



THE TIMBER FARMS VOICE

Neighbors working together

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LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT

From the President

I hope everyone is having a healthy and happy 2013. As you know, February begins our annual Civic Association membership drive. There are now 236 homes in Timber Farms. As of February 15, 86 residents have already become members for 2013. In addition, 38 of the new members made additional contributions beyond the \$25 annual dues. I'd like to thank all of our new members for their support.

We want your opinion! Each quarter, we spend about \$300 to print and mail our newsletter to all residents. These expenses account for roughly one quarter of our annual budget. In addition to regular mail, this year we will begin sending our newsletter in PDF format to all residents on our email distribution list. All recent newsletters are also available on our web site (www.timberfarmscivic.org). If you could voluntarily opt out of receiving paper copies of our newsletter, would you take advantage of this option? Please send your opinion to us by email (timberfarmscivic@aol.com).

You may already know that Timber Farms has two neighborhood organizations, the Timber Farms Maintenance Corporation, and the Timber Farms Civic Association. You are required to maintain your membership in our Maintenance Corporation, with annual dues for 2013 of \$165. The Maintenance Corporation is responsible for maintaining our common areas, including grass cutting and snow removal. They are also responsible for promoting the recreation, health, safety and welfare of our residents. Your membership in the Civic Association is voluntary. Typically, more than 70% of our residents are Civic Association members each year. Responsibility for addressing neighborhood issues is shared by our residents, our Maintenance Corporation, our Civic Association, and New Castle County. A one-page PDF document is available on our web site (see the Who Do I Ask? link button on the left) to help you find the help you need.

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, March 30. Because of the construction near the Anthony Drive playground, we will not hold this event at the playground this year. We will notify you by email and an event flyer with the starting time and location for the event once the details have been finalized.

Bruce

RECENT EVENTS

Timber Farms Civic Association Annual Holiday Home Decorating Contest.

Congratulations to the following 2012 Holiday decorating contest winners.

1. The Quinn Family 512 W. Hummock Lane
2. The Butcher Family 36 Anthony Drive
3. The Grazer Family 607 Timber Wood Blvd

Honorable Mention:

- The Chadick Family 218 West Silver Fox
The White Family 219 Holly Cove Lane
The Grant Family 121 Woodland Road

Great Job Everyone!

Timber Farms Civic Association History:

Nineteen years ago on July 1, 1994 the Civic Association put out a flyer to all the residents of Timber Farms. The homes on Basswood, Sweetbay, West Hummock, Post Oak, Anthony and most of Arrowood had not been built yet.

THE FLYER: Public Hearing, Department of Planning, County Building, First Floor, 800 French Street, Tuesday, July 5, 1994, 7:00 P.M.

SUBJECT: Proposed rezoning of approximately 120 + acres that border Timber Farms. Rezoning from one-family residential to R-3-G (Group Housing). This property now owned by Louis Capano.

CONCERNS: Group Housing; impact to traffic on Old Baltimore Pike; entrance through Timber Farms from a 400 + development; safety concerns for children in Timber Farms with additional traffic on our streets; schools, utilities, etc.

WHAT CAN WE DO: Pack the County Council chambers with residents from Timber Farms. From past experience in rezoning hearings, the communities need a large turn-out of residents, not just a handful representing all the residents. THAT JUST DOES NOT WORK. Our community needs you and your neighbors at the hearing to voice your reasons for opposing.

WHAT CAN WE HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH?: Defeat the rezoning indefinitely, postpone the rezoning, change of entrance/exit from Timber Farms development to a second road on South Wakefield Drive and change the group housing to single-family.

The meeting was held the day after the 4th of July Holiday, in Wilmington at 7 p.m., many residents away on vacation. There were 140 homes in Timber Farms on July 5, 1994. The Timber Farms residents came in force with 86 in attendance and packed County Council chambers. More than a dozen residents spoke on the rezoning issue. County Council rejected Capano's rezoning request and was only allowed to build single family homes in NORWEGIAN WOODS.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

February begins the Timber Farms Civic Association's annual membership drive. Our annual dues are \$25. Several residents have already renewed their membership for 2013, including many voluntary additional donations. We truly appreciate it. Your dues support our quarterly newsletter, our web site (timberfarmscivic.org), and neighborhood garage sale, social events, including our annual picnic.

Also consider joining our neighborhood email list by sending your email address to timberfarmscivic@aol.com. The Civic Association uses this email list to inform you about important events, lost and found items, and neighborhood security issues. We currently have more than 300 recipients on our email distribution list.

Thank you for your support in recent years. We are looking forward to an exciting 2013!

