



## President's Message

As we enter the summer season of 2017, our thoughts and plans turn to all Smith Mountain Lake has to offer ([www.visitsmithmountainlake.com](http://www.visitsmithmountainlake.com)).

I would like to remind everyone, when using the facilities of Village East and Smith Mountain Lake, please keep in mind the safety of your family and guests. We share all our summer activities with other residents and vacationers. Therefore, respect is the theme of the day.

I am again hearing concerns regarding dogs off leash, excessive speeds on our roads and the misuse of our facilities. The pool, tennis court, boat docks, boat storage areas, greenbelts, and road right-of-way, are for the use and enjoyment of all the residents. No one single owner can take possession of any Village East property regardless of the proximity to their lot lines or the time they have been allowed to use it. The covenants of Village East Property Owners Association are not rules levied on Village East residents by the Board of Directors. They are, in fact, an agreement we have made with each other. All residents have agreed to adhere to the covenants which are posted at our website at [www.villageeast.org](http://www.villageeast.org). The covenants are not intended to infringe on the freedom of its residents, but are meant to increase the

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enjoyment of living in Village East and to protect the value of our homes. After visiting our website, please feel free to call or email me with any questions you may have.

### **VEPOA Business**

Based on the recommendation by the Financial Committee, the VEPOA Board has found it necessary to increase the dues by \$50.00 a year starting January 2018. The Board has never taken an increase in the dues lightly. It has been 10 years since the last increase. Our Committee Chairs have, during that time period, done an exceptional job of managing our money and giving us a neighborhood we can all enjoy and be proud of. In voting for this increase the Board felt it would be prudent to build our reserve in an effort to protect our residents against any special assessments.

**June 10, 2017 is our summer picnic and owners meeting.** This is a fantastic way to start your summer, meet new and old neighbors and be a voting part of your neighborhood. I can't express how much I would like to see everyone there. At this meeting, VEPOA members will be voting

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for four new Board members and one Architectural Review Committee Member. Vice President: Woody Gregory's term will end this June. He has served our community as Vice President for over 9 years. Woody's oversight of the VEPOA Board's compliance, budget and community relations has set a standard of excellence. His many other community services are pulling him away from our Board. He will be missed.

Grounds Chair: Geoff Orth's term will end this June. We only have to drive or walk through Village East to see the fantastic job Geoff and his Committee have done.

Pool Committee Chair: Scott Brogan's term ended June 11, 2016. Scott agreed to stay on through the 2016 pool season. Mark Barillaro, a new member of our community, was appointed by the VEPOA Board to serve the balance of the year to June 10, 2017.

Architectural Committee Chair: Joseph Arthur's appointment will end this June. For the past year, he has been working with the Roads and Grounds Committees to address the right-of-way and drainage easements (as Village East grows, this plan must be in place for the benefit of all the residents).

Our nominees for the four Board positions, as of today, are: Geoff Orth, whom most of us know from his work as Grounds Committee Chair; Mark Thompson, who has been a part of Village East since 1987; Joseph Arthur has done an excellent job replacing Gene Suggs and he has a clear vision for the future of Village East; Mark Barillaro, who recently moved to Village East. He has taken an active role in our community since his arrival. I think these nominees will make excellent additions to our Board. If you have any questions regarding this upcoming vote, or positions on our Board or Committees please call or email me.

Erica Martin, with the help of John and Pat Russ, are compiling a communications network to keep Village East residents informed regarding Village East and Smith Mountain Lake. Be sure we have your contact information. Visit the web site to enter your information.

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## Committee Reports

**ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**

We are compiling a "to do list" of things to address to improve our community. I'd like to thank those of you who have discussed with me the platted drainage easements and erosion concerns you have.

Summer and Spring are busy seasons here within Village East with family and guests coming to visit. Let's be mindful of our neighbors and keep our properties

presentable so we can showcase how nice it is to live here within our subdivision. As a reminder, please take a look at your property frontage and maintain any small trees or limbs that may overhang too far into our Right-of-Way. We need to be aware of sight distance at intersections and overall line of sight as more traffic will once again be upon us.

### **ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (Cont.)**

Updated Architectural Review Committee forms/application are forthcoming. Please be sure to check the website for the latest information. All property owners are reminded to check the Village East Covenants, By-Laws and Architectural Guidelines before any construction and/or tree removal. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mike, Gavin, or myself.

I hope everyone has an enjoyable, fun, and safe summer and I look forward to seeing you at the annual meeting.

