

## The Forester

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**Forest Park Civic Association** 

**MAY, 2023** 

# May



## May is Membership Month

Join FPCA just \$30 ....Join online at fpcivic.org or mail in form included with this Forester

## FPCA Meeting

Tuesday, May 9 7 pm

Epworth United Methodist Church 5100 Karl Rd

## Forest Park Night At Gabby's

1877 Tamarack Circle N Saturday May 27—6 pm

Bring a side dish/dessert, meat is provided then stay to enjoy the music (Alexander Band)

## **FPCA Bowling Day**

Sequoia Lanes, FP West 5501 Sandalwood Blvd Saturday May 20 Noon-3pm

Kids & Adults, \$15 includes shoes and 2 hours of bowling per person.

FPCA Reps will host the event & be there to register folks for door prizes



## Community Garage Sale

Saturday, May 20 Map/listings available at East/West Islands at Karl Rd 9-10:30 am

Detail on page 9

# Forest Park

## President's Message

Spring time has finally come to our Forest Park neighborhood and it is time for us to renew or join our civic association! Let's look at what your membership to our association brings to you.

First of all there is a monthly newsletter produced and delivered to your home to keep you informed of what is happening in the neighborhood both east and west Forest Park. Private security is provided for both east and west Forest Park. Special security is provided for neighbors who leave to go on vacation. No other neighborhood association provides such a fantastic service. Every member of the association has the opportunity to have their voice heard on issues concerning the neighborhood. This can be done at our monthly meeting at the Epworth United Methodist Church on Karl Road or by phone to any of our officers. Every spring and fall we organize a garage sale for every neighbor in Forest Park. It is an organized affair with the houses of the participants being included on a map and an advertisement being made in local newspapers. There are, also, social events planned for the neighborhoods. We participate in the National Night Out and a social get together at Gabby's night out. We participate in the annual July 4<sup>th</sup> parade as well. We are working on creating more social events now that Covid is not as prevalent. We build bonds with our neighborhood businesses.

The Forest Park Civic Association is also a member of the Northland Community Council which gives us a voice in what is happening in the communities of the northern part of Columbus. If there are any concerns about what is going on in our neighborhood, they can be passed on through our association. We are members of the Northland Development Committee also which helps control the development of the north side of Columbus. We are here to help if you have any concerns. This includes any code issues of which you have any problems.

We are asking for your support of your neighborhood. The more people who join our association the more we can do to support our neighborhood. Thank you for your support.

Ed Vanasdale, FPCA President

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Ken Gilbert ......614-888-3559

#### Forest Park Social Activities Committee

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#### WEBSITE 64

#### NCC Development Rep

Ed Vanasdale.....614-847-1494

#### **AREA REPRESENTATIVES**

#### **Forest Park West**

- 1. Ernie Mack......614-436-6241 or Katrina Kerns.......614-420-4267
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- 5. Scott Biggs......614-378-9889 Linda Ridenour....614-846-3287

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- 13. Mark Bell.....
- 14. VACANCY.....

City Code Enforcement CALL 311

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Articles for the June, 2023 Forester are due to editor by May 18, 2023. Look for the June 2023 Forester at your door by the first Sunday, June 4th.

