

CENTURY FARMS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION  
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OUR NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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BOARD MEMBERS TERMS ARE EXPIRING

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In March, the terms for Patrick Temesvary and Anna Budnik will expire.

Patrick and Anna having fulfilled their duties with patience and thoughtfulness, have chosen not to run for another term.

This being the case, we are currently looking for candidates willing to run for the board.

The term will last 2 years starting with the election in March 2003. After the election, the designations of the board positions are

discussed and chosen by the members.

Although Patrick is the president and Anna is the treasurer, we aren't necessarily looking for their roles to be replaced.

We are really just looking for people who would demonstrate leadership ability and neighborly wisdom.

Your role will be determined by your commitment level and ability to fulfill the duty of the role.

Our association heavily relies on volunteer effort to help keep our association fees down and control in our corner.

One volunteer was instru-

mental to the neighborhood, in constructing all of the NO TRESPASSING SIGNS for the ponds.

Jerry McManigal, we would like to publicly thank you for an excellent job. Enormous thanks to everyone else who helped to install the signs.

If the management company were to make all the decisions and handle all the issues, more expensive management fees would result with fewer improvements to the neighborhood.

Improvements to our neighborhood in 2002 included: better pond water quality, walking trail development, and traffic sign upgrades, addressing violations and the installation of the no trespassing pond.



CENTURY FARMS NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TAKES FORM!

ATTENTION ALL HOMEOWNERS!  
YOUR INPUT IS VALUED AND MUCH NEEDED AT THE MEETING WITH THE

NAPERVILLE  
PARK DISTRICT  
ON  
JANUARY 29TH,  
WEDNESDAY,  
6:00-7:00 PM

AT THE  
ALFRED RUBIN  
COMMUNITY  
CENTER:  
305 W. JACKSON  
ROOM 205.

Participants will view boards with 5 site layouts of equipment and get to vote for colors and items to a certain degree.

Also if we want any future amenities, such as a basket-

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ball court, tennis courts, or handicap equipment, this is the only chance to voice your concerns and desires. If you have any questions related to the Park District or to be on the roster please call Debi at 848-5011.

According to The Naperville Park District, "These amenities would be considered based on the strong community input and desire. Little interest from the community equals low results. Action is rewarded!" If we are to have any say in how our park/playground will turn out, WE MUST PARTICIPATE!!



## SAFETY AND TRAFFIC COMMITTEE REPORT

BY: ROB KOSS

The Safety and Traffic Committee received confirmation that the City of Naperville is in the process of preparing a traffic study to provide a left turn bay on Mill Street at Commons. At present, the intersection does not meet warrants for signal installation but this will be reevaluated periodically. A left turn lane is programmed for construction in summer of 2004. It is unlikely that this can be constructed earlier.

The City does not want to reopen south West Street; especially since a left turn lane improvement is programmed for the near future. Northbound motorists on Mill Street concerned about traffic could turn left on Bauer and enter the subdivision via Bob O Link or turn left on Diehl and enter the subdivision via West Street.

A closure on Bob O Link will not be considered. The City Council and staff do not consider closing a street as a remedy to any traffic problem including unwanted traffic.

Should you have any further concerns, please contact our committee: [rlk100@peoplepc.com](mailto:rlk100@peoplepc.com)

## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH SEEKS BLOCK CAPTAINS

BY: FRAN BIXLER

The Neighborhood Watch is seeking a recommitment from previous block captains and is in search of those who are willing to become block captains. We are seeking one representative, to represent up to ten homes, from each street and cul-de-sac.



A block captain will be responsible for obtaining the initial phone tree information from their neighbors, coordinating efforts in case of a missing child, burglary or fire and be a liaison to the Neighborhood Watch Committee. The phone tree information will be specific to each block captains territory and distributed only to those members of that block.

We will also compile and create our NEIGHBORHOOD PHONE DIRECTORY! We will have forms for every neighbor to complete along with a an authorization which will need to be signed permitting us to use certain information for the phone directory. Our phone directory will only be provided to Century Farms Residents.

Please email Fran Bixler at [fran@thebixlergroup.net](mailto:fran@thebixlergroup.net) or phone her at 357-5642 to volunteer your time.

## SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU AS A CHAIRPERSON!

Please contact the board if you are interested in planning social events for the neighborhood.



