## Forest Murmurs

#### September 2013



Forest Ridge Semi-Annual Meeting will be held September 9th, 7:30 p.m. at Forest Ridge Baptist Church.

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Beverly Pendergast (15)	236-5892
Jake Bontatibus (14)	

#### (-) Term Expiration Date

Matters concerning Forest Ridge policy should be referred to the Trustees.

#### **Board of Trustees Meeting:**

Third Monday of every month at 7:30 P.M. at the Forest Ridge Baptist Church on Union Schoolhouse Rd.

Meetings are open to all FRA residents.

#### Treasurer and Membership Chairperson:

Dan Freeman ...... 237-7478

Assessment payments are accepted by mail and membership cards are issued at the pool Please send all FRA correspondence to:

#### FOREST RIDGE ASSOCIATION P. O. Box 24750 • HUBER HEIGHTS, OHIO 45424

www.forestridgeassociation.org

#### **FOREST RIDGE COMMITTEES**

#### **Pool Maintenance and Operations:**

#### **Green Area Management Committee:**

Bob Gray, Roberta Havholm, Candi Morris, and Bev Pendergast

#### **Recreation and Pool Committee:**

Chuck Evanhoe, Greg Herman and Shelton Monger.

#### **Finance and Audit Committee:**

Chuck Evanhoe

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Fighting Fish Swim Team: Karla Herman
Neighborhood Watch Coordinator: Ty Tyson901-7995

#### **LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS**

#### **BSA Troop 217:**

#### **EMERGENCY NUMBERS**

#### Forest Murmurs Deadlines

Advertisers: Wednesday, September 26 2013
Articles & Et Cetera: Friday, September 28, 2013

**Editorial Policy:** The editor welcomes all articles submitted, but reserves the right to edit any article used for publication. Name and phone number must be included on the article draft.

#### Forest Ridge Association Board of Trustees Regular Meeting July 15, 2013

Trustees Present: Bob Gray, Sue Hanley, Roberta Havholm, Shelton Monger, and Beverly Pendergast, Greg Herman and Chuck Evanhoe

**Trustees Absent:** 

Bob Gray called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

Police Report: Riverside Police Department Officer Stamper was present and had nothing to report. A visitor asked a question about a resident carrying a weapon. Sue Hanley mentioned the use of motorized vehicles in the green areas. Another visitor discussed some vandalism in the area including a stop sign. Officer Stamper will follow up on the issues discussed.

Visitors: None

Northeast Priority Board: No report.

Minutes: Chuck Evanhoe moved that the June 17, 2013 meeting minutes be accepted with corrections submitted via email by July 18, 2013. Sue Hanley seconded.

#### Vote 7-0

Treasurer: Dan Freeman, Treasurer, gave his report. The General Fund balance is \$153,951.60. Replacement reserve balance is \$67,741.61. We received 11 full and 3 partial assessments (\$2,534.00) in May, and we've received 1 partial (\$50.00) so far this month; so there are 64 full and 5 partial assessments still open (\$14,380.00). This compares to 75 assessments (\$16,125.00) still open at the same time in 2012.

Shelton Monger moved that the report be accepted. Roberta Havholm seconded.

#### Vote 7-0

Murmurs: Roberta Havholm submitted her report that indicated the August issue would contain articles about the Pool Rules, The Curious Naturalist, Semi-annual Meeting, and many other articles. Deadline for article submission is July 26, 2013. It will be delivered the first weekend of August.

Communications Committee Report: Bob Gray reported that several packets were delivered last month and has four more to deliver.

Website: Candi Morris has been assisting with the updates to the website.

Pool: Ellie Monger, pool manager, was present and said that things have been going well. She discussed the need to use more chlorine when the weather is very hot. She also discussed an issue with the baby pool.

Pool and Outdoor Recreation Committee: Jesse Morgan discussed the upcoming fall soccer season.

Green Areas: Mitch Bird, the Green Area Supervisor, was present and submitted the Green Area report:

Current Projects: Mowing and trim work, Mulching beds, trim and fertilize shrubs in beds, Tree trimming and removal of Ash trees with Emerald Ash Borer, four of them at Willow Branch, Cleanup work on about 20 trees from storm, 4-6 to go, Trimmed all trees along sidewalk at Willow Branch about 15 trees, Trimmed Viburnum around lift station in pool parking lot.

