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## CIVIC CORNER

### Glasgow Regional Park Update

FROM: Councilman David Tackett
TO: Residents in the 11th District

The Timber

Farms Voice

I know this has been a while in coming to you, but I thought it time to give a full update and time line for the Glasgow Regional Park at the corner of RT 40 and 896.

From the day I took office I have been committed to bring the residents of this district the regional park they waited for all too long. With the backing and full support of our County Executive Chris Coons, that promise now has a vision and time line to bring this area to you. I know that each and every one of us will spend as much time as possible there!

Here is a quick update on our Current Standing - Our construction plans and specifications are ready to bid as soon as some drainage issues are resolved with our Land Use Department.

Now the exciting news on what will be bid and built: - Park features will include:

6 Tennis Courts 3 Basketball Courts 3 Basketball Courts
2 Children's Play Area/Adventure Playgrounds for two age groups The adventure play ground includes five different play equipment zones for children of various ages and abilities. It includes a play area for children two to five and a play area for children ages 5 to 12. Some areas are more user friendly for children with various disabilities. The five zones utilize different types of safety surfacing. Some areas use colored rubber tiles; some use wood fiber. In addition to the five zones using conventional types of play equipment, there is a water splash area where water jets are placed in various places and configurations. There is no standing water in this area. It is a zone where children can interact with jets of water and splash. Another area includes a maze comprised of lawn and pavement. The pavement is placed in such a way as to provide the user with various choices of direction. Also, to provide shade within this area, architectural shade structures will be included. A picnic pavilion is located within feet of the adventure play area.

1 Interactive Spray Water Feature

3 Woodland Trails
1 Small Child Maze

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1 Gateway Pond

1 Small Child Maze

1 Sledding Hill 1 Family Picnic Area

1 Passive Contemplation Area

3 mile 10' wide Payed Trai! (lighted)

1 Gateway Pond

1 Farm Pond

2 Soccer Fields on a large common lawn

2 Multi-Use Lawns

1 Skateboard Park

The skate park will be constructed of reinforced concrete currently 16,000 sq feet. This is being designed by Site Design out of Arizona with the oversight being performed by Tony Hawk. Please visit my web site at: http://www.co.new-castle.de.us/county/Council/Home/webpage15.asp and click under links.

35 Car Parking Lots 1 ½ mile Roadway System 1 Long Central Paved Promenade

5 Pavilions 4 Rest Rooms

Construction Timing - As soon as we resolve the current drainage issues, which will be very soon, we will go to bid and have a contractor on board ready to construct as soon as the weather breaks this winter (probably March or April.) If we can work during the winter months, we will. Construction should be completed by September 2007.

a I know for some time now as you have driven past the Glasgow Park you see the all too familiar sign: Coming Soon. Well, hopefully you can now tell just how soon the park is coming and make plans to spend quite a bit of your free time in this new and exciting place that will be the place to come and visit with not just the residents of this area but people from all around our area.

I envision this park being the place that will bring us back together as a community. I look forward to seeing "All" of you there in the near future.

This is what is planned as of today. If the timeline and features are updated, I will keep you informed.

Councilman Dave Tackett 395-8351 dltackett@nccde.org

# **Notes from Councilman Tackett**

Over the past several months I have received a number of phone calls, as well as quite a few e-mails, about mischief and suspicious activity. Over the past six months or so, I have requested our neighborhood to have increased patrols. I have also requested and received an officer assigned to our neighborhood. I will make the arrangements to have him attend one of our upcoming civic association meetings, and i encourage everyone to attend.

I want to remind everyone to call "911" immediately if you see any activity that causes you concern. Don't wait to think about it for a few days.

If something has happened and you want to talk to a police officer about it, and it is not an emergency situation, then call the non-emergency number, 573-2800. They will be happy to discuss any situation with you.

I can't stress enough to take notice of what the situation entails, such as what the person looks like, the make of the car, the tag number, etc. No matter how small you may think the situation is, call it in. Because that person may have been involved in something bigger elsewhere.

I can't stress enough to call "911". Let the police do their job!

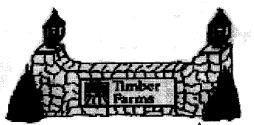
As always, please feel free to contact me by phone at 395-8351 or e-mail at dltackett@nccde.org.

