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HAPPY AND HEALTHY HOLIDAYS TO ALL

GOD BLESS OUR MILITARY AND THE U.S.A.
VETERAN'S DAY, 2013



SOCIAL CLUB OFFICERS

Delores Holmes, President
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SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

By: Delores Holmes, President

Forest Park Activities are going in full strength. From playing shuffleboard, bocce and all kinds of cards plus BINGO, there is some kind of activity for everyone to participate.

November Koffee Klatsch our speaker was from the Hospice Care. She told about all kinds of services that they have. Our speaker for the December Koffee Klatsch will be from Memorial Gardens. He will inform us about preplanning our funeral arrangements.

Our Veteran's Day Celebration was very versatile with an Honor Guard leading the parade, including 25 plus decorated golf carts, and residents watching the parade while it went from Knotty Pine to the clubhouse. The ceremony at the clubhouse in front of the flags was very inspirational to everyone who attended.

The Social Club officers and helpers: Gail Ford, Mary Beth Schleter, Phyllis and Bill Kliskey, Madeline Preston, Bonnie Akers, Carol Goans, Carol Beconder decorated the clubhouse or made and served lunch to the Veterans and their spouses or widow(ers) of Veteran's.

Don't forget our First Dance under the lights in the Pavilion on November 30th from 6:30-9:30 PM. Our DJ is Gary Cochran. Food will be for sale beginning at 5:00pm consisting of Hot Dog, Chips and Drink for \$3.50. If you buy the meal, desert will be FREE. Profits from the sale will go to the Meals on Wheels Program

Mark your calendar for Saturday, December 7th which will be our semiannual "Community Trash to Treasure Sale" for our entire park residents from 8 AM till 2 PM.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

By: Bob Lang

The office will be closed on Christmas Eve and Christmas day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. There will be limited hours between 10am to 12 noon on Thursday and Friday following the holidays.



LAWN MOWING HOURS
- 7 AM TO 11 PM JUNE
1 THROUGH AUGUST
31ST AND 8 AM TO 11
PM SEPTEMBER 1ST
THROUGH MAY 31ST.

SNOWBIRD CHECK-IN

Please be sure to stop in at the office during the open hours of 9:00 am – 12 Noon, Monday through Friday to let us know that you are back. This becomes very important during an emergency or with issues concerning your property in Forest Park.

KOFFEE KLATSCH

By: Delores Holmes

December 6th, 2013 @ 9 AM

Come and enjoy a free cup of coffee and donut and listen to our speaker, Kevin McCleary, from Memorial Gardens, Funeral Home and Cemetery. He will talk about a Planning Guide that will explain the benefits of preplanning. You need to start thinking about planning your funeral arrangements so that all your family needs to do is follow your instructions.

Please bring your own coffee mug and enjoy the fellowship.

JOY TO THE WORLD...AND TO FOREST PARK!

By: Joyce Hines

The Forest Park Decorators hope to begin transforming the Clubhouse grounds and our entrance around the end of the first week in December. As always, we are looking for volunteers to help with our Christmas decorating project. The exact date of the work day will be posted on our large sign outside of the Clubhouse at the beginning of December.

Last year all of the decorations were checked and organized in our storage shed so hopefully all will be ready to assemble on our "Decoration Day"! Our FP Board generously gave us our 2013 cash allotment early in order that we could take advantage of the post-



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Christmas sales so we have several new items to add to our display.

PLEASE...put a snowflake on your calendar to remind you to be ready to help bring JOY TO FOREST PARK by being a part of our decorating festivities! If you have any questions, please call or email: Joyce Hines, 724-689-5175 or (239-731-3274 after Dec. 2) hines.joyce@gmail.com.

MEN'S COFFEE/DONUT

By: Ray Preston

The Forest Park Men's-Only Coffee/Donut will be held the second Friday of each month from 8AM -10AM in the Clubhouse. This is your chance to solve all the problems of the world or shoot the breeze with your Forest Park buddies.

Grab your coffee mug, pick up a friend and join us for a cup of hot coffee, a freshly made donut and lots of good conversation! Hope to see you on **Friday, December 13th.**



DECEMBER HOLIDAY DINNER

By: Ray & Madaline Preston

Free Holiday Dinner,
Thursday, December 12, 2013
5:30 PM

Tickets will be available on November 24th from 1-4 PM and December 1st from 1-3 PM in the Club House. Plan your dinner menu with others at your table. Meat, dessert and drink furnished. Bring your own table service. Marilyn & Nick Nufryk will be in charge of the tickets.

