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President's Message

Every turn of the seasons brings new changes, and Forest Ridge is no exception. I'm taking over as the new Association President, and I know I'm not speaking out of turn to say, on behalf of myself and my fellow board members, that we're excited to take the great foundation of our neighborhood and to continue to build on it. We're entering the favorite time of year for much of our neighbors with the upcoming Halloween events including the annual Halloween parade, and we're adding new events as well to make it a true weekend extravaganza.

As always, no captain can sail the ship alone, so I'll begin my term with a plea for assistance- I know that SO many of you are talented, creative, have unique networking connections, or in the absence of all of these, might be super strong, or at least a warm body. It takes help to make the events in this neighborhood run, so you'll be seeing some posts on NextDoor and in the Murmurs to solicit both donations (desserts do make the world go round) and time. We also need more community members to come to our monthly meetings on the third Monday of the month and get involved with some of the committees that are being formed or rearranged. We have a stalwart group of attendees, but I'm hoping to see more than the same 10 faces with 1123 homes in the Ridge.

Finally, I know the conversation regarding the proposed increase in the assessments became rather....heated. There is no possibility of any increase happening with the March semi-annual meeting, but we'd like to push to try for a vote as early as next September. It's a long-range view that we're taking to keep our infrastructure intact and to continue the maintenance on our assets for now and for generations to come. An Assessment Evaluation committee is being formed and all members who wish to participate are more than welcome to do so. I ask your continued patience given that it's a new board trying to step in on a difficult situation.

Till the next third Monday, Heather Gwin, Association President



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

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GOAL! GOAL! GOAL!

That is what you hear at a soccer game.

Several years ago Jesse Morgan took over a soccer program that was having a rough time of it. As he steps down at the end of the Fall season we all extend our sincere thanks and wish him well as he gives up the position. We look forward to working with the new soccer director.

A bit of history before we close this down. Soccer was well established when I moved here in 1982 under the leadership of Marvin Stibich. Both fields were always active with games or practice. As years went on and select soccer developed the number of teams and players declined. Recreational soccer took a hit as the philosophy of if you want to play in high school you need to have played select developed.

When Jesse took over the question was would FRA soccer survive? Jesse worked his magic and has increased the number of teams and players, opened the program to players in surrounding developments, set up end of the season parties and secured storage near the pool field



for equipment. Because of this the younger players and those who just like the game have a program in their neighborhood.

We would be remiss if we did not thank Jesse's wife for her assistance in the program. Thanks and hope to see you around the Neighborhood.

Sue Hanley

Treats For First Responders

Fallishere, just barely, and it is time to start planning for the annual Forest Ridge treats for first responders. For newcomers to our development every year around the holidays we bake,



buy, and decorate items and take them to the police and fire stations that keep our residents safe.

Updates will appear on Nextdoor and in the monthly Murmurs. For right now I am seeking monetary donations to purchase apples, oranges, cheese and crackers etc. checks should be made out to FRA, put first responders on memo line, and mail to Susan Hanley. 4073 Quail Bush Dr. 45424.

For those concerned about the budget no funds from the yearly FRA budget are used for this project.

Just a suggestion we usually divide the baked goods into 5 portions. It is much easier if they are divided by the donator (I have a very large dog who has yet to meet a food, other than radishes that he does not consume). Most of the \$ stores have their Holiday items out so buy now when things are plentiful.

Questions or concerns: pm me on Nextdoor, e-mail at mahjonggsue@sbcglobal. net or call after 6pm. 236-7141

Merry Christmas Susan Hanley

Community Garden

"It's been brought to the Board's attention that the Community Garden has become unkempt and presents poorly to the neighbors. There is currently conversation about whether or not to continue with the Garden, to end it, or to relocate it. Feedback from residents is welcome at the next Board meeting. In the meantime, we ask your patience with the overgrowth- we're actually using the garden in its current state as the foundation for one of the sites on the Halloween Hayride route, and we're turning it into a field fit for Charlie Brown's Great Pumpkin. After Halloween, a decision will be made as to what needs to happen with the garden. Thank you in advance for your understanding.

