



THE TIMBER FARMS VOICE

Neighbors working together

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LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT

From the President

This summer's weather has been terrific, and a welcome break from the hot, humid summers we've had in recent years. I encourage all of you to get outside when you can to enjoy it with your families. Our annual neighborhood picnic is right around the corner! Please plan to join us on Saturday, September 7. In the event of rain, the picnic will be held on Sunday, September 8.

We recently forwarded an email message from Councilman Dave Tackett that encourages all of us to call 911 immediately to report any sort of suspicious or unusual activity in the neighborhood. The Civic Association also appreciates email notifications of these reports, so that we send out neighborhood email alerts when appropriate. Councilman Tackett's email also suggests that residents consider signing up for the free Smart911 service (www.smart911.com) that allows you to enter important information about your household to be provided directly to the operator when you dial 911. This is particularly important for linking cell phone numbers with addresses, since 911 operators cannot easily determine your location when calling from a cell phone.

The Delaware Sea Grant program at the University of Delaware focuses on wise use, conservation, and management of our coastal resources. As part of their outreach effort, they regularly release publications of interest to the public. I encourage you to take a look at their publications catalog at www.deseagrant.org/publications. In particular, their Delaware Homeowners Handbook to Prepare for Natural Hazards provides excellent, detailed information to help you prepare for hurricanes, severe storms, and earthquakes. The handbook includes information about maintaining your home, alternate sources of electricity, and insurance.

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Bruce

LETTER FROM COUNCILMAN TACKETT

Dear Timber Farms Residents,

I wanted to commend the residents for being proactive with their calls for service to the police. I was recently discussing the crime waves in the district with the Police and one community stood out Timber Farms, the calls for service showed a very active community with calls for suspicious persons, check on welfare, and open garage doors. Our district as well as the county is experiencing a wave of items being removed from mostly unsecured vehicles, sheds and garages. These items are for the most part small and can be sold quickly. The Lt. remarked that these are the type of calls for service that clearly show a community that's active and engaged in the safety of all the residents. So I wanted to commend the community as well as encourage everyone to continue to be active and whenever you see something suspicious call 911.

Stay safe neighbors,

Dave

COMMUNITY CORNER

Delaware's African-American Schools of the 1920-30's

By Vanessa Manges-Spence

It seems education is always being reformed. Back in 1915 a federal study ranked Delaware schools 39th in 48 states. Much discussion and the interruptions of World War I delayed Delaware's reaction but finally in 1919 Delaware passed a new school code that included rebuilding of the state's one-room schools for white students. Although some of the tax money collected from white taxpayers would improve African-American schools they would not be rebuilt in accordance with new architectural designs and the Progressive Era's nationwide social reform. A school was considered a highly specialized building and its design was a key issue aimed to improve overall education.

Pierre Samuel duPont, of Longwood Gardens, took a personal concern for the African-American students in all of the small rural areas of the state. In 1919, he stepped down from the helm of the duPont family run company and devoted his time and two million dollars of his own to the rebuilding of these 80 schools.

His motivation and ideas were not unique since similar initiatives were taking place in 14 of the southern states. Rosenwald, an early partner of the Sears, Roebuck Company, helped finance about 5,300 African-American schools there.

In 1926, Mr. duPont predicted the success of the nation's educational system to the success of his Delaware Initiative. He invited other states to do the same. In 1938, a new federal study showed Delaware had advanced to eighth place in 48 states.

Several of these schools are still here today as evidence of this progressive effort by Mr. duPont. The closest two are Iron Hill Museum, located on old Baltimore Pike about 1.5 miles west of Rt. 896. The other is being refurbished, after it burned years ago, with the guided efforts of grown students of the school, in the town of Christiana.

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

Anthony Jezyk - 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).

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Babysitter: Reliable, enthusiastic 16-year old majoring in Elementary Education. Available after school, evenings and weekends. Call Kristin at 737-4559.

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

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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.

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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.

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Timber Farms Civic Association's 20th Annual Neighborhood Picnic

Saturday, September 7th 3:00 - 6:00 p.m. (rain date 9/8/13)

At the gazebo at the end of Holly Cove

All residents invited!!

Free food, free games, free fun!!

Mr. Softee free ice cream cones

Moonbounce, Rock Slide, Pony Rides

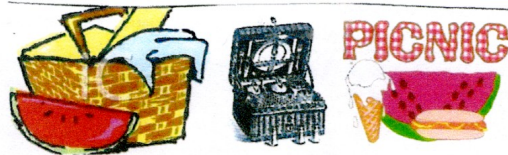
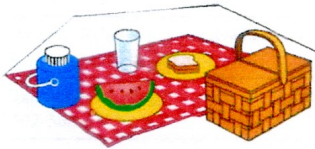
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