



# THE TIMBER FARMS VOICE

*Neighbors working together*

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## LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT

It's easy to be distracted by everything that needs to be done to prepare for the upcoming holidays. This truly is a wonderful time of year, with opportunities to share time with family and friends. Take time to relax and enjoy those joyful moments!

Congratulations to all of our newly-elected Timber Farms Maintenance Corporation board members: Jennifer Hostetler, Rolf Joerger, Bill Johnson, Bob Oakes, Linda Olds, and Rosie Tooley. Rolf Joerger is our new Maintenance Corporation president. The board will serve a two-year term. As many of you know, our Maintenance Corporation maintains the standards outlined in our deed restrictions, coordinates snow removal in the neighborhood, and maintains our common areas, including grass cutting.

Our annual Halloween parade and costume contest was held on Saturday October 26. More than 100 children participated, in costume. The parade was led by the Christiana High School marching band (in costume this year!). Mister Softee provided ice cream treats for everyone. Congratulations to all of the costume contest winners!

Many of our residents participated in the Fall yard sale held on October 12. Since this event was so popular, we plan to continue it in future years. Thanks to everyone who participated.

Every December I am thrilled to see all of the decorated homes in Timber Farms. This year, judging for our annual Holiday Home Decorating contest happens on the evening of December 21. The three best-decorated homes will be awarded \$50 each. Thanks to everyone who decorates their home. It really helps create a festive mood in our neighborhood.

On Sunday, December 22, Santa will be delivering presents to children in Timber Farms. State Senator Bryan Townsend (a Timber Farms resident) helps coordinate Santa's visit. If you are a parent in Timber Farms, and want Santa to visit your home, we will be sending email with more information. Stay tuned.

Finally, as 2019 comes to a close, I want to again thank all of our residents who joined the Civic Association this year. Our board members are particularly grateful for those of you who made an extra contribution with your annual dues. Your contributions supported all of our neighborhood events, including our annual picnic (more than 300 people attended!) and our Halloween Parade (more than 100 kids in costume!). Thanks again for all of your support, and we look forward to another great year in 2020.

Bruce Lipphardt, President

## COMMUNITY CORNER

### TIMBER FARMS PICNIC

The best word I can think of to describe our Timber Farms Civic Association picnic on September 7th this year is *Marvelous!* It was a wonderful time to enjoy food, fellowship and fun with our friends and neighbors!

We had the popular features that are always crowd pleasers: grilled hot dogs, brats and burgers, pastas, salads, multiple vegetarian dishes and more....The children enjoyed Mr. Softee ice cream, pony rides, the moon bounce, our two giant inflated slides and football toss. We also had a great DJ. Most of all, we had perfect weather and *You!* There were at least 367 people in attendance. That's the highest number of participants we have ever had! We are so glad that you were with us!

We look forward to an even greater event next year. We would like to enhance our menu by adding more culturally diverse foods. Do you have a favorite dish that you would like our neighbors to try? Please let us know when we send out our TFCA Picnic notices for 2020. Thank you!

We extend highest regards to Dave Schneider, our former TFMC President, who moved to another location. And our community remembers with love Mukesh Mehta, our former Picnic Chairperson, who passed away this summer.

The Timber Farms Picnic gratefully acknowledges our volunteers who helped to ensure a safe, orderly environment in which everyone could enjoy the festivities.

Rosie Tooley, Bruce & Rema Lipphardt, Dave Frampton, Bob Oakes, Linda Olds, Elaine Little, John Verdi, Juliette Tabron, Sujith & Sampath Kanumuri, Kelly & Jason Oldis, Suzette Robinson, Kusha Patel, Vanessa & Gene Spence, Wanda & Dale Prigg, Dave Tackett, Maria & Julia Lanzona, Jennifer & Gregg Hostetler, Sam Falco, Jim Butcher, Jody & Mike Dallas, Harsha Janaki, Michael Luliano, Zoe Robinson, Neha Veeragandham, Shola Coker-Phillip, Richard & Sharon Finley and family

