FOREST PARK NEWSLETTER

January, 2010

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FOREST PARK



We hope everyone has a chance to take a look at the lights our residents have taken the time to put on their homes and property for you to enjoy. They add to the festive season. Thank you to all who decorated and SPECIAL THANKS to the Canadian/Michigan Clubs for putting up the lights and taking care of them over the holiday season. It's a lot of work but worthwhile if you appreciate them.

SPECIAL REQUEST

As editor of your Newsletter, I would like to ask that anyone with a computer and is "on-line", would you **please** submit your articles/items to the Newsletter via email, identifying them as pertaining to the Newsletter in the Subject Line. My email address is marleneboniface@yahoo.com. Remember to identify your submission; otherwise I may miss it as I **do not** open unknown emails.

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It's that time of year so for the only time this season, I will list some reminders and responsibilities for all (guests included), to follow so we may enjoy a safe and happy season.

Overnight Guests - All overnight guests **must** be registered at the Office. This is for the benefit and safety of everyone, especially in case of injury. Remember, **YOU** are responsible for your guests' actions.

Swimming Pool - Swimming Pool Rules and Regulations are posted at the South end of the pool. Please read them and point them out to your guests.

I.D. tags must be worn by all guests when using the facilities (swimming pool, etc.) New tags are available at the Office upon request.

Personal Safety -

Drivers - The park speed limit is 15 M.P.H. This means "ALL" drivers!! Please adhere to this rule.

If you adhere to the rule, you will have time to smile and wave to other residents as you pass them by.

With the holiday season upon us, the traffic will be much heavier on our streets and extra care should be taken to ensure it's a **safe holiday** for all.



- Cyclists As we enter another busy season at Forest Park, we want to keep all our friends safe. Please make sure that your bike has a light on the front and a blinking light on the back so you can be seen after dark.
- Walkers Walkers should also carry a blinking light and walk on the left hand side of the road always facing traffic.

REMEMBER – If you cannot be seen easily by other vehicles, you could cause an accident and be badly injured. USE YOUR COMMON SENSE AND LIGHT UP!!

Cigarette Butts - ATTENTION EVERYONE – If you smoke, please be advised THERE ARE CIGARETTE URNS BY THE CLUBHOUSE FOR YOUR BUTTS. If you are walking the streets or even to the end of your driveway, take your cigarette butts home with you. If you see someone throw their butts on our streets, don't be bashful, speak up and let them know that is **not** how we keep our Park looking good.

If you have guests that smoke, please make them aware of our Park rules.

- Pet Owners PLEASE, PLEASE take a bag with you when walking your pets. It's only fair you clean up after your pet and not leave it on the streets for our walkers to step in or in front of your neighbor's house.
- **Social Club** Every resident of Forest Park is a member of the Social Club which meets one Thursday night a month.

Garbage and Horticulture Collection

Tuesdays and Fridays – Any garbage bags over 30 lbs. WILL NOT be picked up. All bags must be tied. Remember, if you do not adhere to these simple rules, you may inadvertently injure one of the people collecting our garbage!

Aluminum Cans

Put cans in a bag(s) beside blue box or hang them on your mailbox for pick up by park residents after 6:00 p.m. on Monday. Please be considerate and have the cans relatively clean before placing in the bags. Our volunteer men and women are handling these bags. Remember, the more cans they pick up the more money for our Park.

Recyclable Collection

TUESDAY

Carport Sales

Carport Sales are not permitted unless written permission is obtained from the F.P.P.O.A. Board of Directors.

KOFFEE KLATCH

Koffee Klatch is Friday, January 8 at 9:00 a.m. in the clubhouse. There will be free coffee and a donut for everyone.

There will be a presentation by Florida Heart Associates from 9:30 – 10:30 that you can listen to while enjoying your coffee and donut.

There is a 50/50 drawing so bring your money. A gift certificate is raffled from our Produce People who are in the pavilion in Forest Park on Wednesday mornings. Our host for this month is Duplicate Bridge.

