

PINE TREE KNOTS QUILT CLUB By: Peg Baker

The Pine Tree Knots Quilters held their annual quilt show, Sunday March 11. The raffle quilt was made by Polly Naylor. It was won by one of our members, Suzy Meuwissen, great grandson Kevin Tibbetts. The Chinese Auction provided 22 other winners with various handmade items. The quilt show allows the members to display their works of beauty. We also displayed our comfort quilts, that we make for our residents with serious illness. We started this custom in 2007 and have given 125 lap quilts to date. Please let us know if you have a friend, neighbor or loved one in the Park that would get comfort from one of our quilts. An extra big thank you to Doug Ford, Criss Sexton, Bill Meuwissen for helping. We couldn't have done it without you!!!

Club members:

Front row: Gail Ford, Brita Mulholland, Suzy Meuwissen, Janet Irwin, Jeanette Allen, Peggy Baker, Kay Westall Back row: Phyllis Sexton, Sandy Bagge, Kris Chapman, Marilyn Jackson, Karen Weaver, Polly Naylor, Eleanor Cole, Martha, Janet Clear, Criss Sexton

Absent: Wanda Dickerson, Shirley Korkham, Betty Combs



SOCIAL CLUB OFFICERS

Robyn Johnson and Julie Seubert, Co-Presidents Sharon Tybor, Vice President Joyce Hines, Secretary Pat Schuren, Treasurer

SOCIAL CLUB NEWS By: Julie Seubert

Hardly seems possible we are approaching the end of another fabulous season here in Forest Park. There were lots of activities and it was wonderful to see the great participation.

JUST A NOTE: If you are planning an event for a time other than your regularly scheduled time, or you would like to have a private event at one of our facilities, PLEASE check the monthly calendar first. Every event held in this park should be on the monthly calendar. Then you need to contact myself or Robyn or Mary Diaz in the office, so we can put you on the calendar.

We hope everyone enjoyed their time here this season. We thank everyone who volunteered in any of the activities in the park and thank you for supporting the things we do!! If you are traveling away from here, have a safe journey and we will see you next season.

WITH GRATTUDE AND APPRECIATION

Words cannot express our gratitude to Nick & Marilyn Nufryk for all the years that they have volunteered in the various clubs and activities in Forest Park. Nick and Marilyn are moving back to New York. We appreciate your dedication and countless hours you have given to the people of this park. Nick and Marilyn have been our "Ticket Sellers" for all of the Social Club events. We are forever grateful for your service and will miss you. May God Bless you and keep you healthy and safe.

SNOW BIRD TIP....

PLEASE CHANGE YOUR BATTERIES in your thermostat, humidistat and smoke detectors or anywhere you need to have use of the appliance during the summer months. It is a terrible experience to have to come back to your home full of mold everywhere. We have also found that placing Damp-Rid in all rooms and closets helps to rid your home of moisture and humidity.

HAPPY EASTER!!



That expression means many things to different people. For us Christians, it is a time of renewed hope. Christ promised to make all things new and His promise is beautifully revealed in the

splendor of Easter morning when the stone is rolled away and He Is Risen!! As people desperate for spring time temperatures and sunshine....we are most certainly in need of the hope that spring will in fact arrive and with sunshine and warmer breezes...help to make our lawns and moods new again! So, whatever Easter means to you and your families....may the joy that is Easter bring renewed hope, health and wealth of all measures to you and yours.



ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Come one – Come all!! To an Ice Cream Social on Thursday April 5th from 6:00 to 8:00 and enjoy an ice cream sundae with your choice of toppings and be entertained by Chris Brettschneider and Bob Price

playing some lively music on the accordion and banjo. Bob and Chris played for us last year and was enjoyed by everyone. The price for the fun evening is only \$5.00. AND you don't have to bring your own dishes!!

KOFFEE KLATSCH

The last Koffee Klatsch for this season will be on April 6th. Lee County Emergency Management will be here to hold a Hurricane Preparedness Seminar.

Information will include how to plan and prepare for Hurricane season, as well as info on Special

needs programs, volunteering, family emergency plans, evacuation routes and zones, public shelters, emergency supply kits and what resources are available during a disaster.

Please mark your calendar for April 6th at 9:00 a.m. Coffee and donuts will be provided and 50/50 drawing. Please bring your coffee cup!!



