

Squirrel's Eye View Sawmill Forest Civic Association

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Message from the President

Dana Smith, president

Please plan to attend the annual Sawmill Forest Civic Association community meeting in the Sawmill Meadows court at 7pm on Sunday, June 22. Refreshments will be served! At that meeting we will vote for our 2014/2015 officers, discuss the recent developments in our community (Discovery Playground construction and change in our vehicular access to Sawmill Road) and review an upcoming traffic study for our neighborhood.

Proposed officers for 2014/2015 President – Dana Smith Vice President – James Covev Secretary – open Treasurer – Tricia Gale

Anyone who would like to run for one of these offices should let Anastasia Pothoven know prior to the meeting so that we can prepare for a vote by ballot. If anyone would like to serve as our secretary, please let Dana Smith know prior to the meeting. This position requires about an hour each month, so it is not a significant time commitment, but the secretary serves in an extremely valuable advisory role.

Special thanks go out to Anna Lee, who has served for so many years in a variety of leadership positions in the SFCA, and to Anastasia Pothoven for her service as our secretary. They will be missed!

We also wanted to thank Gina Atwell for helping put up the lovely street sign flower pots we are enjoying this year.

Coming Events!

Please plan to join us for the following neighborhood activities:

Sunday, June 22 at 7pm – SFCA annual meeting - Sawmill Meadows court (refreshments!) Friday, July 4 at 9am – Annual 4th of July bike and pet parade – 2632 Sawmill Meadows Avenue (prizes!) Late August – Discovery Playground opening ceremony (historic!) Saturday, September 20 from 4-6pm – Annual SFCA block party (fun!)

Annual Membership Drive

Stephen Kron, membership chair

Attached to this email is the annual membership form. Dues are still \$20. Please support our community by being a member of the SFCA!

<u>Blockwatch</u>

Dana Smith, president

Our neighborhood is in need of a blockwatch captain and street coordinators for each street. If you are interested in being a part of this group of interested neighbors, please let me know.

Committee Chairs

Dana Smith, president

In addition to the elected offices in the SFCA, we also have several committees where volunteers serve our neighborhood. Going into the new year, those who are serving as chairmen of the committees are:

Social – Sue Bardos Website – James Covey Newsletter/Membership – Stephen Kron Welcome/New Neighbor – Amanda Covey Beautification – open Block Watch – open

If you would like to be more involved in our community, joining a committee is a great way to start. Please indicate how you'd like to serve on your annual membership form which accompanies this newsletter.

Discovery Playground Update

Stephen Kron

The wonderful wooden Discovery Playground just outside of Olde Sawmill Elementary School was torn down earlier this year. The City of Columbus will be constructing a modest playground in its place sometime in August. Many of our neighbors (working with the students at Olde Sawmill and Granby Elementary Schools) have developed a plan to create a much larger playground for our neighborhood children. A colorful flyer which explains these plans in more detail accompanies this newsletter.

There will be a celebratory event at Coaches Bar & Grill (1480 Bethel Road) on Saturday, June 21 from 6-9pm. The \$20 entry fee will go to the playground fund. Free drinks and appetizers will be available for all attendees. At that activity we will be announcing our contributors to date and will show what will be built with the thousands of dollars that have already been raised.

Please consider donating to this neighborhood cause. Working together we can do wonderful things for our community! Visit the website (<u>www.discoveryplayground.net</u>) for more details.