This will be a good time to wish everyone a Happy New Year.

ONCE AGAIN IT IS TIME TO SAY GOOD-BYE

On behalf of the residents of Forest Park, I would like to extend our sincere sympathies to the family and friends of Walter Voreh who passed away during this past summer.

HEALTH AND WELFARE

Just a reminder: the Blood Pressure Clinic will be held on January 28 from 9:00 until 11:00 a.m.

On Monday January 18 there will be a bloodmobile in the Park from 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. Look for a signup sheet in the back of the Clubhouse.

Mary Gibson

UPDATES FOR YOUR 2009-2010 RESIDENT DIRECTORY AS OF DECEMBER

Correction

Lyon, Ann & Russell 520 Pine Tree Ct. (Only) 260-615-4645

CANADIAN CLUB

Many thanks to the members of the Canadian and Michigan Clubs who came out to help put up the outside Christmas Lights. Also thanks to Sam McArthur and Dale Stafford for their efforts to keep them working. The lights will be removed on Saturday, January 2 at 8:30 a.m. We will need all the help we can get, so please volunteer.

Our joint meeting with the Michigan Club will be a Wine and Cheese gathering on Sunday, January 17 at 2:00 p.m. A signup sheet will be in the Clubhouse and the charge will be \$4.00 per person. This meeting will also be for the election of officers

JoAnne Newell has retired as Treasurer and many thanks go to her for her many years of service. Moni Small has graciously offered to take her place. Your President would like a replacement after his many years of service and looks forward to volunteers.

A new Flag Fund has been started as we have depleted the old one. Please give your donations to our new Treasurer Moni Small.

Jim Barnett, President

MICHIGAN CLUB

Our next meeting will be a joint meeting with the Canadian Club. This will be a wine and cheese affair on the 17th of January at 2:00 p.m. in the Activities Building. A small fee of \$4.00 will be charged. Sign up sheet in the clubhouse for attendance.

Lou Smith, President

NORTHEAST CLUB

The Northeast Club, in conjunction with the Social Club, spread holiday cheer to folks in Forest Park. Plants, plates of cookies, baskets of fruit and food were distributed to 26 homes.

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The Northeast Club Presents:

A Hobo Fashion Show—January 11 - 6:00 pm

For club members and their guests

Dinner \$2 per person: Hobo Stew, Bread and Butter, Dessert, Coffee/Iced Tea

Entertainment: Come see each "model" walk the runway dressed in clothing bought at thrift stores and yard sales. Music by Janet Brewer.

Tickets can be purchased before January 8 from Nancy Cooper—543-8256

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. The trees are planted in the open area beyond the Clubhouse. So far, trees have been purchased in memory of Carl Bergman, John Bommarito, Tom Boniface, Tom McLain, loved ones of Joanne Musser and Past Presidents of the Social Club. Money to purchase a bench in memory of Carl Bergman was given by his wife, Georgette and an additional donation of \$150.00 was given by Becky Conrad.

Large shade trees are \$85.00, flowering trees are \$55.00 and flowering shrubs are \$25-\$50. Smaller sums may be given toward the purchase of a bench. If you would like to purchase a tree or a bench or make a donation, please contact Nancy Cooper at 543-8254.

CORRECTION TO LOCK UP SCHEDULE

Week of February 14 – Don Griesey (731-6604)

BUILDINGS/POOL ARE TO BE OPENED BY 8:00 A.M. ON SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS

NEW HELPERS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED. PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE (543-1155), NANCY/BOB COOPER (543-8256) OR SANDY/DAN O'BRIEN (910-4329)

Submitted by Nancy Cooper

Thank you

I would like to thank the Northeast and Social Clubs for the wonderful poinsettia plant and the plate of homemade cookies. I appreciate your care and concern.

