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Happy New Year 2018



Forest Park Residents

Here's hoping that all our Forest Park residents had a Merry Christmas and a joyous New Year's celebration. It will be a great start to 2018 if more of our neighbors would get involved in our civic association. We are thrilled that most of our Board Members have agreed to generously serve again for the Forest Park Civic Association for 2018. If you would like to help, even if its just as simple as delivering Foresters to your street or attending one of the monthly FPCA board meetings come join us at the next meeting Tuesday January 9th at 7:00 pm. We hold our meeting at the Epworth Methodist Church on Karl Road. We welcome new faces, especially new folks to the area to be part of our organization. Please consider participating.

With the return of winter weather, you might consider helping your neighbors with their snow removal especially the elderly, the retired or snow birds who may have flown the coop for Florida. Keep an eye on any neighbor's house that may be gone for an extended period of time. Help out where you can. Hopefully the weather won't get too bad and Spring will be here soon enough and these freezing January temperatures will be soon forgotten. THINK WARM and BE SAFE. Happy New Year.

Sincerely, Ed Vanasdale, FPCA President

Forest Park BLOCKWATCH Meeting

January Meeting Tuesday January 9th—6 pm

FPCA Meeting

Tuesday January 9th—7pm

Location:

Epworth United Methodist Church 5100 Karl Road

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Articles for February 2018 Forester are due to editor by January 19, 2017. The February 2018 Forester will be delivered on/around the first Sunday, February 4 or view it online at fpcivic.org.

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November, 2017 FPCA Treasurer's Report. Submitted by

Dan Hartzell

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COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO recently sent out a message with tips on how to stay safe and manage your natural gas regulation during these freezing cold temperatures. I thought they were worth sharing to our Forest Park residents

Stay safe:

- Check your carbon monoxide detectors.
- Avoid frozen pipes by opening cabinets around plumbing and run a trickle of water.
- Use heaters on a hard, level surface away from flammables. Do NOT use stoves, ovens or grills for heat.
- Clear your meter of snow and ice with a broom when shoveling your driveway.
- Smell natural gas? Leave immediately and call 911 and 1-800-344-4077 from a safe location.

Stay warm:

- Clear areas around heating equipment vents.
- Weatherstrip windows and doors.
- Turn down your thermostat when you're away for more than 8 hours.
- Open your shades during the day.
- Use a fireplace insert to reduce heat loss.

You can check out more Information at their Website: ColumbiaGasOhio.com



New Year is Here!!

It is my hope that you are surviving these very difficult economic periods where the cost of a gallon of milk now stands at \$12. While we're adjusting to this new inflationary pe-

riod, it's always good to have a 17-year old son who is eager to help by getting that milk and bringing us the eight dollars change from our twenty. But milk is the least of our problems compared to the \$6 per gallon gas he keeps getting!!

My two kids, who were both born and raised in this neighborhood, are now in their mid to late teens. Our culture requires me to sadly say something like "Where did the time go?" But I refuse to do that!! The time was filled extremely well and there's too much joy now to become melancholy. Rather, I celebrate the neighborhood that has contributed so much to who they are today.



I continue to be amazed at what a beautiful, unique neighborhood Forest Park continues to be. For something that is older than a half century, its homes remain mostly with rock-solid foundations (though my living room still looks like it's from the early 70s!!). The tree lines that drape our the streets cannot be seen in the suburban new-builds. We still have our mail hand delivered to our door. There's a library down the street, and several small parks along our neighborhood boundaries. I particularly love to tell people that our neighborhood has been the sight for ESPN sports broadcasts (thankyou Sequoia Pro Bowl!).

As an older neighborhood within the city of Columbus, Forest Park has very unique charms, but also unique needs to maintain itself. The Forest Park Civic Association works year around to be that advocate. Serving on the board is extremely fulfilling but few hands can make a lot of work for those who volunteer. We're hoping that you will join us in 2018.

Hope your 2018 is prosperous, Mike Stone, Volunteer Coordinator

COMMUNICATION CHECKUP

Here's a reminder of the many ways that you can lock in with what is happening around Forest Park. Make sure you are following these medias.

