



# Forest Murmurs

December 2017

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FRA Christmas Party  
will be held December 17th  
Details inside!

*No Murmurs in  
January*

*The next Murmurs will be  
published and distributed at the  
beginning of February, 2018.*



*Happy Holidays from the  
FRA Board of Trustees*

*Start your baking for  
the first responders!*

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**Forest Ridge Association  
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting  
October 16, 2017**

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**Trustees Present:** Chris Hoopes, Rick Schaub, Larry Ford, Shelton Monger, Heather Gwin, Cory Hendrix, and Youssef Elzein

**Trustees Absent:** Charles Mahan

Larry Ford called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Minutes:** Shelton Monger moved to accept the minutes as corrected from the previous month. Larry Ford seconded.

**Vote 7-0**

**Police Report:** Officer Toscani from the City of Riverside was present. He discussed and presented criminal activity for the past month. He also discussed the website where residents can go to get some details on crime statistics through a "crime map". He said that people are leaving their cars unlocked lately and urged residents to lock their doors and remove valuables.

A resident voiced concern about two hit-and-run incidents. Officer Toscani said that he could request extra patrols.

Rick Schaub asked about parking on the street at an intersection. Officer Toscani said he would double check the rules and get back to Rick.

Multiple residents and board members voiced concerns about speeding in the Forest Ridge area.

Rick Schaub asked about the Valley closure, but Officer Toscani didn't have details. He said he would research and get back to the board with details.

Officer Rudy from the City of Dayton was present. He said there were two calls in the area.

Cory Hendrix discussed a speeder in the area and gave the information to Officer Rudy. Officer Rudy said that they could use their mobile speed cameras to automatically create speeding tickets.

**Treasurer:** Dan Freeman, Treasurer presented the Treasurers' report for October. The balance of the general fund is \$44,862.20. The balance of the

replacement reserve is \$67,831.51. There were no full and no partial assessments received in September and 2 full so far in October (\$454.00). There are 54 full and 2 partial assessments still open. Shelton Monger made a motion to accept the report and Rick Schaub seconded.

**Vote 7-0**

**Visitors and Open Forum for Association Members:** Jake Bontatibus had several questions for the board. He asked on which committee board members were working. Additionally, he asked about the status of the Halloween parade. Heather Gwin said that she is working diligently to get the parade and party together. Jake expressed concern that it is late in season and he is disappointed that it will not be as big as in previous years.

**By Laws Update:** Larry Ford said that the lawyer would have everything for the by-laws update would be submitted to the county by the next meeting.

**Communication:** Chris Hoopes discussed the Murmurs. He said that Roberta Havholm has offered to generate the monthly Murmurs. He is going to work with her to get all information transferred. Chris Hoopes asked that anyone who knows of any new residents to pass the info to him so that he or Larry Ford can drop off a packet.

**Green Areas:** Chris Tooley, Green Area Manager, submitted the following report:

Projects this month:

- Had commercial mower hydraulics serviced to extend warranty
- Blades and grease the equipment

Property

- Stump grind 14+ stumps
- Mulched sign area and trees with wood chips
- Trimmed misc trees along the Blvd
- Trimmed trees on Silver Oak @ Little Parks A+B
- Cleanup storm damage @ Willowbranch
- Applied fertilizer
- Finished the soccer season

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To Do:

- Spray for weeds
- Mow and move leaves
- Aerate certain fields and Blvd.
- Apply grass seed to aerated areas, especially soccer fields
- Plant donated trees from Arbor Experts (when delivered)

**Activities/Recreation:** Heather Gwinn reported that the Halloween Parade is scheduled for October 28<sup>th</sup>. Rick Schaub recommended an 11:30am start time. She said that she has gotten some commitments and is looking for additional police and military. Jake Bontatibus offered some information on past Halloween events.

The board discussed the basketball hoops. They will need to schedule a time to install the hoops.

Sue Hanley discussed the Christmas treats for first responders. She said that she is hoping to get high participation.

**Pool:** Shelton Monger said that the pools are closed and gave some details on the winterization. He is in the process of getting a quote for the crack repair. He said the repair may not happen until the spring. He also talked about the purchase of a second guard chair. He also discussed some necessary diving board repairs.

Ellie Monger discussed the pool closure and what she is going to be getting rid of and what she will be acquiring in the off season.

Jesse Morgan, the head of the soccer program, discussed the completion of the season. He discussed the integration of the WPAFB teams and hopes to continue that next year.

