

# CDPOA COMMUNICATOR

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## Welcome New Neighbors!

### **Theresa (Terri) Crocker - 332 Kendra Place**

Lifelong resident of Rhode Island. Came here in December to be close to family members (children, grands and two great grands) in Clemson after loss of husband in October. Graduated (BA) from Rhode Island College. She held Administrative Assistance positions in higher education and subsequently taught courses in adult education until retirement. Enjoys reading, knitting and playing Scrabble and Cribbage. She and her husband came here often to visit their family and became familiar with the area. They liked what they saw, and it was their chosen spot in which to retire.

### **Ardella Cruz & Dorothy (Dot) Fallon - 42 Hickory Way**

Hometown: Cross Hill, South Carolina. Education: Graduates. Career: CAN and Helper. Hobbies: Being outdoors. Children: Ardella has 2 and Dot has 3. They chose Clemson Downs for their retirement community because they ran up on it by coincident and thought it looked nice, safe and quiet.

### **Eric & Anne Snider - 206 Downs Blvd.**

Eric is a newly retired environmental engineer who worked most recently as a consulting engineer at a firm in Greenville. He holds three degrees in chemistry and chemical engineering from Clemson University, where he and Anne met. He is a local boy, born and raised in Anderson, but he and Anne have also lived in Tulsa and Atlanta. Eric enjoys reading, airplane watching, organ music and volunteering.

Anne is retired from the School District of Pickens County and from Clemson Elementary, where she worked in the Library for 13 years. She was born in Ohio and raised in Buffalo, New York, before her family moved to Clemson when she was 10. She enjoys working with computers, reading, sewing, and volunteering at Clemson Elementary.

Anne and Eric both sing in the Chancel Choir at Clemson United Methodist as well as sing in the handbell choir, which Anne directs. They have been married nearly 41 years and have a son & daughter-in-law who live in Washington, DC and a daughter and daughter-in-law who live in Muncie, Indiana. Currently Eric & Anne live with 2 cats.

Eric and Anne chose Clemson Downs for their retirement community because they have many friends who live in the Downs, so they felt they were moving “home” when they downsided from their home in Camelot. They appreciate the sense of community and caring and are loving living with not stairs to climb.

### **POA 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday Breakfasts**

Saturday, September 16th - Appalachian Music Pickin’ and Grinnin’. The performer will be Randall Martin, a guitar player and singer. He will do the old country music.

Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> - Still open for the speaker

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.

### **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. August 4<sup>th</sup> - The hosts will be John & Ann Gilreath. It will be at the Gazebo.
2. September 1st - The hosts will be Ann Fuhr and Elaine Cameron. It will be at the Gazebo.
3. October 6<sup>th</sup> - It will be in the Gazebo. We need volunteers. Could you please help us! Call Elaine Cameron at 843-697-2008.

### **Events Coming Up**

1. The December Christmas Social will be on December 5<sup>th</sup>. The hosts will be Marian Sieffert, Ton McGuire, Harry Sutton and Elaine Cameron.

### **Our Thoughts and Prayers Go To**

1. Kathleen Wilson at 1011 Keystone Lane fell on Saturday afternoon, July 1<sup>st</sup>, and broke her right

hip. She had surgery on that Sunday at Oconee Hospital. She was then placed in the Presbyterian Help Center in Easley. She is now back home and is feeling better and better.

2. Chester Smith at 1010 Keystone Lane fell in June. He was then at the Health Care and was scheduled for back surgery on Monday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, in Anderson. He does plan to come back home when he can.
3. Carolyn Fowler at 1032 Keystone Lane has had several health related issues, but she is now recovering at home.

### **Our Sympathies Go To:**

George Mitchell at 610 Downs Loop passed away on July 5<sup>th</sup> at his home. We certainly give our sympathies to all of his family and his friends.

### **Telephone Directory Corrections and Additions**

1. Correction: Terri Crocker - 643-0592 - cell phone # - 401-524-6130
2. Add: John & Kathy Garton - their address is: 330 Kendra Place
3. Correction: Millie Forrester - her street is Hickory Way, not Hickory Lane
4. Correction: Nancy Alley has a new email address: [Nancyalley11@gmail.com](mailto:Nancyalley11@gmail.com)

### **Information**

1. **The Northland Cable TV Service** - Our agreement with Northland Cable allows us to have a very special rate. For the past 4 years it has remained at \$30.00 per month. However, this agreement requires us to have a minimum of 100 homes. We are very close to being currently below that number. This is caused by many reasons: vacancy people moving in with a contract, some want channels we can't provide, some because of poor service. If any person feels that they don't get satisfaction from Northland, please feel free to call me, Harry Sutton, at 653-5300 and see if I can fix it. Thank you.
2. **The next CDPOA Communicator** - It will come out at the end of October. If you know of anything that should be in the Communicator, please call or email Kitty Neckerman by the 15<sup>th</sup> of October. It would be great to have information for anything going on in November, December and January, because then the next Communicator will not come out until the end of January. Kitty's phone number and email address are in the Telephone Directory.

## **A Reminder From The LANDSCAPING COMMITTEE**

While reading minutes of meetings of the POA Board in 1974, I came across the following information. There was a time when this community had a Property Manager. I couldn't determine if this was a paid position, or that of a volunteer. Nevertheless, it seems that someone was needed to make sure that mailboxes were in good shape, that trees were pruned, that the whole community was made to look as clean and safe and beautiful as it could be. I also read that there were groups of volunteers that took on beautification projects. There was a group of residents who volunteered to maintain and beautify the Woodland Walk...way before it was designated a conservation area. Others volunteered to 'adopt a corner' and some of the corners in this community were first planted and maintained by the first owners of the house. Today we have volunteers "Silent Saints" who help others with their yard waste, paint their neighbors mail boxes, (as my neighbor did for me), who take on a project to keep this community the desired neighborhood to live in as it is. If you would like to help, or are willing to gather some friends together, .... here's some thoughts: In the gazebo area...trim the rose bushes, sweep out the gazebo, observe to see if irrigation is keeping the gift of hostas watered. Or you might consider adopting a street corner. The one at Hickory Way and Downs Loop comes to mind. Yes, we pay a contractor to mow and prune...but all of us as homeowners know there is more to keeping up a yard than just that. Many in our community have health issues that prevent any kind of volunteer work...and many of them did their part when they were in better health. We have Silent Saints everywhere who are taking care of the multiple needs of persons who are now unable to do what they used to. They are doing their part to keep this community 'beautiful' by their loving actions. Thank you for whatever you do, or are thinking about taking on, to keep this community the best place to live in Clemson!.... Ann Fuhr, Landscaping Committee