



# Almadale Farms News



## Architectural / Landscape Review Procedure

### PROCEDURE FOR REQUESTING ARCHITETURAL OR LANDSCAPING CHANGES:

- An Architectural Change Form and Checklist **MUST** be completed for all requests. **Email or phone requests will not be accepted.** The form and checklist are available at our website: [www.almadalefarms.org](http://www.almadalefarms.org). If you have questions as to how to complete the form, please contact Daphne.
- Deliver the form and checklist along with any samples to Clubhouse Drop Box at the Office door (NOT the mailbox at the street).
- Daphne will log in request upon receipt (she's in the office Tuesdays and Saturdays). She will review the request with the Architectural Control Committee. A site visit may be required. Daphne will contact the homeowner once the review is complete.

While the CCRs provide 30 days for review and approval, we will strive to get requests completed quickly. Should you have any questions regarding the process contact Daphne by email at [daphneinoffice@almadalefarms.org](mailto:daphneinoffice@almadalefarms.org) or by phone at (901) 861 1028.

Failure to adhere to the covenants and procedure will result in penalties, fines and/or additional expense to the homeowner to remedy changes made without approval.

## Recycle Collierville

As of 8/12/19 Glass is no longer an acceptable recyclable material.

### What You CAN recycle:

Metal Cans  
Aluminum Beverage Cans  
All Plastic Bottles with narrow or threaded necks.  
Newspapers, Brown paper bags, Magazines, Office paper,  
Phone books, Junk mail and envelopes.  
Cardboard that will fit inside the recycle container.

### What You CANNOT recycle:

Glass Food and Beverage bottles/jars  
Oil, Paint cans, Aerosol cans  
Pie plates or Ovenware  
Mirrors, Window glass, Light bulbs  
Foam, Styrofoam, Plastic bags  
Toys, Pesticides bottles, Motor oil bottles  
Bound or plastic wrappers



Go to the Memphis & Shelby County  
**Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility**  
to find an extensive list of items they accept.

## Almadale Farms Book Club

Come join us every third Thursday for Book Club Time: 7:00 PM A great opportunity to meet your neighbors and discuss the latest books. Each host chooses the book to be read which allows for a wide genre of topics and storylines to discuss through questions designed to highlight the Characters, Plots, and Themes. Even if you haven't finished the book of the month, you are welcome to come and join the discussion! Wine and Hors D'Oeuvres are served. Contact Mary Ann Roden for more information [maryannroden@aol.com](mailto:maryannroden@aol.com)



### Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine by Gail Honeyman

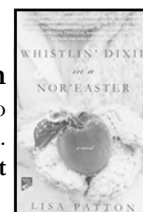
A smart, warm, and uplifting story of an out-of-the-ordinary heroine whose deadpan weirdness and unconscious wit make for an irresistible journey as she realizes. . . The only way to survive is to open your heart.

October 17th Hosted by Donna Rains

### Whistling Dixie In A Nor'easter by Lisa Patton

The story of a sweet Southern belle who leaves her beloved Memphis, Tennessee to follow her husband's dream of becoming the proprietor of a quaint Vermont inn.

November 14th Hosted by Ingrid Knight



### When All Is Said by Anne Griffin

"I'm here to remember—all that I have been and all that I will never be again." If you had to pick five people to sum up your life, who would they be? If you were to raise a glass to each of them, what would you say? And what would you learn about yourself, when all is said? **December 19th Hosted by Mary Ann Roden**

# Watch Out For Bambi!

Will Stafford



We are entering a season when driving can become particularly hazardous. The rutting season is upon us. The term rut is often used to describe a boring, monotonous routine or a trench worn in the ground by a wheel. To the deer it means something completely different. This is because mid October through early December is mating season for deer in our area. There is a general mi-

gration by the deer population. Male deer are so focused on mating that they are not thinking straight—they're looking for mates and other males to fight. There is a high population of deer in most counties in the state of Tennessee—including Shelby County and in suburban areas—especially in the Collierville area.

Deer live primarily in wooded areas but spend much of their time in pastures, crop land and often in lawns. Some of you living in east Almadale Farms have likely been visited by one or more deer. Interestingly, a deer's home range is usually less than a square mile. Such a small area will easily sustain deer since food is available throughout the year. Male deer usually live in small groups of three or four except when it is mating season.