Sincere regards, Rosie Tooley, Chairperson, Picnic Committee

### 25TH ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARADE

The 25th Annual Timber Farms Civic Association Halloween Parade was held Saturday, October 26, 2019. The parade was led by the Christians High School Marching Band. They have led our parade for the past 19 years for which we are very thankful to them. They had a football game at 12 noon and after the game the majority of the band members went into the school and changed their uniforms and dressed up in Halloween costumes for our parade. Thanks to our judges, Christina Emmanuel, Stephanie Deluna, Kelly Oldis, Rajesh and Neva Veeragandham. Judging

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If your aren't one of the 400 residents of Timber Farms 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. Please e-mail us your address today at timberfarmscivic@aol.com.

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was a very difficult task with over 100 children with so many great costumes. Mr. Softee was once again a big hit giving out 273 ice cream cones to band members, children and moms and dads. Plus 400 bags of popcorn, chips and pretzels were given out. Thanks to Vanessa Spence who acquires over 900 bags from Herr's for our picnic and Halloween Parade every year.



## TIMBER FARMS CIVIC ASSOCIATION

### October Garage Sale:

Several residents emailed the Civic Association in August and September asking if we could have a garage sale in the fall. We said the Timber Farms Civic Association would have one in October if we had enough residents participating. After receiving about 30 emails from residents saying they would participate we scheduled it for Saturday October 12. From the emails we received it was very successful with some residents bringing in between \$ 400 and \$ 500 dollars. Once again the garage sale was advertised in the News Journal on Thursday, Friday and Saturday the day of the sale. We had our large banner "Timber Farms Garage Sale Saturday" installed on Old Baltimore Pike at our entrance on the Sunday before our garage sale. On Tuesday the sign was gone. Councilman Dave Tackett said another nearby neighborhood had their sign for

a garage sale taken by Del Dot. Senator Bryan Townsend checked into it and found out that they took our sign. Yes DelDot removed our Community Garage Sale sign that was installed in the same location year after year. They said it was installed on their right away. With the thousands of signs along the roads that haven't been removed by DelDot they found it necessary to remove the Communities sign immediately, thanks DelDOT for being so efficient. Thanks to our State Representative John Viola who went to DelDot and retrieved our sign and returned it to the Civic Association.

## TIMBER FARMS MAINTENANCE CORPORATION

Our Timber Farms Maintenance Corporation meeting and election was held at the Thurgood Marshall School on October 15, 2019. Thanks to acting President John Verdi who conducted the meeting and has served on the board for the past 12 years. The election was for six board members to serve a two year term. There were 7 residents running for the six positions, each was given the opportunity to introduce themselves and say a few words about why they were interested in serving on the TFMC Board. We had the the necessary quorum of homes at the meeting.

Our congratulations to the newly elected board members of the Timber Farms Maintenance Corporation.

Elected for a two year term:

Jennifer Hostetler  
Rolf Joerger  
Bill Johnson

Bob Oakes  
Linda Olds  
Rosie Tooley

The first meeting of the new board members were held on Thursday, November 12, 2019. First item on the agenda was to select a President and Vice President of the Timber Farms Maintenance Corporation. The board members voted Rolf Joerger President and William Johnson as Vice President, congratulations to both Rolf and Bill.

We lost our Attorney Clifford B. Hearn who was the Timber Farms Maintenance Corporation attorney for the past eighteen years. He passed away in August. After months of looking for his replacement and asking many questions trying to find a attorney that would meet our needs the board voted unanimously to have as our new attorney Tabatha Castro, 555 Justison Street, Suite 150, Wilmington, DE. 19801. This firm has HOAs as clients and can handle enforcement of the deed restrictions, as the homeowners signed a contract and must abide by same. They routinely send letters to individuals to either cease and desist from acting in a certain ways or they will take them to Chancery Court for injunctive relief.

Timber Farms Maintenance Board Members.

