

CDPOA COMMUNICATOR

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Welcome New Neighbors!

John & Kathy Garton - 330 Kendra Place

John and Kathy are from middle TN and have degrees from TN Tech. Kathy was in education and John in wildlife biology. Kathy has worked in elementary and preschools. John has retired from Duke Energy's Environmental Engineering Section. Hobbies include hiking, reading, wildflower photography, and visiting State Parks, Clemson Forest and Jocassee Gorges. They chose Clemson Downs as their retirement community because the location is near Clemson University, the climate, abundant parks, forests, natural areas, and fishing. Friends are in the area. The SC Botanical Garden is near. Their phone number is 864-722-5390.

Kathleen (Kathy) McGee - 41 Hickory Way

Kathy was born in Elmira, NY. She married a South Carolina native and has been here since then. She loves her Tigers. She was a secondary education major at Sony-Albany. She raised two wonderful daughters while her husband traveled with his career in the paper industry. Kathy chose the Downs because before she moved here she spent most of her time here. She is a treasurer of the Downs Volunteers. She volunteers at the reception desk and in the Assisted Living. Two of her dearest friends live here and she plays bridge here often. She also knows and loves many residents.

George & Jane Polk - 405 Bayberry Lane

George and Jane were both born and raised west of the Mississippi, George in Independence, Missouri, and Jane in Coffeyville, Kansas. They both have degrees from Kansas University, George in Architecture and Jane in Journalism. George has a Master's Degree from the University of Oklahoma. They spend over 20 very best years in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, where George practiced Architecture. Jane was a "gofor" at the fledgling Fort Lauderdale Museum of the Arts and together they raised four children: Jennie, Ann, Daniel and Merritt. They moved to Clemson in 1977 for George to teach in the Architectural College. They spent a wonderful year in Genoa, Italy, where George was the Professor at the Clemson Villa. After George retired they traveled, hiked sailed and George pursued his sketching, silk screening and creation of humorous animals and birds. They think the Downs is a great place to down-size into. They think it is a pleasure to move into such a beautiful community where they already know so many people. Jane said it's almost like moving home and we are very lucky to be here.

POA 3rd Saturday Breakfasts

Saturday, May 20th - Speaker will be George Bennett with stories of old Clemson.

Reminder about the Breakfasts: The Breakfast begins at 8:30 in the CARC Dining Room. After the breakfast and the speaker, please visit anyone you want to visit in the hallway. We should be out of the dining room by 10:00 because the kitchen staff must set up the dining room for lunch.

There will be no 3rd Saturday Breakfasts in June, July and August. Then next one after May will be in September.

First Friday Get-Togethers

The First Friday Get-Togethers are from 4:00 - 6:00. Come join us for a fun time to get to know your neighbors and enjoy simple hors d'oeuvres. Please bring your drink and a finger food. Invite a neighbor who doesn't usually come and invite a new neighbor.

Directions to the Gazebo: Follow the sidewalk at the upper part of Downs Loop, just after you pass Birch Place.

1. May 5th - in the Gazebo. Hosts will be Jan Gallaher and Jean Doerr.
2. June 2nd - in the Gazebo. Hosts will be Jim and Sue Reneke.
3. July 7th - It will be in the Gazebo, unless it is too hot. We need volunteers. Could you please help us! Call Elaine Cameron at 843-697-2008.
4. August 4th - It will be in the Gazebo, unless it is too hot. The hosts are John and Ann Gilreath.

Our Thoughts and Prayers Go To

1. Dianne Harper fell at the Downs and began having severe pain on Easter Sunday evening. She had back surgery on Tuesday, April 18th in Greenville to repair cracked vertebrae. The surgery did go well. Lets keep our thoughts and prayers with her.

