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## Board Members 2003

Barbara Hayes - President 770.205.8228  
Joe Perniciaro - VP 770.889.4625  
Sam Wilson - Treasurer 770.781.9745  
Eileen Knox - Secretary 770.886.6005  
Mike Knox - Asst. Secretary 770.886.5311

## Committees for 2003...

### ACC - Sam Wilson (Board Member)

Cathy Morse  
Pablo Diaz  
Jim Cheatham

### Social / Welcome - Eileen Knox (Board Member)

Binnie Jansa - Welcome  
Millie Parrish - Welcome  
Jeanne Law - Welcome  
Michelle Clark - Welcome  
Debbie Fitzgerald - Social  
Lise Raynor - Social

### Landscape - Mike Knox (Board Member)

Herbert Jansa

### Newsletter - Eileen Knox (Board Member)

### Pool & Tennis Area - Joe Perniciaro (Board Member)

Barbara Hayes (Board Member)

## Ladies night out!!

April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30PM!! We will be heading to Gonzos!!  
Please join us for good conversation and a lot of fun!! Call  
Lisa with any questions, 770-889-3337.

## Note From the ACC

Pine Straw time!!! Also, please remember to remove grass  
clippings from the roads and driveways without dumping it  
down the storm drains!

## Time to GARDEN

Thinning out your plants? Gardening? Getting rid of  
unwanted plant? DONATE them to Dave Creek  
Elementary outdoor classroom!! Call Cathy Graff with  
questions! 770-205-7616

## Quote of the month:

**There is more to life than increasing its speed."**  
-- Mahatma Gandhi

## Kick off the summer Party!! - I NEED HELP!!

Hey do you have some ideas about our summer party??  
Summer is right around the corner and I am ready to  
start planning our KICK OFF SUMMER PARTY and I  
need your help! Please email or call me with ideas! I  
cant do it on my own, so, PLEASE give me a hand!!  
Eileen Knox 770-886-6005 or [knox\\_eileen@yahoo.com](mailto:knox_eileen@yahoo.com)

## EASTER SPRING FLING and EASTER EGG HUNT!

**Join US! April 12, 2003 @ 2:00PM for the  
Easter Egg Hunt!!**

With several request for the Easter egg  
"HUNT" we are going to do it again this year!  
Children between the ages of 1 and 10 are  
invited to participate by delivering 12 filled  
eggs per child to one of the following address,  
Cathy Morse 1575 Loblolly Lane, Susan  
Stevens, 1720 Redbud Way, or Susan  
Rodrigues, 1220 Cottonwood Train. Deliver  
filled eggs by **APRIL 11**. Please avoid using  
chocolate or candies that will melt and try to  
use item appropriate for all ages. Boxes will  
be located by the front doors, so just drop off  
your filled eggs along with the following form  
(we need to form to know the appropriate  
number of eggs/age group).

Mr. Bunny will also be there to talk to the kids to find  
out what they want in their Easter baskets! We also  
will have a castle moon walk so the kids can jump off  
some of their "candy energy".

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The next Board meeting will be Monday, May 5, 2003, 7:00PM at the pool.

ACCESS Management (Jennifer Gordon), 770/777-6890 ext. 128

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## It's Your Neighborhood. It's your Kids, your Grandkids or your neighbor's kids. IT IS THE LAW!

We are all law-abiding citizens, or at least we profess to be such! Just ask yourself or your loved ones. Of course we are. Well, believe it or not, some of our neighbors seem to think that the red octagon street signs that spell out "STOP" really only mean 'slow down a little' or just elect to disregard them altogether. Yes, some of the most respected, most loving, caring people just show total contempt for the LAW! I have personally seen mothers with kids in their car, roll right through them like they are not there. I am not kidding! Is this what we want to teach our kids Mom, Dad? The law does not have to be followed? What kind of example is this? Have we really regressed to this level?

You might think, "Oh well, who is watching anyway"? "No one is around, I really don't need to stop here this time". "The kids are in school this time of day anyway." "What stop sign"? "I'll stop if I damned well please". (True stuff)

Come on, we all know better! We need to follow the law. What is it going to take? Do we need to have someone killed before we decide to "THINK" and "STOP"? Is the few extra seconds that you would save by not stopping, worth the price of a life, and the price of living with what you had done? No! We all know better! **AND BESIDES, IT IS THE LAW**, like it or not!

Summer is just around the corner. Let's begin today! Let's make a conscious effort to stop at these intersections. You would be surprised how fast this will become a habit and you will not even think twice about it. Thank you for hearing me out! Have a safe summer!

Signed: Mike Knox, Sr.

