

Andover Hill News

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Pet Peevish

by Edwin Gibson

We were playing outside not long after we moved here, when we were approached by a dog, unaccompanied by the owner. We are dog owners ourselves, so we said hello. The animal was friendly to me and our older son, but he bit our younger son. Although frightened, our son was not physically harmed. Animal control captured the dog.

We have seen other dogs wandering through the neighborhood alone. A yellow lab has wandered through our yard many times. The last time I saw this particular dog was on Todds Road. It had been struck by a car. Several concerned citizens, and a police officer, were at the scene caring for the animal. I have not seen the dog since then nor am I aware of its fate.

Some of you have no doubt noticed signs in some of your neighbor's yards: "Please have the courtesy to pick up after your pet." These homeowners spent time and money to place these signs because a few pet owners were less than conscientious. In fact, all of the incidents described above could have been avoided if the pets had been cared for properly.

Our furry friends need our care and affection. Please walk your dog on a leash (Sec. 4-19 & 4-21), pick up your pet's droppings (Sec. 4-23), and keep barking dogs from disturbing neighbors (Sec. 14-72). This is not only the law, but it keeps our pets safe and makes for better relations among our neighbors. If you own a pet, please do your part. Be a conscientious pet owner and a good neighbor!

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Anyone with articles or suggestions for the newsletter should send them to Edwin Gibson, 713 Broadmoor Place Lexington, KY 40509, call 263-7681, or send them via internet to news@andover.org.

On The Roads

In case you were wondering when construction is to begin to widen Todds Road, LFUCG's Division of Engineering is currently negotiating with a consultant to provide design and environmental studies for the Todds Road corridor between New Circle and I-75. When the studies are complete, State and Federal highway authorities require 12 to 18 months to approve the project.

Phase One includes widening Todds Road beginning from the Eastland Church of God to Forest Hill Drive; phase two begins from Forest Hill to I-75. No access ramps are planned for Todds Road to I-75. These improvements include a straight connection to Liberty Road. Construction on phase one is expected to begin in approximately 4 years.

Special Thanks

Thank you Bob Shepard, Dave Winters, and Tom Seeley for putting in drain tile and saving our landscaping from drowning at the Andover Hill entrance. We appreciate your back straining efforts!

Calling All Babysitters

School is almost at an end. No doubt, some enterprising young people will want to earn extra cash for summer movies, new clothes, or the latest video games. Simply call 263-7681 or write to news@andover.org with your name and phone number. We will advertise your services in the newsletter and on the website.

Neighborhood Crime Watch

At about 4:00 am on the 31st of January, the windows were shot out of a car parked near the corner of Broadmoor and Andover Village Drives. A neighbor reported seeing an old car with a loud muffler speeding away from the scene. The police found remnants of pellets embedded in the dashboard. Damage was estimated at over \$1,000.

We are not trying to scare anyone, but bad things happen in good neighborhoods. Please be alert to suspicious vehicles or people. Our main entrance, fountains, street lights and signs are inviting targets. We do not budget for the cost of repairing common areas damaged by vandalism. If you see someone damaging property, please pick up the phone to call a board member or the police. The Neighborhood Association has a standing \$100 reward for the arrest and conviction of vandals.

Next Quarterly Meeting
Thursday, May 6, 7:00 p.m.
at The Republic Bank

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February's Quarterly Meeting Highlights

On February 4, 1999 we held our quarterly meeting at the Republic Bank. Some of the items discussed were:

- * New board members introduced.
- * Stormwater problems.
- * Street tree pruning.
- * New street lights.
- * Budget review.
- * Rural Land Tax.
- * Landscaping improvements.
- * Vandalism
- * Fence upkeep.

Guest speakers Roy Mundy and Nick Rowe of the KY-AM Water Co. spoke about the pros and cons of the various solutions to Lexington's potential water shortage.

Our New Neighbors

All members of the board extend a very big welcome to all of the new residents who have just moved into Andover Hill.

We regret not having the names of our new neighbors for this edition. We will print the names of our new neighbors in the next newsletter.

The annual Andover neighborhood yard sale is scheduled for Saturday, May 8, from 8 am to 2 pm. Attach balloons to your mailbox to let shoppers know you are selling your attic, or basement, treasures.

Association Dues are Due!

All households should have received an invoice for the neighborhood association dues. If your household has not received an invoice, please call one of your representatives or Southeastern Management Co. If your household has received an invoice, please send the payment as soon as possible. Your association board thanks you in advance for your prompt payment.

1999 YTD Expenses

The following is a breakdown of the YTD expenses for Andover Hill through February 28, 1999:

Administrative Exp.	\$ 1,027
Utilities	171
Maintenance	2,596
Tax and Insurance	15
Total	\$ 3,809

Trees Company

Have you hugged your tree today? One of our new residents, Hank Benson, sent a note with a maintenance tip to help with some trees at risk.

He noticed that at the older end of Winter Hill, the stakes and wire banding have not been removed from some of the street-side trees. According to Hank, this has caused a number of trees to appear "girdled and sort of choked off." If not removed, the wire banding damages the tree. Hank has observed trees where the banding has been removed showing deep scars cut into the bark.

Please help our trees. If you feel comfortable removing the stakes from the trees, please do so. If not, call one of your Neighborhood Association members.

Thanks for your tip Hank!

Chestnut Hill Lane Access to Club

As summer approaches, residents will seek refuge from the heat at the Country Club pool. Please remember that the walkway at the end of Chestnut Hill Lane is on private property.

It was constructed by a homeowner as a courtesy to the neighbors. Please remind children not to ride bicycles or skateboards on the walkway. Also remember not to crowd the street with cars and bicycles while at the club. The residents of Chestnut Hill Lane appreciate your consideration.

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