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JOIN US at the PARADE

59th Annual Community Independence Day Parade

Tuesday July 4th, 11:00 am

Sponsored by Northland Community Council

2023 THEME: "STRONGER TOGETHER"

Steps off at 11 am from the Huntington Bank/ Home Buys parking lot, 1630 Morse Rd.
Procession travels north up Karl Road from Morse Road to Dublin-Granville Road (1.7 miles)



59th Theme: Stronger Together



Be Part of the Forest Park "Bikes & Trikes" tradition

Decorate your bikes, tricycles, scooters & meet us at:
parking area in front of the Woodward Park Middle School at 10:30 am on July 4th.

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THEME: "Stronger Together" & PATRIOTISM

Parents or guardians must register participants and sign a waiver. Children five years of age and under must be accompanied by a parent or older child during the parade.

The children will join the parade with the Forest Park group after judging & the awards are presented. All children will need to wear a helmet if riding a bicycle.

If you would like to judge the Bikes & Trikes or help with the Forest Park Float:

Email: volunteerfpc@gmail.com

Justin Moegling & Mike Bey of Moegling Home Remodeling for helping us with their trailer and manpower to deliver mulch to our neighbors

Katrina at Dairy Queen on Schrock Rd for ice cream coupons handed out to neighbors at our Bowling event

Sandra Santos and Homer Muniz of Martin's Dumpster Hauling Services for their time and big trailer to deliver mulch

Thank you!

FPCA Meeting

Tuesday, June 13
7 pm

Epworth United Methodist Church
5100 Karl Rd

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Community Liaison Officer Yandrich and fellow CPD officers discuss safety and security concerns with members of the Forest Park community at an event hosted by the North YMCA. The YMCA plans to host future Cops & Conversation events.

Monthly Financial Report - April 2023

<u>Income</u>	<u>MTD</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Remaining</u>
Household Membership	\$235.00	\$235.00	\$14,400.00	\$14,165.00
Business Membership	\$225.00	\$225.00	\$750.00	\$525.00
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Advertising	\$710.00	\$710.00	\$7,500.00	\$6,790.00
Additional Donations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Supplemental Security	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Beautification	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$1,000.00	\$980.00
Garage Sale	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$260.00	\$260.00
Mulch Sale	\$3,210.00	\$3,210.00	\$0.00	(\$3,210.00)
Interest	\$0.16	\$0.16	\$2.00	\$1.84
Other	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Total Income	\$4,400.16	\$4,400.16	\$28,912.00	\$24,511.84
<u>Expenses</u>				
Membership				
PayPal Fees	\$51.41	\$51.41	\$70.00	\$18.59
Annual Mailing Printing	\$280.00	\$280.00	\$1,015.00	\$735.00
USPS Bulk Mail Permit	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00
Outreach Day	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$125.00	\$125.00
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Printing	\$985.00	\$985.00	\$10,835.00	\$9,850.00
Bags	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,370.00	\$2,370.00
Supplemental Security	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Beautification				
Island Maintenance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$690.00	\$690.00
Neighborhood Beautification	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Committees				
Welcome	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
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Parade	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$275.00	\$275.00
Garage Sale	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Mulch Sale	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Office Expenses				
Office Supplies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$475.00	\$475.00
NCC	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$170.00	\$170.00
Banquet	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
PO Box	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$232.00	\$232.00
Other	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Total Expenses	\$1,316.41	\$1,316.41	\$28,907.00	\$27,590.59
Net	\$3,083.75	\$3,083.75	\$5.00	(\$3,078.75)

April, 2023
Treasurer Report
Submitted by
Cheryl Lutman

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Northland Community Council Report

The Northland Community Council met at Westerwood on May 2. Our police liaisons noted that National Night Out is August 2. CPD is working on a campaign against Street Racing. If you see racers gathering, let CPD know right away. The impound lot is full (see recent news reports), but they ask that we keep reporting abandoned cars. Our City Zone Attorney is working on a number of cases, including hotel license renewals. In our area, the Doll House remains closed, while the case of the car lot on Tamarack Circle will be heard in August. Our FACT/Consider Biking reporter noted that May is Bike Month. More sidewalks and bike paths are being added in Northland. The Karl Rd. Branch of the library notes that the Summer Reading Program will begin on June 3. They will host the Columbus Book Festival on July 15 and 16. We had a visit from the Zoning Department. They are working on updating zoning in Columbus, and are proposing a simplification of the code. This is very important to our community as one of the areas they are focusing on is Morse Road. One of the focuses is making it easier to zone for affordable multiunit housing. They want community input.