MENS KOFFEE KLATSCH

Mens Koffee Klatsch is held the 2nd Friday of the month from November – April at 8:00 a.m. in the clubhouse. Come out for conversation with other Forest Park men. Coffee and donuts will be provided. Please bring your own coffee cup. The last Koffee Klatsch of the season will be April 13th.

WOMENS KOFFEE KLATSCH

Due to lack of participation there will no longer be a Womens Koffee Klatsch. If there is an interest next season we will reinstate it. Have a great summer!!

OFFICE UPDATES

By: Mary Diaz



For Rent Updates

If you have a home for rent, please remember to update the office on the particulars if you would like it listed on the bulletin board & online. Also, please let us know if it is rented so we may remove it from the list. Thank you.

Friendly Reminder from the Office

Please visit the office to sign out when you depart for the season & make sure your contact information is up to date. Good friends never say good bye. They simply say farewell, and we'll see you soon!



We are so grateful for the dedicated team of Reception volunteers for their countless hours in the Forest Park office this season and last summer. The volunteers are always ready to welcome visitors with a smile and lend a helping hand. They also assist with various office projects.

We would like to convey our gratitude to Sherrill Wright, Reception Volunteer Coordinator, Laurene Armstrong, Jan Brewer, Kathy Carson, Jonie Emery, Sheila Fitzgerald, Edie Hosey, Robyn Johnson, Teresa Jones, Mary Kurucz, Waneta Schafer, Pat Schuren and Peg Stewart. You represent the spirit of generosity and hospitality which makes Forest Park an exceptional community!

HEALTH AND WELNESS

By: Mary Gibson, RN

Blood Mobile will be here on Monday, April 9th from 1pm to 4pm. Watch for posters and sign up sheet to follow.

LINE DANCING

We were hoping that by decreasing the price of line dancing from \$5.00 to 3.00 that we would have had more interest in the class. But that did not happen. So due to lack of participation, our instructor has decided not to continue teaching. Therefore, the last day for line dancing was March 23rd. Hopefully we can bring it back this fall. We all learned a few dances and had a lot of fun.



FUTURE DATES FOR THIS SEASON

APRIL

- 2 -- Hot Dog Dinner at 5:30 Karoake at 6:00
- 5 -- Ice Cream Social with entertainment
- 6 -- 9:00 Koffee Klatsch Hurricane Awareness

save the date!

- 9 -- North East Picnic
- 16 -- Karaoke at 6:00

STRETCH & TONE

Stretch & Tone with ET is held every Tuesday and Saturday morning from 9:00 to 10:00 in the Clubhouse. Come on out and join us for this soft and gentle stretching class. It helps with flexibility and keeps muscles strong!! The last class for this season will be held April 7th.

EASY WATER EXERCISE

These classes are held every Monday thru Friday at 10:30 a.m. at the pool. Most of the water exercises are easy enough for everyone to participate. Come on out and enjoy those healthy rays of sunshine. Exercises are also subject to weather cooperating. Classes will end the end of April.

SUGGESTED STEPS TO FOLLOW WHEN CLOSING YOUR HOME FOR THE SUMMER

- 1. Unplug all small appliances including TV's, microwave, stereos, lamps, etc.
- 2. Open all closets and cupboard doors to keep moisture from collecting.
- 3. Empty refrigerator of all perishable products, set both refrigerator and freezer temperatures to warmest setting.
- 4. Close and lock all windows.
- 5. Close all blinds and/or drapes
- 6. Close all sink drains or cover with plastic wrap and weighted object.
- 7. Add a cup of bleach to toilets and cover with plastic wrap and put down lids.
- 8. Turn off water under sinks and toilets.
- 9. Replace air conditioner filter with new one.
- 10. Cover living room furniture with bed sheets to avoid dust and sun fade.
- 11. Remove throw rugs from floor so carpet can breathe. Also take up throw rugs on all floors to avoid possible

staining from the rug backing.

