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Forest Park Civic Association

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Dear Neighbors and Friends:

I am writing to offer you a commission in a great organization, of which I am a member. You too can be an Ambassador for the Forest Park Civic Association. (If you are not ready to be an ambassador – too shy perhaps – there are plenty of other great ways to be involved. See the *partial* list in the word cloud adjacent for a few ideas.)

F.P.C.A. is a community association – and the key word is **community**. We have been around longer than many of us have been around, since 1962 in fact. Before the city started area commissions, we were here. Before most other civic associations, we were here. We are arguably the strongest and most successful civic association in Columbus! (Actually there's not much argument.)

In addition to all the things we do to build community in our part of **43229**, some of which are listed at www.fpcivic.org, we get the ear of Columbus Council and Columbus leaders when we need to. Simply by joining the association – without being on any board or committee – you add to our considerable weight in these matters!

But there is even more. FPCA presents us the opportunity to feel good about how we connect with neighbors and friends. Nothing feels so good as knowing that we have made the world a better place (starting in our neighborhood).

So as we commence our annual Membership Outreach, please check out the things we *have* done – and help us think up the next great things we *can* do!

Keep in touch, and share other good ideas. It's so good to be sharing a place we can all call HOME.

Your president, Scott Prigan.



**It's time to Renew or Join
Forest Park Civic Association**

\$25



A Neighborhood
community to
support you &
make your home
a great place to
live.

FPCA Meeting

June 8, 2021 - 7 pm

FPCA meetings may go back to a combo of in person & online, Please join us!

Check website/Facebook for updates

contact Lou Bernard, FPCA secretary, loubernard.3@gmail.com

Meeting minutes from May, page 8

What Area do you live in for Forest Park, check out the maps, Page 10

Volunteer opportunities, pg 10

161 Task Force Litter Clean Up

Saturday, June 12th, 9:00, see page 7

Northland Parade Canceled

Northland Community Council has regretfully canceled the 4th of July Parade activities along Karl Rd for the 2021 year due to the pandemic

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Forest Park Social Activities Committee
Vacant..... contact Mike Stone to Volunteer

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Lisa Dove, Lou Bernard, Scott Prigan

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YMCA, Gabby's Bar & Dairy Queen.

Articles for the July, 2021 Forester are due
to editor by June 17, 2021. The July 2021
Forester will be delivered to homes close to
the first Sunday of July or view it ONLINE at
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Below is FPCA's proposed budget for the 2021 year.

Programs, Supplemental Security Drives and checks throughout the neighborhood, the monthly printed Forester, Beautification Awards and other neighborhood activities all happen here in Forest Park because of neighbors who pay their annual membership dues. \$25 from each home makes a huge difference is what your Forest Park Civic Association can make available for YOU. Join FPCA!

