

# SOUTHWOOD PARK NEWS

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**IULY 2022** 



### **Upcoming Events**

Annual Block Party— July 23, 3-7PM

Board of Directors Meetings at Waynedale Branch Library

- September 8, 7PM
- November 10, 7PM

Garage Sales— September 10

Fort 4 Fitness Races— October I

## 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

City Council Contacts
Geoff Paddock – District 5
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WHERE: BEAVER & WESTOVER PARK STRIP WHEN: SATURDAY, JULY 23, 2022



### LIVE MUSIC FROM



**KELLEN BAKER 3:00 to 5:00**SINGER/ SONGWRITER

**MEALS BY** 



WHILE SUPPLIES LAST



THE PIQUES
5:00 to 7:00
ROCK 'N' ROLL
W NEIGHBOR MITCH FRAIZER

JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS FOR AN AFTERNOON OF FUN FROM 3-7pm!

GAMES! ACTIVITIES! BYOB BOUNCE HOUSE

This community-building event is sponsored by Historic Southwood Park Neighborhood Association.



## **Meeting Changes**

Due to changes in meeting room availability, Board of Directors Meetings will now be 7PM Thursdays at the Waynedale Branch Library, 2200 Lower Huntington Road.

The Board will meet on September 8 and November 10.

As always, residents are welcome to attend meetings. If you want to learn how the Association runs, or if you want to get involved, this is a great opportunity.

### While we're on the subject of opportunity...

The Association is looking for Board Candidates for the year-end election. The Association is also looking for volunteers to serve on committees and help with events. Contact us if you're interested!

## **Report It Online:**

Fort Wayne Police Department is offering a new online reporting service. It covers incidents like vandalism, thefts from vehicles, and suspicious persons and/or vehicles. These are for non-emergency incidents. **Obviously, if something is in progress, call 91!** 

Here is the link: https://fwpd.seamlessdocs.com/sc/

Here are some problems you can report online via the City's website:

- Trash and recycling problems
- Potholes in the street or alley
- Burned out or blinking street or alley lights
- Tall grass and weed violations

Here is the link:

https://cityoffortwayne.custhelp.com/app/Fortwayne/home

# Frequently Asked Questions:

We get many questions... Some of the most frequently asked ones are highlighted in this issue:

- Parking
- Fences
- Renting
- Maintenance Recommendations
- New Construction

We hope you find this information useful! If you want to view our restrictive covenants, visit our website, or the Allen County recorder's website.

www.HistoricSouthwoodPark.com

https://www.allencountyrecorder.us/neighborhood-resource-center

## **Parking Problems?**

A large number of a our residents have access to adequate off-street parking; however, there are some who do not. That combined with the growth of number of vehicles per household have caused some growing pains for our neighborhood. The most common parking concerns the Board hears from residents include the following:

- Blocking sidewalks and ramps. This is a problem for any sidewalk user, but even more so for visually impaired or mobility challenged neighbors. It is also illegal. Call 311 to make a report and have Parking Control make a visit.
- Other cars parking in front of your house. Curbside parking spaces are available on a first-come, first-served basis; there are no "reserved curbside spots" based on address, but do try to be considerate. Exception: marked handicapped parking spots—contact 311 for more info.
- **Parking on both sides of street.** It may be legal, but it can be a problem for emergency vehicles and school buses. Ask yourself: "Can they get through?"
- Inoperable vehicles. They cannot be parked outside anywhere, per City Code.
- Parking in yards. No vehicle can be parked in a yard, per City Code.
- Unhitched trailers, panel vans or pickups wider than 7'
   6" in street. Not allowed per City Code.

#### Helpful links:

https://www.historicsouthwoodpark.com/s/COFW-Parking-Ordinance.pdf

https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/ftwayne/latest/ftwayne\_in/ 0-0-0-1



- Our covenants state "No fences shall be constructed nearer to the front line than the building lines established on the said original recorded plats of the subdivision."
- New fence installation, repair or replacement requires a permit. You can obtain this permit by contacting the Allen County Planning Department at 260.449.7607 or https://www.allencounty.us/department-of-planning-services
- "All other issues regarding fences, permitted signage, minimum side yards, minimum rear yards and all other construction issues will be guided by the then existing ordinances of the City of Fort Wayne."

# SOUTHWOOD SPRK OLSIH RENTING

- Our covenants state "no dwellings, house or other building in the subdivision shall be used as a rental property"
- "All lots in the subdivision shall be used exclusively for single family dwelling houses. No new or existing dwelling house shall be constructed or altered to accommodate multi-family occupancy."
- This means that you may not use any portion of your home as a rental unit. This includes short-term rentals such as VRBO and Air B&B.
- There are very few exceptions to this policy which can be read on page 6 in our covenants. The full document is available on our website.

# S MAINTENANCE RECOMMENDATIONS K

- Our covenants do not explicitly state how we expect our historic homes to be maintained, neither does our national registration, but we hope that residents do so with the integrity of their historic features in mind.
- ARCH Architecture and Community Heritage can be reached at https://archfw.org/ or 260.426.1557.
- City of Fort Wayne's Historic Preservation
  Commission is a department of Community
  Development. For more information please visit
  their website or contact Historic Preservation
  Planner Creager Smith at 260.427.2162 or
  creager.smith@cityoffortwayne.org.

# NEW NEW CONSTRUCTION X

- Our covenants state "No out buildings except private garages for the use of the residents of that lot, shall be constructed on any lot, unless the Association otherwise consents."
- Only one dwelling house may be constructed on any lot.
- "No trees in good condition shall be cut down, destroyed or mutilated, except as necessary for the construction of approved buildings, unless the Association otherwise consents."
- All sheds must be approved by the Association. Sheds of more than 200sf, and/or ones with a concrete foundation also require a construction permit.
- All lots have easements and setbacks. Consult the covenants for details for your lot.



		Board Roster 2022	7707		
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Sierah Barnhart	Beautification, Public Relations	4617 Arlington Avenue		sierah.barnhart@gmail.com	2022
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Tracey Tiernon	Beautification, Membership	4614 Indiana Avenue	750-9858	tracey.tiernon@yahoo.com	2024
Charlotte Tompkins	Membership	4110 Pembroke Lane			2024
Sam Welch	Membership	4717 Old Mill Road	317-695-4134	samwelch9000@gmail.com	2024



## **Garage Sales**

Southwood Park will have another sale this year on **September 10.** 

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 outside the neighborhood. 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!

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