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Forest Park Civic Association

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Welcome Ken Gilbert 2014 FPCA President

Mike Stone, above, passes the President's gavel to the new FPCA President Ken Gilbert. To the right, FPCA Board Members and Neighborhood Area Reps are sworn in at the January FPCA meeting by Columbus City Attorney Rick Pfeiffer.



Join Us Tuesday February 11th Forest Park Civic Association Meeting 7pm - Epworth Methodist Church, 5100 Karl Road

Meet & Talk with State Representative **Kevin Boyce** of the the 25th Ohio House District in Franklin County

Boyce returns to public life after serving as the Managing Director for Rice Financial, a New York Investment banking firm that exclusively focused on assisting State, County, and City governments to finance capital projects. Mr. Boyce had served as State of Ohio Treasurer from 2009 to 2011. Prior to that Mr. Boyce served for eight years on the Columbus City Council. Come and share you thoughts and ideas about our Forest Park and Northland Neighborhood with one of our State Representatives. Boyce earned a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from University of Toledo and a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Central Michigan University. He is an active member of the historic St. Paul AME Church in Columbus, Ohio where he serves as a steward and is an active participant in activities for youth and young adults. Boyce and his wife Crystal have two sons, and reside in Columbus, Ohio.

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Articles for March Forester due to editor by Feb. 14th. March 2014 Forester will be delivered to residents on March 2nd.

CONTRIBUTORS THIS MONTH ARE: Marie Douthitt, Dan Hartzell, Cate Gilbert, Rita Woeste, George Schmidt

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FOREST PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION Meeting Minutes for January 14, 2014

The January Forest Park Civic Association meeting was called to order by President Mike Stone at Epworth United Methodist Church at 7:02 p.m.

Roll call was taken, then the President gave his report. He spoke about a vandalized inflatable Santa, an injured cat on Ironwood, thanked all for support during his term, and stated that he was looking forward to serving as Past President.

Treasurer Dan Hartzell read his financial report for December, which was accepted as read. The nominated slate of officers and area reps was read and accepted. Nominations were then closed through a motion from the floor. All officers and area reps on the slate were elected. City Attorney Rick Pfeiffer swore them in to serve under the laws of the state of Ohio and the bylaws of the FPCA, including new FPCA President Ken Gilbert. (A complete list of 2014 officers and representatives is available online at http://www.fpcivic.org/about/contact/, or in each Forester.)

The new President, Ken Gilbert, gave a brief report outlining goals for his term. He opened the floor to questions from any attendees - with no questions received. Then, committee reports were presented. The Forester will update its Teen Work List, the NCC Development Committee reports that the McDonald's restaurant on 161 is seeking a zoning variance in order to expand and renovate the location there.

The Welcome Committee is looking to add an assistant to train under current chair Earl Miller, with the goal of taking over this position.

Prizes for Christmas lights were presented by Dan Hartzell. The winning decorations were 5645 Sandalwood in Area 2 and 2240 Tuliptree in Area 11.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m. by President Ken Gilbert.

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By George Schmidt

Melinda and Jack Workman took over the Tamarack Circle Dairy Queen in March of 2003. That means last year they celebrated 10 years on the Circle.

If you know them at all you will not be surprised as to the reason they own a Dairy Queen. They love to see the smiles on the children's faces. It is gratifying to hand the kids the treats. You know, the Workmans are all about the service and when it makes a child's day that is icing on the cake, hopefully a Dairy Queen Ice Cream Cake.

Forest Park has been working with the businesses on Tamarack Circle. Clean up days have been happening for 4 years. We organized a Tamarack Business Association. The only people who have been involved consistently in everything are the Workmans. You can trust them to be honest and to show up. Quietly they have helped the other businesses by doing simple things like providing a lid for a meat cooler for one of the merchants.

It is a real testimony to their faith in God and commitment to our neighborhood that they stayed after being robbed and Jack being shot. Their response was to have a prayer circle where people of all faiths come together to pray for the neighborhood. We pray for a transition. We pray for those who would harm us. It is truly an act of love that exemplifies Jack and Melinda.

