

Save the Woods

Preface

The purpose of the Avon Lake History Collection is to preserve the past, present, and future documentary history of Avon Lake, OH, located in Lorain County, OH, and to provide access to this history for the research needs of residents, students, and scholars of Avon Lake history.

History

In January 2003, a group of concerned citizens, spearheaded by then-councilman Zuber, came up with a plan to preserve green space in the heart of Avon Lake. Working hand-in-hand with the Lorain County Metroparks and the City, The Save the Woods Committee went to work to obtain a 1.25 million dollar grant from the Clean Ohio Conservation Fund to purchase the last available acreage in Avon Lake that could be transformed into a Metropark.

The Save the Woods Committee was comprised of K.C. Zuber, Janice Van Wagner, Celia Bajda, Jim Moyse, Jack Koch, Barney and Doris Klement, Diana and Terry Wyrock, Dennis Schuster, Jim Monjot, and Gary Fell. There were over 500 lots owned by over 230 people. One of the landowners, Herman "Bucky" Kopf, owned 38 percent of the total land, or 68 acres. In November 2008, the park was dedicated and named the "Kopf Family Reservation." It will remain open green space in perpetuity. On October 11, 2009, the City of Avon Lake and the Save the Woods Committee unveiled the monument, completing the final phase of the Save the Woods initiative.

The Save the Woods Committee scrapbook was given to the Avon Lake Public Library in December 2011. The inside cover reads: "Donation to the Avon Lake Public Library from the Save the Woods Committee - complete history of a beautiful project."

Contents

The Save the Woods collection contains newspaper clippings, letters, flyers, maps, and photographs that document the history or life of the Save the Woods Committee of Avon Lake.

Subject Headings

- Avon Lake (Ohio) -- History.
- Lorain County (Ohio) -- History.
- Save the Woods.
- City council members -- Avon Lake (Ohio).

Contributors

- Bajda, Celia.
- Fell, Gary.
- Klement, Barney.
- Klement, Doris.
- Koch, Jack.
- Monjot, Jim.
- Moyse, Jim.
- Schuster, Dennis.
- Van Wagner, Jan.
- Wyrock, Terry.
- Wyrock, Dianna.
- Zuber, Karl (K.C.).

Date

2003-2014

Type

Print

Format

One top-closing three-ring binder (12" wide x 13" long x 3 ½" deep)

Language

English

Related Collections

N/A

Physical Location

McMahan Room, Cabinet 4, lower level, Avon Lake Public Library

Digital Location

Biblioboard:

<https://library.biblioboard.com/content/afc68c06-3634-48e5-a4a9-e1a7a37e7fe0>

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