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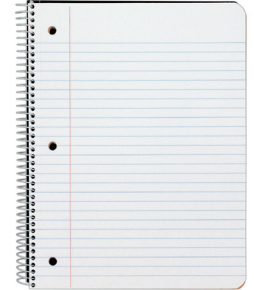
# Bates-Hendricks Newsletter

## It's Payback Time!

Immanuel United Church of Christ is located at the corner of East Street and Prospect Street. They have been very good to Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood and our association. They allow us to use their building for our meetings, steered us to Northview Church and their Good Neighbor Weekend project, and help with other projects in the area.



At their next national gathering, June 5-6, they have set a goal of assembling 1,000 School Kits and 1,000 Hygiene Kits. Each local association has been asked to collect two specific items for this project. The Southeast Association (of which Immanuel is a part) will be collecting 1,000 Hand Towels (approximately 16" x 28") and 3,000 spiral notebooks (single subject).



Perhaps the good neighbors in Bates-Hendricks would be willing to donate some of these two items. The items need to be turned in by Sunday, May 10. The next Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association meeting is Monday, May 4. Consider bringing these items to the meeting and we will see that they are given to the church. You probably could bring these items to the church any day they are open, too. Bates-Hendricks Secretary, Lydia Brasher, will be the contact person: [secretary@bateshendricks.org](mailto:secretary@bateshendricks.org).

## Don't Forget to Bring in Your Trash Cart(s)



Aside from looking "trashy", leaving your carts out after the trash has been picked up makes using the sidewalks difficult, especially for people with strollers and those in wheelchairs. Sometimes trash carts block the sidewalk so much that people are forced out into the street, which can be dangerous for pedestrians. Be a good neighbor and make sure your trash cart is brought in from the curb after each Tuesday pickup. Thanks!

## City Issues Reminder About Maintaining Lots

The Department of Code Enforcement (DCE) wants to remind citizens that the City's high weeds and grass program will begin once again this season.

In the coming weeks, the City of Indianapolis will dispatch inspectors to visit neighborhoods that have had the highest rates of weeds and grass violations. DCE inspectors and mowing vendors will assess various areas around the City in order to encourage property owners to properly maintain properties and lots, which can also help minimize blight in neighborhoods. Vegetation over 12 inches in height is considered high weeds and grass.

Property owners who receive a notice of violation have five days from the date the notice is mailed to mow their overgrown property. If a property owner fails to mow the property, the City will send a mowing vendor to mow the property and will bill the property owner for the service at a rate of at least \$353 per lot.

Residents may report a high weeds and grass violation by calling the Mayor's Action Center (MAC) at 327-4MAC, by logging on to RequestIndy at [www.indy.gov/requestindy](http://www.indy.gov/requestindy), or by using the RequestIndy Mobile Application. More information about the City's high weeds and grass program is available at [www.indy.gov/weeds](http://www.indy.gov/weeds).



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## Letter from the President

We may not be there yet, but we are closer than just a short time ago!

I'm writing this letter after a long and tiring, yet rewarding, weekend participating in the Great Indy Cleanup. Thank you to those who came out to help out on Orange Street, Sanders Street, Wright Street, New Jersey Street, and Terrace Avenue (plus any others that I may have missed). I'd like to also give a special shout-out to Nicole and Nick for their hard work helping me clean up the Madison Avenue Pedestrian Bridge walkway Sunday morning.

Properties are selling at prices never before seen in our neighborhood and there will be many more homes being transformed this year. Our neighborhood will be in the national spotlight as "Two Chicks and a Hammer" premieres on HGTV in May! We have seen so much positive improvement in the neighborhood, and in order to continue this forward momentum, we cannot become complacent. To paraphrase Theodore Roosevelt, "This neighborhood will not be a good place for any of us to live in unless we make it a good place for all of us to live in."

During the cleanups, I've noticed that trash levels are lower than in the past, but our neighborhood spirit seems to be waning. While a few of us can make a dent in cleaning up the neighborhood, a whole lot of us can make an even bigger impact. I'm looking for advice on how to get folks motivated. What will it take to get you to participate in neighborhood activities? –John Winter



**BHNA President, John Winter**



Spring 2015 Great Indy Cleanup

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Madison Ave. Pedestrian Bridge

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 Paul Harris - Peter and the Kings - Philadelphia Phil  
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# 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 Laura Tease, 402 Orange Street, Indianapolis, IN 46225. More information about the neighborhood can be found online at [bateshendricks.org](http://bateshendricks.org).



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## Newsletters Online

This newsletter and previous newsletters available online at [bateshendricks.org/news](http://bateshendricks.org/news)

## Monthly Calendar

- May 4** Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association Meeting, 6:30pm, Immanuel United Church of Christ.
- May 7** IndyProv Sketch Comedy, White Rabbit, Doors: 7:00pm, Shows: 8:00pm & 9:00pm, \$5, ages 21+. Emmy-nominated IndyProv is Indy's first and only independent improvisational comedy troupe. More info at [www.indyprov.com](http://www.indyprov.com).
- May 8 & 22** Senior Euchre, The Burrello Family Center at Garfield Park, 1:00pm, Free or \$1 to play in prize fund.
- May 9** Virginia Avenue Folk Fest, 10:00am to 10:00pm, pay what you can. This benefit for Trusted Mentors includes 70 live performances on 9 different stages along with art, food, and beer. More info at [www.virginiaavenuefolkfest.com](http://www.virginiaavenuefolkfest.com).
- May 9** Develop and Design a Lemonade Stand, Fountain Square Library, 2:00pm. Children ages 8 and older are invited to get ready for Lemonade Day (May 16) and design a scale model of a lemonade stand during this workshop with Next Great Architects. Registration required.
- May 12** Jungle Tales, Garfield Park Conservatory, 10:00am to 11:00am, \$4, ages 2-5. Bring your preschooler to this program with a focus on the natural world. Registration required.
- May 14** Afternoon Book Discussion, Fountain Square Library, 1:30pm. Adults are invited to this monthly book discussion program. The book to be discussed is "Mountains Beyond Mountains: The Quest of Dr. Paul Farmer, a Man Who Would Cure the World" by Tracy Kidder.
- May 17** Family Garden Day: the Butterfly Planter, Garfield Park Conservatory, 2:00pm to 3:00pm, \$8, all ages. Everyone is welcome to come to this workshop and create a beautiful planter that butterflies will love. Learn what plants butterflies and caterpillars love and help attract them to your yard. All materials will be provided. Registration is required by May 10.
- May 19** Family Game and Craft Night, Fountain Square Library, 6:00pm to 7:30pm. Families are invited to play board games and have fun while hanging out with friends and family.
- May 20** May Flowers, Garfield Park Conservatory, 10:00am to 11:00am, \$4, ages 2-5. Preschoolers can discover what is blooming in the spring and have some flowery fun while they enjoy a story, flower craft, and fun flower activity as they learn about nature. Registration required.

