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# FOREST PARK NEWSLETTER

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December 2009



Here we come again for another wonderful season in Forest Park.

I hope everyone had a good summer and is raring to get involved in all our ongoing activities.

**Remember all newcomers to our Park**, there are many different organizations and clubs within our Park. Make sure you look them all over and find one or more that interests you. Jump right in and get involved, making many new friends along the way. Watch your monthly Newsletter for upcoming events as well as the attached calendar. This will enrich your time and winter months in Forest Park.

**IMPORTANT** – Don't forget to send your submissions to the Newsletter **no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month**. For those who do not have a computer, there is a box on the windowsill in the Clubhouse to put them in. For those that do have a computer, my email address is [marleneboniface@yahoo.com](mailto:marleneboniface@yahoo.com). **Just attach your submission (as a file) to your email and send.** Thank you.

**Many of you were late with your submissions last year – remember – if it's not in by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month – you could miss out in getting your notice in the Letter.**



*Attention Grandparents*

***SANTA WILL BE COMING TO FOREST PARK AGAIN THIS YEAR.***

If you have grandchildren and/or are expecting *young at heart* visitors at Christmas and would like Santa to visit your home, (this also includes shut-ins) please get in touch with Mike Fanning and he'll contact Santa at the North Pole and arrange a visit. Phone Mike at 567-1835 or contact him at 514 Pine Tree Court.

Santa will be delivering the small, wrapped gift (supplied to him by YOU) to your home on Christmas Eve between 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Join in the fun and **don't let your grandchildren miss out on a visit from Santa on Christmas Eve.**

**KOFFEE KLATCH**

The Computer Club is hosting the December Koffee Klatch on Friday, December 4. Mr. Emory Smith, Lee County Solid Waste Recycling Manager, will talk about waste management, recycling and waste-to-energy, in today's "green conscious" society.

There will be coffee and donuts provided for park residents. Come and meet and greet park residents as well as get reacquainted with all your friends and neighbors in the park.

P.S. Don't forget your money for the 50/50 draw.

**HEALTH AND WELLNESS**

The Blood Pressure Clinic will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Mary Gibson

***ONCE AGAIN IT IS TIME TO SAY GOOD-BYE***

On behalf of the residents of Forest Park, I would like to extend our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Don Bagshaw, Ernest Beck, John Bommarito, Micki Campbell, Larry Cole, Clifford Curry, Marvin Doliana, Tom McLain, Doug Miller, Ken Owens, James Smith and Virgil Wenrich who passed away since our spring issue of the Newsletter.

All will be sadly missed.

**THANK YOU JUST ISN'T ENOUGH**

Tom and I were two very fortunate people to find and buy into Forest Park in 1986. When Tom passed away suddenly last March, I was overwhelmed with the kindness shown to my family and myself.

Many of you brought food to the house, sent cards, and visited our home to express your sympathies and to give our family comfort and support. In addition, you dedicated the March Newsletter to Tom and a number of you gave a donation toward a plaque honoring Tom as the Forest Park Santa for 15 years. This plaque is now hanging on the wall in the Clubhouse. Tom would be very pleased.

I would like to say a special thank you to my friends and neighbors Evie and Bernie Lathrop, Ann and Dale Stafford, Rita and Bernie Booth for their support and many acts of kindness shown to me and my family. You are true friends and have been a great help to me in my time of need.

Thank you to all the good people in Forest Park.

Marlene Boniface

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**VERY IMPORTANT**

Last Spring on the evening when Tom passed away, the EMR team asked me for information regarding Tom and his health. I reached into the pocket of my File of Life (on the side of my refrigerator) and handed over Tom's file. This quickly answered their questions fully and accurately.

I was very glad I had completed a file for both Tom and myself. If you have not already done so, I would strongly recommend you complete a file for you and your loved ones. Believe me, it is much better to have this information on hand at a time like that because shock and pain take over and you just can't think straight. I think Becky Conrad still has some at her home.