WANTED: "MEN AND WOMEN TO RUN FOR A POSITION ON THE BOARD"

By: Delores Holmes

There are five Officers whose terms will expire in January:
President
Vice President
2nd Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer

Also, we have three Director Positions who will expire:

Jim Arthur does Insurance

Pete Lawrence does RV Area/Trash

Jim Ullrey does Cable TV/cameras, automatic doors

Director positions are selected to use your expertise - talents and skills. If you are thinking about running for any position, you can seek help from any of our committee members, Mary in the office or those officers, who will be leaving.

We want to acknowledge the dedication of these people who have served in various positions on the board:

Betty Campbell - 9 years

Pete Lawrence - 7 years

Janet Orlando - 12 years

Thank You, Ladies and Gentlemen. This is what makes Forest Park function efficiently.

THANK YOU from the Nominations Committee:

Delores Holmes Chairman

Betty Hult, Ray Preston,

Moni Small and Dale Monette

50TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER

By: Delores Holmes

Each year, Forest Park honors those couples that are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary. If this is applicable to you, be sure to register your name on the sign-up sheet in the back of the clubhouse. The Dinner will be held February 20th, 2014.

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

By: Judy Watson

All articles should be sent to Judy Watson at: fpnews2013@gmail.com by the 13th of each month for the following month's newsletter. I would appreciate you writing your information to me on the Gmail Page in place of an attachment, if possible. Please feel free to email any pictures of park events to me at: fpnews2013@gmail.com. I'd also like to hear from you on any thoughts and ideas you might have regarding the newsletter. You can email me or call me on 239-731-1034.

FOREST PARK CALENDAR

Gail Ford is the person who handles the updates to the calendar. View the calendar anytime and see the most

current information at the website: www.forestparkonline.com. This also allows you to view it in various formats i.e. weekly, monthly, etc. Please contact Gail for calendar changes at: gailford39@gmail.com or call her on 731-2028.

THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE

By: *Betty and Bo McClain*

The Annual Christmas Parade will be held on Monday, December 23rd. We will meet promptly at 6:00PM in front of the club house. We need wrapped gifts for drawings following the parade. Bring your gifts to Betty and Bo any day before the parade date.

CHRISTMAS
PARADE

Everyone is welcome to join in the fun. Decorate your carts or bicycles and join us as we parade thru the park. We all have a good time throwing candy and playing Christmas Carols. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be in the parade. If anyone has gifts from Santa to give to children visiting in the park, please drop them off at Mike Fanning's house.

Refreshments will be served in the club house after the parade. Any questions, please call: Betty or Bo at: 239-560-0849

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E MAIL BLAST

By: *Gail Ford*

The Social Club is trying out a new idea, "Email Blast". The purpose of this is to notify park resident's, by email, of any last minute changes regarding our FP activities. These changes will also be on our online calendar. If you are interested, please send an email with your email address to: fpemailblast@gmail.com. You will not get any "JUNK MAIL" from me.

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SUNCOAST OUTREACH CENTER CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

By: Rita & Bernie Booth

Forest Park is collecting toys for the children living in the Suncoast community for their Christmas Party. If you would like to make a donation for the toy drive, it would be appreciated.

Drop off unwrapped toys by December 12th at Bernie & Rita Booth's home, 506 Peace Lake Ct.
(They have requested that we go light on stuffed animals).

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

By: Delores Holmes

Celebrate the beginning of a New Year with other Forest Park Residents and your friends at the clubhouse. The George Ward Band will be providing the entertainment with all kinds of music.



New Years Eve Dance 9pm -1am
Tuesday, December 31, 2013
Tickets: \$15.00 per person

Tickets will be on sale December 22nd and 29th from 1-3pm in the clubhouse. Come and enjoy the music.

USE OF HANDICAP DOOR OPERATORS

By: Jim Ullrey

Please remember these are not the type we use at a shopping mall etc. A door used in a place like that would cost \$6000 - \$8000. Our door operators were installed on existing doors where the door and the casing are not the material of choice for this operation or operators. We have attempted to use the doors we have without major expense, and for the most part they are/will do the job.

Instructions:

When the doors are to be opened, you (EVERYONE) must slide the palm of your hand (see picture right) close to the grey box (which is a heat sensing device) without touching it and WAIT for the door to open and close on its own. Please remember the wind as



well as forcing the door to open or close (by pulling on the regular door handles) will upset the timing of the operator. The green button (see picture right) is ONLY to be used after hours when the door is locked or in case of emergencies.



