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Bates Hendricks Neighborhood Association

Bates Hendricks Newsletter

Homeless Prevention Program Based In Bates Hendricks

Do you know someone who is having a hard time paying for their housing? Maybe you know someone who struggles with substance abuse or mental illness? How about someone who is underinsured or uninsured and facing high medical costs? If you answered yes to any of these, you may know someone who is at risk of becoming homeless. Trusted Partners is a homeless prevention program that works to stabilize lives and help people remain housed. This is done by matching volunteer mentors with adults who are at high risk of becoming homeless or formerly homeless. Mentors and mentees commit to building a supportive and trusting relationship over one year. Trusted Partners recruits and trains the mentors, makes the matches, and provides ongoing support throughout the mentoring relationship.

Increased stability in the mentee's life means that they are more likely to remain housed. If someone can remain housed, the odds go up that they will be able to deal with their personal challenges. Having a mentor means that the at-risk person has someone to offer support and encouragement while making positive change in their life. Any of us who have ever made a big change in life or tried to break a bad habit knows that it is much easier when you have a supportive person in your life.



Trusted Partners has grown steadily over its four-year life based at Immanuel United Church of Christ, 402 East Prospect Street. Referrals for mentees come from nine local agencies. Fifty-two mentoring relationships were supported in 2007. Mentors and mentees come from a wide range of backgrounds and circumstances. Their ages range from the youngest mentee who is 18 years old, to our 85 year old mentor. All the participants in Trusted Partners, whether a mentor or mentee, are involved in one-on-one relationships that are working to prevent homelessness in our community.

For more information on Trusted Partners, visit our web site at www.trustedpartnersindy.org or contact Candice at 985-3468 or candice@trustedpartnersindy.org.

State Rep. Jon Elrod at July Meeting

State Representative and Bates Hendricks resident Jon Elrod will be our guest speaker at the July meeting of the Bates Hendricks Neighborhood Association on July 7th at 6:30 p.m. at the Immanuel United Church of Christ at the corner of East and Prospect. Jon will be reviewing the recent legislative session and explaining what new laws will impact our neighborhood positively and negatively. He will also update us on the status of property tax relief.

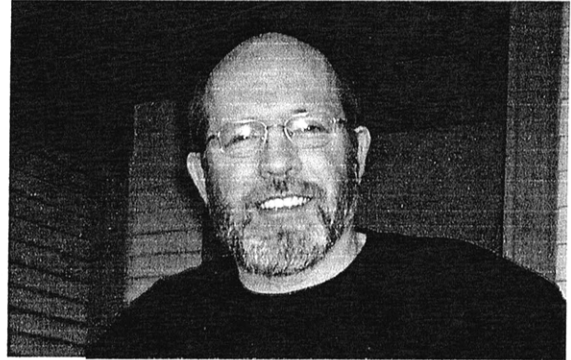
As always, the meeting will also review issues of crime, trash, and neighborhood needs. Candice Monteith of Trusted Partners will also give a short presentation about the homeless program that has been working in our neighborhood the last couple of years. Please join your neighbors as we seek to make Bates Hendricks the next great Indy neighborhood.



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From the President:

Recently, someone asked me, "What are the most important things in improving a neighborhood?" I quickly named several things I've learned over the past couple of years. I thought you might like to hear my answer.



Communication. Having a monthly newsletter has been pivotal to what we've accomplished the past couple of years. A newsletter creates a neighborhood identity and allows us to

promote our issues and concerns. It also allows us to celebrate

our accomplishments. The month we failed to produce a newsletter, our monthly meeting attendance declined by 50%. Thank you for Gail Brown, Greg Allen, Lydia Brasher, and our distributors for making the newsletter work.

Relationships. A strong neighborhood is a neighborhood where people know each other. United we stand, divided we fall. In the past two years, I've become closer to many of my neighbors. Some of you have become dear friends. A strong neighborhood is concerned with more than the exteriors of the houses. It cares about the people who live in them.

