

The **FOREST HILLS** News/May 2014

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From Our President:

Hello Forest Hills families! Summer is just around the corner! Only a few days left until the Westchester Pool opens Memorial Day weekend! We are pleased to announce **Metropolitan Pool Services (MPS)** as our new pool management company this summer! You may see both new and familiar faces on our lifeguards this summer. Any lifeguard who has worked with Forest Hills in the past and is interested in continuing, we encourage to apply with MPS and be placed at one of our pools. For more information, check out our website or contact me directly.

There is no change on the Skyview Pool driveway issue to report. The Board has been in contact with a real estate attorney. No agreement has been made with Harsax, the development company that has purchased the land adjacent to Skyview Pool. As soon as more information is obtained, we will let you know! See you all around our neighborhood! **Rachel Kotalik, President, FHPOA**

Social Corner:

Our **Block Party** is set for **Saturday July 19!** We are looking to form a donation committee for the block party that would work on gathering prizes, gift cards, etc... to give away! We need at least 4-5 people but the more the better. Would like to have this team in place by June 15th. If you would like to sign-up or help with the party in anyway shoot us an email! Also, if you have any connections with local businesses or have a business of your own and would like to donate a "prize" please email us!!

Stay tuned for more activities this summer! Be sure to check FB and our website!

If anyone has a projector we could use for summer movie nights let us know!!

Exciting NEWS!

Our **WEBSITE** is now live! We encourage you to check it often to stay abreast of the happenings around the Association!

www.foresthillspoa.com

www.facebook.com/FHPOA

Be sure to "like" our page so you get all of the latest updates!



We are going GREEN!

Sign up to receive the newsletter via email! Help the Association save time and money!

Send your email address to: FHPOA44212@gmail.com or message us on Facebook!

Board Meetings

The Board is working hard on many issues. Come JOIN US and get informed!

- May 20
- June 17
- July 15

*All meetings will be held at the **Brunswick Library Hickory Room** from 7 – 8:30 pm. ALL are Welcome!!

Important Info!

NEW Classified Section:

We have created a "classified section" on both our website and Facebook page! If you have a business that you would like to advertise please send us an email! Include a logo if you have one as well as the info you would like included!

Storm Damage?:

If you experienced storm damage, mainly flooding, from the storm on Monday May 12 please report it to the City or Dave Coleman who is our city councilman and lives in our Association: dcoleman@brunswick.oh.us.

A few important reminders:

- According to City ordinance, garbage is to be placed on curbs NO earlier than 6:00 pm on the day before your scheduled pick-up!
- If you have trees that stretch over sidewalks, help our residents out that run, walk, or ride bikes by trimming them to avoid any possible hazards!
- School will be out very soon, PLEASE watch your speed as you drive through our streets and keep your eye out for the kids!!
- If you missed the spring garage sales, don't fear! We will be having a Fall neighborhood garage sale on Thursday September 11 from 8am-5pm and Friday September 12th from 5 pm- 9 pm. Mark your calendar for an evening out shopping!

More Pool Information

Skyview pool will not open until around the second week of June. Unfortunately our 40-year old pool is in need of major repairs. The Board is attempting to acquire a loan for these repairs. For specific details on what repairs are necessary or to watch a short video showing the damage, check out our website.

The Board is working very hard to make some much needed updates and repairs to the pool houses and bathrooms. Please be patient as there is a lot of work that needs to be done and very little funds. If you own or work for a company that is able to donate supplies and/or services please contact Rick Baechle or Matt Tomecko. A special thank you to ALL residents who came out for our first Community Volunteer Day on Saturday May 17th. We were able to replace fascia board, install and re-install gutters, and clean out the storage rooms. We will be painting, power washing and fixing up the bathrooms as well. We are planning another Community Volunteer Day on Saturday June 14th at 10 am to work on the Skyview pool house and bathrooms. If you are interested in volunteering your time please let us know. Remember, this is your Association. Let's make it better together!

Swim Lessons Information

Lifeguards and/or Swim Instructors

If you are interested in becoming a lifeguard or swim instructor, please contact Erin at Metropolitan Pool Company at 216-741-9451. Let Erin know that you are interested in guarding/instructing for Forest Hills in Brunswick. If you need a letter of recommendation or any previous employment information, please contact Rachel Kotalik at 330-273-3273. All interested guards and swim instructors must hold the appropriate certifications in order to be considered.

