



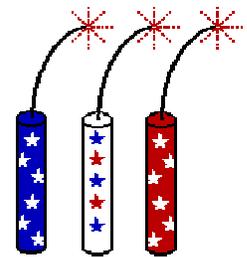
West End Middle School Renovation

The school district made plans to renovate West End Middle School three or four years ago. This upcoming school year, 2006-07, West End will move to the old Wharton Arts Magnet School located in North Nashville. The move is approximately 3.5 miles away from the current location. This temporary placement will allow West End to be fully operational and provides facilities and curricular stability for teachers, students, parents and community stakeholders. The renovation is projected to begin as early as June 1.

This project was initially budgeted at a cost of \$5 million, but has since increased to \$7 million. The work to be done will provide West End with all the modern amenities afforded newly constructed schools. With the additional funds, West End will be able to add new energy efficient windows, redesign the cafeteria, add central heat and air and refurbish science labs.

Supplementary changes will involve renovating the auditorium, as well as both rewiring the electrical circuits and adding a

Your 4th of July on Whitland Picnic/Parade Invitation is attached to this Newsletter!



See Page Two of the Newsletter for more information on the annual July 4th on Whitland Celebration

This is YOUR newsletter! If you have stories or news of interest you would like to share in the newsletter, please e-mail necer@bellsouth.net or call Denise at 298-1880

The Whitland Area Neighborhood Assoc. Steering Committee meets the second Thursday of each month throughout the year at a different home. If you'd like to attend, contact Bob Lyons bliii@comcast.net for the location and time of meetings. Visitors welcome!

Our Website is www.whitland.org

CHECK IT OUT!!!

Save The Dates!!!

The Whitland Area Neighborhood Association fall **Tour of Homes** is coming! The dates are **Saturday and Sunday October 7 & 8**. Mark your calendars! **Volunteers are Needed!!! AND** just a few weeks prior to the Home Tour, we are planning "Dumpster Day" on Sept. 23 and making a go of a neighborhood garage sale and clean-

Congratulations to our Area Grads!

Jennava (Jenny) Laska, daughter of Nancy & Lewis Laska of Craighead Ave. w/ honors with a BFA in Film from Art Center in Pasadena CA. Jenny began studies for her Master's Degree in May and was awarded a partial fellowship/scholarship from the Pasadena Women's Club. **Tara Elise Davis** (granddaughter of Whitland residents Jack & Deanee Miller) graduated from Hillsboro H.S. and will be attending the University of Georgia in Athens. **Stephanie Lund**, daughter of Steve & Libby Lund of Carden Avenue graduated from Martin Luther King Magnet School and is planning on attending the University of TN -Knoxville. **Emily Burton**, daughter of Susan Burton, Whitland Ave, graduated from Hillsboro H.S. and plans on attending University of Kentucky in Lexington. **Kate Harkey** graduated from Williams College in Williamstown, MA with a BA in Mathematics and Statistics. She'll be teaching pre-calculus and calculus in addition to coaching soccer and track in July at Hyde School in Bath, Maine. We congratulate all our area graduates - - we are so proud & happy for you!

Whitland 4th July Celebration

Whitland Area Neighbors: 2006 will mark the 29th FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION ON WHITLAND. Many of you already participate, however, some neighbors have asked, "**how can I get involved?**" Involvement can take many forms:

Set up
 Food service in food tent
 Food service in hot dog booth
 Take Down
 Clean Up

To help in this way, please call Denise Hawkins at 298-1880 or Marty Conrad at 269-6153.

BECOME a PATRIOT: Donate \$200 to help cover the cost of the celebration! You will be invited to the Patriot's thank you party on July 2nd at the Burton home along with other patriots and hosts. Call Denise Hawkins or Marty Conrad if you would like to become a Patriot. An invitation and response form will be sent to you when others are sent.

Advanced Ruling Period for our 501C3 Status of the Neighborhood Association

Five years ago, the Whitland Area Neighborhood Association was granted 501C3 status under the IRS Advanced Ruling Period. This year, we were requested to supply the IRS with detailed financials for the previous five years and were recently notified by mail from the IRS that we can maintain our 501C3 status. In other words, we passed with flying colors! An enormous THANK YOU goes out to our past years' Treasurers, officers and volunteers. In particular, we owe a huge debt of gratitude to Scott Holder for organizing all the necessary information and working so closely with the IRS on this recent critical & time consuming



HOME TOUR UPDATE Mark your calendars now for the 2nd annual Whitland Home Tour scheduled for **October 7th and 8th**. The weekend kicks off with the Patron Party hosted by Karen and Mike Tabor. Look for your invitation in the mail.

Funds from last year's Home Tour are being used for neighborhood projects such as the Kingfisher Branch Creek revitalization, neighborhood markers, neighborhood directory, the newsletter, Listserv and various family fun activities. A portion of our proceeds will again be donated to the local Habitat for Humanity chapter.

We would like to thank our neighbors who have graciously agreed to chair the following committees:

Elizabeth Broyhill – Post-Tour Party	Kindy Hensler – Home Commitments (kindyh@yahoo.com)
Kennon Dennis – Patron Party	Scott Holder – Publicity
Amy Dennison – Advertising Sales	Suzanne Holder – Treasurer
Bob Duthie – Website	Bob Lyons – Logistics
Karen Gooch – Tour Booklet Layout	Melissa Lyons – Docent Involvement
Denise Hawkins – Pre-Tour Ticket Sales	Susan Trotman – Hospitality

If you have any interest in participating on any committee or you would like to be a docent (volunteer) during the Tour, please contact us. Also, we are still looking for several homes to be on tour so contact Kindy Hensler if you are interested in putting your home on the Tour. It is a great way to get involved in our neighborhood, meet new people and support our efforts. Be sure to stop by our Home Tour table during the July 4th festivities.

