

# HILL VALLEY

January 2021



# HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

[www.hillvalley.org](http://www.hillvalley.org)

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## ***MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT***

Dear Hill Valley Residents:

In October, our big concern was the 5G poles to be installed in Hill Valley. Most of you know by now that Verizon has withdrawn their petitions for both East and West Hill Valley. Therefore, the 5G pole placement is over for now. However, it doesn't mean it's totally over as they can re-apply at any time. I want to thank Pat Rooney for his assistance in this matter. I know he spent a lot of time on this issue.

In November, one of our residents called to report a smash and grab incident at his residence in West Hill Valley. Someone broke into his work truck parked in his driveway. They busted out the back window taking his BB gun, and leaving broken glass all over his driveway. He wanted me to mention this as a reminder that these things do happen, even in nice neighborhoods.

January is our membership support month. On a separate sheet, you'll find our membership form for you to fill out and return with your annual payment. Our dues will remain the same, at \$45.00 per year. Thank you for your loyalty and consideration.

As always, please call any board members if you have any questions, concerns, or comments.

Sincerely,  
Bonnie Warrick  
President HVHA

## ***ONGOING PANDEMIC: UPLIFTING ONE ANOTHER AND STAYING POSITIVE***

This is your Vice-President/Editor, Patty. I feel compelled to add an article in each newsletter in order to comfort and reassure our neighborhood family that we are all in this thing TOGETHER! At times, you may feel all alone, but you are not. In these so unpredictable times that we are living in, it is even more important to send out a message of hope, love, and inspiration to everyone. This pandemic is something that none of us have ever experienced because this virus is brand new and no one knew anything about it until it actually hit us, and now it's all a learning process of how to treat, understand, and fight against it. We need each other to keep moving forward, and staying safe. I can't implore you enough to please do the following, and do it repeatedly: wear a mask, practicing social distancing, wash your hands for at least 20 seconds after touching surfaces, people, or anything, avoid large gatherings, and sanitize frequently. I know a great number of people are up in arms about wearing a mask. Please, please, wear the mask for those people around you who are extremely vulnerable due to their health. You are protecting those people, in addition to yourself. Even if you feel ok and well, please wear the mask. You could be asymptomatic which means that although you may feel well, and have no symptoms, you could be carrying Covid and not know it, and pass the virus to someone who is compromised. If we could just get every human being to wear a mask, we could STOP the spread of Covid. Currently, our case numbers are at the highest since it began, and sadly, our death numbers continue to soar in high numbers. I work at a hospital and on a daily basis, I watch people of all AGES die right before my eyes. This virus suffocates you until you can't breathe anymore. Many of these people were in good health, yet, Covid took them out. Covid has no mercy, and knows no boundaries. Please, I implore you all, to please stay home if at all possible, continue to practice safe hygiene habits, and keep up with the current information about the virus. If you are homebound, in isolation, or whatever reason that prevents you from being able to get groceries or medication, please reach out to your next door neighbor, or any neighbor near you to ask for help. We must help each other through this. Please continue to pray for our all frontline workers, families, friends, neighbors, communities, our military, our country, and our world!



## ***MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD***

Happy 2021! We hope you all had a delightful Holiday and a Happy New Year. It's again that time of year to keep your cars and other vehicles off the street when there is snow forecasted so the snowplows can get through. Also, keep your storm drains open. Leaves and debris keep the snow melt from draining and cause ice patches on the streets. Thanks to all of you for your support this past year. It is now time to renew your support—our envelope is enclosed.

## **CHRISTMAS LIGHT CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED**

We want you all to know how much we enjoyed driving around and looking at all the beautiful light displays in our neighborhood this year. In these uncertain times, looking at your holiday decorations really helped so much. Thank you for your participation and holiday spirit! Congratulations to the following residents:

### **WEST HILL VALLEY (North):**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: 8314 Woodbine Drive  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: 425 W. Hill Valley Drive  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: 8138 Burn Court

### **WEST HILL VALLEY (South):**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: 533 Mellowood Drive  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: 8110 Jeff Road  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: 824 Mellowood Drive

### **EAST HILL VALLEY:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: 8206 S. Talbott Street  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: 8214 S. Delaware Street  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: 8140 Valley Estates Drive

## **LIVE CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL**

You may drop off live trees at eight different locations now through Sunday, January 31, 2021.

Trees must be free of ornaments, tinsel, tree stands and all other decorative materials. Trees should be dropped off only at the specially designated area within the park, and only between dawn and dusk.

### **Drop-off locations are as follows:**

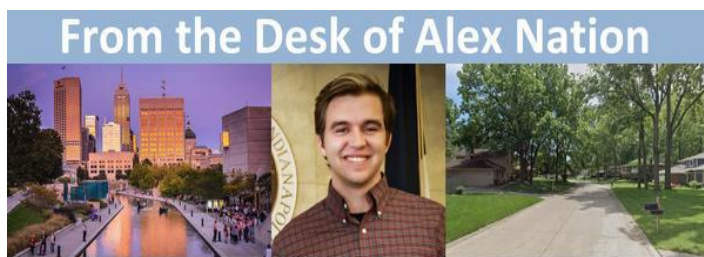


- Broad Ripple Park (1610 Broad Ripple Avenue)
- Ellenberger Park (5301 East St. Clair Street)
- **Garfield Park (2432 Conservatory Drive)**
- Krannert Park (605 South High School Road)
- Northwestway Park (5253 West 62nd Street)
- **Perry Park (451 East Stop 11 Road)**
- Riverside Park (2420 East Riverside Drive)
- Sahm Park (6801 East 91st Street)

The Indianapolis live tree recycling service recycles trees for sustainable landscaping resources, such as mulch and soil blends. Last year 7,234 Christmas trees were chipped by Park Maintenance.

