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December

Bates-Hendricks Newsletter

December Meeting to Be a Social Gathering

During the December 3 meeting of the Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association, we will be able to socialize with our neighbors, share wonderful dishes they have prepared, and be entertained by the Arsenal Tech High School Technicians. The Association will provide sandwiches, drinks, and paper products. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Many are hoping Shirley and Monte Conover bring along their wonderful Pineapple Side Dish.



Pack the Pantries



It is that time of year again when our area food pantries are in the most need. Once again the City of Indianapolis is participating in Pack the Pantries. Area residents can drop off their donations to any IMPD District Station, any Indianapolis Fire Department Station, and any Indy Parks location between now and December 14.

PRIORITY ITEMS NEEDED

- Canned Meats like tuna and chicken
- Canned Fruits and 100% Fruit Juices
- Canned Vegetables and Tomato Products
- Heat and Serve Meals such as soups and pasta
- Baby Formula
- Cereal
- Peanut Butter and Jelly
- Applesauce cups
- Healthy snacks
- Rice and Beans
- Macaroni

TO ENSURE FOOD SAFETY, WE CANNOT USE:

- Rusty or Unlabeled Cans
- Perishable Items
- Homemade Items
- Noncommercial Canned Items
- Noncommercial Packaged Items
- Alcoholic Beverages & Mixes
- Open or Used Items

If you need someone to come by and pick up your donations, contact one of these organizations or give us a call at 327-4336.



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Landscape Beds: Planting Bulbs

Over the last few months we've worked on fall plantings and creating new landscape beds. Now winter is just around the corner and the outdoors is officially closed. So what's my neighbor doing in the yard with a drill... and little round—seeds? Drilling for oil seems unlikely.

Oh wait a minute, those aren't exactly seeds—they're bulbs! And he's using a special drill bit to plant them. Good that we cleared that up. Which reminds me, I almost forgot to plan for early spring flowers. Late fall and early winter is the perfect time to install spring flowering bulbs. The fact is, in our area you can usually plant Daffodils, Tulips, Crocus, Hyacinths and others until the end of December. Different bulbs have different uses in the landscape. Crocus can be planted in the grass for naturalization and hyacinths have the most fragrant blooms.

My favorite spring bulb from the list above is the Daffodil. In addition to being a very easy to grow and maintain plant, the Daffodil benefits from being an easy-going flowering habit. Unlike tulips, which will stop producing as big or as many blooms without division every two to three years, Daffodils just aren't as picky. Sure you can divide them, but they typically continue to strongly flower even without the extra work. Also—and this one is important around central Indiana with our large squirrel population—they are one of the least attractive bulbs for pests to pulverize.

For best results in your landscape, plant bulbs in large groups to give the most impact come spring. A clear, sunny spot with well-drained soil is perfect for this display, but many can be planted in a normally shady area if the trees above don't leaf out for six weeks after blooms form.

Follow the label instructions for proper depth and spacing now, and in March your yard will pop out of those winter doldrums without you having to do a thing.

For questions regarding spring bulb planting, e-mail allenjanke@bateshendricks.org.

Allen Janke
GreenApple Landscape Design



Letter from the President

I hope that everyone had a safe and enjoyable Thanksgiving. I'm thankful for our neighborhood and the people that comprise our neighborhood.

I don't have a specific topic to write about this month. The holidays and everything associated with this time of the year is consuming the majority of my time and energy. I do, however, have some comments and updates.

I hope everyone voted in November. I'm excited about the State Representatives that we elected. Justin Moed is your representative if you live on the west side of East Street and Dan Forestal is your representative if you live on the east side of East Street. I think both of these gentlemen will be great advocates for our neighborhood and our interests, and they are wasting no time. Both lawmakers recently met with others with regard to abandoned housing.



BHNA President, Rob Uppencamp

Also, if you weren't aware, Lisa Laflin, our Mayor's Neighborhood Liaison recently had knee surgery and has been out of commission. I am happy to announce that Lisa is back! Lisa is continuing to recover and will have a lot of catching up to do, so please go easy on her for now. She did recently ask me to give her regards to our neighbors. If you see or talk to Lisa, please wish her a continued recovery and welcome her back.

Additionally, if you haven't noticed, there are still many great things currently going on in the neighborhood. The East Street Flats is well under way and is anticipated to be completed and occupied by March 2013. The Community Center (corner of East and Lincoln) is making great progress. A name has officially been chosen . . . it will become the "Lincoln Center". This reflects the rich history that the facility has as the Lincoln Theater and Lincoln Inn. So far, improvements have been made to the façade compliments of grants provided by LISC (Local Initiatives Support Corporation) and Lilly Foundation, masonry work has been provided by Durman Jones, and windows have been provided by our own Capital City Glass (1424 East Street). There is a lot to be done yet, but great progress is being made. Orange Street (between East and Wright) is presently getting new streets and sidewalks. Improvements have been made to portions of the curbs and sidewalks on Lincoln between East and New Jersey. Many other streets and sidewalks in our neighborhood are planned for replacement in 2013. SEND (Southeast Neighborhood Development) is finalizing rehabilitation of homes on Terrace and the quadruplex at East and Sanders.

As noted above, Capital City Glass, located in our neighborhood on East Street, provided windows and will eventually provide doors for the community center. I want to encourage everyone to patronize the businesses in our neighborhood. Our neighborhood has businesses that provide many different services. Many of those businesses can be found on our website and in our newsletter.

Finally, as you can see, there is much to be excited about. The good news is that progress in our neighborhood is not going to be slowing down anytime soon. We are in a great neighborhood and a great place to live. We'll be highlighting our accomplishments over the past year in our annual meeting in April. I hope to see everyone at our December holiday celebration on the 3rd.

-- Rob Uppencamp

Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association

The Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association strives 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 6:30pm. Annual dues are \$3 for individuals, \$5 for families, and \$25 for businesses. Please mail dues to Craig Dukate, 1435 S. New Jersey Street, Indianapolis, IN 46225. More information about the neighborhood can be found online at bateshendricks.org.



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Monthly Calendar

Dec 3 Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association Meeting, 6:30pm, Immanuel United Church of Christ.

Dec 8 Santa Comes to Fountain Square, PNC Bank, 10:00am to 12:00pm. Families are invited to PNC Bank in historic Fountain Square for carriage rides, photos with Santa, and a craft program at the Fountain Square Library branch. At the branch, families can make a frame for their picture, decorate a cookie, sign up for a Bunny Book Bag Card, listen to stories, and enjoy the seasonal window displays. This event is sponsored by the Fountain Square Neighborhood Association, Fountain Square Merchants Association, Indiana State Police Alliance, PNC Bank, White Castle, and The Indianapolis Public Library.

Dec 8 Christmas at Garfield, Garfield Park Conservatory, 10:00am to 1:00pm, free. Oh what fun it is to visit the Conservatory to meet Santa and see Conservatory Crossing, the holiday train and poinsettia show. Jingle all the way to the Arts Center to make toys with Santa's elves. You can also dash through the snow to the Burrello Family Center where Mrs. Claus will have some tasty treats. All activities are free.

Dec 18 Family Game Night, Fountain Square Library, 6:00pm to 7:30pm. Families are invited to play a variety of fun and educational board games with their children.

Dec 25 Merry Christmas!

Jan 1 Happy New Years!

