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#### Editor's Message By Gail Pare



#### HAPPY NEW YEAR 2024 !!!

"2023" is now a memory and welcome to 2024. I hope all our Forest Park residents, near and far, had a happy holiday season. The park looked beautiful and so did the many homes who decorate this time of year. It really does bring life back into Forest Park as we celebrate this wonderful season.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all the committees, volunteers, and board members who took the time out of their busy schedules to help decorate, put on the fabulous holiday dinner event with the Craft Club and Social Club, our Christmas carolers, the Christmas golf cart parade and of course, the planning of the upcoming New Year's Eve Party! These events could not happen without the outpouring of generosity of time given by you, our residents!

As you make your plans to ring in 2024, consider partaking in some New Year's Eve traditions or create your own new tradition. The past few years have truly been unlike any other, but one thing has been clear, certain practices are now more important than ever, as

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they keep us grounded and remind us of the future ahead. Celebrate with nearby friends, family, invite someone over for a movie or a coffee, have a nice drink, or spin a little dance to ring in the new year.

May your 2024 be a year of good fortune, good health, and happiness and lets be thankful! Remember those neighbors we have lost in 2023, those who have moved on, and we welcome in the friendship of all our new residents into Forest Park in 2024.

Be safe and Happy New Year!! ~ Gail

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Ken Parsels



I would like to take this time to thank the residents of Forest Park for the opportunity to serve as the President of the park for the last four years. I have served on the board for the five years I have lived in the park. I now feel it is time for me to step aside and let someone new guide us on.

I have had an enormous amount of help from a board I couldn't be more thankful for or proud to have served with. They have never left me unassisted and are always ready to step up and do what needs to be done.

We made it through two years of Covid and the biggest hurricane we ever had, with no fatalities or injuries. I am honored to have had the opportunity to serve and work with everyone in this park. It is now time for someone else to step up and lead this great park.

Thanks again for all your support.

Ken

#### A Special Message from Paula Chapin

Thank you to all who came to our park's Thanksgiving Day dinner celebration.



We seated 182 guests and had 14 togo's. We cooked 15 turkeys, prepared 10 lbs. onions, 9 lbs. celery, 90 lbs. potatoes, 26 cans corn, 26 packages dressing, 36 jar's gravy, 32 boxes broth, 1 1/2 gallons milk, 16 lbs. butter and had19 pies to enjoy.

I would like to thank everyone that cooked turkeys, peeled and mashed potatoes, our turkey carvers, pie cutters, table setters, servers, the cleanup crew, those that sold the 50/50 raffles, those that sold the prize raffles, and the craft club for the centerpieces.

A special thank you for the donations for a free meal again this year, Jeff and Deb Forsyth for all the turkeys

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and cranberry sauce, Becky Conrad for cash, Retallick Financial for the pies and Wayne and Linda Meyer who foot the bill for everything else!

Hope everyone enjoyed it! It was a wonderful event.

#### RESIDENTS NEED TO REMEMBER:

- Speeding The park has many walkers and bike riders, please obey the speed limits. The speeding near the Pool, Pickle Ball and Clubhouse area has truly become a danger! Members pull in and out of the area regularly on golf carts and bicycles, they will have no protections against a speeding vehicle. Throughout the Park our Posted Speed Limit is 15 MPH.
- \* Rolling through Stop Signs Each intersection is clearly marked; our park is no different than a regular road. The only difference is you could be hurting your neighbor or their family members. Take it easy and obey the Stop Signs.
- Unattended Guests in the Pools Guests should have a GREEN Wrist Band when using the pool, they should know your address when asked. Please be vigilant to non-residents & unwanted guests.
- Unsightly Property Be proud of your home. Be courteous to your neighbors. Be safe with unexpected storms.
- Forest Park Green Car Stickers -We are back in session and have night patrol in place to keep you and your property under a watchful eye. Cars on property without a green Forest Park Sticker on the back of the vehicle will be noted by the team and sent to the office. Stickers are available for FREE in the office. Using the identifiers helps us know if we have strangers in the park.
- Late Trash Set Outs All trash needs to be set out before 6 am on Tuesday & Friday. Second rounds of trash pickup for late set outs are costly and really overworks our Maintenance Team if it gets too hot. Your trash can be put out the evening before if in a trash can. Remember, bags must be less than 30 lbs. or they will not be picked up.
- Improper Use of Dumpsters Dumpsters are CLEARLY marked. It's dangerous for the Maintenance Team to climb into the dumpster to retrieve improperly dumped items. Contractors

