

The LEGEND

The Voice of The Legends Civic Association

MEMBERSHIP MEETING SEPTEMBER 14

The next Membership Meeting of The Legends Civic Association is Wednesday, September 14 at 7:30 PM in the Frog Hollow Clubhouse.

Mayor Ken Branner will be on hand to field your questions as he has at our last two September meetings. Representatives from Kramer & Associates, DelDOT consultants on the US301 project will make a presentation and also take your questions. Their participation in our meeting is actually a follow up to two public presentations that they will make in Middletown on September 12 and 13.

We also have a proposed amendment to the Bylaws to be voted on. The change will require that the Board of Directors create an annual budget for our organization. The amendment is:

Article VI - Powers and Duties of the Board Section 2 Duties.

"It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to:

(h) Prepare an annual budget which will be presented to the General Membership at the first meeting of the fiscal year and be approved by a majority of members present. The Board will administer the operation of the organization in accordance with that budget. The budget may be amended by a majority vote of the full Board of Directors at any time."

An affirmative vote of 66-2/3% of the members of the Association is required to amend the Bylaws. We need a major turnout at the meeting!!

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE BBQ SEPTEMBER 18TH

Legends residents are invited to a free Membership Drive BBQ on Sunday, September 18th, with a rain date of Sunday September 25th. The BBQ will be held on the West Side circle and will start at noon and run until 4 pm. There will be hot dogs, hamburgers, chips and soft drinks. Mark your calendars and plan to join your neighbors. Not a Legends Civic Association member? Sign up at the event and pay only \$75.00 for 2005 and 2006.



The Legends Civic Association

Upcoming Events:

Membership Meeting	Sept. 14
Membership Drive BBQ	Sept. 18
Golf Tournament & Family Day	Oct. 2

GOLF TOURNAMENT & FAMILY DAY

The Second Annual Legends Civic Association Golf Tournament will be held on Sunday, October 2 at Frog Hollow Golf Club. The tournament will be an 18 hole scramble and all residents and their guests are welcome to participate. The event will begin at 11:30 a.m. with a Shotgun Start at 12:30 p.m. A box lunch and dinner are included in the tournament price.

New for this year will be a Family Fun time starting at 4 p.m. on the day of the event. Family fun is open to residents of all ages and will include a moon bounce, miniature golf and a golf clinic. Dinner will follow the Tournament and Family Fun time at 6:30 p.m.

The Golf Outing is intended to be both a social event and a fund raiser. We are hoping that we can replace part of the revenue from last year's Mont Carlo Casino Night.

MEMBERSHIP

Your dues are used to maintain our "common areas" and to support community activities like the Harvest Festival Parade and the First Annual Light Up the Legends. Last year we spent \$16,000 on landscaping. Much of that was a one-time cost for the stone we put in the entranceway medians and at the entrance to The Villas of Augusta. **We're not done!** We're looking at \$8,000 in normal maintenance costs.

It took us two years to raise the money we spent last year. The source of those funds was primarily membership dues and last year's Monte Carlo Casino Night. Unfortunately, this year's Casino Night was cancelled at the last minute due to concerns raised by the State of Delaware Gaming Commission regarding the proliferation of gambling throughout the state (more to follow in the next newsletter). There is pending legislation that may allow us to get back into that kind of business. We have a Golf

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Outing scheduled for October to replace part of the Casino Night revenue, but our primary fund raiser is DUES.

Are you a member? If not, why not? If you have a real reason, please contact any member of the Board and let them know. You can send your \$50 check, payable to The Legends Civic Association, P.O.Box 348, Middletown, DE 19709.

NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

At the July meeting Jon Kaufman and Kevin Kruger were elected to the Board of Directors, replacing Chuck McCausland and Rich Kahn, who resigned due to business pressures. Following the June Board of Directors meeting, Ed Colaprete resigned from the Board.

At the July Board meeting, the following officers were elected: President: Don Loesch; Vice President: Jim Townsend; Treasurer: Len Gratteri; Secretary: Jennifer Ferguson.

At the August Board meeting Mary Lacey was appointed to complete the term of Ed Colaprete.

GOT SOMETHING TO SELL?

Beginning with the next issue of The Legend, we will offer classified advertising space to Civic Association members. The format will be similar to what you will find in The Transcript. So if you've got a bike, or a couch, or a car to sell, contact Don Loesch at diloesch@msn.com.

ARC UPDATE

There will be an Architectural Review Commtee election at the end of the Membership Meeting on September 14. Arthur Gay and Holly Jankiewicz have been nominated to fill two of the positions on the ARC. If anyone else is interested in serving on the ARC they should contact Vicki Loesch at 376-7955. All homeowners in The Legends are eligible to vote for ARC committee members.

COMMUNITY WATCH

Apparently, there is no interest in The Legends in establishing a Community Watch program. A call for volunteers to man such a program rang on deaf ears for a second year. Last year a number of acts of vandalism generated some minor interest; this year several break-ins generated no interest except from one of the homeowners who was victimized. We can still recommend – keep your outside lights on at night; keep your doors locked; keep your cars locked (and preferably in your garage); and, if you see any suspicious activity, call the New Castle County Police. For any emergency call 9-1-1. In a non-emergency situation call 378-8399.

REAL ESTATE CORNER

Beginning with this issue we will try to keep you apprised of real estate values in The Legends. For example, 12 homes were sold between May 20 and August 1. The average selling price was \$395,400, with a low of \$335,000 and a high of \$477,500. The average days on market was 33. There are currently 7 homes on the market, with a low asking price of \$389,900 and a high of \$489,900, for an average of \$433,500. The average days on market is 60.

Legends Civic Association Membership Application

Membership Dues: **\$50.00**

Name _____ Date _____

Street Address _____

Telephone _____ Email Address (print clearly) _____

I am willing to help with the following: Social Events Newsletter Fund Raising Website Board Other

Mail completed form and check to: Legends Civic Association, PO Box 348, Middletown, DE 19709

Second Annual Legends Civic Association Golf Tournament Registration Form

Tournament, box lunch & dinner	\$110.00	# _____	total _____	Name(s):
Dinner only - Adult	\$25.00	# _____	total _____	
Dinner only - Child (ages 5-12)	\$10.00	# _____	total _____	

Need additional information? Please call Diane Cannato @ 302.378.3536

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