

# Village East

Village East Voice

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Fall 2014

## President's Message

It is hard to believe that summer is gone and that we are already preparing for winter. When we cover the Village East pool, it reminds us that it is time to start winterizing.

I am so happy to see improvements to homes and their landscaping that demonstrates our residents' confidence in the value of your investment in Village East.

The Grounds Committee, under the leadership of our newly elected Board Member, Geoff Orth, has been very busy planning future projects as well as continuing to keep our grounds looking very attractive. Geoff volunteered to join the Board when the term of Patti Gerhart was expiring. Patti served our neighborhood with expertise and left her lasting mark on Village East. We are all very grateful for her service.

Our Annual Meeting was very well attended and again it was evident that many of you share the sense of belonging that is critical to assuring that Village East remains a close knit and caring community.

A concern of the Board continues to be violations of the protective covenants. The covenants are the reason that brought many of you to Village East. The enforcement of our covenants is a major responsibility of the Board. It is possible that some of you may have forgotten what those covenants are. I would suggest that all of you take some time to review them and the other governing documents which may be found at the Village East website ([villageeast.org](http://villageeast.org)). This is your community and the adherence to all of the rules and regulations is essential to maintaining the desirability of Village East. Please take ownership of your community.

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

### (President's Message Cont.)

Another concern of the Board is the use of Green Belts by our members, especially by property owners whose property adjoins a Green Belt. The Green Belts belong to the POA and all members are welcome to enjoy them. However, no property owner is to interpret that its use is to be anything other than for the use of the entire POA.

I have again been asked to remind you of the leash law that exists in Village East, but even more importantly request that you all pick up the waste from your dog.

I would like to remind you that the Board continues to look for members that would like to serve on the Board and its committees. All of the Board meetings are open to the membership. It would be wonderful to have more residents become involved in the meetings and show a desire to serve their community.

I am very proud of our Board of Directors and the Committee members who work so hard for you. Please take a moment of your time and let them know that you appreciate all they do to serve you and our community. If you have any suggestions that would help them serve you better, please let them know. The names of all Board members are listed on the Village East website. I would also like to thank John Russ and Scott Gregory for the nice job they did on revamping the VEPOA website. It looks great!

In closing, I would like to wish you all a joyous and healthy holiday season. I hope to see many of you at the **Annual Holiday Party on December 5, 2014.**

ROBBIE HALLOCK, President  
(540)297-5596

# Association Committees

## COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

All community newsletters, voting information and most documents governing Village East Property Owners Association can now be found on the Village East website [www.villageeast.org](http://www.villageeast.org).

We updated and distributed new telephone directories in June. If you have not yet picked up the book you ordered last January, please call to arrange a time. We will distribute the remaining books to new members of the community, on their request, after January 1<sup>st</sup> 2015.

Please extend a huge thank you to Scott Gregory from [www.EyeTrobe.com](http://www.EyeTrobe.com) for his expertise and time in redesigning the Village East Website.

Please make the following corrections to your Phone Directory.

Add:

**Bonnie and Woody Gregory**

[bonwoodgregory@gmail.com](mailto:bonwoodgregory@gmail.com)

**Thomas and Shalonn Martin**

[Tmartin1@triad.rr.com](mailto:Tmartin1@triad.rr.com)

**June & Wade Najjum**

[jnajjum@yahoo.com](mailto:jnajjum@yahoo.com)

**Al & Dee Higgins**

110 Woodley Rd

Moneta, VA 24121

732-267-0321 c Dee

908-907-7437 c Al

[deehigginsrn@gmail.com](mailto:deehigginsrn@gmail.com)

**Jordan and Lauren Combs**

108 Camelot Dr.

Moneta, VA 24121

504-292-6953 c

540-292-6993 c

[lauren7117@gmail.com](mailto:lauren7117@gmail.com)

See additional entries for you phone directories in the "Welcome New Neighbors" section of the newsletter

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

## ROADS

I am hoping for less snow this year than last. Last year's 12 inch snow storm was a challenge for our snow removal contractor.

The asphalt resurfacing of Village East roads is scheduled to start in 2016. Indian Ridge Dr. will be resurfaced first.