- working on your home are also required to take the debris with them off site.
- Late HOA Fees Please do your best to send your HOA fee in by the 1st of the month. It's also important to make your check payable for the amount of your HOA Fee rounding up or down adds additional works for our accounting team.
- Quiet Time/Lawn Mowing—Our rules for In Season Quiet Time is 11PM to 8AM. Please be respectful of your neighbors.



- General Membership Meetings We are a membership community. Monthly General Membership meetings are an important part of keeping our park a great place to live. Please make an effort to attend in person to help us meet our quorums for voting on issues large and small. If you can't make it in person, please join us by Zoom so your voice can be heard and so you have a full understanding of any issues. Zoom can be done on your Smart Phone, computer, or tablet, it's very user friendly and it allows you to hear firsthand the strides made and challenges ahead to keep Forest Park a great place to live. Your expertise could be exactly what we need to turn a needed project into something great!!!
- **Volunteer** We need your help, please consider volunteering for the Board, a committee or just to lend a helping hand. It's the skills that people bring that make us a great place to be!

## BOARD OF DIRECTOR & GENERAL MEETING DATES

#### From the Office

	34 - 4 G 111 - 37 1 5 7 34
Jan 3, 2024	Meet the Candidates Night 7 PM
Jan 11, 2024	General Election 12-2 PM
Jan 12, 2024	BOD Organizational Meeting 9 AM
Jan 18, 2024	Board Meeting 9 AM
Jan 20, 2024	Board Training 9:30 AM
Jan 25, 2024	Membership Meeting 7 PM
Feb 15, 2024	Board Meeting 9 AM
Feb 22, 2024	Membership Meeting 7 PM
Mar 14, 2024	Board Meeting 9 AM
Mar 21, 2024	Membership Meeting 7 PM
Apr 18, 2024	Board Meeting 9 AM
Apr 25, 2024	Membership Meeting 7 PM





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# Line Dancing!

#### Line Dancing! LINE DANCING

by Ellen Heigham



#### **NIGHT PATROL**



Hello dancers,

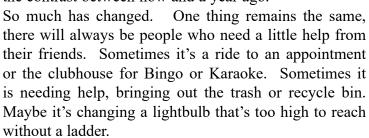
I'm holding my free line dance classes on Tuesday afternoons. Come join in and learn a few line dances and get some exercise. Review of the steps is from 12:45-1:00. Regular class is from 1:00-2:00. For more information, please call Ellen at 617-448-1748

## SHUFFLBOARD By Bill Madill

Shuffleboard is starting up the first week of January. A sign-up sheet is by the court for you to sign up. All are welcome! It's a fun game, easy to learn and not much strain on our old backs. Hope to see you on the courts. Come on over and check it out sometime

## HELPING HANDS By Ellen Heigham

As I walk around the park, I marvel at the contrast between now and a year ago.



I don't always have an answer, but I promise I'll always try to match you with someone who does.

Don't be too proud to ask for help. Call Ellen at (617) 448-1748

## **OUR 1st NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION!** *By Joyce Hines*

Let's start 2024 on the right foot and keep our 1st New Year's Resolution by showing up at the Clubhouse grounds on **Tuesday**,



January 2nd at 9:00 a.m. to help UNdecorate! Many hands make light work! If all goes well, we can remove, pack, and store our Christmas decorations in record time, plus have fun visiting with our fellow workers! Looking forward to seeing and working with an eager crew of volunteers!

As you know Forest

Park depends on our Neighborhood Watch program and its volunteers. We could still use a few more volunteers for just one night per month.