Reva Doliana

OHIO CLUB

There are still tickets available for the New Year's Eve dance from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Music will be provided by Richard Taylor. Tickets are \$15.00 per person. Bring your own snacks and have a fun evening. Pastries and coffee will be served at approximately 11:00 p.m. We will also be selling tickets for a basket of cheer and 50/50. If you want tickets for the dance, please call Rita Booth at 543-5610.

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The Ohio Club will meet Monday, January 4 at 6:00 p.m. We will be collecting 2010 dues that evening which will be \$2.00 per person. We will be serving dessert and beverage that evening since we meet so soon after New Year's.

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A big "Thank You" to everyone that donated toys for the Suncoast Outreach Center. The toys were delivered by Al Thatcher and Dan O'Brien on December 19. Your help did make a difference for several Suncoast children at Christmas. Thanks again.

Rita Booth, Ohio Club President

CRAFT CLUB NEWS

Soon the holiday season will be ending and many residents will be returning to Forest Park. We hope that you will join us at the Craft Club meetings every Wednesday beginning at 9:30 a.m.....many of our members and guests have wonderful ideas on easy to make crafts - so join us and see what's new....

JUST A REMINDER.....Our first "HOT DOG DINNER" will be JANUARY 12.....also featured will be "SPAGHETTI and MEATBALLS.....Yum!!!!

We will also have another 'HOT DOG DINNER" on January 26th.....

Our next meeting will be January 6 in the Clubhouse....

REMEMBER: If you aren't wearing a smile, you're only half dressed!!

Ruth Malago

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 is a new project designed to explore machine embroidery techniques. The projects are completed in one session and are usually simple or unique, using supplies you probably already have in your sewing stash.

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 a machine or already own one but would like to learn more, this is a great opportunity.

Instructor Host: Patty "Mac" McCoy Coordinator: Isy McLain.

FOREST PARK BOOK GROUP

Call Joan King at 567-0606 for information regarding the Book Group.

FOREST PARK RED HATTERS

The Red Hat Ladies are going to the Broadway Palm Theater on January 21 to see "Are we there Yet?" We will meet at the Clubhouse at 10:30 a.m. to carpool to the theater. All tickets are sold.

COMPUTER CLUB

The Computer Club meets every Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. in the Activities Building to help each other and to share experiences. 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. Come and join our group!

Sherrill Wright

SOCIAL CLUB

LINE DANCING IN THE PAVILION
Starts FRIDAY JANUARY 8
10:00 a.m. because of Koffee Klatch at 9:00 a.m.

If you are a beginner or enjoy line dancing, you are invited to come to Line Dancing. It is held in the pavilion every Friday morning from 9:00- 10:30 A.M. There is a couple who teaches line dancing. It costs \$2.00 per person. If the weather is cold, the residents go inside to the clubhouse.

* * * * * BUNKO JANUARY 9 - 7:00 p.m.

The first Saturday Night at 7:00 p.m. of each month; Bunko is played in the clubhouse.

What is Bunko? The game cost .50¢. It is a game using 3 dice. You roll the dice from numbers 1 thru 6. Example: If you are rolling for a number 2 and you roll one dice showing a number 2, you get one point. Three dice rolling the same number, you get 5 points. However, if you roll 3 dice showing number 2, you get a Bunko! At the end of the game, people with the most points or the most Bunkos

split the money that was collected.

After Bunko, there is horse racing. It costs 25¢ per horse that you want to win. All collected money will be divided among the horse winners. Come enjoy a night of fun.

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KARAOKE JANUARY 18 6:30 – 9:00 p.m.

A <u>new time</u> - 6:30 instead of 7:00 p.m. for Karaoke because there is a lot of interest in listening to Gospel music. Richard Taylor, coordinator, will play this music at the close of the evening.

There is a 50/50 raffle - Free popcorn is provided for the enjoyment of resident's.

* * * * * Willie & Company 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 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 1-3 p.m. Seating is limited so get your tickets early.

