

The Vine

The events, updates, and highlights of Ivy Hills

Spring 2016 www.IvyHills.org

This is a semi-annual publication that keeps you updated and informed about Ivy Hills and its residents. Your participation is what makes this a community! A neighborhood is where you live, a community is what we are! Please learn how you can be active and help improve your community!

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER*

- IHRA Meetings at C&C Church May 18, July 20, & September 21
 - Ivy Hills Movie 1st Night June 17
 - Ivy Hills Neighborhood Garage Sale July 30
 - Ivy Hills Triple Threat Pub Crawl August 27
 - Ivy Hills Movie 2nd Night August 12
 - Ivy Hills Annual Picnic September 17
 - Halloween Parade & Hayride October 29
- Annual Neighborhood Meeting November 16

*Events subject to change or cancellation

SIMPLY GET INVOLVED

Are you interested in getting more involved in the neighborhood?

There are many SIMPLE ways to be an active neighbor!

- Simply join the "Ivy Hills Residents Association" Facebook page.
- Simply attend our bi-monthly meetings at Cross and Crown Church.
- Contact any of the listed Board members to find out how you can volunteer your time
- Simply send a recipe, story about your Ivy Hills experience or a kind neighbor to be shared in The Vine (this thing you're reading, yeah, it has a name!)
 - Simply be the neighbor your neighbors want to write about.
- Simply PAY YOUR DUES!!! Your dues help to cover the cost of snow removal, neighborhood upkeep, events and other programs and organizations that increase or maintain our property values. The dues really do go towards EVERYONE'S benefit.

JOIN US ON FACEBOOK: IVY HILLS RESIDENCE ASSOCIATION

A note from the President...

Hello Ivy Hills Neighbors,

It has been a few years since we had a newsletter. We are, after all, a volunteer organization and sometimes our lives take up more time than we have for the duties of the board. Thankfully, Amber House has taken on the newsletter and we are all grateful for that.

We have lots to get done this year and so many things going on in the neighborhood. Please take the time to read the information in this newsletter as it is meant to keep you up on events we have going on and opportunities to help out.

What if you all gave 2 hours of your time to Board this year? WOW could we get stuff done. We have lots of ideas and many times no one to take them on. How about reaching out to one of the Board Members and see how you could help?

I also want to discuss something you will be hearing a lot about in the coming months and can do something about it now, please keep reading. Last Fall I decided to pursue the water issues I am seeing in our neighborhood. Ivy Hills was built in the late 1950's, early 1960's and completed in the 1970's. Since then there's been so much development around us that after each rain, and not to mention there's been a spike in rainfall since the turn of the century, there are issue spots all around the neighborhood. The city engineers have verified this fact for us.

I began pursuing this with Councilor Scales and this led to the creation of The Water Team (see names below). We met with the City in November of 2015 and we have made some headway and there's a way to go. The water problem is one that will only continue to grow as the development continues in our surrounding areas, especially around 75th and Binford Boulevard, and the Castleton corridor. The drainage routes for the water through the neighborhood from these and other areas are not sufficient now and certainly will not be if something is not done. This will, undoubtedly and eventually have a negative outcome for all of our property values and increase all of our insurance rates. It is our contention that how water is currently moved through our neighborhood is not up to today's standards.

Ivy Hills needs all neighbors to band together and help support this effort as we press the city to address our concerns. There are many communities around Indianapolis that are vying for the same drainage dollars. We need to have a voice, be organize and establish that voice as soon as possible. The Water Team has laid a great foundation for this and a few voices will not be heard when we are in competition with other neighborhoods around Indianapolis. Ivy Hills is the anchor community at the northeastern corner of our city. I'm calling upon everyone to do what you can to support this effort. We will have more information as we move forward with this campaign.

In the meantime, the list is below of the people who are currently on the team. We are looking for neighbors to at least be supportive of this effort and when the time comes we'd like to get as many names and emails as possible as part of this process so that we can be a force to be reckoned with if it needs to come to that.