Marlene

**UPDATE FOR YOUR 2009-10 RESIDENT DIRECTORY AS OF NOVEMBER 2009**

**Correction to the New Forest Park Telephone Books.**

It was very nice that the publisher promoted Social Club Officers to become F.P.P.O.A. Officers for 2009. We appreciate the thought; however, we assure you that the same Officers are still doing their jobs. So please change your book to read –

President -	Betty Campbell
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President -	Dick Hettich
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President -	Foster Dye
Treasurer -	John Wright
Secretary -	Sharon Goudy

You may obtain the new directory in the office where you have to sign to receive your copy.

CHANGE	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>PHONE</u>
	Mike & Kathleen Fanning	514 Pine Tree Ct.	567-1835

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**Welcome to New Owners in Forest Park – Enjoy our amenities**

John Berg	5071 Forest Park Drive
Robert and Kathryn Carson	424 Timberlane N.
Andres and Theresa Chernow	554 Peace Lake Ct.
Steve and Sherri Eastburn	603 Sand Lake Ct.
Leonard Egan	5131 Forest Park Dr.
Richard and Jo Ann Gagner	702 Knotty Pine Circle
Robert and Dawn Gale	559 Peace Lake Ct.
Harold and Carol Govekar	801 Hollyberry Ct.
Paul and Carol Hodson	816 Hollyberry Ct.

Helen Marconi	240 Shrub Lane N.
Larry McClelland	739 Knotty Pine Circle
Donald and Janet Plantenga	5430 Forest Park Dr.
Michael and Christine Turek	5150 Forest Park Dr.
Cecil and Peggy Wood	829 Hollyberry Ct.

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**HELLO FOREST PARK**

Thank you for the opportunity to introduce myself. I am Cindy Weis, and I am your new full time letter carrier. I have 28 years with the Post Office with 24 of these delivering mail. I am enjoying being your carrier and am looking forward to a great winter season. I wish everyone a joyful and

blessed Holiday Season with good health in the New Year.

Your Carrier, Cindy

**CANADIAN CLUB**

Our December meeting is combined with the Michigan Club. Happy Holidays everyone!  
Jim Barnett, President

**MICHIGAN CLUB**

The Michigan-Canadian Club will meet on Thursday, December 3 for a potluck dinner at 5:30 in the Activites Building. There is a Sign-up sheet in th Clubhouse

There will be a collection box in the Clubhouse for food donations to the Salvation Army. Please be generous.

Lou Smith, President

**NORTHEAST CLUB**

Start your holiday celebration on **December 14 at 7:00 p.m.** with the Northeast Club. We'll have coffee or cocoa and cookies and sing Christmas Karaoke led by Foster Dye.

Bring one dozen cookies (either home-made or store bought) and your singing voice. We'll have a cookie exchange for those who want to go home with a variety of cookies - Bring two dozen cookies if you would like to exchange. See you on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

Joan King

**OHIO CLUB**

There were 162 residents in attendance at the annual Welcome Back Dinner held on November 2 this year. There were two speakers from the Lee County Sheriff's Department talking on V.O.I.C.E.

The Ohio Club will meet Monday, December 7, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in the Clubhouse for our annual Christmas Dinner. We will be serving ham, baked potato, vegetable, salad, roll and butter, dessert and beverage.

The dinner is free to all paid members. Please bring your own table service AND a wrapped new gift of \$5.00 value for each household member that will join in our **MYSTERY GIFT EXCHANGE**.

There is a SIGN UP SHEET at the rear of the Clubhouse.

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**NEW YEAR'S EVE IN FOREST PARK**

The Ohio Club is hosting New Year's Eve with a Dinner and Dance.

The Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m., on December 31 in the Clubhouse. Ohio Club members will prepare and serve sauerkraut and pork, real mashed potatoes, applesauce, roll and butter and a light dessert.

Cost of meal is \$7.00 per person. Please bring your own table service.

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The New Year's Dance will be held from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Music for the Dance will be provided by **FOREST PARK'S RICHARD TAYLOR** and you just may hear Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin or Elvis Presley voices during the evening. There will be a 50/50 draw and a liquor basket raffle. The cost for the Dance is \$15.00 per person.

**TICKETS FOR BOTH THESE EVENTS WILL BE ON SALE IN THE CLUBHOUSE  
DECEMBER 7 AND 14 FROM 1:00 P.M. TO 3:00 P.M.**

Rita Booth, Ohio Club President

**NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH**

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH / SECURITY  
Submitted by Becky Conrad

Gary Eckles said farewell as head of Security. We thank him for all the many hours he has volunteered helping Forest Park stay safe. He will still have security signs on his van on Forest Park Drive and he will drive security nights for us. The phone Gary did have has been retired. The cell phone in the security bag is still there, as you may need it to call the sheriff while driving the park.