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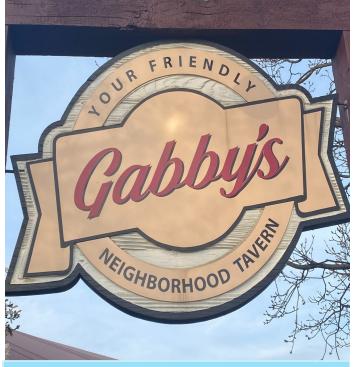
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Income	MTD	YTD	Budget	Remaining
Household Membership	\$105.00	\$12,005.00	\$14,000.00	\$1,995.00
Business Membership	\$300.00	\$950.00	\$100.00	(\$850.00
Forester				
Advertising	\$770.00	\$8,240.00	\$8,200.00	(\$40.00)
Additional Donations	\$0.00	\$897.00	\$300.00	(\$597.00)
Supplemental Security	\$0.00	\$2,337.00	\$2,000.00	(\$337.00
Beautification	\$0.00	\$977.00	\$600.00	(\$377.00
Garage Sale	\$0.00	\$265.00	\$260.00	(\$5.00
Mulch	\$385.00	\$385.00	\$0.00	(\$385.00)
Interest	\$0.17	\$2.05	\$4.00	\$1.95
Other	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Total Income	\$1,560.17	\$26,058.05	\$26,464.00	\$405.95
Expenses				
Membership				
PavPal Fees	\$12.05	\$59.15	\$70.00	\$10.85
Annual Mailing Printing	\$965.00	\$2,462,46	\$1,500.00	(\$962.46
USPS Bulk Mail Permit	\$0.00	\$1,370.00	\$1,370.00	\$0.00
Outreach Day	\$0.00	\$62.93	\$125.00	\$62.07
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Printing	\$1,970.00	\$9,850.00	\$9,850.00	\$0.00
Bags	\$0.00	\$774.00	\$1,425.00	\$651.00
Supplemental Security	\$581.25	\$7,375,00	\$10,000.00	\$2,625.00
Beautification	,	, ,-	, .,	, ,,
Island Maintenance	\$0.00	\$750.00	\$690.00	(\$60.00
Neighborhood Beautification	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Committees				
Welcome	\$0.00	\$493.79	\$500.00	\$6.21
Social	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Parade	\$0.00	\$264.28	\$200.00	(\$64.28
Garage Sale	\$0.00	\$96.14	\$125.00	\$28.86
Office Expenses				
Office Supplies	\$0.00	\$24.00	\$50.00	\$26.00
Insurance	\$0.00	\$475.00	\$475.00	\$0.00
NCC	\$0.00	\$170.00	\$170.00	\$0.00
Banquet	\$0.00	\$151.00	\$151.00	\$0.00
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March, 2023 Treasurer Report

Submitted by Cheryl Lutman

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## **Northland Community Council Meeting Updates**

The Northland Community Council met at Westerwood on Tuesday, April 4. There are ongoing changes in our liaison programs. Officer Dan Yandrich is still our Columbus Police liaison for 18 Precinct, but there have been changes in the other two precincts (1 and 6) in the Northland area. Alfred Akainyah, our City Community Liaison is moving to a new role in the city but can still take issues until a replacement is named. Sarah Pomeroy, our Zone City Attorney has noted that the Doll House has been temporarily closed as a nuisance and is awaiting a court hearing on that issue (due to the shooting there and other issues). She is also working on area hotel issues. The Columbus Public Library is celebrating its 150th anniversary with many events. Check their website for more information. The NCC Banquet will take place April 20th at Villa Milano. The independence Day Parade committee is looking for volunteers. They meet at Epworth UMC on the third Saturday at 1 pm. See their Webpage for more information. It was noted that the former Red Carpet Inn on 161 has now requested a city council variance to operate supportive housing. This is \*not\* a rezoning and the variance is only for that use for the Community Shelter Board. This was approved by the NCC Development Committee. Thus our main objective was achieved--the site cannot be converted to apartments should the Shelter Board decide not to use it for that purpose in the future. A lively discussion ensued about the push by the city to create more zoning opportunities for large apartment buildings in Columbus.

Ken Gilbert, Forest Park Representative.

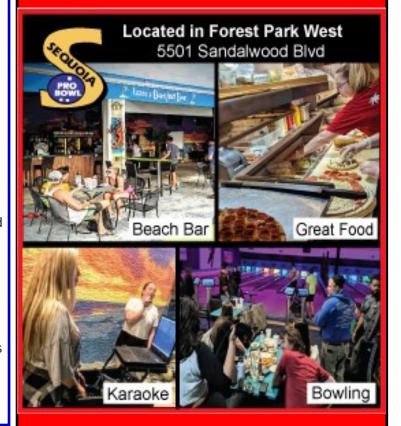
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#### Hello Forest Park!

