

# The Forester



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**Forest Park Civic Association** 

October 2011

# General Board Meeting October 11, 7:00 pm Oakleaf Village 5500 Karl Road

Please note the change of venue. We are meeting at Oakleaf Village. We will discuss code issues. An attempt will be made to get someone from the city who can discuss the code. We will look for someone who knows what we can do legally. The goal is to hear what you think we need to do and learn what we can actually accomplish.

# "The Civic Association Doesn't Do Anything For Me"

by Mike Stone

I and other volunteers heard this quote during this year's Outreach Day. If you're a non-member because nothing is being done for you, or you see no value in it, this article could generate interest.

First, the civic association is not a government or for-profit company. Rather, it's made up of your friends and neighbors who donate their time so your community might be a nicer place.

In reviewing this year's Outreach notes, I tried to contact some people who didn't join because of an issue. In each case I reviewed, these people never told anyone of a problem. FPCA volunteers are talented, but they can't read minds. If you contact your area representative, or attend a meeting, and let them know what you want done, a sincere effort will be made to solve the problem. Instead, we have neighbors who have not contacted the FPCA but conclude that it is doing nothing.

It's true that there are many things that FPCA cannot solve. Yet even in those circumstances, an area representative can help with information and advice. Weakening it -- by not joining-- eliminates the good that it is doing.

The association does nothing for you?

\*There is only one neighborhood in all of Columbus which employs supplemental security patrols, and you live in it. It was created by FPCA, and its members are the ones paying the bill for your extra protection. Every month, FPCA meets (continued on page 8)

# FOREST PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION OFFICERS & REPRESENTATIVES

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CONTRIBUTORS THIS MONTH ARE: Susan Buttermore, George Schmidt, Mike Stone, Dave Paul, JoAnn Jeck, Fran Compton, Michelle Hooper, Carol Overfield, Fay Cooper, and Ken Gilbert







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# FOREST PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 13, 2011 By Carol Overfield

The meeting was called to order by President, George Schmidt, at 7:00 at Epworth Methodist Church. Board members present were George Schmidt, Mike Stone, Carol Overfield, Dan Hartzell, Mary Sguerra, Dave Paul, Lyn Denney, Rita Woeste, Bob Hinebaugh, Cate Gilbert, Barbra Brooks, Linda Ridenour, Cindy Fenstermaker, Darelle Carpenter, Bob Fisher, Scott Prigan, Linda Whitmore.

There were 16 people help clean Tamarack Circle on Saturday. They collected 76 bags of trash and cut and trimmed the grass. Our general meeting on October 11 will be at Oakleaf Village on Karl Road. Everybody was asked what they would like to see happen in our neighborhood.

The minutes from our last meeting were approved as presented. The Treasurer's report was given by Dan Hartzell. Fifth Third bank is now charging us a service fee. Dan will check CS Bank on 161 and Union Savings on Morse Road to see what their policy is. Since we are below budget on Security, Dan will ask US Protection to do more hours.

Dave Paul gave the membership report. 27.3% of the residents have joined. 57% of those asked on Outreach day joined. We have collected \$21295. We collected \$3000 from 105 people for extra money going to beautification and security. Each representative will contact the residents who have joined the last 3 years but not this year.

The NCC report was given by Lyn Denney. The code enforcement unit has hired 2 more people so a second shift can be added. The Health Advisory Committee is continuing the veggie van. The Library on Karl Road is offering homework help from 3:30 to 6:30. Meet the candidates night will be September 27 at St. Andrews Church. Rose's is now open in the old Big Bear store at 161 and Karl Roads. The Inner Civic Exchange, a new committee of civic associations, will meet September 22 at 7:00 at Minerva Park. There will be a clean up on 161 on September 17.

The next Block Watch meeting will be September 27. Officer Clinger will speak about home security.

The 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary meetings will start again in a couple of weeks. Ken Gilbert made a motion to add signs to the Forest Park signs for a cost of \$1633. The motion passed. Carol Overfield made a motion for the signs to read established in 1961. The motion passed. Dick Graham was present and took questions. There was concern about the mobile food trucks in the area. He said most were

legal as long as they were moved at night. Bob Hinebaugh reported high weeds at 5488 Sandalwood, garbage cans left out at 1506 Sandalwood and the street signs turned at Loganwood and Satinwood. George reported the street sign at Tamarack Circle and Northtowne was down.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00.