The Timber Farms Civic Association board

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Camille Dinon, Secretary

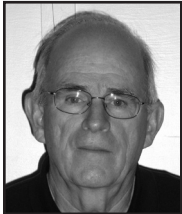
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Please send your dues to:

TFCA, P.O. Box 489, Bear, DE 19701
E-mail: TimberFarmsCivic@aol.com
Website: www.timberfarmscivic.org

If you aren't one of the 90% of Timber Farms residents who have already provided us with their e-mail address, please do so. It is the surest way to receive timely, updated information which affects you. The most recent important information we communicated related to updating the community on the recent criminal activities happening in Timber Farms. Please e-mail us your address today at timberfarmscivic@aol.com

CIVIC CORNER

TIMBER FARMS CIVIC ASSOCIATION

TREASURER REPORT 1/1/2012 to 12/31/2012

Expenses: (YTD)

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| Website-timberfarmscivic.org | \$283.90 |
| Postage Feb. Newsletter | \$101.25 |
| Alphagraphics Feb. Newsletter | \$183.40 |
| 7 & 40 Alliance | \$10.00 |
| Easter Egg Hunt | \$127.46 |
| Cash Prizes for Easter Egg Hunt | \$60.00 |
| Postage May Newsletter | \$112.50 |
| Alphagraphics May News Letter | \$183.40 |

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| News Journal ad for garage sale | \$65.50 |
| Install & remove garage sale banner | \$25.00 |
| Old Balt. Pk | |
| Mister Softee – Garage Sale | \$250.00 |
| Postage | \$45.00 |
| ½ rental Post Office Box 489 | \$28.00 |
| Postage August Newsletter | \$103.50 |
| Alphagraphics Aug. Newsletter | \$183.40 |
| Alphagraphics – Envelopes | \$131.23 |
| Pony Express – Picnic | \$175.00 |
| Soda's – Picnic | \$44.00 |
| Cash for kids prizes (\$100.00 football toss) | |
| (Golf \$ 60.00) | \$160.00 |
| 3 Red Lobster Gift Certificates – Picnic | \$150.00 |
| Mister Softee – Picnic | \$375.00 |
| Pick up/return grill/tents/trash/Generator | |
| Picnic Bryan Locke | \$100.00 |
| Family Affair, tent/chairs – picnic | \$310.00 |
| Rolls for Picnic | \$74.40 |
| Propane for two grills | \$50.00 |
| Food for Picnic | \$375.43 |
| Slide and Moon Bounce (\$ 415.00) (Paid for by LC Homes) | \$0.00 |
| Cash for kids prizes – costume contest | |
| Halloween | \$100.00 |
| Donation Christiana High School band | |
| Halloween | \$100.00 |
| Mister Softee – Halloween treats | \$250.00 |
| Postage November Newsletter | \$112.50 |
| Alphagraphics – November Newsletter | \$183.40 |
| Installation and removal of | |
| Christmas Decorations-Entrance | \$50.00 |
| State Franchise Tax | \$25.00 |
| Prizes for best decorated homes | \$110.00 |

Total Expenses 2012 \$4,638.27

Community Powered Federal Credit Union

Balance as of 12/31/2012:

Checking: \$205.38

Savings: \$2,331.64

Robert Oakes, Treasurer 12/31/2012

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MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION

• 2013 Timber Farms Maintenance Assessments will be mailed out to all residents in the first week of March. The 2013 assessments will remain at \$ 165.00 and are due by April 30, 2013. A late fee will be added to any payment received after the payment due date. The Maintenance Corporation will once again be mailing them out instead of New Castle County. They charge \$6.00 per lot so the Corporation will once again be saving the residents about \$2,000.00. If you have your financial institution mailing out your check automatically, make sure it is sent to Timber Farms Maintenance Corporation, P.O. Box 489, Bear, Delaware, 19701 and not sent to New Castle County.

•Timber Farms Construction update: The first section of new homes constructed on Michelle Court and Angela Way are almost complete. We have eight families on Michelle Court and three on Angela Way that have moved into their new homes. That leaves 5 on Michelle and one on Angela Way which will complete the first section. They have deposits or have sold 15 properties on Timber Wood Blvd, Teddy Court and Anthony Drive which is the next section LC Homes will be building. A new sample will be constructed on Timber Wood Blvd. After that section is completed the final 12 homes will be built on Marie Court which is located off W. Hummock Road. The temporary construction road is Marie Court.

CLASSIFIED ADS

FREE to residents and residents' businesses; all others may place an ad for \$6.00. Call (302) 456-9559 before April 30, 2013. Next issue: May 2013.

I am the resident at 535 west Hummock (moving in soon:-), I bought a vacation home in Orlando, close to all theme parks. Our neighbors can get a 30% discount! -Gary <http://www.homeaway.com/vacation-rental/p905399> <http://www.obeo.com/u.aspx?ID=729099>

Greg Hostetler - 302-379-5343-Licensed Delaware Life & Health (Medicare) Insurance Agent-Chemistry Tutor (I have an M.S. in Organic Chemistry) Please call me if I can meet any of your needs * My purpose is to serve people honestly and fairly.