- 12. Bring patio furniture and cushions inside the house as well as any objects that may become airborne in high winds.
- 13. Turn off water heater at breaker box.
- 14. Set thermostat at 78 degrees, automatic cool, set humidistat at 68 degrees and change thermostat batteries if your unit has batteries. (VERY IMPORTANT)
- 15. Turn off water to the house or at the street.
- 16. Close all exterior shutters.
- 17. Block open door to dishwasher, (A plastic ice tray works great).
- 18. Remove batteries from all clocks, radios, remote controls etc to avoid corrosion.
- 19. It is recommended that you have someone check on your house periodically in case of A/C or appliance malfunction, or other problems. You may also wish to have you're A/C checked prior to leaving.



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

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES By: Julie Seubert

All articles should be sent to me 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 715-571-4246.

Please remember the newsletter continues to run every month all summer long. During the summer months, which begins in May and goes thru October, the Newsletter is delivered to the office. 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 are a snowbird you can access the Newsletter on our web site. Enjoy your summer, travel safely and 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.

FOREST PARK WEB SITE: By: Jan Harmon, Webmaster Web Site www.forestparkonline.com

The ACTIVITIES page has been updated with the latest information. When you click on that page you will see all the park activities listed, a contact person, and a short description of the purpose and upcoming events. Each activity should designate a person willing to inform me of updates so I can keep the pages up to date.

Click on DOCUMENTS to find links to all FPPOA Board and FPPA Member meeting minutes and handouts related to each meeting.

Want to contact an officer or board member, their information is under CONTACT and has been updated with our new officers.

Want the latest news when you are not in the park to receive a printed copy, just click on the NEWS link.

Often photos and videos from our various activities are posted on PHOTO GALLERY. You can even download, save, or print photos from this page.

There is so much information just waiting for you to enjoy.

If you have any questions, just click on the "webmaster@forestparkonline.com" at the bottom of each page and send me an email with your question or request. Happy Surfing....

2018 BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND MEMBERSHIP MEETING DATES

Please note the change of dates:

April 5	Board Meeting 9 AM
April 12	Membership Meeting 7 PM

NEIGHBORHOOD PATROL

By Mike & Kathy Fanning

A Big Thank You to the winter Security Patrol Volunteers.



April brings the close of the winter schedule, and the Summer

Security Patrol Volunteers start.

Like last season, the Security Bag will be in the Activities Building. It should be dropped off by noon so the next person on the list can pick it up by 3:00 p.m.

Thank you, summer volunteers, for your support of night patrol.

The summer contact persons are Duke & Robyn Johnson.

Thank you all for the continued support and the time given for the night Security.

Have a Safe Summer.

WI-FI

Important -- All snowbirds, when you leave for the summer, REMEMBER to unplug your little



black box that is connected to the antenna, from the AC wall outlet. The WI-FI tower has been lowered, updates have been made and the next BIG upgrade will be made in the fall when our existing internet contract expires and we can increase our bandwidth.

WI-FI guys Doug & Jim



NEW RESIDENTS

- Colleen Turley 640 Forest Palm Ct. from MA
- Kevin & Robin Mann 5110 Forest Park Drive from PA
- Ellen R. Heigham 568 Peace Lake Ct. from ME
- Danny & Karen Angell 5020 Forest Park Drive from KY
- Kerry & Jane Cullin 420 Timber Lane N. from OH
- Michael & Elizabeth Maugans 5301 Forest Park Drive from PA
- Kenneth & Joyce Parsels 563 Timber Lane S. from NY

BIRTHDAYS

Jack Watson 1 Charlie Naylor 04 Rufus Durden 9 Harold Goans 9 Pamela Burt 11 Jim Ullrey 12 Dick Lewis 15 Peg Hull 17 Jim Schleter 19 Delano Cline 21 ET Thomas 22 Mavis Pechette 23 Polly Naylor 28 Karen Weaver 24 Helen Ayers 28 Patrick Beconder 28 Bill Sheehan 30



Pete & Nancy Lawrence April 14, 1960 Nick & Marilyn Nufryk April 27, 1957



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FARWELL

Larry Tsicountouridis passed away. Larry & his wife Raymonde wintered in Forest Park for many years. Larry led the "Bunco" group in the park and enjoyed other activities. He will be missed.

Donald J. Urquhart, 80, of Onset, formerly of Billerica, died March 5, 2018. He and his wife Shirley wintered in Forest Park for many years. Don was active in the park and frequently volunteered to help the community, especially with providing cleaning supplies & paper products, and stripping & waxing the clubhouse floors. Don served in the United States Marine Corps and will be dearly missed.

