Village Green residents have an opportunity that comes around only once every 10 years, and that is to be able to modernize our covenants and restrictions. But, the board only realized it recently, so there isn't enough time to complete the process before they automatically renew for another 10-year period on January 1.

The process of modernizing the covenants includes comparing our restrictions with the latest Farragut rules to see where we differ, solicit recommended changes from Village Green residents, research all recommendations to ensure they don't conflict with Federal or local laws, and put together a final set of changes for approval by a majority of the homeowners. We estimate this process will take 6 - 9 months.

What the VG board proposes is that we conduct a vote by the residents to extend the current covenants and restrictions for one year to January 1, 2012 to allow enough time for the update process. You will find a simple ballot elsewhere in this newsletter where you can approve the one-year extension. If you prefer, you can vote online instead of sending in the paper ballot by going to www.VillageGreenWeb.com/vote.

Modernizing our covenants and restrictions is an important step to ensure that our neighborhood remains one of the best in East Tennessee. But, it also requires that a majority of homeowners vote to approve the extension. So, please send your vote in today.

Thanks,
Bob Hunter
VGHA Board President

President’s Message

2010 Board of Directors

President
Bob Hunter 966-3305
Vice President
John-Paul Renier 966-3139
Secretary
Alex Cruikshank 675-1576
Treasurer
Bobby Arthur 599-5965
Assessments
Michelle Stockdale 966-4190
Buildings & Grounds
Tim Doyle 675-4425
Pools - Clubhouse
Jim Jameson 777-3926
Pools - Monticello
Eddie Wysmirsky 288-0166
Social & Community,
Greeters, Clubhouse
Amanda Metzelder 406-3810

Contacts

Dogwood Arts
Sue Calloway 671-0824
Garden Club
Kathy Tidwell 966-9995
Swim Team
Heather Finley 675-3479
Men’s Tennis League
Tom Koepp 966-8455
Remodeling Approval
Richard Green 966-1348
Book Club
Julienne Weathers 777-1180

Village Green
Homeowners Association
P.O Box 22117,
Knoxville, TN 37933
www.villagegreenweb.com
Bonfire

The Bonfire BBQ was a huge success! About 75 people showed up to enjoy a great dinner from Calhoun’s and yummy desserts brought by the residents of VG. It was a wonderfully nice night. The extra light we are still getting before the time change allowed for a little football throwing and lots of kids running around. It was so nice to see residents sitting on blankets and chairs gathered around the fire enjoying the company of their neighbors.

Amanda ordered dinner for 100 people. Calhoun’s sent more than enough food to cover that order, so we had some leftover. The Ronald McDonald House graciously accepted Village Green’s donation of Sunday night dinner.

Corrections

First of all, we would like to apologize to Maria Ward, our new neighbor on Jamestowne Blvd., for misspelling her name in the last newsletter. We would also like to apologize to everyone who was mislead by the incorrect date for the Bonfire in the events section of the print version of the newsletter (it should have said the 9th rather than the 10th). Also, thanks to Sherry Hunter for catching the mistake before it went out with the email version.

Security Notices

In the month of October, VGHA emailed two security notices to residents on the Village Green email list. These notices told residents of the problem and recommended actions they should take. Security notices are not practical to send out by regular mail as the processing time makes them obsolete by the time they are received and cost is prohibitive. So, if you aren’t currently on the email list, you can sign-up easily online by going to:

www.VillageGreenWeb.com/email and completing the form. You can set-up your preferences to receive the security notices by email while still receiving your newsletter by mail if you wish. The Village Green Homeowners Association recommends that everyone who has internet access should get on this mailing list to receive important security notices.
Village Green is seeking a qualified individual to perform the external audit for fiscal years 2007, 2008 and 2009. Qualifications for applying for this position include either a CPA or prior audit experience. Village Green does provide compensation for this service. Please contact Bobby Arthur (599-5963) or Molly Ogle to receive additional information.

The Village Green Board has several members whose term will be complete at the end of the year, meaning we have several positions that need to be filled in January 2011. We will need an Assessments Officer who will be responsible for notifying residents of and collecting annual VGHA dues. We will need a Pool Co-Chair who shares responsibility for maintaining the pools and oversees the pool staff. We will need a Social Chair who is responsible for organizing neighborhood events, and we need a Clubhouse Chair who will be responsible for maintenance and scheduling of the Clubhouse. We also need a new Vice-President who will become President the following year.

All board members attend monthly meetings to vote on neighborhood business, and all members have a two year term. If you are interested in volunteering to keep our neighborhood a great place to live, e-mail vgha@villagegreenweb.com or contact a current board member to express your interest in a nomination. Any resident who has lived in the neighborhood for any length of time may be nominated to become a board member. Board elections will be held at the VGHA meeting in January.

Village Green is seeking a qualified individual to perform the external audit for fiscal years 2007, 2008 and 2009. Qualifications for applying for this position include either a CPA or prior audit experience. Village Green does provide compensation for this service. Please contact Bobby Arthur (599-5963) or Molly Ogle to receive additional information.

