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Neighbors taking care of where they live

Dear Forest Park Residents,

Welcome to spring and welcome from the Forest Park Civic Association. This is a special issue of the "Forester" which is reaching all the residents of Forest Park—East and West. We are requesting that you renew or become a new member of your civic association. There are monthly meetings held at the Epworth Methodist Church on Karl Road for all members. The annual dues are a bargain at only \$25 per year. The dues include: a monthly "Forester"; supplemental security (60% of the total); maintainence the islands at the entrances to both East and West Forest Park; the 4th of July parade; Gabby's night out; and membership in the Northland Community Council among other activities.

The Forest Park Civic Association is active in helping home owners resolve issues which they have in their individual neighborhoods by contacting both code and police enforcement. As always we need your help. The more members we enroll. The more we can do in the community. Please take the time to fill out the enclosed application to become a member. The annual dues are value priced compared to the other civic associations in Columbus. The civic association officers work hard on your be-

half providing activities for the community. Please help

by becoming a member.

Thank you for you consideration, Edward Vanasdale President, FPCA

Next FPCA Meeting JOIN US

Tuesday, May 10th, 2016
7 pm

Epworth United Methodist Church 5100 Karl Road



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Hi Forest Park Neighbors,

The weather is warming and the days are longer. We are spending more time outside enjoying the fresh air. Now is the time we all want to spruce up our yards to make the view more pleasant.

This note is a reminder of a few things you can do to make your property more attractive.

- * Call 311 to schedule all bulk pickups.
- Green trash tubs and blue recycle tubs should be placed beside your house or in the back yard. It will make your home and neighborhood look better.
- Place your green trash tubs and blue recycle tubs at the curb no more than 12 hours prior to pickup date and remove them within 24 hours after pickup date.
- Parking cars in the grass will earn you a visit from the Code Enforcement Division (311).
- Cars parked in your driveway blocking the sidewalk will be ticketed by the Columbus Police Department. (Just call 614-645-4545 to report cars blocking the sidewalk.)
- Permanent storage of your RVs, camping trailers and utility trailers should be behind the front line of your home on a paved surface. The city allows a day or two for loading and unloading campers in the driveway before and after a trip. Longer duration will be ticketed by the Code Enforcement Division (311).
- Inspect your sidewalks for debris and/or needed concrete repair. As homeowners, you are responsible for this area. If a tree is between the curb and the sidewalk and is causing damage to the sidewalk, the city will repair the problem without any cost to you. Just call 311 and report the problem.
- * Speed limit is residential areas is 25 mph. More kids are outside playing now that the weather is warmer; kids aren't always aware of oncoming cars. Watch out for bike riders and texting walkers, too.

Have a safe and fun Summer and Spring, Sincerely, FPCA Block Captains

Supplemental Security News











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 ____

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

If yes, make and model of car

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Attention all residents: Please send all your vacation home check requests at least a full week ahead of your departure. We need a little lead time for our patrol officer to adjust his schedule if the need arises.

SECURITY NEWS FOR FOREST PARK

Spring seems to finally have sprung as I pen this article! It is a perfect day to enjoy an afternoon in the backyard under the many mature trees that make our neighborhood such a gem. As beautiful a picture as this is, I must remind all residents that with nicer weather comes more criminal activity. Our Columbus Police Liaison Officer reminded us at our meeting last Tuesday April 12th to be mindful of the following:

- 1. Keep those garage doors down when working in your yard; especially when you are in the back-yard—it only takes the bad guys a second to pop in there and make off with something. Even more dangerous, if you are not in the habit of always locking the door into the house from the garage (and you should), you have now given a criminal unrestricted access into your home.
- 2. Remember that if anyone comes to your door trying to sell you a service, they are required to have a City of Columbus Peddler's License which will also have their photograph on it! If they do not have a Peddler's License, they are engaging in an illegal act and are trespassing on your property.
- 3. Please remember to always answer your door—do not open the door. Simply speak through the door to let someone know that someone is home. Officer Clinger shared that burglars are now ringing doorbells or knocking on doors and when nobody answers, they pop around to the backyard to smash a window to climb into. You do not want to be in your home with a burglar. The burglars prefer an empty home so ALWAYS speak up and let anyone at your door know you are home!
- 4. As a reminder, the Columbus Police Non-Emergency phone number is (and you must dial the area code now) 614-645-4545 the press * to bypass the automated system to go directly to the live dispatcher. Please do not call Forest Park Supplemental Security if you think you are observing a crime in progress! Call the police report it!
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of the
Friday Program.



