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Heroes in Our Lives



This year the theme for the Northland Community Fourth of July parade, which runs down the middle of Forest Park will be "Honoring Our American Heroes". Our Grand Marshal will be a local hero, our own Police Liaison, Scott Clinger. But we have many other heroes in our lives, and I would like to ask our community to take some time to think about this as we approach the Glorious Fourth of July. **What makes a person a "hero" to you?**

For some, our heroes are the men and women who have fought for this country and given us the blessings of freedom and liberty. One of my heroes is my uncle Dave Bennett. He was a ball turret gunner in a B-24 Liberator in the 15th Air Force, 98th Bomb Group, 323rd Bomb Squadron--the "Snow White Squadron"--which has been remembered with a small exhibit at the Air Force Museum in Dayton. He completed his 50 missions, including 7 over the Ploesti Oil Fields in Romania, the day before his aircraft was shot down over Ploesti. He never spoke much about it, but his quiet sacrifice along with millions of others kept us free during the dark days of World War II. I know that all of us can think of a relative or friend who has served. We would not be celebrating our independence without them.

For others, our parents are often our heroes. Mine survived the Great Depression and gave me the values I needed to live a successful life. For some, it may be a writer or speaker or politician who inspired us to better things. Of course, there are our sports heroes, from Archie Griffin and Eddie George to R. J. Umberger and Frankie Hedjuk. And for our kids, it may be Superman or Spiderman--for me when I was 10 or so, it was The Flash, which is one reason I became a scientist (as he was one). But whoever it may be **for you, this year's parade will be a day to honor them. I invite you to join us. We will have a Forest Park entry in this year's parade, as we always do. If you would like to march with us, please come out and do so. We would love to see people dressing to honor a hero in their lives--and we would love it if veterans would march with us. For those who cannot march or who may have an interesting vehicle, you can drive it in the parade. Or simply come out to watch. We will have more information in June's Forester--or you can contact me for more details. Also, do not forget the Bikes and Trikes part of the parade that Forest Park sponsors. This year we will have a new prize--the entry that best exemplifies the theme of the parade. We look forward to seeing the creativity of the children of Forest Park. See the Forester for more information on this contest.**



The Fourth has long been an important part of my life, from marching in my mom's hometown parade in Philadelphia to celebrating it with my fellow residents of Forest Park. Come join us! We want to celebrate with everyone in Forest Park. By Ken Gilbert, FPCA President

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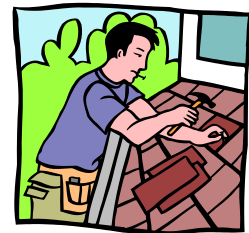
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FOREST PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION

April 8, 2014 Meeting Minutes

By Marie Douthitt

The April FPCA meeting was called to order by Vice-President Ed Vanasdale (in the absence of President Ken Gilbert) at Epworth United Methodist Church at 7:07 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.

Ed announced the next NCC cleanup day will be May 10, NCC shredding day will be May 17 and the **annual NCC banquet will be May 29. FPCA night at Gabby's will be June 7.**

Mike Stone announced plans regarding preparation for Outreach Day, 2014. **Envelope stuffing will take place at 1:30 p.m. at Schoedinger's on April 12th, and an Outreach Day meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on April 24th at Donato's. Outreach Day will be July 12.**

Officer Clinger wants all Forest Park residents to be aware that the city is cracking down on excessive false alarms. Officers will be required to file paperwork to assess fees whenever there are more than two false alarms within a twelve month period. A member reported that sometime around nine on the evening of April 1, a few homes and cars in the area of Sumac and Durrell were vandalized with spray paint. The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m. by Ed Vanasdale.



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You are, also, to get the THIS WEEK COMMUNITY NEWS NORTHLAND which is a free weekly newspaper delivered on your front porch. Times for delivery are Wednesday to Thursday 1 P.M.. 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.



