



Forest Lake Newsletter

Forest Lake Community Association
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July 2019

August Meeting

Our August meeting will be held on August 13th at 7:30 PM. All meetings are held at our Community Center on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7:30 PM.

5th Annual FLCA Bags Tournament

Join us August 3rd for the fifth annual bags tournament. Cost is \$20 per team to compete (no fee if not playing in tournament). We will supply water, chips and hotdogs. Bringing your own cooler is encouraged! Only current dues members of the FLCA and their guests will be allowed to participate.



Monarchs and Milkweed

One of the beauties of summer is the sight of those iconic black and orange butterflies--the Monarchs. Unfortunately, Monarch populations have declined by 90% over the last few decades due to development, pesticide use, and disappearance of milkweed, their host plant. Monarchs only lay their eggs on milkweed. If you have a sunny spot in your garden, consider planting milkweed--either the common variety or swamp milkweed, if the spot is damp. We have planted common milkweed at Erker Park and swamp milkweed along the shoreline at Central Park. If you already have milkweed growing, please do not eradicate this important plant. If you're lucky, you will see a caterpillar emerge as a butterfly!

Feed the Lawn, Not the Lake

As a reminder, please do not use fertilizers containing phosphates on your lawns. Phosphates wash into the lake and contribute to algae bloom--the "green stuff" that forms on the surface during the hot days of July. Many phosphate-free products are available at local garden centers and big box stores. Additionally, most lawn, tree and shrub herbicides, as well as insecticides, are toxic to fish. As fish spawn along shorelines, their hatch is extremely susceptible to these products when rains wash them into our lake.

A Healthy Plant Population

Forest Lake is a suburban watershed. As such, it will inevitably receive a higher than desired level of nutrients. These nutrients sustain the life of both native and invasive plants. Although invasive species are a nuisance, native aquatic plants are the foundation of a healthy lake ecosystem. Native varieties stabilize the lake bottom and provide a habitat for fish and invertebrates. Zooplankton, microscopic invertebrates, thrive within the native plant population and consume algae. This improves the water clarity and overall health of the lake. More information about aquatic plants can be found on the FLCA website.

2019 Dues

Thank you to everyone who has paid their dues in 2019! A homeowner's lack of paying has a great impact on our community and our property values. Dues fund maintenance of the lake, parks, and community center. They also pay for snow removal and liability insurance. Those who are not current on their dues forfeit the use of the lake, beaches, parks, and community center. Please pay your dues!

Sign Runners and Speed Demons

We kindly ask those who drive through the Forest Lake community to be conscious of their driving habits. Please obey traffic laws and travel at the posted speed limit (25 mph). There are many children in the neighborhood and a safe community is the responsibility of us all.

Community Center Rental

Our Community Center is available to rent for a minimal charge for dues paying members. If you need more space for a gathering, contact Steve

Norman: 847-540-8857. The Community Center is located at 23489 N. East Rd. (the southeast corner of Forest Lake). You will find the rules to rent the center on our website: flcaonline.org.

Lock it or Lose it

All boats using Forest Lake must have a boat sticker. Stickers for motorized boats are \$25.00 per boat and \$5.00 for non-motorized boats. Boats being stored at one of the Forest Lake parks must have a sticker and be locked up when not in use. Boats will be removed and disposed of.



Forest Lake Easter Egg Hunt

Annie and the Forest Lake's HOA do it again! The Easter egg hunt this year was a great success and finished up in record time! Thank you to all the great volunteers that dedicated their time to fill eggs, decorate the community center, paint faces, and set this whole event up. There were so many joyful smiles as the egg hunt began. The community center was buzzing with excitement of meeting the Easter Bunny, eating some yummy snacks, and making crafts as the children cracked open their eggs to find a variety of prizes! Thank you to all the families that are part of our community who came to join us this year! We hope to continue to wow you with upcoming events. See a list of events in this newsletter and mark your calendars!

COMMUNITY EVENTS 2019 

- 3** AUG | BAGS TOURNAMENT
- 1** SEP | VENETIAN NIGHT
- 6-8** SEP | COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE
- 14** SEP | FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT
- 19** OCT | HALLOWEEN PARADE
RAIN DATE: 10/26
- 14** DEC | BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

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