See <http://www.columbus.gov/zoningupdate>.

I encourage all residents to check this site out and get involved. The NCC Banquet went well, and a number of community volunteers were honored, including our own Bob Hinebaugh and Ernie Mack. Next up for our community is the Northland Fourth of July Parade. Planning meetings are the 3rd Saturday of the month at Epworth. Finally, next month's NCC meeting will be at Westerwood at 7 pm on June 6. The public is welcome to attend.

Ken Gilbert, NCC Representative

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Fourth of July is around the corner which means that it's officially firework season. Please be kind to your neighbors and mindful of the community when setting off fireworks. Safety is key and a lot of animals, veterans, and kids are sensitive to the sounds that fireworks make. If you hear something that can either be a firework or gunfire, err on the side of caution and contact the Columbus City Police. The non-emergency number is 614-645-4545. To bypass the computer prompts, hit the star key (*) to be taken directly to an operator. Please also use the non-emergency number to contact the police if you see signs of street racing or people gathering in the parks after hours. There have been recent reports of drugs, alcohol, and gun activity in the area.

Supplemental Security News



operator.

The City of Columbus is still not towing vehicles, however, to report an abandoned vehicle or a commercial truck parked on city streets, you can still contact 311 to report the alleged violation. 311 can also be used to report tall grass, schedule bulk pickup, report a dead city tree, and several other things.

We've been hearing complaints about mail being stolen from the blue mailbox outside of the post office so if you're dropping something off, take the extra time to walk it inside – it will even get you some extra steps on your Fitbit. Also, please remember that we are neighbors and are responsible for creating the type of community we want to live in. Please be kind to each other, look out for each other, and have each other's back. Forest Park is a great place to live but can only be measured by the merits of the residents so let's work together to keep it safe, clean, and friendly.



Remember, if you're a paid member of the Forest Park Civic Association (only \$30 for the entire household!) and are planning on traveling over the summer, simply turn in the Supplemental Security form to have some extra patrols in your area while you're away. You can mail the form to Daryl Van Mercetta at 2131 Honeytree Court, Columbus, OH 43229, email it to him at dvanmercetta@gmail.com, or fill it out online at fpcivic.org. If you haven't paid your membership yet, it's not too late! We look forward to seeing you at the next Civic Association meeting!

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

Thank You !



Thank you to our membership packet volunteers!

A small group of volunteers gathered April 23 to prepare 2,870 membership envelopes for our 2023 FPCA Membership Drive. Each household in Forest Park received a Membership Form, mailing envelope and the May Forester Newsletter in their mailbox. The FPCA is entirely run by volunteers, but we do have many expenses. Memberships are our primary revenue source and allow us to provide services, pay for administrative costs, and plan events for the community. This makes the membership package preparation and mailing our single most important service of the year. Thank you to Schoedinger Funeral Services on Karl Rd. for providing its large reception room and providing snacks for the group.

We extend our gratitude to the following volunteers who devoted their Saturday to serving our community: Saundra K. Abrams, Scott Biggs, Andy Hunt, Patty Hunt, Eileen Kunkler, Dave Paul, Linda Ridenour, Mary Sguerra, Mike Stone, Randy Via, and Diane Wagner. Special thanks to Dave Paul, Mary Sguerra, and Rita Woeste for their extensive preparation of materials. And thanks to Andy Hunt, Cheryl Lutman, Mike Stone and Scott Biggs for delivering the many bags of envelopes to the USPS bulk mail facility.

June – 2023 – Forest Park Gardener

For gardeners, the month of May feels like the start of the NYC marathon. We are leaning forward at the starting line, but the gun hasn't gone off and we are waiting...waiting, and then BANG! We are off and running!

Some of us succumbed to the heat wave at the end of April and bought our annuals and hanging baskets, only to have to bring them all into the garage or basement. Me included. Who can resist the urge to purchase pristine flats of perfect petunias? I certainly can't. We use Mother's day as our benchmark, but sometimes, you just want to get ahead and then Wham! Frost.



Johnny Carson always shared a top 10 list after his nightly monologue. (Hint: if you don't know who Johnny Carson is – because you are too young – check out Hulu...He was on the *Tonight Show* way before Jimmy Fallon)

So, here is the top 10 Common pitfalls that gardeners fall into, when we get Spring Fever. (In no particular order)

Planting your plant at the wrong height (too deep or too shallow) In general, whether it is a tree, shrub, or single flower, you should plant everything at the same level as the base of your item. Remember that you should add 1" of mulch as well.

