

Forest Murmurs October 2022

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IT'S NOW OR NEVER FOR TREATS FOR FIRST RESPONDERS

My fears have come true. There has been little interest in providing either monetary donations, purchased or home made goodies. To date I have my helper to pack the totes, my Santa helpers to deliver the goodies and 2 snack donations. So it is now or never to make this project a "go". While times are tough with the sinking economy and people busy with jobs, kids and commitments I have set October 25th as the date to make a "go or no" decision. I will need monetary donations and snack donations to have it be a "go". No monetary amount is too little or too much...if every household donated a \$1 we would be golden.

Monetary donations in check(made out to Susan Hanley) or cash may be mailed or delivered to 4073 Quailbush Drive. If you prefer to bake or buy snacks just contact me at mahjonggsue @ sbcglobal.net or on Nextdoor.

New to the neighborhood: join in and become part of the neighborhood you live in.

Let's keep this tradition of giving alive!

Susan



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Infrastructure Committee::	Larry Ford
Elections & Voting:	Larry Ford

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EMERGENCY NUMBERS

EMERGENCY	911
Riverside Residents: Fire/Ambulance (Riverside)	911
Non-Emergency Number	
Community Problem Response Team	937-510-3490 Jeremy Reeb
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Forest Murmurs Deadlines

Advertisers: Wednesday, October 26, 2022
Articles & Et Cetera: Friday, October 28, 2022

Find us at: forestridgeassociation.org

Find us on Nextdoor: https://www.forestridgeoh.nextdoor.com/news_feed/



Forest Ridge Association Board of Trustees Regular Meeting August 15, 2022

Trustees Present: Tabitha Bentz, Scott Kreckman, Jesse Morgan, Roberta Havholm, Frank Semmelmayer

Trustees Absent: Faith Richardson, Darrell Woods, Larry Ford

Scott Kreckman called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM

Police Report: Dayton Police present. We had 3 officers in attendance: a community engagement officer and 2 officers that were on duty. They are going to do their best to have an on duty officer attend all meetings moving forward if available. Numbers are good in the area as far as safety. If you have an older model (pre 2014) Kia or Hyundai, they are very easily stolen, so please be aware if you own one of these vehicles. You can purchase a \$30 part from Auto Zone to prevent his. As always please keep cars locked, as that leaves your car most vulnerable to theft. They have also noticed several garage doors left open, so try to check those. They are also available to come to any community events, provide active shooter trainer, and provide training for teenagers learning to drive on how to act during a traffic stop. The police have a very good relationship with our local junkyards to help stop thefts.

Minutes: June 2022 meeting minutes reviewed via email.

Frank moved to approve as written, Scott seconded

Vote 6-0

Upcoming Annual Members Meeting: Annual Meeting will be September 12th and will include official vote on any Board Members up for re-election. Next Monthly Board Meeting will be September 19th

New Board Member Vote: Jake Bontatibus would like to fill open Board Seat. Frank moved to approve, Scott seconded.

Vote 6-0

Treasurer: Scott Kreckman reported.

Operating Funds Financial Report – August 8 2022 Available Funds as of August 8, 2022 **\$ 109, 749. 47**

-Major loss due to Towne Properties failure to pay any bills for pool repair throughout the year. This highlights the need we had to switch and we don't anticipate these issues moving forward.

Reserve Funds Financial Report – August 2022 Still awaiting data uploads as we switch from Towne to Associa. Available Funds as of April 30, 2022 \$ 96, 418.31

Uncollected Assessments as of

August 2022 \$ 134, 353.41

We are currently underfunded

for the year by \$46, 954. 82

Board will be discussing Foreclosures on new properties next month.

Communications: Roberta reported. Murmurs deadline is August 26th. Roberta also needs the financial information for Dreamhost in order to keep track, and the information on where invoices for new printing need to go.