Beautification Awards



It's that time again to look for beautiful yards. Once again will be giving out 1st and 2nd place beautification awards, 2 for Forest Park West and 2 for Forest Park East. The judging will be in June and the awards will be given out at the FPCA meeting later this summer.



Look in next month's Forester for more information.

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Supplemental Security NEWS

At the very top of my mind is the recent shooting at the YMCA. As I drove into the office on 04/17/2014, the latest report on the incident on NPR stated that there were no suspects yet in the case. Our vigilance as a community must be heightened and it is only by looking out for *your* neighbor and neighborhood that such acts will be stamped out of our neighborhood.

I take this opportunity to encourage ALL residents to attend the Forest Park Block Watch meetings held on the 4th Tuesday of each month at the Epworth Methodist Church at 5100 Karl Rd. The Block Watch teaches proven techniques in gathering information in our neighborhood that help us assist law enforcement in crime prevention. We are a neighborhood of some 3000 households and **it's time to get involved so we can leverage our numbers to keep crime out of Forest Park. I know** there are some who may say that they do not see the point of their involvement, or simply look on the Civic Association as a whole with some cynicism—to those people I say that there has never been any game played that was won while players stood/sat on the sidelines.

Remember that the more neighbors and members of their households you get to know, the more people rummaging around our neighborhood streets who do not belong here stick out! As Supplemental Security Officer, I have learned that as soon as the weather gets better out, there is an **immediate increase in criminal activity as well. I wonder...shouldn't our level of commitment to doing** what we can as neighbors and as a neighborhood to prevent crime in our community increase just as much?

It is time we all came together and did our respective parts in continuing to make this neighborhood great. For my family, as well as many of you as well, our homes are our biggest investment. I love this neighborhood which is why I purchased a home here and I challenge you all to tap into that sentiment so that we can send a message to all those seeking to bring down our neighborhood with criminal activity that **WE WILL NOT STAND FOR IT!**

GET INVOLVED FOREST PARK! It takes all of us working together to maintain the sentiment that made you move your family here in the first place!

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Forest Park Block Watch

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



**Next meeting:
Tuesday, May 27th, 2014**

All Forest Park Residents are welcome and encouraged to attend. Come and be informed about what is going on in our neighborhood. Keep Forest Park the Safe Neighborhood it has always been.

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



The Columbus Mounted Police Unit visited neighbors at the March 2014 Block Watch Meeting. Folks got up close and found out what all this special police unit does here in the city of Columbus.

Upcoming Blockwatch meetings may include a visit from the Columbus Police Department Helicopter Unit and possibly a talk from the US Marshalls. Be informed and become part of Blockwatch for the Northland and Forest Park Neighborhoods.





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FRI. 6/20- Ken&Co

SAT. 6/21- Big Joe

FRI. 6/27- CR2

SAT. 6/28- Shotgun Karma

FRI. 7/4- 4th of July Party

SAT. 7/5- TBA

FRI. 7/11- Shotgun Karma

SAT. 7/12- Free Booters

FRI. 7/18- Uncle Fester

SAT. 7/19- Alexander Band

FRI. 7/25- CR2

SAT. 7/26- Christmas in July Party feat. Cross Cut

FRI. 8/1- Tim Owings

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"A Page Out of Jimmy Stewart's Book!!"

By Mike Stone

Happy May!! Off with the jacket and onto the lawn mower. My above title is an indirect reference to the Jimmy Stewart movie "It's a Wonderful Life." In 1947, it only placed 26th in box office revenue. However, it became one of the greatest films of all time as people grew to love it. As a teen, I watched this undervalued movie repeatedly on cash-strapped cable stations. Unfortunately for me, NBC saw the value in this gem and now airs it at a lucrative premium. Miss it once and wait until next year.

The movie's appeal is a unique way to measure one's values and accomplishments. In our society of "onto the next problem" we rarely focus on the problems solved or people served. With that in mind, I use this approach to directly appeal to those who intentionally choose to not join the civic association. What shape would we find this neighborhood in if FPCA stopped existing 15 years ago (I'll spare you "never have been born")?