Telephone Directory Corrections and Additions

1. John & Kathy Garton - Their street address is 330 Kendra Place.
2. Grace Lewis - Phone # is 864-653-0784 and her email: tigergrace95@gmail.com
3. Fran Moseley - Phone # is 864-650-1278

4. Betty DiTommaso - her email is bettyd19631@gmail.com
5. Corinne Grizzard - her email is corinne4grizzard@gmail.com (there is 1 "r" and 2 "n" in corinne)
6. Holley Ulbrich - her street is Birch Place, not Birch Lane
7. Kathy McGee - her email is kkmcgee16@gmail.com
8. A new one to add to you Telephone Directory: George & Jane Polk - 405 Bayberry Lane
Phone # - 722-5182

Changes in Addresses and Phones

Dave and Joyce Moorhead have moved from 4 Birch Place to Apartment E-204. Their phone number remains the same.

Information

Check-in Partners: CDPOA is offering a new service to our members. More than half of our 138 homes have only one occupant. Even if we have family nearby, it would help to have a partner who checks in with you every day to make sure that you are alive and have not fallen or are too sick to get to the phone for help. Some of us have people who check up on us regularly, but other do not.

If you are interested, we will match you up with the next available Downs resident whose home is close to yours. You can make your own arrangements. (For example, Jane calls John every morning at 10:30. If he does not respond, she has either a house key to go by and check or an emergency contact to call. If she does not call at the appointed time, he calls her, and if there is no response, he does the same.)

Please email Holley Ulbrich (holleyulbrich@gmail.com) or call (654-6828) and someone will be in touch to assign you a partner.

Things To Remember

Yard Waste: The history of the dreaded dumpster. The dumpster used to be at the base of the road from the Maintenance building. The residents at the end of Keystone Lane saw it as an eyesore, and requested that it be moved across the way to the now Creekside Village area. As the building program developed, it was necessary to move the dumpster to another area, and it was carted by the city to the end of Bayberry Lane. The residents in that area appreciated the convenience to them, but the persons who viewed the dumpster daily were not happy with the placement. After conferring with the city and with Duane Jones, head of maintenance at CARC, the landscape committee decided to try another solution. The dumpster was rented by CARC for

their use and ours, so they were part of the decision to try to not have a dumpster at all. Some residents on lower Downs Loop had been placing their yard waste across the street from their homes, on CARC property. Now they take it to the end of their street, near the cul-de-sac, where there is usually a large pile of yard waste from clearing the downed limbs in the Woodland Walk area, and clippings from CARC landscape workers. The residents at that end were consulted and agreed that would be a good solution. Another area that can be used by all POA residents is on Downs Blvd., near Bayberry Lane, near the pine tree area, an area suggested by CARC for easy use by their employees.

One issue with the dumpster was the fact that the city couldn't see everything inside, and their machinery has been clogged with everything from carpet to plastic containers. The city requests that leaves be placed separately from tree and shrub trimmings. At least now they, and we, will be able to see what is in the pile; and we'll be able to more clearly keep an eye on non-residents who bring trash here. CARC is placing landscape timbers to designate more clearly these dumping sites. A reminder: POA members must keep their yard waste on their own property, or take to the designated areas. Contracted yard maintenance personnel MUST take their clippings off Clemson Downs property.

Anyone who has another thought about this is free to submit a recommendation to the POA Board for consideration. Thank you for your patience while we test this solution. POA Landscape Committee.

A Reminder From The ARC

The Architectural Review Committee Request form can be downloaded from the CDPOA web site, either CDPOA.org or CDPOA.com, or requested from the ARC chair or an ARC member. However, there has been a small change in the form – it should be submitted or delivered to the CDPOA mail slot at 500 Downs Loop or given to any member of the ARC. A copy of the form with the change is attached to this Communicator.

The ARC also wishes to remind the CDPOA residents that any construction, additions, modification, or maintenance on residences must be reviewed by the ARC and approved by the CDPOA Board of Directors before any changes are begun. This includes any changes in landscaping which creates a permanent structure such as a concrete patio, or a privacy fence. Permission for repainting a house the same color, re-roofing in the same color shingle, replacing gutters and downspouts of the same color and re-paving driveways in concrete may be granted by any ARC member, subject to submitting a request (as a matter of record). Adding a parking pad must first receive approval by the Board of Directors.

ARC members:	Nancy Bennett	Dave Moorhead
	Gene Copenhaver	Jerry Reel
	John Gilreath, Chair	Jim Reneke
	Harold Koeplin	Alden Valentine

