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Letter from the Editor

It's so nice to see everything green again! Sitting outside in the evenings, hearing lawn mowers, kids playing, seeing families taking walks together—all of it reminds me of growing up in the Farms. I recently had dinner at a friend's house, and she mentioned that there aren't many children in her neighborhood, and that it wasn't a very involved community. I loved being able to explain our community—from the sports teams, to the neighborhood elementary, the Civic Association, the pool, the Memo.... once I started to list everything, I realized that we really are blessed to live in such an involved and thriving community.

My five-year-old daughter and I did the Great American Cleanup a few weekends ago. We had the great opportunity to work on cleaning up the greenbelt on Hazelgrove. As we cleaned up milk jugs, candy wrappers, and pop cans, we talked about the plants and animals that make their home in the greenbelt. I saw this as a perfect chance to explain why garbage needs to stay where it belongs. Unfortunately, though, we also experienced something much more destructive to the wildlife than garbage. While we were in the greenbelt, we came across several people riding ATVs. Despite the posted signs of "No Motorized Vehicles," both residents and non-residents who ride ATVs in the area continue to destroy the greenbelt. The greenbelt is private property, owned by the Civic Association for the enjoyment of all residents. However, ATVs, motor bikes, and similar vehicles are prohibited. It was sad to see huge portions of the trail torn up, and to find that people were riding right in the creek. Growing up, friends and I used to walk through the greenbelt, and I remember it being a place to escape to—when we were back there with the sounds of birds, the creek, enjoying the coolness under the trees, it was hard to believe there was a shopping center right on the other side. With the ATV activity increasing, I'm afraid my daughter (who is already a nature-lover) will never be able to experience the same greenbelt I did. The solution? If you are a resident of the Farms, and own an ATV, please do not ride in the greenbelt. If you live along the greenbelts, and hear ATV activity, please call the non-emergency police number and report it. If the police get multiple phone calls every evening during the summer, the situation will get much more attention. And, if you have any other ideas on how we can keep folks on ATVs out of the greenbelt (especially those that enter from the Forest Park side), please let any Board Member know.

Let's keep the Farms a great community for all our residents!

Krista

John Wesley United Methodist Church News for the PRF Community

John Wesley Nursery School has a limited number of openings for its half day program for 3, 4, and 5 year olds.

Men's softball team welcomes players ages 18 years and older for Tuesday evening games.

Upward Basketball camp registration in progress. This week long evening camp for those entering 1st through 4th grades. Starts June 19.

Vacation Bible School moved to the last week in July.

For more detailed information visit the www.jwumc.net website and click on calendar or call the church office at 825-0733.

John Wesley United Methodist Church

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WEB: www.jwumc.net

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9:00 or 10:15 (Traditional)

11:30 (Contemporary)

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Neighborhood News

Around the Farms

May 2006

Don't lift the Chevy to the levy! Instead, vote for the school levy on Tuesday, May 2nd.

At the sixteenth annual NKU Walk for Women's Athletics, the student captain of our "team" was a poised and articulate soccer player, Kelly Bare, who graduated from Colerain High School (Northwest School District) in 2005. She spoke about making sure that she could get home during exam week to cast her vote for the levy. While Kelly was at Colerain, she broke the school record for shut outs (26) and was chosen most valuable player in 2004. She spoke of the wonderful education she received in high school and of the fantastic coaching she experienced there under Margaret Sexton and Sarah Fitzstevens. As a result of her records at Colerain, Kelly is now goalkeeper at NKU, the Great Lakes Valley Conference champions for 2005!

I was so pleased to have met Kelly just as I was thinking about how to say once more, WE MUST PASS this SCHOOL LEVY. Kelly provided the inspiration. Our school system is made up of many young men and women who have athletic talent, musical or artistic talent, academic prowess, and leadership abilities. Are we prepared to tell them, "sorry, we did it in the past, but we are not willing to provide the tools you need today to realize your full potential."

