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On November 11, 2023 at 11:00am We Will Gather to Honor Our Veterans

In the 11th hour, on the 11th day, of the 11th month, we will celebrate Veterans Day in our own Memorial Park. Following the ceremony, everyone is invited to a Pot Luck Luncheon for our Vets in our Clubhouse from 12noon until 2:00pm. Please come and honor our FLE Veterans.

Message from the Desk of Mike Black

Forest Lake Estates Homeowners' Association (FLE HOA) President

It is the time of year when we begin to welcome back our snow-bird residents. There is a lot going on in the community, the Social and Activity Directors have a full schedule planned for the winter season. Once you are all settled in, get out and join the fun.



As a reminder, the speed limit in the park is 15MPH. This speed limit applies to golf carts, as well as cars.

360 home inspections have started. Now is the time to get your house in shape for the inspection.

If you have a concern, fill out a concern form, bring it to the office, have it marked as received and dated, then bring a copy to any board member. If you have documentation to back up your concern (like a promise for a wall up front) please give us a copy of that documentation. These things are needed for the board to follow up on your concerns.

The 2024 Membership Drive is ongoing. If you need to pay your membership fees, please reach out to VP Garry Chickery. Membership fees at \$20 per household. General Membership meetings have started again. Meetings are at 10am on the second Tuesday of the month, from October through April.

In January the election for the new board of directors will take place. To vote, you must be a paid member of the HOA. To run for a position on the board, contact the Election Chairperson, Nancy Matthews before December 1st.

Happy Thanksgiving to all.

Michael Black, President, FLE HOA



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FOREST LAKE ESTATES HOME OWNERS'

ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The November 2023 meeting will be held on Thursday, November 9, 2023 at 10:00am in the clubhouse.

Coffee and donuts will be served

~ 2024 FOREST LAKE ESTATES ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ~

The 2024 election will be held to elect four members (3 three year terms and 1 one year term to fill the vacancy resulting from the resignation of boar d member Mike Bodenheimer) to the Board of Directors.

To run for a position on the Board of Directors, you must be an HOA member in good standing, with your 2024 membership fee paid in full. To introduce themselves to the General Membership, candidates should be prepared to give a presentation of no more than two minutes, at the December 14, 2023 General Membership meeting.

The General Membership elects the board members and the board members then meet to elect the officers. For full information on the election process, please see the article on page 4.

Volunteers will be needed to assist on election day (Wednesday, January 10, 2024). These volunteers will perform tasks including, voter check-in, presentation of ballots, voter check-out and tallying the vote counts. If you have any interest in either running for a position on the board or assisting on the election committee, please contact Nancy Matthews, Election Chairperson.



Membership: The 2024 Membership Campaign is now underway. Garry Chickery is collecting 2024 Membership fees as well as fees for the delivery of hardcopy newsletters. The 2024 membership fee is \$20, the cost to get a hand delivered hard copy of the newsletter is an additional \$10. You can drop your payment off to Garry at 6202 Forest Lake Drive or stop by the clubhouse and see Wendy Coache, on Mondays, November 6th, November 13th and November 20th, from 10am - noon to pay in person.

Special Deadline for December 2023 Newsletter Submissions

I will be leaving town on November 23rd and will not be returning until December 11th. I am requesting that all items for the December newsletter be submitted no later than November 15th. Items received after that date may not make it into the December Newsletter.

Thank you in advance for your understanding.

Send all items to: EditorFLEnewsletter@gmail.com

Voting and Casting Your Ballot

The stage side of the clubhouse will be closed to activities on the day of the election. Admittance to that side of the clubhouse will be limited to poll workers and voters. The polls will be open from 10am - 1pm and then from 4pm - 6pm to allow everyone the opportunity to cast a ballot. The clubhouse will be locked from 1:00pm - 4:00pm, no one will be allowed in the clubhouse during those hours.

You must be a current member of the HOA in order to case a ballot. You will first go to the check –in desk to sign in. You will then be issued ballot, a small ballot envelope and a legal sized envelope. These items cannot be removed from the voting area. You will proceed to a table where you will mark your ballot with your selections. There cannot be any writing or makings on the ballot except for the "X" beside the person(s) you want to vote for. You will then place the completed ballot in the small ballot envelope and seal it. The outside of that envelope must be blank. Then place the sealed ballot envelope inside the legal sized envelope, seal the envelope and mark the outside of the legal sized envelope with your signature and lot number. Your ballot is now sealed inside of two envelopes. The name on the outside envelope identifies the ballot as a legitimate ballot. Proceed to the ballot box, where a poll worker will verify your name and record that your have cast a ballot. You will then place your ballot in the ballot box.