To Do: Fix DX45 mower speed control, and engine over heats in taller thick grass, 2005 Grasshopper starting problem every time now, 1995 John Deere 3785 hours no safety switches, no Rollover Protection System, will use about 20 ounces of oil a day mowing-replace this unit, Finish mulching and trimming beds about one half complete, Finish tree work 4-5 more trees that we know of need cleaned up, Hiking trails at Running Creek Reserve need trimmed and mowed, Water at shed from well is broken, non-potable water for spraying, Fill cracks in tennis courts some are very bad, Remove 13 Ash trees with Emerald Ash Borer at Wheeler, 3 on woods line will be removed, Remove dead Ash tree over the swing set at the boulevard playground.

Issues: Personal Protection Equipment for operators of chain saws, and for work done near roads, When and where the HOA cleans up trees, Employee issues.

Large concrete debris that was used to fill in broken walls in drains was washed away from heavy rains, DP&L line clearance in Silver Arrow left a large amount of brush from outage.

Asset Management Committee: Bob Gray reported that the committee will be meeting with Mr. Bird in the near future. Mr. Gray discussed some of the necessary security updates.

Old Business: Paypal donation has been placed on the website for the soccer bridge donations.

Maria Ford and Jake Bontatibus have volunteered to be on the board of Trustees. Maria has been appointed to serve a term that ends in September 2013. Jake's term will end in September 2014.

Bob Gray discussed the upcoming Halloween parade and the volunteer picnic.

New Business: The general membership meeting is scheduled for September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm at the Forest Ridge Baptist Church.

Adjournment: Roberta Havholm moved the meeting be adjourned and Greg Herman seconded.

Vote 7-0

The meeting ended at 8:40 p.m.

#### Free English Classes

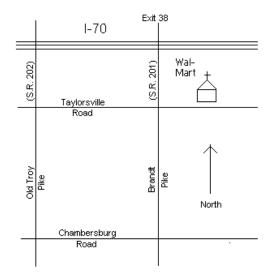


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The Huber Heights English Language Program offers FREE English classes to foreign born adults. Our classes are held on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings from 9:30am to 12:30pm. Free child care is provided.

Any person, 18 years of age or older, who is interested in learning conversational English is welcome to join our program.

The classes are sponsored by the Adult Basic Literacy Education division of the Miami Valley Career Technology Center. The classes are free for foreign-born adults.



Classes are held at Sulphur Grove United Methodist Church, 7505 Taylorsville Rd., Huber Heights, OH 45424.

Classes start on Monday, September 9 at 9:30am.

Previous students have been from:
Algeria, Argentina, Bulgaria, Burundi, Cameroon,
Canada, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Croatia, Cuba,
Ecuador, Egypt, Ethiopia, France, Germany, Ghana,
Greece, Haiti, Hungary, India, Iraq, Japan, Jordan,
Kenya, Latvia, Libya, Mexico, Moldova, Nigeria, Peru,
Philippines, Portugal, Rwanda, South Korea, Thailand,
Togo, Turkey, Ukraine, Uruguay, Venezuela, Vietnam

For additional information, call Forest Ridge resident Jacqueline Bunke - 236-1549 or 235-5783, email j-help@bunkeberg.com.

15<sup>th</sup> year of Huber Heights English Language Program classes!

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Such dumping hinders the maintenance of the green areas, particularly near the WOODED AREAS and detracts from the enjoyment of other residents in using the green areas. Therefore, it is not permitted. Please use the regular trash or recycle pickup services available to you for disposal of waste items.

Information on these services is available on our website at http://www.forestridgeassociation.org. If you do not have access to the Internet, you may contact:

In Dayton, call 937-333-4833 for waste collection, or call Recycle Dayton at 937-333-7678.

In Riverside, call (937) 333-4800 for waste collection.

Please help keep the green areas safe and clean for the enjoyment of all residents.

#### Halloween Parade

The Forest Ridge Halloween Parade will be held on Saturday, October 26th at 10:00 a.m.

As usual, we will have the Stebbins Band, and members of the Riverside Police and Fire Departments marching with all of our participating ghosts, goblins, and all the other costumed friends. There will be a costume contest between all of the different categories of disguises, with prizes handed out to the top three winners.

This event is coordinated entirely of volunteers, and the FRA is looking for a few more good people to help out. Even if it's completing one or two tasks, your contribution makes a big difference. If you are interested, or just want some more information, please call a trustee.

More information concerning this event will appear in the October Murmurs.

# Forest Ridge is on Facebook!



Looking for information on our neighborhood?
Please, find the Forest Ridge page on Facebook! You'll find updates, pertinent news and meeting information.

