

# The Armfield Link

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## Annual Meeting on April 27th

The Annual Meeting of the Armfield Homeowners Association will be held on Thursday, April 27, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. (sign-in at 7:00) at Franklin Intermediate School (Cafeteria). At this meeting, the homeowners will elect two members to the Board of Directors who will serve individual three year terms.

There will be several issues of interest to the homeowners discussed at this meeting. A representative of Rainbow Waste disposal will be present at the meeting to discuss an incentive program for residents who contract with Rainbow for trash removal services, which will **decrease the monthly cost for each resident who participates**. The Board of Directors will also discuss with homeowners **possible changes to the Architectural Guidelines as they pertain to satellite dishes in the community**. Finally, the plans for **installation of a new tot lot in Saville Chase** will be discussed.

It is very important that a quorum be attained in order to conduct business at this meeting. Please, send in your proxy as soon as you receive it, even if you think you may attend the meeting. Your proxy will be returned to you if you do attend. If you have any questions, please contact Toni Koch at 385-1133, extension 3228.

## Volunteer Editor for the Newsletter Needed!

The Armfield Link needs YOU! We need someone to volunteer to compile, and edit the very

newsletter your reading. If you wish to try out your editorial wings please give Toni Koch a call at Armstrong Management @ 385-1133 ext 3228.

## Community Day

The annual Armfield Community Day will be held on Sunday, April 23, 1995 from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m. at the poolhouse (if it rains, we will move inside the poolhouse). At Community Day, you may register for the pool, register for swim team, and turn in proxies if you are unable to attend the Annual Meeting. We will also need volunteers for part of the day to help with odd jobs to get the pool and tennis court areas ready for the season (mostly cleaning up). Watch your mail for more information on Community Day and pool registration.

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## Volunteer For The Nominating Committee

The Association is in need of two homeowners to volunteer for the 1995 Nominating Committee.

The Committee assists with preparation for the Annual Meeting, including making nominations for election to the Board of Directors, helping owners sign-in the night of the meeting, and assisting with tallying the votes. There is not a great deal of time involved by serving on the committee, and most of the work is done the night of the Annual Meeting.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Toni Koch at 385-1133, extension 3228.

## Update On Street Light Installation

The Armfield Homeowners Association has recently been notified by Fairfax County Department of Public Works that 60 street lights will be installed in designated areas of the community, most likely during the month of March. A notice was sent to all owners and residents late in 1994 requesting that any homeowner who did not want to grant an easement for a street light to be installed in front of their home to let us know. Management met with the County at the community and we were able to plan the installation without having a negative effect on any of the residents who didn't want the lights near their homes.

The lights are going to be installed along Belerose Drive, the Lee's Crossing II and Armfield Farm sections of Beech Down Drive and the adjoining courts (as far as, and including, Southernwood Court east of Beech Down Drive), Armfield Farm Drive and adjoining courts (as far as Hampstead Court), around the pool parking lot, and on Armfield Farm Drive just past the Saville Chase / Centreville Road entrance (three lights along the walking path).

In the near future, representatives from Virginia Power and/or Fairfax County will be contacting residents to obtain signatures on easement agreements. The easements must be signed by affected homeowners before the street lights can be installed. If you have any questions regarding the street lights, please contact Toni Koch at 385-1133, extension 3228.

## Architectural Review Committee

As spring approaches, many think of making changes and improvements to their homes and yards. As required by the covenants of our homeowners association, such alterations must be submitted for review and approval by the Architectural Review Committee before the work is started. If you are planning on making alterations or improvements, please follow these procedures.

1. Obtain an application from Toni Koch, Armstrong Management, by calling 385-1133.
2. Complete the application and obtain signatures from your neighbors. Your neighbors signature does not indicate their approval or rejection of your project, but as good neighbors we should inform those around us what we plan to do since they may feel it has an effect on their property or view.
3. Return the application to Armstrong Management or drop your application off at 13614 Springhaven Drive in time for the application to be reviewed by the ARC. The ARC meets the first Tuesday of each month. Applications arriving after that date will not be considered until the following month.
4. The applications needs to describe the project being planned. Typically the following information is required.

- a A copy of your official survey plat showing the location and size of the intended improvements, drawn to scale, if the improvements will extend beyond the limits of your current dwelling. The plat is required for decks, enclosed porches, fences, room additions, sheds, patios, etc.
- b Drawings of the intended improvements showing the dimensions of the improvements and describing the materials to be used. The drawings also need to show the relationship of the planned improvements to the existing residence. Typically, the drawings need to show a top view, side view, and rear view. This may be achieved by presenting a perspective view of your project or three individual views. (Many suppliers and builders can now prepare such drawings for you on a computer.)
- c Sample "Paint chips" showing existing and proposed colors for painting projects where the color of the existing residence or trim will be changed.
- d Copies of Fairfax County building permits for decks, porches, room additions, or other changes that require structural alterations to the residence, such as adding or changing doors or windows.

