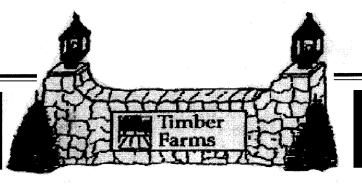
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CIVIC CORNER

"The approaching Holiday Season"

With the approaching holiday season, I just want to remind everyone about driving safely and courteously through the neighborhood. In case people have forgotten, or are unaware, the speed limit is 25 MPH in residential neighborhoods. In addition, stop signs are ignored all too often.

Like most active and friendly neighborhoods, we often have kids playing, people jogging, walking, or cycling, and people walking their dogs. Please show respect for yourself, your family, and your neighbors by keeping your speed down, your eyes open, and your mind alert when driving.

Have a safe and happy holiday season!

Len Taddei

President

"Changing of the Guard"

With the upcoming November meeting, there will be a "changing-of-the-guard". Janet Taylor-McDowell will be stepping down as Vice-President after numerous years of involvement in the Civic Association and community, in general. She was the previous Civic Association President, and agreed to stay on as Vice-President to keep some continuity, plus follow through with issues and activities in which she was involved. She has indicated she will still be involved with the social activities, and she's also one of the new board members of the Timber Farms Maintenance Organization.

I'd like to thank Janet for everything she has done for the community and wish her continued success in the future! Many thanks, Janet!

Len Taddei

President

Santa is Coming to Jown



We are in the process of preparing for Santa's arrival. He will be visiting Timber Farms on Sunday, December 18^{th} from 2:00-3:30 p.m. at the end of Holly Cove Lane. In addition to meeting with Santa, children will be able to ride a train and enjoy popcorn. Later that night, the house-decorating contest will take place at 7:00 p.m. Judges from a neighboring community will peruse the neighborhood and pick three winners. Winners from the last two years are ineligible.

Notes from Councilman Tackett

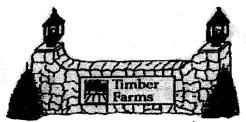
Building without Permits Home-Based Businesses Vacant Homes

I thought this time, it would be good to address building without permits, home-based businesses, and vacant homes.

Building Without Permits - This is one of the biggest violations in the County. Building permits are required for most types of construction and many types of home improvement projects (e.g. plumbing, heating, air conditioning, decks, new homes, most sheds, additions, swimming pools, hot tubs, hot water heaters, gas fireplaces, and finished basements). It is always wise to contact the Department of Land Use at 395-5400 regarding the need for a permit.

Home-Based Businesses - Certain types of businesses which may be conducted in residential areas but generally carry many restrictions to ensure that the residential nature of the community is not adversely affected. If you suspect that someone is running a business out of their home and wish to verify if it is legal or not, call 395-5555 for details. If you are thinking of starting a home-based business, please call 395-5400 for complete details and restrictions. Vacant, Unsecured Homes - Any vacant home must be maintained as if the home were being occupied (e.g. grass cut, shrubs trimmed, exterior of structure in good repair, doors and windows secure to prevent unauthorized entry into dwelling). If you suspect a home is vacant, you should call Code Complaints at 395-5555 to have the home checked.

Councilman Dave Tackett • 395-8351 • dltackett@nccde.org



The Officers Corner

The Officers are:

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157 Woodland Road
737-5571
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TFCA, P.O. Box 489 Bear, Delaware 19701

Please send your \$20 dues to: TFCA, P.O. Box 489, Bear, DE 19701

To contact the Civic Association, see any board member or write:

TFCA, P.O. Box 489, Bear DE 19701

To contact the Maintenance Corporation, call one of the members below:

Dave Schneider...368-5643 Bob Oakes...737-0515 Janet Taylor-McDowell...731-5953 Mike Lukas...731-5510 Chris Cascio...266-7919



Classified Ads

FREE to residents and residents' businesses; all others may place an ad for \$6. Call 737-5571 before January 31, 2006 Next issue: February 2006.



Announcements

- The next Timber Farms Civic Association meeting will be Wednesday, November 30, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria at Thurgood Marshall School. Civic Association board member <u>elections will take place</u> at this meeting. We encourage anyone who may be interested in being on the board to attend this meeting. We hope to see you there.
- There have been various complaints about residents' dogs. The SPCA provides information about dog enforcement at their website: Delspca.org. Of special interest, given the recent complaints, is Title 7 Chapter 17 1705A which states that no dog shall be permitted to run at large at any time, unless the dog is accompanied by the owner and under the owner's reasonable control. Please be courteous of your neighbors' yards and do not let your dog out unattended.
- February is the month in which we again begin collecting dues for the civic association. You will notice this year that we are requesting that you include your email address and phone number. Both bits of information make contacting you easier, especially your e-mail address as we want to be able to quickly contact residents when we receive timely information. From time to time, we would like to pass on information from our legislators, inform about sports sign-ups, and announce important events, etc. Also, when events occur in our neighborhood like, theft, paint ball sprayings, mailbox damage, we would like to warn residents as quickly as possible. By providing your email address to us in February, along with your dues, we will be able to communicate to the whole neighborhood quickly on issues that affect us day to day.
- Taking care of feral cats? Please consider TNR (Trap, Neuter, Release). This is the <u>most</u> effective and humane way of reducing feral cat populations. For more information visit <u>www.forgottencats.org/tnr.html</u>. If you would like to borrow a live trap, contact Christine Verdi at 738-7108.

