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Forest Park Civic Association

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Help keep Forest Park Clean, and GREEN



Winter is finally over, but the snow was useful in one respect. It covered up all of the winter's trash and litter. Now that the snow has melted, litter and trash seems to be trying to take over our main streets. But there is a cure for that. Each year the City of Columbus sponsors an event known as KickButt Columbus where a team of volunteers cleans up the major interstate interchanges. In 2013, a team of volunteers from Forest Park, Salem (our neighbors across I-71), and the Arizona State University Alumni Association worked on "our" intersection: State Route 161 and I-71. It made a difference. In just a couple of hours of work, we were able to pick up thousands of cigarette butts and many bags of trash. This year, at the end of March, your Civic Association will again be partnering with the Salem Civic Association. On the same day, the regular 161 Clean Up day will take place. This event, sponsored by a consortium of Northland organizations, takes place about every six weeks during the spring, summer and fall months. This also makes a huge difference to the community, as a clean 161 makes a good first impression as folks enter the Forest Park area. While both events will be complete by the time you read this, we hope you will consider volunteering for next year's KickButt event and will also consider volunteering for the next Clean Up day, which should take place in May. It is a great way to make a visible difference. My wife and I have been doing this for many years. All of the equipment you will need is provided (grabbers, gloves, trash bags). It's also a good way to get out and get a little exercise and enjoy some fresh air. It is one way we can help keep Forest Park clean.

Another way to keep Forest Park clean is the city's bulk trash and recycling programs. Did you know that the city will pick up any bulk trash you might have (with some restrictions)? However, in order to help keep Forest Park clean, we do not want to just put it out by the curb and wait for the city to notice it. Instead, through the city's 311 service, you can let the city know that you have bulk trash and arrange to have it picked up. There are two ways to access this service. Call the city at (614) 645-3111 M-F, 7 am to 6 pm or go to the city's web site 311.columbus.gov.

The city's recycling program is another way we keep Forest Park green (and clean). There have been some changes in this program that we want to make sure you know about. In mid-March, the city changed how they collect recycling and yard waste. Formerly, the city collected yard waste one week and emptied the blue recycling bins the next week. Now they will be collected the same day using the same trucks to save our tax dollars. While the city's trash pickup day rotates through the year, the recycling/yard waste day does not (though during a holiday week that pickup may be a day late). Don't know your day(s)? Use the 311.columbus.gov site, see your monthly Forester, or see our Association website, fpcivic.org. Recycling or yard waste not picked up? Use the 311.columbus.gov site to report it.

Remember, a community can only be as good as its residents make it. Forest Park is a great neighborhood because you have made it one. Let's keep up the good work! Thanks, Ken Gilbert

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Articles for May Forester due to editor
by April, 18th. May, 2014 Forester will
be delivered to residents on May 4th.

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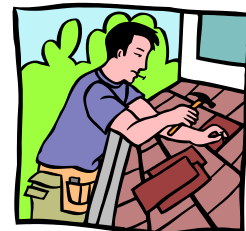
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FOREST PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION
March 11, 2014 Meeting Minutes

The March Forest Park Civic Association meeting was called to order by President Ken Gilbert at Epworth United Methodist Church at 7:02 p.m. Roll Call was taken after the Pledge of Allegiance. Treasurer Dan Hartzell presented his financial report, which was accepted by the membership as read.

Bruce Black, Program Manager of Columbus' Neighborhood Pride Program, made an unannounced visit to observe a typical meeting, and spoke of the benefits to be received, if Forest Park should win an award this year.

Officer Clinger introduced three other police officers who work a response team that deals with on-going investigation cases. They informed the group some of the issues they may be involved in with for the city of Columbus.

Officer Clinger encourages as many residents as possible to attend the hearing for the Red Carpet Inn, which is currently scheduled to take place Tuesday, April 15th at 1:30 p.m. downtown at the Franklin County Municipal Court, Environmental Division, 375 South High Street, Courtroom 15C. A strong neighborhood presence bolsters police effort, he said.

There was continued discussion on the inconsistent delivery of the Forester in "the Bag" packaging that is supposed to be delivered to homes in Forest Park.

Outreach Day will be Saturday, July 12th.

Garage sale day will be Saturday, May 17th.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 p.m. by Ken Gilbert.

Submitted by Marie Douthitt, FPCA Secretary



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Tina Evans
 for organizing
 this event



Women's self Defense Course (R.A.D.) Completed by Forest Park Women.

Twenty nine women completed the 12 hour Women's Self Defense Course put on by the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. R.A.D. stands for Rape, Defense, and Aggression Systems. The course was held at Oakleaf Village March 1, 8 & 15. This course is the only existing program with a free lifetime return and practice policy honored throughout the US and Canada. Over 250,000 women have attended a R.A.D. Basic Physical Defense Program.

