

HILL VALLEY

April 2012



HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

www.hillvalley.org

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Thank you fellow residents! I have gotten a very positive response to the challenge presented to us by one of our members. We now have a small fund for the drought resistant shrubs at the two entrances at Meridian St. and some additional funds for snow removal. The 2011/12 winter gave us a reprieve with snow removal since we had a mild winter; therefore, we will be in better financial condition for the 2012/13 winter season. Again, let me say a hearty "thank you" for your response.

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

Please help us keep your storm drains open. **The Indianapolis Department of Public Works (DPW) is asking residents and property owners to do their part to rake leaves away from the curb and regularly check and clear storm inlets.** There are more than 10,000 miles of drainage facilities in Marion County. Approximately 6,000 of those miles are on private property and must be maintained by property owners, according to Sections 431-506 and 561-211 of the Revised Code of the City and County. For these property owners, drainage responsibilities include clearing storm inlets. For further information, please call the Mayor's Action Center at 327-4622 or visit www.indy.gov/dpw. Elderly or need assistance, please contact a board member at www.hillvalley.org

GARAGE SALE TIME

Dates for our 2012 community garage sale are: June 7, 8 and 9. Garage sales are a great way to clean up your house and make money letting someone else buy your treasures. Your Homeowners Association hosts a community garage sale each year. Any Hill Valley resident is welcome to participate. We will post signs at the entrances of our edition and print flyers with addresses in our neighborhood who are participating in the garage sale. Please contact Patti Graff at 317-331-1481 and let her know you will participate if you would like to be included on the flyer.

CENTRAL INDIANA COUNCIL ON AGING (CICOA)

People over 60 from southern Marion County are welcome to all activities. There is an active group in Greenwood on Polk Rd and several people from Hill Valley Estates participate regularly. Among their activities: body balance, NIA and chair exercises, card games, Wii games, Mah-jongg, lotto, wood carvers, crafts, computers, lots of social contacts, etc. An acceptable luncheon is available for \$2.00. For Information: 1-800-489-9550 or 317-803-6042 (membership fee is \$18.00 for residents of Marion Co.)

CICOA is an Area Agency on Aging, so designated by the State of Indiana, Family Social Services Administration. As such we provide a wide range of services, many of them in-home services, to seniors and people with disabilities regardless of age. Our goal is to help our clients live in their home or community of choice for as long and healthy as possible. We have over 200 employees and one office on the northeast side of Indianapolis.

The active group mentioned in the newsletter is The Social of Greenwood, formerly the Greenwood Senior Center at 550 Polk Road, Greenwood. It is independent from CICOA. They do have all the activities, and more, that are mentioned in the newsletter at that location. They also welcome and encourage membership from the Southside of Indianapolis.

We do deliver a hot lunch to The Social of Greenwood and encourage seniors and any who would like to share a meal with a senior to attend the luncheon site. It is a service under our Meals 'n More department that also provides home delivered meals. For seniors age 60 and over, we ask for a contribution of \$2 for the lunch. People will not be turned away if they do not make a contribution. For individuals under age 60, the meal is \$6, unless one is married to someone over 60.

The meals are made daily by a local caterer and delivered fresh and hot. We also deliver luncheon meals to locations on the Southside of Indy. They are listed below. **One is the Green Park Terrace on East Meridian School Road, across the street from Hill Valley.**

Bethany Village
3554 S. Shelby St.
Indianapolis, IN 46227
Lunch Served: 11:00 am

Perry Senior Services
6900 Derbyshire Road
Indianapolis, IN 46227
Lunch Served: 11:30 am

Green Park Terrace
110 E. Meridian School Rd.
Indianapolis, IN 46227
Lunch Served: 11:30 am

Crestwood Village South
8811 Madison Ave. Bldg. 6
Indianapolis, IN. 46227

We are a non-profit organization and do not have an advertising or marketing budget. We depend upon word-of-mouth, neighborhood communications, press releases, and other sources to get the word out.