What does Supplemental Security do for you? In the past fiscal year, the security company conducted over 65 patrols in our area along with fulfilling over a dozen vacation requests. Forest Park is the only neighborhood in Northland to hire a security patrol for its residents and the Civic Association counts on memberships from you and your neighbors to keep the program going so don't hesitate to join!



Here are some answers to some frequently asked questions:

- **Do I need to pay for supplemental security or vacation checks?** No. Vacation house checks and security patrols are included with your paid Civil Park Civic Association Membership. You will never need to submit payment with your supplement security request.
- What should I do if there is an issue in the neighborhood? If there is a code violation issue, you can report it by calling 311 or submitting a complaint via 311's website at <a href="https://311.columbus.gov">https://311.columbus.gov</a>. If there is a safety or theft issue, you should call the non-emergency police number at 614-645-4545. If there is an emergency, call 911. Our police liaison, Officer Dan Yandrich, can be reached at <a href="https://dww.dyandrich.gov">dwy.dyandrich.gov</a>. If there is a safety or theft issue, you should call the non-emergency police number at 614-645-4545. If there is an emergency, call 911. Our police liaison, Officer Dan Yandrich, can be reached at <a href="https://dww.dyandrich.gov">dwy.dyandrich.gov</a>.
- If my doorbell camera captures video of a crime, what should I do? Call the Telephone Reporting Unit at 614-645-4717; use the "Columbus Police Mobile" app and go to "file an offense report;" visit the police website at <a href="www.columbus.gov/police">www.columbus.gov/police</a>; or call the non-emergency police number.
- What will you do if I report an issue to you? We will make sure the security patrol is aware of the issue so it can be monitored and we will relay the information to our police liaison; however, we will also instruct you to contact the numbers refered above. While we monitor issues and do our best to make sure information is relayed to the appropriate parties, 311 or the police department is best suited to assist with some issues.
- How can I stay up-to-date on crime in the area? You can either sign up for Citizen App, which will provide the most current crime occurrences near you using GPS, or visit the area crime map at <a href="https://www.communitycrimemap.com">www.communitycrimemap.com</a>.
- Who can I contact with any additional questions? Please feel free to reach out to Daryl Van Mercetta using the contact information above or attend our civic association meetings.



If you're a paid Forest Park Civic Association member, supplemental security is an added perk of your 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 <a href="mailto:dvanmercetta@gmail.com">dvanmercetta@gmail.com</a>, provide the information to him over the phone at 513-479-2416, or submit the form online at <a href="mailto:www.fpcivic.org">www.fpcivic.org</a> and he will notify the security patrol, who will then report any suspicious or unexpected activity while you're away.

Please be mindful that security requests should be placed a week or two prior to your planned travel dates and the security officer will only monitor your property; he will not collect packages/mail; take back your trashcans; or close your gate. Now is a great time to make friends with your neighbors, who can help with those tasks.

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



On Dublin Granville Road Meet at: Sharon Woods Center

**MAY 9, 2022** 

9:00 AM



### **Meet behind the Jiffy Lube**

Bags, gloves, Safety vest & pick-up tools are provided. Please wear bright clothing and sturdy footwear.

2-3 people will be assign to a block on one side of the road

Help keep 161 Clean

### Forest Park Civic Association Meeting Minutes Tuesday April 11, 2023, 7 pm

Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance Attendance by Roll Call

#### President's Report

Ed Vanasdale ed 1 vanasdale @gmail.com

Discussed the NCC Banquet, which will be held on April 20, 2023 to honor the volunteers of Forest Park and the surrounding neighborhoods.

Stuffing of the May Forester will be held on April 22, 2023 at 1:30pm at Schoedinger Funeral Home. They have updated their hours so they are no longer open on Saturday but are opening specifically for the Civic Association. As usual, they will provide soft drinks, water, and cookies. The Civic Association will provide pizza for all the volunteers.

