

HILL VALLEY

April 2021



HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

www.hillvalley.org

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Hill Valley Residents:

We had two significant snowfalls in January and February. The first one was heavy wet snow. We had a few issues, three of which were mailbox damages due to snow roll off. When the blade is pushing the snow sometimes it hits a mailbox. Our contractor repaired and in some cases replaced the mailboxes. In all three cases the residents were very pleased with his immediate response and stated that he was very professional. The second snowfall was extremely long lasting, resulting in 9-10" of snow. We had a lot of calls and emails regarding missed streets and courts. The crew was busy plowing for other accounts starting on Monday February 15th. I ordered our neighborhood to be plowed by Tuesday morning. They did not get here until Tuesday afternoon. The guys were tired, some had to go home to sleep and rest before going out again. This delay resulted in many complaint calls. The crew covered every street then went back to clear the messy areas. They wanted to clear a path for vehicles to get through then go back to clean up. Many calls were from residents upset with snow at the end of their driveways. It's the residents responsibility to clear the end of their driveways and mailbox area. One resident complained that they had paid to have their driveway cleared yet had snow at the end by the curb. I had my driveway cleared (by a very nice neighbor) and planned on shoveling the end of drive. I ended up pulling out on to the street with no problem and I drive a low designed car. I only felt a little bump when I pulled out. Can you imagine the cost to have any snow contractor go back to clear the end of each drive and hand shovel around each mailbox????

I was very shocked to receive an email from the office of our snow contractor.

It reads as follows:

Please bring to the attention of our customer as the drivers have been harassed today in the Hill Valley Homeowners Association.

Over 10 people flipped them off.

Two people came out in the street and said "F*** You".

One lady entered into the street with a shovel and was speaking very unpleasantly.

It needs to be clearly stated that as we are clearing the streets, the snow must be rolled off the plow and some snow will roll into people's driveways, but this is the reality and there is no other alternative to plowing roads.

This is totally unacceptable behavior. It is sad to know that we have residents who are so crude and mean spirited. If you are outside when a driver is plowing, it should be an opportunity to speak to him in a courteous manner. You can ask him about your concern. Please consider this in the future.

Sincerely,
Bonnie Warrick,

POSITIVE FEEDBACK FROM RESIDENT (Letter from a long time resident, after snowfall)

"Hi – my family has lived in Hill Valley since 1993 – and we love it here. Yesterday I saw a ton of people writing on NextDoor complaining about the roads and the snow plowing. Like others I did wonder how many realize that the city does not plow our roads and were up to date on dues paid. We have the cheapest dues around – so no reason not to pay them. I pity the plow drivers who probably hit neighborhoods for 20+ hour shifts, so people need to relax a little. Even if you could get out of the neighborhood the other roads were terrible - it was a Major event. So I do appreciate how much board members that have to field all the phone calls and emails go through. We also appreciate the newsletters and the work that has been done for so long to keep inappropriate development out of the residential areas, and keep all of us up to date on the issues that affect the Southside. I hope that we don't lose our HOA - I did see several helpful suggestions on going to epay – and know from other experience that going that direction for dues will very likely make it a lot easier to get more people into the HOA.

Keep up the great work that all of you do – please ignore the negative comments and know that there are many of us that support and appreciate the crucial work that all of you do."

Sincerely,
Mrs. Elizabeth Wernz

URGENT MESSAGE FROM ONE OF OUR BOARD MEMBERS

"It was a very pleasant Saturday afternoon, I believe it was the first day of spring, and was sitting outside reading and watching a lot of young children playing in the driveways of the neighborhood. In one driveway there were five or six playing with balls and chasing their dogs. As a retired senior resident of Hill Valley Estates, I do this every chance I get. It's relaxing and wonderful to see the future of our Country enjoying the companionship and simply having fun.

But my mood changed as a number of cars sped by at 50 to 60 miles per hour. So I'm wondering what's going through their minds. They cannot miss the large number of children playing very close to the street. Maybe they don't live in our very pleasant neighborhood, maybe they see West Hill valley drive a quick shortcut to where they are going. But going that fast will put these children in danger and as parents yell at a speeder he just hocked his horn.

I am really afraid that some child or pet is going to die because these drivers don't seem to give a damn. I wonder if they lived on these normally quite streets, or had friends and family living here, they would be as upset as I am. I know that something must be done before a horrible tragedy happens. The board of Hill Valley will entertain any and all suggestions."