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| MARAH MORRIS      | 596-6880 | 16  | XX           |        |              | XX                 | XX      |               | XX          | EAST           |
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| MORGAN SAUNDERS   | 625-1228 | 13  | XX           |        |              |                    |         |               |             |                |
| JOSEPH HANSEN     | 396-6336 | 12  | XX           |        |              |                    |         | XX            | XX          |                |
| DEVIN VENTRESCA   | 738-1232 | 13  | XX           | XX     | XX           |                    |         |               | XX          | WEST           |
| REBECCA CRADDOCK  | 394-7721 | 15  |              |        |              | XX                 | XX      |               | XX          | EAST           |
| CIARRA NEFF       | 899-2064 | 14  |              |        |              | XX                 | XX      | XX            |             | EAST           |
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# PRESIDENT'S CORNER

# By George Schmidt

We cleaned up Tamarack Circle. 16 people ranging in age 12 to 80 showed up. Every lawn was mowed. The entire perimeter was trimmed and swept. We picked up 56 bags of trash. We made a good dent in the driveway. It is a good start. Now we need to get the businesses involve.

The Circle of Prayer was held on September 13. It was a success. People there are determined to have a positive influence on the neighborhood.

I only have 3 months left as your president. What we are going to accomplish, hopefully one more thing. What it is will come out of our General Meeting.

You really ought to come to the block watch meetings. You will learn some tricks on how to protect your home. Last month our Environmental Court Judge Hale was superb, infirmity and entertaining.

The membership drive is officially over. Paying the dues makes you a member in good stead from July 1 to June 30. Thank you to those who have joined. We accomplish a lot in Forest Park with less than 25% joining. Just think who much we could get done if everyone joined. Let us know why you do not. Lots of people did a lot to make the Outreach a success. I will single out Mike Stone and Jana Waltman, our chairs, with a well done. It was fun.

Dave Paul does a lot of work for our association. You should see the data processing effort he makes for membership. It is amazing. This is just one thing he does.

You should be thinking about how you can volunteer next year. I understand that some people cannot afford even \$25 a year. I cannot understand why any one could not do a single thing to help. Make a positive difference!

The Y is having a Fall Harvest Festival on October 21. You and your family are invited. Call 614-885-4252 and ask for Faye or Dawn for details. Ask about the Chess Club and Scholarships.

I join the Y as a full member for several reasons. It has a great pool and it is good for me to swim. At the Y I know some of my money goes to help a young people, senior citizens or families who need help. I have seen some rough young kids really mature under the guidance of our Y staff and volunteers. It is a place where I can make a difference in another person's life. Let me know, I will give you a free pass to try it out. I have to be with you, however.

