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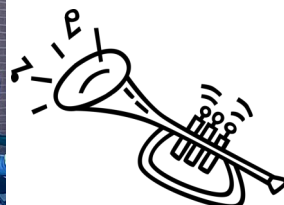
## Summer Fun in Forest Park



As some things get back to normal, Forest Park has been enjoying some great outdoor activities. First neighbors couldn't have asked for better weather for our annual National Night Out celebration. A special thanks to Sgt. Kelly Yeager for stopping by and visiting with the community, and a special thanks to the kids of Rockwood Rd. for putting on an impromptu concert in honor of our community police. More pictures on page 2.

Lindenwood Ave had a Jazz Concert with the CrossBop Collective Sunday, August 8th. Over 60 folks brought their chairs and blankets and spread out over several of the front yards to enjoy the music. You can follow the group on Twitter & Instagram: @CrossBopJazz or follow them on Face-

book. Thanks to the Dove Household for hosting this outdoor concert. Let FPCA know of other neighborhood events. See more pictures on page 2.



**FPCA Meeting**  
**September 14, 2021**  
**7 pm**  
Epworth United Methodist  
5100 Karl Rd

**GARAGE  
SALE** ➡

**FPCA Community  
Garage Sale**  
Saturday, Sept 18  
See details, pg 6

**Join us**  
**161 Task Force**  
**Clean up Days**  
**Saturday,**  
**Sept. 11**  
**9 am**



**Meet behind Jiffy Lube**  
**at Sharon Woods Center**

For more information or to  
RSVP contact Dave Cooper

[dave@inkwellcolumbus.com](mailto:dave@inkwellcolumbus.com)

**Columbus Garden Railway  
Society Tour**  
Sunday, Sept. 12  
1-5 pm  
See details, pg. 11



Still time to join  
**FPCA Membership**  
Just \$25 to support the  
Neighborhood where you live  
Details, pg 8



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8. Frances Link .....614-657-9510
9. Jane Dean .....614-468-1940
10. Hilda Johnson.....614-515-7711 Heath Zuniga.....330-417-0307 Dennis Gullick.....919-394-9082
11. Linda Whitmore..614-890-1065 or Dave Paul.....614-325-8217
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Articles for the October, 2021 Forester are  
 due to editor by September 17, 2021. The  
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 to homes close to the first Sunday,  
 September 5th, or view it ONLINE  
 at [fpcivic.org](http://fpcivic.org)



Neighbors hanging out for Jazz (below) & National Night Out festivities (above) Forest Park, Great Place to call Home!



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

**JULY  
2021  
Treasurer's  
Report.**  
  
**Submitted by  
Cheryl Lutman**

Income	Actual		Budget		Budget vs. Actual	
	MTD	YTD	MTD	YTD	MTD	YTD
Membership	\$2,275.00	\$10,150.00	\$2,475.00	\$12,350.00	(\$200.00)	(\$2,200.00)
Supplement Security	\$317.50	\$1,698.33	\$300.00	\$1,350.00	\$17.50	\$348.33
Interest	\$0.42	\$1.64	\$0.30	\$1.20	\$0.12	\$0.44
Forester	\$1,132.50	\$3,500.83	\$750.00	\$3,000.00	\$382.50	\$500.83
Garage Sale	\$0.00	\$195.00	\$0.00	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$75.00
Additional Donations/Misc.	\$120.00	\$1,794.00	\$200.00	\$1,050.00	(\$80.00)	\$744.00
Business Membership	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$29.17	\$116.67	(\$29.17)	(\$116.67)
Beautification	\$145.00	\$575.83	\$200.00	\$550.00	(\$55.00)	\$25.83
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,990.42</b>	<b>\$17,915.63</b>	<b>\$3,954.47</b>	<b>\$18,537.87</b>	<b>\$35.95</b>	<b>(\$622.24)</b>
<b>Expense</b>						
Membership	\$11.33	\$1,632.83	\$70.00	\$2,715.00	(\$58.67)	(\$1,082.17)
Supplement Security	\$1,625.00	\$2,750.00	\$541.67	\$2,166.67	\$1,083.33	\$583.33
Forester	\$2,357.00	\$6,750.19	\$1,166.67	\$4,666.67	\$1,190.33	\$2,083.52
Liability Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
(17) New Neighborhood Signage	\$0.00	\$528.63	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$528.63
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Northland Community Council	\$0.00	\$110.00	\$0.00	\$310.00	\$0.00	(\$200.00)
Treasurer Expenses	\$0.00	\$46.49	\$8.33	\$33.33	(\$8.33)	\$13.16
Island Maintenance	\$90.00	\$270.00	\$70.00	\$280.00	\$20.00	(\$10.00)
Garage Sale	\$0.00	\$62.42	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$12.42
Beautification Awards	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Outreach Day	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$125.00	\$125.00	(\$125.00)	(\$125.00)
4th of July Parade	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	(\$200.00)	(\$200.00)
Welcome Committee	\$0.00	\$497.51	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$197.51
Social Activities	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$645.00	(\$300.00)	(\$645.00)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,083.33</b>	<b>\$12,648.07</b>	<b>\$2,481.67</b>	<b>\$11,491.67</b>	<b>\$1,601.66</b>	<b>\$1,156.40</b>
<b>Net Income/Loss</b>	<b>(\$92.91)</b>	<b>\$5,267.56</b>	<b>\$1,472.80</b>	<b>\$7,046.20</b>	<b>(\$1,565.71)</b>	<b>(\$1,778.64)</b>
<b>Month End Bank Balances</b>						
	<b>PayPal</b>	<b>Checking</b>	<b>Savings</b>			
	<b>\$958.80</b>	<b>\$10,416.05</b>	<b>\$24,560.95</b>			

