

Forest Hills East

For all Forest Hills East residents, courtesy of Forest Hills East Civic Association, Inc.

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Our Next General Meeting: Will be held on Tuesday, October 3rd in the church on Berry Hill and Grand. Social time 6:30 pm, meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

We will have a Pasco County code enforcement officer in to have a Q&A session with us. Please attend

Island Committee: As we have written here before the berm separating the Lake from the River has “failed” and the lake is essentially part of the river. You can see the ocean’s tidal effect on the river as the water level in the “lake” goes up and down. It appears that the Corps of Engineers still has the lead, but the Department of Justice has also gotten involved. We will keep you posted

FHECA Secretary: We still need a new secretary, Mary Thompson said “we wore out the 'old' one.”

Riparian Rights: The term “riparian” is related to properties along rivers and streams. “Littoral” rights refer only to properties along oceans and lakes. However, this distinction is often ignored, so you may see riparian rights used in reference to all bodies of water. Riparian rights can grant waterfront property owners the potential rights, such as, but not limited to: The right to the view of the water; use the water; access the water; Ingress and egress, have a wharf, use of a boat and right to fish.

The FHECA Board is seeking help from our members for someone to take the lead in organizing a committee to review the riparian rights currently owned by the FHECA. Such suggestions might include transferring the FHECA’s riparian ownership to the individual property owners who would benefit from these rights. Kicking this project off would require some legwork at the County level. Please contact Brian Thompson if you would care to volunteer.

Interesting tidbit from local news: Should I stay or should I go? It’s a question many of us ask ourselves as a hurricane approaches, especially those who live in a flooding evacuation zone. Pasco County Commissioners are weighing their options when it comes to getting more people to leave, safely. One idea — presented by Commissioner Jack Mariano — is shutting off water and electricity in evacuation zone ‘A’ before a storm approaches. Doing so, he believes, would encourage residents to leave those areas as well as protect first responders going to those areas to perform rescues.

If you like Commissioner Mariano’s concept, or not you can always provide local officials with feedback.

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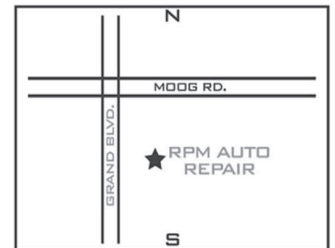
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