FLEHA NEWSLETTER November-December 2018

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Folsom Lake Estates

Thoughts of Winter Holidays...and Lovely Luminaries!

As we turn the corner into November, summer is already a faint image in our rear-view mirrors, and the winter holidays are just down the road. Time flies especially fast at this time of year, so let's take a pause...to savor the flavor of Thanksgiving & appreciate family, friends, and all of our unique traditions.

Here in Folsom Lake Estates, we're fortunate to have a front seat for one of the area's favorite holiday traditions — the neighborhood annual Christmas Eve luminary lighting. Please see page 6 for more information, and expect a call soon from a volunteer who will help you order your candles and bags to participate in this time-honored light-up-the-night community event.

Best Wishes for a happy, healthy holiday season!

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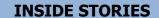
Folsom Lake Estates Board of Directors



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Nov 6 Election Day
- Nov 12 Veterans Day
- Nov 13 FLEHA Board Meeting
- Nov 22 Thanksgiving Day
- Dec 2 Chanukah Begins
- Dec 21 Winter Solstice
- Dec 25 Christmas Day
- Dec 26 Kwanzaa Begins
- Dec 31 New Year's Eve





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FLEHA Board of Directors

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FLEHA Board of Directors

General Election 2019

Our Board of Directors



Folsom Lake Estates is a highly desirable neighborhood, admired for our architectural variety, large lots, lovely mature trees, relaxed ambiance, and proximity to Folsom Lake. Our homeowners association, "FLEHA," is run *BY* and *FOR* residents, and led by a Board of Directors. The Board consists of five elected member residents, each serving a two-year term. (Please see the front page of this newsletter for a listing of our current Board members.) Two of our current Board members — Secretary and Member-at-Large — are up for re-election in January 2019, and have agreed to run for another two-year term.

Board members work diligently for our community to help ensure that our Bylaws are upheld, that our association is in compliance with Davis-Sterling HOA regulations, and that community concerns are addressed, so that we continue to be proud to call our neighborhood home. Additionally, they maintain the park and the three neighborhood entrances, perform an architectural review process, and coordinate several annual social gatherings, including our December 24th luminary lighting (see page 6 for more details).

Running for the Board

Homeowners who are Unit 2 FLEHA members (i.e., those who are REQUIRED to pay annual HOA dues) are entitled to vote and run for a Board position during the annual Board election. If you'd like to join the incumbents and throw your hat into the ring, please complete the attached **"Notice of Desire to be a Candidate"** form and return it to FLEHA **by December 12**.

Uncontested Election of Directors

Please note that per Section 7.06 of our Revised Bylaws, (available at www.fleha.org, under "Legal Docs" tab): "If after the close of nominations, the number of qualified people nominated for election to the Board of Directors is equal to or less than the number of directors to be elected, then those nominees who are qualified to be elected to the Board are deemed elected." In other words, if only two qualified FLEHA members run for the two Board seats in 2019, then we will not need to hold a Board election. If we receive more than two nominations for the two seats, then election materials will mail to Unit 2 members right after January 1, and the results will be announced in March 2019 at our annual General Board Meeting.

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Meet Some More HoFLES!

(Humans of Folsom Lake Estates)



What did you do on your first date?

I met Ron more than 50 yrs ago, in the fall of 1967, when we were both students at Sacramento State and went on our first date to attend a concert in the Sacramento Memorial Auditorium. Ron was able to score tickets to one of the hottest folk groups of the era, Peter, Paul and *Mary!! We were both struggling students on very limited* budgets, and seats in the top row of the highest section of the nosebleed seats was a thrill! I, especially, felt appreciative to be invited as Ron and I had developed a great friendship at this point, but not a romance, and the girl he had originally invited, claiming illness, flaked at the last minute, leaving him with an extra ticket. So, he and the other couple from the double date took a vote on who they thought would fit in their foursome - - I was the winner (in more ways than one)!!! And now, flash forward, on February 8, 2019, Ron and I will celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary living happily ever after!! Oh, what a first date it was!!!

~ Pat ~

What is your favorite childhood memory from a holiday?

At Christmas time our family celebrated with Danish tradition and opened presents on Christmas Eve. Part of the tradition was for the kids to "hide" in another room, so Santa could deliver presents. We were told that if we saw Santa he would not be able to leave the presents. On one Christmas Eve when I was in early elementary school I decided to peek around through a crack in the door - and to my excitement I actually believed I saw Santa putting presents under the tree. What an exciting holiday! And to this day Santa has been a very special part of the Holiday season.

What are you most heartwarming moments?

A few of the best, most heartwarming moments in my life have been Pat accepting my proposal to marry; the birth of our daughter, Christa; the marriage of Christa; and the births of our 2 grandsons, Garrett and Emmitt. What a great joy in my life!!!!

