

# Village East

Village East Voice

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May 2016

## President's Message

The summer season of 2016 may prove to be the most exciting summer ever at Smith Mountain Lake. The 50th Anniversary celebrations and all the planned activities in and around the lake will offer residents, their families, and guests, an abundance of activity. Check the Chamber's website for more information. ([www.visitsmithmountainlake.com/SML50](http://www.visitsmithmountainlake.com/SML50))

Village East will be taking part in the Cardboard Boat Regatta scheduled for July 29-30, 2016 at the 4-H Educational Conference Center. The future award winning entry is now in the design stage under the watchful eyes of Bob Richards, Geoff Orth, Mark White, Mark Thompson, and Robert Leonard. The boat will be constructed in the Village East Shipyard, formerly known as Bob Richards' garage. This is a community effort and I will keep all the neighbors informed by email as to our construction and testing events. We invite participation (design, construction, and cheering squad).

I would like to take a moment to ask all residents, while enjoying the upcoming summer season, to keep in mind their safety and the safety of their neighbors. Within the neighborhood we have a 25 mile per hour speed limit. This is extremely important as we are a community of walkers, children and adults. Adult supervision is a priority when using the pool. Know the posted rules. They are for your protection. Village East has a leash law. I know that your dog is the best behaved dog ever. So was mine. Not everyone is comfortable with animals, so for the protection of your dog and other residents, always use a leash. In the past, I have received complaints regarding the use of fireworks. I know that our proximity to North Carolina and the vacation atmosphere lends itself to the use of some exciting fireworks. Village East homes are often in close proximity to one another which creates a situation where one neighbor's activities could have an affect the others.

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

(President's Message Cont.)

Over and above our consideration for one another, it is against the law in Bedford County to use any missile-type fireworks

In the water, when boating, remember we all play on and around our docks. Give us a wide berth. In small coves, reduce your speed. As a swimmer, remember it is difficult for a boater to see you, especially with the sun glare on the water. If you are swimming away from your dock into the open water, have a small boat or kayaker with you. Thank you in advance for your cooperation. We want all residents to have a safe and enjoyable summer.

I would like to invite all Village East members to the upcoming Annual Membership Meeting and Picnic on June 11, 2016, starting at 11:00 am. This is a great opportunity for residents to take an active part of their community and Board actions. We encourage everyone to use this occasion to meet and greet your neighbors. I'm looking forward to meeting all of Village East property owner members.

I have a new email which is:  
[vepoapresident@gmail.com](mailto:vepoapresident@gmail.com)

ROBERT LEONARD, President

**Annual Meeting**

**June 11, 2016**

**11:00 a.m.**

**Pool Club House**

**See Notice & Proxy Ballots, page 9**

# Association Committees

## **COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE**

As a trial, the May 2016 newsletter and voting information is being sent via email and will also be placed on the Village East website.

([www.villageeast.org](http://www.villageeast.org))

Please let us know which method you prefer by returning the email to [vepoacommunications@gmail.com](mailto:vepoacommunications@gmail.com) and writing in the subject area either "email" or "website," depending on your preference. Both methods have their advantages and disadvantages but we would like to see which the property owners prefer.

John Russ

## **ROADS**

I hope this newsletter finds everyone well. I would like to start off by introducing the new addition to our family. Lucas Michael Combs was born on March 4, 2016. We are very excited about his arrival and the last several months have a new adventure for our whole family included Big Sister Layah!

The snow removal went well this year and we did not appear to have many incidents or issues. The snow removal contractor was proactive, responsive, and worked hard. There were not any patching or repairs to be done to the roads this past fall or winter.

We have been working very hard with the other board members on the Indian Ridge Resurfacing/Paving Project. The project has been tentatively scheduled for the end of the summer/beginning of the fall of this year. We worked with multiple contractors to receive pricing for the project budget. We hope to be in a position to provide more information at the Annual meeting in June.

Thanks,  
Jordan Combs and Family

## **GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

Ruggieri Lawns was awarded the new mowing contract for Village East, effective the beginning of this year. The single change most residents will notice is that we will be moving from a 10-day to a weekly mowing cycle during the warmer months, which should help keep our neighborhood looking great. Large open fields will continue to be mowed on the old schedule of approximately twice a month.

At a modest cost, new signs have been placed along our roadways and at the two boat lots. Many thanks to Dave White in the effort, especially for his help with reinstalling the real estate box at Boat Lot 1. The signs and sign posts that were replaced were worn and of a variety of designs, while the multiple signs at the boat lots provided outdated and conflicting information. Do notice the new signs encouraging residents to clean up after their dogs.

