

The Forester

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SPRING GENERAL MEETING SET FOR MAY 5

The spring meeting of the Park Forest Community Association is scheduled for Thursday, May 5, at 7 p.m. at St. Charles School (room C of the Hessian Center). For those unfamiliar with the school, please enter through door #3.

Kathy Pargmann from the Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation Department will give

a presentation on city parks and the proposed Reed Road Trail.

We will also get an update about the street lighting project in the addition, which may begin this summer, as well as the costs of snow plowing during the heavy snows of this winter. Please plan to attend and share your thoughts.

RESERVE JUNE 12 FOR TWO SPECIAL EVENTS

The third annual Park Forest garden walk is scheduled for Sunday, June 12, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Last year 11 homeowners participated. If you want to show off your entire property or only your front or back yard, call a board member. Participants will be invited to a get-together the

evening before with refreshments, followed by a special preview tour for participants.

Following the garden walk on June 12, the board will sponsor a cake and lemonade get-together for Park Forest residents who are 60 and older. It will be held at Billie Samec's home at 3934

GARAGE SALE COMING IN LATE APRIL

The spring Park Forest garage sale will be held Friday, April 29, and Saturday, April 30, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. We'll have special signs at each entrance to the addition announcing the sale, and it will also be advertised in the newspapers. For more information, call Billie Samec at 485-9078.

Stanton Drive at 5 p.m. Called "A Senior Moment", it will be an opportunity for older residents to socialize to discuss how the association might address your concerns.

If you have pictures of Park Forest from the early years, bring them along. For more information, call Billie at 485-9078.

BOARD REORGANIZES, ASSIGNS DUTIES

At its meeting on December 15, 2010, the Park Forest Community Association board reorganized and assigned duties to its members. Here is a rundown:

President, Shawn Baker: Shawn presides at monthly board meetings and semi-annual general meetings of the association and guides the board through special projects.

Vice President, Billie Samec: Billie writes articles for the newsletter and coordinates infrastructure projects such as the sand and salt barrels and lighting of the entrance signs.

Secretary, Darrell Turner: Darrell takes minutes of board meetings and general meetings, edits the newsletter, and coordinates business letters on behalf of the association.

Treasurer, Colleen Richter: Colleen pays the bills and prepares a monthly report to the board. She organizes dues statements, collects payments, and records income and expenses.

Block Captain Coordinator, Jack Davis: Jack hopes to have a block captain for every street in our neighborhood. He is also available for special projects.

Membership Coordinator, Chris Schipper: Chris keeps track of homes for sale and has set up a Facebook site for Park Forest so residents have instant access to calendars and news items.

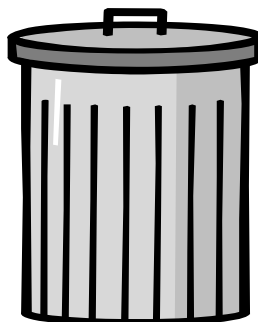
Social Committee Liaison, Teri Sims: Teri helps the board to work with the social committee to plan special events such as the annual block party.

THANKS TO THREE SPECIAL PEOPLE

The Park Forest Community Association board expresses its gratitude to **Janet Green** and **Shane Brinker**, whose terms on the board expired in December. Janet took the minutes of board meetings and association meetings as secretary, offered her home for board meetings, and performed other jobs as they came up. Shane used his knowledge of insurance to help the board to get a good policy, provided equipment for the music at block parties, and gathered complaints from residents about neighborhood issues. Another thank-you goes to **Katie Eckrich** and her family, who set up, take down, and store the sand and salt barrels at the entrances to Park Forest. The city street department provides the sand and salt upon request, and Katie and her family handle the maintenance of the barrels and the racks.

OBSERVE RULES FOR TRASH AND RECYCLE

Wednesday is the usual trash pickup day for Park Forest. Bins may be placed at the curb as early at noon on Tuesday and must be pulled from the curb into storage by noon on Thursday. The new recycle bins are to be put out on alternate Wednesdays. These bins may be stored on the side of the house at least 10 feet back from the front of the house, but the board



asks that you store them in your garage or at the back of the house to make the neighborhood look better. Another maintenance chore to improve the appearance of Park Forest is to sweep the street gutters on your property and to check any water catch drains for leaves or other debris that may interfere with water drainage.