#### **Church Safety Class**

Information will be coming out soon about a Church Safety class that will be held on November 8, 2013. Several of our members are participating in the planning of this one day conference. We are working with Good Samaritan Hospital and Montgomery County Health.

The goal of the training is to make churches aware of the need to have safety plan for all types of hazards, including active shooter.

If you have churches in your area please spread the word to save the date and more information will be coming out within the next couple of weeks.

#### **Trim Your Trees!**

Please take some time to trim your trees and bushes which are hanging over the sidewalks.

People who walk in the neighborhood feel it is starting to feel a bit like an obstacle course in some areas.

For those who have trimmed. Thanks.

September 2013

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	Labor Day	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 FRA FRA General Meeting 7:30 p.m.	10	11	12 City of Riverside Council Meeting 6:00 p.m. Work Session 7:30 Meeting	13	14
15	FRA Regular Meeting 7:30 p.m.	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 City of Riverside Council Meeting 6:00 p.m. Work Session 7:30 Meeting		28
29	30	Remember The FRA Semi Annual Meeting is September 9th at 7:30 p.m. Held at the Forest Ridge Baptist Church.				





#### **Open letter from the Dayton Police Department**

From: "Johns, Brian" < Brian. Johns@daytonohio.gov>

Date: August 12, 2013, 7:55:29 AM EDT To: tysons@woh.rr.com (Ty Tyson)

Cc: mahjonggsue@icloud.com (Sue Hanley)
Subject: RE: comments from face book

Ty and Susan,

Thank you for the Facebook posts. Let me start off by saying that I would love to have an EPOD Facebook page/account but there is a city policy strictly forbidding it and I have four sons to raise. I also want to point out that first and foremost I am a life-long resident of the City of Dayton and a 18 year resident of Willow Glen subdivision. When I read posts about people stating that the police don't care or that they are going to take matters into their own hands they need to look at the facts. Just several weeks ago I assigned a special unit of officers strictly to the Forest Ridge/Quail Hollow area (again) on the midnight shift. I do this frequently but don't publicize it. While they didn't find any thieves, they did find unlocked cars, valuables in plain sight and several home garage doors completely open. We try to be as proactive as possible and address issues immediately when they happen. Who solved the case last winter with the thief on the bike? The police. Who solved the recent thefts? A citizen who did the right thing and the police.

Having a safe community is not the sole responsibility of the police....it's everyone's responsibility. Everything is not the police's fault. My mother was shot in the chest in 1988 at our house in Dayton. It wasn't the police's fault it was the criminal's fault. I too have been the victim of a burglary where every gun I owned, to include the one handmade by my father was stolen and never recovered. Was I pissed off? I sure was, but it wasn't the police's fault it was the criminal's fault.

EPOD has the largest geographical area of any precinct in the City of Dayton and it is being expanded in the next month or so. At any given time we may have 15- 20 cops working the entire area. We can't be everywhere all the time. We do care and we try to do the best that we can. I realize that for some that just isn't good enough and that's ok too. But don't complain that the police don't care or don't do anything when most residents don't do anything either to help out. Do they take an active role in their community by going to neighborhood meetings, getting involved in neighborhood watch, or send out important messages like you and Susan do? Probably not. We have offered to extend the Operation Identification up in that era but never heard much back. Let's see how many show up in court at sentencing and make a victim impact statement and request jail time from the judge. I sure hope they prove me wrong.

The majority of people who live in our neighborhood are great folks who do care and are appreciative. It just drives me crazy when some people are so quick to publicly complain and trash the police, but when they do something good they have nothing positive to say at all.

Sincerely,

Lt. Brian Johns Dayton Police Department

## **NEIGHBORHOOD** SERVICES

Standards

Yard

Neighborhood

898-4457 225-4357 Dog bites / vicious or excessive Unlicensed and/or loose dog ANIMAL CONTROL barking

333-4800 ON PUBLIC PROPERTY **DEAD ANIMAL** 

333-3883 **BUILDING PERMIT INFORMATION** 

333-3887 333-3977 Inoperative / Junked Vehicles on PROPERTY MAINTENANCE Structure / Yard Maintenance COMMERCIAL ZONING Private property Residential Zoning

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333-3977 333-4800 333-3977 Overgrown weeds / trash VACANT STRUCTURES Overgrown weeds / trash Outside rodent baiting

VACANT LOTS

Open to vandalism (boards removed, etc.) VEHICLES IN

333-1038 333-1058 225-4357 333-1058 225-4357 STREET / ALLEY / SIDEWALK Inoperative / junked vehicles Unlicensed / expired plates Abandoned / stolen Parked on sidewalk

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# **VIOLATION? ARE YOU IN**

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# **Neighborhood Yard Standards Common Violations**

# ENJOY THE BENEFITS AND VALUES OF A CLEAN AND SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD

Check your yard conditions by using the 12-point checklist shown on the right. If you find any violations please take action to make corrections as quickly as possible.