PONDS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT



BY: DIANE BARBRET

Residents are invited to hike or cross-country ski the trails along the two smaller ponds off William Penn Drive and Erb Farm Court.



The common area to enter the trail begins on the south side of William Penn on the east side of the middle pond.

Be prepared for rugged terrain and a few hills, but also plenty of scenery.

The trails give residents access to the pond bordering Cress Creek and a beautiful stand of oak trees off Erb Farm Court. Many animal tracks can be seen in the snow while enjoying the beauty of a natural area.

This area was planted with wildflowers and native vegetation beginning in spring of 2000.

A noxious weed citation issued by the City of Naperville prompted the board to involve Kimball Hill to establish this area as wildflower meadows.

This in effect, reduces the maintenance costs of installing sod and the expense to the homeowners of

maintaining such a labor intensive large area.

The deep-rooted prairie plants aid in filtering out nutrients from the runoff of fertilizers which in turn support ugly algae growth.

These natural areas are a benefit for our community in the diversity of wildlife they support and the opportunity to enjoy wildflowers.



The 2002 growing season saw some nice stands of wildflowers. In any newly established area weed control is essential and sometimes difficult. As the native plants gain strength, the weeds will diminish.

Maintenance plans for this area must include a burn with fire from professional environmental management people to reduce weed seeds and activate native growth. This will hopefully occur in the spring depending upon weather conditions.

In any case, the old growth will be removed either by fire or mowing.

Further seeding will be applied in areas where necessary.

Within 2 years the area should be well established and require far less upkeep expense than lawn grass.

Some Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts have already helped collect seed heads from the wildflowers for dispersal in thinly growing areas.

The Fish and Wildlife Service suggests removal of buckthorn trees –a highly invasive non-native species along the pond berm edge near Cress Creek. Volunteer labor is sought for that.

Future development includes a picnic table and entryway sign to the trails, as well as making the hilly entrance more accessible by hiring a landscaper.



Residents interested in more detailed information about the ponds and wildflowers may review our report and minutes from CFNA's board meeting on Nov. 25, 2002, which are posted on our website.

Any volunteers that would like to help on the Ponds or Grounds Committee please contact the board at [cfna-board@yahoo.com](mailto:cfna-board@yahoo.com).



CFNA would like to thank the Girl Scouts of Troop 1495 and the Boy Scouts who participated in collecting wildflower seeds.



## CENTURY FARMS NEIGHBORHOOD WEBSITE

BY: TIM YAO

The CFNA website, <http://www.centuryfarms.org>, has been online since at least 1999. Early visions for its usage and growth have thus far been mostly unrealized, though it has been useful as a source of reference information.



There are new community forums at <http://www.centuryfarms.org/phpBB2> that you can create your own logins to. Current bulletin boards exist for "Our neighborhood", "Only recipes", "For Sale or Free", "Wanted" and "Our website". These are intended to allow residents to share requests, news stories, recipes, etc. in a low-key fashion without sending e-mail to the general chat list. There is also a test forum.

The old BBS, the Greymatter Weblog, still exists with its pictures and stories; but it lacks contributions/contributors. Volunteers are sought to contribute stories and photographic images. Please contact Tim Yao <[tyao@freeshell.org](mailto:tyao@freeshell.org)> if you are interested in helping out.

What is planned: We can support almost any number of e-mail aliases [@centuryfarms.org](mailto:@centuryfarms.org). The [board@centuryfarms.org](mailto:board@centuryfarms.org) alias has been around for awhile; new aliases are being established for the committees to use (chairpersons shown in []):

<a href="mailto:social@centuryfarms.org">social@centuryfarms.org</a>	Social Committee [Patrick Temesvary]
<a href="mailto:finance@centuryfarms.org">finance@centuryfarms.org</a>	Finance Committee [Anna Budnik]
<a href="mailto:comm@centuryfarms.org">comm@centuryfarms.org</a>	Communications Committee [Fran Bixler]
<a href="mailto:ponds@centuryfarms.org">ponds@centuryfarms.org</a>	Ponds and Commons Committee [Diane Barbret]
<a href="mailto:rules@centuryfarms.org">rules@centuryfarms.org</a>	Rules and Regulations Committee [Paul Dorin]

1/7/03 Update: There is a problem with these [@centuryfarms.org](mailto:@centuryfarms.org) e-mail aliases. Until it is resolved, please use [cfna-board@yahoo.com](mailto:cfna-board@yahoo.com) to communicate with the CFNA Board.

