
Village Green Crier

October 2024

President Message



As the summer has come and gone and the year nears its close, we are approaching the time when we nominate and elect new board members. If you would like to nominate someone for one of the elected positions, write board@vgnn.org. Please see the VGCA Website for more information on Board and Committee Positions. The board is a fluid body, and all positions are open for replacement every year. If you know of someone who would like to step into either an elected position or just to join one of the standing committees, please let us know. We can always use more help.

The warm months usually see an uptick in crime in any community and this one has never been an exception. By far, the most common criminal activity is that of people entering unlocked cars, usually during the night. The past two years have seen a marked decrease in such activity. I believe this is due to those annoying bright streetlights that Dominion Energy installed. This is a reminder that all neighbors can help out by reporting streetlights that are inoperable. Dominion is usually pretty responsive in getting them back into working order.

I would like to congratulate Lakisha Leeks for the approval of her special permit for the expansion of her in-home day care business, Amazing Childcare and Learning Academy. Please contact her at <http://beamazingchildcare.com/> for your childcare and early education needs.

As we approach the new year, please consider joining the community association. It is totally voluntary but that means that many either choose not to join or do not give it much thought. We have much work to do to keep the pool, clubhouse, playground, and common areas in proper order. Please consider joining at least at the lowest level. Each membership helps.

What's Happening in the Green



FIRE UP IN THE GREEN

Saturday, October 26, 2024, 9:45-11:15, join us at the VG Clubhouse and walk to Fire Station #6 for a free visit. All are welcome. RSVP by 10/21 post on Facebook or email info@vgnn.org. Include # of children and adults.

VGCA Open Board Member Meeting

Thursday, October 24, 2024, 7:00 – 8:00.

Treasurer Message

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.

VGCA is financially supported by annual membership dues; facility rental/usage fees, sponsorships, donations, investments, or other fundraising activities.

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

City Events & Festivals

Phoebus Fall Fest Oct. 12, vibrant outdoor street fair takes over Phoebus, with handmade arts and crafts, live music, food, and beer. Historic Phoebus, phoebusva.com

Yorktown Day, Oct. 19, Commemorate the Siege of Yorktown in 1781 with a wreath-laying ceremony, a performance from the Fifes and Drums of York Town and visits to the historic sites. Historic Main Street, Yorktown. nps.gov/York

Newport News Greek Festival Fall Edition, Oct. 12, Enjoy authentic Greek food, drinks, and desserts, as well as Greek dancing, music, and vendors. Saints Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church, Newport News. newportnewsgreekfestival.org

Yorktoberfest, Oct. 27, sample beers with unlimited tastings, as well as ciders and more, from Coastal Virginia breweries. Riverwalk Landing, Yorktown. yorktoberfestva.com

What's on the Menu?

Halloween Bat Treats

Ingredients

3 tablespoons butter or margarine
1 package (10 oz., about 40) JET-PUFFED Marshmallows
5-1/2 cups JET-PUFFED Miniature Marshmallows
6 cups Kellogg's® Rice Krispies® cereal
Canned frosting or decorating gel
Assorted candies

Directions

1. In large saucepan melt butter over low heat. Add marshmallows and stir until completely melted. Remove from heat.
2. Add KELLOGG'S® RICE KRISPIES® cereal. Stir until well coated.
3. Using buttered spatula or wax paper evenly press mixture into 13 x 9 x 2-inch pan coated with cooking spray. Cool slightly. Using cookie cutters coated with cooking spray cut into bat shapes. Decorate with frosting and/or candies. Best if served the same day.

Gardening "To Do" Tips

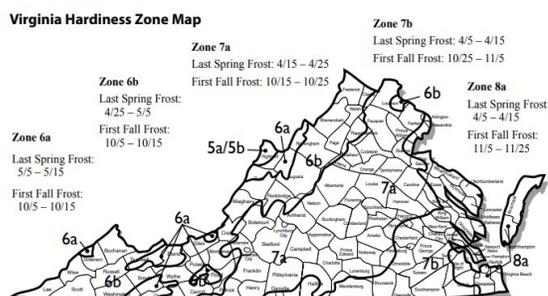
Keep all plants, especially newly planted perennials, trees, and shrubs (especially evergreens) adequately watered until the ground freezes, if your soil is dry.

This is the time to fertilize trees if a soil test indicates nutrient deficiencies.

Be consistent about disconnecting your hose from the faucet to prevent freeze damage.

Have your sprinkler system blown out this month, and protect your backflow preventer and any other above-ground parts with a waterproof insulated jacket to keep them from freezing.

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