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If your yard passes the 12-point checklist — thank you for doing your part in maintaining the City's health, welfare and safety standards for neighborhoods.

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# 12-POINT CHECKLIST

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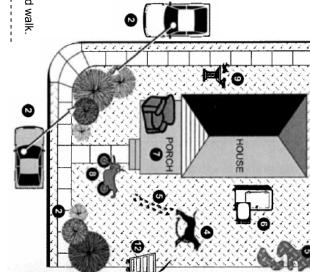
- 1 Trash, debris and broken glass not picked up on the premises (including to the midpoint of the alley). Waste for the City removal placed for pick up earlier than one day before scheduled pick up date.
- Bushes, hedges, vines, weeds and/or trees growing into right of way or obstructing view of traffic.

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- Inoperative/junked and (or) unlicensed vehicle stored outside or vehicle parked on the lawn. No auto parts or outdoor storage of other inappropriate materials.
- Rodents in the yard call Rodent Control Services at 333-3977 for free outdoor baiting. Dog/animal feces not picked up daily. Pet food left out provides food for rodents.
- Overgrown grass not neatly cut and trimmed (mulch or compost after cutting). City will not remove grass. Ground cover required throughout yard and dog run area.
- Bulk items (stoves, refrigerators, TV's, furniture and other items for special pick up) are not to be placed for pick up earlier than the day before scheduled pick date. Schedule pick up date by calling 333-4800.

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- Over stuffed/indoor furniture stored or used outdoors.
- 8 Motor vehicle (including motorcycles) parked on lawn or yard walk.
- Containers holding stagnant water provide mosquito breeding habitat. Remove or treat with larvacide.
- 10 ( Trim trees away from house and garage. Remove/trim dead limbs from tree. Remove dead trees
- 110 Commercial and business equipment stored on residential property, no trucks rated over one ton
- 12 () Waste container stored where offensive to occupants of adjacent properties, and/or offensive waste in





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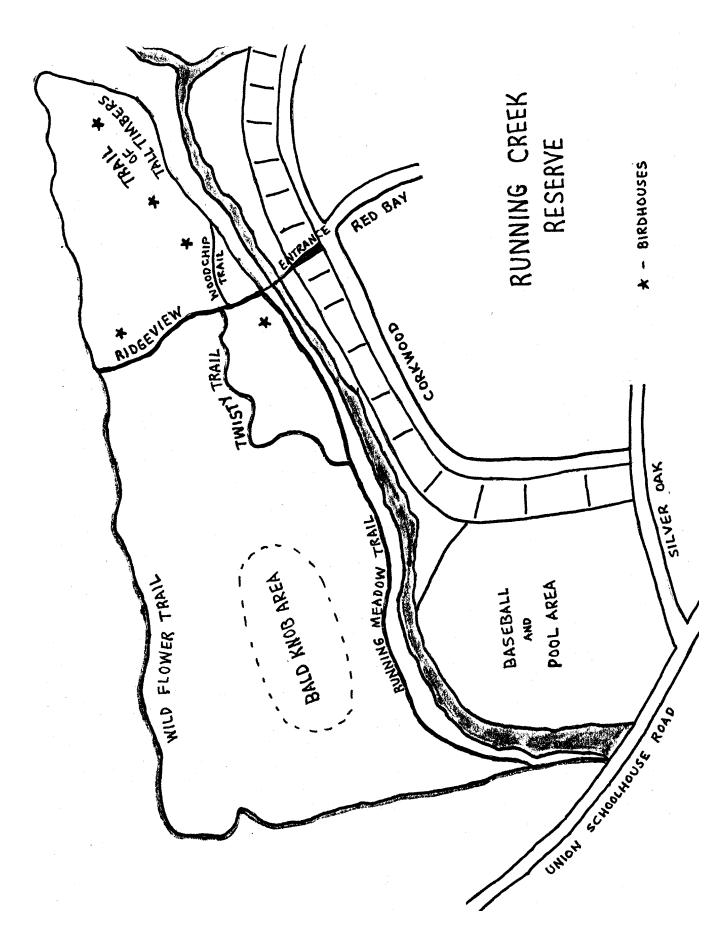
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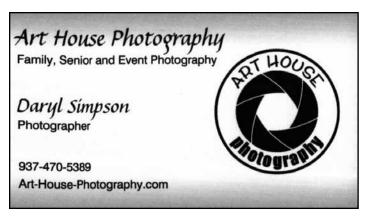
PLEASE NOTE: Uncorrected Neighborhood Yard Standard violations may result in a Minor lisdemeanor Citation (costing \$135.00 or more) and/or legal notice being issued