Folsom Lake Estates Homeowners Association Board Meeting – September 11, 2018, 7pm Raley's Event Center, Granite Bay

IN ATTENDANCE

- Board Members: Susie Barr, Sharon Russo, Chris Vadnais
- Unit 2: Susan Moss
- Unit 1:

OPEN FORUM/HOMEOWNER COMMENTS: N/A

REVIEW OF APPROVED AUGUST MINUTES:

REVIEW OF TOPICS COVERED IN AUGUST EXECUTIVE SESSION N/A

TREASURER'S REPORT: The current balance stands at approximately \$135,000, which is approximately \$2,000 more than the same time last year (due to the expenses associated with the 2017 tennis court renovation). Year-to-date expenses were approximately \$29,000, leaving accounts in good standing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Architectural Review: NA

OLD BUSINESS

Pickleball Clinic: A total of 12 residents have signed up for lessons on Sunday, September 23.

High-speed Internet Update: Consolidated Communications (CC) contacted Board member Chris Vadnais in response to his letter. They informed him that they expect to finish their high-speed internet work on Oak Hill this year, and they're well aware of our neighborhood's slow internet problems. According to CC they only need to upgrade their box on Barton Road in order to bring service to FLE. They're going to continue to work on our request, and they will follow up with Chris in late Q4'18 or Q1'19.

NEW BUSINESS:

Future Board Meetings: Present Board members committed to attend the 2019 Board meeting dates.

Basketball nets/hoops: A motion was made for Board member Chris Vadnais to spend up to \$1,000 for high-end, residential-grade, modern-looking acrylic backboards/rims. Approved 3/0/0. Chris has offered to install the new equipment and may need a neighborhood volunteer to assist.

Luminaries/Santa Event/Need Volunteer for Cookies & Cocoa: The Board wants to continue the tradition of the luminaries in perpetuity. To that end, Admin will provide an updated list of residents to Joe Blair, luminary Captain. Our neighborhood volunteer is unavailable this year to serve cookies/cocoa at the park for the last Santa stop, so the Board is sending out a call for a new volunteer. Board members Chris Vadnais and Sharon Russo will investigate the cost of decorating the park and/or the three neighborhood entrances for the holidays form Thanksgiving through New Year's Eve.

Park: Ahmendeep will spray the weeds on the soccer field this week.

Board Leadership Development Workshop: Board member Sharon Russo shared information on an October Community Associations Institute workshop, being held in Sacramento, that teaches how to be a more effective Board of Directors. Hoping one Board member can attend; if not, Sharon will get notes from a meeting attendee to share with the FLEHA Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm, 3/0/0.

Folsom Lake Estates Homeowners Association Board Meeting – October 9, 2018, 7pm Raley's Event Center, Granite Bay

IN ATTENDANCE

- Board Members: Susie Barr, Jennifer Makol, Sharon Russo, Chris Vadnais
- Unit 2: Susan Moss, Judy Masters
- Unit 1:

OPEN FORUM/HOMEOWNER COMMENTS: N/A

REVIEW OF APPROVED SEPTEMBER MINUTES:

REVIEW OF TOPICS COVERED IN SEPTEMBER EXECUTIVE SESSION N/A

TREASURER'S REPORT: The current balance stands at approximately \$129,000, which is approximately \$1,000 less than the same time last year (due to the expenses associated with the 2017 tennis court renovation). Year-to-date expenses were approximately \$35,000, leaving accounts in good standing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Architectural Review: A member inquired, via email, if ARC approval was needed before installing a small (less than 120sf) backyard storage shed. The Board confirmed that none is needed as long as the member abides by the County's rules (building permit required for any structure greater than 120sf) and FLEHA's CC&R setback restrictions.

OLD BUSINESS

Pickleball Clinic: Board member Susie Barr shared that several attendees told her that they had thoroughly enjoyed the clinic. Several residents expressed interest in attending if we offer the event again.

Volunteer for Xmas Cookies & Cocoa: A generous family has volunteered to run the cookies/cocoa station this year. The event takes place at the neighborhood park, which is the final stop for the Santa/fire truck run on December 24. Admin will coordinate logistics with them. Stay tuned for exact schedule.

Holiday Lights at the Park: Board members Chris Vadnais and Sharon Russo received an estimate for lighting the neighborhood park and entrances for a two-week period in December. They will clarify the pricing and possibly seek an estimate from a second provider and/or investigate the cost to purchase and install the lights ourselves, and report back next month.

Community Associations Institute: Board member Sharon Russo shared the CAI North Chapter's 2019 events calendar with the Board.

