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NOVEMBER-DECEMBER, 2023

## Giving Thanks

Forest Park Recognizes & Thanks all of the wonderful neighbors who not only help with the Civic Association but who have done great things in their lives for their families, neighbors, city and country. Happy Thanksgiving to All from the Forest Park Civic Association



### Gifting Youth Joy

Did you know it only takes three people and \$99 to start a non-profit in the state of Ohio? Forest Park West resident Ziggy Cicchella partnered up with Ellie Church and Eryca Rivera to do just that. Gifting Youth Joy will link Franklin County residents aged 12 to 18 with holiday gifts through the help of donations and volunteers. The non-profit sees these youth as an important part of our community who are still young enough to need care and support but also old enough to understand the difficulties that poverty can create. Providing holiday gift assistance is a simple act of kindness that provides dignity and joy where it is lacking. Our vision is to bring teenagers the happiness and connection to the community they want, need, and deserve.

For more information or to get involved, please visit them online at [GiftingYouthJoy.org](https://GiftingYouthJoy.org), on Facebook, and Instagram. You can also email [giftingyouthjoy@gmail.com](mailto:giftingyouthjoy@gmail.com) or call/text (614)-547-6237.



Ziggy Cicchella - Secretary  
Ellie Church - Treasurer  
Eryca Rivera - President

From: FPCA

HAVE A  
**Merry Christmas**  
& HAPPY NEW YEAR

This Forester is for November/December 2023 due to budget constraints. Our January 2024 Forester Edition will be our traditional ONLINE only issue.

### Forest Park Civic Meeting

No Formal Civic Meeting In December  
The FPCA board will meet for a Holiday Dinner Gathering. Board members & Area Reps should look for an email regarding this event

#### January FPCA Meeting

**Tuesday January 9, 2024**

- Blockwatch 6pm
- 311 Code time 6:30pm
- FPCA Meeting 7pm

Epworth United Methodist Church  
5100 Karl Rd

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## Trunk R Treat, Huge Success!!

On Monday, October 30th, hundreds of neighbors brought their kids, families and friends to collect treats in a safe space, share Halloween fangtastic-ness and have a ton of smiles and laughs at Trunk or Treat 2023. This event took place in the huge parking lot at the North YMCA. 42 trunks participated! You helped us surpass every goal we set for this event!

Co-organized by FPCA Social Committee Coordinator, Andrea Philipsen and Executive Director of the North YMCA, Sherrie Johnson, Trunk or Treat will now be an annual event and the premier place to celebrate Halloween in north Columbus - in our beloved Forest Park!

Thank you very much to all who participated, supported and donated time and candy! We are already looking forward to Trunk or Treat 2024!





