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“WOMEN IN STEM” PARTNERSHIP WITH NETJETS AT NORTHLAND & BEEHCROFT HIGH SCHOOLS

Columbus City Schools has launched a new partnership with NetJets, the global leader in private aviation, known for safety, service, unparalleled access and the best way to fly private, to develop a mentoring program for female students interested in STEM careers. A total of 18 young women from Beechcroft High School and Northland High School will work in teams with NetJets mentors to design and problem-solve sustainability issues.

During the 10-week program, the ninth- and 10th-grade girls, along with their NetJets mentors, will work collaboratively to design a solution to their chosen sustainability problem and then present their results during a culminating event. The girls will also be exposed to non-traditional STEM-focused career opportunities in the aviation field.

NetJets kicked off the partnership on Jan. 22, hosting the students and Beechcroft and Northland staff members at NetJets headquarters on Bridgeway Avenue. At the event, the girls worked with their mentors to choose sustainability issues to problem-solve such as recycling, composting, and alternative energy sources. The students took a tour of the NetJets facility during the kickoff event, including the hangar and the inside of a private plane. The girls also talked with meteorologists and additional logistics staff in the NetJets flight control center.

“Our students need access to the entire community, so it is important we take our partnerships and bring them alive for our students,” said CCS Superintendent Dr. Talisa Dixon. “We need partners like NetJets who are eager and willing to work in collaboration with the District to provide opportunities and experiences for our students that extend their learning beyond the classroom and expose them to careers for the 21st century.”

NetJets is also providing laptop computers for the girls to use during their projects and donating additional laptops and computer towers to the District.

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Forest Park Blockwatch

Next meeting, Tuesday

March 10, 6 pm

FPCA Meeting

Next Meeting

March 10, 2020 - 7 pm

**Epworth United Methodist
5100 Karl Road**

Forester Stuffing Day

Friday March 27

2pm—Donato’s



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Highlights from Speakers at Forest Park Civic Meeting—February 2020

If you weren't at the last FPCA meeting on Feb 11th, you missed a great presentation from the Franklin County Clerk of Courts, Maryellen O'Shaughnessy and from Donald Campbell of the Census Bureau. Here are a few highlights from each:

Clerk of Courts: Most people aren't sure exactly what they do. Here are a few of the services they provide:

- Issue auto titles
- Sets the docket for courts
- Has over 200 employees in 9 locations
- All court cases are archived online except for domestic/family cases—great resource for landlords to check on cases against potential tenants.
- Passport Services: yes! They have a one-stop-shop passport office. You can even get your passport photo taken with no appointments necessary.

Census Bureau:

A few reasons why the census is important?

- The census decides how many representatives the State of Ohio will have in Congress. Not participating and getting counted could potentially lose 2 seats if too many people don't get counted
- Ohio stands to lose a great deal of federal funding which filters down to city, county and municipal governments. This could adversely impact government services so please participate and get counted.

Additionally, this is a great undertaking and the Census Bureau **is hiring!** The starting wage is \$24/hour and anyone age 18 and over can apply. They will also reimburse for mileage at \$0.58 per mile. Please note that they do their best to ensure that you canvass your own community; and of course, background checks will be performed on all applicants. The official count begins in April and they are hoping to hire as many as 12,000 workers to help execute a good count here in Franklin County.

