



#### SOCIAL CLUB OFFICERS

Delores Holmes, President "Needed", 1st Vice President "Needed", 2nd Vice President Joyce Hines, Secretary Pat Schuren, Treasurer



LAWN MOWING HOURS

7 AM to 11 PM June 1 through August 31st and 8 AM to 11 PM September 1st through May 1st.

#### FOREST PARK SOCIAL CLUB By; Delores Holmes

The Christmas Spirit was surely evident in Forest Park.

I hope everyone has taken time to drive around Forest Park streets to look at all the decorated houses. What a colorful display of lights they were delightful to see!! Everyone enjoyed seeing them.

Thank You residents who took the time to decorate their home.

Did you notice all the Christmas decorations - both inside the clubhouse and outside? Social Club would like to thank everyone who helped put them up. The Craft Ladies decorated the inside of the clubhouse. Joyce and Scott Hines, chairpersons, and their assistants did a terrific job on the outside decorations plus the lights around the clubhouse.

Social Club Officers would like to Thank Everyone who helped put them up for our enjoyment.

Forest Park's Holiday Dinner was enjoyed by all who attended. The ham dinner was great. Thank You to all the workers who helped with the dinner. The entertainment, Calendar Girls, who sponsor giving service dogs to our Veterans were a very boisterous group of ladies. They gave us much Christmas spirit.

Another Christmas Festivity which was certainly present during the Christmas Golf Cart Parade. What a colorful parade with the decorated golf carts, playing holiday music and candy being tossed to observers of the parade. It looked like all the participants were having a GREAT time. Thank You to Bo and Betty McClain chairpersons.

Ending the Holiday Season, you could plan on attending our New Year's Eve Dance from 9:00 PM-1:00 AM on the last night of 2016. Our entertainers, Chadburns, will be playing lots of musical styles so that you can dance or just enjoy the music. At midnight, everyone will be wishing residents a HAPPY NEW YEAR as Social Club Officers do now.

#### **RESIDENTS of FOREST PARK**

#### By Delores Holmes, President Social Club

Residents come first when we sell dinner tickets or any type of tickets.

We have many of you wanting to know why we are doing assigned seating for the Holiday Dinner.

Because at a previous dinner, we had no idea if the person who wanted a ticket was even a resident of Forest Park. Some people came to buy 9 tickets for family members?

At the Thanksgiving Dinner we stopped selling tickets at 150. Thanksgiving Day, we get a call in the middle of the afternoon that there was 170 seats around the clubhouse. Talk about being nervous!!!. We would not cook for 170 people; just amount of food for the 150 people. Therefore at the door, Tom Schaffer, and our hosts, Lou Smith and Jan Orlando went around telling people "Do you have your tickets?" The majority of people had their tickets, however some had to leave to get them. Before you got your plate for the dinner, Lou Smith collected the ticket. Therefore it became NO TICKET- NO TURKEY.....

Social Club has made the decision that all dinners, **WE WILL HAVE ASSIGNED SEATING**. We will then know who is sitting where and how many will be eating.. **We will be collecting your ticket before you get your dinner plate**. For 4 days (2 Sundays) the times for the selling of the tickets are posted in the newsletter, on the marques and told at various events. When the tickets are sold out, we cannot make more tickets because we have no more seats. Please come during the designated times to buy the tickets. Our ticket sellers, Marilyn and Nick Nufryk, try to accommodate all residents with their requests

Thank You for your understanding of the situation.

#### THANK YOU.....

Our Thanksgiving Day was celebrated when we had our Thanksgiving Dinner served. The food was delicious! Many Thanks to the people who put on the dinner .Our chef, Andy Fuschino, his assistants, Julie, his wife ,Ray Fuschino and Thor Guastella. They did a terrific job. We will indeed have them again putting on another dinner. Thank you so much from the people of Forest Park.



## For turkey donations! (From Lee County Sheriff Facebook page)

Littleton Elementary was in need of a turkey sponsor to donate turkeys to all the winners of their annual Turkey Trot Race. Littleton Elementary Principle, Monica Broughton, describes the school as, "...rated 100% low income families and all the children are grateful to win a turkey for their family to eat on Thanksgiving day." The turkey trot is a race designed for all grades and the turkey is the prize for one special boy and girl from each grade.

Principle Broughton enlisted School Resource Officer, Deputy Lynn Vanegas, to help find turkeys. Deputy Vanegas was up for the challenge. Deputy Vanegas reached out to a neighboring community, Forest Park Country Club, for help and they were eager to assist. The generous residents of The Forest Park Community not only accommodated the 14 turkeys to cover each winner, they supplied many additional turkeys to be distributed as needed.

