

Village Improvement Society Fall 2014 Newsletter

The Common has never looked better! VP George Kelley and Bob Tremblay have done an amazing job keeping our lawns green and clipped. Some might say they are smooth enough for croquet, but we will not be offering the tournament this year. Although we scheduled the Croquet Tournament for September 20, we have not been able to attract more than a small group of loyal players. The officers thought long and hard about this decision because this has traditionally been a valuable fundraiser through the generous support of our lawn sponsors.

We are asking these members to continue their sponsorship of VIS with donations that will be recognized with a sign to thank them for supporting the regularly scheduled mowing—our biggest expense and our core mission. These signs will be posted at the intersection of 200 and 193 and visible to more people for a longer period of time. Watch that space! (And if you, your business, or organization is interested in lawn sponsorship, please contact us.)

The Scarecrow Decorating Contest will be held as scheduled from October 18 until November 1. The signpost on the Common will include the entry forms. As always, we are grateful to the businesses that provide the prizes that attract such wonderful and creative scarecrows. What will your scarecrow look like? We have lots of space to fill.

Finally, through the good offices of Jean Beaupre, a group of students from Nichols College will be doing their community service with VIS on Tuesday, October 14. They will rake leaves, plant daffodil bulbs, and leave our Common a credit to us and a pleasure to all who pass by.

Other 2014 dates:

- Sunday, November 2, 2:00 p.m. Annual meeting (location tba)
- Saturday, November 8, 9-12 noon. Fall clean up (rain date, November 15)
- December 1--January 6. Christmas Tree lighted.