



# Armfield Farm Connection

Newsletter - Summer 2006

## President's Message



This is my first newsletter as the new President of our homeowners association. I have lived in our community for a little over three years and plan to remain here for many years to come. My wife Kay, daughter Molly, and two greyhounds can often be seen walking around the neighborhood.

I would like to thank Tim Murray, our outgoing President, for all of the hard work he did to improve our community. We also just elected two new members to our Board of Directors, Greg Seiler, Secretary and Steve Snyder, Treasurer. I am sure they will be a great addition.

I have two main objectives for my term as president:

- **Increase participation** – We need a few more volunteers to help out on our committees. It doesn't take many people to make a huge difference. If you can spare a few hours a month to be on a committee we would really appreciate it. You could help the social committee with an event or review ARB applications. David Tenny has just agreed to lead our grounds and roads committee. He will be working with our landscape company to keep our community well groomed. We currently have openings to lead the Communications committee. Please contact me at [president@armfieldfarm.org](mailto:president@armfieldfarm.org) if you would like to help out.

- **Improve our community** – As our community ages it is important that we maintain our facilities and our homes. This year we needed to complete about \$15,000 in emergency repairs to keep the pool running. We also ordered a new permanent shade structure for the pool, but it didn't make it here in time for this season. It will be a canopy about 44 feet long and 14 feet wide. We should be installing it in the fall, so it will be up and ready for next pool season. One of our tot-lots was totally destroyed by arson early

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Kids scale the wall at the pool party!

**Please note that we are mailing quarterly bills for HOA dues instead of yearly coupon books.**

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# Social Committee News

By Peggy Cook

## Summer is a SMASH hit!

This year's summer activities brought record attendance. The ice cream social kicked off the summer with summer treats on the last day of public school. Next came the Adult Pool Party. Thanks to Jeanette Castillo and Judy Dutton for heading up this event. Everyone had a great time...and yes, as tradition has it, all adults were fully clothed in the pool by the end of the evening.

The finale of the summer was the Family Pool Party. **Over 400 people attended** this event which was offered slightly earlier in the summer this year. The best (and most surprising) news of all is that it DID NOT rain as it had for several previous pool parties. The curse is broken and the weather was just about perfect. Events included a giant inflatable slide, a moonbounce/obstacle course, a DJ (our own DJ KAZ) and lots of games. Everyone found something they liked for food with a great variety including fried chicken, pizza and subs.

A special thanks goes out to our paid teenage helpers, Becca Brummett, Danny Dutton and Whitney Fentem.

Next on the calendar is the Halloween party and parade. Look for signs on the brand new sign boards at the entrance to the community for details in mid-October.

## President's Message Continued

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this summer. We are currently reviewing options to rebuild the tot-lot with the insurance money. In addition, we recently passed new Architecture Review Board regulations for our community and have stepped up enforcement.

One notable item is that we now require the gas lamps installed in our community to be lit at night. There is an article in the newsletter with information on how to obtain the mantles and/or get your lamp repaired. If you receive a notice about a violation please attempt to mitigate it as quickly as possible.

Rob Shear

President

Armfield Farm Homeowners Association

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Fairfax County Water Authority.....	703-698-5613
Fairfax County Zoning Office (noise).....	703-324-1300
Fairfax County Maintenance & Stormwater Management Division.....	703-934-2800
Dominion/Virginia Power.....	888-667-3000
Miss Utility - Call before you dig.....	800-552-7001
Office of Consumer Affairs.....	703-222-8435
Washington Gas (non-emergency).....	703-750-1000
Washington Gas (emergency if you smell gas).....	703-750-1400
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# Architectural Standards

By Charlie Dutton  
ARB Chairman

## New Architectural Design and Maintenance Standards Are Here

A frequent complaint expressed by homeowners over the past several years has been about the overall appearance of the community and general degradation in home and lawn maintenance. In response, the Architectural Review Board (ARB) launched a project to bring our original Architectural Guidelines up to par with those of surrounding communities.

I am pleased to report that the ARB has completed a new version of Architectural Design and Maintenance Standards for the community. The Board has approved the new guidelines. They are available at our website [www.armfieldfarm.org](http://www.armfieldfarm.org)

The revised standards are much more comprehensive than our previous standards document, but are very similar to those of neighboring communities, such as Franklin Farms, Chantilly Highlands, and South Riding. In addition to expanded architectural design standards, the document also includes home and lawn maintenance standards.



In the event that release of the new Standards results in a homeowner being in violation of a particular section of the document, the homeowner may be allowed extra time to correct the problem. Each violation will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis, and the Board will work with individual homeowners to arrive at a mutually agreeable resolution.