During the last few years deer have become more plentiful and are now a common sight. Recently while driving near Fisherville Lake, I saw a herd of approximately forty deer grazing in a harvested soybean field. I have seen as many as seven deer just off Poplar Avenue on Shea Road and smaller groups off Frank Road and in many other areas. I have questioned several wildlife officials and others regarding an estimate of the number of deer in the Collierville vicinity. Estimates vary from 800-2000. Probably no one knows. I can assure you of one thing—there are several deer between St. George's School and Byhalia Road. Even more dangerous is the newly opened Wolf River extension. This new section cuts through a forest area bordering on the east side of the Germantown Country Club, a place where deer have grazed for years.

On December 14th, 2010 at approximately 7 P M, my wife and I were driving east on Wolf River Blvd. at approximately 35-40 mph. It was pitch dark—except for my head lights and those of an automobile behind me. Quite unexpectedly, a large deer ran in front of my car and I breathed a sigh of relief—having narrowly avoided a head-on collision. Then there was a dull thud as another deer struck my rear left door. (It cost my insurance company \$2300 in repairs.) I stopped, looked on both sides of the road but saw no dead or injured deer. The deer was either not severely injured or else it wandered into an adjoining field and died.

Fortunately, no one was injured and we drove to a restaurant. After having dinner with a severely diminished appetite, we drove back to the scene of the collision but saw no deer carcass—also saw none the next morning. During the past year, I have seen deer carcasses on Winchester, Frank Road, Bailey Station and on other roads. Over the years, I have driven thousands of vacation miles in deer country with much greater deer popula-

tions—including upper New York, Michigan, West Virginia (the worst state for collisions) and many other places but this was the first time I had ever had a collision with a deer.

I was recently talking with a State Farm friend and he informed me that—according to data recently released by his company—the number of deer-vehicle collisions has increased 22% from five years ago. To make matters worse, October through December encompasses hunting season and is also the time when crops are being harvested, resulting in deer being displaced from the fields. According to Captain David G. Cupp of the Bartlett Police Department, Shelby County has the highest number of deer-car crashes in Tennessee.

The increase in our deer population will likely result in a continuing increase in deer-car accidents. With good health and nutrition, deer are prolific breeders. According to one study, 60% of deer breed as fawns when they are approximately six months old. Older does often have twins—or triplets—after giving birth initially.

The deer population has exploded throughout the country in the 30 years. The deer population in North America, when the Europeans arrived has been estimated to have been over 50 million. With uncontrolled hunting, by 1900, they had been reduced to less than 1/2 million. Since being protected and reintroduced in many places, the deer population has rebounded to become a major deer overpopulation problem. The deer population is now estimated to be higher than ever before.

While my collision was unavoidable, following are some defensive driving tips which may help you avoid hitting a deer.

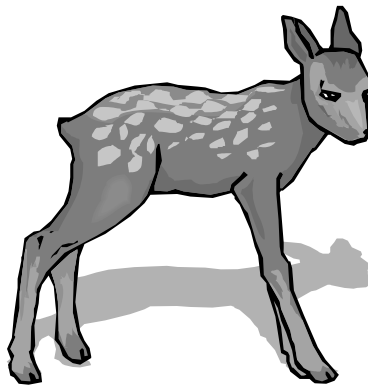
- **Be especially attentive when driving from sunset to mid-night and during the hours shortly before and after sunrise—the highest risk times for deer—vehicle collisions.**
- **Be very cautious when driving through deer-crossing zones. Collierville has marked many of these areas with**

**Deer Crossing Signs. My collision occurred just east of the Deer Crossing sign on Wolf River Boulevard.**

- **Use your high beam headlights when there is no oncoming traffic.**
- **If you see a deer, blow your horn with one long blast to frighten the deer away.**
- **Brake firmly when you notice a deer in or near your path, but stay in your lane.**
- **By swerving, you may cause a more serious crash.**
- **Always wear your seat belt. Many**

**people injured in deer crashes were not wearing their seat belts. Deer are very tough and can cause serious damage and injury.**

*Remember....an up close encounter with Bambi could kill you!*



**PLEASE ASK YOUR KIDS TO KEEP THEIR CAR RADIOS TO A MINIMUM IN THE HOOD!**



It is one of the unspoken “rules of cat” that if barf is to happen, cat must run to nearest rug/carpet/couch to perform the deed. No need to barf on a hard floor surface! Oh no... it **MUST** be on a soft surface! The more

expensive, the better!

