

VILLAGE GREEN News

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WELCOME!

The Board of directors would like to take this opportunity to welcome everyone to the first issue of Village Green News! It may appear that we'd gone into hiding after the AGM, but we've been busy brainstorming all sorts of ideas to present to the Village Green community. As we've already seen, our new chairperson Liz has been sending out updates after each board meeting to keep us all in the loop. The goal of Village Green News is to keep you further informed about our wonderful complex and the people who make it what it is. Together we, Glenda Osinchuk, Kelsey Miller & Magda Sobczak hope to make Village Green News a voice for our community. Please let us know how we are doing with any ideas, thoughts, suggestions and what you would like to see in these pages. We look forward to your response and can't wait to get out the next edition of Village Green News!



FIRST THINGS FIRST

Let's start off with an introduction of our 2007-2008 Board of directors:

Chairperson -Elizabeth McIntyre
Director at Large -Dan Chomiak
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Treasurer -Roger Doyle
Secretary -Francois Parent
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CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

It appears no one is beating a path to the door to sign up for this one. We understand, the pay sucks, but you will reap the rewards when the job is done. Village Green is all of our homes, and like any good house, there are always things to be done. The more projects we contract out, the higher our condo contributions will get. So sign up and put your personal stamp on our wonderful complex. We welcome your suggestions and comments on what you think needs to be done and even more welcome your **presence** and **commitment** in help make Village Green a more beautiful place to live. Please contact Glenda @ 264.4039 or glenda5@myway.com to get involved. Only a few hours a month can make a world of change!

JOKE CORNER

My Living will

Last night, my friend and I were sitting in the living room and I said to her "I never want to live in a vegetative state, dependant on some machine and fluids from a bottle. If that ever happens just pull the plug." She got up, unplugged the TV and threw out my wine.

GO Green!

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"THOSE WHO CANNOT LEARN FROM History ARE DOOMED TO REPEAT IT."

George Santayana - Philosopher, poet & cultural critic

VILLAGE GREEN GRAPEVINE

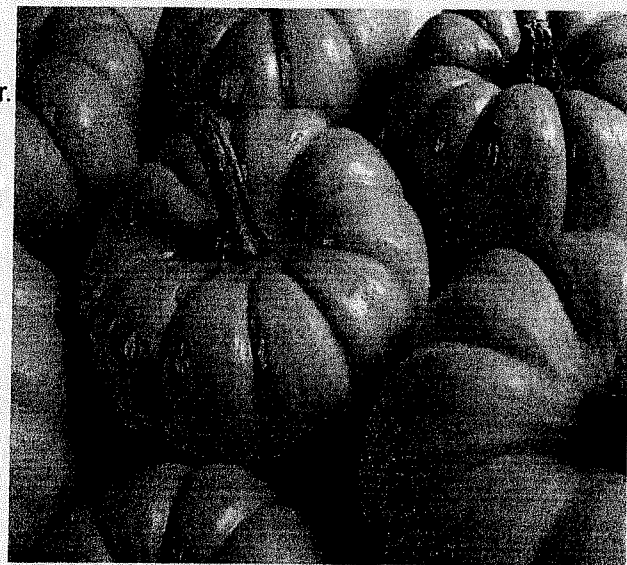
The caretaker position has been filled by Barb who resides in the 300 block. Make sure to say Hello the next time you see her.

WEB-SITE

Tara O'Reilly a new tenant in our complex has stepped up to the plate and offered her services in designing a web-site for Village Green. This will certainly bring us into the 21st century and take us to the next level. So let's extend a warm welcome to Tara and thank her for taking time out of her already busy schedule to assist us in this new and exciting project.

PARKING

Perhaps you are new to Village Green and haven't received a Visitors Parking Pass. If this is the case please contact Glenda @ 264.4039 or glenda5@myway.com and request your pass today or if you have any concerns regarding parking & communications in the Village Green Complex.



FOOD FOR THOUGHT - CONDO LIVING

While monthly contributions can vary widely for a number of reasons, a simple rule of thumb can easily be used to calculate what it costs to operate a house, townhouse, or condo apartment. Add up your water/sewer bill, heating and other energy related costs, maintenance and saving for future capital work (repairing the roof, new boilers, etc...) and you'll arrive at roughly 40 cents per sq.ft. Townhouses are usually lower because they have their own furnace, hot water heater and individual water meters so with these utility expenses removed from condo contribution the remaining townhouse expenses might only be 20 cents per sq.ft. Therefore a 1000 sq.ft. condo would pay approximately \$400 a month in condo contributions, which are mistakenly referred to as 'fees'. There is no third party involved in condominiums so there are no 'fees', but simply our contributions toward shared expenses. Certainly food for thought! source www.condosincalgary.com



KEEP IN TOUCH!

If you would like to get involved, have a story to submit, a suggestion to make or would like more information about Village Green News, please contact us!

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We hope you enjoyed this first issue and we're looking forward to releasing your next issue of VGN in December 2007!