# HILL VALLEY

January 2023



# HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

www.hillvalley.org Editor: Patty Graff

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Hill Valley Residents:

As most of you have noticed, a vehicle slid on the snow ice mix on Christmas Eve running right over the West Island sign, thus destroying it into pieces. We are working with the insurance company to have it replaced. I'm hoping it won't be too long before we have a new sign in place.

This accident happened during the extreme cold experienced prior to Christmas. Fortunately, we only had 2 inches of snow. As a reminder, we have the streets plowed when there is 3 inches of snow. If your street is missed during the next snowfall, please call me at: (317) 691-3624, and I will get our snow contractor back to clear your street.

We have listed the Christmas Lights winners for 2022. There were many beautiful displays that were contenders. A high number of these addresses were not members. Please remember if you are a member you could win a nice prize for your display. Enclosed in this newsletter is our January membership form. Our dues remain at \$45.00 for the year. Please fill out the separate form included in this newsletter. We have added an mailing envelope for your convenience.

Thank you for your ongoing support! We appreciate it!

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

Sincerely, Bonnie Warrick President, HVHA

## 2022 CHRISTMAS LIGHT CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The board enjoyed driving through the neighborhood looking at the Christmas lights on display. It seemed like there were less participating residents this year. Needless to say, we want to give a huge thank you to those of you who went through the time, effort, and sweat to decorate your homes. I noticed a few homes that were very noticeable of the hard work that was put in to decorating. Thank you so much! I've always loved Christmas and putting lights out as well as driving around with my children back in the day to look at the beautiful displays in our neighborhood. Thank you again for all you did to bring the spirit of Christmas to Hill Valley Estates!

# Congratulations to the following residents

529 W. Hill Valley Drive 303 Narcissus Drive 8138 Burn Court

# SECOND PLACE

555 Mellowood Drive 108 E. Valley View Drive 8220 Bishops Lane

# THIRD PLACE

643 Mellowood Drive 8206 Talbot Avenue

8840 Royal Meadow Drive

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

Happy 2023! 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 forecast 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 (owners and renters). For your convenience, our pre-addressed envelope is enclosed. Be aware, some have paid ahead of 2023 but you can tell by looking at the newsletter label.

## CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLE LOCATIONS

Marion County residents are encouraged to dispose of real Christmas trees at one of the city's drop-off locations now through Tuesday, January 31, 2022. *Dropping off trees at locations that are NOT listed below is considered ILLEGAL DUMPING and is punishable by fines of up to \$3000*. Trees must be free of ornaments, tinsel, tree stands and all other decorative materials. These trees are mulched into various soil blends by GreenCycle.

Trees should be dropped off only at the specially designated area within the park, and only between dawn and dusk. This drop off service is provided for **Marion County Residents ONLY** and is not offered for commercial use.

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

- Ellenberger Park (5301 East St. Clair Street), Northeast corner by the pool
- Garfield Park (2432 Conservatory Drive), near MacAllister Amphitheater
- Northwestway Park (5253 West 62nd Street), to the left of the entrance
- Perry Park (451 East Stop 11 Road), to the left of the Stop 11 main entrance
- Riverside Park (2420 East Riverside Drive), by the basketball court
- Sahm Park (6801 East 91st Street), near the recycling bins
- Riverwood Park (7201 Crittenden Avenue)



The Indianapolis live tree recycling service recycles trees for sustainable landscaping resources, sucn as mulch and soil blends. Last year 6,896 Christmas trees were chipped by Park Maintenance.

Do not burn your tree in the fireplace or a wood stove. The resulting creosote buildup can possibly ignite and cause a house fire

### **NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS FROM YOUR BOARD**

Happy New Year from your Hill Valley Board of Directors! Hopefully you each had a safe and fun New Year. Beginning a new year gives us all a chance to regroup and make resolutions of things we all hope to do or change for the new year. We wish you the best in the coming new year and will continue to serve our neighborhood and community. Please remember to check in on your neighbors especially during the winter. We have a large elderly and disabled population in Hill Valley, so please reach out to them occasionally to let them know you are available to lend them a hand if needed. They will be so appreciative.

#### POT HOLES IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD



It's that time of year when our roads form multiple pot holes due to the weather and chemicals used. If you see a pot hole, 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: <a href="www.indy.gov/activity/report-potholes">www.indy.gov/activity/report-potholes</a>. 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 incase no one else has, and the more complaints they receive, the more likely they will get them fixed quicker.

## 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 <a href="http://www.in.gov/dnr/fishwild/5688.htm">http://www.in.gov/dnr/fishwild/5688.htm</a>

## ARE YOU A CHIN AMERICAN IN HILL VALLEY??

HVHA needs a board member that would represent the Chin Community in our neighborhood. This would help us to understand each other's culture and background. Interested? Please call Bonnie Warrick at 317-881-2216. Thank you!

### GARAGE SALE DATES ANNOUNCED EARLY



Many residents have been asking about our Hill Valley Homeowner's Association annual garage sale dates for 2023. It will begin on Thursday June 15, and go through Saturday June 17. We will have more details later in the year.



#### TRASH CONTAINER PLACEMENT

We have seen several malplaced trash containers. Trash containers should be placed 2-3 feet away from the curb with the arrows facing the street. Keep the cart at least 5 feet away from all objects such as the mailbox and don't park close. The trash truck has to be able to get close enough to get the pickup arm to the trash container.



For homeowners who meet ADA requirements or have special needs and cannot use a 96 gallon cart, smaller carts will be available. With ADA trash collection services a walk-up service will be provided if a resident meets the requirements and needs assistance moving their cart. Please contact the Mayor's Action Center at (317) 327-4622 if you require this service.

#### **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. **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 2023 are:** 

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

<sup>\*\*</sup>The 2023 Annual Meeting will be Monday, October 16, 2023. The location will be determined closer to the event due to last minute circumstances.

# **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
Ceil Woodard	Treasurer	Lockwood Lane	(317) 881-7464
Charlie Eldridge	Member Liaison	Grassy Lane	(317) 370-3444
Dave Richie	Webmaster	Mellowood Drive	(317) 517-2155
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

#### **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: <a href="mailto:michellerbutts@gmail.com">michellerbutts@gmail.com</a>

**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

**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 - Ouilts** - 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.

# **HVHA Membership – 2023**

# 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: **June 15-18, 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 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 MARCH 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

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