| FOREST PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION                     |      |          |     |          |     |           |     |           |  |     |           |     |           |
|---|------|----------|-----|----------|-----|-----------|-----|-----------|--|-----|-----------|-----|-----------|
| August 2011 Treasurer's Report                    |      |          |     |          |     |           |     |           |  |     |           |     |           |
| Month Year-to-Date Budget                         |      |          |     |          |     |           |     |           |  |     |           |     |           |
|   | Inco | ome      | Ехр | enses    | Inc | ome       | Exp | enses     |  | Inc | ome       | Exp | penses    |
| Membership  | \$   | 1,570.00 | \$  | -        | \$  | 7,608.00  | \$  | 1,898.14  |  | \$  | 8,800.00  | \$  | 2,000.00  |
| Business Membership                               | \$   | -        | \$  | -        | \$  | 60.00     | \$  | -         |  | \$  | 200.00    | \$  | -         |
| Supplemental Security Split                       | \$   | 2,380.00 | \$  | 1,225.00 | \$  | 12,942.00 | \$  | 8,513.75  |  | \$  | 13,500.00 | \$  | 13,500.00 |
| Interest  | \$   | 0.35     | \$  | -        | \$  | 2.25      | \$  | -         |  | \$  | 9.00      | \$  |           |
| Directory Advertising                             | \$   | -        | \$  | -        | \$  | 1,285.00  | \$  | 6,046.42  |  | \$  | -         | \$  | -         |
| Forester  | \$   | 645.00   | \$  | 1,714.32 | \$  | 8,910.00  | \$  | 13,352.11 |  | \$  | 15,000.00 | \$  | 17,000.00 |
| Ouback fundraiser                                 | \$   | -        | \$  | -        | \$  | -         | \$  | -         |  | \$  | 1,000.00  | \$  | 200.00    |
| Garage Sale                                       | \$   | -        | \$  | -        | \$  | 145.00    | \$  | 93.91     |  | \$  | 300.00    | \$  | 190.00    |
| Additional donations                              | \$   | -        | \$  | -        | \$  | 100.00    | \$  | 2         |  | \$  | 750.00    | \$  | -         |
| Island Maintenance & Improvement                  | \$   | -        | \$  | 90.00    | \$  | -         | \$  | 360.00    |  |     |           | \$  | 400.00    |
| Island Flowers                                    | \$   | -        | \$  | -        | \$  | -         | \$  | -         |  |     |           | \$  | 200.00    |
| Liability Insurance/Bond                          | \$   | -        | \$  | -        | \$  | -         | \$  | -         |  |     |           | \$  | 450.00    |
| Miscellaneous                                     | \$   | -        | \$  | -        | \$  | 500.00    | \$  | 5.00      |  |     |           | \$  | 300.00    |
| Northland Community Council                       | \$   | -        | \$  | -        | \$  | -         | \$  | 105.00    |  |     |           | \$  | 400.00    |
| Treasurer Expenses                                | \$   | 9.70     | \$  | -        | \$  | -         | \$  | 54.51     |  |     |           | \$  | 175.00    |
| Beautification Awards                             | \$   | -        | \$  | -        | \$  | 140.00    | \$  | 116.85    |  |     |           | \$  | 700.00    |
| Outreach Day                                      | \$   | -        | \$  | -        | \$  | -         | \$  | -         |  |     |           | \$  | 1,000.00  |
| July 4th Bikes/Parade Floats                      | \$   | -        | \$  | -        | \$  | 200.00    | \$  | 108.09    |  |     |           | \$  | 400.00    |
| Blockwatch  | \$   | -        | \$  | -        | \$  | -         | \$  |           |  |     |           | \$  | 100.00    |
| YMCA Senior Day                                   | \$   | -        | \$  | -        | \$  | -         | \$  |           |  |     |           | \$  | 244.00    |
| 50th Aniversary                                   | \$   | -        | \$  | -        | \$  | -         | \$  | 17.99     |  |     |           | \$  | 900.00    |
| Area Development/Pride                            | \$   | -        | \$  | -        | \$  | -         | \$  | -         |  |     |           | \$  | 1,400.00  |
| Total Income & Expenses                           | \$   | 4,595.35 | \$  | 3,029.32 | \$  | 31,892.25 | \$  | 30,671.77 |  | \$  | 39,559.00 | \$  | 39,559.00 |
| Net Income (Loss)                                 |      |          | \$  | 1,566.03 |     |           | \$  | 1,220.48  |  |     |           |     |           |
| General Fund Balance at end of month \$ 17,169.29 |      |          |     |          |     |           |     |           |  |     |           |     |           |

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# Annual Craft Show Epworth United Methodist Church 5100 Karl Road Columbus, OH 43229 Saturday, October 22, 2011 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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Northland High School Marching Band performing at the Tamarack Circle of Prayer. The band is directed by Rick Eckler.



Pastor Howard Williams of Victorious Life Christian Center Church and Melynda and Jack Workman of the Tamarack Dairy Queen at the opening of the Prayer Circle held on Tuesday, September 13.



Some of the participants in the Circle of Prayer





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with Columbus officer Scott Clinger to express neighborhood concerns. FPCA also started the block-watch and kept it afloat until John Biteman's spectacular leadership took the reigns. Nothing eliminates all crime, but the above safeguards makes Forest Park a much harder target.

\*Several times a month, FPCA talks with members from the mayor's office. Dick Graham helps to find quick solutions for residential problems, or advises us how best to proceed. In 2007, FPCA worked with the Columbus city attorney, police, and residents to rid the neighborhood of a drug/prostitution ring being operated out of a house. Problems do get solved in the neighborhood, but they won't be yours if you are not communicating.

\*FPCA beautifies the neighborhood by maintaining the floral islands and many 161 garden boxes. It organized the Tamarack Circle clean up last month. Members often contact code enforcement about unkept houses and graffiti. A previous Forest Park president noticed a problem where PODS storage bins were left on driveways for sometimes months. Thanks to his persistence with city officials, there's now a law giving a short time limit for these storage containers. As a result, the neighborhood looks much better than it might otherwise.

\*Also, you are reading this newsletter, provided to you by the civic association.

You may not value it. However, you cannot say the civic association is doing nothing for you. If you and others join our current membership, and the volunteers who are doing something, there will be stronger security and greater accomplishments... for you.

