

Village East Voice

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Dear HOA Members,

We are excited to announce a new volunteer-based program for the operation and maintenance of our community pool this season.

Several communities in the Smith Mountain Lake area have successfully implemented similar programs, and we are hopeful that this approach will help strengthen community involvement while continuing to provide a great pool experience for everyone.

Under this new program, we are looking for volunteers who may be willing to assist with simple daily pool responsibilities, such as opening and closing the pool, potentially taking one assigned day each week. More details about the responsibilities, scheduling, and training will be shared soon.

To ensure the pool continues to be properly maintained, we will still have professional pool maintenance services performed 2–3 days each week, along with professional cleaning of the bathrooms and pool house 2–3 days each week.

We will provide additional information at the upcoming Annual Meeting, followed by a more detailed email outlining how the program will work and how members can participate.

At this time, we are simply looking to gauge interest from volunteers who may be willing to help. If you are interested in participating or learning more, please let us know, please contact either Kim Hill at 6jkhill@gmail.com or Tammy Vandelinde at tamvand16@gmail.com

We are excited to see how this program works and appreciate the community spirit and support that make our neighborhood such a great place to live.

Thank you,

Eric Camplin
President - VEPOA Board
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Upcoming events

1. Pool Opening - Saturday May 23rd
2. Annual Membership Meeting – Elections
Saturday June 6th 11am
3. Annual Picnic - Saturday June 6th after the Annual Meeting

We are still looking for a leader of the social committee.

Please let Eric Camplin know

New information in the newsletter

As you'll see from the five new interviews and the many sales that are happening, we have a lot of new energy in the neighborhood. The VE Board has requested vendor recommendations from the community. The vendor should be licensed and insured. See last page of newsletter. Please send in any recommendations.

Road Cleanup

Twice a year volunteers from our community, clean up the trash along Hickory Cove Road. Eight bags of litter were collected. The team loves their new safety vests.



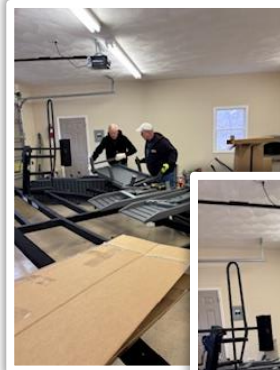
Fun Facts From Grounds

Did you know that Village East neighborhood has two docks? The first dock most people know is with the boat launch. The second dock is available for swimming and fishing. Also, probably canoeing and kayaking; however, you'd have to carry to the dock. Where is this dock located? Between 230 and 232 Little Creek Road. The photos below show the approach from the swimming pool area down to the dock. Marcia St. John has been putting a lot of time into cleaning the grounds leading to the dock. Please contact her if you want to help. Marcia St John at marciastjohn@gmail.com



Pool Update

As mentioned in the HOA email, the pool has been cleaned and filled, The board has decided to buy new furniture. A plan has been made so as we buy new furniture a cohesive design is maintained. The first of the furniture was delivered. Mark Thompson, Billy Wagner, and Dave Gillespie assembling the new furniture for the pool in Kim Hill's garage, as shown below.

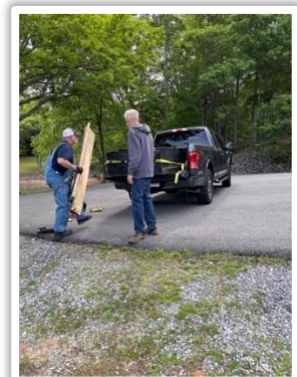


Improvements around the Neighborhood



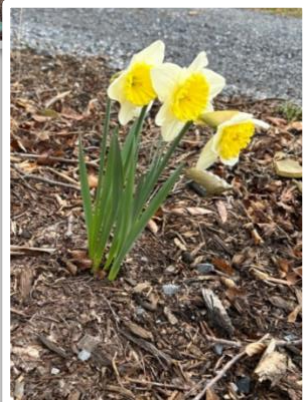
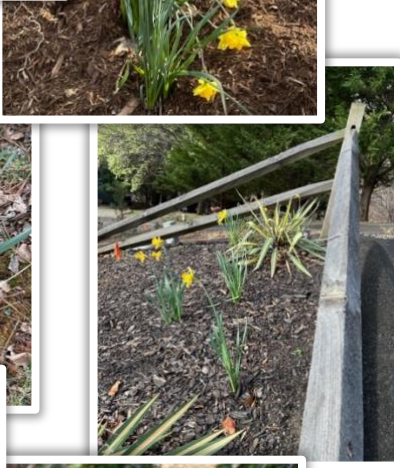
Billy Wagner and David Gillespie installing new speed-bump snow markers.