I am honored to call them friends. I encourage you to support their business.

If you would like added to the Teen Work List , please email me at Forester_ed@fpcivic.org or call 785-1555

TEEN	PHONE	AGE	CUT	SHOVEL	YARD WORK	MOTHER'S HELPER	BABYSIT	ANIMAL	ODD	FOREST
ANGELA HOLLEY	888-1885	17	Silviss	5.1.0.1.			XX	XX	,,,,,	EAST
DARIUS OWENS	825-4749	15	XX	XX					XX	EAST
RASHAWN THOMPSON	396-7636	18	XX		XX				XX	EAST
JUSTIN HILL	436-0178	15	XX	XX	XX				XX	EAST
SOLOMON HAYES	846-4156	13		XX					XX	WEST
JOSHUA HAYES	846-4156	16	XX	XX	XX					WEST
JANAIR EVERETTE	840-0163	16		XX				XX		WEST
DOMINIQUE TYSON	316-9082	15	XX	XX	XX		XX		XX	EAST
JOSH WINKLER	891-6879	17	XX	XX	XX				XX	EAST
ALEX BARNETT	625-1228	16	XX		XX				XX	EAST
MORGAN SAUNDERS	625-1228	14	XX							EAST
JOSEPH HANSEN	396-6336	13	XX	XX				XX	XX	WEST
REBECCA CRADDOCK	394-7721	16				XX	XX		XX	EAST
CADE CARY	975-9688	15	XX	XX	XX				XX	EAST
DEMEAH DULANEY	468-11285	13	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX		
KAREN JOHNSON	773-491-7918	15				XX	XX	XX	XX	WEST
JOELLE FREEMAN	781-1817	15		XX			XX			EAST
CIARRA NEFF	899-2064	16				XX	XX	XX		EAST

North YMCA at Karl and Sandalwood

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The Date Columbus Beautiful 614-645-2421

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Please help give back to the community in which you live, work and play! Join Keep Columbus Beautiful and partners for a neighborhood highway ramp cleanup on Saturday, March 29, 2014 from 8:30am-2:00pm! Our primary goal will be to clean all the litter from adopted ramp areas and remove all the cigarette butts. Forest Park would like to once again have a group of volunteers do a highway ramp near 161. Contact Cate or Ken Gilbert, 888-3559, if you can help.

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Dan Hartzell, FPCA Treasurer presents an award and gift card to our Forest Park West neighbor at 5645 Sandalwood Drive for winning the Christmas Decorating Contest. Several neighbors called to nominate the house on Sandalwood for their cheery Santa, snowman and light decorations. The winner for Christmas Decorations in the Forest Park East Neighborhood went to the residence at 2240 Tuliptree. They were not available at the January FPCA meeting but Mr. Hartzell will be in contact with them on their award. Thanks to all of the FOREST PARK residents who made our neighborhood look so festive in December. We look forward to having this Holiday contest again next Christmas Season.

News sent to The Forest Park Civic Association and the Neighborhood Block Watch Dated January 15th from a concerned Forest Park resident

I just wanted to pass along some concerning news and ask you to notify supplemental security. It seems that there have been some individuals driving through our neighborhood last week and stealing mail from curbside mailboxes. Our mail carrier alerted several homeowners that their outgoing mail was not there even though their flag was up for pickup. A police report was filed by the individual that saw them and thought it was suspicious activity. It's a silver/gray Chevy Impala 4-door with dark-tinted windows and Ohio tags "at the time" were FRQ 3402. A neighbor also mentioned that a mail carrier was allegedly assaulted delivering a package today near Maple Canyon and may be work of same individuals, however, I can only verify the fact that the Impala was seen last week checking the mailboxes along several streets.





If yes, make and model of car



















Supplemental Security House Check Forest Park Business Members and Homeowner Members only!

Use this form to have your home checked while you are on vacation. The form will be passed on to the supplemental security officer and the Security Officers.

