Forest Cove Beacon



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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

In our last edition we were preparing to celebrate with our 51st Fourth of July BBQ and parade. As I look back at our recent Fourth of July events I marvel at the hard work, commitment, and resolve of our residents to ensure that every one in Forest Cove could enjoy an Old Fashioned Fourth. Thank you to everyone that took steps large or small to make this event happen. I know I thoroughly enjoyed my meal and a chance to visit with so many friends.

It is now time to focus our energies on recreating and reimagining the facilities for our community. We need to rebuild in a manner that embraces, or at least better tolerates, what appears to be inevitable flooding.

As the town homes are slowly removed, it is not hard to envision a beautiful riverside park with an expansive pavilion, kitchen, picnic tables, playground equipment, marina, ballfield, and pool. Perhaps we add a soccer field, or resurface the tennis courts. The important factors are that we plan wisely, incorporate tolerances for flooding, keep much of what the original residents gave us, and stay within our budget! I expect this will be a lengthy, but exciting experience.

If anyone in our community has building, engineering, building design, or flood mitigation experience, I would love to talk with you about ideas you can share to redevelop our community assets.

It is too hot for a work day this August, but we will have a work day in October to start sprucing up our facilities. Of course an Oktoberfest meal will follow.

See you all in October!

FOURTH OF JULY DESSERT CONTEST WINNERS

A successful event that was enjoyed by so many. Thank you to all who entered and participated. After the judges tallied their score cards we had the following 3 winners with their masterpieces:

Chele Summers Stephanie Chapman Melissa Zingitz Flag Cake

Banana Pudding

Black Forest Sheet Cake

FOURTH OF JULY HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT WINNERS

Once again, thank you to all participants in the Horseshoe Tournament. This years' winning team was composed of longtime residents Paul Mead and Ian Sadler. The pair warded off several strong opponents and came out on top!

GOLF COURSE COMMITTEE UPDATE

The golf course was sold to Kingwood FLOG Properties in April of 2019. We are working with our attorneys to assert our legal positions. The new owner is not actively maintaining the property. If you have concerns regarding the upkeep of the golf course, please call the City of Houston's 311 number and let them know. You will need the property address which is 805 Hamblen Road; the 311 operator will give you an incident number to reference for follow up. You may also call Ron Holley at 281-812-2700 to voice your concerns. And you may contact our Councilman Dave Martin at 832-393-3008, refer to your incident number when contacting the Councilman's office.

It is important to note that the community nor the FCPOA have any authority over the golf course.

FOREST COVE MARINA

Residents interested in fishing at the Forest Cove Marina should contact Randy Koshnick at (281) 358-9809 for a key. Thank you for keeping the marina picked up. Please remember to lock up when you leave.

FOREST COVE POOL

The pool is open to Forest Cove residents Tuesday through Sunday from 12:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Price & Price has supplied the lifeguards with a list of residents who are current with their fees for entry.

ACC PERMITS

If you are building or remodeling your home, adding a shed or fence, replacing a roof, windows or driveway, or building a pool house, you need a permit from the Architectural Control Committee ("ACC"). As a deed restricted community, your plans need to be approved by the ACC. Download the ACC permit form at: www.ForestCove.org; then deliver the completed form and two sets of plans to the ACC Committee. Contact ACC Committee Chair Wade Hopper with any questions by email at: sparkys65stang@aol.com.

DRAINAGE IN FOREST COVE

At this time we are collecting information and pictures of your culverts. If you are concerned about the flow of water through your culvert, please take a picture and email to joydsadler@gmail.com, wkhilarides@gmail.com and the 311 website. The board is working toward a system wide drainage solution with the City of Houston.

CITY OF HOUSTON HEAVY TRASH DATES

On the 2nd Wednesday of the month, residents may dispose of their Heavy Trash Waste at the curbside. Tree Waste is collected during odd numbered months and Junk Waste is collected during even numbered months; Tree Waste is accepted during Junk Waste months.

AUGUST 8: JUNK & TREE

SEPTEMBER 12: TREE

OCTOBER 9: JUNK & TREE

NOVEMBER 13: TREE

UPCOMING EVENTS IN OUR AREA

- 8/1* Kingwood Farmer's Market Kingwood Town Center, 2pm – 6pm *every Thursday
- 8/3 Electronic Recycling
 Kingwood Metro Park N Ride Lot
- 8/7* Preschool Storytime Kingwood Library, 10am-11am *every Wednesday
- 8/9 Movies Under the Moon Kings Harbor, 8:30pm
- 8/10 2019 Summer Opera Performance Lone Star College Kingwood, 4pm and 8pm
- 9/7 Specialty Plant Sale Mercer Arboretum, 9am – 2 pm
- 9/13* Live Music on Main Uptown Park, Humble, 7pm-9pm *every 2nd Friday of the month

THE FOREST COVE VOICE

Hello again, Forest Cove. Another great, old fashioned celebration of Independence Day has come is in the books. It seemed like most of the community was there this year – I have heard some estimates of as many as 500 plates served! There had to be a lot of people there was a line for tickets all the way up to the published end of the serving line. Of course it was hot, but it was great to see so many of our neighbors having such a fun time.

The parade was like the old times too. By most accounts this was the longest parade we have had in many years. And all along the route our neighbors gathered at every street and driveway for OUR Forest Cove Fourth of July parade. Smiling faces everywhere and all those kids collecting candy the whole time. I noticed that lots of you brought your dogs out for the parade too, which was great because there were also dog biscuits tossed out for our four-legged friends! On a side note, it was nice to see the dogs out that morning because they are going to be getting some bad press soon, as we enter the Dog Days of Summer (sorry dogs).

And did you spend any time involved with the back story for a Forest Cove Fourth of July? You know that the briskets go on the pits in the late afternoon of the Third of July, and there is another whole Forest Cove cultural event that grows out of the all-night vigil tending the fire and smoke that makes Forest Cove's annual brisket bar-b-que the best in Texas. That said, we do have to understand that there are a few other communities across Texas who (understandably) believe theirs is the best. They haven't tasted ours yet.

I will have to say though, that the horseshoe tournament was a little small this year. I think there were more observers than participants. It's ok, of course. It's just that there are probably a lot more residents who missed out on this part of the Fourth of July fun. I can tell you from experience that you don't have to be good at the game to have a good time (I didn't score a point in our second loss when my team lost on a 21-2 score). Unfortunately, that is not a typo.

That's it for now. Try to stay cool (and dry) for the rest of the summer. And please don't blame the dogs. Let's keep talking, Forest Cove. Email me at forestcovevoice@gmail.com.

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MONTHLY FCPOA MEETINGS

The FCPOA meets the 4th Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m... Meetings are being held at the Sadler residence (1203 Mustang Trail) due to the current condition of the FCCC.