

NEWSLETTER



What, Again?

In yet another showing of true community spirit, Forest Lake's vaunted Board of Directors (motto: we care only about our sense of apathy) was again unable to field a quorum. Ergo there was no September meeting and no business was conducted.

There was, however, an interesting discussion about the weed ranch once known as Forest Lake. It is felt by several residents that removal of as much of this matter as possible would be a good thing for the water quality (assuming the presence of water). Initially it was suggested a hardy group of volunteers wade out into the muck and pull the vegetation to shore. A later proposal by Jeff Cert that we attempt to utilize Lake County's miscreants and get people sentenced to community service to do the work was met with hearty approval. Jeff has contacted the Sheriff's Office and Forest Lake in fact qualifies for this service. The organization of, and responsibility for, this endeavor will be addressed at the next (1995?) board meeting.



Legal Eagle

At an earlier get-together the board was able to procure professional help (*not phsyco-analysis for directors*) in the area of legal and accounting expertise.

To that end James A. Wotal was retained as Forest Lake's attorney and CPA. Jim currently does legal work for home-owners' associations and accounting work for non-profit organizations. He was also very kind in meeting with first 2 board members and then coming to Forest Lake to meet with the entire board gratis.

Jim has 14 years of experience as a lawyer and 10 years of experience as a CPA. He will be looking into various aspects of our association (such as dues collection and enforcement) and handling our books and taxes.



About Our Parks

[Ed. Note: The following column was contributed by Parks Commissioner Greg Hatz.]

"Park Fix Up Day" was a great success, not to mention a great improvement for Forest Lake. The Forest Lake Board has had this work planned since we approved our budget in the beginning of 1994. Unfortunately we had to wait this long to accomplish our short-term goals due to a lack of funds caused by residents not paying their annual dues. We have plans for continued improvement throughout all common areas and entrances but these things won't happen without the support of our residents through dues payment, volunteer work, and material donations.

Call Greg hatz (or any board member) to find out how you can help our community by volunteer-



ing. Every little bit helps.

Thanks to the following people for their help (if anyone is missed, T.P. Greg's house):

- Jim Edgington
- Jeff Cirt
- Mark Roselli
- Frank Collins
- Jim Petzold
- Mr. & Mrs. Pete Whitford
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- Patrick Lynn
- Steve & Nancy Norman

and a special thanks to:

- Joe Polade
- Tim & Ryan Ugland
- Mark Orakowski
- Geoff Denison and
- Shane Abbott of Lake Zurich
- Boy Scout Troop #309.

Thanks also to Dean Impey who happened to be in the park at the Community Center when the mulch was finally spread (thanks to Simpson and Son's Bob Cat and ended up helping, and to Matt (who looks like 10 but is really 8) who helped spread

mulch until his mother made him go home (sometimes adults can learn from children).

Thanks also to Jack Wendt for replacing the sensors for the lights at the entrance on Old McHenry.



Let's Try This Again

Many of you were denied the opportunity to share in the incredibly wondrous experience of helping to clean up the parks due to the late issuance of the prior newsletter. The Editors again apologize profusely. The lateness also caused a cancellation of the Ladies Auxiliary dinner. Therefore let it be known that:



Ladies Night Out

The FLCA Ladies Auxiliary will now be meeting every 3rd Thursday of the month. The next meeting will be October 18 at 7:15 p.m. at J.J. Twiggs. Come and meet your neighbors and have a good time. For questions and to give RSVP call Laura Tegtmeier at 438-3688.



Everyone Loves a Parade

To accommodate to masses of kids and adults (its up to each individual to determine the difference) who attend FLCA's annual Halloween Gala, there will be a costume parade on Sunday, October 30 at 3:30 p.m., starting at the South park and ending at the Community Center. After the parade there will be judging of Best Costume for ages 0 - 3, 4 - 6, and 7 - 10. There will be 1 prize for boys and 1 prize for girls in each age group. Hope to see you in the parade or simply watching our little goblins and ghosts and board members.



Timberrrr....

Sometimes the best laid plans of mice and men.... It has been brought to the board's (or the members who attend the meetings) attention that a resident has unceremoniously cut a tree down in his yard which ended up on the lake bed. The tree has been cut



up but the remnants, along with what appear to be chimney detritus, remain in an area soon to be under water. This violates more than one law - local through federal. If the matter is not cleared up by the next board meeting (October 11) it will be decided at that time to pursue the matter with county, state, or federal authorities.



When is a Creek not a Creek?

When it's the foundation of a house, of course. There are no less than 4 "plots" being developed in Forest Lake which will place a house in the path of nature's great eroder: moving water.