Joseph W. Arthur  
Chairperson

### **GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

Our big event for the coming quarter will be the semi-annual cleanup along Hickory Cove Road on Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, beginning at 9 a.m. We will supply bags and phosphorescent orange vests for all participants. With a normal turnout, we are generally able to complete the work within an hour.

During the last three months, we've completed repairs on the fence line; the removal of numerous dead trees in the green belts and along our roadways; and the repair of a broken gate latch at the tennis courts.

Work that will be underway the next several weeks includes the ongoing task of branch cleanup; the final lot mowings of the year; sign repair and ongoing placement of new signs; and the repair of a damaged bench at the tennis courts. We are in need of a volunteer to help direct the work of the Landscaping Committee, as Bonnie Gregory will be stepping down from her duties. Bonnie and her Committee has helped keep the

### **GROUNDS COMMITTEE (Cont.)**

gate area gardens in fine shape and encouraged the maintenance of other gardens at our neighborhood intersections and cul-de-sacs. If you are interested in volunteering for this effort, please contact Bonnie at [bonwoodgregory@gmail.com](mailto:bonwoodgregory@gmail.com) or me at [gcorth@gmail.com](mailto:gcorth@gmail.com).

Finally, the list of those waiting for boat lot spaces continues to grow. If you are no longer in need of your space, we ask that you relinquish it so that your neighbors, especially those living on off-water lots, can have a place to park their boats and trailers.

Geoff Orth, Grounds Chairperson



### **POOL COMMITTEE**

Starting the week of April 24<sup>th</sup>, the Village East Pool Committee and the pool's maintenance folks will begin the process of getting it ready for the coming season, opening the weekend of Memorial Day. There are a couple of items the Pool Committee would like to bring to your attention. First, several have asked why the crepe myrtles were cut down. Basically, the blossoms from these trees were causing problems with the pool's filtration system. The blossoms would fill the strainer baskets to the point that pool water couldn't be drawn through them putting strain on the pool pump, a \$4000 item. Additionally, the seed pods from the poplar tree behind the pool (Little Creek Road) would get into the system and had the potential to damage the pool pump's impellers.

**POOL COMMITTEE (Cont.)**

This year, Pool Monitors will be wearing an identification badge. This is being done to make it easier to identify an individual as a monitor while at the same time letting pool users know that the wearer of the badge has the authority of the Board. However, any member can still request to see a valid VEPOA membership card. Please be aware that this year, monitoring of the pool will be more stringent.



Please review the pool rules and if you have questions, feel free to contact a member of the Pool Committee or the Board. As stated in those rules, users of the pool are required to have a VEPOA embossed membership card with them. Those individuals who do not possess a card will be asked to leave. If your property is a rental unit, it is incumbent upon you to ensure that your tenants are fully apprised of all pool rules. As stated in the pool rules, members are “directly and completely” responsible for the actions of children, guests, and tenants. Last season, we had an incident where a guest, unaccompanied by the sponsoring member, invited other “guests” to the pool. The Board has determined that guests may not invite guests; only members may invite guests.

The Committee is asking that parents not let their children play in any of the planters. In the past, there have been circumstances where children treated them like sandboxes and this has resulted in dirt and debris being left on the pool deck.

The Committee would also like to make it known that the outside water spigot (near the men’s room entry) is for maintenance purposes only. There have been several instances when this spigot has not been completely turned off after someone has used it.

Over the last couple of years, the pool has been subject to incidents of after hours trespass and vandalism. All such incidents will be turned over to the Bedford County Sheriff’s Department and complaints will be filed with that body as appropriate.

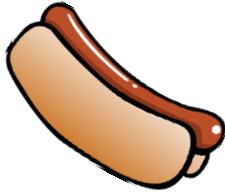
For the last several years, Bob and Mona Richards have done a fantastic job of maintaining the pool on a daily basis. This involves opening and closing the pool, cleaning the pool, the pool deck, and the clubhouse restrooms, adding chemicals as needed, and maintaining the outdoor furniture. Unfortunately, 2017 will be their last season. Consequently, we are looking for individuals who might be interested in this paid position for the future. If you are, please contact the Board or a member of the Pool Committee.

Our Village East pool is a wonderful recreational facility that is there for the enjoyment of VEPOA members. Those of us on the Pool Committee will do our best to ensure that throughout the season, the highest of standards will be maintained at the pool for your comfort and enjoyment.

