

## Armfield Farm Connection

Newsletter - Spring 2006

## President's Message



Spring brings three main issues for our community: preparing the pool for the summer, holding our Annual Meeting, and Board of Directors election. The Board of Directors has hired Winkler Pool Management, Inc. as our pool operator for 2006.

They have over 150 pool management contracts in the DC area and have been in business since 1954.

Dan Gordon, who has been a resident and a board member for many years, has accepted a position at Capitol Property Management as a property manager. One of his communities is Armfield Farm and he has, consequently, resigned his position on the board. I would like to extend my congratulations to Dan on his new position, and more importantly, publicly thank him for his efforts and dedication to helping make Armfield Farm a better place to live.

Our Annual Meeting will be held at Franklin Middle School Cafeteria on Thursday, June 8th. Check-in begins at 6:30 P.M. Two board positions are up for election this year: the position I hold now and the position that Dan Gordon has resigned from. If you are interested in running for the board of directors, please notify Capitol Property Management of your intentions and submit a short bio.

Construction has begun on Centreville Road and there will be some impact to our community's entrance area. See article in this newsletter for more details.

Welcome to any new homeowners! We always welcome new volunteers for our committees and board of directors. Please contact a committee chairperson or me for more information.

Tim Murray
President
Armfield Farm Homeowners Association
President@armfieldfarm.org

#### **Upcoming Events**

April 26 - Swim Team Meeting7:30 pm Franklin MS

**May 6 - Swim Team Registration** 

🔻 9:00 - 11:00 am at the pool

🙀 May 7th Swim Team Registration

1:00 - 3:00 pm at the pool

May 27 - Pool Opens

June 3 - Community Yard Sale

놡 8:30 am - 12:00 pm

**June 8 Annual Community Meeting** 

6:30 pm at Franklin MS

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Kids get ready for the egg hunt!

#### **Contact Information**

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|                      | Annette Rhoads  |             |                                 |                                |
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#### Swim Team News

#### **Swim Team Registration**

This year the Armfield Farm Stingrays are trying something new for registration. As an incentive to get registrations in earlier, we are offering an early registration discount. Registrations returned prior to May 8th will receive the discount. To help in this effort, we are emailing registration packets to past team members and to others who have expressed an interest in joining the team. Forms can be completed and returned via mail or dropped off at 3608 Beech Down Dr, Chantilly, VA 20151. Forms can also be obtained and/or returned during the parents meeting or at one of the two registrations events mentioned below.

The Armfield Farm Stingrays will be holding a preseason **Parents Meeting on Wednesday, April 26th** starting at 7:30pm at Franklin Middle School. This is a great opportunity to come out and hear about the plans for this summer's swim season, meet the coaches and board members, ask questions, register your swimmers, sign up for a volunteer committee, and get a good general overview of what the team is all about. Even if you have been a swim team member for several years, your attendance is encouraged and it's a great way to get first pick at volunteer positions!

We will also be holding the traditional registration sign ups at the pool on Saturday, May 6th from 9:00 to 11:00 am and on Sunday, May 7th from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Even though the deadline for the early registration discounts ends on May 7th, registrations will still be accepted up to and past the official start of the season on May 30th.

#### Gas Mantles

Many of the gas lamp posts in our neighborhood have one or more of the mantles missing. This causes the gas to pour out into the surrounding area.

Here is one store that sell the replacement mantles for the natural gas powered lamp posts.

Acme Stove 7026 Commerce Street Springfield VA 22150 703-644-2288

www.acmestove.com

The manufacturer is Modern Home Products (www.mhpgrills.com/lamps.html).

They retail for about \$15 per pack.

## Want to advertise in the newsletter?

Please contact Rob Shear at communication@armfieldfarm.org for rates.



## Fairfax County Phone #'s

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| Fairfax County Animal Control                     | 703-691-2131  |  |  |  |
| Fairfax County Public Works                       | .703-324-2000 |  |  |  |
| Fairfax County Government                         | 703-324-4636  |  |  |  |
| Fairfax County Street Signs                       | 703-934-2840  |  |  |  |
| Fairfax County Water Authority                    | 703-698-5613  |  |  |  |
| Fairfax County Zoning Office (noise)              | 703-324-1300  |  |  |  |
| Fairfax County Maintenance & Stormwa              | ter           |  |  |  |
| Management Division                               | 703-934-2800  |  |  |  |
| Dominion/Virignia 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)                      |               |  |  |  |
| Wildlife Hotline                                  | 703-440-0800  |  |  |  |
|   |               |  |  |  |

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# FINAL CHANCE!!! Armfield Farm Directory Kickoff FORMS DUE BY JUNE 1st

Have you ever met a neighbor, walked away, and forgotten their name? Or ... wished that you could find other families in the neighborhood with children the same ages as yours, especially during the preschool years? Maybe you'd like to find a new babysitter. Wouldn't it be great if there were someplace you could look up this information? An Armfield Farm Neighborhood Directory is the answer! A directory can contain all this information and more!