NEW BUSINESS:

Park: Admin will request that Folsom Landscape attend to the broken Cotton Willow tree branch and provide estimates/advice on either trimming or removing the tree. Board members will visit the park to assess if the trees along the back of the soccer field and tennis court should be trimmed up underneath for visibility/safety purposes, and report back next month.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm, 4/0/0.

Santa & Luminaries December 24 Neighborhood Traditions

The Luminary Lowdown

FLE's biggest neighborhood event is the December 24 luminary lighting, a tradition that began in 1983, and which draws visitors from all over the region to see our breathtaking display of candles and decorated homes. Our volunteer squad of luminary Captains and Key Workers, led by Joe Blair, organize the purchasing and distribution of supplies for the entire neighborhood. Please join your neighbors in this holiday tradition, and help the luminary volunteers by ordering your candles and bags early.

Luminary Logistics

- Your luminary Key Worker should contact you by early November to obtain your order.
 - Homeowners typically purchase one or two sets, depending on property size.
 - Cost is \$22/set for 72 candles & bags.
 - Orders and payments are due by November 16. (Check or cash only.)
 - Your luminaries will be delivered to you by December 20.



- We recommend that luminaries be assembled by mid-afternoon on December 24, so that they're ready to light at sundown. That involves:
 - Picking up a supply of sand from the park on/after December 23;
 - Opening the bags;
 - Folding down the tops of the bags to form a "cuff" so that they don't collapse and burn;
 - Inserting sand and one candle in each bag;
 - Arranging the bags/luminaries around the perimeter/driveway of your home;
 - Lighting the candles at dusk.
 - Taking a tour around our neighborhood to enjoy the sparkly sights!

Short on Time?

Hire a neighborhood helper to set up, light, and remove your luminaries! Just complete the <u>"Luminary</u> <u>Work Order" form</u>, attach a check for \$25 per set, and return it **to Randy Smith by December 15**.

Santa & Company

Santa and his trusty transport — the South Placer Fire District — run a tight ship! They'll be making their annual rounds in Folsom Lake Estates to cheer the kids — young and young at heart — on December 24. You can catch a bit of jolly, snag a candy cane, and snap a selfie with the big man himself, per the following approximate schedule:

| 12:00—12:20 | Willey Court/Countrywoods |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------|
| 12:20—12:40 | Shadowbrook/Oak Hollow |
| 12:45—1:30 | FLE Park — Cookies & Cocoa Will be Served! |

HoHoHope to See You There!





SERVICES



VACATION RENTAL

Beautiful lakefront condo at PGA West!

3-bedroom, 2-bath, single-story condo at the Arnold Palmer course in PGA West, La Quinta, CA. Near golf, tennis - easy drive to Indian Wells, Palm Desert and Palm Springs.

If interested, visit: https://www.vrbo.com/668903 or call **Pete @** <u>408 313-6841</u>





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BABYSITTERS

Nayana Tiwari Responsible senior/AP student at GBHS. American Red Cross certified in Babysitting and First Aid/CPR, experienced. **Call** <u>952-0394</u>

BABYSITTING & PET SITTING

Claire: Age 18. Will bring crafts and a bag of games to entertain your kids. She is responsible and fun loving. Good with kids and pets. **Call** <u>765-1815</u>

Emma Dobson: Age 15. American Red Cross Babysitting and CPR certified - responsible and great with kids of all ages. Available evenings and most weekends. **Call** <u>408-655-1305</u> (or text)

ODD JOBS

Drew Briare: Age 18. Gutter cleaning, pressure washing, odd jobs. Call <u>765-1815</u>

Will Hubred: Cavitt Jr. High Student. Pet sitting, walking dogs, mowing, and odd jobs around the house and yard. **Call** <u>787-1577</u>

TUTORING

Nayana TiwariResponsible senior/AP student at GBHS. Can tutor all subjects and prep for ACT/SAT.Call952-0394





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HANDY REFERENCE GUIDE

| Emergencies | 9-1-1 |
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| Placer County Sheriff's Dispatch (Non-emergency) | (530) 886-5375 |
| CHP <i>Non</i> -Emergency | 1-800-TELL-CHP (1-800-835-5247) |
| Placer County Sheriff Main Office | (530) 889-7800 (<i>Non</i> -emergencies) www.placer.ca.gov/Sheriff |
| Placer County Agencies | (530) 889-4000 www.placer.ca.gov |
| Vacation Checks (Volunteers) | (916) 652-2447 |
| Placer County Animal Services | (530) 886-5500 |
| Placer County Road Maintenance | (530) 745-7565 |
| Nextdoor | https://nextdoor.com/ |
| Crime Mapping | www.crimemapping.com/map/ca/placercounty |
| Megan's Law | www.meganslaw.ca.gov |
| Neighborhood Watch | www.ncpc.org/ |