Mark Thompson, David Gillespie and Billy Wagner cleaning up the boat launch area.



Spring Around the Neighborhood

As spring started, daffodils sprouted around the neighborhood. Below are photos I snapped on my walks. Deer don't eat daffodils in our neighborhood. Can you guess which street didn't have any daffodils on the roadside of their lots?



Another arrival were birds. Have you seen or heard these birds this spring?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> American Robin | <input type="checkbox"/> Bald Eagle |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Barn Swallow | <input type="checkbox"/> Belted Kingfisher |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bluejay | <input type="checkbox"/> Brown Thrasher |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brown-headed Cowbird | <input type="checkbox"/> Canadian Goose |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cedar Waxwing | <input type="checkbox"/> Chipping Sparrow |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Common Grackle | <input type="checkbox"/> Dark-eyed Junco |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Downy Woodpecker | <input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Bluebird |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fish Crow | <input type="checkbox"/> Gray Catbird |
| <input type="checkbox"/> House Finch | <input type="checkbox"/> House Sparrow |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> White-breasted Nuthatch | <input type="checkbox"/> White-throated Sparrow |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wild Turkey | <input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-rumped Warbler |

The Merlin app from Cornell can help identify their song.

Get To Know Your Neighbors

Welcome Leslie Mitchell who just moved into 801 Indian Ridge Drive.

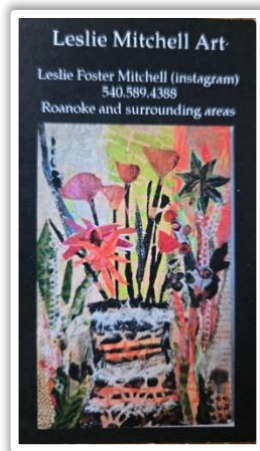
She has just retired from a long career in cosmetology. As a young girl her amazing story started after she graduated valedictorian in her cosmetology school. She then landed employment in a few high-end salons. This led to her working on a couple of well know TV sets all in DC and Alexandria Virginia area as a cosmetologist doing all the anchors and quests hair and makeup. She laughed about powdering some pretty famous noses.

She always had a entrepreneurial mind set and moved to Roanoke about 36 years ago to pursue a career in teaching cosmetology to high school kids. She eventually opened her own salon in Roanoke,

"Leslie Mitchell Salon in Roanoke ". Even after her business sold, she gets requests from time to time for wedding hair, cuts, and colors. She loves doing this on the side as hair styling has always been a huge part of her life

Leslie has three children. Her son graduated from the U.S Naval Academy (by the way he played football for Navy) and is now a captain in the Marines. He and his wife live in Annapolis. Her two daughters and their husbands live in Charlotte, North Carolina. One is a civil engineer, and one is a cybersecurity recruiter. She is occasionally called on to dog sit her 3 grand dogs.

She is also a very accomplished mixed media and acrylic artist and sells her artwork at galleries in Roanoke. She also enjoys gardening, kayaking, biking, nature and boating, so Smith Mountain Lake was a perfect fit.



Welcome Tom and Cheryl McAlister They moved in 107 Wagon Wheel Trail. They were living at the Surfside subdivision in Moneta for the last 7 years and were very familiar with the lake, pontooning regularly. They always longed to live in Village East. They loved the amenities, the fact that all the homes were not cookie cutter and it was close to stores. Luckily a person came into the dealership that Tom manages who happened to live in Village East. Tom said "if a property comes up for sale give me a call. I would love to live there." A week later Tom gets a call from him. He gave him a tip about a home that will soon go up for sale. Cheryl and Tom made two trips to peek in windows. Cheryl was not on board at first because of the driveway. On the 3rd visit to the property they finally connected with the owner and had a chance to see inside. That was the moment they both fell in love with the home. They do however, have big plans for the landscape and driveway.

They are a blended family of 6 Children, twin boys Adam and Alex 28, Abby 31, Cydney 33, Tommy 34 and Jasmine 35. They have grandchildren, Ayden 5, Emma 9, and Aura 10. They look forward to family visiting often.

They are both currently working. Tom is sales and finance manager of a car dealership in Rocky Mount and Cheryl is Practice Manager in a dental practice.

They love hiking to waterfalls, pontooning, outdoor grilled steaks, and remodeling homes. Cheryl puts the finishing touch on the remodeled homes with her decorating skills.