## Monthly Financial Report - September 2023

<u>Income</u>	<u>MTD</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Remaining</u>
Household Membership	\$390.00	\$12,065.00	\$14,400.00	\$2,335.00
Business Membership	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$750.00	\$450.00
Forester				
Advertising	\$1,145.00	\$4,860.00	\$7,500.00	\$2,640.00
Additional Donations	\$50.00	\$708.34	\$1,000.00	\$291.66
Supplemental Security	\$20.00	\$1,570.84	\$2,000.00	\$429.16
Beautification	\$35.00	\$645.84	\$1,000.00	\$354.16
Garage Sale	\$0.00	\$170.00	\$260.00	\$90.00
Mulch Sale	\$0.00	\$5,665.00	\$0.00	(\$5,665.00)
Welcome Committee	\$335.00	\$505.00	\$0.00	(\$505.00)
Interest	\$0.16	\$0.99	\$2.00	\$1.01
Other	\$20.00	\$1,755.00	\$2,000.00	\$245.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$1,995.16</b>	<b>\$28,246.01</b>	<b>\$28,912.00</b>	<b>\$665.99</b>
<u>Expenses</u>				
Membership				
PayPal Fees	\$1.36	\$93.20	\$70.00	(\$23.20)
Annual Mailing Printing	\$0.00	\$280.00	\$1,015.00	\$735.00
USPS Bulk Mail Permit	\$0.00	\$1,630.00	\$1,600.00	(\$30.00)
Outreach Day	\$0.00	\$82.15	\$125.00	\$42.85
Forester				
Printing	\$985.00	\$4,925.00	\$10,835.00	\$5,910.00
Bags	\$91.38	\$1,136.28	\$2,370.00	\$1,233.72
Supplemental Security	\$675.00	\$3,162.50	\$10,000.00	\$6,837.50
Beautification				
Island Maintenance	\$0.00	\$370.00	\$690.00	\$320.00
Neighborhood Beautification	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Committees				
Welcome	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Social	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Parade	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$275.00	\$275.00
Garage Sale	\$51.96	\$103.92	\$100.00	(\$3.92)
Mulch Sale	\$0.00	\$3,829.33	\$0.00	(\$3,829.33)
Office Expenses				
Office Supplies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$475.00	\$475.00
NCC	\$0.00	\$185.00	\$170.00	(\$15.00)
Banquet	\$0.00	\$79.70	\$150.00	\$70.30
PO Box	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$232.00	\$232.00
Other	\$0.00	\$67.50	\$100.00	\$32.50
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,804.70</b>	<b>\$15,944.58</b>	<b>\$28,907.00</b>	<b>\$12,962.42</b>
<b>Net</b>	<b>\$190.46</b>	<b>\$12,301.43</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>	<b>(\$12,296.43)</b>

SEPTEMBER, 2023  
Treasurer Report  
Submitted by  
Cheryl Lutman

Since September:

24 new household memberships

1 new business membership

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## Budget Meeting

Date: October 5, 2023

Epworth United Methodist Church

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

The following Executive Board Members, Officers, and Committee Chairs were in attendance:

Ed Vanasdale (Pres), Trevor Secord (VP), Cheryl Lutman (Treas), Lou Bernard (Sec), Mary Squerra (Pub. Relations), Rita Woeste (Forester Editor), Daryl Vanmercetta (Security), Marty Biggs (Business), Laura Hayes (Welcome), Scott Biggs (Volunteer), and Dave Paul (Website)

The meeting was called to make sure the budget is balanced now that most of the memberships have been collected. As of 10/5/2023, we had 387 paid memberships since the beginning of the budget cycle (April 1). Last year we collected 480 paid memberships. Last year, items were cut from the budget (i.e. the number of Supplemental Security patrol hours) in order to balance the budget. This meeting was scheduled knowing that we are almost 100 memberships down from last year.

Items that were discussed, voted on, and passed are as follows:

- The budget was reviewed and it was decided that we could not cut the Forester or Supplemental Security since those were promised through this budget cycle. A motion was made and passed to supply any budget shortfall (approximately \$895) with money from the reserves in the savings account. Noting that if membership does not increase next year, Supplemental Security may take a major hit.
- In order to save money, the November and December Forester will be combined into a single issue. January and February issues will be online like they have been since Covid.
- The membership drive mailing will be moved to March instead of May to correspond with the beginning of the budget cycle, April 1st. If any money is needed to make this happen, because technically it was not budgeted for in the 23-24 budget, the money will be borrowed from the reserves.
- A letter will be included in the March/Membership newsletter explaining budget cuts to the 24-25 year if the membership count does not increase.
- \$500 was reallocated to the Social Committee to help Andrea continue to plan, promote, and expand the many activities she is coordinating.
- We are in GREAT need of a Membership Drive Committee Chair, the Volunteer Coordinator will be looking to fill this role.
- Welcome Committee and Volunteer Committee chairs will be working to contact Area Reps to deliver the new Welcome Folders.
- The December meeting, to follow tradition, will be held at a local restaurant for the Officers, Committee Chairs, Area Reps and their families. Restaurants were discussed and a meeting place will be announced shortly. (Note: None of this meeting is paid with FPCA funds, each person/family is responsible for their own bill.)

Meeting adjourned 8:36 PM.

