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## *HAPPY THANKSGIVING*



## SOCIAL CLUB OFFICERS

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"Needed", 1st Vice President  
"Needed", 2nd Vice President  
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## THANKSGIVING

*By: Delores Holmes*



Thursday, November 22, is Thanksgiving Day.

Turkey, pumpkin pie, and all the trimmings will fill our homes with many

smiles, much laughter and undoubtedly a cornucopia of blessings for which we will be grateful.

Why do we have turkey? Did you know that pilgrims called wild fowl turkey? When the colonists celebrated that first Thanksgiving with the Wampanoag Indians (whose daily life including giving thanks for the creator's gifts and ceremonies centered around thanks for successful harvests and hopes for abundant growing seasons in the spring), They dined on beef, fowl and venison.

A letter written by Edward Winslow mention a turkey hunting trip. Prior to the meal, (Also, wild turkeys are native to North American) Thus, turkeys are the favorite bird for Thanksgiving feast. The idea of giving thanks and celebrating the harvest became popular in early America, but it was President Abraham Lincoln, who declared it a national holiday in 1863.

In a letter the he wrote to a friend back home in his native England, many believed Edward Winslow was referring to the very first Thanksgiving when he wrote "And God be praised, "we had a good increase our harvest be gotten in, our governor sent four men on fowling so that we might have a special manner, rejoice together. At which time among other recreations we exercised our arms, many of the Indians came among us and among the rest of their greatest King Massasoit, with some ninety men, whom for three days we entertained and feasted, and they went out and killed five deer, which they bought to the plantation and bestowed on our Governor,

and upon the captain and others. And although it be not always so plentiful as it was at that time with us, yet by the goodness, of God, we are so far from want that we wish you partakers of our plenty, These things I thought good to let you understand that you might on our behalf give God thanks who has debt so favorable with us"

I, Delores Holmes, wish your love ones a Thanksgiving full of much gratitude for the blessings of family and friends, a home full of warmth and laughter and all the trimmings reminiscent of that very first bountiful harvest celebration.

## VETERAN'S DAY PARADE....

*By Delores Holmes*

November 11, parade starts 10:30 AM

Everyone can be a participant in our parade

Parade starts at the corner of Knotty Pine and Forest Park Drive. Ends at the Military Plaques outside of the club house near Forest Park Drive

Decorate your golf cart, decorate your bicycle, decorate yourself and join in the parade.

If you want to watch our parade, congregate on Forest Park Drive; then walk down to watch the Veteran's Ceremony. Lori Adams will be singing the National Anthem. Ceremony to follow. Lunch will be served after ceremony for Veteran's and their spouses also widows of Veteran's.



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## OUR VEGGIE MAN IS BACK

Don't forget...our Veggie Man will be here every Thursday from 8 AM to 12 noon in front of the Clubhouse (unless it rains). Please note that he switched his regular day from Fridays to Thursdays. He will have fresh produce, along with home baked breads, pies, jams and more. Come on out and take advantage of nature's bounty.



## FOREST PARK WEB SITE:

*By: Jan Harmon*

If you have access to a computer, a tablet, or a smart phone, visit [www.forestparkonline.com](http://www.forestparkonline.com) where you can access much information available on the Forest Park Web site.

On the pages you can find information on various activities, a photo gallery, membership meeting documents, newsletters, the event calendar, and information on all aspects of living in Forest Park.

A web camera on the home page is a good place to see the weather if you are away from the park. It operates 24 hours a day.

We have a page listing homes for sale or for rent and a page for those wishing to rent.

Search engines, such as Google, have directed people looking for a park in which to purchase or rent retirement homes to our pages. We have had good responses to the information offered on the site attracting future residents.

If you know someone looking for a place to spend the winter, direct them to our site where much of the information they seek can be found. If you have questions or comments, regarding the web pages, they can be directed to me as [webmaster@forestparkonline.com](mailto:webmaster@forestparkonline.com)

## KOFFEE KLATSCH

*By: Social Club*

FRIDAY, November 4 at 9:00 a.m. in the clubhouse  
FREE COFFEE AND DONUT  
BRING YOUR OWN MUG

While you eat your donut our speaker will talk about keeping your air conditioner in working order.



## Don't forget to "Fall Back" on Sunday, November 6th

The leaves are changing colors (for our northern friends), the weather is getting cooler....and it's that time of year again when we "fall back." Officially you can change your clocks back one hour, on Sunday, November 6th at 2 A.M. Daylight savings time ends, and you get that extra hour of sleep lost in March when we "sprang forward".

## THE SEARCH IS ON!

*By: Joyce Hines*



Do you enjoy music? Do you like to sing? The Forest Park CHORALEERS are on the search for people just like you! The Choraleers will begin practicing on Tuesday, January 3rd, 2017 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at our clubhouse. We are excited and are looking forward to our 2017 season!

If you would like to join us, email or call Joyce Hines: [hines.joyce@gmail.com](mailto:hines.joyce@gmail.com) 724-689-5175  
or...simply show up on January 3rd!

