

*Fall*



## *The Colony Connection*



### *Board Members*

David Rabahy, President  
Pilar Fierro, Vice-President  
Frank Penzato, Communications  
Mahesh Bhandari, Treasurer  
Peter Kohlert, Property Mgr

### *Fall Homeowners Meeting*

**When: Wednesday September 28, 2016 @ 7:00pm**

**Where: Northville Township Hall ( SW Corner of Six Mile and Sheldon Roads)**

**We will vote to Elect Board Members for the next year.**

**There will be at least one (1) open position for the board and so anyone interested in helping the community, please contact the board and attend the meeting.**

**Please consider being an active and responsible resident!**

### *Special Thanks*

The Board would like to thank those residents who have taken time out of their busy schedules to volunteer and help with improvements in the subdivision and address the concerns of our community. Without your involvement, we would not be able to make this such a wonderful place to live. We are planning an appreciation dinner for all those who have given of their time.

### *2016 General Election Voting Information*

The option to vote a "straight party" ballot has been eliminated in Michigan for all future General Elections beginning with the Nov. 8th election. Since that option is no longer available, voting will take more time than in previous elections. Even with the placement of additional voting booths at the polls, the lines will be long. The township is encouraging voters to consider voting absentee ballot for all elections.

### *Accomplishments of the Board*

The HOA Board has been very busy this year. Some of our activities are listed below:

- Transitioned to a new 5 member board which lead to more community involvement from the residents.
- Completed additional road work repair following the repairs completed by Wayne County.
- Began developing a plan to repair, maintain and improve the detention basin in the South Park.
- Work with concrete vendor to seal cracks in the roadway.
- Upkeep of our Grounds, worked with our maintenance person and resident volunteers to mulch and beautify the parks, islands and community.



### *Important information about sump lines*

We've received a few questions about sump lines running from our homes in the subdivision. Sump lines are the responsibility of homeowners. They must tie into the rear yard storm drains. They are not allowed to drain into the street. They should be checked regularly for proper operation to avoid flooding and pump failure. If they are overflowing then they need to be serviced quickly, e.g. cleaned out or replaced.

If a rear yard storm catch basin is full of water and not draining properly then please alert the board right away. If the obstruction can be cleared with a water jet then the association pays. If actual repairs are required, then all the houses connected to the rear yard storm drain line in question will share the cost.

### *E-mail The Board*

Please contact the Board with any questions, concerns or suggestions by sending an email to [hoa@nce345.org](mailto:hoa@nce345.org), which goes to all board members, to assure a prompt response.

### *Social Events*

A BIG **Thank You** to our Social Committee, for the various events held in our North Park and in conjunction with adjacent subdivisions.

Some upcoming events are:

**Check the website regularly for updates**

Have some great ideas to share? Please let the Social committee know, via our website

### *Spring Meeting*

Details on the Spring 2016 Homeowners Association meeting will be forthcoming. Please check the website for details and look for the Spring newsletter.

### *Civic Duty*

- \* Welcome to our new neighbors in the community. Please send a quick note to the Board, introducing yourself.
- \* Volunteer some time to serve on the HOA board or head a committee; it is very gratifying.
- \* Help keep our subdivision clean. It is inevitable that a few people will not care and will litter. If you see someone in the middle of doing this, bring it to their attention.
- \* Keep storm drains close to your property clear of any debris; this helps with less garbage in the detention basin and lower clean-up cost.
- \* Keep vehicular speeds down on our streets; there are many residents that walk regularly and many children at play.
- \* Report suspicious activities to the authorities ASAP; we need to watch out for each other.
- \* We can choose what our community should look and feel like, and it takes involvement from everyone to make it happen.