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The “First Lady” of Brandywine Farms

One of the benefits of being a “block captain” is having the opportunity to get to know your neighbors better.

Darlene Gardner learned a little more about the very first resident of Brandywine Farms, Adelaide Niederhauser, who will be 102 years young this coming July. Adelaide & her husband, Earnest were the first to build in the Farms In 1961. They had previously owned Swiss Family Dairy in Donelson, which was anchored by their former home, a beautiful craftsman-style bungalow.

When they sold out the dairy to Purity Dairies and retired, they decided to purchase a lot on the newly developed lake; an investment she would grow to appreciate. She wasn't so sure at first, though. It took a conversation with her mother to convince her to trust her husband's vision. Back then, “it was a cornfield, with pigs all over, and the lake wasn't pretty then,” she recalls. As a matter of fact, most of Brandywine had been a cornfield, all the way back to Andrew Jackson's time.

They built a beautiful life together with their son, daughter, and five grandchildren.

Mrs. Niederhauser is a delightful lady who is as full of spirit and full of life as she ever was. She tells us she is never lonely or bored & still insists on doing her own housekeeping. Her fondest memories include swimming & fishing on the lake & having some terrific parties with her neighbors, friends & family. Over the years she & Earnest were members of Old Hickory Golf Club & many other organizations including their church of 75 years. She looks forward to watching the fabulous sunsets over the now beautiful lake everyday!

The artist's illustration shown here is a little gem that Adelaide shared with us. This is taken from her original sales brochure from 1961, for Brandywine Farms.

After doing the math, we realized that 2011 is the **50th Birthday of Brandywine Farms!**

To learn more about becoming a “block captain” contact Diane at: blockcaptain@brandywinefams.org. Positions are available for part of Kennett Rd & Kennett Ct. The primary function of the block captains are to help keep residents informed of important information & items of interest. The newsletter is published 5-6 times per year & copies are hand delivered only to the residents who do not have email. Each block captain is made aware of the residents who need a hard copy & more than 1 person is usually assigned to a street. Block captains are invited to join the BFA board meetings, so this is a great way to be “among the first to know what's going on in the neighborhood”.



Christmas Project for the Marines

As many of you know, there was a last minute neighborhood effort to help "one of our own Marines" this Christmas. Mark Stout's son, Daniel is a Marine currently stationed in Afghanistan. Daniel, and his platoon (of 72) are stationed in a small village where they are guarding an outdoor/tent school, and working on a bridge in the area, where there is a constant threat of suicide bombers and land mines. They are in the desert, but it is their rainy and cold season. The Marines issue a certain amount of clothes and supplies for the troops, but there are often conditions where there are additional needs that are not provided. Needless to say, standing in water all day (which may be contaminated), was creating a lot of foot problems for the guys. They were powdering their feet and putting back on their old socks every day, since there is no plumbing.

Many of these Marines are not fortunate enough to have families who can send them additional supplies, so Mark, (the father) asked for our help in getting the socks, hand warmers & foot powder, so they could at least have a fresh, dry pair of socks to wear. With the help of all of you, we were able to send plenty of supplies!

Judy Roberson spoke with Mark recently, and he said that Daniel had been on the "front lines" for a few weeks, going house to house looking for heroin. The heroin business is how the enemy funds their weapons. On one mission alone, over \$3,000,000 worth of heroin was found on just one street. That means there's \$3,000,000 fewer funds to support their fight! Mark said that when Daniel returned from the

"front lines" there were 50 boxes from Brandywine Farms & Nashville Carpet Center waiting for him. The guys were "blown over"! They really did not expect such an out-pouring from the neighbors & friends. They were most appreciative of the socks & hand warmers, but also really enjoyed the "little distractions" & goodies that we included in their boxes! We included games & Christmas cards as well.

A big "Thank you" to Don & Vickie McCallister, Diane Luebke, Judy Roberson & the Nashville Carpet staff for collection, purchasing, packing & shipping, & to all those who made contributions! We are all blessed by being a small part of something much bigger!