Look for more details about our upcoming season in the December newsletter.



Please do not prop open any of our doors in the Clubhouse or Activities Buildings, including the kitchen door.

A small black garden snake was discovered in the kitchen cabinets, and may have slipped in when the kitchen door was propped open.

There are 2 types of main entry doors for our buildings, "Manual" and "Handicapped." The handicapped doors should only be operated using the automatic pad, and not manually forced open. The doors operate on magnetic locks and timers which can malfunction if improperly forced open or propped open. Your cooperation is appreciated.

## FOREST PARK TOY DRIVE

Forest Park is collecting toys that will be donated to Santa for the Children living in the Suncoast Community for their Christmas Party. Any resident of the park is welcome to donate. If you wish to donate, please drop off unwrapped toys by: December 12th at Pam Salk 5350 Forest Park Drive.



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## ❄️❄️ CHRISTMAS GIFTS OF CHEER ❄️❄️

It's that time of the year when we start to think about the holidays and the folks in Forest Park. For some, 2016 has been a wonderful year yet, for others, there has been pain and sorrow. We like to reach out to those neighbors who could use a bit of cheer. Our gifts, given with love and friendship, are the Park's way of saying, "You are not alone or forgotten". Thanks to the generosity of many clubs and individuals hundreds of baskets of fruit, cookies, candy, food and flowers have been delivered to the homes of our friends and neighbors.

Once again, the committee will meet to put together a list of folks who could use some holiday cheer. Because we have so many new residents in the Park we do not know everyone. Therefore, we hope that if you know of someone who should be on the list you will tell a committee member. The members are Delores Holmes, Carol Goans, Joann Gagner, Madaline Preston, Chris Major, Mary Gibson, Nancy Lawrence and Nancy Cooper, Chairperson.

### NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

*By: Pam Maynard*

All articles should be sent to Pam Maynard at: [fpsocialnews@gmail.com](mailto:fpsocialnews@gmail.com) by the 12th of each month for the following month's newsletter. I would appreciate you writing your information in the email in place of an attachment, if possible. Any questions or concerns please email me at the above address or call me at 740-398-4576. Please remember the newsletter continues to run every month all summer long. During the summer months, when the newsletters arrive in the office at the end of each month, watch the marquee for the newsletters to be picked up in the Clubhouse and Activity Building. They will not be delivered to your home during the summer months, so don't forget to stop and pick up your copy. If you have any special events or places you are visiting this summer or if something exciting happens wherever your travels take you, please share your story and pictures with your Forest Park friends by sending them to [fpsocialnews@gmail.com](mailto:fpsocialnews@gmail.com). Enjoy your summer, travel safely, we will be looking forward to seeing you in the fall.

FOR THE DECEMBER AND JANUARY NEWSLETTERS our deadlines will change:

**Deadline for December newsletter November 10th**

**Deadline for January newsletter December 7th**

## 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 following website: [www.forestparkonline.com](http://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](mailto:gailford39@gmail.com) or call her 603-440-5122.

### NO SOLICITING

Forest Park has a clear non-solicitation policy posted at the front of the community. However, there are several companies that persist in soliciting our residents. Unfortunately, there have been situations where residents have been taken advantage of by solicitors.

The most frequent violators include companies which sell water/water purification systems, tree trimming services, telephone/cable/internet services, and air conditioning companies. These companies may offer free services, such as water quality testing, A/C check, etc. Another tactic they employ is implying that they provided a service in the past to you or to your neighbors, or that they are conducting a survey.

Residents are encouraged to never open the door if you do not recognize the individual. Tell the individual through the window that they are trespassing and must leave immediately. If they do not leave, please call the Lee County Sheriff (non-emergency number) at 239-477-1000. The Sheriff will come out and escort them off of the property.



The 2016 General Election is Tuesday, November 8th, and polling precincts are open 7 AM to 7 PM. The deadline in Florida to request a Vote By Mail Ballot is Wed., Nov. 2, 2016 at 5:00 PM. Early voting began on Mon. Oct. 24th and ends on Sat. Nov. 5th 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM. Check your voter registration card for your voting precinct location or for further information, call 239-533-8683 or visit [www.lee.vote](http://www.lee.vote).



## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Dale Monette	6
Julie Seubert	7
Shirley McNamara	13
Wanda Caughlin	21
Bob Lang	26



## NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Ron & Roberta Rizas November 4, 1956  
Jack & Suzann Malone November 27, 1958  
Paul & Carolyn Hodson November 29, 1969

If you would like to include your birthday or anniversary in future newsletters, you may email the date(s) to the office at [fppoainc@gmail.com](mailto:fppoainc@gmail.com)



## WELCOME TO YOUR NEW HOME

Catherine Holle 452 Jacaramba Ct. from IN  
Ivan & Jill Taylor 720 Knotty Pine Circle from CO



## A FEW REMINDERS FROM THE OFFICE...

**Phone Directory Updates** - The phone directory updates have been submitted to the printer and should be available within a few weeks. We will notify everyone when they arrive. Thank you!