Budget Meeting Minutes submitted by Lou Bernard, Secretary, FPCA

## Weathering the Neighborhood

Hopefully you had a happy Halloween. I was at our street's block party, huddling around a firepit in a winter coat and blowing warm air into my hand!! However our neighbor's consolidation of resources was a huge benefit for trick-or-treaters as they were told to go to the table and take candy from all six bowls (one per house)!! How's that for efficiency?

So as the snow cascaded from the sky that night, it really symbolized the ominous approachment of winter. So with that, here are a couple of things for you to consider in preparing for the season that seems to last until the first week of May.

First, don't forget to disconnect your garden hose from your outdoor faucet. I will always remember Dick Buttermore preaching this to the hills. Buttermore was our neighborhood's #1 public servant and he also did a significant amount of maintenance work, including helping people with pipes which would burst as a result of outside garden hoses remaining connected through the winter. So yes, Dick, even in 2023 your message is still circulating.

Also, please help your fellow neighbors by keeping up on your leaf collection. Bag them, mulch them, compost them, whatever you prefer. But it is very helpful for others to do so. This is a windy neighborhood and your uncollected leaves will blow and scatter. They will likely travel until stopped by a chain linked fence. Over the winter, mountains (other people's) leaves pile up in parts of their yard, and likely have to reseed in the spring.

Help continue the decade-long tradition of Christmas lights in Forest Park!!

Forest Park has a unique history on the topic, though much of it was before I moved here. However, I remember driving to Forest Park in the late 80's to look at the amazing spectacle of Christmas lights created by rival brother-in-laws off of Yellow Pine Ave. Larkwood Rd. also had a rich history of coordinated white lights. Let's all try to do a little bit (or a lot) and see if we can continue to expand this history.

If you do find yourself in a friendly neighborhood Christmas light war, please send some photos to the Forester. We would love to publish them!!

By Mike Stone



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## Honor Flight Columbus

<https://www.honorflightcmh.org/>

Honor Flight Columbus is a nonprofit organization dedicated to honoring America's veterans from WWII through the Vietnam War with a trip to Washington DC to visit their service and war memorials. These trips are free of charge to any qualified veteran. We strive to help veterans share their stories with future generations, as well as celebrate their service to our country with a proper homecoming that many of them never received. With the conclusion of the 2023 spring flight season, we have successfully flown 123 missions that totaled over 8,900 veterans. Our organization is funded entirely by donations from various businesses, foundations, school organizations, and other grateful Americans. See their website to donate.

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## Veteran Hero from Forest Park East joins Honor Flight in Washington D. C.

Forest Park Civic Association Thanks Rick Curtis for his military Service in the Army, Spec 5, 1968-69-70 and congratulates him on his November trip with Honor Flight to visit all of the military monuments in Washington D.C. A well deserved honor for a veteran. Rick reported that students from New Albany middle school and Washington CH middle school were there to assist with all of the veterans on the Columbus flight. What a great bunch of respectful young women and men who took the time to shake every veterans hand and thanked them for their service. Four of the students were given the honor to help the guards replace the wreaths at the tomb of the unknown soldier. The day ended with a great turnout of folks who welcomed all of the veterans home from their trip.



Thanks to Bonnie Freeman for sharing this news!!

Hello Forest Park! Happy Holidays! Now I am not a New Year's Resolution type of girl but I do occasionally like to take stock of where I am in life, envision where I want to be, and think about the steps that I need to get there. That is actually what led us to joining the Forest Park Civic Association. I wanted to be a part of the neighborhood and have a direct connection with our community so one day, I decided that we should go to a meeting. Going to that meeting was a decision that we've never regretted and it's brought so much joy. We now have a relationship with the people living in our neighborhood; have an opportunity to help implement the changes we want to see; and are a part of something positive that is greater than ourselves.



Now, after serving as Supplemental Security for the last several years, we are worried that we may lose the perk of having supplemental security as a part of the neighborhood. This is a service that we value and we are the only civic association around that offers this service. Memberships have dropped significantly in the past couple years, and with that so have the funds required to make offering supplemental security possible. Membership is \$30 a year for the entire household. It seems like a lot to some and a little to others but for the Association, it all adds up and makes it possible to offer production and delivery of the Forester, hold monthly blockwatch and association meetings, and offer supplemental security.

