer need, Ridge Resale can use them to cover merchandise during the off months.

**Save these dates:**

- Sat. April 20 – 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. – Donations only, use rear entrance off DPW parking lot
- Thu. May 2 – 7 to 8:30 p.m. – Grand Reopening Party Kick off the 2024 shopping season. Be among the first bargain hunters to see and buy what’s new this year at Ridge Resale, and enjoy a treat or two while you’re there.
- Sat. May 11, June 8, July 13 – 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. – Regular “second Saturday” summer shop hours. Special sale events are anticipated. Watch the Pleasant Ridge Resale and PR Facebook pages for more announcements.

**Volunteers wanted!**

Our resale shop has become a social gathering point for Ridgers and others beyond our borders. Volunteering to help out is a great opportunity to see friends, meet new neighbors, and have some fun. Tasks include receiving, sorting, and pricing donations, as well as helping customers on the sales floor and check-out areas. Volunteers can sign up for dates and times as they’re available, usually in two- or four-hour blocks. Training is provided, and all the jobs are simple. There is no minimum or maximum to how many days you volunteer, although the team appreciates repeat helpers. **To volunteer or learn more about it, contact Jenny Alvarez by text to (517) 290-1464.**

Ridge Resale is part of the Pleasant Ridge Foundation, whose proceeds are used for projects that enhance the community. **Questions? Send a note to lisawetzen@gmail.com**

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**RainSmart Rebates**

Join the RainSmart Rebates pilot program and earn rebates for installing green stormwater infrastructure on your property. Beautify your space while managing stormwater effectively! This two-year residential pilot program is for homeowners in the George W. Kuhn Drain Drainage District. It offers homeowners up to $2,000 for implementing sustainable stormwater practices such as tree planting, rain barrel installation, or creating a rain garden on their properties.

The primary goals of the program include fostering awareness about stormwater management and promoting environmental stewardship. Applicants will follow a step-by-step process to implement an approved project to be eligible for the one-time rebate.

**LEARN MORE! Scan the QR code or visit www.OakGov.com/RainSmart**
2024 SUMMER PROGRAM
REGISTRATION OPENS APR. 1 AT 8 A.M.
Register online or in person!

Camp meets Mon.-Thu. • Jun. 10–Aug. 1, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.
No Camp: 7/2–7/4 (Field Trip ONLY on 7/1) at the PR Community Center
• Register week by week or for the whole summer.
• For weekly Camp fees visit www.cityofpleasantridge.org
• For children ages 7 (in the 2024 calendar year) to 15
• Parent Info Night: Jun. 4, 6 p.m.
Info: 248–541-2902 or email Shawnie: ss@cityofpr.org

OPTIONAL CAMP FIELD TRIPS

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Please note: Activities listed are optional camp trips. If you are not attending the trip, camp will take place as regularly scheduled. Field Trips are on a first come, first serve basis. Trips are limited to a max. 40 camper. Field trips are an additional fee to Camp Fee Registration. All campers must bring a bag lunch and wear gym shoes & socks, camp t-shirt on all field trips.

EDITORIAL POLICY: Although the Parks and Recreation Department goes to great lengths to ensure that all information contained on this flyer is accurate at the time of printing, errors occasionally occur and last minute changes in programs, classes and activities – such as dates, times and locations – may be necessary due to circumstances beyond our control. We apologize ahead of time for any inconvenience and thank you for your patience and understanding.

Pleasant Ridge 2024 “Leaders in Training” Program

The LIT Program allows for our teen population to develop strong leadership and “taking initiative” skills. LITs spend the summer making new friends, gaining work experience and having fun. LITs will receive training and “on the job” feedback, support and evaluation.

Summer LIT opportunities include:
Current 7th Grade (2023-24 school year) & Up:
Summer Camp, Special Events, Outdoor Pool and Front Desk.

There is a nominal fee for the LIT Program to help offset some of the costs incurred with the program. The fee covers LIT training, t-shirts, and supervision. $28 for the summer. Full payment must accompany the application as well as the availability calendar attached to the packet. Late applications will not be accepted. Every attempt is made to accommodate as many as possible, but spaces are limited.
Placements are based on age, previous experience and availability. PR residents only, limited to 25 spots.
LIT applications are available at the Front Desk
Apr. 1 and must be turned in by May 1.
App. fee: $28
**Tennis Lessons at Gainsboro Park**

Our approach is based on the latest research and guidelines from the top youth sports and tennis programmers in the country. We teach fundamentals that apply to all sports. Our goal is to make tennis more accessible and more fun to more people, especially kids!

**Class descriptions:**

4-6 years Pee-wee tennis: Fun is the name of the game with this age group, plus basic athletic and hand-eye skills.

