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Neighbors helping everyone!!

On March 26, hundreds of high schoolers from Dwell Community Church picked up trash along S.R. 161 between Interstate 71 and Cleveland Ave. If you were out and about that morning, you might have noticed groups of students and adult chaperons with grabbers, trash bags, and bright yellow vests. Thankfully for our neighborhood, these teens decided to ditch their normal weekend plans to beautify the community. All told, they picked up approximately 350 bags of trash, well over one ton of litter that is now off the streets!

The event was organized by Dwell employee Amanda Hoyt. She said, "It was very encouraging to see high school students put effort toward making our city more beautiful." She went on to explain that part of the value of having young people clean up litter is preventative: "The hope is that they not only learn to avoid littering but also influence the greater community to see the value of clean spaces."

Staff members and volunteer leaders at Dwell Community Church made it clear that this was a community effort. The organization Keep Columbus Beautiful provided the direction and tools needed, such as trash bags and grabbers. Also, The Home Depot provided hundreds of pairs of work gloves and dozens of buckets. And last but certainly not least, Giant Eagle provided bottles of water and the key ingredient to any major community project: **hundreds of donuts.**

"That was really fun," said 5th grader Lizzie DuFault when we were on the way back home, "which is weird because it was just picking up trash."

"Anyone can make a difference in this way," Amanda Hoyt explained. If you are interested in planning or joining a community clean up, you can contact Keep Columbus Beautiful at <https://www.gov/publicservice/Keep-Columbus-Beautiful/>.

By Brad DuFault



High schoolers Lily and Emily proudly hold up their findings.

President's Message

Ed Vanasdale

The outbreak of CoVid-19 has not allowed FPCA to be a truly socialable group over the last two years. We have managed to keep the organization alive through online ZOOM meetings.

Now we are back to

having in person meetings at the Epworth United Methodist Church

on the second Tuesday of each month. It is our fervent wish that you will attend. If you have any suggestions for speakers or topics you wish to have discussed, please let me know via e-mail or phone. (614-847-1494 or

ed1vanasdale@gmail.com) If by phone leave your ideas on the answering machine leaving your contact information (e-mail or phone number).

There will be a NCC Fourth of July parade this year. The parade will begin at 11:00am the morning of the fourth of July. This year's theme is "Elevate Northland-Celebrate the Fourth". The parade has not happened for 2 years, but we're happy to invite you all out to view the parade along Karl Road between Morse Road and Route 161. We are hoping as part of the parade that we will include the Forest Park "Trikes and Bikes". If you would like to assist in any part of the parade, we can use your help. Contact me by e-mail or phone with your information. For more information about the parade you may go to Northlandparade.org on the computer.

I once again looking forward to working with everyone in the community again.



Ed is back as FPCA President

FPCA Meeting

May 10, 2022 –7pm

Epworth United Methodist
5100 Karl Rd or
online at Facebook live
Check website for updates

Forest Park Spring Garage Sale Saturday May 21st

Flyers handed out at Karl &
Sandalwood, morning of sales
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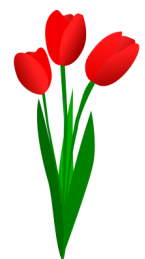


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**Forest Park Civic Association
March 2022 Financial Summary**

