

Franklin Park Bench



Newsletter of the [Franklin Park Civic Association](#)

Pumpkin Patch **E**-dition

Don't Miss These Association Events!

6th Annual [Pumpkin Patch Sale](#) October 13th & 14th

[Jingle Mingle](#) Potluck Sun., Dec. 9th 5-10pm

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Monthly Meetings are held the 4th Tuesday at 6:30pm in the Lower Level Classroom of the [Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens](#), 1777 East Broad Street.

October 23rd

November 27th

December – No Meeting

Welcome to the Pumpkin Patch!

The Franklin Park Civic Association will hold the 6th Annual Pumpkin Patch Sale on October 13th and 14th. Hours will be from 10am to 2pm on Saturday and 12-2 on Sunday.

Paid members ([any level](#)) will be eligible for a \$1 discount on orders of \$10 or more! If you wish to join the Association, or have not yet renewed, and take advantage of the discount, membership dues will be accepted at the sale by cash, personal check or credit card.



The weather is supposed to be great, so bring the kids (be they two or four-legged), and your camera for a wonderful photo op. Find us on the knoll near the main parking lot (between the Farmers' Market area and the Special Events driveway).

Tire Drop-Off

On Saturday, October 13th, from 12 to 2:30, Officer Terry Kalous (Community Liaison for the 12th Precinct) has arranged for a dumpster to be placed at Main Street and Kelton for the purpose of collecting tires. The dumpster will be monitored and no other items will be accepted.

Exercise Your Constitutional Right & Civic Duty, Vote!!!



Millions of Ohioans will honor their right to vote on Tuesday, November 6th, expressing who their choice is to lead this country, this state, even their local governments. Many, due to Ohio's early voting laws have already begun to vote, either by mail-in ballot or in person at a special polling place.

Columbus and Franklin County residents may vote early at 1700 Morse Road on the city's northeast side, in a former Kohl's store. [COTA](#) provides service to this polling location for in-person absentee voting.

Their hours currently are:

Weds., Oct. 10th thru Fri., Oct. 19th 8 am to 5 pm

Mon., Oct. 22nd thru Fri., Oct. 26th 8 am to 7pm

Mon., Oct. 29th thru Thurs., Nov. 1st 8 am to 7 pm

Fri., Nov. 2nd 8 am to 6 pm

Note: The outcome of pending litigation relating to early voting on the three days prior to Election Day (as in 2008) is uncertain at this time. Further information is available at through the Ohio Secretary of State www.sos.state.oh.us

Please remember to bring acceptable identification with you for early voting or to the polls on November 6th. To find and confirm your polling place and to ask any other voting questions, contact the Franklin County Board of Elections at 614.525.3111 or online Vote.FranklinCountyOhio.gov

Now, please, exercise your right to vote!! Otherwise, one can't complain about the state of the Union, can one??

Jingle Mingle Planning

Planning is beginning for our Holiday Mingle set for the evening of Sunday, December 9th, which will again be a potluck with a cash bar. This year, we will hold a combined event with the Olde Towne East Neighborhood Association. Members from both the Franklin Park Civic Association and OTENA will participate in the planning of the Mingle to be held from 5-10pm in the Palm House at the Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens. Continued success with the Mingle will help us to move toward the reality of a goal for a 40th Anniversary Gala in 2014.

The Raffle and Silent Auction was so popular that we will be continuing that premier fundraising activity for the Franklin Park Civic Association.

If you would like to help with the planning of the event, arranging or providing entertainment, or would like to assist in other ways such as obtaining raffle prizes or silent auction items, please contact James Flannery by email president@FranklinParkAssociation.com or phone 614.252.7211

Bring Your Talents to Our Committees!

The effectiveness of each of the committees is limited by the **creative thinking** of the Chairpersons and members, so please consider becoming involved in one or more! The Executive Board will begin making appointments for Chairpersons and members of each of our committees at the October 23rd meeting.

Our committees include *Activities & Events, Development & Improvement, Health & Safety, Garden Club of the Association, and Public & Member Relations*. Let us know if you are unable to attend but would like to help in any way! Email membership@FranklinParkAssociation.com

Trustee Appointments

Now that the revised Bylaws are in effect, the Executive Board is seeking volunteers to be considered to fill two vacant Trustee positions. Please email membership@FranklinParkAssociation.com and let us know of your interest in serving on the Executive Board. Those appointed to the vacant Trustee positions will serve until the April election, and may seek election for a two-year term when nominations open in February.

Officer Vacancies

The Executive Board will discuss vacant Officer positions (Vice President and Treasurer) at the October 23rd meeting. The revised Bylaws require Officers to have prior service as a Trustee of the Association for a period of one year. Prior service may have been at any time since founding of the Association in 1974. Eligibility to serve as Vice President requires the individual to be a resident of Franklin Park.

Around the Town

Information submitted by area individuals, businesses and organizations is provided as a courtesy to our members, residents and friends. More information on any of these community events may be obtained from the contacts provided. Information on official events of the Association can be found at FranklinParkAssociation.org

Saturday, October 13th 2-6pm

Harvest Celebration & Legacy Garden Dedication

Hearts & Hands Community Garden, 1536 and 1548 Oak Street

Featuring a storyteller, spoken word, musicians, dance and artists.