Focus. We're all busy people. We can't afford to attend meetings or be part of organizations that have no clear focus. We've tried hard to make certain every meeting has a theme and a purpose. We've attempted to create opportunities for us to work together; planting trees, cleaning alleys, and transforming South New Jersey.

People get excited when they see something happening.

Those were the answers I gave off the top of my head. I think they describe what has been happening in our neighborhood. But, this morning, as I was walking through the neighborhood, I thought of one more vital quality.

Perseverance. The most important commitment in improving a neighborhood is not giving up. When you've called about the trash in the yard next door five times, you call again. When you've cleaned up your alley last month, you clean this month. When you see suspicious behavior, you call the police even if you know they won't get there in time. When the city gives you the run around, you keep running. This is the primary quality in changing a neighborhood. It may be the most important quality in the world.

Winston Churchill was once asked to give the commencement speech at a prestigious college. He gave the shortest and most powerful speech in history. He rose to the podium, glared at the graduates, and said, "Never, never, never give up!" Then he sat down.

The difference between success and failure may simply be that the successful didn't give up.

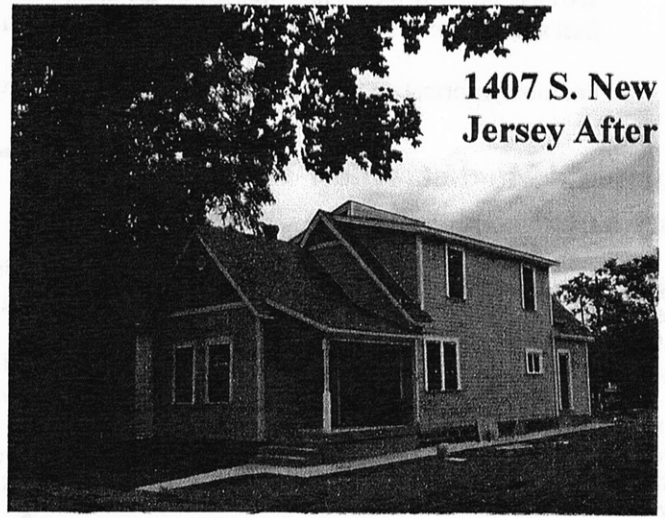
Fab For Less Update

What Has Been Accomplished?

The work on 1407 and 1411 S. New Jersey is nearing completion. Two of the worst houses on the block will soon be two of the best. 1425 S. New Jersey is being remodeled. Ten houses on the street have had interior and exterior work with the most stunning being the façade at Emory Watson's home at 1417 S. New Jersey. Fifteen ornamental trees have been planted in yards.



1407 S. New Jersey Before



1407 S. New Jersey After

What Can Be Anticipated?

Beginning July 1st, the Department of Public Works will remove several trees and begin replacing the sidewalks and curbs on the 1400 and 1500 blocks of S. New Jersey. They will also narrow the esplanade by a foot on each side, widening the street. In early August, four paver circles will be laid on the esplanade, a rock path will be created down the center of the esplanade and several planting beds will be created. Trees will be planted down the length of the esplanade in either August or early fall. The rehabbed houses will be landscaped as well.

How Can I Help?

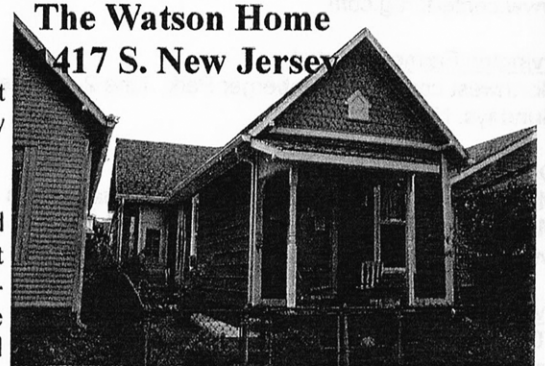
We will need many volunteers during the first three Saturdays of August (August 2nd, 9th and 16th). To volunteer, call Lydia Brasher at 636-0831. Let her know which Saturdays you can help.

