



# Forest Lake Newsletter

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## **75<sup>th</sup> Diamond Jubilee**

Forest Lake's Diamond Jubilee celebration was held at the Community Center on July 31. Close to 200 residents enjoyed food, games, refreshments and camaraderie. We had competition in beanbag toss, an inflatable bouncing castle for the kids and volleyball was enjoyed by many. A special thanks to Laura Tegtmeier and Marcie Berger for their time and effort in coordinating this special event and thanks to everyone who brought a dish to share.

## **Incorporation?**

A meeting was held on Wednesday, July 14 to begin investigating the option of incorporating Forest Lake as a village. Approximately 100 members of our community met with municipal consultant, Laurie Marston, who has 30 years of experience in this field. She was hired by the Association to study various incorporation alternatives. The meeting began by Laurie asking for comments about what we like living in Forest Lake and things that we don't like about living here. This was followed by, "What would we like to change?" Her report and recommendations can be found on our website at:

[flcaonline.org/forestlakereport20100730.pdf](http://flcaonline.org/forestlakereport20100730.pdf)

The 17-page report details what it will take to become a village, the advantages and disadvantages, possible budget, property tax rate, recommendation, and next steps for the community. All registered voters in Forest Lake will have the opportunity vote in a general election to decide on the incorporation issue.

Laurie Marston's findings were discussed at the August 10 Meeting. Becoming the "Village of Forest Lake" is a viable option. The board will look further into budget estimates for supplying services, escrow accounts and additional details involved in becoming a village. Most residents enjoy living in Forest Lake and would like it to retain its current lifestyle.

## **Where is it?**

The entrance sign at Highland and Quentin was damaged by a recent storm and has been missing since. If you know its whereabouts, please call Jim Petzold 847-438-3567.

## **Member List**

A list of dues paying members is currently posted on the website. Check to see if your name is included.

You might also want to check if your neighbors have paid and give them a friendly reminder if their name is missing.

## **Facebook**

If you have not already joined Facebook, take a few minutes to do so. Go to [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com) and join. Then copy/paste or type: Forest Lake Community Neighbors-60047 into the search bar on the top right side of the page. Click the link that says: Join this group.

Encourage your neighbors to join the Facebook group and/or join our email news list by sending an email to [Notmonalisa@aol.com](mailto:Notmonalisa@aol.com) and put "Forest Lake Community Email List" in the subject line. This will enable you to keep abreast of current events and breaking news in Forest Lake.

## **Reminder**

Dogs and fishing are only allowed at Luttrell Park (boat launch) and only if swimmers are not present. Dogs must be leashed but are allowed to swim. Members and accompanied guests are allowed to fish. Remember: "If your dog drops it, you pick it up."

## **Community Resources**

You will find a list of small businesses that are owned by members of FLCA on our website ([flcaonline.com](http://flcaonline.com)). If you would like to post your small business, email Doug Howard: [doug@alternateapproach.net](mailto:doug@alternateapproach.net)



Hunter, Chuck, Gina and Brad at Fishing Derby

## **Please Refrain**

Do not release any fish, snails, plants, etc. from an aquarium into any lake. The plants/animals may

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reproduce and spread unwanted species into our lake and all streams, rivers and lakes that Forest Lake connects to.

### **Sand Beaches**

Your community association provides 3 excellent sand beaches. Please do not build your own beach and dump sand along the edge of the lake. During periods of heavy rain, the sand will wash away and fill in the lake. The shoreline should consist of natural shoreline plantings, stone or broken concrete—something that will not wash away.

### **Venetian Night**

Forest Lake's Annual Venetian Night will be held on the Sunday, September 5. Decorate your boat and join others at dusk (7:30pm) and circle the lake. If you don't have a boat, come down to the lake and cheer the boats on. Your favorite beverage is encouraged. The rain date is Monday, Labor Day.

### **FYI**

It is against the law to feed wildlife other than birds. Please do not feed raccoons, opossums, squirrels, chipmunks, deer or other wildlife. It not only attracts them to your yard but to your neighbors' yards and can cause problems.

### **Next Meeting**

The next FLCA board meeting will be September 14. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month, at 7:30pm in the Community Center.

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### **Board Members:**

Chairman: Steve Gray (Gov't Liaison) 438-7813  
Vice-Chairman: Laura Tegtmeier 438-3688  
Treasurer: Maija Boriss (Landscape Beautification) 438-3114  
Secretary: Jill Hughes 719-2744  
Pat Lynn 438-0859  
Steve Libby 682-8036

### **Beaches Not Closed**

Closed signs were accidentally put on the beaches earlier this month due to an algae bloom. After additional research, it was learned that it is not necessary to close the beaches when this occurs. It is a natural occurrence in the summer when the water warms up and there is no wind or rain to mix the surface. Phosphate fertilizers are also a contributing factor. Therefore we remind everyone if using fertilizers please use non-phosphate types.

It is advisable to shower after swimming in the lake and never drink the water.



Brad Michael at Fishing Derby

Lake Committee:

Parks Committee: Pat DeGeorge 726-8815  
Steve Norman (Dues) 540-8857  
Angie Schroeder 719-2688  
Community Center Rentals: Tom Philippsen 540-8928  
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