# **Forest Lakes Community News**

May 2021

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It's hard to believe that our pools will be opening at the end of this month on May 29th! Preparations are underway to open our pools safely and responsibly. Pool cards should be arriving to all residents mid-May. Adults and rising 6th graders and above will get cards. Please be sure to go over all pool rules—and parents, go over them with your card-holding kids as well.

The North Tennis Courts will begin renovations at the end of the month – during that time, only the south courts will be available. Continue to sign up to reserve a court on KOURTS. If you need to register for the KOURTS app, contact our tennis pro, Jim Labinski, or call the office. Also, remember all courts are for tennis and pickleball play only. No other sports or play and no dogs please!

As always, with more residents enjoying the outdoors, please drive safely through our community, observe posted speed limits and watch for children, walkers, cyclists, runners and pets.

Happy Mother's Day to all the moms out there!

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# **Keeping in the Loop**

# POOL SEASON – RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER!

Our pools will open on Saturday, May 29th. We will mail pool cards and pool hours to all residents mid-May. At this writing, the guidelines for pool opening remains the same as they were at pool closing last year. Hopefully, when pool cards are mailed out, we will be able to be more specific on the manner in which our pools will operate. We will ask all residents to bring their pool cards with them at check-in (getting back into old routines...). We will communicate pool procedures on the website and through our e-blast system. Are you signed up?

Swim Lessons are back! Please see the flyer in this newsletter on information regarding classes and times. Kris Galione will be back this year. He has brought on Laura Pace to do evening classes. Laura is a William and Mary student who grew up swimming and has taught lessons for several summers. Welcome Laura and welcome back Kris!

# RST DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

We have just learned that the developer has recently submitted revised plans and other application materials to the County for RST Residences. We are in the process of reviewing the submission. It has been posted on our website under "Announcements" for those of you who are also interested in reviewing . Those of you who are on our "RST" email list should have gotten an email regarding this information. If you are not on the list and wish to be, please email manager@forestlakes.net to be added.

# FITNESS CENTER

The Fitness Center continues to require residents to make a reservation to reserve a spot. To do this, go to our website, www. forestlakes.net/fitness-center/. The link to the sign up will be there along with all COVID rules and procedures.

# ADOPT A BLUEBIRD HOUSE!

As you may have noticed during your travels on our paths throughout the neighborhoods, we have placed 6 bluebird houses in various places around Forest Lakes. We'd love for these houses to be adopted by residents to monitor, clean between nestings and make sure they're in good repair. If you're interested, please call the office at 434.973.4596 or email manager@forestlakes.net.

# FOREST LAKES DIRECTORY

If you'd like to be in the directory, or have an update or change to your current listing, please fill out a Directory Form which is available on the website under "Community Forms and Documents". A new directory will be available in the coming months. We'll let you know when they're out!

# **FARMERS MARKET**

The market had a beautiful, albeit a bit warm, opening day on Tuesday. Put on your calendars that the market is at the south parking lot every Tuesday from 4:00-7:00pm. Grab some fresh produce, baked goods, dinner and more! Masks are required.

# RECYCLING TIPS

Please do not put your recycling in plastic bags! Absolutely no plastic bags of any type are to go into recycling as these jam up the sorting machines. All recycling is to go loose into the toter (rinsed of any food). Boxes need to be flattened. To recycle grocery bags, you may take them to many retailers in our area (Kroger is one!) who have a bin for plastic bag recycling.

# MAKE SURE YOU'RE UPDATED

If you have never filled out a Resident Information Sheet, please do so and either email it to manager@forestlakes.net or put in in the dropbox at the Pavilion doors next to the office. This will ensure you get your pool cards this month. If you have UPDATES to this form (birth of a child, kids moving out, kids moving in, phone/email change, etc.) please fill one out so we have your most accurate information on file. The form can be found on our website www. forestlakes.net.