Name	_Address	Phone	
Vacation Dates: Depart	Return	Please notify	
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Address	_Phone		MAIL TO:
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Will older children be in and out ?	Yes No		Email him at FQUACHEY@AmFam.com

FOREST PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION													
December 2013 Treasurer's Report Month Year-to-Date Budget													
	Year-to-Date					Budget							
	Inco	me	Exp	enses	Income		Expenses		Income		ome	Expenses	
Membership	\$	20.00			\$	7,460.00	\$	2,123.36		\$	4,760.00	\$	1,340.00
Business Membership					\$	332.00	\$	39.01		\$	240.00	\$	-
Supplemental Security Split	\$	30.00	\$	1,250.00	\$	13,653.00	\$	13,497.50		\$	13,400.00	\$	13,400.00
Interest	\$	0.11			\$	0.81	\$	tangul a r Sr	iip	\$	2.00		
Forester	\$	760.00	\$	1,497.59	\$	10,610.00	\$	17,392.37		\$	13,000.00	\$	16,000.00
Garage Sale					\$	305.00	\$	104.24		\$	250.00	\$	100.00
Additional donations					\$	464.00	\$	-		\$	1,493.00		
Island Maintenance & Improvement			\$	40.00	\$	2,475.00	\$	3,150.00				\$	400.00
Liability Insurance/Bond					\$	-	\$	466.00				\$	450.00
Miscellaneous					\$	-	\$	-				\$	300.00
Northland Community Council					\$	-	\$	380.00				\$	380.00
Treasurer Expenses			\$	50.76	\$	-	\$	105.36				\$	150.00
Beautification Awards					\$	405.00	\$	159.62		Г		\$	125.00
Outreach Day					\$	-	\$	604.58				\$	200.00
July 4th Bikes/Parade Floats					\$	-	\$	276.25		Г		\$	200.00
50th Anniverary					\$	1,900.00	\$	100.00		Г			
Block watch					\$	-	\$	36.00		Г		\$	100.00
Walmart Grant/Welcome Committee					\$	1,100.00	\$	60.73		\$	500.00	\$	500.00
Total Income & Expenses	\$	810.11	\$	2,838.35	\$	38,704.81	\$	38,495.02		\$	33,645.00	\$	33,645.00
Net Income (Loss) \$ (2,028.24)							\$	209.79		•			
Bank Balance at end of month \$ 6,873.64													

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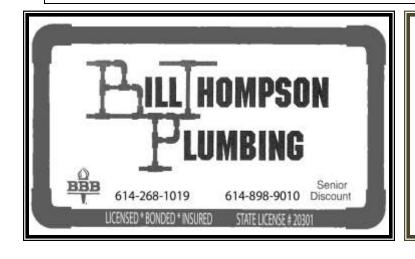
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> February 7th & 22nd



Blue Can Recycling Dates for Forest Park

February 14th & 28th

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Forest Park Block Watch

Website: http://blockwatch.fpcivic.org/.



Next meeting: Tuesday, February 25th, 2014

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Join us in February for the FPCA Meeting:

State Representative Kevin Boyce Keynote Speaker Forest Park Civic Association Meeting February 11, 7:00 pm Epworth Methodist Church, 5100 Karl Rd

Please join us in showing an interest in working with Representative Boyce to make Forest Park better.

Above: Ken Gilbert, FPCA President gets right to work conducting the meeting after swearing-in ceremonies. We look forward to a productive year for FPCA with Ken. Congratulations!!

Above: Forest Park Civic Association Board members are sworn in for service for the 2014 year by Columbus City Attorney Richard Pfeiffer. From Left: Rita Woeste, Mary Sguerra, Mike Stone, Ed Vanasdale, Ken Gilbert, Dan Hartzell, Marie Douthitt and Richard Pfeiffer.



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- Epworth United Methodist Church
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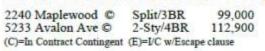
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1834 Tamarack Ct	Split/4BR	108,959	109,500
2109 Teakwood Dr.	Ranch/3BR	119,800	117,000
5409 Maple Canyon	Split/4BR	123,000	125,000
5479 Satinwood Dr.	2-Sty/3BR	136,900	133,500

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