Those are the words we would be saying if we don't vote for the school levy on May 2nd; those are the words our children and our school administrators and faculty would be hearing too. In another year or two, we would then see our property values drop, our community would be dotted with For Sale signs. In another year or two, our community would have the reputation of the voters who do not care about the future. Who wants to live in a community without a vital future?

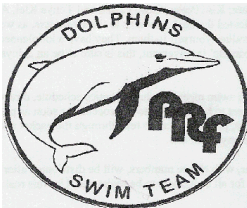
Right now, all the area colleges and universities are enjoying students like Kelly Bare—well-prepared academically and well-trained in their chosen sports. If we do not pass this levy, our children will soon reap the whirlwind as UC, XU, NKU, Thomas More, and Mt. St. Joe's begin to see academic decline from our area.

Please neighbors of Pleasant Run Farms, please vote for the school levy. It is truly a gift for the future to keep the reputation of our schools at a level where our children can proudly present their credentials to colleges and employers alike.

The vote is in your hands. On May 2nd, please do the right thing.

Maureen Cronin

PRF Dolphins : Swim Team News



It's not too late to sign up for the PRF Dolphins swim team!!! We will be holding our annual swim team cookout at Clifford George ball fields on Sat. May 13th during the PRF Garage Sale. Please stop by as you are shopping and enjoy a grilled hot dog, hamburger, brat or mett along with a soft drink!!! I need volunteers to help out with grilling, selling, and donating baked goods to sell. If you can help out in any way, please call me at 742-3442. I will be accepting registration forms as well. If you did not receive one in the March or April Memo, no problem....I'll have some at the cookout!!! You may also send the form to me at the address

listed on the form. We have an exciting season coming up and need YOUR support!!!

Becky Hoover

PRFDolphins@fuse.net

Weeds of Marriage

As I was taking one of those healthy brisk walks in our neighborhood recently, I noticed several yards that were immaculately kept. A neighbor was working ever so diligently trimming the sidewalk edges, pruning, mulching, and weeding. Honestly I was jealous and impressed at what pride they took in their yards.
(Thanks for helping our neighborhood look so attractive).

Continuing my walk, I wondered about how immaculate their lives were their families and particularly their marriages? I wondered if they take as much care and concern for their spouses as they do their hedges.

It is easy for the weeds of marriage to creep in and smother out the blossoms of a healthy marriage, the sweet fragrance of marital bliss. Alright enough already. All kidding aside the reality is cultivating a healthy enjoyable marriage takes work. Here are some weeds to look out for and pluck out as soon as you or your spouse spots them.

Weeds of Impatience: Give your spouse enough time to reach a comfortable middle ground in his or her own way.

Weeds of Disrespect: Appreciate and understand your spouse's distinctive style, approach, and personality, especially when you disagree.

Weeds of Incompatibility: Remember those dating days; you had so much in common? What happen? Seek out things of mutual interest.

Weeds of Misunderstanding: Seek to understand through the eyes of your spouse's heart. Don't lean on your own understanding.

Weeds of Isolation: Share your lives again, your feelings, your thoughts, and your dreams. Don't forget to look deeply in your spouses eyes again.

Weeds of Miscommunication: Strive for a high ratio of negative to positive in comments. Words can still break our hearts, so be very careful.

Weeds of Discontent: Remember to express thankfulness for the little things. The grass is rarely greener in someone else's yard.

I'm sure you can think of some others. Just know that we put our best effort towards what we value most. Nice yards are good, but weedless marriages are great!

If you feel your marriage isn't all it could be...call me and let's talk. As a licensed professional counselor, all conversations are completely confidential.

Blessings...Rick Anderson @ 614-8111

Sports News

The following Dolphins are the proud owners of those great PRF spirit drawstring backpacks! Imagine: swim towels, water shoes, goggles, all in one place!