Forest Park is getting more active and we're coming into our "Season". It's important that we have an active Neighborhood Watch program in place to deter those unwanted guests year-round. If you're interested in volunteering just one night, please reach out to Valerie. We sure could use your help! Volunteer forms available in the office.

Valerie Trapp Valerieartlady@aol.com (859)620-0519.

#### **TOOL CLUB**

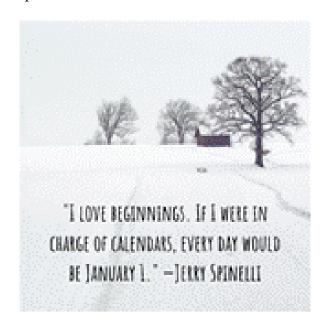
The Tool Club will have a meeting for all current and new members interested in joining. The meeting will be held on



**Tuesday, January 10th at 10:00am** in the meeting room of the Activities Building. Dues are \$10.00 per year. Once dues are paid you will be provided a new code to the lockbox for the tool shed in the RV yard. All details will be explained at the meeting. Any questions, please reach out to Bob Carson 607-857-0320, Mark Snyder 716-939-0237, or Monte Johnson 319-415-2816.

#### HAZARDOUS WASTE

Lee County has very strict regulations regarding hazardous material disposal. The Board voted to approve the initiative to have all residents place paint, pesticides, chemicals, florescent bulbs and gas bottles at curbside. Have questions? ask in the office.





#### By JoEllen Gallant

Happy Happy New Year! January 2024 has finally arrived. We are in full swing here in Forest Park. Looking back, our

kickoff Holiday Dinner co-hosted by the Social Club was a wonderful experience. Our new gingerbread themed holiday décor gave us a festive and whimsical appeal. Dinner was delish and well attended. The Give Back Campaign is in full swing. This



year we have some hefty goals of collecting \$10,000

to be utilized within the park. It will be exciting to see us join together to hit (or even surpass) our goal!



Our **January 17th Italian Feast** is sure to be a hit. Still featuring our

lasagna! We have also added Spaghetti and meat sauce and hand battered chicken parmesan! You will definitely walk away with a full and happy belly! Make sure you buy your tickets at the Box Office on

Sunday's before we sell out!

Movie nights and Sunday Brunches are new, and we are hoping it's just another reason for you to gather with your Florida Friends and Family, making memories and sharing a meal!

Thank you for your continued support! Wishing you all a Happy and Healthy 2024! The Craft Club Crew!

#### MEET THE CANDIDATE'S NIGHT

As most of you are aware, our Forest Park Board of Directors is made up of willing volunteers who selflessly donate their time to help to keep our



**CANDIDATE** 

park running smoothly. In order to have an idea what each candidate can bring to the Board, the Social Club hosts an evening at our Clubhouse when residents can "meet the candidate's" in person. Each candidate will have an opportunity to give his or her background information and then questions will be presented for the candidates to answer.

This event will be held on Wednesday, January 3rd, 2024 at 7:00pm in the Clubhouse. Coffee and cookies will be available. Those attending will have an opportunity to mingle and to have casual conversations with the prospective candidates.

#### ATTENTION RESIDENTS!



#### FPPOA BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S ELECTION DAY



#### **JANUARY 11TH, 2024**

The election for the open positions on our Forest Park Board is scheduled for Thursday, January 11th, 2024, from 12:00noon to 2:00pm in the Activity Building. Remember to bring your red card to vote.

From the Nominating Committee:

## \*\*\*\*The BOD currently has 8 positions open listed below:



President	2-year term	January 2024 to 2026
1st Vice		
President	1-year term	January 2024 to 2025
2nd Vice		
President	2-year term	January 2024 to 2026
Secretary	1-year term	January 2024 to 2025
Treasurer	2-year term	January 2024 to 2026
Director #2	1-year term	January 2024 to 2025
Director #3	3-year term	January 2024 to 2027
Director #6	3-year term	January 2024 to 2027

The committee is currently contacting people who were recommended or suggested, if you know of someone, please contact:

Gail Hampel 845-750-1518
Jane Cullin 330-242-2772
Lucinda King 405-431-9647

If you are interested or just want more information, please contact one of us. We will be able to answer your questions.

