

HILL VALLEY

January 2014



HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

www.hillvalley.org

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Hill Valley Residents:

Please let me introduce myself, I'm Bonnie Warrick, resident of Hill Valley. As a board member of Hill Valley Homeowners Association, I've been asked to accept the position of President. I welcome the opportunity to serve the association in this capacity. The board gives a big thank you to all residents who are members. Currently, half of our residents are members. It would be wonderful to have more residents join the association. A higher membership will result in more benefits for all. All members are also invited to our annual summer social. This family event includes activities for children. This is a great time to meet your neighbors! We appreciate your support! Please contact myself or any board member with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely, Bonnie Warrick

SNOW REMOVAL INFORMATION

On January 5th, the city experienced one of the heaviest snow falls since the blizzard of 1978. The contract HVHA has for snow removal requires snow plowing to start at a level of 3" when a heavy amount of snow is forecasted. Our contractor did a wonderful job allowing our residents a smooth drive out of our neighborhood. There were a few courts missed. He was very responsive clearing these courts each time he was notified. Every resident benefited from this service yet only half are paying annual dues. There is a tremendous cost involved with snow removal. Our contractor's invoice was \$3,983.53. Because of such costs, we cannot continue to contract for snow removal services for our area without increasing the annual dues. About one half of the Hill Valley residents belong to the association and pay dues. Thus the other half will have to provide the funds to obtain snow removal for everyone in our subdivision. The board believes the dues should be increased to \$45.00 annually. The present \$30.00 annual dues are simply inadequate. At the January meeting, the board voted to increase such dues as of January 2014. This is still a small amount in comparison to other homeowner associations. Also, as a reminder, when a heavy snow is predicted, please park your vehicle(s) in your driveway. This will give the snowplow driver access to clear the streets. **Please help our association by joining our membership.**

HVHA BOARD AT WORK

The board felt that many of you may not be aware of the work that is being done by the board. We will be adding this segment to the Newsletter to keep you informed.

October 2013 Meeting: the annual members meeting. We were very impressed with the number of residents that came to this meeting with concerns, new board members as well as volunteers to help the board. As a result, we were able to schedule two representatives of the Burmese/Chin Community for our November meeting with the assistance of Ashley Davis, our new Mayor's Neighborhood Liaison. The officers were established for next year. Bonnie Warrick was appointed the new HVHA President. Please join us as we thank the former president, Mr. Steve Scheidler for his many years of leadership, hard work, and guidance he served for our neighborhood.

November 2013 Meeting: Ealisa Vahnne from the Burmese American Community Institute, and Margarita Hart from the Esperanza Group were in attendance at this meeting to assist us in bridging the communication gap and culture clash that has been a continuing concern brought to the board. The meeting was very informative and your HVHA board is working to get a bilingual liaison to serve as a member. We have quite a few Chin families living in our neighborhood and we wish to welcome them. ☺

December 2013 Meeting: The discussion of snow removal contracts, island tree replacement, increasing annual dues, and planning for the January newsletter were among the most prevalent topics discussed at this meeting. We would like to thank Frank Hogan for all of his hard work in researching and negotiating out the contracts. We voted on acceptance of the new contractor, just in time.

DUES DEADLINE

All membership dues need to be paid by March 31, 2014. Thank you for your support. ☺

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 at 317-881-2718 or by email at celdridge11@comcast.net, or hillvalleyindy@gmail.com to provide us with your information. Thank you for your cooperation

2014 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 and/or residents before the business meeting continues. Please be prepared, as there is limited time. Dates for 2014 are:

Jan. 20, 2014	April 21, 2014	July 21, 2014	Oct. 20, 2014**	
Feb. 17, 2014	May 19, 2014	Aug. 18, 2014	Nov. 17, 2014	
March 17, 2014	June 16, 2014	Sept. 15, 2014	Dec. (TBA)	

**The 2014 Annual Meeting will be Monday, October 20, 2014 and is normally held at Friedens UCC.

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER WITH HILL VALLEY

If you would like to receive the HVHA Newsletter via e-mail, 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 the postal service. Past newsletters are posted on our website.

