

COMMUNITY UPDATE

By Todd Jackson

Thank you to every one who participated in the Annual Meeting, both in person and through proxy. Two major issues covered at the meeting included a brief summary of the status of the Association's current legal action and election of Directors.

Legal proceedings regarding repair of the pool bottom are underway at press time for this newsletter. Therefore, it appears that the result of this action will be reported in the June Newsletter.

Community interest and participation in the Association's election of Directors is appreciated. Welcome to new Board members John Anderson, Tanya Black and Linda Turpyn.

Finally, the Board Officers and Committee Chairpersons will be assigned in May. Community members who expressed an interest in various committees will be contacted this month.

SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE

The Armfield Homeowners Association Board of Directors reorganized in a Special Meeting following the Annual Meeting elections. The Officers are now:

DAVID WENNER - PRESIDENT TANYA BLACK - VICE PRESIDENT TODD JACKSON - SECRETARY/TREAS. JOHN ANDERSON - MEMBER-AT-LARGE LINDA TURPYN - MEMBER-AT-LARGE

The committees re-organized with the following liaisons:

TANYA BLACK - COMMUNITY RELATIONS
LINDA TURPYN - POOL AND TENNIS
JOHN ANDERSON - GROUNDS
DAVID WENNER - LAND USE

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

By Bill Bailey

Welcome to all, especially any new neighbors! I am pleased to see more outside lights on in our Association. Two weekends ago, I was going to work on a Sunday at 5:00 As I was leaving, headlights picked up a figure running. The person ran between two houses. If either house would have had a front or back light on, I could have seen where they were running to. It was impossible to see where the person went. A simple \$6 photo electric light bulb socket screwed into an outside light fixture with a 60 - 100 watt bulb is all that is needed!

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Those of you who have a common area or woods behind you, should especially have a back light on. Please, be sure your light does not shine into a neighbor's home. Armfield is still one of the safest in our area.



works with everyone being wolved, by being observant and alert. Lock those car doors and please close your garage door before retiring for the night. Check to see if your house doors are locked, too. Does your child leave toys or bikes laying outside on the lawn or sidewalk (worse yet)?

To those of you who read the newsletter, I appreciate it and thanks to all the good neighbors who take the time to act when they see someone or something suspicious.

Any questions, call me.

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Yes, <u>NOW</u> is the time for the <u>lst Spring Lawn Treatment</u>. What is it? Crabgrass Killer and Fertilizer, followed by <u>Weed & Feed</u> around Memorial Day.



POOL AND TENNIS

By Todd Jackson

Thank to the people who turned out for this year's Pool & Swim Team Registration and Clean-up Day. Activities included litter pick-up, weeding, replacing basketball nets, setting the light timers and oiling locks and re-attaching the tennis court wind screens.

Crystal Aquatics is working to prepare the pool for opening day. We look forward to warmer weather for Memorial Day Weekend!!!

The Association plans to contract for the following maintenance tasks:

- 1. Replace tennis court benches.
- Install replacement basketball hoops.
- 3. Re-attach "play tires" on tot lot.

Anyone who would like to volunteer for one of these tasks is welcome to call me at 435-8599.

The tennis court "one hour" light timer has been installed. The purpose of this timer is to save energy and money by only lighting the courts during play, except for one security light.

Tennis Players: You must use the rotary timer inside the courts to activate lighting for play. (This rotary timer is under a weather tight cover, opens from bottom with hinge on top.) As in the past, court lighting and play is scheduled to stop at 10 p.m.

SWIM TEAM

By Joanne Burger

If you missed registration, it is not too late to sign up for the Swim Team. We will be happy to have you. You must be between 6 - 18 years old and able to swim one length





of the pool UNASSISTED (for 8 years and under) and two lengths for 9 and older. If children under 6 can swim the length unassisted, they should be evaluated by the coaches before being able to join.

Here is a tentative schedule (you will be advised of any changes):

MAY 17 (SUNDAY)

12 noon at the pool - If you need a Team suit, there will be suits to try Someone from on and to order. Aardvark Swim & Sport will be there to help with the sizing.

MAY 26

Afternoon practices start and will be held daily (weekdays) until June 18, when morning practice starts. Times to be announced.

JUNE 3 &/OR JUNE 6 Officials clinic for those who signed up to be judges, refs or starters.

CALL KEITH POULSEN FOR DETAILS AT 378-9606

8:30 p.m. at Winfield's Adult Swim Team Party/Fund Raiser.