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SATURDAY NIGHT DANCE

JANUARY 30 7:30 – 10:30 P.M.

2 LIVE WIRES Music by Jo Ann and Arthur Byman

> COST - \$5.00 per person Hosted by Art Class

This is Forest Park's First Saturday Night Dance of the season. A dance will be held the last Saturday night in February and March. This month we are having a couple, Jo Ann and Arthur Byman, bring their style of music for the dance. They present all kinds of music from the 50's, 60's, and 70's. There will even be line dancing.

There will be a liquor basket and gift certificates to be raffled off.

NOTICE BOARD

The Notice Board needs to be tidied up and old, stale notices removed.

I will clear it out on January 10, 2010. If you have a notice up there, please let me know if the item has been sold, or is still available or you just want to remove it. I would appreciate it if you would do this after a few weeks at all times.

If you have any other notices in the boards, please check it out and let me know what you want done with them.

Please do not forget to put a date on your notice when it is left to be posted. The box for leaving a message is still on the window ledge. You can also leave a notice with Sherry at the office and she will put it into my file, which I check frequently. Thanks.

Sherrill Wright

SOCIAL CLUB - JANUARY 14 - 7:00 P.M.

The Social Club helps provide Social and Recreational Activities for all Forest Park Residents.

Our funds come from the aluminum cans that Diane and Don Brooks collect on Monday nights around 6:00 p.m. The cans are bagged and left near your mail box. After our volunteers empty the plastic bags filled with <u>clean, rinsed</u> cans, they take off the tabs which are given to Betty Campbell who takes them to Ronald McDonald House. Our aluminum can volunteers appreciate <u>clean, rinsed cans</u>. They don't appreciate people leaving cigarette butts inside the cans nor do they appreciate garbage bags full of garbage, party leftovers and dirty cans. Only soda, beer, and some juice cans are aluminum. A way to tell if the can is made of aluminum is, if you can squeeze the can to the middle, it is aluminum. If you can't squeeze the can, then the can is made of steel which we don't take.

Why do we sell the aluminum??

The proceeds of selling the aluminum are used to help pay for food for the Welcome Back Dinner, Veteran's Day Luncheon, Christmas Dinner, 50th Anniversary Celebration and the 4th of July Picnic. The money also pays for our dances on the last Saturday of each month, and the New Years Eve Dance. Social Club buys cards for the card players, kitchen supplies, sponsors Koffee Klatch, and our biggest expense is the printing cost of the Forest Park Newsletter. Without the sale of aluminum, the Social Club wouldn't be able to provide the above services. **Thank You t**o everyone who puts their aluminum cans out on Monday Night.

FOREST PARK CHORALEERS

The chorus is continuing to practice each Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. in the Clubhouse for our upcoming programs.......at the Golden Anniversary celebration in February and our "Spring Fling" in March.

If you would like to sing (and practice too) come and join us. We work hard, but we have a lot of fun.

Submitted by Janet Brewer, Accompanist

50th ANNIVERSARY PARTY

The 50th Anniversary Party will be coming up soon, February 18th, to be exact. We currently have three couples that will be celebrating 50 years of wedded bliss in 2010 and they will be recognized that night at one of Forest Park's premier parties. Of course, you don't have to be married 50 years to come and join the festivities, everyone is invited. If you are new to the park, please come and join in the fun. Also, if you know anyone that will be celebrating 50 years of marriage during 2010, that is a Forest Park resident, please let us know.

The committee for the 50 Anniversary will meet again on January 4, 2010, in the clubhouse at 9:00AM.

Thanks,

Lowell and Marilyn Noland 543-6844

SQUARE DANCING

Square Dancing will start again on Wednesday, January 6, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Pavilion. We currently have three new couples and possibly a fourth. If we can get at least four couples, I will separate the classes and teach the new ones at another time that is agreeable to everyone.

