

Bates-Hendricks Now Accepting Annual Dues for 2021



Starting April 1, membership dues are up for annual renewal. Dues are \$10 per household or \$25 per business. The dues are used to cover maintenance of public spaces, supplies for events, insurance costs, and more. Until we resume in-person meetings again, you may pay online at <https://www.paypal.me/bateshendricks>. When you pay, be sure to enter your address in the PayPal comments and note that the payment is for dues. Thanks!

Letter from the President

As we will soon begin the start of a new program year as a neighborhood association, we are excited to share BHNA's calendar of events with everyone. This list is not final by any means, but shall serve as a guide for what we are planning to offer for neighbors throughout the 2021 calendar year:

- April (17th) – Baumann Park Celebration
- May (varies) – Porch parties (reach out to your local Bates-Hendricks Block Host at bateshendricks.org/contact for more details)
- June (TBD) – Garage / Rummage Sale (neighborhood-wide)
- July (TBD) – Bike to the Ballpark (Indianapolis Indians game)
- August (TBD) – 5th Annual Street Fest; 5k Fun Run
- September (13th) – Neighborhood picnic (in lieu of monthly BHNA meeting)
- October (TBD) – Trick-or-Treating (along East Street)
- November (TBD) – Open Mic Night
- December (TBD) – Santa Parade; Holiday Lights Competition



BHNA President, Matt Nunley

We hope to be able to provide most, if not more, of the events listed above! These events can only successfully occur with a large group of neighborly volunteers, so please don't hesitate to reach out to our Bates-Hendricks Events Committee chair (Michelle Sjostrom, events@bateshendricks.org) to ask how you can assist in helping her create a successful, community-oriented Events Committee!

Bates-Hendricks' Parent Meetups Restarting this May

After a rollercoaster of a year, we are happy to restart our monthly parent meetups on May 15 at Baumann Park (1868 Singleton Street) from 9:30am to 11:30am. Join other parents and caregivers in the community for a play date at local parks. All families are welcome, regardless of age, and no RSVP is required. In case of rain, we will meet at Lincoln Lane Coffee Co. (516 Lincoln Street) for an indoor playdate.

To stay up to date on programming and information pertinent to young families, join our private parent group on Facebook, "Cool Parents of Bates-Hendricks". Request access to the page and then answer the questions when prompted so that a page administrator can review your request and get you added.

SENSE Charter School Computer Science Teams Compete in State-Wide Contest

Each year SENSE Charter School enters the Indiana CS For Good Competition that is hosted by Nextech. In this competition, elementary and middle school teams are tasked with creating a solution to a common problem using computer science to drive positive change in our ever-evolving world. Working with a teacher sponsor, teams of 2 to 5 students can submit a project showing how technology – either a software application, website, or physical computing device – can be used to solve a problem in their school, community, or the world.

SENSE Charter School had three project entries this year: a dog-walking robot, an AI cyberbullying detector, and a snow-shoveling robot that would assist those unable to shovel their own snow. These projects were led by two SENSE Charter staff members, Ryan Bean, Director of Technology, and Rebecca Widener, part of the school's Resource team.

COVID-19 restrictions provided the team with additional challenges this year, forcing them to meet virtually for a large portion of the project development.

On April 6, the elementary team with Samuel Newsom, Kylee Sexton, Max Fuentes, Marcos Carreto Pena, Nehemiah Blanford, and Audrey Minder were awarded first place in the elementary division with their snow-shoveling robot. Each member of the winning student team will receive \$500 in prizes provided by Nextech. "I couldn't be prouder of the students", said Ryan Bean. "This effort was an example of persevering through adversity and the unique challenges presented by the year. The students never faltered and always continued their hard work. This victory is well deserved."



Part of the SENSE Charter School elementary team and their snow-shoveling robot is pictured at right. Theirs was the winning entry in the 2021 CS For Good Competition in the Indiana elementary school division.

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

- May 3** 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!
- May 6, 20** Republic Recycling Pickup. More info at www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling.
- May 10** Quality of Life / Economic Development Meeting, 6:30pm. This committee works to improve the East Street corridor, among other objectives. Contact QualityOfLife@bateshendricks.org for online meeting details or other information.
- May 15** Parents Monthly Meetup, 9:30am, Bauman Park, 1868 Singleton Street. Rain location: 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. See additional information on page 2.
- May 18** Heavy Trash Pickup. More info at www.indy.gov/eGov/City/DPW/Trash/Pages/TrashHome.aspx.
- May 19** Events Committee Meeting, 6:30pm. This committee works to plan neighborhood events, including Street Fest, the Chili Cook-off, holiday dinners, and more. Contact Events@bateshendricks.org for meeting details or other information.
- May 19** Bates-Hendricks Futbol Club begins its season in the Indy City Futbol league against other Indianapolis teams. Come out and support your neighborhood team this season! The full season schedule will be added to the neighborhood calendar (bateshendricks.org/calendar) when it is available from the league.
- May 24** ROW – Pleasant Run Meeting, 6:30pm. This committee focuses on improving the waterway that runs through our neighborhood. For meeting details or other info, contact ROW@bateshendricks.org.
- May 25** Land Use Committee Meeting, 6:30pm. 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 online meeting details or other information.