**Political Signage:** The board discussed the fact that political signage is not allowed on Forest Ridge Association owned property. The board concurred that anyone who sees a sign on Forest Ridge property or in City right of way, that they should remove them.

Youssef Elzein expressed concern over the distinction between Dayton and Riverside. He also suggested possibly letting candidates use the gazebo.

Rick Schaub made a motion that the Forest Ridge Association would refrain from endorsing, supporting or appearing to endorse or support any political candidate or party through the use of Forest Ridge property or resources. Shelton Monger seconded.

**Vote 7-0**

**OSHA Report:** Rick Schaub discussed the report presented by OSHA. He said most of the issues were easy to fix. He is filing for an extension because there is not enough time to complete the processes. He is going to work with the managers to ensure everything gets addressed.

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** None.

**Adjournment:** Shelton Monger moved to adjourn the meeting. Larry Ford seconded.

**Vote 7-0**

Meeting ended at 8:58.





*A Forest Ridge home with Luminaries on Christmas Eve*

## Christmas Eve Luminaries

Luminaries are an old Christmas tradition of setting out rows of candles on Christmas Eve to light the way for the Christ Child. Forest Ridge will continue its tradition of Luminaries again this year with the Green Area personnel selling Luminaries. They will be small white paper bags, anchored with sand and contain a small votive candle. The bags are to be spaced out on the grass between the sidewalk and the street and then lit at dusk. Please help continue the tradition of the Luminaries. The cost is \$5.00 per home. Please specify if your home is a corner lot as corner lots receive two sets for the same price.

**The Green Area Crew will again be selling the Luminaries at the Maintenance Shed, beginning December 4th, from 8:00 a.m. to Noon.**

**Afternoon/Evening times will be shared on Facebook and Nextdoor.**

**Please have your checks made out to FRA.**

# First Responders Holiday Treats

Now is the time to start baking

While the Treats for First Responders is still a few weeks away it is never too early to start baking. Below you will find all the instructions and if I have forgotten anything please contact me at mahjonggsue@sbcglobal.net or call 236-7141 after 6 pm.

We deliver to 5 different locations so if you could divide your goodies into 5 equal donations that would be so helpful. Last year many people purchased containers at the \$ Tree or one of the other dollar stores. On top of making it easier to pack it is certainly festive.

Donations should be delivered to 4073 Quail Bush on December 17 between 11am and 2 pm or December 18th between noon and 4 pm. If these hours do not work for you please contact me to make alternate arrangements. Christmas cards may be delivered to me anytime prior to 4 pm on December 18th. If no one is home ignore the barking dog and place them on the bench on the front porch or between the front doors. Box decorators and goodie deliverers I will contact you individually.

I have received some money from residents who would prefer to do that instead of baking. Donations are still being accepted. Mail to the address above and make checks out to FRA. Deadline is 12 December. I plan to buy fruit, stuffed pretzels etc.

Finally thank you to all those who have pledged to help with this project. I have met and heard from people I am happy to say are the best neighbors ever.

Susan Hanley



# FRA Christmas Party

He's making a list... He's Checking it Twice!

So you better plan to be at the Forest Ridge Christmas Party or you might end up on the naughty list! Make sure you're available Dec 17th! This year's party will once again be hosted by our Greens Area Crew at their shop, 4312 Meadowsweet Dr. We will first have a movie (and of course snacks) at 2:00, with a special visit from the big guy himself at 4:00. Parents, make sure you have your cameras with you so you can get those special pictures.

We're really excited about this year's party, as we will have a fantastic set up.

Here's Jake's obligatory solicitation; this year if you're replacing your fake tree and it's in any kind of usable shape (don't worry about lights being out) we'd love it if you'd donate it to the shop instead of throwing it out. It takes a lot of Christmas trees to turn the Ridge into the North Pole. We can even help out with pick up. And finally, as in years past, if you'd like to donate some treats for the kids at the party or Santa (rumor is he's quite fond of chocolate chip cookies and anything peppermint based – according to Mrs. Bontatibus) we'd really appreciate it.



Check Next Door and/or Facebook for additional updates. If you have any questions or comments email Jake at jlbontatibus@gmail.com or PM him on Next Door.



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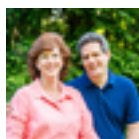
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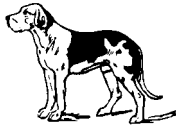
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