The <http://www.centuryfarms.org/committees.shtml> page is supposed to give a snapshot of the committee activities but content depends upon the committee members (not much there thus far, alas). If you are a committee member, please help us change this.

Board meeting minutes will be regularly posted to the website as they are made available. This is a long overdue CFNA website feature. The newsletter will also be posted online.



There are many features we can add in the future. All require set-up and most require regularly-contributed content to stay current. What is possible:

**Community Calendar:** for the few events that are scheduled, a simple list (instead of a graphical calendar) is probably sufficient. We need event schedule info to make this useful.

**Password-protected online directory:** This requires finding and installing an appropriate web LDAP engine and then seeding the directory database. Imagine having neighbor addresses, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses at your finger tips. Of course, entries would only be filled out at the discretion of the resident; and only CFNA residents would have the passwords to see the information (one password per household).

Are you interested in having these features implemented? Voice your opinions at our neighborhood chat list <[cfna@yahoo.com](mailto:cfna@yahoo.com)> and/or volunteer your time/energy/expertise to help set them up (contact the Communications Committee <[comm@centuryfarms.org](mailto:comm@centuryfarms.org)>)

## APPLICATION FOR NOMINATION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Return your completed form and have a say in your community!

**This form is due no later than February 15th!**

You can return the form immediately by mail or dropped off to Fran Bixler 1608 Mohler Court,  
or you can email your application to [cfna-board@yahoo.com](mailto:cfna-board@yahoo.com).

Homeowner participation is what makes this subdivision great, get involved!

Name:

Address:

Email Address:

Telephone Numbers:

I would make a good addition to the Century Farm Neighborhood Association board because . . .

My qualifications include . . .

This form can also be found on our website: [www.centuryfarms.org](http://www.centuryfarms.org).



1608 Mohler Ct. Naperville, IL 60563

We are on the web:  
[www.centuryfarms.org](http://www.centuryfarms.org)

## CENTURY FARMS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

**EMAIL THE BOARD AT:**

[cfna-board@yahoo.com](mailto:cfna-board@yahoo.com)

**YOUR CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:**

PRESIDENT: PATRICK TEMESVARY

VICE PRESIDENT: FRAN BIXLER

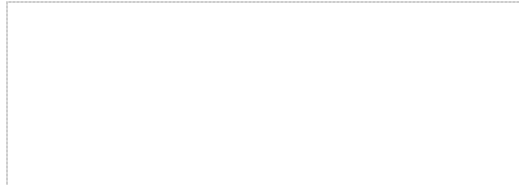
TREASURER: ANNA BUDNIK

DIRECTOR: PAUL DORIN

SECRETARY: DIANE BARBRET

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FRAN BIXLER, DIANE BARBRET,  
LINDA KOLINICKI, KELLEY IRVINE



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Here is a list of committees which are available for you to join and their current chairperson. Please get involved. We are looking for a person just like you!

**Architectural:**

Need a Chairperson

**Communications:**

Fran Bixler

**Financial Committee:**

Need a Chairperson

**Neighborhood Watch:**

Fran Bixler

**Park and Common Area:**

Aimee Olsen

**Pond and Wildflower Area:**

Diane Barbret

**Rules and Regulations:**

Ian Carrus

**Safety and Traffic:**

Rob Koss

**Social Committee:**

Needs a Chairperson

### WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS OF 2002 AND 2003!

Century Farms would like to welcome you to our neighborhood. We have many opportunities for you to get involved. Please don't hesitate to contact the board or any committee members for information.

Lawrence and Jacqueline Verfurth—1507 Hammer Creek Court

Sam and Catherine Priolo - 1604 Mohler Court

Subhash and Preeta Bedi - 624 Commons Road

William and Susan Lisowski - 776 Century Farm Lane

Jinliang Li (Eric) and Jie Zhang (Jen) - 936 Century Farm Lane

Feng-Jun Sun - 783 Sigmund Road

Rizwan and Shelyna Khalfan - 787 Sigmund Road

Wei-Ming Duan - 1516 William Penn Drive

Sean and Kimberly Flaherty - 1527 William Penn Drive

Ken and Belinda Carn - 1615 Pennsylvania Court

Bernadette Bernardo - 1623 Pennsylvania Court

# WELCOME HOME!