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Forest Park Civic Association

OCTOBER 2014



1819 Sandalwood Place, FP East, 1st Place

1383 Firwood Drive. FP West, 1st Place

streets of Forest Park this summer. Thanks to the many, many residents who take pride in maintaining their homes and landscapes to make Forest Park a wonderful neighborhood.

Beautification Awards in Forest Park



1433 Cypresswood Court, FP West, 2nd Place

1735 Sandalwood Place, FP East, 2nd Place

Congrats to our Forest Park Neighbors!!

Our Winners received a plaque for their beautiful front yard landscapes and a gift certificate to Home Depot. The committee enjoyed walking and driving the various streets to see the many different plants and arrangements. Check out Page 10 for the article on our Winners.

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Articles for November Forester due to editor by October 17th. The November, 2014 Forester will be delivered to residents on November 2nd, 2014

CONTRIBUTORS THIS MONTH ARE:

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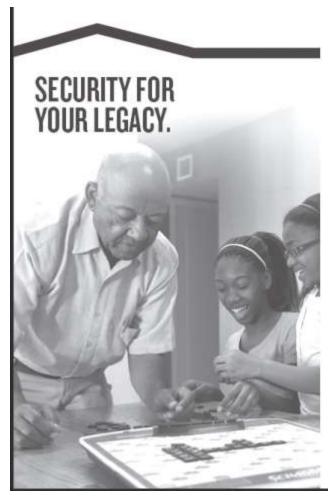
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Forest Park Civic Association September 9, 2014 Meeting Minutes Submitted by Marie Douthitt

The meeting was called to order by President Ken Gilbert at Epworth United Methodist Church at 7:01 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a roll call.

The President reported on car windows broken out on Ironwood, trying to get the city to remove a dead dog on Sandalwood, noted that large trees with damage in the city right-of-way should be reported to prevent injuries, and asked for help regarding feral cats.

Treasurer Dan Hartzell presented his financial report, which was accepted by the membership as read.

Area Rep Eddie Jones reported speeding cars. He will monitor for a pattern, and follow up accordingly.

Ed Vanasdale made a motion, seconded by Felix Quachey, to approach the Dispatch about providing a discount for undelivered Foresters. The motion was passed.

Beautification awards were presented for outstanding landscaping to two homes from each side of Forest Park by Dan Hartzell.

Earl Miller reported that the Welcome Committee needs volunteers to make visits to 38 new residents. That will be a priority.

After hearing from Catherine Gilbert regarding AEP's duct bank construction on Karl Road, Ken Gilbert made a motion for the FPCA to sign off on any correspondence from the Woodward Park/Kar-Mel Civic Association to AEP. Seconded by Ed Vanasdale and passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.



As we head in to the fall season, we're also heading into another season: elections. As former Speaker of the House Tip O'Neill once said: "All politics is local". This is an important election as many state offices will be decided as well as judgeships and important changes to the city charter. There may even be a local precinct-level issue—and often those are settled by just a couple of votes. Our choices will have an important impact on our community. Now I'm not urging anyone here to vote for a specific candidate or issue. As your President, I'm publically neutral, although I do, of course have my opinions and preferences, which will inform my vote. But I am urging everyone to register and vote. It is one of our great privileges and honors as citizens of these United States. It is also one of our most important responsibilities as citizens. As such, I encourage the residents of our community to educate themselves about the candidates and issues. There are many ways in which you can do this.

One way is to visit the website of the Franklin County Consortium for Good Government: www.franklincountyconsortium.com. They will host a series of "Meet the Candidates" forums prior to the election. They are sponsored in part by the Northland Community Council, of which Forest Park is a long time member. You will also find a number of links to other election information sites, such as the League of Women Voters and the Franklin County Board of Elections, where you can get information on the current ballot and information on registering to vote.

We even have the new offices for the latter in our community, in the old Kohl's store at 1700 Morse Road, where you may also vote early in person. The Columbus Dispatch's website will also have an interactive ballot. If you do not have a computer, you can use one at the local library, and the League of Women voters always published a free, printed guide, also available at the library and other sites. All registered voters have also recently received in the mail an application for an absentee ballot, should you be out of town on election day or unable to get to a polling place.