		Memberships												2021
		5	300	90	99	28	24	9	2	2	2	1	3	Budget
		April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	Total
Revenue	Membership	\$125.00	\$7,500.00	\$2,250.00	\$2,475.00	\$700.00	\$600.00	\$225.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$75.00	\$14,125.00
	Supplement Security		\$600.00	\$450.00	\$300.00	\$200.00	\$200.00							\$1,750.00
	Interest	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.25	\$0.25	\$0.25	\$3.45
	Forester	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$9,000.00
	Garage Sale		\$120.00				\$120.00							\$340.00
	Additional Donations/Misc.	\$50.00	\$500.00	\$300.00	\$200.00	\$200.00								\$1,250.00
	Business Membership	\$29.17	\$29.17	\$29.17	\$29.17	\$29.17	\$29.17	\$29.17	\$29.17	\$29.17	\$29.17	\$29.17	\$29.17	\$350.00
	Beautification		\$200.00	\$150.00	\$200.00									\$550.00
	Total	\$954.47	\$9,699.47	\$3,929.47	\$3,954.47	\$1,879.47	\$1,699.47	\$1,004.47	\$829.47	\$829.47	\$829.42	\$804.42	\$854.42	\$27,268.45
Expense	Membership	\$2,530.00	\$40.00	\$75.00	\$70.00	\$45.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$2,830.00
	Supplement Security	\$541.67	\$541.67	\$541.67	\$541.67	\$541.67	\$541.67	\$541.67	\$541.67	\$541.67	\$541.67	\$541.67	\$541.67	\$6,500.00
	Forester	\$1,166.67	\$1,166.67	\$1,166.67	\$1,166.67	\$1,166.67	\$1,166.67	\$1,166.67	\$1,166.67	\$1,166.67	\$1,166.67	\$1,166.67	\$1,166.67	\$14,000.00
	Liability Insurance								\$475.00					\$475.00
	Miscellaneous												\$315.00	\$315.00
	Northland Community Council		\$310.00											\$310.00
	Treasurer Expenses	\$8.33	\$8.33	\$8.33	\$8.33	\$8.33	\$8.33	\$8.33	\$8.33	\$8.33	\$8.33	\$8.33	\$8.33	\$100.00
	Island Maintenance	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$840.00
	Garage Sale		\$50.00				\$50.00							\$100.00
	Beautification Awards						\$175.00				\$100.00			\$275.00
	Outreach Day				\$125.00									\$125.00
	4th of July Parade				\$200.00									\$200.00
	Welcome Committee		\$300.00											\$300.00
	Social Activities		\$200.00	\$145.00	\$300.00					\$150.00				\$795.00
	Total	\$4,316.67	\$2,686.67	\$2,006.67	\$2,481.67	\$1,831.67	\$2,021.67	\$1,796.67	\$2,271.67	\$1,946.67	\$1,896.67	\$1,796.67	\$2,111.67	\$27,165.00
	Net Income/Loss	-\$3,362.20	\$7,012.80	\$1,922.80	\$1,472.80	\$47.80	-\$322.20	-\$792.20	-\$1,442.20	-\$1,117.20	-\$1,067.25	-\$992.25	-\$1,257.25	\$103.45

**Forest Park Civic Association
April, 2021 Financial Summary**

Income	Actual		Budget		Budget vs. Actual	
	MTD	YTD	MTD	YTD	MTD	YTD
Membership	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$125.00	\$125.00	(\$25.00)	(\$25.00)
Supplement Security	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Interest	\$0.40	\$0.40	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.10	\$0.10
Forester	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$750.00	\$750.00	(\$300.00)	(\$300.00)
Garage Sale	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Additional Donations/Misc.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	(\$50.00)	(\$50.00)
Business Membership	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$29.17	\$29.17	(\$29.17)	(\$29.17)
Beautification	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$550.40	\$550.40	\$954.47	\$954.47	(\$404.07)	(\$404.07)
Expense						
Membership	\$4.12	\$4.12	\$2,530.00	\$2,530.00	(\$2,525.88)	(\$2,525.88)
Supplement Security	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$541.67	\$541.67	(\$291.67)	(\$291.67)
Forester	\$1,335.10	\$1,335.10	\$1,166.67	\$1,166.67	\$168.43	\$168.43
Liability Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Northland Community Council	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Treasurer Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8.33	\$8.33	(\$8.33)	(\$8.33)
Island Maintenance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	(\$70.00)	(\$70.00)
Garage Sale	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Beautification Awards	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Outreach Day	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4th of July Parade	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Welcome Committee	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Social Activities	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$1,589.22	\$1,589.22	\$4,316.67	\$4,316.67	(\$2,727.45)	(\$2,727.45)
Net Income/Loss	(\$1,038.82)	(\$1,038.82)	(\$3,362.20)	(\$3,362.20)	\$2,323.38	\$2,323.38
Month End Bank Balances						
	PayPal	Checking	Savings			
	\$460.88	\$4,583.82	\$24,559.71			

April
2021
Treasurer's
Report.
Submitted by
Cheryl Lutman

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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. Or fill out the request on our website, www.fpcivic.org

Name _____ Address _____ Phone _____

Vacation Dates: Depart _____ Return _____ Please notify _____

Alternate person Address _____ Phone _____

Who has key? _____

Lights on timer? _____ Location of lights _____

Radio or TV continuously on timer? _____
Location of devices _____

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

If yes, make and model of their car _____



Mail to:
Daryl Van Mercetta
2131 Honeytree Court
513-479-2416

Or
Email at:
dvanmercetta@gmail.com

Hello Forest Park!

June is here and by now, most of us have had the opportunity to get vaccinated and we're on our way back to a new normal way of life! As usual, this month brings a list of friendly reminders, important contact information, and some of the perks that come with your paid Forest Park Civic Association Membership.