(17) Although this is a non-budgeted item, it was decided to dip into our cash reserves for this expense.

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The following was posted in our facebook feed in September, submitted by Travis Clark

Hey Neighbors!

My family is looking to partner with The Compost Exchange to create a neighborhood hub for composting. Once a week, during a 24-hour drop-off window, members would bring their compost to the dropoff point. At present, one would be located in Forest Park West, though we can certainly add more if the need is there. This service would cost \$6 per month, would greatly reduce waste going to our landfills, and would enable you to receive 7 lbs of compost every six months upon request. You'd receive a compost bucket, liners, an odor-proof lid, and instructions. More information can be found on their website at <https://www.thecompostexchange.com/neighborhood-composting>.

Please let me know if your household would be interested!

Check out the website for more information and if you too are interested, check out our facebook feed link below or email Ryan Finke, our VP, [ryan.finke@gmail.com](mailto:ryan.finke@gmail.com)



Walk with a Doc is still happening in  
North Columbus

Check out the website:

<https://walkwithadoc.org/join-a-walk/locations/columbus-walks/>

The walks are the 2nd & 4th Saturdays from 8:30 to 9:30. Dates for the rest of 2021: Sept. 11 & 25, October 9 & 23. They meet at Woodward Park, 5147 Karl Rd. New this year you must register online before the walk. All the information is on the website on the link for the North Columbus walk location.

# Supplemental Security News



Hello, Forest Park!

Even though it's still hot enough that it feels like the MIDDLE of summer, schools are actually back in service, so be aware of your speed in school zones (especially on Karl Road), also be sure to be aware of children crossing the street to get to/from schools or to get picked up by the bus. Do not pass a stopped school bus with flashing red lights no



matter how much of a hurry you're in. We have also had reports of people driving the wrong way in the circle in Forest Park East order to get from the businesses directly to the side streets instead of following the proper path around.

Don't forget, if you're a paid Forest Park Civic Association member, supplemental security is an added perk of your \$25.00 annual membership. If you submit your vacation request to Daryl Van Mercetta, he will notify our security company, who will then conduct patrols by your home while you travel. Your personal information, travel dates, etc. remains confidential. To submit your request, fill out the Supplemental Security form and return it to Daryl Van Mercetta at [dvanmercetta@gmail.com](mailto:dvanmercetta@gmail.com), provide the information to him over the phone at 513-479-2416, or submit the form online at [www.fpcivic.org](http://www.fpcivic.org) and he will notify the security patrol, who will then report any suspicious or unexpected activity while you're away. Please be mindful that, if possible, security requests should be placed a week or two prior to your planned travel dates.

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

Crime Prevention is a



Community Commitment

## 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. Or fill out the request on our website, [www.fpcivic.org](http://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](mailto:dvanmercetta@gmail.com)**

### A Message from our new Police Liaison

ATTN: AWARENESS

Please pass on to all group members/family and friends.

