

Come to the Third Annual Street Fest on August 3!



Our Third annual Street Fest is almost here! This year is shaping up to be our biggest and busiest of them all. The Events Committee has been working hard to recruit your favorite vendors and we're happy to share that we'll have free food, a food truck, five beverage vendors, three bands, and over 20 local artists and community partners! New this year, Street Fest will feature a family-friendly area with an interactive animal exhibit, crafts, games, and a music show from Mr. Daniel.

Street Fest is a yearly event designed to build community through free and low-cost activities and is held at the corner of **Lincoln Street and New Jersey Street on August 3 from 5:00pm to 9:00pm**. Entry is free with a requested donation of school supplies for our local schools. The after-party will be held at Bowhaus Tap (1729 S. East Street) at 9:00pm for adults 21 years and over.

Nearby residents can expect street closures after 3:00pm and it is requested that residents on these streets move their cars off the street by Noon on August 3. Roads will reopen by 10:00pm after vendors have packed up.

To see the list of vendors, sponsors, and schedule of events, visit www.bateshendricks.org/streetfest.

Letter from the President

Neighbors,

August means back to school for many families and the end to a hot summer! Our neighborhood is home to two fantastic schools, James A. Garfield School 31 and SENSE Charter School, that need our support. The students at these schools are the future of our neighborhood and I encourage you to get involved!

Both schools need basic items to succeed including expo markers, Kleenex, hand sanitizer, and Clorox wipes. These donations allow teachers to spend their time and funds on other educational items. Some students also need assistance with items such as extra uniforms (solid color pants and polos), coats, and hygiene items. SENSE hosts a food and clothing pantry out of their building. These items can be dropped off at the school during open hours or brought to our monthly meeting.



BHNA President, Laura Giffel

You can donate your time and talents too. Bates-Hendricks is full of diverse and talented residents who have so much to offer to our youngest neighbors. I had the privilege to speak at Career Day recently and am excited to return for a future event to work with these students. You can volunteer to read to the students, host a club, teach a lesson, or help support the staff with copies, filing, and prep work.

Either way, get involved and support the growth of our neighborhood schools!

Neighborhood Engagement & Community Assets Planning Survey

In talks with other nearby Indianapolis neighborhoods over the past few years, several members of our Bates-Hendricks leadership team have been asked (in one way or another), "How has Bates-Hendricks positioned itself to be an attractive urban destination for both potential residents, businesses, and community partners?" The responses given all mentioned one common theme: the ongoing, collaborative group effort amongst Bates-Hendricks residents, community partners, neighborhood businesses, and the BHNA neighborhood board.

The Neighborhood Association will soon be releasing a brief, online survey in order to assess the neighborhood's progress on the following items:

- Neighbor engagement
- Program offerings and resources available to residents
- Community assets and priorities for future Bates-Hendricks investments
- Planning for the long-term success of the Bates-Hendricks neighborhood

The collection of reliable, up-to-date resident survey data will be especially important to inform BHNA's Board of Directors as well as our Bates-Hendricks Quality of Life Committee on how we should spend neighborhood association funds and target grants directly related to the survey results. We look forward to hearing from all of you very soon!

Please watch for announcements about when the survey will become available via this newsletter, social media accounts, and during the BHNA August monthly meeting (on August 5).

A School That Makes SENSE for Our Neighborhood



Do you wish you had a great elementary school option for your children? One that is close to home and/or work where you can feel sure that they are getting the quality education they need? A school that understands your needs and works with families to provide a better future for your children?

You found it! Southeast Neighborhood School of Excellence (SENSE) is a free public school, serving the Bates-Hendricks, Fountain Square, and Garfield Park neighborhoods. SENSE offers a supportive environment that focuses on working with your children to help them achieve their best.

Founded in 2004, the school serves grades K-8. Bus service is available for most students. Classrooms are limited to 25 students. A food and uniform clothing pantry is available for students and their families as well.

