

PARK PLACE EAST CIVIC ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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FAR EAST SIDE COMMISSION—WHO'S MOVING IN?

Recently, I was asked to attend a meeting for the Far East Area Commission. You are probably asking "What is this?" or better yet, "What can it do for me?". Well, I'll tell you briefly what it is and why it effects all of us in a good way.

The Far East Area Commission is a group of individuals who have banded together to have a say in what happens in the Brice Rd/Tussing Rd. revitalization. As you all know, a number of businesses have moved out of this area in the last few years, leaving behind abandoned buildings. The Commission is forming so that we as residents of this area (10 Square Miles surrounding Brice/Tussing Road) have a say so in what goes into those

buildings. The Commission will be notified when any business is looking to move into the area, thus giving them/us the ability to approve or reject certain businesses.

This process is a long process, but it has been in the works for a few months. I am told that in a couple of months, they will be looking for support for a petition to add the Commission to the area. They will need volunteers to circulate the petition and get signatures. As of right now, there are a number of established businesses on board, as well as, the Civic Associations of numerous subdivisions (including Park Place East Civic Association) and area Block Watch Groups.

If you would like more information on this Commission, please visit the TBW website and look up the section marked Area Commission.

Thanks,

Denise

JOIN US IN JUNE

Next meeting:

**THIS WED -
JUNE 16, 2010**

7 - 8 P.M.

Eastgate Church,
Tussing Road

Email us at
ppeca_800@yahoo.com

ENTRANCE LIGHTS—WE HAVE LIGHT!!!

The next time you drive home after dark—be sure to notice the Entrance signs which are now lit after many months of darkness. Thanks to one of our own neighbors, Park Place Civic Association Member, and electrician -Greg Bowe -three out of four of our entrance lights are now functioning.

The one last un-repaired light needs a new fixture. We will be negotiating with Lowes (who is a Block Watch Supporter) to see if they will discount the fixture and bulbs.

This is another step to ensuring the safety and improving the appearance of our neighborhood.

It is a wonderful example of how.....

**TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE
A DIFFERENCE!**

DO YOU SCOOP? A LETTER FROM YOUR NEIGHBOR

Hello Animal Owner: I am your neighbor. I live right next door, across the street or possibly around the corner from you. You probably don't know me other than walking by my house when you walk your pet. You see I chose a long time ago not to own a pet. It's not that I don't like pets but that I never had time to properly care for a pet. I am also the one who takes the time to care for my lawn.

It doesn't have to be perfect but I take pride in how it looks. Your pet urinating, leaving waste on my grass is somewhat annoying. If this does happen please have the courtesy scoop up the waste. I am sure you would not want my grandchild to come over to your lawn to use as a potty. I am also sure 90% of pet owners in Park Place take this responsibility seriously so this is not directed at you.

I believe the other 10% know who you are. Please take this responsibility seriously and SCOOP. It is your civic duty. Cat owners.....you leave your garage door open a smidge at night so your cat can get out. Do you know where your cat is headed? What damage they may be doing? Please think about that. Thank you for your consideration!! Your friendly neighbor.



Who me?? I didn't do it.

CURRENT CIVIC ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES

- A proposal is being drafted for submittal to Turnberry Golf course concerning the parking situation at the entrance to the new bike path connection. We are going to propose that they allow limited parking access to residents at the path entry. We will update our progress when updates available.
- We are looking into ways to improve the signage used at the entrances to announce future meetings and community events (such as community garage sale...). We hope to have improved signage in place next month. If you have any ideas or are handy and would like to offer suggestions and/or assistance we'd be happy to hear from you!
- We are working with the post office and the city to get the broken down mailboxes in the neighborhood fixed.
- We will be organizing volunteers to help clean up the entrance sign areas. (trimming bushes, clearing weeds.....)

**Please
Communicate:**

**Share your ideas,
comments and
concerns to the
Park Place East
Civic Association.
Email your name,
contact
information and
comments to:
PPECASuggestions
@yahoo.com**

PHOTO CONTEST—YARD OF THE MONTH!

