

ANNUAL MEETING / ELECTIONS MAY 10

The Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, May 10, at the Frog Hollow Clubhouse. The primary purpose of the meeting is the election of 4 members to the Board of Directors. The terms of Roseann Cialella, Michael Castoria and Joanne Jackson are expiring and Mose Witt is resigning due to business commitments (Roseann and husband Ed are moving from Middletown at the end of the summer).

To date, seven Civic Association members have expressed an interest in serving on the Board of Directors: Roseann Chavanne, Jennifer Ferguson, Lenny Gratteri, Kathy Rivera, Chuck McCausland, Jim Townsend and Chris vonLindenbug. Several have submitted brief biographies which are printed in this newsletter. All will be afforded the opportunity to speak about their interest at the meeting.

The meeting will begin at 7:30 P.M. Registration of members for the purpose of voting will begin at 6:45. All Civic Association member households are entitled to one vote.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership currently stands at 121 for 2004. This includes 66 renewals from 2003 and 55 new members. 2003 membership ends at the end of May. We need the continuing cooperation of old members as well as participation from residents who have yet to join. The Frog Hollow Grill will be open after the meeting.

YARD SALE JUNE 5

The Legends Community Yard Sale will take place on Saturday, June 5 from 8AM to 2 PM. The Civic Association will place ads in the Transcript, The News Journal and the Shoppers Guide and will put up signs. So, clean out those attics, basements and garages!

LANDSCAPING

12 bids were sent to local contractors for landscape maintenance. 2 were returned: Ciamaricone's Landscaping, for upfront weeding and mulching and K/L Golf for maintenance during the season. The total estimate was \$33,000. The RFP called for mulching with red decorative stone rather than wood mulch with an eye toward the long term. We have asked Ciamaricone's to rebid with wood mulch.

Some work has already begun. The dead trees and shrubs have been removed from the rotary on West Whittington Way and the area has been overseeded. Plans call for two planting areas to be created at the entrance to the Villas of Augusta. Miss Utility has one of the locations marked so we think it would be a good idea to wait until the area is dug up.

The Town of Middletown has been cutting the rotaries on East Whittington Way, Casper Way and Sheehan Drive. Next up is the mulching of the medians. With the estimates we received you can see why we need maximum membership sign ups.

COMMUNITY PICNIC

The First Annual Legends Community Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 12, at Silver Lake Park. Volunteers are needed to work on organization, set up, clean up, food, games, and prizes. There will be a sign up sheet available at the Annual Meeting, or you can call Ed Colaprete at 449-0273.

POOL

The Frog Hollow Pool will open at the end of May. Membership applications were sent to all of last year's members. Anyone who is interested in joining who was not a member last year can contact Frog Hollow at 378-4653.

CANDIDATES

Here is the information received from the candidates at press time.

Roseann Chavanne was born and raised in Philadelphia. I have been a single parent for a long time, and have a grown son who still lives in Philly. In 1999 I moved to Berwyn, PA where I lived until moving to Middletown in September of last year.

I currently work in Newark where I manage brokerage operations for a broker-dealer. I've had a successful 30 year career in the financial services industry.

Although as an adult, I haven't been involved with too many civic organizations (not a lot of that going on in South Philly) I would be happy to serve. I have very strong organizational skills, I've made my living for over a quarter of a century by being able to think on my feet (thank goodness for good instincts!), and I am a Capricorn - the workhorse of the universe.

Jennifer Ferguson: Jennifer is a graduate of City University of New York, York College with a degree in Psychology. She has been a substitute teacher in the Appoquinimink School District for approximately two years.

She lists the following reasons for wanting to serve on the Board: I would like to help my neighborhood. I would like to participate in the decision making of my civic association because I live here, my children live here and have to grow up here. It is a wonderful neighborhood and I would like to help maintain the good image that it has. Ask not what your country can do for you think what you can do for your community and your neighborhood, and then you will be helping your country in a positive way.