**March
2022
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Report.
Submitted by
Cheryl Lutman**

Income	Actual		Budget		Budget vs. Actual	
	MTD	YTD	MTD	YTD	MTD	YTD
Membership	\$150.00	\$12,180.00	\$75.00	\$14,125.00	\$75.00	(\$1,945.00)
Supplement Security	\$0.00	\$1,976.66	\$0.00	\$1,750.00	\$0.00	\$226.66
Interest	\$0.21	\$3.89	\$0.25	\$3.45	(\$0.04)	\$0.44
Forester	\$845.00	\$8,587.49	\$750.00	\$9,000.00	\$95.00	(\$412.51)
Garage Sale	\$0.00	\$385.00	\$0.00	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$145.00
Additional Donations/Misc.	\$0.00	\$1,969.00	\$0.00	\$1,250.00	\$0.00	\$719.00
Business Membership	\$0.00	\$125.00	\$29.17	\$350.00	(\$29.17)	(\$225.00)
Beautification	\$0.00	\$612.49	\$0.00	\$550.00	\$0.00	\$62.49
Total	\$995.21	\$25,839.53	\$854.42	\$27,268.45	\$140.79	(\$1,428.92)
Expense						
Membership	\$232.00	\$1,871.28	\$10.00	\$2,830.00	\$222.00	(\$958.72)
Supplement Security	\$1,825.00	\$9,471.68	\$541.67	\$6,500.00	\$1,283.33	\$2,971.68
Forester	\$1,993.20	\$14,503.09	\$1,166.67	\$14,000.00	\$826.53	\$503.09
Liability Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$475.00	\$0.00	(\$475.00)
(1) New Neighborhood Signage	\$0.00	\$1,057.26	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,057.26
Miscellaneous	\$95.64	\$95.64	\$315.00	\$315.00	(\$219.36)	(\$219.36)
Northland Community Council	\$0.00	\$110.00	\$0.00	\$310.00	\$0.00	(\$200.00)
Treasurer Expenses	\$0.00	\$46.49	\$8.33	\$100.00	(\$8.33)	(\$53.51)
Island Maintenance	\$0.00	\$690.00	\$70.00	\$840.00	(\$70.00)	(\$150.00)
Garage Sale	\$0.00	\$124.60	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$24.60
Beautification Awards	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$275.00	\$0.00	(\$125.00)
Outreach Day	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$125.00	\$0.00	(\$125.00)
4th of July Parade	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	(\$200.00)
Welcome Committee	\$0.00	\$497.51	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$197.51
Social Activities	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$795.00	\$0.00	(\$795.00)
Total	\$4,145.84	\$28,617.55	\$2,111.67	\$27,165.00	\$2,034.17	\$1,452.55
Net Income/Loss	(\$3,150.63)	(\$2,778.02)	(\$1,257.25)	\$103.45	(\$1,893.38)	(\$2,881.47)
Month End Bank Balances						
	PayPal	Checking	Savings			
	\$48.00	\$2,828.37	\$24,563.52			

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

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Northland Community Council Update

by Ken Gilbert, NCC Representative for Forest Park.

The April meeting of the Northland Community Council took place at Westerwoods on April 5. We had a special guest speaker, Napoleon Bell, who is the Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, at the Franklin County Sheriff's office. He spoke about the role of the Sheriff's Office in our community as well as Crime Stoppers. Our Columbus Police Department liaisons note that thefts from cars and car thefts are still up. Making sure your doors are locked will go a long way to fighting this issue.

Our City Zone Attorney noted that hotel hearings are going on and that Podunk's is the subject of a nuisance abatement warning due to incidents that have happened there in recent months.

Our FACT and Consider Biking chair noted that April is Earth Month, with celebrations across the county and that next May would be Bike Month.

National Library week took place in April, with the Checkout Challenge contest. We were asked to remind our residents that the Karl Rd branch has a number of social service programs available. Ask at the main desk. The Library Council Meeting will also be taking place there on June 13 at 7 pm.

NABA (Northland Area Business Association) will be holding it's annual golf outing soon. Look for details in upcoming months.

The 161 Task Force will again be holding their monthly 161 Clean Up Days. The next one is May 14. We meet behind the Jiffy Lube at 161 and Sharon Woods Blvd at 9:00 am. Equipment is provided. Other dates are June 11, July 9, August 13, September 10, October 8, and November 12.

The Northland Community Parade will return on July 4, 2022 at 11 am. See <https://northlandparade.org/> for more information. We're still looking for volunteers. This is Northland's largest event and is of particular interest to Forest Park residents as it runs through the heart of our neighborhood.

Finally, save the date for the Northland Unity Festival at the North Y on September 17 from 10-2. As always, all Northland residents are welcome to attend the NCC meetings in the Westerwoods auditorium on the first Tuesday of the month at 7 pm, excepting August (National Night Out) and December (holiday).

Hello Forest Park!

