



CDPOA COMMUNICATOR

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Welcome New Neighbors!

We welcome **Garland and Cynthia Gravely, 344 Kendra Place**, to Clemson Downs. Garland grew up in Seneca, attended Clemson University, and spent his career in construction. Cynthia is from Andrews, SC, attended Coker College and Clemson, and spent her career as a high school teacher. Both are very active at Fort Hill Presbyterian Church. Garland enjoys golf, fitness, and sailing. Cynthia's hobby is reading. They have friends who live in Clemson Downs and have always heard good things about life at Clemson Downs. In fact, they've lived only five minutes from Clemson Downs for the previous 38 years! Welcome to you both!

President's Letter

Dear CDPOA Membership,

We hope you had a memorable Thanksgiving with family and/or friends and are looking forward to the Christmas and New Year holidays. I know I am!

Please plan to attend the Annual Christmas Dinner & Social on December 5th, at 5pm, in the CARC Dining Room. The event promises to be great fun and with great food and enjoyable holiday entertainment. Cost: \$25 each with checks made out to CDPOA.

This is our last letter to you until a new CDPOA Board takes over in January. We have had another very successful year of carrying out services and holding events for the membership of the association. These activities will be highlighted in committee reports at the annual meeting on December 7th, 2pm, at the Corley Center.

In addition, you can be justly proud of the Board's financial management. Even though we have had to deal with justified inflation costs of contracted services, the Board has been able to maintain dues at the current \$300 a year level. However, please don't think that future Boards will be able to sustain this level indefinitely. The fact that we have entered into new contract services for financial bookkeeping and website hosting and maintenance may make dues sustainability more challenging as we go forward. Further, for those who have Vyve cable services, you will see a slight increase in your fees for 2024 due to the reduction in the number of member households who subscribe to these services.

Again, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! We hope 2024 brings good things your way!

Warmest regards,
Denny Walling, President, CDPOA

Board Meeting Highlights

- Jane Hamilton will receive ballots/proxies and completed forms via the stamped, addressed envelope in your recent mailing. Please make sure to mail them by December 1 to ensure your vote is counted. Otherwise, you can bring your proxy and forms to the annual meeting on December 7 at 2 pm in the Corley Center.
- Please emphasize to your neighbors how important the emergency contact form is. We have had several occasions this year to need that information in an emergency, and often the information we have is incomplete or woefully out of date. Some forms date back to 2015.

ARC Reminders

Notice from Susan Robinette, Acting Chair, ARC

The Architectural Review Committee would like to remind residents of Article VIII, Section 11, of the Clemson Downs POA Restrictive Covenants:

“Garage doors shall remain closed at all times except when in use by the actual property owner. However, leaving the door open a maximum of fifteen inches (15") for cooling or other purposes is permitted.”

Please note that small “critters” are presently looking for warm places to spend the winter. In addition to shredding paper, fabric, etc., they chew on car radiator hoses and wiring.

Our Sympathies Go To

Last month we offered condolences to the family of Shirley Witcher. This month we offer continued condolences to the Witcher family on the death of Wesley Witcher, 1025 Keystone Lane. Wesley passed away on November 9.

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 Anne Snider at 864-723-2878 or sniderah@gmail.com to obtain the password. Listings that have changed since the last directory was printed are highlighted in pale yellow.

Please make sure you return the telephone directory form in the recent Annual Meeting mailing, even if your information has not changed from last year.

Additions

Garland & Cynthia Gravely | 344 Kendra Place | Garland: 864-723-5603 (Cell); egarland55@gmail.com | Cynthia: 864-723-5601 (Cell); cynthiarg@bellsouth.net

Things to Remember

Walking after dark?

There are many types of reflective walking gear to protect you when out. With it getting dark sooner, please consider a reflective vest, headlamps, or attachments for shoes—or all three! Reflective dog leashes and coats are also available. Most of these are available locally at hardware and home improvement stores or online. Maybe you can get with friends and order multiples in a package online. Not a bad idea to wear during the day also because in shady areas it is still difficult to see. Thank you.

December 2023

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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|  | | | | | 1 CPC Mtg. 11 am Corley Ctr. <hr/> First Friday 4-6 pm Corley Ctr. | 2 |
| 3 | 4 | 5 ARC Mtg. 10 am Corley Ctr. <hr/> Xmas Social Dining Hall 5:00 pm | 6 | 7 <div style="background-color: #2e7d32; color: white; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; margin: 5px;">Annual Meeting</div> Corley Ctr. 2 pm | 8 | 9 |
| 10 | 11 | 12 CDPOA Board Mtg. 2 pm Jackson Room | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
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Notes: Please make sure you return your telephone directory, emergency contact, and committee volunteer forms along with your proxy by mail, at the annual meeting, or after the annual meeting. All these forms are vital to the smooth operation of Clemson Downs.

January 2024

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