

# Forest Hills East Newsletter

## February 2020

For all residents, courtesy of Forest Hills East Civic Assoc. Inc.

Next Meeting Tuesday February 4, 2020



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### President's Report

Dear Fellow Members,

We are having a guest speaker attending our March 3rd meeting, Ms. Pauline Smith, Field Supervisor of Code Enforcement for Pasco County. She will be speaking about Pasco County Ordinances and how they impact our County and our community.

The mission of the Code Enforcement Department is to enforce the County codes, to promote, protect and improve the health, safety and welfare of the citizens and visitors of Pasco County. Their code officers enforce many of the County's codes, which contribute to Pasco's quality of life and property values. Their team attends neighborhood meetings and works with other agencies to educate our community about the importance of properly maintaining properties or reporting issues that need addressed. Pasco's Code Enforcement team's efforts support a vibrant community by ensuring code compliance and supporting neighborhood enhancement efforts.

It is the objective of the FHECA Board and our members that our community continue to support the improvement of our neighborhood and by working to ensure that we have a safe, peaceful and well maintained neighborhood. When we all join in we improve the value of our homes, and make our subdivision an attractive place to live. Your membership and paid dues helps us to meet those objectives.

Stan Moretz, President



### Meetings are held at:

Church New Fellowship Hall Meeting Room  
Located at Corner of Berry Hill and Grand  
Blvd., Social Time 6:30 PM, **Meeting 7-8 PM**

FHECA, Inc. is a Florida registered Not-for-Profit Civic Association  
Visit FHECA on-line at [WWW.ForestHillsEast.com](http://WWW.ForestHillsEast.com)

You can report problems by calling the Sheriff's office at **800-706-2488** *anonymously*.

**If you have reported suspicious activity before, do it again. If reporting stops, it will be assumed the problem has been solved.** I was told by a Local Sheriff's deputy this is important and may be the reason some of our biggest concerns have not been eliminated.

Call **727-847-8102** for non-emergency issues and remember these are answered on a priority basis.

**Child and Elder Abuse** can be reported to a new number confidentially: **800-962-2873**. You can also call this number to speak to Someone about the problem: Pasco Victim Advocate—727-570-9696 EXT. 259

### **DEED RESTRICTIONS**

**Reminder: The front of your home cannot be used for storage—behind your fence or in your garage is the right place.**

Trailers must be parked behind your fence or along side your residence, behind your house with no part extending beyond the front of the residence structure. This is a Pasco County ordinance as well as a Deed Restriction.

**Reminder: Dogs must be on a leash when not behind a fence.** Be a good "pack leader" for your pets, and keep them safe behind a fence or leashed.

**Reminder: Not everyone wants to hear the bass in your car inside their houses.** Please abide by the Pasco County noise Ordinance as you drive through the Subdivision.

### **RECYCLING:**

Papers can now be recycled with plastic, aluminum cans, and clear, green, or brown glass using your designated container.

### **TRASH CAN LIDS:**

All trash cans placed outside must have a lid to keep critters out of the trash and secure enough to keep contents from spilling out if the can is tipped over.

### ***Treasurer's Report***

Sufficient information is not available at this time to perform a complete audit of the Associations books.

Our 2020 budgeted expenditures include items such as water and electric service for our main front entrance, cost of publishing and printing this Newsletter, cost for insurance and legal fees, postage and our PO Box, cost to maintain our Web Page, various state and county fees and taxes, and the cost to rent a room for our monthly meetings. All of this totals to nearly \$3,000.

### ***Treasurer's Commentary***

We need to have more Forest Hills East home-owners join in and support the Civic Association. This is an inexpensive way to continue to make Forest Hills East a desirable place to live.

Look to some of the communities near ours. You can spot those who have an active association supporting their community, and those who do not.

Please invest in your property values through your dues and donations to:

FHECA  
P O Box 3781  
Holiday, FL 34692

\$30.00 Per Joint Owners  
\$15.00 Per Single Owners

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### ***Secretary's Report***

The January 2020 monthly meeting of the FHECA was delayed by a week, and was held on January 14th, 26 members attended. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Stan Moretz. The newly elected officers and directors were sworn in by Mary Thompson. No "Old Business" was presented. Upon review of the Treasurer's report and 2020 Budget, discussions were held regarding increasing the membership rolls and opportunities to reduce costs

We have a notary available with a \$10.00 donation to the association. Please contact Millie Olsen.

Please let us know what topics you are interested in so that we can bring in speakers to our monthly meetings.

## March 2020 Topic: Hot Water Bath Canning

Hot water bath canning, the do's and don't. This will be a 15 minute discussion of the benefits of canning fresh food for preservation for future use or gifting. The tools necessary, resources available on-line and in print. Due to time, space and equipment limitations of the facility we use, we will not be actually doing actual canning. One great site to check out is:

National Center for Home Food Preservation

<https://nchfp.uga.edu/>

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## What does FHECA do for our Community?

Provides a place to discuss our concerns within the community and to meet our neighbors, old and new.

Provide maintenance of properties that are abandoned or in foreclosure until owners resume maintenance. (This can be long process if owners cannot be personally served.)

Locate and contact lenders to make sure they secure and maintain their properties until they are sold.

Contact and follow up with Pasco County on issues affecting our Subdivision.

Forging good relations with our local Sheriff's Department, scheduling speakers from the Department to address our issues and our questions.

Letting our Commissioner and local officials know we are interested and active in keeping our subdivision a place we all want to live.

Maintain the entrance to the Subdivision. Notice other local subdivision entrances that are no longer maintained. It is not the appearance we want for our entrance. The association funds some of the cost of materials though all of the maintenance work is donated.

Remember, the Board members serves as volunteers, giving of their time for the benefit of all.

## Gardening

While our current temperatures do not suggest time to think about gardening, insects are just waiting for a warm spell to re-appear.

From University of Florida & Pasco County Extension Service

### Bio-Safe Plant Spray

- 2 1/2 Tablespoons Vegetable Oil
- 2 1/2 Tablespoons Mild Dishwashing Liquid
- 1 Gallon Water

- 1. Spray again after 5-7 days
- 2. Spray backside of leaves
- 3. DO NOT spray in sun and if temperature is 90 Degrees or above

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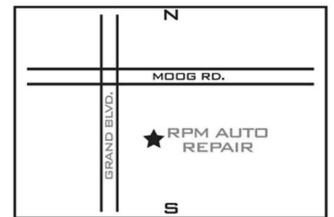
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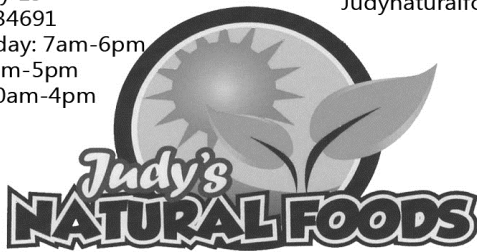
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## TIDBITS

You can read the Community News Letters and the Forest Hills East By-Laws and Deed Restrictions at [www.foresthillseast.com](http://www.foresthillseast.com).

Forest Hills East Civic Association has a twitter account. You can see it at @foresthillseast.

The Pasco County Sheriff's non-emergency number is 727-847-5878.

The Pasco Blues Festival is Saturday, February 8th in Land O'Lakes Heritage Park from 12:00 pm thru 7:00 pm.

The Florida Strawberry Festival will be in Plant City from February 27th thru March 8.



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Happy Valentine's