## **MEET OUR NEW MAYOR'S NEIGHBORHOOD ADVOCATE!**

My name is Alex Nation, and I want to take this moment to introduce myself to you as the new Mayor's Neighborhood Advocate for Area 3. I am honored & grateful for the opportunity to continue serving the city. I look forward to developing relationships and gaining a deeper understanding of the specific needs of your community. I am a lifelong Indy native. I attended North Central High School and graduated from Indiana University-Bloomington with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science. Over the past three and a half years, I have worked for the City of Indianapolis, first with the Mayor's Action Center as a Customer Service Representative, and then the Mayor's Office as an Administrative Assistant. I believe that these roles have put me in a position to effectively serve your community.



## **SNOW REMOVAL**

Did you know that your Hill Valley Homeowners Association is responsible for plowing snow from the streets in our neighborhood except for the loop on Rahke Road, West Hill Valley Drive between Rahke Road and Meridian Street, East Hill Valley Drive, and East Street from East Hill Valley Drive to Stop 11 Road? No tax dollars are spent, and the city is not responsible for plowing our neighborhood streets. We hire private companies to plow our streets. While we have had only a one snow over three inches last year, some in the past were unbelievable. If there is snow forecast, please park your vehicles in your driveway. Parking in the driveway speeds up the plowing so our streets are open faster and it keeps you from getting your vehicle plowed in on the side of the street. Courts are always a problem because the streets have to be plowed first. Then the trucks have to find a place to stash the court snow without blocking the street or the driveways. [DPW Snow Plowing Information.](#)



## **OPPORTUNITIES TO VOLUNTEER WITH YOUR HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION**



**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). If you are interested in participating, you may be appointed to the board at any board meeting.

**Membership Chairman** – this person would ideally be 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 Picnic (only paid members get an invitation) and keeping the board informed of our membership progress throughout the year. You will be using MS Access to maintain the database and continuing instruction will be provided.

## **2021 MEMBERSHIP**

We invite all residents, owners or renters, to join the Hill Valley Homeowners Association for the New Year. Among voluntary homeowners' associations, we are highly respected as one of the largest in Central Indiana and one of the most effective. Enclosed is a flyer with the 2021 membership information and a coupon to be returned with your payment in the enclosed envelope.

## **WHO ARE OUR CHIN NEIGHBORS?**

They are not much different from our own ancestors. They are strange to us because we cannot communicate with them well, if at all. Have you considered how strange we are to them? The Chin are a peace-loving people who have found freedom in a new country.

Thousands of Chin have escaped the persecution and death that was their fate in Burma, or as it is now known as the Republic of the Union of Myanmar. The Asian country shares borders with Thailand, Bangladesh, India, and China. The Burmese Military, Junta, has been asked to respect just the basic human rights but to no avail. The Chin are generally from the West side of Burma, from the State of Chin and have an agricultural background.

We want to welcome the Chin and others from the Burmese area to Indianapolis, and especially to Hill Valley. Most of the Chin population is Christian with a minority worshipping Buddha. My church home is Friedens UCC and it has celebrated over 100 years in existence. The original name was Deutches Evangelische Friedens Kirche and the original sermons were in German. Is there really a difference between us and the Chin?



## **COYOTES ADJUST TO LANDSCAPE-INCLUDING URBAN AREAS**

Urban conflicts are focused on attacks on pets and concerns for safety. Coyotes are native to Indiana and reports of coyotes began to increase in the 1970s. They have adjusted to the landscape changes and now are common in all Indiana counties, including the Hill Valley area. For most, the sight of a coyote is new and little is known about how to live with this species. The DNR has a full list of tips to minimize conflicts with coyotes. **Prevention and Control:**

- Feed pets indoors and pick up leftovers if feeding outdoors
- Eliminate water bowls and other artificial water sources (if possible)
- Position bird feeders in a location that is less likely to attract small animals or bring the feeders in at night (to keep coyotes from feeding on the bird food or the other animals)
- Do not discard edible garbage where coyotes can get to it
- Trim and clean shrubbery near ground level to reduce hiding cover for coyotes or their prey
- Do not allow pets to run free
- If you start seeing coyotes around your home, discourage them by shouting, making loud noises or throwing rocks but NEVER corner a coyote – always give the coyote a free escape route.



***\*\*For more information go to <http://www.in.gov/dnr/fishwild/5688.htm>***



## **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:**

January 18	February 15	March 15	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.***

## **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](mailto:beckyparklady@outlook.com) or visit the website at [www.germanparkindy.org](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:dmc.notarysvcs@gmail.com)

**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 [www.dotsbeads.net](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://thomasvicklaw.org) and/or e-mail at [thomas@thomasvicklaw.org](mailto:thomas@thomasvicklaw.org)

**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](mailto:simon13@sbcglobal.net).

## **2020 HILL VALLEY HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD**

Bonnie Warrick	President	Royal Meadow Drive	(317) 881-2216
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Alex Nation	Mayor's Liaison	Shelby Street	(317) 429-7807
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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? You can go to

[http://www.hillvalley.org/resources/Web Mem Post.pdf](http://www.hillvalley.org/resources/Web%20Mem%20Post.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
  - Website - [www.hillvalley.org](http://www.hillvalley.org)
  - Annual Meeting of Members in October
- **NEIGHBORHOOD BEAUTIFICATION** – Holiday decorations contest; Entrance Island Maintenance
- **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 6, 2021.

**DUES FOR 2021: \$45.00 AND ARE DUE ON MARCH 31, 2021.** 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:

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

*Please Cut Here*

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_ Check Date \_\_\_\_\_

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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 DO NOT SEND CASH \*\*\***

**PLEASE REMIT PAYMENT BY MARCH 31, 2021**