Why break your back shoveling snow when Ryan, a Timber Farms teen, can do it for you! Call 444-4403 to clear your drive, your sidewalks, and your mailbox access! In the meantime, he can help with your Fall Clean-up projects as well. Very reasonable, competitive pricing!

Middle school students looking for guidance with specific topics in Mathematics, including assistance with homework can contact Ratnakar Mallya (ratnakar.mallya@gmail.com). If you are interested, please email him a list of topics to discuss further. Hourly fee: \$25

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Odd jobs: 16 year old looking to earn extra cash for back to school. Will work for a reasonable fee. Whatever you need – weeding, cleaning out your garage, cutting your grass, washing your car. Call Kyree at 765-8275.

Leaf Removal: Call today for your leaf removal estimate. Tetrick Lawn Care 302-478-7185 (Owner/Operator – Jeff Tetrick). I am also the snow removal contractor for Timber Farms.

Disc Jockey: Reliable, affordable and quality Disc Jockey services. Available for Weddings, Private Parties, Bars and Nightclubs, Corporate Functions and Black Tie Affairs. Call Josh at (484) 252-1290 or e-mail at joshuagrizant@yahoo.com.

Pet care: Reliable pet care available for your cats, small dogs and/or small mammals. Contact Michelle at 292-6990.

Tara Zezyk – College Student - available for Babysitting nights and weekends – Home – 302-368-3212.

Anthony Zezyk – available for Grass cutting needs and yard work – 302-268-3212; Anthony has also received his Lifeguarding Certification if anyone knows of any local pools looking for a lifeguard for the summer.

Real Estate Appraisals: Cardinal Appraisals, Bill N. Waugaman, IFA, 1607 East Newport Pike, Wilmington, DE 19804; phone: 302-999-0909, fax: 302-999-1999, email: cardinalapp@msn.com. (Timber Farms resident).

Seamstress - 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.

Babysitter/Mother's Helper: Sisters Michelle and Heather 9th and 7th grade eager to babysit or be a mother's helper. Red Cross Babysitter Certified. Please call them at 302-292-6990.

Babysitter: Need a babysitter this summer? Available to work day and/or evenings with toddlers and young children. YMCA babysitting course and First Aid certified. Please call 738-8041 and ask for Lindsay. Also willing to work as mother's helper.

Certified Babysitter: High school student (age 18), very experienced with all ages. Available after school, evenings and weekends. Call Lauren at 737-4559.

Babysitters: Certified and live in Timber Farms. Please call Natalie and Audrey at 731-7927.

Babysitter available: Enthusiastic babysitter! Lots of experience and very responsible. Please contact Kristin at 737-4559.

Babysitter available: Stay at home mom looking to babysit for extra cash. Days, nights or weekends. Call cell # 610-809-9020.

Work Wanted: Teenage boy willing to do Lawn work, Power washing, Pet sitting, and Babysitting. Experienced Lawn worker. I can be reached at 292-2618 or jrteed@comcast.net

Pet sitter or dog walker: Will pet sit in your home. Experienced, with references available. Contact Kristin at 737-4559.

Dog Walking Service: "WALK WITH US" Dog walking service. Services include walks and overnight/extended services. For questions/references please call Heather at 454-7187. We'd love to meet your furry friend!

Residential/Property Management: Contact ABLE Real Estate for all of your real estate needs. Annette C. Collier is the owner and Broker of Record of Able Real Estate located in West Philadelphia. The agency provides commercial and residential property management, real estate sales and investment consultation services to Philadelphia and its surrounding areas, including Chester, Delaware, and Montgomery counties. Call her at (215) ABC-3700 or e-mail at ablerealestate1@aol.com.

Tent and Party Rentals: A Family Affair Tent & Party Rentals. Please call 302-733-0408. All Timber Farms residents receive 5% off & no delivery fee.

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Safe Roof Cleaning - www.VestaWash.com is a business that gently cleans the black roof stains on your house. Look for the Demo house on Woodland Rd. Special price for fellow Timber Farms Residents. 877-526-7244

Harvest Christian Fellowship invites you to come for a visit on Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. We are a family church looking for more family like you. Whether you are a family of 1 or 10, you are family to us. We'd love to share life with you as we grow closer to Christ. We are located at 3813 Newport Gap Pike, Wilmington, DE 19808 or look us up at www.living4harvest.org. We are right here in your neighborhood, Pastors Meredith and Doris Griffin. Join us!

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Power-washing: If you are in need of having your siding or deck power-washed, call Ed Gonzales (Timber Farms resident for more than 20 years). For estimate call 302-463-3224.

Item for sale: Pro-Forma Elliptical Trainer for sale for \$75. In excellent condition. Contact Paul Rogerson at 733-0233 if interested.

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