

Village East

Village East Voice

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May 2014

President's Message

After this past winter, we are more than ever looking forward to warm summer weather, the beauty of the lake, and the beautiful foliage that makes Village East so attractive. It is wonderful to see that our Village East walkers are back out and enjoying better weather.

I would like to remind all of you of the VEPOA annual meeting and picnic to be held on June 14, 2014 at 11:00 am at the pool clubhouse. This is a great time to stay abreast of the happenings in your community, elect your Board members and enjoy seeing and meeting your neighbors.

On May 3, Village East will be participating in the Take Pride in Smith Mountain Lake Clean-up. Bob Richards will be chairing this event in Village East. I would appreciate you contacting me if you would like to help make our shoreline more attractive and cleaner.

Since last summer, we have had many new residents move into Village East. We welcome all of you and invite you to become active members of Village East. At the Village East website, villageeast.org, you will find a listing of the committees that serve our community. The Board requests that if you have an interest in lending your talents to serve the community, please contact me so that I may put you in touch with the proper chairperson. All of the Board Meetings are open to all of our members. We invite all residents to attend these meetings. The dates for the Board meetings are also posted at the website and you may call me for the location of the meetings which are hosted by the Board members.

I want to again remind you of the leash law that exists in Village East. All dogs must be leashed when not on your property. Also, please pick up your dog's waste, especially from the roadway.

Village East Property Owners' Association
P.O. Box 452
Moneta, Virginia 24121

(President's Message Cont.)

Your VEPOA Board of Directors is working very hard to serve you well. I am very appreciative of their commitment and dedication to not only making Village East a wonderful place in which we can live and play, but also to help maintain high property values.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the Thursday night potluck dinners and the Annual Meeting. In the meantime, please don't be afraid to pick up the phone or e-mail me about any concerns that you want to share with me about Village East. Remember, your Board was elected to serve you.

ROBBIE HALLOCK, President
(540)297-5596

Annual Membership

Meeting

June 14, 2014
11:00 a.m.
Pool Club House

Association Committees

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

All community newsletters and voting information are now being placed on the Village East website (www.villageeast.org) instead of being sent via U.S. Mail. All Village East Property Owners can request an email notification of the newsletter by sending an email to johnandpatruss@gmail.com with the Subject: Newsletter Notification.



New community phonebooks will be published this spring and distributed at the Annual Meeting on June 14th.

If you did not return the Phonebook Request Form which was mailed with the Association dues notification, please do so before May 14.

Only property owners who return a completed Request Form will receive a phonebook. If you need another copy of the Phonebook Request Form just email your request to me and I will forward another copy.

Phonebooks will not be mailed. You may either pick-up your copy at the annual meeting or pick them up at 106 Ferncliff after an advanced phone call.

John Russ & Pat Russ, Co-Chairpersons
540-296-1334

ROADS

This seems to have been the coldest winter since I moved here in 1998 and the largest single snowfall I've seen.

We had a new snow plowing contractor this year. He plowed the roads several times and brought in equipment to clear the cul-de-sacs. Actually, he plowed ahead of VDOT plowing route 654.

Woody Lewis, Chairperson

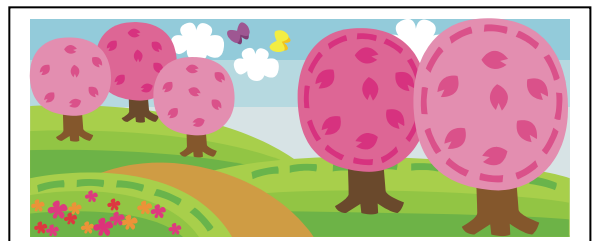
ROADS STUDY TEAM

Within the next few years Village East will face the major expense of repaving/overlay/repair of Indian Ridge Drive. While we have been planning for this event financially we have also been made aware that a program exists for possibly placing this road under VDOT/Bedford County for long term maintenance responsibility with an initial cost-sharing protocol that is built into the program. A study team consisting of Woody Lewis, Robert Leonard, and myself are obtaining cost estimates from VDOT and others and reviewing additional considerations (both pro and con) so that we get a complete picture to present to the Board of Directors in May. (You may have seen VDOT in our Village East community recently obtaining info for their estimate.)

Whether we proceed with asking VDOT/Bedford to petition for the inclusion of Indian Ridge Drive as a secondary road is a question we should resolve at this time. We plan to attempt that answer in May.

If you have questions or comments about what we are doing, please call one of us. Woody Lewis 540-297-2215, Robert Leonard 1-571-259-7799, or Woody Gregory 540-297-1430

Woody Gregory, VEPOA Vice President



GROUNDS COMMITTEE

After this long and cold winter, the beautiful blossoming trees and shrubs are a welcome sight here in Village East.

Our landscapers, Ruggieri Lawns, LLC., have gotten us off to a great start with trimming trees, pruning shrubs and mulching all the gardens around community property. All is well.



A memorial tree has been planted in honor of the late Melvin (Doc) DeVed, former Grounds Chairman and Board member for many years. The Eastern Redbud tree is located behind the clubhouse amongst other memorial trees in that area. Doc's tree will have rose pink blossoms in early spring with heart shaped leaves to follow the rest of the season.

The road cleanup was held March 29th in spite of the threat of rain. Nine bags of trash were collected along with one tire and a large drain pipe. Aluminum cans were collected and donated to T.E.P. Thanks to our volunteers, Chuck & Chris Dideon, Mona Richards, Geoff Orth, Woody Gregory, Mark & Ellen White, Robbie Hallock, Bob Leonard and Jim Gerhart.

I have noticed that a few spaces in the boat storage lots have not been used this past year. If you no longer need a space, please let me know. There are people who could really use a space. At present, the lots are full and we do have a waiting list.