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|---|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Treasurer's Report | 2020 | 2020 | Budget | Budget | YTD Difference |
| | January | YTD | January | YTD | Actual vs Budget |
| Revenue | | | | | |
| Membership | | \$ 13,925.00 | \$ 50.00 | \$ 14,625.00 | -4.79% |
| Business Membership | | \$ 200.00 | \$ - | \$ 425.00 | -52.94% |
| Supplement Security | | \$ 2,150.00 | \$ - | \$ 1,600.00 | 34.38% |
| Interest | \$ 0.34 | \$ 3.14 | \$ 0.25 | \$ 2.50 | 25.60% |
| Forester | \$ 1,245.00 | \$ 7,630.00 | \$ 900.00 | \$ 8,200.00 | -6.95% |
| Additional Donations | | \$ 1,538.00 | \$ - | \$ 1,102.00 | 39.56% |
| Garage Sale/Wecome Advertising | | \$ 240.00 | \$ - | \$ 260.00 | -7.69% |
| Beautification | | \$ 710.00 | \$ - | \$ 400.00 | 77.50% |
| Total | \$ 1,245.34 | \$ 26,396.14 | \$ 950.25 | \$ 26,614.50 | -0.82% |
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| Expense | | | | | |
| Membership | | \$ 2,831.63 | \$ 10.00 | \$ 2,525.00 | 12.14% |
| Supplement Security | \$ 875.00 | \$ 7,625.00 | \$ 500.00 | \$ 7,125.00 | 7.02% |
| Forester | \$ 1,316.70 | \$ 11,257.77 | \$ 955.00 | \$ 11,950.00 | -5.79% |
| Liability Insurance | | \$ 475.00 | \$ - | \$ 475.00 | 0.00% |
| Miscellaneous | | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | |
| Northland Community Council | | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 310.00 | -100.00% |
| Treasurer Expenses | | \$ 115.88 | \$ 10.00 | \$ 80.00 | 44.85% |
| Island Maintenance | | \$ 540.00 | \$ - | \$ 900.00 | -40.00% |
| Garage Sale | | \$ 97.94 | \$ - | \$ 100.00 | -2.06% |
| Beautification Awards | | \$ - | \$ 150.00 | \$ 325.00 | -100.00% |
| Outreach Day | | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 150.00 | -100.00% |
| 4th of July Parade | | \$ 195.13 | \$ - | \$ 200.00 | -2.44% |
| Welcome Committee | | \$ 507.39 | \$ - | \$ 280.00 | 81.21% |
| Picnic | | \$ 43.27 | \$ - | \$ 450.00 | -90.38% |
| Total | \$ 2,191.70 | \$ 23,689.01 | \$ 1,625.00 | \$ 24,870.00 | -4.75% |
| | | | | | |
| Net Income/Loss | \$ (946.36) | \$ 2,707.13 | \$ (674.75) | \$ 1,744.50 | 55.18% |
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Submitted by
Dan Hartzell

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Hello Forest Park!

Our police liaison, Officer Scott Clinger, passed on some very important information at our block watch meeting this week. He stressed the importance of reporting any and all crimes every time they occur because any unreported time is a crime that did not happen. This plays an important role when it comes time to redistricting police resources and allocating the time and police force that goes into any designated area. **If we don't report each time some enters a vehicle, even if nothing was taken, the police department analyzes the lack of activity as an indication that their efforts aren't needed in our area. So, report, report, report.**

To report a crime or to submit video evidence of a crime, you can:

1. Call the Telephone Reporting Unit at 614-645-4717;
2. Use the "Columbus Police Mobile" app and go to "file and offense report;"
 Visit the police website at www.columbus.gov/police; or
 Call the non-emergency police number at 614-645-4545.

Don't forget that with your \$25 paid Forest Park Civic Association membership, you can submit a vacation request form to your Supplemental Security Officer, Daryl Van Mercetta, but returning the form below to 2131 Honeytree Court, Columbus, OH 43229; emailing it to dvanmercetta@gmail.com; calling 513-479-2416; or submitting online at fpcivic.org.

More FPCA memberships means more security in our neighborhood!
As always, if you see something, say something and be safe everyone!

Thanks for being the Alert neighbor, Katie & Daryl

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.

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Parkmoor Elementary NEWS!

At Parkmoor we are making a difference with our students and within the Forest Park community. We are so excited about a few of our events.

On **Tuesday, February 25, 2020** we will host our fourth annual Black History Concert from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. During the concert, we will have a special presentation from OSU Wexner Center. They will present food demonstrations on how to prepare healthy soul food dishes. Also, our students will perform songs and instrumental presentations. Last, we will have the Robert Ragland Band, present a few jazz numbers to our special guest.

On **Wednesday, February 26, 2020** our school will open "Panther Park". This will be an all-day event, where our students will display their engineering projects they constructed during National Engineering Week. This will be a simulation of an amusement park. The winning class for the best amusement park attraction, will receive a field trip to Zoombezi Bay to meet the engineers and enjoy the park in the Spring.

The first week of March will be a reading extravaganza for Parkmoor. On March 2nd to March 6th, we will have our fourth annual Rock and Read Week. Our theme this year is: **"Blast off into Reading"**. During this week of reading fun our students will hear from prominent community members who will visit each class as a guest reader. These guests will include government officials, City Council Members, our Superintendent (Dr. Dixon), local newscaster, and many more. Students will end their week with a visit to "Galaxy Grill", where they will order a special treat and a special book to read.