For further questions or concerns, please speak to Jim Ullrey or Mary Diaz in the office.

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST RESIDENTS/HOME BUYERS

Carol A. Cottrell, 746 Knotty Pine Circle from IN.

HEALTH & WELFARE

By: Mary Gibson, RN

The December Blood Pressure Clinic will be held on December 17th from 9am to 11am in the clubhouse. Unless there is a change, it should be held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 9 to 11am in the clubhouse. Will advise you if any information about bloodmobiles or any other medical issues. Watch future newsletters for more information.

FOREST PARK VOLUNTEERS WANTED TO WORK AT THE LEE COUNTY FAIR

By: Delores Holmes

The Lee County Fair is looking for volunteers to work inside the Civic Center doing various jobs. If you like to judge exhibits, or be a narrator (giving away door prizes), greeter (answering questions), or on the last day help take down school or 4 H projects, the fair wants you. They will place you in your comfort sector. The dates of the Fair are from Thursday, February, 27 to Sunday, March 9, 2014.

You choose what hours you want to work. The Fair hours are: Sat & Sun 11:30 -2:30, 2:00-5:00 PM, 4:30-7:30 PM, or 7:00-10:00 PM. Mon - Fri 4:30 -7:30 PM or 7:00 - 10:00 PM. You pick your day or days and hours that you would like to work. Available for you will be drinks & snacks.

If interested please contact, Delores Holmes, 239-731-3943 to sign up or receive more information.

COMMUNITY TRASH TO TREASURE CARPORT SALE

By: Delores Holmes

Mark your calendar for our semi-annual "Community Trash to Treasure Sale" for all residents in our park. Hours will be from 8am to 2pm.

NORTHEAST CLUB MEETING

December 9, 2013 at 7:00 pm

By: Nancy Cooper

I am often asked if people have to live in the Northeast to belong to the Club. The answer is absolutely "NO". As with all clubs in the Park, you can join anyone you wish. Last year we had folks from 16 states and several of the Canadian provinces. Our officers are from Michigan, Massachusetts, and Canada. We welcome you to join us for a lot of fun, a lot of friendship and a lot of laughter. Membership dues are \$2 per person due at the December 9th meeting or the first meeting you attend if you arrive after the 9th. We look forward to seeing you.

Our December meeting is the "UGLY SWEATER CONTEST". I have been telling you about this all summer and fall so I expect some of you are going to blow us away with your tacky holiday apparel. In keeping with the event, tacky prizes will be awarded. If you don't have a sweater, don't let that stop you from attending. There will be games and prizes and ice cream sundaes and cookies for all.

Here's a hint: Practice your singing voice!

KNIT AND CROCHET CLUB

By: Nancy Lawrence

The Knit and Crochet Club meets every Wednesday afternoon from 2-4PM in the Activity Building. Bring any projects you are working on or share a project you have done with the group. All are welcome. We will be joining the Quilters and Artists in March for the Chinese Auction.



BINGO

By: Anne Domingos

Please join us on Tuesday's at 6:45pm for 7:00pm Bingo in the clubhouse each week. Cards are \$.50 with a minimum purchase of four cards. Night Owl cards are \$.25.

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FOREST PARK BOOK GROUP

By: Joan King

The first meeting of the season will be on Friday, December 20th at 1:00 in the Activities Building. This is a week early because of the holiday. We're discussing the classic *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald. Copies are readily available in trade paperback and at the library. Check with your grandkids, they probably had to read it in high school and have a copy lurking in their bedrooms somewhere. It'll be good to get back together again to begin the season. We'll watch one of the 'Gatsby' movies later in the season. Call Joan King for more info after Dec. 10th. 239 567-0606.



BUNCO

By: Larry Tsicountouridis

Please watch future newsletters for start date and times.



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Ray Hosey 18
Jo Ann Gagner 21
Carol Beconder 24
Jeri Wooley 26
Jan Orlando 30
Wava Straw 31

Also an extra special belated birthday greeting to Bob Holland on his August 31st Birthday!

BID EUCHRE

By: Madaline Preston

We have Bid Euchre every Wednesday & Saturday at 6:30pm in the Clubhouse unless there is another activity going on in there. We then play in the Activity Building. We have several new players and would like to have many more join in on the fun.

BOCCE

By: Bob Howe

Come join the fun each Monday and Thursday at 2:30pm at the Bocce Court. All are welcome. Don't be shy. It is lots of fun and no experience needed. We are not pros.... Hope to see you there.