**Mail Service notice from our mail carrier** - In order to resume mail service, please remove the green twisty tie on your mailbox, fill out the green card and leave it in your box with the flag up to let our carrier know that you are back. You must notify the Post Office by either having an end date on your mail forwarding order or ask Jeff for a new card. If you wish to HOLD mail, please submit one card per address (which covers everyone at the residence,) and please try to give a day's notice.

**Pool Wrist Bands** - Residents please remind your guests that they need to have their green wrist bands with them when using the pool area. Thank you for your cooperation. (see information in newsletter)

**RV Parking Area** - Please lock the gate when you leave the area. Thank you.

## WI FI UPDATE

*By: Doug Ford*

The snowbirds are coming back and with that the WI-FI users will increase from about 125 to over 300. During the summer, some residents were very heavy users of the bandwidth and will have to reduce their usage during the winter months. During this time when everyone is arriving Jim and I may have to restrict our time to WI-FI calls. For other computer problems residents should go to the computer club.



## Use Caution in Hiring Contractors!

When you need to hire a contractor for work on your home (roofing, home repairs, lawn maintenance, etc.), ask the contractor to provide copies of their business license and insurance. This protects you in the event that the contractor is injured on your property. Also ask the contractor to provide references. Get cost estimates and warranties in writing, and do not make final payment until the work is complete. There is a Resource Book in the back of the Clubhouse which contains listings for many different types of contractors. You may also check Angie's List, the Better Business Bureau and other online rating sources. A simple Google search on the business name may provide additional information. Please ask any outside contractor to stop by the office to register and provide copies of their license and insurance. Better safe than sorry! For more information on Florida consumer complaints, visit:

<http://www.stateofflorida.com/Portal/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=57>

*I don't measure a man's success by how high he climbs but how high he bounces when he hits bottom.*  
**General George S. Patton**

## RESOURCE BOOK

In the clubhouse there is a Resource Book which has been put together by members of Forest Park.

These are referrals or warning 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.

## NOTICE BOARD RULES

By: Sherrill Wright

The Computer Club has volunteered to look after the Social Club Notice Boards.

Please write your ad on a 3X5 or 4x6 card, with the Date in the upper right hand corner. Please leave your notice with reception at the office and they will see that it is given to me.

If necessary, I will re-type a notice for clarity.

Real Estate notices will be removed after 90 days.

Articles "For Sale or Wanted" will be removed after 60 days.

The Computer Club will take a picture of an item/house etc., to include in the ad, for a nominal donation to the club.

Please contact Sherrill Wright with any further questions you may have @ 239-349-3827 or Email: [sherrilljwright@yahoo.ca](mailto:sherrilljwright@yahoo.ca) Also, please let me know if you want your posting removed.

The Forest Park website now has a Classified section for all articles for sale, including a listing of Homes for Sale/Rent and Homes Wanted. This is the same listing as on our Notice Boards.

If any resident has a home they would like to list for sale or remove a listing, please leave a note with reception or phone Sherrill Wright – 239-349-3827 or email – [sherrilljwright@yahoo.ca](mailto:sherrilljwright@yahoo.ca)



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## WELCOME BACK

*By Lou Smith*



Summer has come to an end and the northerners are starting to come back. I would like to thank Jan, Betty, Sheila, Pete and Mike for keeping the park in good shape and solving any problems that arose. Thanks to Mary, Bob, Butch, Dan, Linda, and Gerry for doing a great job during the summer.

I would like to thank Jack Watson and Janet Irwin for their work in keeping the art class going in the park. Due to lack of interest, the art class will not be offered this season.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

*By: Lou Smith*

We have an election coming up in January. We need you to consider running for the board of directors. A number of positions will be available. Both old and new members can contribute to running Forest Park for the benefit of all. They can bring new ideas to the table to keep Forest Park running smoothly. I would like all to consider running for the board.

## FOREST PARK OFFICE & HOLIDAY HOURS

Winter office hours will resume in November (Mon. - Fri. 9 AM to 12 PM). The Forest Park office will be closed on Thursday, November 24th and Friday, November 25th for Thanksgiving. There will be no maintenance services on Thursday, but trash service will be available on Friday, the 25th. Happy Thanksgiving!



## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

*By: Lou Smith*

First Neighborhood Watch meeting will be Wednesday, November 9, at 10:00 a.m. in the Activities Building. Please plan to attend.

## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH.... THANK YOU

*By: Mike Flanning*

A BIG THANK YOU!!!!

Thank you to all the Summer patrol help throughout the summer. Also Thank you to Robyn & Duke Johnson for their extra help in delivering the monthly sheets. Everyone's help is deeply appreciated and we look forward for your support next summer.

Thank you all;

Mike & Kathy Fanning Neighborhood Watch Schedulers

ALSO

**Winter Night Security persons;**

Please inform Mike & Kathy Fanning when you return for the season, we don't want to omit any volunteers on our schedule. There is always a need for night security persons also. Please use your own cell phones when on security.