It was nice to see so many faces at the most recent FPCA meeting and hope to keep up the momentum at our next meeting! Officer Daniel Yandrich was at our meeting and said that overall, crime rates are down but they are still seeing a lot of car break-ins and stolen vehicles. Specifically, criminals are targeting Kia and Hyundai. He stressed the importance of locking your car doors, not leaving your car running and unattended, and not leaving valuables in your vehicle. He also mentioned that there has been an increase of firearms being stolen out of vehicles. If you feel the need to carry a firearm on your person, please keep it on your person or leave it in your lockbox at home. Officer Yandrich (#2206) can be reached at 614-645-1418 if you have any questions.

Supplemental Security News



There has also been an increase with mail that has been deposited in the mailboxes located outside of post offices being stolen. People will steal checks intended to pay bills and change the check amount and the payee to steal money from unsuspecting victims. To avoid this, take any sensitive mail inside the post office or pay online.

Remember, included in your Forest Park Civic Association membership is Supplemental Security. Simply fill out the form below and return it to Daryl Van Mercetta at 2131 Honeytree Court, Columbus, OH 43229 or via email at dvanmercetta@gmail.com. You can also fill it out online at fpcivic.org. Upon receipt, Daryl will send it to the security company, who will in turn increase security patrols during your travel dates. Please note, they will not collect mail, packages, or garbage cans; however, your loving neighbors, I'm sure, will be willing to lend a hand.

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



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Forest Park Business Members and Homeowner Members only!

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

If yes, make and model of their car _____



Mail to:
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May 2022 – The Forest Park Gardener

Sharpen up your hedge trimmers and clippers! It's time to give your hedges/shrubs a little love and attention. Knowing when and how to prune our shrubs can be a daunting task. Here are some basic guidelines.

Boxwoods/Taxus: New green growth should appear in early May. Once they are about 1" long, you can break out the hedge trimmers and cut them back to the original size. The trick is to do this before the weather gets too hot, so that the plant doesn't get scorched. If you are interested in reducing the size of the shrub, you can clip it down more than the new growth, but it will take time for the shrub to recover.

Flowering Shrubs: Forsythia, Viburnum, Spirea, Lilacs. Pruning these shrubs should wait until AFTER it blooms. New flower buds develop on OLD wood, so if you clip these too late in the season, you will have cut off all the flowers for next year. Viburnum and Lilacs also tend to shoot up multiple stems and can get very crowded. When pruning the shrubs, don't forget to go in and take out some of the older, thicker stems from the base of the plant. Allowing air circulation is important to reduce the likelihood of disease. I love these shrubs because they are very forgiving. If they are too big, or too leggy, you can cut them down to the ground and start over.

A lot of people ask me about pruning Hydrangeas. The table below should help.

Common names	Botanical name	When to prune
panicle hydrangea, PG hydrangea,	<i>Hydrangea paniculata</i>	late winter, before growth begins
bigleaf hydrangea, mophead, hortensia, lacecap	<i>Hydrangea macrophylla</i>	after bloom in summer
mountain hydrangea, lacecap	<i>Hydrangea serrata</i>	after bloom in summer
smooth hydrangea, annabelle, snowball	<i>Hydrangea arborescens</i>	late winter, before growth begins
oakleaf hydrangea	<i>Hydrangea quercifolia</i>	after bloom in summer
climbing hydrangea	<i>Hydrangea anomala</i> subsp. <i>petiolaris</i>	after bloom in summer



I have found that the investment in a good reference book – for example: ***Ortho's guide to Pruning*** is something to consider.

See you in the garden!

Lisa Dove – The Forest Park Gardener. forestparkgardener@gmail.com



Students gathered at Dwell Community Church prior to their generous clean up efforts in the Northland neighborhoods on March 26th.

Lou Bernard named Volunteer of The Month

Lou Bernard was named the Forest Park Civic Association's Volunteer of the Month at April's FPCA meeting. Lou has volunteered with the civic association for many years and is currently the Secretary of the FPCA Board. Lou has served above and beyond his normal duties over the past year. He is in part responsible for arranging online streaming of monthly meetings during COVID, and worked many hours ensuring a smooth transition to new leadership during the past few months after we tragically lost our president. In addition to his job as a teacher with the Columbus Public Schools and time with his family, Lou donates a lot of time and talents to his neighbors through the Civic Association. Thank you, Lou!