Absentee Ballots

If you know you will not be present for voting on the election date, as soon as the ballot is prepared (usually the day after the December HOA meeting), you may contact Nancy Matthews to request a ballot. A ballot can be sent to you via email, but you must follow the process outline above and mail the ballot back to the chairperson. The ballot must be received prior to the day of the election to be included in the vote count.

Counting the Ballots

There are twelve people who assist with the compiling of the votes. The ballot box is opened and the envelopes are sorted into bundles of 25. A line of six people is seated on either side of a table and the process of counting the ballots begins. The first person slits open the envelope of the first bundle. The envelope is then placed face down and handed to the second person, who then opens the envelope, removes the sealed ballot envelope and passes just the sealed ballot envelope to the third person. The third person slits open the ballot envelope and passes the envelope to the fourth person. The fourth person removes the ballot from the envelope and passes only the ballot to the fifth person. The fifth person unfolds the ballot and places it face down on the table. The sixth person bundles just the ballots into bundles of 25. At this point, all envelopes and the ballots from each bundle are numbered and set aside. Once all envelopes have been opened the counting begins. Each bundle of 25 ballots will be counted and tallied on tally sheets by two different sets of three tally workers. The tally sheets are given the same number as the bundle. The tally sheets must agree horizontally and vertically by both sets of tally workers. If the numbers don't agree, the election chairperson will review to locate the error. This does not happen often. The chairperson locates the problem and the tally counters make the final corrections to the sheets.

If you have questions on the election process, please feel free to contact me.

Nancy Matthews, Election Chairperson



The History & Purpose of "Project Blue Light"

In 1986, Mrs. Dolly Craig, the surviving mother-in-law of Daniel Gleason, a Philadelphia, PA officer killed in the line of duty in 1986, sent her Christmas message to the Concerns of Police Survivors national office. Her daughter Pam, Dan's widow, had been killed in a car accident that August. Dolly wrote "This holiday I am putting two blue lights in my living room window. One is for Dan and the other is for Pam." Dolly Craig is now deceased, but her idea of Project Blue Light burns bright in the hearts of this great country. Project Blue Light has been adopted and is promoted by many police organizations.

We encourage all family and friends of Law Enforcement Officers, as well as Law Enforcement Agencies, to decorate with Blue Lights for the coming Holiday Season. By placing one Blue Light in a window in your home, you will be helping honor those officers killed in the line of duty and support those who continue to patrol our streets and protect our neighborhoods. Blue is symbolic of Peace. Displaying your Blue Lights will show your support for our peacemakers and your hope for a Holiday Season and New Year filled with Peace.

Submitted by Donna Wudyka

Bingo

Yea!! Our first night of bingo for the 2023 - 2024 season is November 7th. Our license is a "not for profit" license for the residents of Forest Lake Estates and their house guests only (no outsiders). We have 2 sets of programs in our computer now, so we will be rotating them throughout the season. We play from 19 to 25 games each night depending on the number of people who attend and the amount of cards that are sold. You can play all of the games each night for as little as \$5.50 or, if you are an avid player, you may want to spend more to purchase more cards. The amount of money we take in determines the amount we give away each week. The more players we have, the more money we will have to give away and the higher the jackpots will be and the more games we can play. The snack bar is open from 4:30pm - until 5:45pm and again at the halfway intermission for about 15 minutes. Hot dogs, miscellaneous sandwiches, chips, candy soda and water are available. So bring your daubers and your neighbors and come up and join us on Tuesday, November 7th. Cards are sold between 4:45pm and 5:45pm only. Bingo starts promptly at 6:00pm.

Nancy Matthews, Bingo Chairperson

Park Wide Yard Sale Saturday, November 18th From 8am - 1pm



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RECYCLING UPDATE

Paper and cardboard hours will be 9 am to 10 am every Saturday. Plastic & Tin Can Recycling has been suspended for the Summer.

Anyone who would like to volunteer their time to help at the recycle center for 2 hours one Saturday per month, it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Janice Collins at **flerecycling@gmail.com** or call 813-788-5678 to provide me with name and email address.

CANS FOR KIDS: Aluminum cans (soda and beer) may be placed in the wagon at 6450 Presidential Circle, and in the clubhouse in special bins marked "recycle cans" and on the patio outside the pool. Cans must be empty and clean. The proceeds from this project go to a "Children's home" to support their activities. Cans may be crushed.

Annual FLE Christmas Craft Fair



This year the Annual Forest Lake Estates Christmas Holiday Craft Show will be held on Saturday, December 2nd. If you are interested in reserving a table/space, please contact me for additional details. If you are willing to volunteer to help set up and tear down the event, shuttle people to and from their parked cars, make signs, pass out flyers, etc., please call me at 813-469-1303 or stop by my home at 6243 Spring Lake Circle.

Thank you, Nancy Matthews, Chairperson

Bakers Wanted

The bake sale to raise funds for Thomas
Promise will once again be held during
the annual Forest Lake Estates Craft
Fair on December 2, 2023



We need your help to make this a successful fundraiser.