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

*By: Sheila Fitzgerald Secretary*

### 2016-2017 BOD & GM DATES

Oct. 20, 2016 Board Meeting  
Oct. 27, 2016 Membership Meeting  
Nov. 10, 2016 Board Meeting  
Nov. 17, 2016 Membership Meeting  
Dec. 08, 2016 Board Meeting  
Dec. 15, 2016 Membership Meeting  
Dec. 29, 2016 Cutoff date for candidate names  
to be printed on ballot  
Jan. 12, 2017 General Election  
Jan. 19, 2017 Board Meeting  
Jan. 26, 2017 Membership Meeting  
Feb. 16, 2017 Board Meeting  
Feb. 23, 2017 Membership Meeting  
Mar. 16, 2017 Board Meeting  
Mar. 23, 2017 Membership Meeting  
Apr. 20, 2017 Board Meeting  
Apr. 27, 2017 Membership Meeting



**WELCOME HOME FRIENDS...**please stop by the office to sign in and provide any updates. We look forward to seeing everyone back in the park!

### SUNCOAST COMMUNITY CENTER HAS ADVISED US.....

The Suncoast Community Center has advised that they are no longer able to pick up or store furniture or other such items. If you have items in good condition, you may contact All Souls Episcopal Thrift Shop at 239-656-6229, Hope Chest at 239-652-1114 or Habitat's ReStore 239-652-1699.



Free Homemade Community Dinners are served every Thursday from 6-8 PM at the Suncoast Community Center. The center is located at 2241 Case Lane, N. Ft. Myers, FL 33917. For more info. you can visit <https://www.facebook.com/suncoastcommunitycenter>

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## FOREST PARK VISITORS WRISTBANDS



Visitors unaccompanied by Forest Park residents must wear wristbands when using park recreational facilities (pool, mini-golf, etc.). The wristbands are now available in the park office (2 per family and additional bands may be requested). The bands stretch but if they are not large enough you may pin them to clothing, attach them to a key chain or just bring them along.

Please remember that all owners are responsible for their visitors who must comply with all Forest Park Rules & Regulations. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation to assist in maintaining the security of our park.

### Reminder - Please Be Conscientious & Conserve Energy

Please remember to turn up the air conditioner thermostats to 78 when you leave the Clubhouse & Activities buildings (just like you would do at your home). The air conditioners have been left running overnight on several occasions. This places an undue strain on them especially during summer months, and increases our electrical bill. **Please be considerate.**

*Don't walk in front of me, I may not follow; Don't walk behind me, I may not lead; Walk beside me, and just be my friend. Albert Camus*

## Trash, Horticulture & Waste Disposal Reminder....



Just a refresher on our Rules & Regulations for trash, horticulture and waste disposal...

- Trash bags which weigh more than 30 lbs. will not be picked up.
- Trash bags must be tied or they will not be picked up.
- Horticulture bags must be tied or they will not be picked up.
- Loose horticulture clippings must be 4 feet or less, tied & bundled & not more than 30 lbs.
- Cardboard should go out on Wednesdays with recyclables.
- Any outside contractor doing work at your home - tree trimming, lawn maintenance, home remodeling/repairs MUST haul off their own trimming and refuse. It will not be picked up by our maintenance crew.

The full list of rules is available on our website at [www.forestparkonline.com](http://www.forestparkonline.com), or you may contact the office if you have any questions.

## EXERCISE PROGRAM RECOMMENDED FOR "KIDS" OF ANY AGE!

Please join us beginning in November on Tuesday & 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 the 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. Classes run from 10:30 to 11:30 A.M. Monday-Friday at the pool and start in the fall through spring. Exercises are also subject to weather cooperating



## BLUE BARREL RECYCLE

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.

## HAZARDOUS WASTE

Lee County has very strict regulations regarding hazardous material disposal. The Board voted to approve the initiative to have all residents place paint, pesticides, chemicals, florescent bulbs and gas bottles at curbside.

Park employees will pick up these materials on Tuesday and Friday and log them in. These articles will be stored and disposed of in the appropriate manner by staff members.

The rules and regulations have been changed to reflect the process.



## GREEN TREE STICKER

There is a little green tree sticker available in the office that goes on the **LEFT SIDE OF YOUR 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 temporary resident and don't want any stickers on your window, then scotch tape it there while you are here.

## ALUMINUM CAN RE-CYCLE

*By: Social Club*

### REMINDER Aluminum Cans being collected

Please do Not Use the can as an ashtray. Beer Drinkers, Please rinse out the can and turn it over to dry out. Everyone Please take the tab off, collect them and take your full container to the clubhouse. On kitchen counter, there is a Ronald McDonald box that you put the tabs into. Betty Campbell takes them to the Ronald McDonald where they sell the aluminum. You are helping both Social Club and Ronald McDonald House. Our aluminum crusher people appreciate your Help.

