



Valley Village

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Quick Look

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details or visit the website.

Board Members

Keith Gnagey – President
Nancy Gunden – Treasurer
Daryl Peifer
John Spicher – Vendor Services Chair
Clara Yoder – Secretary
Paul Yoder – Member Recruitment

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"Just One Call"
540-209-6484

WE'RE "VALLEY VILLAGE" NOW!

On Sept. 27, a record attendance of 56 (24 guests and 32 members, not counting any who forgot to sign in) gathered for a potluck and annual meeting that unveiled changes announced by our "Park View Village 2.0" project team.

We thank the "2.0" team members who have met since April 2017, working with the board to see what might best change to help our organization succeed: Evelyn Driver, Cliff Lind, Daryl Peifer, Sadie Showalter, Ann Yoder. The team used a "SWOT" approach, addressing "Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats." The results:

We have changed our name from "Park View Village" to "Valley Village," reflecting what board president Keith Gnagey calls our new "porous boundary." We no longer have a geographical limit to where members may live, Keith announced . . . so, "If you are interested, come join us!"

Thanks to Denise Sauder, our administrative assistant, for designing our attractive new logo, which you see at the top of this newsletter.

Our website address now: www.valleyvillagehbg.org

Your previous username and password will work to log in. And if you type the old website name, it will redirect to the new. As the logo indicates, we're still part of the national Village-to-Village movement: vtv@vtvnetwork.org. MISSION: The Village-to-Village Network is the essential tool that enables community members to build and sustain thriving Villages.

Dues will remain the same: \$60/year per person or \$120/year per two-person household. (Ours is among the lowest dues rate in the "Village" movement.) Members are notified of renewal time.

New brochures, refrigerator magnets and Valley Village's (VV) anticipated programs through June were distributed.

The volunteer services program will be strengthened, with Yvonne Stutzman as volunteer coordinator, Paul Yoder announced. The "Just One Call" refrigerator magnets serve as reminders to call Yvonne at 209-6484 if you are interested in volunteering or need a volunteer's help. (Yvonne was our first newsletter editor, serving from 2011, when we were founded, until 2013.)

A "Volunteer Opportunities" form was provided for our clientele to signify what services they may provide or need, with a postal mailing address.

A 5-page "Service Providers" list of preferred vendors, listed by services, was distributed. It will also be emailed to VV members. If you need a hard copy, contact Vendor Coordinator John Spicher.

-Chris Edwards



A record number came to VMRC's Village Hall on Sept. 27 for potluck dinner and a detailed presentation on the innovations that "Project 2.0" brings to "Valley Village" — including that new name for the former "Park View Village." Photos by Greg Versen



A parking lot sign found in Pitlochry, Scotland. — C.E.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, Oct. 10, 7:00 pm: Alden and Louise Hostetter will discuss “Cuba 2016: Socialist Success or Failed State?” at Park View Mennonite Church Fellowship Hall (upstairs).

Thurs., Oct. 18: Day trip to Carter Mountain Apple Orchard (\$15/person) and lunch at Mrs. Rowes. Van departs at 9 am from PVMC parking lot. Sign up with Greg Versen if you plan to go: gregversen@yahoo.com, 540-433-1018, 540-246-1299.

November 14: Valley Associates for Independent Living (VAIL), Gayl Brunk
December 11, 5:30 pm: Christmas Potluck Dinner and 6:45 The Walking Roots Band Christmas Concert

January 15: VPAS (Valley Program for Aging Services): Response to the Grey Wave, Beth Bland

February 13: “Just Jazz & Desserts,” Royce Campbell & partner, 7:00, Fire-place Room. Bring your favorite Valentine dessert.

February 26: Sentara Home Health Services, Ed Glover

March (TBA): VMRC, First Choice Home Health & Hospice, Donna Selby

March (TBA): Trip to Monticello

April 9: Home Instead, Jeanette Suter

May 14, 10:00 am Woodland Park Tour

June (TBA): Annual Picnic, 5:30 [non-rainy date!]

*For updates and details that are “TBA,” see the Calendar of Events on the VV website: www.valleyvillagehbg.org.

Resources to aid our goal of “living in community” will be explored over the coming year in five of the above programs.

Movie Nights

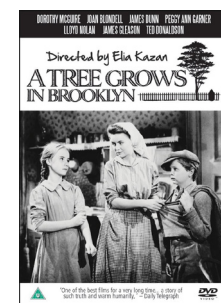
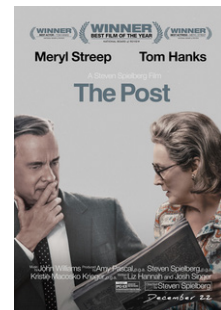
Movie nights are back (and many enjoyed last month’s “Hundred-Foot Journey”). Showings are one Friday a month, now at 7 pm, still in VMRC’s Park Place Cinema Room. Free; no registration. Guests, including VMRC residents, welcome.

We suggest that you drive around to the right of the main entrance of Park Place. Park in any unnumbered spot. Enter door #8 on south side of Park Place, across from EMU ball field.

Oct. 19: *The Post*. Steven Spielberg’s historic “thriller,” starring Meryl Streep and Tom Hanks, depicts the struggles at The Washington Post over publication of the “Pentagon Papers” in 1971.

Nov. 16: *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn*. Adapted from the novel by Betty Smith, this 1945 film shows young “Francie” (Peggy Ann Garner) coming of age in a time of hardships and hopes.

Dec. 21: *The Zookeeper’s Wife*. A Resistance couple in occupied Poland, 1939, use a vacant zoo to save human lives. Adapted from Diane Ackerman’s nonfictional book.



Welcome Denise Sauder - New Layout Designer

In the last issue, when I expected to resign as editor, I wrote of my difficulties with the tech aspects of the newsletter, asked if we needed to continue publishing one, and said, "If there is a need, I'm confident that a way will be found!"

That has happened. Denise Sauder, our administrative assistant, kindly came forward and offered to do the layout: the part that has been the source of frustration for me.

So I'll continue to edit the newsletter, which will continue as bimonthly (every two months). Please send your submissions to me as before. Deadline is Nov. 20 for submissions to the November-December newsletter. (We're trying to get back on schedule after my being a bit late this time, due to travels.

Send items to Chris Edwards, 434-0457; chrisedwardshburg@gmail.com. And thank Denise!

-Chris Edwards



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, VV MEMBERS!

October

Evelyn J. Driver
Wilma Gingerich
Loretta Helmuth
Mildred Hostetter
Hannah Mack Lapp
Pauline Myers
Steve Shenk
Lorrie (Eleanor) Merrow

November

Esther Augsburger
Pearl Lantz
Yvonne Stutzman
J Lowell Wenger



Skilled General Handy Man



Vendor Spotlight

VV Board Member Daryl Peifer recommends Phil Cassel as a favored vendor for inclusion in the Preferred Vendor's list.

Phil Cassel's contact information:

917 Park Lane, Harrisonburg, VA.

phillipcassel@gmail.com Phone - 540-292-3551

He lists his specialties as new construction, repairs, plumbing and painting.

In addition he will do smaller jobs such as, changing light bulbs and cleaning gutters.

John Spicher
Vendor Services Chair