We are so thankful for the assistance of the Forest Park Community! It's so nice to see the community come together to help those in need around the holidays.

#### **PEST CONTROL** *By Delores Holmes*

Things I learned from Fort Myers Pest Control

At their Koffee Klatsch presentation, I learned about Food Rats

Rats like to congregate where there is food. People who have bird feeders and those who feed any animal at their home site who are putting out food on the ground. This is a call for the rats to visit.

If you have a fruit tree in your yard and when the fruit drops, please pick up the fruit and throw away.. The rats like to eat fruit.

Feral Cats are coming in the park Do Not Feed Them. All Cats tend to congregate in one spot where there will be food given to them. Thus - Boy cats who mark their territory and girl cats get together and make lots of noise.

For Those People who cruise or on tours.

Bed Bugs can be prevented by taking your dirty clothes out of the suitcase and put them directly into the dryer for 30 min. Put your suitcase in a plastic bag and leave it outside for 2 days in the sun.

They have certified people; an Entomologist, Lawn and Oriental specialist who does native plants and Termite inspector. They also have a special rate for Forest Park Residents.



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#### FUTURE DATES FOR THIS SEASON....

#### DECEMBER

31 New Year's Eve Dance 9:00p.m. – 1:00 a.m.

#### JANUARY

6 Koffee Klatsch 9:00 a.m. "All Professional Services"11 Meet the Candidates running for the Board 7:00 p.m.

13 Men's coffee 8:00 a.m.

20 Women's Coffee Klatsch 9:00 a.m.

21 Roast Beef Dinner with Entertainment 5:30 p.m.

#### FEBRUARY

- 3 Koffee Klatsch 9:00 a.m. speakers from Sheriff's Office
- 4 Community Carport Sales 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
- 9 Program for New Homeowners 7:00 p.m.

10 Men's coffee 8:00 a.m.

- 17 Women's Coffee Klatsch 9:00 a.m.
- 19 Celebration for 50th Anniversary Couples

24 Gathering of States in the pavilion 4:00 p.m.

25 Dance Band "Memory Makers" 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

#### MARCH

- 3 Koffee Klatsch 9:00 a.m. Ellsworth Heating & Cooling
- 4 Craft Ladies Flea Market 9:00 a.m.

12 Quilt Show 1:00 p.m.

- 17 Women's Coffee Klatsch 9:00 a.m.
- 18 Entertainment Show 7:00 p.m.
- 23 Spring Fling the Chorus Program 7:00 p.m.

#### APRIL

7 Koffee Klatsch 9:00 a.m. Special speaker 13 Ice Cream Social 7:00 p.m.

#### SOCIAL CLUB DINNER AND SHOW By Social Club

Social Club has a fantastic evening planned for Saturday, January 21 with dinner at 5:30 PM and then entertainment beginning at 7:00 PM.

We will be serving a complete Roast Beef Dinner. We will even serve homemade pie for dessert. Bring your own place setting.

Our entertainer will be Richie Cooper who will present his vocal musical show.

Saturday, January 21 at 5:30 PM

Tickets cost \$15.00 for the show and entertainment \$10.00 for the entertainment only

Ticket Sales Sunday, January 8 and January 15 from 1:00-3:00 PM in the clubhouse.

#### WHO WILL BE MANAGING FOREST PARK'S BUSINESS?? By Social Club

#### MEET THE CANDIDATES NIGHT WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11

7:00 PM in the clubhouse

Each candidate will express their vision for Forest Park's future

This is the night that you get to know their thoughts. After all the candidates have spoken, you can get together with a candidate to ask him/her your questions. Refreshment will be served.

#### FOREST PARK SOCIAL HOUR By Social Club

Margaritaville, its five o'clock somewhere; only in Forest Park it is 3:00 o'clock

Friday, January 27, 3:00 PM in the pavilion Meet your neighbors for conversation Bring your own beverage of choice.

#### LEE COUNTY FAIR

#### **By Delores Holmes**

February 24 - March 6th 2017

The Lee County Fair is looking for Volunteers to greet people who arrive at the fair. You pick your own three hours to work. The fair starts Monday – Friday 4:30 to 10:00 PM and starts on Weekends 11:30 AM If interested in volunteering, call Delores Holmes at 731-3943 for more information or to sign up. Last year, we had a few couples work and they had a good time meeting people from all states and other countries.

