



Forest Lake Newsletter

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June Meeting

Our June meeting will be held on June 12th at 7:30. All meetings are held at our Community Center on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7:30p.m.

Beach Party

Thank you to everyone that attended the FLCA Cabo Wabo Beach Party! Great food, music, margaritas (thank you Lynne!) and Forest Lakers made for a very fun evening!



A huge thank you to the wonderful crew that made this event happen: Greg Dwiell, Carol Solheim, Rachel Anderson, Ted Anderson, Lynne and Paul Goodman, Mike Vormitagg, Sue Lalowski, Ashley Wentzel, and Bud Harkness. We couldn't do this without you!

The Importance of FLCA Dues

Thank you to all of the FLCA members for understanding how vital association dues are to our community. We would also like to thank the wonderful volunteers that donate their time and efforts to many of our community projects. All of you make Forest Lake a very special place to live, a friendly community with hometown values.

And now to the subject of non-members (residents who are not current on their dues). Here is an excerpt from a recent letter we received from a group of FLCA members:

"The non-payers are dipping into our pockets and it needs to stop. Their lack of paying dues impacts our property values and our community. We chose to live in Forest Lake, a neighborhood with people that want to raise their families in safe, well-tended community with home values we wish to maintain/increase. To say our annual dues of \$200 are minimal is an understatement for the expenses they need to cover. We want to keep the community we love and it requires all of us to do our part."

As members of the FLCA Board, our fiduciary responsibility is to all the members of the association. If we ignore the non-payment of dues, we are doing an injustice to all the members who are being responsible and meeting their community obligations. We work diligently to collect from those who have not yet met their obligations.

In a Community Association, every homeowner is responsible for their small part of keeping the organization up and running efficiently. This is accomplished by becoming a member of YOUR association. Without your membership, it is not possible to maintain the Community of Forest Lake. Regarding the dues increase, we needed to increase the dues from \$150.00 to \$200.00 because we were spending money earmarked for capital improvement for everyday maintenance. We did this incrementally by raising dues in 2016 to \$165.00, 2017 to \$180.00 and 2018 to \$200. **Our dues are MINIMAL** (\$200 annually breaks down to \$16.67 monthly) in comparison to nearby communities/subdivisions that don't offer anything close to what we have here. The annual dues fund our entire community.

Again, if our lake, parks, beaches, etc. are not maintained, it will affect us all whether you use them or not. If the lake were a cesspool, the parks were overgrown with weeds and the Community Center was in disrepair, our wonderful neighborhood would suffer immensely, as would the property values across our entire community. Also, if a homeowner refuses to contribute their fair share of the responsibility of maintaining these vital areas of our community, they forfeit their right to use the lake, beaches, parks, Community Center and attend Community Events. This IS enforceable by our by-laws and the Lake County Sheriff's Department. The annual dues cover everything from snow removal in common areas to liability insurance for the lake as all residents are responsible should tragedy strike. **Our community incurs a multitude of expenses to keep it up and running, expenses that every resident benefits from.** Non-dues paying residents deprive our community of funds needed to cover these expenses. Please be a responsible homeowner and do your part. A list of dues paid members and a breakdown of the FLCA budget can be viewed at flcaonline.org.

Annual Garage Sale

It's that time of year again for the neighborhood garage sale. Mark your calendar for the weekend of June 15th to 17th. Email Steve at slibby@aol.com to get your address on the map. There is no fee and it is open to all residents.

Easter Egg Hunt

The children of Forest Lake were not going to let the weather stop them from hunting for Easter eggs. It was absolutely priceless to see so many smiling faces out there. Thank you all for making this event so much fun!

This event takes a lot of planning and prep so we have a long list of amazing volunteers to thank. A big thank you to: Sue Lalowski, Julie Garry, Carol and Butch Solheim, Kim and Roy Muller, Pam Harkness, Patty Kearnan, Brenda Beigl, Bud Weiser, Greg Dwiell, Mike Vormittag, Steve Norman, Shelly Chagdes, Daniel Franklin and family and Anthony Garry and family. Thank you to Jodi DeGeorge for donating her face painting supplies and Rynnae Olcikas for donating some of the sweets. We couldn't do these events without all of you and we truly appreciate your help! And a huge thank you to Jocelyne Franklin and Noreen Franklin for stepping in to do the face painting! You did a fabulous job and we greatly appreciate it!



Boat Stickers

All boats using Forest Lake MUST have a boat sticker. New to 2018 are boat stickers for Non-Motorized boats at a cost of \$5.00 per watercraft. Motorized boats remain at \$25.00 per boat. In years past the cost was \$25.00 for ALL boats. Many have taken advantage of this cost savings. In an effort to keep our parks clean we constantly monitor who is storing boats at our parks. Please affix your boat stickers to your boat as soon as possible so that we can identify those boat owners. Failure to have a sticker on your boat may result in removal from the park.

Only members of the FLCA and guests accompanied by members are allowed on any property owned by the FLCA. This includes Forest Lake itself as it is a private lake. Our parks and beaches are patrolled regularly as we have people from Hawthorn Woods to Chicago, as well as non-members, who want to swim, picnic, boat and fish in our lake. Please affix boat and car stickers so they are visible. Visit flcaonline.org for a full list of Parks/Beaches & Boating/ Fishing Rules.

SAVE THE DATE!!

June 15, 16 & 17: Community Garage Sale
 August 4: Baggo Tournament
 September 2: Venetian Night
 September 15: Movie Night
 October 20: Halloween Parade
 Look for the next FLCA newsletter in July!

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