If you rent a home in Forest Lakes, please make sure we have a copy of your current, executed lease in the office. You may email it to manager@forestlakes.net. If we do not have a current lease on file or the one we have has expired, you will not receive cards in the mail.

# **NEW TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD?**

We welcome you! Under "normal" conditions, new residents would visit the FLCA Office to pick up pool cards, gym cards, and get the lay of the land. But, as we all know, things are not normal. We ask, if you are new, please fill out a Resident Information Sheet (on the web under "Community Forms and Documents) and return to the office either by email (manager@forestlakes.net) or in the drop box at 1828 Pavilion Circle. If you are renting, please include a copy of your lease for our files. Once our office opens back up, please come by and introduce yourselves — we'd love to meet you!

# POOLHOUSE AND PAVILION RENTAL

Beginning May 1st, we will be allowing rentals for the Poolhouse and Pavilion. If you'd like to book a date, please call the office for availability. Rate is \$125.00 per rental. We also ask for a \$175.00 damage deposit. All current COVID guidelines must be adhered to.

# **Neighborhood Notes**

# FLCA MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

The next regular Board Meeting will be on Wednesday, 26 May at 6:00pm at the Pavilion. Residents who would like to attend the meeting please contact the association office to ensure social distancing protocols are met. The agenda for the meeting is available one week prior to the meeting at the association office and on the website. Please note that the topics for the meeting can change.

# **ACTIVITIES ON HOLD**

Until further notice, meetings for Card Crafters, Book Club and Bible Study are on hold. The JMRL bookmobile will continue services once libraries are open again.

# BABYSITTER AND PETSITTER LIST

The FLCA office has a list of babysitters and petsitters that are Forest Lakes residents – for Forest Lakes residents. If you would like a copy, please call the office! If you'd like to be put on the list, please email Tamera at thammond@forestlakes.net.

# YOGA CLASSES

These non-impact classes are held at the north Poolhouse.

Yoga: Tech and Flow 1

Tuesday 11:15am – 12:15pm

A half hour of flowing standing movement with an emphasis on technique and breathing followed by a half hour of floor time

Please call, text or email Karen Schultz first if you would like to join us. All are welcome!

434/962.2208 or leprofsch@gmail.com

### **WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD!**

Please join the FLCA Board of Directors in welcoming new residents to Forest Lakes!

**Amberfield** Timothy Vesonder and Veronica Porterfield

**Arbor Lake** Paul and Dorothy Bedard

Christopher and Joan Peet

**English Oaks** Sam Samadi and Mary Sharifi

**Magnolia Bend** James Kearns and Deborah Adams

Todd Mills and Aiza Cruz Rodriguez

**Ravenswood** Mary Kay Campbell

# **AD SPACE OFFERED**

The Forest Lakes Community Newsletter offers ad space in each monthly issue. The newsletter reaches 1455 households—all within five minutes of many businesses in Charlottesville and northern Albemarle County. The submission deadline for advertisements is the 23rd of each month. The newsletter is delivered to all Forest Lakes households the 1st weekend of every month. It is printed in black and white. The newsletter is also available (in color) on our website, www.forestlakes.net.

Rates are as follows:

	Size (wide x tall)	Price Per Month
Business card	3.5" x 2"	\$20.00
1/4 Page	3.75" x 5"	\$45.00
1/2 Page	7.5" x 5"	\$75.00
Full Page	7.5" x 9.5"	\$150.00

A 10% discount is available for prepaid ads placed to run at least 3 months.

Ads are subject to approval by the Forest Lakes Community Association. Ads should be print ready and emailed as a PDF to thammond@forestlakes.net. For further questions, please email or call (434) 973-4596.



















# Forest Lakes Swim Lesson Program Summer 2021

Swim Lessons are for Forest Lakes residents only. Classes are held at the North Pool in the morning and at the South Pool in the afternoon.