Location, Location, Location – resist the urge to put a shade loving plant in a sunny space. If you have a little tree sapling, that will grow to be about 50 feet, don't put it next to your drainage tile, or in front of your picture window.

Improper watering – Your hand is the best measuring device – dig a bit into the soil, if dry, time to water. Over watering can encourage disease, and slugs. Under watering – stunted growth and imminent demise. For goodness' sake – water a plant at its feet, not on the leaves!

Pruning trees/shrubs at the wrong time. This is very common. A general rule: if it blooms in the spring – prune after it blooms. If it is a summer or late summer bloomer – prune in early spring while still dormant. This does not apply to Fruit trees and shrubs! You don't want to prune after it blooms and cut off all your blueberries! **READ YOUR LABELS!**

Spacing. Just like children, plants need appropriate space to grow. There is a reason why labels give you information about height and width of the adult plant. If you are planting in a planter, remember the rules of 3 – *Thrill* (tall in the middle) *Fill* (smaller plants in a circle around the center) and *Spill* (plants that hang over the edge of the pot)

Mower setting is too short. In the spring when you can literally watch your grass growing front of you, the temptation is to cut it short. Stop. Whatever the weather, you should cut no more than 1/3 the length of the grass, to prevent burn out, bald spots, and weeds. The longer grass shelters the roots, which gives you stronger turf.

Knowing the difference between annuals and perennials. Annuals complete their life cycle in one season in our growing area. Perennials return year after year, with the crown of the plant staying alive, but dormant, through the winter months.

Bulbs – planting too deep OR planting the bulb upside down. Planting too deep – bulb will not germinate properly. Too Shallow? If it is a Tulip – you just gave the squirrels a free meal. When planting bulbs – look for the round circle with little hairy things. That is the bottom.

Evergreen vs Deciduous Trees/Shrubs. Evergreen – keep their green needles/leaves all times. Deciduous – lose their leaves in the fall/winter, New growth in the spring. If you are looking for a privacy hedge or screen for your window, this is important information!

Impulse buying. My #1 problem. I see a plant or shrub, and I say "I'll find a place for it". Having a general plan for your garden is a good idea, but there is always room for something interesting. Also understanding that if you buy a plant that thrives in Zone 8, you are going to have to bring it in over the winter.



Tricia Doran – dōTERRA North American Wellness Founder & Diamond Leader

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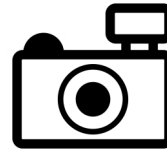
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See you Outside! - Lisa Dove, Forestparkgardener@gmail.com



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School-Agers 2023 Summer Camp and Field Trip Schedule 7:30AM - 6:00PM

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

**Gabby's 2023
Summer Line-up**

May 27 - Forest Park Night Out with
The Alexander Band
June 2 - Sparky Brewer
June 3 - The Shaun Booker
Dammit Band 8 - 12
June 9 - The Elderly Brothers
June 10 - Wildcard
June 16 - Dead Eddie
June 17 - Linden and Melvin
June 23 - Bourbon Stew
June 24 - Zoie Lee
June 30 - The Mustangs
July 1 - Hoghead Blues
July 7 - Trifecta
July 8 - Sparky Brewer
July 14 - GTM:
Good Time Music
July 15 - Wildcard



July 21 – Will & Co. 8 - 12
July 22 - The Shaun Booker
Dammit Band 8 - 12
July 28 - Linden & Melvin
July 29 - The Mclans Duo -
Christmas in July!
August 4 - Dead Eddie
August 5 - Bourbon Stew
August 11 - GTM: Good Time Music
August 12 - The Elderly Brothers
August 18 - The Mustangs
August 19 - Linden & Melvin
August 25 - Will & Co. 8 - 12
August 26 - The Shaun Booker
Dammit Band 8 - 12
September 1-Trifecta

Join Neighbors & Friends at Gabby's
 1887 Tamarack Circle North
 Summer Band Line-up,
 starts at 7pm
 unless otherwise stated.

Forest Park Civic Association Meeting

Date: 09 May 2023

Location: Epworth United Methodist Church

Meeting called to order @ 7:00 PM by Ed Vanasdale

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Attendance was taken via role call.

OFFICER REPORTS

President Ed Vanasdale evanasdale@insight.rr.com

1. **Guest Speaker:** Ray Leard "The Compost Guy":

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2. Reminder: Do not use the blue boxes outside the post offices. Many checks have been stolen, please use the boxes inside to be safe.