KARAOKE

The third Monday of each month at 6:00 pm the clubhouse comes alive with the sound of music. Join in or just listen. Both actions are welcome. The next Karaoke will be December 16th.



PINE TREE KNOTS QUILT CLUB

By: Gail Ford

We have started to welcome back our winter members. During the summer many of us made Christmas favors to be given to the Meals on Wheels program and to our Forest Park shut-in's for Christmas. So far we have a total of over 400 favors made. We meet each Thursday morning from 9-11 am. Come meet us and see how much fun we have while quilting.

On Nov. 7th we hosted a farewell luncheon for Isy McClain, who has now left Forest Park. She has moved North to be closer to her daughter. We will all miss our lovely friend and member of our quilt club.

During one of our recent meetings we discussed the idea of donating small lap quilts to our local fire department. These would be given to children who may have been involved in a traumatic incident. We will pursue this further.

In March we will have another Chinese Auction. This will be a combined show with the Art Class and the Knit and Crochet Club. Watch future newsletters for more information.

WI FI IN FOREST PARK

By: Doug Ford - the WiFi Guy

I would like to thank Jim Schleiter, with assistance from Mark and Gerry, for providing wifi support during the summer. We presently are experiencing slow downs and inability to get on our wifi system. This still remains undiagnosed at this time. We are very active in trying to resolve this problem. I will add that our daily wifi usage is very close to normal for this time of the year. If you can't get on the wifi and you have an outside antenna, unplug your small black box from the wall which reboots the antenna. Also I will say again, NO MOVIES please.

We have 2 major wifi projects this fall. The RV tower will be lowered to replace both antennas that were hit by lighting. The second project is to relocate the wifi equipment from the very hot space above the vents to shelves along side for better access and cooling.

I would also like to see a park survey to address our future internet needs.

EMAIL ADDRESSES FOR FOREST PARK NOTIFICATIONS

By: Mary Diaz (FP Office)

The Forest Park Office sends occasional communications from the office to the Forest Park residents. If you would like to add your email address to our database to receive notifications, announcements, etc. please call the office (239-543-1155) between 9-noon or send an email to: fppoainc@gmail.com indicating that you would like to be added to our database

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH/PATROL (NWP)

By: Lou Smith

Neighborhood Watch meeting will be on Wed. Dec. 11 at 10am in the Activity Building. Bring your coffee cup; we will be having coffee and donuts for Christmas. Remember, when driving in Forest Park, we must obey the stop signs. That goes for cars, golf carts and bikes. Be a nosy neighbor and watch out for your neighbor's place, whether they are home or away. If you see any suspicious activities, call the Lee County Sheriff at 477-1000.

NEW FOREST PARK LIBRARIAN

By: Patty McCoy

Did you know that Forest Park has a wonderful library? Why not stop by and "check us out"? There are large collections of your favorite authors- John Grisham, Stuart Woods, James Patterson, Danielle Steele, J.D. Robb, Janet Evanovich, and many more current popular authors.

Since I began volunteering as your Librarian in September, I have introduced a few new features to enhance your library experience:

- We now have a magazine exchange where you can trade out your magazines for issues that you may not have read yet. Leave some, take some!
- New book numbering system- all books now have the number of the month they were received on the spine. Now you can quickly see which books are new arrivals.
- New (and growing) non-fiction section with great reference, biographies, self help and current events.

Feel free to borrow and enjoy these books. There are no rules or due dates. My mission is to keep the library

up to date and meaningful for all of us. The library is entirely supported by you and your generous donations. Your continued support is vital to offering a valuable and enjoyable entertainment experience. To that end, your donation of current hardcover and paperback books is appreciated. Since space is limited, please observe the following:

- Books published in the last 1-3 years are appreciated.
- Please do not drop off your old book collection- donate it to your favorite charity.
- Most fiction and non-fiction is welcome EXCEPT religious, sexually explicit, violence, encyclopedias, computer software instruction or textbooks.
- We need DVD movies, computer games, Wii, PS2 and Xbox 360 games and books on CD- the old VHS and cassette formats will be phased out.
- Bring your old magazines and puzzles, also.
- Your donation of book-ends and display stands for books will also be appreciated.

I would love to hear your comments and suggestions.

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISEMENTS

By: Judy Watson

Forest Park does not necessarily endorse the advertisements in our newsletters. These advertisements are secured by the publisher, "Community Media" of Venice, FL, to offset the printing costs.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN A DAY TRIP?