Please remember to put your washed out, dry aluminum cans. In a bag and place **UNDER YOUR MAILBOX** early Tuesday morning for pick up. Please make sure your cans are rinsed **CLEAN** and **DRY**. Please place away from trash bags. **DO NOT** place plastic, glass or metal cans in the bag. Those go in the blue recycle bins. Money collected for can recycle helps pay some of the costs of Social Club activities. It benefits all residents of Forest Park. Please place your aluminum cans out near your mailbox either Monday night, or very early on Tuesday morning. To make the job easier, we are asking that you take the tabs off your cans. It takes as long to take the tabs

off the cans as it does to run the crushing machine. You take the tabs off and bag them, when you have a full bag, bring the tabs to the Clubhouse.

## Please Save Your Aluminum Can Pull Tabs to Benefit the Ronald McDonald House

*By: Betty Campbell*

Please save your aluminum can pull tabs to benefit the Ronald McDonald House. You can make an incredible impact by helping provide a home away from home for families during treatment of their seriously ill children. Please deliver them to the Clubhouse & deposit in the box, deliver to me at 608 Pine Grove Ct., or give me a call and I will pick them up.

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*The person who writes for fools is always sure of a large audience. Arthur Schopenhauer*

## **BAKING CLUB NEW IN FOREST PARK**

**By: Becky Conrad**

During the summer we have about 250 residents living in Forest Park. Some of these are the eldest of the elderly. There has been an interest shown in starting a Baking Club this summer. If wanted it could be year around. One of the purposes would be to deliver to some of our residents the new baked items. At Christmas there are Gifts of Cheer delivered. This would be something similar. They meet and bake using lots of new ideas from the membership and deliver to residents in the park. If you are interested in helping with the baking club please contact Richard Clark at 730 Knotty Pine Circle - 239-209-5304

## **BID EUCHRE**

**By: Una Preston**



**Needed: More Players**

We play Bid Euchre every Saturday Night at 6:30 PM in the Activities Building. There is a Signup sheet in the Activities Building on the cabinet near the Water Machine. Please sign up if you anticipate playing on Saturday Night. We would like to have more players join us.

## **FRIDAY NIGHT BRIDGE**

**By: Trish Tegeler**

We are playing bridge every Friday night in the Club House. If you are interested in playing there is a signup sheet in the club house. Please put your name and phone number on the sheet or call Trish Tegeler at 239-567-0148.

## **BUNCO**

**By: Larry Tsicountouridis**

Watch the newsletter for startup next season

## **EUCHRE**

**By: Betty Hult**

Euchre is played in the Activities Building at 6:30 PM every Wednesday Night. The cost is just 50 cents for a night of activity. Please come and join us

## **BINGO**

**By: Anne Domingos**



Please joins us on Tuesdays at 6:45 for 7:00 pm Bingo in the Clubhouse each week. Cards are \$.50 with a minimum purchase of four cards. Night Owl cards are 25 cents. All three Bingo's go all year round. Check your calendar in the newsletter each month. There is a new addition to our BINGO games. You put a quarter into a "money ball pot." The first number called is the "special number" so that if you bingo on that number, you will win the money that has been collected in the money ball pot plus the money that is allotted for the game that you won. If the money ball pot was not won, the amount is saved from week to week until someone is the winner. Come and Enjoy Playing Bingo!

**We are in "NEED" of Bingo callers, women and men are all welcome. One the job training!! Come join in the fun. It takes volunteers to keep these activities going in our Park.**

**Thank you.**

**Contact Mike Fanning 239-565-0431**

## **COMPUTER CLUB**

**By: Sherrill Wright**

**FIRST MEETING OF THE 2016-2017 WINTER SEASON WILL BE NOVEMBER 10. See you all then.**

***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. If we have fulfilled our quota, they are donated to a local school for them to do the same.***

The Computer Club is a group of friendly people who meet every Thursday, 2:00- 4:00 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. An anticipated donation of \$10/ household per winter season would be appreciated to help with meeting expenses. We take a break and have coffee and cookies around 3 PM to socialize. Most members use Windows, but some use Linux or Macs and most software programs are compatible with each system. Each week, we usually have a person show something they are experienced in, or something interesting we

have seen maybe online or in an article, 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 iPhone that you would like to show and demonstrate, please join us. This also includes your friends and family who might be visiting. If you have a particular need, or problem that you would like help with, please come along and join us, but try and let us know in advance so we can schedule it for that week's meeting.

We need people who are familiar with Tablets and Cell Phones who would volunteer to do some instructing or help others during our sessions. We have cables for iPads that will allow them to be connected to our projector.

Contact Sherrill or John Wright @ 239.349.3827, email [fpcclub@yahoo.com](mailto:fpcclub@yahoo.com)

## CRAFT CLUB

*By: Nancy Lawrence*

Welcome back everyone. Hope you had a great summer. Now it is time to start having fun in the sun. All you northerners were greatly missed. So glad some of you are back.