First, who to contact:

If you or a neighbor have bulk trash that you need removed, call 311 or contact them online at <https://311.columbus.gov>. Remember, if you have something that doesn't fit in the can, 311 must be contacted or else the city won't remove it. It should be noted that 311 does not remove construction material. Code violations, such as abandoned vehicles, high grass, etc. should also be reported to 311.

If a crime is committed or if there is security issue, contact the non-emergency police line at 614-645-4545. Reporting a crime is easy and can be done anonymously if needed. If it is an emergency, contact 911.

Officer Clinger is our Police liaison and can help with ongoing issues or concerns. He can be reached at 614-645-1418 or via email at sclinger@columbuspolice.org.

Supplemental Security News



Now, for the friendly reminders. If a crime occurs, it must be reported or else "it didn't happen." Sometimes we hear complaints that when a crime is reported, nothing is done so it's not worth reporting. However, the police use the reports to allocate resources and to determine how many officers should be dedicated to our area. If nothing is reported, then they are unable to see the issues that may be happening. Hear a suspected gunshot? Report it. See someone looking in cars or checking for unlocked doors? Report it. Notice suspicious behavior? Report it. That being said, it is also good practice to do what you can to protect yourself and your property by keeping your car doors locked at all times, not leaving valuables in your vehicle, and not leaving your car running while unattended. Also, now that we're back to our normal Ohio Spring weather, keep an eye on your garage door and make sure that it is closed when attending to chores in the backyard.

Finally, if you are a paid Forest Park Civic Association member, (which is only \$25 per year for the entire family!), one of the perks of your membership is supplemental security. More memberships mean more security through our neighborhoods. What does that mean? That means that when you are planning to travel or be away from your house for a night or several nights, you can fill out the Supplemental Security form and return it to Daryl Van Mercetta at dvanmercetta@gmail.com, provide the information to him over the phone at 513-479-2416, or submit the form online at fpcivic.org to let him know that you are requesting supplemental security and he will notify the security patrol, who will then make sure to report any suspicious or unexpected activity while you're gone. It's important to note that the patrol will only contact you and the appropriate authorities if there is an issue. The patrol will not retrieve packages, collect mail, or check on your loved ones while you are away.

As always, if you see something, say something and stay safe, everyone!
Daryl & Katie

161 Task Force Information, contact Mary Lutz: 614-794-0803 or email: mlutz3@ashland.edu

News from COTA Bus travel along 161:

Line 35 is not currently operating along the 161 corridor, if someone needs a ride, they can call the on-demand service line for assistance. Check out the website: cota.com/cotaplus

If you have additional concerns related to the bus stops, bus lines or related matters, please let Mary Lutz, 161 Task Force Rep know via email. She will be happy to forward information to the appropriate individual(s).



There are also a few flower boxes along the 161 Corridor that could use some TLC, since some of the former caretakers have moved away and/or are no longer able to care for these small planters. If anyone is interested in providing assistance, please contact Mary Lutz. Also, if there are questions related to the work of the 161 Task Force, or concerns that community members have, please contact me directly.



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:

June 11, 25

&

July 10, 23



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

Here's what goes in the blue cart:

Aluminum and steel cans - and lids. Flattened cardboard and pizza boxes (free of food and grease). Plastic bottles/jugs. Newspaper, magazines, catalogs, junk mail, computer paper, cereal and other dry food boxes and phone books. Glass bottles and jars. Cartons and juice boxes

Who We Are and What We Do

If you are still new to the neighborhood, we want to personally welcome you to Forest Park. You are home, and we are glad to be your neighbors!! The Forest Park Civic Association (FPCA) is here to support you. We hope that you will join us as we make this an even better place to live!!

FPCA represents our neighborhood to the City of Columbus. We work with police and city officials to make it stronger. We also hire a private security company to patrol our neighborhood for extra protection. We maintain the gardens off of Sandalwood and work to help neighbors to resolve problems. FPCA is made up of volunteer neighbors and we would like to invite you to join us. Below is a more detailed list of many (not all) functions FPCA does.