By: Carol Goans

I have contacted "Trendy Tours" at 239-449-5065. They have a number of day trips between December and April 2014. A complete list with dates, description of tour and prices are in the back of the club house with the other sign-up sheets in the hall. If interested, you will make your own individual plans, I will not be making plans for the park.

I am still looking into Hollywood Casino plans for January.

Best wishes for a beautiful Thanksgiving.

ART CLASSES

By: Jack Watson

Art Class will start on Monday, January 6, 2014 @ 9:00 am in the Activities Bldg. Cost is still \$10.00 per class payable upfront. Supplies will be available for first timers. Class will meet every Monday from 9am to 12 noon through the end of March. Any questions call Betty Leis @ 239-997-1880



RED HAT LADIES

By: Betty Campbell

The Forest Park Red Hat Ladies will be going to "Longhorns Restaurant" on Friday, December 13th.

If you would like to join us, all you need is a Red Hat and a Purple Outfit. We will need a count for reservations due by December 10th. We will be meeting at 11 am at the clubhouse to car pool. We have lots of fun, come find out!



CRAFT CLUB

By: Wanda Dickerson

I can't believe it is almost Christmas. I don't know where the year went. We are going to "Ruby Tuesday's" on December 4th to celebrate (thank you Nancy Lawrence and Carol Goans for all your shopping around). We will also be collecting gifts to take to the Women's and Children's Abuse and Counseling Center in Fort Myers on that day.

We hope everyone who came to the Welcome Back Social enjoyed themselves. I would like to thank all the ladies in our club who helped make this a successful day. This has been the second year that the Craft Ladies have done this and each year seems to be better. We had more people this year and hope that next year we will have even more.

During our meetings we are working on painting canvas bags with fabric paint. These were both donated by the family of Janet Rutledge. We would like to thank her family for thinking of us when they were donating many of her craft supplies. Janet was a part of our Craft Club for many years and is missed by all.

Hopefully we will get the Christmas Decorations up before this Newsletter is out so everyone can enjoy them. Remember we meet every Wednesday morning from 9:00 until 11:00. We hope you will come out and join us. Our dues are \$10.00 a year, but you get a lot for your money. We have a lot of fun and are always looking for new projects.

COMPUTER CLUB

By: Sherrill Wright

Recycle: Don't throw away your used ink cartridges! I can take them to Office Max and get a credit for them, which is then donated back to the Computer Club. There is a collection container on the Activity room counter.

The Computer Club is a group of friendly people who meet every Thursday, 2 - 4 PM to help each other with computer issues. If you have a problem related to computers, or a skill you think might benefit others, YOU ARE WHO WE NEED IN OUR CLUB! Please come and join the group. Membership costs \$10/household per winter season. We take a break and have coffee and cookies around 3 PM to socialize. Most members use Windows, but some use Macs or Linux and most software programs are compatible with each system. Each week, we usually have a person show something they are experienced in, or we focus on a particular problem. In many cases, the club can help fix the problem. If not, we can usually define the situation, to assist if professional help is needed.

If you have a particular interest, a new piece of equipment like an iPad or similar tablet or I-Phone that you would like to show and demonstrate, please join us. This also includes your friends and family who might be visiting. Also, if you have a particular need, or problem that you would like help with, please come along and join us, but let us know in advance so we can schedule it on that week's meeting. Contact Sherrill or John Wright @ 239.731.7524, email fpclub@yahoo.com.



F.P.P.O.A. BOARD NEWS

2013 FPPOA GOVERNING DOCUMENTS

By: Bob Lang

If you didn't get the updated 2013 FPPOA Governing Documents which were distributed at the April Membership Meeting, please pick up a copy in the Office when you check in. (one copy per household). All prior versions can be destroyed.

BOD & GM MEETING DATES FOR 2013/2014

By: Bob Lang, Secretary

Here are the meeting dates for the remainder of the 2013/2014 season.

December 12, 2013, BOD Meeting
December 19, 2013, GM Meeting

January 9, 2014, General Election
January 16, 2014, BOD Meeting
January 23, 2014, GM Meeting

February 20, 2014, BOD Meeting
February 27, 2014, GM Meeting

March 20, 2014, BOD Meeting
March 27, 2014, GM Meeting

April 17, 2014, BOD Meeting
April 24, 2014, GM Meeting

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MTG

December 12, 2013
9:00 am

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MTG

December 19, 2013
7:00 pm

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

By: Bob Lang

"As I wind down my term as your Secretary, I would like to thank all of our members for your kind support over the past 2 years. It has been my pleasure to serve you."

FOREST PARK CHORALEERS

By Joyce Hines

Hear Ye, Hear Ye! The Forest Park Choraleers need more voices.