What does Supplemental Security provide? The first thing that probably came to mind was coverage when you're traveling. You simply provide your information to Daryl and he notifies our security company who will then do extra patrols while you're away. It also provides regular patrols in our neighborhood – both the East and the West. The security company will drive around the neighborhood and keeps an eye out for suspicious activity. Not only does that give the opportunity to report issues, but it also creates a presence in the neighborhood so that we become less vulnerable to crime.

Please help us keep Supplemental Security and the spirit behind it – community, safety, and security – ALIVE! If you are already a paid Forest Park Civic Association Member: thank you! If you're not: no worries; it's not too late! Don't forget, if you're a paid member and will be traveling for the holidays, simply return the form below to Daryl Van Mercetta at [dvanmercetta@gmail.com](mailto:dvanmercetta@gmail.com); 2131 Honeytree Court, Columbus, OH 43229; or 513-479-2416. Alternatively, you can fill out the form online at [fpcivic.org](http://fpcivic.org). We hope to hear from you soon!



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

### **Supplemental Security House Check**

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**2131 Honeytree Court**  
**513-479-2416**  
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## Forest Park Civic Association Meeting

Date: October 10, 2023

Location: Epworth United Methodist Church

Meeting called to order @ 8:01 PM by Ed Vanasdale

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Attendance was taken via role call.

### OFFICER REPORTS

**President** Ed Vanasdale – [ed1vanasdale@gmail.com](mailto:ed1vanasdale@gmail.com)

Budget Meeting Report (see the Budget Meeting Minutes in this *Forester* or at the end of these minutes-online only).

**Guest Speaker: Gifting Youth Joy (non-profit organization)**

Ziggy Cicchella (Secretary) (who lives in Forest Park) and their social work colleagues, Eryca Rivera (Treasurer), and Ellie Church (President) have started a non-profit organization called "Gifting Youth Joy." Teens are often passed over in gift and toy drives, and they want to bring attention to the large number of teens in our community who are without during the holidays. Most toy drives stop gifting to kids when they reach 12 yrs old. They are hoping to fill that gap and give teens the wonderful holiday they deserve. They are accepting donations at [giftingyouthjoy.org](http://giftingyouthjoy.org)

**Vice President** Trevor Secord – [tsecord@une.edu](mailto:tsecord@une.edu) NCC Report in this issue of the *Forester*.

**Secretary** Lou Bernard – [loubernard3@gmail.com](mailto:loubernard3@gmail.com)

Attendance:

Officers/Committee Chairs Present: EV, TS, LB, CL, MS, RW, MB, SL, SB, AP, KG, DP

Officers/Committee Chairs Absent: DVM, KVM, LH

Area Reps in Attendance: 2, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13,

Area Reps Absent: 1, 3, 4, 6, 14 (Area 14 remains vacant)

Total meeting attendance: 35

2. Review minutes from September, no changes were made.

Minutes approved.

**Treasurer** Cheryl Lutman – [cllutman17@gmail.com](mailto:cllutman17@gmail.com)

13 new household memberships – one person noted they moved to the neighborhood 8/2023!

Advertising revenue of \$1,145. Note that we have billed an additional \$1,380 in advertising that has not been paid yet. In addition, we have \$200 "on account" from those who have prepaid their ads for the year. Plus we deposited the rest of the Welcome Committee funds, including the match. We raised \$505 for that effort – well done, all!

Expenses are in line. The August *Forester* printing was \$985, we had bags for \$91.38 and security was \$675. We also paid for the garage sale ad of \$51.96

**Public Relations** Mary Sguerra –

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We had a garage sale in the fall with 21 participants. We made \$51 after all advertising bills were paid (i.e. The Columbus Dispatch ads)

**Forester Editor** Rita Woeste – [forester\\_ed@fpcivic.org](mailto:forester_ed@fpcivic.org)

Nov/Dec. *Forester* will be combined into one issue. This helps with cost, but also with deliverers.