Our new Standards are intended to be a living document, and the ARB will conduct periodic reviews and make adjustments as necessary. Your comments, suggestions, and ideas are always welcome. You can contact me at [arc@armfieldfarm.org](mailto:arc@armfieldfarm.org)

# Centreville Road Update

It would be hard not to notice all of the construction going on around Centreville Road. VDOT has kicked off the widening project of Centreville Road that will eventually provide two lanes in both directions with a median that could be converted to two additional lanes in the future.

The project is slated to be completed by September 30, 2007. When it is done, there will be a traffic signal at the intersection of Armfield Farm Drive and Centreville Road. Armfield Farm Dr. may become a four way intersection, if Centerview Dr. is expanded.

VDOT will need to acquire some of our community's land to build the road. We have received our initial offer from VDOT to purchase our land and replace trees that will be damaged. We have rejected their initial offer, since it will not cover the cost of replacing the landscaping and damage to our entry lighting. We are currently working on a counter-offer to VDOT. We hope to settle with VDOT in the next few months.



## Water Line Insurance

Did you know that the water line that runs from the street to your home is your responsibility? We have had a number of people in our community who have needed to get this replaced during the past year. Dominion Virginia Power has an insurance plan you can add to your power bill for about \$3 per month to cover this risk that costs as much as \$4,500.

You can find out more information about program at: <http://retail.dom.com/products/warranty/waterline.jsp>



# Swim Team News

By Beth Brummett

Congratulations Armfield Farm Stingrays on completing a fantastic UNDEFEATED 2006 swim season! Our awesome coaching staff, led by Scott Bryant and Jenna Weaver, who were assisted by J-Rays Austin Caslavka, Erin Price, and Karen Spears resulted in our 5 and 0 record earning the team the Colonial Swim League's Gold Division Championship title. We also took home three Age Group Champion awards for the Boys 8 & Under, Boys 9 & 10, and Boys 11 & 12 age groups. Several others of our age groups almost captured these titles as well but fell short by just a point or two. There were five new team records set this year, the most since 1998. Congratulations go to Brady Caslavka (Boys 11-12 50 Free), James Kovach (Boys 11-12 50 Fly), Alexis Regan (Girls 13-14 50 Back), Samantha Reeves (Girls 13-14 100 IM) and Julian McMorrow (Boys 15-18 50 Free).

Although the team had a great season, it was sad to see it end for our graduating swimmers. We will certainly miss Kelly Weaver, Harrison Smyth, Keith Broderick and Julian McMorrow next year. Not only did these swimmers bring an abundance of swimming talent to our team....just look at the team record sheets and you'll see proof of that... but they each also demonstrated a lot of team spirit and dedication throughout the many years they have been part of our team. We wish you the best.

In addition to earning titles, all swimmers had the opportunity to participate in weekly developmental meets and several special swim meets this season including a long course meet, an IM Invitational, and a Lollipop meet just for the 8 & Under set. The team also enjoyed many fun social events including a pizza party, fiesta dinner, a day at Splashdown, and breakfast at IHOP.



That's a lot of stuff for a short two month season! Of course none of it would be possible without the dedication of our swim team families. This year we had 65 families represented on the team and it took help from all of them to pull off these activities. Thanks to everyone for contributing to our success. I'd especially like to thank the families who consistently volunteered both mom and dad to work at meets, took on committee chair positions to ensure each committee ran smoothly, and to my fellow board members who did a tremendous amount of work behind the scenes that allowed us to implement improvements in key areas like the registration process, swimmer recognition, and team communications.

On a final note, I'd like to thank all 100 swimmers on the team this year for working hard in practice, always giving their best at the meets, and allowing me to be the crazy swim mom whose favorite thing is to cheer on each and every swimmer as they made it across the pool! If you want to keep up your swimming practice during the winter, there are several options you can explore. Check the swim team website at <http://csl.nvpools.com/core/core/domain/csl/group/armfieldfarm> for more information. I'll be posting some information there and will try to include some appropriate links.

And of course, if any of you swim parents out there would be interested in getting more involved in the swim team operations as either a board member or committee chair, please call me at 703-318-7839 and we can discuss available opportunities. Thanks!!


# Kids at Work

Armfield Farm is happy to provide FREE space for youth under the age of 18 to promote their services within the neighborhood. Please contact Mariann Gonzalez at m.gonzalez@cox.net to be added the list.

Parents please discuss who your teen is working for and when. They should be in Armfield. It would be great to discuss wages, responsibilities and availability as well.