Maintenance & Greens: Scott reported. Lock at pool has been replaced and Brightview has been given access to mow. Several trees removed after storms, and many Callery Pear Trees need to be removed as they are close falling and are in invasive tree. Scott would like to take down the 7-8 sickly trees on the first BLVD section, and in the spring plant a singular variety of native flowering dogwood. Soccer program begins August 16th; paint has been ordered for rest of year. Michael McCarty assisted in fixing the wiring issue at the Gazebo so the lights work again. More lighting will be installed to add appeal to the Gazebo.

Infrastructure: Larry Ford sent in report. \$1600 down payment sent to reserve study, \$1600 due at completion. Little Jeep Park mulch payment still pending, but should be completed sooner.

Pool: Jesse Morgan reported. Pool was closed for a small period of time and repaired. Repairs came in at \$2500 less than anticipated. All payments not provided by Towne have now been taking care of. Doggie Swim will be the Tuesday after Labor Day, 6-8 pm. Partial hours (4-8 pm) will begin next week as we have reduced manning.

Activities:

Silvergrass Band performed last Friday, and it was a well-attended event.

Movie at the pool on Saturday also well attended September 10 Movie Night (Pool Field)- Pirates of the Caribbean

September 24th Halloween Decorating at noon (meet at the Sheds)

October 1st: Fleming Creek Band (Gazebo) Family friendly interactive band

October 15th Pumpkin Decorating/Pumpkin Patch (Sheds) October 28th Fright Night Movie Night October 29th Halloween Parade/Costume Contest (Gazebo/BLVD)

November: Take down Halloween decorations and set up Christmas

December 16-18th 2022 Christmas Light Fight Judging Looking for ways to encourage more participants to grow this tradition

Audit: Scott reported. No updates

Elections: Larry sent in report. Tabitha Bentz and Jake Bontatibus' positions will be up for re-election. From September 4that midnight- September 11th at 11:59.pm, online voting will be available. So far there are no new takers for Board positions. Desire expressed to see a very clear outline of what each position entails and what the Board positions are allowed to do.

Old Business: None

New Business: Discussion about Pool access to guests, lack of checking, and updating pool passes brought up by Tabitha. Jesse did update the new scanner that can do a QR code so that we can have greater security at entering the pool next year-will discuss over the fall. We have not updated passes in a long time, and it is necessary to update these moving forward; however, will require some updating of software. Scott will be discussing with Associa our app options/options for upgrading our cards. Board will be discussing new policies for guests, rules for entry at October meeting and would like member feedback. Scott presented plan for tree removal and replanting plan. Members have raised concerns in the past on tree removal without replacement, so trying to plan tree replacements that are wise for the area. This removal and replacement would still be within our current budget.

Vote to remove trees along the Boulevard that are in need of removal, pursuing working with Dylan first, and if he is unable, moving to a company. Roberta moved to approve, Frank seconded.

Vote 6-0

Rachel Hardenbrook from City of Dayton mentioned the city still has a grant program and she will look into the tree removal of those trees that belong to the city.

Frank moved to adjourn the meeting, Scott seconded.

Vote: 6-0

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 PM.

RIVERSIDE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Dear Riverside Community Member,

We are at the half way point in updating the Riverside Comprehensive Plan. Six months of findings from community feedback, survey results and direction from the Steering Committee was shared by the ONE Riverside planning team during the interactive open house on September 14th . PLACE, PROSPERITY, & FOUNDATIONS are the three central points identified from the Community feedback and are included in the outline of the conceptual development plans.

The Riverside Community is invited to VIEW, add COMMENTS and EVALUATE ideas on the Conceptual Development Plans online at ONE Riverside ACTIONS SURVEY or on display at the City Administration Offices, 5200 Springfield Street, Suite 100, Monday - Friday, 8:00-5:00, September 19 - October 7.

Please help us extend the conversation with the Riverside Community by sharing the information with your network, meeting agendas, and newsletters.