Mark Barillaro  
Pool Committee Chairperson

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE**  
**ANNUAL MEETING & PICNIC**

Our Annual Meeting and Picnic is scheduled for **Saturday, June 10, 2017 at 11:00 a.m.** at the Club House area of the pool. After the annual meeting, we will enjoy our annual picnic. Come meet new neighbors and visit with your friends and residents in Village East.



Phil Pierce has agreed to be our grill master, so bring your appetite, folding chairs, and a dish to share.

Chicken, hot dogs, drinks and all tableware will be provided.

Valerie Leonard/Jennifer Thompson  
Social Committee Co-Chairs



**POT LUCK DINNERS**

Spring is here and we are all enjoying the flowers blooming, sunshine, and the anticipation of warm sunny days to come. Please join your neighbors at **6:00 p.m. 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 (optional).

Our first pot luck dinner of the season is **Thursday, May 25, at 6:00 p.m.** Everyone is welcome and we look forward to seeing you there. Other dates for Pot Luck are:

- June 22
- July 27
- August 24
- September 28

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**COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE**

Please be sure to read the information at the end of the newsletter regarding the VEPOA Annual Meeting and Proxy Vote. Copies of the 2017 Property Owners' Directory will be available for those who reserved a copy via a form that was mailed with this year's dues notice. The directories will be distributed at the annual meeting in June.

## WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEIGHBORS

**RON AND BETSY PATRICK** are the new owners of the home on 120 Wagon Wheel Trail, Moneta, Virginia 24121. Their cell phone is (703) 975-0171 and e-mail address is [betsy.home@verizon.net](mailto:betsy.home@verizon.net).

Ron graduated from Bishop Noll High School in Hammond, Indiana. His further education includes a Bachelors in Psychology from St. Xavier, and his Masters in Psychology from George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia. Ron is employed as Chief of Talent Acquisition by Mitre Corporation in McLean, Virginia. He loves to fish and watch hockey on TV.

Betsy graduated from Manchester High School in Manchester, Michigan. She has her Bachelors in Engineering from the University of Michigan and her Masters in Engineering from George Washington University in Washington, D.C. Betsy works for the U.S. Government. She loves to bake, is an avid reader and loves to shop, shop, shop

The Patricks have five children. Jeff, 23, who is a graduate of UVA and is employed as a paralegal in a law firm; Lanie, 22 is a Psychology Major at UVA, following in her dad's footsteps; Cole, 20 is majoring in Chemical Engineering at Virginia Tech; Noah, 18, is a student at Virginia Tech, majoring in Computer Science; and last but not least is Teagan, who is 14 years old and a freshman in high school. In school, she manages a lacrosse team, is also an avid reader, tells me English is her favorite class, and plays soccer outside of school.

Their home is rounded by two dogs - Soft Coated Wheaton Terriers - a 5 year old male and a 10 year old female, both of whom are very friendly.

**PATRICK PATSEL** is the owner of the new home in our community at 200 Indian Ridge Drive, Moneta, Virginia 24121, on the left as you enter Village East. This home is shared by four generations - Patrick Patsel, Doris Prilliman, Danielle Simpson, and her two children, Mia and Jaylon. Patrick's business cell phone number is (804) 517-3427. His business email address is [powerpress1@gmail.com](mailto:powerpress1@gmail.com).

Patrick is the owner of his own business, Professional Welding Services in Vinton, VA. He is a master welder and travels often in his work. He is a graduate of Williamsburg High School in Vinton, Virginia. Patrick is into football and gymnastics.

Doris, his mother is a native of Ireland. Doris has been spending time away from here to be with her daughter who has some health issues.

Danielle is Patrick's daughter. Her cell phone number is (540) 202-2618. She is a graduate of Franklin County High School and is employed as a plumber by her step dad, a master plumber. She has two children. Mia is 8 years old and is in second grade at Moneta Elementary School. Jaylon is 10 years old and is in 6" grade, also at Moneta Elementary. Danielle and her children like arts and crafts, taking their dog for walks and going down to the boat ramp. The children are anxiously awaiting summer so they can use the pool. Their dog, Sierra is a 7 year old pit bull the friendliest and loving I have ever encountered He is a real charmer.

**BOB AND MARCIA ST. JOHN** are the new owners of the home at 230 Little Creek Road, Moneta, Virginia 24121. Their cell phone is (732) 300-3754. The e-mail address is: [rpstjohn@comcast.net](mailto:rpstjohn@comcast.net).

