

# THE VILLAGE VOICE

Your KMV IV Newsletter

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## BOARD NEWS:

### Resignation:

The Board regrets to announce the resignation of Director Eva Wagner. Eva served on our Board for over 3 years and was involved in many projects. She worked hard to maintain our playgrounds and was active in our community activities. Thank you Eva for your hard work and dedication to our Board and our community!

### FREE POSTS!!!!

Rather than disposing of the old sign posts, the Board is offering them to our residents. The posts are 4 x 4 x 10, pressure treated wood. They are in semi good condition, with some slight damage.

If you can use them for a project, please help yourself. The posts are located in the common area behind 9079 Tiffany Park Court.

If you have any questions, please contact the Board at [info@keenemillvillage.org](mailto:info@keenemillvillage.org).

## New Community Signs.....

The Board is pleased to announce the completion of our sign project. The 5 month long project, involved a number of people and phases:

**Fire Marshall:** Before we could begin, the Fire Marshall had to approve the project. All signs were made to their specifications in regard to size, wording, placement and materials. Once the signs were installed, the Fire Marshall inspected the placement before issuing final approval.

**Signs By Tomorrow:** Signs by Tomorrow in Springfield, not only made all the signs, but also did the installation. Their representative, Erin, was involved in every step of the process and was an invaluable asset to the project.

**David:** A resident on Tiffany Park Court volunteered not only his time and energy, but also his truck and tools to remove the old sign posts and fill in the holes. His hard work and willingness to help our community made this project a success and saved our community money. Thanks David ...I couldn't have done it without your support and help!

### The end result?

35 to 40 old sign posts removed and replaced with 10 new posts.

50 to 60 old signs replaced by 20 new signs - 5 fire lane signs and 15 signs for parking, dog poop and towing.

--- Mary Margaret McKinney, Secretary, KMV IV

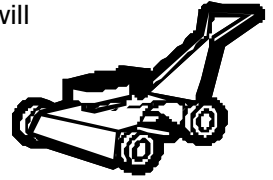
The Shannon Station swimming pool is once again open and available to residents of our community. Please contact **East Coast Management at (703) 569 - 9880** for information on passes and costs.

The tennis courts located at the entrance of our community are also available for all residents of Keene Mill Village. This year, there is no cost for keys to the courts. The courts will be unlocked and open for the season.

***Our children are out playing ...use caution when driving in our community.***



It's that time of year ....the architectural walks have been completed and forms will be arriving shortly in your mail. Please keep in mind, some of the work noted on the forms may have already been completed. The inspections were done at various times over the last few weeks. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Board at [info@keenemillvillage.org](mailto:info@keenemillvillage.org)



**Several residents have requested information on the following items.....**

**RECYCLING** is mandatory in Fairfax County.

- Plastic bottles and jugs
- Glass bottles and jars
- Soda cans and bottles
- Pill bottles
- Metal food cans
- Junk mail and magazines
- Flattened boxes
- Catalogs and Phone books
- Newspapers
- Cereal and cracker boxes

For more information, please see [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/living/recycling](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/living/recycling)

**Landfills** handle hazardous household materials such as paint, stains, varnish, oil, gas and propane tanks. Do Not put these items in our regular trash!

**There are two locations:**

I-66 Transfer Station Complex  
4618 Ox Road, Fairfax, VA  
(703) 631 - 1179

I-95 Landfill Complex  
9850 Furnace Road  
(703) 690 - 1703

For more information, please see [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/living/recycling](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/living/recycling)



**In Our Community.....News and Information.....**

**Tossed and Found:** Doors, lumber, yard furniture, chairs, couches, clothes, pipes, bikes, car parts and cabinets were just a few items found in our common areas and streams during spring cleanup. Please do not throw trash or your unwanted items in the common areas. Place these items out for trash collection. Also, when trimming trees or doing yard work, bundle or bag your debris and help keep our common areas clean! Thank you!!!

**Gutters:** Cleaning out your gutters is very important. Clogged gutters can lead to roof damage, wood rot or even damage inside your home. Standing water in your gutters is also a breeding ground for mosquitos, which carry the West Nile Virus. If you are unable to clean your own gutters, contact a local company and have your gutters cleaned. Also, installing gutter guards is a simple way to protect your gutters from collecting debris.

**Unwanted Visitors:** Rats have been spotted in our neighborhood and yards. Please be sure to keep your trash in secure, lidded containers and do not put food out. If you are a dog owner, clean up your yard, as rats are attracted to the dog waste in your yard. If you think you have a problem, contact a local extermination company for an inspection and advice.

**Dog Owners:** Recently, two young girls from our community found a dog wandering alone in a common area. Fortunately, the girls recognized the dog and knew the owner. The dog was not wearing a collar or identification tag. If you own a dog, please be sure your dog is properly licensed, vaccinated and is wearing an identification tag. Dogs found without identification tags can be turned over to the animal shelter. Please protect your dog, and all your pets, with proper licenses and identification tags. Identification tags can be purchased at most pet stores, or from your veterinarian. And ...as always ....remember to scoop the poop!!!

**Mailboxes:** Several residents have asked about replacing their damaged mailboxes. Purchasing and replacing mailboxes is the responsibility of the homeowner. New mailboxes can be purchased at Home Depot. Mailboxes must be a standard black metal box, in keeping with the existing box, with a red flag. Don't forget to add your house number to the box. Numbers should be gold, again similar in size and shape of the existing numbers.