## INFORMATION FROM REP. JOHN VIOLA

I would like to thank everyone who came out for the Halloween parade and costume contest. I can tell you that as a former judge that it was always extremely difficult to pick one costume over another. You can tell by just looking the amount of thought that goes into the process.

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I was also honored to be in the lead vehicle with Bob Oakes. The ice cream truck was again a tremendous popular place with all attendees.

Your community is one of the best run if not the best community in the 26th District and I'm honored and thankful to represent you.

Thank you for all you do.

John Viola  
State Representative

## INFORMATION FROM COUNCILMAN TACKETT

I wanted to provide you with some information on some quick updates on projects that are happening in the area.

Walther Road residential development plan - Valley Stream Village submitted a plan to Land Use. This plan proposes to amend the existing DPUD to change the 2.86 acres from a Professional Office use to a Residential Apartment use in order to construct two (2) three-story apartment buildings containing a total of twenty-four (24) apartments and associated site improvements.

New WAWA on 273 between University Plaza and Old Baltimore Pike - We got confirmation that Wawa has signed a contract and it will be the Convenience store and gas station at that location-shouldn't be long. They will have access at the existing red light at Boscov's.

**HOLIDAY CELEBRATION AND MARKET** in Glasgow Park-Friday, December 13th, 5-9pm, Tree and Menorah lighting at 7pm.

Working for you-David L. Tackett  
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302-395-8371 or [dlackett@nccde.org](mailto:dlackett@nccde.org)

## INFORMATION FROM SENATOR TOWNSEND

Dear Neighbors,

I hope this newsletter finds you well as the holiday season arrives. The General Assembly returns to session in January; the past three months have focused more on the many neighborhood meetings that occur every Fall in our district. The most common issue raised involves roadway projects, whether a small patching job or a major intersection redesign. As you may have heard, the planned project for the Old Baltimore Pike / Salem Church Road intersection has now changed. Rather than a major project to create double left-turn lanes, DelDOT is now looking simply to lengthen the left-turn queue in the middle of OBP between the two OBP/SCR intersections, so that left-turning cars in either direction have more space to queue. Longer term, DelDOT is exploring more significant redesign possibilities. Also, the traffic congestion along Salem Church Road (both segments of it) is an item that Representative Viola and I are working on with State agencies, to determine all possible options (including speed enforcement) to help improve traffic safety and smoother flow. We do know that some segments of these roadways do not have the room needed for significant modifications, and so some congestion will always be a reality. We are, though, intent on pushing for a full analysis and a full plan for as much improvement as possible. On that, or any

other issue, please never hesitate to email or call me with questions or concerns. It is an honor to serve, and it is a pleasure to hear from you.

Sincerely,

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I am available to clear driveways and sidewalks in the case of snow this winter. My name is Ash Verdi. I live at 102 Woodland Road. My phone number is 302-229-9533 (I would prefer to be contacted through text messages if at all possible as I am more likely to respond).

I would be available for snow shoveling this Winter - Paige Barnard 124 woodland 302-463-0489

My son, Tom is available for yard work, some landscaping and snow shoveling this winter. His contact number is 593-7803. Thank you.

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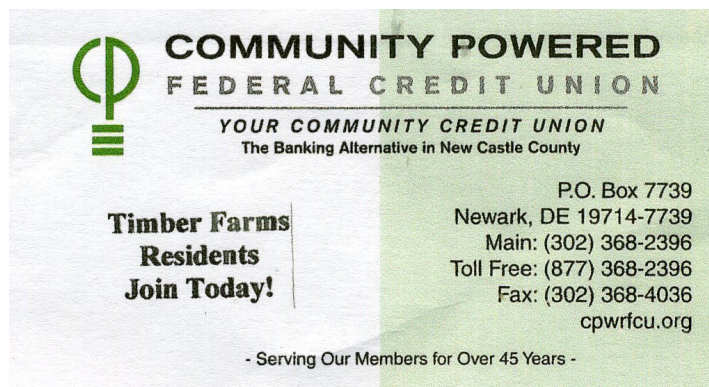
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