Our county representative, Pam O. Newton, is looking into the matter but has yet to get a response from our employees at building and zoning. One of the properties is red-tagged and is being appealed by the developer. The hearing's date and time are not yet known. Although the creek has been mapped by the engineering study it has yet to be legally platted (a process which may take up to 6 months) and it appears developers are rushing to beat the enactment. Common sense is often subjugated to short term fiscal gain. If you've concerns write:

Robert A. Streicher
Lake Co. Bldg. and Zoning
18 N. County St., Rm. A-801
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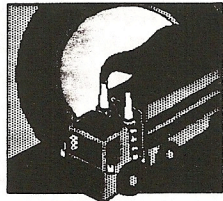
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and save your pity for the soon-to-have-wet-possessions unfortunate people who buy these properties.



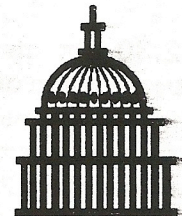
Movin' On Up

Welcoming new folks to the 'hood:

Brian Thompson and wife Shirley, who brought children Sean 11 and Amber 9 with them to 21481 W. Willow (which was 23691 N. Valley until that freak tornado).

To all recent arrivals: Please send a note to the address on this

newsletter and tell us a little about yourselves. Maybe the Welcome Wagon will see the notice and bring you some goodies. Maybe Billary Clinton will deliver tax cuts to the middle class.



Good Government

An obvious contradiction in terms. However, it has been brought to the attention of the Editors that a number of people may lack proper understanding of the election process. Therefore, for those of you who slept through your Civics classes, a little explanation is in order.

The last polling in March, was a *primary* which merely slates candidates for the upcoming election. If you've not registered to vote (tsk, tsk), registration closes on October 10. You can still register at the Ela Public Library or you can call Pamela O. Newton at 360-6336 or 913-6868 and *she will actually come to you* and you'll be eligible to vote. The election itself takes place on November 8.

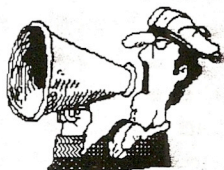




Future Felons Hone Craft

At about 2:30 a.m. on the 22nd of September a group of revelers with a collective I.Q. measured in single digits, roared through Forest Lake, tossing a 12-pack of glass bottles (Budweiser's Ice Draft - figures) from their grey sedan onto Overhill Drive, creating a messy and potentially dangerous situation.

Fortunately a nearby insomniac with a cleaning fetish was able to remove the broken shards before daylight. It isn't known if these were residents. It can only be hoped Forest Lake would not be responsible for this low a life form. Perhaps next time the person with the sleeping disorder will just happen to be cleaning a rifle. Or at least get the license plate and phone to the Sheriff.



Oodles of Kudos

[Ed. Note: Usually anonymously written editorial would not be

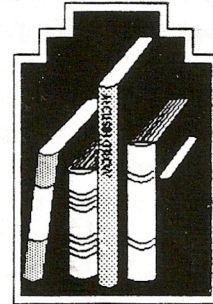
printed but the letter below was too good to pass up.]

Just a note of thanks to the men who worked so hard to improve the sand on our beach, over the Labor Day weekend. They found a lot of glass, rusty nails and other dangerous objects. It's a good feeling to know we can let our children play in the sand without worrying about broken glass. And to those people who were complaining, and called the police... Shame on you!

THANKS AGAIN,
The grateful families of Forest Lake

ALL residents are encouraged to write to the Editors with letters of appreciation or constructive criticisms. Foul language cannot be printed, however, so comments about the Editorial Staff and the Board of Directors is off-limits.

Submission of any column, feature, bit of news, or favorite recipe' would also be acceptable. Perhaps a favorite recipe' each month. Any suggestions for features, comics, etc. will also be given serious consideration. Plus it alleviates the Editors' workload.



Library Corner

Here we go again. If it isn't too late, the library will preview the best books available in a new program, "Book Break: New and Notable Books," from 1 - 2 pm on Thursday, September 29.

Sign up in advance at the Information Desk (438-3433) or drop by the library meeting room at program time.

By way of Editorial redemption, if this notice fails to reach it's readership on time, future "Book Breaks" are scheduled for the Thursdays on October 27 and December 1.

Signup will begin Saturday, October 1, for the "Mad Hatters a free program for children ages 2 - 10 which will take place from 10:30 to 11:00 am on October 8.

The Mad hatters troupe uses hats as their only costumes as they encourage kids to read with rhymes and tales. Children are encouraged to wear hats to the program. Contact Brenda Duff, Youth Services (438-3840).



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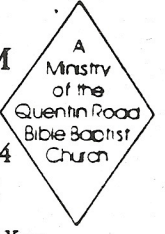

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