The Office has Suggested Characteristics of Forest Park BOD and The Role of Today's HOA Board of Directors on the table next to the reception desk. More information can be found in the FPPOA Governing Document found on-line at FPPOA website.

The Nominating Committee is looking forward to presenting a great list of candidates to you on Meet the Candidates Night – Wednesday, January 3rd, 2024.

Mark your calendars and come with your questions for the candidates.





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#### Notes of Cheer By Robyn Johnson



If you're new here, Heather

Flavin is the cheer person for Forest Park. Heather will send out cards to residents that

have been ill, had surgery or have lost a loved one, so if you know of any resident needing Cheer, please reach out to Heather or myself so she can send a card. Including the person's address is appreciated.

You may email Heather at <u>tokentrespasser@gmail.com</u> or myself at <u>drjohns85@gmail.com</u> Currently, Heather has enough cards on hand, so hang onto your extras for now!

#### TUESDAY NIGHT BINGO

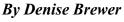


Don't forget to come on out for our weekly Bingo in the Clubhouse.



Be there at 6:45 pm, games start at 7:00 pm. Lots of Fun!!! No ink daubers needed, we provide all supplies. Bring your own snacks/drinks.

#### THE SOCIAL CLUB





Another Christmas has passed, spending time with friends and family at this special time of year, reminds us what really is important in our life - laughing, taking the time to listen to others or just spending quiet time together, sharing memories and making new ones, giving from the heart of our time, talent and treasures. Let's all pray that 2024 is peaceful, happy, and hopeful for our country and our families. Happy New Year!

The Social Club would like to thank all those who helped in decorating our clubhouse grounds for all to enjoy this Christmas season.

Special thanks to Joyce Hines for knowing where everything goes, down to the last strand of lights. We hope all enjoyed the Craft Club Dinner followed by the Social Club Christmas Give Away. We want to thank Ellen Heigham for organizing the two evenings in which she and others, here in our park, spread some Christmas cheer to fellow residents with their beautiful caroling. Also, thank you to Ivan and Jill Taylor for leading our Christmas Golf Cart Parade.

Depending on when you read this:

We hope you can join us / had fun at --- our New Year's Eve Dance with Tim Burton, Dec 31, 7:00-11:00pm

Undecorating the Clubhouse Grounds---Jan. 2 @ 9:00am--- Please consider volunteering. Thank you

## FOREST PARK DRAINAGE PROJECT – PHASE 1

By Monte Johnson

The first phase of our 2023 drainage project is finished and Phase Two is progressing nicely.

Phase One included removing and replacing the inlet boxes and old rusted galvanized piping with new boxes, double wall pvc pipe, and reseeding the yards. We completed an inlet box and pipe on Shrub Ln. S., two inlet boxes and pipes on Pine Grove Court, and the inlet boxes and piping from Jacaramba through Timberlane N. to Pine Tree Ct.

While replacing the pipe on Shrub Ln. S., part of the old pipe ran under the laundry room, which required rerouting the new pipe and pump a portion of the pipe under the laundry room with a concrete grout material.

During the removal of some of the pipes we found a positive elevation of 6" from Jacaramba to Timberlane N., and a sanitary sewer main that was running exactly where our drainpipe needed to be placed. This precipitated the need for a "conflict box" which is pictured with the contractor, Les Pritchard, working on it. Also, the pipe from Pine Tree Ct. to the canal was only 12" while the pipe feeding it was 15". Jacaramba and Timberlane should not flood in the future.

Dick Weatherby is standing by some of the rusted out, 24" galvanized pipe for Phase Two, that was removed from the drainage for Peace Lake to the ditch. This pipe also had a 6" positive elevation.

These projects required surveying the entire storm sewer drainage system and a consulting engineer. The first phase of the project came in \$3,300.00 less than the contract bid.