Lou Bernard, left, is recognized by Scott Biggs at FPCA meeting



FOREST PARK SPRING COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE Saturday, May 21, 2022



Spring Cleaning time is here again! 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 May 21, 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 below and mail with your check of \$5.00 made payable to F.P.C.A. by **Tuesday May 17th** to Mary Sguerra, 5395 Pine Bluff Rd. Columbus, OH 43229

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

Forest Park Spring 2022 GARAGE SALE ENTRY FORM - \$5.00 Saturday, May 21 9-3pm

Name _____ Address _____

Email: _____ phone#: _____

Featured Items:

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

Forest Park Civic Association Meeting Minutes

Date: April 12, 2022

Location: Epworth United Methodist Church and Zoom

Meeting called to order @ 7:03 PM by Lou Bernard, Secretary
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Attendance was taken via roll call/Zoom Participant List.

Due to the sudden passing of our friend and president, Scott Prigan, a moment of silence was held in his honor. Lou explained that a meeting was held on March 25th by members of the executive board and some past presidents to decide on how to move forward. Ed Vanasdale was chosen to temporarily head the FPCA as president, and Ken Gilbert as vice president until the election cycle at the end of 2022. At this meeting, a vote was taken by those present and on Zoom, and both were installed into their new positions.

Bob Hinebaugh expressed his sadness of the tragedy of Scott's passing, and thanked Ed and Ken for stepping up to fulfill the positions.

OFFICER REPORTS

President's Report Ed Vanasdale - evanasdale@insight.rr.com
No Report

Vice President's Report Ken Gilbert - kgilbert78@att.net -
Absent - No Report

Secretary's Report Lou Bernard - loubernard3@gmail.com

1) Attendance:

Officers/Committee Chairs Present: EV, LB, CL, RW, MS, DVM, AR, ER, SB, DP

Officers/Committee Chairs Absent: FQ, SL, KG, LK-B

Area Reps in Attendance: 2, 5, 6, 9, 11, 12

Area Reps Absent: 1, 3, 4, 7, 8, 10, 13, 14 (Areas 7, 13, and 14 remain vacant)

30 people in attendance (25 in person, 5 on Zoom)

2) March's minutes were reviewed and approved.

Treasurer's Report Cheryl Lutman - clutman17@gmail.com

1) 6 new household memberships

2) Expenses: Renewal of our post office box for another year, Flowers for Scott Prigan's service, Multiple checks for security clearing at the beginning and end of the month, and 2 months of Forester printing

3) We ended this fiscal year at a deficit of \$2,881.47. Household memberships were down almost \$1,950 from budget, which was based on prior years, and business memberships were down \$225. Along with that, Forester revenue (both voluntary contributions and advertising revenue) were down \$412. Security donations were up (yea!) by \$226. We did receive additional unspecified donations of \$719, which helped cover some of these items.

4) Membership expenses were way down. A big part of that was giving people the option to cover the PayPal fees and a big "thank you" to those who did. Several of the other items are due to events not happening (Outreach Day, Social Activities, parade). With COVID restrictions easing, and people looking for events, Cheryl foresees those going back up. In that case, our 2022 - 2023 budget will be a deficit budget without an increase in memberships and other revenue. Cheryl will have a final budget out by the end of the week for comment.

Public Relations Report

Mary Sguerra - Mary.Sguerra@HERealtors.com

Saturday, May 21st for the Garage Sale this spring. There will be flyers at the entrance. If you would like to be listed in the flier,

and support the FPCA, you can fill out the Garage Sale form in this *Forester* and enclose \$5.

Forester Editor's Report Rita Woeste - forest-ed@fpcivic.org

1) The deadline for the May issue is April 14th. The deadline for the June issue is May 13th. It will be mailed on May 21st, and include the membership drive information.

2) We are still looking for articles all of the time. If you have a specialty or interest, start a monthly column!

3) We still have a core group of 7 volunteers who stuff the newsletter bags each month.