Please reach out to one of us if you have water and/or drainage issues in and around your house or know of any that we need to be aware of. Any and all are welcome, whether you have an issue or not:

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Tracie Wells - traciewells@mac.com

Here's to a great year and look forward to seeing many of at different events.

Sincerely,

Greg Geller

317-577-0766

Orchids in the Ivy

This is your opportunity to brag about how great of a neighbor you have!

From Tanya Day on Kilmer:

Tom Moore on Kilmer Lane fixed shingles that had been ripped off in storms last fall. A few months before that he helped repair their daughter's playhouse. She recommends him and he does great work!

From Diane Jones on 77th:

One of her neighbors shoveled the sidewalk and driveway with every snow fall this past winter. She never caught them in the act, but the efforts were greatly appreciated! Thanks Secret Shovelers!

From Greg Gellar & the Ivy Hills Board:

Kathy Tekulve does our taxes every year and has been doing so for some time now. We truly appreciate her volunteer work and undertaking in helping keep Ivy Hills finances in order and our legal stuff up to date!

From Greg McMullen & the Ivy Hills Board:

Daren Arterberry helped repair the timbers at the 79th st and Allisonville Ivy Hills sign. We appreciate his work and he also helped many residents with the storm clean up of downed trees and limbs. Please contact him in the future for any landscaping needs you may have. First Choice Tree & Landscape, 317-956-7329.

Do you have a neighbor you would like to thank or recognize publicly? Send your thank you to Amber House at AmberMHouse@gmail.com for our fall newsletter!

BRAG

Binford Redevelopment and Growth
www.Binford71.org

The Market at Hague reopens May 7
LNHS- 7800 N Hague

BRAG Meetings

CHN Office-7240 N Shadeland, #150

April 13	May 11
June 8	July 13

Please visit BRAG's web site to view and support our local businesses that support the community!

Our BRAG Liaison is Alison McConnell

GACC

Greater Allisonville Community Council, Inc
www.GreaterAllisonville.org

GACC Meetings

Eastwood Middle School-4401 E 62nd St

May 10	June 14
July 12	August 9

Please visit the GACC website to learn more about how GACC helps improve our area and its roll in our property values.

Our GACC liaison is Jonathan Eriksen

You can now pay your dues via Pay-pal: www.IvyHills.org

Were you part of the 2015 FUN?



Meet the Board

This is your 2016 Ivy Hills Board of VOLUNTEER Directors

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BRAG Liaison	Alison McConnell	317-596-6231	Alison.McConnell@att.net

Ivy Hills Event Details *

Family Outdoor Movie Nights

When: June 17 & August 12, 7:30-9pm
Meet: Cross and Crown Church
Details: We will offer our first Ivy Hills family movie nights this summer! Movies will be family friendly, but not necessarily a cartoon. Please bring a blanket (NO LAWNCHAIRS!), drinks, and snacks are welcome. Bring the kids and be ready to have a great time at the movies!

Cost: FREE!

BRING THE BUGSPRAY!

Ivy Hills Annual Garage Sale

When: July 30, 8am-1pm
Meet: N/A
Details: This is our annual neighborhood treasure hunt! I'm a hunter and look for the deals! But we need plenty to stock the forest with game! So clean out your basements, empty the closets, clear out your cabinets. What you don't need, someone else is searching for and willing to pay big green for it!
Cost: FREE (We pay for advertising!)

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Triple Threat Pub Crawl



When: August 27, 6-9pm
Meet: Broken Beaker, 643 Mass Ave
Details: Massachusetts Ave offers something for everyone's pallet. Breweries, wineries, and a new distillery. We Will be exploring all three (get why it is the "triple threat crawl"?)
Come join us for some drinks, community togetherness, and fun to be had by all!
No transportation included.
Cost: Free. Pay as you eat/drink

PLEASE DRINK RESPONSIBLY!



