

The **FOREST HILLS** News/August 2014

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From Our President:

Happy Summer Forest Hills Families!

The Association has been very busy this spring/summer with all types of wonderful activities including the Easter egg hunt, spring garage sales, two community volunteer days and our annual summer block party. We have even more coming up including a cornhole tournament, family movie night, fall garage sale and a Halloween decorating contest. Unfortunately we have also had some not so wonderful events including a house fire at the Kruttschnitt Family home, a serious incident at Westchester Pool, and the closing of the Skyview Pool for the summer. I would like to address a few of these issues for all of you (please see page 2)!

Rachel Swift, FHPOA President

Social Corner:

OUTSIDE FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT:

Friday August 22 @ 8:30 pm will be family movie night at the field next to Westchester pool! Bring the family, chairs/blankets, and your own beverages and snacks! We will provide the movie!
IN ADDITION, we will be collecting SCHOOL SUPPLIES for the Brunswick Food Pantry! They are in dire need of these items!! Let's help them out!!

1st Annual FHPOA CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT:

Saturday Sept. 13 @ 2:30 pm in the field next to Westchester pool! (Play will begin promptly at 3 pm)
Association RESIDENTS ONLY!
Blind draw, \$15 fee per person, double elimination! Must be 18 years of age or older to play!
BYOB and bring a snack/appetizer to share! **YOU MUST register by Sept. 8 to play by emailing fhpoa44212@gmail.com**
***Half of the money will pay out the two top teams.**
***Half of the money will go to charity!**



Don't forget to check out the FHPOA website:
<http://www.foresthillspoa.com/>

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Be sure to JOIN our FB Group Page to get all of the latest updates!



We are going GREEN!

Sign up to receive the newsletter via email! Help the Association save time and money!

Send your email address to:
FHPOA44212@gmail.com or message us on Facebook or the website!

The Board plans to continue Community Charity Donations at our Events! WE hope you will support us in this endeavor!

Board Meetings

The Board is working hard on many issues. Come JOIN US and get informed!

- August 26
- September 16
- October 21
- November 18
- December 16

*All meetings will be held at the Brunswick Library Hickory Room from 6:30 – 8:15 pm. ALL are Welcome!!

Important Info!

► **THANK YOU for making the 2014 Block Party a complete success! It was a great time!!** You all collected a ton of food for the Brunswick Food Pantry, which they appreciated greatly, and raised \$335 in cash and \$150 in gift cards for the Kruttschnitt Family who had the unfortunate house fire! What big hearts FHPOA residents have! Thank YOU for being a part of a great community event! CHECK out pictures from the Party on our website and/or Facebook page. Will also post pics at the bulletin board outside the Westchester pool. Hope to see you next year!

► **PLEASE keep in mind that kids will be going back to school on August 18th! SLOW DOWN and watch out for our kids!**

► **PLEASE lock your cars at night and don't keep valuables in them!** We have had some recent break-ins! **Mark Johnson**, our safety coordinator, is available for any of your safety questions/concerns. He has offered to make visits and evaluate your home for safety issues if needed. To contact him, email or private message us on Facebook.

► **Sept. 11, 12 and 13th will be the FALL Garage Sales! Going to try something NEW! Hours advertised will be: Thurs. 8:30a-4p, Fri. 5p-9p, Sat. 9a-3p.** Don't forget to hang a white cloth or balloons on your mailbox to let shoppers know you are open for business!

SKYVIEW POOL UPDATES

Toward the end of spring, the FHPOA Board began contacting contractors to assess and repair the Skyview Pool in hopes of having it fixed and opened in time for the summer season. It was obvious that there were severe issues that needed to be addressed immediately including crumbling pool walls, cracked and unsecured coping tiles around the pool and skimmers that needed to meet the Medina County Health Department codes. We received three bids on these repairs, which were much more extensive and major than had been reported the year prior. With this information and the concern that the pool would be cited for violating safety codes, the FHPOA Board made the decision to apply for a loan and have the repairs completed properly by a licensed, bonded and thoroughly experienced contractor. Unfortunately, we were not able to secure a loan for these repairs. Without proper funds the Board was forced to make the tough decision to keep the Skyview Pool closed for the summer. By doing this we were able to pay for the unexpected major pool repairs with money that would have been used to pay the pool operating costs for the entire summer. We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused. However, Skyview pool WILL re-open in time for the 2015 swim season and will be looking great and better yet will be safe for all our swimmers!

In addition to the needed repairs on the pool itself, this Fall the Board plans to paint and repair both bathrooms at the Skyview Pool as well as the pool house to get them ready for next year. The roof will need repairs on the pool house due to leaking issues. We will also prepare the pool area for our swim team to return next season with new flagpoles and anchors for the swim lines.

WESTCHESTER POOL UPDATES

Hopefully you have had a chance this summer to check out the Westchester Pool! The Board put a fresh coat of paint on the pool house and in the bathrooms, cleaned out both the furnace room and the pump room and painted and fixed the tiles around the inside of the pool in a few areas. The Westchester pool will be open until Labor Day so come on out and enjoy your pool!

In regards to the incident at Westchester Pool on June 28th, there was a chemical mix-up that resulted in an explosion in the pool house pump room, before the pool opened for normal hours. This was a terrible accident and thankfully no one was seriously injured. Metropolitan Pool Services, the company that manages and maintains our pools, stepped up and took full responsibility for the incident. They have put safeguards in place that will prevent this type of incident from ever occurring again. There was damage that was sustained to the interior of the pump room including damage to the foundation, roof, fascia and soffits. Metropolitan Pool Service's insurance company has come out to work on the claim. Once the adjustors advise FHPOA of the needed repairs, we will post information on our website <http://www.foresthillspoa.com/>

NEW APARTMENTS ON SKYVIEW UPDATES

As a quick update on the Skyview Driveway/NEW apartments issue, the FHPOA Board is awaiting a meeting in the near future with Harsax Development Company, the builders of these new apartments. When that meeting occurs and we have obtained more information, we will post it to our website to inform ALL residents of what will be happening.

Thank you and see you around the neighborhood!

Rachel Swift, FHPOA President