



# THE VILLAGE



## VOICE

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continue to be the beacon of hope for all those who seek to be free.

### The Prez Sez:



Ruminations of the mind. First off, allow me to personally thank Karen Holbrook of 1302 Bluestone who unselfishly purchased and displayed all of the American Flags that were placed in front of every home and throughout the complex. She personally spent her own money and gave her time and effort to honor those who gave their lives to secure the liberty and freedom we enjoy. I received many compliments from a number of people who commented on how great our community looked.

Sometimes, we all get caught up in the parties and activities that the holidays bring and we soon forget the true meaning of the holiday itself. Having said that, I reflect on the sacrifices that our brave men and women have made on the numerous battlefields to protect and ensure our way of life. There are many grounds which hold those who gave the ultimate sacrifice. Whether they be on a field in France or some distant island in a marked or ,sadly, some unmarked grave, these true heroes rest in eternal peace. They are our grandfathers, dads, moms, sons, daughters, brothers, sisters, cousins or neighbors. However, they were someone's special love who never got the chance to live out their lives like we are.

I had the honor to watch the series "The Pacific" a few weeks ago. Just like "Band of Brothers" the story was about the struggles of the young men and women in WWII. I couldn't begin to imagine the hardships these young people endured. Not only did they face a fanatical enemy in the Japanese but also the elements and disease that would ravage their ranks. I can see why my father and his contemporaries were panned America's Greatest Generation. They lived through the Great Depression. Then they fought in a world conflict, were victorious and then came home to civilian life to instill the unwavering American spirit and made this country into the greatest on earth.

To those before them and those who came after them like the Korean Vets, the Vietnam Vets up to and including those who are now fighting in a God forsaken foreign land keeping us safe from harms way. So, when you see these brave men and women, you need to tell them "Thanks". They deserve it but they also have earned it. Please keep them in your prayers and ask God for their safe return to us.

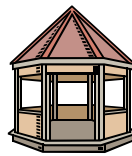
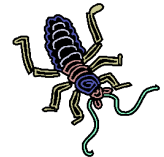
The American flag that we so proudly display is much more than a piece of colorful cloth with stars and stripes. It is a symbol of freedom and of hope. It is the representation of the many generations of people who have woven its fabric throughout the brief history of this nation. May we continue with the ideals that made us into this great nation and continue to ask for God's blessing to walk the path that he has laid before us. May we

If you didn't attend the Memorial service in Bovard this year, I would urge you to attend next year. It was a poignant, simple service dedicated to those who have served. It is a testament that a small town such as ours offers a tribute to her residents that have served this country.

I hope you all had a safe and fun Memorial Day.  
Rick

### ATTENTION ALL HOMEOWNERS!!

One of our homeowners has reported having termites in his home. It was confirmed by a Terminix representative that they were indeed termites. You may call Pam Glasgow at 724-640-6433 for a free inspection if you are concerned or have seen evidence of termites. You may also call an exterminator of your choice.



### GAZEBO RENTAL

Don't forget that 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

Watch for signs for a Saturday work day. Gas lights need washed, weeds pulled and a general spruce up of the grounds. Everyone is busy, but if you can spend an hour to help we could really accomplish a lot.



### TREASURER'S REPORT

I want to remind everyone that they can put their monthly fees in the black mailbox on the corner of Gazebo and Thistle. With the increase of postage you can save yourself a few cents by placing your payment in the black box. Also, a reminder that there is a \$20 late fee for payments received after the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. Monthly fees are \$55.





Recently there seems to be a lot of speeding and irresponsible driving within the plan. The streets are narrow, so please slow down, and be careful when you are driving between the buildings both on the upper and lower end of Thistle and on the streets. There are children and pets in our neighborhood, so please use caution and slow down.

#### Executive Committee Members

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\*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.

#### Parking

We are currently having issues with parking on the street. Residents are allowed to park on the street for 2 hours. There is no overnight parking allowed on the street. Repeat offenders will have their vehicles towed. It is a danger to the neighborhood to have vehicles parked on the streets for long periods of time. The streets are narrow, and emergency vehicles would not have access to all homes if the streets are blocked.



**IF YOUR DOG IS NOT TRAINED TO DO THIS. THEN YOU MUST DO IT FOR HIM**

**!!! The landscapers have reported that they have found several area's with dog feces. Please clean up after your pet in consideration of those workers. If you see someone not cleaning up after their pets, please report this to a board member.**

#### Secretary Note

I have not heard from several people, so if you receive this newsletter in a way other than email, but have email, please send me your email address. Please send your email address to me at [meadowlanevillag@aol.com](mailto:meadowlanevillag@aol.com). Thanks.

#### REMINDER

If you have plans to sell your home, don't forget to arrange for a resale certificate. You will need this for your closing. The cost of this is \$50. Please contact Barb Makel Adams for the certificate

#### FUN THINGS TO DO

**SUMMER SOUNDS:** Friday night concerts at St. Clair Park  
[www.summersounds.com](http://www.summersounds.com)

**Stone Villa Winery:** Saturday and Sunday free entertainment  
[www.stonevilla.com](http://www.stonevilla.com)

**GreenDance Winery:** Saturday and Sunday free entertainment  
[www.greendancewinery.com](http://www.greendancewinery.com)

**Westmoreland Arts & Heritage Festival:** July 1-4 Twin Lakes Park

**Summer Concert Series:** Free concerts each Sunday at 3:00 or 7:00 at Twin Lakes Park

[www.co.westmoreland.pa.us](http://www.co.westmoreland.pa.us) (keyword: "parks") for more info

**Thursday nights at the Palace:** Each Thursday evening in the courtyard of the Palace Theatre, free entertainment.

[www.palacetheatre.com](http://www.palacetheatre.com)