

NEWSLETTER

FREE DANCE
For all Forest Park People



SATURDAY, JANUARY 29TH
7-10 PM

Men put on your cowboy boots
Ladies put on your cowgirl attire.
Rick Norris is our country music entertainer
If you don't dance, come and listen to the music.

Liquor basket and 50/50 chances to be raffled off

Raffle tickets cost:

3 for \$1.00

7 for \$2.00

Arm length of raffle tickets for \$5.00

HORTICULTURE TIPS

Please remember that if you have any horticulture that was cut by an outside contractor it is to be removed from the park by that contractor.

If you cut it yourself it is not to exceed 4 feet in length and 16 inches in diameter. Tree limbs are not to exceed 4 inches in diameter. They are to be tied securely for our men to pick them up.



Editor: Sharon Goudy
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GOLF CART PARKING TIP

Please remember when you are driving your golf cart to the clubhouses that the parking lot to the East of the main clubhouse has been designated for golf carts. Please leave the lined blacktop parking for cars.

ATTENTION ALL NEW RESIDENTS and RENTERS

There are many different activities, 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. Renters are also welcome to join in the activities. February's Social Club meeting is designed to welcome all our new members and renters. Please plan to attend Feb 10th.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER***By: Becky Conrad***

Thanks to all who voted at our general election. The results are in and we look forward to working with all the victors. As we prepare for the vote on pets in Forest Park please remember to be kind to all your friends and neighbors. You do not discuss politics or religion with your friends and neighbors so please do not discuss the pet issue either. Please remain friends, we all have to live together regardless of how the vote comes out.

As the 2010 has come to an end the board prepares to submit to the membership what we have accomplished this year. Wow - we have been busy. We had a transition meeting between the old and the new so we got started off on the right path. Many new amenities have been added; fitness stations, mini golf, and pickle ball, new siding on the club house was installed, three new irrigation systems around the club house and at the front entrance keeps our plantings looking fresh and green, homes were checked for tie downs to help with hurricane security, we gave cheer to people in the park, gathered toys for Suncoast, put magnetic locks on doors in both club houses and the pool will follow, updated our Wifi system since many more residents hooked up to our free internet system and reorganized our mediation committee to make it easier to reach a resolution.

We remodeled the office with a door to the closet for a printer and added lateral filing cabinets so we have more room, upgraded our computer system and printers. We also established budget and planning meetings to bridge the old with the new of what you want to see in Forest Park in the future. We hired an outside management company to monitor our money so the board is confident where our money is and how it is being spent. We have way too much money in the banks to rely on a board to monitor without a licensed outside person looking over our shoulder. It is extra security for you. Plus they have provided us with stability in our office records.

You, the members, voted in a very strong management team to guide Forest Park into the future. You may be proud of us and we thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

If you need Butch to pick something up from your property, please check with Lee Fisher to schedule.

TOUCHDOWN! RAH!

Please join us and root for your favorite team at our Football Party as we watch the SUPER BOWL on the big screen in our clubhouse on Sunday, February 6 starting at 6:00 PM. We will be serving a bowl of chili, corn bread, a hot dog, a cookie and soda all for \$5.00. It will be first come first served. Bring your favorite adult beverage and any snacks you desire.

**DANCE**

WHEN: SAT. 2/26/11
TIME: 7:00 - 10:00 PM
WHERE: CLUBHOUSE

Come dance to the music of Erich Fallisch. He'll keep you dancing all night to rock, oldies, disco, swing, country, latin, ballads and line dances. \$5.00 per person. There will be 50/50 drawing and drawing for a liquor basket.

Bring your friends, snacks, and drinks and enjoy a great evening.

BUNCO

By: Larry Tsicountouridis

Join us the first Saturday of February, March and April at the clubhouse at 7:00 pm for a fun evening of Bunco.

FOREST PARK CARPORT SALE

By: Keith Goudy

Now is the time to start cleaning out all your "stuff" that you have been storing for too long and get it ready for the **Forest Park Carport Sale** on Saturday, February 12, 2011 from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Turn all those trinkets, crafts and miscellaneous into the treasures that they really are (or can be). We are advertising in the local paper and other parks as well as signs on the road so we are expecting a great turnout.