Louis R. Frasca, 92, of Framingham, formerly of Ashland and Onset, MA passed away Friday March 2nd. Loving husband of Eleanor for 66 years, Lou & Elle resided in Forest Park for many years. Lou worked as

a plaster contractor for many years before becoming an appliance technician for Sears retiring in the late 1980s. Lou served his country honorably during WWII with the Navy in the Philippines.



Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Training

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for the hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations.

The next training dates are coming up in May Training. May 8, 10, 15, 17 and 22nd, from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm at the NFM Fire Department. For more info., please contact the fire department at 239-997-8654

Seeking Volunteer Yoga & Swim Instructors for Next Season

Our Social Club is looking for anyone interested in teaching a Yoga class or a swimming instructor for next season who can teach folks who want to improve their strokes. Please email Robyn Johnson at fppoasocialclub@ forestparkonline.com if you are interested.

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.





We have received complaints regarding residents walking their dogs and not picking up after them. Kindly pick up after your dog. If you walk your dog at night, please

carry a flashlight and a doggy bag and clean up after your pet. Dog feces are unsightly and are health hazards. Please be considerate of your neighbors. (If you observe someone not picking up after their pet, you may remind them to do so, or take a photo of the person and contact the office.)

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.

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.



RECYCLE BLUE BIN

The blue bin 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.

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. 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.

THANK YOU to Duke and Robyn Johnson and to Von and Rich Gasper who pick up the cans every Tuesday Morning and to Bill and Cheryl O'Loughlin and Roger Wagner who crush the cans each week.

Please remember to put your aluminum cans in a bag and place <u>UNDER YOU MAILBOX</u> by 7:00 A.M. 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.



Remember to use flashing lights or flashlights when you are riding or walking at night.



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LEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S SENIOR SAFETY SEMINARS RETURN IN 2018

Get your pencil out now and mark your calendar for the return of this year's series of educational seminars designed to teach you how to protect yourself against scams, fraud and violence. The "2018 Senior Safety" presentations feature a variety of public safety topics including residential and vehicle burglary prevention, home repair fraud, internet safety, and much more.

You are invited to attend one event or all eight; however, due to limited seating you must reserve your spot by calling 239-561-9142. All seminars will take place at the United Healthcare Medicare Store located in the Daniels Crossing Shopping Center, 6900 Daniels Parkway, #23-C, Fort Myers.

- April 12th at 10:00am Get to Know the Lee County Sheriff's Office - videos & more
- May 10th at 10:00am House and Vehicle Burglary Prevention "How are you targeted"
- June 14th at 10:00am Internet Safety "Learn about online scams and computer safety"
- July 12th at 10:00am Safety Away from Home -"Protecting yourself and your property"
- August 9th at 10:00am Home Repair Fraud -"Learn how to check before work is done"
- September 13th at 10:00am When Violence Breaks Out – "Do you know what to do?"

HURRICANE & DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

Hurricane season runs from June 1 to mid-November. Before a hurricane, or in preparation for any disaster, make the following preparations: (thank you to Ready. gov for much of this information):

- Build an emergency kit and make a family communications plan. (Keep cell phones fully charged. Texting will often work even if calls cannot be placed).
- Have a family member or friend out of the area designated as a contact for all family members
- Know your surroundings.
- Pay close attention to weather forecasts and storm surge warnings and react to weather warnings and guidance from city officials appropriately.
- Learn community hurricane evacuation routes and how to find higher ground.
- · Determine where you would go and how you would

get there if you must to evacuate. Know area shelters.

- Take a written inventory and photograph or videotape house & belongings.
- Review/update homeowners insurance policies and keep information on hand.
- Have cash and extra gasoline and prescription medicines on hand.

