

News of your  
neighborhood

# Forest Hill

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**A Message from the FHHO President:**

In our last newsletter we asked you what you liked most (and least!) about our neighborhood. And not surprisingly, our residents had strong opinions about Forest Hill. The results of this survey are summarized on page seven. Recently a resident suggested we seek your input on Forest Hill Home Owners. What we do well. What we aren't doing so well, but should be. Please take a few minutes to respond to the questions on page two. Let us know your thoughts. After all, it's your association.

I would also like to express my gratitude to all of you who have contributed to the association this year. You are recognized on page three and on our website. Without your generous support we couldn't achieve our mission of promoting and preserving Forest Hill. If you haven't given this year, please consider doing so. Every dollar you contribute is a wise investment in your community.

Sincerely,  
Christopher J. Hubbert

**FHHO Has a New Logo**

You may have noticed that Forest Hill Home Owners has a new logo. We updated the look of the dove that once graced our streets and has long been a symbol of Forest Hill. We then combined the dove with a typeface that is fresh, yet historically appropriate since it was created in 1927 and used for original Forest Hill promotional materials. Finally we are proud that FHHO has been serving Forest Hill for more than half a century and referenced 1950, the year FHHO was formed. Thanks to Rick Porter of Crowsfoot Studio for designing our new emblem.



**Do You Just Belong?**

*Author Unknown*

Are you an active member, the kind that would be missed? Or are you just content that your name is on the list?

Do you attend the meeting and mingle with the flock? Or do you stay at home and criticize and knock?

Do you take an active part to help the work along? Or are you just satisfied to only "Just Belong?"

Do you do your part with your hand upon the stick? Or do you leave the work to others, then talk about the clique?

Think this over, you know right from wrong:

Are you an active member, or do you "Just Belong?"

**2008 Annual Meeting Set**

When you bought your house, you immediately became a member of Forest Hill Home Owners, Inc. Part of your duty as a member is to attend the annual meeting and define the future of the organization. That opportunity becomes available again this year at the Annual Forest Hill Home Owner Meeting. This year's event will take place:

**Tuesday November 11, 2008**  
**A.M. McGregor Home – 14900 Private Drive**  
**East Cleveland, Ohio 7:00PM**

A yearly financial report of Forest Hill Home Owners will be presented, relative questions will be taken and home owners will elect trustees to the board. Join your neighbors and friends and learn a bit about the community. See you there!



## Survey

Forest Hill is a large and diverse community and the homeowners association means different things to different people. Some value historic preservation. Others enjoy being informed about community events and people via the newsletter or website. Please answer the questions below and return this survey to us at Forest Hill Home Owners, 2419 Lee Boulevard, Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44118-1206, or email your response to Newsletter@FHHO.org. Let us know what *you* think and in the next newsletter we'll let you know what your neighbors think as well. Help us understand what is important to you and how we can serve our community better.

What is Forest Hill Home Owners' primary purpose, or purposes, in your opinion?

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What are we doing well?

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What are we doing that we could be doing better?

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What *aren't* we doing that we should be?

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Additional comments/suggestions

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Feel free to add additional pages as necessary and thank you for your time.

## Independence Day Parade

Burlington, Blackmore and surrounding streets celebrated our nation's birthday this year in their usual style. The decorated bike parade was started by a musket shot from Dick Secor in full revolutionary garb and the Flower Clown added his special balloon creations and unicycle antics.

Thanks to Mark Feingold for capturing the event with his camera.



## Help is Needed

The East Cleveland Parks Association is going to reinstall the lights on the island in Forest Hill Park at the corner of Lee Boulevard and Forest Hill Boulevard. They are looking for volunteers who want to help work with the lights and understand a little about lighting aesthetics. If you are so inclined, please call Dick Secor at 932-8952.

Let's make this year's island lighting the best it can be and the envy of all the neighborhoods in the area. Dedicate some time to make your home a better place.

REMEMBER COUNTRY STORES WITH A CRACKER BARREL?