I wish everyone a safe and Happy Holiday Season.

George Lewis, Chairperson

## POOL NEWS

I would like everyone to join me in thanking Bob and Mona Richards for another great year. Without their dedication and hard work none of this would be possible.



### **Important Pool Information**

- The closed circuit security cameras assisted in the prosecution of three suspects that broke into the pool area after hours this summer.
- The pool will be resurfaced during the off season (Spring 2015).

I want to thank everyone for following the pool rules and making this another safe year at our swimming pool.

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).

Scott Brogan, Chairperson

**Make Your Holiday Party Reservations Now!**

## **GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

It's been a busy spring and summer and we have lots of folks to thank.



Back in May, I accompanied Bob Richards and Gene Suggs as they led an intrepid group of residents in the annual Take Pride in Smith Mountain Lake Clean-up. By the end of the morning, Gene's pontoon boat was literally filled with shoreline debris, thanks to the help of Robbie Hallock, Woody Gregory, and John Russ. Meanwhile, on shore, Judy Mackey did a splendid job cleaning up the launch area.

As summer has moved into fall, we can be pleased that Village East residents clearly take pride in the attractive appearance of the landscaping on both common areas and privately maintained property. In the maintenance category, we replaced one of the two nets at our tennis court in recent weeks, and the court's surface will be cleaned within the next month. Many thanks to Dave White for his help with the installation of the new net.

The lights at our entrance way have been regularly maintained by Mark White, without whose help we would certainly have needed to pay an electrician on more than one occasion. Please thank Mark when you see him. At Mark's suggestion, we will be replacing the standard lights with LED lighting which should save us in the long run because LED lights are manufactured to last over ten years. We'll see!

Please mark your calendars for our fall road clean-up, to be held on Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, beginning at the front gate at 8.30 a.m. We welcome one and all to participate. The effort is usually completed in about an hour.

Our Landscape Group needs volunteers!!! They design as well as plant flowers, bulbs, scrubs and contract for planting trees (and water such when needed). Please contact Bonnie Gregory at [540-297-1430](tel:540-297-1430) if you are interested in gardening.

As we head into colder and windier weather, please check to ensure that dead or dying trees on your property are taken down, especially those which endanger safe passage on our roads. In one case last winter, a dead tree from a non-resident's lot fell on to a neighbor's vehicle, which was a total loss.

## **GROUNDS COMMITTEE (CONT.)**

The two boat storage areas are now at capacity. We have several residents on the waiting list for boat spaces. If you have been assigned a space and are no longer using it, please let me know soon!

At its September meeting, your Board approved the first formal, published list of rules for the boat launch site, as below. The rules will take effect on January 1, 2015. As the boat launch area accommodates an increasingly larger number of users each year, we ask the cooperation of our property owners in helping to make the posted rules work. The rules are the outgrowth of discussions at the last several Board meetings and in all areas aim to further safe and fair usage of the site for all of our members.

Geoff Orth, Chairperson  
540-297-4819

## **ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**

The VEARC has approved a request by Robyn Tuck for the construction of a dwelling on Little Creek.

All property owners are reminded to check the Village East Covenants, By-Laws and Architectural Guidelines before any construction and/or tree removal. For more specific information consult the Village East web page and follow the links to the aforementioned information. If you have questions please call one of the VEARC members.

Gene Suggs, Chairperson





## **WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEIGHBORS**

**LUKE HENLEY, BRITTANY CUMBY AND CHRISTOPHER HENLEY** are renters at the home on 200 Camelot Drive. Their cell phone number is (540) 488-5478 (for Luke), and (540) 355-9532 for Brittany. Their e-mail address is [brittany\\_cumby@yahoo.com](mailto:brittany_cumby@yahoo.com)

Luke was born in Roanoke, Virginia and is a graduate of William Byrd High School in Roanoke. He is also a graduate of Virginia Western Community College in Roanoke. Luke is a building contractor, but unfortunately, injured his back on the job and currently has had surgery and is slated for another surgery sometime in October. His interests include boating, swimming and doing cookouts for friends when he is healthy again.