Many thanks to Mark and Ellen White, Field Jones, Robbie and Carol Hallock, Judy Mackey, Wade Najjum, Carol Suggs, Bob and Mona Richards, and Jim and Patti Gerhart for helping us complete our semi-annual cleanup of Hickory Cove Lane on April 16<sup>th</sup>. As many hands make light work, we finished up our Adopt-a-Highway cleanup in a mere 45 minutes.

Our Lake Cleanup chief, Bob Richards, has set Tuesday morning, May 24<sup>th</sup>, as the date for our annual neighborhood cove cleanup. Gene Suggs will again captain his pontoon boat to guide our efforts. Interested members should gather at the boat launch site at the foot of Land Harbor at 8 a.m.

## GROUNDS COMMITTEE (CONT.)

The Board wants to remind members of our burn policy, as follows:

***No trash or refuse, including leaves, shall be burned in an open incinerator on the lots within the development.***

Members needing a parking place for their boat or trailer can add their names to the waiting list by submitting an application to [gcorth01@gmail.com](mailto:gcorth01@gmail.com). The application form is available at [www.villageeast.org](http://www.villageeast.org).

--Geoff Orth

## POOL

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

We need to ensure compliance of all pool rules so we may continue to enjoy the pool in years to come. 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. The pool is monitored throughout the season by VEPOA board members. Please be respectful when asked to comply with our rules as they are only trying to keep this resource available for all of our property owners' use and enjoyment.

## **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.

- **Everyone** must sign in on the sheet in the clubhouse
- Members, guests & renters **MUST** have membership card to use facilities.
- Members are directly and completely responsible for the actions of their children, guests, and renters while on the premises.

## **POOL RULES (CONT.)**

- Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied and supervised by an adult.
- **NO** alcoholic beverages, glass containers, animals, loud music or boisterous conduct is allowed.
- **NO** Smoking in the pool area.
- Clean your area before you leave.
- Parking is allowed in the lot and on side roads, no parking on the main road (Indian Ridge Drive).
- Member privileges may be suspended for anyone violating these rules.

### **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.
- Please ensure there is no unnecessary hanging or swinging on the ladders or handrails.
- Property Owners - please remind all guests or renters of the pool 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](mailto:michaelsbrogan@aol.com).

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

Scott Brogan. Chairperson

# SOCIAL COMMITTEE

## ANNUAL MEETING & PICNIC

Our Annual Meeting and Picnic is scheduled for **Saturday, June 11, 2016, at 11:00 a.m.** at the Club House area of the pool. This is a great opportunity to meet new neighbors and visit with residents of Village East. After the annual meeting, we will enjoy our annual picnic. Chicken, hot dogs, drinks and all tableware will be provided. Please bring your appetite, folding chairs, and a dish to share.

Valerie Leonard  
Social Committee, Co-Chair



## POTLUCK DINNERS

We are all glad to see flowers in bloom, sunshine, and warm sunny days ahead! Please join your neighbors at **6:00 pm every fourth Thursday** of the month (weather permitting) at the Club House area of the pool.

Please bring a dish to share, your drink of choice (no alcohol permitted) tableware and place mats or table cloth (if you desire).

Our first potluck dinner of the season starts **Thursday, May 26, at 6:00 pm**. Everyone is welcome and we look forward to seeing you there. Other dates for Pot Luck are:

June 23  
July 28  
August 25  
Sept. 15

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Notice Meeting  
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## WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEIGHBORS

### **BLANCHE ACREE...**

mother of Chris Dideon is now living with Chris and Chuck permanently at their home in Village East. She moved here from Birmingham, Alabama and is enjoying all the concerts, plays, and other activities available at the Lake. Welcome to Virginia and Village East, Blanche.

We're happy to have you join us in this community. (see address under Dideon).

### **CALVIN AND KAREN CHANDLER**

115 Little Creek Road, Moneta, VA 24121

Karen's Cell: (336) 432-6626

Calvin's Cell: (336) 686-7106

Email address: [kpchandler003@gmail.com](mailto:kpchandler003@gmail.com)

Calvin and Karen moved to Virginia and Village East from Carson City, Nevada in early December 2015.