If we have enough interest The Forest Park Block Watch may hold another R.A.D. Program. It is put on by the Franklin County Sheriff's Office through grant money.

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FOREST PARK SPRING



COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE



Saturday, May 17th



Spring cleaning time is here again! Your junk can be someone's treasure. Have fun and make a little money by entering the Forest Park Civic Association Garage Sale which will be held on May 17th from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Advertisement will appear in local newspaper. Maps and listings of addresses of participants will be handed out to prospective buyers at the East and West Island entrances to Forest Park on Karl Rd from 8:45 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on the day of the sale.



The Association charges a minimal fee of \$5.00 to participate in this gigantic community sale. You receive quite a bargain when one considers the advertisement drawing card to all the Northland communities, fun with your neighbors, and some extra cash in your pocket. The fee helps defray the cost of the advertising.



Please complete the form below and mail with your check of \$5.00 made payable to F.P.C.A. by May 12 to Mary Sguerra, 5504 Larkwood Rd. Columbus, OH 43229



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Potholes



The 311 number or website can help. The best "eyes" the city has is those of its residents. As it has often been mentioned in block watch meetings, the best way to help our police is report, report, report. The same is true for potholes. Report them to 311.columbus.gov. The city's goal is to patch a reported pothole within 72 hours.



Forest Park Block Watch

Website: <http://blockwatch.fpcivic.org/>.

Next meeting:

Tuesday, April 23rd, 2014

All Forest Park Residents are welcome and encouraged to attend. The April meeting will have the Mounted Unit of the Columbus Police Department and the May meeting may include a visit (weather permitting) from the CPD Helicopter. Upcoming speakers include US Marshalls. Block watch holds their meetings on the 4th Tuesday of every month, at 7 pm at Epworth Methodist Church, 5100 Karl Road.

Jon Biteman, director, 614-848-6360





Join us for a
**NORTHLAND COMMUNITY
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on SR-161**

Meet at the
Sharon Woods Center
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Saturday, May 10, 2014

9:00 am - 12:00 noon

Help us remove trash and debris from the shoulders and culverts of SR-161 to improve its appearance and to prevent these materials from being shredded during mowing activities on the corridor this spring.

Bags, gloves, safety vests and pick-up tools will be provided.
Please wear brightly colored clothing and sturdy, waterproof footwear for safety!

Businesses on SR-161 are invited to partner with us on this project!

For more information or to RSVP, please contact NABA SR-161 Task Force Chair Dave Cooper at (614) 888-2201 or email cleanupday@myncc.org.



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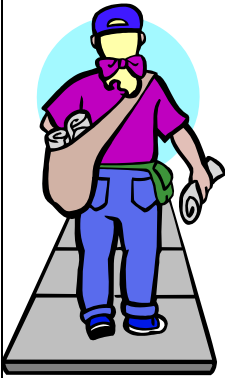


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FPCA Vice-President's Message

By Ed Vanasdale



The Forest Park Civic Association has been working diligently to make sure that you are receiving the “Bag” with the ads from your local stores weekly. On the first Sunday of the month the FORESTER is included in the bag. The “Bag” is to be placed on your front porch. If you do not receive the “Bag” on your front porch weekly, please call the “Bag” at 1-740-548-5049, tell them you have not received it, give them your address. Also, let them know if it was not on your front porch but somewhere else on your property.



You are, also, to get the **THIS WEEK COMMUNITY NEWS NORTHLAND** which is a free weekly newspaper delivered on your front porch. It has a lot of great news about our neighborhood and surrounding area. If you are not receiving it every week, call 1-888-837-4342. If your calls do not work to correct the delivery problems,

e-mail me at evanasdal@insight.rr.com or call me at 1-614-847-1494.

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I would like to remind residents about key services Supplemental Security performs that benefits Forest Park:

□ *Vacation Home Checks* (for paid-up civic association members only): if you are leaving to go out of town on vacation, we will have U.S. Protection Service keep an eye on your home while you are away.

NOTE: the form to submit is found each month in the Forester Newsletter.

□ *Neighborhood Patrol*: Supplemental Security and your Civic Association works with U.S. Protection Service to patrol the neighborhood to keep an eye out for suspicious activity. This is an invaluable service that many neighborhoods in the city cannot boast of and one of the most important reasons to be a paid member of the civic association. Membership is only \$25.00 per year for your entire household!

Most of all, I firmly believe that the safest neighborhoods are the ones where a true spirit of community is alive. To that end, I encourage you all to work to get to know all the neighbors on your street. Don't stop at knowing which cars belong to which house, get to know which people belong to which homes on your street and I know Forest Park will be safer and better for it!

I can be reached during business hours at my office at 614-536-0237 and at 614-595-7871 after business hours. I can also be reached by email at fquachey@amfam.com

Supplemental Security House Check

Forest Park Business Members and Homeowner Members only!