ONE Riverside Comprehensive Plan - PLACE, PROSPERITY, & FOUNDATIONS SURVEY

New to the Riverside comprehensive plan? Learn more Riverside Comprehensive Land Use Plan

Thank you for completing the Actions Survey and helping us included all voices as we plan for improvements in quality of life, place, and opportunities.

The ONE Riverside Planning Team



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FOREST RIDGE HALLOWEEN PARADE

Forest Ridge Halloween Parade is Saturday, October 29th. Costume Contest Sign-Ups begin at 10am, the parade kicks off at 11am.

Categories this year are-

Blood and gore- Are you a bloody zombie or scary ghoul? You will fit in here!

Kids Movie and TV Characters- Mickey Mouse, Disney Princesses and Bluey all will find a home here.

Teen/Adult Movie and TV Characters- Come on down Michael Meyers and Star Wars, you belong here!

Group- If you are a group or 3 or more coordinated costumes, you can compete here.

Dress Your Dog- Dress up yourself and your pup here!

Random/Wacky- Don't fit anywhere else, well you fit in here.

We need volunteers to make our parade happen! If you can stand at a road block and watch the parade let me know at activities@forestridgeassociation.org. If you have really pretty handwriting and want to help people sign up, let me know at activities@forestridgeassociation.org. If you are really good at judging people, I need help picking our winners, let me know at activities@forestridgeassociation.org!

Reminder to those that live on Forest Ridge Boulevard, and residents in the area. The Boulevard will be CLOSED 930a to 1230p on Saturday, October 29th. Please park cars in driveways and off the street if you live on Forest Ridge Blvd between Union Schoolhouse and Silver Oak. Thank you for your cooperation.



Forest Ridge Association

Area Events for October

Oct 1st -31st - Huber Haunts

50 Homes in Huber Heights are included on a map that can be found on Facebook's Huber Haunts page. All homes participating will be decorated by Oct. 19th.

Oct 13-16th - Huber Heights Community Garage Sale

Oct 15th-Forest Ridge Pumpkin Patch, 1p to 3p.

Join us at the Sheds, 4312 Meadowsweet Drive to pick up a small pumpkin and stickers to decorate it with. We will have approx. 100 pumpkins to hand out.

Oct 14th and 15th -Fairborn Halloween Festival

Oct 24th - 25th - Stoddard Ave Pumpkin Glow, 6pm

Free Event, Food trucks will be at the event. Visit www.graftonhill.org for more information.

Oct 28th – Forest Ridge Fright Night Movie-7pm at the Sheds on Meadowsweet.

Oct 29th – Forest Ridge Association Parade and Costume Contest, Forest Ridge Blvd
Costume Contest sign-ups will begin at 10am, Parade kicks off at 11am!

Oct 31st- Montgomery County and Fairborn Trick or Treat, 6-8pm

All events are subject to change



MIAMI VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT LAUNCHES SITE TO CONNECT COMMUNITY TO STUDENTS IN NEED

by: Allison Gens

RIVERSIDE, Ohio (WDTN) – A resource to connect students with the help they need outside of the classroom launched in a Miami Valley school district, now school leaders need the community to get involved.

A website called Neighborhood Bridges launched at Mad River Local Schools in Riverside on September 20. Now anyone, anywhere can see what's needed, fulfill that request, and make a difference for a student.

"We do have lower income poverty students, there are students who may be technically homeless or couch surfing," Neighborhood Bridges Mad River Area Director Brittany Heckman said.

Mad River district officials approached Heckman, a mother of two boys and active volunteer in the school community, to lead the site's launch.

"I couldn't wait to help, to get started," Heckman said. Requests come from advocates in the schools, such as teachers, principals or counselors, who notice their students have a need that's getting in the way of their success in the classroom.

Once a need is posted to the website, an email goes out to everyone subscribed, then anyone can accept that request and fulfill it by either a monetary donation or dropping the items off at Mad River's Central Office.

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~Home Sold Meadowsweet

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~Home Sold Meadowsweet & Purchase Forest Ridge Blvd



"The community and the school get to build a better relationship and people get to help out wherever needed," Heckman said.

