

# HILL VALLEY

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# HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

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

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## **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

*Dear Hill Valley Residents:*

The board has received several complaints regarding speeding in West Hill Valley. Residents on Mellowood Drive and Maple View Drive have reported drivers speeding, in some cases, driving through their yards. A report was submitted to our local police department. The police were notified and they have been patrolling West Hill Valley Drive watching for speeders. You may want to slow down as you go down the street. Please respect your neighbors and slow down. The safety of our residents and their children are a tremendous concern as well.

We have also had several reports of vandalism. A home was spray painted with black paint. This homeowner had just had new siding replaced last year. Their mailbox was also blown up. Another neighbor reported their car stolen. Please keep your porch lights on at night and your car doors locked at all times even if you are parked in your own driveway.

On a positive note, the HVHA annual picnic will be held Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup> at German Park. All residents who have paid their membership dues are welcome to attend. Please bring your orange ticket that is enclosed in this newsletter. You may also pay your membership dues at the gate for entrance. There will be fun activities for all ages. This is our special event for all residents to get acquainted with their neighbors and enjoy delicious food!

Thank you for your ongoing support! Please let us know if you have any issues or concerns. You may bring your issues or concerns to our monthly meeting which is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at St. Barnabas beginning at 7:30. I do appreciate all of you who have called to let us know what is happening around you. We can't solve everything, but we can let try to find the answers together as well as letting you all know what is going on in your neighborhood.

*Sincerely,*

*Bonnie Warrick, President HVHA*

## **MESSAGE FROM OUR CHIN REPRESENTATIVE (written in Chin and in English)**

Our Chin Representative is out of the country at this time; therefore, we will not have a message for the Chin neighbors in this newsletter. We are sorry for any inconvenience.

## **ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER AND UPDATES**

Please save your Hill Valley Homeowners Association some postage by agreeing to receive the HVHA Newsletter and periodic updates via email. Please send an email with your name, street address, and the email address(es) where you would like the newsletter sent. Send your email address to [HillValleyIndy@gmail.com](mailto:HillValleyIndy@gmail.com) and you will no longer get the newsletter via the United States Postal Service. Instead, you will receive it in your email inbox. You may have multiple email recipients (home, work, spouse, etc.) and you do not have to be a member to sign up. You can go to our website to view past newsletters that have been archived and posted.

## **SPEEDING IN WEST HILL VALLEY**



As Bonnie stated above, we continue to have multiple issues with speeding in West Hill Valley. The 3-way stop sign at West Hill Valley Drive and Lockwood Lane has helped somewhat to slow the continual speed demons that race through our neighborhood thinking they are the only people on the road and that our street is a RACE TRACK! PLEASE refrain from racing down West Hill Valley and please observe the 3-way stop sign by stopping. Not slowing down, but STOPPING! We need to protect our neighborhood residents and ensure their safety. We have contacted IMPD to assist us with this ongoing and dangerous act. We want to be known as a safe and happy place

to live on the southside of Indianapolis. Let's work together to make Hill Valley one of the best places to live in Indianapolis!

## **PERRY MERIDIAN HIGH SCHOOL ISSUES**

We recently had a meeting with Perry Meridian High School regarding the music (noise) and the lighting around the athletic field and tennis courts. Assurances were given to us that the tennis court lights will be turned off by 10:00 pm and also that consideration will be given before and after various athletic events. You might want to get some earplugs for the actual events. The grand opening will be on August 18<sup>th</sup>.



## **DOES MY DOG HAVE TO BE ON A LEASH IN PUBLIC?**

**Does a dog have to be on a leash in public in Indianapolis? Are there laws about dogs being off-leash in parks or neighborhoods?** (There are a lot of links below if you are interested in reading the city ordinances on the subject.)



These are great questions surrounded by some confusion. In Indianapolis, IN, "[Animals](#)" section offers guidance. Sec. 531-102 states that **animals at large are prohibited**, with various penalties depending on the circumstances. What does "at large" mean? Sec. 531-101 explains that "At large means not confined without means of escape of any portion of the animal's body in a pen, corral, yard, cage, house, vehicle or other secure enclosure, unless on a leash **and** under the control of a competent human being."

What does "under control" mean? The definition of an animal being "monitored" in [Sec. 531-101](#) goes on to offer a bit more help: "*Monitored* means that the animal is controlled by means of a leash or other device held by a competent person, subject to the provisions of sections [531-401](#) and [531-728](#), which animal is sufficiently near the owner or handler as to be under his or her direct control and is obedient to that person's command."

For your dog's safety, the Humane Society of Indianapolis strongly recommends that you keep your dog leashed on walks and while spending time in parks and other public places. Few dogs come to their owners every time when called, and sometimes the lure of a running squirrel or another dog is more attractive than your most heartfelt "Come back, Lassie!" It's also important to note that no matter how friendly your dog is off-leash, other leashed dogs might not take kindly to an impromptu greeting from a free-roaming stranger - and the last thing your dog wants during a walk in the park is a bite on the cheek!