Lenny Gratteri: I grew up in Pittsburgh and joined the Army after graduating from Penn State with a degree in Political Science. I have

served at numerous locations in the states and abroad - to include being a Gulf War Veteran and also a veteran who served in support of peacekeeping operations in Bosnia and Kosovo. While in the Army, I received my Master's in Business Organizational Management and moved to Delaware. I took a break in service and worked as an accountant for about 8 years in Newark until I took my current position as Communications Director for the Delaware National Guard. As part of my job responsibilities, I am involved on a routine basis not only with local media outlets, but also with our state legislature in Dover. The state legislature is a powerful tool created to serve Delawareans and we need to take advantage of being informed and active with this organization. That is where my interest in serving on the Board came from. We live in a great neighborhood and basically it has been by virtue of not a lot of competition. Well, anyone can see that in the near future there will be more and more neighborhoods competing for the same resources in Middletown. We need to organize now to ensure we are one step ahead of others in our goal to keep The Legends one of the premier neighborhoods in Middletown - and a strong Civic Association is a great first step. My wife, Suzanne and I built a home in The Legends in 1999. Since then we have grown our family to include daughters Madison and Savannah. I haven't served in any other neighborhood Civic Associations as this is our first home.

I am active at work in a number of organizations to include: Ten years I have been a member of the National Guard Association, a group who lobbies legislators in Washington DC to promote the interests of our organization. I currently serve on the Delaware chapter's Executive Council. I also serve on the state's Environmental Quality Control Committee and am a spokesman for Delaware's Department of Safety and Homeland Security Emergency Management Agency.

Chuck McCausland: Chuck owns and operates McCausland Lock & Alarm in Pennsylvania. He has 23 years experience in Police Service and served for 3 ½ years as Councilman and Council President in Parkside, PA.

He and his wife Suzanne have been residents of The Legends for approximately two years.

Chris vonLindenburg: Chris is a Financial Advisor & Mentor for new advisors at Diamond State Financial Group. Although he received his Bachelor's of Science degree from the University of Delaware, his post college education continued forward to include his Life, Health, and Ethics licenses, as well as his Series 6, 63, 65, and 7 registrations.

Chris is currently an active member in the New Castle County Chamber of Commerce and the Delaware State Chamber of Commerce. Having strong ties to law enforcement, he is seen as resource by many in the law enforcement community, and involves himself with participation in annual charity events with the Police Athletic League. Chris is currently working to obtain his Certified Financial Planner (CFP) designation and plans to continue furthering his education with the ChFC, CFS, and CLU designations. Outside of work, life is generally spent enjoying traveling, boating, golf, real estate, hockey, or working around the house. Having grown up in Bel Air, Maryland with his parents and close to his relatives, he decided to remain close to home when he moved permanently to Delaware in 2001, and now currently resides in Middletown.

Jim Townsend: Born and raised in Philadelphia, I earned a Bachelors of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from Cornell University. Upon graduating from Officer Candidate School in Newport, RI in October 1981, I was commissioned an Ensign in the United States Navy and entered the Navy's submarine nuclear power training pipeline.

During my six years of active duty I served onboard the USS ALEXANDER HAMILTON (SSBN617) completing four patrols forward deployed in Holy Loch, Scotland. I completed my active duty service in 1986 and entered the Naval Reserves, where I continue to serve. With twenty-six years active duty and reserve experience, I currently hold the rank of Captain and am assigned as Commanding Officer of a Naval Reserve unit in Wilmington.

From 1986 through 1989 I resided in northern Virginia and was employed as a defense contractor at EG&G Washington Analytical Services Center supporting the Navy's submarine program. I relocated to Southern New Jersey in 1989, where I continued to work as a consultant on Government programs until 1993.

From 1993 through 1999 I was employed as a Senior Manager and Department Head at Computer Sciences Corporation in Moorestown, NJ. In 1999 I accepted a position as Director at Dow Jones & Co., Inc in Princeton, NJ and worked on the Dow Jones Interactive project, providing web-based information services to Fortune 500 clients.

Since June of 2000 I have been employed at JP Morgan Chase & Co., Inc in Newark, DE as Vice President in the Corporate Sector Technology Group in Human Resources Technology.

I currently reside in Middletown, with my wife Theresa whom I grew up with, and our four children, Laura (20), Katherine (17), James (15), and Nicholas (12).

I am a member of the Cornell Society of Engineers, the Cornell Alumni Ambassador Admissions Network, St. Joseph's Prep Alumni Association, The Unites States Naval Institute, and a Lector at Saint Joseph's Parish in Middletown.

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