CITY INTRODUCES MOBILE APP TO REPORT PROBLEMS

Indianapolis has created a new way for the public to track problems in our city such as potholes, stray animals, high grass/weeds, abandoned vehicles, etc. It is a mobile app called "[RequestIndy](#)". It can be downloaded on your smart phone, and is extremely easy to navigate. It actually allows you to take a photo of the problem and send it immediately to the mayor's action center. Give it a try!

OPPORTUNITIES TO VOLUNTEER WITH YOUR HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

We are always looking for volunteers to help us with a variety of activities. If you are interested in helping with one of the activities listed below, please call Bonnie Warrick at 317-881-2216. We would welcome your assistance.

Summer Picnic – We have opportunities to volunteer to serve drinks or food, cook, help with checking neighbors in at the event, etc. This is a one time commitment for no more than four hours on Friday, August 8, 2014.

Membership Chairman – This person would ideally like record keeping. It would entail keeping records of members who pay dues, depositing membership money at our bank, checking the post office box for correspondence, helping us determine who gets an invitation to the Summer Social (only paid members get an invitation) and keeping the board informed of our membership progress throughout the year. (Minutes a week from your home) (MS Access)

Crime Watch – We are actively looking for street/block captains that can communicate with your neighbors about crime in the area and work with local law enforcement officials to keep us all safe. (Time commitment varies)

Landscape Watering – Since we have made an investment in our entryways to our subdivision, we will be actively watering the new plants to make sure they get a good start. (When it's dry, we were hauling over 150 gallons of water each week to the new plants at the entryways)

Open Board Seats– We currently have a couple of open board seats available. You would be elected at the October Annual Meeting. (One meeting a month on the 3rd Monday of the month)

SOLICITATION IN HILL VALLEY

Has someone knocked on your door trying to sell you something? Our neighborhood has a no solicitation policy. Since we have no solicitation signs posted in our neighborhood, this is an enforceable offense with the Indianapolis Metro Police Department. Please call 317-327-3811, the non-emergency 911 number. Realize that this will be a lower priority run, but is still a police run.

MEMBERS SERVING MEMBERS - If you are a member of HVHA and have a specialty or talent that you would like the neighborhood to know about, we would be happy to list your name, address, contact information and a description in 12 words or less about 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. The following are the current listings:

Ryan Berry - Construction - 3rd generation carpenter, general contractor, handyman. Insured and bonded. Call: 317-319-7887 or go to: www.ryanberryconstruction.com

Lisa Brinker - Event Rental Facility - German Park: rental for weddings, reunions, business meetings, etc. Call 885-0283 or email LisaB8600@hotmail.com

Jerry Brown - Indy Guitar Builder - Full service building, repair, restoration, and appraisals. Call 317-881-0585, email: Indyguitarbuilder@yahoo.com, or go to: <http://www.indyguitarbuilder.com>

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

John Cahill - Cahill's Lawn & Landscape - Licensed chemical & fertilizations for lawn and landscape treatments. For most of your outdoor grounds maintenance, please call: 317-791-5186.

Dave Durrett - Real Estate - Experienced real estate agent for Carpenter Realty. Contact Dave at: ddurrett@callcarpenter.com

Samantha Gee - Babysitting - 13-year old who is very responsible and mature for her age. She is a straight "A" student and loves to read to children. She has transportation. Please call: 317-882-2885.

Dottie Hawk - Jewelry Making - Charming, inexpensive jewelry and prayer beads made to your order. 42 E. Hill Valley Drive, email: hawkdottie@gmail.com, call: 317-418-2802, or order through www.dotsbeads.net

David Hoyt - Finance - Free interest rate quote for your safe money. Call: 317-882-3676 or visit www.hoytfinancialgroup.com. Office at: 8130 S. Meridian Street.

Greg Huntley Enterprises - General Contracting - Full service General Contractor. We are prompt and courteous. For free estimates call: 317-445-7817 or 317-859-9026 or email at: ghe1@comcast.net

Terry Lashley - Quilts - Make new quilts. Repair old ones. Appraisals for insurance. Call: 317-888-7554.

Eric Lawrence - Excavating - English Excavating, 50 yrs in business-residential and commercial. Call: 317-888-2282 or 317-784-4125.

