

HILL VALLEY

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HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

www.hillvalley.org

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Hill Valley Residents:

Good news for the residents on Fabyan Road! DPW started work on this project March 31st. On Monday April 3rd, they completed the work with the drainage pipe in the yard. They will have more repairs with the drainage pipe under the street. We don't have a timeframe as yet. It is so nice to drive by without the high water covering the street. We want to thank Anna, from DPW for her assistance.

In the last few months, I've had several calls from residents regarding their neighbors having chickens in their backyards. The most common complaint is the noise. Here is the Marion County code, which was put in place on January 11, 2012:

CHICKENS, QUAIL, PIGEONS, AND DUCKS:

Section 743-306 - Accessory and temporary uses; W - Personal livestock, and in ***Table 743-306-3 - Permitted Personal Livestock***. This code states that a resident may have up to 12 chickens and 1 rooster. Roosters must be kept in an enclosed coop or similar fully-enclosed structure, from dawn until dusk. Another complaint is dilapidated chicken coops with plastic over the openings flapping in the wind. Outside exercise area and pasture must be fenced. Pen, shelter, coop, roost, hutch, or other shelter for animals CANNOT be located in a front yard and must meet setbacks required in the District. Animals must at all times be confined to the lot. Clean water must at all times be present and available for the animals. Feed must be animal-appropriate and stored in such a manner as to prohibit contamination by moisture, mold, and insects and to restrict access by rodents. Odors from the animals or from animal waste must not be discernible at any property line. Waste must be collected and removed or composted regularly. If a resident wishes to have more than 12 chickens, they must get a personal livestock license, otherwise, no permit is needed if resident has only 12 chickens.



Just to clarify, it is legal to have chickens in your backyard in Marion County. Please follow the city guidelines. Please be respectful of your neighbors.

Thank you for your ongoing support! We appreciate it! As always, please call me or any board member if you have any questions, concerns, or comments.

Sincerely,
Bonnie Warrick, HVHA President

PLEASE HELP SAVE OUR ORGANIZATION: SOME FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Over the last five or six years, there has been a gradual downward slide in the number of homes choosing to join our voluntary homeowners association. Since we are one of the LAST voluntary associations, we are unable to place a lien on your property for nonpayment of dues. And if you would check with friends living in other subdivisions, our \$45 per YEAR is just a drop in the bucket for what others are paying on a MONTHLY basis. All this being said, we will now get to the problem looming ahead.

As stated, we are a VOLUNTARY organization, but we do have By-Laws that we strictly adhere to. And there is a stipulation that if membership falls below a certain percentage, we must disband. Should that happen, regardless of the amount of snow, only the streets on direct runs to the area schools would be plowed by the city as they are even today. For any other plowing, it would be up to each individual to hire and pay for any plowing they wish to have done. There also would be no "Bonnie" to call with your problems.

Should you attend a monthly meeting which are held on the third Monday of every month at 7:00 pm at St. Barnabas Church, you would be surprised at how many calls Bonnie receives each month, and in which she then contacts the proper person in our local Government to find your answers! As they say, "The ball is now in your court!" You can step up by paying your \$45 to this organization going or contribute to its demise.

The choice is yours, please think about it.



SAVE THE DATE FOR THE HVHA ANNUAL PICNIC

Mark your calendars now! We are pleased and excited to announce this year's annual Hill Valley Picnic/Social which will be held on Friday August 4, 2023, in German Park. More info will be available on our website as the event gets closer, and be sure to look for more details in our July newsletter. Keep your eyes out for it! Looking forward to having record attendance!



MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

Happy Spring to Hill Valley! We hope you all are preparing for spring, and getting out in your yards to plant grass seed, flowers, etc. Also, as a reminder, please keep your storm drains open. Leaves and debris can easily clog the storm drains causing excessive water or flooding and keep the melting snow 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 membership (homeowners AND renters) by supporting your neighborhood association.

Please complete the dues request form (the last page this newsletter) and send in your annual dues today if you haven't done so already (please check the website, [click here](#) to see if you are current)!