- *Has leadership with the Northland Community Council to represent Forest Park needs Funds and manages supplemental security patrols (only Columbus neighborhood to do this)*
- *Operates a Senior Support organization to help our seniors continue their independence*
- *Advocates for our neighborhood to state and local elected officials*
- *Maintains the neighborhood block watch program*
- *Has constant contact with Columbus Police about individual cases or other issues*
- *Works with code enforcement to pursue known cases*
- *Advocates for key city legislation that has enhanced the community*
- *Funds the beautiful island landscape off Sandalwood*
- *Enters a parade float in the 4th of July Parade (hopefully resuming in 2022)*
- *Organizes Bikes and Trikes Event*
- *Organizes two garage sale events*
- *Organizes get togethers (hopefully will resume soon)*
- *Sponsors numerous social events such as the YMCA cookout*
- *Maintains a website, two Facebook pages, and a news distribution list for community*
- *Creates and Distributes this newspaper you are now reading*

Forest Park Civic Association is working for you and your neighbors. Your \$25 membership each year allows FPCA to make the above items happen. Please join and we appreciate your support.

BULK TRASH

Some large items cannot be thrown away because they are too big to fit in your trash container. Residents should contact the City's 311 Customer Service Center to schedule bulk items by calling 311 or 614-645-3111, or online at: www.311.columbus.gov

NO BULK ITEMS WILL BE COLLECTED UNLESS THE RESIDENT [SCHEDULES COLLECTION ONLINE](#)



It was great to see Garage Sales happen again in the neighborhood. We had a record 37 households sign up for our community garage sale in May. Thanks to Mary Sguerra and Rita Woeste who passed out over 70 flyers to



the savvy shoppers who were looking for deals. You missed some bargains. We anticipate having a fall garage sale sometime in September. Start cleaning out those closets and cupboards now.



Forest Park– 2020 Business Memberships

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Garden Thoughts for June

June is the month where a gardener can step back and breathe.

All the hard work in prepping flower beds, planting our flowers/vegetables, and spreading mulch is done. To be honest, I usually am spreading mulch up until Memorial Day, depending on May's weather.



By now, things are beginning to bloom, the days are consistently warmer, and our migrating birds have returned. If you haven't done it yet, your humming bird feeders should be out, as our nesting hummers are now in the area.

This month, the key to a beautiful garden is water. Giving the new plantings sufficient water is very important. If you used a granular fertilizer in early spring, consider giving your plants a little extra fertilizer now. Watch the weather, and sprinkle the fertilizer around the plants (not on them) before we are due for a rain.

Water at this time can be a friend and foe. To make sure that you are not encouraging rot, or mildew (ew!), you will want to water plants down by the roots, not on the foliage, if possible. Timing is also important – watering during the morning is best. I've taken advantage of an automatic timers and soaker hoses.

Consider establishing some ground covers around your flowers – they act as a living mulch, and can really cut down on the need for water. Creeping phlox, sedums, and speedwells are great choices. Also consider herbs such as creeping thymes and mosses.



Enjoy your gardens this month!
Lisa Dove
ForestParkGardener@gmail.com

We have fun and get it done!



Sherri Palmer

Join Us
**161 Task Force
Cleanup Day**
On Dublin Granville Road
Meet at: Sharon Woods Center



**June 12, 2021
9 am**

For more information or to
RSVP contact Dave Cooper

dave@inkwellcolumbus.com

Cleanup HQ will be behind Jiffy Lube. Join us there.



FPCA will be keeping an eye on front yards these summer months to find the best landscapes for this year's Beautification Awards. So, get out there and make your yard and our neighborhood Gorgeous!!



Forest Park Civic Association Meeting

May 11, 2021 - Online Zoom Meeting

Meeting called to order and Pledge of Allegiance opened the meeting @ 7:08 PM by Scott Prigan

OFFICER REPORTS

President's Report Scott Prigan scottprigan+fpc@gmail.com

1. Still awaiting 501c3 from our overloaded workers at the IRS
2. Looking forward to **Summer**. Remember to keep safe. Hybrid meeting in June?

Focus on Membership Outreach (formerly Outreach Day). Thank you to all those who have volunteered to help with the Outreach project.

Vice President's Report Ryan Finke ryan.finke@gmail.com

1. Slowly but surely coming up to speed with the new position.
 2. Considering ideas of automated ways to notify Area Reps of their new neighbors to aid with welcoming them.
- Hoping to help with updating *Forester* design. Ryan and Rita are having conversation about this.