The Armfield Farm Communications Committee is kicking off the creation of a new neighborhood directory. The directory will be distributed to neighborhood residents and will also be available on the neighborhood password-protected website, www.armfieldfarm.org. The printed directory will be published every 2 to 3 years, while the website will be updated on a continuous basis.

In order for the directory to be most useful and complete, we would like to include the following information about each household:

- First and last names of adult residents
- Street Address
- Phone number
- Children's names and birth years
- Email address

The directory will also include a great deal of handy information such as:

- **▼** Listing of residents organized by Street
- **▼** Board member names and e-mail addresses
- **▼** Committee chairpersons and e-mail addresses
- **▼** Block Captains and contact information
- **∨** Area merchants
- **V** Local churches
- **▼** Protective Covenants and Restrictions
- **▼** Neighborhood map
- **▼** Advertisements



With all that said, here's what you need to do. On the reverse side is the Armfield Directory Form that will be used to gather information for each household. Please read it over and include as much of the information as you choose. As a minimum, each resident's name and address will be printed in the directory - whether we receive a Directory Form or not. If you choose not to include any information about your household, you must opt out of the directory by signing and dating in the appropriate block on the Directory Form.

All forms must be submitted before June 1st, 2006, for the proper information to be included in the first issue of the directory. For your convenience a collection box for the forms will be available at 13621 Clary Sage Drive. Forms can also be mailed to Annette Rhoads at 13621 Clary Sage Drive.

## Armfield Farm Directory Form

Please return forms to the collection boxes at 13621 Clary Sage Drive. Forms can also be mailed to Annette Rhoads at 13621 Clary Sage Drive, Chantilly, VA 20151.

#### All forms must be submitted by June 1st, 2006

All residents please complete:

| Last Name(s):   |
|---|
| Adult First Name(s):  |
| Street Address:   |
| Please provide your phone number for possible clarification issues:   |
| Your phone number will <u>not</u> be included in the directory unless you opt to include it as indicated below. |
|   |

Please fill in the following information if you would like it to be included in the directory:

| Phone number:                                   |            |
|---|------------|
| Email Address:                                  |            |
| Children's Names: (Attach any additional names) | Year Born: |
| 1.  |            |
| 2.  |            |
| 3.  |            |
| 4.  |            |

| I give permission for my directory information to be included on | Yes | No |
|--|-----|----|
| the Armfield Farm password-protected website directory.          | 105 |    |
| Would you like to be notified by email of any neighborhood       | Yes | No |
| announcements?   | 105 |    |
| If yes, Email address:   |     |    |

| I choose to opt out. D                    | o not include my name and address in |  |  |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| the Armfield Farm Neighborhood Directory: |                                      |  |  |
| Signature:                                | Date:                                |  |  |

The sole purpose of the neighborhood directory is for residential use only. The directory will be distributed only to residents within the Armfield Farm Community. The information included in the directory will also be available through the password-protected Armfield Farm Website. Questions? Call Annette Rhoads at 703-471-6895 or email at directory@armfieldfarm.org.

## **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      | 8     | 703-437-5156 | Baby-sitter /Sports Tutor/homework help  |
| Megan Clark        | 11    | 571-334-3143 | Private Swim Lessons/Baby-sitter         |
| Erika Gramstad     | 12    | 703-378-1449 | Private Swim Lessons                     |
| Catie Pecot        | 12    | 571-275-2284 | Private Swim Lessons                     |
| Lauren Duffy       | 11    | 703-437-7414 | Baby-sitter                              |
| Kristen Duffy      | 8     | 703-437-7414 | Baby-sitter                              |
| Katie Kelly        | 8     | 703-631-0009 | Baby-sitter                              |
| Ashley Romulus     | 8     | 703-787-930  | Baby-sitter                              |
| Karly Beckwith     | 8     | 703-435-1440 | Baby-sitter                              |
| Sharese Jefferson  | 9     | 703-478-0054 | Baby-sitter / Dog-sitter                 |
| Deanna Jefferson   | 7     | 703-478-0054 | Baby-sitter / Dog-sitter                 |
| Kendal Douel       | 8     | 703-471-4595 | Baby-sitter                              |
| Jarrod Parson      | 8     | 703-736-2847 | Mow lawns, Yard work/Dog-sitter          |
| Aditi Srivastava   | 8     | 703-736-9335 | Baby-sitter/Homework Helper/Dog-sitter   |
| Rachelle Roberson  | 8     | 703-263-7376 | Baby-sitter/Homework Helper/Dog-sitter   |
| Danny Dutton       | 7     | 703-787-8329 | Mow lawns / Dog-sitter / Sports Tutor-Lx |
| Melissa Fairbank   | 7     | 703-812-0289 | Baby-sitter / Dog-sitter                 |
| Nicole Rhoads      | 6     | 703-471-6895 | Mothers Helper                           |
| Brandon Smyth      | 6     | 703-471-9324 | Baby-sitter/ Sports Tutor /Dog-sitter    |
| Mary Meier         |       | 703-478-3490 | Dog-sitter                               |
| Lauren Erdmann     | 11    | 703-966-1994 | Baby –sitter                             |
| Kyle Sherwood      | 8     | 703-478-6089 | Mow Lawns, Dog Walker                    |
| Chris Karrot       | 8     | 703-435-9298 | Mow Lawns, Dog Walker                    |
| Brandon Garcia     | 8     | 703-709-7417 | Baby-sitter, Sports Tutor                |
| Christina Gonzalez | 5     | 703-437-5156 | Experienced Mother's Helper              |

