



The VFTS Newsletter for News, Reminders, Tidbits and Updates

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## Communication is the

- Thank you to Nancy Cressman, VFTCA president and Rick Myers, VFTCA manager for the informative newsletter on the issues of the Community Association.
- The minutes from Council meetings are posted on the Council bulletin board after they are approved. Admittedly, they are difficult to read. If you would like them emailed to you, contact Kathy at kathyn@vftsouth.com.
- Have a maintenance issue? Need a new fob? Lost your coupons? Account have a mistake? For any issue that concerns running the building or policy implementation, contact the management office at 610-783-0810 or email manager@vftsouth,com. Have a question about policies, budgets, ongoing projects, meeting minutes or how to navigate life at VFTS? Contact any Council member. Mike, president@vftsouth.com; Wayne, treasurer@vftsouth.com; Kathy, kathyn@vftsouth.com; Nimesh, nimeshs@vftsouth.com; Joe Joyce, jjoyce@vftsouth.com. There is also a cubby labeled "council" in the mail room.

## All Locked Up

The package lockers have been installed and other than the expected hiccups, the transition has been pretty smooth.

We sometimes refer to them as "Amazon lockers" because we contracted with the behemoth to install them. Any delivery service can leave your package in the lockers, as they were all provided a carrier code. There is a shelf for packages of residents who do not receive email or texts. Even if you have signed up for an account to use the lockers, there may be an occasion where your package is on the shelf instead. That may be because a specific driver did not have the carrier code yet. Please be patient. This new system will reduce misplaced packages and free up the guards' time for more desk coverage.

If you have a problem, contact the office. We also have kind neighbors who will tutor you through the process.

## It's the Electric Price Slide

Huge kudos to Manager Kelly Cabell, President Mike Samuels and Treasurer Wayne Golden for doing the research and negotiating our electric rate from .105 a kilowatt hour to 0.671 a kilowatt hour. We have contracted a fixed rate for three years with WGL Energy.

Thank you for your efforts to conserve energy. Nobody can accurately predict what future rates will be, but we know it is always cheaper and better for the environment to conserve.

## Today old when I learned...

□ They do windows! We contract with Antoline's Cleaning Service to clean the lobby area. If you are interested in having your windows cleaned, inside and out, contact Rodrigo at 267-973-6293.

Upper Merion Police are here! We, along with the surrounding areas, have had issues with car break ins. There have been extra car patrols. However, an early morning walker reported police bicycle patrols through our parking lot!

People don't listen. People are still leaving shopping carts in the hall all night or returning shopping carts by putting them in an empty elevator and sending it to the lobby! Two of the new stand up jumbo carts have been missing for three weeks. Surely this is forgetfulness and not thievery. Please return all carts to the closet soon after you unpack them.

At one time, the cart closet was locked and we had to sign out carts with the guard. Now we use the honor system. We do not want to go back to the sign out system because of a few knuckleheads.







Always remember... Rumors are carried by haters, spread by fools, and accepted by idiots."