



# Green Acres NEWS

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Officers & District Rep. Meeting	Monday, January 8, 2018	Call Harriet for location. 478-6314
Officers & District Rep. Meeting	Monday, March 12, 2018	Call Harriet for location. 478-6314
Easter Egg Hunt	Saturday March 24, 2018	Green Acres Pool Time: 10:30 A.M.

## Letter From The President

December has come at last with a bite in the air and snow changing everything to a beautiful white. Your officers have been elected (again!) and are ready to serve for another two years, still hopeful that, by then, someone will step forward and take over these jobs.

At each of our Annual Meetings we have a speaker. In November, we learned a lot and got some surprises about our many, wonderful State Parks and their many activities. We appreciate those of you who came to the meeting and we hope that many more of you will take the opportunity to join us at our next meeting on May 14. Please send me suggestions for speakers. What do you want to learn about?

To those of you who haven't paid dues: Why not? The benefits you get from membership far outweigh the minimal cost of being a part of your development.

I hope you had a warm and wonderful Chanukah. And I wish you a joyful and splendid Christmas and Kwanzaa. May we truly have peace on this one earth which we all share.

*Harriet*

President, GACA

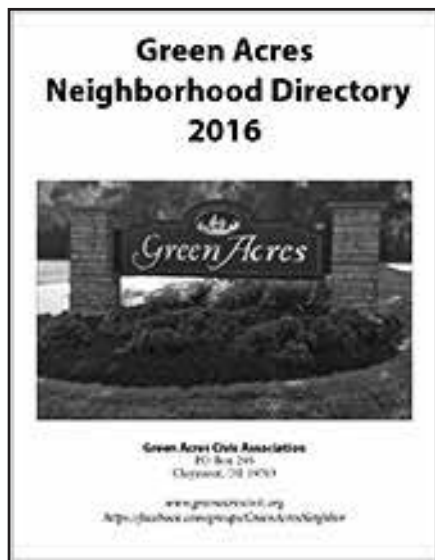
## Green Acres Board of Directors:

- Harriet Ainbinder, President .....478-6314
- Mary Rodgers, Vice President .....479-0249
- Chris Bouchelle, Treasurer .....478-1617
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- Mike Curry, Newsletter Editor .....477-1150

## 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 Carney.....302-577-3210

## New GACA Directory



Our last community directory was distributed in February of 2016. There have been approximately 33 new resident/household sales in our neighborhood during the past 2 years.

We publish community information such

as GACA Officers and District Rep's, emergency and useful numbers, community map, and owners last name, street address and one phone number. The Directory is another benefit of your annual civic dues. Personal information is for community use only.

Keeping up with resident changes is a large task. If your information is incorrect please contact Mary Rodgers at [mary.j.rodgers3@gmail.com](mailto:mary.j.rodgers3@gmail.com) or 479-0249. Mary or a District Rep may be calling in the next 2 months to confirm your current phone number. She will also be making a request via our Facebook page. Please respond to that request.

## Sand Barrels at Green Acres entrances

New Castle County has once again delivered sand barrels to 4 locations in our community. We request them every winter so we have sand available if it's needed, particularly at our two entrances. Please do not use them for trash or for bags of dog poo.

## Advertise in Green Acres News

The Green Acres Newsletter is distributed to our 377 households, 4 times a year.

The rates for business card size ads for residents are: \$60 per business card face per year for 4 issues.