Neighborhood Watch / Security met in the Pavilion on Nov. 4 at 1:00 p.m. Dan and Sandy O'Brien were introduced as the new people who are in charge of making out the Security Schedules.

We had three Lee

County Sheriff's Deputies in attendance. We discussed lots of issues in the Park. There were 54 people in attendance. The police explained to us that they enforce Criminal Law and not Civil Law, that our by-laws and regulations come under. They told us what they could do to help us enforce our rules in the park. If you feel you are being harassed by anyone in the park call the police at 477-1000 - THEY WILL COME. The more times they come the more action we will get from them.

We had two unlocked bikes stolen. One was recovered.

If your house sounds like someone is pounding on the side of your house at 3:00 a.m. The culprit may very well be frogs. They have been seen flying into the sides of our homes at 3:00 a.m. Don't know what they like about our siding but they are noisy and scaring us.

Last year we put up many - No Trespassing – Private Property - signs on the fence line surrounding our park. Some have fallen off. Please bring any you have picked up to the next Neighborhood Watch Meeting Dec. 2. We need volunteers to go around and put these back up using heavier wire this time.

Who has the extra unused signs?

Have Happy and Safe Holidays. Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas.



Remember Everyone – the Snowbirds are back and our streets are very busy. Drive

carefully and watch out for our walkers and bicycle riders.



### **CRAFT CLUB**

The Craft Club of Forest Park meets every Wednesday in the Clubhouse at approximately 9:00 a.m. Members of the Club will be holding their Christmas luncheon on December 2 at a local restaurant.....

The Club's Famous "Hot Dog Dinners" will be held in January and February - Remember another delicious dish is also offered if hot dogs don't please your palate, and a fun time is always on the menu !!!!!!!

We are always looking forward to greeting and meeting new residents who would like to make wonderful crafts and enjoy a beverage along with the members' treats - some of which are the "old time" goodies....stop by and introduce yourself and see what we have to offer!!!! Please note: Our next meeting date will be December 9 and there will NOT be a meeting on December 16 and the 23rd.

"Remember -- "the best antiques you can have are OLD FRIENDS"

Ruth Malaga for Janet Rutledge

### **MACHINE EMBROIDERY ARTS CLUB**

We are a group of sewing enthusiasts that are expanding our understanding of sewing machine embroidery. We meet the last Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m. in the Activities Building. Every month we share a different technique and each project is designed to be completed in one session and can be simple, unique or challenging. We try to use supplies you already have in your sewing stash or can obtain inexpensively.

There is no charge and although the projects are designed to be embroidered, you need not have an embroidery machine to join us. If you are interested in purchasing an embroidery machine or already own one but would like to learn more, this is a great opportunity.

Instructor Host: Patty "Mac" McCoy  
Coordinator: Izzy McLain

### **FOREST PARK COMPUTER CLUB**

The Computer Club would like to announce that our meeting day will be changing to Wednesday from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., still in the Activities Building.

If you are a beginner the more experienced users will give you a hand. Just come with your list of questions and they will come up with the answers. We hope to have more members add their unique interests and experiences for us all to share. Membership is \$10.00 per year per household.

Sherrill Wright

### **FOREST PARK PINE TREE KNOTTERS QUILTERS CLUB**

The "leftovers" continued to meet on Thursdays during the summer. Their focus was creating lap quilts for shut-ins, those who are ill or recovering from major surgery.

The following people have received one of these quilts: Barbara Nitz, Ida Stevens for her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday, Ida Key on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday, Barbara Dieck, Tom McLain, Joe Craven, Bev Whitaker and Jean Collins.

The quilters meet Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Gail Ford

### **SOCIAL CLUB**

### **ALL FOR RENT PROPERTIES**

If these are no longer available, or need modifying, please notify Sherrill Wright at 731-7524 and I will take them down for you. This saves people looking for a place phoning, especially if it is a long distance call, only to find out the place is already rented. Thanks.