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Visit us on the web @ www.cicoa.org

2012 MEMBERSHIP

Would you like to receive the HVHA Newsletter via e-mail? If you would, please send an e-mail with your name, street address, and the e-mail address(es) where you want the newsletter sent. Send the e-mail to HillValleyIndy@gmail.com and you will no longer get the newsletter via *snail mail*. By the way, past newsletters are posted on our website.

Do you know what we do with the information you send to us? It is kept on file for one year and then run through the shredder. The envelope with your return address is also shredded. The information is put into our database and is **NOT** shared with anyone except our HVHA board members. In other words, your personal information is secured in the same manner as my own information.

SPRING AREA BEAUTIFICATION CONTEST

In 2012 the HVHA Board will continue the spring landscaping contest as a way to continue promoting the beautification of our neighborhoods. The focus will be on bulb flowers and early-blooming shrubs and trees. Judging will be in late April or early May. First, second and third prizes will be awarded for East and West Hill Valley. Winners will be recognized on the web site, newsletter and will receive a gift.

NEW RESIDENTS

We have noticed many new residents moving into our neighborhood. We have contact information on some of you but it is very incomplete. Please contact Charlie Eldridge, 881-2718, or hillvalleyindy@gmail.com with the best way for us to address your correspondence.

There are 1100 homes in Hill Valley. Our Homeowners Association arranges for snow plowing and a quarterly Newsletter to inform everyone what is coming up next, including zoning bulletins. We have an annual social for all members that includes a full meal with beverages, recreation for the children, and live music. We have a website, www.hillvalley.org, where you can find a map of the neighborhood, a monthly calendar, special events and announcements, past Newsletters, important area phone numbers; and, alerts on new issues and an e-mail link to notify us of any problems or neighborhood news.

2012 EVENTS CALENDAR

Newsletters will be sent out during the months of January, April, July, and October. Any news must be submitted before the end of previous month to HVHA, P.O. Box 17441, Indianapolis IN 46217-1744.

The Board meets the 3rd Monday of every month (except December) generally at St. Barnabas church at 7:30 p.m. The first portion of the meeting is devoted to input from visitors before the business meeting continues. Please be prepared, as there is limited time. Dates for 2012 are:

		Apr 16, 2012	Jun 18, 2012	Aug 20, 2012	Oct 15, 2012 **
		May 21,2012	Jul 16, 2012	Sep 17, 2012	Nov 19, 2012

**The 2012 Annual Meeting will be Monday, October 15, 2012 and is normally held at Friedens UCC.

The Garage Sale for 2012 will be: June 7, 8 and 9.

Annual Summer Social for all members will be **Friday, August 10, 2012** starting at 5:30 p.m. at German Park. We will provide sandwiches, brats and all the trimmings for dinner along with beverages, live music, and entertainment.

FAQ FOR SHARED ROADWAY MARKINGS



*Information provided by Mayor Greg Ballard's Office.

Q. I've seen these markings of a bike with two chevrons/arrows above it on the streets. What do they mean?

A. These are Shared Roadway Bicycle Markings which are intended to help bicyclists position themselves away from parked cars, to avoid being struck by suddenly opened car doors, and to alert other road users to expect bicyclists to occupy travel lanes. These markings will also be used in situations where it may not be obvious where bicyclists should be riding, such as at intersections with multiple turn lanes.

Q. Can't bicyclists just look into parked cars as they ride and see if someone is about to open the door?

A. Bicyclists, like all road users, need to constantly scan the entire roadway for safety. Checking every car for a driver is difficult to do while paying attention to the road. Also, it is often impossible to see drivers due to large parked vehicles blocking the view of other parked vehicles, tinted windows, headrests, etc. Motorists should check their side view mirror or look back prior to opening their door. It is the driver's responsibility should any collision occur.