We know that hidden in the nooks and crannies of the quaint manufactured homes of the Park, there are talented singers. PLEASE COME OUT! Our first practice will be on January 7th at 1:00 p.m. in the Forest Park Clubhouse. Just show up and you will become a member! If you have any questions call: Joyce Hines @ 724-689-5175 or 239-731-3274(after Dec. 2nd)

We are looking forward to a great season under the direction of Marilynn Parkinson. Our program this year is titled, "As Time Goes By".

Sadly, this year, for the first time, our chorus will be performing without one of our most avid members, Reggie Harvey. Reggie was our biggest advocate and loved being a part of our group. His presence and participation will be missed.

We look forward to entertaining the residents of Forest Park both at the Anniversary Dinner and at our annual show! See you then!

FAREWELL DEAR FRIENDS

The following dear friends have passed away and their names were not noted in previous newsletters. They will be greatly missed.

Sam McArthur of Forest Park Drive and **Bill McLellan** of Sand Lake Ct.

If you know of others, please send me an email at fpnews2013@gmail.com or call the Forest Park office so we can list their names in the next newsletter.

EXERCISE PROGRAM RECOMMENDED FOR "KIDS" OF ANY AGE!

Please join us beginning in November on Tuesday and Saturday mornings at 9:00 am in the clubhouse for a fun, easy exercise program.

Bring a small hand weight or even a can of soup to use to build muscle. Also bring a small pillow.

EASY WATER EXERCISE

Most of the water exercises are the same as the Tuesday & Saturday exercises, except they are done in the pool. This means less stress on joints plus we get those healthy rays of sunshine at the same time. We have a great time exercising and catching up on the latest in Forest Park. Please come join us beginning in November from 10:30 am to 11:30 am Monday-Friday at the pool. The pool is limited to 18 persons in the pool at any one time so come early to insure your spot. Exercises are also subject to weather cooperating.

RESOURCE BOOK

In the clubhouse there is a Resource Book which has been put together by members of Forest Park. These are referrals or warnings of how outside vendors have performed in the Park. Before you hire someone, please check the book to see if someone in the park has used that particular company or person. If you would like to add a name or business you may do so.

LINE DANCING

By: Connie St. Jean

Beginner Line Dancing will begin on Friday, January 10th from 10 to 11:30am in the pavilion. Come learn how to line dance or just for the exercise. Cost is \$2.00 per person per session.

Come meet our instructors, Tom & Leslie Howes. Sessions will take place at the pavilion unless it rains or is too cold and then we'll go inside the club house.

ALUMINUM CAN RE-CYCLE

By: Mary Beth Schleter

Please remember to put your washed out and dried out aluminum cans in a bag and place UNDER YOUR MAILBOX Monday evening for early Tuesday morning pick up. Make sure cans are rinsed and clean and DRY. Please place away from trash cans/bags. DO NOT place plastic, glass or metal cans in the bag. Those go in the blue tote bins. Money collected for can recycle helps pay some of the costs of Social Club activities. So, it benefits all residents of Forest Park.

BLUE BARREL RE-CYCLE

The blue barrel is used for all other types of re-cycling such as paper, metal, plastic, etc. This is a separate program from our regular trash that is picked up on Tuesdays and Fridays. The re-cycle truck comes on Wednesdays.

GREEN TREE STICKER

There is a little green tree sticker available in the office that goes on the back window of your car. All residents with automobiles should have this highly visible authorization to be in the Park. This will help the safety patrol on their nightly rounds. If you are a temporary resident and don't want any stickers on your window, then scotch tape it there while you are here.

BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY DATES

We started putting into the newsletter each month, people's name and birth date. If you wish to have you name and date added to our **Birthday List**, please email the office at (fppoainc@gmail.com) with your information or there is a signup sheet in the back of the clubhouse. Now, we want to add in our newsletter, everyone's **Anniversary Date**. If you would like to have your names and date in the Forest Park Newsletter, please email the office at (fppoainc@gmail.com) with your information or there is a signup sheet in the back of the clubhouse.



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FOREST PARK SHUFFLEBOARD

*By: Dale Stafford, Captain
and Ray Preston, Co-Captain*

Shuffleboard has begun again for the 2013 - 2014 season. Court times are as usual Mon. Fri. and Sat. at 10:00am and Monday night at 7:00 pm.

Our first meeting will be in the activities building on Saturday November 16th at 9:00am, and our first league game will be an away game at Pioneer Village on Nov. 27th 2013.

