

For Our Neighbors in the Clemson Downs Property Owners Association—A 55+ Community

February 2025

Welcome New Neighbors!

We welcome new neighbors Bob and Eva Williamson, 503 Downs Loop. Bob grew up on a farm in the small town of Guthriesville, SC, near York. His family raised peaches and cotton and then later dairy cattle and free-range turkeys. After high school and a BS and MS at Clemson, he earned his Ph.D. from Mississippi State in engineering. He served as a commissioned officer in the US Air Force SAC and taught at Mississippi State, University of Georgia, and Clemson. Bob enjoys woodworking, working with Boy Scouts, photography, gardening, and outside activities.

Eva grew up around Chester, SC, and holds a BS from Erskine. She has served as a Clemson Extension Home Economist in York and Abbeville counties. She has also taught at Seneca High School. Eva's hobbies are reading, cooking, and genealogy.

Bob and Eva have been married for 60 years. They have a son and daughter and four grandchildren. They are active members of Fort Hill Presbyterian Church. They chose to retire in Clemson and have followed the development of Clemson Downs since 1978. They also have a number of friends who live here in the Downs. Welcome!

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Condolences

We offer our condolences to Judy Eidson, 38 Hickory Way, on the loss of her husband, Jim. We will keep Judy and her family close to our hearts.

ARC Reminders



Your Architectural Review Committee (ARC) will meet Tuesday, February 4, at 10:00 am upstairs in the small conference room at the Corley Center. As always, POA residents are welcome to attend.

If you plan to start any exterior project such as painting, construction, hardscape, door, window, roofing, or siding replacement, etc., please be sure to get your application(s) to an ARC member before that date so we can get it processed for you as soon as possible. If you aren't sure if you need an application, please call an ARC member and ask! FYI: the ARC is a sub-committee of the POA Board. We can only recommend applications. Applications will then be presented to the entire Board, which will meet February 11, for final approval. Your approved application will be returned to you once it is approved.

Dues Reminder

So many of our CDPOA members have already paid the dues for 2025. That's fantastic. Thank you. If you have not paid yet, please return your check with the form you received filled out for me. I check and recheck the deposits in several ways, one of which includes the form. Again, thank you so much! Jerdone Davis, CDPOA Treasurer

Board Highlights

- By unanimous vote of members present, the board accepted the Treasurer's recommendation to remain with the accounting firm of Lindley-Pettigrew for 2025.
- The contract with Vyve for CCTV service arrangements has been terminated. The last day of CCTV service is February 28, 2025. Contact Eldon Blust if you are a CCTV customer and have questions.
- Sandy Waskowski has assumed the duties of Rental Coordinator. We currently have three rentals.



2025 Board of Directors, Committee Chairs, and Personal Representatives

Webb Smathers	Term expires 12/31/2025
Jo Gable	Term expires 12/31/2025
Jerdone Davis	Term expires 12/31/2025
Nancy Palisin	Term expires 12/31/2025
Diana Manly	Term expires 12/31/2026
Karen McAlister	Term expires 12/31/2026
Lois Torlina	Term expires 12/31/2026

By motion made and duly seconded, the Board members present unanimously approved the following slate of officers for 2025:

Webb Smathers	President
Diana Manly	Vice President
Jo Gable	Secretary
Jerdone Davis	Treasurer

By motion made and duly seconded, the Board members present unanimously approved the following Committee Chairs and Coordinators for 2025:

Karen McAlister	Chair, Architectural Review Committee
Nancy Palisin	Chair, Common Properties Committee
Anne Snider	Chair, Communications and Welcoming Committee
Lois Torlina	Chair, Social Committee
Eldon Blust	Community Cable TV Coordinator (term expires February 28, 2025)
Sandy Waskowski	Rental Coordinator
Gary Newkirk	Gazebo Reservations Coordinator

By motion made and duly seconded, the Board members present unanimously approved the following Street Representatives for Board issues:

Lois Torlina	Bayberry, Kendra, and Summer Walk
Jerdone Davis	Birch and Little Lane
Karen McAlister	Hickory Way
Diana Manly	Keystone Lane
Jo Gable	Downs Boulevard
Webb Smathers	Downs Loop

Note: if you have a question or concern, contact your Street Representative first.

Things To Remember

First Friday



Don't forget the First Friday get together on Friday February 7th. Come and join your neighbors for an informal get-together. Bring a snack to share and your choice of beverage. Hosts are Eric & Anne Snider. Don't forget to invite a neighbor and wear your name tag.

Effective immediately, Lois Torlina has agreed (with the Board's approval) to take over the Social Committee. I want to thank all the people who have helped and supported me with all of the activities over the past 6 years. It has been a pleasure to serve as Chairman. Diana Manly

Garbage Cans

The City of Clemson Public Works Department workers prefer that you put your garbage cans at the street with the handle facing to the street, regardless of what is printed on your can. Let's help out the hard-working garbage collectors!

Garage Doors

CDPOA residents are reminded that according to the Restrictive Covenants of our neighborhood, garage doors should be kept closed when there is not activity in the garage. Restrictive Covenants do allow you to keep your door open up to 15 inches for ventilation. The breeding season for skunks, foxes, and coyotes (all of which can be found here at Clemson Downs) is starting, so keeping your door closed against those animals—and others—is always a good idea. Here is the information from our Restrictive Covenants, Article VIII, Section 11:



Section 11. Garage doors shall remain closed at all times except when in actual use by the individual property owner. However, leaving the garage door open a maximum of fifteen (15) inches for cooling or other purposes is permissible.

FYI—For Your Information

Woodland Walk Bridge

We are excited to announce that our Woodland Walk Bridge replacement project has been chosen by the Clemson University School of Architecture's Community Research and Design Center for its 2025 spring semester Design + Build studio project. We hope to be walking across a new Woodland Walk bridge by the end of May. A group of 15 POA members, combined from the Common Properties Committee and CDPOA Board, met with the 18 architecture students who will be involved in this project and their director, Professor Dan Harding, on Friday, January 24, 2025, to discuss and kick off this initiative. We will keep the Downs residents and adjacent community donors that have helped make this possible informed as progress is made. We wish to extend our grateful thanks to all who have shown such love and support for the Woodland Walk Bridge. Our final bridge fund is \$12,000, \$12,000, consisting of \$3,282.00 insurance payment, \$3,536.93 Go-Fund-Me donations, and \$4,805.00 checks sent directly to CDPOA. The balance of \$476.07 will be contributed by the Common Properties Committee budget or possibly another donor.

With much thanks and joy, Common Properties Committee, Nancy Palisin, Chairman

Telephone Directory

The 2025 Telephone Directory has been sent to CARC for duplication. As soon as we know when it will be available, we will let you know. Directories will be delivered to your flyer box, so now's a good time to check to make sure your flyer box is in good condition.

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