3. The idea of street lights has been brought to our attention. If you are interested please contact Ed. He is trying to ascertain if there is enough interest in them.

4. There is interest brewing about starting walking, running, and biking groups. Please check the Facebook page and the *Forester* for more info.

5. "Forest Park Night at Gabby's" every last Thursday of the month. Please join us!

6. There is interest in the Block Watch—but we are in need of someone who is willing to head up the Block Watch. Please contact Ed if you are interested.

Vice President Trevor Secord tsecord@unc.edu Absent

1. Trevor apologizes for not being able to make tonight's meeting in person. He has connected with local PD and confirmed our participation in the National Night Out. YMCA will partner with us again and host a block party on that evening. He will be filling out the Grant application for funding that is due this week as well.

2. He was glad to help out on Saturday with the mulch delivery. Thank

you Scott so much for putting that together.

Secretary Lou Bernard - loubernard3@gmail.com

1. Attendance:

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

Officers/Committee Chairs Absent: TS, CL, MB, AR, ER, DP

Area Reps in Attendance: 1, 2, 5, 7, 9, 10, 12, 13

Area Reps Absent: 3, 4, 6, 8, 11, 14 (Area 14 remain vacant)

Total meeting attendance: 30

2. Reviewed minutes from April, no changes or corrections were needed.

A vote was taken to approve minutes. Minutes passed and are entered into the official record.

Treasurer Cheryl Lutman - clutman17@gmail.com

1. In March, we received \$385, and in April \$3,210 through PayPal for the mulch sale, and on May 1st, deposited an additional \$2205. That's a gross of \$5800! The mulch cost us \$3767.40. Most everyone paid their PayPal fees, but there was \$47.39 not covered. Before any additional expenses we made \$1985.21!

2. Outside of mulch sales, we received 7 household memberships (one person paid both this year and last, so thank you!) Gabby's Tavern renewed their business membership and we also received business memberships from Yellow Umbrella Real Estate and Sherrie Johnson-Dantz (no business name listed).

3. Our only expenses were *Forester* Printing and the printing of the household data sheets.

4. There will be a mailing expense coming up this week.

Public Relations Mary Sguerra - marysguerra@howardhanna.com

We have a couple events this month -

1. FPCA Community Garage Sale is Saturday, May 20th - Maps with listings of those participating will be available at the FP Entrances on Karl Rd. from 9 - 10:30 a.m. An ad was placed in the Dispatch to run a few days ahead of the event. We are looking for volunteers to hand out the fliers.

2. FPCA Bowling Day is Saturday, May 20th from Noon - 3pm For \$15/ person the Forest Park price includes shoes rental & 2 hours of bowling fun! We'd like to have a few door prizes to give away - Please contact me if you know anyone who would like to donate an item, gift card, etc.

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3. Forest Park Night at Gabby's - Please bring a side dish/dessert to share. They will be supplying the meat then stay and enjoy the music by the Alexander Band - May 27th (6 pm).
4. We are still looking for someone to head-up the volunteers for the upcoming 4th of July float.

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

1. June Forester will be delivered. Still looking for someone to cover East Karl Rd.
2. May 19th is the deadline for articles and ads for the June edition.
3. Vote was taken to buy more bags for the Forester.
4. We are looking for a volunteer to help judge the Bikes-n-Trikes competition on the morning of the July 4th parade. Please contact Rita.
5. We are looking for volunteers to help run the Beautification Competition of Forest Park. Please contact Rita.

Supplemental Security Daryl Van Mercetta - dvanmercetta@gmail.com,

Katie Van Mercetta - kvanmercetta@gmail.com
Dan Yandrich (CPD Liaison Officer)
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1. **From Officer D. Yandrich** - CPD is still not towing for parking infractions. Semi parking complaints still coming in, he has been monitoring Tamarack circle and in front of 1700 Morse Rd. for them. Tickets are typically written if still there after an hour. Concerns about speeding have been raised along Karl Rd. typically third shift hours. This information was passed onto the third shift supervisor. Still seeing a large amount of stolen cars coming from the apartments along Red Robin east of Karl Rd. Officer Yandrich attended a career day at 2100 Morse Rd., Columbus Bilingual Academy North. If residents have houses that back up to Woodward Park and observe vehicles in the park after hours, the park closes at 11pm please call that into CPD. We are getting some after hours activity that needs to be stopped, drinking shots fired, etc.
2. **Officer Mills of Security Company:** Reported about 20 kids were fighting near Forest Park Nature Preserve May 4th around 5:30 pm. The police were called and the kids dispersed.
3. If you notice any groups of cars/motorcycles gathering that may lead to street racing, please call the police immediately 614.645.4545. They are trying to stop the street racing before they get started.

