



Whitland Area Neighborhood Association Newsletter

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May 21st Creek Clean Up & “Pot Luck” Picnic Lunch by the Creek

This year the Whitland Area Neighborhood Association has decided to combine two annual events into one fun-filled day! The creek clean-up is scheduled to begin at 10:00 A.M. (meet at the foot bridge at the end of Carden). Trash bags will be provided. Bring your work gloves, a few tools for weeding & raking and join in this effort to spruce up the area along our Kingfisher Branch Creek. After the clean-up a picnic lunch will be hosted by the

Whitland Association.

Please note that Rolland Road from Wilson to Leonard will be closed to thru traffic (from 8:00 a.m. til 4:00 P.M.).

Everyone in the neighborhood is invited and encouraged to participate! Please bring a dish to share and your lawn chair! Fried chicken and soft drinks will be provided by the

Whitland Neighborhood Association. AND BE SURE TO BRING THE KIDS! We’ll have Sno Cones and a blow-up water slide to keep them entertained! You are sure to see some old friends and make some new friends too! So mark your calendars - -

**SATURDAY
MAY 21ST - - SEE
YOU THERE!
Call 297-3829 to RSVP
(Amy Dennison)
Thanks!**



Brush Pick up

Brush is scheduled to be picked up sometime during the last week of May and first week of June

Thanks to all who have supported our Neighborhood Association!

Since our February newsletter, we have received dues from approximately 17% of all households in the neighborhood. We thank each and every one who has given so far this year! The Whitland Area Neighborhood Association is a 501c3 organization, so voluntary dues are tax deductible to you. Because of ongoing operating expenses such as our web page which houses our ListServ, the newsletters produced and distributed, and family events sponsored during the year, we **suggest** an annual contribution per household of \$25. Our Steering Committee has some exciting new events and projects planned for this year too!

If you have not paid your dues and would like to, please send your check payable to Whitland Area Neighborhood Association to our Treasurer, Scott Holder, 218 Cantrell Avenue; Nashville, TN 37205.

The ListServ e-mail messaging system has been a tremendous help during the first few months of this year when our area was plagued by a purse-snatcher. Approximately 75 people have now subscribed to the ListServ since we first began offering this service to our neighbors in February. If you have not subscribed and would like to please go to www.whitland.org and click on the words SUBSCRIBE TO THE LISTSERV. There are easy-to follow instructions on the page you are directed to in order to subscribe. If you encounter difficulty, please e-mail necer@bellsouth.net and we’ll get you subscribed right away!

Also, if are a subscriber and want to post an e-mail to all the ListServ members, simply send the e-mail to whitland@listserv.moses.com and we’ll make sure it gets out!



Whitland Area Neighborhood Assn. Home/Garden Tour Planned for October 22-23, 2005

A committee of interested WANA members, commissioned by the WANA Steering Committee, has been meeting in planning a neighborhood fall home/garden tour. The first day of the tour will be a "twilight tour" planned for Saturday evening, October 22 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. The second day of the tour is an afternoon tour from 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 23.

The WANA home tour committee has met with leaders from the Richland Historic Neighborhood Home Tour and has also gotten input from other neighborhood home tours in Nashville and other communities. A preliminary budget has been prepared and volunteers are being asked to help. The committee is also working on a few surprises for the tour.

The current WANA Fall Home Tour Committee members are:

Scott Holder	Home Tour Chairman
Elizabethanne Holder	Treasurer
John Lott	Program Book and Pre-tour Party Host Home Recruitment
Carolyn Greenfield	Tour Home/Garden Recruitment
Christen Forrest	Transportation and Logistics
Christy Lyons	Docent Volunteers
David Lyons	Ad Sales / Sponsorships
Erin Dennis	Tour Home Volunteer & Pre-Tour Party Coordinator
David Fox	Publicity / Promotion

Additional volunteers are needed to open their homes/gardens for touring. The goal is to have between 8 and 10 homes in the WANA neighborhood opened for touring on both days. Open homes / gardens should be representative of the neighborhood. They don't have to be the biggest or the best decorated. We could even have an open home that is undergoing a renovation. A Home Tour Program will contain photographs of the homes/gardens along with brief history of the home.

Many more volunteers will be needed to serve as docents and ticket sales at the homes during the tour, as well as help with planning and conducting various activities before and during the tour.