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> May 6 & 20 & June 3 & 17



Yard Waste & Blue
Can Recycling
happens on the
same Friday, every
other week



I would also like to say thank you to all you residents who have ceased the practice of parking in their front yards. Please continue to spread the word and explain to your neighbors and other residents you see parking in their front yards that they could get a citation from City of Columbus Code Enforcement and a court appearance if they are repeat offenders. We still have some work to do regarding bad parking habits that both make our neighborhood look trashy and also happen to be against the law. Please note the following according to our Columbus Police Liaison Officer:

If you park in your driveway such that you block the sidewalk, it is within the jurisdiction of Columbus Police to write you a parking ticket with an associated fine and/or you could get your vehicle towed from your driveway.

If your vehicle is parked such that 2 wheels are on the curb and the other 2 wheels are on the street, this is also a parking violation for which CPD WILL give you a ticket. Please parallel-park properly along the curb to save you the aggravation of a ticket and/or fine.

In closing, I charge you all with keeping yourselves and your neighbors safe by making an effort to get to know your neighbor this spring and summer season so that the sense of community and true neighborhood never dies in OUR Forest Park! Be Safe, Felix Quachey



FOREST PARK SPRING COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE Saturday, May 14th



Spring house 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 14th 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 9:00 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 11th to Mary Squerra, 5395 Pine Bluff Rd. Columbus, OH 43229

If you have any questions, please call Mary at 818-7636

GARAGE SALE ENTRY FORM - \$5.00						
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Email:						
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Walk with a Doc



Is a chance to get healthy. The idea is to walk with a doctor. Ask questions and receive advice. Walk with a group of folks who give support.

The walks take place at **Woodward Park** and Community Center, 5147 Karl Road. They meet at the front picnic tables. They walk on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays, **8:30 to 9:30 am**.

Schedule

April 2, 16 May 7, 21 June 4, 18 July 2, 16 August 6, 20 September 3, 17 October 1, 15 November 5. End of year celebration: November 19.

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Donatos 1891 Tamarack Circle (614) 846-8411

Dreivae African Restaurant 1911 Tamarack Circle N (614) 430-3350

Gabby's 1887 Tamarack Circle (614) 433-0583

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Roosters 2454 E. Dublin Granville Rd. (614) 523-0993

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West African Restaurant 1890 Tamarack Circle (614) 781-5832

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Elena Markosova and her dream, the Classic Bistro

You will never meet a more gracious restaurant owner than Elena Markosova, the owner of the brand new restaurant, Classic Bistro. Elena genuinely goes out of her way to make guests feel welcome. She even showed interest in the 161 Task Force after a conversation that I had with Emmanuel Remy, President of the Northland Community Council. Before we left, she had managed to join Forest Park and even pay for a half page ad! Always aiming to please, she kindly offered us some delicious pastries. If the taste is any indication of the entirety of the menu, then Classic Bistro is sure to please any appetite!

It was Elena's dream to own her own restaurant. Elena made her way to Columbus, to pursue her dreams. She began classes at Columbus State, knowing how important it was for her to succeed in the restaurant business. While there, she recalled a story of a fellow student making snide remarks about how grueling life was in United States and how in his home country, much less work was required. Elena couldn't believe his attitude and immediately replied, "There is nowhere in the world where you will have this much opportunity!" Elena lives by her words and because of people like her, America is made stronger.

Elena was able to open Classic Bistro on 984 Morse Road thanks to the kind investment of her brother-in-law and owner of Twins Buick GMC. From my delightful experiences at the restaurant, he has made a great investment.

Elena describes the restaurant as familiar and quaint. Maybe because of its small size or her welcoming attitude. She equates the experience with someone coming into her own home for a delicious lunch and conversation.

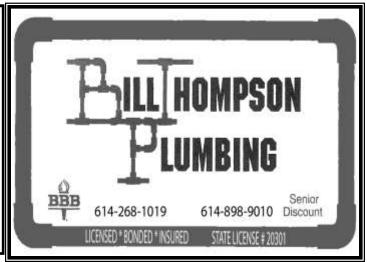
From classic decor, familiar American lunch-time favorites, to the European chocolates, eating at Classic Bistro is a one-of-a-kind experience. She even carries Spirits of the Tsars Vodka, a rarity to Columbus, this caramel-colored vodka is produced in Ukraine and aged 3 years in cognac barrels.

With extravagances such as these, the prices may shock you. (In a great way!) Elena made sure to keep the prices affordable to anyone. She knows more than anyone about being given the opportunity to try something special.

