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Bates-Hendricks Newsletter



Ringgold Park Recipient of KIB Grant for 2016



Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association's submission for improvements to Ringgold Park was one of five projects selected by Keep Indianapolis Beautiful (KIB) to receive funding through the 2016 IPL Project GreenSpace program. This is the same program that helped us create Baumann Park (www.bateshendricks.org/baumannpark).

Through placemaking efforts since 1995, KIB, in partnership with Indianapolis Power & Light Company (IPL) and the City of Indianapolis, has helped neighborhoods, schools, churches, and other community-based organizations create vibrant public places. These spaces focus on native plant palettes, connecting people to nature, and creating a sense of place rooted in community, building lasting value by sustained and community-inspired design.

For Ringgold Park, KIB will work alongside the Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association and Indy Parks to revitalize the park through a comprehensive design, including a lush native plant palette, large shade trees, and other natural park amenities to encourage neighborhood investment.

We'll need all the help we can get with this project, so we are seeking volunteers to pledge their support to the maintenance of the park, which might include weeding and other landscaping efforts, painting, picking up trash, and just using the park to be able to report any problems.

If you can help out, e-mail Sara at ringgold@bateshendricks.org. Our vision is to transform Ringgold Park into a safe, beautiful destination that neighbors can be proud of, but we need help to do this!

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Letter from the President

It is a very exciting time in the neighborhood. Besides the Ringgold Park improvements that we will have coming in the next year, there are many other great projects happening in the area.

Pleasant Run Parkway is seeing two big projects right now. The Barth Avenue bridge is currently being replaced with an all new pedestrian bridge. In addition, the previous bridge will have its supports repurposed into benches on either side of the creek. There will also be plazas on either side of the bridge, complete with spaces for art installations.

Just southwest of the bridge, there is a new entertainment space named "Pleasant Curve". This area has a stage surrounded by large blocks of limestone that allows for planned or spontaneous concerts, outdoor classroom sessions, and many other uses.

We will also have a mural installation happening as part of Good Neighbor Weekend this October 31 and November 1. Not only will this be another great way to let people know about Bates-Hendricks, there will be many vignettes as part of the mural highlighting some of the great things that we do here in the neighborhood.

Good Neighbor Weekend Oct. 31 & Nov. 1

The end of October celebrates our fourth annual partnership with Northview Church. As part of their Good Neighbor Weekend, they will bring around 100 volunteers for 4 different volunteer times on Saturday and Sunday, October 31 and November 1 from 10:00am to 1:00pm and 1:00pm to 4:00pm.

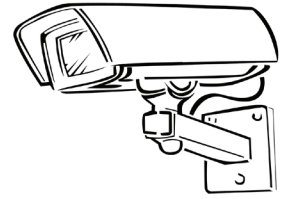
The primary project will be painting a Bates-Hendricks mural south of the Fountain Square mural under the I-65 bridge. Also during the volunteer times, we will clean up and beautify the Morris/Prospect Slopes, Alabama Esplanade, New Jersey Esplanade, School 31 Garden, Baumann Park, Coburn Park, Hendricks Park, North Gateway, East Gateway, South Gateway, and the Wright Street Path! We will be spreading lots of mulch and tending to our outdoor spaces, continuing our status as "An Indianapolis Garden District". Please let John Winter know if you have an interest in working on any of these projects and he will let you know the time and meeting place. He can be reached at president@bateshendricks.org.



BHNA President, John Winter

Need Help with Security?

The Bates-Hendricks Security Task Force is looking for neighbors who need assistance with security items. We are able to assist with security lights, gate and garage locks, door alarms, and recommendations for cameras. The Security Task Force is composed of neighbors, not licensed contractors, who are willing to help out neighbors in need. Please contact security@bateshendricks.org with questions or requests for help!



SEND Fundraiser Dinner

Southeast Neighborhood Development (SEND), our local community development corporation, is having a fundraiser dinner on Wednesday, October 21 from 5:30pm to 8:30pm in the Fountain Square Theater building.

SEND is gearing up for a productive and exciting year and needs your help to make it happen! Please join them for their 31st Annual fundraiser!



For reservations and sponsorship, visit:
<https://send-2015.eventbrite.com>

Neighbors Enjoyed the September BHNA Cookout

Around 50 neighbors showed up last month for our annual Bates-Hendricks cookout in Hendricks Park. We got to enjoy good food and great company on that beautiful September evening. Thank you to everyone that came out and chipped in with a side dish or dessert! It was a pleasure seeing so many new faces too!



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.



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Monthly Calendar

- Oct 5** Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association Meeting, 6:30pm, Immanuel United Church of Christ.
- Oct 7** Indy Parks Future Plans Presentation, Garfield Park Family Center, 2345 Pagoda Drive, 6:30pm to 8:00pm. Indy Parks will present their Comprehensive Master Plan survey results and recommendations from a cross-section of Indianapolis residents who have participated in the public input process.
- Oct 9 & 23** Senior Euchre, The Burrello Family Center at Garfield Park, 1:00pm, Free or \$1 to play in prize fund.
- Oct 10** 3Doodler Art Session, Fountain Square Library, 2:00pm to 4:00pm, ages 12-17. Teens are invited to sketch in 3D during this drop-in workshop featuring the 3D printing pen that can draw in the air!
- Oct 20** 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.
- Oct 21** SEND Fundraiser Dinner, Fountain Square Theater Building, 5:30pm to 8:30pm, see page 3.
- Oct 24** Autumn Arts and Crafts, Garfield Park Conservatory, 2:00pm to 3:00pm, \$10, ages 5 and up. Autumn is a great time to gather natural objects and turn them into art for around the home. Registration required.
- Oct 31 & Nov 1** **Good Neighbor Weekend, beautification projects throughout the Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood, sessions from 10:00am to 1:00pm and 1:00pm to 4:00pm each day. Contact John Winter at president@bateshendricks.org to get involved!**
- Oct 31** Scare in the Square, Plaza at Shelby and Prospect Streets, 4:00pm to 6:00pm, Free. Bring your little ghouls and goblins and follow the Trick-or-Treat Trail to Fountain Square Merchants. Participating merchants will hand out goodies from 4:00pm to 6:00pm. Pick up your Trail Map and Treat Bag at the Plaza at Shelby and Prospect Streets! This community event is sponsored by the Fountain Square Merchants Association.
- Oct 31** Happy Halloween!

