



Forest Creek Homeowners Association – Spring 2014

## Street Resurfacing Delayed

Street resurfacing, that was expected to be done last summer, was delayed due to the City needing to hire a new contractor. The city's Transportation Rehabilitation Manager, Chris Cox P.E., will be driving the unfinished areas, in our square mile, re-evaluating the needs and re-bidding the work. He assures us the areas will be worked on, hopefully this year, which includes speed humps.. Mr. Cox would like to know of any other street related needs that there may be. He can be reached at 2317 S. Jackson Ave., Room 222-S, 918-596-9574.



Our new utility structure will be covered in vines by the end of the summer. Thanks to John Mueller and Bill Potter for the renovation of the old sign.

## April is Dues Collection Month!

Now is the time to remit your \$50 homeowners dues for the year. Please complete the attached form along with your check or complete the Google Form that was attached to the recent email to residents. Dues are \$50 for the year and a check may be made payable to FCHA. If you use the online form, you will still need to mail your check in the envelope provided. Some residents will set up a bill pay through their bank. This works well as long as the homeowner's name and address are marked on the check. Someday, we hope to have an affordable option to allow residents to pay dues online.

The percentage of dues paying residents continue to decline each year (61% in 2013, 62% in 2012, 65% in 2011) which sends up a red flag to all of us about the status of our neighborhood and maintaining our home values. The amount the board has to work with to make improvements and maintain common areas continues to decline which over time will show its effects to everyone's ability to sell their home and have their home values appreciate. A board document from 1987 showed that 77% paid their dues. Today it is less than 60%. Why? This is the question asked by the board at every meeting without an answer.

Please...today! Be part of the solution! Please mail your dues in today and let's get back to 77% so the board can move forward to make new plans for improvements to our entrances and common areas. THANK YOU!

## Next Door Review

Currently, Forest Creek uses Google Groups for residents to communicate with one another. However, FCHA is looking at a new online website called Next Door. On this site, residents can register their home on a map so area residents can communicate much like the way Facebook works. To help us review the site, go to <https://nextdoor.com/invite/gprcraxcdvngxmr-dwkaz> to join the site.

If you are not currently connected to our Google group and would like to subscribe, send an email to [fchoa-discussion+subscribe@googlegroups.com](mailto:fchoa-discussion+subscribe@googlegroups.com). Make sure the "from" address is the email you want to use.

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### Upcoming Dates

- April 1st - 30th  
Homeowners Dues Collected
- May 3, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Garage Sale Saturday
- Spring Cleaning Dumpsters  
Tues., May 13-Thurs. May 15
- Memorial Day Weekend  
Pool Opens!

# Keep Property Clean and Up to Code

As a city dweller, living in a neighborhood, every resident needs to do their part to keep their property looking clean and following neighborhood code. Board members often get calls from residents wanting to report other residents who need encouragement to get their property "up to code". Every resident has a grace period if they are in the middle of a construction project or a temporary situation with an RV or a moving pod. However, as months go by without improvement/change, a resident is in violation of neighborhood code.

The top 10 common code violations are listed in detail at [www.cityoftulsa.org/community-programs/neighborhoods/neighborhood-investigations/top-ten-violations.aspx](http://www.cityoftulsa.org/community-programs/neighborhoods/neighborhood-investigations/top-ten-violations.aspx)

The most common violations for Forest Creek are related to:

1. Grass and shrubs are overgrown.
2. Tree and shrub debris in the right-of-ways. Properties that border a right-of-way, regardless of a fence, should be maintain trees and shrubs.
3. Cars, trailers, moving pods, non-yard items in the front yard/porch for prolonged periods of time.
4. Trees damaged or dead to the extent that a limb, tree or part could fall and pose a hazard to the public are a violation.

Residents wanting to report code violations, can report online at [www.cityoftulsa.org](http://www.cityoftulsa.org) or by calling (918) 596-2100. There is no need to call an FCHA board member. The information reported to the City is kept confidential.

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The **annual FCHA meeting** took place on Monday, March 31st. If you were unable to attend, details about the meeting can be viewed shortly on the website at [www.forestcreektulsa.com](http://www.forestcreektulsa.com).

**Spring Clean-up Dumpsters** from the City will be delivered to 84th & Harvard on May 13th and will be picked up on May 15th. Please do NOT add green waste to the dumpsters. The dumpsters are for used/broken household items. Do NOT add paint or other pollutants. You may refer to [www.cityoftulsa.org](http://www.cityoftulsa.org) about how to dispose of green waste and pollutants. You may also request a bulky waste pickup for a \$5 fee.

*This newsletter is being brought to you by those  
who paid homeowners dues. Thank you!*

**Neighborhood Services**

**Lawn care: cut, trim & blow - \$25**  
**Powerwash: house, fence, concrete**  
(estimates given)

**Full car wash - \$5**

**One time or all summer!**

**Call Joshua or Nathan at**  
**918-284-4053 or**  
**email: [lmreisner@att.net](mailto:lmreisner@att.net)**

## Time to Be Alert!

With warm weather approaching, we usually see an increase of crime related issues. Be aware of your surroundings and call police if something doesn't seem right. Then, post to the Google group if you have a confirmed crime issue that you would like to make others aware. As you drive by the park, make a note of vehicles and people there and report anything that looks odd. If you don't believe its an emergency, then call the non-emergency police number, 918-596-9222.

## Pool Selling 2014 Memberships!

Forest Creek Recreation is gearing up for the next summer season! 2014 Memberships are selling now. The application is with this newsletter or can be printed from the website at [www.forestcreekpools.com](http://www.forestcreekpools.com). Fundraisers will continue this summer to help pay down the renovation loan. Your support of these fundraisers is appreciated.

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