

Farmbrook Homeowners' Newsletter

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MEETING WITH THE SHERIFF - MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Sheriff Jenkins from the Frederick County Sheriff's Department will be visiting with residents in our area on April 24, 2008. He will meet with area residents to discuss trends and activities reported in our area. The meeting will be from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. at the Westview Fire Hall: 5525 New Design Road. Residents are encouraged to attend.



During the February meeting of the Board of Directors (BOD), Sherriff Jenkins came and shared some observations from the County. The BOD asked several questions regarding patrol cars, police response time, security issues, and how the community could support the Sheriff's Department. Sheriff Jenkins complimented Farmbrook on how well we are partnering with the Sheriff's Department by supporting them and keeping them informed.

BOARD REPORT



The Board of Directors (BOD) meets on the third Tuesday of each month at the office of Clagett Management, Inc.

During the February and March meetings the BOD

awarded contracts for landscaping and pruning of the trees. It was also decided that non-profit organizations, such as the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Church groups would be able to have flyers for activities and fundraising events posted on the Farmbrook HOA Web site with permission first granted from the BOD.

The security company provided reports of activities in the neighborhood.

Clagett Management continues to try and collect on past due accounts. Weekly inspections also continue to be done with letters and fines being issued to residents found in violation of the covenants.

The next meeting will occur on May 20th. If you have an item you would like to discuss please contact Marcie at Clagett Management at least 2 days in advance. If you do not contact Marcie, your item will not be placed on the agenda and your issue may not be discussed due to time constraints.

DIRECT DEPOSIT

Direct deposit is the easiest way to make sure your dues are paid on time each month. If you are interested in signing up for direct deposit please contact Marcie at Clagett Management.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Fire & Rescue:	911
SHERIFF'S OFFICE	
Non-emergency only:	301-600-1046
Security:	301-695-2662
Discount Towing:	301-663-8799
Animal Control	
Not the Humane Society:	301-600-1546
Tennis Court Lock:	301-695-6676 ext. 206



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SPRING HAS SPRUNG



March 20th brought us the first day of spring! Flowers have begun blooming, grass is growing, and the air is warmer. This also means it's time to put away your snow shovel. Just like all other items, it should be stored in the back of your home.

Holiday decorations still outside? It's time for those to be put away too!

CAUTION: CHILDREN PLAYING

As the weather warms up children will begin playing outdoors more often. Residents are reminded to be cautious as they drive through the neighborhood. The speed limit on Farmbrook Drive is 25 mph.

Parents are asked to remind children to be careful when playing outdoors. Remind children to play in appropriate areas and not in the parking lots where vehicles can be damaged. In addition, please remind all residents in the home that they should use the designated sidewalks and not walk through other people's property to reach their destination.

NEW TOWING COMPANY

You may have noticed the new signs and a new towing company patrolling the parking lots. Discount Towing will now be doing towing for the Farmbrook Community. They have been authorized to immediately tow any cars illegally parked, double-parked, parked in a numbered space not belonging to them, or with expired tags.

If your car has been towed or you need to have a car towed because they are parked in your space you should call (301) 663-8799.

Cars that are towed are towed at the owners' expense. Farmbrook is not responsible for the costs incurred.

YARD SALE & BULK TRASH PICK-UP

The community yard sale will be held on June 21st. All residents are invited to participate. You can set-up outside your home, along Farmbrook Drive, or at the tennis courts. An advertisement will be placed in the *Frederick News Post* in advance. Residents can put up their own signs the day of the yard sale if they'd like; just make sure they are removed at the end of the day.

Bulk trash pick-up will occur on June 27th. Bulk items should be placed to the curb at that time.

Items that will **NOT** be picked up are:

- Dirt, Rocks, Sand
- Waterlogged Refuse
- Large tree stumps
- Partially Burned Fire Logs
- Hot ashes
- Chemicals, Oil, Gasoline, Paint
- Paint, Building Materials,
- Car Parts, Tires, Batteries, Mowers
- Explosives, Ammunition, and other Flammables
- Freezers, Refrigerators,
- Human or Animal Feces

PLAYGROUND REPAIRS/ADDITIONS

Contractors will soon begin work on the playgrounds within the community. This includes repairing broken items, replacing old screws, and refilling with new mulch. They will also be adding new nets at the tennis courts.

In addition to the repairs taking place, light poles will be installed to the playgrounds at Doublebrand/Glenmeadow Court and Pebble Court. The new light fixtures will help with security issues in those areas. Please remind all residents in your household that the playgrounds close at sunset and no one should be in those areas after dark. Security is still patrolling in the neighborhood and those found on the playground equipment will be asked to leave.



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YARD WASTE

Yard waste pick-up resumed on April 2nd. Pick-up is each Wednesday.

Yard waste is defined as materials normally generated in the maintenance of gardens, yards, lawns, or landscaped areas. This includes leaves, grass clippings, plants, shrubs, prunings and trimmings.

Yard waste does not include other tree waste, land clearing debris, waste pavement, soil, or any edible product (fruits and vegetables) from any garden, yard or landscaped area.

Items to be picked-up by the yard waste haulers should be placed in appropriate paper bags, which can be purchased at various home and garden stores, such as Lowes, Home Depot, and Wal-Mart.

If you wish to dispose of unbagged leaves, grass clippings, brush trimmings and limbs (no longer than 8 feet long and 6 inches in diameter) you can do so at the following location:

Reichs Ford Road Recycling Center
9031 Reichs Ford Road
Frederick, MD 21704-6857
Monday - Saturday
7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. & 12:45 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

CLEAN-UP REMINDER

All residents are reminded that toys, trash and recycle bins, trash bags, etc. are not to be stored in the front of your home and should be stored in the back. If items are stored in the front of the home, you are subject to a fine for being in violation of the HOA covenants.

In addition, residents are reminded that trash, lawn waste and recycling is not to be placed to the curb any earlier than 5:00 p.m. the day before pick-up. Items placed to the curb prior to this time are in violation of the covenants and are subject to a \$25.00 per bag fine.

NEWSPAPERS

One of the tell tale signs that no one is home is the accumulation of newspapers on the front walk or steps. Please make sure these papers are being picked up.

If you would like to stop delivery of the *Frederick Gazette* you may call them and request the termination of the delivery. To do this you need to call the Gazette Circulation Department at 1-888-670-7300.

VISITOR PARKING

As a resident of Farmbrook – whether you own or rent – it is your responsibility to inform visitors of the parking regulations in Farmbrook. When there is no available space in your Court or Street, parking should be on Farmbrook Drive. Those in violation of the parking rules will be towed at their own expense. Please make sure to inform those visiting you where they can lawfully park.



CLASSIFIEDS

BABYSITTING

Loving, responsible teenager seeks babysitting work in Farmbrook Community area. References available. Please contact Kayla at (301) 662-3755.

BULK TRASH

Local Farmbrook resident available to haul bulk trash, mow lawns, and/or move large items. FREE ESTIMATES! Call Larry at 301-682-5887

PARTYLITE

PartyLite Candles, Gifts, and Accessories for the Ballenger Creek Area! Call Toni at 301-694-7326 Visit www.partylite.biz/Toni for more info.