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## Armfield Farm Community Map

Armfield Farm is a community of 470 homes. We maintain a number of playgrounds, basketball and tennis courts, and other recreational areas. Please refer to this map to find their locations.



#### **Architectural Standards**

By Charlie Dutton
ARB Chairman

#### New Architectural Design and Maintenance Standards Coming Soon

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 will be doing a final review and approving the new guidelines in the next month.

The revised standards are much more comprehensive than our current 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.

## Centreville Road Update

By Robert Shear

It would be hard not to notice all of the contruction 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 Dr. and Centreville Road. Armfield Farm Dr. may become a 4 way intersection, if Centerview Dr. is expanded.

You may have also noticed all of the white tape near the Saville Chase entrance. The contruction plans will most likely affect the trees and bushes along Centreville Road that the association owns and maintains. The contstruction company will do their best to save the trees, but most if not all will be destroyed. Even though the street will not move any further east by our property, VDOT does plan to raise the grade of the street about 3 feet. This will cause most of our bushes to be partially buried. We do not expect the Saville Chase sign to be affected.

VDOT will also need to aquire some of our communities' land to build the road. We are awaiting an appraisal from VDOT. This appraisal will include the cost of replacing any damaged trees.

## Board of Directors Elections Coming

June 8th is the date for our next annual community meeting. We will be electing two board members to the Board of Directors for our community. If you would like to run please send a short bio to:

Capital Property Management C/O Dan Gordon

C/O Dan Gordon

3914 Centreville Road

Suite 300

Chantilly, VA 20151

Please make sure to send it by May 9 th to be included in the mailing.

#### Social Committee News

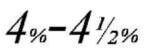
By Peggy Cook

Winter seems a long time ago now. But it was only a few months back that good old St. Nick visited Armfield Farm. On December 10<sup>th</sup>, courtesy of the Fair Oaks Volunteer Fire Department, Santa and some elves came through the neighborhood to spread some cheer. Cameras were abounding as were lists for Santa for all the good boys and girls. Special thanks go out to Chris Dunn who did an awesome job coordinating the event. Thanks Chris! We couldn't have done it without you.

#### **Spring Fling**

Beth Brummett and Dawn Donnelly coordinated this year's Spring Fling held Sunday April 9<sup>th</sup> at the pool house. Dawn and Beth ordered up a wonderful spring day.... after moving the date from a rainy Saturday to Sunday. The event included an egg hunt, moon bounce and slide, hair braiding, and spin art. A jelly bean guessing contest topped off the day. Rumor has it that the winner of the jelly bean contest (an adult) used high level math to guess within 3 jelly beans. Of course all the kids figured he cheated. But he won fair and square. Maybe next year we will separate child and adults





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contests. In all, over 1000 eggs were stuffed with goodies including candy and toys. Kids enjoyed making their own special creations with spin art and neighbors had a chance to get together and celebrate spring. Thanks Beth and Dawn!

#### Look out Summer, here we come.

As usual, planning is underway for some wonderful summer events. The social committee anticipates an ice cream social on the last day of school, an adult pool party (previously named Margaritaville) and, the highlight of all activities, the family pool party. Look for signs of upcoming events at the entrances to our community and at the pool house for more information. We have seen some new faces in the neighborhood lately, and it would be great to have new faces on the social committee. We are an easy going group and folks just contribute the time they are able to. No long term commitment is required!! If you are interested in helping out with one of these events, call Peggy Cook at 703-318-7262. We could use your fresh ideas.





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