

# The Village Voice

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Standards –  
Won't you be my neighbor?  
Bob Clark – Chair

Or would someone who is as kind as Mr. Rogers prefer a new neighbor?

You are all invited to take a little test. Walk next door and look back at your property. Is what you see something you would like to have next door to you or do you think something like, "Boy, that place could sure use some work."

If you are like 99 percent of the good neighbors living in The Village Green, you really feel good when you look at your place. You know you are making a positive contribution to the appearance and property values of those living next to you and all around The Village Green. But, if you fall into that one percent whose neighbors wish you would take a little more pride in your place or maybe even that you might sell it, and then you have some work to do.

Does your curb view attract or repel your neighbors?

If your lawn is full of weeds or bare areas, if your landscaping needs cleaning up, dead plantings replace, if your roof is dark with mildew, your home needs power washing, your window treatments needs replacing, or the appearance of your property probably falls into that undesired one percent --- then it's time to fix those things.

Often it is not a matter of money that allows these conditions to exist but simply a matter of neglect that could be corrected with a little "sweat equity" during the cooler months.

The lawn could be corrected by applying a little weed killer, fertilizer and maybe some grass plugs. (Remember, there are some restrictions when certain lawn applications can be made.)

The landscaping can be improved by cleaning out beds and planning a progressive program of improvements that would not require a great outlay of money at one time. Sarah Patterson There are companies that will treat roofs and driveways and homes with an anti-fungicide for a very reasonable price.

The Village Green has a strong desire for our community to be maintained so that it remains a place of beauty for all who live here and for those people who visit. Because of this desire to maintain the community's beauty and home values, The Village Green ruling documents include provisions for residents who do not adequately maintain their properties – including a system of notifications, if ignored, can result in resident evictions.

\*\*This article was taken from a different community and was changed with Village Green's name. \*\*

*Happy  
Thanksgiving*

*May you all enjoy your time with friends, family and neighbors during this season of Thanksgiving*

## COMMUNITY



- **Leaf clean-up has begun. Get out and rake and bag your leaves please.**
- **NO DUMPING leaves in the back behind the garages. Republic will pick up brown leaf bags on Tuesday mornings. (no plastic bags)**
- **NO TAKING dirt from behind the garages. If you need dirt please call the office, or please buy your own.**
- **If you are hiring a snow removal service for your driveway this is the time of year to start getting prices for who you want to hire.**
- **Please stay out of other people's yards unless you are invited on their lawns. Please DON'T cut any flowers or bushes in other people yards.**
- **Please continue to pick up your dog droppings throughout the entire year. It keeps the Village Green clean.**
- **When dropping off your rent checks save your envelope and just put your check in the door. In the memo field please include your lot number. Thank you.**
- **Save time, be on time; sign up for direct withdrawal for the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month. Stop in the office today to sign up.**

# Caramel Snack Mix

Prep – 10 minutes

Cook – 1 hour

Ready in 1 hour 10 minutes

## Ingredients

- 1/2 cup butter
- 3/4 cup white corn syrup
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 cup chopped pecans
- 1 cup almonds
- 1 (12 ounce) package crispy corn and rice cereal

## Directions

1. Preheat oven to 275 degrees F (135 degrees C). Spray a large roasting pan with non-stick cooking spray.
2. In a medium-size microwave safe bowl, mix butter, white corn syrup and brown sugar. Place the mixture in the microwave and cook 2 minutes, or until butter melts.
3. Place the cereal, pecans and almonds into the prepared roasting pan. Pour the melted butter mixture over the cereal and nuts and mix gently until the cereal and nuts are coated.
4. Bake for 1 hour, stirring every 15 minutes.
5. As the snack mix is cooling, be sure to continue to stir so that the mix will not harden in one big lump.

## Heat Tape Inspections

Call Jared **616.312.7449**

Before the 1<sup>st</sup> snow = \$10.00

After the 1<sup>st</sup> snow = \$20.00

If your heat tape needs to be replaced Jared will give you a quote at the time of the inspection. Pay him directly.

Please **DO NOT** drop off clothing, food or other items to the mail house. If you have items you want to give away please drop them off at

Love Inc (326 North Ferry, Grand Haven),  
Goodwill (1112 Robbins Road, Grand Haven),  
or ask your neighbors if they know someone in need.



All dogs need to be on a leash if they are outside of your home.

## NEW HOMES FOR SALE

\*\*\*Ask us about our new home referral program\*\*\*

### Lot #7 - \$49,900

Singlewide - MHE - 2 bedroom 2 bathroom

### Lot #171 - \$49,000

Singlewide - MHE - 2 bedroom 2 bathroom

## PRE-OWNED HOMES FOR SALE

### LOT #481 - \$28,000

Singlewide - 1986 - 2 bedroom 1 bathroom

## Where's Waldo?

Each month The Village Green awards a \$20 Meijer gift card to the resident who finds their last name placed *randomly* in the newsletter. Keep watching for your name and simply stop in at the Village Green office to collect!



## Office Hours

There may be days when we will not be in the office 9-5. We will try our best to post a change in hours in advance on the office door. If for some reason we are not in you may call 616-405-9525 to reach us.



**THANK YOU for all the BOX TOPS!**

*We are always collecting Box Tops in the office.*

*Please clip them and bring them in*



Rent is **LATE** on the 6<sup>th</sup> of each month and a **\$25.00** late fee will be applied. A reminder; please try to use checks/ money orders.

**We prefer NO cash in the office as we can't make change.**