...the locals met over coffee and learned the news of the neighborhood? Each Saturday from October through December, THE BLUE COTTAGE will be OPEN from 10 until noon with an FHHO volunteer, coffee and donuts!

Please stop in for information, to meet other neighbors, or to reminisce about days gone by in Forest Hill...when there were skaters on the park pond, the tipsy mailman, etc., or to tell others what's going on near you!

For the Forest Hill Home Owners, of course! They have lots of work to do and we can convert these acorns into cold hard, cash to pay our yearly dues. After all, these are no peanuts!

Why are we storing all of these nuts?



Fill-in the form below and mail it to FHHO, 2419 Lee Blvd., Cleveland Hts., OH 44118. \$52 is the suggested membership fee, if you'd like to further help your community, we will gladly accept more! (Sorry, no acorns accepted!)

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## Take a Virtual Tour of Forest Hill

Google Maps now includes street level images of the Forest Hill neighborhood. The site allows you to explore Forest Hill digitally, with views of the homes and businesses on both sides of the street. If you travel down Forest Hill Boulevard, don't forget to look up the underside of the pedestrian bridge!

To explore Forest Hill on your computer, go to Google.com and click on the "Maps" link. Type in an address or navigate the map with your mouse and the zoom bar. Once you have zoomed in you can click the "street view" button. Depending on your computer, you may need to download a plug-in for your browser. Not all of the United States is included yet, but Google is adding new material all the time. You may not get much exercise, but try a virtual walk down your street some rainy day.



Google street level view of the Heights Rockefeller Building at the corner of Lee and Mayfield.

## Cleveland Restoration Society

The selection of which color to paint or stain your house can be a troubling problem. You've moved to Forest Hill and so you have a classic piece of American architecture. You don't want to select colors that make the home look like a carnival tent. You'd like a palette of colors that are suitable for your home, the architecture and the neighborhood. Without hours of internet research, where do you go for help?

The Cleveland Restoration Society is ready and willing to help. They understand the history of architecture in our city and are willing to offer assistance. You may contact them at 216-426-1000.

You want the best for your neighborhood and your home. Get professional advice that will bring the most out of your investment.



## It Starts With a Toilet

Perhaps the toilets no longer functioned. We live in older homes. Sometimes, after years of service, equipment simply stops performing and must be replaced. But, could ALL of the toilets in one of our historic homes stop working at the same time?

On the tree lawn, in the warmth of summer, a trio of toilets was waiting for the garbage man. Once they were picked up, they are gone for good. They are lost forever. Replicas are simply not made and replacements are not available.

It seems silly to dwell on a toilet. After all, in the hierarchy of residential service equipment, the toilet holds a lowly place. Instead, we need to think of these toilets as barometers of future indignations to our historic buildings. What will be next? We have already had residents try to pull out windows, roofing, siding, shutters, doors and an assortment of interior furnishings in an effort to modernize. While some teardown is required to keep a structure current to contemporary standards, the choice can be a slippery slope. If we agree to remove the flooring, can the wall tile be far behind? If we remove the original screen door, is the storm door far behind? Where do we stop?

As we contemplate preservation in America, we find similar infighting. A great controversy arose when the Cuyahoga County commissioners planned to demolish the Ameritrust tower, designed by Marcel Breuer. No peep was heard from anyone when University Hospitals decided to tear down the building on Euclid Avenue across from Severance Hall. The reason is choice. How do we pick our battles? The loss of a Breuer building, one of the preeminent architects of modern time would be a blow to a civilized society. There was little significance to be found in the UH building. Without referencing the foundation plaque, most wouldn't have a clue to its aesthetic origin. While it is sad to see an old building go, society will survive the removal of this place. Benchmark structures are a different matter and so are benchmark components in a home.

What makes your old house special? What makes your old house unique? What makes your old house different than all of the other old houses on the market? These questions can only be answered with a full knowledge of the home and its history. A sprinkling of area architectural history doesn't hurt either.

