

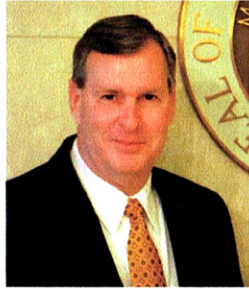
November 2008



Bates Hendricks Indy's Next Great Neighborhood!

Bates-Hendricks Newsletter

Mayor's Night Out Monday, October 28th, 6 p.m., Art Center in Garfield Park



On Tuesday, October 28th, Mayor Ballard and his staff will be taking a bus tour of the south-east side of Indianapolis. Leaders from the departments of Metropolitan Development, Parks, Public Works, Abandoned Housing, and Front Porch Alliance will be accompanying him on this tour of our neighborhoods. New Jersey Street is scheduled as one stop

on the bus tour.

At the end of the tour, the Mayor and these city leaders will lead a question and answer forum for neighborhood residents. This will occur at 6 p.m. at the Art Center in Garfield Park. This is an opportunity for Bates Hendricks neighbors to express their concerns and meet with the people who form policy and implement planning for our city.

To learn more about the city departments that will be represented at the meeting and their function within city government, visit their websites or contact

them for more information.

Metropolitan Development:
www.indygov.org/eGov/City/DMD/home.htm - (317) 327-3698

Indy Parks:
www.indygov.org/eGov/City/DPR/home.htm - (317) 327-PARK

Public Works:
www.indygov.org/eGov/City/DPW/home.htm - (317) 327-4000

Abandoned Housing:
<http://www.wthr.com/global/story.asp?S=8872873>

Front Porch Alliance:
<http://www.preventcrime.net/Indianapolis.htm> - (317) 327-3601

November Meeting for Senior Citizens

Dave Sander of the Central Indiana Council on Aging (CICOA) will be our guest speaker at 6:30 p.m. at the November 3rd Bates Hendricks Association meeting at the Immanuel United Church of Christ. CICOA recently assisted a couple of Bates Hendricks neighbors in making their

homes more accessible. CICOA is committed to helping senior citizens stay in their homes as long as possible through a variety of programs. Mr. Sander will explain these programs and how senior citizens can participate. As always, we will have reports from the police department, the mayor's office, and other pertinent is-

ssues in our neighborhood. Please take the time to be engaged! For more information on the Central Indiana Council on Aging and their services, visit www.cicoa.org or call 317-254-5465.

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This newsletter is brought to you through the support of the following neighborhood businesses:

Regions Bank Sister's Restaurant

Out of Sight Screens

Campbell Ventilation

Immanuel United Church of Christ

Make certain to thank them for their support!

Special Note: The December 1st meeting will be a pitch-in Christmas dinner with entertainment.

Bates Hendricks Sweeps Award Ceremony

On Friday, October 17th, Southeast Neighborhood Development held their First Annual Volunteer Gala to celebrate the volunteer work done in the Southeast side of Indianapolis in 2008. This event, sponsored and held at the Farm Bureau headquarters, was designed to recognize neighborhood volunteers. Bates Hendricks Neighborhood and its residents nearly swept the awards.

Allen Janke was awarded the Outstanding Behind the Scenes Volunteer Award for his work on the esplanade plan for New Jersey Street. Jay and Greg Allen received the Outstanding Volunteer Family Award for all the countless hours they contributed this year. Lydia Brasher accepted the Outstanding Volunteer Leadership Award and

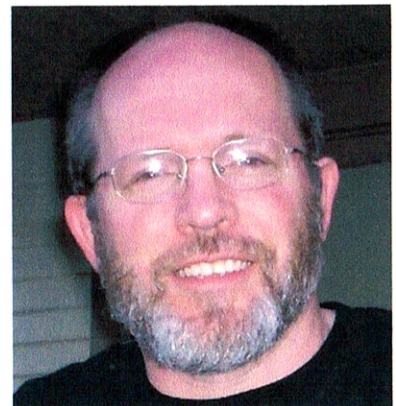
immediately gave all the credit to others. Isn't that one of the characteristics of a great leader?

Most exciting, the Bates Hendricks Neighborhood Association received the Outstanding Resident Association Award and a grant for \$500 towards the work in our neighborhood.

From the President: City Officials now referring to this neighborhood as “organized and savvy.”

At the September association meeting, I passed around a magazine called *Indy Living* which had an article about vibrant city neighborhoods. The first neighborhood listed was Bates Hendricks. It described our neighborhood as up and coming with beautiful old homes and easy access to downtown. The only asset it didn't mention was our neighborhood association.

The past two months, we've had over 50 people attend our meetings. We are engaged, passionate, and committed to our neighborhood. When speakers and guests attend our meetings, they always come up to me afterwards and remark, "I've never seen an association like this," Recently, an e-mail from a city official was accidentally copied to me as well as the intended recipient. It read, "We need to act quickly on this because these people are active and savvy." We are gaining a reputation.



Our Fab For Less project on New Jersey street caught the attention of the whole city. What we accomplished has become the new model for how to transform neighborhoods block by block. People of New Jersey are being asked to speak to other groups about what we did. Lilly Foundation recently committed to being an active partner in our neighborhood in 2009. Like many others, they are impressed with us.