Beginning April 17, 2023, the north side of Karl Road at 161 will be closed for 90 days while the city does construction and installs a mini roundabout.

#### Vice President's Report

Trevor Secord tsecord@une.edu - Absent

#### Secretary's Report

Lou Bernard <u>loubernard3@gmail.com</u> - Absent

Katie Van Mercetta filled in and took attendance:

Officers/Committee Chairs Present: EV, RW, MS, DVM, KVM, SL, SB, KG, DP

Officers/Committee Chairs Absent: TS, CL, LB, SP (deceased), MB, AR, ER

Area Reps in Attendance: 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 11, 12, 13

We had two new area rep volunteers:

Suzanne Conway for Area 4

Mark Bell for Area 13

Area Reps Absent: 1, 6, 7, 8, 10, 14 (area 14 remains vacant) Total people in attendance: 28

Minutes from March were reviewed, approved, and voted into the official record.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Cheryl Lutman cllutman17@gmail.com - Absent

- 1) Income for the month: \$1,560.17
- 2) Expenses for the month: \$3,776.30
- 3) Number of new members (households and businesses) for the month: 4 new household membership and 3 new business memberships
- 4) Any other notes of interest (i.e. committee chairs need to let you know about budget amounts needed):

Please see the Treasurer's Report in the Forester.

- 1) It's the year-end report. We ended the year in the black, in terms of income vs expenses, but that was because we trimmed expenses. The good news:
  - 4 new household memberships
- 3 new business memberships Circle Smoke Shop, Circle Drive Thru and Sequoia Pro-Bowl.

The only unanticipated expense was the printing of the envelopes for the annual mailing. That added \$965 to our expenses for this year that should have been on next year.

People are buying mulch!!

2) A Chart!! I did a pie chart that showed what our expenses were - the largest expense is the Forester. Followed by Security,

then Membership and Beautification. The "Other" category includes Office Expenses, Committees and the Garage Sale. I hope this helps our members visualize where the money goes. Having figured out how to do them in Office365 online (so I don't have my full desktop Excel with all the fun options you get), I'm happy to create others, if you feel they'd be beneficial. Let me know what you'd like to see!

#### **Public Relations Report**

Mary Sguerra Mary Sguerra Mery Howard Hanna.com

- 1. Garage Sale: May 20, 2023
- 2. BowlingParty at Sequoia Lanes: May 20, 2023 from 12pm 3pm.
- 3. Gabby's Night is Saturday, May 27, 2023 at 6:30pm Ads continue to come in so let us know if you or anyone you know wants a business membership.

We hope to see you at all the upcoming events!

#### **Forester Editor's Report**

Rita Woeste forester ed@fpcivic.org

- 1. Articles are due Friday, April 14, 2023.
- 2. We have extra Foresters from April's delivery so if there are any local businesses who want to showcase them, please let us know.
- 3. Columbus Square dropped their ad in the Forester so we have a spot to fill.
- 4. The person who covers the east side of Karl is no longer available to deliver so volunteers are needed for about 40 in that area and area 13 still does not have a deliverer. Please reach out if interested
- 5. Someone claimed the lucky ticket in Forester Park East so they will be receiving a gift card. No one has come forward from Forest Park West yet.

If any changes are needed to the contacts listed in the Forester, please email Rita at rwbuckeye@gmail.com.

#### **Supplemental Security Report**

Daryl Van Mercetta <u>dvanmercetta@gmail.com</u>, Katie Van Mercetta <u>kvanmercetta@gmail.com</u> Dan Yandrich (CPD Liaison Officer) <u>dvandrich@columbuspolice.org</u> - absent

- 1. There have been no house checks in the past month but they're expected to pick up next month.
- 2. We are researching security companies to shop around for pricing and coverage and more information will be forthcoming. No report from Officer Yandrich