SECURE YOUR HOME FOR A HURRICANE

- Trim dead or broken tree branches and shrubs around your home so they are more wind resistant.
- Clear loose and clogged rain gutters and downspouts.
- Bring in all outdoor furniture, decorations, garbage cans and anything else that is not tied down.
- Make sure your address number is clearly marked on your mobile home.
- · Check and secure all of your mobile home's tiedowns.
- Bring in any loose items from outside lawn décor, furniture, BBQ grills, bicycles, etc.
- Secure any loose roofing and siding.
- Purchase these materials to secure your mobile home:

Plywood, Shutters and/or protective window film, Plastic sheeting, nails

Make an emergency preparedness kit:

Your kit should include a portable, sturdy, easy to carry, water resistant container and should have enough supplies for seven days. Check your kit and replace perishable stock every six months. Whether you purchase a kit or choose to build your own, your seven-day kit should include:

- Water one gallon per person, per day.
- Food non-perishable, easy-to-prepare items such as tuna fish, peanut butter, crackers, and canned fruit. Make sure to include a manual can opener.
- A battery-powered or hand-crank radio, flashlight and plenty of extra batteries.
- A first aid kit.
- Prescription and non-prescription medication items (seven-day supply). Include medical supplies like extra hearing aid batteries, syringes, etc.
- · Copies of important documents, including birth certificates, insurance policies, a medication list and pertinent medical information, proof of address, deed/lease to home and social security cards.
- Cell phone chargers.
- Multi-purpose tool.
- Sanitation and personal hygiene items. ...continued on page 12

- Extra cash. ATMs and credit cards won't work if the power is out.
- Special items for infant, elderly or disabled family members.
- One blanket or sleeping bag per person.
- Pet supplies (collar, leash, ID, food, carrier, bowls).
- Maps of the area.

Prepare a family evacuation plan

Each household needs to develop a household disaster plan. The plan should include

- Identifying two meeting places: one right outside your home in case of a sudden emergency, like a fire, and one outside your neighborhood in case you can't return home.
- Making advanced preparations for your pets. Be aware that pets may not be allowed in shelters. Contact hotels, motels, family members and animal shelters to see if they would allow pets in a disaster situation. Keep a contact list of "pet friendly" locations. If you are asked to evacuate, take your pets with you.
- Choosing an out-of-area emergency contact person. During or after a disaster, it's often easier to call long distance, especially if local phone lines are overloaded or out of service. Family members should call this person and tell them where they are. Everyone must know your emergency contact person's phone number and email address.
- Plan your evacuation route. Use local maps and identify alternate evacuation routes from home, work and/or school. Know where you are going and how you plan to get there before you leave home.

Be informed

Find out what types of disaster are likely to occur in your area and how to prepare for each.

Find out how local authorities will contact you during a disaster. Listen to local media broadcasts or NOAA Weather Radio for the latest storm conditions and follow the advice of local authorities.

Contact the NFM Fire Dept. for details about community disaster education presentations that may be arranged or are available in your workplace, school or community organization.

Get trained in CPR and first aid so you will know how to respond to emergencies in the event that help is delayed.

If you are told to evacuate, do so immediately. You may choose to evacuate sooner than alerted if you think you may need additional time. Know what to do if a hurricane WATCH is issued

- Listen to weather updates from your battery-powered or hand-cranked radio.
- Bring in outdoor objects such as lawn furniture, hanging plants, bicycles, toys and garden tools, anchor objects that cannot be brought inside.
- Close all windows and doors. Cover windows with storm shutters or plywood.
- If time permits, and you live in an identified surge zone, elevate furniture or move it to a higher floor to protect it from flooding.
- Fill your vehicle's gas tank.
- Check your disaster supplies kit to make sure items have not expired.

Know what to do if a hurricane WARNING is issued

- Listen to the advice of local officials and leave if they tell you to do so. To locate the nearest emergency shelter, check your
- If in a manufactured home, check tie-downs and evacuate as told by local authorities.
- Secure your home by unplugging appliances.
- Turn your refrigerator and freezer to the coldest setting and keep them closed as much as possible.
- If you have propane, turn off the tank.
- If you are not advised to evacuate, stay inside, away from windows, skylights and glass doors.
- Use flashlights in the dark. Do NOT use open flames, such as candles and kerosene lamps, as a source of light.
- If power is lost, turn off appliances to reduce damage from a power surge when electricity is restored.

For further information, contact:

Lee County Emergency Operations Center at 239-533-0622 or visit http://www.leegov.com/publicsafety/

emergencymanagement http://www.Ready.gov

http://www.redcross.org

CLOSEST PUBLIC SHELTERS

(Call to be sure shelter is activated.)