A very worried grandparent indeed!

### Level C, Women's Tennis????

Hey, do you have an interest in tennis for FUN and FITNESS?? Let's find out if we can get enough women together to start a team! If possible we can all pitch in and get a sitter for the kids!! If you think you might be interested, please give me a call!  
Erin Collins, 770-205-0855.

## KIDS CORNER

Kindergarten Registration - APRIL 17<sup>th</sup>, 2003  
So hard to believe! It is right around the corner. Here are some of the details:  
4/17/03 from 10am to 7pm at all Forsyth County Elementary Schools! For more information, you can go to the website: <http://www.forsyth.k12.ga.us/>

## LETS TALK TRASH!

**First of all**, here is a QUESTION...

- Anyone that has switched to Patriot, do you have any issues with them??

Let me know (Eileen Knox) and I will take it up with them ASAP! We want to know how they are doing! Good and bad!

**Second**, I am going to point out just some of the pros of Patriot Sanitation:

- Weekly PU of UNLIMITED waste!
- Weekly PU of UNLIMITED yard waste for FREE
- FREE pick up of bulk items, (furniture, appliances, ect...)
- FREE recycling, you can have one or TWO bins
- They have the BEST customer service! Call them and see! 770-752-9430. Call today!!

### UPDATE:

We are 18 houses away from having a quarterly fee of \$42.75, which is only \$14.25 a month.

### Better YET:

If we get 90% of Gran Forest homeowners, our quarterly fee will be \$40.50, which is \$13.50 a month.

**LET DO IT! SIGN UP TODAY**

### ATTENTION EXISTING PATRIOT CUSTOMERS!!

REMEMBER if you refer someone to Patriot Sanitation, you will get a \$10.00 credit on your next bill!!!

## Neighborhood Garage Sale

Does anyone have interest in doing a neighborhood Garage Sale in April or May?? If you do, please give Eileen Knox a call.  
Eileen - 770-886-6005

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## Don't forget - Income Tax Dead Line is APRIL 15, 2003

### Classic Black Beans and Rice

2 tbsp. Olive Oil  
½ cup onion, finely chopped  
¼ cup green pepper, finely chopped  
2 tsp. Minced garlic  
1 can black beans, undrained  
1 tsp Oregano  
¾ cup of water  
1 pk. Sazon without Annatto  
1 tbsp. White cooking wine or cider vinegar  
2 cups cooked white rice

Heat oil in saucepan over medium heat. Stir in onion, pepper and garlic; cook until tender, about 8-10 minutes. Stir in remaining ingredients (except rice). Bring to boil. Reduce Heat, simmer 10 minutes. Serve over white rice and enjoy this healthy, low fat dish!

### Many new things in the neighborhood!

We have done a lot of work in the pool area! A new Trex decking - no more splinters if you are on the deck! Some needed repairs in the pump room! The white fence had a major facelift! Many rotted posts were replaced and the whole fence was pressure washed and painted (Patriot Painters did an AWESOME job). Look for the new and UPGRADED stop and road signs in the neighborhood. Also look for some new landscaping and lights at the front entrance, all will be done real soon! Lets keep Gran Forest a beautiful and desirable place to live!

### DRIVEWAY CARE:

Well, with spring around the corner and driveways looking kinda dark from the long wet winter, you may want to have your driveway and walk spruced up by a professional. We have a Cumming resident offering his services, **Scott Layaway of C&L Enterprises.**

He uses a "HOT WATER", (225°) method with pressure and it does an AWESOME job. Besides driveways, he also does gum removal, dumpster areas, awnings cleaned and sealed, decal removal, hydro sandblasting, houses and decks, pool areas, patio furniture, docks, warehouse floors, coolers, trucks!

Scott is Licensed and insured and is more than happy to give free estimates and/or demonstrations give him a call at 770-231-2796 and be sure to mention Gran Forest. You wont be disappointed!

### Need carpet?

**Want a good price?? Call Ace Carpet @ 770-868-8738, ask for Donna!**

Carpet, Vinyl, Wood, Laminate, Ceramic, Residential or commercial, you name it, Ace does it. Mention you live in Gran Forest and get a great deal. Donna will come out and give you a free estimate!

### Have something to sell? Have a service to perform?

Well, we are going to put "Classifieds" on our web site. Please email to:  
[forsale@granforest.com](mailto:forsale@granforest.com)

We are also going to add a "Services" section to our web site. For services please email to:  
[services@granforest.com](mailto:services@granforest.com)

Gran Forest Neighborhood and or Board are not responsible for any conversations or transactions in the "Classifieds" section or "Services" section.

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