Sherrill

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Red Hat Ladies

Our Christmas Party is on December 4 at 12:30 p.m. in the Clubhouse. Pizza and salad will be provided. Every Red Hat Lady will bring some dessert.

For further information, contact our Hostesses – Marilyn Nufryk at 543-5073 or Carol Geppart at 731-3132. Reservations must be made by November 27. Annual dues need to be paid at the meeting or call Raymonde at 731-0334.

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**Christmas Golf Cart Parade – 6:00 p.m. December 24**

Everyone decorate your Golf Cart and meet at the Clubhouse at 6:00 p.m. for a parade that will tour all the streets in Forest Park on Christmas Eve, December 24. Santa's Elves have been known to throw candy as they pass your house. There will be a raffle drawing for prizes.

After the parade, refreshments will be served in the Clubhouse. A sign-up sheet will be in the Clubhouse. For further information contact Bo and Betty McClain at 543-1220.

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The Social Club is collecting for the homeless of Florida – new or gently used gloves, hats, sweaters and coats. There is a box in the Clubhouse for your donations. Thank you.

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**Forest Park VEGGIE MAN**

Forest Park has a produce truck that comes into the park every Wednesday morning from 8:00 a.m. till Noon. He is located in the pavilion. They have given gift certificates to be raffled off at Koffee Klatch (which is the First Friday of every month.)

Please take advantage of the convenience of purchasing your fresh fruit and vegetables from our In-Park Veggie Man.

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**GOOD CHEER LADY**

If you know of anyone within our Park that has had an accident, sickness, surgery, even a "Thinking of you" card, please call Nancy Cooper at 543-8256 and some "good cheer" will be on its way!

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**WILLIE AND COMPANNY COMING SATURDAY, JANUARY 23, 2010**

Be sure you mark your calendar on Saturday, January 23, 2010 for a great meal and a very entertaining evening. We will begin with a full meal at 5:30 p.m. followed by a fun filled show presented by "Willie & Company".

Who is "Willie & Company"? It is ventriloquism, music and lots of comedy. You'll laugh for days afterward.

Tickets will be \$15.00 for the dinner and show and \$10.00 for the show only. Tickets will be available soon from any Social Club Officer. They will also be on sale at the Clubhouse on Sunday, January 3 and January 10 from 1:00 – 3:00 P.M. Seating is limited so get you tickets early.

Keith Goudy



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### **SIGN OUT SHEET**

There is a Sign Our Sheet found in the Activities Building. When you leave the park to travel north for the summer or even when you go on vacation, please go to the Activities Building and sign out. When you return to Forest Park, please make yourself known to our Office Secretary. This is for security reasons, e.g. Hurricane, tornado. Are you here or are you north? When checking for missing people, your record at the Office is critical.

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A way of dealing with the burdens of life:

Always keep your words soft and sweet, just in case you have to eat them.

Delores

### **FOREST PARK BOOK GROUP IS BACK**

Forest Park Book Group will hold its December book discussion on **Friday, December 18 at 1:00 p.m. in the Activities Building**. The book we are reading is "The Time Traveler's Wife" by Audrey Niffengger.

(Henry De Tamble is a time traveler. One of the places he travels is the meadow behind Clare's house. Clare meets him there and falls in love with him, but now what? This is not a science fiction novel, but a love story of two people who must live with Henry's particular curse as part of their lives. A movie based on the book was released in August.)

Books are available to borrow free of charge. Call Joan King at 567-0606 to borrow a book.

Joan King

### **BID EUCHRE**

We play each Wednesday and Saturday nights at 6:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME** – Come in and join us.

There is a sign up list in the Clubhouse if you wish to play.

Anyone wishing to learn – come on down and we will help you.

Madaline Preston

### **SQUARE DANCING**

Square dancing for this season will start on December 2, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Pavilion. I would also like to start another beginner's class in an effort to get a nice continuing group going. If you know anyone that is interested, please bring or invite them to attend the class on December 2. They must have a partner. The first two classes are free to see if it is your cup of tea. You will have a good time! It is enjoyable, good exercise and educational.

Come and join us for an evening of fun.