#### **Business Representative**

Marty Biggs Marlynabiggs@yahoo.com - Absent;
Sheridan Landin sheridanlandon@yahoo.com;
Alan Ray aray.bergahorn@gmail.com - Absent
Our business reps have been talking to CalFit, the YMCA, and
20th Century Care Center as potential new business members.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Welcome Committee Chair**

Ellin Ray <u>eclaire1226@gmail.com</u> - Absent No report

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#### .....continued, FPCA 4/11/23 meeting minutes

#### **Volunteer Coordinator**

Scott Biggs volunteerfpca@gmail.com

- 1. The Mulch Sale is going well with 176 total orders to date totaling \$2,245.00 worth of mulch sold and \$898 revenue for the Civic Association. We still have 2 weeks left to order; April 23rd is the last day.
- 2. We are looking for volunteers for the mulch delivery on May 6, 2023 from 9am noon.

Welcome to our new volunteers!

**Suzanne Conway** is volunteering for Area 4 in Forest Park West **Mark Bell** is volunteering for Area 13 in Forest Park East Andrea Philipson is volunteering to be our new Social Committee Chair.

#### Social Activities Report

1. Andrea Philipson volunteered and was voted in as our new Committee Chair.

She is a Columbus native and is moving from Westerville to Forest Park next month. She was a social chair for her neighborhood and organized social events for her neighborhood and friend group totalling 40+ per year and about 8-10 for her old neighborhood. She looks forward to bringing her connections, experience, and enthusiasm to Forest Park and is open to any ideas or feedback from the neighborhood.

Welcome to the Forest Park Civic Association!

#### NCC Representative Ken Gilbert kgilbert78@att.net

- 1. We have several liaisons moving on, including our liaison Alfred.
- 2. There is an upcoming NCC banquet on April 20, 2023 and more information can be found on the NCC's website.
- 3. The NCC is looking for a Parade Committee from each neighborhood to help organize.

The next meeting is going to be held April 15, 2023 at Epworth Church and will be available remotely via Zoom. More information can be found on NCC's website.

Please see the article from Ken Gilbert for more information.

#### NCC Development Representative

Ed Vanasdale@gmail.com

- 1. The co-chairs are Dave Paul and Bill Logan (from Woodland Park Civic Association).
- 2. They discussed five cases:
- 1) Hamilton Road there is a laser tag facility that they are wanting to turn into a basketball and pickleball court.
- 2) 1289 East Dublin-Granville Road: aka the old Red Carpet Inn they asked for a counsel variance to operate as a

residential care facility under the conditions that they have to meet the building codes and they are the only company allowed to operate as such in this location (so the zoning will remain as a hotel/motel and cannot be converted to residential living).

- 3) Caprese Bowling Alley the National Church Residence purchased it and wants to create a 5 story building housing 145 units. This was approved but cannot exceed 145 units.
- 4) An Automobile Repair shop on Karl: located at Morse and Karl requested the ability to add storage containers. The matter was tabled for future discussion as the shop had been written up for several violations, including too many unregistered vehicles, too much debris, and not maintaining a 20 foot clearance around the property.
- 5) 2400 East Dublin-Granville Road it's a hookah bar that requested to classify a food truck as a "portable shed" so it could remain in front of the establishment. The board recommended disapproval.

#### Website Administrator

Scott Biggs volunteerfpca@gmail.com

Dave Paul dwpaul@fpcivic.org

Please check it out! Lots of good info.

1. Forms have been added and updated so they can be easily exported for various needs.

Events have been updated - check out the site for more information!

#### **Old Business**

None

#### New Business/Announcements/Ideas

- 1. The YMCA purchased the neighboring Karl Road Christian Church property. The intentions behind the acquisition are unknown and no zoning actions have been taken.
- 2. Laura proposed a running/walking club and will provide more information for the Forester.
- 3. Ed discussed having the following guests attend a future meeting:
- a. AEP: recent power outages
- b. Department of Public Service: recent removal/addition to trees in the hellstrip
- c. Department of Forestry
- d. Discussion if Food Waste Recycling Program Representative should attend a meeting to better explain program.