Classic Bistro is open for all-day breakfast and lunch. If anything, it is definitely worth it to stop by just to get to know Elena. She is truly a great person and an important worldly additional to our community. Shop Northland and support businesses like Classic Bistro. We hope to see you there!

Submitted by George Schmidt







VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

To plan and manage the activities of the Civic Association, the membership elects officers and representatives to a Board of Trustees. The Board meets formally each month, but its members remain in communication throughout the month and perform a variety of functions for the Association. Board members are unpaid volunteers that enjoy being actively involved in the Association and serving the interests of its members. Any regular member of the Association is eligible to be nominated for a Board position in which they have expressed an interest. The positions are described below.

Area Representative: Forest Park has 14 residential areas, each with its own representative. They form the core of the Board. Area reps also participate in Outreach Day and assist in securing welcome committee volunteers.

Business Representative: This representative speaks on the FPCA Board for businesses located in and near Forest Park and usually conducts the business portion of the membership drive personally.

President: This officer presides at all regular and special meetings, appoints people to various positions as needed, serves on the Finance committee, may nominate volunteers to receive awards at the Northland Community Council Banquet, and ensures that our affairs are conducted in a timely manner. A year's service on the Board prior to running for this position is customary.

Vice President: This officer is our chief delegate to the Northland Community Council (an umbrella organization of Northland Area Civic Associations) and reports on NCC matters at each Board meeting. This person performs all duties of the president in the president's absence.

Secretary: This officer keeps the minutes of all regular and special meetings, maintains our roster and attendance records, prepares and distributes the printed agenda and minutes, and conducts and keeps our correspondence.

Treasurer: This officer receives all Association monies, pays all our bills, and prepares reports for our monthly Board meetings and end-of-year financial statements, keeping our books in a form readily amenable to audit, and serves as the chair of the Finance committee. This person should be bondable and familiar with accounting practices.

Public Relations Officer: This officer acts as media contact to publicize our general membership meetings and events and writes items as appropriate for *The Forester*.

Supplemental Security Director: This officer schedules our Supplemental Security patrols, certifies the accuracy of invoices, and verbally reports incidents and expenses to the Board and the same in writing to *The Forester*.

The Forester Editor: This officer edits and produces the monthly newsletter and accepts and bills ads.

Every volunteer organization depends on the willingness of its members to commit time and energy to the organization's activities and goals. The FPCA is no exception. Here are some other ways to serve.

Garage Sale: In spring and fall, we hold a "community" garage sale. These days are designed to bring maximum exposure to any Forest Park resident looking to have a garage sale at their home. The FPCA places newspaper ads promoting the sales. Volunteers prepare programs providing maps and addresses for the sales and distribute them on sale day at the entrance islands on Karl Rd.

Outreach Day: This campaign drive is designed to gather feedback from residents and encourage membership. It is a once a year commitment of about five hours. This minimal time commitment is vital to the FPCAs endeavors. It's a great way to meet new residents in our neighborhood.

Beautification Awards: Each summer, the FPCA awards one residence each in Forest Park East and West a beautification prize for the landscaping and gardening in their front yards. Nominations are requested in *The Forester*, and volunteers receive these nominations and select the winners who will receive the awards.

Bikes & Trikes: Part of the Northland Community Council July 4th Parade on Karl Road, Forest Park kids are invited to decorate their bikes & trikes and be in the parade from Woodward Park MS to Sandalwood PL. Volunteers assist by buying awards and prizes, organizing the participants before the parade, judging the entries, awarding the prizes, assisting our photographer, and then escorting the children into, along, and out of the parade. One volunteer writes an article to go with the photos for the *The Forester*.

Welcome Committee: When new residents move in, volunteers visit them and inform them about Forest Park, the Civic Association, schools, businesses, etc., and give them a packet of informative materials and coupons. They work in cooperation with their area representative. The committee meets occasionally, and may include gathering materials and assembling packets.

Note: All budgeted expenses for events are either paid for or reimbursed by the FPCA. Rev 2016.04.15



Dear Neighbor: As a resident of Forest Park, I take great pride in our community. Its size, location, and history has made it one of the most identifiable neighborhoods in Central Ohio. The contribution of Forest Park residents have profoundly shaped the city's success. At its birth, our community marked the north edge of Columbus. Now it is well within the city limits, all while staying attractive and vibrant. Like all neighborhoods in this era, Forest Park faces challenges. Our advantage is having a representative body like FPCA, advocating our concerns and needs to the city. FPCA works with community leaders for the betterment of the neighborhood and provides resources, guidance, and support for individual residents. It is the only known Columbus neighborhood to arrange supplemental security patrols as added protection to an already vigilant area. The strength of FPCA is directly related to its membership. An increase in support, both in terms of activity and resources, increases the impact the organization can make. I humbly ask you to join us in our effort to maintain and improve an already special community by becoming a member of the Forest Park Civic Association.