You would first see no landscape when you enter at the Sandalwood Islands. There would be no organized upkeep of the land and any vandalism would likely remain. Our neighborhood would be littered with trash at a level far worse than anything seen today. That is because the cleanup and repair campaigns organized by FPCA would have never happened. Such locations include individual homes, the 161 corridor and Tamarack Circle. FPCA has fought an uphill battle against the Tamarack property owner to better improve and maintain it (some small victories have been accomplished). If the circle is not ideal now, imagine how it would look if nobody ever attempted to address it?

Furthermore, you would still be living with most of the code-related cases that wouldn't have been actively pursued and solved by FPCA. There would be no civic action officer happily waiting to assist concerned residents with such issues. There would be no credible supporting organization that might speed up a situation. Matters of high grass, tree repair, spray paint removal, pot hole repair, bulk trash pickup and road fixtures would all be worse.

The immediate areas outside Forest Park would be in worse shape as well. Fewer, if any, flower boxes along route 161 would be actively maintained. There would have been no organization to pressure ODOT to remove large scale debris from I-71 and remove the spray paintings on the foot bridge going over the interstate. There likely wouldn't have been I-71 sound walls since the city required interaction and documentation by local residents to get it finalized.

Unity against crime would be nothing as it is today. We would neither have the benefit of supplemental security patrols nor the benefit of them as a deterrent. Lines of communication with local police would be on a resident to resident basis. No supplemental security officer would be able to coordinate private security patrols to combat certain issues nor coordinate with CPD. No Forester newsletter or electronic newlist would produce bulletins or warnings of neighborhood trends. In this alter-universe, hopefully we would still be lucky enough to have John Biteman as FP block watch coordinator, but someone other than FPCA would first have to start the organization.

Multiple FPCA members have served as president of the Northland Community Council. Without FPCA's funding and participation, NCC might not have survived to serve the community in so many critical ways. Improvements along the Morse Rd. corridor, advocacy for Northland needs, and attention on 161 hotels are among many of the things being addressed.

I could continue with this hypothetical, but the point has been made: This is a safer, better maintained, more beautiful neighborhood due to FPCA and its members. To continue, we need your support of a simple \$25 membership.

There will always be unresolved problems to address in Forest Park. Weakening a volunteer association dedicated to addressing these problems is an irrational solution. FPCA has done much for your benefit. With increased financial and volunteer support, it will continue in these endeavors.



Drelyze Restaurant— new flavor at Tamarack Circle

By George Schmidt

I remember when the first pizza shop opened in my childhood neighborhood in Pittsburgh. In the 60s there were a couple little Italian places and one little Asian shop that very few people frequented. I did not taste my first Gyro until my junior year Capital University trip to New York City and a street vendor. Now I wait in line when I go to Italian, Asian and Greek restaurants. People discovered that there is more to life, more taste to satisfy the pallet.

Allow me to open your world to African cuisine. You can do no better than right here in the heart of Forest Park. My only fear is that so many people will love it that Drelyze will have to find a bigger place.

Drelyze is the gourmet of African food, but what makes it such a great place for the first time experience is the helpfulness of the owners, Lisa Bannerman and Syed Farrakhan. They will assist you in finding foods that fit your taste. They will help you sample new flavors and spices. My favorite is the Beef Spinach Stew with Fried Plantain. I love Banku. The Beef Peanut Butter soup will surprise you.

Lisa will graduate soon from the Bradford Culinary School where she is learning American cuisine.

Syed traveled from America to Ghana where he met Lisa. They were married and are the proud parents of a daughter.

They work tirelessly to keep the restaurant looking good. They have a patio in the back with live music. Check out the schedule. There are plans to add some flower pots and a dining table in the front.

The owners are committed to Forest Park as loyal business members. They are dedicated to making the Circle a great place again. Please help them. Step out of your comfort zone. I think you will discover a joyous eating experience. Visit Drelyze.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

There is a need for set-up, registration, baggers, carriers, prayer warriors and clean up people. We set up and bag between 2 and 4. we hand out 4-6 or until food runs out. The Food comes from Mid Ohio Foodbank and area farmers.

