

# THE VILLAGE GRANDE NEWS-JULY 2025

## MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

The summer heat has finally arrived in force. Our community pool serves as a delightful gathering spot where residents can come to cool off, connect with one another, fostering a welcoming social atmosphere for both long-time residents and newcomers alike. It's a perfect place to unwind especially during our Friday night socials, where you can meet and mingle with your neighbors over food and refreshments and engaging conversation. This is a good time to give another special shout-out to our unofficial "Paul the Pool Boy," who dedicates his mornings to keeping our pool in pristine condition. He arrives daily at 6:30 AM to meticulously vacuum the bottom of the pool, ensuring a clean and inviting space for everyone. After that, he returns at 8:30 AM to skim the surface, removing debris and leaves. The clarity and cleanliness of our pool are thanks to Paul's hard work and commitment, and we are truly grateful for his efforts!

As a reminder, the Hazlet fireworks will be lighting up the sky on Thursday, July 3rd. They're visible from many homes in our community, so be sure to make plans to enjoy this festive event with family and friends.

Looking ahead, our board elections are just a little over two months away! There will be three open board positions, and we encourage community members to step forward and participate. This is a fantastic opportunity for residents to contribute to the governance and improvement of our neighborhood. We invite all interested individuals to consider becoming involved in our volunteer board to help preserve the beauty of our community.

\*\*The next HOA meeting is Tuesday July 22nd at 6pm in the Clubhouse.\*\*

Joann, Ron, Tony, Beth, and Concetta

### **Social Committee News**

- The annual 4th of July celebration is scheduled for 2pm at the Clubhouse and Pool area. A special THANK YOU to PMA Management for again sponsoring this fun event! Come on out and enjoy buffet style BBQ being catered by DeMarco's, which also includes dessert, coffee, and tea. BYOB and any other beverages you'd like to drink!
- Bocce continues through July, weather permitting.
- Billiards continues in the Clubhouse, just for fun, no tournaments.
- Water aerobics with Natalie has officially begun and is held on each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 10:30, weather permitting.
- The chair yoga exercises continue to meet at the Clubhouse every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 10:30.
- Canasta is every Tuesday at 1pm in the Clubhouse card room.
   Anyone who would like to learn how to play are welcome to join us.
- We meet Thursdays at 7pm in the Clubhouse for "May I".

\*\*\*\*SAVE THE DATES... our Labor Day party is being planned for Monday September 1st, and a welcome breakfast is being planned for Sunday September 21st.\*\*\*

Next social committee meeting is July 7th at 11:30am.

This is open to anyone wishing to get involved with the Social Committee.

#### **Helping Hands**

The July volunteer is Rick Larabee. If you need help with **basic** maintenance items in your home please call Rick.

The annual GOLF outing is being planned for September. The place and time is to be determined. Anyone interested please sign-up in the Clubhouse.



### Village Grande Book Club

Our next meeting will be on Monday July 14th at 1pm in the Clubhouse, reading The Mysterious Bakery on Rue de Paris" by Evie Woods.



All are welcome to join us!

### <u>Juliette Luncheon</u>

Is planned for July 9th for those who signed up in the book.

Any ladies interested in attending a Juliette Luncheon should always check the Social Committee book on the Clubhouse credenza as these luncheons fill up very fast.

#### Romeo Luncheon

Is planned for Wednesday July 23rd at 12:30 at "House of Chong" on Rt 35S Middletown.

Please sign-up in the Clubhouse if you would like to attend.

## **RECYCLING DATES**

July 8th and 22nd.



# THE VILLAGE GRANDE NEWS-continued...

## Architectural News and Information...

All homeowners should now be aware of a **new tree law** which went live on May 13th which impacts the removal of trees on their property within all of Holmdel Township. If a tree is to be removed, you will need to obtain a permit from Holmdel before doing so.

**Remember**, trees on homeowner properties *must be maintained and pruned*. Large trees which have not been maintained pose a risk of falling or large limbs breaking off during severe storms, which could present a liability if a tree as been neglected and damages an adjoining neighbors property. We encourage everyone to be proactive and have your large trees pruned when needed.