FPCA President

FPCA represents nearly 3000 households & businesses within Forest Park. As your Civic Association, we ...

- Publish and deliver The Forester, our monthly community newsletter, to more than 3500 homes in and around Forest Park while publishing the Forest Park Directory every three years, delivering copies to all paid FPCA member households.
- Provide and manage Supplemental Security Patrols in marked cars from US Protection Service to help detect and deter crime throughout our community. Provide support to our Neighborhood Block Watch program and partner with the Columbus Division of Police through the Community Liaison Program.
- Organize community activities and events for both kids and adults, including the July 4th "Bikes & Trikes" Parade, two community garage sales, and the front yard beautification.
- Maintain the landscape and sign boxes at Sandalwood Place and Karl Road island entrances, while coordinating cleanup, restoration and beautification activities within Forest Park and along State Route 161.
- Maintain and update the Forest Park Web site at www.fpcivic.org with news and information.
- Welcome new residents and provide them with information on our community.
- Sponsor presentations by guest speakers from government, schools, and associations at our monthly
 general meetings.
- Help residents contact and work with city agencies on community and neighborhood issues, such as code enforcement, street repair, snow removal, and street lighting.
- Represent Forest Park in the Northland Community Council (NCC) which advocates the interest of 25
 Columbus neighborhoods containing over 100,000 residents.
- Support local business and developmental organizations, such as the Northland Area Business Association (NABA), the State Route 161 Task Force and the Northland Alliance.
 - And much more! Thank you for helping us to continue these activities during the coming year.

FOREST PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION April 12, 2016 MINUTES

Secretary Matthew Ward

The meeting was called to order by 2016 President Ed Vanasdale at 7:05pm and started with the Pledge of Allegiance by all in attendance. Roll call of the officers was taken by the secretary.

President Ed Vanasdale opened with a few opening remarks about the speakers for tonight and the question and answer period. He then turned the floor over to Dan Hartzell for the Treasurer's report. Dan stated that income for the month of March came from new memberships and Forester ad sales. Expenses for the month came from printing membership applications, supplemental security and the Forester printing. The budget left the month in the hole but will turn around once the membership drive kicks off. The budget for March 2016 was voted on and approved by the FPCA Board.

The first speaker for the night was scheduled to be Chief Jacobs of the Columbus Police Department, unfortunately she was unable to make it due to the death of a fellow officer today. Officer Scott Clinger filled in for her and spoke of a few things to keep in mind now that the weather is getting warmer. He reminded people to keep their garage doors closed when working outside to avoid people from looking and seeing what is in there for the taking. Officer Clinger also spoke of the peddlers that will start coming door to door for sales. He said these people should have visible City of Columbus licenses with a white sticker, if they do not have them do not buy from them and report them to the city. The new rule is the peddlers are allowed out until 8:00pm instead of 6pm in the past. Also he stated that if you do not want to answer your door to try and make some communication with them even if it's through the door just in case it is someone trying to break in. This lets them know someone is inside. Some questions were asked by residents about parking issues. He stated that if it is in the street it is a police issue and to call the non-emergency number if it is in the person's driveway or yard it is a code enforcement issue and to call the Citys 311 and report.

At 7:26 a moment of silence was given for the fallen officer today and Officer Clinger ended his remarks.

At 7:40 Vice President Felix Quachey introduced the second speaker Northland YMCA Director Malik Moore. Mr. Moore stated that he is working with leaders and volunteers at the Y to make them responsible for being a voice in the community. He stated that the community is the one who holds the pink slip for the YMCA and they should be there to help the community grow. Mr. Moore stated that there are many great events happening at the Y and said the prices have been backed down in order to give all a chance at becoming a member. He gave the dates for April 30 as the Healthy Kids Day and 7/17 for the Forest Park Annual Picnic. The Y is also looking for suggestions for the volunteers to show ownership in the community through a program called Togetherhood which makes volunteers do at least 4 services for the community a year.

