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## **NEWS LETTER 2014**

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Another relatively quiet year has again passed here on the mountain. Except for some excitement regarding challenges ever changing mountain conditions there have not been any overly major issues this year.

Ongoing road maintenance is never ending with all the serious rain we have been having this year. Working wells are maintained on a regular basis and in good shape. All roads are in fairly good condition. Plans are in the works for getting additional gravel work done on unpaved road sections yet this year, specifically Hawkeye Trail and Spring Branch Road sections.

## On the mountain in 2013/2014:

A new house is being planned on Timberwood Drive. A BIG Mountain "JUST DO IT" to the members getting ready for construction. Plans are also in the making for the addition to yet another new house on Hawkeye Trail. More on that as they progress. Several lots have changed hands this year, some sadly under foreclosure. As of this writing there are 3 houses and 10 lots for sale on our mountain.

As discussed last year we are looking into ideas of providing mountain wide WI-FI for Timberwood. This continues to be an evolving project - more on this idea as it comes more into focus.

Security issues: As all of you have been notified with your 2014 dues-invoice we have changed ALL the gate codes. The gate is now closed 24 hrs / day and video surveillance has commenced. We may be changing the gate codes again with the year's end for security purposes. Please look for the RED GATE CODES with your next year's dues invoice and notice.

Wildlife continues to be intriguing and has been plentiful and interesting.

## In Town:

Of interest may be that new casino construction is now seriously under way. It is located just east of the WalMart intersection on the right side as you are heading toward Andrews – one cannot miss it. The NCDOT is in the process of constructing a new bridge off of SR64. Possible grand opening is still scheduled for late 2015. I do not look forward to the lighting contamination of our dark mountain nights once they turn the power on.

## Membership issues:

We are in need of some members willing to serve as officers for the Association. A number of current officers are willing to serve for another year. Per the Association's statutes the offices of the president, the vice president, the secretary, the treasurer and 3-year director will be nominated and voted on during the upcoming 2014 TMEPOA Annual Meeting on October 18, 2014. Last year's 3-year director will become the new 2-year director and the current 2-year director will become the 1-year director at the end of this membership year. I look forward to hearing from interested parties before the 2014 Annual Meeting. Please forward any information to president@tmepoa.com

I look forward to seeing and hearing from each and every one of you. Now back to working on the house – a never ending task.