EXERCISE PROGRAM

**RECOMMENDED FOR "KIDS"
AGES 55 AND UP!**

Join Nancy Lawrence and friends at the Clubhouse every Tuesday morning at 9am (except 3rd Tues at 8 am) and Saturday morning at 9 am for 30 minutes of fitness and fun. This program is designed to build up energy and mobility, burn fat and tone muscles. The video is called "Tony and the Folks", a series of stretches, movements and exercises for seniors. Men and women are invited. All you need to bring is yourself, a small pillow and a 2 lb. weight (you can use an unopened can of soup).

MICHIGAN CLUB*By: Lou Smith*

The Michigan Club will meet on Thursday, Feb. 3, at 5:30 pm in the Activities Building. Pizza will be provided by the club. Sign-up sheet in Clubhouse. Please sign up for salad or dessert and please bring your own table settings and drinks. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the future of the Michigan Club. Michiganders do not need to be members of the club; looking for all Michigan residents to join us at this meeting.

BID EUCHRE*By: Madaline Preston*

We play "Bid Euchre" every Wednesday and Saturday nights at 6:30 p.m. in the clubhouse. EVERYONE IS WELCOME. We have some new players and we are glad to have them. A sign up list is posted in the clubhouse. Please come and join us.

MEXICAN DOMINOS*By: Evelyn Tysick*

Our group has slowly grown in size. There is always someone participating who can train you to play even you never played before. I encourage you to join us and have some fun. We start at 9:00 A.M. on Mondays at the clubhouse. See you there

50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION*By: Delores Homes*

Thursday February 17
5 PM

Forest Park will be having a celebration to recognize the following couples who will be having their 50th Anniversary this year.

Paul and Linda Batson
Gloria and Leo Bedard
Doug and Gail Ford
Donna and Sam Petros
Ren and Bev Whitaker

Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the festivities.

Come to the clubhouse on Sunday's, Feb 6 or 13th, from 1-3 pm to make a table reservation. At a table of eight people, one person will contact the others; inform what food to bring to share. You bring your own table service. Beverages and a piece of Anniversary Cake will be provided.

RED HATS*By: Madaline Preston*

The MARCH program for the "RED HATS" will be going on the "J.C. CRUISES" - a cruise/luncheon- through the Franklin Locks. The cost is \$35.00 and the trip is a 4 1/2 hour sight seeing tour. We will carpool from the Clubhouse at 10:30am. the boat leaves at 11:00am and returns at 3:30pm. **ALL money must be in to Madaline Preston 558 Peace Lake Ct. by JANUARY 31st**

CANADIAN/MICHIGAN CLUBS*By: Jim Barnett & Lou Smith*

Many thanks for the great turnout to take down the Christmas lights. There were over 40 helpers many from other clubs. As a result it only took approximately one hour to complete the job.

Our Wine and Cheese meeting was a great success. Approximately 50 people were in attendance. Many thanks to Lou and Helen Smith as well as Reg and Barbara Harvey's for organizing the event.

Our next joint meeting will be a pot luck dinner meeting on February 13 at 4 PM at the Activities building or the Pavilion depending on the weather. There will be a sign-up sheet in the clubhouse for those wishing to attend.

SOCIAL CLUB HANDBOOKS*By: Keith Goudy*

The 2010-2011 Social Club Handbook is available. For a copy, please contact me at 239-543-9770 or keith.goudy@gmail.com or come by 504 Timber Lane South.

**SHUFFLE LEAGUE
FEBRUARY SCHEDULE**

Feb 2nd - At home with Lazy Days

Feb 9th - at Crystal Lakes

Feb 23rd - at home with Tamiami Village

SHUFFLE LEAGUE*By: Ray Preston, Captain*

On January 28th we will host our 2nd "ICE CREAM SHUFFLE" at 12:30 p.m. A posting will be at the courts for everyone to sign up. The cost is \$1.00. We play two games, go in for Ice Cream and Soda and then play our 3rd game. EVERYONE IS WELCOME. We need a cheering section.