BRIEFS

Composting Facility Open for Summer: The Lake Avenue Biosolids Composting Facility at 6210 Lake Avenue (south end of Maplecrest Avenue) will be open for its summer hours beginning April 1. Those hours are Monday through Saturday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 6 p.m. The facility takes yard waste such as grass clippings, branches, and tree limbs.

City Regulations Restrict Parking: Fort Wayne Regulation 72.03 bars vehicles from stopping, standing, or being parked on a street so that less than 15 feet of the width of the street is available for the free passage of traffic. Regulation 72.22 prohibits parking on or across a sidewalk, within 5 feet of a public or private driveway, within 15 feet of a fire hydrant, alongside or opposite any street excavation, upon any portion of residential property other than in a driveway, and within 15 feet of a mailbox.

Social Committee Seeks Helpers: Our social committee could use more helpers to plan events during the year, particularly from April to September. You may serve full time or lend a hand for a specific event. To volunteer or for more information, call Teri Sims at 492-1859.

PARK FOREST ASSOCIATION NOW ON FACEBOOK

In an effort to keep the residents of Park Forest more up to date with information about the neighborhood, Bullerman Park Forest Association is now on Facebook. To find the page, log into your Facebook account and type Bullerman Park Forest Association in the search box. If you hit the LIKE button, you will be listed as a person who likes Bullerman Park Forest Association. If you would rather not have your profile linked to the page or if you do not have a Facebook account, use the following address to access the page:

www.facebook.com/BullermanParkForestAssociation



HAVE YOU PAID YOUR 2011 DUES?



Park Forest Neighborhood Association dues are \$20 for residents who live on Stellhorn or Trier road, and \$40 for all others in the addition. Please remember that only residents in good standing may vote at association meetings or hold office on the board. If you have any questions about your dues, call Colleen Richter at 485-0408 or Shawn Baker at 452-4580. As of March 20, the following properties were listed as still owing dues to the Association.

Please see your hardcopy of the Forester for a complete list.

Park Forest Community
Association Board Members

Please call with your concerns and suggestions!

Shawn Baker 452-4580
Billie Samec 485-9078
Colleen Richter 485-0408
Darrell Turner 486-0964
Jack Davis 485-2332
Chris Schipper 485-7576
Teri Sims 492-1859

Email: fwbparkforest@yahoo.com

Homepage: [facebook.com/BullermanParkForestAssociation](https://www.facebook.com/BullermanParkForestAssociation)

Event Schedule for 2011

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!



April 29 - 30 Spring Garage Sale
May 5 General Members Meeting
June 12 Garden Walk, A Senior Moment

PARK FOREST SWIM CLUB

A Vacation Every Day

Opening Memorial Day Weekend (May 28)

6 Lane, 25 Meter Pool, 1m/3m Diving, Baby Pool & Wading Area
Snack Bar, Gazebo, Picnic Tables, Huge Grassy Play Area

Join the Fun!

Membership open to all neighbors
Guest passes available
Have a cookout in our picnic area
Pool rental is available for special occasions.
You do not need to be a member.

Special events & activities for everyone!

Swim lessons— mornings, evenings, & weekends
Swim & dive teams + Prep teams for youngsters
Weekly teen nights and monthly teen parties
Family nights—Come and visit our potlucks

PARK FOREST RATES

\$325/Family* \$300/Senior couple (Grandkids free!) \$175/Singles (16 & older)
***NEW MEMBER RATE OF \$250/FAMILY UNTIL 4/15/2011!**

Location: 5433 Hewitt Lane, Fort Wayne, IN 46815

Mailing Address: PO Box 15122, Fort Wayne, IN 46885

Call Mary Pat Leonard at 485-9696 for more information. Pool Phone: 485-4513



Where Neighbors Come Together.



PARK FOREST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION DUES PAYMENT FORM

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

AMOUNT PAID ☐ \$40 (REGULAR)
☐ \$20 (STELLHORN OR TRIER ROAD ONLY)

EMAIL ADDRESS (OPTIONAL....PRINT CLEARLY) _____

Mail to: Park Forest Community Association
PO Box 15294
Fort Wayne, IN 46885