# **YMCA North Fall Family & Community Events**

By Fay Cooper

# **Chess Anyone?**

YMCA North is inviting anyone who has an interest in Chess to the table on Saturday, October 8, 2011 at 10:00am for an interest meeting. If you are a Chess Master willing to serve as a teacher and mentor , a moderate player with the desire to sharpen your skills, or a novice, we invite all to the table for this organizational meeting.

# Fall Harvest Celebration

YMCA North will host the community at our Fall Harvest Celebration on Friday, October 21, 2011 from 6 to 9pm. Included will be a family movie, music & dancing, storytelling, Face-Painting, and much more. Be sure to bring some pocket money for hot dogs, pumpkin "joes", other snacks and warm cider. This event will be held rain or shine.

# **Black Friday Drop & Shop Childcare Services**

Are you planning to hit those early morning sales the day after Thanksgiving? Do you have children 12 and under whom you prefer not tag along? If you answered, "Yes" to these questions, then YMCA North is offering a helping hand by offering childcare on Friday, November 25, 2011 from 5:30am to 12:00 noon for a nominal fee. Drop your children off, then shop 'til you drop. Please contact the Y's member services desk at (614) 885-4252 for additional information. This service is open to the community and limited to the first 50 children registered. Registration begins, Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup> and closes on Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup> without exception.

# **Breakfast With Santa**

YMCA North's "Breakfast With Santa" is around the corner. This year's celebration will be on Saturday, December 3, 2011 from 8:30 to 11:30am.

Featured will be a special presentation by BalletMet and variety of talent from throughout Central Ohio. Also included are a breakfast buffet, terrific door prizes and games and crafts for the entire family. Local vendors will be available as well to present some unique shopping opportunities. Registration for "Breakfast With Santa will begin October 17<sup>th</sup> and remain open until Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. Information will be available at our Member Services Desk beginning, Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup>.

You may contact Fay Cooper, Director of Youth Teen and Family Programs at YMCA North by calling (614) 885-4252 or via email <a href="mailto:fcooper@ymcacolumbus.org">fcooper@ymcacolumbus.org</a>.



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Our thanks to the following 211 Forest Park households who paid their Civic Association dues between July 1 and September 13 for the 2011-2012 FPCA membership year (beginning July 1 and ending June 30, 2012). 31 additional households paid their FPCA dues but requested that their names not be published. Households for whom dues are received on or after September 14 will be listed in upcoming issues of the newsletter.

Please join your neighbors and help support your Civic Association and our community! We can do so much more if everyone pitches in. Please return your Household Data Sheet and \$25 annual dues today.

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For-Mel Women opened the new year,(2011
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2012) with a covered dish picnic at the home of Marg

\*\* Hess on Monday, September 12 at 6:00 pm.

For-Mel Bridge started on Wednesday, September 21 at 7:00 pm at Oakleaf Village.

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The October 3rd meeting will be at the home of \* Rose Moody at 7:00 pm. Devotion by Marg Hess. Jane Mahan will be the speaker on "What It's Like to be a Twin". If unable to attend, contact Rose at 901-3433.

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# Woodward Park Middle School

# By - Michelle I. Hooper **School Counselor**

### **WEB**

Woodward Park Middle School has had an awesome start to the 2011 - 2012 school year. We are excited about our students, staff and community. WE began the year with our 6<sup>th</sup> grade orientation program on the first day of school. WEB ( Where Everybody Belongs) Leaders are 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who were trained in the summer to prepare to deliver an awesome program. The WEB Leaders facilitated most of the days programs in large and small groups. It was a great opportunity for our 8th graders to show their leadership skills while welcoming our new 6th graders to our school. The 6<sup>th</sup> grade students and teachers raved about how successful the orientation program went this year. WEB Leaders will continue to work with our 6<sup>th</sup> graders through out the year to offer support and encouragement as they begin to navigate their journey through middle school.

### **Welcome**

We are excited to have a few new faces join the staff at Woodward Park . They are -

Ms. Cline, 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher Ms. Elledge, Computer technology teacher

Ms. Martz, Art Teacher

Ms. Klass, Reading Teacher

Ms. Klym, School Counselor

Welcome to Woodward Park Middle School!

