# Forest Glade Estates HOA Newsletter April, 2017



Upcoming HOA Activities			
Board	Mon 5/8/17	George Farquar	
Meeting	7-9 p.m.	1951 Creek Rd.	
Annual	Sat 6/3/17	Jean Shuler	
Meeting	4-7 p.m.	1804 Old Tower Rd.	

# Plant a Large Tree, Get \$200!



Forest Glade Estates is excited to announce an incentive program to encourage homeowners to continue to plant new and replacement *large* trees (40' or more at maturity) to keep our corner of the world special! We are notable for the wonderful and mature large trees that grace our neighborhood. These trees take time to mature but the end result is worth the wait. You would be hard pressed to find another neighborhood with towering redwoods, cedars, eucalyptus and palms like we have here. These large trees also substantially improve our property values over other Livermore neighborhoods with similar houses but lacking the forested landscaping.

All homeowners are encouraged to plant a large tree whenever you have the opportunity and your HOA will help by providing a \$200 incentive for each large tree you plant. Please consider this every time you remove a tree or redesign your landscaping. The large trees are a part of the essence of our neighborhood. Consider combining this award with the annual September tree sale at Alden Lane Nursery for a double discount. Contact the FGE board to confirm your tree selection is eligible prior to purchase. Limited to one tree per household per year.

### Candidates for the FGE Board Wanted



Each year we solicit the homeowners to ask you to participate as a candidate for the FGE board. The board is necessary by our by-laws but participation is voluntary. New candidates are always needed to allow turnover. It also gives you the possibility to voice your concerns and hopes for how the neighborhood prospers and develops. Please consider running for a board position...your participation in the HOA is implicit in living here. If you are willing to run for the board then please contact any board member by May 13th and your name will be added to the ballot. Ballots for the FGE board are coming out shortly after and results announced at the annual meeting June 3<sup>rd</sup>. The monthly board meetings are actually pretty nice, with wine and cheese and good camaraderie!

### **Annual HOA Dues**



The bill for the annual HOA dues will be mailed out in early July as usual. Please be sure to remit payment by the due date shown on your bill. Late payments will be assessed a 10% penalty in accordance with the HOA CC&Rs and by-laws.

# Annual Meeting June 3rd



Our annual meeting for 2017 will be Saturday, June 3rd at Jean Shuler's driveway as always (thanks Jean!). This year we are excited to announce that our guest speaker will be Jacquie Williams-Courtright, owner of Alden Lane Nursery and horticulturist extraordinaire! The Boys will play, dinner and refreshments will be provided. The agenda also includes an update on our HOA activities and the announcement of the new board of directors! Watch for coming announcements.

## **Arroyo Trail Damage**



Your FGE board sent a letter to the City of Livermore asking for clarity about plans to repair the Arroyo Trail on our southern boundary following the epic wet winter we had in Livermore. Mayor John Marchand responded personally acknowledging the city's awareness of the trail damage but noted that the city is inundated with storm repairs and could not at this time give a specific schedule for our repairs. Stay tuned.

### **HOA Board Meetings**



The HOA board meetings are open to all homeowners to attend and voice concerns (or praise!), and light refreshments are provided. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at a board member's home. They are announced in the newsletter and on the website. No meetings are typically held in January, June or December.

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### **FGE Large Tree Incentive**

Homeowners will be reimbursed \$200 for each large tree (40' or higher at maturity) planted. Contact the board for pre-approval of the tree. Limited to one tree per household per year.