Haley Donovan

Rachel McElvogue

Hannah Donovan

Russell Purvis

Jessica Finnen

Rebecca Reed

Laura Gilb

Leighanna Riegsecker

Nikki Gustafson

Jonathon Schlachta

Kelsey Harrison

Mickey Sweeney

Annie Kitchen

Will Sweeney

Melissa Leahy

Katie Whitman

Heather Lewellyn

Rachel Whitman

Want your own? Be one of the first 5 children to register for SAY or Lollipop Soccer (see registration form for dates). Not a soccer player? They're only \$10, and available at the concession stand at Clifford George during baseball games, and will also be available at the pool during home swim meets!

Show off your PRF Spirit!

CLASSIFIED ADS

Young People Lookin' For Work

Need a hand from a young member of our neighborhood? The following people want you to know they are ready and willing to help. The Memo publishes these names and numbers for your convenience and offers no referrals or endorsements.

Babysitting:

Nicki Gustafson, Red Cross certified, age 13, 851-4209
Nicole Ntumba, Red Cross certified, age 14, 742-5302

Megan Reed, age 12, 825-2140
Hope Taylor, Red Cross certified, age 15, 742-8947
Kearia Whiting, age 13, 851-5868
Emily DeBildt, Red Cross certified, age 14, 674-0703
Sarah Sterner, Safe Sitter certified, age 15, 742-4204

Sammie Gustafson, Red Cross certified, age 16, 851-4209
Katie Reed, age 14, 825-2140

Amber Schmidt, Red Cross certified, age 15, 742-4832
Alison Ulanski, Red Cross certified, age 16, 825-8558
Heather Lewellyn, Red Cross Certified, 14, 825-6460
Cierra Perry, age 12 1/2, 674-1318

Amber Schmidt, SPCA trained, age 15, 742-4832

Animal Care:

Tanner Agin, age 12, 851-2627

Lawn Care:

Chris Murrell, age 12 1/2, 674-1318
Rashad Cobbins age 12 825-2082

Tony Roberson, age 14, 825-LAWN
Rakem Cobbins age 12 825-2082

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Professional Housecleaning: Weekly, bi-weekly, monthly, special projects. Thirty years experience, PRF resident for 37 years. Dependable, honest, thorough. 825-2557 (home) or 607-6059 (cell).

Cabinet Making: Furniture repair & refinishing. 825-4208

Sharpening Service: Chain saws, scissors, knives, hedge trimmers (electric & manual), mower blades, etc. Call 825-4208.

FOR SALE: Girls bedroom furniture: pale yellow with muted flora accent, 6 drawer dresser w/mirror, desk w/hutch, off white 4 poster bed w/frame. \$200.00/set 825-8558

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Girl Scout News: Girl's Corner

The Girl Scout year is winding down. Most of the troops are planning for summer activities. The month of May brings Awards Ceremonies for our troops at Welch. The girls in all age levels have been working really hard to earn their Petals (Daisy), Try-its (Brownies), and Patches (Juniors). The Cadett and Senior troops work on Interest patches as well. There are a lot of volunteers who help these girls reach their full potential. I would like to take a moment to recognize them!! As the recruiter/organizer at Welch, and being a leader myself, I've had the awesome opportunity to work with these fine women!! Thank you all for helping me make a difference in the lives of our young ladies and I look forward to many more years working with each of you!!! Being a volunteer in scouting has sure made a difference in my life!!!

Troop #6859: Ms. Rachel and Ms. Leila (who is a volunteer from PRMS!!)

Troop #8799: Ms. Connie and Ms. Donna

Troop #6950: Ms. Kim and Ms. Phyllis

Troop #6952: Ms. Rita and Ms. Julie

Troop #870: Ms. Phyllis

Troop #871: Ms. Karen, Ms. JaVonna, Ms. Charlene and Ms. Kim

This particular article will be suspended through the summer, but will resume in the Fall. Please feel free to contact me if you are interested in becoming a Girl Scout volunteer...the opportunities are endless and well worth the reward of making a difference in these young ladies' lives!!!

