

*Varlano Village Civic Association, Inc.*

*Incorporated 2/23/1971*

**The VILLAGE CRIER** Fall 2016

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*KIDS are back to SCHOOL, so be alert in the morning and afternoon. We have a number of bus stops within Varlano Village.*

The newest issue of the Village Crier has a lot of important topics for your consideration. Please attend the Civic Fall Meeting to voice your opinion or use the "Contact Us" button on [www.varlano.com](http://www.varlano.com)

**Civic FALL Meeting**

**Sept. 27, 2016** (Tuesday) meeting at the Bear Library, 6:30pm, Room 1-B. We hope to see you there. The agenda will be posted on our website. A "partial" agenda is outlined on the last page of this Village Crier.

**Yard Sale – FALL Edition**

**October 1, 2016** is the first Saturday of October and the date for the FALL YARD SALE. The following weekend is Columbus Weekend. Time will be 8am to 1pm, rain or shine. We will advertise in the News Journal on Thursday, Friday & Saturday and on Craig's List (for Delaware) on Friday only.

**STOP Hand Delivery of Village Crier**

The Village Crier printed version has numerous challenges for each issue. The Crier has to be sized to fit stock paper, both sides are printed. We can't do pictures or have colored print. The paper version has to be printed (Staples) and assembled. The delivery requires volunteers and must fit their available time. The route is 170 homes, no less – no more. The "Winter Issue" does not exist as the weather makes home delivery a major challenge.

I propose that WE STOP HAND DELIVERY of the printed version *except to Civic members not having internet access*. I assume this should be a money savings. I am more impressed with the labor savings. The Crier can be longer or shorter as needed and easier to assemble. Color pictures or print are available and we do not have to battle the weather in planning the delivery.

If you require "home delivery", drop us a note with your name, address and it will be mailed to you.

### **2016 Civic Dues**

Just a quick reminder about **2016** Civic Association Dues. Your District Rep will or has contacted you. Please make the check payable to Varlano Village Civic Association. The annual dues are still only \$30.00, check please – NO cash. You can give the check to your District Rep or stop by the Zigler's @ 24 Trevett Dr. (deposit in the milk box in the breezeway).

### **HELP**

Yes, the Civic Assoc. needs your help. Please volunteer and help our community. We have 2 districts that need a representative. A "rep" has 10 homes in their district. Call Bob Zigler @ 302-521-8554 for details. Thank you in advance for volunteering.

### **Halloween Parade or Easter (Spring Egg Hunt) Events**

We need a volunteer to organize either event. These events would be low-keyed as they are for Varlano's children and their guests. The events are opened to the volunteer's creative skills. See "Help" above.

### **Coming Soon**

A brief history on VARLANO. Read about the real estate selling pony? Visit [www.varlano.com](http://www.varlano.com), push the "Our History" button on the left menu. We would like your stories and pictures.

### **A BIG THANKS to . . . .**

Diana and Roy Moyer for the wagons of water delivered to the shrubs & flowers on the entrance island. They had support from Janet DeLuca and her red wagon.

State Rep John Viola and Senator Bryan Townsend on having our entrance roadway repaved. A special shout-out to Roy Moyer who raised the problem concerning the crumbling macadam during in our Civic Meeting.

***. . . . from your Varlano Village neighbors.***

## Civic FALL Meeting Proposed Agenda

**Sept. 27, 2016** (Tuesday) meeting at the Bear Library, 6:30pm, Room 1-B. The agenda will include the following topics:

*(1.) agenda topic Civic ByLaws – Feb 1984*

The Civic ByLaws are available on [www.varlano.com](http://www.varlano.com) , left hand side menu, push the button “About Us”. On the bottom of that page is a button for the ByLaws. We have ByLaws that we are not and can not enforce. Times are changing and the level of volunteers change over time. Our ByLaws need to be updated and re-worded. The Newark Senior Center has a group titled “Project Consultants for Nonprofit” that may be interested in helping us with this project. I will ask the attendees at our Fall meeting about approaching this group to seek their help.

*(2.) agenda topic Election of Civic Leaders*

The ByLaws state we should establish a committee to search and seek out residents for any open positions in the Civic Leaders' team. The Committee will report back at the next Civic Meeting with a list of candidates to be voted on at that meeting. As of this writing, all positions are at the end of the 2 year term. All positions are allowed to seek a second term if so desired. Any Civic member can seek any position, Check the ByLaws for more information.

*(3.) agenda topic Your decision*

The Village Crier is available on Varlano's website. We have 3 back issues and today's issue (Fall – 2016). The new issue was ready for viewing days before it could be hand delivered. Please read the “STOP Delivery” article on the front page. If you require “home delivery”, drop us a note with your name, address and it will be mailed to you.

*(4.) agenda topic [www.varlano.com](http://www.varlano.com)*

A report on the work involved in establishing and maintaining the website will be given. This report will be available on the website, listed under the “Village Crier – Fall” button. This button is not available right now.

**end** of FALL CIVIC proposed agenda topics

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**Proposal from EVERGREEN WASTE**

Our Spring 2016 Civic meeting included 1 new business topic. The discussion involved all the noisy garbage trucks, cost of pickup service and truck wear-n-tear on our streets. We, as a Civic Association, cannot stop you (the resident) from seeking any waste company as your provider. BUT, we can seek out a good money savings plan if enough of the Varlano households become involved. We will benefit by reducing the traffic and noise from the trash trucks and SAVE MONEY.

Evergreen Waste is a small local company. Evergreen understands not everyone will join. There is NO contract, thus you can cancel at any time. You decide.

- Existing Evergreen customers will remain on their existing contract.
- NEW Customers will be billed at \$63.00 per quarter (3 months). Contact Evergreen directly about their proposal & options including “yard waste” & “side of house pick-up” services.
- When Evergreen reaches a total of 85 households, the rate will drop to \$57.00 per quarter (everyone will drop)

This program will NOT cost the Civic Assoc. any money. All customer inquiries are handled by Evergreen. All final terms and conditions are per Evergreen’s policies.

**Discretion** is the key word. If Varlano residents share the new pricing info with the other haulers, we lose our edge. The competition will temporarily reduce their pricing before raising their rates again. Participation is the only way to **reduce** the noise and truck traffic. Saving a little money is nice bonus.

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**Call EVERGREEN to discussed their proposal.**

**302-635-7055**