• N. Fort Myers Academy of the Arts 1856 Arts Way

North Fort Myers, FL 33917

• North Fort Myers Recreation Center

2000 N. Recreation Park Way

North Fort Myers, FL 33903

Oak Hammock Middle School

5321 Tice Street

Fort Myers, FL 33905

PET FRIENDLY SHELTER

SPECIAL NEEDS SHELTERS

The Special Needs Program is available to all Lee County residents at no cost. It provides shelter from a Tropical Storm or Hurricane for those who live in a home and/or area that is not safe from storm surge or wind and have no other safe place to go. It also provides transportation to a shelter for those residents who do not have a way to get there. You must register to receive these services by completing the Special Needs Program application on the Lee County Emergency Operations website or call 239-533-0640.

Some things you should know about the program:

- You must register every year. Your application is good for one calendar year only.
- Not every shelter will open. Only those safe from storm surge and wind for each particular storm will open.
- Emergency Public Shelters are open to everyone and do not require pre-registration.
- Bring to the shelter things you need to survive, such as prescriptions, personal hygiene items, sleeping bag, cot, pillow, change of clothes, glasses, special dietary needs, books/magazines/cards or other things to help pass the time while sheltering.
- Food and water will be provided, but we suggest you bring some food items with you in case you do not like what is being served.
- Service animals are allowed in all shelters.
- You can bring your dog or cat to shelter with you at the Special Needs Shelters. They will be housed and sleep in a different area from you, but you will have access to them at any time.
- We stop processing applications when Lee County enters the five-day forecast cone, so submit your application early in the season.
- What you need to know about the Special Needs Shelter:
- The Special Needs Shelter will be open for those with medical needs that require electricity, such as oxygen dependence, dialysis, ventilators, nebulizers, etc.
- You must pre-register for the Special Needs Shelter using the application above.
- You must have a companion/caregiver accompany you during the time you shelter, as we have a limited number of staff working.
- You will receive a confirmation letter and instructions to advise that your name is on the registry, and what to expect if shelters are opening.

If you have questions about the Special Needs Program, please call 239-533-0640.

BID EUCHRE By Madeline 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 Phyllis Sexton



Please joins us on Tuesdays at 6:45 for 7:00 pm Bingo in the Clubhouse each week. Cards are \$.75 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!

BOCCE

By: Mary Gibson

Bocce is on Monday and Thursdays at 2:30. Arrive at 2:15. New members welcome – It is easy to play. Just come out for fun.

BUNCO

By: Criss & Phyllis Sexton

Due to lack of participation we will no longer offer Bunco as a game to be played in the park. If anyone is interested in starting it up this fall, please contact a Social Club Director. Last date to be played this season is April 7th.

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 239-567-13⁰¹⁴⁸.



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CRAFT CLUB *By Diana Power*

This winter season has gone fast for all of us in Craft club. Our membership has risen and so it has been great meeting so many new people this year. We hope all of you enjoyed our Irish stew and hot dog dinner. That was our last dinner for the season, but we look forward to seeing everyone again next year.

Thanks again to all of you who donated all of your good trash for us to sell at the Trash to Treasure sale. A great big thanks to Dena Samm and all of her volunteers from Craft club who worked on the sale for 2 days. All of the husbands who volunteered their service was also very much appreciated. It was a lot of work but when everyone helps and works together, it might be tiring but also fun.

A Spring luncheon was enjoyed by all at the Hut. Another way to say thanks for everyone's help this year.

Officers were chosen for Craft club to serve for the next 2 years. Diana Power stays as president, Carole Beconder will be our new Vice President, Dena Samm stays as secretary and our new treasurer will be Barb Woods. We welcome all of you to join us next year.

In April, many of our members leave for their northern home. So we do not have formal meetings. But several ladies are here all year and they continue to meet on Wednesday at 9:00. They work on some crafts and enjoy the fellowship with others. Anyone in the park is welcome to join them. To all of you northern friends have a safe trip home, and we look forward to seeing everyone back next season

HAND AND FOOT CARDS

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.

COMPUTER CLUB

By: Sherrill Wright



Recycle: Don't throw away your used ink cartridges!

There is a collection container on the Activity room counter. They are donated to a local school for them to recycle at Staples etc and get a credit for school supplies.

The Computer Club can no longer accept old computers, printers or other old equipment.

