



Green Acres NEWS

SUMMER
2019

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Mark Your Calendars ✓

Fourth of July Parade	Thursday, July 4th, 10 AM	Meet at the pool.
Officers & District Rep. Meeting	Monday, September 9, 7:00 PM	Call Harriet for location. 478-6314
Large Trash Pickup	Date To Be Announced. For dues paid residents only.	7:00 AM
Fall Community Meeting	Monday, November 7 PM	Carrcroft School

A letter from the president.

Spring seems to have finally arrived, if a bit belatedly. Amazingly, the flowers bloomed and the trees turned green in spite of our cold weather.

Hooray for Hillary and her crew for another successful GA event, this time, a Block Party. Hope all of you came, ate, and met your neighbors.

We look forward to seeing everyone dressed up in their patriotic best (dogs included) following the fire trucks on July 4th.



Speeders in the community are endangering our children! I've talked to the NCC Police, who are in charge of this, about putting up a flashing light on Grinnell, which tells your speed, inside the development. Please send me any comments you have about this idea. We need to capture the attention of our speeders.

Please read the job descriptions for the GACA officers who need replacements, having served far longer than their terms. Note that other developments in Brandywine Hundred have disbanded their Civic Associations and, thus, have to go door to door collecting money for snow removal, etc. Very few have a Website, much less a Newsletter, Directory, Facebook page and yearly events.

There will be no Guest Speaker at the November meeting. It is embarrassing for me, personally, to invite a guest and then have so few people show up to our Annual Meeting.

Have a safe and fun summer!

Harriet

President, GACA

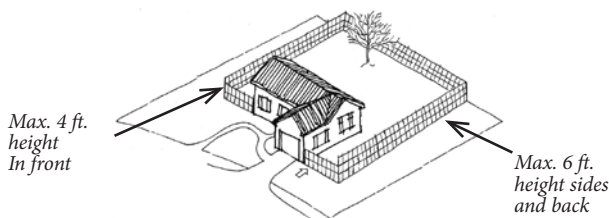
Green Acres Board of Directors:

Harriet Ainbinder, President478-6314
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 Chris Bouchelle, Treasurer.....478-1617
 Dianne Seidel, Corr. Secretary.....479-0490
 Rosetta Dixson, Record. Secretary.....477-0134
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Important Numbers to Have Handy

New Castle County Rep.: John Cartier.....302-395-8348
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 State Representative: Debra Heffernan.....302-577-8476
 State Senator: Catherine Cloutier.....302-577-8517
 Governor: John Carney302-577-3210

Considering a Fence?



Probably the most common question the Architectural Review Committee receives has to do with fencing.

The Green Acres Deed Restrictions state:

“No fence shall be erected or replaced on any residential building lot that extends in front of the main house structure. If a lot owner elects to erect a fence in line with the front of the house it shall not be permitted to be over 4 feet in height.... Any

homeowner may build a side or rear fence up to 6 feet in height....”

If you live on a corner property a number of things need to be considered for the fence location such as, where your neighbors house (front or side) is located in relation to your house and proposed fence location. In this situation, please discuss your intentions with the GA Architecture Committee representative to find an agreeable solution.

Visit www.greenacrescivic.org for the full text of our deed restrictions before you make any major changes to your property. You will find information on additions, oversized out buildings, raising animals and running certain types of businesses out of a residence. You will also find contact information if you have questions.



Green Acres Board of Directors Elections

It's time to step up ... our current board is retiring after 6+ years of service to the community. We need a change of slate and will be holding elections for four new officers at the November semi-annual meeting. The positions are each for a two-year term and no one should serve more than four years. All current officers have served six or more years! Below are the job descriptions.

We urge anybody who is considering one of the positions to call the current officer and get more details. If you are interested in a position, please call Harriet at 478-6314. We look forward to a new full slate of officers to vote on in November!

JOB DESCRIPTIONS

President of Green Acres Civic Association

- Respond to questions and complaints of residents, which may require speaking to various State agencies in charge of those areas of GA
- Holding District Representative meetings March and September and semi-annual community meetings in May and November
- Find speakers for our bi-annual meetings
- Remind those in charge about the Easter Egg Hunt and offer whatever help they may need
- Prepare for the July 4 parade by calling the fire company, the street blockers, Mark Huxsoll (trumpet), and GARA (refreshments)
- Write a letter to the residents for each Newsletter—four times a year
- Assist with the Welcome Bags that are passed out to new residents twice a year

Vice President

- Hold meetings in Presidents absence
- Email sign reminders to our sign guru
- Email Newsletter items to our editor as needed
- Send 'Do Not Deliver' list of vacant homes to our newsletter delivery staff (so we don't have extra flyers piling up)

- Track real estate sales in GA for New Homeowner List and Neighborhood Directory
- Purchase supplies for new home owner gift bags (February and August)
- Field various inquiries from residents when President is away or they just can't wait for a return call
- Meet with contractors regarding maintenance of entrance island & other common areas
- Post news to GA Facebook page as needed
- Assist Treasurer as needed
- Notify district reps of upcoming meetings with meeting reminders either by phone or email
- Follow up to determine who will attend and notify the board member hosting that month's meeting

Treasurer

- Account for dues collection, receipts and expenditures (currently tracked in Excel)
- Prepare dues notices (print, label, stamp, stuff and give to District Reps) for distribution mid- September
- Second dues notice goes out in January.
- Go to Claymont Post Office weekly to check PO box
- Track PayPal payments
- File paperwork with DELDOT for sand barrels and snow reimbursement
- Place ad in News Journal for yard sale and file paperwork for school use
- Prepare "no pay" list before Large Trash pickup.
- Prepare financial reports for district rep. & community meetings and an annual report
- Have books audited annually

Recording Secretary

- Attend all meetings, take resident attendance, recording / writing all items that are discussed
- Compose & edit minutes. At the next meeting read minutes to all those that attend, for approval
- Keep a notebook of all minutes from all meetings

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