



# NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

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## ***Mark your calendars for May 15th!***

**Please plan to join us on May 15th from 7:00 pm - 8:30pm for a Neighborhood Mixer!**

The event will be hosted at the Pavilion by Andrew Jackson Elementary School. All residents are encouraged to bring their lawn chair and a dessert to share and join in the fun! Coffee, Lemon-Aid, Plates and Silverware will be provided. This event has been arranged for 3 primary POSITIVE purposes:

1. **Enable neighbors to mix, mingle and get to know each other. There will be name tags provided. (Note: If you have children, bring them too! A neighborhood Mom has agreed to coordinate a special activity table for kids. This could be a great opportunity for the children in our neighborhood to make new "neighborhood friends!")**
2. **Recap and celebrate the progress that has been made with improving our neighborhood! Get input from the residents regarding what select goals we should tackle this year. Ideas that have been tossed around include:**
  - Adopt a Spot Program-Kennett Road Circle, Kennett Court Circle, Brandywine Drive Entrance, Montchanin Terrace Entrance, Willow Bough Entrance
  - Summer / Fall Event Planning Team-Neighborhood Party
  - Holiday Decorating Team
  - Fund Raising-Silent Auction? Neighborhood Cookbook? Neighborhood Garage Sale? Etc.
3. **Create an opportunity for neighbors who are interested in volunteering to sign up. There are many opportunities for committee and event organizers**

**NOTE: This event is NOT being hosted as a fund raiser, however if you wish to make a donation, checks should be made payable to Brandywine Farms Association**

### ***Brandywine Farms is on*** **facebook**

Many area neighborhoods have created groups on Facebook. You may have noticed the Old Hickory Village and Lakewood are now both featured as groups on Facebook. Since there is no cost involved a group has been set up for Brandywine Farms as well. For those of you who are not familiar with Facebook, it is a social networking tool geared toward adult users. It is also used by political campaigns, non profit organizations, schools....etc. Users can join networks organized by city, workplace, school, and region to connect and interact with other people. People can also add friends and send them messages, and update their personal profiles to notify friends about themselves. This will give yet another avenue for neighbors to communicate, voice opinions and find common interests. The Brandywine Farms Association has set up the site, but does not administer and therefore is not responsible for its content. We will, however, post pictures when appropriate from neighborhood events and functions. The group page currently features pictures from the re-roofing project and candid pictures of Spring flowers on Brandywine Drive.

### **FIRST IMPRESSIONS ARE EVERYTHING !!**

The Brandywine Farms email box has been full this past couple of weeks and 100% of the feedback received so far has been positive! It is great to hear that everyone is pleased with the new roof at the Brandywine Farms entrance! Our next step is to dress up the landscaping and re-mulch! Thanks to everyone who helped support this project through your donations! Several folks contributed significant funds and time for the project. Special thanks also goes out to Hugh and Joy McNaughten for donating the new "up light" fixture and installation supplies as well as Gene Gardner for removing the conduit and completing the installation. Thanks to Ken and Judy Roberson for coordinating and paying for the wrought iron gates and accents to be refinished. Other suggested improvements will be addressed as funding becomes available, this includes: replacing the exposed fluorescent tube lighting with more attractive energy saving fixtures, converting the original gas lanterns to electric, and repainting the exterior ceilings of the entrances. If you have an interest or resources to assist, please contact Mike Locke, [locke.mike@comcast.net](mailto:locke.mike@comcast.net) 847 2278

# WHOS WHO?

In recent months, there has been a renewed interest in a neighborhood directory! We would like to include Household Name, First names of residents, Street Address, Lot #, Section # and first names of all residents. If you receive your newsletter electronically, you will receive an email during the months of April/May to verify your information. If you receive your newsletter via hand delivery, an info page will be provided this month which details the information we have for your address. If that information is not valid, please make corrections and return as indicated. We do not plan to include email addresses. To cover expenses for this publication a limited number of ad spaces will be available. If your business would like information on how to sponsor this booklet in exchange for ad space please contact Brett Franklin 202-christyandbrett@comcast.net.



# COLORS COUNT

Thanks to assistance from District 11 Councilman Darren Jernigan and Scott Potter from Metro Water, the fire hydrants in Brandywine Farms are being inspected and painted this month. This is of value to our neighborhood from both safety and cosmetic reasons. Some hydrants may require replacement. The Nashville.gov website estimates there are 17,000 public hydrants and about 2,500-3,000 private hydrants in Metro Nashville. Approximately two years ago Metro Water took over maintenance of the public hydrants but the fire department checks the flow capacity for private hydrants. Public hydrants are painted with a color code to let the fire department know what flow can be obtained; many hydrants have not been repainted yet to meet the new standards. But as they begin testing and painting ours you may be curious to learn that the black top hydrants give the least amount of flow while silver has the highest gallons-per-minute rating. Orange and green have flow capacities in the middle range. Fire Hydrants that remain solid red indicate to Fire Fighters that the hydrant will not flow adequate gallons per minute to be used in firefighting operations. These will be noted so consideration for necessary remedies can be reviewed by Metro. Fire hydrants are tested twice annually and recorded in a computerized system that logs both static pressure (without any water flowing out of the hydrant) and residual (flowing) pressure.

