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Welcome New Neighbors!

We welcome Connie & Dan Ryan, who are renting 1009 Keystone Lane. Dan was hired in Mechanical Engineering in 1976 at Clemson. He came from the University of Nebraska with a master's degree from the University of Northern Iowa (where CU President Curtis came from). Connie came to work in Pickens Country School District and Central Wesleyan with a master's degree from Nebraska.

In December of 1992, Dan began another career as a novelist (books are in Pickens Co. Library). Twenty-eight years later he retired again, and they began looking for a retirement village. Welcome, Connie & Dan.

Correction from last month: Kathryn Newkirk's degree is from UNC-Chapel Hill, not UNC-Charlotte. Sorry, Kathryn!

POA 3rd Saturday Breakfasts & First Friday Get-Togethers

See following announcement.



Special Announcement from the Board of Directors

Beginning immediately the CDPOA Board of Directors is cancelling all scheduled meetings and gatherings under its auspices until further notice. This includes all board and committee meetings, First Friday, Saturday Breakfast, POA Spring Social, etc.

The Gazebo and Garden House are closed to **everyone** as well.

The board and committee members will handle emergencies via phone or email. All ARC applications will be processed under the usual guidelines with recommendations and approvals given by phone or email. Should something have to be handled in person by the board or committee members, Martha Grigsby, President of the CDPOA, will be notified beforehand. CARC has closed all Health Care Divisions to visitors and has recommended that all persons in Independent Living (the Apartments) not leave the premises and not have visitors. Further, they are recommending that all persons stay in their units.

Board Meeting Highlights

- A review of the financial books and accompanying documents was favorable. "I have seen many volunteer books, and these were the best. Good job."
- Treasurer's Report: 131 of the 138 residents have paid the fees for 2020.
- Common Property committee is reviewing possible sources of assistance and funding for the bank erosion on the creek on Downs Loop and in the Woodland Walk.
- Dead trees behind 47 Hickory will be removed.
- Northland Cable subscribers total 83—we would like to have 90.

President's Report

As we all make our way through these most unique days of having our lives restricted in ways some of us have never experienced, your POA Board of Directors is dedicated to continuing to serve you.

In this issue of the *Communicator* you will see notices dealing with changes made for the POA in order to follow federal and state mandates brought on by the coronavirus pandemic and to try to make our community as safe as we can.

As you probably know, CARC has put severe restrictions in place for its population and we have been asked to cooperate by not visiting their campus at all. I urge you to honor that request. If you are taking a walk, please avoid their property.

Your Board of Directors continues to try to open avenues of communication with homeowners. To that end this year for the first time we are publishing a monthly edition of the *Communicator*. Now you will find highlights from the minutes of each month's meeting. Also, we are including more announcements, notifications, and information about our Restrictive Covenants and Bylaws as well as items for newcomers. Copies will be placed in each homeowner's message box. Please see information about message boxes later in this issue.

If you have suggestions that you think will improve this publication, you can contact Anne Snider or me.

Please stay safe and at home. -- *Martha Grigsby, President*

Our Sympathies Go To

The family and friends of Phil Prince, 600 Downs Loop, who passed away on February 28. Our sympathies continue to be with you. Phil was truly a Clemson gentleman and will be missed by many.

Telephone Directory Corrections and Additions

Remember: You can find the most current edition of the directory online at our website:

www.cdpoa.com. Click on Our Community—CDPOA Directory. You will need a password to access the directory—contact Linda Cocke at 654-5134 or 602leland@gmail.com to obtain the password.

Listings that have changed since the last directory was printed are highlighted in pale yellow.

If your email address or phone number changes, please contact Linda to update your contact information.

Corrections: Gary Newkirk's correct phone number is 828-577-1786.

Additions: Connie & Dan Ryan | 1009 Keystone Lane | 864-878-5375 and 864-325-7031 | cryan766@aol.com.

Information

Newcomers, welcome to the Downs Community! Normally, I would contact you after you are settled in your new home. During this visit I would bring a packet of helpful information concerning the Clemson Downs Property Owners Association (CDPOA), activities available to you from Clemson Area Retirement Center, and an information sheet which will let your neighbors learn a little bit about you. In light of the coronavirus pandemic, I think it best to visit you **after** we are given an all-clear from our community. Please feel free to call me if you have questions. I look forward to meeting you in better times.—*Kathy McGee* kkmcgee16@gmail.com or 864-710-0312

Information about contractors has been posted on the website: "If you do not have or know of a handyman or contractor for your home project, please be aware that several of our local hardware, paint, or home improvement stores maintain lists of people who are qualified and willing to work. You can also join Nextdoor Clemson at www.nextdoor.com and ask your neighbors throughout Clemson for their recommendations."