Secretary's Report Lou Bernard loubernard3@gmail.com

1. Attendance will be taken via Zoom Participation List.
Officers/Committee Chairs Present: SP, RF, LB, CL, MS, RW, DVM, SL, MS, DP, EV, KG
Officers/Committee Chairs Absent: AR, ER (Social Activities Chair remains vacant)
Area Reps in Attendance: 4
Area Reps Absent: 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14
(Areas 13 and 14 remain vacant)

Treasurer's Report Cheryl Lutman cllutman17@gmail.com

1. Budget is out for May. We are showing a small surplus. Currently analyzing the budget to find trends. The budget is in the month's *Forester*. Some money was moved within the budget/account for social events this summer.
 2. Asked committee chairs for a breakdown of money they will need in the future. Did not receive any requests, so committees received a similar amount as they did in the past.
 3. Using online bill pay with 5th/3rd will save money on postage.
- Will be working with Rita about changes to budget due to *Forester* delivery.

Public Relations Report Mary Sguerra

Mary.Sguerra@HERrealtors.com

1. Garage Sale: We are in the middle of getting things ready for the FP Garage Sale this weekend. We have 32 members signed up to participate. Rita and Mary will be at the islands to FP entrance passing out flyers with addresses on them at 9:00-10:30 AM this Saturday. Mary will get money collected from garage sale advertising to the Treasurer when all comes in.
- Island Signs: There was a request last year to get maintenance done on the island signs, contact has been made to get them fixed.

Forester Editor's Report Rita Woeste forester_ed@fpcivic.org

1. Everything is needed for *Forester* printing by Thursday, May 13th. Delivery system needs to be worked out. High School students are no longer delivering for FPCA. Need help to sort new group to help. David Laughlin is in charge of delivery. M. Stone will check with DeSales staff. L. Bernard will contact Northland staff.
- Ryan F. checked on Facebook and noticed there are volunteers willing to help. Rita will check with David.

Supplemental Security Report Daryl Van Mercetta dvanmercetta@gmail.com Katie Van Mercetta kvanmercetta@gmail.com, Scott Clinger (CPD Liaison Officer) SClinger@columbuspolice.org

1. House checks continue. But for the most part, things are pretty quiet.

An assault rifle was found in a person's front yard in FP. When this happens, the best thing to do is to call the police and they will secure the weapon.

Business Representative Sheridan Landin - sheridanlandin@yahoo.com Alan Ray - aray.bergahorn@gmail.com

1. A list of business members was found, and will be delivered to the Treasurer and/or *Forester* editor.
- Sheridan is trying to drum up business memberships by broadcasting on the "Nextdoor" app.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Welcome Committee Chair

Ellin Ray - eclair1226@gmail.com

1. Nothing new to report. The same welcome folders from Areas 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 11, 12 and 13 still have not been picked up. Still waiting for new folders to assemble more welcome packets. Cheryl (Treasurer) has not heard back from anyone concerning the advertising in the Welcome Folder. Joel is in charge of advertising with *Forester*, Rita will contact him.

Volunteer Coordinator Mike Stone msto0103@yahoo.com

1. We need to contact Area Reps. in order to get the Welcome Folders picked up.
 2. We will have people reach out to our Area Reps. to find out where they have been. Mike Stone, Lou Bernard, and Scott Prigan will start making phone calls.
 3. Membership Drive: All volunteer slots have been filled. We need each Committee Chair to write an article to explain what you do, especially in this *Forester* coming up.
- Mary Lutz is chairing the 161 Task Force. She is coordinating the 161 Clean-Up and planter boxes at the entrance to Forest Park. Lisa Dove used to share the box with Bob Hinebaugh, but water is an issue. There is no access to getting water now that Carfagna's is leaving.

Social Activities Report *Position is Vacant*

If you are interested please contact Mike Stone msto0103@yahoo.com

NCC Representative Ken Gilbert kgilbert78@att.net

1. Dave Leland (Rep.) was at the meeting. Is working on HB99 (School personnel carrying firearms)--making sure there is adequate training. Also working on other bills: a criminal justice bill forgiving student loans for working in the public sector and bail reform.

3 hotels have been taken over by the Shelter Board. NCC wants to help, but we are getting overwhelmed by panhandlers. The next meeting the Shelter Board will be attending to explain their position/process. If you have concerns, please email Ken or attend the next meeting. Check their website for details: <https://www.columbusncc.org/news-and-events/ncc-meetings/>

1. The Library move is coming up.

2. Fourth of July Parade is cancelled.

If you are having issues with Rumpke picking up your yard waste, please file a 311 report.