Monte Johnson Director 3











#### **MARQUEE**

Valerie Trapp has graciously offered to take over the duties of the marquee and Chris Major has agreed to help, but they really could use one more person to fill in once in a while. PLEASE, if anyone would like to assist Valerie, you may call her at 859-620-0519.







#### **RV PARK**



The RV Park needs your HELP!

There is a waiting list for spots in the RV Park. Ask yourself. Do I really need my spot? If you say yes, go no further. If you no longer need your spot, please contact the office at

239-543-1155 or call Tony Trapp at 859-620-0516.

#### NORTHEASTERN STATES CLUB MEETING



#### Monday, January 22nd-5:30 P.M.

Join your friends for a fun Country Western dinner and party. Ribs and all the fixings, a few games (maybe you'll win a

prize) and lots of laughter will be on the agenda for the night. So, grab those cowboy boots and hat, saddle up old Nellie and ride on down to the Clubhouse.

You must be a member to attend but remember, you don't need to be from the Northeast. All Forest Park residents are welcome. Membership is \$5 for the year. Tickets for the Country Western night is \$12. These may be purchased at the Box Office on or before January 14th.

## NEWSLETTER ARTICLES By Gail Pare



All articles, news or photographs should be submitted to this email <a href="mailto:fpsocialnews@gmail.com">fpsocialnews@gmail.com</a> and are due by the 12th of each month for the

following month's newsletter.

Remember, newsletters are printed year-round for all residents and always available for snowbirds online. Printed Newsletters usually arrive by the end of the month and are available in the Clubhouse or in the Activities building. They are always available online a few days later.

#### FOREST PARK WEBSITE

By: Jan Provence, Webmaster



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All residents that have a Member Share in our park can access the **Member's Only Pages** on our website. On these pages, you will find the latest information with the FPPOA board and member minutes and many other documents that you will need to keep updated on this community. To receive a username and password, contact the FPPOA office. (<a href="mailto:fppoainc@gmail.com">fppoainc@gmail.com</a>) If you need further information, contact me at webmaster@ forestparkonline.com.

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#### **JANUARY Birthdays**

Karen Angell 1 Marlo Dell'Antonio 2 Cheryl Geik 3 Deborah Betz 3 Melinda West 4 Paula Eisele 5 Beth Rakestraw 5 Richard Stricklen 6 Joyce Russell 6 Toni Foote 7 Jeff Provence 7 Harold Flood 8 David Wood 12 Gregory Murray 13 Mike Hartz 16 Renee Treece 16 Jerry Hamel 20 Kimberly Allen 22 Wendy Henderson 23 Robyn Johnson 24 Dick Teal 25 David Robison 25 Edie Hosey 26 Daniel Heleniak 27 Anton Kothe 27





#### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Mary Linscott 27 Gerald Gilbert 28

Renee Huck 28 Ken Parsels 30

Mark & Sandy Carter Jan 1, 2006
Donald & Deanna Matheny Jan 13, 1984
Luisa & James Hamilton Jan 17, 2003
Rick & Jolanda Rothmeier Jan 22, 1988





#### WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS

Elaine Moller 521 Pine Tree Ct IA



Robert Phelan 832 Hollyberry Ct FL

### JANUARY

1st Apple Gifting Day
2nd National Buffet Day
3rd Chocolate Covered Cherry Day
4th National Spaghetti Day
5th National Whipped Cream Day
6th National Shortbread Day
7th National Bobblehead Day
8th Bubble Bath Day
9th National Apricot Day
10th Houseplant Appreciation Day
11th National Hot Toddy Day
12th International Kiss A Ginger Day
13th National Rubber Ducky Day
14th National Dress Up Your Pet Day
15th National Strawberry Icecream Day

16th International Hot & Spicy Food Day
17th Ditch New Year's Resolutions Day
18th National Goormet Coffee Day
19th National Popcorn Day
20th National Popcorn Day
21st National Hugging Day
22nd National Hugging Day
22nd National Polka Dot Day
23rd National Peanut Butter Day
24th National Peanut Butter Day
25th National Peanut Brittle Day
27th National Peanut Brittle Day
27th National Chocolate Cake Day
28th National Bloeberry Pancake Day
28th National Bloeberry Pancake Day
38th Bubblewrap Appreciation Day
31st National Hot Chocolate Day

#### DID YOU KNOW ??

#### **GOLF CLUB COLLECTION**

We have a golf club connoisseur here in the park. If you want to check out John Berg's golf club collection, just give the Golf Club Man a call 618-319-0642.