Calvin was born at Shaw Air Force Base in South Carolina. His high school education was at Valley Forge Military Academy in Wayne, Pennsylvania. Calvin has his BS and Masters in Business from Jacksonville University in Florida. He is employed by Neenah Foundry in Neenah, Wisconsin and covers the entire east coast area. His hobbies include serving as a pilot for the Civil Air Patrol, riding his Harley and sailing.

Karen was born in Aberdeen, Maryland and graduated from Campbell High in Smyrna, Georgia. She is a very talented seamstress and works from her home making dresses for pageants and weddings, clothing alterations and small upholstery. She will be making the wedding dress and bridesmaids dresses for their son's marriage in October. Karen also rides a motorcycle with Calvin and likes to fish and sail.

The Chandlers have 3 sons - Nick, the oldest, who is engaged and lives in High Point, North Carolina; Wesley, who will graduate from the University of Nevada-Reno this month; and Jacob who is a junior at the University of Nevada-Reno.

The Chandlers will be celebrating their 30th anniversary in May.

Rounding out their home is their 6-year-old Papillion dog, Lacey, who is very friendly.

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### **MARK BARILLARO AND BONNIE MCMANUS**

106 Little Creek Road, Moneta, VA 24121

Home Phone: (540) 297-4281

Mark's Cell: (845) 380-4188;

Bonnie's Cell: (845) 392-5488

Email Address: [thebarillio@yahoo.com](mailto:thebarillio@yahoo.com)

Mark was born in Revere, Massachusetts and graduated from Arlington High in Poughkeepsie, New York. His further education includes an AA (Associates Degree) from Dutchess County Community College, and a Paralegal Degree from Marist College in Poughkeepsie. He was employed at IBM in Poughkeepsie and retired, after which he worked for Dutchess County and retired again. His interests include surfing, fishing, skeet shooting and boating. They just bought a boat and are anxious to explore the Lake.

Bonnie was born in White Plains, New York and graduated from Glens Falls High School. She has a Liberal Arts Degree in Arts and Humanities and worked in Dutchess County in Social Services and Child Support. Her interests are knitting, reading, walking and is already involved in Bunco in Village East as a sub.

Mark and Bonnie's combined families include the following: David, 39, who is married to Andrea. They have 2 children, Bruno, 7 and Oliver, 2. John, 36, is married to Maria. Bonnie and Mark also have three other grandchildren, Rachel, 21, Samantha, 12, and Matthew, 7 ½.

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**CHRIS AND DESIREE NIELSEN**

108 Wagon Wheel  
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Chris and Desi are busy renovating their home in Village East and hope to be in soon.

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**PHILLIP PIERCE**

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Moneta, VA 24121  
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Email Address: [philsgetty@yahoo.com](mailto:philsgetty@yahoo.com)

Phillip was born in Leesburg, Virginia and graduated from Leesburg High in that city. He is semi-retired, and owns a repair shop, Precise Auto Shop in Kensington, Maryland. His hobbies include antique vehicles, and he owns a 1991 Chevy truck in mint condition.

Phillip also enjoys reading, boating and gardening. As you pass by his home, take a minute to stop and see the beautiful landscaping he has created.

Phillip has 2 children. Phillip, who owns Absolute Collision in the Westlake area. He and his wife, Kirsten have 2 boys, Nathan, 7 and Michael, 10. Their daughter, Vanessa Silversmith is married to Glen. They have 2 grown children, Alyssa, and D.J. and his wife, Lindsey, who are newlyweds.

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NOTE: Everyone who has a Directory is encouraged to update their copy with our new neighbors and any other pertinent information to keep your Directory up to date until the next printing. Also, there were three new families I wasn't able to interview. I will try to get to include them in the November issue of our newsletter.

**PLEASE MAKE THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONS** to your directory:

BRATTON, Michael and Karen  
106 Bacova Road, Moneta, VA 24121  
Home phone: (540) 297-5904  
Cell phone: (540) 588-1440  
Email: [mike@mikebratton.com](mailto:mike@mikebratton.com)

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## AROUND AND ABOUT VILLAGE EAST

### CONGRATULATIONS TO

THE MICHAELS/COMBS FAMILY (Lauren and Jordan) on the birth of their second child, Lucas Michael, who was born on March 1, 2016. His birth weight was 8 pounds, 9 ounces. Lucas joins his older sister, Layah, 2 ½, in the family. Best wishes to all!

### OUR SYMPATHIES GO OUT TO

**Ellen and Mark White** at the death of Ellen's father, Joseph B. Graham, Sr., who passed into heavenly rest on December 11, 2014. His service was held at his home church, Goshen Presbyterian, in Goshen, VA. He was very active all his life in all kinds of church activities, teaching Sunday School for over 50 years.