The Morse Rd. corridor from Easton heading west is seeing an alarming amount of strong-arm robberies. 161 is active as well but not as bad as Morse Rd. They are targeting individuals who carry purses while at gas pumps and while walking into some stores. There have been several of these where an assault has taken place.

Please do not leave cars running and walk 10 to 15 feet away while out at public locations.

Do not leave windows down with valuables in cars while at the pumps.

BE AWARE AND WATCH

Thanks,

**Officer Daniel M. Yandrich #2206**  
Community Liaison North Officer  
18 Precinct

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## FOREST PARK Fall COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE Saturday, September 18, 2021

Post Pandemic Cleaning time is here! Your junk can be someone's treasure. Have fun and make a little money by joining the Forest Park Civic Association Garage Sale which will be held on September 18, from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Advertisement will appear in the 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 per household to advertise in the paper & flyer 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 on page 10 and mail with your check of \$5.00 made payable to F.P.C.A. by Wednesday September 15th to Mary Sguerra, 5395 Pine Bluff Rd. Columbus, OH 43229

If you have any questions, please call Mary at 614- 818-7636

### GARAGE SALE ENTRY Advertising FORM - \$5.00, for September 18th FPCA Flyer

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Featured Items:

SPACE IS LIMITED, SO LIST THE MOST IMPORTANT ITEMS

Mail to Mary Sguerra, 5395 Pine Bluff Rd. Columbus, OH 43229 Make checks out to F.P.C.A.



## Forest Park Civic Association Meeting/Northland Community Council Picnic

10 August 2021 - Northland Swim Club

Our August meeting is always cancelled in lieu of the Northland Community Council's Summer Meeting/Picnic at the Northland Swim Club. Some of the minutes provided by the NCC are reprinted here.

Meeting called to order and Pledge of Allegiance opened the meeting

### Columbus Police Department

Officer Larry Geis, Officer Dan Yandrich

Officer Yandrich has taken over liaison for 18th precinct, talked about email regarding Morse Road robberies

### City Attorney's Office

Sarah Pomeroy, 614-645-8619, [scpomeroy@columbus.gov](mailto:scpomeroy@columbus.gov)

Brought information handouts

Project Taillight, free tail light repair by students

### Northland Area Business Association

Dave Cooper

The next to last 161 Task Force Cleanup will be this Saturday, August 14th at 9 AM, meet behind Jiffy Lube

The Ink Well has moved to the Ashland University building, 1900 E Dublin Granville Rd, Suite 115

### Roundtable Discussion

Special guests, City Council member Emmanuel Remy and House District 25 Representative Dontavious Jarrells, introduced themselves to the group, and encouraged us to seek their help when needed.

### President

Alicia Ward

Elevate Northland is having a Unity Festival on Sept 18th 4 to 6 PM outside of the Karl Road YMCA. Still looking for vendors who can sign up online at <https://elevatenorthland.org/northland-festival-sign-up>

### Development Committee

Dave Paul, Chair

Upcoming meeting on August 25th will be in person, will go back to meeting at Franklin County Job and Family Services

## Karl Road Library Set to Open

The finishing touches are being put on the new Karl Road Branch of the Columbus Metropolitan Library. The old building has been razed and the new parking lot is taking shape. The ribbon cutting is scheduled for Thursday, September 9 at 3:30 pm. According to the library, "The new branch at 5590 Karl Rd. will be twice the size of the former branch and offer more meeting rooms, a larger children's area and so much more." We're looking forward to the return of this valuable community asset.



## Forest Park Civic Association

## Household Data Sheet

**Family and Address Information**(Please **PRINT** and include last names)

**Resident(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Minor children's names**  
(living with you): \_\_\_\_\_

**Other (adult)**  
**residents' names:** \_\_\_\_\_

**At this address, do you:** ☐ **Own?** - or - ☐ **Rent?** If renting, owner: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Forester Newsletter**

Are you receiving *The Forester* newsletter on or before the first Sunday of each month (except January) in a plastic bag by your mailbox? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Sometimes

**Demographics**

What year did you move to Forest Park? \_\_\_\_\_

Please help us plan activities and services that benefit Forest Park residents of all ages by providing the following information about current household members. (This information is kept strictly confidential.)

<u>Age</u>	<u># of Household Members</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u># of Household Members</u>
Children (1-12) .....	_____	Adults (20-64) .....	_____
Teenagers (13-19) .....	_____	Senior Adults (65+).....	_____

**Membership in the FPCA**

We invite you to be a voting member of the Forest Park Civic Association and support our community.