2018 City Beautiful Awards -Open for nominations

The City of Dayton is recognizing owners and occupants of properties demonstrating civic and neighborhood pride with the monthly City Beautiful Award.

Nominations will be accepted through December and will recognize properties throughout the city. Winning properties may be residential or commercial and must meet one or more of the following criteria: aesthetic appeal; landscapingdesign, color, balance; architectural design and placement; maintenance of landscape or building; treatment of parking areas; preservation of trees and natural amenities; awareness of City codes and ordinances; appropriate placement/design of new construction; use of paint or other materials to complement buildings; enhancement of the area or neighborhood; or removal of blight.

Award winners will receive a yard sign for display and invitation to a City Commission meeting for recognition of their efforts. The award is a reinvention of former Dayton City Beautiful programs that recognized outstanding properties, design and beautification throughout much of the 20th century.

More than two dozen properties were honored in 2017. To submit a nomination online, go to daytonohio.gov/ citybeautiful. Forms may also be picked up or submitted at 101 W. Third St., 6th floor (Department of Planning and Community Development). Call 937-333-4271 for more information.

Energy Market Forces Savings Plan Cancellation

The City of Dayton electric power aggregation program has been discontinued because of changes in the electric power market. Participating residents and business received letters about the cancelation in their May 2018 power bill.

The program was designed to allow cost savings by establishing auniform negotiated rate for the generation portion of energy charges. The City established a threeyear agreement with IGS effective May of 2016 (with rates negotiated yearly), but because of downward trends in power generation costs, IGS and other providers are opting to not participate in aggregation programs.

Residents and businesses participating in the aggregation program will automatically return to the DP&L standard service offer and will have the option to shop the market to potentially contract with a supplier offering a lower price than DP&L.

For more information on selecting a supplier, call 800-686-PUCO or visit www.puco.gov. Lowincome customers can seek energy assistance through the Ohio Development Services Agency at 800-282-0880. If energy generation costs increase, the City of Dayton has the ability to restart the aggregation program.

Preparation begins for 2020 census

The City of Dayton and Montgomery County are collaborating to support a full count of local residents by the 2020 census.

Mayor Nan Whaley and County officials have convened a Complete Count Committee comprised of government and business leaders, community partners and grassroots groups. The committee will work to motivate residents to complete and submit mailed or online census forms by informing them of the importance of the census. A multi-faceted outreach campaign will utilize the expertise and resources of community groups to overcome cultural, economic, linguistic or technology barriers to census participation.

An accurate census count is vital to well-being of the community and residents by helping planners determine where to direct funding and other resources for housing, health care, education, transportation and other essential needs. Watch for updates here or at daytonohio.gov.

From the City of Riverside's E-Newsletter

Understanding the Property Tax Levy for Repairs of Riverside Streets and Roads

The Riverside City Council voted to place an 8-mill property tax levy on the November 6th ballot to address repairs of residential streets and major thoroughfares.

The money will be used for urgently needed repaving of neighborhood streets.

The 2018 tax levy will generate approximately \$1.9 million peryear and used exclusively for the construction, reconstruction, resurfacing, and repair of streets, roads, and bridges.

The Facts:

\$75 million is the estimated cost for city-wide road repairs.

- A 2017 engineer's report estimated \$40 million needed for residential street repairs and a 2015 report estimated \$35 million required for the major thoroughfares.
- Current Riverside revenues are not sufficient to meet the increasing costs for repairs on the deteriorating streets and roads without the additional tax revenue.
- The failed 2013 tax levy did include funding for road repairs and maintenance.
- Matching grant money is available and has been used successfully for major thorough fare projects that are planned 5-6 years in advanced. These grants will continued to be used for eligible road projects.
- Grant money is not available for neighborhood street projects.

Learn More:

Find out more about the property tax levy.

