

## Save the Date for Our 2020 Chili Cook-Off on February 29!

It's that time of year again for all you chefs out there to dust off your slow cookers and fine-tune your chili recipes to prepare for the next Annual Bates-Hendricks Chili Cook-Off coming up on February 29! Local business Point Comfort Underwriters is gracious enough to host the event for a second year at their historic Turnverein building. The cook-off will run from 4:00pm to 6:00pm and all those who attend will receive unlimited chili tastings with admission! Keep your eyes open for the official Facebook event for more details on how to enter and the cost to attend. The neighborhood uses the Chili Cook-Off as a fundraiser to help support the neighborhood association throughout the year, since our dues are voluntary.



## Letter from the President



**BHNA President, Laura Giffel**

As many of you have seen, Baumann Park was selected as a CreatINg Places program through IHDCa! This program provides a matching grant if we are able to raise \$15,000 in 45 days through donations from neighbors and community partners. As part of our upgrades to the park, we are excited to include a new playground that will provide a safe and engaging place for our families! We have found a partner in Kinetic Recreation who has worked to ensure that the playground will be perfect for our space. If we are able to raise the money and receive the matching grant, we anticipate the new playground will be installed in April, just in time for use in the spring.

To make this happen, we need your help. Donations can be made on our website ([www.bateshendricks.org/playground](http://www.bateshendricks.org/playground)) through January 31 and are tax-deductible. We have four fantastic partners that have arranged donation opportunities in their stores, including Lincoln Lane Coffee Co., Calvin Fletcher Coffee Co., 1718 House Bar, and Garfield Brewery. Visit these small, local businesses to support their efforts and donate to the park!

If we find ourselves over the \$15,000 goal, the additional funds will be used to add a swing set to the park, as well as to create a maintenance fund for our neighborhood green spaces. I am so proud of our community coming together to build a vibrant space for neighbors to gather!



## New Winter Apparel in the Bates-Hendricks Shop

Our new winter items are \$15 each and located in the merch shop inside Lincoln Lane Coffee Co. / The Lincoln Center at 516 Lincoln Street. Those unable to go to Lincoln Lane during their business hours can message us on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/bateshendricks](http://www.facebook.com/bateshendricks)) or email [marketing@bateshendricks.org](mailto:marketing@bateshendricks.org) to request a drop-off.



## Congratulations to Our Holiday Winners!



Bates-Hendricks was full of cheer as 2019 came to a close! Congratulations are in order for Ashley Miller and Aaron Beasley on winning this year's Judge's Choice for the night decor category and to Beth Whitaker for the day decor category of our Holiday Decoration Contest! Amy Smallwood deserves some

praise as well for winning the People's Choice award for their stellar home decor! We had over a dozen families enter and it was a close competition! Tiffany Obrecht from local businesses BLNKPG and 1817 House Bar was kind enough to drive and judge the contest. The winners of all three competitions won their choice of a new Bates-Hendricks winter apparel item! Check out all the entries on our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/bateshendricks](http://www.facebook.com/bateshendricks).



Additionally, on December 14, neighbors once again got together at Bowhaus Tap for an adults-only Christmas party. The party included karaoke, a festive holiday sweater contest, as well as some homemade goodies! Congratulations to new Bates-Hendricks resident Melissa Kocias on winning the contest this year! A big thank you to Bauhaus Tap proprietor Wendy for allowing us to use her space again this year.

Don't miss out on any neighborhood events in 2020! Add the Bates-Hendricks calendar to yours at [www.bateshendricks.org/calendar](http://www.bateshendricks.org/calendar) and follow our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/bateshendricks](http://www.facebook.com/bateshendricks).



## Thank You from SENSE Charter School

On behalf of SENSE Charter School, I want to thank the good people of the Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association, along with your friends and families, for your continued generous support of our school community in so many significant and impactful ways. We are grateful for your kindness and generosity.

With 95% of our families falling below the federal poverty level, many of our families struggle to provide the basic needs of food, hygiene items, clothing and utilities for their children. As you may know, our neighborhood falls within a food desert. Our families have limited access to affordable and nutritious food and groceries, resulting in many insecurities and trauma. We so appreciate your generosity to help us keep our school's food pantry shelves filled so that we can help feed our families, along with offering them your support of clothing and bedding.

Your generous donations assist us in helping to assure the health, safety, and well-being of our families and our children. Please accept our heartfelt thanks for your kindness and compassion. All our very best to you and yours in the new year – and new decade to come!

– Kate Voss, SENSE Charter Outreach Coordinator

## SENSE Charter School Kinder Gingerbread House Event

Family members, along with SENSE Charter School Kindergarten students, created gingerbread houses on Friday, December 13. Probably more icing and candy was eaten than decorated on these adorable houses, but everyone had a great time!



# 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](http://bateshendricks.org).



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## Upcoming

- Jan 2, 16, 30** Republic Recycling Pickup. More info at [www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling](http://www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling).
- Jan 6** **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!**
- Jan 9** 2nd 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](http://www.facebook.com/bateshendricks/events), or by emailing [Events@bateshendricks.org](mailto:Events@bateshendricks.org). This month's location: *Barringer's Tavern, 2535 S. Meridian Street.*
- Jan 13** 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](mailto:QualityOfLife@bateshendricks.org).
- Jan 15** 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](mailto:Events@bateshendricks.org) for more information.
- Jan 18** Parent Monthly Meetup, 9:30am, The Lincoln Center, 516 Lincoln Street. Come join with other parents for a monthly meetup for parents or soon-to-be parents to meet and support each other.
- Jan 21** Heavy Trash Pickup. More info at [www.indy.gov/eGov/City/DPW/Trash/Pages/TrashHome.aspx](http://www.indy.gov/eGov/City/DPW/Trash/Pages/TrashHome.aspx).
- Jan 27** 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](mailto:ROW@bateshendricks.org).
- Jan 28** 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](mailto:LandUse@bateshendricks.org) for more information.