#### KOFFEE KLATSCH

#### By: Social Club

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6 9:00 AM IN THE CLUBHOUSE FREE COFFEE AND DONUT



Please bring own coffee cup Our guest speaker will be Sandra Noble "ALL IN

ONE" Professional Services

specializing in Document Service

Do you have all your important papers when you go to sell your home?

Spouse dies - What papers do I need to have and keep? This lady will have the answers for you and much more. She prepares all the important documents.

#### ATTENTION FOREST PARK RESIDENTS PEOPLE NEEDED for FOREST PARK ACTIVITIES:

Some of our faithful, talented, caring volunteers are stepping down.

Below are areas that will need to be filled:

Art Teacher

Duplicate Bridge

Knit and Crochet

Line Dancing

Newsletter (someone to put newsletter together)

Welcome Back Program

Social Club President

Social Club Officer

Men to cut up damaged aluminum to be recycled.

Note If you have a damaged aluminum article, please place it with our trash on Tuesday and Fridays, it will be taken to the RV park to be cut up and sold, the money goes to Social Club

These are a few of the areas we need volunteers. If you would like more information about these positions, please contact Mary Diaz at <u>fppoainc@gmail.com</u> in the office with your choice.

#### **50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION** *By Social Club*

Each year, Forest Park Residents honors those couples who are celebrating their 50th Anniversary.



We would like to include you and

your spouse, if this is applicable to you,

please be sure to register your names on the sign-up sheet in the back of the clubhouse. The celebration will be held Sunday February 19, 2017 at 3:00 PM. Further information in the February newsletter.

Save the date Sunday, February 19 at 3:00 PM. A complete dinner will be served for all residents. At this date in December, we have not set a price for the meal. Jersey Boys famous PIG ROAST. Tickets will be sold on two Sunday 5 and 12th from 1:00 -3:00 in the clubhouse.

#### MENS COFFEE KLATSCH By Gloria Hartz

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13 8:00 AM in the clubhouse Bring your own coffee cup Conversation with the fellows

#### LADIES KOFFEE KLATSCH By Madeline Preston

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20 FREE COFFEE AND DONUT 9:00 AM in the clubhouse Bring your own coffee cup Just conversation with other ladies

#### MJing-a-ling, a Jing, Jing! 🌲

Yep, it's that time again. What time you ask...time for "the hanging of the greens" or in Forest Park terms, time for decorating our park entryway and our clubhouse grounds! Hopefully we can begin our decorating shortly after Thanksgiving. The exact date of our major decorating day will be posted on the board on the clubhouse grounds.

So...as you drive past the sign board on Forest Drive during Thanksgiving week, please check for the time and date!

Y'all plan to come on down to help "dress" our park for the Christmas holiday. All help is welcomed!

#### **Ⅲ** Choraleers Newsflash

The Choraleers are looking forward to the first Tuesday, January 3rd, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. in our Clubhouse when we will have our first rehearsal with our new director. Originally, Paul Brewer was to direct our chorus, but he has passed the baton to his son Joshua Zilberman. Paul will be working as our accompanist. Joshua, a recent graduate of the University of South Florida, has a BA degree in music. Joshua is also directing the Old Bridge Chorus. The Choraleers welcome new voices to add to our chorus. If you have a passion for music, enjoy singing, and would like to join our group, please call Joyce Hines, 724-689-5175 or simply show up at the clubhouse for our Tuesday rehearsals!

#### SUPPORT OUR VEGGIE MAN

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 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

#### HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The office will be closed and there will be no maintenance services available on Monday, December 26th for Christmas and Monday, January 2nd for New Year's Day. We wish you all a blessed Christmas and Happy New Year.

#### **2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION**

Our volunteer Board manages day to day operations, finances, insurance, upkeep of our buildings, grounds & amenities, maintenance staff, office personnel, mediation & property standards and the RV Parking area. There are several committees which assist the Board, including the Budget & Finance Committee, Construction Committee, Insurance Committee, Planning Committee, Pool Committee, Streets & Drains, and Wi Fi Team. Board & Committee members save Forest Park an enormous amount of money by volunteering their time and expertise.

There are several openings for our 2017 Board of Directors: one 1-year term, one 2-year term, and two 3-year terms. The election will be held on January 12, 2017. The candidate cutoff date for names to be printed on the ballot is December 28, 2016.