Welcome Bryce and Elissa Whited. They moved to 105 Overlook Hill Drive. Bryce and Ellisa actually met each other at Virginia Tech and currently still live in Blacksburg. They will be part-time residents here at the lake, but I have a feeling we will see them often as this is a vacation home for them and their five children, ages 6, 7, 8, 12, and 13. They have boated on the lake for several years before deciding it is time to buy a home here. The kids will grow up having wonderful childhood memories.

Bryce has his own business and is a bio medical engineer. Elissa was home schooling all the kids 5 days but just recently found a school that will take them 2 days a week to ease her schedule.

They have chickens at home. They eat a lot of eggs. As a family they enjoy pickle ball, tennis, working out, local hikes and hikes out west, fishing, boating, and knee boarding. The children have some special interests. Madison is a gymnast, Carter plays lacrosse, Grayson plays lacrosse and soccer. He also recently broke his ankle, Logan and Everett both play soccer. When you see this energetic family make sure you say hi to them.



Welcome Michael and Sandra Stevens. They who moved into 101 Little Creek Road, December, 2025. They moved from Roxboro, North Carolina. Village East was the perfect location for them. Its location is close to family, the amenities here, and the lake of course. Sandra grew up in Vinton so was familiar with the area. They are a blended family with 4 children, 5 grandchildren, and 7 great grandchildren. Michael and Sandra had met each other at Langley Airforce Base in Hampton, Va. Michael is now retired from the Air Force and Sandra retired from the base as a management analyst. Sandra enjoys craft sewing and quilting and has an entire room devoted to it. Michael likes to tinker in the garage. After Michael retired from the military, he got his Commercial Driver's License. He enjoyed his new career as a truck driver for twelve years after retiring. He now only occasionally drives part-time. They enjoy walking. Sandra enjoys the Gym and had been a Silver Sneakers coach when they lived in North Carolina. She also enjoys babysitting for her 2-year-old great granddaughter, Bailey, who lives close by.

Welcome Kim and Jordon Hill. They reside in Harrisonburg, Virginia full time but after spending many fun vacations at the lake, they decided to buy their own vacation house here (123 Ridgeway Court) in August of last year. They have 2 boys and 2 girls, Madelynn 18, Micaiah 16, Mason 14, Miriam 12. Kim home schools all of them and her oldest daughter will be graduating this year. As if Kim isn't busy enough, she has also temporarily volunteered to be on the P.O.A. board as the Chairman of the pool and has been busy ordering new pool furniture. Thank you for your time investing in our community. Jordon is a family Physician in Harrisonburg, Virginia.

They share their farm with one dog, Diesel, and 20 head of cattle, mama goats and lots of babies. All the children show the animals in the 4H club activities. They are an active family with many interests. Kim loves to garden, crochet, and sing at church. As a family they hike, play pickle ball, Dad and the boys enjoy hunting and fishing. It is so wonderful to see so many young families moving into our neighborhood.



Please submit any photos or topics to vepoanewsletter@gmail.com

Annual Picnic After June Board Meeting



Who: ALL Are Welcome from the Neighborhood

What: Picnic/Potluck – Everyone brings a side (salad, appetizer, or dessert). Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, and Chicken will be provided. Along with Plates and Silverware

Where: Outside the club house

When: June 6, 2026 after the annual meeting

No need to RSVP but bring your own drink!

Potential Contractor List (Not endorsed by the VEPOA – rather recommended by the neighbors)

Automotive

West Lake Auto – 540 721-0700
Bob Dement Auto Repair – 540 297-7700

Propane service and repair

Pete's Propane (gas log install and service, gas line installation)– 540 875-6998

Propane tank and refill

Davenport Energy – 540 774-4401

Paving

Gus Wells Paving – 540 296-0966

Exterminator

Star City Pest Control (Maintenance Contract) – 540 339-7888

HVAC and Plumbing

Davis Heating and Air (Install new HVAC, water heater, and have Maintenance contract) – 540 483-5605

Carpet Cleaning

The Carpet Cleaning Crew – 434 489-1122

Landscaping Materials and Delivery

Hilltop Mulch – 540 334-5321

Landscaping

Stevens Landscaping – 540 529-3021
Almond Arboriculture – 540 588-6448

Tree work and Pruning

Innovative Tree Works 540 521-2980
Almond Arboriculture – 540 588-6448

Septic repair

Foutz Septic Service – 540 302-6419

Painting

RAFA and MEMO PAINTING LLC- 540-519
0392- excellent and dependable painters
Elite Painting – 540-583-1569
Premier Painting – 540 537-5168
Fowlers Painting – 540 819-0092
Canyon's Custom Painting – Can't find the business card with phone number

Drywall

Wayne King – 540 537-1665

General Handyman

Stanley Smith – 540 493-7002