**Can we count on your support for the Forest Park Civic Association this year?**

- ☐ **Yes, count me in!** Please enclose **\$25.00**, cash ☐ or check [# \_\_\_\_\_], by mail with this form, or ☐ **use our easy PayPal** option at the Forest Park Web site:  
[www.fpcivic.org](http://www.fpcivic.org) (Please return this form by mail to let us know of any updates.)
- ☐ **Additionally**, please find enclosed \$\_\_\_\_\_ for: ☐ Supplemental Security  
☐ Beautification ☐ The *Forester* Newsletter
- ☐ No, thank you.

**Your Comments** (continue on separate sheet if needed)

Please return to: **Forest Park Civic Association, PO Box 29160, Columbus, OH 43229-0160**



## The Forest Park Gardener – September

It's hard to believe that summer, as we know it is coming to an end. Our part of the Earth is starting to tilt away from the Sun, and you've probably noticed that our daylight is growing shorter. Autumn is on the horizon.

I like to think of this time as a "Watch" time in the garden, preferably from a lounge chair.



Mornings and evenings are cooler, and the days are still hot. Toward the end of August, the Monarchs and Swallowtails have made their way through our area, and you may have been lucky enough to host some caterpillars. I've noticed quite an array of Hardy Hibiscus and Hydrangeas, blooming through the Park. And the marigolds, which seemed to have a rough start this cold, wet spring, and have finally come into their own. The birds have completed their last clutches of chicks, and the hummers are gearing up for the long migration south.

We begin to notice that as the sun angle changes, shadows are getting longer, and the color on our annuals (flowers and leaves) don't seem to be as vibrant. Our Coneflower, Marigolds, and Zinnias are beginning to develop seed pods, and are not blooming quite as much. If you have some favorite annual blooms, save the seed pods for next year. To dry seeds, simply separate the seeds from the pod and spread them out on a flat surface (cookie pan with parchment paper) and let them air dry for a week or two. Then put them in an envelope or an airtight jar.

Changing the subject:

I want to thank everyone who has reached out to the Forest Park Gardener with ideas and questions. I've had an awful lot of conversations with neighbors that start with "We should....", and have found some common ideas that keep popping up. Maybe we can look at one of these as an idea to start on in 2022.

- Virtual/Informal Forest Park Garden Club. East and West together. When I moved into FPW in 1984 I joined a formal Forest Park Garden Club. We had meetings every month, dessert and guest speakers. What I've heard from everyone is they would like something more of a hobby group. Just someplace to get together with others who like to garden, where new gardeners can ask questions and get advice. There is a Forest Park Garden Group on Face Book, but some people said they would like an in-person informal group.
- A Forest Park Back Yard Crawl. Not as formal as a garden tour, but something like that, were residents who would like to share their backyard gardens, can open their side gates for a few hours, to show off their work. It seems that many of us have used the Covid break as an opportunity to create beautiful backyard sanctuaries.
- Before and After Features. We've all been working on projects in our house. If you are really happy with your new deck, landscaping, or improvements, you can submit a before/after picture and we can feature it in the monthly Forester.

I also want to mention that this monthly article doesn't need to be written by me! If you would like to write an article on a garden subject (I'm hoping a lawn expert will rise to the challenge), I'd be happy to oblige!



Please let me know about our ideas for 2022. Enjoy your garden this September.

We get a reprieve, before the Autumn yard work begins.

[forestparkgardener@gmail.com](mailto:forestparkgardener@gmail.com) - Lisa Dove



**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:**

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**September 3, 17  
&  
October 1, 15, 29**



**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

## **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](http://www.311.columbus.gov)

**NO BULK ITEMS WILL BE COLLECTED UNLESS THE RESIDENT SCHEDULES COLLECTION ONLINE**

# **Ahh!! Peace and Quiet!**

I recently got a message from a community member (paraphrased) and my response (annotated):



... I have a question about excessive noise with our neighbor across the back fence and I am not sure who to turn to for help.

He really has a big sound system in the back yard with a massive bass. In past years, he has played music into the early morning hours a couple of nights in the summertime. We just dealt with it. I really don't want to spoil anyone's fun. This year, he's been loud pretty much every weekend, an even weekdays.. The bass can be felt in our house! While my family is trying to enjoy our backyard, we get to hear his music every night.