This is a good time to schedule power-washing of the exterior of your home if there is mold or mildew developing on any part of the exterior. Many homeowners have already completed this part of their maintenance, and we thank you. There are several good local power-washing companies who offer very reasonable rates and some will even offer to clear out your gutters if necessary.

Oh and of course lastly, **most** exterior projects and changes must have an approved ARC application before any work can begin. ARC applications and guidelines can be found at the 'www.villagegrandeholmdel.com' website or in the Clubhouse. Completed applications can be given to Debbie Lazare when she is onsite at the Clubhouse, or e-mailed to

'villagegrandearc@gmail.com' or given to Kevin Hosmer or Natalie Mayer.

\*\*\*Incomplete paperwork can not be reviewed and will delay approval\*\*\*

# A Message From the Garden Club...

And now we enter into the "endless summer", or so we hope it to be endless. At Village Grande we savor these summer days and engage in outdoor activities that embrace the season. Whether it be Tennis, Pickleball, Bocci, Swimming or Gardening - these are the endless days of summer that boasts boundless activities, growth and greenery all around our community.

This Chairperson envisions a village of unlimited potential. Use the Village Grande Suggestion Box in the Clubhouse to open the door to more creative ideas both inside and outside of the Village Grande Clubhouse.

Last month the Village Grande Garden Club enjoyed a picture perfect day at "Deep Cut Gardens". The grounds "endlessly" engaged our senses as we navigated the Rose/Peony Gardens, the Koi Pond and the Library Conservatory Reading Room. Truly a captivating experience, to add to, our endless summer bucket lists.

The Garden Committee updates for our Village Grande grounds during July and August entail watching the grounds thrive. Beat the summer heat with a sprig of minty leaves, a pinch of sweet basil or a snippet of sweet lavender. The Herb Garden is a relaxing place to sit as we slowly breeze through our "endless" summer days.

Fran Berardocco
Garden Committee/Club Chair

# July Word Search Puzzle... "PRIVATE PLANE"

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# Below are the VG Committees In Operation for 2025

If anyone would like to know more about one of the VG committees please speak to the chair person of that committee.

- Social Committee (Monica Arcuri).
- Garden Committee (Fran Berardocco).
- Helping Hands Committee (Rich Arway).
- Community Improvement Committee (Paul Kurella).
- Government Liaison Committee (Rick Larabee and Dick Marcickiewicz).
- Newsletter and WEB site communications (Kevin Hosmer).
- Architectural Review Committee (Kevin Hosmer and Natalie Mayer).
- Property Maintenance Committee (Kevin Hosmer).
- Snow Committee (Tony Brain).
- Veteran's Affairs Committee (Russ Meyer).

VG Resident Community Posts...

(If you have anything to sell, give-away, or need, you can post a 1 line ad here. Please e-mail "villagegrandenewsletter@gmail.com" at least 4 days prior to end of month to have your ad posted)

- ⇒ FREE solid wood 48" round dinette set w/4 matching chairs.
- FREE queen size 4 post bed set with 2 matching nightstands and dresser with mirror.
- ⇒ **FREE** bedroom dresser with matching mirror.
- FREE large entertainment/bookshelf wall unit custom made for the "DEERFIELD model" TV room.

These are from Fred and Angela Martini who recently sold their home.

Anyone interested in any of these **FREE** items call Kevin Hosmer.

### Jadyn's Tech Help...

SMALL

...Jadyn is available to answer tech questions related to your smart phones, tablets, and computers via e-mail, and she can set up one-on-one appointments if needed.

Please send questions to 'jadyn.mehta@icloud.com'

If you would like something added to the newsletter, please e-mail 'villagegrandenewsletter@gmail.com' at least 4 days prior to the last day of the month.

### THE VILLAGE GRANDE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Joann Sabatino - President Ron Matuza - Vice President Tony Brain - Treasurer Beth Johnsen - Secretary Concetta Cioffi - Trustee

# CLUBHOUSE: 732-888-9884 PREMIER MANAGEMENT:

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