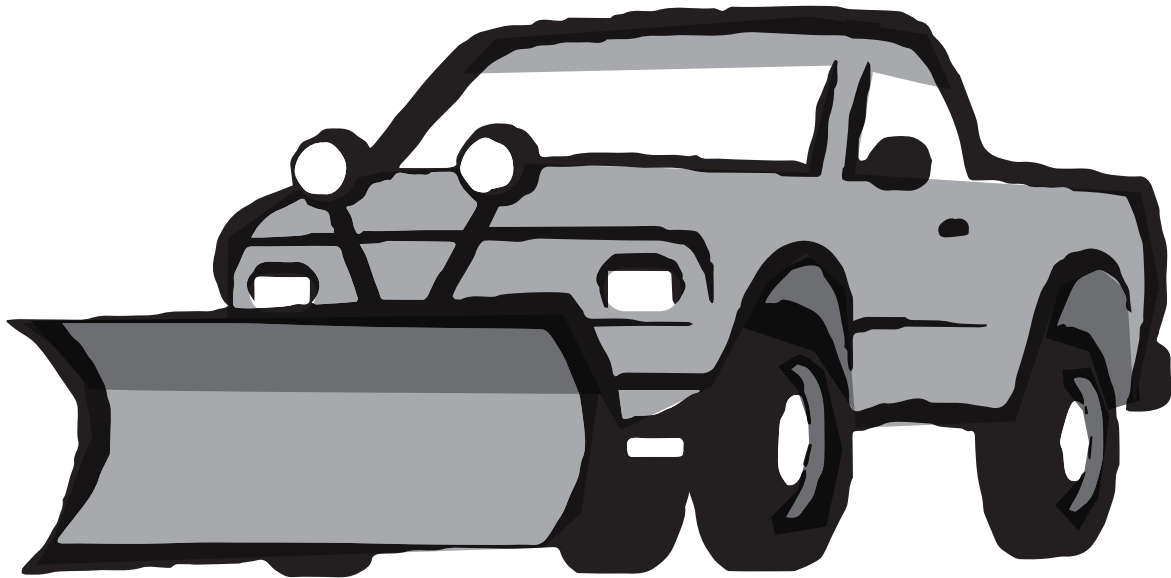
The rates for business card size ads for non-residents are: \$100 per business card face per year for 4 issues.

The ad cycle will begin with the Spring 2018 newsletter, published at the end of March.

Interested in placing an ad in the 2018 News?

Contact Mike Curry at 477-1150 or email him at [mikec1409@gmail.com](mailto:mikec1409@gmail.com)

## Green Acres Winter Snow Announcement



Prior to and during snow events, please do not park any vehicle or trailer in the street. Items in the street make it difficult for our plowing contractor to clear the streets curb-to-curb.

Additionally when or if the vehicles are removed after the snow event, the residual snow remains in the street for drivers to navigate around and it narrows the drivable roadway. One last point about residual snow in the roadway, it also contributes to ice patches when it melts. Please be considerate to the other drivers in the neighborhood.

Our snow plowing contractor starts moving snow when we have or are about to receive 4 inches of snow or more. Occasionally we receive “nuisance” snowfalls where the accumulation is less than 4” and the average daily temperature is below 32 degrees and will remain below 32 degrees for more than 1 day. When this “nuisance” type of snowfall presents, we typically will plow the neighborhood.

Applying sand mixed with ice melt is done when needed, and is always applied at both entrances and all intersections. Some streets don’t melt as quickly

and will need special treatment as well. Please note those same streets have a higher percent of cars left on the street during snow removal, thus contributing to the icing condition.

The contents in the sand barrels at both entrances and two other locations in the neighborhood are to be applied to the road directly around the barrels; not for your private use at home. We thank you for sanding icy patches in the neighborhood. The barrels are self-service and you can help out by throwing a few shovels of sand onto the road way if you find it slippery. Again, they are sand barrels, not trash cans.

“Timing” the removal of snow and “timing” the snow event is never an easy task. The timing involves the following:

- multiple calls to the contractor and the Mount Holly, NJ weather station
- listening to the local weather broadcast
- actually driving around the neighborhood
- checking the driving condition on Silverside Road, and checking what other neighborhoods are doing
- 2:00 AM meetings with the snow removal contractor
- and of course, luck

All of these factors play into making a good decision when to start clearing the neighborhood.

If you have any suggestions or comments, please contact Lou Fortunato at 478-8664



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