### **Important Dates**

September 27 – Interims are sent home September 28 - No School (Professional Development) October 7 – School Dance October 21 – Capital Day – No School October 28 – Grading Period Ends

# Blueprint: College Middle School

Blueprint: College is a program sponsored by I Know I Can, The Ohio State University and Columbus City Schools that provides college planning workshops for Columbus City Schools middle school students and their parents. There are six sessions and the first will be October 20th from 5 8 pm at St. Stephen's Community House. Dinner will be provided. You may register by going to iknowican.org or call (614)233-9510 by October 13, 2011. There is limited spaces available, so register as soon as possible. You don't want to miss these workshops!

# **Sports**

We had so many great athletes come out for volleyball that we were able to make two teams. Ms. Pollard and Mrs. Chambers coach our volleyball teams. We also have an outstanding co-ed soccer team that is coached by Mr. Provenzale. Both sports teams have had a successful season thus far. Their seasons will end during the second week of October. Conditioning for boys and girls basketball should begin at the end of Octoher.

# Forest Park Elementary School News

By Fran Compton, Volunteer

Forest Park Elementary School opened this academic year with 60 more students than usual, with a total of over 400 students. "We usually get more students throughout a normal year. If we do get more second or third graders, we will have to separate the two levels and add a new teacher," explains Mrs. Rhonna McKibbin, principal. There is one room available she says.

"We are enthused to have several new staff," says Mrs. McKibbin. The six new staff members are: Mrs. Dana Robinson, kindergarten, Mrs. Dettra Walker, third, Mrs. Marcella Rinehart, second-third, Miss Donna Benke, social worker, Mrs. Amy Miser, occupational therapist, and Mrs. Catherine Chaney, instrumental music. Mrs. Doreen Minotti has moved to teaching first grade. Mrs. Tate and Mrs. Wilson retired at the end of last year.

The annual third grade reading tests, Ohio Achievement Assessment, will be conducted on October 4. The period of October 3-7 will be "count week" when federal funding is determined by attendance for the school system. At Forest Park it is designated as "Spirit Week" with many special activities including hat day and picture day to encourage full attendance.. "Across the entire system last year we had a huge drop in discipline problems and increased regular attendance which of course pleases everyone," Mrs. McKibbon says. "There is district-wide emphasis on literacy skills in reading, writing, listening, and speaking even in math and science areas," she adds.

On October 21, there will be no classes for students while educators from Ohio attend the annual Capital Day professional development events. The system's grading period ends October 28.

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# **BLOCK WATCH**

The Forest Park Block Watch holds their meetings on the 4th Tuesday of every month at 7 pm at Epworth Methodist Church, 5100 Karl Rd. All Forest Park residents are welcome and encouraged to attend. For the September meeting (Sept 27), John Biteman and Officer Clinger will be going over home security and safety. John has a great survey for people to use around their own homes and there will also be actual home security products on display. At the October meeting (Oct 25) there will be a demonstration and review of the how to use the Block Watch web site as there have been a number of requests made for that topic.

Thanks, Ken Gilbert

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# **3 NEW LISTINGS**

5283 Butternut Ct. E. ---Ranch with 3 BR's, 2 BA's, family room with WBFP & 2 car garage \$107,900 5245 Arrowood Ct.--- 2 Sty w/4 BR's, 3 BA's, 4th BR/Den off family rm w/WBFP, first flr laundry, 2 car gar. \$129,900 1609 Sugarmaple Ct. --- 2 Sty w/4 BR's, 2.5 BA's, family room w/gas log fireplace, Florida rm & 2 car gar. \$146,900

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\* my new listings

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| 2191 Yellow Pine Ave. | Ranch/3BR | 99,900     | 5195 Paw Paw        | 2-Sty/4BR | 124,775 |    |
| 1635 Norma Rd.        | Ranch/3BR | 104,900    | 5245 Arrowood Ct.   | 2-Sty/4BR | 129,900 | ř  |
| 5283 Butternut Ct. E. | Ranch/3BR | 107,900 *  | 5304 Butternut Ct   | 2-Sty/5BR | 138,500 |    |
| 5641 Sandalwood Blvd. | Ranch/3BR | 114,000    | 1609 Sugarmaple Ct. | 2-Sty/4BR | 146,900 | Ře |
| 1801 Larkwood Pl.     | 2-Sty/4BR | 119,900    | 4982 Sienna Ln.     | 2-Sty/5BR | 159,900 |    |
| 5466 Sumac Ln E       | Split/3BR | 119,900 ** |                     |           |         |    |



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| 2247 Teakwood Dr.     | Split/3BR | 109,900 | 106,000     |
| 1714 Ivyhill Lp. S.   | 2-Sty/4BR | 129,900 | 125,000     |
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