Becky Hoover Bkyhvr35@fuse.net

The Great American Cleanup

Many thanks to all who participated in the Cleanup in our neighborhood!! Everyone who participated got a t-shirt, pizza, pop, and, most importantly, that terrific feeling you get after knowing you've made a difference! We collected 25+ bags of garbage from the greenbelt areas and the streets of the Farms. Help keep the neighborhood looking beautiful everyday by tidying up the street in front of your home (especially after garbage day) on a regular basis, and teaching your children to respect nature and others' property. Keep our piece of America beautiful!

April Civic Association Meeting Playback on Time Warner Cable

Miss the April 27th Civic Association Meeting? Want to find out what streets will be paved this year? What about the new sewer line that is being put in on Hazelgrove?

The PLEASANT RUN FARMS CIVIC ASSOCIATION meeting of April 27 will be cablecast through Waycross Community Media on Time Warner Cable, channel 15 (22 cable ready) at the following times:

Sunday, May 7, 7 PM

Tuesday, May 9, 9 AM

Friday, May 12, 11 AM

Saturday, May 13, 9:30 AM

Monday, May 15, 7 PM

Thursday, May 18, 1 PM

Friday, May 19, 6 PM

The SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE meetings are carried LIVE by Waycross, the second Tuesday of each month, at 6:30 PM on Time Warner channel 23.

The NORTHWEST SCHOOL BOARD meetings are carried on Time Warner, channel 4, on Sunday's at 8:30 AM, Wednesdays at 3 PM and Thursdays at 7:30 PM.



PRF ATHLETICS - FALL 2006 SOCCER

S.A.Y. & Lollipop Registration

Welch Elementary - April 26th and May 9th (6-8 pm)

Pleasant Run Elementary - May 2nd (6-8 pm)

John Wesley Church - Saturday May 13th (11 am - 1 pm)

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Child's Name: _____ M/F: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name(s): _____

Address (Street/City): _____ Zip Code: _____

Child's Age as of 7/31/2006: _____ Birthdate: _____ Grade (06-07): _____

Did your child play PRF S.A.Y. Soccer Last Year? _____ Team/Coach's Name: _____

If possible, does your child prefer to be with the same team as last year? _____

<u>DIVISION</u>	<u>BIRTHDATE</u>	<u>FEES</u>
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<input type="checkbox"/> Passers	8/1/98 to 7/31/00	\$55
<input type="checkbox"/> Wings	8/1/96 to 7/31/98	\$55
<input type="checkbox"/> Strikers	8/1/94 to 7/31/96	\$55
<input type="checkbox"/> Kickers	8/1/92 to 7/31/94	\$55
<input type="checkbox"/> Minors	8/1/90 to 7/31/92	\$55
<input type="checkbox"/> Seniors	8/1/88 to 7/31/90	\$55

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 AS _____, AM _____, AL _____

Family soccer maximum is \$165.00 (This includes sports registration fees only.)

Soccer Fee checks are to be made payable to PRFAA. Non-residents also pay \$10/child/sport or \$30/family/12 months (good for all PRF athletics).

We always need coaches and assistants, would you please be able to help? _____

All PRF residents and Coaches must be current PRFCA members to participate. (Checks payable to PRFCA)

One form per child. Extra forms are available at sign-ups. Mail In registrations will be accepted.

We hereby agree that the Soccer Association for Youth (SAY) its members, coaches or officers shall not be liable for an injury or loss which my child may sustain while participating in activities of any kind whether sponsored by or under the supervision of SAY and we agree to indemnify and to hold harmless SAY, its members, coaches, officers or designates of any kind from any claim whatsoever.

We hereby agree the Pleasant Run Farm Civic Association, its members, coaches, officers and officials of the NW Board of Recreation, its' member organizations, and the owners of the fields and facilities utilized, shall not be held liable for any injury or loss which my child/self sustain while participating in any activity sponsored by the forgoing organizations. I am aware of the risks involved in playing sports and certify that my child/self is physically capable of participating in any of the sponsored programs. I further hold harmless from any claim, whatsoever, the PRFCA, the Northwest Board of Recreation, its' member organizations and the owners of the fields and facilities utilized.

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____ Date _____

PRF Lollipop Soccer Commissioner
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