

Old Farm Lake Board of Directors

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Dear Old Farm Lake Resident:

Your Board of Directors is in the process of gathering information regarding a master satellite system that would provide television programming to all interested OFL residents. Preliminary feedback tells us that there is strong interest among our residents to obtain this service. By working together as a community, it is possible to use a single dish to serve multiple households. Not only will this potentially lower our costs, it will eliminate the need for individual dishes, which so many of us find unsightly.

In the way of background information, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has ruled that within certain limits, individuals living in Multi-Dwelling Units (MDU) are entitled to access the services made available to them by satellite television providers. This ruling was later amended, to enable community associations to require that residents obtain these same services via a master dish, if made available through the Association. Whether or not you personally want Satellite television for your household, it makes sense to support this endeavor. It will reduce the number of inevitable dishes that will spring up in our community and at the same time provide desired programming to interested residents, hopefully at a lower rate than obtaining these services separately.

There are currently two companies that offer Satellite television programming in our area; DirecTV and Dish Network. The primary difference appears to be that DirecTV has a more complete offering of sports events (including the YES network) and Dish Network has more programming originating from countries outside of the USA. Please see the attached list for a detailed programming comparison. We expect ongoing monthly rates for either solution to be competitive with Cablevision, but we will not know for sure until we have proposals in hand that are tailored to our community.

To enable providers to tailor a plan to the needs of Old Farm Lake, **it is very important that we have feedback from residents regarding which provider offers the programming most preferred by your household.**

Please help us by answering the questions on the attached survey. Place your responses in the mailbox on Rambling Brook Road, outside of the clubhouse, by April 30, 2002. Also feel free to contact Board Member, Deborah Weiss, to obtain more detailed information at 914-238-2387 or at email address: Deborah.Weiss@verizon.net. We welcome any input that will aid us in developing the best plan for our Old Farm Lake community.

Thank-you!

Old Farm Lake Master Satellite Television System Survey



1. Are you interested in obtaining Satellite Television programming for your household?

If YES, please continue with the following questions. If NO, please jump to item #7 and add any comments you wish to share with the Board. Optionally, include your name and unit number.

2. How many televisions do you anticipate connecting to the satellite system?

3. Given a choice of one or the other, do you prefer the programming options offered by Dish Network or DirecTV?

4. Would lower cable rates reduce your interest in using a master dish?

5. What is your Name and Unit #?

6. If it becomes necessary, at what phone number should we call you, and what is the best time to reach you?

7. Comments:

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