

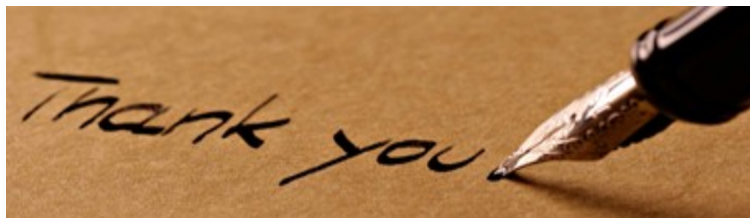
THE FOOTHILLS OF FOREST P·A·R·K·S

A WALK IN THE PARKS

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWLETTER

SPRING, 2017

FOOTHILLS OF FOREST PARKS RESIDENTIAL ASSOCIATION, INC.
*A voluntary, non-profit neighborhood membership organization
promoting relationships which benefit all residents*



Thanks to all who already paid your HOA dues in 2017!

Your contribution is keeping our neighborhood attractive, and keeps the property values up!

If you haven't paid yet, please consider it!

Hopefully you received a notice in late January. **We try to collect dues of \$150 per household by March 31.**

The dues are voluntary, but the funds help us maintain nice entrances by providing landscaping, maintenance, water, and electricity. It's an investment that's worthwhile. The Board recently approved over \$1,000 in electrical repairs to our entrance and will do some unexpected work in the median soon. A very small part of the dues supports community events and communications like signage, this newsletter, and our web site. Please be a part in keeping this neighborhood an awesome place to live.

According to the bylaws, your membership also gives you voting rights at our annual meeting. The annual dues are \$150. You can easily pay online at...



NO PAYPAL ACCOUNT NEEDED!

ForestParksHOA.com

Another option is to send a check, payable to:

Foothills of Forest Parks
60 Chelsea Corners, Box 133
Chelsea, AL 35043.

If you have any questions, please contact one of our officers listed on the back. We'll be glad to help answer any questions you may have.

Giant Community Yard Sale Day

Saturday, May 4

We are planning a community yard sale day and are working with Forest Lakes and Forest Parks 280 to make it gigantic. With a large sale, we should attract lots of traffic, so it will be a great time to clean out the basement and turn that extra junk into cash.



We'll promote the Yard Sale with signs at our entrances and balloons on your mailbox. Publicized times will be 7:00 am to 1:00 pm. **If you plan to participate, please click on "Yard Sale" at ForestParksHOA.com** or email Lance (albert_grimball@yahoo.com). Some are planning on a Friday sale just in our neighborhood, so indicate when you sign up if you'd like to participate at the same times on Friday as well.

Meet Your Neighbor Event and Easter Egg Hunt Sunday, April 9

Door prize drawing for adults!

We're planning two events together:
Meet the Neighbor Event at 3:00pm and
an Easter Egg Hunt (with ice cream!) at 3:30pm.



Ches & Nan Allen are hosting the events at **129 Woodbury Drive** (lower road). It's a great opportunity to meet the neighbors and members of the Board of Directors, even if you don't have children who'll hunt



eggs. If you have kids, bring blankets and Easter baskets. The children will hunt by age groups.

Be Safe Out There!

One of the primary concerns expressed at our annual meeting in January were safety issues from people speeding in the neighborhood. As a result, we purchased a sign like that above to remind us all to observe the **25 MPH** speed limit in the neighborhood. Also, in the near future, you may also see a very temporary, self-monitoring sign indicating how fast you are traveling. Thanks for your cooperation in keeping us all safe!



New Neighbors

If you are new to The Foothills of Forest Parks, we'd love to know you. Please click on "New Neighbor" at ForestParksHOA.com. You may wish to sign up for our email list with news and community information. Join our **Facebook page** by searching "Foothills of Forest Parks." That's another good way to keep up with information about the neighborhood. Also, many of us are enjoying being connected through **Nextdoor.com**.



Also, In Other News...

We are excited to announce that **Rachel Anderson** and **Gillian McCown** are heading up a **Welcoming Team** to deliver a small welcome gift and note signed by Board members to our new residents. If you see someone new moving in, please let us know!

A special thanks goes out to the **Gunnell Family** for their annual light show and to many of you who brightened your homes during the Christmas season.

Janet Scott continues to head up the **Litter Team**, keeping trash picked up along Hwy 43 between and around our entrances.

We hope to soon announce an **Event Team**. Contact us if you are interested in working on a team to plan a fall and spring event, or on one of the other teams.

Bulk Trash Pickup Day is Coming

Saturday, April 1

Please have large items at the curb by 6:00 am. Sometimes WastePro makes an early run on Friday if items are out.



Here are some additional guidelines: No item may weigh over 700 lbs. or be over 6 foot long. Place items no further than four feet from the curb, away from overhead obstacles by 6:00 am.

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED: large appliances & electronics, tires, oil, batteries, riding mowers, bug spray, & paint.

ACCEPTED items: gas grills, push lawnmowers (gas tank removed), paint cans (call for special handling instructions), furniture, mattresses, wood, general debris, stoves, vacuum cleaners, auto interior parts, picnic tables, dismantled swing sets, bicycles, bagged leaves or grass, etc. For more info, visit cityofchelsea.com or call WastePro at 605-0800.

Free Day at the Shelby County Landfill is also Saturday, April 1. It is located just off Hwy. 70 between Columbiana and Calera from 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM.

Forest Parks Board of Directors

In keeping with our bylaws, seven residents were elected to the Board of Directors at our Annual Meeting in January. They are **Alyson Smith**, President; **Lance Grimball**, Vice President; **Dorothy Garner**, Treasurer; and **Jay Gordon**, Secretary. At-large members include **Randy Hall**, **Janet Scott**, and **Nan Allen**, each of which is contributing by overseeing projects. So you know, the officers serve voluntarily and our only reward is the joy of a great neighborhood. Your participation financially and in other ways is a great encouragement.

The Board of Directors also expresses appreciation to **Becky McCune**, our former Treasurer who is also a CPA and continues to serve us all by keeping the books for the Neighborhood Association. Becky, you rock!

If you would like to contact any of the officers, you can contact the Board through the website or by emailing forest.parks.hoa@gmail.com.