



DELLWOOD DIGEST

Notes from the President

By: George Steikes

Around 5:30 pm on December 14, 1902, the crew of the life-saving station in Charlotte, New York, was notified that a boat was in distress about 23 miles up the coast. Life-saving station keeper George N. Gray immediately went into action to save the poor people on that boat and put the surfboat aboard a train. Deep snow surrounded the train causing a two hour delay. They did not arrive at the train station until 9:35 in the evening.

The weather became worse and they used sleds pulled by four horses transport the surfboat four miles from the train station to the water. Snowdrifts reaching six feet hindered the crew and they did not arrive at the shore until around 11:30 pm. They finally arrived at the shore around 11:30 pm.

They rowed for 3 ½ hours without finding the boat in distress. They returned to the shore to await daylight. They sent a team along the cliffs to search the coastline, but to no avail.

Finally, they decided to go back into the water, leaving one-man ashore who would climb a nearby windmill. Finally, the boat was detected. The wind shifted and the waves became even more tumultuous. They reached the boat about 11:30 am, about 20 miles off shore. The people on board had lost hope. They were lying on deck, some benumbed, some hysterical, and all suffering from exposure.

Even though George and his crew were worn out, they covered the poor passengers, four men and a woman, and brought them into their boat. They reached the shore around 4:30 P.M., a mile and a half from their launching spot. Once near the shore, there was so much ice that the boat could not land, and the crew had no choice but to carry the rescued people on their shoulders ashore. Eventually they reached their life-saving

station at Charlotte, NY, around 11:30 pm.
That was about 1 1/2 days work without sleep!

They truly deserved the Gold Lifesaving Medal that they received. While many others would have given up the rescue, they didn't. They risked their lives to save others. Love compelled them and because of that, they were greatly rewarded. What would we do if there was a ship in distress on an icy cold day?

That is the kind of concern we need to have for one another in our neighborhood. How well do you know your neighbors? Do you care about their well being? Hopefully, you know well your immediate neighbors but our annual picnic and our annual meeting provides you the opportunity to know one another. The motivation for caring for someone you do not know is slim at best. We certainly would want someone to care for us if we were in some kind of trouble. So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets (Matthew 7:12).

SPEED

I am grateful that some of you have responded so well to the notes on speeding in our subdivision. However, there are still a few and hopefully they are guests, that believe they are above the law. Not only do some totally ignore the 20 MPH zone, but I have watched them go right through stop signs as though the sign did not exist.

I am asking your help in another way on this one. I have asked before if you see a company that is speeding through here, please either contact that company or contact me and I will contact them about the matter.

A new request: If you see people speeding, if possible grab the license plate number. These can be submitted to our local police department to be watched and to check for past violations.

It is sad that some think this to be a joke but an injured person or worse, a dead person is no joke. Please – do what you can to stop this wrong behavior in our community.

RENTING ROOMS

I was notified that a realtor listing a house in our subdivision believes that a part of a person's home can be rented out. This is in direct violation of our Dellwood Covenants and all of the agencies in our area are being notified and will receive a new copy of our covenants. If you know of anyone moving into our area with that intention, please say something to them or contact me regarding the course of legal action against violators.

ROAMING PETS

Several Neighbors have complained about dogs wandering onto their property, eating the food they have put out for their pets and leaving their feces on their lawns. The feces of any animal can be dangerous. Some of the dogs are very friendly while others are not and could be dangerous, especially to a child.

Please, do your best to keep your pets at home. Complaints are accepted, but it is difficult for me if you complain and have no idea whose pet it is.

DUES REMINDER

Our dues for 2017 are due on May 1st. Remember – They are only \$12.00 this year. They can be paid at the Annual meeting (April 27th) or they can be sent to Marty Harris at 104 Woodlawn Lane. Checks are to be made out to Dellwood Association.

DELLWOOD SIGNS

You have all noticed that the signs are up. In the near future, small shrubs will be added down on the bottom to dress it up. They will not put up anything that would block the vision of oncoming traffic from either direction.

POWER LOSSES

Most of you have lost power in the last few months more than usual. Some of this is directly related to the change of the Dellwood Signs. Currently, our power is on a secondary source system. Duke Energy needs to yet move a poll and change some lines down by the signs. When they do that, we will once again lose power temporarily as they reconnect the original source.

OUR ANNUAL MEETING

Our gathering will take place on April 27 at 6:00 PM. in the fellowship building of the Hendersonville Church of Christ at 1975 Haywood Road (191). Please put this date on your calendar. We would love to see as many as possible at that meeting. If you would like

to RSVP and let Annette Hudson know what you will be bringing for the potluck please do so at 828-693-3081 or rdandabudson@bellsouth.net

BOARD MEMBERS

We are losing board members this year due to term limitations. We need some who would be willing to be on the board for a year or two.

A REMINDER

If you plan on doing any construction this year of additional facilities, fences, driveways, etc., you need to file a FORM 101 from the Policy and Procedure Manual and present your plan to the Dellwood Board for approval. Once that is done, you will be contacted and someone will come to your home to determine your exact plans and whether or not they are allowed according to our Covenants and our Policy and Procedure Manual. Note the enclosed 101 form.