By now the Craft Club has met a few times to get things started. We got a few new crafts to think about doing and a few old crafts to finish. I hope when others get back they will have some great crafts ideas also. We are open for new crafts ideas all time. If you got some crafts ideas let us know. Maybe you can teach or show us a new craft idea. That would be GREAT!!!!!!!

Everyone is welcome to come and join or just check us. ALL ARE WELCOME. We have a lot of fun. COME ON DOWN ON WEDNESDAYS AT 9:00 A.M.

## DUPLICATE BRIDGE

Forest Park has had chairpersons of Duplicate Bridge leave their position. There will be no more of this card game played in our park. Do you like to play Duplicate Bridge? If you would be interested in starting the game again, please contact Mary at the Office. She has the materials that is used for Duplicate Bridge.

*Patriotism is easy to understand in America; it means looking out for yourself by looking out for your country. Calvin Coolidge*

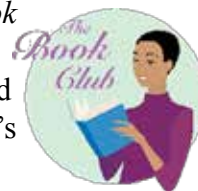
## FOREST PARK BOOK CLUB

*By: Joan King*

It will soon be November and that means it's time to begin the 2016-2017 Book Group meetings. The meeting date is NOVEMBER 18th at 1:00 p.m. in the Activities Building, a little early because of Thanksgiving. The book is THE SILENT SISTER by Diane Chamberlain. Ms Chamberlain has written many books and this is a good one. You might have read some of her other titles.

*Riley MacPherson has spent her entire life believing that her musically talented older sister, Lisa, committed suicide as a teenager. Now, twenty years later, her father has passed away and Riley is cleaning out the house that she grew up in when she finds evidence that her sister may be alive and living under a new identity. Why was she lied to all those years? A story with twists and turns and no lack of suspense. It is readily available at Lee County Library or contact Joan for a book after Nov.10th. 239 567-0606*

We have some good books and good times to look forward to this season. Let's all get together on Nov. 18th



## HAND AND FOOT CARD GAME

*By Carol Lahman*

Join us on Sunday nights at 6:00 pm in the Clubhouse for the "Hand and Foot" card game. It can be played at a table of 6, 4, or 3. All are welcomed! This card Game goes all through the summer months.

## KARAOKE MONDAYS

Come on out for Karaoke every Monday night at 6:00 PM **except for Dec. 12, Jan. 23, Feb. 27, Mar. 27 & Apr. 10** (hosted by Tex). Everyone is welcome, from beginners to seasoned pros!

We will have our popular hot dog dinner once a month on the 1st Monday of the month at 5:30 right before the music starts. Come on out for a singin' & dancin' good ole time! (If you would like to volunteer to help with food, please contact Robyn Johnson.)

## PINOCHLE

*By: Doris Pacos*

Pinochle is played every Sunday Night at 6:30 PM in the Activities Building .Please come and join us in on the fun.



## **LADIES BIBLE STUDY**

*By: Laura Esters*

The Ladies' Bible Study Group meets weekly on Thursday mornings from 10:00 A.M. to noon. Our members are women from various churches and/or denominations. We have refreshments, a time for sharing our concerns, prayer and a study, which is taught from both the Old and New Testaments by Laura Esters.

As so many new folks have moved into our park, we believe it is important to let our residents know about this activity as well as all the other organizations that the park offers. We do not espouse any specific theology, but are a group of Christian women who enjoy making friends, encouraging and supporting each other as the needs arise, and learning about the Bible.

During the months of November to April we meet at the home of Reva Doliana, 849 Hollyberry Court. From May to October, Waneta Schafer opens up her house to us at 344 Shrub Lane S. Just come to the door, and walk in--we'll be glad to welcome you! If you have any questions, please call Reva at 239-543-1144, Waneta 239-219-7593 or Laura at 239-210-8010.

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## **Mexican Train Dominoes**

*By: Sheila Fitzgerald*

We play Mexican train dominoes on Monday morning at 9:00 at the club house. Everyone is welcome to join in. It's an easy game to learn if you have never played and we have a lot of laughs as we play. We would love to have some new members join us.

Also, I have had a request from two people recently to look into starting a second group that would play at 10:00 rather than 9:00, so they can get their morning exercise or swim in before the game. We would certainly consider this if there is enough interest.

We're a very informal group, with no permanent commitment required. Just come by on any Monday morning and give it a try.

## **PINE TREE KNOTS QUILT CLUB**

*By: Kay Westall*

The Pine Tree Knots will hold our first meeting on Thursday, November 6th at 9:00 AM. We meet every Thursday in the Clubhouse at 9:00 AM. We will be working on Christmas favors for the Meals on Wheels program, and also doing a small project. We look forward to seeing all of you back in Forest Park!



## **RED HAT LADIES**

*By: Marilyn Nufryk*

Welcome back Ladies to our Winter Paradise! I hope that everyone had a great summer. We will begin our Social activities with Lunch November 10th at The Lodge.mPlan to meet in the Clubhouse at 10:15 for a meeting. Dues of \$2.00 will be collected at this time. Pam Salk will be our Hostess for this Luncheon.