4) We are currently looking for a delivery coordinator. Your main responsibility would include (but not be limited to) keeping a list of all delivery volunteers and their contact info. PLEASE contact Rita if you are interested.

Supplemental Security Report

Daryl Van Mercetta - dvanmercetta@gmail.com,

Katie Van Mercetta - kvanmercetta@gmail.com -

Dan Yandrich (CPD Liaison Officer) dy-andrich@columbuspolice.org

1) A few calls about cars being illegally parked. Remember to call 311 or the police non-emergency number. A few house checks have been called in and made by the supplemental security company.

2) Officer Dan Yandrich (FPCA liaison officer) : a) the CPD will be getting new uniforms, b) there is a high numbers of car thefts in the area (Kias are being targeted), c) the car theft rate at Easton is very high, d) the impound lot is full, so even if the police write tickets for abandoned vehicles, they will not be towed. Still report them.

Business Representative

Sheridan Landin - sheridanlandon@yahoo.com - Absent

Alan Ray - aray.bergahorn@gmail.com

1) Sheridan and Alan have created a list of past and present business members and are working to call members who have dropped their memberships and get them signed up again.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Welcome Committee Chair

Ellin Ray - eclaire1226@gmail.com

Ellin has Welcome folders. Area reps please contact Ellin to get your folders and deliver them to our new neighbors.

Volunteer Coordinator Scott Biggs - volunteerfpc@gmail.com

1) Thanks to all the volunteers who are helping us right now. We are getting new volunteers and that is awesome.

2) Thanks to Reyne and Dan Kaiser for landscaping around the wall near Sandalwood and Yellowwood. The owners of the property bought the materials, and Reyne and Dan brought the muscle. It looks wonderful. Thank you from all of us.

3) Members around the old pool are looking to work together to clean up the mess of a parking lot.

4) Rick Bennett and Cara Greenburg hosted a Game Night at the Karl Rd. Library. It was a huge success.

Look for future nights-posted on Facebook.

5) Sat., May 21st is an Envelope Stuffing Event for the membership drive. It will take place at Schoedinger's at 1:30 PM. Contact Scott if interested in helping.

6) 1st Tuesday in August-the FPCA and the YMCA will team up to host a National Night Out Party. Stay tuned for volunteer opportunities and info in the newsletters and on Facebook.

7) There seems to be a new energy in the FP area and people are ready to work together to get things done. Contact Scott if you are feeling this too!

.....FPCA minutes continued from page 8

Volunteer Coordinator report

8) New Volunteer of the Month Program. This month went to Lou Bernard, FPCA Secretary. Through the tragic loss of Scott Prigan, Lou gathered the board and past presidents together to figure out a way to keep the FPCA moving forward, and he worked through Covid to figure out how to broadcast the meetings, he and Scott were instrumental in the FPCA receiving their 501(c)(3) status and continues to work on other projects and provide the monthly minutes for the FPCA.

Social Activities Report Liz Kengeter-Bash - eKengeter@gmail.com - Absent - No Report

NCC Representative

Ken Gilbert - kgilbert78@att.net - Absent

1) Napoleon Bell works with the Sheriff's office in the Department of Diversity, Equality and Inclusion spoke about what the office is doing to stay current. Discussed what CrimeStoppers are doing to stop the illegal dumping in Columbus.

NCC Development Representative

Ed Vanasdale - evanasdale@insight.rr.com

Dave Paul - dwpaul@fpcivic.org

6 Cases, but only 4 in/near the Forest Park area

1) Apartment Residential to rezone to permit the construction of a 3-story multifamily residential building containing 46 apartment units and 1st level common areas. Former Beechcroft pool site- 6000 Beechcroft Rd, 43229. Approved with conditions.

2) Rezone to provide additional indoor warehousing, storage and parking uses for the adjacent retail building on a separate parcel. 2590 Morse Rd, 43229 (Surplus World) Approved on condition to add a bike rack on property.

3) Council variance to permit the operation of a state-licensed Type A daycare facility in a residential district. Esther M. Jefferson, 2199 Lilacwood Ave, 43229. Approved.

