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Mark Your Calendars			
Full membership meeting	Wednesday, Jan. 18 7:30 PM	Zoom (link via email)	
Community yard sale	May 20 - 21	Green Acres	

#### Current Green Acres Civic Association Officers

Dave White, President	302-479-9221		
Vice President	OPEN		
Patti Powers, Treasurer	302-384-8215		
Lois Helmerson			
Corresponding Secretary	302-478-1095		
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#### Fall 2022 community clean-up

Thank you to the Green Acres community for your participation and help with another

successful community clean-up. We had 101 homes participate this year, although we didn't top our previous years record of rubbish and yard waste collected. We did have some of the most unique items discarded this year - one half of a hot tub and a complete set of passenger van seats - front, middle and rear including the seat belts.

We collected over 50 kitchen cabinets, four sleeper sofas, lawn furniture, mattress and box springs, a fiberglass shower unit, lots of bedroom and entertainment furniture, and becoming a typical item for us, a small upright piano, to name a few. Thankfully, our metal scrapper removed the metal content of the piano for us, and he did an excellent job picking all of the other metal items from our neighborhood reducing our overall weight of collected

#### January full membership meeting

The Green Acres Civic Association will hold its annual full membership meeting in January. The meeting is scheduled to be held via Zoom on Wednesday, January 18 at 7:30 PM. (An invitation and meeting link will be sent via email a week or so in advance.) In addition to updating our members with information about activities and opportunities with GACA, we will be giving the floor to a guest speaker, our State Senator Sarah McBride.

### Athens paving project

GACA has been petitioning our state representative, Debra Heffernan, pretty doggedly for the last several years about the road



conditions and paving needs in Green Acres. Rep. Heffernan determined there was not enough money in the budget to resurface the entire neighborhood at once, but did secure more than \$183K to repave (and repair sidewalks, as needed) on Athens Road between Quincy and Grinnell. Work will occur during the 2023 construction season. Homeowners on the affected portion of Athens will receive a paper notice from the contractor in the days or weeks leading up to the project start date.

rubbish. Sadly, we left items on the curb of seven residents who didn't pay their dues.

I really appreciate everyone's help to make this event so successful. Even the smallest of help like tying up tree limbs, placing all items on the curb, making sure paint cans are open and dried, and putting your items out early. Those simple things makes our clean up a success. Another congratulations to the Team at Waste Management who's been our partner for more than 25 years. Waste Management's Rick Curles and his veteran truck crew worked with us to get through the neighborhood in three hours this year.

This year we received financial help from our District 6 Representative, Debra Heffernan. She contributed a significant amount of money to our community clean-up, covering the landfill fee that Waste Management passes along to us and is usually the largest part of the invoice. Thank you, Deb.

I'm still looking for a volunteer to take over this program. It's more than the thrill of riding in a rubbish truck or tossing items into the truck. It's helping Green Acres neighbors clean out, and our program keeps our neighborhood looking great, too. I will help you with the key items to keep this long running program going. Thank you for the privilege of running this event for the last 35 years.

Lou Fortunato

## **New GACA district reps**

We'd like to introduce a few folks who stepped up to fill open DR positions.

Barb Forehand will be representing district 15, which encompasses Grinnell Road from house numbers 1107 to 1211. She says this about herself: "My parents built the house and moved in in 1957. (I have photos showing the building of this house.) My siblings and I were all born and raised here in this house. My dad also designed the original Green Acres sign that now stands by the woods near the pool. I moved back in the house to take care of my ailing mother and bought the house from my siblings upon her passing."

John DiEleturio will be representing district 4, which is more or less the part of Emory Road northwest of Quincy. He says this about himself: "My family and I moved into Green Acres in November 2020 from Union Park Gardens in Wilmington, where we had lived for 11 years. I was an active member of the UPG Neighborhood Association, and during our time there I co-founded the extremely successful and always entertaining neighborhood watch group. I recently became President of the Green Acres Swim Club for the 2023 season. I look forward to seeing everyone at the pool this summer."

Our sincere thanks to Barb and John for volunteering to serve their community!

# Paper shredding opportunities through DSWA

We are occasionally asked by members about the availability of bulk shredding for household and office documents. The Delaware Solid Waste Authority provides this service several times a month for free at various central facilities. The nearest is the Delaware Recycling Center at 1101 Lambson Lane in New Castle. Bulk document shredding is offered on the first Saturday of each month, from 8:30 AM until 2:00 PM. Shredding is also available at the Newark Recycling Center at 470 Corporate Blvd in Newark on the first Wednesday of each month from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM. Events are offered on other weekdays at facilities downstate. For further information, visit <u>https://dswa.</u> com/programs/paper-shredding



## Winter snow removal



The winter season is almost here. Here are a few things to keep in mind that will help our snow plowing contractor and benefit our neighborhood. 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-tocurb. When or if the vehicles are removed after the snow event, the residual unplowed snow remains in the street for drivers to navigate around and it narrows the drivable roadway. Additionally, when these piles melt and refreeze, they create dangerous ice patches on our streets. Please be considerate to your neighbors, the other drivers and school bus drivers in our neighborhood.

Blue barrels of sand are provided by DelDOT for use exclusively at the Grinnell and Quincy entrances. Please be a good neighbor and toss out a few shovels of sand if you see slippery entrance road conditions.

Thank you!

#### **New neighbors in Green Acres**

The hot real estate market continued for most of 2022 and as a result we have many new neighbors in Green Acres. Here is a list of homes that sold this year, based on publicly available closing information. Introduce yourself to your new neighbors, if you haven't already!

Address	Sale Date	Address	Sale Date
1422 Athens	June 17	1511 Fresno	January 31
1423 Athens	July 14	1102 Grinnell	July 15
1509 Athens	July 14	1300 Oberlin	July 29
1409 Carson	April 25	1321 Quincy	September 12
1418 Carson	August 26	1304 Radford	April 27
1423 Carson	May 6	1303 Tulane	September 15
1405 Drake	March 15	1323 Tulane	August 29
1418 Drake	August 26	1330 Tulane	September 23
1512 Emory	September 28		



