



# THE VILLAGE



## VOICE

May, 2008

### The Prez Sez:



Well, spring has finally arrived to Meadowlane Village. It's wonderful to see the buds on the trees, the flowers awakening from their winter slumber. The sweet sound of the birds and the crispness of the air seem to proclaim the rebirth that is spring. Maybe because I'm growing older and retired that I have awakened myself. A new spirituality has permeated and woven into my being. I finally have come to the realization that I have a lot in my life to be thankful for. Possessions are not what truly ensure happiness. True happiness belongs to the connection with the one being, God. I have found that being still and present in the moment is the essences of life. That nature itself is what truly matters. Not what designer labels I wear or what type of vehicle I drive but how I treat others THAT is what is important. I challenge all of us to get to know each other. Give that friendly smile to your neighbor. Wave to a stranger. Believe me when you send out good vibrations into the universe it comes back to you twofold. Spend a moment to pickup those old leaves or clear away that piece of blown paper. A few simple minutes spent just weeding around your home will give you a sense of accomplishment. It all helps us to take pride in what we have. I hope you have a great spring. May the season of spring renew your health and happiness.

Rick

### Social Committee Report

Rich

Terek, chairman



**FIRST FRIDAY**, will be May 9<sup>th</sup>. We will celebrate Cinco de Mayo at Cozumel here in Greensburg. We will meet for dinner at 7:00. If you plan on joining us, please RSVP to Rick Terek at 724-216-5528 or [Ritg6g1@comcast.net](mailto:Ritg6g1@comcast.net) by May 5<sup>th</sup>. We hope to see a good turnout for our First Friday activity.

### Volunteer Opportunities

Want to meet new friends, do something worthwhile for the environment and your community? Volunteer by calling Westmoreland Cleanways to help on one of the many projects. Tell us what you like to do and we will enlist your support when needed. Contact them at 724-836-4129.

**DON'T FORGET OUR WEBSITE:**  
[WWW.MEADOWLANEVILLAGE.COM](http://WWW.MEADOWLANEVILLAGE.COM)



### Gazebo Rental

The Gazebo is available for residents use for picnics, parties and gatherings. If you are interested in using the gazebo there is a \$25.00 security deposit required prior to the event as well as a holds harmless agreement which needs signed. If you are interested in using the gazebo, please contact Barb Makel at 724-

836-3646 or [bhende6855@aol.com](mailto:bhende6855@aol.com) to reserve it. The Gazebo will be available on a first come first serve basis so don't hesitate to reserve your date!

## Grounds Committee Report

Erik Smith, Chairman

Spring is nearly upon us and that means its landscaping and construction season! VP Erik Smith and the rest of the grounds crew plan to take advantage of the beautiful weather with pulling weeds, painting light posts and signs and of course, removing the rest of the mulch and replacing it with rock. Please watch for signs on the dates and times of these upcoming events - everyone's assistance would be greatly appreciated. Anyone interested in volunteering some time and effort, or some muscle, please contact Erik directly.



to see so many of you taking advantage of the lock box we put in place! Also a reminder that the assessment fee was increased to \$55 per month.

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VP Erik Smith is currently speaking with contractors for the sealing of the neighborhood roads and is planning on signing a contract this week. Please watch for upcoming news on dates and parking during this time of work to the neighborhood. Like before, the project will cover two days and will the neighborhood will be split into 2 halves. More information to follow soon...

## Secretary note

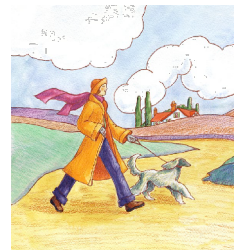
If you receive this newsletter by mail, but have email, please send me your email address. I apologize to those that send me their emails earlier, but for some reason, the addresses disappeared from my address book. Please send your email address to me at [bhende6855@aol.com](mailto:bhende6855@aol.com). Thanks.

\*Please use your judgment and common courtesy when calling these individuals. Calls should not be received after 9:00 pm. If the individual you need to speak with is not available please leave a message and they will get back to you at their earliest convenience.

Should you have any issue, concerns or complaints, please put them in writing and mail it to 505 Cattail Drive Greensburg PA 15601, and the matter will be addressed by the whole Executive Committee.

## PET OWNERS

The executive board wants to remind everyone to please pick up after your pet. We have seen some remnants of the bathroom experience around various parts of the property. No matter how small or large your dog is, please pick up after them. Your neighbors do not like stepping in



## Reminder from your Treasurer....

Please remember that our mail now goes to Pittsburgh to be sorted. What this means to you is that it may take longer for your assessment fees to reach us. Please remember to mail them so that they reach us by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month to avoid getting a late fee. We are happy

your dogs feces no matter how big or little it is!!

If anyone lost a grill cover during one of the many wind storms we had this winter, please contact Erik Smith. It was found and was put in our storage shed.

### Good News Corner

Congratulations to Tammy Fait on the sale of her home. We welcome Stephanie Dudzinski on the purchase of 1004 Gazebo. If you see her out, please welcome her to the neighborhood.

We're sorry to see Katie, Chris and Addison Jones leave our neighborhood. They have sold their home at 403 Cattail and will be moving in May. Good Luck and we'll miss you!

### Did You Know?

Did you know that most of our wall mounted thermostats have backup batteries in them? Me neither, until we took the face off of one of them and took a look for ourselves. So just a quick word from the Meadowlane Village Executive Committee to keep that in mind before you contact a serviceman and have them come out for a service call on your heater, make sure you test the thermostat with a new backup battery beforehand. It could save you a few dollars in the long run...

Thanks to Betty Rua for this tip!

### Lost & Found