



February 1, 2021

Dear Forest Park Pool Members,

### 2021 IS HERE!

Everyone is hoping for a great swim season! The **Forest Park Board** has been working hard to make this a great season. The board is planning the season based on two scenarios. The first being that the Covid19 issues get better and we all move forward with our lives, the second being we pick up where we left off last season. The second scenario seems a little more realistic at this point. The pool will open as scheduled and we will operate within the county restrictions as to the number of people in the pool and how many people can occupy the grass area within social distancing guidelines. We do not have the exact numbers allowed at this point, but we will send them out as soon as we receive them.

As times have changed so have people's habits. We have encountered some issues with volunteers. In previous seasons the pool had many volunteers. This is not so anymore, when we have volunteers we save money on outside vendors. So, due to these issues, doing business in California (new minimum wage), and facility and equipment aging which requires more costly repairs we had to raise the dues to cover some of these expenses. We have outsourced the pool maintenance and payroll. We are fortunate to have an excellent grounds manager (Matt Hooper) so that saves us hiring landscapers, etc.

Keeping our facility immaculate takes a lot of hard work and we always need help from our members. The more volunteers we get the better the experience for all members. We are a member run Pool club. We are excited to the start of the season and seeing all our returning members and hopefully new ones as well.

John Canesa  
President

### 2021 Forest Park Membership Packet includes:

- A Note From the Board regarding Gatekeeping
- A Note From Our Pool, Building & Grounds Director
- Summary of FPSA Annual Membership Dues
- FPSA Membership Benefits & Perks
- Directory of the Board of Directors
- Information on How to Book a Party @ Forest Park

**Renew your Membership-** Complete the 2 forms and return with your 2021 payment:

- **Forms : Membership Agreement, Membership Statement**

Any outstanding charges from previous years have been included with your invoice. Please include all past due fees with your first payment by 2/28/2021. If you have any outstanding charges at the beginning of the swim season, you will not be able to swim until they have all been resolved. If you have any questions or need to make payment arrangements, we want to work with you please contact Treasurer, Jessica Steffensen @ 925-286-3640 or Membership - Jin No @ 925-231-5291 to inquire about available options for resolving your account.

- **2021 Annual Membership Statement - update your family information and contact numbers**

**Sign up to be a Gatekeeper-** We are using an online signup sheet for Gatekeeping this year. If we have your email address, you will receive a message from us with instructions on how to sign up. You can also sign up in the binder at the pool, but the preferred method to sign up will be ONLINE.

Log on to [LINK TO BE SENT OUT VIA EMAIL AT A LATER TIME](#) to access this year's signup genius for gatekeeping shifts.

Find Forest Park Pool on Facebook and keep in touch with the Forest Park Pool Community.

**Pool lifeguards are needed for our 2021 swimming season**, which opens Saturday, April 3<sup>th</sup> (weather permitting). For more information, contact **Hillary DiStefano, Lifeguard Director**, at [510-685-3778](tel:510-685-3778) or [isabellasmom04@gmail.com](mailto:isabellasmom04@gmail.com). Lifeguards must be at least 15 years of age by the first day of the Lifeguard Clinic Class given by Concord Community Recreation Services. For class registration, visit [www.cityofconcord.org/Activities/Activities.asp](http://www.cityofconcord.org/Activities/Activities.asp). Returning lifeguards will need to renew their CPR certificate. Forest Park offers competitive wages and flexible schedules.

**Lifeguard duty changes for the New Year -** *We will be scheduling the lifeguards to rotate into gatekeeping shifts during the summer months. **This will impact the availability for gatekeeping shifts for members.** Work obligations may be completed by doing projects and cleaning up at the pool or join us at the Pavilion to complete your work obligation hours.*

**Our swim team, the Forest Park Flyers,** will start practice on April 12th. Swim Team is open to kids between the ages of 3 and 18! Children do not need to know how to swim to join. Mini Flyer programs are available to teach them the basics and then move up to swimming in meets. For more info see [www.forestparkswimteam.com](http://www.forestparkswimteam.com) or email [fpstmembership@gmail.com](mailto:fpstmembership@gmail.com).

**Going forward in 2021,** we will be sending emails and updating Facebook with planned activities. We are always looking for new members! We need your help to share our “Forest Park Experience” with others who want to:

- Swim!
- Have a BBQ or Party
- Get in Shape!
- Make New Friends!
- Participate in family fun events!
- Cool Off!
- Play on the Lawn!
- Lay in the Sun!
- Join the Swim Team!
- Create Family Memories!

**Refer your friends to join Forest Park,**

New members get a discount, and you earn credit on your account.

New members receive a \$50.00 discount when they join the pool for the first time. When you refer a new member to join, you will get a \$50 credit for the 1st family, \$75 credit for the 2nd family, and \$100 credit for the 3rd family. All you have to do is have them put your name on their form when joining!

(NOTE: Credits will be made to your account after final membership payment for both existing and new members are received. Both members must be in good standing with FPSA financially. Credits are not transferable and may not be exchanged for cash. Credits will be carried over to the following year and applied to Members Outstanding Balance Due.)

**FPSA is a private-member owned & operated organization.** In order to keep the pool operating efficiently, we require our members to work a **minimum** of three (4 Hour) work parties a year such as: perform gate keeping duties, maintenance or work duties. There are plenty of opportunities and options to help out. Just ask a Board Member to assist you in finding what works for you.

We look forward to seeing you at the POOL!

Forest Park Swim Association Board

Email: [forestparkpool@gmail.com](mailto:forestparkpool@gmail.com)

Visit the website @ [www.forestparkpool.info](http://www.forestparkpool.info)