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Meet folks from FPCA

FPCA's newest Area Rep in Forest Park West

I'm Glenda Wylder and my husband and I have lived in Forest Park West for twelve years. We have three boys and we love Forest Park. The biking trails, library, multiple playgrounds, Woodward park and the rec center, and kind neighbors have made this a wonderful place to raise our



family. I love the community feel of Forest Park, where a diverse group of people can come together to make a neighborhood. I am happy to take on the role of Area 3 representative in order to help welcome new

neighbors, promote safety and togetherness, and help Forest park continue to be a great place to call home!

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NCC Development Representative

Ed Vansdale evansdale@insight.rr.com

Dave Paul dwpaul@fpcivic.org

3 Cases on agenda. 1) A graphics case on N. Hamilton Rd. 2) An apartment unit wants to add 72 units on Cherrybottom Rd. 3) On Cleveland Ave., there is a house that is planned to be leveled and an apartment complex to be built. NCC did not support this for many reasons.

Website Administrator

Scott Prigan scottprigan+fpc@gmail.com

www.fpcivic.org is the site. Check it out for updates.

Old Business Scott Prigan scottprigan+fpc@gmail.com

- Sign Committee: We are getting the final estimate. We should have a complete plan by next month.
- We still need someone to start up the Block Watch again. Ed Vansdale will be willing to help you start up.
- Lou Bernard will contact Rick Bennett about getting information about name badges/tags.

New Business

Scott Prigan scottprigan+fpc@gmail.com

Devonshire Neighborhood is having a Food Truck Friday in the area. Check the Nextdoor App or the schedule in this *Forester*. If you are interested in trying this in Forest Park, please contact Scott for details.

8:53 adjourned

Submitted by Lou Bernard, FPCA secretary

Karl Rd Library Update

The old Karl Rd Library will be closing permanently on May 29th at 6 pm. It's time to say farewell. The new library, which will be twice as large, at 40,000 sq ft, will be opening sometime in September. There will be no library services for three months, as the new building is completed and the old library is moved into the new building. In the interim, you can find what you need at other area branches and/or the website:

www.columbuslibrary.org

Once the Karl Rd branch closes on May 29, there are 22 locations happy to serve you and take your returns until your new library opens. Nearby locations include:

- Northern Lights (4093 Cleveland Ave.)
- Whetstone (3909 N. High St.)
- New Albany (200 Market St.)



← The new Library

↘ and the old Karl Rd branch



Even with this library closed, families can still participate in the summer reading program. Check out the website for details.