Bob was born in Rochester, New York and graduated from Northern Valley Regional High in Old Tappan, New Jersey. He is a graduate of Fairleigh Dickenson in Teaneck, New Jersey with a degree in Electrical Engineering. Bob is retired from Lucent Technologies, Bell Laboratories and AT&T. Currently, he is working full time doing consulting for AT&T. His interests include reading, walking, fishing and boating. He hopes to retire full time in a year or two, more likely, one year.

Marcia was born in East Orange, New Jersey and graduated high school from Clifford J. Scott in that city. She has two businesses. One is painting and decorating furniture and murals. The other is a perennial garden business. Her interests are crafts, boating, shopping and entertaining family. She would love to start working with young children, showing them the benefits and fun of gardening and creativity.

The St. Johns have a blended family of four daughters. Wendy is married, lives in Charleston, South Carolina and has no children. Stephanie is also married, lives in Bayville, New Jersey and has two boys. Lisa is married and lives in Columbus, Ohio and has a boy and a girl. Sharon is not married.

If you came to the 2016 Christmas Party you had the opportunity to meet them and welcome them to our community.

**SCOTT TERWILLIGER** is the new owner of the home on 106 Camelot Drive, Moneta, Virginia 24121.

Scott was born in New York State. He graduated from Corning High School. His further education includes a Bachelor's Degree from the State University of New York in Brockport. Scott likes to fish and read. He and his fiancée, Chanthu Phauk are in the midst of marriage plans.

Chanthu was born in Boston, Massachusetts and graduated from Lowell High School in Lowell, MA. She has her Bachelor's Degree from the University of Massachusetts. In fact, I met Chanthu first and she is a lovely young woman. I later interviewed Scott and he is equally nice.

Scott and Chanthu will be married in August of this year so we will have newlyweds living here in our community.

All of these new families are absolutely delightful and fun to be with. No doubt, they will all make a wonderful addition to Village East.

We were sorry to hear that the Bartell family, James, Sarah and their three children have moved and sold their home. This was because of a promotion in James' job and he will be working in Staunton, Virginia. Sarah continues to work part time at Eric and Company as a hair stylist.

### **UPDATE YOUR VILLAGE EAST DIRECTORY**

#### **REMOVE:**

Mark & Salie Bowser

Max Dyett

Larry & Sandy Jordan

Tim & Karen Leslie

Thomas & Shaloon Martin

Bob & Nancy McCabe

Joe & Heather Sellers

Tom & Nancy Trumps

**CHANGES:** Mark & Jennifer Thompson - email change: [thompmja1@gmail.com](mailto:thompmja1@gmail.com)

Mark & Ellen White - land line the same

Mobile: (540) 290-4731 (Mark)

Mobile: (540) 290-4131 (Ellen)

#### **ADDITIONS:**

**ALL NEW PEOPLE LISTED ABOVE**

**ALL NEW PEOPLE FROM PREVIOUS NEWSLETTERS** (go to website, Click on newsletters, and get info from previous newsletters)

Dorothy DeVed, Interviewer

(540) 296-6326

[E-mail: mlvndvdjr@gmail.com](mailto:mlvndvdjr@gmail.com)

## **NOTICE OF 2017 MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

**Date:** Saturday, June 10, 2017  
**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 the Board of Directors for a 3 year term and 1 member for a 2 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, 10, 2017 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 three ballot items:

- (1) Election of three Directors to the Board: Joseph Arthur; Geoff Orth; Mark Thompson.  
These are three year terms;
- (2) Election of one Director to the Board: Mark Barillaro for a two-year term;
- (3) Election of one member to the Architectural Committee: Gavin Hager for a three-year term.

**PROXY STATEMENT**  
**MEMBERSHIP MEETING**  
**JUNE 10, 2017**

The undersigned will not attend the June 10, 2017 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:

Joseph Arthur	FOR ( )	AGAINST ( )
Geoff Orth	FOR ( )	AGAINST ( )
Mark Thompson	FOR ( )	AGAINST ( )

2. Election of one (1) Board member as proposed for a two year term:

Mark Barillaro	FOR ( )	AGAINST ( )
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3. Election of one (1) Architectural Committee members as proposed for a one year term:

Gavin Hager	FOR ( )	AGAINST ( )
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Lot No. /Section No

\_\_\_\_\_, 2017  
Date

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(Signatures of All Property Owners)

Use additional copies if necessary.  
RETURN TO: VEPOA Proxy Committee, 304 Indian Ridge Drive, Moneta, VA 24121