If you have questions about homeowners associations standards or what is required for the ARC review, please feel free to call Ted Zealley, ARC Chairman, at 437-5740 before you fill out the application or retain a contractor to do the work. We really want to make the process as painless as possible and get your project underway so you can enjoy it. This can best be accomplished if you ask questions beforehand.

## Pool Opening May 27, 1995 Register EARLY!!!!

On April 1, 1995, all homeowners will be mailed a pool registration package for the 1995 season. The following is a brief summary of the pool registration instructions, which will be outlined in more detail in the registration package:

### NOTE: YOUR ASSESSMENT ACCOUNT MUST BE UP-TO-DATE PRIOR TO JOINING THE POOL.

- 1) Complete the pool registration form and return it to Armstrong Management Services, 3959 Pender Drive, Suite 205, Fairfax, Virginia 22030, as soon as possible and **no later than May 1, 1995. IF YOUR APPLICATION IS NOT RECEIVED PRIOR TO MAY 1, 1995, YOUR POOL PRIVILEGES MAY BE DELAYED UNTIL YOUR APPLICATION CAN BE PROCESSED.** Please note: Family Photos will not be required this year.
- 2) If your home is leased and you desire pool privileges for your tenant (s), a nonresident Homeowner Statement must be completed by the owner and signed by both the owner and tenant. The owner will be transferring his pool privileges to his tenant, and **the owner will not be able to use the pool**. The tenant must fill out the pool registration form, and both forms must be returned in order for the tenant to be registered for the pool.
- 3) The Association will allow residents that provide child care for children that do not live in Armfield to purchase pool memberships for these kids in lieu of buying a guest pass every day. A \$35 membership fee must be paid for each child (12 and under) and written permission must be

obtained from the parents stating permission to use the pool and that they will hold Armfield Homeowners Association harmless in the event of an accident/injury to the child. This type of membership would only be good on weekdays between the hours of pool opening to 5:00 p.m.

- 4) One guest pass with ten punches will be provided with the pool membership at no charge. Please pick up your guest pass on your first visit to the pool. Additional cards may be purchased at the pool for \$10.00 - checks only please, no cash.

Should you have any questions, please call Toni Koch at 385-1133 extension 3228.

## Social Committee Update

Many adults and children have asked, "What happened to the Halloween Parade this year" and "What happened to Santa on the fire truck this year"? What happened was a total lack of volunteers.

The Easter Egg Hunt may be canceled also.

The social committee desperately needs your help. Even if you have only one hour once a year to volunteer\*. The events are popular and always well attended yet the number of volunteers have all but disappeared. Events cannot be organized and run by the same few people year after year. We have a community with a huge number of young children. It would be a terrible loss for the community to have the social committee stop functioning and stop organizing these activities. So, please take the time to fill out the attached questionnaire. The results of this questionnaire will determine any future events including the pool party.

\* Volunteers can be males and females and older kids!

Should you have any questions, please call Diane Kazuba, Acting President of the Social Committee at 904-0845 or Ann Meier 478-3490.

**Editors Note:** The questionnaire can be found at the back of the newsletter. Please send it in!

## Swim Team Looking Forward To Another Successful Season

*By Keith Poulsen*

### 1994 Season Wrap-up

The Armfield Stingray swim team finished their fifth season last summer in the Colonial Swim League as Division II champions with a 5-0 dual meet record. The Stingrays also won 3 trophies in the division age group competition. The winning age groups were Boys 8 & Under, Girls 8 & Under, and Boys 13-14. In addition, the Stingrays had 26 swimmers qualify to swim in 46 events in the season-ending All-Star meet in early August. We are so proud of the entire team and delighted that so many new swimmers joined the team last year.

We also want to express out appreciation to all of the Stingray parents for your time, effort, and continued support. We have, without question, the finest swim team parents anywhere! Patty and I would also like to thank all the parents and children for the surprise gift certificates to the Rio Grande restaurant. Thanks for thinking of us in such a special way. A special thanks goes out to Patty Morell for all of her hard work last year. Her contributions as co-team representative will be greatly missed this summer.

### 1995 Swim Season

Speaking of this summer, plans are being made for another wonderful swim season. New coaches have been hired and the league divisions have been set. This year, the league has expanded to four divisions which has allowed us to stay out of the top

division (Yea!!). The Stingrays will be in the 2nd division again this year. With a relatively small team compared to many other area teams, we welcome any new swimmers to join the team this summer. Anyone can be on the team. We have a wide range of abilities, but everyone has fun, learns about team work, and improves their confidence.