Saturday May 29 10am-12pm registration will be held at the Forest North Pool. After May 29 You may sign up for any class, any session at The North Pool Check-In table or email Kris Galione at <a href="mailto:krisgalione@yahoo.com">krisgalione@yahoo.com</a> for AM lessons or Laura Pace at laurapace06@icloud.com for PM Lessons.

Sessions will be one week Monday-Thursday with a Friday make up day for weather issues.

Lessons will be 30 minutes with a maximum 5 children per session (4 minimum).

The cost is \$40 per session.

<b>Session Start Dates: Session 1</b>	June 21	Session Times: Morning	Afternoon
Session 2	June 28	10:00 am (Level 3)	5:00 pm (Par/Child)
Session 3	July 12	10:35 am (Level 2)	5:35 pm (Level 1)
Session 4	July 19	11:10 am (Level 1)	6:10 pm (Level 2)
Session 5	July 26	11:45 am (Alt Lev 4	6:45 pm (Level 3)
Session 6	August 2	& Par/Child)	7:20 pm (Level 4)
Session 7	August 9	PM Only	

All local COVID protocols will be followed. Cash, Check, and Venmo are accepted forms of payment.

**Level I** (3 years and up) First class without a parent. Skills include floating, kicking, bobbing, arm movements, breath control, rolling over and safety. All skills are done with support.

**Level 2** (3 years and up) Must have completed Level 1 skills. Skills emphasized are rhythmic breathing, unsupported front/back floats and glides, finning, front crawl, backstroke, and safety.

**Level 3** (4 years and up) Must have completed Level 2 skills. Skills emphasized are front crawl with breathing to side, backstroke, treading water, butterfly kick, scissor kick, survival float and diving.

**Level 4** (5 years and up) Must have completed Level 3 skills. Skills emphasized are deep water bobbing, breast stroke, sidestroke, backstroke, butterfly and endurance in front crawl and elementary backstroke

**Private lessons are available for children and adults once the pools are open**. Private lessons are \$30 for 30 minutes for one child. Add \$5 per additional child per lesson. Based on availability.

# Parent/Child Class

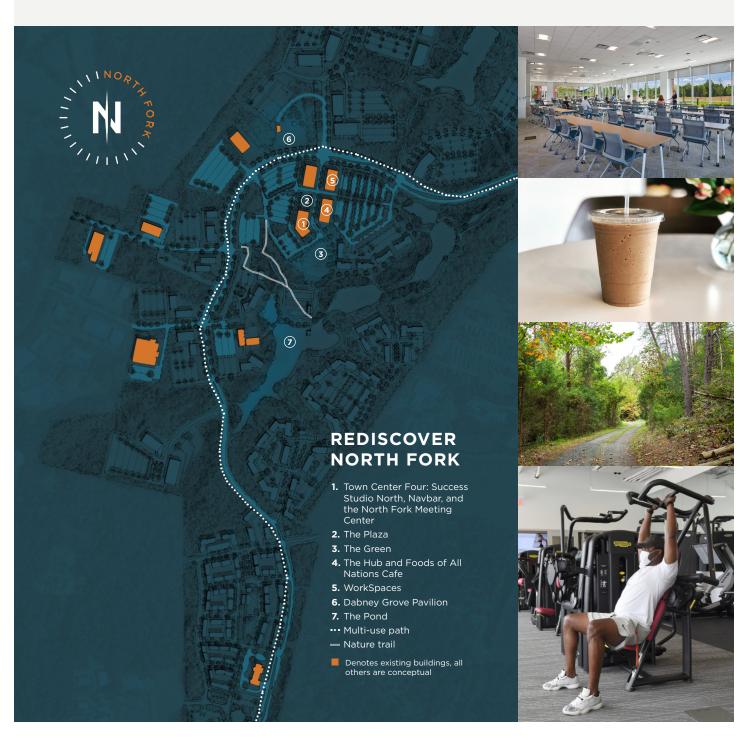
For ages 2 years through 6 years. A great first class! Emphasis on water adjustment, safety and supporting movements through the water including jumping in and beginner forms of propulsion.