Our Protective Covenants state that all lot owners are responsible for maintaining their lots in a clean, orderly and attractive manner. This includes fallen trees, wood and brush piles and any other unsightly eye sore that impacts your neighbors and the community. Mid March, a large tree fell across Land Harbor Lane. Rick Carroll and Geoff Orth volunteered to clear the roadway. The lot owners were notified and they arranged to have the debris hauled away. Thanks to Rick and Geoff for helping out and also thanks to the lots owners for a timely resolution to this matter.

Our thanks go out to Wade Najjum and friends for mulching the Crown Point cul-de-sac. Also, thanks to June Najjum for agreeing to care for the corner garden at Indian Ridge and Wagon Wheel Trail. What would we do without volunteers!

GROUNDS COMMITTEE (CONT.)

We have a Landscape Committee that deals with design concepts and plant selection for the entrance to Village East and the pool area.

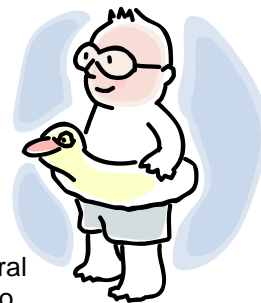
It's a fun committee; they do a little planting also. If you are interested in helping out and learning more, please call one of the following members: Bonnie Gregory (Chair), Judy Mackey, Pat Anziulewicz, Donna Keeney, Patti Gerhart and our newest member, June Najjum.

Since this is my last newsletter, because my three year term ends in June, I would like to express my appreciation to all of you for your cooperation and support, with a special thanks to the Grounds Committee. It has been a pleasure to serve on the Board and participate with my neighbors in helping to improve and beautify our community. Thanks to you all.

Patti Gerhart, Chairperson

POOL

Pool season is quickly approaching and with that in mind, I would like to refresh everyone's mind about the pool rules and pass on some other important information as well. Last season we had several rules violations regarding the no smoking and no alcohol policy at the pool. It is the property owner's responsibility to remind all guests and renters about the pool rules. Failure to follow these rules will not be tolerated and could result in loss of privileges or an early closing of the pool for the season.



IMPORTANT POOL INFORMATION

- For the protection of our residents and Village East property, closed circuit security cameras have been installed in the pool and clubhouse area.
- The handrails and ladders in the pool had to have bolts and housings replaced to ensure they were tightly secured. Please ensure there is no unnecessary hanging or swinging on the ladders or handrails. If these fixtures pull out of there housings again, it may be necessary to drain the pool in order to repair and secure them again. We want to enjoy our pool this summer without any interruptions for things that we can help prevent.

POOL RULES

SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK. No lifeguard service is provided. All persons use the pool and clubhouse at their own risk. Village East Property Owners Association will not be responsible for any accidents, injuries or loss of personal property.

1. **Everyone** must sign in on the sheet in the clubhouse
2. Members, guests & renters **MUST** have membership card to use facilities.
3. Members are directly and completely responsible for the actions of their children, guests, and renters while on the premises.
4. Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied and supervised by an adult.
5. **NO** alcoholic beverages, glass containers, animals, loud music or boisterous conduct is allowed.
6. **NO** Smoking in the pool area.
7. Clean your area before you leave.
8. Parking is allowed in the lot and on side roads, no parking on the main road (Indian Ridge Drive).
9. Member privileges may be suspended for anyone violating these rules.

If you have any questions or suggestions to help make our pool a better place, please feel free to email me at michaelsbrogan@aol.com.

Let's all work together to have a fun and safe pool season.

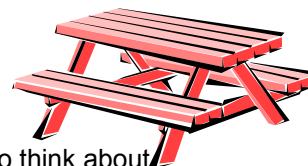
Scott Brogan, Chairperson

The pool will open on Memorial Day weekend and close after Labor Day weekend.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

ANNUAL MEETING & PICNIC

Please bring folding chairs to our Annual Meeting on **June 14, 2014, at 11:00 a.m.** The meeting will take place at the Clubhouse area. Come, meet new neighbors and visit with your friends and residents in Village East. After the meeting we will enjoy our annual picnic. Chicken, hot dogs, drinks and all tableware will be provided. PLEASE, BRING A DISH TO PASS and a good appetite.



POTLUCK DINNERS

Spring is here! It's time to think about warm sunny days and potluck dinners at our pool/picnic area. They will take place **every Fourth Thursday** of the month (weather permitting) at 6:00 p.m.

Our first dinner of the season **starts Thursday, May 22th at 6:00 p.m.** Everyone is welcome and we look forward to seeing you there.

Please bring a dish to pass, your drink of choice, (no alcohol permitted) tableware and place mats or table cloth (if you desire). Look for the schedule of planned dinners posted at the pool house.

Carol Hallock, Social Committee Chairperson
(540) 297-5596

NOTICE OF 2014 MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Date: Saturday, June 14, 2014
Time: 11:00 a.m. Membership meeting; Picnic follows at noon
Place: Village East Club House
Note: SEE MORE DETAILS ON THE MEETING AND PICNIC IN THIS NOTICE

The following matters constitute the primary items on the agenda:

1. Election of 3 members to Board of Directors for a three year term;
2. Election of 1 member to the Architectural Review Committee;

Recommendations by the Board of Directors for nominees are listed above the proxy ballot.

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND THE MEETING. HOWEVER, IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND, YOU SHOULD VOTE BY PROXY ON THE PRINTED BALLOT (enclosed).

FOR THE PROXY TO BE VALID:

- a. YOU MUST BE A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING;
- b. THE PROXY MUST BE SIGNED BY ALL OWNERS OF THE PROPERTY;
- c. THE PROXY MUST BE PROPERLY REGISTERED AND ACCEPTED BY THE PROXY/TELLER COMMITTEE 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