- Riverside Website, www.riversideoh.gov
- Contact the City Manager- 937-233-1801 or mcarpenter@riversideoh.gov
- Attend a Community Discussion- Road Tax Levy and General Community Q & A.
- Talk with a Council Member (find information at the bottom the the Newsletter).

Community Discussion:

- Community meeting on the tax levy & general Q&A. September 13, 6-8 pm, Spinning Hills Middle School, 5001 Eastman Avenue
- October 9, 6-8 pm, City Council Chambers, 5200 Springfield Street
- October 25, 6-8 pm, Brantwood Elementary School, 4350 Schwinn Drive

Riverside Police 'Keeping Our Community Safe'

The Dayton Daily News included an article on July 25, 2018, 'Riverside Police lost access to crime-fighting tool in cyber-attack,' The article cites the Department lost a tool to assist in crime fighting. The actual incident is a temporary inability to make a paper copy of pastreports.

The Ohio Law Enforcement Gateway (OHLEG) system was used for many years to store the Riverside Police Departments records. In June of last year (2017) we moved to a different system to record all of the data, however, the older files are still retained in the OHLEG system. Presently, the department does not have access to older files as the State of Ohio was concerned about a cyber-attack perpetrated against the City. We are currently following the protocol outlined by the State of Ohio Attorney General to restore our account with OHLEG and outlining an alternative method of retrieving the older reports.

Existing Riverside Police Department cases already sent to the Prosecutor's office are still under review by said office and will not affect the older files currently inaccessible per the OHLEG. The department's ability to obtain past reports in no way disrupts our performance or efficiency to serve and protect the community.

Chief Robinson, Riverside Police

Resident's Concerns Riverside Property Maintenance

The collective efforts of Homeowners to follow the City codes impacts the appeal of our neighborhoods.

Work permits are required for property upgrades prior to construction: fences, driveways, decks, sheds.

Tall Grass: Grass must be cut below a height of EIGHT inches. Please do not blow grass into the street which blocks sewers.

Trees: Residents are responsible for trimming limbs near streets, assisting safe travel for buses and trucks.

Spooookkkkkeeeeyyyyy!!!!!

October is here. And that only means one thing to Forest Ridge residents: the Forest Ridge Halloween Festival. We're hoping to make this year's event out best yet. To make that possible we will be adding a new feature to the festivities. This year we're adding a haunted bonfire for our teenaged Ridgers.

Here's a run-down of the schedule of events:

The parade and party this year will be held on Saturday, October 27th! As in years past, we will be using the gazebo as the focal point for parade activities, and we are expecting the best costumes ever. Come on out with your friends and family to join the fun.

The parade will start moving at 11:30 a.m., so plan on getting down to the Boulevard early to get a good seat (bring your own seat). All participants are asked to avoid parking on Forest Ridge Blvd. The street will be blocked off from approximately 10:00 until 12:30 to ensure the safety of the parade participants.

The Halloween Party will start at 1:30. The Halloween Party will be at the Forest Ridge sheds on Meadowsweet Dr. There will be games, snacks, and fun for all.

Fright Night at the Movies will be Friday evening, October 26th, beginning at 6:00 pm. This year it looks like in addition to the snacks provided by the Activities Committee we will also have ice cream compliments of our local Dayton Police.

The Forest Ridge Haunted Hay Ride. The Haunted Hay ride is back and we're planning a special surprise that will make it better than ever. Due to the success of the last one we ran, this year it will run on **Oct 22, 23, and 25. Ride will begin at 6:30.** We will have hot beverages and snacks at the sheds. I can't tell you what it is, but here's a clue

The Forest Ridge Haunted Bonfire. The Haunted Bonfire **will be on the 27th at Lawsons Park.** There will be snacks, drinks, a DJ, and maybe a surprise guest or two. You never know what might be up there at Lawsons Park. *Warning: This is NOT for toddlers or infants. This is an event for our teenaged Ridgers.*

We will be taking donations for sweets; all cookies, candy, cupcakes, and any other treats will be greatly appreciated. We had a really nice turnout last year and expect an even bigger crowd this year. There will be more on the parade and party posted on our Facebook page and the Nextdoor Forest Ridge site leading up to the events.

