

Ivy Hills Highlights

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IVY HILLS

A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE!

Ivy Hills residents were fortunate to have their streets plowed in speedy fashion., Many areas of Indianapolis could not get out after our BIG snowfall due to their streets not being plowed. The Ivy Hills plows were out in record time and plowed a second time to keep our streets clear.

However, the clear streets were not without a price. **The cost of plowing so far this year is \$5,600. This represents over 50% of the income generated from dues.** Hopefully we will not have another snowfall where we need plowing. but we still have to make it through December of 2007.

Your Ivy Hills Residents' Association dues pay for the plowing. Everyone benefits from this so we're asking everyone to contribute to the Association. Dues are a minimum of \$20 per year. If you could pay a little extra this year it would be great . Be a great neighbor and pay your dues as soon as possible.



Ivy Hills WEB SITE and Email List

The Ivy hills Web site is a reality. You can access our web site at www.ivyhills.org. Check it out ! If you have ideas for improvement please send us an email.

You can also subscribe to the Ivy Hills email list: go to the web site and click on **Listserve**. All you need to do is enter your email address, name and street address. You can also unsubscribe here as well.

The email list is a valuable service to Ivy Hills residents. By subscribing you will be notified via e-mail of crimes in the neighborhood, lost dog alerts, and keeping up to date on other happenings in Ivy Hills, BRAG and the city. **Listserve** proved to be very helpful when a dog was found because of the email alert and when one of Ivy Hills resident's was robbed and mugged at the Walgreens at 75th and Shadeland.

Going forward, those on the email list will receive their newsletter via email to help with printing and postage expense.

INDIANAPOLIS METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT NORTH DISTRICT NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCE OFFICER

Officer Eric Williams is available to help with neighborhood problems such as cars speeding through the neighborhood, pets who run loose or whatever nuisances you may experience. He is there to help when problems do not warrant calling the police, or when things “just get on your nerves”.

He is available from 6:30 p.m. until 3:00 a.m.

He can be reached at 317-327-6100

or via email at 20294@indygov.org



We are in the process of rebuilding our neighborhood Crime Watch Teams. We are in need of volunteers.

If you would like to volunteer you can contact the following:

CRIMEWATCH

Tim & Diana Ruschhaupt 578-1716



There have been no recent crimes been reported.

PAY YOUR DUES



Minimum dues payment is twenty dollars. Larger payments are welcomed and appreciated. Please make dues payable to “IVY HILLS RESIDENTS’ ASSOCIATION” .

Notes from the President,

Yes, your neighborhood association is still up and running, although you may have forgotten about us since so much time has lapsed since the last newsletter. We apologize. It was not our intention to go so long between newsletters, life just seemed to keep getting in the way. We will work hard to do better. You should receive a newsletter or some communication every three to four months.

I'm happy to announce the introduction of our very own Ivy Hills website! It can be found by visiting www.ivyhills.org. The Board is excited to have a new way to communicate with all of you and the entire area on the many benefits of living here! Our goal is have a fresh, informative site that keeps neighbors informed and draws new residents to the area. We can't accomplish that goal without help from you. Please visit the site and send us an email on how we can make it better and more helpful for you.

Once you visit, you will also notice an additional way to stay in touch, the Ivy Hills email list. Over 200 of our residents are already signed up and receiving regular updates about the neighborhood, BRAG, lost dogs and other city happenings. Please take a moment to subscribe to the list and become a participating member of your neighborhood. You then won't miss the newsletter so much! Another goal of the website and email list is to reduce our newsletter printing and postage expenses. Those residents who join the list will be sent an email when new Newsletters are posted to the website. You can then choose to read it at your leisure or print it if you want to. For those of you without email or web access, no problem, you will still receive the newsletter in the mail. We want everyone to stay informed and involved regardless of how much technology you choose to use!

We had three major goals last year, a website, an email list and a new neighborhood directory. We've accomplished two of the three, and hope that the directory is at the printers by the time you're reading this newsletter and in your hands soon!

Chris Williams has been our GACC liaison and a valued member of our board the last few years. His good fortune of a new career opportunity is our unfortunate loss, as the time and travel will leave him little free time. Thank you, Chris, for your time and insights.

With Chris stepping down and other openings on the Board we need your help. I hear from many of you how much you enjoy living in Ivy Hills. I encourage you to give something back to our great neighborhood by volunteering for a board position. This is my 5th year as President and I'd like it to be my last. We need new ideas and new energy to keep the Association strong. Please call or email me to give a little time and a lot of talent to keeping our neighborhood one of the best places to live in Indy. You can find more information on volunteer opportunities as you read on.....!