If you are not a registered voter—get registered! There are so many ways to register and vote that there really is no excuse for passing up this opportunity. Remember, once registered, when you vote you will need either a current valid photo ID, military ID, or a copy of a current utility bill, paycheck, or government document showing your name and current address.

Remember that brave men and women have paid the ultimate price for our freedoms. We honor them with our vote.



Forest Park Block Watch

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

Next meeting: Tuesday, October 28, 2014



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

Supplemental Security News

Submitted by Felix Quachey

In my August article, I mentioned that we were having a relatively quiet summer with regard to criminal activity in our neighborhood. I received a call from a resident of Area 5 that took issue with my assessment. The resident stated that there were numerous instances of police vehicles responding to one issue or the other on their street and that the park near their home was always buzzing with a police presence and that in their many years of living in Forest Park, they had never seen anything like it. The resident also wanted to know how come the Columbus Police weren't communicating to Forest Park Supplemental Security the number of incidents they were responding to in our area.



I bring up the conversation above because I think that as Supplemental Security Officer, I haven't communicated clearly enough how best for residents to bring matters of our neighborhood's security to my attention. Here goes:

First, and most importantly, I feel I should say that the Columbus Police Department has gone to great lengths to build and foster relationships with neighborhood Civic Associations like ours around the city and go to the trouble of attending almost every one of our Association Board meetings to keep us informed of criminal trends in our area and how to help them keep us safe. Any time a specific issue or concern is brought to their attention by Forest Park Supplemental Security or by any other member of the Forest Park Civic Association Board or Area Representatives on behalf of a resident or group of residents, they (Columbus Police) have been extremely responsive and take immediate action to try to remedy the situation.

I strongly believe that if not for the collective efforts of the Forest Park Civic Association and the Columbus Police Department through our Neighborhood Liaison Officer as well as the Columbus Police's Community Response Team (CRT), Forest Park would not continue to be the beautiful, peaceful neighborhood it continues to be.



If you have been the victim of a crime and are a Forest Park Resident, please follow the following steps:

Immediately report the incident to the Police by calling 911 for matters involving emergencies or for non-emergencies, call 614-645-4545. You can also file your report online by using the police website at www.columbuspolice.org

Once you have filed your police report and have your Police Report Number and you would like us to leverage our relationships with the Columbus Police to bring attention to your specific case and push for a speedy resolution, then call Forest Park Supplemental Security with the incident report number. I can then take specific incidents to our Neighborhood Liaison Officer at the CPD who can then have the CRT team investigate it. This is the best way to go about really directing police resources at our neighborhood's criminal element.

Also, I'd like to announce that U.S. Protection Service has appointed a new officer that will be patrolling our streets. Officer Aaron Ward will be driving the U.S. Protection Service vehicle that patrols our neighborhood. Do give him a warm Forest Park welcome when you see him out-and-about!

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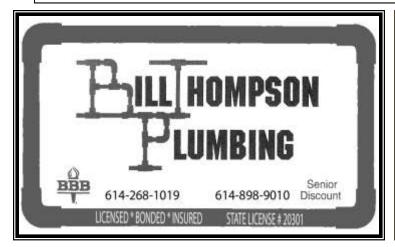
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All of Forest Park pick up is still on Fridays, we are Part B of the Friday Program. Schedule for Forest Park Yard Waste & Recycle dates are:



October 10th & 24th

November 7th & 21st



Columbus City Council's community meetings are coming to Northwest Columbus and Northland.

Council will host a community meeting on on Tuesday, October 14th. Council will meet with residents at the Northland Performing Arts Center, 4411 Tamarack Boulevard.

The meeting begins at **5:30pm** and end at **7pm**.

The community meetings are a chance for residents to discuss any subject matter they choose in an informal, one-on-one setting with council members, their staff, and city department leaders. The Northland meetings will be Council's seventh community meetings of 2014.

Come join us On Saturday, November 8, 2014, St. Andrew Presbyterian Church is hosting an art show, A Touch of Glass & More!

Glass, bead, jewelry, and art lovers alike will enjoy meeting the artists as they display and sell their original fused glass creations.

Check out the demonstration table and see how fused glass beads and jewelry are made. Pick up a class schedule for future fused glass classes and join in on the fun of creating your own glass jewelry.



The event runs from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, 1450 E. Dublin-Granville Road between Ambleside Drive and Karl Road. Admission is \$1 or a can of food to benefit NNEMAP (Near North Emergency Material Assistance Program) food pantry on High Street in the Short North.

