Gran Forest News

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Thank you Board Members!

NEIGHBORHOOD ANNOUNCEMENTS...

Save the Dates

April 11 - Easter Egg Hunt (see back for details!)

April 25 – Spring Garage Sale (8 a.m. to 2 p.m.). Ads will be placed in the Forsyth Herald and Forsyth County News, as well as signs at both subdivision entrances. If you are participating, please tie balloons to your mailbox.

May 9 - Opening of Pool

May 22 - End of School Pizza Party

July 4 – Annual July 4th Parade – 10am

August 14 - Back to School Pizza Party

September 19 – Adult Pool Party

September 27 – Pool Closes

October 10 - Fall Garage Sale

November 9 – Annual Homeowners Meeting

New Management representative:

Our representative at Access Management Group is Michael Workman e-mail mworkman@accessmgt.com, Phone 770.777.6890 x126 and Fax 770.777.6916

Volunteer and be a part of your neighborhood

Remember if you would like to join a committee or help with any of the parties above, contact Nicola Schwab at 770-886-0311 or email her at nschwab@mresults.net. Here are more committees that may spark your interest: Tennis Court, Pool, Grounds, ACC, Yard of the Month, Social and Welcome.

It's true, no one cares more about our neighborhood than you!

Please register for community updates and events on our <u>new</u> web site!

<u>www.granforest.com</u>

You can advertise for FREE!

Thank You Neighbors!

Alyce Jones (1440 Redbud Way) sends special thanks from her and her children to all of the neighbors and friends in Gran Forest that sent cards, offered condolences/prayers, dropped by, and prepared meals for them during their time of mourning. Alyce would like everyone to know that she really appreciated everything and this all has truly made it easier to go through the hardest time of her life.

Fixin' Up Forsyth

The United Way of Forsyth County Fixin' Up Forsyth program is designed to assist low-income seniors and families in our local community with physical needs in and around their home. Referrals come mainly from the Forsyth County Senior Center and/or school social workers. They do the screening to ensure the family or senior is in need of assistance. Jerry Depree is the Fix' Up Forsyth Program Coordinator. Once Jerry gets the referral, he does a site visit to the person's/family's home to get a first-hand look at what needs to be done. Some of the typical needs are as follows:

- ➤ Home weatherization (replacing broken/cracked windows; weather-stripping exterior doors/windows; repairing holes in floors; etc.)
- Yard work/clean-up
- > Building wheel chair ramps
- Finding donated furniture, clothing, household items and delivering to families in need (example: fire victims, homeless, etc.)
- ➤ House cleaning
- Change or install smoke/CO2 detectors

Once the need is assessed, Jerry seeks volunteers and/or inkind donations. This is a very rewarding experience for both the giver and receiver. Even in this wealthy community there is desperate poverty just minutes away from some of the most exclusive neighborhoods. Do you have 2-4 hours on your hands to help? The work is organized to meet the schedule of the volunteer(s), since they're freely offering up their time and services.

From time to time, Jerry needs skilled/licensed labors (plumbers, electricians) but usually the work can be done by most anyone.

If anyone is interested in giving the gift of themselves to help a senior and/or family in need please contact Jerry Dupree at dupreek@bellsouth.net or 404-312-0723.