Kick-off Pre-Tour party is being planned for Friday evening, October 21 which will be open to all WANA residents (SVP requested). There will be a price of admission to the party which will include dinner, beer/wine, entertainment and admission to the home/garden tour.

**We're on the
Web!**

See us at:

www.whitland.org

REMEMBER . . .

Free booklets on the history of the Whitland area are now available when you pay your voluntary dues to Whitland Area Neighborhood Association. Also, if you have a story or item of interest that you'd like to see in an upcoming newsletter, please send an e-mail to necer@bellsouth.net



Home / Garden Tour Info (continued from previous page)

The WANA Steering Committee is planning to use proceeds from the tour to fund projects in the WANA neighborhood currently in planning by the Steering Committee. These include:

1. Kingfisher Branch beautification, walkway, and flood control
2. Neighborhood entrance markers
3. Development of a small park at the end of Carden Ave.
4. Neighborhood bulletin boards

The WANA Fall Home Tour Committee would welcome any ideas you may have for the tour and is actively seeking volunteers to help. If you have ideas or would like to volunteer, please contact any WANA Home Tour Committee Member listed below:

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The committee is excited about this special weekend for our neighborhood and hopes that everyone will participate as we open our doors to Nashville! Contact a committee member to volunteer today and join the fun!

Congratulations Neighborhood Graduates!!! If we omitted anyone, we apologize! But we congratulate you too!

Drew Conrad from Univ. of PA
Thompson Paine from Univ. of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Will Hines from Trinity College
Alex Blackman from Father Ryan HS

David Stewart from NY Univ.
Jessica Hawkins from Vanderbilt
Jenny Lind from Vanderbilt
Trey Tally from Tulane



Neighborhood Directory in the Works

We have the beginnings of a Whitland Area Neighborhood Association directory. The information was pulled from Metro property website as well as the local telephone directory. If you would like to "opt out" of the directory, please call 297-2528 and leave a message, clearly stating your name. Only call if you **DO NOT WANT TO BE INCLUDED** in the directory. We will then make sure your name and information is deleted from the database. We look forward to having this directory completed and available by the fall of the year.



A Mosquito That Cannot Hatch is a Mosquito that Cannot Bite!

IF YOU HAVE MOSQUITOES IN YOUR YARD, CHANCES ARE THEY ARE BREEDING VERY CLOSE TO YOUR HOME!

The two most common mosquitoes in Tennessee that carry West Nile virus

(Culex pipien and Culex quinquefasciatus) have a flight range of 1/4 to 1/2 mile according to Extension Urban Entomologist John D. Hopkins of the University of Arkansas. (The EPA states 1/4 to 1 mile.) Some other species can travel

Larvicide kills mosquito and fly larvae for 30 days or more and does not harm other living things. Check out BioControl Network <http://www.biconet.com> in Brentwood, TN or call (615) 370-4301 for other non-toxic alternatives. Limit time outdoors when mosquitoes are present. Mosquitoes that could carry West Nile virus are out from dusk to dawn. If you must be outdoors, wear a mosquito repellent. If you'd like a good non-toxic repellent that has tested well, try BITE BLOCKER. They have a waterproof lotion that lasts for 4 hours and a spray that lasts up to 8 hours.

Wear shoes, socks, long sleeve shirts and pants when outdoors during dusk and dawn when mosquitoes are most prevalent. Clothing should be light colored. Light colored clothes are less attractive to mosquitoes.

Place a fan on your deck or porch. Mosquitoes don't like the breeze!

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Reduce or eliminate all standing water in your yard especially in children's toys, clogged gutters, tires, flowerpots, trash cans, and wheelbarrows. Mosquito larvae look like little wiggling worms. They are also sometimes called wigglers. Killing mosquitoes in the larval and pupae stages of their development is much easier than killing adults.

Change the water in kiddie pools, dog bowls and bird baths every other day. You can purchase a product called "The Wiggler" for your bird bath at The Wood Thrush Shop at 992 Davidson Road in West Meade. This product is battery operated and prevents mosquitoes from laying eggs in the water. If you can't get rid of standing water, buy a larvicide called Mosquito Dunks or Mosquito Bits at garden centers or

Notable Neighbors

Whitland neighbor Michael P. Vandenberg who teaches Environmental Law, Private Environmental Law and Property at Vanderbilt will be a featured speaker at the Commencement Faculty Seminars from 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 12, 2005. These speaker events are free and open to the public on a first come, first served basis. Michael's topic will be "From Smokestack to SUV: A New View of the Sources of

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