2023 ANNUAL GARAGE SALE DATES ANNOUNCED

This year's annual garage sale will be held from Thursday June 22 through Saturday June 24, 2023. 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; you do not have to be a member in order to participate. The board will post signs at our usual areas:

***Stop 11 Road and East Street
Meridian/SR135 and West Hill Valley Drive
County Line Road and Royal Meadow Drive
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 either by text or voicemail. The deadline will be Sunday June 9th. These maps will only include your address with a "star" symbol to help potential buyers to find you in the neighborhood; no other personal information will be included on the maps. We will advertise the sale in The Southside Times. Any other questions, please feel free to contact either Patty or any other board member. Start your spring cleaning now!

POT HOLES IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

It's that time of year when our roads form multiple potholes due to the weather and chemicals used. If you see a pothole, or unfortunately hit one, you can report them to the Mayor's Action Center. There are various ways to report them. You can call (317) 327-4622; or go on the "Request Indy" app on your smart phone; or go to the website: www.indy.gov/activity/report-potholes. Don't think to yourself that "someone else" has reported it because it's most likely that no one has. It's always good to report them just in case no one else has, and the more complaints they receive, the more likely they will get them fixed quicker. We have found that if you send more than one request for a particular pothole, it seems to get addressed quicker.



ARE YOU NEW IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD?

We are extremely elated to have new residents moving into our neighborhood! We strive to canvas around to meet our new residents when we are able. We want all our new residents to know how happy we are to have you join our neighborhood "family." We have contact information on some of you, but it is incomplete. If you could please contact Charlie Eldridge either at (317) 881-2718, or by email, at hillvalleyindy@gmail.com, to provide us with your information, it will help us to complete all of your necessary info. We are deeply pleased to have all of you here in Hill Valley!



OPPORTUNITIES TO VOLUNTEER WITH YOUR HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

VOLUNTEER
you can make a difference!

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 317-691-3624 and 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 4, 2023.

Newsletter Assembly– We always seem to need help assembling our quarterly newsletter. (4 times a year in the months of January, April, July, and October)

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 will be elected at the October Annual Meeting. (One meeting a month on the 3rd Monday of the month)

2023 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.

There are instances when we may have to meet in other areas. We will notify you if the meeting place changes prior to a meeting. 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 2023 are:

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

*****The 2023 Annual Meeting will be Monday, October 16, 2023. The location will be determined closer to the event due to last-minute circumstances.***

CHANGING DUE DATES?

We had a due date of March 31st with the January Newsletter and now the due date is May 31st . . . why does it keep changing?

We would like the dues to be made early to keep from having a lot of posting at the last minute. That makes January and February very busy months for posting your dues and updating your membership. When we issue the April Newsletter, we change the due date to the end of May to get ready for the July Newsletter that will have the ticket for the Summer Social (picnic) in the first week of August. The deadline for getting your dues paid in time to get the Summer Social ticket included with the July Newsletter will be about the end of June. Therefore, June 30th is the hardline must have the dues paid by date!



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 is 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

Jenna Elias - *Notary Services* – Notary Public, offers mobile services. Call: (317) 767-5551 or email at:

JENotarypublic@gmail.com.

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).

Suzanne Roell-Carlson - *Real Estate Services* – Call or text Suzanne at Smart Choice Realtors at 317-506-2530 or email at suzold@aol.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.

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.

2023 HILL VALLEY HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD

Bonnie Warrick	President	Royal Meadow Drive	(317) 691-3624
Patty Graff	Vice President/Editor	W. Hill Valley Drive	(317) 331-1481
Paulette Clay	Secretary	Meadowridge Lane	(317) 372-8430
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Charlie Eldridge	Member Liaison	Grassy Lane	(317) 370-3444
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John Bleier	Member	Lockwood Lane	(317) 881-3266
Steve Sullivan	Member	W. Hill Valley Drive	(317) 885-7533
Alex Nation	Mayor's Liaison	Shelby Street	(317) 429-7807
Paul Annee	City County Council	Washington Street	(317) 523-5056

HVHA Membership - 2023

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> 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: **June 15-17, 2023**
 - Website - 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 4, 2023.

Have you already submitted your dues for this year?

Please go to

<http://www.hillvalley.org/resources/Web Mem Post.pdf> to verify your status.

DUES FOR 2023: \$45.00 AND ARE DUE ON MAY 31, 2023. 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 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 *****