

# ARROWWOOD HILLS COOPERATIVE

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## Calendar

**Sun, Feb 9, 1-3pm**

Meet the Candidates for Washtenaw County Prosecutor

**Mon, Feb 10, 6pm**

Open Board Mtg

**Th, Feb 13, 6pm**

LACE (A&E) Committee Mtg

**Fri, Feb 14, 11am-1pm**

Food Gatherers

**Fri, Feb 14, 7-9pm**

Senior Night

## What's Up with the Speed Bumps?

- Our original speed bumps were too high, so high that some vehicles couldn't pass.
- Something happened and they got messed up.
- They will be replaced in the spring.
- Please slow down! Over 300 children live here.

## Grease & "Flushable" Wipes

We cannot repeat this enough: **these are the main cause of sewer backups.** Put them in the trash, not the drains/toilets!



## Have a Sump Pump ?

Please call the office and let us know.  
734-665-3116.

## Section 8 Openings

We have openings in 2- and 3-bedroom units and a waitlist for 1-bedroom units. Contact management to see if you qualify: 734-665-3116.



## Marijuana in Arrowwood

**Middle school youth smoking weed in Arrowwood: WE SEE YOU**, you know? It's bad for your brain, and illegal too. Marijuana can cause serious problems with learning, feelings, and health.

Although recreational marijuana is now legal in Michigan, it is still considered a federally illicit substance. Because we have a federal Section 8 contract, **it is illegal in Arrowwood.** Under a bill introduced by Rep. Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC), people living in communities that receive federal funding would be allowed to use marijuana in compliance with state law. In the meantime, it is still illegal to use or possess in Arrowwood.

**Adults: Respect your neighbors!** Nobody likes to breathe or smell second hand smoke of any type.

## 2020 Carrying Charge Increase: \$0

Yep! While carrying charge increases are at times necessary and important, for 2020 there will no increase.

## Committee Updates

- The **Architecture & Energy Committee** and the **Landscape Committee** are joining forces! Now called Landscape, Architecture, Conservation, and Energy (LACE), together we will organize and collaborate, working to improve our community inside and out. Upcoming projects include: master landscaping plan; siding/windows/door upgrades; sidewalk lighting. Interested in getting involved, or just want to learn more and see what we do? Join us the second Thursday of the month, 6pm, at the Arrowwood office.
- Are you the person in your family who throws the best party? Have a knack for organizing and planning? Do you love coming up with a plan and collaborating with others to implement it? We are looking for someone to lead the **2020 Anniversary Planning Committee**. Email Stephanie at [umlatifa@gmail.com](mailto:umlatifa@gmail.com) if you're interested.

## Finding Your Political Voice: Meet the Candidates Sunday, Feb 9, 1-3pm

Meet the candidates running for Washtenaw County Prosecutor, Arianne Slay and Eli Savit, and hear their plans for social and restorative justice in our community, followed by Ward 1 Representatives Anne Bannister and Jeff Hayner speaking on neighborhood concerns. Presented by the Ann Arbor Democrats.

## Remembering James Ella Brown Arrowwood Member of 49 Years

James Ella Brown (aka Tudda) was born July 28, 1943, in Greenville, Mississippi to James Sr. and Julia McFarland. She departed this life peacefully on Wednesday, November 13, 2019 in Ann Arbor, MI, surrounded by family. James Ella moved to Ann Arbor with her husband, Roosevelt Brown, and moved into Arrowwood Cooperative in 1970. She retired from the University of Michigan after working there 30-plus years. She later worked a few hours a week with Ann Arbor Public Schools. James Ella had a gentle and caring spirit. She enjoyed the holiday season because the family would come together and enjoy each others company with food, fun, laughter, dancing, and of course a good game of Bid Whist.



## Cooperative Principle #1: Voluntary & Open Membership

**Anyone can join a co-op—they don't discriminate based on gender, social, racial, political or religious factors.**

Did you know that cooperatives around the world generally operate according to the same core principles and values? The 7 principles were adopted by the International Co-operative Alliance in 1995 and the roots of these principles trace back to the first modern cooperative founded in Rochdale, England in 1844.

## Frozen Pipe Emergencies & Prevention

### If you suspect your pipes are frozen:

- Call the office immediately at 734-665-3116.
- Do not flush the toilet as flushing the toilet can cause the pipes to burst.
- Close the supply valves to the toilet and vanity. This will shut off the water and stop the pressure of the toilet or sink from trying to refill the water that can cause the pipes to burst.

### To prevent pipes from freezing:

- Keep your thermostat set to a minimum of 70 degrees.
- Keep the bathroom door open when not in use for heat circulation.
- Use a space heater to warm up enclosed areas.
- Let the cold water drip from the faucets as running water through the pipe, even a trickle, helps prevent pipes from freezing.
- When the weather is above 32 degrees, you can set/lower your thermostat.