New couples are still welcome, and we will hold the new class open through the 13th of January. It costs nothing to try it and see if square dancing is for you. It is loads of fun and good exercise and keeps the mind active! Just what we all need! It beats TV and video games.

If you can walk and know your right hand from the left, YOU CAN SQUARE DANCE. Come Join In!

Lowell Noland 543-6844

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH / SECURITY

If you have any No Trespassing Private Property metal signs that have come off the outside fence line, please give them to Pete Lawrence. He is in the process of putting them back up with wire.

Neighborhood Watch met on December 2 in the Pavilion with a nice turn out. We discussed what people have been seeing in the park and all the little rabbits crossing the streets and once in a while a car would drive through. It is nice to have a safe park driven with volunteers keeping us safe.

Trisha Bisler discussed the latest scams in Ft. Myers to be aware of; e.g. Debit/Credit Cards (not asking for or receiving Cash Back); over charging for contract work (brought to my attention by Bill Prawecki); and "You're a Winner" contests that you really haven't entered.

BE AWARE!

We will have lots of extra security out over the holidays. If you would like to drive the park please do. Just go out and drive around. The more people out driving the more secure we will be.

Pete Mayer and Gary Eckles will be assisting Becky driving our streets later at night through New Year's Eve. Is there anyone who would like to drive one night a month thru our streets and help us keep Forest Park safe? Please contact Sandy or Dan O'Brien. We still need more people.

Have a Happy New Year and know that while you are at the Clubhouse New Year's Eve, BECKY will be having just as much fun driving the streets of the park.

Submitted by Becky Conrad

F.P.P.O.A.

The planned expense budget for 2010 was developed through three meetings of the membership in January, February and March 2009. We waited for the CPI-U figures to be issued at the end of the third quarter before calculating the fee adjustment for the income portion of the budget. These are now in and are included in the final proposal for 2010. The CPI-U decreased 1.3% and monthly maintenance fees for 2010 are calculated on this basis, rounded down to the nearest dollar.

If approved at the November F.P.P.O.A. meeting, starting January, the fees for 2010 will be as indicated below:

33.5 II.		Monthly Fee	or	For year 2010, (if paid by January 16, 2010), we provide a 3% discount
Member	1 lot	\$ 65.00		\$ 757.00
Member	2 lots	\$ 111.00		\$1,292.00
Member	3 lots	\$ 162.00		\$1,886.00
Non-Member	1 lot	\$ 98.00		\$1,141.00
Non-Member	2 lots	\$ 166.00		\$1,932.00

The target of our 2009 budget was to see our reserve fund fully funded. We expect to reach this objective by the end of 2009. In the future, a fixed annual contribution to the fund will provide for replacement/refurbishment of all our amenities and infrastructure as they wear out.

Thank You,

THE F.P.P.O.A. Board of Directors

ATTENTION - IMPORTANT

FOREST PARK RESIDENTIAL UNIT RECORD

We need to update our Park Records. Please fully complete the UNIT RECORD FORM attached to the Newsletter and return it to our Clubhouse Office at your earliest convenience.

Budget/Planning Meeting and Lunch

The first of three budget and planning meetings will be held Friday, January 8, 2010 at 10:30 in the Clubhouse. For only \$2.00 you may stay for lunch and continue discussing the issues. Lunch will

consist of small cold-cuts sandwich, corn chips, pickle, iced tea, coffee and dessert, and will be available by pre-purchased ticket only. Tickets will be sold on the afternoon of Sunday, January 3 in the Activity building from 2:00 -3:00 p.m.

Come and see how Forest Park has arrived at its present financial position, and review some history. See how we compare to other ROC parks, then, as a "joint owner", discuss with fellow owners how we may best manage our Park. This is your opportunity to participate in plans to continue maintaining and improving Forest Park!