Forest Park Website: http://www.fpcivic.org

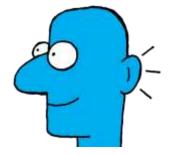
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Forester Delivers: For years, we paid the Dispatch to deliver our monthly Foresters and their service was awful. Last year, we switched to a system of resident volunteer deliverers. While it's working, we need many more deliverers to keep it sustainable. Time commitment is about 45 minutes per month.

With interest in any of them, or interest in contributing in your special way, please contact Mike at (614) 218-1788 or msto0103@yahoo.com

Thank you for being a valued member of the neighborhood. Mike Stone

Supplemental Security News











Submitted by Felix Quachey



Happy New Year Neighbors! I surely wish the new year would bring a renewal that just washes away crime in our neighborhood! I'm afraid that is wishful thinking and we all need to continue to remain vigilant.

According to the Columbus Police Zone 1 Newsletter property crimes are still the highest trending crime with vehicle break-ins and thefts at the top of the list. It is reported in the Newsletter that out of 80 vehicle thefts:

"38 were as a result of the owner leaving the vehicle running with the keys in the ignition!" 10 were as a result of keys left unattended or even inside the unlocked vehicle."

Please remind your neighbors that it is a violation of Ohio law to leave a vehicle running while unattended with the keys in the ignition. Go up to your neighbor and kindly share this information with them because many simply are not aware that they are breaking the law when they do this. I have a lot of sympathy for folks during this cold time of year; however, once your car gets stolen, spending time at the bus stop will be much colder.

I have also been made aware of many instances of vehicle being broken into in our neighborhood! A few things we can try to deter criminals are as follows:

- Make sure the area is well lit! Install some bright lights triggered by movement over your driveways. Criminals generally avoid well-lit areas.
- Ensure that your cars that are in the driveway have nothing worth taking left in them.
- Don't leave anything in plain sight in your car—not even loose change, a shopping bag or anything that may attract unwanted attention to your vehicle.
- Make double sure your cars are locked—in many instances these criminals will rather walk away that smash the windows.



I firmly believe that the opioid crisis in Columbus has a lot to do with the rash of property crimes we are seeing across the city. Remain vigilant, look out for your neighbors; and most importantly, report all crimes to the police no matter how small. The more we report it, the more they can identify trends and allocate resources to eradicating the problem.

Don't forget, Please try not to leave parked vehicles running and unattended and risk being a victim of a car theft. Unless you have a remote starter or other security features on your vehicle that permit you to keep it running while locked and without keys in the ignition, not only will it be attractive to criminals; but it is also



against the law in Ohio and can earn you a misdemeanor charge regardless of whether or not the car is on private property. Ohio revised code reads: "No person driving or in charge of a motor vehicle shall permit it to stand unattended without first stopping the engine, locking the ignition, removing the key from the ignition, effectively setting the parking brake, and, when the motor vehicle is standing upon any grade, turning the front wheels to the curb or side of the highway."

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.

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Schedule for Forest Park Yard Waste & Recycle dates are:

January 12, 26
&
February 9, 24



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1287 Vinewood Dr.	2-Sty/4BR	120,000	123,000	5361 Tamarack Blvd	2-Sty/4BR	159,900	154,000
5318 Hedgewood Rd	Ranch/3BR	140,000	125,000	5470 Aspen Rd.	Split/4BR	165,000	165,000
5426 Vinewood Ct.	Ranch/3BR	129,900	129,900	5628 Sandalwood Blvd	Split/3BR	168,900	168,900
1845 Dandridge Dr	Split/3BR	138,500	138,000	1735 Nestling Dr.	2-Sty/4BR	174,900	168,500
5473 Redwood Rd	Ranch/3BR	143,500	145,000	5504 Hazelwood Rd.	Split/3BR	179,900	175,000
1968 Northcliff Dr.	Ranch/3BR	144,000	145,400	4932 Lyle Rd	2-Sty/4BR	179,900	170,000
1872 Judwick Dr.	Ranch/3BR	149,900	149,900	5073 Shadycrest Rd.	2-Sty/4BR	195,900	192,000
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