#### **UPCOMING EVENTS JANUARY 2024**

	Jan 2	9am	Remove Outside Holiday Décor
	Jan 3	7pm	Meet the Candidates
		9am	Sunday Brunch Kickoff, supports
	the GB		, 11
	Jan 11	Noon	FPPOA Board of Directors
	Electio	ns	
-	Jan 12	8am	Men's Coffee Klatch
	Jan 12	9am	FPPOA BOD Organizational
	Meetin	g	_
	Jan 17	5pm	Italian Night! Hosted by Craft
	Club		
	Jan 18	9am	FPPOA Board Meeting
	Jan 19	9am	Womens Coffee Klatch
	Jan 20	9:30 am	FPPOA Board Training
	Jan 20	6:30pm	"Sunday Drive" Hosted by Social
	Club		
	Jan 22		NE Club Dinner
	Jan 25		FPPOA General Meeting
	Jan 27	7pm	Jerry Burton Hosted by Social
	Club		
-	Jan 29	6pm	Movie Night/ Hot Dog Dinner,
	suppor	ts GBC	

## INTRODUCING "SUNDAY BRUNCH" AT THE CLUBHOUSE

A Forest Park event to benefit the Give Back Campgaign!



We will be kicking off the newest Give Back Campaign Fundraiser on **January 7th**. Our Monthly Sunday Brunch is the perfect way to start your

day out right. A hot hearty breakfast with friends is sure to please. Brunch will be served from 9am to 11am. We will offer this meal Buffet Style but will have plenty of smiling faces and helping hands should you need assistance!

This event is a combined effort of the Social Club, NE

Club and Craft Club. Volunteers to help support the event are needed. \$10 Pre-buy tickets are necessary to be sure we have plenty of food on hand!



Sell Dates to get your tickets are Dec 16th CRAFT FAIR – DEC 17TH BOX OFFICE – DEC 18TH MOVIE NIGHT. (These tickets purchase dates needed to be altered due to the Holidays. Remaining Brunch Dates will be sold from the Box Office only). Future Sunday Brunch dates are scheduled for February 18th, and March 17th

#### **QUILT CLUB**

by Renee Huck



"2024" Happy New Year to all the residents of Forest Park.

It seems as though the days are flying by fast! Snowbirds have returned and by now all of the activities are in full swing. The Quilt Club will be working hard on our raffle quilts. Please watch for your chance to support our club by purchasing chances to win one of our beautiful quilts.

Raffle tickets can be purchased from the Forest Park Box Office or from a quilt club member soon. Plan to attend our annual Quilt Show on March 10th at 1:00 in the Forest Park Clubhouse. The show is open for all to see some of the projects these talented quilters have created. Winners of the Raffle will be drawn at the show. Remember Quilt Club meets Thursday morning at 9:30 in the clubhouse.

"The 20/20 rule of quilting" If your quilt looks good from 20 feet away...as you drive by at 20 miles per hour.... It's PERFECT!!! Pieceful days friends....Renee.

## FOREST PARK VISITORS WRISTBANDS

Remember - Visitors unaccompanied by
Forest Park residents must wear wristbands when using
park recreational facilities (pool, mini-golf, etc.). If you
see something, say something, let's all be vigilant about
non-residents and unwanted guests.

The wristbands are available in the park office (2 per family and additional bands may be requested). The bands stretch but if they are not large enough you may pin them to clothing, attach them to a key chain or just bring them along. Please remember that all owners are responsible for their visitors who must comply with all Forest Park Rules and Regulations.







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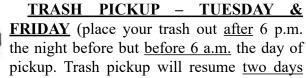
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#### **Trash**

Please note that our maintenance workers are now scheduled to work 6:00am-2:00pm rather than 7:00am-3:00pm. Given that, please have your garbage ready for pick-up before 6:00am to assure that it does not get missed. You can put it out the night before as long as it is in a barrel.