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Marty Biggs - Marlynabiggs@yahoo.com Absent
Sheridan Landin - sheridanlandon@yahoo.com Alan Ray - aray.bergahorn@gmail.com Absent

1. Gabby's Tavern renewed their business membership and we also received business memberships from Yellow Umbrella Real Estate and Sherrie Johnson-Dantz (no business name listed).
2. We presented 2 companies with honorary business memberships due to their assistance with deliveries for the mulch sale: Martins Dumpster Hauling Services and Moegling Home Remodeling

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Welcome Committee Chair Ellin Ray - eclair1226@gmail.com Absent
This committee has been temporarily put on hold in order to study the best way to fulfill this need.

Volunteer Coordinator Scott Biggs - volunteerfpc@gmail.com

1. Thank you to our Membership Packet volunteers.
A small group of volunteers gathered April 23 to prepare 2,870 membership envelopes for our 2023 FPCA Membership Drive. Each household in Forest Park received a Membership Form, mailing envelope and the May Forester Newsletter in their mailbox. The FPCA is entirely run by volunteers, but we do have many expenses. Memberships are our primary revenue source and allow us to provide services, pay for administrative costs, and plan events for the community. This makes the membership package preparation and mailing our single most important service of the year. Thank you to Schoedinger Funeral Services on Karl Rd. for providing its large reception room and providing snacks for the group.
We extend our gratitude to the following volunteers who devoted their Saturday to serving our community: Sandra K. Abrams, Scott Biggs, Andy Hunt, Patty Hunt, Eileen Kunkler, Dave Paul, Linda Ridenour, Mary Sguerra, Mike Stone, Randy Via, and Diane Wagner. Special thanks to Dave Paul, Mary Sguerra, and Rita Woeste for their extensive preparation of materials.

And thanks to Andy Hunt, Cheryl Lutman, Mike Stone and Scott Biggs for delivering the many bags of envelopes to the USPS bulk mail facility.

2. Thank you to Candy Jordan, our very first member of 2023-24! Candy joined online immediately after she received her membership package in the mail. Many more people have joined or renewed their memberships already by mail or online at fpcivic.org.
3. Thank you to our Mulch Sale volunteers!

Our first FPCA Mulch Sale was a big success. Thank you to the 80+ households that ordered mulch. And thanks to the volunteers who donated a Saturday to deliver more than 2,200 bags of mulch across Forest Park East and West. The sale was a good source of revenue and will help us plan and host many community events and programs this year.

Sandra Santos and Homer Muniz of Martin's Dumpster Hauling Services brought their big trailer and the Forest Park East residents worked all day to serve their community. Contact Martin's Dumpster Hauling Services at 614-600-9426

Justin Moegling of Forest Park West and Mike Bey of Moegling Home Remodeling brought a large trailer and delivered mulch to homes across the neighborhood. Contact Moegling Home Remodeling at justin.moegling@gmail.com for your remodeling needs.

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Social Activities Coordinator

Andrea Philipsen andrea@yellowumbrellahomes.com

1. Andrea just took over the Social Activities Coordinator position. She has a meeting with Sherrie from YMCA on May 10th to discuss upcoming programming.
2. She presented lots of tentative ideas. Will come back next month with more definite plans.

NCC Representative

Ken Gilbert - kgilbert78@att.net Trevor Secord - tsecord@une.edu
Please read the NCC Report in the month's Forester.

NCC Development Representative

Ed Vanasdale - evanasdale@insight.rr.com
They heard 3 cases, but only 2 are in our area:

Case #1 Application for special permit to allow the installation and maintenance of a portable building on the northwest corner of the site, in the form of a self-contained "mobile pop-up store" to accept and process DHL shipments from customers; permit for a period not to exceed 2 years) DHL Express US, 5700 Columbus Square, 43231 • The Committee approved (14-1 w/ 1 abstention) a motion (by SWCA, second by KWPCA) to RECOMMEND APPROVAL of the application.