Contact: Richard or Joyce Harris at 614.258.3215 or hearts_hands_garden@yahoo.com



Wednesday, October 17th 10am

Poindexter Towers Demolition (Implosion)

Around the Town (continued)

Saturday, October 20th 1pm-6:30pm

Hallowellness

Inspiration to Movement, Inc.

Enjoy some FREE classes (Belly Dance, Zumba, Pilates, Ballroom Dance), a wellness presentation by Juice Plus, and end the evening with a ballroom dance party (\$5, or free **if you wear a costume**).

Contact: [Inspiration to Movement](#) at 614.253.6683 or by inspiration2move@gmail.com

Friday, October 26th 6-8pm

Halloween Family Night

[Eldon & Elsie Ward Family YMCA](#), 130 Woodland Avenue

Trick-or-Treating inside the Y! Games, art projects, healthy snacks, Trick-or-Treating, and plenty of opportunity for volunteering. To participate, bring your family and your costumes. For those participants who are able, the YMCA is accepting 2 canned goods or a \$5 donation per family.

Contact: Greyland Williams at 614.252.3166 or gwilliams@ymcacolumbus.org to volunteer and to donate healthy snacks, prizes or candy!

Friday, October 26th 8:30-10:30pm

Halloween Teen Night

[Eldon & Elsie Ward Family YMCA](#), 130 Woodland Avenue

Follows Family Night - Food, fun, games, prizes, swimming and more! Call the Y at 614.252.3166 to pre-register your teen, grades 6-9.

Saturday, October 27th 2-4pm

Trick or Trunk

[Central Community House](#) Parking Lot

Cars passing out candy to children from their trunks! Also other snacks, carnival games, and music.

All are welcome. Thanks for sharing!

Contact: Courtney Rowland at crowland@cchouse.org

Sunday, October 28th 1-4pm

Halloween at the Conservatory

Come in costume and enjoy this afternoon of fun! Free with admission.

Visit seven trick-or-treat stations throughout the Conservatory - get a Halloween temporary tattoo. Scary storytelling with James Flanagan at 2 & 3pm

Contact: Leslie Markworth @ lmarkworth@fpconservatory.org

Thursday, November 8th 7-9:30pm

6th Annual Legends & Legacies Living Legends of the Skies:

Tuskegee Airmen

The [King Arts Complex](#)

Phone: 614.645.5464



Around the Town (continued)

Saturday, November 10th 9:30am-1:30pm

"Many Hands Make Light Work"

Stoddart Avenue Community Garden season-ending work day. Cleaning up the Garden for the winter, winter harvest (for the LSS food pantry or Faith Mission) and lots of yummy refreshments for volunteers. Individuals who volunteer are given a preference in plot assignments the following year.

Contact: Priscilla Hapner at gardenmgr@gmail.com

Saturday, November 10th 10am-5pm

Sunday, November 11th 12-5pm

Green with Envy, A Recrafter's Art Faire (Franklin Park Conservatory & Botanical Gardens)

Twenty-five crafters and artists will sell their handmade, upcycled items including jewelry and home goods. Selected through a juried process by Etsy Team Columbus, half of the materials used by the vendors must be recycled or repurposed. No admission charged.

Contact: Leslie Markworth at lmarkworth@fpconservatory.org

Saturday, November 10th 11am-2pm

Sunday, November 11th 12-3pm

Holiday Market (Franklin Park Conservatory & Botanical Gardens)

Celebrate the season with an outdoor Holiday Market featuring favorite Fall foods, seasonal decorations and specialties from local farmers and business owners. Outdoor event no admission charged.

Contact: Leslie Markworth at lmarkworth@fpconservatory.org

For more information please visit FranklinParkAssociation.org
(also franklinparkassociation.com)

2012-2013 Officers and Trustees

James Flannery (term 2012-2014)
president@FranklinParkAssociation.com

Elizebeth Maag (term 2011-2013)
secretary@FranklinParkAssociation.com

Bryan Curtiss, Trustee (term 2012-2014)

Doug Hartman, Trustee (term 2012-2014)

Edward Pawlik, Trustee (term 2012-2014)

Contact the Association by email!
membership@FranklinParkAssociation.com

To prevent abuse, messages to our membership are moderated



[Franklin Park Civic Association](http://FranklinParkCivicAssociation)

Membership Information and Registration

Dues Year Runs from January 1 through December 31

Membership Level (select one - *submit separate form for each Individual*)

- ☐ Voting Resident \$10/Individual
- ☐ Voting ADA/Elder/Veteran Resident \$6/Individual
- ☐ **Non-Voting** Friend of the Association \$5/Individual (annual suggested donation)
- ☐ Voting Business/Organization \$20 (name one representative)
- ☐ Voting Non-Resident Property Owner \$20 (name one representative)

Named Member _____

Email _____

Address _____

Zip _____

Phone _____ Amount Enclosed _____

The member directory is only available to other members! Member Since _____

May we include your name in the directory? _____ New Member _____

Please make checks payable to the Franklin Park Area Association, Inc., c/o James Flannery, 1740 Oak Street, Columbus, OH 43205-2240

Memberships are pursuant to the Bylaws of the Franklin Park Civic Association.

*During the period of transition to the new membership year,
all dues paid will run through December 31, 2013*