Budget and Planning Committee

F.P.P.O.A. 2010 ELECTION

The Candidates are as follows (in alphabetical order by category):

PRESIDENT:

NAME: Becky Conrad ADDRESS: 833 Hollyberry Ct. LIVED IN PARK - 9 Years

FULL TIME RESIDENT: 9 months per year.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE BEFORE RETIRING:

Owned and operated a motel and restaurant – serving as President 20 years.

Past President of Associated Antique Dealers of America.

Past Board member Royal Bayreuth Collectors Club.

Past Officer and Board Member Indiana Restaurant Association.

Member of DAR and Indiana University Alumni Association.

Members of Advisory Board of National City and Investments.

First female elected to Fraternal Order of Police Carroll County, In.

Owned and operated Aberdeen Angus Cattle Ranch.

Raised Holstein Veal calves.

Owned and operated Export Business to Dominion Republic.

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1ST VICE PRESIDENT:

NAME: Lee E. Fisher

ADDRESS: 307 Shrub Lane South

LIVED IN PARK - 5 Years **FULL TIME RESIDENT**

BRIEF SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE BEFORE RETIRING:

- 1. Raised on a grain-livestock farm in Ilinois.
- 2. Worked as Welfare Executive in Illinois 15 yrs.
- 3. Worked in Real Estate, Insurance and Investments -25 + yrs.
- 4. Taught Junior High School Biological Science.
- 5. Coached Girls Basketball Jr. High and High School.

Education – B.S. in Education, M.S. in Education

F.P.P.O.A. Board – 2 years – Insurance., Finance and Legal Committees; By-Law Review Committee

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2nd VICE PRESIDENT

NAME: Jan Orlando

ADDRESS: 315 Shrub Lane S. LIVED IN PARK - 34 Years FULL TIME RESIDENT

BRIEF SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE BEFORE RETIRING:

B.S. Degree Nursing

B.S. Degree Health Care Management.

Head Nurse NICU and Newborn Nurseries

10 years – Director – Maternal and Child Welfare – Allegheny General Hospital and Allegheny County, Pittsburgh, Pa.

17 years – Assistant Director Nursing, Cape Coral Hospital,

4 years – Board of Directors F.P.P.O.A.

1 year – Vice-President F.P.P.O.A.

4 YEARS – President F.P.P.O.A.

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TREASURER

NAME: John Wright

ADDRESS: 323 Shrub Lane South

LIVED IN PARK – 19 Years PART TIME RESIDENT

BRIEF SUMMARY OF WORK EXPERIENCE BEFORE RETIRING:

Chemist – Not Yet Fully Retired.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS (In alphabetical order)

NAME: Judy Birkhead ADDRESS: 604 Pine Grove Ct.

LIVED IN PARK: 4 Yrs.

PARK TIME RESIDENT – 6 – 7 months

BRIEF SUMMARY OF WORK EXPERIENCE BEFORE RETIRING:

Lab technician, Chemist, High School Teacher, School Counselor, Assistant Principal Middle and High School, Principal Middle and High School, Casino Dealer for Caesars, Sub Contracted the building of homes and commercial buildings, Managed and owned Judy Enterprises, Inc., Birkhead Rentals, Inc., Doc's Tobacco Outlet, Inc. and Tobacca Jacks Tobacco and Liquor Outlet, Inc. while in college and worked in the executive office of Standard Oil of Ky. I spoke nationally for the Governor of Ky. as Chairman of the state's Nutrition Council. I have also

spoken nationally on various topics in education. I also served on the Ky. Department of Education's Counsel on Accreditation and Certification of secondary school. etc.

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NAME: Bob Dickerson ADDRESS: 708 Palm Frond Ct.

LIVED IN PARK: 5 yrs. **PART TIME RESIDENT**

BRIEF SUMMARY OF WORK EXPERIENCE BEFORE RETIRING:

1987 – 1996 – Chief Building Inspector – City of Detroit. Supervised staff of 70, clerical and inspectors.

