

# **Neighborhood News**

## **Forest Parks 43 Residential Association**

**Spring 2024** 60 Chelsea Corners, Box 133, Chelsea, AL 35043, (205) 225-9973



### Neighborhood Block Party Sunday, April 21, 4:00 – 6:00pm 148 Woodbury Drive Food and fun for adults and kids alike.

Free sandwiches, chips, drinks, & dessert. Corn hole, games, balloon animals, and crafts for kids.

Let's get to know one another and have some fun. Watch for a reminder sign at the entrances. Kids will take home a fun craft or plant. Here's a picture from last year's event.



It happens at the home of Paul and Katie Thompson on the lower middle street. We send a big thanks for hosting!



#### **Event Committee & Other Opportunities**

If you would like to serve on the committee to lead kid's events, please email neighbors@forestparks43.com. Katie and her team would welcome others to plan and help. Here are all your opportunities to serve. Just email us if interested.

Welcome

Landscaping

- Entrance Decorating
- Protective Covenants
- Special Events
- Litter Control



# Make Plans Now for the Annual Multi-Neighborhood Yard Sale

A lot of yard sales in one area can bring lots of people, so it's a great time to clean out and make some money on the side. As you see above, Forest Lakes, Forest Parks 280, and The Arbores will join us on that date. Please help us spread the word and if you do a sale on Friday, you are on your own for publicity, but please be careful to word the neighborhood sale for Saturday only.



#### 2024 Gift Basket Winner

We gave away a gift basket to promote the payment of dues in February. The basket included a \$50 Buffalo Wild Wings gift card, and two other \$25 gifts cards, and some other items. David Head of 239 Woodbury is the winner.

#### **Electronic News!**

We'd love to take our newsletter to an all digital format to save on postage, but we can't do that without your email addresses. Please send an email to us at



neighbors@forestparks43.com so we'll have yours.

### Seven Things You Can Do

#### To Keep Our Neighborhood Looking Great

A well-kept neighborhood makes an impression that

- benefits everyone!
- Keep your grass cut regularly. Trimming and edging add a lot to the look of your home.



- 2. Retrieve your trash cans Friday afternoon or night.
- 3. Blow or sweep your grass trimmings back into your yard instead of leaving them in the street.
- 4. Trim the bushes around your house. Also, keep any plants and grass trimmed back off and out of the curb.
- Check the Protective Covenants before you build, fence, or alter your property to assure compliance. Our Protective Covenants are listed on the website.
- 6. Store lawn equipment and project materials out of sight unless currently in use.
- 7. Consider a professional lawn mowing and/or fertilization and weed-control company.





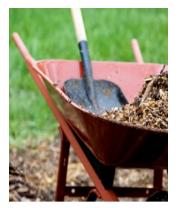
## 2024 Officers & Board of Directors

Back in January, we had the best-attended Annual Meeting in years. At the meeting, seven members of the Board were elected. These volunteers work for the good of the neighborhood according to the Bylaws and Protective Covenants of the Residential Association. Pictured left to right.

Doug Hicks, President Kelvin Stokes, Vice-President Rachel Anderson, Treasurer Jay Gordon, Secretary

Other Board Members Katie Thompson Emily Kratz Janet Scott

# Neighborhood Work Day Saturday, April 20



Each year we try to refresh the mulch/pine straw and various other projects as needed. Thanks to Paul Thompson for coordinating our efforts with volunteers and contractors. Meet at the first entrance at 9:00am. We'll finish within a couple of hours.

#### **Protective Covenants**

Over the last few years, we've been working to reestablish our Protective Covenants Committee in a way that meets three needs—1) keeping the neighborhood looking great, 2) reminding us all of what they include, and 3) providing notices that are kind and neighborly.



Each home in the neighborhood is subject to the covenants as they are attached to every deed. Please know that as we seek to remind you of the covenants, our desire is to do so graciously.



#### **Easily Pay Your Dues!**

Thanks to the many who paid already! Your contribution is keeping our neighborhood attractive and keeping the property values up! **If you haven't paid yet, please visit forestparks43.com** or scan the QR code and pay today!