Carolyn Leach - Medical Bills Reviewed - Detect overcharges, errors or underpayments with resulting savings or refunds to you. Contact: 317-882-2002 or e-mail: IndyMedicalBillReview@yahoo.com

Toby Matherly - Home Computer Assistance - Get the most out of your home computer! Setup, instruction, child protection. Call: 317-225-0924 or email: tobmat@gmail.com

Liz McColm - My Glass Fix - One-of-a-kind glass adornments as unique as you! Email: myglassfixinfo@gmail.com or visit the website at: www.myglassfix.com

DeAnne Milliken - Creative Memories - I organize pictures into photo safe albums for long term preservation. Call: 317-881-2444 or email: demilliken@yahoo.com

Sue Moore - Sheltie Rescue - For information on fostering or adoption of Shetland Sheepdogs. Call: 317-885-1838, go to: www.sheltie-rescue.org email: jdiffee@aol.com

Mrs. Nita Norcross, M.S. Ed - Personal Tutoring - all ages (Pre-K thru college) and subjects. Contact by email: profnorcross@gmail.com

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

Luz Pena-Price - Cosmetics - Independent Sales Director for Mary Kay cosmetics. Contact: 317-435-2955 or email: penaprice@hotmail.com or go to: www.marykay.com/penaprice

Harold & Jane Pickerel - Water Treatment Systems - Kinetico water treatment systems - Free water analysis. Call: 317-881-8369 for more information.

John H. Renault - Tutoring - French tutoring and teaching. French/English and English/French translations. Call: 317-888-9607 or email: renaultjohn@sbcglobal.net. Address: 8342 Parish Lane.

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

Donald A. Smith (Enrolled Agent) - Tax Preparation and Small Business Services - Enrolled to represent taxpayers before the IRS. Contact Don Smith: 317-736-1583 or email: donsmith9@comcast.net

Terry Snyder - Handyman Work - Tree trimming, small demolition, handy work tasks, small fence repair, decks, pergolas, retaining walls. Call: 317-339-8145 (cell).

Carl J. Strohm - Auto Repair - For automotive repairs using certified technicians, call: 317-787-0822. Located at: 5824 S. Harding Street.

Cecilia Tolan - *Special Made Items* - I make custom-made appliance covers, basket liners, and much more! Please call: 317-865-9518.

Holly Wyss - *Water Fitness* - Certified Aquatic Instructor and Board Certified Family Nurse Practitioner. Water aerobics, fitness classes and rehabilitation. Warm, clean indoor pool. Small classes - fun. Call: 317-887-2610 or email: hwyss@sbcglobal.net

2014 HILL VALLEY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD

Bonnie Warrick	President	Royal Meadow Drive	317-881-2216
Patty Graff	1 st Vice President/Editor	Woodwind Drive	317-331-1481
John Renault	2 nd Vice President	Parish Lane	317-888-9607
Paulette Clay	Secretary	Meadowridge Lane	317-889-3506
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Frank Hogan	Member	W. Valley View	317-888-6540
Dave Durrett	Member	Valley Estates Drive	317-882-0134
Paul Fites	Member	Kenova Drive	317-888-2089
Ashley Davis	Mayor's Liaison	Ashley.davis@indy.gov	317-429-7807

GARAGE SALE

Hill Valley's annual garage sale will be Thursday June 5, Friday June 6, and Saturday June 7, 2014. Be sure to contact Patty Graff at 317-331-1481 if you want to be included on the garage sale map.

HVHA Membership - 2014

It's Important to You and Your Community!!

A \$45 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 8th.

Dues for 2014 are \$45.00 and are due on March 31, 2014. 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:

Charlie Eldridge, HVHA Membership Liaison, P.O. Box 17441, Indianapolis IN 46217.

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Name _____

Street Address _____ Zip Code _____

E-Mail Address _____ Check Date _____

(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT NEATLY)

Telephone # _____ Check Number _____

Number of adults at this address ____ Number of children under age 18 ____

This check is for the _____ year(s) and _____ is for a donation to the HVHA. It is always assumed that the dues payment is for the year in which it is made unless indicated otherwise.

PLEASE REMIT PAYMENT BY: MARCH 31, 2014