1982 – 1987 – Code and Zoning coordinator – City of Detroit.

Department of Building and Safety Engineering

Supervised 36th District Inspectors and was Hearing Officer for Zoning Hearings.

1978 – 1982 – Elevator Inspector – City of Detroit

1963 – 1973 – Elevator Mechanic – General Motors Building

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NAME: James C. Ullrey ADDRESS: 832 Hollyberry Ct

LIVED IN PARK: Moved in January 2009, Closed – 12/16/08

PART TIME RESIDENT

BRIEF SUMMARY OF WORK EXPERIENCE BEFORE RETIRNG:

Worked 7 ½ years at a refinery where I earned my Millwright card.

Worked at drug and animal testing facilities in Michigan.

Owned a service station for 2 years

Spent 30 years at Upjohn, Pharmica Pfizer

Finished and graduated High School

Acquired many college courses while at the Pharmaceutical Company.

Millwright and Facility Care and Support is my strength

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F.P.P.O.A. ELECTION DAY IS THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 2010

FROM 1:00 UNTIL 3:00 P.M. IN THE MAIN ROOM OF THE ACTIVITY BUILDING

BE SURE TO BRING YOUR RED CARD

ABSENTEE BALLOTS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE ON DECEMBER 23, 2009 OR AFTER

Lou Smith, Chairman, Nominating Committee

DEPARTING COMMENTS

For those of you who have not read the Rules and Regulations on Page 29, let me state why we enacted them.

The purpose of these Rules and Regulations is to ensure the property and maintenance of property is kept in such a manner as to enhance the desirability of living in Forest Park and secure to each owner <u>FULL</u> benefits and enjoyment of their property and recreation facilities.

My wife, Marion and I bought in Forest Park in 1988 but did not live here until my retirement in 1992. I became a member of the Board in 1995 and completed my term in 1998, and stated I would not run again. Things changed and after some persuasion by Foster Dye, Dick Hettich and most of all, Tom McLain, I ran again.

I wanted the job of Mediator because I thought I could change people's way of thinking.

I've handled over 72 complaints in the last three years, some good, some not so good and some ugly. I tried to do what I thought was right for the Park and in 98% of the cases, all went well. But, when people tell you "get off my property, I'm not going to do it, I'll have you arrested or kiss my a..", it kind of gets to you.

This is not an easy job and whomever takes it over needs your help. YOU own this Park, it belongs to the residents and shareholders. If we can band together and as a whole, go to the people who cause the most trouble and let them know we will not stand for their disregard of the rules, then we will have the love and comradeship that Marion and I felt when we moved here.

I would ask that we give our support to our new President and Board Members. Let's enjoy our remaining years that our maker has in store for us, with love and compassion for one another.

Marion and I would like to wish one and all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Seby Donahue

MERRY CHRISTMAS FOREST PARK

I thank all of you for the very warm welcome I have received in your community. For those I have not yet met, my name is Cindy Weis and I am your new letter carrier, I am having a wonderful time being your carrier.

Many of you have asked for my mailing address so her it is. P.O. Box. Box 3487, N. Ft. Myers, FL 33918. I will be taking my last vacation time on 12/24/09-01/05/10.

I will be spending this time with my husband and son trying to get some rest to be ready for the busy season ahead. I wish everyone a very blessed Christmas and the best of health and happiness in the New Year. See you next year.

Your Carrier Cindy

SPORTS CORNER:

Bocce: BOCCE as usual on Mondays and Thursdays at 3:00 p.m.....until courts are redone.

A HAPPY AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR TO ALL

The Bocce Committee





We had our first Ice Cream Shuffle Dec. 11 at 12:30 p.m. with a good turnout.

On Friday January 15 we will have a Hot Dog shuffle at 12:30 p.m. The cost will be \$2.50 - we will play 3 games.

Friday Jan. 29 we will have an Ice Cream shuffle at 12:30 p.m. The cost will be \$1.00 - we will play two games, go in for refreshments, and then play our 3rd game.