Look for more excellent news about Parkmoor!! Located at 1711 Penworth Drive

President's Message for March

My fellow residents,

As of the time I write this article in the second week of February, I am sure I am in the minority when I say that I have enjoyed the seasonal weather we have finally experienced! Yes! I love a good dusting of snow every now and again; however, believe it or not, warmer weather will be here soon. As better weather comes around, I would like to remind all of us of a few perennial issues we must work to eliminate from our community.

Bad Parking Habits: Both of the following are a violation for which the Columbus Police Department will issue a ticket—

(a). Parking Across the Sidewalk: this is an especially inconsiderate practice given that many young children on foot or on bicycles, tricycles, and scooters, elderly persons, and handicapped pedestrians in wheelchairs must go into the street in order to get around poorly parked vehicles. It is a safety hazard. Please park on the street instead of blocking safe passage for pedestrians.



(b). Parking on the Curb (Straddling the Curb)/ Parking in the Yard/ Double Parking: for me personally, this is just an eyesore and doesn't project a good image of our neighborhood. We live in a beautiful neighborhood with very wide streets. There is no need to resort to this. If you are concerned with your vehicle being hit because there are cars parked directly across the street; then don't double park—pull a little further up and walk back to your home if required. Even better, advise visitors to do the same. Double parking narrows the roadway and increases the chances of your and other residents' vehicles being hit.

Chronic Yard/Garage Sales: Per city code, homeowners can have a yard/garage sale **only** 2X per year. Each sale may not run longer than 4 days. We have a community-wide yard sale twice a year. Please try to plan your yard/garage sale around those dates. If that doesn't work, please adhere to city code and be considerate of your neighbors.

Please note that I am not advocating that you call the police or code enforcement (for the yards sales) on your neighbor. However, if you have been approached in a neighborly manner a few times and you still aren't considerate then...

Lastly, I'd like to remind you all once again that each one of our civic association committees needs more volunteers. Please make a commitment to contact either myself or the appropriate committee chairperson to register your desire to help. Get to our website (<https://www.fpcivic.org/about/contact/>) to locate each committee's contact information.

Let's make 2020 a banner year for our neighborhood marked with even greater levels of resident engagement and volunteerism.

Have a Great month of March,
Felix Quachey, FPCA President

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:

March 6, 20
&
April 3, 17



Yard Waste & Blue Can Recycling happens on Friday or Saturday, every other week.

Presidential Primary Voting Day

**Tuesday
March 17,
2020**

**Polls will be open from
6:30 am to
7:00 pm**

Voting Information:

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Article on the Ohio Voter guide from WOSU

<https://radio.wosu.org/post/ohio-voting-guide-what-know-about-2020-election#stream/0>

Ohio Voting Information:

<https://www.vote411.org/ohio>

Sample ballot and precinct location:

<https://www.sos.state.oh.us/elections/voters/toolkit/sample-ballot/>



Forest Park– 2019 Business Memberships

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Peace, Prayer for All.....dinner included

The impeachment has ended, but all the anxiety, frustration, and anger has not. We as a nation are suffering from a lack of faith in our leaders. Even when we do trust them, we can't be sure that they can make the changes they have promised with so much division between parties and people. The fact that many of us are feeling fear and frustration, means that our society as a whole is experiencing anxiety. That makes each of us feel even worse.

We have great diversity in Forest Park. And we seem to get along. We work together to accomplish the common good. We cannot let forces of negativity tear us apart. Things are going to continue to come at us that are beyond our control that could threaten to pit us one against the other.

And now, we are in the middle of the presidential election season. The primary for Ohio is March 17. And, we know, that from that day until November 3, 2020, we will have no reprieve from the onslaught of political advertisements. None of this is going to help with our anxiety!

I have become aware of an event at Ascension Lutheran Church that offers help to deal with this anxiety: **prayer**. They believe that God has more authority and power than anyone in our government. They teach that God knows each person and cares about what is going on in our lives. They invite us to join them in turning to God in prayer.

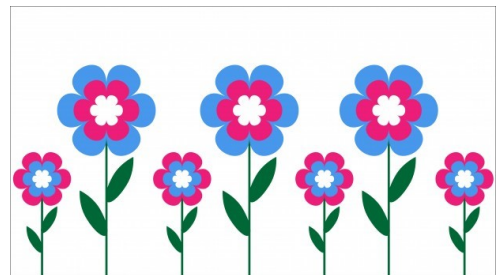
On March 7 @5:30pm, in the sanctuary of Ascension Lutheran Church, 1479 Morse Road, they will be holding a community wide prayer service. This is meant to serve all people regardless of faith background, politics, color, sexual orientation, national origin, age, or ability. There will be praying, singing, and seeking joy from the Power higher than any government on earth. It is an opportunity to lift each other up and look for hope in our community.