An additional note from the TFCA - We now have an email address in which you can send in concerns, ideas, and other important information regarding the community or to the community, TimberFarmsCivic@aol.com. We encourage you to also let us know about any incidents or acts of vandalism so we as a community can be aware.

# "He's Back

Louis Capano is once again contesting the deed restriction which prohibits him from adding additional homes to Timber Farms until Salem Church Road has

been realigned. New Castle County Council and Capano agreed to the deed restriction in 1988. In May, 1997, Timber Farms residents successfully fought Capano and convinced NCC Council to reject Capano's proposal to lift the deed restriction. His lawyer has approached the Civic Association about meeting with residents to discuss the issue. Crowded roadways and failed intersections continue to plague us. If you're a concerned resident and would like to have your views heard, please plan to attend this very important meeting on March 8th, 2006 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at Thurgood Marshall School.



## **The Officers Corner**

The Officers are:

### Len Taddei, President 151 Woodland Road 455-0242 Email: taddeilg@ieee.org





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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 Email: TimberFarmsCivic@aol.com

Over the last year the maintenance association has received increased phone calls regarding property damage and vehicles speeding through the development. In response to these phone calls the maintenance board is researching the cost of hiring off duty police officers or a private security company to patrol the development on a random basis.

Regards,

Dave Schneider, JFMA



## **Classified Ads**

FREE to residents and residents' businesses; all others may place an ad for \$6. Call 737-5571 before April 30, 2006 Next issue: May 2006.



### **Announcements**

- The next Timber Farms Civic Association meeting will be Wednesday, April 5, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. at Thurgood Marshall School. A NCC police officer will be present to answer questions about vandalism in our neighborhood and what we can do to protect ourselves. Recent events have affected many of us and you could be next. We hope to see you there.
- We want to welcome Christine Verdi as she begins her new term as Vice President of the TFCA. Chris has been on the board in the past and we know she has a lot to offer the community. Thanks, Chris, for taking on this position.
- We have begun the annual process of mailing out notices in an effort to collect Civic Association dues. Please be on the look out for this in your mail and support your community by promptly sending in your \$20 dues. Don't forget to include your e-mail address so you can receive important community information. We are also always happy to have volunteers sign up for our events too. Your support is greatly appreciated.
- Congratulations to the following holiday decorating contest winners:

1<sup>st</sup> place: The Butcher Family – 36 Anthony Drive 2<sup>nd</sup> place: The Kowal Family – 412 Post Oak Lane 3<sup>rd</sup> place: The Joerger Family – 155 Woodland Road Cash prizes were awarded to the first, second, and third place winners.

Runner up's include 512 W. Hummock Road, 213 Holly Cove Lane, and 132 Woodland Road.

- The officers and residents of the Timber Farms Civic Association would like to thank the following for passing out flyers: Dave & Dolly Frampton, Chris & Liz Donaghy, Nancy Temple, Christine Verdi, Ingrid Agard, Yvonne Hunt, Elaine Little, Tracy McMillan, Jody and Michael Dallas, and Rosemarie Rossillo.
- DelDot has installed four 8x6 posts next to the barrier on Anthony Drive. This hopefully will alleviate the problem of motorists bypassing the barricade and ruining residents' lawns. If you happen to notice a vehicle going around the barricade, please try to get a license number and report it to a TFCA officer or our new e-mail address.

Classified Ads (continued)

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

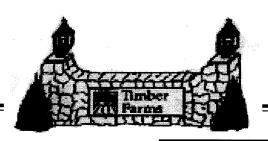
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Sheila Ross 418 Arrowhead Lane, 731-7960 mommycab3@yahoo.com





Classified Ads (continued)

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<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

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<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.

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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**

## Train Ride with Santa

The train ride with Santa was once again a big hit! We would like to thank all the volunteers who helped make the Train Ride with Santa a success and of course, Santa, who always makes the event special.



# Annual Easter Egg Hunt

We will be holding this event in April. Please check the board and look for flyers to announce the specifics. You don't want to miss this one!



# Blue Rocks Game



The 2006 Blue Rocks schedule is out and we will be picking a date for all to attend. Be on the look out for upcoming details.





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