VG Swim Team Starts Another Season

The Village Green Swim Team season starts on May 29th. Registration for returning swimmers and new Village Green resident swimmers is on March 31st, 8 am to 12 pm at the Clubhouse. Please contact Amanda Metzelder at amandametzelder@aol.com for more information. And if you see a gator swimmer, congratulate them because they represent Village Green proudly!

The swim team is not all about swimming. It is a special family that gives the kids a positive way to spend their summers. Besides swimming, there are activities planned for each age group. The 10 and under's attend a carnival at the pool filled with games, pizza and pool fun. The older kids spend a night on the pool deck and go on a trip to Splash Country. And, the senior swimmers get to take a trip to the beach!

Last year, 196 swimmers represented Village Green in an undefeated season against five of the top teams in Knoxville. Pulling all this together are a wonderful group of coaches. Anita Dinwiddie, who is also the coach for Catholic High School and very involved in her daughter's soccer league, is in her twenty-third year of coaching for Village Green. She has "raised" at least a couple hundred swimmers that swim every year for her, including her own two daughters which are now a college freshman and high school junior. Steven "Boogie" Landon, the swim team coach for Bearden, a coach for Pilot, helps with the Lady Vols swim team, and a student at UT, is in his fifth year of coaching for Village Green. Sarah McCall and Trish Tallent, both competitive swimmers in the past, joined the team last year to round out an incredible staff.

Richard Green Given the Everett Smith Award

Each year, if it’s appropriate, the VGHA board recognizes a resident for their volunteer service to our neighborhood. For over 30 years, Richard Green has volunteered to review resident building plans for compliance with Village Green and local regulations. He not only helped residents with their building designs, but also attended VGHA board meetings to explain the project so the board could approve it. Congratulations to Richard Green.
Historical Minutes Online

The Village Green Board has started a project to post all of the past Board Minutes online. Currently, you can view all Board meeting minutes from the present back through 2002. These documents allow residents to look back at the rationale for past decisions. Newsletters are also available for the last few years as well.

You can find the past newsletters and minutes on the Village Green website in the Residents section (user name: village, password: green#1).

If you were a past board secretary and have the computer files for any minutes not currently on the website, please contact the current secretary, Bob Hunter. Also, the board is looking for any volunteers who would be willing to go through some of the files to scan minutes for the website.

Village Green Resident a Featured Artist

Sandra Dean, a Village Green resident and native Tennessean, is the Farragut Arts Council’s featured artist for March 1 through April 30. The exhibit titled “Wildflowers and Other Blooms” can be seen at the Farragut Town Hall in the Upstairs Gallery glass cases.

Sandy has lived most of her life in the foothills of the Smoky Mountains of East Tennessee. Her passion for flowers is evident by her attention to detail and to natural settings. When viewing an exhibit of her watercolors, one might imagine walking though a garden filled with Columbine, Trillium, Trout Lily, Bloodroot, and a multitude of others.

Sandra studied watercolor and life studies with Jim Gray, a nationally known watercolor artist. Over the last thirty years she has taught watercolor, has had numerous showings and has produced many exquisite and highly valued pieces of art.

Sandy has earned the distinction of United Way Artist of the Year – twice for Anderson County (“Timeless Beauty” a magnolia; "Iris") and once for Roane County (“Roane County Roadside Flowers”).

Sandy is also an accomplished calligrapher in Copperplate Script. Her pen has graced many wedding announcements, diplomas and certificates, along with inscriptions.

Thank You

from a Village Green Resident

As a Village Green resident, I just wanted to write in and thank all of the residents for helping me find my dog. It was actually not my dog but a stray whose owner that I was trying to locate. He was a stray for a reason. He was a male blue tick hound mix that would dig out every opportunity he saw available. The first time he dug out, I immediately contacted Bob Hunter for help in sending out an email. In the week that he was in my care, he got out numerous times. I was blown away by how many residents cared enough to take the time to call me if they saw the dog. It was so nice to have the email as a form of communication. Thanks!!!

How to Change or Add an Email Address with VG

Has your email address changed? Do you want to add a second one to the VG mailing list? Go to our new website communications page to learn how to make these changes, find us on Facebook, and more: www.VillageGreenWeb.com/communications.

Facility Addresses

Clubhouse & Pool:
218 West Heritage
Knoxville, TN 37934

Monticello Pool:
11533 S Monticello Dr.,
Knoxville, TN 37934

Gardening Ideas

from Garden Club

Start a garden journal. Continue to divide and fertilize perennials. Begin successive plantings of gladiolas. Prune evergreens before growth starts. Plant bare root of dormant roses until April 15 and mulch. Weed as you mulch. Remove spent flowers from all bulbs to prevent pod formation. Prune flowering shrubs such as forsythia, spirea and quince after blooming. They will set next season’s buds in the next month or so, consequently should not have additional pruning after that time. Plant tomato plants or seeds as well as beans, okra, peas, and squash. Fertilize lawn.

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Upcoming Events

March 31  Swim Team Registration
Swim team registration for Village Green residents and returning swimmers is on Saturday, March 31. See the article above for details.

April 7  Annual Easter Egg Hunt
The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be at the clubhouse at 10:00 am. Bring your Easter baskets for the egg hunt. There will also be an Easter craft, prizes, and a visit from the Easter bunny. We are asking for volunteers to help hide eggs at 9:30. There will be separate areas to hunt for Easter eggs for the following age groups: 3 & under, 4 - 6, 7 - 9, 10 & up. For more information, contact Heather Jarrell, 966-0289 / heathernjarrell@gmail.com.

April 9  Village Green Garden Club
The Village Green Garden Club will meet at the Clubhouse at 10:00 a.m. to carpool to the Knoxville Botanical Gardens. Bring a sack lunch and a drink. For more information, call Sandy Dean at 966-8356.

April 11 - 30  Dogwood Trail
The Dogwood Trails in Knoxville, including Village Green, will be open on these days. So, expect additional cars and busses in the neighborhood as people come by to admire our dogwoods and gardens.

April 15  VGHA Board Meeting
The VGHA board meeting is usually held monthly on the second Sunday of the month at 7:00 pm. However, as April 8 is Easter Sunday, the board meeting was slipped to April 15.

April 19  Village Green Book Club
Beth Anderson will host the Village Green Book Club meeting at her home: 11512 North Monticello Drive. The book to be discussed is “The Language of Flowers” by Vanessa Diffenbaugh.

April 21  Lifeguard Applications
Village Green will be taking lifeguard applications for the summer 2012 season at the Clubhouse between 9:00 and 11:00 am. Applicants should bring their CPR and lifeguard certifications.

April 24  Ladies Bunco
Ladies Bunco meets the last Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm at the Clubhouse. Bunco is a fast-paced dice game that is very easy to learn. Please plan to come even if you have never played. Please bring $5 for prize money and the drink of your choice.

May 5  Neighborhood Garage Sale
Start getting ready for the neighborhood garage sale. If you plan to participate, contact the social chairperson, Heather Jarrell, 966-0289 / heathernjarrell@gmail.com, so she can include you in the plans.

(Of other activities for May will be listed in next month’s newsletter)
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.

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