Come shuffle with us on Mondays Fridays and Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. Also shuffle "FUN NIGHT" every Monday at 7:00 p.m. Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. is Ladies Day.

Everyone is welcome to come on Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. to watch us compete with other Parks and CHEER US ON!!

Next club meeting will be February 5th at 9:00 a.m. in the Activities Building.

February 14th we will host the "VALENTINE BREAKFAST" from 8:00am to 10:00am in the clubhouse. EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

February 16th we will have "FUN DAY" at 10:00am. There will be coffee and doughnuts at 9:00am. EVERYONE IS WELCOME. There will be prizes. There is a sign up sheet at the courts so PLEASE come join us.



SOCIAL CLUB MEETINGS*By Keith Goudy*

The Social Club meeting for February will be on Thursday, February 10 at 7:00 PM at the Clubhouse. The format will be somewhat different than normal. Each club or activity is being asked to have a representative prepare a short presentation of what the club or activity does and why you might want to be a part of it. This is open to ALL residents in the park and is especially geared toward our newer residents and renters.

There are many and varied activities in Forest Park and this is a chance to find out where you might like to participate. We hope to see you all there. Refreshments will be served.

MACHINE EMBROIDERY ARTS CLUB*By: Izzy McLain, Coordinator*

Next meeting will be February 22 at 10:00 a.m. in the clubhouse. All who are interested are welcome. We will help each other learn. There is no charge to join and although the projects are designed to be embroidered, you need not have an embroidery machine. If you are interested in purchasing an embroidery machine or already own one but would like to learn more, this is a great opportunity.

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY***PINE TREE KNOTS QUILT CLUB****By: Gail Ford*

This month was "Secret Pal" reveal month. At our luncheon, held at Perkins Restaurant, each woman, who participated, received gifts and the name of her secret pal. The luncheon committee members made each of us a lovely casserole carrier.

Lap quilts were delivered to three residents of Forest Park; Richard Meacham, Gary Coder and Archie Blandford with our wishes for returning health.

During the past month we learned the technique for the Folded Star, the Patchwork Circle placemat and Quilt as You Go Squares. We have several other classes scheduled for the near future.

March 20th will be our Quilt Show. Instead of raffling a quilt we will be having a Chinese Auction. We anticipate 25-30 hand made items to be available for your "bid".

CHORUS*By Janet Brewer*

The chorus is looking forward to singing at the 50th Anniversary celebration on Feb. 17; however due to various circumstances, we will not be having the Spring Fling this year in March.



COMPUTER CLUB*By: Sherrill Wright*

The Computer Club is a group of friendly people who meet every Thursday @ 2 - 4 PM in the Activity Building, to help each other with computer issues. If you have a problem related to computers, or a skill you think might benefit others, ***YOU ARE WHO WE NEED IN OUR CLUB!*** Please come and join the group. Membership costs \$10/household per winter season. We take a break and have coffee and cookies around 3 PM for a little socializing and getting to know each other. Most members use Windows, but some use Macs or Linux and most software programs are compatible with each system.

Each week, we usually have a person show something they are experienced in, or we focus on a particular problem or investigation of something new together.

There are now 50 members on our list. Not all come to the meetings, but have become a member to add their support for being helped with their WiFi connection and other related problems, that cannot be addressed at a group meeting.

Recently the club bought an additional storage cupboard from the Quilt group. This will allow us to take a few more donations of "pre-loved" (LOL) computers, from residents and store them there, rather than in our "Techie's" sheds or homes. They can then be worked on and upgraded if possible, when time permits. If they can be brought back to life, we can provide them to a resident for a modest donation to the computer group.

WI-FI UPDATE*By: Doug Ford*

The park has added another antenna to provide better service to the south east area of Forest Park. Doug Ford has been busy assisting many residents with various WiFi issues, as well as monitoring our system's load and performance. Our system is handling over 100 users each day. Very few have problems if they have a good antenna. Over 170 users (residents and visitors), have signed onto the system since the first of December.

