HILL VALLEY

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HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Hill Valley Residents,

The next meeting for HVHA is scheduled for Monday October 15th at Friedens United Church of Christ. This meeting will begin at 7 pm. A presentation, titled "The Safety By Design" will be presented by Deputy Prosecutor Erin Elam. She will offer information on how to deter criminal activity in our neighborhood. I'm sure she will have tips that many of us haven't thought about before. Please make a special effort to attend this meeting. We all want to keep our neighborhood safe. We are very fortunate to have been able to get Erin scheduled. You do not need to be a member in order to attend all HVHA meetings. Please come and learn some valuable and useful information to keep you and your family safe.

As you know, for the years 2014 through 2016 our membership has been close to 50%. Last year we dropped to 48%. As of September, we are at 44%. Please help us get back to 50%. We really need your support. Everyone on the board works very hard on different projects vital to our neighborhood. All board members are volunteers therefore no one is paid for the many hours of service that is put into our work. I truly appreciate all of you who faithfully pay your membership dues every year.

Please call myself or another board member if there are any questions or concerns, or plan to attend one of our monthly board meetings to offer your issues, comments, or input. We meet every third Monday of the month at St. Barnabas. You are welcome anytime! Please support your neighborhood and keep your eyes open to any problems. The Board thanks you for your support and being a good neighbor.

Sincerely, Bonnie Warrick, President HVHA

YOUR BOARD WORKS FOR YOU

You get a lot of mileage from your board members. <u>All are volunteers</u> and try to make life better for the entire neighborhood. We spend your modest dues very carefully. In addition to managing the snow removal that the city does not do, we have a free annual picnic with "the best rib eyes ever!" according to visitors and long-time members.

- Every year, there are people trying to convert nearby residential property into commercial businesses. We go to bat for you before the zoning boards, liquor control boards, and code enforcement; and have squashed every attempt.
- You call us with all sorts of problems-commercial trucks and trailers parked overnight and on weekends, abandoned and inoperable vehicles, flooding, clutter in creeks and culverts, unsafe intersections blocked by trees and bushes, illegal fences, unleashed animals, illegal businesses in residential homes, health and safety issues due to trash or messy yards, unfenced swimming pools-and more we can't yet imagine. We follow up on all of these with contacts with the mayor's office and various city and state departments. Some we can quickly solve while others drag on but we keep at it.
- We try to contact every family moving into Hill Valley with copies of our newsletter.
- We promote a garage sale every year in June and put out maps of the neighborhood with the locations marked with a star (*sorry*, *addresses only*, *no names*).
- We have an annual Holiday Decorations Contest, and give the winners gift cards.
- We communicate with you four times a year with the Newsletter, maintain www.hillvalley.org with alerts, board member and government contacts, neighborhood maps, contest winners, and a convenient list of current members so you can see if your dues are current. In both the Newsletter and the Website, we publish Members Serving Members who offer services that might be useful to their neighbors.
- We meet every month except December, and have an open forum for any neighbor to offer suggestions, bring problems to our attention, or anything else that is on their mind.

Thank you for joining the Homeowners Association and please encourage your neighbors to do the same.



HILL VALLEY ENTRANCE SIGN DEMOLISHED

The sign for the Hill Valley entrance from Meridian Street and the landscaping in the island has been demolished. We are now in the process of getting it replaced. This happened on Sunday, September 16th at around 2:00A.M. and it is my understanding that we still do not have a police report to know who should be billed.

FALL LEAF PICK-UP - DATES ARE NOT SET YET BUT THIS IS OUR PROJECTION

Beginning Monday, November 5 through Friday, November 30, the DPW will pick up to 40 bags of leaves each week, free of charge. When setting out bagged leaves for pick-up, residents should ensure that trash is separated from leaves. All leaves must be bagged and placed at least three feet away from the cart in order to allow DPW trucks to service the cart. Additionally, bagged leaves may be placed in the 96 gallon carts. *This is based on 2017 information from DPW*.

UPCOMING ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DECORATION CONTEST

The time is approaching for the HVHA Annual Christmas Decoration Contest. This will take place in December. Be sure to have your lights on every evening during the week of December 17th through the 21st. Board members will be driving through the neighborhood to judge. We have divided Hill Valley into East, Northwest, and Southwest sections for the judging, and we award prizes for first, second, and third place winners in each section. Plan ahead and get your displays out early!



NEWSLETTER

We would like to see our quarterly publication become more of a neighborhood newsletter, but we need your help. We would welcome suggestions, comments, and other newsworthy items that you feel would be of interest to your neighbors. The HVHA does reserve the right to edit such submittals for clarity and conciseness. Please submit your articles to any HVHA board member and we will try to publish it as submitted. If we have questions or concerns, we will contact the author as necessary. Please use email: <a href="https://display.org/hithauthout/hithautho

TRASH FACTS

Here is some general information to remember regarding trash pickup (I believe most have the 96 gallon containers pictured so the information about bags doesn't apply):

- Trash is collected on assigned collection days based on your address.
- Up to 2 heavy trash items are collected each month on designated heavy trash days.
- You can find your trash collection day information at: http://maps.indy.gov/GovProfile/
- All trash must be bagged for pickup in 10-15 gallon bags.
- Trash should then be placed at the curb or alley before 7 a.m. on pickup day.