  The City is currently under a court order to replace handicap ramps because the ramps they installed a few years ago are not up to code so construction will be occurring in our neighborhood.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

## Coffee, Cops & Conversation Wednesday, May 10th 9-11 am



Community event building relationships with law enforcement in the Northland Community. Contact the North YMCA for more information, 614–389-4707

## Forest Park Night with Alexander Band Gabby's at Tamarack Circle

Saturday May 27, 6 pm
Meat dish will be provided

Bring a covered dish, meet your Forest Park Neighbors and enjoy the evening with music, food and fun.



## Neighbor to Neighbor is our best chance

Ism is a belief accepted as authoritative. It can be that to which we swear allegiance.

In communism then the community would be the system that is most revered. If everyone looked out for the good of the community, we would have the greatest society. What we have in communist countries is not that.

In socialism then the social structures are put in place so that no one goes without the necessities of life. Structures are put in the system to protect. The socialist countries are not that.

In capitalism then capital/money is most important. The means of getting and trading goods or cash is most important. Capitalist countries do adhere to that. The system is set up so people can get as much as possible. Capitalist societies are the only ones that hold true to what they believe in. It is about money and physical resources and the individual's rights.

No matter what the system with no love or care it becomes tyrannical. Bureaus and corporations cannot love or care. People who work in places may care, but the system puts in place limits. The goal is to benefit the community, preserve society or make money.

Governments cannot care for or love anyone individual or family. It is far too complicated and huge. The more local the government the better chance one has of even being heard. Our Forest Part Civic Association gives one the best venues to be heard. Even this does not guarantee the result wanted. We can go away feeling uncared for.

Neighbor to neighbor is our best chance to look out for one another. The theme in every episode of *The Neighborhood* TV series is a neighbor really bothering his neighbor, but they are both better off by staying close, forgiving and caring.

Let us set the example in Forest Park. I challenge you to get to know one neighbor you do not know. Let us find ways to tolerate the annoying ones, even love and care for our neighbors. I am convinced that it will make for a safer Forest Park and a happier life. Governments and bureaus cannot love, but we can. Without love we are nothing.

Submitted by George Schmidt



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Mary Sguerra

Howard Hanna Real Estate Services

614-818-7636

Columbus Window & Siding Doug Bond

614-453-5332

Jonathan Allen Landscape

jallen8352@wowway.com 614-899-6085

**Cindy Fenstermaker** 

Realtor, AO Real Estate 614-323-3173

### Restaurants/ Entertainment

Massey's Pizza

1951 E. Dublin-Granville Rd 614 (888-0022)

Seguoia Pro Bowl

5501 Sandalwood Blvd 614-885-7043

### **Shopping, Services**

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1405 E. Dublin-Granville Rd 614 (813-8395)

Kreiger Ford

1800 Morse Road 614-783-3673

Circle Smoke Shop

1852 Tamarack Circle South 614-396-7837

Circle Drive Thru

1848 Tamarack Circle S 614-505-0032





## FOREST PARK SPRING COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE



Saturday, May 20, 2023

Spring Cleaning time is here again! Your junk can be someone's treasure. Have fun and make a little monby joining the Forest Park Civic Association Garage Sale which will be held on May 20 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.

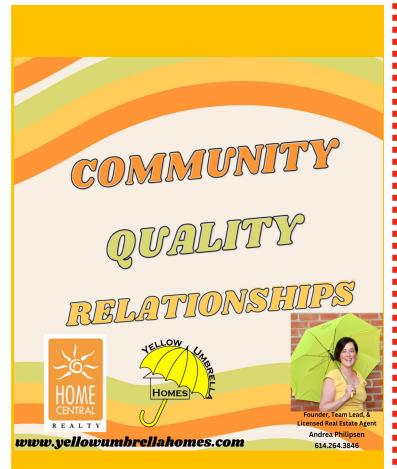
The fee helps defray the cost of the advertising.

