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Keeping the Forest Lakes family in the know...

Monthly "FL Happenings" newsletter

News Flashes — Announcements

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FROM THE EDITOR

I'm sending this out a day ahead of July because there is lots of information contained within of events that you would want to know about happening this coming holiday week-end. It's rather weird to not be promoting all of the normal annual fun events....but it's not a normal year! Listed below are a couple of events that are happening. We can at the least watch a parade!



Every year for the 4th of July week-end, it has been my custom to put out a list of Garage/Yard/Rummage Sales being held in our community. I am not doing it this year for several reasons, mostly because of restraints on my time. I hear that lots of residents are having their own sale, especially on Friday and Saturday, and so get in the buggy, the car, the bicycle, or the walking shoes and create your own personal Treasure Hunt. LOTS of treasures and trash to be found! Enjoy!

In spite of all that is going on around us and around the world, take some time to plan how YOU can celebrate America's birthday this year! You can still prepare some great family favorite recipes in your kitchen, have a picnic on the porch, take a nap, play games, watch a musical revue and/or a fireworks display on your TV, take a hike or ATV ride in the forest, fish or boat in the nearby lakes, spend lots of time with family and friends, (but keep it to 10!), display your American flag and decorations. Celebrate in your own creative way!

Happy 4th of July! Happy Birthday, America!

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FL Fire District Report From Chief Dave Rodriguez

Update on the Cell Tower

A work order has been issued for boring to bring a fiber optics line to the cell tower site. This work should be completed in the next 7 to 10 days allowing engineers to begin connecting and testing of the installed equipment. I am being informed the tower will be operational by the end of August.

NEW: Microgrid Project

Arizona Public Service [APS] and the Forest Lakes Fire District are exploring a partnership for the lease of Fire District property to build a Microgrid power system that will provide back-up power to the community in the event of a power failure. Jim Piotrowski, Director of Distributed Energy Resources Operations & Maintenance for APS presented the concept at Saturday's fire board meeting. In the event of a power outage, this Microgrid energy site would provide the entire community with power.

The fire board voted unanimously to explore the feasibility of such a partnership that would benefit the community and provide income to the district via a long term lease. The property directly behind the new fire station next to the temporary cell tower is large enough for the proposed project and is being considered. APS representatives and Chief Rodriguez will be working on preliminary site layout and design features that will minimize the impact to the surrounding neighbors. If all goes as planned, the Fire District Board of Directors will review and approve the site plan at next month's board meeting.

Project completion goal is end of 2021.

Respectfully,
Chief Rodriguez

Forest Lakes Fire District Auxiliary Report

Due to social distancing, we have cancelled our July Auxiliary meeting. Any Auxiliary events, which include our Fourth of July activities, have been canceled until further notice.

Casa Rey's Food Truck will be returning to Forest Lakes - dates to be announced in the near future. To everyone who has purchased food from them in the past, the Auxiliary would like to thank you. Remember, a portion of their proceeds is being donated to the Forest Lakes Fire District Auxiliary. We greatly appreciate Casa

Rey's support.

Last month the Auxiliary announced that the Fire Board requested a donation towards a Lucas Chest Compressor for the Fire District (see picture below), with an approximate cost of \$15,000.00. Here is information provided to our Board by Forest Lakes Fire District Chief David Rodriguez on how this piece of equipment will benefit our team of First Responders: "With our crews on high alert and additional safety precautions in place due to COVID-19, our hand to body interactions increase our emergency staffs exposure to not only COVID-19, but all other communicable diseases. This Lucas device has been around for a couple of years and studies have indicated a higher survivability rate for patients that experienced sudden cardiac arrest. Having this component in our toolbox provides a force multiplier due to our smaller response model, frees up personnel to provide adequate airway management and allows the sometimes single paramedic to administer Advanced Cardiac Life Support medications in a timely manner. The device will reduce our hand to body exposure once applied, increasing circulation that is critical with full cardiac arrests."

We would like to thank those who have so generously contributed towards the Lucas Chest Compressor. We can still use your help. We are continuing to reach out to the Forest Lakes community. Do you know that when you make a donation to the Forest Lakes Fire District Auxiliary, that donation can be tax deductible? Do you also know that when you make a donation to the Auxiliary that is earmarked for a specific need, i.e., the Lucas Chest Compressor, that donation goes directly to that purchase? Please consider making a donation so that we may continue to offer financial support to the Fire District in their efforts to purchase this much-needed equipment. Any donations can be mailed to the Auxiliary at PO Box 2015, Forest Lakes, AZ 85931.