## Distinguishing the barf:

Is it vomit or regurgitation? **Regurgitation** generally happens within 30 min—2 hrs after eating. The food appears undigested, most often in a cigar shape (which is the shape of the esophagus). **Vomit** is digested food, has more liquid/yellowish/bile, etc). Consult with your veterinarian to distinguish which your cat is doing and to make sure nothing more serious is going on!

## Tips to preventing barf:

- The temperature of the food should be warm, not cold. About 10 seconds in the microwave will warm it up.
- Don't free feed dry food. Invest in a feeder that makes them work for the food. One of my favorite is **Doc and Phoebe's Indoor Hunting Cat Feeder**. These are mice that you put their daily dry food in then hide them like Easter eggs! Only down side is finding them yourself at the end of the day. There are videos on how to use these in multi-cat households and dog/cat households on their website. You can also spread the

dry food out on a flat surface to slow down eating as well.

- Limit water intake for about an hour after eating, then allow access as normal.
- Limit hairballs by brushing, combing and giving hairball remedies as needed.
- Try different foods to see which your cat does better with (always switching slowly over 7-10 days).
- Probiotics are a good idea for cats, too, just like they are for people. A favorite brand of mine is **Provable**.

An episode or two a month of regurgitation can be normal in cats, but if occurring more frequently or if you are concerned, make an appointment with your veterinarian. The worst ever is stepping on one of these lovely specimens as you step out of bed in the mornings, but life without cats



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**Wolf River Boulevard @ Houston Levee**

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Grooming: (901) 457-2905  
[staff@thepethospitals.com](mailto:staff@thepethospitals.com)

**Monday - Friday**  
7:00am - 6:00pm

**Every other Saturday**  
7:30am - 12:00pm

## Calling All Caregivers, Page Robbins is Here to Help

Hey, neighbors! Do you know someone who is caring for a loved one with memory loss? Do you know someone who is caring for a frail or aging loved one? Are you caring for a loved one? Page Robbins Adult Day Center is here to help. We're located just down the street at 1961 South Houston Levee Road.

Page Robbins Adult Day Center is a non-profit that provides unique and uplifting weekday care for adults with memory loss and the frail elderly. While memory loss is sad and very difficult for families, this is not a sad place. You might be surprised by how much joy you will find here. Our clients have great days filled with meaningful activity and fun. It's the BEST DAY EVER every day at Page Robbins.

We currently have openings. If you know someone who would benefit from our services, let his or her family know about us. Many are not aware that adult day centers are an option. It is never too early to attend an adult day center.

Families often wait until their loved one is far along in the disease process before seeking help with care. This is unfortunate because the caregiver and person with memory loss

are often frustrated, stressed, and exhausted by this point. The first step is calling to set up a tour **(901-854-1200)**.

We also offer free caregiver support services. Join us for a caregiver support group – Coffee Talk, Wine & Unwind, Lunch Bunch, or General Support Group. You're sure to learn something (and have a fun time with other caregivers!). We also want to offer insights and lend a listening ear. We have walked this journey with many families. There is a wealth of knowledge here, and we're happy to help you navigate your unique situation.

You can learn more about our day program and caregiver support opportunities at our website, **[pagemrobbins.org](http://pagemrobbins.org)**. Please share this information with someone who might need it! You can help those affected by memory loss get the care and support they need.

Katie Kirkpatrick  
Development and Communications Director with  
Page Robbins Adult Day Center





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## Fall Garage Sale October 4th & 5th



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Daphne's Office Hours  
Tuesday 9:00-3:00 &  
Thursday 9:00-12:00



Have you noticed these medallions next to every storm drain in our neighborhood? This is to remind you that storm drain runoff is not treated and goes directly into our detention lakes and then to the Wolf River. That's why it is important to insure pollutants such as animal waste, automotive fluids,

fertilizers pesticides, yard waste & litter do not end up in the gutters and storm drains. Please keep your gutters clear of litter and grass clippings and consider the environment around us.



Welcome  
To The  
Neighborhood!!!

**Luke & Erin Simons**  
1875 Almadale Farms Parkway

**Michael & Robbin Wiggins**  
1738 Hartwell Manor N

## Housekeeper

seeking homes to clean weekly, bi-weekly and monthly. Over 10 years experience. Excellent current references.

Ms Bell

901-598-6772



**Page Robbins Adult Day Care Center**  
is in need of the following items:

**Heavy Duty  
White Plastic Forks**

*Thank-you for all you do for us!*

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