It will be such fun to get our baking skills back in action again this year. Please help us with any baked items that you can bring.

Please drop off your donation of your favorite baked goods, plated and wrapped ready for sale, as early as possible on the morning of December 2nd,

We thank you for your support. We hope to be able to surpass the donation we made last year. We cannot do that without your help.



The Lunch Bunch

The Lunch Bunch will have their Christmas Luncheon on Tuesday, December 5th

at Lake Jovita. You must select and pay for your lunch by Monday, November 26th. Total cost is \$26.00 all inclusive. There will be a \$15.00 gift exchange as well. Contact Nancy Shaffer at 813-715-4172 to sign up. Checks made payable to Nancy Shaffer or cash are acceptable as payment.

There will be no luncheon in November.



Happy November Birthdays



- 1 Nancy Olbrys Debora Sandlin
- 2 Sheldon King James Martin
- 3 Anna Lehmann Penny Pelfrey
- 4 Lourie Lorentz
- 7 Barbara Blanchard Chris Engell
- 8 Ginny Forsaith
- 10 Gwen Gilbert Tracy Dubois Ernie Farrow
- 11 Sharon Murphy
- 13 Ginny Meyer Ken Fitzpatrick

- 14 David Hineman
- 15 Angie Warren
- 17 KaySmith Doug Warden
- 18 Vincent Osika
- 19 Sandra Parker
- 20 Kim Swanson Chuck Sherwood
- 21 Donald Turnpaugh
- 22 John DeLorenzo Timothy Porteous Mary Kay Lowe
- 24 Truman Ward Mike Frisbey
- 26 Bob Kuss

- 27 Donna Denommee Tammy O'Sullivan
- 28 Mikie Morra
- 29 Joan Bilinski
- 30 Ginny Preble







Happy November Anniversaries



- 2 Peter & Jo Pike
- 4 Tom & Kathy Fredrickson
- 7 Larry & Shirley Carter
- 10 Gregory & Katherine Unseth
- 11 Andy & Patsy Sokol
- 13 Sheldon & Claudette King
- 15 Carol Ann Belanger & Robert Branquet
- 16 Stephen & Lourie Lorentz Kevin & Nancy Combs

- 19 Brett & Luann Somers David & June Hineman
- 23 Mike & Connie Frisbey Ron & Doreen Doctor
- 24 Patrick & Julie Somers John & Cindy Brumbaugh
- 27 Garry & Linda Chickery

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November 2023 Social Events

November 1st - Blood Drive 9am

November 4th - Vendor/Market Event 9am - 1pm

Dance with Rick Winn 6 - 9pm

November 6th - Jersey Kabobs Food Truck 3 - 6pm

November 8th - Sip & Paint 1pm

Trivia Night 6pm

November 9th - HOA General Membership Meeting 10am

November 11th Veterans Day Celebration 11:11am

Pot Luck Lunch noon

Dinner Dace with West Wind 5:30pm Dinner, Dance at 6:30pm

November 13th Sandwich Night returns 4:30pm

November 17th Friday Night Social 7pm

November 18th Park Wide Yard Sale 8am - 1pm

November 20th Deez Diner Food Truck 3 - 6 pm

November 24th Karaoke 7pm

November 27th One Meal Pot (Sandwich Night)

Watch the Sunday Announcements for Pop up events! Some upcoming events:

Golf Cart Drive in Movie Night

Sunday Tailgate Party

Please contact Denis Denommee or Lorri Jackson, your Social and Activity Chairpersons, if you have questions or need more information.

Full Social and Recurring Activity calendars can be found on pages 12 and 15.





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			9am - Blood Drive	10:30am - Produce Market		8AM - Cornhole
			dn	6pm - Ticket Sales		9am - Market Vendor Event
			Meet @ Village Inn			6pm - Dance with Rick Wynn
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	1PM - Board Meeting	4:45pm - 5:45pm -	6pm - Trivia Night	10am - HOA meeting		11am - Veterans Day Ceremony
		Bingo Sales				and luncheon
	3pm -Jersey Kabobs Food Truck	6pm - Bingo		10:30am - Produce Sale		5pm - Fish Dinner
				60m - Ticket Sales		6pm - Dance with West Wind
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	4:30pm - Sandwich	4:45pm - 5:45pm -		10:30am - Produce Sale	6:30pm Friday Night Social	8am - Cornhole
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		6pm - Bingo				
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		6pm - Bingo		6pm - Ticket Sales		
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12PM - Sunday Music Jam	10am - Ticket Sales	10am - Ticket Sales 4:45 - 5:45pm - Bingo		6pm - Ticket Sales		
	4:30pm - One Pot Meal	Sales				
	Night	6pm - Bingo				

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