# Forest Glade Estates

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# From the Board

Happy 2025 from the HOA board.

We would like to welcome our two new board members John Schade and Alix Robertson. Also, we extend our sincere thanks to Larry McMichael and Evelyn Fletcher for their service on the board. Please consider joining the board in 2025. We all benefit from having new folks providing their inputs. It is a great neighborhood if we all take part.

Another shout-out to the families who opened their homes for the holiday open house as it was a great time being able to connect with many of the neighbors.

Please take a moment to look at all the different articles and contact anyone on the board if you would like to help.

Sincerely

Jim Mackanic – President

## **Holiday Open House Recap**

The 2024 FGE Holiday Open House took place on Sunday December 8th and featured three homes opened by our residents to enjoy holiday festivities and catch up with our neighbors. The event was well attended, and it was great to see everyone in the holiday spirit. Thanks again to the generous hosts: Jeanne Shuler, Joel and Joy Dombrow, and Mark and Jennifer Duran for all their efforts to make this tradition a resounding success this year!

In addition, the board would like to thank all our neighbors who decorated the exterior of their houses so brilliantly this past holiday season. We are lucky to live in one of the most festive neighborhoods in Livermore.

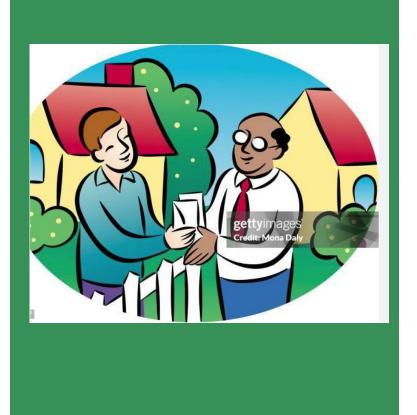


#### FGE 2025 Social Calendar

Good News! Our FGE community social calendar is already set for 2025. Please come join us for these events in the coming year!

- Summer Social Saturday June 7th. This is typically a BBQ at the west end of Creek Road. This event will be here before you know it!
- Fall Gathering and Annual Meeting Saturday Nov 8th, usually held in Jeanne Shuler's driveway on Old Tower Rd. The board will be conducting elections for 2026 and reviewing the progress of several initiatives during 2025 to continue the support of the neighborhood.
- Holiday Open House Sunday December
  7th. Hosted by our generous residents we look forward to visiting with our neighbors and sharing holiday cheer. Undoubtedly there will be lots of delicious treats to enjoy along with warming beverages and spirited conversations.

We encourage everyone to attend these gatherings to connect with your neighbors and share insights about living in the community. If you have ideas about how to enhance the events or would like to assist or host an open house, please contact John Schade - Board Vice President and Social Chair (408-940-2946 or jschade118@gmail.com).



## **Island Renovation**

The plans from the landscape architect have been received and reviewed by the committee. The next step is to finalize the plant selection and get an understanding of the work required to implement the plans during a meeting with the architect and the landscape maintenance company that we are using. The monthly garden party is already starting to do preparation work on the islands in anticipation of modifications of the planting. As the planning is completed more information will be sent to the homeowners. For Questions contact Judy Mackanic <u>imackanic@mackanic.net</u>



#### **Garden Parties and Landscape**

The next FGE Garden Gathering is on schedule (weather permitting) for Saturday February 22 at 8:30 AM. Garden gatherings are scheduled the fourth Saturday of each month, except November and December.

# **CC&Rs UPDATE**



We are ready to have everyone review the revised CC&Rs as the draft is complete. It may or may not be out to you by the time you get this newsletter. We need your agreement on the proposed revision of our 1979 document as it takes 75% of the residents to approve the document. Please if you won't approve it let us know as we don't want to spend your money and waste our time if we can't be successful with this change.

## **Treasurer's Corner**

As an organization, we have enough money in the bank to cover our regular expenses. However, the reserve study confirmed that we need to build our reserves for expected irregularly-incurred expenses like the cost of resurfacing the tennis courts. To that end, we will be raising the annual dues again this year, to \$575. Our dues are still relatively low, and we expect to keep them that way. Please contact Enda Sterne (pasterne@comcast.net) if you have any questions about this.



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