Q. If I see these markings in a lane, is the lane only for bikes?

A. No. This marking is used for travel lanes that are shared by bicyclists and motorists. Shared lanes are different than bike lanes which are set aside for bicyclists and are marked by a solid white line.

Q. So, if I don't see these markings, then it's not a shared lane and bicyclists aren't supposed to be there?

A. No. Bicyclists can ride on any street in Indianapolis except for limited access freeways with signs explicitly prohibiting.

Q. Are these markings going to be on every street that does not have a bike lane?

A. No. These markings are used primarily on streets designated as part of the Indianapolis' bikeways networks. Additional sharrows may be considered on a case by case basis.

Q. I never used to see these markings. Why are they being used now?

A. Prior to 2005, there was no official marking to use on streets with shared lanes. Now we have a marking for areas on the road where traditional bike lanes are not applicable, or possible, due to roadway restrictions.

MEMBERS SERVING MEMBERS - If you have a specialty or talent that you would want your neighborhood to know about, we will be glad to list your name, address, contact information and a description in 12 words or less of your business or craft. There will be no charge but no special wording or art treatment. This is information, not advertising, and a service to all members of HVHA.

Mrs. Nita Norcross, M.S. Ed - *Personal Tutoring* - all ages (PreK thru college) and subjects. Contact profnorcross@gmail.com

Katie Schaffner - *High School Math Teacher* - Will tutor any math course or SAT Preparation. Call (317) 460-6583, e-mail kschaffner@bishopchatard.org

John H. Renault - French tutoring and teaching. French/English and English/French translations. 8342 Parish Lane; phone: 317-888-9607; renaultjohn@sbcglobal.net

Martha J. Smart - For Buying or Selling a Home Make the SMART Choice... Call Martha at F.C. Tucker Company, Inc Direct: 317-319-8083 Home: 317-889-8496

Greg Huntley Enterprises - Full service General Contractor. Free estimates, prompt and courteous. ghe1@comcast.net. 317-445-7817 or 317-859-9026

Randy Ezell - For all your insurance needs, auto, home, business, life. The Ezell Group, 8415 S Delaware St. 317-884-1777. www.theezellgroup.com

Carl J. Strohm - For automotive repairs using certified technicians. 5824 S Harding St, 317-787-0822

Michelle Butts - First time buyers, empty nesters, investors "No BUTTS about it" Contact Century 21 317-243-3666 or www.michellebutts.com

David H Olmstead - For all your life and health insurance needs, annuities and health savings accounts. Contact 317-888-5270 or 317-627-3018(cell)

Cecilia Tolan - custom-made appliance covers, basket liners, etc. 865-9518

DeAnne Milliken - Creative memories. I organize pictures into photo safe albums for long term preservation. Call 881-2444 or e-mail demilliken@yahoo.com

Luz Pena-Price - Mary Kay cosmetics, independent sales director. Contact 435-2955 or e-mail penaprice@hotmail.com or use Internet www.marykay.com/penaprice

Linda Charlebois - Calligraphy by LMC. Beautiful writing for you. 888-6848. fayence97@hotmail.com

Ms. Rona - Certified animal groomer: dogs, cats, bunnies, etc. Call 985-3242 or visit my salon inside Uncle Bill's Pet Center.

Lisa Brinker - German Park Rental Park rental for weddings, reunions, business meetings, etc. Call 885-0283, e-mail LisaB8600@hotmail.com.