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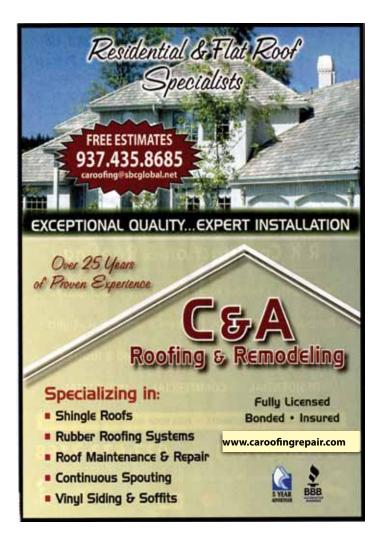
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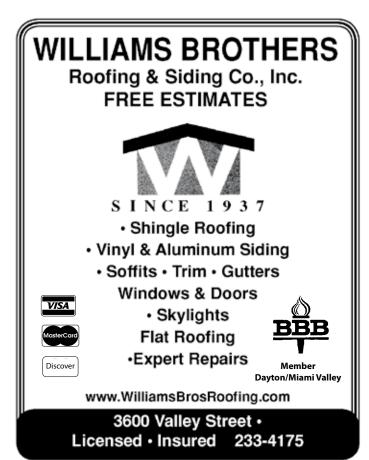
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big or too small. Call Mark at 829-1363.

Handyman services, anything big or small, inside or outside your home. Honest rates and honest work. References available. Resident of Forest Ridge. Call Doug 902-4087.

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Music Lessons: In Forest Ridge. Band, string instruments or music theory. Have 15 years experience teaching in public schools. Have taught hundreds of students. Can do some home school in morning. Private or group lessons. Call Dennis at 403-8229 or email dfarmer2663@yahoo.com . Website: www. miamivalleymusic.com.

Piano or Cello Private Lessons: in your home with a teacher trained at the Russian School of Music. Call Anna at 260-8378.

Piano teacher looking for new students! I have 3 openings for children or adults wanting to learn to play the piano. Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday daytime or after school lessons available. Relaxed atmosphere, out of my home on Quail Bush, ½ hour lessons starting September and ending in June with informal recital. Reasonable rates and large lending library of solo and duet music. Experienced piano players wishing to continue learning and playing are welcome as well as new students. Give me a call, Lorelei Albert at 233-3507.

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#### Time to start working on your costume!



#### **Unsightly House Near You?**

Bob Gray at 237-8192. We are in the process of updating

Do you have an unsightly house near you?

the packets. If you have questions please call!

Recently the trustees have received phone calls regarding properties that have unmowed lawns, weeds and trash in the yards. These concerns should be addressed to either the Code Enforcement Office for the City of Dayton at 333-3977 or the Zoning Enforcement Officer for Riverside at 233-1801.

The By-laws for the Forest Ridge Association do not authorize us to require home owners to mow or weed their lawns.

#### **Et Cetera Guidelines**

#### Free Ads Include:

Garage Sales (one every three months)

Sale of Personal Property. Any item with a value of over \$1,000 will be charged \$5.00 per month to run the ad.

Any volunteer activities that involve Forest Ridge residents. Handyman services, domestic services, housecleaning, yard work, and babysitting for teen age and younger Forest Ridge residents only.

#### Paying Ads include:

Home improvement, house cleaning, domestic services, yard work, and babysitting for adult residents, and all non-residents. All home party sales and open houses featuring products for commercial distribution (Tupperware, Mary Kay, Longaberger Baskets, Avon, Discovery Toys, etc.)

The price for these ads will be \$3.50, payable in advance, to Forest Ridge Association, c/o Advertising Bookkeeper, Forest Murmurs. The editor reserves the right to decide the category of the ad, if questions arise.

The length of the ads will be limited to 5 lines.

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