Use this form to have your home checked while you are on vacation. The form will be passed on to the supplemental security officer and the Security Officers.

Name _____ Address _____ Phone _____

Vacation Dates: Depart _____ Return _____ Please notify _____

Address _____ Phone _____ Who has key? _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Lights on timer? _____ Location _____

Radio or TV continuously on timer? _____ Location _____

Will older children be in and out ? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, make and model of car _____



MAIL TO:

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JOSEPH HANSEN	396-6336	13	XX	XX				XX	XX	WEST
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May 9th & 23rd

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North Side Schedule

WHERE: Woodward Park &
Community Center
5147 Karl Rd., meet at the front picnic
tables. Walks will be held inside the
community gym during bad weather.

WHEN: April 12th & 26th,
May 10th & 24th.

TIME: 8:30—9:30

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	Income	Expenses	Income	Expenses	Income	Expenses
Membership	\$ 50.00		\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 19,978.00	\$ 2,000.00
Business Membership			\$ -	\$ -	\$ 720.00	
Supplemental Security	\$ 25.00	\$ 975.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 1,975.00	\$ 447.00	\$ 13,447.00
Interest	\$ 0.08		\$ 0.17	\$ -	\$ 2.00	
Forester	\$ 125.00	\$ 1,445.50	\$ 990.00	\$ 1,616.49	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 17,000.00
Garage Sale			\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 100.00
Additional Donations			\$ -	\$ -	\$ 440.00	
Island Maintenance & Improvement			\$ -	\$ -		\$ 450.00
Liability Insurance/Bond			\$ -	\$ -		\$ 450.00
Miscellaneous			\$ -	\$ -		\$ 200.00
Northland Community Council			\$ -	\$ -		\$ 380.00
Treasurer Expenses			\$ -	\$ -		\$ 125.00
Beautification Awards			\$ -	\$ 67.57	\$ 315.00	\$ 200.00
Outreach Day			\$ -	\$ -		\$ 200.00
July 4th Bikes/Parade Floats			\$ -	\$ -		\$ 250.00
Block watch			\$ -	\$ -		\$ 100.00
Volunteer Grant/Welcome Committee			\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 300.00
Total Income & Expenses	\$ 200.08	\$ 2,420.50	\$ 1,065.17	\$ 3,659.06	\$ 35,202.00	\$ 35,202.00
Net Income (Loss)		\$ (2,220.42)		\$ (2,593.89)		
Bank Balance at end of month		\$ 5,727.66				

Next Forest Park Civic Association meeting:

Tuesday, April 8th, 7:00 pm. Epworth Methodist Church,
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- Donatos Tamarack Circle
- Epworth United Methodist Church
- Gabbys Tamarack Circle
- Helping Hands Day Care Sandalwood Plaza
- HER Realtors - Mary Sguerra
- Karl Road Christian Church
- Schoedinger Funeral Home Karl Road
- Union Savings Bank Morse Road
- Drellyze Restaurant Tamarack Circle
- John Allen Landscape
- US Protection Service Columbus Square
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April, 2014



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Dear Neighbors:

Spring has arrived and the real estate market is becoming more active again. My listings at 5790 Loganwood and 1675 Sandalwood Pl. are both in contract and scheduled to close and I have a NEW listing at 1471 Cypresswood Ct. So if you are thinking about buying or selling a home..... now is a great time to get things started. Interest rates are still low - below 5% for a 30 year mortgage loan. So now is a great time to put your house on the market and start looking for another home whether it be a NEW BUILD or an EXISTING HOME or a CONDOMINIUM. I can represent you as a Buyer's Agent, (representing your interest) with any cooperating builder or seller at no expense to you. Give me a call for details.

NEW LISTING

1471 Cypresswood Ct. -- Wow! Huge 4 level split with over 2100 sq. ft. with 4 BR's & 2.5 BA's, family room with fireplace, lower level rec room, fenced backyard and a 2 car attached garage. Priced at \$135,000

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The following homes are For Sale with HER Realtors:

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4908 Lyle Rd.	Split/3BR	111,500
5176 Avalon	Ranch/3BR	114,900
1471 Cypresswood Ct.	Split/4BR	135,000 *
* New Listings		**New Price

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HER Realtors homes In Contract

5790 Loganwood Rd. ©	Ranch/3BF	Asking: 109,800
1675 Sandalwood Pl. E. ©	2-Sty/4BR	125,000
(C)=In Contract Contingent (E)=I/C w/Escap clause		

All Homes SOLD

Since 2/13/14		Asking:	Sold Price:
5387 Vinewood Ct.	Bi/vl/3BR	73,800	49,000
2120 Honeytree Ct	Split/4BR	64,900	60,000
1907 Cedar Willow	2-Sty/4BR	122,900	120,000

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