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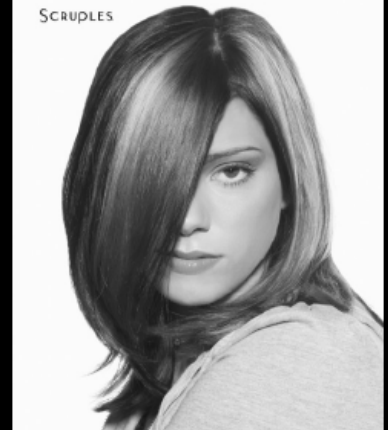
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## Neighbors looking out for Neighbors

As coordinated through the efforts several interested residents, Neighborhood Watch signs have been posted at both the Willow Bough and Brandywine Farms Drive entrances.

If you would like to report suspicious activity you should call 615 862 8600. If you would like to share incidents with your neighbors, please do so by posting at [www.brandywinefarms.org](http://www.brandywinefarms.org) and/or Facebook. Many neighbors have already taken advantage of these tools.



# SEWER UPDATE

The following update was provided by Darren Jernigan and has been edited for brevity. Note: As a group the Brandywine Farms Association is not for or against the project. This information is being provided to inform the neighborhood. The order from the judge to enter the consent decree has been posted at [www.brandywinefarms.org](http://www.brandywinefarms.org) for anyone who wishes to review.

Darren Jernigan advised that the consent decree has been executed and now there is a 60 day time frame for appeal process before moving forward with the project. Currently, the projected start time will be early summer '09. It will take between 12 and 14 months to complete. The project will be finished in stages and must be completed no later than December 2010.

This will be a pressure type system that will require a grinder pump per household. Metro Water will be sending information to each home owner concerning the actual pumps. Another letter will also be sent out by Metro Water, roughly two weeks before the project is set to begin, to advise the neighborhood that activity will soon start. During actual construction, expect to see 3ft trenches on the shoulder of the road. You may see a temporary patch for 60 days before permanent paving can be done. Metro Water will be working close with Public Works on the project.

It will be up to each individual homeowner to pay for connecting to the sewer line which includes a grinder pump. Metro Water has ran several numbers using possible contractors. It would actually be better financially if the community joined together and put out a bid and hired our own plumbing company to do the work. Whoever Metro contracts with to do the sewer project would simply sub-contract out to a plumbing company anyway. This way we can get bids and with the economy the way it is, and plumbing companies needing the work, Darren thinks we could get a really good price on connections. This process will need to start soon.

Darren Jernigan met with the Mayor's office about using stimulus money and they will know more about the environmental regulations when the Governor releases the budget.



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Dear Residents of Brandywine Farms—

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Brandywine Farms community for their courtesy and understanding while the entrance was re-roofed. It has been a pleasure working for you and we hope you enjoy the new look. Sincerely, John Code 615 681 8926 and Gary Loftis 615 294 7997—**L & S Construction**



## Wanted

If you have any pictures of Brandywine Farms during its early stages we would like to image them to use in our new neighborhood directory. Great pictures could include building of the main entrance, lots where no houses, houses being built, pictures when the chickens ran down Brandywine Drive, pictures of some of the original residents, etc. We would only need to borrow the photo for an hour or so to scan the image then they would be returned. Also, if you were one of the first residents and would be willing to share some of your memories please contact Brett Franklin 615 202 9950 / [christyandbrett@comcast.net](mailto:christyandbrett@comcast.net)



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## Barley Mill... What's in a Name?

Barley Mill was a name that held much significance to the history of DuPont. The name of our neighborhood street could be attributed to any of three major references – 1) Barley Mill Road; 2) DuPont Airfield at Barley Mill, 3) DuPont Barley Mill and Research Center; The Barley Mill Road is a thoroughfare in Wilmington. The road features many historical sites and boutiques. As you drive away from town on Barley Mill you come to what was originally the DuPont Airfield.



The national historical association reports in 1924, a private airfield was established at the site in a field that housed remnants of an old Barley Mill by Henry B. duPont. Charles Lindbergh landed there in October 1927. With Richard duPont's purchase of controlling interest in All-American Aviation, and Henry duPont's establishment of Atlantic Aviation in 1938, the airfield was expanded, becoming one of the most modern privately owned

public-use facilities in the country. Though civil flights were restricted during World War II, the DuPont Airfield continued to prosper as a flight training site for the Navy and as a base for the Civil Air Patrol. It was an important site for development and testing of military experimental projects. Space limitations led to the transfer of most operations following the war. The final flight from DuPont Airfield was in 1958. The site was used by the DuPont Company for construction of the Barley Mill research and development center.