Immediately following the service, there is a free community dinner. There will be something for everyone! I implore my neighbors in Forest Park to go and be nourished in your body and your soul. Unite in community to get to know one another better to strengthen our resolve to have peace in our midst.

George Schmidt

Spring is Around the Corner.....

Epworth United Methodist Church at 5100 Karl Rd. is sponsoring a Think Spring Living Color flower & plant fundraiser. Being offered are wave petunias (6 pack, \$10.50); 6"x9" succulent cedar frames (\$22); vegetables & herbs (6 packs, \$8.50); landscape flats (36 pack, \$14.50); 12" hanging baskets (\$18.50); and 11" color bowls (\$18.50). Deadline for orders is April 1. Brochures & order forms are available in the church office. For more information, contact Epworth's office at 614-885-8015 or chair of this fundraiser at 614-403-0511. Payment is due at the time order is placed. These plants are healthy, beautiful plants. THINK SPRING!!!



Submitted by Barbara McCoy

HELP THE VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE

Next Meeting **March 28**

Okay, we are now finished with Abe Lincoln hawking mattresses and sleep-deprived rodents. Now onto spring.

The volunteer committee continues its work in maximizing participation in our amazing community. We connect volunteers to FPCA Board vacancies and other opportunities While supporting our Welcome Committee. Our next meeting is March 28, 7:00 p.m. at Donatos Pizza on Tamarack Circle. You and your ideas are personally invited in helping to generate interest and involvement.

Current Volunteer Needs to help FPCA

- A board representative for area 13 (houses on or near rolling rock)
- A board representative for area 14 (near areas of Lyle Rd.)
- Newspaper deliverers
- Beautification Volunteers (Help with gardening and Neighborhood Contest)
- Volunteers to stuff envelopes for our April membership drive (single day party, date TBA)
- Bilingual individuals to help with both print and video messaging.
- Helpers to make welcoming visits



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CAREER DAY GIVES NORTHLAND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS A GLIMPSE INTO FUTURE JOBS

Northland High School freshman got a glimpse at what jobs might await them in the next four years. "Start thinking about the future now, because four years is not a lot of time before you are thrown into the real world," said licensed cosmetologist and owner of Lab of Luxury, JaMiecia Harris. From a cosmetologist, barber, dog trainer, ASL interpreter, real estate, engineering, construction, nursing, an entrepreneur, to different branches of the military, students had a wide variety of professionals to learn from.

"Everyone asked us, 'what do we want to be in the future?' And that we should never give up," said freshman Afia Boadu.

Freshman Afia Boadu says she is thinking about majoring in psychology in college, but says it's the next three years in high school she needs to focus on.

"The panel of seniors that was talking, I took notes that said, 'Stay focused. Stay balanced,'" Afia said.

A group of seniors spoke to the class of 2023, leaving behind some real advice on how to make it to graduation: encouraging freshmen to stay focused, get involved in school activities and set goals.

"I heard my freshman year, and it still sticks with me till this day, you will never be rich or wealthy working for someone else unless you are self-employed," said Dayzon Busby-Brantley.

Busby-Brantley is now a senior. He says he remembers sitting in the same seats as these freshman thinking about his future once he graduates.

"My hope for them is to be successful. To understand that just taking a leap of faith and take action. You can be successful in a day and unsuccessful in a week. I just want them to take all of the information they've learned and apply it," said licensed barber and owner of Cutz by JBT, Ryan Jones.

"It is not just the degree or the job that makes the person. It is really the effort and the work ethic that determines how far you will go," said Matthew Strausbaugh, an engineer at TS Americas, Inc.

Check out the video on this experience for the freshman class at Northland High school:



<https://youtu.be/1vn-Mbzq1Rs>



**NORTHLAND
HIGH SCHOOL**

Pothole Season

As the weather warms as we head toward spring, a sure sign of the changing season is potholes. The City of Columbus is very good about fixing these quickly, but they need our help to be their eyes and ears on city streets. If you see a pothole, make a note of the address, if possible, or the intersection. To report the pothole, you can then call the city's 311 number or go to the 311 webpage at 311.columbus.gov. Click on Submit a New Service Request, and follow the instructions. You do not have to register to use the system, but if you want to track your requests later, it's a good idea. The city's goal is to patch all reported potholes within three days.