If you're interested in volunteering to help out with the parade or party or movies (or would like to donate some goodies like cupcakes, cookies, or other treats for the party) please email us at <u>ibontatibus@gmail.com</u>. I do have a special request for some help. I can't say what you'll be doing yet, but I could really use 3-7 large men. Preferably over 6 foot tall. This is specifically needed for the 27th.



PARADE SCHEDULE:

10:30 - 11:30 - Participants assemble (costume contestants get numbers, form category groups)
Please have your registration form completed and turned in during this time.
11:30 - Parade starts moving

12:30 - 1:00 - Winner selections and Awards

1:30 - ???? – PARTY TIME!!!!!

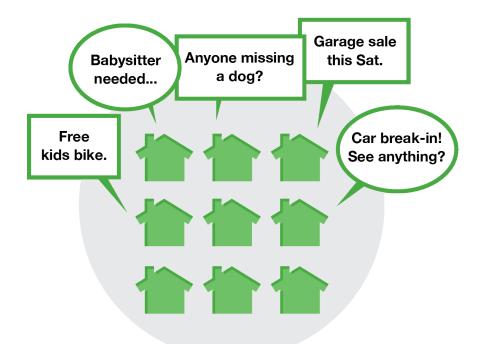
COSTUME CATEGORIES:

- 1. Blood and Gore and so much more !- . monsters, witches and vampires- oh my!
- 2. TV/Movie Characters lets dress up dahling
- 3. Fairy Tales & Nursery Rhymes make your dreams come true
- 4. Super Heroes & Cartoon Characters anything with licensing potential!
- 5. Holiday Theme from anywhere, anytime HO HO HO Hippity hop!
- 6. Disney Characters you know who
- 7. Dress your Dog! Bring your dog in costume and join the parade!
- 8. Group (this is the only category where more than 2 participants are allowed)



Come see what your neighbors are talking about.

Join Nextdoor Forest Ridge, the private website for your neighborhood.



To join, visit: forestridgeoh.nextdoor.com/join

Your neighbor, Greg Herman, invited you to join.



Greg (Cozycroft Dr) writes: "Our neighborhood is using a private online network called Nextdoor Forest Ridge, and we think you'll benefit from joining us. On our Nextdoor site, neighbors share community events, recommendations, items for sale/free, crime/safety concerns, ideas about how to make our neighborhood better, and more. Please join us to build a better neighborhood! Greg"

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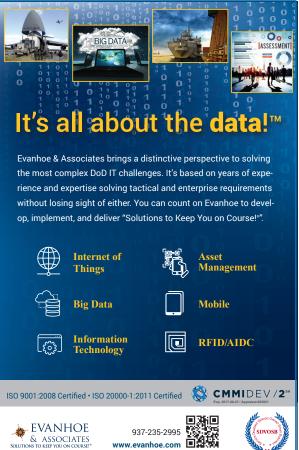
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Et Cetera Guidelines Effective 1 January 2016

Free Ads For Forest Ridge Residents:

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Sale of personal property with a value under \$1000. Volunteer Activities that involve Forest Ridge residents. Babysitting, yard work, etc. for Forest Ridge residents 18 and younger.

Paid Ads: Forest Ridge residents at \$3.50 per month. Includes all ads not covered under Free guidelines.

Non-Forest Ridge residents at \$5.00 per month. Items for sale over \$1000 will be charged \$3.50 per month. Ads run for **one month** unless specified otherwise when placing ad.

All ads and payment must be submitted to: Sue Hanley; mahjonggsue@sbcglobal.net Or

4073 Quail Bush Dr. Dayton 45424

Deadline as listed in the Murmurs.

Category of ad will be decided by the staff if a dispute arises.