Submitted by Phyllis, St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

Are You a New Neighbor? or Do You Have New Neighbors?

The Welcome Committee has a folder of helpful information and coupons for new residents. Contact me if you are new. One of us on the committee or your Area Rep will visit.

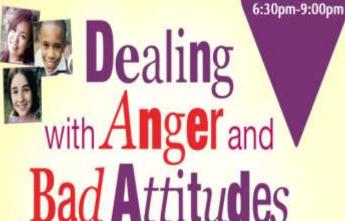
If you have a new neighbor please let me or your Area Representative listed in the Forester know so we can make a welcome visit.

Earl Miller - 614-846-6389





Friday November **7**



in Children and Their Parents

Location

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BEAUTIFICATION AWARDS

The 2014 Forest Park Civic Association beautification awards were presented at the September 9th monthly meeting.

The winners this year for Forest Park East were: 2nd place, Richard and Emalou Truske at 1735 Sandalwood Place. 1st place went to Barbara Varley at 1819 Sandalwood Place.

The winners for Forest Park West were: 2nd place, Freddie and Pamela Butcher at 1433 Cypresswood Court.

1st place went to John and Catherine Proctor at 1383 Firwood Drive.

We had many nominations this year and the Beautification Committee enjoyed their time going throughout the neighborhood, looking at all of the wonderful landscaping! This is part of what makes living in Forest Park great!

We are looking forward to next year already! Lora Hartzell, Committee Chair



Why is AEP tearing up KARL Rd?

If you have spent any time recently driving on Karl Road between Sandalwood and Morse Road, you have realized that you run into a bottle-neck when the road goes down to one lane in each direction with workers digging up the two middle lanes.

AEP is replacing the underground duct banks that have cables that run electric to 20 feeder stations in their system. They have discovered that moisture is getting into the lines and they are being proactive by replacing the lines and ducts before we have underground cable failures, causing lots of power outages.

The Karl Road Electric substation provides electric to about 10,000 customers in the Northland area. They will be replacing the lines from Morse Road up to 161 and plan to be completed by January 2015. After the road work is completed, they will be doing some work on the substation.

ard Park Civic Asso-

The Board of the Forest Park Civic Association at their last meeting has voted to co-sign a letter with the Karmel-Woodward Park Civic Association to AEP requesting that AEP resurface Karl Road back to the condition it was in before they started digging it up as well as installing some landscaping around the fenced area to make the AEP substation not look as noticeable.

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Dispatch Consumer Services delivers the Forester on the first Sunday of each month.

Advertising rates for each issue for camera ready advertisements:

Full Page	<u>_</u>	<u>125.00</u>
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CPD Helicopter Unit visits Forest Park at BLOCK WATCH Meeting

On August 28, the Columbus Police Helicopter Unit paid a visit to the Forest Park Block Watch. Their helicopter landed right on the grass just north of Epworth United Methodist Church, where the Block Watch meets. Roger and Roger (who said that their radio calls are answered with "Roger, Roger!") of the Columbus Police Department flew the helicopter in. There are six single-engine turbine MD500E helicopters in the unit, only one of which is in the air at one time, unless another is requested by the SWAT



team for a special mission. They are the eyes of the Columbus Police f



Columbus Police force, usually flying about 700-800 feet above the ground. With a speed of 180 mph they can be in most parts of Columbus in two minutes--four to five at the most. They fly with one pilot and one observer, and use binoculars for most of their observations, though one helicopter is equipped with a camera and they hope to equip the rest shortly. They do have a powerful light aboard, which most Columbus residents have seen at night from time to time, and they also have infrared capabilities for night work. They fly from noon to 4 am, with each flight shift lasting two hours. Helicopters are especially valuable when a suspect is fleeing,

as the helicopter can easily keep pace with fugitives on foot or in a car and direct officers to the scene. This is especially valuable as the city prefers to avoid car chases as they can be dangerous to innocent bystanders. They can quickly get to a crime scene and keep an eye on it until patrol cars arrive. A commercial pilot's li-



cense is required and three years of patrol experience--and an additional year as the observer (which both officers said was the harder job)--before an officer can fly as a pilot. Weather can keep them on the ground: specifically lightning and thunderstorms, high winds (above 30 knots), freezing precipitation, and low visibility, as they are not certified to fly on instruments. They are an important feature of the city's goal to protect and serve the citizens of our town. We hope you will consider coming out to our next Block Watch meeting at Epworth on Tuesday, October 28, at 7 pm.