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Membership			\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 19,978.00	\$ 2,000.00
Business Membership			\$ -	\$ -	\$ 720.00	\$ -
Supplemental Security		\$ 993.75	\$ 25.00	\$ 2,968.75	\$ 447.00	\$ 13,447.00
Interest	\$ 0.05		\$ 0.22	\$ -	\$ 2.00	
Forester	\$ 895.00	\$ 1,445.50	\$ 1,885.00	\$ 3,061.99	\$ 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		\$ 47.58	\$ -	\$ 47.58		\$ 100.00
Volunteer Grant/Welcome Committee			\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 300.00
Total Income & Expenses	\$ 895.05	\$ 2,486.83	\$ 1,960.22	\$ 6,145.89	\$ 35,202.00	\$ 35,202.00
Net Income (Loss)		\$ (1,591.78)		\$ (4,185.67)		
Bank Balance at end of month			\$ 3,670.57			

Bikes and Trikes Parade

On the 4th of July we will once again be having our traditional Bikes and Trikes Contest and Parade! This will kick off at the parking area in front of the Woodward Park Middle School at 10:15 am.

Bicycles and tricycles should be decorated and will be judged in three separate categories: **Patriotism, Originality and Theme of Parade**. Theme of Parade is a new category this year. Contestants will be judged on how their decorated bike ties into this year's parade theme: **Heroes**. First, second and third place prizes will be awarded for each of these categories yielding nine in all. Prizes will be \$25, \$15 and \$10 Meijer gift cards. Meijer generously donates a portion of these gift cards each year.

After the judging has been completed, the kids will be able to watch the parade until it is our time to enter (usually around 11:30) behind the Forest Park contingent. Parents are welcome and encouraged to walk along with their kids in the parade.

WE NEED JUDGES! If you would like to help us judge the contest, please contact Jenni O'Malley 906-9842 or jenjim2021@yahoo.com. It's really fun and the kids have a great time!



VOLUNTEER at the Columbus Metropolitan Library – Reading Buddies Program

Every branch holds a Reading Buddies program at least two times a week where students K-3rd grade read to a staff member or volunteer for 15 minutes so as to work on reading comprehension skills.

Now through the end of May, **Karl Road Branch** Reading Buddies takes place on Mondays & Tuesdays from 5-6 PM. Summer Reading Buddies times/days are still being planned.

If you are interested in volunteering, the following link will take you directly to the application for volunteering at the Columbus Metropolitan Library. <https://www.volgistics.com/ex/portal.dll/ap?AP=540161573>

If you are interested in more information about the library's volunteer program, please check out the CML Volunteers Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Columbus-Metropolitan-Library-Volunteers/29457059657>.



CONTINUED SAFETY IN FOREST PARK

by Mike Stone

You are probably aware of the shooting incident that took place at the YMCA in mid April. While details are few, we can suspect that it is drug related. If so, this would be the second drug-related homicide within the area in the past year. So much of our neighborhood's illegal activity can be directly connected to several poorly run hotels off of Dublin Granville Rd.

The civic association will continue to work with police and Block Watch, send as many supplemental security patrols as our paid membership budget will allow, and continue to update you with whatever information we can.

Over the past year, CPD has been aggressive in temporarily taking out some of these hotels and pressuring others to behave. If the hotel corridor improves its conduct, then we will likely see an improved situation both on Rt. 161 and in our neighborhood.

That brings us back to the Chula Vista Hotel Ordinance we communicated about this past fall. This proposed legislation would require hotels with questionable conduct to apply for annual licenses to operate. As a result, hotels would have to make an annual case that it is serving the community well.

According to Officer Scott Clinger, this issue will begin debate inside the next couple of months. **He also said that our letters and phone calls last fall made a difference.**

Given the unfortunate event at the YMCA, re-expressing our concern and desire for this legislation may give further support to Columbus Police Department.

