## Víllas Summer Newsletter July 2024

We hope everyone is enjoying summer and our beautiful community! Here is an update on what is going on in the Villas of Oak Pointe.

**Villas Website** – Please review your information on our website. If you have changes, contact Marsha Choley at <u>marsha.choley@gmail.com</u>. If you have not done so, please add your photo to the directory. If you are a committee leader and have new committee members, please take a moment to update your members' names. If you are new to the community and are looking to get involved, we are in need of volunteers for the boat, pond, and landscaping committees. If anyone has worked with a Contractor they would like to recommend, please submit the contractor's information to Marsha Choley.

**Boats** - The Boat Committee could use one or two volunteers to work with Brett Ellis on maintenance and repairs. After nine years, Jack Sawka would like to step down from his position as Documents Manager. Thank you, Jack, for the time you have invested in keeping us organized. If you are interested in taking on this responsibility, please contact Jack or any member of the Board.

### **Social Committee Events**

The Villas pool mixer on June 14<sup>th</sup> was a great time. We enjoyed a relaxing time visiting with neighbors, old and new. Thanks so much to the Social Committee for a lovely evening.

 July 27, 2024 - Block Party. Begins at 5:00 on Versailles Avenue between Villa France and Quebec Lane. See the website for more details. RSVP by July 22.
September 29, 2024 – Golf Outing. Details to be posted soon.
December 8, 2024 – Save the date for the "Villas Holiday Luncheon!"

**Architectural Committee** – An architectural committee has always existed within the Villas but with residents moving or stepping down the responsibility has fallen to the board over the last few years. We are *excited* to announce that with the professional expertise of Alyce Riemenschneider and organizational work of Meg Graf, Carlene Reinhold, and Lois Yardley new color palettes have been added and updated specifically for each Villas model. The committee has plans to mail each homeowner their approved color palette soon. *Remember, before making any changes to the exterior of your home, including but not limited to painting, window replacement, roof replacement, exterior lighting, driveways, decks and porches, all homeowners MUST submit a modification request through Cummings Management. The* 

architectural committee will then review your request, provide guidance if necessary, and subsequent approval.

#### **Summer Projects:**

Walking Paths - Resurfacing/repairs to the walking paths should begin in late August/early September. You will be notified when the work begins.

**Road repairs** – Patching will take place in the fall.

**Entrance Sign** – Last fall the Villas entrance sign was damaged by vandalism. Temporary repairs were not adequate, so we have made arrangements for the original builder to make repairs and some updates. Within the next few weeks, you will see a repaired, updated entrance sign.

**Stump Grinding Day** – We have asked Cummings Management to secure bids for the cost of removing/grinding stumps. Over the years several trees have been removed but the stumps remain. We hope to schedule

### Landscape Steering Committee

As our community continues to age, we are facing difficult decisions about entrance and cul-de-sac beautification, grooming of common areas, loss of trees, pond retention, walking paths, etc. The looming question is what we want our community to look like today and in the future.

As a result, a "steering committee" has been created to help identify what a Villas landscaping committee should look like and to create a roadmap for that committee. This group will help identify immediate landscaping needs and define a plan for the future. If you would like to be involved in this effort, please contact Lois Yardley @ 810 360-3912.

And on the topic of landscaping...please be reminded that each homeowner is responsible for and required to maintain their property in sightly condition per the association bylaws. This is the time of year when weeds like to take over. Each homeowner is not only responsible for beds around their homes but all areas of their property.

# Síncerely, The Board of Dírectors