If you have any questions, feel free to call me at 543-6844

Lowell Noland  
Caller

### **A MEMORY TREE**

The Landscaping Committee is accepting donations for a new program called “**A Tree to Remember**” in memory of loved ones who have passed on. These trees will be planted in the open area beyond the Clubhouse. So far, three trees have been purchased. A plaque listing the names of those to be remembered will hang in the Clubhouse.

Future plans for this area include additional plantings and benches.

If you wish to purchase a tree (\$85.00) or make a donation, please contact Nancy Cooper at 543-8256.

### **THE F.P.P.O.A. BOARD NOMINATIONS**

Nominations from members in good standing are being accepted for candidates to the F.P.P.O.A. Board for the following seven positions, to be decided in the upcoming election on January 14, 2010.

President – 2 year term  
 First Vice President, 2 year term  
 Second Vice President, 2 year term  
 Treasurer – 2 year term  
 Director – 3 year term  
 Director – 3 year term  
 Director – 3 year term

All candidates who have declared their intention to run for office will be announced by the Nominating Committee at the regular Membership Meeting of the F.P.P.O.A. on December 17, 2009. Nominations from the floor may also be taken at this meeting.

Check your By-Laws for additional information regarding protocol including the voting of absentee ballots which will be available in the office on December 22, 2009, or earlier, and how a member can vote by proxy.

Anyone who wishes to declare their candidacy can remove the form attached to this Newsletter, fill it out and return it to any member of the Nominating Committee. Please phone the member first as some will be traveling north for the Holiday.

Nominating Committee:

Lou Smith (Chairperson)	763 Knotty Pine Cir.	731-1562
Kay Westall	227 Shrub Lane N.	543-5282
Lowell Noland	723 Knotty Pine Circle	543-6844
Mavis Pechette	412 Timberlane N.	731-6270
Judith Birkhead	604 Pine Grove Ct.	502-551-1200

Lou Smith

F.P.P.O.A. General Membership meeting is scheduled for December 17 at 7:00 p.m.

### **SPORTS CORNER:**

Bocce: Welcome back to all the snowbirds.

BOCCE COMMITTEE

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*Shuffling:*

The Shuffleboard League begins



December 2 - home against Pioneer Village	12:30 p.m.
December 9 - Poinsettia Park	12:30 p.m.
December 16 - home against Cypress Woods	12:30 p.m.
December 29 - Tamiami Village	12:30 p.m.

We “SHUFFLE” EVERY Monday, Friday and Saturday at 10:00 a.m.  
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Monday nights “FUN NIGHT” AT 7:00 P.M. – everyone welcome. If it is your first time to SHUFFLE, come and someone will be happy to help you.

Ray Preston, Captain

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*Golf:*

Men: Due to the conditions at Riverbend Golf course, I will not be heading it any longer. Most of the men have already gone to the El Rio Golf Club, off Hancock Bridge Pkwy., and golf with a mixed group from other Parks. If anyone wants to head a group for Riverbend, please feel free to go ahead.

Join us El Rio Golf Club at 7:00 a.m. Tuesday with a tee off time of 7:30. If you are interested in playing, just show up at the aforementioned times.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call – Joe Mazza, 211 North Shrub Lane or phone 567-0505.

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Ladies: The Forest Park Ladies Golf League began a new season on Thursday November 12 at **El Rio Golf Course off Hancock Parkway**. **New members are encouraged** to join us every Thursday at 8:00 a.m. Our tee off time will be 8:38 each week. We meet at the course where we form our pairings. Please feel free to join us any Thursday at the Golf Course.

For further information please call Barb Winans at 731-1440.

**CHEF’S CORNER**

We'll start with a couple recipes that I have enjoyed over this past summer. No Christmas recipes this year. Remember folks; please submit your favourite recipes to be included in our next issue of the Newsletter. (Limit two per Newsletter)

### *Penne in Cream Sauce with Sausage*

1 Tbsp. butter  
1 Tbsp. olive oil  
1 med. Onion, thinly sliced  
3 garlic cloves, minced  
1 lb. sweet Italian sausage, casings removed  
1 cup parmesan cheese

2/3 cup dry white wine  
1 14 ½ oz. can diced peeled tomatoes with juices  
1 cup whipping cream  
6 tbsp. chopped Italian parsley  
1 lb. penne pasta

Melt butter with oil in heavy large skillet over med-high heat. Add onion and garlic and sauté until golden brown and tender, about 7 min. Add sausage and sauté until golden brown and cooked through, breaking up with back of spoon, about 7 min. Drain any excess drippings from skillet. Add wine to skillet and boil until almost all liquid evaporates, about 2 min. Add tomatoes with juices and simmer 3 min. Add cream and simmer until

sauce thickens slightly, about 5 min. Stir in 4 tbsp. parsley. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Remove from heat. (Sauce can be prepared 1 day ahead. Cover and refrigerate.)