We need your input and encourage you to get involved. If you are interested in running for the Board, applications are available in the office. Please feel free to talk with any of our Board members to find out what their responsibilities are.

#### **FPPOA 2017 MAINTENANCE FEES**

	Monthly	If Paid for the Year
	Fee	<u>By Jan. 22, 2017</u>
Member with single lot	\$73	\$849
Member with double lot	\$127	\$1,478
Non-member with single le	ot \$112	\$1,303
Non-member with double	\$192	\$2,234



**Needed:** New or gently used dish towels for our Clubhouse Kitchen. If you have any you would like to donate, please drop them off at the kitchen and leave them on the counter. The towels we had left for the

summer but they have not returned. Thank you.

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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.

#### 🜲 🌲 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 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. Enjoy your summer, travel safely, we will be looking forward to seeing you in the fall.

#### 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 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 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 ...continued on page 8 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.

#### FAREWELL

Jean Devoe Evelyn Lathrop



#### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Joe Craven 4 Mike Hartz 16 June Kearschner 17 Alan King 20 Nick Nufryk 23 Jim Pattillo 23 Robyn Johnson 24 Dick Teal 25 Edie Hosey 26 Una Preston 31





#### JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

David & Gerry Goldsboro January 31, 1944

If you would like to include your birthday or anniversary in future newsletters, you may email the date(s) to the office at <u>fppoainc@gmail.com</u>



#### WELCOME TO YOUR NEW HOME

Robert & Mary Power, 463 Jacaramba Ct. Robert & Linda Chapman 347 Shrub Ln S.



#### WI FI UPDATE

By: Doug Ford

The Forest Park WI-FI was installed in 2009. The WI-FI provides user access to their Email banking, Facebook, etc. Previously, if you wanted to watch a movie, Netflix would send you a disk, or you would have cable TV or a landphone line system, (like "Prism").

It is now 2016 and the internet world has changed. Our WI-FI system have seen many changes. We updated our existing 2.4GHz system with the latest antennas, installed very expensive fiber optics, and we added new equipment in the clubhouse.

We are starting to install the newer 5 GHz systems. All new users will be on this system, and anyone who wants to upgrade by replacing their antenna. The existing 2.4 GHz system will remain and most users will have no need to upgrade.

When we began the WiFi service, we had 50 users. Now we have over 220 users on the system . Over Christmas we will have over 300.The daily usage of our system is over 100 Gigabytes, which means that our ...continued on page 10



# LOOKED UNDER YOUR MOBILE HOME LATELY?

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system is performing well.

This brings up the sensitive subject of extreme use of our Wi-Fi system, which effects all users on the system. If you have satellite TV, you are able to connect to our Wi-Fi to down load or watch programs and movies. This effects all users on our system.

After the holiday we will be testing to find out how much effect downloading or streaming a Netflix movie, or watching a past show, has on our system. We can then better determine what the effect this usage will have on our system.

We are asking, during the busy season, everyone to avoid extra usage of our system, and to ask your guest to do the same. After hours, 10:00 PM, when users drop off, then it's OK.

The WI- FI Team

#### **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. Pease 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

There are no strangers here; Only friends you haven't met yet

#### **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 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 – sherriljwright@yahoo.ca



#### FROM THE PRESIDENT By Lou Smith

Our FPPOA January meeting is our annual yearly meeting. It is important that we have a quorum for this meeting so that we can discuss Forest Park business. Our October and November meetings were poorly attended. Please attend.

Happy New Year to all

#### NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH By Lou Smith

Neighborhood Watch meeting Wednesday, January 11 at 10 am in Activity Bldg.

#### Winter Night Security persons; By: Mike Flanning



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

Contact Mike at 239-565-0431 OR Kathy at 715-617-0154

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

#### By: Sheila Fitzgerald Secretary

#### 2016-2017 BOD & GM DATES

- Dec. 28, 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

#### 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.

#### HEALTH & WELFARE

By: Mary Gibson

Blood Mobile January 10, 2017 from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Watch for the signs -up sheet in the back of the club house



#### 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.* 





#### 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, or you may contact the office if you have any questions.

Friends show their love in times of trouble, not in happiness

#### **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





#### 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

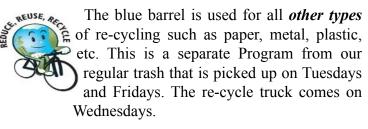
BACK WINDOW of your car. All residents with automobiles should have this highly visible authorization to be in the Park. This will help the safety patrol on their nightly rounds. If you are temporary resident and don't want any stickers on your window, them scotch tape it there while you are here.