The ominous black structure on Village Green Parkway, though commonly referred to as the stocks, is actually a pillory. A pillory is an instrument of punishment used to humiliate a criminal by binding his neck and hands so the offender could not hide his face from the community. If the shame of this punishment did not force remorse on the man, the rotten eggs and vegetables thrown by onlookers usually would. The pillory has its origins in the 12th century, but it was particularly popular in puritan America, including Colonial Williamsburg upon whose pillory (like most of the artifacts in the neighborhood) our pillory is modeled. This form of punishment went out of favor soon after the revolutionary war, but Delaware (which was reluctant to fund a penal system) continued pillorying criminals until at least 1905.

Stocks served a purpose, but they bound the feet and hands of the prisoner in a seated position and left the neck free. Stocks were considered a safer form of punishment, since there was less risk of suffocation if the convicted were knocked unconscious by, say, a brick mixed in amongst the rotten cabbages. Thanks to our VGHA Vice President, John-Paul Renier, for pointing out the distinction.

To vote for or against extending the covenants by one year, (see page 1) you may detach and fill out this form and send it to Village Green Homeowners Association, P.O. Box 22117, Knoxville TN, 37933. Thanks.

I approve extending the current covenants and restrictions for one year to January 1, 2012.

YES  NO
(circle one)

Name: ________________________________

Address: ________________________________

** only one vote per home address **
November 8  Village Green Garden Club
The Village Green Garden Club will be meeting at 10 a.m. in the Clubhouse. They will work on holiday decorations and hear Master Gardener Terry Leese talk about making your garden “Winter Ready.”

November 18  Village Green Book Club
The Village Green Book Club will be meeting to discuss Blood Root by Amy Greene. The meeting will be hosted by Courtney Rima at the Clubhouse and will begin at 7 p.m. All Village Green residents are welcome to attend.

December 13  Village Green Garden Club
The Village Green Garden Club will hold their Christmas luncheon at the Chop House on Franklin Square December 13th at 11:30 a.m.

December 16  Village Green Book Club
The Village Green Book Club will be meeting to discuss Not Becoming my Mother by Ruth Reichl. The meeting will be hosted by Ines Gibson at her home on 312 East Heritage Drive and will begin at 7 p.m. All Village Green residents are welcome to attend.

December 18  Santa is coming to the Clubhouse
Santa Claus will stop by the Village Green clubhouse from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon. There will be treats and activities for the children while they wait to give Santa their wish list.

Teen Services

Baby Sitting, Pet Sitting and Plant Watering
by Isabella Kazmier

- Certified by Red Cross
- Babysitting experience
- Lives in Village Green
- 14 years old
- Honors Student
- References upon request

Phone: 441-1631

Teen Services provides free advertising to residents 13 to 18 years old as a service to the community. No attempt has been made to verify claims, and inclusion in the newsletter should not be construed as an endorsement of the advertised services by the editors or the VGHA.
Dear Neighbor, We have been in the home improvement business for more than 10 years. It's been almost 8 years now that we have enjoyed serving our Knoxville customers. Our services include concrete overlays, minor and major remodeling & additions, and almost any repair around the home. Our goal is to provide prompt, honest, and affordable service with the highest quality of workmanship available. We look forward to helping with your home improvement project. - Jeremy Piteo

phone: 865.406.1196 - fax: 865.686.6391
benchmarkservices@ymail.com - benchmarkservicestn.com
P.O. Box 22548, Knoxville, TN 37933

Dear Neighbors, if you are interested in how the current real estate market is doing in our neighborhood or interested in what your home could sell for right now, then please give me a call. Also, if you are considering selling your home, let me offer some tips that will help you sell your home quickly at a good price.

J. Kelly Clancy
REALTOR
Real Estate Broker

Cell 300-7326
Office 966-2121

Free Competitive Market Analysis

Phillips Masonry

- New construction
- Repair
- Patio
- Walkway
- Indoor
- Outdoor
- Fireplaces
- Touchups
- Pavers
- Retaining Walls
- Any type of Masonry

We do brick, block, stone, some concrete repair. Professional jobs at affordable prices. Excellent references upon request.

Call for free estimate.
865-437-7106

The Village Green Newsletter is edited by Alex Cruikshank and Kimberly Setson with much help from Bob and Sherry Hunter, Amanda Metzelder, Kathy Tidwell, Juliennne Weathers, John-Paul Renier and many others. Please send your feedback, comments, events, advertisements, letters-to-the-editor, and photos of what you’ve been doing around the neighborhood. You may contact us at 675-1576 or email sivoh1@gmail.com.
Residence Maintenance Service

John Pyle
865-816-7421

- Mulching
- Leaf Removal
- Aeration
- Overseeding
- Weed Control
- Pressure Washing

LICENSED & INSURED

Heavenly Maids Cleaning

- We clean homes and offices.
- We clean weekly, bi-weekly and monthly.
- We have reasonable rates and do quality work.
- We have excellent references upon request.

Call Beverly for free estimate.
865-437-7107