HERE'S WHERE YOU COME IN

A similar proposed ordinance is being examined by Councilwoman Michelle Mills and Councilman Zach Klein. We need as many email messages as possible to their offices and the office of Mayor Michael Coleman. Briefly ask for the passage of the Chula Vista Hotel Ordinance. Emphasize the importance this bill would have to your community. PLEASE be friendly and polite.

Thanks for your help. Your voice might be the difference. If you have any additional questions contact a Forest Park Representative.

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Donate a Saturday Morning of your time to help us clean up the Roads that border our neighborhood.



THANK YOU to all of the Volunteers who worked on a April Saturday afternoon to stuff envelopes for the FPCA membership Drive. A BIG Thanks to Schoedinger Funeral Home on Karl Road for hosting the group and providing some of the snacks while we worked. Thanks Ken for the Pizza.



Join us for a NORTHLAND COMMUNITY CLEANUP DAY on SR-161



Meet at the
Sharon Woods Center

behind Jiffy Lube, 1800 East Dublin Granville Rd (at Sharon Woods Boulevard) on

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.

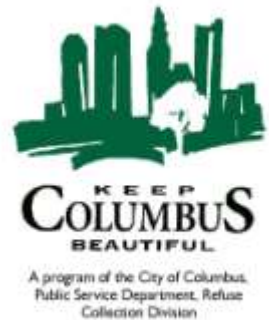
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Please wear brightly colored clothing and sturdy, waterproof footwear for safety!

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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Look for the FPCA membership drive envelope that was mailed to your house in late April. Become a dues paying member of your neighborhood program. Cost is \$25 per year. Fill out the Household Data Sheet and mail it back in the envelope provided. More FPCA membership means more supplemental security and more programs for the neighborhood. You have the option of paying online with Paypal. Contact your area rep, (names located on page 2 of this Forester) if you need more information.





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WHEN: May 10th & 24th.

TIME: 8:30—9:30

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The YMCA and the Forest Park Community

By George Schmidt

We are making a concerted effort to better serve the Forest Park community. We need your help in identifying the needs and to get the word out about what is offered to help you.

Many of you know me and know that when I set out to do something it gets down. The Y has the resources, but the people of Forest Park need to make it happen. You can help me by letting me know your needs and what you think are the needs of the community.

We are developing a survey. I plan to put it in the Forester and make it available for you to come by the Y and fill it out. On occasion I will be asking your opinion on a program idea.

We are identifying organizations with whom we can share communications and resources: schools, churches, social organizations, senior centers, etc. The goal is to establish a liaison. We will meet with them and determine how we can supplement and complement each other to the betterment of our existence.

To meet our goals we are stepping our efforts with NCC, NABA, Northland Alliance, Northside Health Advisory Board and others. We are hosting an International Fair.

We already know from the Northside Health Advisory Board that obesity is our number one health risk resulting in diabetes as our number one health problem. Our healthy living committee is focused on nutrition as well as exercise. We need to connect the solution with the people.

The North Y is planning to host a festival each quarter and invite the community. We will be stepping up our efforts for the Northland Community Council parade. Look for information about a fall event. We will have breakfast with Santa again.

We had National Healthy Kids Day on May 2nd at the North Y.

We often offer swim evaluations.

On May 3rd 23 runners participated in the Cap City Run. The money pledged will come back to support our North Y efforts.

There are problems here. The Y is one of many working to make a good place better. I know in my heart that there are hundreds of young people at our North Y that are not out on the streets who are being mentored to do the right thing. I know how much the Y helped me when I was a candidate for juvenile delinquent of the year.

Many think of the YMCA as place that is a gym and pool. It is much more than that. We are concerned about a single person's and our community's whole health. Most do not know that the Y is a charitable organization. We are coming to the end of our annual fund campaign. We are trying to raise \$60,000 that goes to help hundreds of children, families and seniors. This is why I Y.

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1263 Vinewood Dr. 2-Sty/3BR	119,900	108,000
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