We are still stocking WiFi Antennas & Cables, on an "as-needed" basis for residents to purchase. Gerry Bauer will install an antenna for a fee, if the resident does not want to do it on their own.

If you are experiencing any wifi related problems please call Doug at 731-2028. or send an email to ComputerClubwifi@gmail.com

***HAVE YOU EVER SUFFERED FROM
"CRS"?***

WHAT? Can't remember what that is? Well, come join us at the February KOFFEE KLATSCH on Friday, February 4 at 9:00 AM in the clubhouse to hear Sue Maxwell from the HEALTHY BRAIN INITIATIVE tell us the latest and greatest about keeping our brain strong and healthy and what we can do to boost our brain power. ***Coffee and donuts are provided. Please bring your own coffee cup.***

LEGAL COMMITTEE

The Legal Committee is responsible for reviewing legal matters coming before the FPPOA such as contracts, changes in rules or by laws and miscellaneous matters. They also serve as an administrative review and appeals committee. This includes hearings regarding the building of sheds, additional driveways or other “changes“ to your property. In addition, they hear those people who wish to be heard regarding violation letters they have received or other matters on which they wish to be heard. In effect, the Legal Committee serves as a filter for those matters, which would otherwise come before the Board of Directors. Some, they may handle to completion, while others may be referred to the Board with or without a recommendation.

The Construction Committee is a subcommittee of the Legal Committee and oversees any building construction, renovations or modifications to the FPPOA common buildings or grounds.

The Legal Committee is soliciting responses from those who have an interest in such matters for possible future appointment to these Committees.

Legal Committee: A legal background is not required. You must however have the ability to view matters coming before the committee in an objective manner leaving out what may be your personal feelings on a particular issue.

Construction Committee: This committee meets only on an as needed basis. They need people with a background in building trades, contracts, construction management etc. They will hopefully compile a list of people with particular experience or expertise in certain areas and call upon them as needed.

If we are to run the park properly and efficiently we must have volunteers with a wide range of backgrounds to help us.

We would also urge you to consider running for the Board of Directors in the future. We really need a wide range of experiences on the Board as well. We are one of very few parks who actually manage their parks. Most have management companies who run the parks for upwards of \$100,000 per year for full service management. With your help in volunteering your services and expertise, we can continue to manage, save money and add amenities. Lacking that commitment from our residents, we may very well in the future have to consider professional management services.

If you can help us in any of these areas, contact Becky Conrad or Lee Fisher.

The Board also needs volunteers for the Planning Committee. Please contact Becky Conrad if you are interested in helping us plan for the future of Forest Park.

“Repetition does not transform a lie into a truth.” -Franklin Roosevelt

CRAFT CLUB

By: Ruth Malago

Our hot-dog dinner was a rousing success.....if you missed it- you missed out on delicious food (hot dogs, baked beans, salad, roll, dessert, drink (or) swedish meatballs over noodles & all the trimmings.....so mark your calendar for our next memorable dinner & bring your appetite.....watch the outside marquis for date & time.....

Also don't forget to join us every Wednesday morning at 9:00 at the clubhouse to learn some exciting new crafts and treat yourself to some fresh coffee, tea and delicious treats.....

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! OUR VERY POPULAR FLEA MARKET IS ALREADY IN THE MAKING AND IT IS GOING TO BE A WHOOPER !!!

TABLE RENTALS FOR OUR FAMOUS FLEA MARKET WILL BE:..

CLUBHOUSE ----- \$ 4.00 ea.
PAVILION ----- \$ 3.00 ea.

CALL JUNE.....239-731-9169



OHIO CLUB

By: Anna Thatcher, President

Thanks to Rita Booth for 10 years service as Club President

New Ohio Club Officers:

- President - Anna Thatcher
- Vice-President - Lowell Noland
- Treasurer - Ruth Maligo
- Secretary - Nancy Werhman

February 7, 2011 is our next club meeting at 6:00 p.m. Pizza, desert and drink will be served. Please bring your own table setting. Come join us, we have worked on having something special at this meeting.

