
Gran Forest News

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Ladies Night OUT!!!!

March 26, 2003 - 6:30PM

Any ladies need a break? Want to get together with other neighborhood ladies?

Come meet us at Chili's

Please RSVP to Lisa at 770-889-3337

Please welcome our new neighbors:

*If you have new neighbors or are new to the neighborhood, please contact any Board member, and the Welcoming Committee will ensure a Welcome Basket is delivered!

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)

Patriot Sanitation

For those of you who have not switched to Patriot Sanitation, it is not too late!! Please call Patriot today at 770-752-9430 or come to the next Board meeting at Sam Wilson's house (1640 Loblolly Lane), March 10, 2003 at 7:00PM. It is a move you won't regret!

Community Cop Corner

As the weather gets warmer and the kids are playing outside and the residence are out excising, please be sure to pick up your dog droppings, NO ONE wants to step in that!

Quote of the Month:

Strength is the capacity to break a chocolate bar into four pieces with your bare hands-- and then eat just one of the pieces. ~ Judith Viorst

Reserve Study - Is posted on the website. What the study consists of is a DETAILED recap of the whole neighborhood and what needs replace, repaired and \$\$\$ that needs to be in the reserve to maintain and/or improve our neighborhood. This is a very important piece of information in regards to our neighborhood, please be sure to take a look at it!

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!

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

To make an announcement in the newsletter, email knox_eileen@yahoo.com or contact@granforest.com

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Don't forget...

March of Dimes in Forsyth County

MARCH 29, 2003

PLEASE JOIN THE WALK

Please contact the Law family if you would like to be a hero for our babies or would just like some information.

The March of Dimes walk in Forsyth County is March 29th at the Forsyth Central High School. Anyone is welcome to walk with the Law team, form your own team personally or through work, or sponsor the Law's as they walk for the March of Dimes. Please contact the Law family (Jeanne, Greg, Maura and Ethan Law) via phone at 770-889-3057 or email lawgjme@att.net for more information.

Need Carpet? Want a good price? Call...

ACE Carpet

Ask for Donna (NOT related to the Wolfman)

Carpet, Vinyl, Wood, Laminate, Ceramic, residential or commercial, you name it; they have it all at a good price and good service. Mention you live Gran Forest and get a great deal. Donna will come out and give you a free estimate; she also has great ideas in regards to flooring needs.

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

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

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

St. Patrick's Day Customs and Traditions

The person who was to become St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, was born in Wales about AD 385. His given name was Maewyn, and he almost didn't get the job of bishop of Ireland because he lacked the required scholarship. Far from being a saint, until he was 16, he considered himself a pagan. At that age, he was sold into slavery by a group of Irish marauders that raided his village. During his captivity, he became closer to God.

He escaped from slavery after six years and went to Gaul where he studied in the monastery under St. Germain, bishop of Auxerre for a period of 12 years. During his training he became aware that his calling was to convert pagans to Christianity.

His wishes were to return to Ireland, to convert the native pagans to Christianity. But his superiors instead appointed St. Palladius. But two years later, Palladius transferred to Scotland. Patrick, having adopted that Christian name earlier, was then appointed as second bishop to Ireland.

Patrick was quite successful at winning converts. He traveled throughout Ireland, establishing monasteries across the country. He also set up schools and churches, which would aid him in his conversion of the Irish country to Christianity.

His mission in Ireland lasted for thirty years. At that time, Patrick retired to County Down. He died on March 17 in AD 461. That day has been commemorated as St. Patrick's Day ever since.

Much Irish folklores surrounding St. Patrick's Day, not mush of it is actually substantiated.

He is said to have given a sermon from a hilltop that drove all the snakes from Ireland. Of course, no snakes were ever native to Ireland. Though originally a Catholic holy day, St. Patrick's Day has evolved into more of a secular holiday.

One traditional icon of the day is the shamrock. This stems from an Irish tale that tells how Patrick used the three-leafed shamrock to explain the Trinity. He used it in his sermons to represent how the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit could all exist as separate elements of the same entity. His followers adopted the custom of wearing a shamrock on his feast day.

The St. Patrick's Day custom came to America in 1737.

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