PARKING Submitted by Marie Douthitt Bob and Debbie Roelle live in a beauti-

I stopped by recently to introduce myself and talk about the Pelotonia sign I had noticed in their yard this summer and in 2013. It turns out that I must not have been paying enough attention, because Bob Roelle has participated in each Pelotonia since its inception. This year made his sixth ride, and

he pedaled the longest available option- 180 miles.

fully maintained and landscaped home in Forest Park.



For something that only sounds grueling to most of us, I was amazed at how positively Bob views his ride. As he said, very few of us have not had close friends and loved ones touched by cancer, and it's a very moving experience to ride on their behalf.

He is pleased that 100% of funds donated go directly to research at the James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute, despite the fact that there is a lot of rider support and a phenomenal kick-off for the event.

He loves to bike, and gets in about 75 miles most weeks.

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Pelotonia is a bike tour with one goal - to end cancer. If you'd like to donate to Bob's 2014 Pelotonia ride, please visit https://www.mypelotonia.org/profile_search.jsp and enter his last name into the search engine. Current year donations are open until October 10th.

I want to thank Bob and Debbie for being so accommodating during my unannounced visit. They've lived in Forest Park since '94 and like the diversity of the area, and being close to family. It was a pleasure to meet such friendly people in the Park.

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Join us for the next FPCA meeting Tuesday October 14th

Forest Park Civic Association meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at Epworth United Methodist Church, 5100 Karl Road

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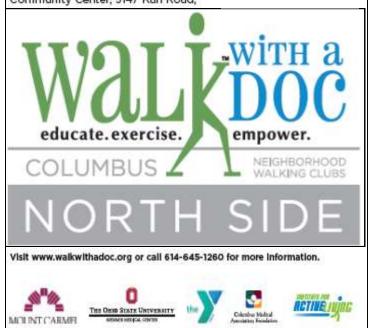
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NORTH SIDE SCHEDULE - 2014

and walking incentives at each walk.

Where: Woodward Park and Community Center, 5147 Karl Road



YMCA Hosts Free Luncheon and Health Fair

The North YMCA is hosting a Senior Social Health Fair and Luncheon on Friday, October 10, 2014 from Noon-3:00 pm. Lead sponsor, Meijer, is providing flu shots free to Medicare beneficiaries and free blood glucose testing for the first 50 attendees from 10:00am to 1:00p.m. Participation is free to the community. For more information or to RSVP for the luncheon, please call Dayna McCrary at the North YMCA, 614-885-4252.



FLU SHOTS

The North YMCA is partnering with Meijer to offer flu vaccination on Friday, October 10, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the YMCA, 1640 Sandalwood Place. Flu shots are free of cost to Medicare Beneficiaries. For more information, please call Dayna McCrary at the North YMCA, 614-885-4252.

Submitted by George Schmidt





October, 2014

MARY SGUERRA



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Dear Neighbors:

Fall is here and the real estate market is staying a bit active and the interest rates are still low!

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My listing at 1645 Norma Rd. closed this past month and my listing at 5210 Tamarack Blvd. went in-contract. Please give me a call for a free market analysis of your home & let me show you what HER and I can do for you.

NEW LISTING

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All Homes SOLD

Since 8/22/14		Asking:	Sold Price:
5163 Maplewood Ct.E	2-Sty/4BR	79,900	77,500
5056 Karl Rd.	Ranch/3BR	89,700	89,700
2107 Sumac Lp. S.	2-Sty/4BR	94,000	93,700
1635 Norma Rd	Ranch/3BR	118,000	115,500
5507 Blue Ash Rd.	2-Sty/4BR	118,000	116,000
5483 Driftwood Rd.	Bilvl/3BR	124,900	124,900
1521 Cypresswood Ct.	Split/4BR	135,000	135,000
1635 Norma Rd 5507 Blue Ash Rd. 5483 Driftwood Rd.	Ranch/3BR 2-Sty/4BR Bilvl/3BR	118,000 118,000 124,900	115,500 116,000 124,900

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