Forest Park Civic Association Meeting Minutes February 11, 2020 - Epworth United Methodist Church

Meeting called to order and Pledge of Allegiance opened the meeting @ 7:02PM by Felix Quachey

Roll Call: Taken by Lou Bernard - loubernard3@gmail.com

Officer's Reports

President's Report: by Felix Quachey

1. 2 guest speakers tonight: 1) Mary Ellen O'Shaughnessy: Franklin County Clerk of Courts came to talk about what the clerk's office does. Introduced Nick Tuell - a Forest Park neighbor and employee in the clerk's office. Gave history lesson of clerk's office. Also let us know that the office is a one stop passport office-no waiting, many times they are faster than the feds. They issue your auto titles. Check them out at <https://clerk.franklincountyohio.gov>
- Guest speaker #2: Don Campbell from the US Census office explained the importance of the census. Please fill out info, Ohio stands to lose 1 if not 2 congressional seats this year because of population drop. Also, they are looking to hire many more people to help with the sensus, pay is from \$24/hour. <https://2020census.gov/en/jobs.html>
2. Stewart Harger will become assistant to Area 7 rep! Welcome!
3. As the weather warms up garage sales begin to pop up. Remember there are laws regarding g.sales. City code says no more than 2 per year per property, and it can't last longer than 4 days!! If your neighbors are violating this, feel free to let them know. Or call 311
4. Scott Klinger reported that when crimes go unreported, and FP looks safer than it is, we will begin to lose police resources.

Vice President's Report: by Scott Prigan - scott@OSApistle.com - No Report

Secretary's Report: by Lou Bernard - loubernard3@gmail.com - No Report

Treasurer's Report: by Dan Hartzell danbob1@email.com

1. We are under budget for the year!
2. Please look over the budget for the next fiscal year, and we will discuss it next month.
3. The budget was accepted and passed. See budget in this month's *Forester*.
4. There will be 3 periods next year for membership drive. When you turn in your membership you will be entered into a drawing for \$75, \$50, and \$25 gift card. The earlier you join, the more chances you have to win.

The Forester Report: by Rita Woeste - forester_ed@fpca.org - absent no report

Public Relations Report: by Mary Sguerra (absent) - mary.sguerra@herrealtors.com

1. Friday, 21 Feb-2pm is Stuffing Day to stuff the *Forester bags at Donatos. January's stuffing day went great.*
2. Next stuffing day will be March 27th-2pm at Donatos.

Supplemental Security Report: submitted by Daryl and Katie Van Marcetta - dvanmercetta@gmail.com

1. It has been pretty quiet. And the budget committee approved 1 more day of patrols per month

Business Representative: by Sheridan Landin - sheridanlandon@yahoo.com

1. We are visiting area businesses to try to drum up more business members. Have been to 3 businesses this week. Will go back and meet with them later--Buckeye Brewcraft being one of them.

Committee Reports

Social Activities Committee Report: by Pam Weaver - pweaver1208@gmail.com - presented by Amber Liston

1. Kick off event for the warmer months--looking to create a food truck festival. Plans are in the works, contact Pam if you are interested to help. Epworth Church has volunteered their parking lot! Thank you.
2. Late April or early May, the SA Committee is looking to host a volunteer event for all those who have helped out throughout the year. Look for info in the *Forester* or on the website.
3. Tossing around the idea of a FPCA Open House where each committee would have a table, officers and reps would be present. A meet and greet for area neighbors to meet the FPCA Board and Committee Chairs.

Welcome Committee Report: submitted by Ellin Ray (new Welcome Committee chair!)

1. We have new Welcome Packets for the new members, area reps pick up after the meeting.

Volunteer Coordinator/Membership Committee: submitted by Mike Stone - msto0103@yahoo.com

1. The goals for this year is to increase our presence in the social media world. Will be making sure the website and Facebook pages are up to date, as well as, the Nextdoor App. Looking to use electronic sources in conjunction with the Welcome packets.
2. Also looking to find ways to increase outreach to international neighbors. Look for more info in the near future in the *Forester*.
3. Next meeting, Feb 26th at Donatos.