NORTHEAST CLUB

By: Joan King

Celebrate Valentine's Day with your sweetie at the Northeast Club pot luck supper on Monday, February 14th at 6 p.m. If you last name begins with A to H, bring a casserole, I to O, bring a dessert and P to Z, bring a salad. Please remember to bring your place settings. Following dinner and the meeting, four couples will compete in the "Not-So" Newly Wed Game.

Tickets will be on sale for the Mardi Gras dinner to be held on March 14th.

THE 2010-11 RESIDENT DIRECTORY IS AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE

SENIOR SERVICES*By: Nancy Cooper*

The Senior Services Committee would like to thank the Northeast Club, the Ohio Club, the Social Club and Elle and Lou Frasca for their generous donations to the Christmas Gifts of Cheer. On Dec. 21st, gifts of baked goods, fruit, candy, canned goods and Christmas presents were delivered to over 30 homes. Thirteen floral arrangements were delivered to Park residents who were 90 and older. This was the second year of the program and the out-pouring of support was beyond belief! As in the past, the Gifts of Cheer are just that...a gift to let someone know we are thinking about them.

A special thank you, too, for all the clubs that generously donate food to Senior Services for distribution within the Park. On January 12th, lunches were given to several residents thanks to the donations from the Craft Club. Those who received the food were folks who live alone and/or have difficulty getting to the store. In some cases, it is just someone who needs a little kindness and to know someone is thinking about them. If you are having a function and you have extra food, please call me, Nancy Cooper (543-8256), and I will make certain that food goes to someone in the Park.

“Even the smallest victory is never to be taken for granted. Each victory must be applauded, because it is so easy not to battle at all, to just accept and call that acceptance inevitable.” - Audre Lorde

FOREST PARK BOOK GROUP*By: Joan King*

The Book Group will meet on February 25th at 1:00 p.m. in the Activities Building. Our February book has not yet been chosen. If you are interested in joining us, just come to the January meeting on the 28th and you'll have all the necessary information. You can always call Joan at 567-0606 to find out what's going on and what we are reading.

SENIOR SERVICES*By: Nancy Cooper***JUST FOR MEN!**

The first men's only Koffee Klatch was a great success. Rumor has it that new friends were made and most of the world's problems had been solved. Figuring that more problems will arise in the next few weeks, another koffee klatch is scheduled for February 11th at 9 a.m. Please stop in for some good fellowship, good conversation, a snack or two and a freshly-made cup of coffee. Oh yes, bring a friend. There are lots of men in our Park who would really enjoy a cup of coffee with "the boys"!



Lemon Meringue Pie
Doris Pecos

Filling

9" baked deep dish pie crust
 ½ cup corn starch
 1-1/2 cup sugar
 2 cups water
 5 egg yolks, lightly beaten
 ½ cup lemon juice
 1 tsp grated lemon peel
 2 tbs butter



NE Club January Pie Tasting Contest winners were Doris Pecos for best baked pie and Shirley Eckert for best no-bake pie. Congratulations and thanks for sharing the recipes.

The NE Club thanks all participants. It was a very hard choice because they all tasted great.

Meringue

5 egg whites
 ½ cup sugar
 2 tsp corn starch

Mix corn starch, sugar, water and egg yolks in saucepan over medium heat. Stirring constantly, bring mixture to a boil (about 8-10 minutes), reduce heat and continue stirring for one minute until very thick. Remove from heat; stir in lemon juice, lemon zest and butter until smooth. Pour hot filling into pie crust.

Beat egg whites in mixer at high speed until soft peaks form; gradually add ½ cup sugar and 2 tsp corn starch, beating until stiff peaks form (tips stand straight), about 3 minutes.

Top pie by spooning meringue over hot pie filling, making sure meringue touches edge of pie crust to seal. Use the back of a spoon to swirl meringue and draw up into peaks.

Place oven rack in bottom third of preheated 375F oven. Bake 10 minutes until peaks are lightly browned. Cool at room temperature for 30 minutes. Chill for a minimum of 3 hours before serving.