Heckman said the community has already jumped in to help, the first needs posted were fulfilled within hours.

"A student needed sheets and a comforter for their bed and that was delivered," Heckman said. "That was posted, claimed and delivered here to the Central Office as well as delivered back to the school for that student all within one day."

Neighborhood Bridges is a nonprofit organization that serves 38 communities across the country. Mad River is the first district in the Miami Valley to launch its site.

"By partnering with Neighborhood Bridges, Mad River Local Schools will have the tools to engage our entire community to come together to meet the needs of students and families that are experiencing challenges," Superintendent Chad Wyen said in a release sent about the launch.

Heckman said any donation or help from the community can make a big difference.

"You just never know what that small gesture can do for a student," Heckman said.

To learn more about the program, go to https://www.neighborhoodbridges.org/community/madriverlocalschools







FREE Service: Will haul away for FREE any metal appliances: refrigerators, stoves, washers, dryers, grills (no propane tanks), bicycles or any other metal objects. Call Tom at 937-371-9163 to make an appointment for pickup. If I don't answer, it is because I can't. However, leave a message and I will call back as soon as possible.

Yarn needed: Do you have yarn you're not going to use? A resident is crocheting afghans for the homeless. Drop your unused yarn at the little green library box or the green bench at 4073 Quailbush. Thanks in advance.

Children's books needed for Little Green Library Early readers and chapter books needed. Leave on green bench on the porch of 4073 Quailbush.

Wanted Mah Jongg players who play the Wright-Patterson rules. We have a group that plays every Thursday from 9-2ish. We play, chat and eat. We will even teach you the game. We play in Beavercreek and all you need to bring is yourself, some money and a snack item. Call Sue @ 937-236-7141 or mahjonggsue@sbcglobal.net



ATTENTION NEW RESIDENTS:

If you have moved in during the year, you have the opportunity to receive a welcome packet. This packet has lots of useful information in it which can help you get your "bearings" a little sooner, and with less effort. When a house is sold, we can easily find out who is there and when they got there. When a rental property has new tenants, it is much more difficult for the Welcome Committee to get that information. New to the area? Need information? Send Maria Ford a private message on NextDoor.

DAYTON WOMEN'S SOCIAL LEAGUE (DWSL)

If you have never heard of the Dayton Women's Social League (DWSL)– you should check it out. It is an organization for women to make friends and have fun. The DWSL used to be the New Neighbors League but that all changed a few years back. Now it is an extraordinary group of about 100 ladies who love to do all types of activities and make some new friends. The Mission of the group is to foster new friendships among women in the Greater Dayton area through activities. They wish to celebrate others' stories with an open mind, kindness, and generosity of spirit. DWSL is a not-for-profit, non-religious, and non-political social organization with a motto of "Friendship and Fun."

Some of the activities currently active are: Beavercreek Morning Social, Mahjongg, Lunch Bunch Out, Mexican Train, Dining Out, Bellbrook Morning Social, Couples Euchre, Bible Study, Ladies Euchre, Bridge, Sweet Babes (desserts), appetizers & desserts, nature walks, book club, gals happy hour, and hopefully more soon.

The initial membership fee to join is \$65, which consists of a one-time membership fee of \$25 and the first year annual activity free of \$40 (which is pro-rated if you join after January in the year). After the first year of membership, the annual renewal fee is \$40. Some activities have money involved and some do not. The membership fee covers: Access to the members-only section of the website and ability to participate in activities, an electronic subscription to the monthly newsletter, access to all DWSL activities and ability to create new activities if you so choose. Electronic membership directory, and unlimited fun and friendship.

You may attend a few events to see if this clicks for you before you need to join. If you are interested, please check out the website at daytonwsl.wildapricot.org. You can email them at daytonwomenssocialleague@gmail.com, or snail mail to DWSL, POBox 752352, Dayton, OH 45475 or call Chris Ross at 937-469-0092.

Come make new friends and have some fun!!!!!!!!!