Brittany was born in Goodview, Virginia and graduated from Staunton River High School. Brittany is in business cleaning houses. So-if you need someone, just call her. Brittany has a daughter, Ariana, who is disabled. She doesn't live at home with her mom, but Brittany spends a lot of time taking care of her.

Christopher Henley lives with his dad here in Village East. He is 14 years old and goes to Staunton River High School. Chris is into motor cross and racing bikes. He would like to be an electrical engineer some day.

The family is rounded out by a 3 year old, female cat named Lucy.

**AL AND DEE HIGGINS** are the new owners of the home at 110 Woodley Road.

Al's cell phone number is (908) 907-7437.

Dee's cell number is (732)267-0321.

Their e-mail address is [higginsalh@gmail.com](mailto:higginsalh@gmail.com)

Al was born in Hackensack, New Jersey and is a graduate of Brick High School in that town. Brick is a vocational school in developmental mechanical training. He is also a graduate of a 4 year school of manufacturing and repair leading to being a journeyman. This school is Ocean County Technical State of New Jersey and Al is a qualified industrial mechanic. He likes to hike, boat, and garden and keep busy with his grandchildren. Al commented to me that "I am amazed at the friendliness of the people in Village East" and he has already met a number of people here. Al is retired from Nestle in New Jersey. He spends his time with his grandchildren and likes to boat. The Higgins' have 2 grown children, a son and daughter, and 4 grandchildren - Andrew (A.J.) 5, Ashley, 2 ½, Lexie, 5 ½, Ava, 1 year old, and another on the way.

Dee was raised in Belmar, New Jersey and spent 1 year in Washington, D.C. where she attended college. She then relocated to San Francisco for 2 years. She and Al were married in 1977 and raised their 2 children in Brick, New Jersey. As a registered nurse, Dee worked for 20 years in the Barnabas Hospital System. She worked 1 year in critical care and then specialized in the Nursery and Special Care Nursery. A very diversified woman, Dee owned The Mill Stream Pottery Shop in Allentown, New Jersey for 2 years where she sold her pottery and taught pottery lessons.

**MARK OLSON** rents the home on 112 Little Creek Road. His cell phone number is (703) 994-9277 and his e-mail address is [molson502@verizon.net](mailto:molson502@verizon.net)

Mark was born in Illinois. He has one grown son, Andrew and 3 grandchildren. He is an avid private target shooter and does some boating.

We welcome all of these people to Village East and hope to meet them soon. Remember, we have a Christmas party coming up in early December, so this will be a good opportunity to meet our newer residents.

Dorothy DeVed, Interviewer (540) 297-6326 [mlvndvdjr@gmail.com](mailto:mlvndvdjr@gmail.com)





## **VEPOA HOLIDAY PARTY**

This year we'll enjoy a wonderful buffet dinner at **THE LANDING RESTAURANT**. The Landing is owned by Village East residents Tiffany and Bruno (chef) Silva. Our menu will include shrimp cocktail, Bruno's salad, herb crusted beef, other entrees and several desserts. The evening promises to be a hit. Don't miss it. Mark your calendar now!

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at THE LANDING RESTAURANT.**

We will support Smith Mountain Lake Christian Ministries with donations. If you would like to put a smile on the face of a needy adult or child, **please donate** WRAPPING PAPER, RIBBON, BOWS, BOXES, GIFT BAGS OR SCOTCH TAPE. **You may either bring your donation or contact Ellen White to pick it up at your home.**

### HOLIDAY COMMITTEE:

CAROL HALLOCK-(540) 297-5596

PAT RUSS - (540) 296-1334

JUDY MACKEY-(540) 297-2183

TERESA WATSON (434) 847-8372

ELLEN WHITE (540)297-3706

**PER PERSON: \$30.00**

*Deadline for Return of Checks and Form:*

**Return by November 27, 2014**

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## **VEPOA HOLIDAY PARTY RESERVATION FORM**

Name and phone Number (including Area Code): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Number attending the Village East Holiday Party

Make Check Payable to: **THE LANDING RESTAURANT**

Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Return now to: Carol Hallock

113 Ridgeway Court

MONETA, VA 24121