



# Andover Forest Greenspace News

*"Creating a Natural Greenspace Together...One Step at a Time"*

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## Greenspace Planning – Board Approved Projects

- **Tree Master Plan** – Award winning Sr. Landscape Architect, Bill Henkel, ASLA, NALP from the firm Landscape Workshop, has been selected to create a Master Tree Plan for all nine holes. This professional design plan will guide our community planting areas for free seedlings donated. And homeowners will have the opportunity to make contributions for tree plantings at locations identified in the HOA board approved Master Plan.
- **Pond Grant Work Begins** – AF HOA was awarded a city stormwater grant to help fund needed structural repairs to the dam embankment on Ponds 3c/3d located in the fairway of Hole 3. Engineers and team leads are preparing at the site for construction work scheduled to begin this fall.
- **Cart Path Repairs** – Volunteers have completed a temporary repair to a sink hole on the cart path located on Hole 2. LFUCG is reimbursing AF HOA for damage to the cart path at the Hole 8 that resulted from critical sewer repair work in the area. Contractor repair work is also being investigated for the new sinkhole on Hole 3 cart path. Asphalt contractor repairs will begin when the weather is dry and suitable for proper curing.  
\*Please exercise caution while walking or riding in these areas.\*
- **Fountain Replacement on Hole 2** – The existing pond fountain that highlights our community from Todds Rd is unrepairable. The Board has approved a new fountain with LED lights to enhance the look of our neighborhood and new Greenspace.
- **Pond Care & Treatment** – KAWC is working with the firm Aquatic Control to monitor, treat and replace fish in ponds 3c/d which resulted from a water-main break this spring. Our board has approved professional algae treatments twice monthly (May to October) by Aquatic Control to improve the health and water clarity of ponds 3a, 3b and 9 and provide important mosquito control.
- **Restroom Renovation & Repairs** – Volunteers have begun repairs on downspouts, plumbing, painting and landscape/drainage issues. The goal is to have the restrooms refreshed and working for future community events and gatherings.
- **Sand Trap Removal & Soil Grading** – The existing sand traps will be eliminated this summer and regraded in advance of seeding with grass this fall.
- **Weed and Slit-Seeding Fescue Grass** – The fairways, tees and greens will receive weed treatment in July and August. The purpose is to kill the invasive bent grass and dandelions and prepare for new fescue grass slit-seeding in the Sept/Oct timeframe.

Dr. Travis Shaddox with the University of Kentucky Turf Research Dept. will lead the turf transition project and installation. The new fescue turf should provide future cost-savings to the Greenspace with less weeds and increased drought tolerance.



## Maintenance Projects & Accomplishments

- **Trees Lexington** – AF Volunteers planted over 60 tree seedlings donated by Trees Lexington in Fairways 7 & 8.
- **Tree Removals** – Dead trees and fallen limb removals continue as needed. Wood chips from the dead trees are being placed in the old sand traps to provide mulch & weed control (and reduces cost of haul-off). We appreciate volunteers who have helped spread the wood chips.



## How can YOU help? Volunteer!

Join a Greenspace Team...Have fun, meet new friends and save money for our beautiful Greenspace by assisting with on-going maintenance and repairs.

Ready to help? Send an email to [af.greenspace@gmail.com](mailto:af.greenspace@gmail.com) with your interest(s) and availability. Here are some of the teams forming now:

- **Clean Team** – Volunteers help to pick up & dispose of trash, sticks, branch/brush piles.
- **Infrastructure Team** – Seeks “handy” volunteers to work on projects and minor repairs. These may include repairs and maintenance for cart paths, fences, pump house, restroom, and bridge/stone mason repairs. (Bring your own tools, gloves & cooler.)
- **Landscape “Green Team”**- Enjoys working outside to plant flowers, trees, weed, trim limbs and remove invasive honeysuckle & winter creeper.



## Important Reminders

- **“No-mow Pond Borders”** to enhance our pond health. This longer, naturalized grassy edge will help to prevent erosion & silting & improve the water quality. Help us stabilize our pond embankments...please do not “edge” or “weed-eat” these important areas.
- **Avoid Feeding the Wildlife**
- **Fishing is prohibited in all neighborhood ponds.**
- **Pets** – Keep dogs on leashes, pick up dog waste & dispose waste bags in your Herbie.
- **Enjoy our beautiful Greenspace!**

