

ARCH CREEK TRUST

1855 N. E. 135th Street
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DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

The Nominating Committee has met, and, after an open appeal to the members in the November Newsletter, come up with the following proposed slate of officers for your consideration at the February Annual Meeting:

Executive Board

President Vice-President Secretary Treasurer Carol Helene Elmore Kerkela Joan Quinn Kathleen Orgell

Members-at-Large

Susan Weiss

Henriette Roth

Burnham Neill

HOLIDAY PARTY

Our Annual Holiday party will be Sunday, December 15, 1991 from 2-4 p.m. It will be held at the Arch Creek Museum.

Please bring a snack dish to share. We will be stringing cranberries and popcorn.

January Calendar

Board Meeting: Regular Meeting: Monday, January 6th, 1992 at 7:30 p.m. Monday, January 20th, 1992 at 7:30 p.m.

Speaker to be announced.

DON'T FORGET!! It's time to renew your annual membership.

Do you need this 1991 tax deduction!? Act promptly!

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SPECIAL NOTICE for TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

By now, you should have received the notice of the "special meeting" called for 7:30 p.m. on Monday, December 9th, 1991 to consider adopting the proposed revision of the By-Laws, which was also enclosed with that notice.

This notice is being sent to inform the members that an additional "special meeting" is being called to precede the By-Laws "special meeting" -- to take place at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, December 9th, 1991. This 7 p.m. "special meeting" is being called to discuss and vote upon the termination of the membership of two present "members" of the Arch Creek Trust.

For the first time in our history, we are faced with the unpleasant task of terminating the membership of two persons. These two individuals, John Featherstone and Lawrence Forti, have created problems at the park and disrupted trust and business meetings for the past 11 months.

We have not taken action prior to this time in the hope that their energy could be directed into positive actions for the good of Arch Creek. This task seems impossible.

Article II, Section 7 of the current by-laws of the Arch Creek Trust provide that a member can be terminated for:

"Misrepresenting the actions and/or decisions of either the general membership and/or the executive board, conviction of a felony or undermining the purpose for which this organization is instituted."

The <u>purpose</u> of the Arch Creek Trust is "to preserve, protect and defend the natural flora, fauna, archeological artifacts and natural character of the Arch Creek area ... and support to those working to preserve it."

John Featherstone has:

1) disrupted meetings;

- 2) attempted to undermine the public acquisition of the property to the north - Arch Creek North;
- 3) lied to other organizations stating the Trust intended to pave over natural resources;
- harassed the park naturalist and his wife at their home by unwanted phone calls;
- 5) harassed the Trust president by calling continuously throughout the day and up until midnight for an entire week;
- 6) lied to other organizations stating the Trust intended to pave over natural resources;
- 8) impersonated the Dade County Park Naturalist to a school group.

Lawrence Forti has:

- 1) disrupted meetings;
- 2) attempted to undermine the public acquisition of the property to the north - Arch Creek North;
- 3) lied to officials in land acquisition programs stating the Trust did not have the funds it had pledged for the land acquisition.

A majority of the membership present will determine whether the membership of these two "members" should be terminated. We urge all members to attend this special meeting called for the specific purpose of discussing and voting upon these this matter.