So what does this mean to me? It means that being involved works. It means that if you want things to change for the better they can. But only if you are willing to be involved and be positive. It means that by persevering and working together everyone benefits. We owe

1411 S. New Jersey After



The Watson Home 1417 S. New Jersey



SEND and KIBI a lot of thanks for their leadership and vision. We also owe a great deal to our neighbors who have fought long and hard for this transformation. Leadership like this can change an entire neighborhood into a community. We are 75% there. But this is not the time to get lazy. SEND and KIBI will watch who shows up to help on the remaining projects. So if you are sitting back and thinking there is no way this can ever happen to our street, you are right if these organizations do not see you come out in force. If you want to transform your street, roll up your sleeves and pitch-in now when they need you. Where will the next SEND transformation take place? Why not your street!

Bates Hendricks Neighborhood Association

The Bates Hendricks Neighborhood Association will work to improve the quality of life of those living in the neighborhood through efforts to assure safety, to maintain or improve the living environment and to enhance the spirit of cooperation and neighborliness among all residents.

We meet monthly on the first Monday of the month at the Immanuel United Church of Christ at the corner of East and Prospect at 6:30 p.m. Annual dues are \$3 for individuals, \$5 for families, and \$25 for businesses.

For more information or with neighborhood concerns, contact Jim Mulholland at 636-5096.

Farmers' Markets Allow You to Buy Local

Arlington Farm Market

Intersection of S. Arlington and Prospect Streets, June 15-October 31, Monday, Wednesday & Fridays: 3-6 p.m., Saturdays: Noon-3 p.m.

Binford Farmers' Market

Northwest corner of East 62nd St., just north of the Shell Station, Every Saturday, Saturdays: 8 a.m.- Noon
www.BinfordFarmersMarket.com

Broad Ripple Farmers Market

Broad Ripple High School, south parking lot, May 3-October 27, Saturdays: 8 a.m.-Noon
www.broadripplefarmersmarket.com

Farmers' Market at The Barn

Center for Ag Science & Heritage; 1201 E. 38th St., June-October Saturday: 9 a.m.-Noon
www.centerforag.com

Irvington Farmers Market

Northwest corner of Ellenberger Park, June 2-October 14, Sundays: Noon-3 p.m.

Original Farmers Market

Market Street between Delaware & Alabama Streets
May 2-October 31, Wednesdays: 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
www.indianapoliscitymarket.com/fm_general.htm

Waterman's Farm Market

7010 E. Raymond St., May-October, Open daily
www.watermansfarmmarket.com

Blueberry Smoothies

1 cup vanilla ice cream
1 cup fresh or frozen blueberries (do not thaw)
½ cup canned peaches, drained and chopped
½ cup unsweetened pineapple juice
¼ cup low-fat vanilla yogurt

Place all ingredients in a blender. Cover and mix until smooth, about 30-45 seconds. Makes

2

10 oz. servings.

July Calendar

June 4 - Regions Bank Freedom Blast, Downtown Fireworks beginning at 9:47 pm.

July 7 - Bates Hendricks Neighborhood Association Meeting, 6:30 pm - Immanuel United Church of Christ.

July 9 - Summer Showtime: *Ratatouille*, 1:00 pm - Fountain Square Library Branch: www.imepl.org for information.

July 12 - The Use and Delight of Herbs, 10:00 - 12:00 pm, Garfield Park Conservatory. \$5.00. Members of the Central Indiana Herb Society will present this workshop to anyone wanting to know more about herbs! This workshop will cover a broad range of herb-related topics, and is open to anyone from beginners to long-time enthusiasts. Please pre-register by July 12, as space is limited. Instructors will collect fee. (Ages 18+)

July 15 - Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra, 7:30 pm - 9 pm - Garfield Park MacAllister Center, Free

July 16 - Summer Showtime: *TMNT*, 1:00 pm - Fountain Square Library Branch: www.imepl.org for information.