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Northland Community Council Report/Dvpt Representatives: by Scott Prigan and Dave Paul

1. Police gave a report of issues up in Sharon Woods, and the dismantling of a homeless camp near Sunbury Rd.
2. If you are interested in Earth Day Service, check out EarthdayColumbus.org
3. Texting While Driving is soon to become a primary offense in Columbus. The police will be able to pull you over if they see you TWD
4. Northland Bus. Assoc. will be working with COTA to create better bus stops on Rt. 161.
5. New library on Karl Rd. ground breaking on Mar. 25th @ 3:30. To be completed in July 2021 <https://www.columbuslibrary.org/press/library-board-approves-architect-new-karl-road-branch>
6. 4th of July Parade Committee meeting Mar. 7th at 10:30 in Kroger meeting space.
7. Voter registration for the primary ends Mar. 18th. There will also be a purge of voter roles. If you haven't voted in the last 6 years you will be purged. Make sure your info is up to date. Go down to Franklin County Board of elections in person or at <https://vote.franklincountyohio.gov/>
8. The man who is running an auto mechanics shop in the space of the old car wash in Tamarack Circle is seeking a variance to become an auto dealer. This will come up at the next NCC Dvpt meeting. We are urging all concerned citizens to attend and give your opinion on this issue. The NCC Dev Committee meets at 6:30pm on the last Wednesday (Feb.25th) of each month. Meetings are usually held at the Franklin County Job and Family Services (use south entrance – 1721 Northland Park Avenue, 43229).

Old Business

1. Felix would like to revise the positions of Block Captain and Area Rep. Please bring ideas for next meeting.

New Business

1. Next year will be the 60th anniversary of Forest Park. Are we going to have any way to celebrate this? Bring ideas for next month.
2. Review the budget before next month and bring your questions.

8:30 pm Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by Lou Bernard, FPCA Secretary

Your Forest Park Social Activities Committee is hard at work!

This year is going to be a lot of fun here in Forest Park! We've got lots of events in the works for our residents, BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP! Do you love to throw a party? Do you have mad skills in the crafts department? Got an eye for design? Is your mind exploding with ideas for fun activities? Are you just great at making lists and organizing things? We are currently looking for volunteers to help with planning and with putting on events throughout the year. Send an email to pweaver1208@gmail.com if you are interested volunteering!



Here's what we are cooking up for this year, so far...

- **Spring** – Woodward Park Spring Clean-up
- **Late April/ Early May** – Volunteer Appreciation Day
- **Early June**– Gabby's Night
- **June** – Forest Park Picnic, and Tug-Of-War Championship!
- **July 4** – Bikes & Trikes competition and the 4th of July Float
- **August 4** – National Night Out

And that's just for spring and summer! Specific dates and times coming soon, but pay attention to *The Forester* and our community Facebook group, "Forest Park Neighborhood (Columbus, OH)" for all the details.

Have ideas for an event? Send those to ForestParkFun@gmail.com

Check out FPCA's website to find out how to connect with us via social media
www.fpcivic.org



We are now connecting with neighbors via Facebook, twitter, nextdoor





NEIGHBORHOOD

Update!



MARY SGUERRA

CBR \$25 MILLION CLUB
FOREST PARK RESIDENT

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March, 2020



Happy St. Patrick's Day!



Dear Neighbors:

IF I LIST YOUR HOME START PACKING!!

I've got a problem! Normally I'd run an ad telling you about my listings in **FOREST PARK**.

But I can't do that. Why? Because I **SOLD** or put In-Contract all of them!!

Every single Forest Park owner who hired me during the calendar year 2019 to sell their home has been rewarded with a trip to a closing table! I'm pretty proud of this record!

So, If you've been thinking about making a move, why not give me a call?

Chances are that we start at you kitchen table, we'll finish at a closing table!

You gotta ❤️ the odds!



CURRENT MARKET WATCH

The following homes are **For Sale** with **HER Realtors**:

(All of my Forest Park listings are IN CONTRACT or SOLD - LISTINGS NEEDED - Please give me a call Today!)

HER Realtors homes In Contract

5449 Tamarack Blvd © Split/3BR 179,900

2255 Teakwood Dr. © 2-Sty/4BR 195,000

(C)=In Contract Contingent (E)=I/C w/Escape clause

All Homes SOLD

Homes sold since 1/7/20

1707 Ivyhill Lp N Ranch/3BR 160,000 160,000

5587 Rocky Pine Lp W Split/3BR 194,900 194,900

5103 Tamarack Blvd. Bilvl/5BR 194,900 200,000

5207 Avalon Ave 2-Sty/3BR 187,800 187,000

1896 Denise Dr. 2-Sty/3BR 174,900 176,400

1746 Pin Oak Dr. Ranch/4BR 179,000 200,000

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I LIVE IN FOREST PARK!
I SELL FOREST PARK!**

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