Our other Activities will be hosted by the following members:

DECEMBER - Gail Ford & Lisa Kliskey

JANUARY - Delores & The Holleyberry Ladies

FEBRUARY - Carol Geppert & Marilyn Nufryk: to see Phantom of the Opera at Broadway Palm

MARCH - Phylis Kliskey & Pat Schuren

APRIL - Madeline Preston & Marilyn Somsel

Any Lady in the park is welcome to join our chapter. If interested please see or call me.



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## NORTHEAST CLUB

*By: Mary Kurucz*

Returning Members: Welcome back!!!

Interested New Members: Let me tell you what you do not want to miss!

FUN\*\*\*\*\*FUN\*\*\*\*\*FUN...

Meet and get to know new friends. We meet once a month for a VERY SHORT business meeting, eat, and play games. To spice it up we have a different theme for each month. You dress up or come as you are.

Last year in December we had a re-gift party, you brought something you no longer needed or wanted and then we drew numbers and you took home something wonderful or something to save for next years???? (whatever) we had many oooo's and ahhhhhs and many laughs. But a great time.

Then in January we were cowboys, cow girls and Indians and ate Yummy Beef Stew. February we were Mexicans and learned that not all Mexican food is hot and spicy. March were at a Hawaiian Luau eating ham and pineapples. In April we finished up with a picnic and picnic food.

THIS YEAR\*\*\*\*\*

**Dec. 12, 2016** re-gift party

**Jan.23rd** Chinese New Year (Rooster) organizers: Nancy Cooper& Cris Major

**Feb 27th** Mardi Gras organizers: Ray Sutphin & Richard Clark

**Mar 27th** In your Easter Bonnet organizers: Mike and Kathy Fanning & Dena and Bill Samm

**April 10th**, 2017 Annual Picnic Chairpersons: Board Members

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Come to the club house on "Meet and Greet Night" in November, all available officers will be there to answer questions and hopefully sign you up for next year's fun.



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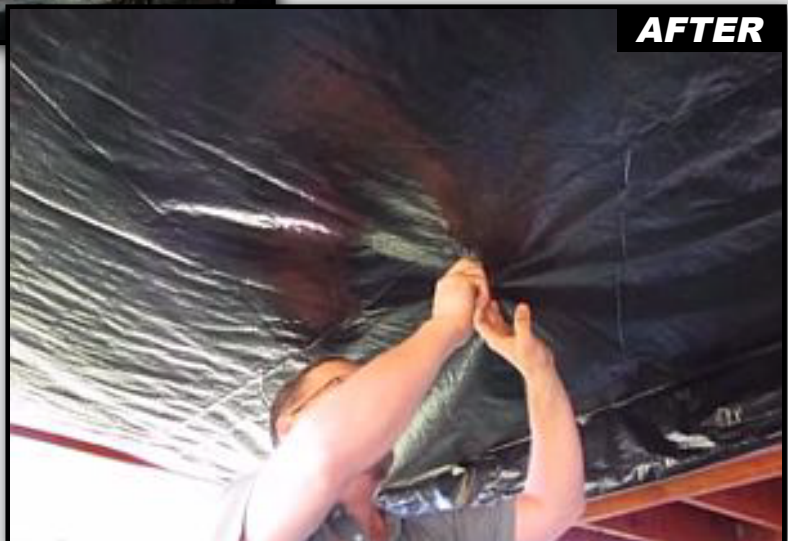
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## FOREST PARK SHUFFLEBOARD

By: *Bill Madill, Captain*

Well I don't know if no news is better than old news, but the shuffleboard in park league will be starting up again in November officially when there are enough players to start the league. I will give the date of our first meeting later. I hope everyone is healthy and enjoying the nice summer weather

## JOKES and QUOTES.....

### HIGH SCHOOL ASSIGNMENT

My High School assignment was to ask a veteran about World War II. Since my father has served in the Philippine during the war, I chose him. After a few basic questions, I very gingerly asked, "Did you ever kill anyone?"

Dad got quiet. Then, in a soft voice, he said, "Probably. I was the cook."

### HOW TO WASH THE CAT

Thoroughly clean the toilet. Add the required amount of shampoo to the toilet water and have both lids lifted. Obtain the cat and soothe him while you carry him towards the bathroom. In one smooth movement, put the cat in the toilet and close both lids (you may need to stand on the lid so that he cannot escape). Flush the toilet three or four times. Have someone open the door to the outside and ensure that there are no people between the toilet and the outside door. Stand behind the toilet as far as you can, and quickly lift both lids. The now clean cat will rocket out of the toilet, and run outside where he will dry himself.

Sincerely,  
The DOG



### WHO KNEW.....

### SO THAT'S WHAT THAT'S FOR.....

The color of the tag on your store-bought bread..... tells grocers what day of the week the bread was shipped. Bread is usually delivered fresh to stores five days a week—Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Each day has its own colored tag or twist tie. Though some companies use their own system, the common code is easy to remember: Just as the day of the week proceed in order from Monday to Saturday, their corresponding colors proceed in alphabetical order—blue, green, red, white, yellow.