A sign up slip will be posted at the courts; so please sign up.

Our league shuffle games will be

Jan. 6 at home with Carriage Village

Jan. 13 away at Laurel Estates

Jan. 20 at home with Lazy Days

Jan..27 away at Pioneer Village

We play each Monday morning at 10:00 and we have Fun Night at 7:00 p.m. also on Monday. We also play each Friday and Saturday mornings at 10:00 a.m. EVERYONE WELCOME Any questions call Ray Preston at 731-0279

Captain Ray Preston

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Golf: Men:

No report submitted.

Ladies:

Once again the Forest Park Ladies are playing golf. This year we have moved to El Rio Golf Course just off Hancock Parkway.

If you are new to the Park and interested, whether you are a beginner or experienced golfer, you are encouraged to join us any Thursday morning at El Rio. We meet at the course at 8:00 a.m. to form pairings. After that there will be a sign up sheet for the next week. We look forward to meeting new members each year. Don't be shy – come on out and join the fun.

Our next monthly business meeting is Wednesday, January 7 approximately 11:30 a.m. at El Rio Golf Course. If you need more information or have any questions, please call Bev Benson at 731-0085.

CHEF'S CORNER

Butterscotch Dessert

Melt 1 stick butter or margarine, add 1 cup flour (I chopped fine nuts, mix and firmly press into 9 x 13 pan. Bake 20 Min.

Layer 3, 2 packages butterscotch instant pudding mix add 3 cups cold

Cool. milk	mix and chill then pour over contents
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Layer 2, 1.8 cream cheese, 1 cup powder sugar, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Cool Whip mix and spread over crust.

Layer 4. Large cool whip 8 oz. spread Over the contents, sprinkle fine nuts or Graham cracker fine crumbs. I use the Graham Cracker crumbs. – Betty Campbell

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Seafood Chowder

2	tbsp. butter	ADD		
2	cups onions and celery each	1	pc. White fish	
		1/2	lb. scallops	
ADD		1/2	lb. crab meat (I used imitation)	
2	cups hot water	COOK	COOK FOR 10 MINUTES	
2	cups potatoes – cut very small			
1	cup carrots – small (microwave before adding	Lower	er heat - ADD	
	to chowder) to soften first.	2	cups milk – 1 or 2% milk	
1	tsp. each of salt and pepper	1	small pkg. Velveeta Cheese.	
COOK 10 MIINUES		Enjoy	!	

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.

That's How the Fight Started....



I rear-ended a car this morning so, there we were alongside the road and slowly the other driver got out of his car. You know how sometimes you just get sooooo stressed and little things just seem funny?

Yeah, well I couldn't believe it.... He was a DWARF!!!!

He stormed over to my car, looked up at me, and shouted, 'I AM NOT HAPPY!!!!'

So, I looked down at him and said, 'Well, then which one are you?'

And that's how the fight started....

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Two Little Old Ladies

Two little old ladies were sitting on a park bench outside the local town hall where a flower show was in progress.

The thin one leaned over and said, "Life is so darned boring. We never have any fun anymore. For \$10.00 I'd take my clothes off and streak through that stupid flower show!"

"You're on!" said the other old lady, holding up a \$10.00 note.

The first little old lady slowly fumbled her way out of her clothes and, completely naked, streaked (as fast as an old lady can) through the front door of the flower show.

Waiting outside, her friend soon heard a huge commotion inside the hall, followed by loud applause and shrill whistling.

The smiling naked old lady came through the exit door surrounded by a cheering crowd.

"What happened?" asked her waiting friend.

"I won 1st prize as Best Dried Arrangement."



"Happy New Year - Keep Smiling and I'll see you next month

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P.S. I'd like to thank all those who submitted their notices/items on or before the cut-off date. It means I'm not inundated with "Notices" at the last minute. It's very much appreciated.

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