

# The Forester



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## **HELLO FOREST PARK!**

By Mike Stone

Greetings! My name is Mike Stone and as of January 13, I will be your president. For those who don't know me: my wife and I moved into Forest Park in 1998. It was our first home, and there has never been the need for us to find our second. Our son, Matt, is a fifth grader and hopes to become either an engineer or professional athlete (it will be the engineer). Our second grade daughter, Kathryn, has already chosen to become a Sea World animal trainer. Unfortunately for our cat, she practices her craft daily.

When you become used to your surroundings, it can sometimes be hard to recognize its unique qualities. Consider those of Forest Park. Through its 50 year history, it has touched generations of individuals, including high-profile leaders, business members, athletes and accomplished people of nearly all professions. It's extraordinary, the number of people who are somehow currently, or formerly connected to it. When you consider that at its birth, it was the edge of Columbus. Now it is well within the city limits, all while staying attractive and vibrant.

Forest Park faces challenges because all neighborhoods in this era face challenges. Our advantage is having a representative body like FPCA, now in its 50th year of advocating our concerns and needs to the city. Having a growing block watch is also a huge advantage. In both of these instances, these organizations are ready to provide resources, guidance, and support. However, we need communication, specific suggestions, recommendations, and assistance from its residents.

George Schmidt has turned over a well-developed, strong organization. As president, I see no need to reinvent the wheel, but rather to improve its connection to the community it represents. Objectives include growing our current e-mail notification capability, modernizing our web site and making sure that the Forester is effectively reaching residents and businesses. In a given year, there is a wide array of accomplishments this organization will achieve. We will be more effective in communicating them. In the meantime, I invite you to attend our quarterly meeting Tuesday, January 13 at 7:00 P.M. in Epworth United Methodist Church. We will be discussing what has, is, and will be happening in 2012.

Have a great beginning to the New Year.

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GENERAL MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 13 AT 7:00 PM.
FPWORTH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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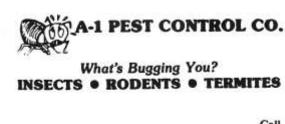
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## Presidents Letter by George Schmidt

This is my last letter in the Forester as your president. I looked at the new directory and had realized it, but I have been president of Forest Park 8 times. It has been an honor and privilege. A lot of people have accomplished a lot. I thank Mike Stone for his gracious letter last month. More than the satisfaction of seeing people accomplish task, I have found real joy is just getting to know so many wonderful folks. I have had a blast.

Involvement in Forest Park is like anything else. When I dabbled at it, paid my dues and showed up once or twice to help I really did not get much out of it. Being involved in any group is like and empty bag. You get out of it what you put into it. The more I got involved in Forest Park the more passionate I became. This is my backyard and I want to do whatever I can to make it the best it can be. I discovered we can make a difference.

This is not good bye. I promised your new president, Mike Stone, that I would support him. I plan to do that to the best of my ability. I plan on continuing work on the 50th Anniversary and the clean up of Tamarack Circle. By the way Tamarack Circle is showing a lot of promise now with 12 businesses on board. It looks better already.

It is fitting the last line in the last letter is to say something new. May you and your family have a blessed and joy filled New Year.



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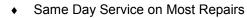
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## FOREST PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING DECEMBER 13, 2011 By Carol Overfield

The evening started at 6:30 at the home President, George Schmidt, with a potluck dinner for board members and their guests. We had a short meeting after dinner.

The 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary committee met last week. There will be a dinner at the Columbus Baptist Temple on Cleveland Ave. on May 16<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup>. Outback Steakhouse will be providing the dinners. Tickets will cost \$10.00. They are trying to get the Northland Jazz Band to perform. The February Forester will highlight the history of the businesses with stories and pictures.

The "Established 1961" signs have been ordered and should be in by next week. The Y Service Club is looking at an LED light to put on the islands.

Dick Graham has been having some success in shutting down the food trucks that are operating illegally.

George had a meeting with the businesses on Tamarack Circle. They are starting to work together to clean the area up.

Rose's department store is opening a new store on Morse Road in Morse Centre.

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By George Schmidt

The houses were built in 1961 in Forest Park. In 1962 the Forest Park Civic Association was formed. I wish you 킏have had the opportunity that I have had to listen to the stories of the first settlers in our neighborhood. Stories of plane crashes, ice skating down Karl Road and petitioning for a stop light at Karl and Morse are only some of  $\sqsubseteq$  the things I have learned. You will have a chance to grab some of the luster. We plan to have a special edition of the Forester for February again this year. A photo gallery is in the making that will go on display at 큰 Schoedinger Funeral Home of all the old photos. If someone has the time and talent we would like to make a video of the first timers telling their stories. So if you are a video person let me know.