Terry Lashley - Quilts. Make new quilts. Repair old ones. Appraisals for insurance. 888-7554

Ryan Berry - Construction. 3rd generation carpenter, general contractor, handyman. Insured and bonded. 319-7887 or www.ryanberryconstruction.com

Holly Wyss - Water aerobics, fitness classes and rehab with certified instructor. Warm, clean, indoor pool. Small classes. FUN! Phone 317-887-2610 or hwys@sbcbglobal.net

Jerry Brown - *Indy Guitar Builder* - Full service building, repair, restoration, and appraisals. Call 881-0585, e-mail Indyguitarbuilder@yahoo.com, or go to <http://www.indyguitarbuilder.com>

Carolyn Leach - MEDICAL BILLS REVIEWED - Detect overcharges, errors or underpayments with resulting savings or refunds to you. Contact 882-2002 or e-mail IndyMedicalBillReview@yahoo.com

Sue Moore - Sheltie Rescue>- For information on fostering or adoption of Shetland Sheepdogs www.sheltie-rescue.org or e-mail jdifffie@aol.com or call 885-1838

Don & Elizabeth Harmon - Tax Service - H&R Block Associates 887-8200 or fax 877-8452

Harold & Jane Pickerel - Kinetico water treatment systems - Free water analysis. 881-8369

Donald A. Smith, Enrolled Agent - *Tax preparation and small business services.* Enrolled to represent taxpayers before the IRS. Contact Don or Joan Smith, 317-736-1583 or donsmith9@comcast.net

Joan Smith - *Small business bookkeeping using QuickBooks or spread sheets.* Reasonable rate. 736-1583 or e-mail joanss@comcast.net

Terry Snyder - *Handyman Work* Tree trimming, small demolition, handy work tasks. Contact 339-8145

Eric Lawrence - *Excavating* - English Excavating, 50 yrs in business-residential and commercial. 888-2282 or 784-4125

David Hoyt - *Finance* - Free interest rate quote for your safe money. Call 882-3676 or visit www.hoytfinancialgroup.com. Office at 8130 S Meridian Street.

Samantha Gee - *Babysitting* - 13 year old who is very responsible and mature for her age. A straight A student and she loves to read to children. She has transportation. Contact 882-2885

Dottie Hawk - *jewelry making* - charming, inexpensive jewelry and prayer beads made to your order. 42 E Hill Valley Dr, email hawkdottie@gmail.com, call 317-418-2802, or order through www.dotsbeads.net. Come see the craft room!

HAZARDOUS HOUSEHOLD WASTE AND TOXIC DROP-OFF LOCATIONS

Hazardous household waste consists of items like cleaners, paint, motor oil, gasoline, batteries, weed and insect poisons that are dangerous to our environment. These items may be dropped off at any of the city's free ToxDrop sites. Residents are limited to disposing of twenty-gallons (20) of liquid waste or seventy-five (75) pounds of solid waste, per visit. Our closest drop off point is the Perry Township Government Center at 4925 S. Shelby Street. You may drop off items on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month from 9am – 2pm.

HILL VALLEY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION 2012 EXECUTIVE BOARD

Steve Scheidler	President	S. Pennsylvania	881-1558
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Chris Fenner	Member	S. East Street	(812) 343-3880

HVHA Membership - 2012

It's Important to You and Your Community!!

A \$30 Membership in HVHA provides:

SNOW REMOVAL - the city does not plow any of our side streets or courts
SAFETY COORDINATION - working with the Metropolitan Police Department
ADVOCACY: Zoning Issues, Traffic Control, Street & Sewer Repair, etc.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Quarterly Newsletter
Advertising and maps for the Annual Neighborhood Garage Sale
Website - www.hillvalley.org
Annual Meeting of Members in October

NEIGHBORHOOD BEAUTIFICATION – Holiday decorations contest

Food, beverages and family fun - A meal and recreation for all members and their families at our **Annual Summer Social** at German Park on August 10th.

Dues for 2012 are \$30.00. Please fill out and cut off the membership form at the end of this page. **Make check payable to HVHA.** Mail your check and this form in the enclosed pre-addressed envelope. In case you mislay the envelope, here is the name and address:

Charles Eldridge, HVHA Membership Chair, P.O. Box 17441, Indianapolis IN 46217.

Hill Valley Homeowners Association is an Indiana corporation and a community service organization.

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Street Address _____ Zip Code _____

E-Mail Address _____ Check Date _____

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Telephone # _____ Check Number _____

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