Swimming Lessons

Starfish Aquatic Institute

The Starfish Swim School curriculum consists of swim classes containing age-appropriate activities that focus on development of core swimming competencies and, once achieved, development of proper stroke technique. We recognize that all students learn in different ways and have different levels of readiness, which is why we focus on ability not disability and achievement not errors in our swim classes.

Swimming Lesson Schedule

Swim classes are taught in eight (8) 30-minute sessions, over a two-week period. Each color level focuses on one of the five core swimming competencies, which are designed to teach safety and survival skills, and are what we use to identify each student's level in our swim classes.

Swimming Lesson Pricing

We will offer two separate sessions over the summer season. **Each class is \$49 per child for Forest Hills residents and \$54 per child for Non-Forest Hill residents.**

The sessions are 4 days/week for 2 weeks. Lesson applicants will be contacted 1 week prior to the start of lessons with the lesson times. The first Monday of each session is registration day.

The session dates are:

Session I: June 16-27

Session II: July 7-18

If you are interested in signing your child up for lessons, please visit

<http://www.metropools.com/swimming-lessons.html> and fill out the contact information and choose your session. This information is used to hold your child's spot in the class. Payment will be due on the first Monday of the session. All checks must be made payable to Forest Hills Property Owners Association.

Swim Team Information

Sign-ups are beginning for the **2014 Forest Hills Swim Team**. If you are interested in signing up, please contact Darlene Polojack at 216-470-3890 or email sdtp@frontier.com for more information.

- Acceptable toys that can be played with in the pool: squishy balls, noodles, face mask, goggles, snorkel, fins, dolls, water cans, dive toys or any plastic toy. Lifeguard has final decision and may restrict toys if they cause a safety hazard.
- Unacceptable toys in the pool: inner tubes, rafts, tennis balls, football or any other type of hard ball.
- Water wings, tubes, noodles and lifejackets are permitted in the shallow end ONLY. An adult MUST accompany the child in the water and be next to the child using the safety floatation device.
- NO abusive language by children or adults will be tolerated. You will be asked to leave immediately.
- No one is permitted in the pump/furnace rooms.
- All swimmers will be given a deepwater test if there is any question of their swimming ability. This is at the discretion of the lifeguard on duty. Parents may NOT override the guard's decision.
- Parents of young children should keep a watchful eye on their own children. If they are playing on the steps at the Westchester pool, parents should be sitting with them. YOUR children are your responsibility!
- Children under the age of 10 years old will not be allowed in the pool unless accompanied by a parent or responsible caregiver between the ages of 12 to 17 years old. Parents should provide lifeguard with a note including children's names and contact number.
- NO glass containers are permitted in or around the pool area.
- NO alcoholic beverages are permitted in or around the pool area.
- No bikes, tricycles, scooters or skateboards are allowed in the pool area.
- No pets, balloons, string in a can or weapons of any kind are permitted in the pool area.

Safety Breaks: Safety breaks are every hour for 15 minutes. All children must clear the pool. Adults ONLY (18 years or older) may stay in the water during this time. Children 4 years and younger may stay in the pool WITH their parent(s).

Health Rules: Please do NOT swim if you have open sores, inflamed eye(s) or any other communicable disease, or diarrhea. If you have had diarrhea, please refrain from swimming for 2 weeks. This will help keep our pools free from Recreational Water Diseases. Remove all bandages before entering the pool.

Food/Smoking: Food and snacks are permitted in the pool area but please clean-up after yourself. Smoking is not permitted inside the fence and around the perimeter of the fence. Lets keep a clean, healthy environment for everyone to enjoy!

Pool Rental: To schedule a pool party, contact **Rachel Kotalik** at rmkotalik@frontier.com. You may rent the pool from 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm with two lifeguards. We ask that you schedule your event at least 2 to 3 weeks in advance so that we may post signs to inform residents of the change in hours. The price to rent the pool will be \$100 with a \$50 dollar deposit that will be put toward the rental price.

Tennis Courts: When using the tennis courts please have your pool tag with you. We ask that anyone under 12 years of age have an adult Association member with them. And please treat our net with kindness! NO sitting on or any other type of destructive behavior to the net or the tennis court area!

ALL rules and regulations are subject to change. Please keep a copy of these rules/regulations! The rules have been provided in the interest of health, safety and the enjoyment of our pool for all residents. Any questions and/or concerns should be referred to Rachel Kotalik at rmkotalik@frontier.com.

Thank you and enjoy your summer!