Attendance so far has been very skimpy so don't be shy, come on out and shuffle and have a good time.

SHUFFLE LEAGUE INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF EVENTS 2013 - 2014

Nov. 16, 2013	-Meeting Act. Bldg.	9:00 - 10:00 am
Nov. 27, 2013	-League Starts	
Dec. 13, 2013	-Ice Cream Shuffle	12:30-3:00 pm
Jan. 04, 2014	-Meeting Act. Bldg.	9:00 - 10:00 am
Jan. 10, 2014	-Hot Dog Shuffle	11:00 - 1:00 pm
Feb. 01, 2014	-Meeting Act. Bldg.	9:00 - 10:00 am
Feb. 14, 2014	-Valentine Breakfast	6:30 - 10:30am
Feb. 22, 2014	-Fun Day"	9:00 - 12:00pm
Mar. 1, 2014	-Meeting Act. Bldg.	9:00 - 10:00am
	(Election of Officers)	
Mar. 7, 2014	-Koffee Klutch	9:00am
	(hosted by shuffleboard with Ellsworth)	
Mar.22, 2014	-King & Queen	
	(coffee & donuts)	9:00am
	(shuffle)	9:30am
	(hot dog & drink)	12:00pm

FOREST PARK SHUFFLE LEAGUE SCHEDULE

Nov. 27, 2013	Away at Pioneer Village
Dec. 4, 2013	Home with Tamiami Village
Dec. 11, 2013	Home with Cypress Woods
Dec. 18, 2013	Away with Crystal Lakes
Jan. 8, 2014	Home with Lazy Days
Jan 15, 2014	Home with Carriage Village
Jan. 22, 2014	Away with Pointsettia Park

Jan. 29, 2014

Home with Pioneer Village

Feb. 5, 2014

Away with Tamiami Village

Feb. 12, 2014

Away with Cypress Woods

Feb. 19, 2014

Home with Crystal Lakes

Feb. 26, 2014

Away with Lazy Days

Mar. 5, 2014

Away with Carriage Village

Mar. 12, 2014

Home with Pointsettia Village



By: Carol Goans

The clubhouse looks so scary and funny at the same time. Nancy Lawrence, June Kearschner and the Craft Club ladies did a fine job reminding us all to be kids again, and enjoy the Halloween season. Thanks ladies for the whimsical pumpkins.



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THANK YOU

By: Judy Watson

Thank you to Becky Conrad, Sheila Fitzgerald and Helen and Lou Smith for all the photos you've taken and emailed to me for the Newsletter. I more than appreciate your help especially during the summer months when I'm not in the park. Many people have commented on the beautiful color photos on our front page every month. Keep them coming!

JOKES

THE POTTY

Passed along from Isy McClain

A little three year old boy is sitting on the toilet. His Mother thinks he has been in there too long, so she goes in to see what's up. The little boy is sitting on the toilet reading a book. But about every 15 seconds or so, he puts the book down, grips onto the toilet seat with his left hand and hits himself on top of his head with his right hand.

His Mother says, "Billy, are you all right? You've been in here for a while."

Billy say, "I'm fine, Mommy. I just haven't gone potty yet."

Mother says, "OK, you can stay here a few more minutes, but, Billy, why are you hitting yourself on the head?"

Billy says, "Works for Ketchup." ☺

Enjoy life now, it has an expiration date!

I OWE MY MOTHER

From Isy McClain

1. My mother taught me RELIGION.
"You better pray that will come out of the carpet."
2. My mother taught me LOGIC.
"Because I said so, that's why."
3. My mother taught me FORESIGHT.
"Make sure you wear clean underwear, in case you're in an accident."
4. My mother taught me about CONTORTIONISM.

"Will you look at that dirt on the back of your neck!"

5. My mother taught me about WEATHER.
"This room of yours looks as if a tornado went through it."

6. My mother taught me about JUSTICE.
"One day you'll have kids, and I hope they turn out just like you!"

Now that you've smiled at least once, share these with someone you want to bring a smile to. We all need a good laugh, keep on smiling!

ZIPLOC OMELETS

From Judy Watson

These omelets are great for when you are alone or when the Grandkids come over. Best feature is that no one has to wait for their special omelet!! Have guests write their name on a quart-size Ziploc freezer bag with a permanent marker.

Crack 2 eggs into the quart size Ziploc bag (not more than 2 eggs). Shake to combine them.

Put out a variety of ingredients such as cheeses, ham, onion, green pepper, tomato, hash browns, salsa, etc.