WATER DRIVE

The Auxiliary continues to conduct a water drive. Let's help keep our emergency response workers hydrated. Please donate a case or two of water if you can! All donations may be dropped off at the Administration side (south entrance) by the flagpole. Any questions, call (928) 535-4644. Leave a message if there is no answer.

T-SHIRTS

There is still a small inventory of last year's t-shirt design - "I'll Be At The Cabin". If you are interested in purchasing a shirt(s) you may contact our Board members, Jan Cummiskey at (602) 510-8264.



We greatly appreciate any assistance you can provide to our organization this summer.

GREEN WASTE TRANSFER STATION INFORMATION

Operations remain the same as usual for the 2020 season.

One slight change is that on Red Flag days, if it's an Operating day, the GWTS will open at 7 AM and stay open until 30 minutes before the Red Flag hours go into effect.

Did you know that if you forget what the Operating Days and Hours are, you can always go to www.floa.club and find this flyer on the Home Page.

**FOREST LAKES**
**GREEN WASTE
TRANSFER STATION**

2020 Operations Days/ Hours
Mondays—Fridays—Saturdays
9 AM to 4 PM
All other days—CLOSED

**When Red Flag warnings are issued,
hours will be from 7 AM until 30 minutes
before Red Flag conditions go into effect**

**Inclement weather conditions
Can cause closure**

USAGE FEE \$10 per load

NOTICE OF ROAD TREATMENT ON FOREST ROAD 99 TUESDAY, JULY 7TH

FROM: Debbie Roznovak , Special Use Permit Administrator
Forest Service, Apache-Sitgreaves NF, Black Mesa Ranger District

Just wanted to send you a quick notice letting you know we plan to spray FR 99 from HWY 260 to FR 99A with Mag-Chloride on Tuesday, July 7, 2020. This treatment is designed to reduce the dust impact from logging trucks on homes in Forest Lakes. The treatment process will take a couple hours, during which time, that section of FR 99 will be closed to all traffic. The contractor has not given us an exact time of day for the closures but should have signs posted during the work.

Let me know if you have any questions. Hopefully everything will go smoothly as planned and be completed by mid-day on Tuesday.

deborah.roznovak@usda.gov

928-535-7352

EVENTS THIS WEEK-END TO CELEBRATE THE 4TH OF JULY



**"Scooter's" 10th Annual
Charity Ride
Saturday, July 4th, 2020**



On behalf of Scooter and Chris Bennett with co-sponsor Forest Lakes Owner's Association, please join us for "Scooter's" 10th Annual Charity Ride. This year's beneficiary will be the Forest Lakes Fire District to help purchase the Lucas chest compressor unit. Decorate your buggy or quad for the 4th of July! **MEET AT BUGLES PARKING LOT** at 7:00 a.m. for Registration. Ride will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

PLEASE NOTE NEW LAW: "Any Off Road Vehicle Rider Under the Age of 18 MUST wear a DOT approved helmet – NO EXCEPTIONS!"

Due to COVID-19, no coffee or pastries will be served before the Ride.

PLEASE JOIN US!

Questions: Chris Bennett (602) 390-3960 or chrisb@msn.com or
Scooter (Scott) Bennett (602) 526-0485.

NOTE: COCONINO COUNTY IS REQUIRING ALL PARTICIPANTS TO WEAR A MASK.

ANOTHER BENEFIT TO WEARING A MASK IS THAT YOU DON'T HAVE TO EAT DIRT STIRRED UP BY THE BUGGY IN FRONT OF YOU!

COCONINO COUNTY HAS ISSUED THE PERMIT BASED ON THIS REQUIREMENT.

LET'S SHOW APPRECIATION TO THE BENNETT'S FOR PROVIDING THIS FUN EVENT BY COMPLYING! THANK YOU!

[CLICK HERE](#) for a Parade Route Map.

B.Y.O.B. CORNHOLE TOURNAMENTS



SATURDAY JULY 4TH 2020

HELP OUR VETS

2282 W DAISY TRAIL

TEAM CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

**REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 10 AM BAGS FLY
AT 11 A.M.**

BLIND DRAW TOURNAMENT

REGISTRATION CLOSSES AT 1:45

BAGS FLY AT 2 P.M.