Kristen Forrest, Co-Chair – kristenforrest@taillight.tv

Carolyn Greenfield, Co-Chair – thegreenfields@comcast.net

“What’s Going on at the Creek?”

No, it's not a remake of Ron Howard's *Cocoon* movie in progress when you walk by and see a bunch of 30, 40 and even 50-something year-old adults in the creek! The neighborhood association has a relatively new Kingfisher Branch Revitalization Committee, headed up by Scott Holder of Cantrell Ave. After the recent creek clean-up, large rocks were restored to missing sections of the creek's WPA-era rock wall to help with some significant erosion problems caused by storm water runoff. The creek committee and others are now working to fill the gaps in the bank with rock and top it off with dirt & vegetation ground cover in the relatively near future.

The committee is meeting regularly to formulate, prioritize and implement a master plan of revitalization for all areas in and around Kingfisher Branch. Topics of consideration include neighborhood education on caring for the waterway, environmental enhancements, wildlife preservation, neighborhood utilization, bank erosion, flood control and mosquito control. The committee plans to solicit neighborhood input and professional consultation in formulating the master plan, prioritizing phases of implementation, and completing planned improvements. For more info, contact Scott Holder at 498-7556 or e-mail sholder@techno-aide.com

Kingfisher Branch is part of the Richland Creek drainage area, one of 26 in Davidson County, and one of the few remaining relatively pristine urban creeks in Nashville. When it rains, Kingfisher drains an 1100 acre drainage basin, which begins on the other side of I-440 and includes the intersection of Hillsboro Road and Sharondale.



The Annual All-Neighborhood Creek Clean-Up and Potluck

Thanks to everyone who participated and helped organize the annual creek clean-up and picnic recently held on May 20th! About 80 attended and many compliments have been received about the work that was done. **We want all neighbors to remember that even though the work is important, it's not required that you work to attend the picnic!** So, please come enjoy the music, meet your neighbors and have some outstanding food & fun next year whether you work or not! Also, we would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to Mr. Lawrence Jackson of the neighborhood division of Metro Beautification for donating bags and gloves for the clean-up effort.



DONOR INFORMATION

We thank each and every one who has given so generously to the Whitland Area Neighborhood Association. Your support is important! We recognize the families who have given during the first half of this year:

Adams, Alexander, Anderson, Anderson, Armes, Ballard, Barden, Barrow, Baysinger, Biesman, Blakemore Childcare Center, Block, Brandt, Breggin, Brighton Close, Brown, Burton, Caplenor, Carey, Carr, Cassity, Catlin, Cohen, Cole, Compton, Conrad, Covington, Cox, Crenshaw, Crispin, Crook, Dance, Daugherty, Dave, DeMoss, Dennis, Dennison, Dobie, Draper, Drews, Duthie, Eatherly, Edwards, Elam, Ferris, Fleming, Forlines, Forrest, Fox, Fox, Gentry, Goidel, Gordon, Greenfield, Greenfield, Haber, Hawkins, Heard, Hensler, Hill, Huff, Interlandi, James, Jurusz, Kane, Keaton, Killen, Lazenby, Lee, Lesky, Lipschutz, Lynch, Martin, Massie, McDaniel, McLeod, McRae, McWhirter, Miller, Miranda, Moore, Mosley, Murray, Paine, Palmer, Pardue, Parrish, Patterson, Patton, Peerman, Pitz, Posner, Powell, Preston, Preston, Randolph, Richardson, Scalf, Schneider, Sergeant, Smith, Smith, Smith, Speed, Stahlman, Steele, Steinbrenner, Stumb, Tabor, Tarpley, Taylor, Thomas, Thomas, Thomasson, Trotman, Vandenbergh, Victor, Wahl, Wales, Walker, Walters, Waters, Wilds, Williams,



Havin' a Big Time on the Waterslide May 20, 2006
At the Kingfisher Branch Picnic

Neighborhood Directory Available

If you'd like a copy of the Whitland Area Neighborhood Association Directory, please call Denise Hawkins @ 298-1880 or send an e-mail to necer@bellsouth.net

Whitland Listserv Update

Twenty percent of our neighbors have now subscribed to our Listserv! That's great, but we want to encourage more to do so! Between newsletters, the Listserv allows us to transmit via e-mail important news, updates on crime in the area, meeting reminders, lost pet notices and other information you may find helpful. So, give it a try - - go to www.whitland.org and click on SUBSCRIBE TO THE LISTSERV and follow the easy directions! We don't think you'll be disappointed! If you need assistance contact

Neighborhood Crime Update Over the past couple of months, all has been quiet in the neighborhood. Let's keep up the good work and be watchful of activity that seems out of the ordinary. Always report suspicious activity to the proper authorities. During this time of nice weather too, be sure not to leave your house unlocked while you are preoccupied with lawn mowing, etc. It's better to be safe than sorry!

Ads for the Newsletter: If you would like to advertise your small business or a helpful service you offer (like pet-sitting, baby-sitting) in the newsletter, please contact Denise Hawkins via e-mail at: necer@bellsouth.net REASONABLE RATES!!!