I want you to know these things because I'm tired of people thinking they live in a depressed inner city neighborhood. We certainly have our challenges. There is still a lot of hard work to do. But we do not live in a depressed neighborhood. We live in an impressive one. We are the next great Indy neighborhood.

Jim Mulholland

Preparing Your House for Winter

From MSN -

<http://realestate.msn.com/improve/article2.aspx?cp-documentid=1061006>

1. Clean those gutters - Don't let clogged gutters cause water to back up and leak into your home. Clean out the leaves once they fall and other debris.

2. Block those leaks - Check your home for air leaks around recessed lighting fixtures, windows and doors, and electrical outlets. There are many items that can help stop air leaks from gaskets to caulk.

3. Insulate yourself - Make sure you have enough insulation, especially in your attic.

4. Check the furnace - Make sure

your furnace is working properly.

It's a good idea to have furnaces cleaned and tuned annually. It is also important to change the filter every month.

5. Get your ducts in a row - Inspect and clean your ducts. Make sure they are well connected and insulated if necessary.

6. Face your windows - Take down your window screens and put on your storm windows. This will add another layer of insulation from winter's cold winds.

7. Don't forget the chimney - Take the time to have your chimney cleaned and inspected. You never know what might have found its way in the chimney over the summer.

8. Reverse that fan - Change the direction of your ceiling fan blades. Instead of pushing warm air up and out, they can force the warm air down. (The blades should be turning clockwise in the winter.)

9. Wrap those pipes - Make sure your pipes don't freeze. Insulate pipes that are in unheated areas. Turn off water to or insulate outside water spigots.

10. Finally, check those alarms - Make sure your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors have fresh batteries and are working.

Thank you

Dear Bates Hendricks Friends and Neighbors,

Thank you so much for the beautiful planter in remembrance of my dad, Bob Kruse. As you know, the "neighborhood" was one of my dad's passions. I hope to carry on his tradition to make him proud! Thank you again for thinking of us, as well as your friendship with my dad. **Steve, Lisa, and Eliza**

Turn Your Ballot Over

Tuesday, November 4th is election day. This election is a very important one in several different ways.

Some of the important decisions to be made are on the **back** of the ballot so be sure to turn it over.

You will find three different columns. Center Township Board, Judicial Retention Questions and Public Questions

This third column asks two questions to be answered yes or no:
Question 1

Should the assessing duties of the

elected township assessor in the township be transferred to the county assessor?

Question 2 Shall the Board of School Commissioners of IPS schools enter into a lease to finance all or any portion of the construction and/or renovation of schools to meet students' academic and health needs as a part of an ongoing capital improvements program with a total project cost not to exceed \$278,000,000 that would build a new School 78 which cannot be renovated in a cost effective manner and consolidate School 103 and

102 on the current School 103 site, as well as installing air conditioning and make other health, safety, access, security, telecommunications and related improvements and address other inadequacies to the 30 schools listed below:

#11, #15, #19, #20, #31, #39, #55, #58, #59, #61, #67, #70, #74, #79, #81, #83, #88, #91, #94, #98, #99, 105, #107, #109, #028, #315, #616, #722, #716 (Tech HS), #715 (Manual HS).

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.

Meetings are on the first Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Immanuel United Church of Christ, 402 Prospect St.

Contact Bates-Hendricks: General question? bateshendricks@hotmail.com

Newsletter: BHNANews@hotmail.com

Enjoying this newsletter? Want to make certain you always receive it? Why not become a member of the Bates Hendricks Neighborhood Association? Annual membership fees are \$3 per individual, \$5 per family or \$25 for a business. Those interested in joining should send their check to Emily Vanest, 720 Sanders, Indpls.IN 46203

November Calendar

Nov 1 –

Storytellers on the Square – 1 – 4 pm,
Fountain Square Library. Children of all ages are invited or an afternoon of storytelling and refreshments. At 1 p.m., national storyteller Ken Ogus will share stories about Native Americans and Urban Legends. At 2:30 p.m., author Valerie Marsh will use unique methods involving crafts to show children the parameters of a story and how to start writing their own story. Materials will be provided. This program is presented by Storytelling Arts of Indiana.

Nov 3

Bates Hendricks Neighborhood Assc. Meeting,

6:30 pm - Immanuel United Church
of Christ.

Nov 4

Election Day – Get out and vote!

Nov 22 -

Garfield Park Master Gardener Tours
2:30 – 3:30pm, **FREE:** The Garfield Park Master Gardeners will be conducting tours, highlighting information about the interesting and unusual plants in the Conservatory. Tours will start in the Gazebo Room. (All Ages).

Nov 27 – Happy Thanksgiving!

Nov 28

Circle of Lights

Monument Circle, Free. Kick off the Holidays with the annual lighting of the lights in downtown Indianapolis.

Nov 28 – Dec 28 -

Conservatory Crossing - 10am - 5pm - Come see the Conservatory decked out in its holiday best with a brilliant display of poinsettias. Enjoy the model train display presented by The Indiana Rail Road Company. Admission to the display is \$5/family, \$3/adults, \$2/seniors and youth under 17. Children 3 and under are free.

**Remember
November 4th is
Election Day!**

**Make Your Voice
Heard and Vote!**