SENSE now has open enrollment for new families. You can enroll directly at the school, which is located at 1601 S. Barth Ave. 46203. Or, apply online at SENSEINDY.org For more information, call 317-423-0204. School began Monday, July 22, but they continue to take enrollments throughout the school year.

SENSE Cub Scouts Enjoy Camp Belzer

During the week of June 17 to 21, some of the members of the SENSE Charter School Cub Scouts, Pack 18, enjoyed a week of day camping at Camp Belzer. This camp is one of a variety of year-round camping activities offered by Crossroads of America Council.

Camp Belzer is an exciting program for Tigers, Wolves, Bears, Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts. The camp is situated on a wooded, 100-acre facility in Indianapolis that has been in development for over 90 years. Camp Belzer was created to provide a safe environment where Cub Scouts can learn, advance, and play in the great outdoors. Activities include swimming, shooting BB guns and gun safety, archery, crafts, rafting, cooking, and campfires.



SENSE offers an after-school Cub Scout program every year for students in grades 1-3.

Bates-Hendricks Hats at Street Fest

We'll have a limited number of Bates-Hendricks baseball caps for sale for \$20 each at the August 3 Street Fest (see page 1 for details). Get yours while they last!



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 \$10 for households and \$25 for businesses. Please mail dues to Matt Nunley, PO Box 342, Indianapolis, IN 46206. More information about the neighborhood can be found online at bateshendricks.org.



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Upcoming

Aug 1, 15, 29 Republic Recycling Pickup. More info at www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling.

Aug 1 1st Thursday Supper Club, 6:30pm. Join your neighbors for this get-together at a different location each month! Please RSVP by signing up on the events page, which can be found at www.facebook.com/bateshendricks/events, or by emailing Events@bateshendricks.org. This month's location: Garfield Park Sunken Gardens (2505 Conservatory Drive).

Aug 3 3rd Annual Street Fest, 5:00pm to 9:00pm, New Jersey & Lincoln Streets. See page 1 for details.

Aug 5 Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association Meeting, 6:30pm, Immanuel United Church of Christ, 402 Prospect Street. The Association meets on the first Monday of every month except holidays (then it's the second Monday). Stay involved with the neighborhood and visit with your neighbors!

Aug 10 Ringgold Park Cleanup & Weeding, 9:00am to 11:00am, 1500 Ringgold Avenue. On the first Saturday of each month, we spend a couple of hours maintaining our public spaces in the neighborhood, focusing on a different public space in the area each month. This month, however, we'll be focusing on Ringgold Park on the 2nd Saturday due to Street Fest being on the 1st Saturday. Come join us!

Aug 12 Quality of Life / Economic Development Meeting, 6:30pm, The Lincoln Center, 516 Lincoln Street. This committee works to improve the East Street corridor. For more information, contact QualityOfLife@bateshendricks.org.

Aug 17 Parent Monthly Meetup, 9:30am, Garfield Park, 2345 Pagoda Drive. Come join with other parents for a monthly meetup for parents or soon-to-be parents to meet and support each other. Rain location: The Lincoln Center, 516 Lincoln Street.

Aug 19 Marketing Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, The Lincoln Center, 516 Lincoln Street. This committee works to promote the neighborhood. Contact Marketing@bateshendricks.org for more information.

Aug 20 Heavy Trash Pickup. More info at www.indy.gov/eGov/City/DPW/Trash/Pages/TrashHome.aspx.

Aug 21 Events Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, The Lincoln Center, 516 Lincoln Street. This committee works to plan neighborhood events, including Street Fest, the Chili Cook-off, holiday dinners, and more. Contact Events@bateshendricks.org for more information.

Aug 26 ROW – Pleasant Run Meeting, 6:30pm, 924 Shelby Street. This committee focuses on improving the waterway that runs through our neighborhood. For more info, contact ROW@bateshendricks.org.

Aug 27 Land Use Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, Immanuel United Church, 402 Prospect Street (enter through glass doors on north side of building). This committee considers zoning, development, and property issues in Bates-Hendricks with the goal of ensuring peaceful co-existence among residents and businesses. Contact LandUse@bateshendricks.org for more information.