7-12 years: Strokes refined, tactics, mental games addressed.

13-18 & adult classes: Further refinement of strokes, tactics, and mental toughness. Drills recreate specific match-play situations.

**Spring Session:** Wed. May 22-Jun. 12, 4 weeks $73

**Summer Session:** Wed., Jun. 19-Jul. 31, 6 weeks $109 (no class 7/3)

5:15-6 p.m. Pee-wee tennis 4-6 yrs.
6-7 p.m. 7-10 yrs.
7-8 p.m. 11-17 yrs.
8-9 p.m. Adult. Beginner friendly, newbies welcome!

**Spring/Summer Pickleball**

**Beginner Pickleball:** This class is open to brand new players up to advanced beginners. If you are brand new to pickleball, great! If you have some experience but struggle to come to the net to volley or are not confident about your 3rd shot skills and tactics, this class will be a good fit for you.

**Intermediate Pickleball:** To take this class, we ask that you know the rules, are comfortable coming to net and volleying and either have or are developing 3rd shot tactics.

**Spring Pickleball**

Mon., May 6-Jun. 3, skip Memorial Weekend, both classes $109/four 90-minute classes

Beginner Pickleball, 5:30-7 p.m.
Intermediate Pickleball 7-8:30 p.m.

**Summer Pickleball**

Mon, Jun. 17-Jul. 8, both classes $109/four 90-minute classes

Beginner Pickleball: 5:30-7 p.m.
Intermediate Pickleball: 7-8:30 p.m.

**Adult Volleyball League**

Deadline to register: April 15 (or until the league is full at 6 teams), $250 per team. Games begin mid-May, end Mid-July.

Looking for youth golf lessons?

First Tee of Greater Detroit is hosting lessons at Rackham Golf Course. For more information, please visit: https://www.firstteegreaterdetroit.org/

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For more pool information, please call 248-541-2902

Guest Passes can be used beginning on Tuesday, May 28th

Morning Lap Swim – No Guest passes allowed

June 17th - July 12th 6:15-7:15 and July 15th-July 26th 6:30-7:30am

Weather closures? Please check the FB page or call!

*Water Aerobics 11am Tuesday/Thursday and 10am Saturday starting 6/13*

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**Adult Water Aerobics Classes**

Instructor: Victoria Dickinson (AEA Certified)

Water aerobics sessions: Tuesdays & Thursdays

Fee: Register for once a week for $60 or twice a week for $115

Session I: Jun. 21-Jul. 20 (5 weeks) 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Session II: Jul. 28-Aug. 25 (5 weeks) 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Class size limited to 15 participants.

Drop-ins $15 (cash or check) are permitted if class size allows.

Students are asked to bring 2 "sturdy" noodles.

**SATURDAY CLASS INFO TO COME!**

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**Swim Lessons at the PR Pool**

**SESSION 1: JUNE 17-20 • SESSION 2: JUNE 24-27 • SESSION 3: JULY 8-11 • SESSION 4: JULY 15-18**

The City of Pleasant Ridge offers swim lessons for both residents and non residents. The lesson structure follows the American Red Cross Levels 1-4. Sign up at the Community Center or online. Lessons are one-week sessions, Mon.-Thu. with makeup on Fri. No lessons the week of July 4. Residents: $55, Non-residents: $70 per session. **Sign up begins June 3.** 11:30 a.m.–12 p.m. Parent/Tot; 12-12:40 p.m. Level 1-4
Swim Team Parent Info Night
Thu., May 9, 6:30 p.m.
What should my swimmer bring to practice?
Water Bottle-2 towels-Goggles-Swim Cap-Kick Board-Fins

2024 PR Piranhas Swim Meet Schedule
June 8 - Blue vs. Yellow Meet
7:30 a.m.-12 p.m. @ Pleasant Ridge
June 20 @ Woodbrooke Hills
June 24 vs Huntington Woods
June 27 @ Cranbrook
July 1 vs Woodside
July 8 @ Beechview
July 11 vs Heart of the Hills
B Finals--July 20 @ SURF
A Finals--July 27/28 @ Beachwood

Pride Swim
Wed., Jun. 12, 8-10 p.m.
The pool will be open for swimming. Water temp. is 82 degrees! One guest per resident is allowed per reservation. Please be sure that your guests are aware of the Pool Rules. Feel free to bring your own snacks and beverages. NO GLASS ON THE POOL DECK! The event is limited to the first 50 pre-registered guests. There will be music and a few freebies passed out!