**Philip Pierce**, one of our more recent neighbors in Village East. His wife, Pamela, went home peacefully to her Lord and Savior, Jesus on Sunday, April 3, 2016 after return of a previous cancer. A service and receiving of friends will take place in northern Virginia. (See details of the family under Phillip Pierce in this newsletter from an interview a few weeks prior to Pam's death).

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### AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST

I'm sure most of you have seen the new home going up on lot 17 as you enter Village East. It's nice to see new construction on our empty lots. It has been interesting and an adventure for most of us living here as the land was prepared, foundation was poured and portions of the home were placed on top.

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### CONGRATULATIONS

**Sarah and James Bartell** who were blessed with their third son, Blake Joseph, on January 29, 2015. He joins his two older brothers, Cole, 8 years old and Levi, 4, at their home at 106 Camelot Drive in Village East. Best wishes to this growing family.

**Kathy and Geoff Orth** who are grandparents again at the birth of a granddaughter, Reagan Marie, who was born February 1, 2015. Her parents are T.J. and Andrea Orth. Reagan joins her 2-year-old sister, Abby in their Newport, Rhode Island home. Best wishes to all of you.

### A NOTE OF THANKS

Thank you to the person who cleaned up my upper driveway and the street in front of debris from trees that had broken limbs and leaves from a fallen tree. I was waiting for a warm day to try to clean this up but some kind person did it for me before I could get to it. It is so wonderful to live in such a caring community.

SANDY JORDAN, 112 Ridgeway Court

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**PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER**

Also, keep me in prayer, **(Dot)** as I recover from a fall in my home on March 7th. I ended up at Franklin Memorial Hospital in Rocky Mount for several days, Robbie and Carol Hallock transported me to the hospital and stayed until the wee hours of March 8 (time change Sunday) until I was settled in a room. They also picked me up to take me home several days later. Thank you, Robbie and Carol, for your kind act of love.

Thank you, also, to all my friends and neighbors in Village East for bringing in meals because I was unable to fend for myself. I am back to cooking again, but can't go downstairs for laundry or drive a car as yet. Hopefully, soon.

Special thanks to Donna Keeney and Pat Russ, retired nurses who kept a sharp eye on my wounded knee for infection and any other complications. They are angels of mercy, even though I am under home health care.

When people say Village East is a community of families who care for one another, they are not kidding. God bless all of you.

Dot DeVed  
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## NOTICE OF 2016 MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**Date:** Saturday, June 11, 2016  
**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.

VILLAGE EAST MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND PICNIC  
SATURDAY, JUNE 11, 2016 AT 11:00 AM

All proxies must be received by Michele Brogan, VEPOA Teller Chairperson. Mail to:

VEPOA PROXY COMMITTEE  
C/O Michele Brogan  
304 Indian Ridge Drive  
Moneta, VA 24121.

Make sure to include the word "Proxy" in the mailing address.

**MEMBERSHIP MEETING BALLOT ITEMS**

All voting at the membership meeting will be conducted as specified in Article III of the Bylaws.

There are two ballot items:

- (1) Election of three Directors to the Board: Scott Brogan; Robert Leonard; Erica Martin. These are three year terms;
- (2) Election of one member to the Architectural Committee: Joseph Arthur for a one-year term.

**PROXY STATEMENT**  
**MEMBERSHIP MEETING**  
**JUNE 11, 2016**

The undersigned will not attend the June 11, 2016 membership meeting and hereby appoints the President of VEPOA (or his designee) full proxy to vote on the matters listed below. The undersigned revoke all previous proxies given to any party and executed prior to the date of this proxy.

- 1. Election of three (3) Board members as proposed for three year terms:

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|----------------|---------|-------------|
| Scott Brogan   | FOR ( ) | AGAINST ( ) |
| Robert Leonard | FOR ( ) | AGAINST ( ) |
| Erica Martin   | FOR ( ) | AGAINST ( ) |

- 2. Election of one (1) Architectural Committee members as proposed for a one year term:

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|---------------|---------|-------------|
| Joseph Arthur | FOR ( ) | AGAINST ( ) |
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Lot No. /Section No

\_\_\_\_\_, 2016

Date

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Signature of All Owners

Use additional copies if necessary.

**RETURN TO: VEPOA Proxy Committee, 304 Indian Ridge Drive, Moneta, VA 24121**