Annual Picnic 2016

When: September 17 12-3pm
Meet: Cross & Crown Church
Details: We are supplying food, bounce houses, face painters, games, prizes, & you supply the friendship. We're meeting to celebrate our community and neighbors. Join us For a great afternoon together. Silly Safaris will be closing our event with a 2pm show. Please let us know if you would like to help!
Cost: INCLUDED IN YOUR ANNUAL DUES!



Halloween Parade & Hayride

When: October 29, 4pm
Meet: Cross and Crown STREET!!!
Details: This is a great opportunity for the kids to get some extra use out of their Halloween costumes. We also utilize this event to give back. We collect canned good items to donate to the Compassion Center in Fountain Square.
We need drivers! PLEASE!!!
Cost: 1 can food item (minimum) per rider!



Neighborhood Annual Meeting

When: November 16, 7pm
Meet: TBD
Details: Join us to find out what is going on in Ivy Hills. Meet your board members and other Ivy Hills residents. Learn what it is that makes Ivy Hills so special. This is an adult only event. We will supply Food and non-alcoholic drinks.
Cost: INCLUDED IN YOUR ANNUAL DUES!



Please RSVP to all events no later than 1 week prior to date given to allow for accurate planning.

Please RSVP to the Social Director

Events subject to cancellation or change based on weather, lack of interest, or other events. Please stay up to date by joining our Facebook page: Search "Ivy Hills Residents Association"

Amber House

Text/Cell 317-607-3326

Email AmberMHouse@gmail.com



PAID DUES LIST

Thank you to everyone that has paid their dues in the first quarter. This list reflects checks and payments made by 4/10/16. If you have paid your dues and your name is not listed, rest assured it will be posted in our fall issue. Dues can be paid online via Pay-pal at www.IvyHills.org or by mailing a check to the address on the back of the newsletter! Minimum requested dues are \$35, but gifts above that are much appreciated.