You must divide your trash between "Residential" and "Heavy Trash". Here are the differences:



Residential

- *Food Waste
- *Bottles
- *Metal Cans
- *Paper/Plastic Goods
- *Cloth
- *Tires without rims
- *Shrubbery cuttings, small limbs, sticks, & carpet pieces (must be tied in bundles no more than 3 ft x 3 ft)
- *Corrugated containers and bundle counts as one heavy trash item) cardboard boxes (flattened, emptied, and tied in bundles)

Heavy Trash

- *Mattresses
- *Tires with rims
- *Appliances (without Freon-gas refrigerant): stoves, water heaters, & water softeners
- *Furniture: couches, chairs, desks, and tables
- *Lawn mowers (must be drained of all oil and gas
- *Disassembled bicycles and swing sets
- *Television shells with all tubing removed
- *Large yard waste: tie limbs, shrubbery cuttings, etc. in bundles no larger than 3 ft x 3 ft (each

OUR NEW MAYOR'S LIAISON FOR PERRY TOWNSHIP

We have a new Mayor's Neighborhood Advocate (MNA), and her name is MJ Dunne. MJ joins the Mayor's Office from due North Holdings (formerly Scotty's Brewhouse) where she served as Community Marketing and Engagement Manager for the past two years. MJ is a graduate of The University of Texas at Austin and holds a degree in Communication and a minor in Spanish. She is very excited to be the MNA for the South Central and South East side of Indianapolis.



2018 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 2018 are:

October 15 | November 19 | December (TBA but is not normally held)

The 2018 Annual Meeting is Monday, October 15, 2018 and will be held this year at Friedens UCC at 7 p.m.

INTERESTED IN A HAYRIDE THIS FALL?



If you are interested, it is time to book your fall hayride at Southeastway Park. The package consists of:

• A 5 hour use of a shelter or picnic spot (or) a 3 hour use of the Activity Center

- A campfire
- A tractor pulled hayride



To book, call (317) 327-4834 or stop in the office. Payments may be made by credit card, check or cash. Full payment is due at the time of making the reservation.

Program Rates: Picnic Shelter Package \$160; Picnic Site Package \$110; Activity Center Package \$210 + refundable security deposit; Additional Hayrides \$70.



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:

Jamie Brown - *Event Rental Facility* - German Park: rental for weddings, reunions, business meetings, etc. Call: 317-885-0283, mailto:parkladyjamie@gmail.com or contact web site germanparkindy.org

Michelle Butts - *Real Estate* - First time buyers, empty nesters, investors, "No BUTTS about it." Contact Century 21 at: 317-509-8516 or send an email to: <u>C21mbutts@sbcglobal.net</u>.

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. Located at: 3501 Bluff Road.

Chelsea Costello – *Babysitting* – 14 year old in 2013, loves children. Experienced mom babysits. She has transportation. Call: 317-889-0178.

Dottie Hawk – *Jewelry Making* **–** Charming, inexpensive jewelry and prayer beads made to your order. Located at: 42 E. Hill Valley Drive. Call: 317-418-2802, or order through <u>www.dotsbeads.net</u>. Come see the craft room!

Greg Huntley Enterprises – *General Contracting* – Full service General Contractor. We are prompt and courteous. For free estimates please 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.

Lynn M. Moore – *House Cleaning and Sewing* – Providing professional alterations (including bridal & prom) and house cleaning services for over 20 years. References available. Call Lynn Moore at (317) 525-6334 or email at lynnmooretherunner@gmail.com.

Mrs. Nita Norcross, M.S. Ed - *Personal Tutoring* - Pre-K to college, all subjects. 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).

Pat Rooney – *Attorney* – Corporate: organization, financing, sale, transfer, and dissolution. Commercial Real Estate: acquisition, development, leasing, and conveyance. Call: 317-445-9956 or email at: pmrooney1@gmail.com.

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).

Cecilia Tolan - *Special Made Items* - I make custom-made appliance covers, basket liners, & more! Call: 317-865-9518. **Miranda Tworek** - *Essential Oils* - Interested in learning more about everyday use of essential oils? Contact with questions! 812-720-0317 or <u>Miranda@wintergreenwellness.com</u>

Thomas A. Vick – *Legal Services* – Wills, Power of Attorney, Living Wills, Revocable Living Trusts. Contact: Thomas Vick on the web at thomasvicklaw.org and/or e-mail at thomas@thomasvicklaw.org.

Ceil Woodard – *Women's Prison Mentor* – I would appreciate your unused yarn, new greeting cards, and unopened toiletries or make-up. For more information, please call me at 317-881-7464 or e-mail me at simon13@sbcglobal.net.

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