We will have a banquet in May complete with music, great food from Outback Steakhouse, door prizes, fun and a presentation of our history. This is not just for the first timers as we all celebrate our neighborhood, grasp what made it great and learn how to keep the greatness going. We plan to celebrate each decade over the past 50 years. We are Ic

We are looking for people to help:

- Planning and setting up the banquet
- Video taping and editing our history
- Overseeing the framing and hanging of the photos.
- Soliciting door prizes

- Selling tickets. Cost will be \$10.00 for banquet. Tickets will be available in March.
- Help with tell the story through the media.
- Submit stories or photos for the February Forester due by January 15<sup>th</sup>.

Show up and have a good time.

🖹 Contact me at georgeschmidt@wowway.com if you want to join in the fun that makes a difference.

## View from "2"

Area 2 Rep. Bob Hinebaugh

My wife and I worked the polls on November 8<sup>th</sup> at Forest Park Elementary School. We were completely surprised in the late afternoon when a young lady and her daughter brought I a box containing 12 sandwiches, chips, grapes and cookies for us. She had voted earlier in the day, but didn't indicate that she would be doing this. She wouldn't give us her name and we couldn't remember from earlier.

All six of us really appreciated this act of kindness because by the time we got everything closed up, it was 9:00 pm.

We have some wonderful people in Forest Park.

## Roses

By Jean Smith Forest Park West Resident

Tell your friends and neighbors that there is a new general store right in our Forest Park neighborhood that advertises itself " like a K -Mart."

I found a \$10 savings on the cost of a medical purchase which had no brand name on it, compared to the same item but brand name at a larger store.

Look for Rose's ads in the plastic bag delivered to your porch- the same bag that as the Giant Eagle flier in it.

The store's sign is hard to see from the road. Roses is occupying the long empty Big Bear store at Karl and 161.

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2012 Refuse Collection Schedule for Forest Park (Ruby)												
New Year's Day 01/02/12	Martin Luther King Day 01/16/12	President's Day 02/20/12	Memorial Day 05/28/12	Independ- ence Day 07/04/12	Labor Day 09/03/12	Columbus Day 10/08/12	Thanksgiving Day 11/22/12	Christma: Day 12/25/12				
MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	MON	TUE	WED	THU				

Yard waste collection and curbside recycling in the Ruby area of Forest Park is Friday. Collections will not occur on specified City holidays. If an observed holiday falls on or before your yard waste /recycling collection day, your collection day will be delayed by one day (even if it is Saturday). Collection schedules will return to normal the week after a holiday. If you have Questions: Call the Customer Service Center at 311 or 645-3111 or visit the website at refuse.ci.columbus.oh.us

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Interest	\$	0.45			\$	3.61	\$	2.00	\$	9.00	\$	
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Ouback fundraiser									\$	1,000.00	\$	200.00
Garage Sale					\$	260.00	5	172.87	\$	300.00	\$	190.00
Additional donations	\$	150.00			\$	250.00			\$	750.00	\$	-
Island Maintenance & Improvement			5	60.00			\$	540.00			\$	400.00
Island Flowers											\$	200.00
Liability Insurance/Bond			S	444.00			\$	444.00			\$	450.00
Miscellaneous	\$	250.00			\$	1,000.00	5	74.00			\$	300.00
Northland Community Council							\$	105.00			\$	400.00
Treasurer Expenses							\$	62.43			\$	175.00
Beautification Awards	\$	25.00			\$	165.00	\$	116.85			\$	700.00
Outreach Day							\$	200.45			\$	1,000.00
July 4th Bikes/Parade Floats					\$	200.00	\$	108.09			\$	400.00
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YMCA Senior Day					Г						\$	244.00
50th Aniversary							\$	17.99			\$	900.00
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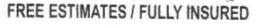
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Forest Park Block Watch By Ken Gilbert

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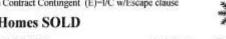


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2199 Pine Knoll Ave.	2-Sty/4BR	65,900	69,000	5336 Torchwood LpW	2-Sty/4BR	119,800	116,500
5458 Larkwood Rd.	Split/4BR	99,900	87,000	5245 Arrowood Ct	2-Sty/4BR	129,900	122,500
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