REVISED MAILING LABEL

HVHA Dues Paid Through 2021
Fran Williams
6217 Ralston Rd.
Indianapolis, IN 462..

A revised mailing label is now being used on the HVHA newsletter. Notice the top line of the label now says, "HVHA Dues Paid Through 2021" or whatever year you are paid through. Of course, the file posted online, www.hillvalley.org, is always more current than the label. Also, whenever a payment is received for an additional year, it will be posted as an additional year instead of a reminder that you have already paid for this year.

PAYING DUES ELECTRONICALLY

Several residents have requested that we set up some sort of electronic dues payment system. We have extensively investigated doing just that and have decided not to go in that direction. You have the option of simply setting up the HVHA as a payee in your personal online banking. Then once a year typing in \$45.00 or any amount you wish to send and pressing **Pay It Now**. This costs you nothing and it is even easier than PayPal to pay electronically in this manner. It just ends in a printed check being mailed to us for free by your bank. Several members already use this method.

ONGOING PANDEMIC: SEEKING THE TRUTH ABOUT THE VACCINE

This is your Vice-President/Editor, Patty. Vaccines are here and many Americans are being vaccinated. Please sign up for your vaccine as soon as possible. There are many people out there who are skeptical about getting it. There is no reason you can't get this vaccine.

I work at a hospital on an all Covid unit, and I have spoken with many doctors, nurses, and pharmacists. I was extremely skeptical in the beginning, but I have since changed my thinking after learning the proper and correct information about it. There are so many bad comments and wrong information out there on social media, television, and simply word of mouth. You should never listen to just one source, and believe it. You need to investigate it for yourself at the correct resources.

I think as humans, we tend to believe what our friends say without checking it out. Information can be altered when being passed along from one person to another. I implore you to get the FACTS about it. I have personally watched numerous people sick with Covid-19 at work, and literally watch them die before my eyes. I prayed to God to help me make the right choice about getting the vaccine. I got my answer from seeing nurses and aides who got the



virus, survived, but months later, came back with really bad lifelong side effects that will never go away. I'm talking about heart, lung, and kidney problems. The biggest was neurological a/k/a brain problems. A 25 year old energetic aide on my floor got Covid-19 a year ago when it broke out, and was out of work over 2 months. When she came back, she was so physically exhausted. She never regained the energy that she had before the virus, and months later, she told me that she now has severe memory issues. She can't remember events or close people in her life. This is permanent. After this, I decided to get the vaccine. I'd rather have some side effects from the vaccine than to have permanent issues from having it, or die from it. The only way we can eradicate this virus permanently is for ALL people to be vaccinated. If you need the truth about it, call a hospital, clinic, or talk to a doctor.

GARAGE SALE DATES ANNOUNCED

Our annual garage sale will be on Thursday June 17, Friday June 18, and Saturday June 19, 2021. A garage sale is a great way to clean up your house and make money by letting someone else buy your treasures.

Your Homeowners Association hosts a community garage sale each year and any Hill Valley resident is welcome to participate. The board will post signs at our usual areas: Stop 11 Road and East Hill Valley Drive; Meridian/SR135 and West Hill Valley Drive; County Line Road and Royal Meadow Drive, and Meridian/SR135 and East Hill Valley Drive. We also provide a map with the participants' addresses that will be accessible at each of the entrances.

If you would like to participate, and be included on our map this year, please contact Patty Graff at (317) 331-1481. The deadline will be Sunday June 13th. These maps will only include your address with a "star"



symbol to help potential buyers to find you in the neighborhood. We will advertise the sale in The Southside Times. Any other questions, please feel free to contact either Patty or any other board member.

2021 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. **Due to the Global Pandemic, we are uncertain of meeting places. We will pass along information as we know what is happening.** 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 2021 are:**

			April 19	May 17	June 21
July 19	August 16	September 20	October 18	November 15	December (TBA)

*****The 2021 Annual Meeting will be Monday, October 18, 2021. The location will be determined closer to the event due to the Global Pandemic.***

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

City of Indianapolis Department of Public Works Notice for April 14, 2021

The City of Indianapolis' Department of Public Works (DPW) will hold a virtual public meeting on Wednesday, April 14, 2021 at 6 p.m. EST. The purpose of this meeting is to offer area residents, stakeholders and other interested persons an opportunity to **learn more about DPW's South County Line Road Project** (Des. No. 2002553). The intent of the project is to improve safety, mobility and operational efficiency along the County Line corridor **between SR 37 and SR 135**. The project includes added travel lanes in both directions and a continuous center turn lane from I-69 to SR 135. Pedestrian mobility along the corridor will improve with the addition of a new 10-foot wide trail on the north side and a new 6-foot-wide sidewalk on the south side of the roadway.