# 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.

#### **BLUE BARREL RECYCLE**



#### 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 <u>UNDER YOU MAILBOX</u> 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





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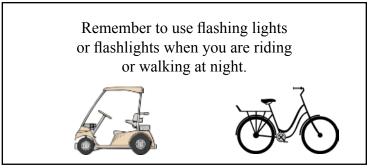
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You cannot have a positive life and a negative mind.

#### **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.

#### **BINGO** *By: Anne Domingos*

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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



#### 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

#### **COMPUTER CLUB**

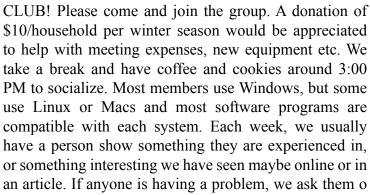
By: Sherrill Wright

Recycle: Don't throw away your used ink cartridges! I 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 can no longer accept old computers, printers or other old equipment. If you have any items you wish to recycle, please check with us before leaving them in the activities building. Some items we may be able to recycle on Freecycle.org. or you can check with Hope Hospice, Goodwill etc. If they won't accept them, they can be put out with your garbage and will be recycled through our electronic recycler. Make sure you wipe your hard drive on any computer.

Thanks for your cooperation on this, Sherrill

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



bring their unit to the club meeting, then we will focus on that particular problem. In many cases, the club can help fix the problem. If not, we can usually define the situation in cases where 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 ould 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

WiFi – Doug Ford – 239.731.2028 or Jim Schleter – 239.543.4681

#### CRAFT CLUB

#### By: Nancy Lawrence

Welcome to 2017. Everyone at craft club is looking forward to new ideas, new friendships, and lots of fun. Love to have everyone join us for the New Year.

Our Christmas luncheon was enjoyed by everyone at Olive Garden. We decorated the clubhouse for the holidays, and gave to several charities including toys and clothes



several charities including toys and clothes for 50 children at the Abuse Counseling and Treatment center.

In the New Year, we will continue to make stuffed bears for the Hope Health Care Service for Veterans, finish projects from last season, starting new projects using pine cones, plastic bottles and plastic spoons. Always open to new ideas.

- January 10 we will serve our first hot dog and Salisbury steak dinners
- February 7 we will serve hot dog and lasagna dinners
- March 4 will be our Craft flea market. You might be thinking of setting up a table.
- March 7 we will serve hot dog and another dinner to be decided later.

All dinners include an entree with sides, drink and dessert for 7\$. Some items can be bought ala carte to go with the hot dogs. Remember to bring plates and utensils. We will provide carry out if needed. Everyone is invited.

We meet every Wednesday from 9-11 for friendship and crafts. All of you are welcome to join us .See you Wednesday.

#### **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.

#### 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

#### FOREST PARK BOOK CLUB

By: Joan King



Welcome back readers! We've had two months of good reads so far this season and now we're back to our regular schedule of the 4th Friday of the month, JANUARY

27th at 1:00 p.m. in the Activities Building. Our book for January is A FALL OF MARIGOLDS by Susan Meissner. The story is fiction but two historical events figure prominently in the plot—the Triangle Shirtwaist Co. fire in NYC in 1911 and the collapse of the World Trade Towers in NYC in 2001. The two events are tied together by two women, nurse Clara Wood and widow Taryn Michaels. Although unknown to each other, they are connected through the generations by a beautiful scarf, embroidered with a fall of marigolds. Call Joan for more information. 239 567-0606.

#### 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.

#### 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. *Yesterday is not ours to recover, but tomorrow is ours to win or lose* 

#### **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.)

#### 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 812-322-3986, Waneta 239-219-7593 or Laura at 239-210-8010.

#### FOREST PARK HAS A GREAT LIBRARY

There's a little oasis of knowledge and information right here in the Forest Park activities building. No need to hop into your car and drive. We have current hardcover and paperback books, reference materials, videos, talking books large print, magazines and even puzzles. You can look up health related issues, financial questions, recipes and advice on retirement. Your favorite authors are in abundance- James Patterson, Clive Cussler, Janet ...continued on page 18 Evanovich, Danielle Steele, John Grisham, Nora Roberts and a juicy collection of romances. At the FP Library, you don't need a library card- just step inside, choose your media and take it home- for as long as you like, return it when you're done. Your library runs on donations. We always need CURRENT popular books, magazines and videos. Consider donating books published in 2010 or newer to our library. We do not accept older books due to space limitations and because we wish to be current and fresh in our offerings so please, take older books to the North Fort Myers Friends of the Library. We also need library style metal bookends and book display easels. Why read? "The benefits of all this mental activity include keeping your memory sharp, you're learning capacity nimble, and your mind basically hardier as you age... just processing the words boosts the brain"