And, once again, please ensure that your garbage bags are not more than 30 pounds. If too heavy, the bags will be left. Be mindful that all the garbage that is picked up must be thrown into the compactor and the weight of the

bags when too heavy creates a risk of injury.



per week starting in January 2024. No cardboard in trash, put out on recycle day only!

#### BULK PICKUP – WEDNESDAY only

**WASTE PRO - <u>RECYCLE PICKUP</u> - FRIDAY** (place recycles out <u>before</u> 6 a.m. ~ They have been known to show up at 6:30 a.m.)

#### GREEN TREE STICKER



There is a little green tree sticker available in the office that goes on the **LEFT SIDE** OF YOUR BACK WINDOW on 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.

#### RECYCLING BLUE BIN

#### FRIDAY is Recycle Day!!

bags from recycling on trash days.

The blue bin is used for all other types of recycling such as paper, metal, plastic, etc. This is a separate program from our regular trash that is picked up on Tuesday's. Recycling saves the park money from Waste-Pro. Please make sure you separate your trash

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#### **ALUMINUM CAN RECYCLE**

By the Social Club



REMINDER Aluminum Cans are still being collected on **Monday evenings only.**Please DO NOT use the can as an ashtray. Beer Drinkers, please rinse out the

can and turn it over to dry out. Please remember to put your aluminum cans in a bag and place UNDER YOUR MAILBOX by 5:00 P.M. MONDAY EVENING for pick up. They will NO LONGER be picked up on Tuesday morning. Please make sure your cans are rinsed CLEAN and DRY.

Please place it away from trash bags. DO NOT place plastic, glass or metal cans in the bag, *aluminum cans only!* All the others go in the blue recycle bins. Money collected from can recycling helps pay some of the costs of Social Club activities. It benefits all residents of Forest Park.

## EXERCISE CLASS By Jane Cullin



Jane's exercise class continues on Monday mornings 8:30-9:30am in the clubhouse. Cardio, weights and core.

Jane is also teaching a yoga ball class on Wednesday afternoons at 1:00pm when the clubhouse is available. You will need to bring a big yoga ball and a mat.

#### **COFFEE KLATCH**



The **Men's** Coffee Klatch will be held on Friday, **January 12th at 8:00 am**. In the clubhouse (the 2nd Friday each month)

The December Women's Coffee Klatch is Friday, January 19th at 9:00am in the clubhouse. (3rd Friday each month)

#### LOW IMPACT WALKING & LIGHT

#### WEIGHTS

By Carole Beconder

Join me every Tuesday & Saturday in the Clubhouse from 9-10am (unless something else is scheduled) for Low Impact walking and light weights.















#### **RED HAT LADIES**

By Heather Flavin

The Red Hat ladies will be meeting on Tuesday, January 23 for a luncheon at Magnolias. Please meet us at the clubhouse by 10:45am as we will need to carpool over to Magnolias. If you have any questions, please contact me at 508-612-6386.



#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS! ANNUAL CHILI COOKOFF

The 3rd Annual Chili Cookoff will be

held on Sunday - February 4th.

Judging will be from 2:00 - 3:00 pm in the clubhouse. Anyone entering the contest gets in for free. For those coming in to judge & enjoy Chili, the cost is \$5.00 at the door. Please contact Jane Cullin to let her know if you're making chili.



Welcome Back Our Northern Friends.... We're Glad You're Here





## FOREST PARKS HOME CHURCH "THE LIGHT"

By Roberta Rizas



The Home Church in our Park is called, "The Light", and we say to one and all, HAPPY NEW YEAR. May we all have a blessed 2024!! The joy of the Lord is our strength. May the closeness of friends and the comfort of home renew your spirit & strength

in this new year. May the simple joys of life warm your hearts, fill your home, and that it will last a lifetime. God showed how much he loved us by sending his one and only son into the world so that we might have Eternal Life through him. This is real love. Let us share, His love through us, with one another.

