# Village Green Crier August 2024

### **President Message**

Did you know that the Village Green Community Association (VGCA) owns approximately 7.5 acres in our neighborhood? On that land we have a clubhouse, pool, basketball court, playground equipment, park benches, picnic tables, pickleball courts, grills, and split rail fencing along the neighborhood cut throughs in the inner loops. These 7.5 acres add to the property value of all our homes and provide much needed green space in a city that is seeing that shrink. We are a volunteer run organization who perform all of the maintenance and upkeep on that property.

VGCA membership dues are especially important for the neighborhood as it allows us to maintain these common areas, playground equipment, clubhouse, pickleball courts, and pool.

The VGCA membership drive continues for this year and VGCA always takes donations to pay for things such as gas and repairs for our lawn equipment. Support VGCA by joining and volunteering some time.

The VGCA Membership form can be found here: <u>https://vgnn.org/join</u>

#### VGCA Board Members

President: Glenn Woodell Vice President : Stand Van Pelt II Treasurer: Kelly Matteson Secretary: Ashley O'Malley

Members can be contacted at: board@vgnn.org

# What's Happening in the Green



#### 1/2 Pool Memberships

This is a fantastic way to try out the pool and support our greatest asset. We plan to be open through September 9th... More info can be found here: <u>https://vgnn.org/join/</u>

#### End of Summer Party

August 17th, please join us Saturday at the pool and park! With pool hours later in the day from 4pm-8pm the party will begin with food and fun. Around 7:30 we will be watching the new Garfield movie!

Safety Day in the Green

September - TBD

2025 VGCA Board Nominations

Board Members positions are up for nomination this year and the community needs those members who have ideas on how to help prepare our neighborhood for the future. Look for more information in the September issue.

## **Treasurer Message**

Village Green has a Community Association, the VGCA, is not a Homeowners Association (HOA)

The Village Green Community Association operates as a 501(c)(7) Social Club. VGCA is operated by a volunteer board, responsible for maintenance of community property including our beautiful park and pathways.

## **City Events & Festivals**

August 17th - All-America City Celebration in Newport News, the annual Made in Newport News festival. City Center at Oyster Point 701 Town Center Dr, Newport News

September 7th - 33rd Annual Southeast Community Day Parade.

September 21st - 64th Annual Denbigh Day Parade and Festival includes: a parade, live music, games, inflatables, educational displays, photo ops, arts & crafts vendors.

October 5 & 6, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm. Newport News is harvesting spooky fun for everyone, for the FALL-O-WEEN Festival. A two-day, family-friendly festival. Newport News Park

#### https://nnparksandrec.org/events/

## What's on the Menu?

#### Cheese Tortellini with Tomatoes & Basil

#### Ingredients

2 pints cherry tomatoes
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cup extra-virgin olive oil
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> teaspoon kosher salt
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> teaspoon cracked black pepper
1-pound refrigerated cheese tortellini
1 cup fresh basil leaves, thinly slice.
Preheat oven to 425°F. Put a large pot of water on to boil.

Place tomatoes in a shallow baking dish or pan. Add oil, salt and pepper and toss to combine. Roast for 25 minutes. Reduce oven temperature to 200° and continue cooking until the tomatoes are soft and juicy, about 15 minutes.

Meanwhile, cook tortellini according to package directions. Drain.

Add the roasted tomatoes to the drained tortellini and toss. Top with basil.

# Fall Vegetable Gardening

Crops that do well in Newport News throughout fall and even a light frost include beets, broccoli, cabbage, carrots, lettuce, mustard, onions, radishes, spinach, and turnips.

We are in the 7b/8a Virginia Hardiness Zone.

7b – First Fall Frost: 10/25 - 11/5

8a – First Fall Frost: 11/5 – 11/15

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