Chocolate Delight
Shirley Eckert

1 cup flour
 1 stick oleo
 1 cup chopped nuts
 Mix together and press into pan. Bake 20 minutes. at 350 degrees.

8 oz cream cheese
 1 cup powder sugar
 1 8oz cool whip
 Beat together, spread on cooled crust

1 small instant vanilla pudding
 1 small instant chocolate pudding
 2 1/2 cups milk
 Mix together and spread on cream cheese

Top with 8oz cool whip

EASY WATER EXERCISE

Most of the exercises are the same as the Tuesday & Saturday exercises except we do them in the pool. This means less stress on joints plus we get those healthy rays of sunshine at the same time. We have volunteers to cover Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. ***Wednesday's class needs a coordinator*** to get the CD player out of the cabinet, plug it in by the pool and then put the equipment away after the class. We have a great time exercising and catching up on the latest in Forest Park. Please come join us from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Monday-Friday at the pool.

RESIDENT'S CHANGES TO THE PHONE DIRECTORY

Jim & Mary Beth Schleter 330-769-4868
Joseph & Jeanne Dirocco 978-337-5358

Ren and Bev Whitaker 239-481-8821
3904 Lucina Ct. rbwhite@yahoo.com
Ft. Myers, FL 33908

***HEALTH & WELFARE***

By: Mary Gibson

Blood Pressure check will be held on Feb 15th, 9:00-11:00 a.m. in the clubhouse.

STICKERS.. ANYONE?

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

FEBRUARY NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH/PATROL (NWP)

By: Tom McLain, II

We still see people coming south for the warmer weather. Welcome home. We are always in need of people to help protect out homes and all the homes in OUR PARK.

To help all of us on Patrol, PLEASE make sure you have an evergreen sticker on your cars, bikes, and golf carts. If you have friends or anyone staying with you, removable stickers are available in the Park Office. They are to be placed on the right hand side of the back of the auto. Please help to keep your park free of crime. YOUR next meeting is on February 9th at the clubhouse or pavilion (weather permitting) at 1:00 pm. PLEASE come and give us new ideas to help YOUR PARK.

“Never bear more than one trouble at a time. Some people bear three kinds - all they have had, all they have now, and all they expect to have.” - Edward Everett Hale

***RECYCLE (BLUE BOX)
PICK UP DAY
CHANGED TO
WEDNESDAYS***

FOREST PARK GOING GREEN

By: Keith Goudy

Forest Park is working to do its part to help our environment as well as reduce our expenses. We want to reduce the amount of Styrofoam and paper products we discard. So we are asking that when you attend an event in Forest Park that involves drink and food that you ***please bring your own cups, plates and utensils.*** The Park thanks you. Mother Earth also thanks you.



FILE OF LIFE: Is your File of Life up to date? Please make certain that all information is current and the file is visible for EMT's in case of an emergency. If you need a new information sheet or are a new resident, these will be available at the February Koffee Klatsch, the General Membership Meeting and the Forest Park Office.

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“Never regret. If it's good, it's wonderful. If it's bad, it's experience” - Eleanor Hibbert

***F.P.P.O.A. BOARD OF DIRECTORS
2011 ELECTION RESULTS
CONGRATULATIONS***

Secretary - Sharon Goudy
Board Member - Jim Arthur
Board Member - Pete Lawrence
Board Member - Jim Ullrey

**2011 FPPOA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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Editor's Note: Thank you all for your submissions and please keep them coming. Please submit your notices no later than 6:00 p.m. on the 20th of each month to sharon.goudy@gmail.com or leave in the box in the clubhouse. Don't forget this is your Newsletter and it will be as successful as your participation allows. Sharon Goudy

GIVING THANKS

Social Club Officers gives a Big Thank You to Helen Hasler for creating the newsletter calendar for the last 10 years.

Thank You to Una Preston for making the Liquor Baskets for the New Years Eve Dance for Social Club and Northeast Club. They were full of goodies.