#### 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.

#### North East Club By Nancy Cooper NORTHEASTERN CLUB MEETING-JANUARY 23RD-5:30 PM THE CHINESE YEAR OF THE ROOSTER

Join your pals for a fun filled evening of good food and lots of fun. Celebrate this fine bird while playing silly games and betting on the races. Did you practice your crowing? A grand prize will be given to the person with the best cock-a-doodle do!

Tickets may be purchased from Nancy Cooper, 734 KNOTTY Pine Circle. Your 2017 membership dues needs to be paid before you purchase tickets. You can do that with Nancy, too. Membership dues is \$5 for the year. Dinner tickets are \$5 as well.

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



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

DUES are \$5.00 per year for each person.

Each month cost of event is \$5.00 per active members. Where else can you go out for food, entertainment with decorations and friendly conversation for \$5.00 Tickets go on sale for the next event immediately, you can purchase next month's tickets while you are at this month's event. (so you don't forget) ticket sales stop a week to 10 days prior to event. Food and supplies must be ready. The club does not intend to make a profit from proceeds instead we donate to other functions in the park, as well as Christmas for needy, food for the food bank etc.

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.

#### PINE TREE KNOTS QUILT CLUB By: Peggy Baker

#### WANTED: New Members.

The Pine Tree Knots Quilt Club meets on Thursdays, in the club house, at 9:00 AM. We welcome new members from beginner level to expert level. Come learn with us, or share your experiences. Our annual dues are \$15, payable before January 19, 2017.

We have completed and delivered 347 Christmas favors for the Meals on Wheels program, and also completed favors for Forest Park Gifts of Cheer program.

**Dates to remember** - December 12, 2016 - Salad and Dessert meeting; January 19, 2017 - Luncheon; March 12, 2017 - Quilt Show; Late March (date to be determined) Goodbye Luncheon.

#### 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

#### **RED HAT LADIES BRUNCH** *By Delores Holmes*



Thursday, January 19

Meet at clubhouse 9:00 AM to carpool

Wear your fancy pajamas

Ladies going to see the "Phantom of Opera" at Broadway Palm

Last day to pay your Money (\$51.00) to Carol Geppart Our other Activities will be hosted by the following members:

- 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.

#### JOKES and QUOTES.....

#### ARRESTED

A police officer jumps into his squad car and calls the station. "I have an interesting case here" he says. "A woman shot her husband for stepping on the floor she just mopped."

"Have you arrested her?" asks the sergeant. "No not yet. The floor's still wet."

#### TAX

After hearing a sermon on Psalms 52:3-4 (lies and deceit), a man wrote the irs, "I can't sleep knowing that I have cheated on my income tax. Enclosed is a check for \$150. If I still can't sleep, I'll send the rest."

#### ARE YOU SERIOUS......

A former art lecturer at MIT was sentenced to a year in jail for robbing a bank. Although he admitted to committing the crime, he insisted he should serve time.

**HIS EXCUSE:** It was done as part of a performance art performance.

After a Breathalyzer test showed her blood alcohol level was more than four time the legal limit, a woman was arrested. But, she said, there was an explanation.

**HER EXCUSE:** She suffered from auto-brewery syndrome, which meant her body created alcohol.

Another disputed DUI occurred. The 75 year-old driver told officers he hadn't touched a drop.

**HIS EXCUSE:** His blood alcohol level was high because of his dinner—beer battered fish.

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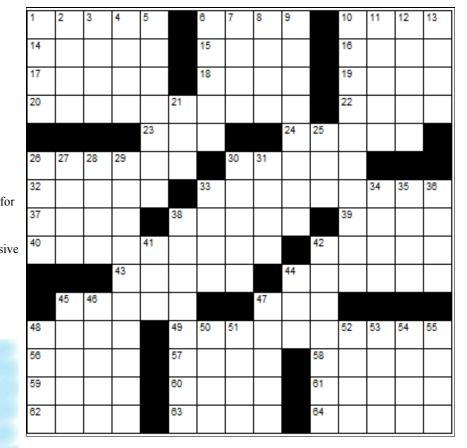
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James Garner	\$10 Royal Enterprises	
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