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HIGHLIGHTS FROM AROUND

IVY HILLS

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SPRING GARDEN TOUR

The *2013 Ivy Hills Spring Garden Tour* will be held **SATURDAY, MAY 25TH @ 10:00am!**

Do you have a tiny patch of perennials you're particularly proud of? Perhaps you have a 20 x 20 vegetable garden that's growing to beat the band? Your neighbors want to see!

If you're interested in showing off your yard (read: answering questions and asking neighbors in your most diplomatic way not to step on your rare exotic breeds) on May 25th (weather permitting), please email Tonya Cupp at ivyhillsgardens@gmail.com by May 15th. She will contact you with further details after she gets final participant names. Please feel free to ask any questions or make suggestions.

PLEASE CONTACT TONYA CUPP WITH ANY QUESTIONS! IVYHILLSGARDENS@GMAIL.COM

SUMMER GARAGE SALE DATE CHANGE!!!

The *2013 Ivy Hills Annual Garage Sale* will be **SATURDAY, JULY 27TH** this year!

We are implementing this change for two great reasons:

- 1.) This will allow us to partner with Cross & Crown Church. Their rummage sale is scheduled for the same date. This partnership will increase the traffic to their sale and our sales!
- 2.) Having the sale a few weeks earlier will allow all the college-bound kids the opportunity to shop our sales before heading back to their dorms and apartments.

PLEASE CONTACT SARAH TERRILL WITH ANY QUESTIONS! SARAH.TERRILL@GMAIL.COM

It's that time of year again! CALL & REPORT POTHOLES - 317-327-4622

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A Message From Our NEW 2013 IHRA President!

Hello Ivy Hills Neighbors,

Although I have been thinking about being your President for the last year or so, it still feels odd that I have **officially** taken on this responsibility! I am excited about it at the same time though, and every day I am in this role I become more comfortable with it.

One of the things I can tell you I am **not**, is an amazing writer like Jonathan *{editor's note: Jonathan did not pay Greg for these compliments -je}*. I just reviewed the last 6 or so newsletters and, as we on the IHRA Board have all told him, he has a gift. And on top of that, he is darn funny. *{editor's note: Aww, that's nice -je}* So needless to say, I told him I would take the responsibility of being President from him, if he'd stay on as Communications Director (i.e. Facebook, newsletter, etc.); fortunately he did and here we are today!

I have spent the last few months (and continue to) driving around our wonderful neighborhood and getting a better understanding of our geography and our boundaries. We have an eclectic, diverse, and cool community. If you have not explored it lately, I would suggest doing so. This has been a lot of fun and has brought some adventure as well.

My goals for my time as President are as follows:

- Create more opportunities for more residents to get involved in making this an even better neighborhood than it is
- Encourage more neighbors to participate in paying dues
- Create systems with our team so when it is time for someone else to step into their role, they can be handed a blueprint to follow

I welcome input, ideas and your challenges. I will do my best to resolve and/or implement them in whatever capacity I or someone on the IHRA Board can do. I look forward to meeting more of you, and please, never hesitate to reach out to me.

My mobile # is 317-506-3010 and my email is gregpgeller@gmail.com.

Thanks again for entrusting me to be your IHRA President.

Cheers,

Greg Geller
2013 IHRA President



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Ivy Hills ORCHIDS



Please Join Us in Recognizing These Neighbors helping Neighbors:

*When our basement flooded this past weekend we had so many neighbors and friends reach out to help. From taking all of our stuff out of the basement into our garage, to helping us Shop Vac until water removers showed up. Truly humbling to live in such a great neighborhood. - **The Geller Family***

{golf course clap here}

*Our neighbor, Jonathan Eriksen, came over to our home to give us his professional opinion on renovation ideas. We are now implementing five of his ideas and we are so excited. It takes a fresh set of eyes to see these things, and we so appreciate his perspective {editor's note again - Jonathan did not pay Beth for these compliments, but that's very kind -je} - **Beth Williams***

{golf course clap here}

*My partner, Michelle, and I moved to into Ivy Hills in July of 2012. We both have said that living in Ivy Hills has been such a great experience for us. We adore our neighbors who have all been very kind to us. Our neighbors, Karen and Daren, continue to provide endless contacts for home services like driveway resurfacing, tree trimming and a fence company. On two separate occasions I have gotten up to go to work and have found Daren snow blowing our driveway. Our neighbors, Tara and Josh, are great people too. They have provided emergency childcare early in the morning for our infant son, Bennett. Josh recently installed our dishwasher and has also cleared our driveway. Tara cooked a meal for us when we got home from the hospital with Bennett. The stories are truly endless! We are so thankful for our neighborhood family! -**Valerie Walters***

{golf course clap here}

*Two to share: My neighbor, Rick Roberts, mowed a strip of lawn my mowing guy missed:) (I don't have a mower) - AND - I went out to pick up sticks and big branches from my front yard on Sunday afternoon only to discover my next door neighbors and their kids picked them up and put them in their trash can. I called to thank them. Very kind and appreciated gesture. Love Ivy Hills and my neighbors! - **Kathy Harbor Miller***