The Computer Club is a group of friendly people

who meet every Thursday, 2 - 4 PM to help each other with computer issues. If you have a problem related to computers, or a skill you think might benefit others, please come and join the group. Membership is only \$10/yr/household. We take a break and have coffee and cookies around 3 PM to socialize. 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. If anyone is having a problem, we ask them to 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 suggest a computer technician. 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. Since "Cutting the Cable" is becoming more popular, we need people who are familiar with internet TV to give us their experience. So please join us!

Contact: Sherrill or John Wright @ 239.349.3827, email - fpcclub@yahoo.com



KARAOKE



The last Hot Dog Dinner for the season will be held April 2nd from 5:30 to 6:00.

Cost is \$5 and includes a Hot Dog, beans, coleslaw and chips. Please remember to bring your own table setting and \$ for 50/50.

Karaoke goes from 6-9pm and is held on the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month.

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.

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.

FOREST PARK HAS A GREAT LIBRARY By: Gail Ford

Our Forest Park Library, located in the activity building, has current hardcover and paperback books, reference materials, videos, talking books, large print books, cookbooks, Christian books, magazines and even puzzles. You will find the cook books and Christian books on the bottom shelves. All others are in alphabetical order. Your favorite authors are in abundance-James Patterson, Clive Cussler, Janet Evanovich, Danielle Steele, John Grisham, Nora Roberts and a huge collection of romances. Our library runs on donations. We always need CURRENT popular books, magazines and videos. Consider donating books published in 2010 or newer to our library. The space we have for books is very limited, therefore, please take your older books to the North Fort Myers Friends of the Library or to a Goodwill store.

MAH JONGG By: Gail Ford



Our group has increased to 9 ladies. We are having so much fun

learning and playing this challenging game. Our last game will be held on April 11 as I will be leaving soon after and taking my game with me. Thanks for joining us.

NORTH EAST CLUB By Barb Wood

Well, we all sailed on the SS Minnow and returned unscathed to go on for another day! Thank you Richard and Ray and your team of volunteers for giving us another night out with good food and good fun with our friends.

Remember our last North East Club meeting for this season is just a few short days away. The annual picnic is scheduled for April 9th and cut-off for getting your tickets is April 2nd. Remember to bring your ticket and place setting.

This will be our last meeting of the season and we are wishing each of our "Snowbird" friends a safe journey back north. Have a great summer and see you in the fall. To those who make Forest Park their forever home, enjoy the summer here in our little community and we will be back before you know it!

Happy Summer everyone and we thank you for being part of our North East Club and supporting the things we do!

SUB-FLOOR & FLOORING EXPERTS!



WOMEN'S PICKLE BALL By: Charlene Wash

We are looking for ladies who are interested in learning how to play pickleball. Come to the pavilion on Tuesday mornings @ 10:00 and see if this game is something you may want to try. We will play a



may want to try. We will play until the end of April.

MEN'S PICKLE BALL

We play pickle ball every day at 9:00 in the pavilion. Come join the fun. We will play until the end of April.

RED HAT LADIES

By: Madaline Preston



Hope you all enjoyed our Pizza Party last week. It was our last meeting of the season. A big THANK YOU to Marilyn

Nufryk for her many years of serving as President of our Club. You will be truly missed. May God Bless you and keep you healthy and safe.

RUMMY KUBE

By: Patricia Tegler

We play Rummy Cube every Monday and Thursday night at 6:30 in the Activity Building. It's a fun and easy game to learn. Come and try it!!

FOREST PARK SHUFFLEBOARD By: Bill Madill, Captain

Fun day is over with good participation Our High score for the day was Madeline Preston. The women seem to outplay the guys. Our year end banquet was held on March 23rd at Smokin Pit.

We are busy putting up new sun blocking screens thanks to Forest Park for supplying them and thanks for the help in putting them up. The King and queen was held on March 23rd. Watch your May Newsletter for the winners!!

The year is rushing by. Thanks again to Ellsworth Heating for their help in sponsoring our different

functions. This was designed to be an in park fun league and it seems to be working. Thanks to everyone who helped make this year enjoyable. See you next season.



SKIP-BO

By: Harold Mundle

We play Skip-bo every Monday nite at 6:30 in the Activity Building. Yes, it is the same time as Rummy Kube -- we share the Activity Building. Come and join the fun!!

Happy Easter!



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