I have called the police non-emergency number a couple of times, but I know that they are busy protecting us and tending to other things, so I understand it can take a while for them to follow up.

I really don't mean to complain, start a conflict, or ruin anyone's fun at all. I just wish I was able to get sleep and enjoy my backyard as the gentleman with the speaker is enjoying his backyard.

I have spoken with several neighbors, and they share my concern. Is there anything we can do to "quiet" this issue?

I too find this kind of thing frustrating. I thought we left all the loud party stuff behind when we left the college environment. (Don't be tempted to retaliate by chainsawing your old dead tree at 5 am some morning after.)

The best thing, if you can, is to engage the noisy neighbor in a conversation (not confrontation). As school is soon starting, we have another reason to request cooperation. If things go well, you might even get invited to the next (not so loud) party.

The Columbus noise standards are a little subjective, but provide legal support. [[2329.11 Community noise.](#)] They stipulate a noise level not to exceed 60 dB over an hour from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m., or 65 dB 7 a.m to 10 p.m. 60dB would be *normal conversation*, perhaps in a restaurant or office, background music, air conditioning unit at 100 feet, *fairly quiet* -- half as loud as 70 dB. 70 dB would be office noise, inside a car at 60 mph.

Sec (C), "Prohibited sounds," states: *No person shall make or allow to be made any unreasonably loud and/or raucous noise in such a manner or at such a volume as to disturb the quiet, comfort, or repose of a person of ordinary sensibilities. Strict liability is intended to be imposed for this section.* Further, it states that amplified sound should **not be heard 50 feet beyond the property line**. That limit is reduced to **25 feet** when residential units are located within 50 feet of each other, which describes most of our homes with 10-15 foot setbacks from property line.

[So you are fully in your rights to call the police! ... But our inquirer was trying to be a kind neighbor, so ... ]

You might calmly advise the neighbor of what you expect -- e.g. hour after which you would be forced to call police. If there are other neighbors who don't appreciate the "sharing," perhaps they can agree and also call when noise is too loud or too late.

One should be able to enjoy one's music without disturbing the neighbors unduly. That's a good sign of a lively community. But if they really want to crank it up, perhaps they should take it inside and close the windows -- or invest in some great headphones. **Respect** must go both ways.

Hope this helps.

See you soon! It's so good to be sharing a place we can all call HOME.

Your president, Scott Prigan.

*This article will also be posted on the FPCA website <https://www.fpcivic.org>*

## **Forest Park– 2020 Business Memberships**

### **Churches**

#### **Epworth United Methodist**

5100 Karl Road  
614-885-8015

#### **Karl Road Christian Church**

5400 Karl Road  
614-888-3444

### **Home, Services**

#### **Mary Sguerra**

HER Realtors  
614-818-7636

#### **Columbus Window & Siding Doug Bond**

614-453-5332

#### **Jonathan Allen Landscape**

[jallen8352@wowway.com](mailto:jallen8352@wowway.com)  
614-899-6085

#### **Schoedinger North Chapel**

5554 Karl Rd  
614- 224-6105

### **Restaurants**

#### **Donatos Pizza**

1891 Tamarack Circle  
[www.Donatos.com](http://www.Donatos.com)

#### **Gabby's**

1887 Tamarack Circle  
(614) 433-0583

### **Shopping, Services**

#### **Circle Mart**

1876 Tamarack Circle  
(614) 885-3514

#### **Northside Family Dental**

5770 Karl Rd. Ste. 100  
614-846-8340

#### **Kreiger Ford**

1800 Morse Road  
614-783-3673



#### **HADLER Companies**

2000 W. Henderson Road  
614-457-6650

## **COLUMBUS GARDEN RAILWAY ANNUAL TOUR**



Visit [www.thecgrs.org](http://www.thecgrs.org) for locations in Central Ohio

Looking for something different and fun to do with the family after LABOR DAY? The Columbus Garden Railway Society (CGRS) is having their 2021 Fall Garden Tour **Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, from 1-5pm.** Rain (bring an umbrella) or shine the tour is on! *We will be following current Columbus and CDC guidelines.* At press time there will be twenty-two garden railways open for your enjoyment around Central Ohio.