Questions were given to Mr. Moore in regards to Hoover Y park which is an area that they Y plants vegetables and sells or gives them to those in need, Child Care, the Y has the largest child care provider in Central Ohio and Community Rooms which are free to use to anyone using it to help the community grow. Mr. Moore ended his remarks at 8:00pm.

President Ed Vanadale made remarks regarding some upcoming dates for the board and the community. Those included May 7th Shredding Day, May 11th NCC Awards Banquet, May 14th Garage Sales and June 4th Gabbys FPCA Night Out. He then talked about an idea the Columbus City Schools is purposing regarding the closure of Northland High School. This would include building a new 1100 student school behind Woodward Park Middle School and taking the current park and using it for the school's athletic fields. The school board will be hearing from the public on this issue Monday 4/18 at Brookhaven High School. Ed also stated that he has heard the developer of the new Kroger store have said they do not intend to leave the old store building vacant although no new tenant has been announced.

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At 8:10 Mike Stone and Scott Prigan announced the development of the FPCA Facebook and Twitter pages that will up and running soon to help get information to the community. George Schimdt of the 161 Task Force stated that the businesses along 161 are showing support and helping with donations for things such as grass cutting and 161 clean up. P.J. Phillips also stated that 7 new residents have moved into the area and welcome committee has reached out to them and gave them new welcome folders.

At 8:17 a vote was put up and approved for 5 board members to receive tickets the NCC awards banquet. Mike Stone made remarks regarding the Stuffing Party for the membership drive and George Schmidt said the parade was moving forward with a Future Theme, the parade will by 7/4 at 11am.

The last remarks for the night we made by Dave Paul about development in the area. He stated that at the Meijer location part of the parking lot will be used for a COTA transit center which the city approved. Also he stated that the NCC pool has been purchased by a couple hoping to use the grounds as a residence and after discussing the plan with the city they discussion was tabled to the end of the month when the purchasers will seek to come back for approval for a plan to keep the property as a residence but keep the commercial zoning license. Also the former Rite Rug building on Morse Road will be opening soon for the Furniture Bank of Ohio restore where they will sell furniture they cannot use for their purposes.

The April 2016 FPCA Meeting was adjourned by Ed Vanasdale at 8:32pm.



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Please feel free to call or email, if you have any questions or to express your interest in joining the Welcome Committee. PJ Phillips, (614) 420-1637, pjphillips064@gmail.com

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A FRESH LOOK

Renew & Refresh Your Home

by PJ Phillips

If you want to add spring flair to your home's style with accessories, here are simple tips to accessorize your space with your own personal touch.

1 Go with what you love

Start with an object that brings you joy, and choose other accessories that are inspired by or complementary to that piece. You're much more likely to be happy with the result when you begin with a much-loved item.

2 Fruit and flowers

Try big glass bowls or wide vases of fruit in the kitchen to add color; fill full of just one type of fruit (oranges, green apples or lemons look wonderful) for instant style. Flower arrangements may be causal or formal to compliment the style of the room.

3 Choose your colors

Before selecting accessories, decide on your color scheme. Choose one or two colors for your accessories that will add interest and coordinate with your furniture and wall color. Contrasting colors add vibrancy to a room. If your furniture and walls are neutral, go bold with your accessories.

4 Stick with a theme

Accessories are a great way to play up the theme of a room. If you're going for a beachy feel, shells and sea glass bring in that breezy feeling. For modern design, choose streamlined accessories that mesh with your contemporary furniture. The key is to keep your theme in mind to achieve a cohesive look.

5 Group according to size & number

When grouping multiple objects together, vary their size and height. This goes for candles, framed photos, apothecary jars and any other accent pieces. Mixing size and height adds visual interest to your design. Use odd numbers when placing accessories in a group; 3 to 5 items.

6 Lighting

Lighting is an easy way to add instant impact. Choose light fixtures that complement the design style of your room. As a great example, use a variety of lighting types to illuminate a room – from chandeliers to sconces to recessed lighting. Light fixtures are also a great way to add color where you need it most.

7 Walls

Neutral walls are the ultimate canvas. Hang a grouping of framed book illustrations or shadow boxes, or mount a mirror (or a collection of them). Hang all of your art with the center at 57 inches to create an eye-pleasing effect throughout your home.

8 Team Up With a Professional If Needed

Consider hiring a home professional who will have an objective eye and provide advice to make home accessorizing easy.

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Columbus Square, the Bowling Palace, The Hadler Companies donated \$5000 outright and \$5000 match funds dollar for dollar. The Super 8 Motel has already kicked in \$500. We need to support the hotels now that they have passed great scrutiny.

