

Forest Cove Beacon



A Newsletter from the Forest Cove Property Owners Association www.forestcove.org Fall 2015

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Forest Cove Community Center Rental Rates

Capacity: 250

Forest Cove Residents	\$350 for up to 12 hours
Non-Residents	\$600 for up to 12 hours
Security & Cleaning Deposit	\$400

If serving alcohol, police required on premises.

DAVE MARTIN is your City of Houston Council Member
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President's Letter

It has been about three months since our last newsletter. In that time we held our annual Fourth of July Parade and BBQ, we survived the dog days of summer, and our children have returned to school. Life sure seems to move quickly these days. Thankfully, here in Forest Cove, we have great neighbors to share our quickly moving days.

I would like to thank all the people who worked tirelessly to give us a wonderful Fourth of July Parade and BBQ. Many hands go into making this event a success. THANK YOU to residents obtaining the parade and food permits, buying the food, setting up the community center, cooking and serving the food, obtaining door prizes and desserts, decorating the community center, buying supplies, tickets, and utensils, providing entertainment, preparing the horseshoe pits and holding the tournament, and cleaning up after all of us when the day was done. We could not hold this event without everyone's help.

Thank you to our neighbors who participated in the parade and came down to the BBQ to share the day with us. It is a pleasure to visit with neighbors we haven't seen in weeks.

Thank you to Larry Middleton. He served on the FCPOA Board for many years in many capacities. After retiring from the Board, he has ensured that our sprinkler system and the landscaping at the Community Center are properly maintained.

Finally, thank you to the Board members who give their time to help make sure Forest Cove is a great place to live, and the residents who go the extra mile to take care of their yard, their neighbors, and their community. Let's continue to build and maintain this great place to live.

The Forest Cove Voice

By
Marty Sadler

I am starting a new column for The Beacon to broaden our community's conversations about what is happening in Forest Cove and what our neighbors are thinking about and talking about. Send an email to forestcovevoice@gmail.com to let me know what you want to say to the community. For each new issue of The Beacon I will review the notes I get from all of you, and write this column from those notes. You can read the column and see what is happening in Forest Cove. I hope the column will give you a voice to reach more of your neighbors and through that voice give all of us a better picture of our home town.

You can use the column to tell the community about the good things that are happening around us, or to express your concerns about things that need to be improved. For example, I want to know what is happening with that stop sign where Hamblin Road meets Loop 494. It was replaced twice in the past few weeks only to disappear again just days later, and it was back up again on Monday morning, September 28. I know that particular stop sign is frequently ignored (a practice that also deserves comment), but I just do not understand what is up with taking the stop sign out entirely. Perhaps someone in the community knows something about it.

The Beacon already does a great job of keeping the community informed about our various organizations and clubs, and about upcoming events. With this column I hope to add some more personal elements – the conversations we are having about our organizations and clubs, and the events in our neighborhood.

All you have to do is let me know what you are thinking. I will give your thoughts a voice. Obviously, I cannot promise to include all of your comments into each column. I will do what I can. Talk to you soon, at forestcovevoice@gmail.com.

Golf Cart Concerns

By
Mara Tardy

A number of local residents have expressed concerns to the POA about the increase in golf carts on Forest Cove roads driven by minors. Golf carts are regulated by state and federal laws. You need a valid driver's license to drive a golf cart on a public road. Also required: Insurance, Headlamps, Tail lamps, Reflectors, Parking brake, Mirrors, and Slow-moving vehicle emblem (Orange triangle marker). This is a summary only. For full details of all requirements, contact your local law enforcement agency or texasdmv.gov.

WORK DAY AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

It is finally fall. The temperature is cooling a bit. The leaves are beginning to cover our yards. It is time for us to get some projects done around the house that we chose not to tackle during the summer heat.

Forest Cove has a few projects to tackle at the Community Center too—inside and outside. We are asking residents to participate in our Fall Work Day at the Community Center. We will work from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on October 24th. After we are done working we will have a community get-together starting around 1:00 p.m.