July 19 - Creative Writing Workshops, 10:15 - 12:45 pm, Fountain Square Library Branch: www.imepl.org for information.

Adults are invited to grab and pen and join published writer and instructor Susan Lawson during this engaging workshop. All writing supplies will be provided.

July 19 - Music in the Garden: Indy Jazz Orchestra, 6:30 - 8:00 pm., Sunken Garden in Garfield Park. Enjoy live music in the beautiful Sunken Garden in Garfield Park. Events sponsored by Friends of Garfield Park, Inc and Indy Parks.

July 19 & 20th - Bonsai Show, 10:00—5:00 - Garfield Park Conservatory. Join the Indianapolis Bonsai Club as they display a number of different bonsai plants. The club will also have some plants for sale. Members will be on hand to answer questions.

July 23 - Summer Showtime: *Enchanted*, 1:00 pm - Fountain Square Library Branch: www.imepl.org for information.

Garfield Park Happenings

For more information about any program call: General Parks
Information 327 - 7275

Burrello Family Center 327 - 7220

Conservatory 327 - 7184

Arts Services 327 - 7066

Taijiquan at the Conservatory - July 1st - July 25th -

Tuesdays & Fridays - 8:30am - 9:15 am -

Conservatory - Ages 18+ - 8 classes - Cost \$35 -

Call to register - Tai Chi exercise based class

Movies in the Park - Alvin and the Chipmunks -

July 5th - Saturday

The Use and Delight of Herbs - July 12th - Saturday -

10:00am - 12:00pm - Conservatory - Ages 18+ -

Cost \$5 - Call to register - Workshop by Central

Indiana Herb Society

Wiggly Worms - July 13th - Sunday - 2:00pm - 3:30pm

Conservatory - Ages 7 - 12 - Cost \$3- Call to register

Worms are great recyclers.

Aquatic Center open for summer swimming - Burrello

Family Center Aquatic Center- Tel 327-7327

Parent Tot Water Adjustment Class - July 21st - 31st-

Mon. - Thurs. - 6:15pm-6:45pm - Ages 6 mos.-36 mos.

8 classes - \$34 -

Preschool Water Adjustment Class - July 21st- 31st -

Mon. -Thurs. - 6:00pm-6:45pm, 10:00am-10:30am,

10:45am - 11:15am - Ages 3 - 5 years - 8 Classes - \$34

Youth Swim - Learn to Swim - July 21st -31st - Mon-

Thurs. - 10:00am-10:30am, 6:15pm-6:45pm, 10:45am-

11:15am - Ages 6-14 years - 8 Classes - \$34 -

Water Aerobics - July 21st -Aug. 8th - Mon., Wed.,

Fri. - 9:30am -10:30am -Ages 18+ - 9 Classes - \$24.75

Senior Swim Night - Swimming to the Oldies -

July 24th - Thurs. - 6:30pm-8:30pm - Aquatic Center

Ages 50+ - Cost 43

Jungle Tales - July 8th - Tuesday - 10:00am-11:00am

Conservatory -Ages 2-5 -Cost \$2 -preschool program

focusing on nature-related topics. Pre register.

Character Discovery Challenge Playground Program-

June 9th -August 1st - Mon. - Fri. - Swimming,

games, Arts& Crafts, Field trips, Guest Speakers,

free Summer Lunch - Free - Call 327-7275 for info.

Viva Brasil! Festival and Exhibition - July 11th -

Friday - 6:00pm-8:00pm - Fundraiser dinner to

benefit arts programs for children - Garfield Park

Arts Center - Tickets \$40 available at the Arts

Center - Opening of Brasillian art exhibit

At 8:00pm - Free community concert at the

MacAllister Center with Brasillian jazz of Ipanema

and Reggae sounds of Santos & The Saints

Junior Master Gardeners - June 11th -Aug. 6th - Wed. -

10:30am-12:00pm - Ages 6-8 - and June 11t - Aug. 6th

Wed. - 2:00pm-3:00pm - Ages 9-12 - Conservatory

9 Classes - \$25 - Fun out in the Children's Garden -

Register early.

