



CDPOA COMMUNICATOR

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We're now monthly!

Starting with this issue, the *CDPOA Communicator* will be coming to your flyer box at the end of each month. The newsletter will include a summary of the CDPOA Board of Directors meeting for the previous month as well as a letter from the Board President. You can also find all issues of the *Communicator* as well as board minutes and agendas online at www.cdpoa.com or in the notebook in the CARC library.

Welcome New Neighbors!

Terrie Frantz has moved into Clemson Downs. Her hometown is Tonawanda, New York. A school teacher, she enjoyed a “fabulous” career in education. Her cousins are the family depicted in the movie *Saving Private Ryan*. While in Normandy, she had the honor of lowering the flag during Taps, a very first for the cemetery. Terrie researched, made a list, and visited at least ten communities before deciding on Clemson Downs; she calls it “a real gem.” Welcome, Terrie!

POA 3rd Saturday Breakfasts

There will be no breakfast in January. Breakfasts are scheduled for the 3rd Saturday in February, March, April, September, October, and November. February's Breakfast is February 15th; our featured speaker is author Kathryn Smith.

First Friday Get-Togethers

The First Friday Get-Togethers are from 4:00 - 6:00 pm. 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 to join us. January First Friday is January 3; hosts are Sharon and Ansel Miller. Information will be sent to you via e-mail to let you know where the First Friday Get-Together is taking place—the Corley Center or the Gazebo.

President's Letter

The 2019 board members have done exceptional work and given so much extra time to maintain the strong reputation that the Downs has in this area. That members met for the monthly meetings and for an additional work session each month, except in July and December, speaks volumes about the commitment made to tackle deferred maintenance, strengthen the Bylaws, develop and implement a Communications Plan, along with other worthwhile projects. The Committees have met at least once each month to fulfill the charges given to them. The ARC and the Common Properties Committees have met quite a few more times to deal with several critical issues.

All this was done without hesitation because this board was so dedicated and determined. I cannot thank them enough for their efforts which led to a most successful year.

The homeowners have shown considerable confidence in their board members. All Bylaw changes, additions, and deletions that were requested were granted by positive vote; as was the increase in the annual dues for 2020. I appreciate that confidence and feel quite sure that next year's board will use these funds wisely.

Two of our members rotated off the board at the end of this month. Anne Snider has served a two-year term and Karen McAlister a one-year term. They have been most valuable in their service and I thank them. Now that we are beginning our new year, let me say that you have elected a strong, committed board, and we look forward to serving you.

To the CDPOA Board of Directors, I want to say to you that it has been my privilege to work with you. You are so valuable to the POA members and to the community at large. Truly you have made a most positive difference. Certainly, you have made a difference to me. – *Martha Grigsby*

CDPOA Board of Directors Meeting Report

for December 2019

- Treasurer's report:
 - We will finish the year with little left except a small amount in the Reserve Fund.
- Architectural Review Committee
 - No applications for this month.
- Common Properties Committee
 - Some projects have been suspended due to lack of funds.
 - Ryan Smith's bid for contract to maintain common properties is the same amount as in 2019 and has been accepted by the Board.
- Communications Committee
 - Revised Bylaws and Architectural Review Guidelines are posted on the website at www.cdpoa.com.
- Social Committee
 - Next breakfast is February 15; author Kathryn Smith will speak.
- Cable Television Coordinator
 - Beginning in January 2020, the basic cable rate will be \$34.00 per month, payable at \$408.00 annually with the annual dues.
- Rental Coordinator
 - There are currently 8 rental properties; all have complied with rental requirements; beginning in January, all 8 will be rented.
- Consultation with CDPOA lawyer
 - The medians in Downs Blvd. and Bayberry belong to the city of Clemson, but because they have been improved, CDPOA is responsible for the maintenance of the medians.
 - Homeowners are encouraged to learn where the pins that mark their property boundaries are; cost of locating pins is much less expensive than a survey.

Your New Board

Your 2020 Board of Directors takes office in January. Officers are Martha Grigsby, President; Sandy Yates, Vice-President; Betty Jane Fourspring, Treasurer; and Linda Cocke, Secretary. Members at large are Joe Merck and newly elected members Lamar Robinette and Denny Walling.

Committee chairs will be formally ratified at the January 2020 meeting on January 14; they will be: Architectural Review: Susan Robinette; Common Properties: Virginia Baird; Communications & Welcoming: Anne Snider; and Social: Diana Manly. Coordinators are Cable Television: Harry Sutton; and Rental Properties: Sandy Yates.

Contact any of these if you have a question or concern. Board meetings will continue to be held at 2:00 pm on the second Tuesday of each month. If a meeting needs to be rescheduled, you will be contacted via email. Agendas and minutes will be emailed to members and posted in the CDPOA notebook in the CARC library and online at www.cdpoa.com.

Our Sympathies Go To

We send our sympathies to Jean Doerr, 1018 Keystone Lane, whose husband, Marvin, passed away in November, to the family of Doris Daniel, 11 Birch Place, the family of Nancy Jerolamon, 304 Downs Boulevard, the family of Jean Mathews, 19 Downs Loop, and to Arthur Parker, 104 Downs Boulevard, whose wife, Anna, passed away in December. We also send sympathies to the family of Polly Kinsey, 200 Downs Boulevard. Polly was our oldest neighbor; she passed away in December. All these families continue to be close to our hearts.

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. New directories should come out in January 2020. If your email address or phone number has changed during 2019, please contact Linda immediately to update your contact information.

Additions:

Terrie Frantz | 308 Downs Blvd. | 864-986-4170 or 716-983-5849 | terrie.frantz@yahoo.com

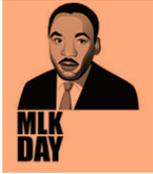
Find it on our website!

Because there is a wealth of information on the CDPOA website, we'd like to help residents know where to find what they need. Whether you have a tablet, a laptop, a computer, an iPad, or a smart phone, you can get the information you need. We would like to hold classes on how to find information on our CDPOA website. You will not need to bring a computer but can if you wish! Please contact Anne Snider at 864-723-2878 or sniderah@gmail.com if you might be interested in attending a session.

Things to Remember

- Please remind your yard and landscape contractors that yard waste they generate **must** be removed from the Downs property and may **not** be disposed of at the Bayberry Lane site.
- Cars may not be parked on the street for extended periods of time.
- Please be sure you have a place on your mailbox post for community information—flyers, handouts, etc. The USPS does not permit us to put mail in your mailbox. Don't miss out on important information because your flyer box has no bottom or is covered with vines!

JANUARY 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p>What's your New Year's resolution?</p>			1 	2 Bistro Closed Dec. 31 & Jan. 1 & 2	3 First Friday 4-6 pm Friday Movie 2 pm	4
5	6	7 Bistro Open 4-7 pm	8 Bistro Open 4-7 pm	9 ARC Meets 2 pm Bistro Open 4-7 pm	10 Friday Movie 2 pm Corley Ctr.	11
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Remember:

If you sell your residence, **you** are responsible for giving the purchaser a copy of the CDPOA Restrictive Covenants, Bylaws, and Architectural Guidelines. This is a new SC law.

February 2020

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