The Official Newsletter of the Cambridge Village Association - Fall 2018

HOME AWARDS 2018
The votes have been totaled, and these are the thirteen homes that were selected:

- 27219 Shagbark
- 27291 Shagbark
- 27449 Shagbark
- 27055 Lexington Pkwy
- 27400 Lexington Pkwy
- 27170 Johnny Cake
- 27333 Spring Arbor
- 27650 Spring Arbor
- 27666 Spring Arbor
- 27232 Red Leaf Lane
- 27442 Red Leaf Lane
- 27626 Red Leaf Lane
- 27727 Red Leaf Lane

We have posted photos of the chosen homes on the website (www.cambridgevillageassociation.org) but with no identifying information to protect privacy.

Judges came from the board, residents from the subdivision, and from the outside. Special thanks to our guest judges; it is a satisfying challenge, but is hard work.

The CVA Board is considering an additional award: most improved home. This award can go to one home or more and will be decided upon at the end of each year. Residents are invited to alert the Board of any houses that have undergone great improvements of the physical structure, rather than just landscape, or yard décor. This award is optional, it is possible some years no award will be given and other years may have several homes chosen.

A third award is planned: CVA Citizen of the Year, to be given at the CVA Annual Meeting in May. This award will celebrate an individual who has provided unparalleled service to our community that has improved the life within the subdivision. Residents will be invited to nominate individuals in the new year who could be candidates for the award.

The Renovated Website
Building upon the site created by former board member Ray Steele, we have moved the site to new software based on Wordpress, and was engineered by resident Jamar Wright. If you haven’t done so by now, you can pay your dues and any late fees on the site with credit or debit card, or via Paypal, and we are now posting newsletters, photos, calendar events, City phone numbers and other information.

More Front Entrance Fun
The Board recently learned that our electric meter hook up is not sanctioned by the electric company and must be moved. Even though it has likely been on that pole for some 65 years, it does not meet current standards. Therefore, it needs to be relocated behind the west entrance pillar, and this work will take place in October by an electrical contractor. This is a fairly costly venture but it must be done. In the long run, it will be better to be located closer to the entrance and be both safer and to code.

Holiday Volunteers
The plan this year is to deliver the annual holiday luminarias between Dec. 15-20 (Sat.-Thu.). We are seeking volunteers to help deliver on any of those days. Delivery is done at your convenience. It is important that we know by EARLY DECEMBER if you can help, as we need to construct routes, which is a very complicated process.
Last year, we had several who volunteered to deliver but they did not show up, so we were left in a panic. Several residents stepped up to the plate and did triple duty to get the luminarias to homes.

You can deliver a small amount like one block, or work in teams with others and do more...what works for you will be fine, as long as we know in advance. Please let any board member know if you are interested in helping with this favorite subdivision activity. It is kind of fun, and great for the Fitbit.

**Leaves Must Fall**
New residents need to be aware that all leaves need to be removed from the street, and raked into paper bags or plastic bins. Or, just mulch the leaves on your lawn with the lawnmower. This year, the last date of yard waste pick up will be on Wed. Dec. 5, almost two weeks after Thanksgiving. But don’t take a chance...it is easier to keep up with the leaves rather than be caught with unexpected horrible weather. Leaves left in the street gutter cause flooding and general misery throughout the winter, so don’t let this happen to you (or to us!)

**Vote Tuesday November 6**
CV votes at Thompson School on Lincoln/I-696/Greenfield. The non-partisan League of Women Voters of Oakland County has a helpful voter’s guide (http://www.lwvoa.org/voter_guides.html) or try http://vote411.org for candidates’ statements. There are several ballot initiatives and numerous non-partisan sections, so you will want to scope things out carefully before entering the ballot box.

**Hazardous Waste Day**
Sat. Oct. 27, from 9am-2pm, at the RRRASOC center on 8 Mile Rd. east of Lahser enter northbound on Mapleridge. This is the last one of the year for any of the locations in our region and the next one won’t be until April 2019. There is a list of what they take on the RRRASOC website: http://rrrasoc.org/household-hazardous-waste/acceptable-materials/