Articles for Nov/Dec are due by Nov. 3. Delivery around Nov. 12th and beyond.

We are still looking for delivery help. If you are interested in becoming an active part of your community, please contact Rita.

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Welcome folders are almost ready to be sent out.

**Volunteer Coordinator** Scott Biggs –

[volunteerfpc@gmail.com](mailto:volunteerfpc@gmail.com)

We are creating the slate of volunteers for positions for the 2024 FPCA year. We are always looking for new members and people interested in serving their community. Please contact Scott if you are interested in helping.

We are also creating a new "Membership Coordinator" position and are looking for a motivated volunteer who loves working with people and is comfortable working with a database or spreadsheet.

**Social Activities** Andrea Philipsen –

[andrea@yellowumbrellahomes.com](mailto:andrea@yellowumbrellahomes.com)

Dirty Frank's Hot Dog Food Truck 5 pm Monday 10/16 at the YMCA.

TRUNK OR TREAT! I am using budget money to buy some extra candy, so I simply need extra volunteers!

Trunks and kids needed too! 😊 Trunk or Treat at the YMCA on 10/30 – Monday 6-8 pm. Please contact Andrea if you are willing to open your trunk for kids!

More info forthcoming on Veterans Day ceremony at the YMCA in November and Breakfast with Santa on December 2nd.

No pressure to have an FPCA table set up at events – it's merely an opportunity to bring in more revenue for our organization. Andrea is unable to host and monitor a table simultaneously. She gets that volunteering is becoming more and more "a lost art" these days, but as leaders of our neighborhood, everyone should make an appearance at these organized events from **time to time**, show your **support** and **interact** with our Forest Park neighbors!

New postcards were made and put in the Welcome Folders to describe the FPCA and what we do.

**NCC Representatives** Ken Gilbert – [kgilbert78@att.net](mailto:kgilbert78@att.net), Trevor

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See NCC Report in this issue.

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2 cases were brought before the committee, only one pertained to FP.

Application to permit use for window tinting and car rental services; concurrent Council variance to add storage uses – 2050 E Dublin Granville Rd, 43229. The Committee approved (13-0) a motion to TABLE the application, as requested by the applicant.

**Website Administrators** Scott Biggs –

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Our website and Facebook pages are always being updated with new and upcoming info! Please check them out!!

### OLD BUSINESS

None

### NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/IDEAS

None

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM

Meeting minutes submitted by Lou Bernard, Secretary, FPCA



## Northland Community Council Meeting October 3, 2023

### Highlights/Notes from meeting: contributed by Trevor Secord

1. Police - car thefts are high and a reminder that you need to lock your car. Business thefts have been up a little and some robberies have taken place along Tamarack Blvd.
  2. Sara Pomeroy with City Attorney office -
    - a. The Doll House is in an agreement for operations but has many hurdles to meet before they can reopen.
    - b. A number of code violations are moving through the court system.
    - c. Belmont Inn will be closing temporarily.
    - d. The Newsstand will be changing ownership and will have a list of items they will need to address in the lawsuit.
  3. Consider Biking - Alum Creek Trail near Easton has reopened and FACT is looking for Volunteers on November 11th to plant trees.
  4. NABA - Golf outing was a success, thank you. Meetings with Congressional leadership will need to be rescheduled because they were needed in DC.
  5. Columbus City Schools - State report card has come out and the attendance rate has increased, and graduation rate is increasing. Northland High School had their homecoming and that was a success. Meeting with the Superintendent on October 13th via zoom.
  6. City of Columbus Liaison - application for new American Academy is open. It is open until November 17th. This is a civic engagement opportunity and is a bi-monthly commitment.
  7. Chris Williams - Franklin County Emergency Management and Homeland Security
    - a. FC Cert Program is a free training for anyone interested.
    - b. FC Ready is a text system that shares real-time information to residents about things happening in Franklin County in emergency situations such as weather, power, etc.
    - c. CERT is a neighborhood-based volunteer program teaching how to prepare to help themselves, their family etc to deal with emergency situations. Being apart of the CERT volunteer team in these scenarios means you help provide information to those in your area and back to the emergency management team in times of crisis.
  8. Treasure report - online
  9. Secretary- none
  10. Vice President - Shelter Board meeting minutes were put on website.
  11. President - sidewalks on Maple Canyon are done! Elevate Northland is continuing to grow the site for community engagement.
  12. Parade Meeting - Looking for Grand Marshal nominations.
  13. Development Committee and Graphics/Code - report online
- Go to <https://www.columbusncc.org/> for full information

