



SOUTHWOOD PARK NEWS

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Upcoming Events

Board of Directors Meetings

Waynedale Branch Library

- May 11, 7PM
- July 13, 7PM

Earth Day—April 22

- Dumpster Day, 8AM until filled
- Cleanup Day, 9AM at the Roundabout

Foster Park Pavilion #3 unveiling,
April 24, 10AM

Dirt Day, May 6
Rain date, May 13

Garage Sales

- June 3
- Sep 9

Important Contacts

Emergencies: 911

FWPD Desk Sergeant (non-emergency number): 427-1222

APS Security Patrol for home vacation checks: **747-7700**

Dues questions: Above & Beyond Community Mgmt. at **490-2226** or e-mail at office@abcmanagement.org

City-related questions (code violations, trash and recycling problems, street lights out, potholes): **311**

Nuisance fires: 911

Other questions: e-mail hello@historicsouthwoodpark.com

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Foster Park Survey Still Open... Act Quickly!

When Fort Wayne Parks announced a plan to rebuild Foster Park Golf Course, it used a survey focused on golfers. This led to a plan that greatly expanded the course at the expense of the popular trail system—and public outcry ensued. Many people and organizations, including our Association Board, asked the City to examine the needs of the rest of Foster Park users and revise the plan.

A second survey—focused on the trail—has been available for input. Follow this link to weigh in with your opinions:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GW3R6YV>

More than 2000 people have responded. Spread the word!



Spring Dumpster Day—April 22

8-Noon (or until the dumpster is full)

This is the perfect time to get rid of excess trash taking up space in your basement or garage as you do your spring cleaning. It is also a great opportunity to get rid of large or bulky items.

Want to know what not to bring? Chemicals, electronics, tires, concrete, batteries are some just for starters. A comprehensive list of prohibited items is on our website. Because space is limited, we ask you bring no yard waste, except large branches.

This program is free to us, so we need to make sure we're adhering to their guidelines. Please remember that the dumpster is operated on a first-come-first-served basis.



Earth Day Volunteer Opportunity

Historic Southwood Park hires a seasonal gardener to keep our pocket gardens looking good. It's a big job!

To help our gardener, we would like to have a group of volunteers meet at the Roundabout on April 22 to help clear leaves and trash from the many flower beds there.

Join us at 9AM with your gloves and rakes!



Historic Southwood Park Association

Garage Sales

June 3rd

September 9th



CURB APPEAL

A City of Fort Wayne Community Development Pilot Program

Home Improvement Grant Opportunity from City for Residents with income less than \$100K

The City of Fort Wayne's **Community Development Division** announces CURB APPEAL, a pilot program which provides matching funds as an incentive to property owners to repair and/or enhance the exterior appearance of their property. The program is available to owners of residentially used properties within the eligible neighborhoods listed below. **Participants in the program must provide a minimum of 20% matching funds for any project request.**

Curb Appeal is a Reimbursement Program. The application will close as soon as all available program funds are committed. Projects that are awarded must be completed, and reimbursement requests submitted no later than 4:59 pm on September 28, 2023. Funding will be tiered as follows:

- **Single Application:** maximum amount is \$2,500 (80% of the project cost up to \$2,500)
- **Application Submitted with a Neighboring Property:** maximum amount is \$4,000 for each property (80% of the project cost up to \$4,000).

Funds are limited. This means that applications will only be open as long as funding is available.

Learn more: <http://bit.ly/3z9bLe>

Foster Park Pavilion #3 Restored!

Join Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation, Friends of the Parks of Allen County, Southwest Area Partnership and VIPs at a press conference to experience the historically accurate restoration of Pavilion 3 and the physical improvements in the Foster Park Oak Grove.

See the transformed building, freshly revealed vista of the Saint Marys River and nearby pedestrian and cyclist-friendly trails in this well-loved Legacy Park. **Monday, April 24, 10AM**

Fighting the Emerald Ash Borer Continues

For the last decade or so, thanks to the help of many volunteers, the ash trees in the park strips throughout Southwood Park have received an annual treatment for the Emerald Ash Borer. This has enabled our neighborhood to retain ash trees at a higher rate than other areas of the city.

Volunteers are needed in the late March/April timeframe to help treat trees. The process is simple. Volunteers do need to be willing to haul water in your vehicle and be able to carry jugs of water to distribute the treatment to the tree roots. If you are willing to help preserve our tree canopy and volunteer for this important task this year or next, please email Christine.A.Baron@gmail.com. (Thank you, Christine!)

Association Receives and Applies for Fort Wayne Improvement Grants

We'd like to thank Board Member Sierah Barnhart for being our grant guru!

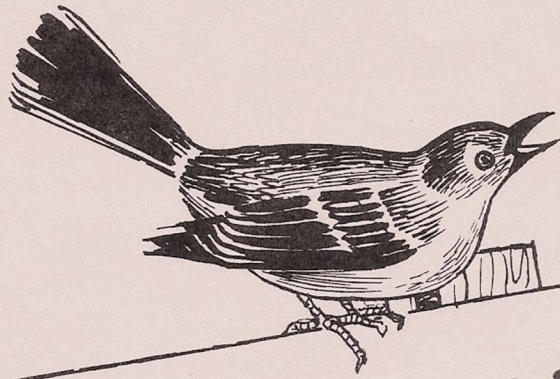
Last year there was a successful **INN** (Investing in Neighborhoods Now) grant project administered by the City of Fort Wayne Community Development Division. That project was "Redbud Lane" - a metal bench, concrete pad and grouping of native Eastern Redbud trees at the intersection of Tacoma Avenue and Sherwood Terrace. You may have already enjoyed the bench!

This year, the Association has appended grant application for two new benches on the Arlington Avenue island, and mass plantings of Virginia bluebells at the ends of the island. We are looking forward to hearing if we will get another grant - and looking forward to the a place to enjoy the beautiful flowers!



SOUTHWOOD PARK

PRESENTS THE 46TH



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SUNSET@CRESTWOOD; BEAVER@WESTOVER

THE ASSOCIATION PURCHASES TRUCKLOADS OF QUALITY PEAT/BLACK SOIL FOR YOUR YARDS AND GARDENS. WE DUMP IT... YOU HAUL IT! RAIN DATE: MAY 13. THIS WILL NOT BE WIDELY ADVERTISED BEYOND THIS NEWSLETTER———THIS EVENT IS FOR SOUTHWOOD PARK RESIDENTS *ONLY*!

DON'T BE A DIRT HOG! BE CONSIDERATE AND GIVE FELLOW RESIDENTS A FAIR CHANCE. THIS IS THE 46TH YEAR FOR THIS EVENT.



**HISTORIC SOUTHWOOD PARK
NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**
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Board Roster 2023

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**Historic
Southwood Park
Association**

Garage Sales

Southwood Park will have sales this year on **June 3 and September 9.**

The Association will place ads in the Journal-Gazette and post signs around the neighborhood. Place balloons or a sign at your house to let folks know you're taking part. Avoid placing signs in the public right-of-way, especially on major streets like Rudisill. Doing so is illegal, and signs are often confiscated by "sign patrol vigilantes".

It's a great way to make space in the garage or basement, earn a little pocket cash, and get out and meet your neighbors!

Historic Southwood Park Neighborhood Association, Inc.

c/o Above & Beyond Community Management

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