This meeting will be held via WebEx virtual conferencing and no in-person attendance will take place. To attend the meeting, go to <https://bit.ly/3vDxpV9>. The event password is: CountyLineRd*21. Participants may also join by phone by calling (855) 797-9485. The access code is: 131 281 6843. This meeting will be covered live on Indianapolis Government Channel 16 on the following cable providers and channels: X-Finity Channel 16, Spectrum Channel 340 and AT&T Channel 99. The meeting can also be viewed via Livestream at: https://indianapolis.granicus.com/player/camera/5?publish_id=4&redirect=true.

The public can also request a link to the meeting by emailing kescott@hntb.com, or scan the QR code to access a link to the live event.



Participants are encouraged to submit questions and comments ahead of the meeting by email to kescott@hntb.com with the subject "County Line Road Project." The public will be able to submit comments and questions during the meeting via the WebEx chat function or by email to kescott@hntb.com, both of which will be monitored by the project team during the event.

Meeting comments will continue to be accepted via email through May 3, 2021.

Persons with limited internet access may request project information be mailed to them. Please contact Kelly Scott at kescott@HNTB.com or (317) 636-4682 for information.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), accessibility assistance will be provided. If a need exists for ADA accommodations, please contact Kelly Scott at kescott@HNTB.com or (317) 636-4682 no later than Friday, April 9 at 4 p.m. EST.

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:

Becky Brinker-Rankin - *Event Rental Facility* - German Park: rental for weddings, reunions, business meetings, etc.

Call: 317-885-0283, email beckyparklady@outlook.com or visit the website at www.germanparkindy.org

Michelle Butts - *Real Estate* - Assisting Buyers & Sellers since 2000 - "No BUTTS About It!" Call Michelle with Re/Max, direct: 317-509-8516 or send an email to: michellerbutts@gmail.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. Located at: 3501 Bluff Road.

Donna Christie - *Notary Public* - Mobile Notary Service, travel throughout the local area. Bookkeeping for small businesses. Call: 317-373-4370 or Email: dmc.notarysvcs@gmail.com

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 www.dotsbeads.net. Come see the craft room!

Colin Koons - *Family Law Lawyer* - Custody, Divorce, Parenting Time, Child Support, Guardianship, Adoption. Contact Colin at: 317-721-8044 or email at: colin.koons@cox-koons.com.

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 - *Professional Alterations* - 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

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.

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

Judith Villegas – *Certified Healing Touch Practitioner* – Formerly at St. Francis hospital pain clinic and spine center. Please call or text: 317-413-8692. Address: 8332 Parish Lane. Website: www.healingtouchprogram.com.

Staci Von Horten – *Real Estate* – Here to help you when you are ready to sell or ready to buy, or both! Call: 317-645-8121 or email: staciavh@gmail.com.

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

2021 HILL VALLEY HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD

Bonnie Warrick	President	Royal Meadow Drive	(317) 881-2216
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HVHA Membership - 2021

It's Important to You and Your Community!!

A \$45 Membership in HVHA provides:

Have you already submitted your dues for this year?

You can look at the first line of the label or go to

http://www.hillvalley.org/resources/Web_Mem_Post.pdf to verify your status.

- **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 in June
 - Website - www.hillvalley.org
 - Annual Meeting of Members on October 18th
- **NEIGHBORHOOD BEAUTIFICATION** – Holiday decorations contest

FOOD, BEVERAGES AND FAMILY FUN - A meal and recreation for all members and their families is included in your dues at our **Annual Summer Social** at German Park on August 6th

DUES FOR 2020 ARE \$45.00 AND ARE DUE ON April 30, 2020. 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 to the address below.

HVHA, P.O. Box 17441, Indianapolis, IN 46217

Please Cut Here

Name _____

Street Address _____ Zip Code _____

E-Mail Address _____
(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT NEATLY)

Telephone # _____

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 DO NOT SEND CASH*****

PLEASE REMIT PAYMENT BY: April 30, 2021

In order to receive a ticket to the Summer Social (picnic)