Thank You to all the people who helped put the Christmas Decorations and lights around the clubhouse. There were even Christmas trees in front of our entrance to the park. I was told it took about four hours for the people to place everything. The display was magnificent to see. Thank You for making our clubhouse look fantastic when lighted up at night.

Also, Thank You to the Craft Club ladies who decorated the inside of the clubhouse and the activities building. The decorated trees reminded us of our homes ONLY without the snow.

Next time you see Delores Holmes, be sure you THANK her for all the hard work she put in as President of the Social Club over the last few years. So that she won't feel lost with nothing to do, she is still remaining as First Vice President so we are sure you will see her still doing many things in the park. Also a big THANK YOU to Social Club Secretary, Moni Small, for her contributions over the last few years. Moni resigned her position this year.

GIVING THANKS (cont'd)

Betty and Bo McClain want to say Thank You to all the committee members of Senior Services. "The cookies were delicious and the pot holder comes in very handy. Everything was much appreciated. This organization is a wonderful gift to our Park. Keep up the good work."

Betty & Bo McClain want to thank those who participated in the Christmas Ever Golf Cart Parade. "Thanks to all who decorated their golf carts and again made the Christmas Eve Cart Parade a big success. Thanks to Delores and the Social Club for donating the doughnuts and coffee. Also to the ones who donated gifts for our drawings. Plus our workers Dean and Peg Hull for making coffee and serving doughnuts and Ren Whitaker for all the nice pictures. Our next parade will be Saint Patricks Day so we would love to see you participate in that parade. Thanks again."

NOW IS YOUR CHANCE

Attend the budget meetings planned for the last Friday of Jan, Feb & Mar at 11:00 am. You have the opportunity to help decide what is needed in Forest Park. Lunch is by reservation only and tickets for the budget lunch will be sold the Sunday before, each month, from 2 to 3pm in the activity building. The first 2012 budget meeting will be Friday January 28 @ 11am. Please come even if you do not stay for lunch. Forest Park needs your input.

NEWSLETTER IN COLOR*By: Sharon Goudy*

This newsletter is available in a new full color digital format. It was delivered to you in black and white because we cannot assume that you would want it sent via email. However, if you would prefer to see your copy sent to you via email and in full wonderful color, just email me at sharon.goudy@gmail.com and I will send you one. A waiver form was included in your statement from PCS to allow you to choose how you want to receive your future issues of the newsletter. Turn the waiver into the office or mail to PCS.

A TREE TO REMEMBER*By: Nancy Cooper*

Jack Geppert has purchased a tree for the Park in honor of the Red Hat Ladies and the Friday Night Poker Group. Trees can be purchased from Nancy Cooper or through the Office for \$85. The trees will be planted throughout the Park and a plate will be inscribed and added to the Memorial Garden Plaque in the Clubhouse.

RV SPACES*By: Pete Lawrence*

The FPPOA Board has appointed me to the committee handling the RV Spaces. If you have units in a space, please send me your email so that future communications can be more efficient and timely. Send your email to me at mandylaw22@yahoo.com. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Canadian Club feels the time has come to pass the responsibility of putting up the outdoor Christmas decorations on to someone else. So we are looking for someone or a group who will take the responsibility to organize that for us. If you are that person or know of a group that would do this, please contact Keith Goudy, 543-9770, with the information. Thank You.

REQUESTED RECIPE

Michigan & Ohio Club women requested the following recipe. It is from Virginia Lutenske who passed away in 2004. Thanks to Helen Koehn for sharing it.

Sugared Pecans

1 lb. pecans	1 cup sugar
1 egg white	1 tsp cinnamon
1 tbsp water	1/2 tsp salt

Beat egg white and water to foam. Add pecans and stir to coat. Combine sugar, cinnamon & salt. Add to pecans and stir to coat. Spread on cookie sheet and bake at 250 degrees for one hour. Stir every 15 minutes.

FPPOA CALENDAR CODES

* means function is held in the Activity Bldg.

P means function is being held in the Pavilion.

Other indoor activities are held in the clubhouse.

NOTE: Keith Goudy handles the updates to the calendar. Please contact him for calendar changes. keith.goudy@gmail.com or 543-9770