Each guest adds prepared ingredients of choice to their bag and shakes.

Make sure to get the air out of the bag and zip it up.

Place the bags into rolling, boiling water for exactly 13 minutes. You can usually cook 6-8 omelet bags in a large pot. For more bags, make another pot of boiling water.

Cut the bags and the omelet will roll out easily. Be prepared for everyone to be amazed.

Nice to serve with fresh fruit and coffee cake; everyone gets involved in the process and a great conversation piece.

Imagine having these ready the night before, and putting the bags in boiling water while you get ready. And in 13 minutes, you have a nice omelet for a quick breakfast! The best part, is very little cleanup is needed. Grandkids really love making their own omelets.

December 2013 - FOREST PARK

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 1:00pm Holiday Din Tks	2 9:00am Dominoes 10:00am Shuffleboard 10:30am Pool exercises 12:30pm Duplicate Bridge 2:30pm Bocce 7:00pm Shuffleboard	3 9:00am exercise 10:30am Pool exercises 6:45pm Bingo	4 10:30am Pool exercises 12:00pm Craft Luncheon- Ruby Tuesday's 12:30pm shuffle-home 2:00pm Knit and Crochet Club 6:30pm Bid Euchre	5 9:00am Quilt Club 10:30am Pool exercises 1:00pm Change Bingo 2:00pm Computer Club 2:30pm Bocce	6 9:00am Koffee Klatch 10:00am Shuffleboard 10:30am Pool exercises 6:30pm Friday Bridge 7:00pm Poker	7 8:00am Community Trash to Treasures sale 9:00am exercise 10:00am Shuffleboard 1:00pm Bingo 6:30pm Bid Euchre
8	9 9:00am Dominoes 10:00am Shuffleboard 10:30am Pool exercises 12:30pm Duplicate Bridge 2:30pm Bocce 7:00pm NE Club Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest 7:00pm Shuffleboard	10 9:00am exercise 10:30am Pool exercises 6:45pm Bingo	11 9:00am Craft Club 10:00am Neighborhood Watch 10:30am Pool exercises 12:30pm shuffle-home 2:00pm Knit and Crochet Club 6:30pm Bid Euchre	12 9:00am Quilt Club 9:00am FPPOA Board meeting 10:30am Pool exercises 1:00pm Change Bingo 2:00pm Computer Club 2:30pm Bocce 5:30pm Holiday Dinner	13 8:00am Men's Koffee Klatch 10:00am Shuffleboard 10:30am Pool exercises 12:30pm ice cream shuffle 1:00pm Red Hat -Longhorns Restaurant 6:30pm Friday Bridge 7:00pm Poker	14 9:00am exercise 10:00am Shuffleboard 1:00pm Bingo 6:30pm Bid Euchre
15	16 9:00am Dominoes 10:00am Shuffleboard 10:30am Pool exercises 12:30pm Duplicate Bridge 2:30pm Bocce 6:00pm Karaoke 7:00pm Shuffleboard	17 9:00am exercise 9:00am Blood Pressure Clinic 10:30am Pool exercises 6:45pm Bingo	18 9:00am Craft Club 10:30am Pool exercises 2:00pm Knit and Crochet Club 6:30pm Bid Euchre Shuffle-away-Crystal lakes	19 9:00am Quilt Club 10:30am Pool exercises 1:00pm Change Bingo 2:00pm Computer Club 2:30pm Bocce 7:00pm FPPOA Meeting	20 10:00am Shuffleboard 10:30am Pool exercises 1:00pm Book Club-The Great Gatsby 6:30pm Friday Bridge 7:00pm Poker	21 Winter Solstice 9:00am exercise 10:00am Shuffleboard 1:00pm Bingo 6:30pm Bid Euchre
22 1:00pm New Year's Dance Tks on sale	23 9:00am Dominoes 10:00am Shuffleboard 10:30am Pool exercises 12:30pm Duplicate Bridge 2:30pm Bocce 6:00pm Christmas Parade 7:00pm Shuffleboard	24 9:00am exercise 10:30am Pool exercises 6:45pm Bingo	25 Christmas 9:00am Craft Club 6:30pm Bid Euchre	26 9:00am Quilt Club 10:30am Pool exercises 1:00pm Change Bingo 2:00pm Computer Club 2:30pm Bocce	27 10:00am Shuffleboard 10:30am Pool exercises 6:30pm Friday Bridge 7:00pm Poker	28 9:00am exercise 10:00am Shuffleboard 1:00pm Bingo 2:30pm Bocce 6:30pm Bid Euchre
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