Name	Grade	Phone	Job
Bart Gonzalez	9	703-437-5156	Baby-sitter /Sports Tutor/homework help
Megan Clark	12	571-334-3143	Private Swim Lessons/Baby-sitter
Lauren Duffy	12	703-437-7414	Baby-sitter
Kristen Duffy	9	703-437-7414	Baby-sitter
Katie Kelly	9	703-631-0009	Baby-sitter
Ashley Romulus	9	703-787-930	Baby-sitter
Karly Beckwith	9	703-435-1440	Baby-sitter
Sharese Jefferson	10	703-478-0054	Baby-sitter / Dog-sitter
Deanna Jefferson	8	703-478-0054	Baby-sitter / Dog-sitter
Kendal Douel	9	703-471-4595	Baby-sitter
Jarrood Parson	9	703-736-2847	Mow lawns, Yard work/Dog-sitter
Aditi Srivastava	9	703-736-9335	Baby-sitter/Homework Helper/Dog-sitter
Rachelle Roberson	9	703-263-7376	Baby-sitter/Homework Helper/Dog-sitter
Danny Dutton	8	703-787-8329	Mow lawns / Dog-sitter / Sports Tutor-Lx
Melissa Fairbank	8	703-812-0289	Baby-sitter / Dog-sitter
Nicole Rhoads	7	703-471-6895	Mothers Helper
Brandon Smyth	7	703-471-9324	Baby-sitter/ Sports Tutor /Dog-sitter
Mary Meier		703-478-3490	Dog-sitter
Lauren Erdmann	12	703-966-1994	Baby -sitter
Kyle Sherwood	9	703-478-6089	Mow Lawns, Dog Walker
Chris Karrot	9	703-435-9298	Mow Lawns, Dog Walker
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# Gas Mantles

Many of the gas lamp posts in our neighborhood have one or more of the mantles missing. Our new ARB guidelines require them both to be lit or the light be converted to electricity with a sensor to turn it on automatically at night.

In order to help residents obtain the mantles we have purchased a stock of them and our management company will resell them at cost for \$5.00 a set. You can pick them up at:

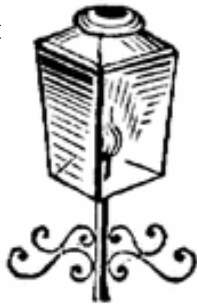
Capital Property Management  
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Chantilly, VA 20172  
703-707-6404

Please bring a check made out to Armfield Farm HOA for \$5.00 as they do not accept cash or credit cards at the office. They are open Monday - Friday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

You can also purchase them yourself at  
Acme Stove

7026 Commerce Street  
Springfield VA 22150  
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[www.acmestove.com](http://www.acmestove.com)



The manufacturer is Modern Home Products  
([www.mhpgrills.com/lamps.html](http://www.mhpgrills.com/lamps.html)).

If you need help getting them installed or have a mechanical problem with the lamp you can contact: Buck Riley at 703-670-8622. He charges about \$57.50 to clean the lamp and install new mantles. He is certified by Washington Gas to repair the lamps.

## Back to School Night Schedule Posted

The 2006-2007 Fairfax County Public Schools Back to School Night schedules have been posted at:

<http://www.fcps.edu/news/backtoschool.htm>.

# Swim Team A Kids View

We wanted to share our experience with you. We joined the swim team this year. We had to beg our Mom & Dad to join. They thought practice was going to be too early. It kept us on school schedule. They thought we would complain about the meets and times we couldn't stay up late. We didn't complain at all during the whole season. We stayed up late at meets and went out after the meets and still got up for swim team. It was great!

Two of us earned trophies for most improved swimmers. We learned so much from Coach Scott and Coach Jenna. We swam better than we thought we would. Mom and Dad loved timing the races and we loved racing. Win or lose, we had people screaming for us from our team. We were part of the Stingrays.

You should all try it next year. We need to beat the Gators again. Their team is huge. Thank you Mrs. Brummett for all your hard work and thank you Mrs. Mastracho for all our lollipops.

Please come back Coach Scott and Coach Jenna!  
We Love You!!

Go Stingrays!  
Marissa, Christina, Bart and Nicky Gonzalez

## Community Corner

Do you have a community group you want to promote? Looking for a tennis partner? We now offer free space in our newsletter for these types of activities. Please send an email to [communication@armfieldfarm.org](mailto:communication@armfieldfarm.org) with your ad of less than 45 words.

- The MOMS Club of Chantilly invites mothers and their children to our Open House on Wednesday October 18th at the Sully Government Center at 4900 Stonecroft Blvd. For more information, please contact Kay Shear at 703-796-0556 or email [momsclubch@yahoo.com](mailto:momsclubch@yahoo.com)



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