Adams, Scott & Jane	Doyle, Rob	Kaiser, Chris & Lori	Robinson, Matthew & Marci
Agnew, Tom & Cindy	Drook, Grant & Wendy	Kaiser, Jackie	Roe, Edna
Ahearn, Daniel & Donna	Eckle, Dianne	Kashin, Tom & Elizabeth	Roemer, Chuck
Allen, Bernie & Maureen	Eldridge, Michael	Keller, Carol	Rouzer, Mike & Katie
Apple, Steve & Joani	Emerson, Daniel & Ginny	Keller, Emily	Rupp, Jack & MaryAnne
Armocost, Jeff	Enzor, Jim & Jane	Kennedy, Bill & Karen	Ruschhaupt, Tim & Dianna
Armstrong, Bob & Vicki	Ericksen, Jonathan & Stephanie	Kennedy, Jay & Cathy	Rusk, Jason & Kara
Armstrong, Kerchal	Estes, Les & Jane	Kersey/Durbin, Chuck/Leslie	Saffen, Dan & Laura
Arnold, John & Theresa	Fairbanks, Leanne	Killigrew, Brian & Connie	Sage, John & Becky
Arnold, Richard & Jean	Farison, James	Kite, Bert & Debbie	Sahm, William & Deborah
Ashmore, Rob & Jackie	Farrell, Joe & Shannon	Kline, Douglas	Sakkwasser, Jim & Jean
Avgoustis-Zion, Dina & Gary	Felde, Marcus & Christine	Kramer, Margaret	Sammon, Kathleen
Babbitt, Maxine	Fisher, Mike & Cecee	Kulczak, Theresaea	Schaller, Byron & Brie
Banta, Donald & Tricia	Fitch, Laura	Leigh, Bruce & Vicki	Scher, Norbert & Susie
Barnhart, Susan	Flannagan, Tim & Carol	Lenihan, Carol	Schilling, Mary
Beard, Craig & Roseanne	Fohl, Nick & Lisa	Linn, Linda	Schilling, Steve & Carla
Behlmer, Kevan & Katie	Foxworthy, Pat	Loureiro, Therese	Schroedle, Laura
Berg, Matthew & Debbie	Fritz, Pete & KK	Loyal, Willie & Janice	Shafer, gary & Brenda
Berg, Steven & Jacque	Gaerte, Ken & Jan	Maethner, Rick & nancy	Sharpe, Ron
Bianchini, Maxine	Galura, Brian	Malott, Courtney & Heather	Shiple, Cassandra
Bingham, Robert & Elizabeth	Garrett, Dick & Bonnie	Manuel, Kent & Linda	Singh, KP & Jan
Bittner/Roll, Douglas/Helen	George, Tim & Amy	May, Carlos	Sparrow, Jelanie
Boarman, Jason & Audra	Giles, Molly	McGuire, Melvin & Clarissa	Spiegel, Ben & Courtney
Bobay, Nathan & Michelle	Glikison, Tom & Barbara	McLellan, Alden & Karen	Stevens, Greg & Abby
Borg, Paul & Judith	Glassley, Philip & Rita	McMullen/Jacob, Greg/Bradley	Stone, David & Karen
Borum, Brad & Julie	Goetz, James & Melissa	McNulty, Maurice & Kathy	Stover, Gary & LuAnne
Botkin, Mark & Kathy	Grorrell, Bill & Mary	McWilliams, Gary & Nancy	Strong, Betsy
Bower, John & Julie	Gravenstreter, Tim & Dayle	Meador, Thomas & Lisa	Sullivan, W. Michael & Mary
Bowles, Jeff & Jenny	Gresehover, John & Elizabeth	Melvin, Liz	Swisher, Glenn Jr.
Bradley, Jan	Groth, William & Phyllis	Menke, Steve	Taylor, Joshua & Elizabeth
Breedon, Thomas	Hacker, Tom & Susie	Moon, Ted & Jeanette	Tekluve, Kathleen
Brown, Henry & carol	Halleck, Steve	Moore, Tim & Cindy	Thornburg, John & Deb
Brumleve, Paul & Teresa	Hanna, David & Tamra	Moore/Devine, JW & Katie	Tidd, Teresa
Bryant, Henry & Sherri	Harden, Mary	Morelock, Roger	Todd, John & Beverly
Butler, C. Fred	Hardin, Jeffrey & Molly	Motter, Scott & Terri	Tokarek, Charles & Patricia
Callis, Larry & Donna	Harkness, Mark & Becky	Muller, Tom & Donna	Udike, Robert & Jacqueline
Canas, Huri & Gina	Harsnett, Rick & Monica	Murphy, Dan & Kandice	Van Hise, Richard & Tracy
Carlock, Matt & Hannah	Hedback, Joyce	Murray, John & Erin	Vargo, Greg & Kas
Carr, Steve & Barbara	Hensel, Barbara	Myers, George & Sherry	Verbar, Bran & Cindy
Carson, Elaine	Hessler, Charlie & Jane	Myers, Neil & Heather	Wagner, Richard & Ella
Cates, David & Mary	Hetrick, Erin & Evan	Neal, Bill & Carrie	Walker, David & Shirley
Catton, Jamie A	Hill, Alberta	Neal, Peg	Walsh, Don & Judy
Clark, Timothy	Hise/Deybes, Sean/Edyza	Neville, Timothy	Walsh, Shannon
Clements, Alan & Jan	Hittle, Sue	O'Loughlin, John & Carol	Wann, Don & Teri
Cobb, William & Nedra	Hoffman, Marilyn	Opat, Tony & Conne	Ward, Jim & Dot
Coffman, Larry & Maltie	Hogan, Linda	Overdorf, Scott & Tanya	Wardrip, Chris & Sharon
Collins, Maria	Hokanson, Stephen	Palenik, Chuck & Lynn	Weldon, Kent & Tina
Conklin, Phillip	Horsley, Chris	Patton, Meg	Wellman, Chris
Conneally, Michael & Mary	Hoyt, Warren & Carolyn	Pendergast, Tim & Jeanne	Wenclewicz, mart & Kortney
Conner, James & Christine	Huizinga, Dave & Kim	Plambeck, Myron & Marjorie	White, Kenneth & Aurora
Coon, Bob & Ann	Hutson, Tim & Pat	Porter/Kopetski, Linda/Jeff	Wiggins, Earl & Peggy
Corey, Tom & Andrea	Indiano, Voctor & Jane	Powell, Jeff & Elise	Wilson, Louise
Correa, Francisco & Kathy	Irwin, James & Jackie	Prugh, Mike & Pam	Wink, Phillip & Lindsay
Cromer, Stephanie & Steve	James, David & Susan	Redman/Langebartels, De/Joe	Wolbert, John & Therese
Cupp, Andrew	Jensen, William & Nancy	Reeves, Don & Kim	Wolfe, Murray & Chery
Davis, Darlene	Jentz, Jack & Pat	Reinking, Ronald & Debbie	Wood, Dennis & Debby
DeHebreard, Dave & Karen	John, Mark & Sally	Renick, Sue	Wooley, Jeff & Jeannie
Devore/Nix, Mark & Michael	Johnson, James & Dorothy	Reybaum, Robert & barbara	Zore, Jerry & Debbie
DiSalvo, Joseph	Johnston, James & Karen	Richardson, Larry & Bobbi	
Dorrell, Mark & Susie	Jones, Thomas & Karilyn	Riddle, Kyle & Norah	
Dorrell, Phil & Tona	Jorgensen, Jeff & Kathy	Roberts, Rick & Karen	