Cook pasta in large pot of boiling salted water until tender but still firm to bite. Drain pasta; transfer to large bowl.

Bring sauce to simmer. Pour sauce over pasta. Add ¾ cup cheese and toss to coat. Sprinkle with Remaining ¼ cup cheese and 2 tbsp. parsley

Mmmmmm Mmmmmmm Good!

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***Blue Cheese Buffalo Chicken Dip*** – *I lied, this could be used as an hors d'oeuvre at Christmas or any other time.*

1 container (340 gm) T Marzetti Blue Cheese Veggie Dip (found in cold veggie section in grocery store)  
1 pkg. cream cheese (8 oz.) soften to mix better  
1 cup Franks Red Hot Sauce or Franks Red Hot Buffalo Wing Sauce (either one tastes good)  
3 cups shredded cheddar cheese (med. or old)  
3 cups chopped cooked chicken (could be bought in the deli section all chopped up for salads).

Mix all ingredients together in oven proof dish (like corning ware). Bake uncovered at 350° F for 30 - 45 min. Don't let cheese burn on top.

Let cool a bit and enjoy. Serve with nachos, scoops or crackers.

Delicious

Mix all ingredients together in oven proof dish (like Corning ware). Bake uncovered at 350° F for 30 -

### **COMIC CORNER**

**Residents: Once again I will remind you this is a Comic Corner and any joke or item in this corner is not intended to offend anyone.**

#### *Australian Story*

A koala was sitting in a gum tree smoking a joint when a little lizard walked past, looked up and said, "Hey Koala! What are you doing?"

The koala said, "Smoking a joint, come up and have some". So the little lizard climbed up and sat next to the koala where they enjoyed a few joints. After a while the little lizard said that his mouth was 'dry' and that he was going to get a drink from the river.

The little lizard was so stoned that he leaned over too far and fell into the river. A crocodile saw this and swam over to the little lizard and helped him to the side. Then he asked the little lizard, "What's the matter with you?"

The little lizard explained to the crocodile that he had been sitting with the koala in the tree, smoking a joint, but got too stoned and fell into the river while taking a drink.

The crocodile said that he had to check this out and walked into the rain forest, found the tree where the koala was sitting finishing a joint. The crocodile looked up and said "Hey you"!

So the koala looked down at him and said "Sh.....t..dude....How much water did you drink"?

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#### *SMART ALECK ANSWER*

A truck driver was driving along on the freeway. A sign comes up that reads. "Low Bridge Ahead". Before he knows it, the bridge is right ahead of him and he gets stuck under the bridge. Cars are backed up for miles. Finally a police car comes up. The cop gets out of his car and walks to the truck driver, puts his hands on his hips and says, "Got stuck, huh?" The truck driver says, "No, I was delivering this bridge and ran out of gas".

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Can't close the Letter off without a "Blonde" joke

#### *The Blonde who Married a Catholic*

On their honeymoon, the blonde bride slipped into a sexy nighty and, with great anticipation, crawled into bed, only to find her new Catholic husband had settled down on the couch.

When she asked him why he was apparently not going to make love to her, he replied, "It's Lent."

In tears, she sobbed, "Well that is the most ridiculous thing I've ever heard! Who did you lend it to and for how long"?

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Santa Claus has the right idea. Visit people only once a year. -- (Victor Borge)

#### *Ho Ho Ho – Merry Christmas Everyone*

*Thank you for all your submissions and please keep them coming. **Please** submit your notices no later than 6:00 p.m. on the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. Don't forget this is your Newsletter and it will be as successful as your participation allows.*

Merry Christmas,

keep smiling and I'll see you next month

😊 **Marlene Boniface**  
marleneboniface@yahoo.com