## **NEIGHBORS LOOKING OUT FOR NEIGHBORS**

We cannot emphasize this too much. We truly all need to be aware and vigilant in regards to our surroundings in the neighborhood. Unfortunately, we are living in a world of violence and destruction. There have been quite a few break-ins, vandalism both car and home, mail box blown up, etc. Please look out for your neighbor and call the police immediately if you suspect any foul play. Many of our residents have formed small phone trees within their street(s), and communicate to one another when any type of abnormal behavior arises. If you are interested in learning how to compile or organize such a phone tree, please call one of our HVHA board members and we will gather the information from one of the groups in our neighborhood. Additionally, [NextDoor is a local social media location](#) that provides a lot of information.

## **HILL VALLEY ANNUAL PICNIC APPROACHING**

The HVHA annual picnic will be held Friday, August 4, 2017 at German Park. The gates will open at 5:00 pm and meals begin at 5:30. All residents who have paid their dues are welcome to attend. We especially want to welcome our Chin community. Please note-there are no additional fees as it is free of charge to all members. You may pay membership dues at the entrance gate. There will be many activities for all ages, including pony rides, DJ (music), and fun contests. Please bring your invitation/orange ticket that is enclosed in this newsletter. This is a wonderful way to get to know your neighbors, fellowship with others, and enjoy delicious food! Please plan to attend!

## **MOBILE APPLICATION BECOMING VERY HELPFUL TOOL**

This cell phone application has been a tremendous communication tool to connect with our fellow neighbors about good and bad things occurring in our neighborhood. The app is called NEXTDOOR which is available on your mobile phone. Simply download the app and register. [NextDoor is the free private social network](#) for your neighborhood community. NextDoor is the best way to stay involved and know what is going on in your neighborhood-whether it's finding a last-minute babysitter, posting information about a lost pet, or hearing about a rash of car break-ins. There are so many ways our neighbors can help us. We just need an easier way to connect with them...now we can with NextDoor! Over 135,000 neighborhoods across the country rely on NextDoor to keep them informed. You may join NextDoor by going to the website: [nextdoor.com](#) or by downloading the app on your smart phone.



## **2017 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 2017 are:

July 17	August 21	September 18	October 16	November 20	December (TBA)
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\*\*The 2017 Annual Meeting is Monday, October 16, 2017 and will be held this year at Friedens UCC at 7 p.m.

## **Garfield Park Farmers Market**

Garfield Park Farmers Market is close to Hill Valley for you to enjoy! "Our mission is to support local sustainable farmers and producers while creating a gathering place for community interactions."

**When:** Saturday, July 15, 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (actually, every Saturday through October)

**Where:** 2505 Conservatory Dr. (tennis court parking lot)

## **Movies in the Park: Rogue One**

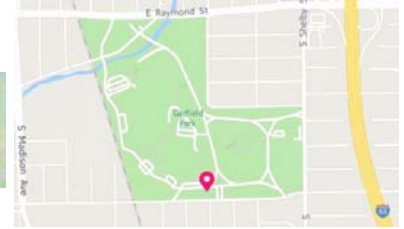


Are you interested in Star Wars?

**This is a free movie**



and it is playing in the Garfield Park Arts Center  
2432 Conservatory Dr, Saturday 10 PM - 12 AM



## **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:

**Statia Baker-Runyan – Real Estate** – Licensed Indiana & Florida Gulf Coast. Contact [statia@sbcglobal.net](mailto:statia@sbcglobal.net) or Call: Community Realty Group at 317-294-2918. Residential and Progressive Care.

**Lisa Brinker - Event Rental Facility** - German Park: rental for weddings, reunions, business meetings, etc. Call: 317-885-0283, email [LisaB8600@hotmail.com](mailto:LisaB8600@hotmail.com) or visit the website at [www.germanparkindy.org](http://www.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: [mbutts@21scheetz.com](mailto:mbutts@21scheetz.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.

**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!

**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](mailto: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.

**Amanda Massey – Real Estate Services** – Southside Specialist with Newkirk Realty (Team Foley). Call 317-727-3053 or email at [amanda@newkirkrealty.net](mailto:amanda@newkirkrealty.net).

**Toby Matherly – Home Computer Assistance** – Get the most out of your home computer! Setup, instruction, child protection. Call: 317-225-0924 or email: [tobmat@gmail.com](mailto:tobmat@gmail.com)

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**Mrs. Nita Norcross, M.S. Ed - Personal Tutoring** - Pre-K to college, all subjects. Email: [profnorcross@gmail.com](mailto:profnorcross@gmail.com)

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**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)

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

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