Please complete the form below and mail with your check of \$5.00 made payable to F.P.C.A.

by Wednesday May 17th to Mary Sguerra, 5395 Pine Bluff Rd. Columbus, OH 43229

Name	
Address	
Email: _	
phone#:_	Make checks out to F.P.C.A.
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SPACE IS LIMITED, SO LIST THE MOST IMPORTANT ITEMS Mail to Mary Squerra, 5395 Pine Bluff Rd. Columbus, OH 43229 by Weds, May 17, 2023



## Next person up!

Janice and I moved into Forest Park West almost 8 years ago. Like many of our neighbors that volunteer to make our community better, we have volunteered to help the Forester, picking up trash on 161 and weeding flower boxes. Retirement is drawing us back to a small town about 65 miles north.

We feel committed to our neighbors in Forest
Park and would like someone to step forward
and fill the void we have created.

We need someone to help take care of the 2 garden boxes at the top of Satinwood Drive at 161. I know there are garden folks out there who can work their magic.

Please contact Arthur Ashraf @ 614 499-3814, if you can help.

FPCA would like to thank Joel for his years on managing the bills for Ads for the Forester and to Janice for delivering the Forester.

Enjoy retirement and your new home!!!



### 21st Century Edu-Care Center 1673 Karl Court Columbus, OH 43229 (614) 622-7839 School-Agers 2023 Summer Camp and Field Trip Schedule 7:30AM - 6:00PM

	June 5-9, 2023		June 12-16, 2023		June 19 - 23	, 2023		June 26-30, 2	2023	
BODY IN MOTION		ADVENTURES IN THE WILDS		LEGOLAND Discovery Center		PLANES and AUTOS!				
* Enjoy Cedar Point (\$35)		* Visit The Wilds Safari (\$35)		* Visit the 4D cinema! (\$20)		* Wright-Patterson Museum (\$10)				
* Enjoy Skating at Skate Zone!		* Participate in a surprise park event.		*Construct legoland buildings!		* Visit Honda Heritage Center				
	July 3-7, 2023		July 10 -14, 2023		July 17-21,2	.023		July 24-28, 2	023	
	DRAMA		BRAINIAC WEEK!		FOOD	IE WEEK!		PHOTOG	RAPHY WEEK	!
	* Outdoor Play	(\$6)	* Academic Bowl	(\$10)	* Eat at Farr	mer's Marke	(\$15)	* Take phot	os of friends.	(\$18)
	* Movies		* Assemble COSI STEM kits!		* Pick peaches, make ice cream.		m. * Make scrap books!			

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The camp fee is \$160 per week. However, parents can deduct the costs of field trips, materials, and special activities from the fee! For additional information or to register youngsters, please telephone C. Jones at 614-601-6060. The center is closed July 4th.

#### https:// www.columbus.gov /publicservice/ RecyColumbus/



Schedule for Forest Park Yard Waste & Recycle dates are: April 14, 28 & May 12, 26



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

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

### Forest Park Gardener Corner—May 2023

If you have been anywhere near a garden center lately, you'll notice the wide selections of chemicals and "organic" solutions for your garden. I thought it might be helpful to give some general information about the category of "herbicides" and how they can be used in your home lawn or garden.

Now before we all get our string beans in a twist. The use of these chemicals or not to use them is a dealer's choice. There is no right or wrong answer here. If you choose to use them sometimes or not, its up to you. But – if you do use them – then there are some guidelines and best practices.

**Post- Emergent Herbicide** are chemicals used to manipulate or control undesirable vegetation. As home owners , our definition of control usually means "make it go away permanently". Herbicides are specific chemicals, such as:

Metribuzin, Dacthal, Sethoxydim. Carfentrazone, Pendimethalin. Halosulfuran-methyl, Bensulide. Trifluralin, Napropamide.

Manufactures combine these chemicals and sell their pre-mixed "Lawn Margaritas" under brand names such as: Monsanto: Round Up (Various formulations), Spectricide and Ortho: Weed and Grass Killer, and Bayer's BioAdvanced series.