The perforations on the sides of your aluminum-wrap container....are called end locks and when pushed in, are meant to keep your roll secure inside the box. Many similar kitchen products, such as plastic wrap, come equipped with the same feature so you'll never rip the whole roll out of the box when you want just a single piece.

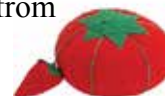


The arrow next to the gas symbol on your dashboard.....is a perpetual reminder of which side your gas cap is on. If the arrow points right, your gas tank is on the right side of your car, and vice versa.



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That little strawberry attached to your pincushion.....is an emery board for your needles. Filled with tough emery sand—combination of aluminum and iron oxides—the strawberry is historically a tool for polishing, sharpening, and removing rust from your pins and needles.



## DOROTHY THOMAS

*Submitted by Dee Thomas*

Dorothy previously lived at 750 Palm Frond Ct. for many years. She is now at Calusa Harbor.

### Dottie Thomas—The Eighth Wonder of the World!

Have you heard of the seven wonders of the world? Well, Dottie Thomas is the eighth! When the Titanic was sinking in the year 1912, Dottie Thomas was just rising in Detroit, Michigan, where she was born during June. Early in her career Dottie was employed by General Motors. At that time her favorite singer, Frank Sinatra, was doing advertisements for Camel and Lucky Strike cigarettes and she had the opportunity to personally meet him. Oh, what a thrill! She later worked as an auditor for Western Electric in New York City.

Dottie resided in areas of Ohio and, after a terrible blizzard in 1978, decided to move to Florida. She has been here at Calusa Harbour since February 2014.

Some of her favorite hobbies include making beads, which are absolutely beautiful, and crocheting. If you have any hidden messages, Dottie will locate them because she is a whiz at word search puzzles. Don't be surprised to find her on the Third Floor on certain days when they are spelling B-I-N-G-O! That is another one of her pastimes.

Although she grew up in the "Depression Era," there is nothing depressing about Dottie. She attributes her length of life to having a good sense of humor. She is a "Calusa Comedian" and tells excellent jokes. Dottie is very easy-going and quite the "people person." Her pet peeve is "sour pussies."

While visiting her comfortable apartment, Dottie showed me her butterfly collection which she say is for good luck, and her assortment of stuffed bears. I think she loves them just for hugs! Being the patriotic woman that she is, it was noticeable that she has a knack for arranging red, white and blue colors. She is also partial to turquoise.

Dottie had one daughter, Jean Ann, who passed away in 2009. She still has four grandchildren surviving.

At 104, Dottie can still do a couple of circles around some of us. She lives day-by-day with a positive attitude awaiting any new adventure. She is rather a unique individual whom you must meet, but only if you are in the mood to be cheered up!

We are extremely fortunate to have someone with Dottie's nature living amongst us. I personally wish her the best for each and every day.

Cheers, from the youngest Calusa Harbour resident to the oldest Calusa Harbour resident.

—Julie Orr (pictured with Dottie)



# November 2016 - FOREST PARK

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> 9:00am Exercise Aerobic 10:30am Pool exercise 1:00pm Golf Card game 6:45pm Bingo	<b>2</b> 9:00am Craft Club 10:30am Pool exercise 6:30pm Canadian Euchre	<b>3</b> 8:00am Veggie Man 9:00am Quilt Club 10:00am Ladies Bible Study 10:30am Pool Exercise 1:00pm Change Bingo 1:00pm Hand and Foot Cards	<b>4</b> 9:00am Koffee Klatch 10:30am Pool Exercise 6:30pm Friday Bridge	<b>5</b> 9:00am Exercise-Aerobic 1:00pm Bingo 6:30pm Bid Euchre
<b>6</b> 6:00pm Hand and Foot-card game 6:30pm Pinochle	<b>7</b> 9:00am Dominoes 9:00am Shuffle meeting 10:00am shuffle 10:30am Pool exercise 5:30pm Hot dog dinner 6:30pm Skip-Bo	<b>8</b> 9:00am Exercise Aerobic 10:00am women's shuffle 10:30am Pool exercise 1:00pm Golf Card game 6:45pm Bingo	<b>9</b> 9:00am Neighborhood Watch 9:00am Craft Club 10:30am Pool exercise 6:30pm Canadian Euchre 7:00pm Fun Night Shuffle	<b>10</b> 8:00am Veggie Man 9:00am Board Meeting 9:00am Quilt Club 10:00am League Shuffle 10:00am Ladies Bible Study 10:15am Red Hat-The Lodge 10:30am Pool Exercise 1:00pm Change Bingo 1:00pm Hand and Foot Cards 2:00pm Computer Club	<b>11</b> 10:00am Open Shuffle 10:30am Pool Exercise 10:30am Veteran's Parade 12:00pm Veteran's lunch 6:30pm Friday Bridge	<b>12</b> 9:00am Exercise-Aerobic 1:00pm Bingo 6:30pm Bid Euchre
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