Have you spent dozens of back breaking hours working in your yard? Would you like to show off the results?

Send a photo into PPECA's email.

The winner's photo will be featured in our July newsletter.



PROPERTY EASEMENT/GRASS CUTTING

Dear Residents,

Please be advised, any homeowner, whose Property Easement backs up to a road such as Hines Road/Tussing Road, is responsible for maintaining that Easement. Per Columbus Code Enforcement, if the property Easement is not maintained, the homeowner will be held accountable and a monetary fine can and will

be assessed against you. This maintenance includes cutting the grass in that area.

Please also keep the tree lawn area of your property free of litter/debris and grass cut.

Please help us maintain our neighborhood and property values.



Thank s for helping keep our neighborhood beautiful!

WE NEED YOUR EYES.....

If you see any a skewed street signs that need repaired/reset please email the locations to ppeca_800@yahoo.com. We will contact the city to have them fixed.

If you see severely neglected/abandoned properties or broken down vehicles/ vehicles with expired tags you can report them to the same email address.

Keep an eye out for people who don't belong....know your neighbors. If you see suspicious activity do not hesitate to contact the police.



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DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY??? WOULD YOU LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE AN ARTICLE FOR OUR NEWSLETTER?

We would love to receive submissions from community members. Keep in mind the following guidelines:

- Clear, concise "news" items
- Specific information (dates, times, locations, phone numbers, email, etc.) should always be

included for clarity

- Communicate positively about difficult issues.
- Write for a family audience
- Be factual, stress solutions, and avoid an alarmist tone.
- Consider articles that show unique and di-

verse makeup of Park Place East. Topics to consider include:

- Hobbies or special interests
- Professional advice (i.e. tax, real estate, fitness, or childcare advice)
- Neighborhood interest (upcoming community events)



We want to hear from you!!!

CIVIC ASSOCIATION DUES JUST \$5!

ALL This for JUST \$5?

The PPECA is an independent, all-volunteer civic group that serves Park Place East. We receive no city/county funds. Dues are just \$5 per year.

Here's what you get as a PPECA member:

- Advocacy – We represent PPE's interests and serves as a link between residents and local government
- Building a sense of community – neighbors helping neighbors can build relationships and foster a greater sense of community
- Improved property values – through our coordinated efforts we CAN improve our community and make a positive impact!
- And, of course – THIS FREE Newsletter
- Dues may be paid at any monthly association meeting.

HELP US GROW OUR NEWSLETTER

Too shy to speak up? We would welcome input from the community and we'll write it for you.

Items such as:

1.Reportage on the work of the Civic Association and its board of officers. This is the PPECA's newsletter's primary content area.

2.Stories by and about PPE residents, with particular attention paid to items which emphasize a resident's connection to the

Park Place East community.

3.Articles about businesses within the surrounding Park Place East area, intending to connect the community to the businesses and vice-versa.

4.Articles and event notices about Park Place East/ Pickerington churches, civic groups, and volunteer organizations.

5.Articles from Place Place East residents or business-

people with particular areas of expertise, intended to share that expertise with the community.

6.Updates and information related to government activities that impact Park Place East community life.

7.Information related to issues of personal safety, public safety, and quality of life in the Park Place East community.

To report a non-working street light call: 614-645-7627

For non-emergency police (suspicious activity) assistance, we are the City of Columbus Police Precinct 14, Zone 2: 614-645-4545

HOW DID I GET THIS??

How did I get this FREE Newsletter?

PPECA team of hard working volunteers (otherwise known as your friends and neighbors) fan out to deliver the PPECA newsletter free of charge to approximately 800 homes in our neighborhood. De-

livering our newsletter requires a commitment of just a few hours and we are always looking for new carriers. Some volunteers need a break; others need a substitute on occasion. If you would like to help contact PPECA's email.

Email us at ppeca_800@yahoo.com if you would like to be added to our email list.