FCPOA will provide the meat. Steve Atchison and a few others will begin grilling the meat after our work is done. Residents wishing to participate should bring a dish to share and their own beverages. If you prefer to grill your own meat, please bring a small grill down to the BBQ area around noon.

We hope to continue to sponsor these workdays throughout year. Be sure to contact either Steve Atchison, or me with any projects you think would make a good Work Day project.

FOREST COVE MARINA

Residents interested in fishing at the Forest Cove Marina should contact Randy Koshnick at (281) 358-9809 for a key. We have had some vandalism at the Marina so please remember to lock up when you leave.

CITY OF HOUSTON HEAVY TRASH DATES

SECOND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

OCTOBER 14: HEAVY TRASH & TREE WASTE

NOVEMBER 11: TREE WASTE

DECEMBER 9: HEAVY TRASH & TREE WASTE

JANUARY 13: TREE WASTE

TREE WASTE AND JUNK WASTE PROGRAM

The City of Houston picks up Tree Waste or Junk Waste the second Wednesday of each month. Tree Waste is defined as clean wood waste such as tree limbs, branches and stumps. Lumber, furniture, and treated wood is NOT considered Tree Waste. Junk Waste includes Tree Waste and other items such as furniture, appliances, and other bulky material.

Tree Waste is collected in odd numbered months, January, March, May, July, September, and November. Junk Waste, (which includes Tree Waste), is collected during even numbered months, February, April, June, August, October, and December.

In order to ensure that your Tree Waste is recycled you should only place Tree Waste at the curb during a designated Tree Waste collection month. Residents may dispose of their Tree Waste or Junk Waste without waiting for their scheduled pick-up date by taking their waste to one of six Neighborhood Depository/Recycling Centers.

Residents may use a Neighborhood Depository/Recycling Center four times per month. Residents must provide a Texas Drivers License or other ID, and a current utility or tax bill to use a Neighborhood Depository. No pets are allowed on the premises.

Neighborhood Depository/ Recycling Centers are currently open Wednesday through Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

HEAVY TRASH PLACEMENT INSTRUCTIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

- Tree Waste or Junk Waste should be placed at the curb between the hours of 6:00 p.m. the Friday before collection day and 7:00 a.m. of collection day.
- Keep waste material off the streets and sidewalks. Be careful to place the waste material in a manner that does not impede cars or pedestrians.
- Place the waste material in an area easily accessible to the collection vehicle, and out from under electrical wires.
- A maximum of 8 cubic yards of waste can be placed at the curb for collection. Within the 8 cubic yards, a maximum of 4 cubic yards of building material (not to include shingles, brick, plaster or concrete) can be placed for collection.
- Material generated by contractors must be removed by the contractor. The City of Houston will not collect contractor generated waste.
- Appliances containing refrigerant must be tagged "refrigerant free" by a qualified technician.
- Residents may place up to 4 tires at the curb for collection during Junk Waste months. The City will separate the tires from other junk waste. A different crew will collect the tires within a week.
- Pay careful attention to these solid waste collection rules. If unauthorized waste is placed for collection with authorized waste, the City has no obligation to sort your trash. It may leave all the waste at your curbside for you to retrieve and place at the curb next month.
- Violations can result in the City of Houston issuing fines to residents. First offense fines range from \$50.00 to \$2,000.00. Visit the Solid Waste webpage, www.houstontx.gov/solidwaste, or call 3-1-1 for more information.

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BUILDING PERMIT INFORMATION

If you are building in Forest Cove, you need an AC permit from Forest Cove POA. As a deed restricted community, your plans need to be approved by the property owner's association. Download the building permit form from www.ForestCove.org.

HAVE YOUR SAY

FCPOA meetings are held on the 4th Thursday of the month at the Community Center at 7:30 p.m.

OPEN THIS NEWSLETTER TO READ ABOUT:

October 24, 2015 Work Day
At the Community Center
Clean-up from 9-12
BBQ to follow