4) Variance to accommodate the planned construction by the City of Columbus of a roundabout on Maple Canyon Ave. and concomitant loss of pre-construction frontage providing a portion of the current setback: 5679 Maple Canyon Ave, 43229. Approved. (These notes have been adapted from the NCC Dvpt. Committee minutes.)

Website Administrator Dave Paul - dwpaul@fpcivic.org - Scott Biggs - volunteerfpc@gmail.com

www.fpcivic.org is the site. If you have any suggestions to make the website better, please contact us.

Don't forget there is a Forest Park Neighborhood Facebook Group where you can get lots of good info.

Old Business—None

New Business/Announcements/Ideas

1) Ideas for guest speakers: City council reps, Sarah Pomeroy-city attorney, someone from the 311 call center, the new director of Recs & Parks. If you have any ideas, please call us or come to the next meeting.

2) We need to get the Block Watch up and running. It has been on hiatus since Covid. The CA is not the appropriate place to discuss all the crime issues. We need a volunteer to head this up - Ed and Ken will be willing to mentor you in the process.

3) We need volunteers for the 4th of July Parade and the Bikes and Trikes competition. Please contact Scott Biggs for more info.

4) The next meeting will be live at the church and on Zoom: May 9, 2022 @ 7:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 PM

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Walk with a Doc is back at **Woodward Park** starting May 2022. These safe, fun walks are on Saturday Mornings, where you get in some exercise and get to talk with doctor on different health topics.

Go to <https://walkwithadoc.org/columbussignup/> to find out more info and to sign up for the walks.

There are 2 walks a month through the summer months.

The first walks are scheduled for May 7 & May 21 from 9 to 10 am.

Forest Park Business Memberships

Churches

Epworth United Methodist

5100 Karl Road
614-885-8015

Karl Road Christian Church

5400 Karl Road
614-888-3444

Home, Services

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614-818-7636

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Doug Bond
614-453-5332

Jonathan Allen Landscape

jallen8352@wowway.com
614-899-6085

Schoedinger North Chapel

5554 Karl Rd
614-224-6105

Restaurants

Donatos Pizza

1891 Tamarack Circle
www.Donatos.com

Gabby's

1887 Tamarack Circle
(614) 433-0583

Shopping, Services

Circle Mart

1876 Tamarack Circle
(614) 885-3514

Kreiger Ford

1800 Morse Road
614-783-3673

HADLER Companies

2000 W. Henderson Road
614-457-6650

<https://www.columbus.gov/publicservice/RecyColumbus/>



Schedule for Forest Park Yard Waste & Recycle dates are:

**May 13, 27
&
June 10, 24**



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

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Neighbors beautify Forest Park West

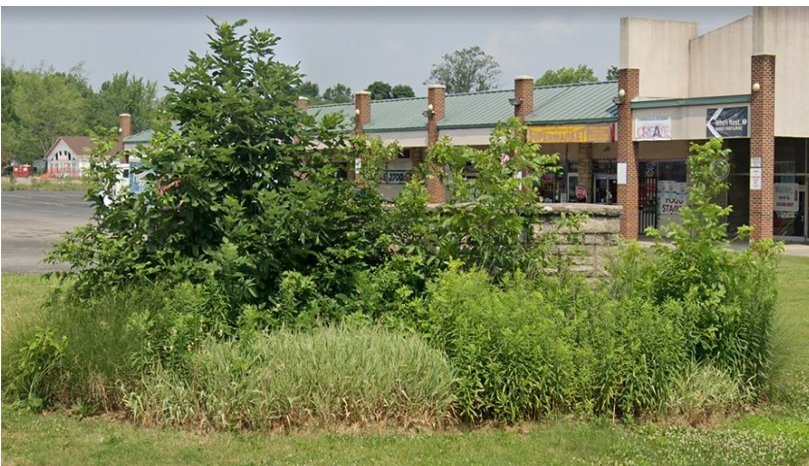
Reyne and Dan Kaiser of Cherrywood Ct. in Forest Park West are making our neighborhood more beautiful.

Reyne thought the overgrown corner of Sandalwood and Yellowwood could be more attractive and contacted the Forest Park Civic Association president, who suggested she contact the owner of the Sandalwood Center. Reyne offered to use her landscaping skills if the owner paid for the plants, flowers and mulch. He agreed and the Kaisers got to work.