The toilets used in the original Rockefeller homes are Slone Valve Flushometer type toilets. In the great race to dominate the human waste removal industry, the United States government issued over 350 patents for toilets between 1900 and 1932. The Flushometer was one that made sense and found favor with builders. It proved to save water and maintenance cost, despite the oversized water pipe needed during installation. As construction advances go, this was quite a big one. The fact that it is a toilet makes us chuckle at its pedigree, but there it is.

Don't let the disposal of a toilet begin a downward slide that will diminish the value of our home. It's not "just" a toilet. It is a part of a valued home and worth preserving.

## Notes from the Forest Hill Historic Preservation Society

### Plastering

With the summer months winding down, many homeowners will be wrapping up their home exterior projects. Of course, this means that the interior projects can begin! One of these projects may involve repairing plaster walls and/or ceilings. Many of the homes in Forest Hills had their walls finished with plaster and from time-to-time repairs are required. Before you decide whether or not you want to repair the plaster or replace it with a drywall material, you should be aware of the advantages of plaster. Here are a few:

- the strength of plaster can not be matched
- plaster resists fire and can serve as a sound barrier
- replacing plaster can be rather expensive

For plaster replacement and/or repairs, a skilled plasterer will be required. When dealing with this "art" a professional plasterer should be knowledgeable about the four problems that can affect the durability of plaster walls and/or ceilings. They are:

- structural problems (i.e. settlement, vibration and lath movement)
- poor workmanship (i.e. poor mix and improper plaster application)
- improper curing (i.e. improper temperature and/or air circulation)
- moisture

To avoid these problems homeowners should call upon a reputable plasterer and be aware of the basic terminology to ensure the project will be done according to professional standards. Here is a list of basic terms:

**Scratch coat.** *The first base coat put on wood or metal lath. The wet plaster is "scratched" with a scarifier or comb to provide a rough surface so the next layer of base coat will stick to it.*

**Brown coat.** *The brown coat is the second application of wet, base-coat plaster with wood lath or metal systems. With gypsum board lath (rock lath, plasterboard), it is the only base coat needed.*

**Finish coat.** *Pure lime, mixed with about 35 percent gauging plaster to help it harden, is used for the very thin surface finish of the plaster wall. Fine sand can be added for a sanded finish coat.*

**Casing Bead.** *Early casing bead was made of wood. In the 19th century, metal casing beads were sometimes used around fireplace projections, and door and window openings. Like a wood ground, they indicate the proper thickness for the plaster.*

**Corner Bead.** *Wire mesh with a rigid metal spline used on outside corners. Installing the corner bead plumb is important.*

**Cornerite.** *Wire mesh used on inside corners of adjoining walls and ceilings. It keeps corners from cracking.*

**Ground.** *Plasterers use metal or wood strips around the edges of doors and windows and at the bottom of walls. These grounds help keep the plaster the same thickness and provide a stopping edge for the plaster. Early plaster work, however, did not use grounds. On early buildings, the woodwork was installed and primed before plastering began. Some time in the early 19th century, a transition occurred, and plasterers applied their wall finish before woodwork was installed.*

**Gypsum.** *Once mined from large gypsum quarries near Paris (thus the name plaster of Paris), gypsum in its natural form is calcium sulfate. When calcined (or heated), one-and-a-half water molecules are driven off, leaving a semi-hydrate of calcium sulfate. When mixed with water, it becomes calcium sulfate again. While gypsum was used in base-coat plaster from the 1890s on, it has always been used in finish coat and decorative plaster. For finish coats, gauging plaster was added to lime putty; it causes the lime to harden. Gypsum is also the ingredient in molding plaster, a finer plaster used to create decorative moldings in ornamental plaster work.*

**Lime.** *Found in limestone formations or shell mounds, naturally occurring lime is calcium carbonate. When heated, it becomes calcium oxide. After water has been added, it becomes calcium hydroxide. This calcium hydroxide reacts with carbon dioxide in the air to recreate the original calcium carbonate.*

**Screed.** *Screeds are strips of plaster run vertically or horizontally on walls or ceilings. They are used to plumb and straighten uneven walls and level ceilings. Metal screeds are used to separate different types of plaster finishes or to separate lime and cement plasters.*

With this information, and from talking to a professional plasterer, homeowners should be able to make the best decision for their project when it comes to plaster repairs. Good Luck!