Many people use a liquid form with a surfactant – which allows you to spray directly on the undesirable plant. Problem is, we are not a patient bunch. We tend to spray the intruder, give it an hour or so, and go back to check and see if it is dead. If not, we spray it again, just to make sure.

When using these types of Post Emergent cocktails – PLEASE READ YOUR LABELS!

- Make sure that the plant you are trying to kill is listed in the label contents.
- Don't over do it. More is not better; it is just more, and it's wasting your money. Patience is the key, here.
- Know your environment children, pets should not be around when these are in use. Also
  make sure to protect adjacent plants from your intended target.
  (Ask me how quickly Round Up kills a boxwood hedge. Urgh)
- Store all chemicals safely and securely!

**Pre-Emergent Herbicides** These are chemical compositions that destroy unwelcome weeds before they even begin to grow. For the garden – you would recognize the brand as Preen, Scotts' Haltz and Turfbuilder, just to name a few – there are plenty more! We normally buy these in a granular mix which is either spread with a lawn spreader device or the handy dandy shaker container that the product is sold in, for our convenience.

Pre-Emergents work to prevent the germinated weed seedlings from becoming established. They either work to inhibit the growth of the root or stem of the weed, or both. To be effective you need to shake, shake, shake (or spread spread) and incorporate it into the soil. *The granules must be watered into the soil to become effective*. You can use a liquid form, if you don't want the granules all over your nice mulch. In general, Pre-Emergents last about 3-5 months.

The key to effective use of these products is knowledge and timing. Again – read your labels, and if you can't find an answer, ASK someone! Or better yet – take advantage of the internet. The various manufacturers have web sites on their labels as well.

And now for something completely different – Last year, we had a small group of participants who started a Forest Park Garden Club. We were able to get together a couple of times last year. We would love to get back together soon. If you are interested, please let me know! Forest-ParkGardener@gmail.com



Happy Gardening – finally some wonderful warm weather! Lisa Dove, Forest Park Gardener

# NEIGHBORHOOD Update







**Real Estate Services** 

May. 2023



#### **MARY SGUERRA**

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CBR \$25 MILLION CLUB FOREST PARK RESIDENT

818-7636

#### **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 listings at **5321 Karl Rd.**, **5805 Satinwood Dr.**, and **1783 Larkwood Pl.** & I still have several buyers looking in our neighborhood. Thank you to all who have recently reached out to me to sell their homes. I will be having a few more homes coming on the market in the next month or so.

Please give me a call and let me show you what Howard Hanna and I can do for you!

#### CURRENT MARKET WATCH

The following homes are **For Sale** with **Howard Hanna**: (All of my listings are **In Contract or SOLD** 

LISTINGS NEEDED - Please give me a call today! )

## White White

#### **Howard Hanna** homes In Contract

1501 Sandalwood Pl. 1.5Sty/4BR 259,900

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

All Homes SOLD

I KNOW FOREST PARK! I LIVE IN FOREST PARK! I SELL FOREST PARK!

Homes sold since 3/17/23		Price:	Price:				
5321 Karl Rd	Ranch/3BR	229,900	231,000	5730 Satinwood Dr.	2-Sty/4BR	273,000	305,000
5805 Satinwood Dr.	Ranch/3BR	246,500	240,000	5486 Pine Bluff Rd.	Split/4BR	275,000	269,500
5560 Sandalwood Bl	Split/4BR	249,900	286,600	1800 Coghill Dr.	Split/3BR	284,900	284,900
1783 Larkwood Pl.	Ranch/2BR	259,900	265,000	5436 Aspen Rd.	2-Sty/3BR	289,000	272,000
4901 Lyle Rd	Split/3BR	260,000	267,000	5325 Torchwood LpW	2-Sty/3BR	307,500	300,000

1849 Torchwood Dr. Ranch/3BR 269,900 285,000 Information obtained from the Columbus Realtors - MLS as of 4/12/23. If your property is currently listed For Sale with another realtor please disregard this offer.

Asking Sold