Website Tips



Starting with this issue and every month thereafter, when we have room we will share a tip about information you can find on the CDPOA website, www.cdpoa.com or www.cdpoa.org.

This month's tip: Anything of urgent or important information will be posted with a link to the left of **Home** on our home page. The home page is the one with the pictures of the Gazebo. For example, we currently have information related to the coronavirus pandemic at the link labelled **Coronavirus Response**. Check it out!

Things to Remember

2020 Annual Assessment

Most POA members have paid the \$300 annual assessment and the Board of Directors thanks you very much.

For those of you who have not yet paid, please be aware that the deadline for payment without penalty was March 1, 2020. After that date a 5% penalty **per month** is in place. If payment is received before the end of March then \$15 will be charged, bringing your total to \$315.

Please mail your check to CDPOA, 500 Downs Loop, Clemson, SC 29631.

If you have questions, please call Martha Grigsby or Betty Jane Fourspring.

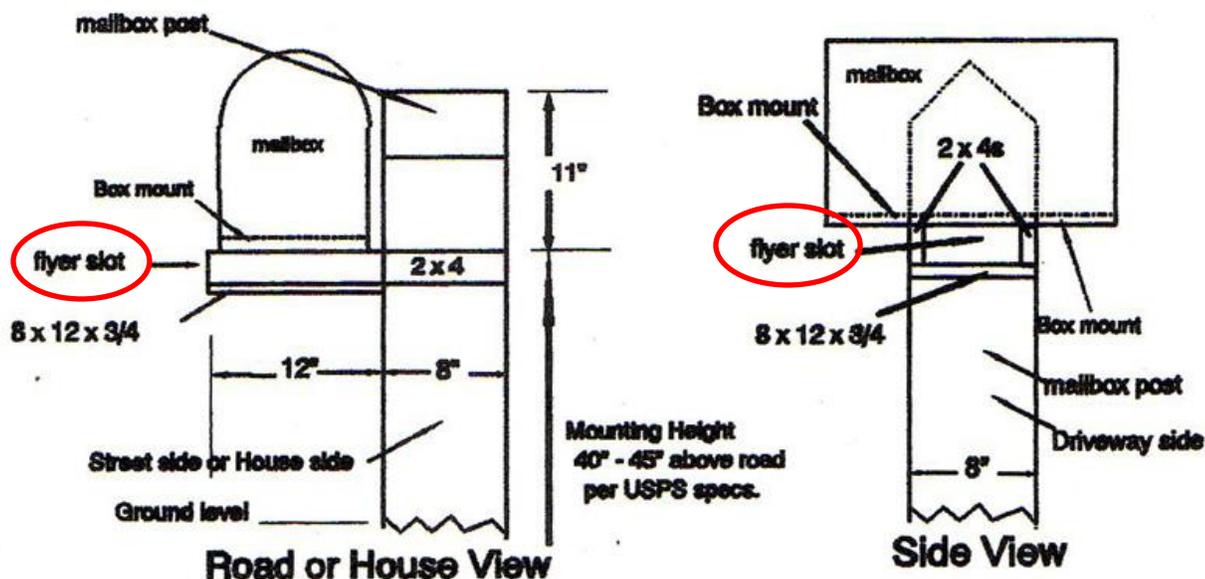
Flyer boxes

Article VIII, Sec. 4 of the CDPOA Restrictive Covenants states "Mailboxes shall be of uniform design as specified or approved by the ARC." The approved design includes a message box so that CDPOA internal information can be made available to you via letter, booklet, or flyer placed in your box.

A schematic of the mailbox design is below. If you do not have a message box or if it is not in usable condition, please replace or repair it so that you will be in compliance with our Restrictive Covenants and so you will be able to receive necessary information.

After April 30, 2020 our delivery teams will not leave information designed to be placed in message boxes at any residence without a usable box.

Should you need help, please call Martha Grigsby at 653 7415.



APRIL 2020

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Until further notice, all events and spaces at CARC are closed to POA members and all the public.			1 	2	3	4
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What you can do during these difficult times:

Take a minute to call a neighbor on the phone and visit with them.

Take a walk outside or sit on your porch or patio.

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