A recipe from the Kitchen of Darlene Gardner

Hearty Beef & Cheese Crescent Pie

1 ¼ lbs. Ground Beef
 1/3 cup Chopped Onion
 1/3 cup Chopped Green Pepper
 1/3 cup thinly sliced Fresh Mushrooms
 8 oz. can Tomato Sauce
 8 oz. can French Style Green Beans
 (Drained)
 ¼ Tsp. Garlic Salt
 ¼ Tsp. Paprika
 ½ Tsp. Salt
 8 oz. can Crescent Dinner Rolls
 2 cups Grated Cheddar Cheese
 1 Egg Slightly Beaten

Preheat oven to 375°F. In a large skillet brown beef, onion & green pepper. Add salt, garlic salt, tomato sauce & mushrooms; and simmer while preparing the crust.

For crust spread the crescent rolls on the bottom of a 9" round baking dish & press together. In a small bowl, slightly beat the egg & mix together 1 cup of cheese.

Spread egg/cheese mixture over the crust. Add green beans to the beef mixture & spoon into the dish. Top with the remaining cheese & paprika. Bake for 20-25 minutes.



If you missed out on the “soup cook-off & silent auction” back in November, you missed a lot! We enjoyed the recipes of some of the finest “soup-meister’s” around. You can always expect to have your taste-buds “tantalized” at a BFA gathering!

The Soup Cook-off Winners

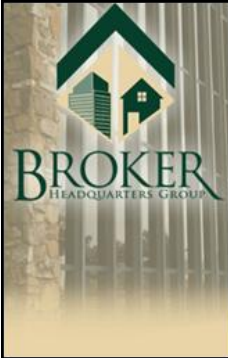
1st Place-Blanche Ahern

2nd Place-Darlene Gardner

“The Silver Notes” entertained us with their “big band sound” and the silent suction included all sorts of items including hand embroidered items, handmade furniture, jewelry & decorative items, Christmas decorations, plants, gift baskets and gift certificates for interior design, landscaping, salon services, health club membership, etc.

... And thanks to all---

Funds were raised to help with future projects!



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And the winners of this year's Christmas Lighting contest are..

1. Santa's favorite: The Patton family at 304 Rising Sun Lane
2. Frosty's favorite: The Fortier family at 215 Kennett
3. Children's favorite: The Curtis family at 206 Montchanin Terrace
4. Elves favorite: The Bearden family at 212 Rolling Mill
5. Mrs. Santa's favorite: The Vallett family at 100 Kennett

Thanks to Judy & Ken Roberson, John Tollini & Chip Akin for their time & talents, in creating and installing the entrance Christmas decorations this year. Also, a “thank-you” to Brandywine Women’s Club for donating some of our decorations at the Willow Bough entrance!



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The Dirt on Debris: Thanks to Darren Jernigan, for getting the Sherriff's Office to assign a DUI crew to pick up trash and litter on Shute Lane and Saundersville Road. It looks so much better!

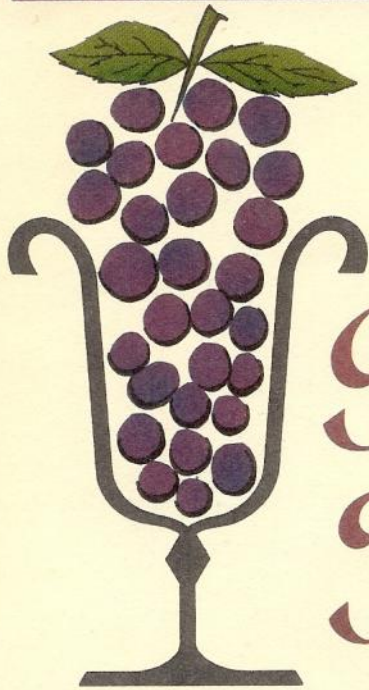
The next brush pickup is not scheduled until May 12th. Councilman Jernigan is working to get a special pickup of storm debris for our area.

As soon as details are available, they will be posted on our home page:

<http://www.brandywinefarms.org>

Our Mission Statement:-BFA is a group of neighbors with the collective goal of supporting & constantly improving the quality of life through facilitating neighborhood social activities & general neighborhood improvements in Brandywine Farms.

We have no required dues, simply being a resident of the farms automatically makes you eligible to participate! We do encourage all neighbors to contribute their talents and resources on a voluntary basis, as they are able to do so.



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