Pops Concert - Atheenaeum Orchestra - July 10th -

Thursday - 7:00pm - MacAllister Center - Free

Indinapolis Symphony Orchestra - July 15th -

Tuesday - 7:30pm - MacAloister Center - Free

Senior Appreciation and Swim Night - July 19th -

Saturday - 6:30pm - 8:30pm - Aquatic Center, Arts Center, Conservatory - Ages 50+ - Free -
 Music in the Garden - Indy Jazz Orchestra - Senior Appreciation Night - July 19th - Saturday - 6:30pm-8:00pm - Sunken Gardens - Free - Great jazz sponsored by the Friends of Garfield Park
 Sounds of the Ancestors - African Drumming Class - July 19th - Aug. 23rd - Saturdays - 3:00pm-4:00pm - Garfield Park Arts Center - Ages 8+ - Free
 Garden Stories - June 17th-July 29th - Tuesdays - 2:00pm-3:00pm - Conservatory - Ages 3-12 - Free - Relax in the shade in the gardens and enjoy a story show-and-tell.
 Pops Concert - Indianapolis Municipal Band- July 17th - Thursday - 7:00pm - MacAllister Center.
 Bonsai Show - July 19th-20th - Saturday & Sunday - 10:00am - 5:00pm - Conservatory - All Ages - Free-
 Family Scavenger Hunt - July 24th - Thursday - 3:00pm-5:00pm - Conservatory - All ages - Free
 Pops Concert - Indy Pride Band - July 24th - Thursday 7:00pm -MacAllister Center
 Pops Concert - Indianapolis Municipal Band - July 31st - Thursday - 7:00pm - MacAllister Center
 Conservatory Tours - July 26th - Saturday - 2:30pm-3:30pm - Conservatory - 1 Class - Free - Garfield Park Master Gardeners will conduct the tours.

Plenty of Summer Music

A busy summer music schedule is underway at Garfield Park. Thursday nights through August 21st features the annual Pops Series at the MacAllister Center amphitheater. The 7:00pm concerts are free and a great easy way to enjoy a summer evening. Don't miss the annual Indianapolis Symphony concert in July. The popular Music in the Garden concerts are back as is the always blockbuster patriotic kickoff concert with fireworks, America We Remember. Here is the full schedule:

May 29th - Pops Concert - Indianapolis Philharmonic
 June 5th - Pops Concert - Indianapolis Philharmonic
 June 12th - Pops Concert - Indianapolis Philharmonic
 June 14th - Music in the Garden - Brenda Williams
 jazz sounds in the Sunken Gardens - 6:30pm
 June 19th - Pops Concert - Indianapolis Philharmonic
 June 26th - America We Remember - 7:00pm - City
 patriotic kickoff with Indy Jazz Orchestra,
 the Wright Brothers and big fireworks
 display at dusk.
 July 10th - Pops Concert - Athenaeum Orchestra
 July 15th- Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra-7:30pm
 July 17th -Pops Concert-Indianapolis Municipal Band
 July 19th - Music in the Gardens - Indianapolis Jazz
 Orchestra in the Sunken Gardens - 6:30pm
 July 24th - Pops Concert - Indy Pride Band
 July 31st - Pops Concert-Indianapolis Municipal Band
 Aug. 7th - Pops Concert - Indianapolis Jazz Orchestra
 Aug. 14th - Pops Concert - New Horizons Band
 Aug 16th - Picnic in the Park - Free concert at 7:00pm
 by Cathy Morris at the MacAllister
 Center
 Aug.21st - Pops Concert - Athenaeum Orchestra
 Aug.28th- Pops Concert-Indianapolis Symphonic
 Band