



Forest Lake Newsletter

Forest Lake Community Association
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Recognizing our Lake Committee

To recognize Frank Loftus' tireless volunteer stewardship efforts and to provide local lake communities and lake users the opportunity to recognize local stewardship, in 2002 the Illinois Lakes Management Association membership established the Frank Loftus Conservation Award. Our lake committee was awarded this prestigious award in 2014.

Our Lake Committee is responsible for improving the quality of our lake and shoreline. Over the past several years, portions of inlets have been restored and, due to a vigorous stocking program, Forest Lake has a diverse fish community that offers a variety of recreational opportunities.

In 2014 our Lake Committee was awarded the prestigious Frank Loftus Award, which is given in recognition of lake stewardship and improvement. Since its inception, Nick Leonard has headed the committee, assisted by Larry Steker and Joe Wachter, the VLMP team committed to collecting quality data. Greg Ratliff is responsible for collecting and taking samples to the IEPA lab. Lou Dinicola has a passion for fisheries and his primary contribution to Forest Lake is overseeing the stocking program. He truly cares for these fish, as he carefully monitors the fish deliveries to minimize the stress the fish go through adapting to their new home. Todd Thomas hosts the meetings where this work group gets together to discuss the goals, outcomes, and tasks to improve Forest Lake.

Nick keeps the group focused on treating the lake problems, not the symptoms. This group has been so successful because they communicate with each other, divide the tasks, and share a love of lakes. Our thanks to each member of this committee for their dedication and time spent for our community.

Easter Egg Hunt

The Easter Egg Hunt was a big success with 20 families with 30 children attending. Many thanks to Katie and Roy Muller, Carol and Butch Solheim, Kelly Hartmann, Linda Colasanti, Mike and Anne Vormittag, Steve Norman, Lou DiNicola and our very own Bugs Bunny, Sue Lalowski.

FYI

The Lake County Sheriff's Dept. has been contacted and we have requested extra patrols to monitor and ticket speeders and those who do not come to a complete stop at stop signs. As our streets are narrow, please walk in single file when traffic approaches. It is also advisable to wear light colored clothing or something reflective when walking after dark. With minimal lighting on our streets, it is extremely difficult to see pedestrians after dark.

They're Back!

The goose lines are up at the beaches, in order to keep our parks and beaches clean. Please replace them if they have been lowered. If you live on the lake and have geese problems, set up your own goose lines. They work!

Reminders

If you haven't yet, write a check and pay your dues. Your fair share is needed to maintain our parks and properties.

Start thinking about decorating your kayak, canoe, rowboat, etc. for Venetian Night. It will be on Sept. 6 this year.

Minimum sizes

The minimums for keeping fish caught in the lake are:

1 Walleye Pike - 18"

1 Northern Pike - 18"

1 Muskellunge - 36"

3 Bass - 14"

10 Panfish -

3 Catfish

Carp - No limit - Please do not release back into the lake.

Meetings

FLCA meetings are held at 7:30pm on the second Tuesday of each month in the Community Center. All members are invited to attend. Come out and join us.

CPR Class

Mike Jennings, a certified CPR instructor, has offered to teach a CPR class in Forest Lake. A minimal cost of \$14 includes 1 book and a CPR card. If you are interested, contact Mike at

mik1jul5@sbcglobal.net. The life you save may be someone you love.

Bagboard Tournament/Fundraiser

Come and join us on Saturday, June 27 at noon for a bagboard tournament and fundraiser benefiting Operation Support Our Troops. The tournament will be held at the Community Center. The fee is \$10 per person and you must be 18 or older. Cash prizes, raffle and hot dogs will be available. All are welcome, playing or not. Feel free to pack a cooler. Check our website for details.

PLEASE JOIN US IN SUPPORTING OUR TROOPS AND ENJOY A FUN FILLED DAY WITH FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS!

Lost anything in the water?

Dan Ludlow is a certified diver that is willing to look for anything that you may have lost in the water. If you are interested, please call Dan at 773-354-4273.

Garage Sale

The 2015 Annual Forest Lake Garage Sale will be held Friday and Saturday, June 5-6, from 8am to 4pm. If you are interested in participating, please email Mike Franklin-__freak54@gmail.com the following information: name, address, both days or only one (which one), and **short list of your most**

interesting items. It will also be posted on the website and Craig's List if the information is submitted before 6/1. Signs will be posted but it's up to individuals to direct buyers to your home.

Reminders:

1. Christmas is over, put your lights away.
2. The last garbage truck leaves about 4:30. Put your garbage cans away when you get home from work.
3. If your dog drops it, pick it up.
4. If your dog barks a lot, it may not bother you, it does bother your neighbors.
5. If you haven't yet, write a check and pay your dues. Your fair share is needed to maintain our parks and properties. Dues may have to be raised next year. We have not raised them since 2008.
6. Start thinking about decorating your kayak, canoe, rowboat...etc for Venetian Night. It will be on Sept. 6 this year.

Our Website

Our website, flcaonline.org, is available for everyone to see what is happening in Forest Lake. You will find meeting minutes, budgets, events, pictures, old documents and the rules for renting the Community Center.

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