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Holiday Season Open House



A successful Holiday Open House was held on Sunday December 12th. Two homeowners (FGE Board members) graciously agreed to open their homes to help celebrate the holidays:

Jim & Judy Mackanic, 1755 Creek Road Jean Shuler, 1804 Old Tower Road

The photos begin with Tim Barry on guitar and Kevin Gunn on piano. Thank You gentlemen for providing the entertainment.

As you can see there was clearly no shortage of desserts and hors d'oeuvres.















Carlton Furnberg Remembered



Long time Forest Glade Estates resident Carlton Furnberg, age 74, passed away December 23rd, 2010 after a lengthy ailment. Carlton had a forty year career as an electrical engineer at Sandia National Laboratory in Livermore. He is survived by his wife of fifty years, Mona. Carlton served on the FGE Board of Directors for many years as the treasurer.

Island Curbstone Repairs



The City of Livermore confirmed that repairs to several island curbstones will occur in the June time frame. Furthermore, these repairs will be performed by a sub-

contractor at the City's expense.

Garden Work Party

Garden Work Parties are planned for the second Saturday of each month at 8:30 am and volunteers should meet near the tennis court. Keep in mind that our volunteers are financially reimbursed and can easily work-off their home-owners

dues. The next parties are: Apr 9, May 14, & Jun 11.

Next FGE Board Meeting



Next board meeting will be held Monday, April 18th, 7 pm, at Irv & Patty Stowers' home, 811 Kingsbury Drive. All FGE residents are encouraged to attend.

FGE Bylaws and CC&R Review



The FGE Board has recommended that our Bylaws and CC&Rs should be reviewed and edited to bring them up to date. They were originally written in 1978.

This is not an activity that is easily undertaken by the entire Board of Directors, so it has been

suggested that a small committee be formed to review the document paragraph-by-paragraph and recommend necessary changes to the BOD.

Tim Barry has agreed to serve on the committee along with Irv Stowers. What is needed is one or two additional residents who have an interest in contracts and an interest in the future direction of the homeowner's association. Candidates should call or email Irv Stowers 371-0854 irving.stowers@mac.com.

FGE Annual Meeting & Election



Mark your calendar - the FGE Homeowner's Annual Meeting and Election of Officers has been set for June 4, 2011 4-7 pm. This meeting involves an outdoor

dinner (hosted entirely by the homeowner's association), music furnished by local talent, a short business meeting, the announcement of the results of the election of Board members, and a celebrated live speaker. Details will appear in the April 2011 Newsletter.

Livermore Approves Speed Limit Change on College Avenue

SPEED LIMIT In January - Livermore's leaders approved a change to the posted speed limits on 26 roads throughout town.

"We ...need to have the ability to protect our streets," said Mayor Marshall Kamena, add-

ing that if speed limits are not raised in places where such changes are mandated by law, police will lose their powers of enforcement.

The majority of the speed increases were necessitated by changes in state law governing how limits must be set and enforced - not by faster driver trends.

The streets that will now have higher speeds are Vancouver Way, North Canyons Parkway, Murietta Boulevard, Olivina, *College*, Scenic, and S. Livermore avenues; Greenville, Las

Positas, Northfront and Southfront roads; Bennett, Campus Hill and Catalina drives; and Chestnut, Pine and Fourth streets.

While city councils technically can set speed limits as low as they desire, under the California Vehicle Code, police are only allowed to use radar to enforce speed limits if the limits are based on valid traffic surveys - specifically how fast 85 percent of a random sampling of 100 motorists are driving on a given day.

The "85th" percentile law stems from law enforcement's belief that the majority of drivers use good judgment and can be relied upon to set their own speed limits.

Suspicious Characters in FGE - LOCK YOUR VEHICLES & DOORS



Residents are advised to lock their automobiles and all home doors. Several incidents have occurred in the past few weeks that warrant your concern. Residents should also keep an eye out at night for suspicious behav-

ior in the neighborhood and call 911 to report such behavior. Tim Barry our homeowner's association president has contacted the police and asked for more patrols in the middle of the night.

Candidates Needed for FGE Board of Directors



Section 2.12 of the Forest Glade Estates CC&Rs states "At each annual meeting the members shall elect five directors for a term of one year; directors shall serve concurrently. Cumulative voting is permitted for the election of all directors."

Section 5.1 of the FGE Bylaws further states "Nomination for election to the Board of Directors shall be made by a Nominating Committee. Nominations may also be made from the floor at the annual meeting. The Nominating Committee shall consist of a Chairman, who shall be a member of the Board of Directors, and two or more members of the Association. The Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the Board of Directors prior to each annual meeting of the members, to serve from the close of such annual meeting until the close of the next annual meeting and such appointment shall be announced at each annual meeting. The Nominating Committee shall make as many nominations for election for the Board of Directors as it shall in its discretion determine, but not less than the number of vacancies that are to be filled. Such nominations may be made from among members or nonmembers."

Therefore, the Board would like suggestions for members of the Nominating Committee. Homeowners should call or email Irv Stowers 371-0854 irving.stowers@mac.com

Elections of Directors



The election process will begin with the creation of the nominating committee (mentioned previously) and their selection of nominees (this should occur during April and May). Ballots will then be drawn up and

distributed 2 weeks before the Annual Meeting in June. Completed ballots will be delivered to any board member before the Annual Meeting or brought to the meeting for counting. The actual ballot counting will occur at the Annual Meeting and results reported forthwith.

E-mail Addresses

The Board would appreciate the following residents notifying us of their email address. We would like to distribute all future newsletters electronically and thus save the cost of printing and distributing.

Please send an email with your name to irving.stowers@mac.com – Thank You

Ronald & Lillian Archuleta
Douglas & Geradine Brothers
Gee & Rosemarie Chaco
Lawrence & Kathleen Chase
Theresa Duewer
Raymond & Elizabeth Gilmore
Curtis & Marsha Hayes
Jim & Peggy McQuaid
Judy Reed
Suzanne Indrehus & Carmen Sarracco
Theodore & Sherry Sneddon