Case #2 Application to rezone the use of the site for a used motor vehicle dealership; (TABLED in February 2023) 5357 Cleveland Ave, 43229. • The Committee approved (15-0 w/ 1 abstention) a motion (by FPCA, second by PCHA) to RECOMMEND DISAPPROVAL of the application.

Website Administrator Scott Biggs - volunteerfpc@gmail.com

Dave Paul - dwpaul@fpcivic.org
Please check it out! Lots of good info. We are continuing to promote ourselves and our activities on Facebook, Nextdoor, and the website. Check us out, stay informed!!

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/IDEAS

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM

Meeting minutes submitted by Lou Bernard, Secretary, FPCA

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



Schedule for Forest Park Yard Waste & Recycle dates are:

**May 12, 26
&
June 9, 23**



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

Here's what goes in the blue cart:

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

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

Curious about Compost? Join the Compost Exchange

This month during our FPCA meeting, Ray, from the Compost Exchange, shared how easy it is to start composting. When you're cooking at home it's simple to separate your food scraps from other waste and start a home compost pile. The key to a healthy compost is the right balance of green matter (like fruit peels and grass clippings) and brown matter (such as dried leaves and coffee grounds). Turn the pile regularly, keeping it moist but not too wet. After your compost breaks down, you'll have nutrient dense matter to spread throughout your garden!

If you're ready to try composting but don't want to do it at home, consider joining The Compost Exchange, a program that makes

composting easy, convenient and affordable. For \$6 a month, each member will receive a yellow five-gallon bucket and compostable liner to fill with their food scraps. A designated Hub Captain in Forest Park will have a 45 gallon can where residents can conveniently drop their food scraps each week. In exchange, after contributing compost for six months, you can request seven pounds of EPA certified compost. It's that simple!

For Forest Park to qualify for the Hub program, we need an additional 24 members. Contact your neighbor Laura Hayes to learn more and sign up, at hayeslaura2@gmail.com



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See the picture on page 10.....

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

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

Andrea Philipson

Yellow Umbrella Homes at Home

Central Realty

614.264.3846

Restaurants/Entertainment

Massey's Pizza

1951 E. Dublin-Granville Rd

614 (888-0022)

Sequoia Pro Bowl

5501 Sandalwood Blvd

614-885-7043

Shopping, Services

Toro Meat Market

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

Gabby's Bar

1887 Tamarack Cir N

614.433.0583

Forest Park Christian Early Learning Center

5600 Karl Road

614.888.5282

Advantage Funeral & Cremation Services by Schoedinger North

5554 Karl Road

614.436.9220

NEIGHBORHOOD Update!



Real Estate Services

June. 2023



MARY SGUERRA

CBR \$25 MILLION CLUB
FOREST PARK RESIDENT

818-7636

Dear Neighbors:

Summer is right around the corner and now is the time when many people will be looking to make a move. Please give me a call for a personalized market analysis report for our **Forest Park area** and let me show you what Howard Hanna and I can do for you. Let's talk about why now is a great time to sell. Call me to learn more! I still have several buyers looking for homes 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.

NEW LISTING

1649 Norma Rd. - Ranch w/3 BR's, 2 BA's, Family Rm w/gas log fireplace, Rec. Rm & garage. \$245,000

CURRENT MARKET WATCH



The following homes are **For Sale** with **Howard Hanna**:

1649 Norma Rd. Ranch/3BR 245,000 *

(LISTINGS NEEDED - Please give me a call today!)

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

All Homes SOLD

Homes sold since 4/12/23

		Asking Price:	Sold Price:				
1501 Sandalwood Pl.	1.5Sty/4BR	259,900	257,000	5574 Tamarack Bl	2-Sty/4BR	259,900	288,000
5535 Satinwood Dr.	Ranch/3BR	237,900	246,000	5192 Tamarack Bl	Ranch/3BR	299,900	310,000
2211 Tuliptree Ave.	2-Sty/3BR	269,900	260,000	5805 Satinwood Dr	Ranch/3BR	249,900	240,000
1267 Pegwood Ct.	Ranch/3BR	289,000	291,000	1333 Boxwood Dr.	Ranch/3BR	235,000	260,000
1523 Hempwood Dr.	2-Sty/4BR	315,000	315,000	1436 Cottonwood Dr.	Split/5BR	294,900	300,000
1349 Redwood Ct.	CapCd/4BR	349,000	364,000	5730 Satinwood Dr.	2-Sty/4BR	273,000	305,000

Information obtained from the Columbus Realtors - MLS as of 5/18/23. If your property is currently listed For Sale with another realtor please disregard this offer