### **Parent's Meeting Set**

In preparation for the 1995 swim season, a parents meeting will be held on Thursday, April 20, 1995 at 7:30 P.M. The meeting will be held at Keith Poulsen's house at 13515 Leith Ct. We hope as many parents as possible will be able to attend this meeting to help organize activities for the new season. We welcome and encourage any new parents in the community with school age children to join in the meeting and learn more about the swim team. If you can attend the meeting, please call Keith at 378-9606.

### **Spring Flower Sale**

Please keep a lookout for information about our 2nd annual spring flower sale. Sue Kovalcik is heading up this fund raising activity again this year. Last year's flowers were gorgeous and the prices were great! We are starting earlier this year so keep us in mind while you plan your spring gardening activities. Help us make this year's flower sale bigger and more successful than last year.

GO STINGRAYS!!

## **Rainbow Waste Control Proposal**

Rainbow Waste Control has presented to the community a proposal, which could lower everyone's quarterly trash bill. It is not an HOA delivered service. The savings would be based upon the number of people willing to sign up. So, the deal is as follows:

- ♦ 80% of HOA - \$19.25 per unit per month

- ♦ 85% of HOA - \$19.00 per unit per month
- ♦ 90% of HOA - \$18.50 per unit per month

The above pricing will include:

- ♦ 2 times a week trash pickup
- ♦ 1 time a week recycling pickup with recycling bins
- ♦ 1 time a week yard debris pickup
- ♦ Use of the 96 gallon trash toter on wheels

It is hoped that the number of trash trucks coming through the neighborhood could be reduced. A representative from Rainbow Waste Control has been invited to the Annual Meeting in April to answer your questions.

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**Tree Protectors:** A tree protector is a plastic, corrugated tube that is placed around a seedling. Use of a protector can increase the growth and survival rate of hardwood seedlings.

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- Provide Shade, Windbreaks, and Buffers
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**Please Note:** These seedlings are bare-root stock. They are not balled and burlapped. You can carry the entire seedling package in a grocery bag.

### How to Order:

- Decide how many packages of seedlings and protectors you would like.
- Fill out the order form below.
- Mail your order form and check to:

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12055 Government Center Parkway  
Suite 905  
Fairfax, VA 22035

**(ORDERS MUST BE  
PRE-PAID)**

- You will receive a confirmation receipt and a map to the pick up site located off of Braddock Road, two miles outside the Beltway, near Rolling Road.
- Order deadline is Monday, April 3.
- Seedlings may be picked up on Friday & Saturday, April 21 & 22.

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## **Do Your Kids Love The Pool?**

### **(Read On)**

The Armfield Farms swim team is actively recruiting kids 18 years old and younger, who love the pool and can swim the length of the pool (any stroke). The younger swimmers should be able to swim the length of the pool with only a couple of quick stops.

The swim team is a wonderful way for your kids to build strength and endurance, make new friends, and become part of a unique, spirited group of kids.

No experience with competitive strokes is necessary!  
The kids will learn the strokes during practices.

All swim team members participate in swim meets. Dual swim meets are held on Saturday mornings while developmental swim meets are held one weekday evening a week during the swim season. These are often against local teams such as Franklin Glin and Chantilly Highlands. The meets are a lot of fun for the parents as well as the kids - lots of team cheers and cheering.

To sign up, please use the swim team registration form included in this spring's pool registration package. If you need more information, or if you have any questions please call Keith and Pam Poulsen, 378-9606.

### Social Committee Questionnaire

I am interested in volunteering for the following events:

\_\_\_\_ Halloween Parade/Party

\_\_\_\_ Christmas activity

\_\_\_\_ Easter egg hunt/party

\_\_\_\_ Pool Party

I am willing to volunteer and /or have an interest in the following tasks: (check any/all that apply)

\_\_\_\_ decorating/artwork

\_\_\_\_ organizing games

\_\_\_\_ calling people for events

\_\_\_\_ computer/graphics (i.e. fliers)

\_\_\_\_ ordering/selecting prizes

\_\_\_\_ making signs for "sandwich boards"

\_\_\_\_ cooking/baking

\_\_\_\_ shopping for food/drinks

\_\_\_\_ clean- up/setting up

\_\_\_\_ other \_\_\_\_\_

I would like the social committee to become involved or try the following activities:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

My name is : \_\_\_\_\_

My telephone number is : \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this questionnaire by mail or drop it off to : 3624 Beech Down Drive.