Classified Ads (continued)

<u>Notary Service</u> - Right here in your development. \$3.00 fee per document. call Janet at 731-5953.

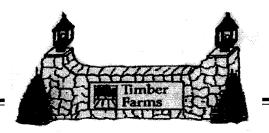
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Sheila Ross 418 Arrowhead Lane, 731-7960 mommycab3@yahoo.com





Classified Ads (continued)

<u>Creative Memories</u> - Have a fairytale life! Scrapbook your photos and you have a chance to edit the story to exclude the mishaps of life. Contact me to see how Creative Memories' tools, organizational steps and mission for getting the job done can help you. Contact: Venessa Manges-Spence at 369-0493 or CMscrapper@snip.net

<u>Computer</u> - Hardware installations/upgrades, system upgrades/repairs, spyware or virus cleanup, wireless networking, or consulting. Call Jeff at 559-9599.

<u>Babysitter Available</u> - College student with vast experience right here in the development! Call Liora at 366-0306.

<u>Computer Training</u> – Free for children ages 5 to 7 and \$10.00 per hour for others at your home or my home. Contact CompDr at 369-3655.

<u>PC Repair, Upgrades, Networking Services</u> – 10+ years experience, \$10.00 for spyware or virus cleanup and free estimate for other services. Contact CompDr at 369-3655.

<u>Seamstress</u> - Alterations: alter unlined items \$6, alter lined items \$8. I do clean and excellent work. Will be done in one day if needed. I have 30 years experience. Please contact me by e-mail:

rema@udel.edu. I live in Timber Farms.

<u>Wedding Dress For Sale</u> - Price \$100. Brand new. Contact: rema@udel.edu.

<u>Babysitters</u> – Certified and live in Timber Farms. Please call Natalie and Audrey at 731-7927.

<u>Everyone loves Avon</u> - Call me for a Catalog, special discounts for new customers—Cecilia 302/738-0358.

<u>Partylite</u> - Would you like Gorgeous, Quality, Products to Decorate your home for free?? Pick a day, Invite Friends, Let me and Partylite do the Rest: Call Cecilia 302/738-0358.

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Fleece Ponchos with Hoods - Girls ages 6-12 will love these super warm stylish ponchos. Handmade and easy to care for. Many colors to choose or will custom design for you. \$25. Great holiday gift for fashionable young ladies. Call Jenny at 738-3122.

Contributions to this quarterly Newsletter can be submitted to any board member or mailed to:

TFCA, P.O. Box 489; Bear, DE 19701

Recent Events

With quite a stretch of bad weather this past fall and summer, someone must be looking out for the residents of Timber Farms. We held our annual picnic on Sunday, October 2nd, on a beautiful, sunny afternoon. Kids and adults alike seemed to have a great time. Many thanks to Janet Taylor-McDowell who organized the entire event, Bob Oakes, Dave Schneider, Janice Vincelette, Len Taddei, Russell Payne, John Viola, Patti McCarthy, Sally Sillaman, Ruth Wolfe, Dina Treml, Elaine & Jim Little, Christine Verdi, Ruth Feeley, Tracy McMillan, and Wanda Prigg for all of their hard work and contributions.

Annual Picnic







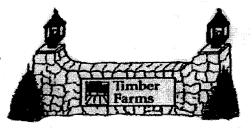


Halloween Happenings

We also held our Halloween festivities on Sunday, October 30th, another "picture-perfect" day. We'd like to thank all of the folks that made this event a success: Christine Verdi (for organizing the entire event), John Verdi, Bob & Kate Oakes, Janet Taylor-McDowell, Janice & Cassie Vincelette, Len Taddei, Kayle, Jan, & Randy White, and of course, State Representative John Viola, and Bruce & Rema Lipphardt, who had the very difficult job of being our costume judges. We also want to thank the Christiana Fire Company and the Christiana High School Band.









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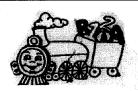
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The snow season is right around the corner, and along with the snow comes snow removal. We can aid the performance of snow removal by providing a clear access to all roadways. Please keep all vehicles and sports equipment off the roadway. This will provide easy and fast access to our streets.

Regards,

Dave Schneider, JFMA