Class size: minimum 4 children, maximum 7

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# FROM THE DESK OF JIM LABINSKI, DIRECTOR OF TENNIS

MAY 2021

Dear Forest Lakes tennis players and residents,

Recently, many of the kids have been complaining "it's too hot." (And a few adults too.) This can only mean it's almost summer and you should be getting acclimated now for the *real* heat that awaits!

### Water bottle auction set for September

Of course, staying hydrated is part of playing tennis in Virginia. It is encouraged that you bring your own water and/or Gatorade. Please take your bottles home with you, dispose of properly, or toss in the recycling bin at the Pro Shop.

The best way to stay hydrated, in my opinion, is to get a really good, expensive, insulated water bottle, fill it to the rim with ice, top off with water, and drink often.

If you need more water, stop by the Pro Shop. Iced water will be available for refills and for those of you that forgot to bring your water.

Speaking of expensive water bottles, kids and adults alike leave behind at the courts their expensive water bottles. Some of these cost over \$40! I collect one or two a week. Most go unclaimed from lost and found.

In September I will conduct a water bottle auction to benefit... no, no, just kidding. But don't forget to bring your water bottle! And don't forget to take it home as well!

### North Courts update

The month of May will be an interesting time for tennis at Forest Lakes. The plan is to renovate the North Courts beginning the end of May. All courts will have the old "carpet" removed and a new and improved membrane installed. New material will be added, and a new sprinkler system will also be installed.

With any outdoor construction project, the contractors are at the mercy of the weather and their other projects. Stay tuned, via the Kourts app, as to court availability during the renovation.

While it probably will be a hassle for the next few weeks, just imagine playing on a new, freshly groomed Clay Tech court next month. Patience. They're coming soon.

### After School Update

I have divided the After School Tennis Program—Spring 2021 edition program into three "trimesters" of four weeks each. On May 3, the program <u>REMAINS AT THE NORTH COURTS</u>. The third trimester runs from May 3-28. Players can opt in for one, two or three times a week if space allows. The sign-up form is available on the Forest Lakes website, or by emailing me.

To maintain quality of instruction and to encourage social distancing, I would like to continue to cap the size of the groups at six. I encouraged you to check with your friends and neighbors to form your own groups with trusted cohorts. As always, I try to place players in compatible groups in terms of age, maturity level and playing ability.

The Summer Tennis Camp will begin June 21. Details will be available in next month's newsletter.

Finally, try this: The next time someone says, "It's soooooo hot," respond with a faux sincere, "it's not that bad." It might psych out your opponent, and with repeating the "It's not that bad" mantra, you might eventually believe it, and not lose to the heat. Good luck out there. See you on the courts.

### Jim Labinski

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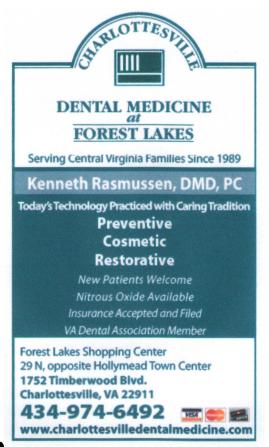




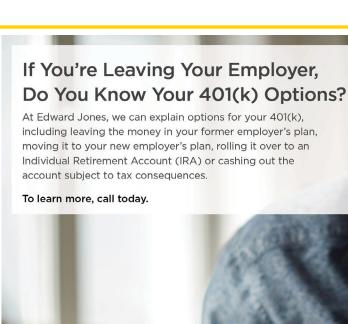


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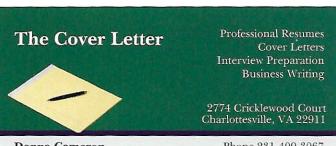
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