George Schmidt Chair 161 Task Force georgeschmidt1949@outlook.com

Highlights from the 161 Task Force meeting April 7, 2015.

- 12 people attended
- 4 new businesses Giant Eagle, Super 8 motel, ASF INTL. and Red Roof Inn joined us to add to First Merchants, WRL Lighting, Hadler Companies and Ink Well.
- We hired Garcia's Landscape to mow 161.
- Officer Clinger had no crimes to report.
- . The light poles are up. Bill Logan reported and Dick Graham will investigate lights that are out.
- The City has completed a traffic study. We will schedule a meeting to review it.

We now only have 6 more landscape boxes in need of caregivers
I would like Forest Park to take the 2 on the south side of Beechcroft
We have money for plants. Directions from Oakland Nurseries.
Join us and Earthday Columbus for 161 cleanup on April 23, 9 AM
Sharon Woods Center





We have fun and get it done!

Join Us 161 Task Force Cleanup Day

On Dublin Granville Road Meet: Sharon Woods Center

June 4th

9:00 AM



Giant Eagle providing Breakfast and Beverages

The North YMCA serving the Breakfast



Earth Day Columbus has welcomed us as a partner. Our event name is East Dublin Grandville Road Cleanup 161 Task Force. Anyone can log into earthdaycolumbus.org and volunteer. In addition to helping with supplies and marketing our partners, Chipotle, Donatos, Jeni's Splendid Ice Creams, Bubbles Tea, and Clif Bar, are providing great rewards.

Clean Up Schedule for 2016

June 4 July 16 August 27 October 8 November 12

Bags, gloves, safety vest and pick-up tools are provided

Please wear bright clothing and sturdy footwear

For more information or to RSVP contact Event Coordinator Dave Cooper at the Ink Well (614) 888-2201

dave@inkwellcolumbus.com

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Columbus Square Shopping Center Keep Columbus Beautiful

New YMCA North Director visits the FPCA April Board Meeting

Malik Moore, Director of the North Y, has made a great impact in a short period of time. He impressed the crowd who attended the April 12, general Forest Park meeting. By sharing his roots, he demonstrated where the passion for the Y was born. Malik grew up in Philadelphia. His father taught him the importance of knowing neighbors by making sure little Malik knew the shop keepers, community park leaders, the baker, etc. And that they knew him. He finds Forest Park to still be that type of neighborhood where people genuinely care and people want to know each other.

The Y, Malik, emphasized the this is a safe place where everyone in the community can come. He is actively out in the community meeting religious leaders, business leaders, government leaders and community leaders in order to be able to meet the needs of the community. In order to get to know them and them to get to know him. It is all based on relationships and working for the better.

Malik's voice got just a little more excited when he started to talk about Healthy Kids Day, a family-friendly day that the Y is open to the public from 11-2pm on April 30. He expects 1000 people to show up and enjoy the Y facilities and have great fun. The staff is jazzed for this day. It coincides with the grand reopening of the fitness center.

Sometimes we start to forget the importance of having a Y in the center of Forest Park. We were given a vivid reminder. Without our Y scores of children would have no place to go before and after school. The Y keeps the kids off the streets.

Our Y provides childcare that goes beyond the basic need into the arena of preparing each child for kindergarten. More than 50% of the kids in YMCA preschool are literate by the time they start kindergarten. Zoe for President is one way the National Y is stressing the importance of early education, exercise and nutrition for our children. Zoe is one-year- old. We want to give her all she needs so that she can be qualified to be president in 35 years. More information can be found at www.zoeforpresident.net



One of most impressive projects being led by the Y is the *TOGETHERHOOD Project*. The TOGETHER-HOOD Project is a volunteer engagement team that engages volunteers from the Y and the community. This team of volunteers will lead at least 4 community service projects a year. The only rule for the YMCA's Togetherhood projects is that these projects cannot directly benefit the YMCA. One such project will take place on April 23rd at 9am. The YMCA's Team will take part in the 161 Clean up, then on April 30th the YMCA's team will help a local family challenged by age to clean out their yard. If you have an idea that you want to share with the YMCA's TOGETHERHOOD Team, please send an email to: mmoore@ymcacolumbus.org

We know that there are a lot of organizations that make a difference. We all probably are active in at least one. Director Moore helped us to see that the Y is one that is right here in Forest Park doing service that they are uniquely equipped and positioned to do. We do not even want to imagine what it would be like without the Y.

Submitted by George Schmidt

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