**\$20 BUY IN PER PLAYER EVERY PLAYER IS
ENTERED INTO THE DRAWING FOR AN RTIC
COOLER**

**50% OF THE PROCEEDS BENEFIT PATRIOT
PINES OUTDOORS**

PAYOUT FOR 1ST, 2ND, AND THIRD PLACE

BRING YOUR COOLERS, SNACKS & CHAIRS AND JOIN IN THE FUN!

**WE WILL BE DOING DONATION PRIZES THROUGHOUT THE
AFTERNOON**

602-842-1655

***COVID 19 PROTOCOL: BOARDS WILL BE SPACED ACCORDING TO
RECOMMENDATION & GLOVES AND MASKS WILL BE AVAILABLE**



TOURNAMENT



**cornhole
tournament**

TWO GAMES ONE DAY!
SATURDAY 4TH OF JULY
REGISTRATION 10-11

Blind draw | \$40/team | Bags fly 1130
Partner game | \$40/team | Bags fly 230

**BUGLES 2821 AZ-260, FOREST LAKES
ESTATES, AZ 85931**

Officials closing Tonto National Forest July 2nd

PHOENIX, June 30, 2020 Wildfires that have burned more than 224,500 acres this year on the Tonto National Forest. Ongoing extreme fire danger due to dry conditions and hot temperatures following a wet winter that produced an abundance of dry brush and grass, have led Tonto officials to close the state's largest national forest beginning at 6 a.m. on July 2.

"We are currently seeing record setting fire danger conditions and new fire starts have become increasingly difficult to control. This closure represents the best option at this time to deal with these conditions, and both reduce risk to the public and protect their forest lands for the future." Taiga Rohrer, Tonto National Forest Fire Management Officer said. "Additionally, it is extremely important that people travelling along highways through these areas ensure that their vehicles and trailers are in good condition and tow chains are properly secured to avoid causing roadside fires."

The Stage 3 Forest Closure means that all National Forest System lands contained

within the Tonto are closed to the public. [CLICK HERE](#) to read the entire press release that includes exceptions of open areas and roads.

FYI

Forest Lakes is located in the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest and is not included in this closure. However, the No Burn restrictions are still in effect for Apache-Sitgreaves and Forest Lakes.

The Tonto National Forest boundary lines are to the West and South of Woods Canyon Lake.



COCONINO COUNTY ACTS TO REQUIRE FACE COVERINGS WHEN SOCIAL DISTANCING IS NOT POSSIBLE - THIS APPLIES TO FOREST LAKES.

Coconino County issued a proclamation on Friday, June 19th, requiring residents and visitors to wear a face covering when not able to physical distance themselves from other persons.

The proclamation, effective on Saturday, June 20 at noon, applies to all private lands in the unincorporated areas of the County. The County proclamation does not affect areas within cities or towns in the County or on federal, state or tribal lands.

“Wearing a face covering when around others is one of the single most effective ways to help slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community,” said Coconino County Chairwoman Liz Archuleta. “Each of us can help to prevent COVID-19 transmission by wearing a face covering when we cannot physically distance from others. Please do your part and model best practices by putting on your face covering when you are out in public and around other people. This is one thing we can do to take care of ourselves and neighbors.”

In accordance with CDC guidance, all individuals older than 2 years old must wear a face covering while within the unincorporated areas of Coconino

County under the following circumstances:

When in a public indoor space if another person is present.

When in public outdoor spaces if another non-household person is less than 6 feet away.

When in the public areas of any business or government building.

When waiting in line indoors and outdoors.

Face coverings will not be required for children under the age of 2 years old, or anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance. Face coverings will not be required when at home, while eating or drinking, while swimming, while working alone in a workplace when six feet of physical is present, when alone in vehicle or in a vehicle with household members, or when exercising alone or with household members.

The County encourages residents and visitors to continue to follow best practices and guidance to prevent COVID-19 transmission including staying home when sick, not gathering in large numbers, maintaining physical distance of at least 6 feet apart from others and washing or sanitizing your hands frequently. Combining these practices with wearing a face covering will greatly help to slow the spread of COVID-19.

For more information or to see all current guidance on COVID-19, please visit www.coconino.az.gov/covid19 or call the Coconino County COVID-19 Information Line at 928-679-7300.

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