{golf course clap here}

CHECKING THE DONOR LIST

Question: *How will I know if I've paid my 2013 dues since it's not printed in this newsletter?!*

Answer: *It's easy! Simply log on to the neighborhood webpage (www.ivyhills.org) and review the list online. As dues come in, the list is updated frequently. Is your name on it?! Now you are able to pay your dues on the website, review the donor list, AND review the 2013 budget and bi-monthly updates to keep track of where IHRA funds are going. Log on today!*

Simple ways you can you get involved in 2013:

- *Simply join the Ivy Hills Residents Association Facebook page. You will be amazed at the resources and information traded each day!
- *Simply attend one of our bi-monthly meetings. There is ALWAYS a need for volunteers!
- *Simply pay your dues. That goes without saying!
- *Simply contact one of the board members or committee members on page 7 of this letter and ask!
- *Simply send a recipe, favorite restaurant, kind words about a neighbor, or story about life in Ivy Hills, to Jonathan for publication in the next newsletter! eriksenjm@gmail.com

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IHRA ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

Ivy Hills Residents Association Annual Meeting

November 14, 2012, held at George's Neighborhood Grill

Current and new board members in attendance were: Jonathan Eriksen, Kim Huizinga, Greg Geller, Sarah Terrill, Diana Ruschhaupt, Anne Campbell, Scott Motter, Steffanie Rhinesmith, Alison McConnell, Greg McMullen and Sherry Myers.

Minutes: September 19, 2012 minutes were approved as submitted

Treasurer's Report:

Kim briefly went over items reflected on the current profit/loss statement
Kim presented the proposed budget for 2013

Election of Board:

The proposed slate of board members for the upcoming year were presented and unanimously approved by voting members of the association. The new board is as follows:

President	Greg Geller
Vice President	Greg McMullen
Treasurer	Kim Huizinga
Secretary	Sherry Myers
Streets/Snow Removal	Scott Motter
Newsletter/Facebook	Jonathan Eriksen
Neighborhood Watch	Steffanie Rhinesmith
Activities	Sarah Terrill
Hospitality	Diana Ruschhaupt
Cross & Crown Liaison	Betsy Chambers
BRAG Liaison	Alison McConnell
GACC Liaison	Don Barr

President's Remarks:

Jonathan closed the business portion of the meeting with a "state of the neighborhood" address. Kim was presented with a gift for her extraordinary work as Treasurer and Webmaster. Jonathan was presented with a gift of appreciation for serving as our President for the last four years.

The board meeting ended at 7:30 PM

After the business meeting, Sarah Terrill introduced our guest speaker, Daphne Whitmire, a Marion County Deputy Prosecutor. Ms. Whitmire is a member of the Multi-Jurisdictional Offender Strategy Team (M.O.S.T.). She covered the following topics during her presentation:

- How we can protect our homes and personal property from criminals
- How to increase safety in our neighborhoods
- How to mark property so that it can be tracked in the event of theft or burglary

The program concluded at 8:30 PM

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FROM THE KITCHEN OF

Anne Campbell
B.D.B.I.T.L.

(Best Darn Brownies In The Land)*

Directions:

In a mixing bowl:

2 cups sugar
1 cup butter or margarine
1/2 cup cocoa
(cream the above)

Then add in this order:

4 eggs
1 C flour
1 tsp vanilla
nuts - *optional*
(mix well)



Pour into greased 9x13 pan. Bake 350 for 25-30 minutes.
ENJOY!!!!

**We all know Anne would never say "darn", but this show has kids watching!*

Not to B.R.A.G. or Anything...

Important upcoming dates...

May 2

Binford Farmers Market 2013 Kick Off
6-9 p.m.
Bier Brewery
Beer and Food Trucks

May 4

The outdoor market opens for the season
8 a.m. to 1 p.m

June 14

BRAG Business Alliance Luncheon
11:30-1pm
George's Neighborhood Grill

June 20

BRAG Business Alliance After Hours Networking
5-7 p.m.
VanAusdall and Farrar
75th and Binford

Please check page 7 of this newsletter to find the date, time and location of the monthly B.R.A.G. board meetings.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NOTICES:

Neighborhood Watch Notices are posted on the Ivy Hills website & sent to subscribers of the neighborhood e-mail communication network. Please remember it is important to report crime activities to the police! Non-emergency number: 317-327-3811

IVY HILLS - CRIME WATCH CONTACT:

STEFFANIE RHINESMITH - SRHINESMITH@SBCGLOBAL.NET OR 317-576-9419

SPRING TIME - BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR



- *As you start to clean the yards up after a long winter's nap, please keep clippings out of the street!
- *Watch for kiddos! They're starting to play outside again!
- *As much as it's within your power, please keep cars parked off the street!
- *Post helpful spring & summer resources for your neighbors on our IHRA Facebook page!
- *Pull out the grill and have a block party!