Summer Reading at the Pool!
Thu., Jun. 13, 5:30-7 p.m.
Huntington Woods Library staff will be at the PR Pool to register PR Residents for library cards, reveal the Summer Reading lists, discuss the many in-person and online service the Library provides, as well as answer any questions. To register for your library card, please bring a photo ID with your address.

Synchro Show: "Bringing the Paris Olympics to PR" Thu., Aug. 1, time TBD
Fee includes t-shirt, practices and show. Watch for more information to follow!!
Cost: $55 R/$65 NR

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The pool will be open for swimming. Water temp. is 82 degrees! One guest per resident is allowed per reservation. Please be sure that your guests are aware of the Pool Rules. Feel free to bring your own snacks and beverages. NO GLASS ON THE POOL DECK! The event is limited to the first 50 pre-registered guests. There will be music and a few freebies passed out!

Summer Reading at the Pool!
Thu., Jun. 13, 5:30-7 p.m.
Huntington Woods Library staff will be at the PR Pool to register PR Residents for library cards, reveal the Summer Reading lists, discuss the many in-person and online service the Library provides, as well as answer any questions. To register for your library card, please bring a photo ID with your address.

Synchro Show: "Bringing the Paris Olympics to PR" Thu., Aug. 1, time TBD
Fee includes t-shirt, practices and show. Watch for more information to follow!!
Cost: $55 R/$65 NR
**Yoga Blend** Instructor: Mike Christy  
Mondays at 6:30-7:30 p.m. $10/week or $12 for drop-in  
SESSION I: Apr. 1-Apr. 29 (no class 5/6)  
SESSION II: May 13-Jun. 17 (no class 5/27)  
**Class Description:** This class will blend flowing sequences of yoga postures with longer holds to refine alignment within the postures. All levels are welcome. Modifications and intensifications will be offered so that every student can feel challenged at a level that is appropriate for them. Alignment, breathing, and meditation will be emphasized to access the benefits of yoga for physical and mental well-being. Find out why yoga is one of the best things you can do to feel great physically and mentally!

**Yin Yoga** Instructor: Mike Christy  
Wednesdays 7:30 p.m. $10/week (w/pkg.) or $12 drop-in  
SESSION I: Apr. 3-May 8  
SESSION II: May 15-Jun. 19  
**Class description:** Yin Yoga is a relaxing yet challenging form of yoga featuring long holds of grounded postures. You place yourself in the posture, breathe, and let gravity do the rest. The class will conclude with a deep relaxation. Yin is a great physical practice for Wednesday evening when your energy starts to get low and you need to restore yourself physically and mentally for the second half of the week. Tight muscles drain your energy and wear you out. Yin Yoga helps you get that energy back without exerting any additional energy. The yogic breathing helps you relax your nervous system, providing all the benefits that stem from that: Reduced pain, inflammation, anxiety and depression, improved digestion and sleep, etc.

This class is recommended for beginners to experienced yogis. This will be a very supportive class. The instructor will provide yoga bolsters, yoga blankets, yoga blocks, and yoga straps, but you are welcome to bring your own if you like. Please bring your own yoga mat.

**Sit and Get Fit** Instructor: Victoria Dickinson  
Mon. & Wed. 9 a.m. $144 (2 days per week); $15 drop-in  
SESSION I: Apr. 1-May 8  
SESSION II: May 13-Jun. 19 (no class 5/27)  
Beginning June 10, class begins at 8:30 a.m.  
**Join us as we move to music and have fun. This chair-exercise class will help you increase your muscle mass and bone density. Also, the exercises performed will help to improve strength, balance, and flexibility. There will be some standing exercises, however, they can be modified for the chair. Everyone in class works at their own pace.**

**Zumba** Instructor: Katie McGowan  
Wednesdays 6-7 p.m. $8/week or $10 drop-in  
SESSION I: Apr. 3-May 8  
SESSION II: May 15-Jun. 19  
**Class Description:** Perfect For Everybody and everybody! Each Zumba® class is designed to bring people together. We take the “work” out of workout, by mixing low-intensity and high-intensity moves for an interval-style, calorie-burning dance fitness party. A total workout, combining all elements of fitness – cardio, muscle conditioning, balance and flexibility, boosted energy and a serious dose of awesome each time you leave class. Pretty much the most awesome workout ever. Dance to great music, with great people, and burn a ton of calories without even realizing it.

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**Feeling Fit at Any Time of Your Life!**  
Fitness has no age limit. Learn what you can do to improve fitness without jarring your joints or overworking muscles. The Pleasant Ridge Woman’s Club invites everyone to a special evening program.