SPECIAL NOTICE!!!

We are looking for donors and sponsors for our annual picnic.
If you would like to sponsor by covering the cost of some of the entertainment, food, or other event logistics, please contact the Activities Director.

If you would like to donate an item, your services, or basket to the Raffle prize table please contact the Activities Director.

Donors and Sponsors will be provided advertising on multiple forums!

AmberMHouse@gmail.com

The Board is also compiling a new Ivy Hills directory. If you would like to advertise your business in this directory, we are giving Ivy Hills residents PRIME advertising spots.

Please contact Scott Motter for pricing and available space.

SMotter@Ymail.com

Ivy Hills Housing Market Details

- 4 Homes currently on the market
- 10 homes are currently in the closing processing
- 15 Closings in the last 6 months
- Sales prices have been \$143,00-446,000
- Current average is \$232,380
- Current price per square foot is \$105.89
- Current Ivy Hills homes on market for 51 days

The spring market has been strong for Ivy Hills and the last 6-12 month has shown a strong uptick in the sales prices, faster marketing times, and a continued high demand for our community.

The more love we show for our community, the more kinetic the energy becomes for consumers trying to get in. We have great school systems, beautiful homes, and a wonderful sense of pride of ownership. Keep caring for and investing in your homes. Get and stay involved in the community, schools, and in the greater BRAG, GACC, and Castleton area organizations. Ivy Hills has so much to offer new and continued residents.

You can now pay your dues via Pay-pal: www.IvyHills.org

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2016 IVY HILLS DUES FORM

NAME _____ **PHONE** _____

ADDRESS _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

_____ \$35 _____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____ (OTHER)
(Minimum dues payment is \$35. Larger gifts are welcomed and appreciated.)

Please make checks payable to: Ivy Hills Residents' Association

Mail to:
Treasurer, Ivy Hills Residents' Association
5868 E 71st St. #E-210
Indianapolis, IN 46220

Are you a new resident? ___ Yes ___ No

Are you interested in volunteering? ___ Yes ___ No