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The Current State of Real Estate in Ivy Hills

Current Stats (Last 6 Months Only):

ACTIVE homes on the market:	5
PENDING homes at this time:	8
SOLD in the last 6 months:	9
Average Days On Market :	115
Average Cost per Square Foot :	\$91
Average List Price :	\$222,700
Average Sale Price :	\$216,989

Active:

Address <i>(Wash Twp)</i>	Price	Sqft	+Bsmnt	Bed	Bath	Lvls	Gar	Sale Price
7515 Brookview Circle	\$309,900	2,698	1,334	4	2.5	2	2	
7812 N. Audubon Road	\$190,000	2,412	n/a	4	2	1.5	2	
5469 E. 79th Street	\$169,900	1,527	n/a	3	2	1	2	
<i>(Lawrence Twp)</i>								
5942 Camelback Court	\$355,000	3,303	2,071	4	3.5+.5	1	2	
6125 Redcoach Lane	\$169,900	1,940	n/a	3	2.5	1	2	

Pending:

<i>(Wash Twp)</i>								
7845 Wawasee Drive	\$245,000	3,150	n/a	4	2	2	2	tbd*
5725 E. Susan Drive	\$185,000	1,692	n/a	3	2	1	2	tbd
5515 E. Susan Drive	\$184,900	1,464	n/a	3	1.5	1	2	tbd
<i>(Lawrence Twp)</i>								
7814 Rough Cedar Lane	\$179,900	2,046	n/a	3	2	1	2	tbd
7458 Pawtucket Court	\$179,900	1,678	n/a	3	2	1	2	tbd
7811 Redcoach Drive	\$179,900	1,773	n/a	4	2.5	2	2	tbd
5869 E. 81st Street	\$165,000	1,516	n/a	3	2	1	2	tbd
5854 E. 81st Street	\$145,000	1,520	n/a	3	1.5	1	2	tbd

*(*Sale prices do not post until after closing for pending properties)*

Sold:

<i>(Wash Twp)</i>								
7707 Rucker Road	\$349,900	2,920	n/a	3	2.5	2	4	\$349,900
7744 Brookview Lane	\$259,900	3,180	795	5	2.5	2	2	\$258,500
5771 Kilmer Lane	\$179,900	1,937	n/a	3	2	1	2	\$178,500
7960 S. Susan Drive	\$159,900	1,544	n/a	3	2	1	2	\$152,000
7955 Allisonville Road	\$150,000	2,014	1,007	3	2.5	1	2	\$141,000
<i>(Lawrence Twp)</i>								
7830 Camelback Drive	\$249,900	2,729	1,357	4	4.5	2	2	\$239,000
5814 Barnstable Court	\$224,900	2,841	450	4	2.5	2	2	\$220,000
5850 E. 79th Street	\$219,900	2,463	783	4	2.5	Tri	2	\$212,000
7919 Buckskin Drive	\$210,000	1,955	n/a	3	2.5	1	2	\$202,000

(All information compiled from The Metropolitan Indianapolis Board of Realtors)

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IVY HILLS RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION CALENDAR

MEETINGS

January 16 7:00pm IHRA BOARD MEETING
March 20 7:00pm IHRA BOARD MEETING
May 15 7:00pm IHRA BOARD MEETING
July 17 7:00pm IHRA BOARD MEETING
Sept 18 7:00pm IHRA BOARD MEETING

EVENTS

July 27 – 8:00am-5:00pm
IVY HILLS ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

September 14 – 12:00-3:00pm
IVY HILLS ANNUAL PICNIC

November 13 – 7:00pm
IVY HILLS ANNUAL MEETING

BRAG

Binford Redevelopment & Growth, Inc.

**Board meetings are the second
Wednesday of the month at 7 pm @
Hope Community Church
(7440 Hague Road)**

**All are welcome to attend.
Check www.binford71.org for 2013 quarterly
community meeting schedule**

Alison McConnell is our BRAG liaison

GACC

Greater Allisonville Community Council

**Community meetings are the second
Tuesday of the month at 7pm.
All meetings are held at Eastwood
Middle School. Everyone is welcome
to attend.**

www.greaterallisonville.org

Don Barr is our GACC liaison

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2013 IVY HILLS DUES FORM

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

(Be sure to include your address, especially if you are a new resident as your checks may still reflect your old address.)

_____ \$35 _____ \$50 _____ \$75 _____ OTHER

Minimum dues payment is \$35. Larger payments are welcomed and appreciated. Please make check payable to IVY HILLS RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION.

Mail to:

Treasurer, Ivy Hills Residents' Association, 5868 E. 71st Street, #E-210, Indianapolis, IN 46220

Are you a new Ivy Hills Resident () Yes () No _____ (your e-mail address)

*We would like to add you to our Listbox notification system!

Would you like to volunteer? () Yes () No _____ (your e-mail address)

*We would like to inform you of our next Board meeting date!