## 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](mailto:jallen8352@wowway.com)

614-899-6085

#### Cindy Fenstermaker

Realtor, AO Real Estate  
614-323-3173

#### Andrea Philipsen

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



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5501 Sandalwood Blvd

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## Using 311 for Bulk Pickup

I've noticed around our neighborhood that folks have been using the last of the warm weather to clean out their homes. Much of the time they leave old furniture and other large items by their trash cans on Trash day. However, this is not they way to do it. Columbus has a bulk pickup service--and yes, it now includes old TVs! You can schedule a day to have your large items picked up by calling the 311 city Customer Service line (at **(614) 645-3111**) or using their webpage, <https://new.columbus.gov/311-Customer-Service-Center>. Click on Submit Request, then under the Trash, Recycling, Yard Waste and Illegal Dumping menu, you'll find Schedule Bulk Items/Bulk Pickup as the first option. Note that for old tube TV's you will need to tape over the picture tube. You will be given a day to put your items by the curb. See also <https://new.columbus.gov/Services/Trash-Recycling-Bulk-Collection/Bulk-Collection>.

Ken Gilbert

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# NEIGHBORHOOD Update!



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November / December 2023

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**



**MARY SGUERRA**

CBR \$25 MILLION CLUB  
FOREST PARK RESIDENT

**818-7636**

### Dear Neighbors:

Thank you for your business, your trust and your confidence. I just wanted to tell you how blessed, grateful and thankful that I am to be living here in our wonderful neighborhood of **Forest Park**. Thank you for all the referrals of your family & friends - they are much appreciated.

This is an amazing time of the year. No matter how you celebrate, I hope your holiday is filled with great company, good food, meaningful traditions and cherished memories. As this year comes to a close and we begin to look ahead, I hope you'll find this magnetic calendar helpful. I always keep one on my fridge. I also hope you will think of me when buying and selling real estate this coming year. I specialize in this area and I'm always here to help.

I just closed on my 2 listings at **5587 Hazelwood Rd** and **1710 Sandalwood Pl**. If you are thinking of making a move - 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 have SOLD -**  
**Please give me a call if you are thinking of selling!**

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

5383 Ivywood Ln. 2-Sty/4BR 319,900



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### **All Homes SOLD**

Homes sold since 9/18/23

	Asking Price:	Sold Price:		Asking Price:	Sold Price:
<b>5587 Hazelwood Rd. Ranch/3BR</b>	<b>269,500</b>	<b>265,000</b>	1857 Tamarack Cir. S. Ranch/4BR	298,900	305,000
1752 Ivyhill Lp N 2-Sty/4BR	279,900	283,800	2120 Honeytree Ct. Split/4BR	339,000	335,000
<b>1710 Sandalwood Pl Ranch/3BR</b>	<b>295,000</b>	<b>290,500</b>	5476 Satinwood Dr. Split/5BR	339,900	350,000

Information obtained from the Columbus Realtors - MLS as of 11/2/23. If your property is currently listed For Sale with another realtor please disregard this offer.





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## *A Christmas Wish for You*

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Christmas is a happy time –  
A time for joy and fun.  
For sparkling trees and memories  
Of pleasant things we've done....



Christmas is a special time  
To wish nice people like you  
The happiest Christmas season  
And good times all year through

**Merry Christmas**  
**Have a Wonderful New Year,**  
**Too**



*Mary*

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