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*The Forest Murmurs
will not be published in January.*



*The next issue will be
published in early February 2020.*

*From the FRA Board of Trustees,
The Green Area Staff, and the Murmurs Staff*

*Have a wonderful
Holiday Season!*

*The first sign-up link for the Christmas Light Fight was corrupt.
here is the new one: <http://bit.ly/PRAlightfight2019>.*

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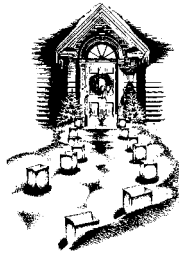
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Luminaria Pickup

It seems early to be asking you to think about the holidays, but things are always easier when we plan ahead! I'm seeking some individuals to help out with coordinating the Luminaria sales this holiday season- a Luminaria Committee, as it were! We've been hoping for a few years to bring the Ridge back to the splendor of decades past when nearly every home put out these beautiful tealights on Christmas Eve. It is a sight to behold, and people would drive from all over to come see us, so let's bring them back!

They'll be available at the Sheds on 12/14 from 1-4 PM. If you are housebound or have limited mobility and need to have your Luminarias delivered to you, please contact Heather at 610-635-6415 and leave a message.



Light Fight

We're bringing back our annual tradition of the Christmas Light Fight in Forest Ridge! You can go to our sign-up page from 11/15 to 12/15 to register your home as a participant. Initial judging will take place on 12/16-12/18 to select the top 3 homes in each division, and neighborhood voting will be from 12/18 to 12/24. Winners will be announced on social media and in the Murmurs, and the first place winner in each category will receive \$25, while the grand champion will receive \$100 off their 2020 assessments. The link to sign-up as a participating household is at <http://bit.ly/FRALightfight2019>. We can't wait to light up the Ridge!



Treats for First Responders

Santa is ready to deliver the goodies

His sleigh is bright and shiny, the reindeer have been fed, Mrs. Claus has his suit cleaned and pressed and he is ready to go.

The dates to turn in your donations are December 14th from 10am until noon and December 15th from 1pm until 3. If these hours don't work for you contact me at mahjonggsue@sbcglobal.net to set up an alternate time. Donations should be delivered to 4073 Quailbush. One request is that you not ring the doorbell. We have a large Newfie who thinks the doorbell ringing is some one invading his territory. There also is a green bench on the front porch where you may leave your donations.

How to pack your donations: we deliver to 5 different stations so if you could divide your donations into 5 separate containers or bags. Check out the local Dollar stores for inexpensive containers. If not zip locks work well. This will save my merry little elves lots of time as they pack up the totes for delivery.

Delivery will be the 16th during the day.

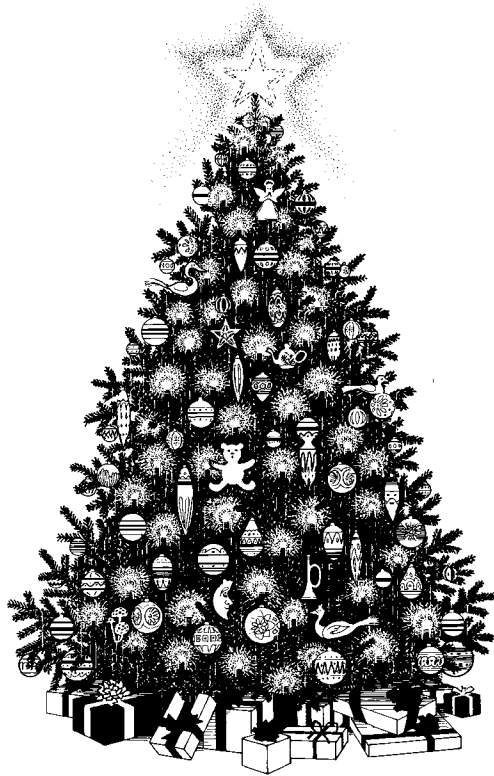
Thank you to all who are helping with this project. May you have a safe and happy holiday season, Christmas and New Year.

Sue

2019 Holiday Party

is with regret that I'm announcing that we're canceling the winter holiday party that was scheduled for 12/14 at 1 PM at the Sheds on Meadowsweet. Despite the incredible turnout to participate with our Halloween events, there were fewer than 5 people willing to help with all of the effort in putting those events together and cleaning it up, and we're literally still trying to clean it all up and put it away. Without more assistance from the community, it's simply impossible for one or two people to put these kinds of events on.

Heather



No Murmurs in January.

We'll be back with the February issue!

AD MANAGER NEEDED!

The Forest Murmurs newsletter is in need of an Ad Manager.

This volunteer position would be responsible for communicating with advertisers, controlling a database of contract information, as well as collecting and handling ad fees. Experience with Word, Excel and Email management are required.

If you are interested and have the time to devote to this role, contact us at communications@forestridgeassociation.org.

Unsightly House Near You?



Do you have an unsightly house near you?

These concerns should be addressed to either the Code Enforcement Office for the City of Dayton at 333-3977 or the Zoning Enforcement Officer for Riverside at 233-1801.

The By-laws for the Forest Ridge Association do not authorize us to require home owners to mow or weed their lawns.

Advertise in the Forest Murmurs!

The Forest Ridge newsletter, the "Murmurs", is delivered to 1123 homes ten times per year. Advertising in the Murmurs is a great way to reach out to the residents of this neighborhood for a reasonable price.

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Top 10 Holiday Safety Tips



1. Inspect electrical decorations for damage before use.

Cracked or damaged sockets, loose or bare wires, and loose connections may cause a serious shock or start a fire.



2. Do not overload electrical outlets.

Overloaded electrical outlets and faulty wires are a common cause of holiday fires. Avoid overloading outlets and plug only one high-wattage appliance into each outlet at a time.



3. Never connect more than three strings of incandescent lights.

More than three strands may not only blow a fuse, but can also cause a fire.



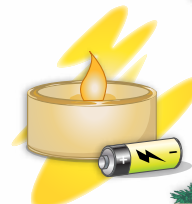
4. Keep tree fresh by watering daily.

Dry trees are a serious fire hazard.



5. Use battery-operated candles.

Candles start almost half of home decoration fires (NFPA).



6. Keep combustibles at least three feet from heat sources.

A heat source that was too close to the decoration was a factor in half of home fires that began with decorations. (NFPA).



7. Protect cords from damage.

To avoid shock or fire hazards, cords should never be pinched by furniture, forced into small spaces such as doors or windows, placed under rugs, located near heat sources, or attached by nails or staples.



8. Check decorations for certification label.

Decorations not bearing a label from an Independent testing laboratory such as Underwriters Laboratories (UL), Canadian Standards Association (CSA) or Intertek (ETL) have not been tested for safety and could be hazardous.



9. Stay in the kitchen when something is cooking.

Unattended cooking equipment is the leading cause of home cooking fires (NFPA).



10. Turn off, unplug, and extinguish all decorations when going to sleep or leaving the house.

Unattended candles are the cause of one in five home candle fires. Half of home fire deaths occur between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. (NFPA)





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Et Cetera Guidelines

Effective 1 January 2016

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