



THE VILLAGE GRANDE NEWS—MAY 2026

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

After experiencing a few days of record-setting heat, we now appear to be returning to a more familiar and comfortable spring pattern. The brief stretch of unusually warm weather served as an early reminder of the summer season ahead, but for now, the milder temperatures and steady rhythms of spring have returned. And as mother nature has been busy awakening the seasonal foliage with the warmer weather, your Village Grande board has been busy addressing several important issues that the community should be aware of...

We recently held an initial meeting with the Town of Holmdel Administrator and engineering staff regarding the Holmdel-Village Grande Pump Station Improvement Project. At this point, the project is expected to begin this summer and be completed before year-end. A second meeting is being scheduled, and we will continue to keep the community updated on the timeline and any impact on Village Grande.

We have also been informed by the New Jersey Department of Transportation that the Route 35 walkway project affecting our front gate has been delayed until sometime next year.

In addition, HIC is restarting the sprinkler system and will be installing new rain timers and rain gauges this season. These upgrades are intended to better manage water use and help reduce water costs.

The clubhouse pool table has also been repaired and should be back in service by the time you read this, with new felt, bumpers, and pool balls.

Finally, homeowners using the clubhouse or pool for physical activities should make sure they have been cleared by their doctor beforehand. Our goal is to help keep everyone safe.

****The next HOA meeting is scheduled for Tuesday May 19th at 6pm in the Clubhouse****

Joann, Ron, Tony, Concetta, and Rick

Social Committee News

- There will be a Memorial Day ceremony at 4pm at the Clubhouse flagpole, followed by a pot luck dinner. *Please sign up in the Clubhouse if you plan on attending the dinner, and note the meal/dish you plan to bring.*
- Save the date: "Line Dancing with Rachel" is being planned for Friday June 19th. *Keep an eye out for a flyer in the Clubhouse for further info.*
- Bocce will be starting up soon! *For more information and if interested sign-up in the Clubhouse ASAP.*
- The Friday evening Clubhouse socials continue, and are a fun way to meet and mingle with your neighbors. *Every Friday at 5pm!*
- Chair yoga exercises in the Clubhouse every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 10:30am. *This is open to anyone, and no prior Yoga experience is necessary.*
- "MAY I" has resumed every Thursday 6:30pm.
- 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.



PLEASE do **not** remove any Social Committee notices from the Clubhouse bulletin board unless you are the one who put it up.

Next social committee meeting is Monday May 11th at 11:30am.
ALL are welcome to attend.

A Note From Mary Goodman...

"Many thanks for all the cards and calls in remembrance of Bill. It has been a difficult time, but made easier as we are surrounded by family. I miss the Village Grande Community. You will always be in my heart. Sincerely, Mary Goodman"

Helping Hands

The May volunteer is Ed Hinds. If you need help with basic maintenance items in your home please call Ed.

A Message From Lorraine and John Fiore...

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate and state how PROUD we are of our granddaughter, Jadyn Mehta, who is graduating from Middletown High School South in June. Many of you may remember, Jadyn routinely volunteered in our community to help those who needed assistance with their technological devices. Jadyn was accepted to 9 Colleges of Engineering, and has chosen to attend UVA (The University of Virginia located in Charlottesville) to study Computer Engineering. We would also like to thank the residents of Village Grande who graciously responded to Jadyn's offer to assist with their various tech questions.

The Art of Decoupage at VG

On April 15th, our "Decoupage Crafters," learned to customize ordinary clam shells into unique, personalized and functional art pieces. This mindful activity offered a relaxing afternoon of creativity and fun.



The family of Fred Martini would like to say thank you to their Village Grande family for all the love and support after Freddy's passing on April 14th.

Village Grande Book Club

Our next meeting will be on Monday May 11th at 1pm in the Clubhouse, discussing "The Frozen River" by Ariel Lawhon.
All are welcome to join us!

Juliette Luncheon

Any ladies interested in attending a luncheon should always sign-up in the Social Committee book located on the Clubhouse credenza as these luncheons do fill up very fast.

Romeo Luncheon

...Is planned for May 20th at 12:30, at On The Deck restaurant in the Atlantic Highlands.
Sign-up in the Clubhouse

RECYCLING DATES

May 12h and 26th.



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THE VILLAGE GRANDE NEWS-continued...

Our Property Manager Debbie Lazare works onsite at the Clubhouse office every Friday from 8:30am to 4:30pm. During other days and times she can be contacted by email 'dlazare@premiermanagement.net'. LaShawn Darden is our Property Administrator who may also be able to help with requests. She can be reached M - F 9am—5pm at 732-390-1100.

- If you have a concern about the clubhouse, call Premier Management.
- If you want to rent the clubhouse for a function, call Premier Management.
- If you have a concern about the pool, call Premier Management.
- If you have a concern about the tennis court, call Premier Management.
- If you have a concern with landscaping or landscaper, call Premier Management.
- If you have any irrigation concerns, call Premier Management.
- If you have an issue with the snow removal, call Premier Management.
- If you have an issue with your garbage, call Premier Management.
- If you have a concern about your maintenance account, call Premier Management.
- If you plan to sell your home, you need to fill out a moving form with Premier Management.
- If you see a streetlight out, get the number on the pole and call Premier Management.
- If you want to see the governing documents, sign onto the portal or call Premier Management.
- If your key fob or clicker stops working, call Premier Management.

May Word Search Puzzle... "Including Sue"

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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.

Architectural News and Information...

As part of your spring season cleanup and exterior projects, be mindful of maintaining plantings within their intended areas. Shrubs and trees on your property need to be trimmed back from walkways, drive-ways, and neighboring properties to prevent damage which you could be held liable for if maintenance has been ignored and damage is caused by your maintenance neglect. Beds and planters should also be kept free of weeds and debris as part of routine upkeep.

We would also like to remind residents that any planned exterior changes or improvements require prior approval from the Architectural Committee. This includes, but is not limited to, modifications such as landscaping changes, lighting fixtures, new roofs, doors, shutters, etc. It would be prudent to refer to the latest ARC manual for a reminder of what changes require approval. Submitting complete applications with all required details will help avoid delays and allow for a more efficient review process. Applications with incomplete information filled out, or missing required accompanying documents such as contractor insurance certificates, or description of materials being used, will not be able to be processed.

In addition, annual property inspections have been completed, and homeowners should have received maintenance reminders by now if your property has been identified as one requiring maintenance or a repair. These notices are intended to be helpful and proactive, allowing residents the opportunity to address smaller issues before they become more significant concerns. As always, maintaining consistent standards throughout the community helps protect property values while ensuring our Village Grande continues to be a place we are all proud to call home.

Did you know; you can make your old vinyl VG mailbox shine like new again if you clean the mold and mildew off with Softscrub with Bleach?

Completed ARC applications may be delivered to Debbie Lazare at the Clubhouse, e-mailed to villagegrandearc@gmail.com, or photographed and texted to Kevin Hosmer for review

Below are the volunteer committees in operation here at Village Grande. 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 (TBD).
- 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).

**GET
INVOLVED!**

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)

THE VILLAGE GRANDE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Joann Sabatino - President
Ron Matuza - Vice President
Tony Brain - Treasurer
Concetta Cioffi - Secretary
Rick Larabee - Trustee

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