You may join us at 457 Jacaramba Ct. every Sunday night at 6 pm. Also want to mention that our Ladies Bible Study has started up again. We are back to Thursday mornings at 10 am -12pm. at this same address. All are invited, looking forward to seeing all you wonderful ladies again. We have a new leader/teacher, her name is Julie. She is also a Pastor. See you soon.



## January Crossword

#### **ACROSS**

- 1. Debate
- 6. Tattles
- 11. Plank
- 12. Stronghold
- 15. Route or path
- 16. Adorable
- 17. Paintings
- 18. Immune response trigger
- 20. Saxophone
- 21. Anagram of "Ties"
- 23. Debauchee
- 24. Encircle or bind
- 25. Canvas dwelling
- 26. Physics unit
- 27. Commanded
- 28. Border
- 29. Fire residue
- 30. Stuns
- 31. Restate
- 34. Sea eagles
- 36. Aspiration
- 37. Room at the top
- 41. Average
- 42. Harvest
- 43. Den
- 44. Iridescent gem
- 45. Unit of power
- 46. European volcano
- 47. Purge
- 48. Think likely
- 51. Angry
- 52. Burned to ashes
- 54. Calm
- 56. Oxygenates
- 57. Of a pelvic bone
- 58. Suns
- 59. A computer company



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#### 1. Cut short

- 2. Trouncing
- 3. Needlefish
- 4. Celestial bear
- 5. Biblical garden
- 6. Irish accent
- 7. Embankment
- 8. Gulf port
- 9. Type of snake
- 10. Ebb
- 13. Plays at high volume 34. Nations ruled by a
- 14. Passage

#### **DOWN**

- 15. Hindu social division 35. Book lovers
- 16. Brave
- 19. Secret meeting
- 22. For all time
- 24. Small antelope
- 26. Speaker's place
- 27. Used in baseball
- 30. Moist
- 32. Evening (poetic)
- 33. Violent disruptions
- sovereign

- 38. Rolled oats 39. Fund
- 40. Exchange
- 42. Gentle touch
- 44. Whale
- 45. Ice or steam
- 48. Information
- 49. Largest continent
- 50. Cry of pain
- 53. Thick flat pad
- 55. Tear





## January Word Search

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#### Neighborhood Watch Volunteer Information Form

Valerie Trapp – Neighborhood Watch Coordinator Tel 859-620-0519 / email valerieartlady@aol.com

Thank you for volunteering to be a part of our Neighborhood Watch Team.

I am very thankful for all of the volunteers here in Forest Park that help keep us safe & a watchful eye on things. As coordinator of the Neighborhood Watch Patrol, I am making a schedule for November 2023 (& will need to make adjustment(s) – April 2024 year as schedules change.

As a volunteer you will patrol streets & check area around buildings & pool. Our presence makes a difference. Patrol times can be at your discretion; any time after 11:00pm to early morning hours. Some residents are night owls & patrol at all hours.

Most evenings there are just rabbits or frogs hopping around . Sometimes a coyote & sometimes a 'visitor' is in the park that doesn't belong. You then call the Sheriff' Tel 239-477-1000 & report this or 911 if it is an emergency.

A backpack is provided with a new flashing light for golf cart / car, magnetic signs, new flashlights & information you might need. This is picked up & returned each morning to the Activities Building by 12:00 midday. Notify the office of any unlocked doors, street lights out, suspicious activities & any problems that occur. So, if you can volunteer one evening a month, this is greatly appreciated. Just fill out the form for each team member & return it to the office or email fppoainc@gmail.com & they will forward it on to me.

Name(s) of team members:
Address(s):
Email address(s):
Phone No(s):
Preferred day to patrol: Sun / Mon / Tue / Wed / Thu / Fri / Sat
Specific week of the month: 1st / 2nd / 3rd / 4th
(I am trying to assign the same day each month – makes it easier for my husband & I to remember when it is our turn.)
Are you a Full Time or Part Time Resident?
Months you are available and prefer to volunteer.
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Any other preferences you may have:



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