# FOREST P'A'R'-K'-S

## A WALK IN THE PARKS

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWLETTER Spring, 2018

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



# Thanks to all who paid your dues during our "Show the Love" Campaign!

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

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

Our goal is to collect dues of \$150 per household by March 31, then focus on making the neighborhood better the rest of the year. The dues are voluntary, with the funds going to help us maintain nice entrances by providing landscaping, maintenance, water, and electricity. It's an investment that's worthwhile. A very small part of the dues supports community events and communications like signage, this newsletter, and our

website. Please be a part of 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...

#### 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're glad to help.

## **Giant Community Yard Sale Day**

#### Saturday, May 5

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 maps at the entrances if you let us know by Wednesday, May 2. Publicized times will be 7:00 am to 1:00 pm. If you plan to participate, please click on "Yard Sale" at ForestParksHOA.com. You are welcome to have a sale on Friday and advertise it individually.

# Meet Your Neighbor Event and Easter Egg Hunt Sunday, March 25

We're planning two events together:

Meet the Neighbor

Event at 3:00 pm and an Easter Egg Hunt
(with ice cream!) at 3:30 pm. Ches & Nan Allen are hosting the events at 129 Wood-



**bury Drive** (middle 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 bas-



kets. The children will hunt by age groups to make it better for the younger kids.

#### **Speeding Continues to be an Issue!**

One of the primary concerns continues to be speeding through the neighborhood. You may notice the blue and green signs like this in various locations around the neighborhood from



Keep the kids safe!

time to time. The signs will remind us all to observe the **25 MPH** speed limit in the neighborhood. 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. **Nextdoor.com** is another way to connect to neighbors, but it isn't run by the Residential Association.



#### Also, In Other News...

There are a number of special committees established by the Board of Directors. If you'd like to serve on the **Clean Team** to pick up trash in the neighborhood and along Hwy. 43, **Welcoming Team** to deliver a small welcome gift and note signed by Board members to our new residents., or on the **Events Team** to help plan and lead a Spring and Fall event, please let us know!

#### **Unfulfilled Needs**

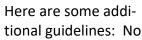
There are a number of items that the board would like to consider if funds are adequate. We have some insurance needs both to protect our entrances and to provide neighborhood-related liability insurance for those who volunteer their time by serving the in leadership capacities here. We could also consider some speed humps, which are more expensive but much nicer than

speed bumps. Please support the HOA and allow us to at least consider these items.



### **Bulk Trash Pickup Day is Saturday, April 7**

The HOA puts up reminder signs 6 days ahead. Sometimes WastePro makes an early run on Friday if items are out.





item may weigh over 700 lbs. or be over 6 foot long. Place items no further than four feet from the curb by 6:00 am. Please visit forestparkshoa.com for details and a list of accepted and non-accepted items.

Free Day at the Shelby County Landfill is also Saturday, April 7. 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. Atlarge members include **Randy Hall**,



Janet Scott, and Nan Allen, each of whom is contributing by overseeing projects. Just so you know, the officers serve voluntarily and their 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 **Cary Cowart** and **Becky McCune**, both of whom help with special projects.

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.



#### **Quick Community Calendar**

See articles above for times and details!

March 25 (Sun) Meet the Neighbors/Egg Hunt for Kids March 31 Requested Deadline for Dues Payment

April 7 (Sat) Bulk Trash Pickup Day

May 5 (Sat) Multi-Neighborhood Yard Sale