Reference: Preservation Brief 21 by Mary Lee MacDonald; National Park Service – U.S. Department of the Interior

Website:  
<http://www.nps.gov/history/hps/tps/briefs/brief21.htm>

-Kesha R. Owens  
*(Kesha is President of FHHPs. An article by the Society appears in each issue of the Forest Hill newsletter. If you are interested in more details about the organization, call her at 932-7549.)*

*Have you said, "Hello!" to our new neighbors?*

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**NEWBURY** – Eddie & Kathy Johnson  
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**WALDEN** – Leon Adams

### Reminder

Both East Cleveland and Cleveland Heights mandate that trash be put out only at dusk the night before pickup. Not before. In East Cleveland, trash and yard debris should be in plastic bags. In Cleveland Heights, yard waste must be in paper bags and any limbs cut to 4' and tied with twine.

### Warning!

Some neighbors have reported that decorative trees have been unearthed and stolen from the neighborhood. Keep your eyes open and call the police in either East Cleveland or Cleveland Heights if you see anything suspicious.

### Good News!

Some GOOD news is that several of the homes that have been sad and empty for some time have recently been sold to ambitious new owners who are painstakingly restoring them! These sales indicate that Forest Hill is still a desirable place to live.

### Don't Forget! Clean Grass Out of the Gutters!

At this time of the summer, it is very common for weeds and grass to grow in the gutter at the street. Remember to remove it while doing normal yard maintenance.

### Having Work Done On Your Home?

A tradition in Forest Hill has been that contractors are not allowed to place signs on properties while work is being provided.

## What You "Love" and "Dislike" About Forest Hill

In the last issue of the Forest Hill Newsletter, we asked you to send a note covering what you "love" and what you "dislike" about Forest Hill. We received a handful of responses.

### Loves

- *"Forest Hill Park is marvelous...exercise, special community events, biking, fishing"*
- *"Solid housing stock & attractiveness to the area"*
- *"Quiet streets"*
- *"Friendly neighbors"*
- *"Convenience to Cedar Lee, Shaker Square, University Circle and downtown theaters and restaurants"*
- *"I bought in Forest Hill 32 years ago and have never regretted it. Every time I walk on the wide sidewalks and look around at the variety of trees, shrubs and plants I am in awe that this special area exists in such a convenient location. I could not ask for better neighbors. I enjoy every minute I spend in my home and yard."*
- *"great location"*
- *"good, solid-built homes"*
- *"a wonderful place to have a pet"*
- *"This area does not get the credit it deserves..."*

### Dislikes

- Concern was expressed that Forest Hill was not taking advantage of energy efficient lighting.
- It was felt that the tennis courts and basketball courts needed attention in the East Cleveland portion of the park
- The Forest Hill deed restrictions were of concern
- Concern was expressed about the lack of road maintenance provided by both East Cleveland and Cleveland Heights
- Feral cats were mentioned as a problem
- Neighbors raised concern because some residents place trash on the curb earlier than the city-allotted timeframe
- Some residents do not take care of their property, leaving neighbors to deal with unsightly lawns, shrubs and weeds.
- Confusion was expressed over the particulars covering fence deed restrictions.

One writer also complimented this newsletter, but also chided us for the untimely delivery, often times, after an event has occurred. The editor and the Executive Board have been tracking delivery for the past few years. Newsletters delivered to 44112 addresses usually arrive in less than a week from the time they are delivered to a post office. Those in the 44118 postal district take from two to three weeks. We are attempting to determine why, but have not yet found a viable answer.

Thanks all for your involvement in our neighborhood! Please continue to use your neighborhood association as a sounding block and feed us information and concerns. We want to help whenever and wherever we can.

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