For three days in April, Reyne and Dan cleared the overgrowth, cut down bushes, installed a weed barrier, edging and mulch, then planted boxwoods, roses, and other decorative plants.

"A lot of people have stopped and said thanks, and that is very heart-warming," Reyne reported. "In fact, one woman who grew up in the neighborhood told us that she and her friends used to sit up on that structure when she was young and eat ice cream. She would go into the IGA for snacks and of course the pool was THE place to be. It really meant something to her to see it brought back to life! Thanks to all of you for being such great neighbors! We're looking forward to seeing you around and enjoying the nice weather!"

Thank you Reyne and Dan!



← The Before & After ↗

Family Game Night at the Karl Rd. Library

Forest Park neighbors Rick Bennett and Cara Greenberg hosted a family game night on April 11 at the Karl Rd. Branch of the Columbus Public Library. They brought a selection of board and card games and hosted a crowd of adults and kids who learned how to play new games.



They also recommended that game lovers make a stop at Ravenstone Games, a hidden gem in our neighborhood at 1677 Karl Ct. in the Karl Court Shopping Center. We are looking forward to the next game night!

Volunteers needed for our 2022 Membership Drive

Have you been thinking about volunteering for Forest Park, but can't commit too much time? We would like to invite you to join us for one easy hour on Saturday, May 21.

The Civic Association will be compiling envelopes for our 2022 Membership Drive. We need helpful hands to insert forms and information about the many benefits of membership into envelopes for mailing to all residents in Forest Park East and West.

FPCA officers and representatives have already been working to print the materials and label the envelopes. We just need some volunteers to assemble nearly 3,000 packets before we deliver them to the post office. It is a simple way to help out and meet your neighbors in a fun and casual way.

Our good neighbors at Schoedinger Funeral Home at 5554 Karl Rd. will host our Membership Packet assembly starting at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 21.

Sign up or ask for more information by emailing Scott Biggs, Volunteer Coordinator, at volunteerFPCA@gmail.com.

NEIGHBORHOOD Update!



May. 2022



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Dear Neighbors:

Home Prices are Rising. Your Home's Value May Surprise You!
Curious about the Value of your Home?

I can provide you with a free competitive analysis of your property and show you a personalized market report for our Forest Park neighborhood. Let's talk about why now is a great time to sell. Call me to learn more!

I just closed on my NEW listings at **1181 Rockwood Pl.** and **5094 Tamarack Blvd.** this month and my other NEW listing at **1685 Ivyhill Loop S.** is In-Contract and scheduled to close.

Thank you to all who have recently reached out to me to sell their homes. I will have a few more homes coming on the market in the next month or so. If you need help in 2022 with either buying or selling a home please give me a call - **Let me show you what HER and I can do for you!**

CURRENT MARKET WATCH

The following homes are **FOR SALE** with **HER REALTORS**:

All of my Forest Park listings are IN CONTRACT or SOLD
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HER Realtors homes In Contract

2227 Lilacwood Ave© 2-Sty/4BR 270,000

1685 Ivyhill Lp S. © 2-Sty/4BR 295,000

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

All Homes SOLD

Homes sold since 3/18/22

	Asking Price:	Sold Price:		Asking Price:	Sold Price:
5202 Northtowne Bl.	2-Sty/4BR 244,000	273,000	5360 Redwood Rd.	2-Sty/3BR 289,000	285,000
1181 Rockwood Pl.	Ranch/4BR 247,000	253,000	5411 Rockwood Rd.	Split/3BR 299,900	294,000
5301 Hedgewood Rd.	Ranch/3BR 249,000	260,000	2082 Honeytree Lp N	2-Sty/5BR 299,999	336,000
5094 Tamarack Bl.	Ranch/3BR 255,000	290,000	5411 Aspen Rd.	Split/3BR 315,000	315,000
4965 Shadycrest Rd.	Ranch/3BR 259,900	280,001			

Information obtained from the Columbus Realtors - MLS as of 4/13/22. If your property is currently listed For Sale with another realtor please disregard this offer.



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