CALL DERBIE MOWATT FOR DETAILS AT 378-9522 OR LINDA TURPYN AT 481-0147 (FUN FOR ALLIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIII)

JUNE 12 Team Pizza Party at the Pool at 6 p.m.

JUNE 13

Time Trials (early morning). chance for the coaches to get swimmers' times and for the swimmers and their parents to see what a meet is like (without the oth though).

JUNE 18 Morning practices start. Times announced.

1st Dual Meet. Details later on all meets.

JUNE 27, JULY 4 (YES, you saw it correctly), JULY 11, JULY 18 are the dates of the regular Dual Meets.

JUNE 24 1ST Wednesday Night Meet.

The rest will be: JULY 1, JULY 8, JULY 15 AND MAYBE JULY 22. Details later.

EARLY JULY 3RD ANNUAL AQUATHON

JULY 12 Relay Carnival. Something new this year if you want to participate. (It will be at Ft. Meyer.)

Qualification Meet for All Stars. Details later.

LATE JULY Team Party and Awards Dinner.

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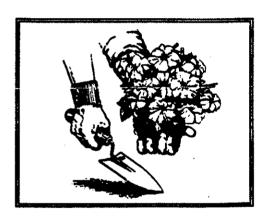
AUGUST 2 Mrs. Burger goes on much need vacation!

Seriously, I do enjoy my job and one of the reasons is the great people I have gotten to meet and work with - and that includes the kids!

are great and I look, them enjoying the Season look forward to seeing all alts help. After all, this or our children.

If you have any questions, lease don't hesitate to call me at 437-8359.

Good times to all!



PLANTING TIPS

Within a couple weeks, the chance of temperatures dropping enough overnight to produce damaging frost will have pretty much passed. Around the 1st of May, many folks will be planting annuals for summer color. When they go in the ground, they're usually small, so make sure you allow them sufficient space to grow and spread out. It's a good idea to plant them no closer than 12 inches from the edge of the bed so you don't damage the mature plant during mowing and trimming later on. If you plan on mulching your ornamental trees and shrubs it's a good practice to carve a distinct edge on the bed to a depth of 2 or 3 inches before you put the mulch down. Also, make sure that the mulch doesn't cover any tree bank or crown (base) of shrubs. If you allow mulch to cover these, you're providing an ideal home site for insects, such as borers, that will damage and/or kill your plant. If you've already mulched, check this and if necessary, pull the mulch away so an area the width of your spread fingers from the tip of your little finger to the tip of your thumb has only enough muich for color.

MADE IN THE SHADE

Establishing and managing superior turfgrass under shaded conditions is possible if basic guidelines for growth are understood.

Trees have extensive root systems that enable them to utilize large amounts of water and nutrients, while dense foliage severely restricts the degree of light that reaches the ground. These factors are the main causes of turf failure in shaded areas. Poor drainage also diminishes turf progress and moist, shaded areas can become overrun with moss, which produces additional problems.

Effects of shade on turf include reduced turf density, increased susceptibility to disease, and reduced wear tolerance.

STM recommends some maintenance practices that can improve turf growth in shaded areas.

♣ Foremost, the use of shade tolerant grasses such as fine feacues and rough bluegrass should be considered.

Maintaining proper pH favorable to the grass is vital - apply lime according to soil analysis to maintain the desired pH. (Soil analysis is part of STM's routine services.)

♠ Remove trees that are not necessary to the beauty and/or utility of the landscape plan. Prune tree branches as much as possible without destroying the function and attractiveness of the tree.

Provide good drainage and aeration to allow adequate penetration of nutrients, water and air into the soil.

◆ Perform seeding in the Fall instead of Spring. Soil temperatures are more favorable for successful germination and there is less competition from trees at that time.

♣ Control weeds to improve the appearance of the turf and reduce competition for light, water and nutrients.

Use other types of groundcovers where modifications are difficult or where grasses will not provide sufficient cover. Plants such
as pachysandra, purple wintercreeper and english ivy are suitable covers.

Use shaded areas to develop plant beds for shade tolerant annuals such as impatiens, periwinkle and coleus and shrubs, such as gumpo azaleas, rhododendrons and aucuba. Please ask your STM representative about the shaded areas of concern on your property. We will suggest the most workable program for your particular conditions.

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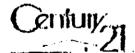
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