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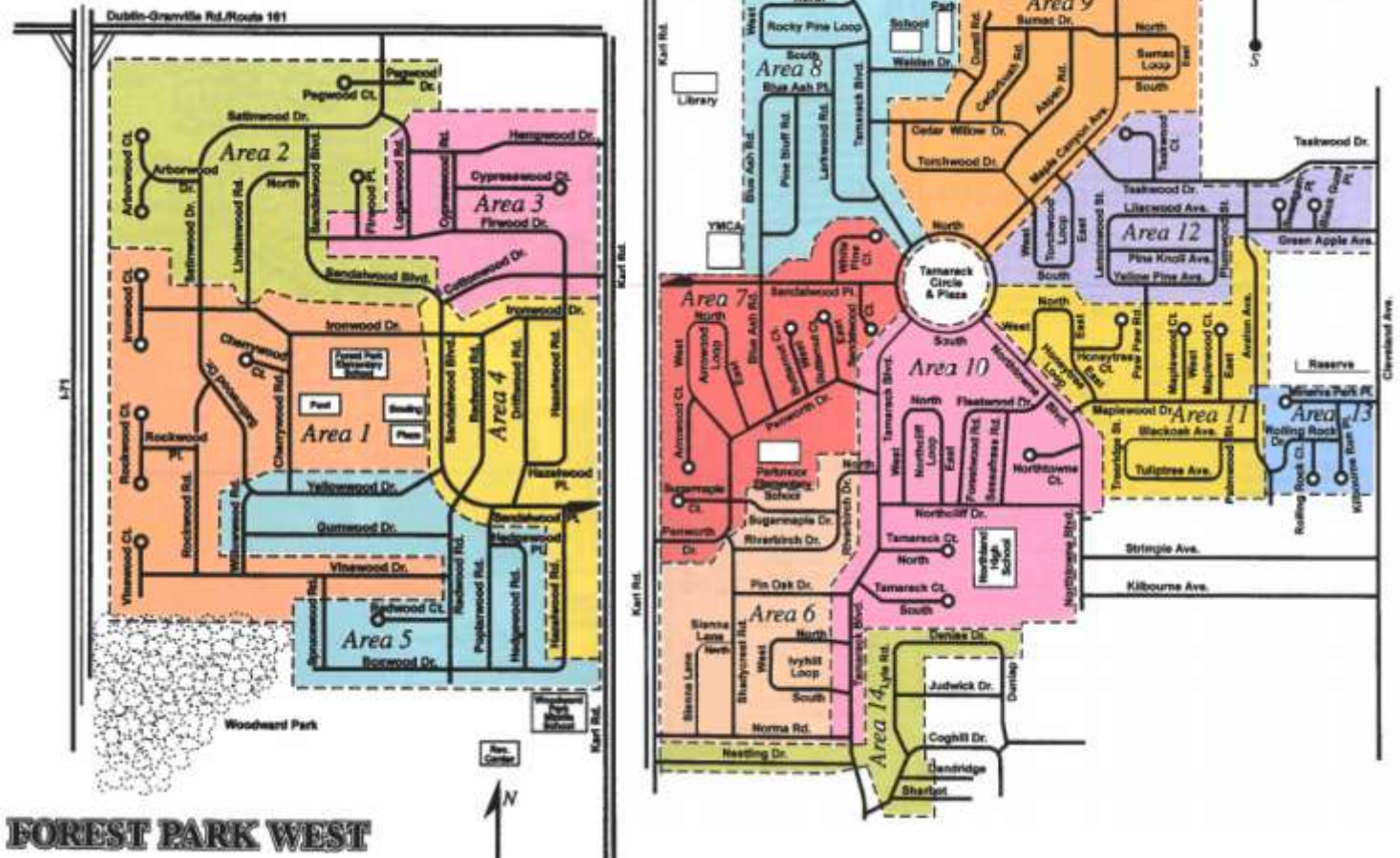
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Forest Park Maps by Areas

There are 14 specific areas of Forest Park, 5 in FP West and 9 in FP East. Our goal is to have a representative from each area at meetings to represent our neighbors.

Anyone is invited to attend meetings.



Important Volunteer Needs

There are always volunteer opportunities needing filled within the civic association. These are the four most critical at the moment...

Newspaper Deliverers: We recently lost the help of the Northland Stem Club in delivering Foresters, and we have no idea how we are going to successfully accomplish the July delivery. If you can give about an hour a month delivering newspapers to a number of streets, we could really use your help!!

Social Activity Volunteers: We are looking for leadership to plan and organize social activity events in the neighborhood. The scope of these events can be any size, and you have financial and resource backing from FPCA. It's a great way to get some creativity.

Bilingual volunteers who can help us communicate with our non-English speaking community.

Blockwatch leadership: FPCA members are maintaining our neighborhood blockwatch, but it works better when we have separate leadership. The current leaders will support and guide you as you build your vision of our neighborhood blockwatch.

Please review the back side of the membership form to indicate your interest in these, and other positions. You can also call **Mike Stone at 614 218-1788**.



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Thank you to all who have recently reached out to me to sell their homes. I will have a few new listings coming on the market soon. If you need help in 2021 with either buying or selling a home please give me a call - **Let me show you what HER and I can do for you!**

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1694 Pin Oak Dr.	Ranch/3BR	198,900	200,000	2066 Honeytree Lp N	Split/3BR	215,000	242,000
5360 Hazelwood Rd.	Split/3BR	199,900	225,000	5460 Sandalwood Bl	Ranch/3BR	229,900	235,000
5016 Sienna Ln	Ranch/3BR	208,000	220,000	2120 Honeytree Ct.	Split/4BR	239,900	280,000
5490 Driftwood Rd.	Ranch/3BR	209,900	225,000	1656 Pin Oak Dr	2-Sty/4BR	269,900	310,000
1817 Cedar Willow Dr.	Split/3BR	215,000	220,000				

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