The closest site for our neighborhood is the Forest Park Garden RR in Forest Park West. We had our first open house last year. Come back and say hello. The next closest would be The Ohio River and Western RR on Norma Rd, The Crawford Valley RR in nearby Columbus, along with the Sweet Hollow RR and the Hacker Express RR in Westerville and the rebuilt Mad Apple Express in Clintonville. Others on the tour this year are in Worthington, Dublin, New Albany, Grove City and Mt Sterling. A complete list and locations for this year's tour is available at [www.thecgrs.org](http://www.thecgrs.org) (check in a few days before the event for the latest list with addresses).

The Columbus Garden Railway Society (CGRS) is a unique, organization whose goals are to have fun with garden railroading and the sharing information on the hobby. The group is simply an informal gathering of people interested in gardening and railroading. We all subscribe the 10-foot rule, which loosely translates to "If it looks good from 10 feet away, then it is good enough". Membership in the Columbus Garden Railway Society (CGRS) is open to anyone. While the name of the organization refers to garden railroading, ownership of a garden railroad is not necessary. Many of our members have a G-scale railroad in their garden or yard, others may have one in their basement or other room of their home, and yet others may choose to not have one at all. That is not important. What is important is that all of our members share a common interest and love of our hobbies.

Lisa and Tim Dove will be your hosts in FPW on Lindenwood Rd. Watch for signage. Well behaved kids are always welcome! We will have information about our garden railroad, a scavenger hunt for kids (and adults) and information about the other participating members.

Come and say hi to your neighbors and watch the trains run in the gardens!





# NEIGHBORHOOD Update!



Sept. 2021



**MARY SGUERRA**

CBR \$25 MILLION CLUB  
FOREST PARK RESIDENT

**818-7636**

## Dear Neighbors:

I hope everyone had a great summer and the kids & parents will get to have more of a normal school year. The real estate market has continued to be very busy & prices are still going up. So if you've been thinking about selling, now is a good time to do it! I specialize in this area & I'm always here to help.

**Just give me a call and let me show you what HER and I can do for you!**

## 2 NEW LISTINGS

**1949 Torchwood Dr.** - 2 Story w/4 BR's, 2.5 BA's, Family Rm. & Rec. Room, Deck, 2 car garage **\$269,900**

**1791 Larkwood Pl.** - 2 Story w/4BR's, 2.5 BA's, Family Rm w/gas log FP, Deck & Patio, 2 car gar. **\$275,000**

## CURRENT MARKET WATCH

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

1634 Nestling Dr. 2-Sty/4BR 259,900

1949 Torchwood Dr. 2-Sty/4BR 269,900

1791 Larkwood Pl. 2-Sty/4BR 275,000



## HER Realtors homes In Contract

2280 Blackoak Ave. Split/3BR 235,900

1461 Sandalwood Pl. Split/3BR 219,900

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

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

## All Homes SOLD

Homes sold since 7/15/21

		Asking Price:	Sold Price:			Asking Price:	Sold Price:
1453 Hempwood Dr.	Ranch/3BR	199,000	196,000	1680 Pin Oak Dr.	2-Sty/5BR	249,900	271,000
5786 Sandalwood Bl.	Ranch/3BR	200,000	237,500	5238 Arrowood Lp W	Split/3BR	259,000	270,000
5329 Karl Rd.	Ranch/3BR	205,000	220,000	1672 Sugarmaple Dr.	Split/4BR	260,000	285,500
1494 Boxwood Dr.	Ranch/3BR	216,900	228,000	5174 Northcliff Lp W	2-Sty/4BR	267,900	300,000
2146 Teakwood Dr.	Ranch/3BR	227,000	227,000	<b>1229 Vinewood Dr.</b>	<b>2-Sty/4BR</b>	<b>269,000</b>	<b>269,000</b>
1693 Sandalwood Pl.	Split/3BR	235,000	275,000	1307 Pegwood Ct.	Ranch/5BR	270,000	272,000
5309 Hedgewood Rd.	Ranch/3BR	239,900	245,000	1406 Hempwood Dr	Split/4BR	270,499	266,500
1328 Ironwood Dr.	Ranch/3BR	239,900	243,000	5200 Arrowood Ct.	Split/4BR	272,000	296,000
<b>2107 Honeytree Ct.</b>	<b>Split/4BR</b>	<b>249,900</b>	<b>250,000</b>				

Information obtained from the Columbus Realtors - MLS as of 8/20/21. If your property is currently listed For Sale with another realtor please disregard this offer.