Certified fitness, aqua aerobics and personal training expert Victoria Dickinson draws on her 40 years of experience, sharing tips and tricks and demonstrating a few simple exercises to enhance flexibility, improve balance, and maintain muscle mass – no matter your age. This program also provides a peak into the popular “Sit and Get Fit” and “Aqua Aerobics” classes offered by PR Recreation. **Questions can be addressed to jtreuter11@gmail.com. FREE! No registration required.**
Youth & Adult Library Programs

Youth Programs

Drop-In Preschool Story Time
Tuesdays 10:30 a.m. Ages 0-5.

Drop-In Baby Play Group
Wednesdays 10:30 a.m. Best suited for 6 mos. -2 years.

REMIND APP for TEENS
Sign up for Remind and receive text messages about teen events at the library! Download the app and create an account. The code for the group is @hwlib.

Cute and Cuddles – Little Creatures Co., Tues., Apr. 16, 11 a.m. Toddler/preschool cute and cuddly animal show. Registration required.

How to Write your College Essay
Thu., Apr. 25, 5–6 p.m. Grades 9-12. Registration required.

Teen Blackout Poetry
Kits will be available for pick up April 1-30. Create a poem by blacking out words in books.

Blackout Poetry Slam
Tue., Apr. 30, 6:30 p.m. Share your Blackout poetry with the group. Registration required.

Anime Drawing Workshop
Sat., May 18, 2 p.m. Ages 12+ Registration required.

School’s Out Summer Scavenger Hunt. Wed., Jun. 12. Drop in betw. 11:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Search the neighborhood by bike for the items on the list. Hunt as a group or on your own. Take a pic of each item you find. One cell phone is needed per group. Prizes will be awarded to all hunters that complete the search. No registration required.

SUMMER READING ADVENTURE
Jun. 15–Aug. 10. Website for Info.

Bounce into Summer Reading! Thu., Jun. 13, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Hula Hoop Beach Party
Sat., Jun. 15, 11 a.m. All ages family event. Registration required.

Summer Reading Kickoff for Teens – Escape Room!
Sat. June 15, 1-3 p.m. For teens ages 12+. Play in groups of 8. Registration is required.

Adult Programs

Getting Your Garden Ready,
Wed. Apr. 3, 6:30 p.m. With Jim Miller from English Gardens.

Birding vs. Bird Watching, Thu. Apr. 11, 6:30 p.m. Greg Bodker will show you how to get the most out of both activities.

Adult Crafting, 2nd Saturdays, 1-4 p.m. Free. Registration required, supplies are limited.

Where are the Women? Wed. Apr. 17, 6:30 p.m. Robbie Terman will help you find all the people on your family tree.

Cinema Ann Arbor, Wed. May 1, 6:30 p.m. Cultural historian Frank Uhle talks about the journey into the DIY spirit of Ann Arbor’s highly influential film community.

Exploring Isle Royale, Thu. May 9, 6:30 p.m. Jim Defrense talks about Michigan’s most remote National Park.

Don’t Get Scammed!, Wed. May 15, 2 p.m. Michael Wilson talks about avoiding becoming a victim of an online scam.

Underwater Mysteries of the Great Lakes, Thu. Jun. 13, 6:30 p.m. Ross Richardson will talk about the great mysteries that lie beneath the surface of our Great Lakes.

Woods Gallery Exhibits

"Faces in Nature" – Photographs by Charles Stern
Thru April 27

"Vines / Between the Vines: Nature’s Ephemera" – The Paintings of Lynn Parkllan
May 5 – Jun. 21
Artist’s Reception: Thu., May 16, 6–8 p.m.
Brief Gallery Talk, 7 p.m.

"The Pop Art Paintings of Michael Crane"
Coming June 30

The library now has hotspots!
The library now has hotspots! The library has three T-Mobile, 5G hotspots each of which can be checked out for seven days. Hotspots cannot be placed on hold and must be picked up and returned at the library. If you’d like a hotspot, either swing by the library, or give us a call and we’ll hold one at the desk for you for 30 minutes.

Register for activities at: www.huntingtonwoodslib.org
Time to Renew!

2024 Pool Tags

Sign Up May 1-17 during open hours at the Rec Center.

Bring your picture ID with your Pleasant Ridge address and your pool pass to renew (for returning residents), and new residents will be issued a pass. To expedite lines, pool tags will not be renewed during pool time slots! $10 replacement fee PER pool pass.

PR staff training is the week of May 20; please register during May 1-17 to avoid interruptions.

Community Paper Shred Truck Event

Sat., Jun. 15, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Community Center Parking Lot

Pleasant Ridge Residents only

• Limit of two banker boxes per resident
• Paper only, no credit cards or cds
• Staples ok – paper clips must be removed
• No junk mail – sensitive/personal documents only
• Must be in line by 2 p.m.!