Yours Truly,

Steffanie Rhinesmith



BINFORD BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT

Saturday—April 28th 8 am—2 pm

100+ Volunteers are needed to plant and clean up along Binford Boulevard to make this an even more stunning gateway into our neighborhoods and businesses.

BRAG has received another generous grant from Keep Indianapolis Beautiful. More than \$10,000 worth of plants and expertise are being donated. Community Hospital, the Immediate Care Center, and other businesses are already making major contributions to this effort.

What do we need?

Volunteers—contributors— YOU

C'mon and join the fun.

Starbucks and Entenmann's will provide breakfast

Please contact Lisa at list@binford71.org

To "dig in" and do your part.

FYI Planting will occur rain or shine

NEW BUSINESSES ON BINFORD

A new CVS Pharmacy recently opened on the southeast corner of 71st and Binford. Also a new Fifth Third Bank branch has opened on 71st behind the CVS.

Entenmann's Bakery Outlet is now open and George's Neighborhood Grill will be opening in May. It is also rumored that Great Clips, a nail salon, another restaurant and a coffee shop will be joining this list of businesses.

BRAG WEBSITE

To learn more and to keep up to date about BRAG go to their website.

[www.binford 71.org](http://www.binford71.org)

BINFORD FARMERS MARKET

When and where: Beginning Saturday, June 2nd at 7:30 am at the southwest corner of Binford and East 75th under that lovely grove trees. Running every Saturday until October 13th. Parking at the Stanley Security Parking Lot.

Costs to vendors: \$90/season or \$10/Saturday plus certificate of insurance and signed contract.

Features: local fresh produce, ethnic foods, flowers, herbs garden plants.

What's not included: crafts of any kind, pets, or smoking.

Please contact Jane Lommel at jlommel@WorkforceAssociates.com to volunteer on Saturdays, help us market our Market, organize special themed Saturdays, and/or to sell at this Market.

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**IVY HILLS RESIDENTS'
ASSOCIATION
REMAINING
BOARD MEETINGS 2007**

**ALL MEETINGS ARE AT 7:30 PM
Cross and Crown Lutheran
Church**

May 9

July 11

September 12

November 14

**All residents of Ivy Hills are
welcome to attend any of the
meetings. If you'd like to place an
item on the agenda, call Steffanie.**

BRAG

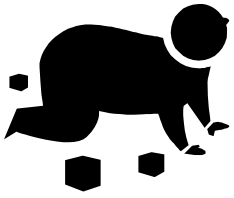
**Community meetings are the second
Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m.
All meetings are held in the Stanley Se-
curity's cafeteria. Everyone is welcome to
attend**

GACC

**GACC meets the second Tuesday of
each month at 7pm**

At Epworth Church

6450 Allisonville Road.



BABY SITTING SERVICES

The following have indicated their availability for baby-sitting services:

NAME	AGE	PHONE	SSC
Chelsea Backus	16	849-5034	yes
Lauren Brehm	14	841-0422	yes
Anne Campbell	(grandmother) 585-9981		
Chelsea Carter	15	842-8213	yes
Torey Guingrich	13	578-2309	no
Pam Holtz	13	845-7311	yes
Julie Kaiser	12	578-2217	no
Ericka Krumwied	14	849-7718	yes
Maggie Moore	14	842-4579	yes
Lora Nelson	13	577-4688	
Elizabeth Sweeney	14	577-1513	yes
Kelly Swengel	15	842-8096	yes

YARD SERVICES



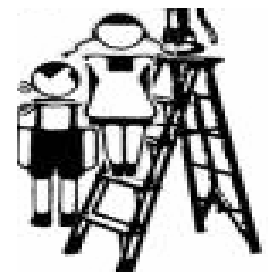
These individuals have indicated their availability for lawn mowing, leaf raking and snow shoveling. Please feel free to contact any one of them if you need such services. Any additional enterprising teenagers or retirees wishing to have their name on the list, contact Anne Campbell 585 –9981. Please state your current age and phone number

NAME	AGE	PHONE
Jason Brehm	14	841-0422
Blake Guingrich	18	578-2309
Mike Henderson	16	576-9092
Erik Kiser	15	849-6146
Kyle Kiser	15	849-6146
Len Stefano	Retiree	578-9533

JACKS AND JILLS OF ALL TRADES

Are you in need of house sitting, pet sitting, light house cleaning, someone to run errands?

Call Kathy Marose 842-3859



If you would like to add your name to any of the above lists contact Anne Campbell. Also if you no longer wish to be listed please let us know so we can remove your name.



CALLING LANDSCAPERS AND DESIGNERS



The Association applied for a Keep Indianapolis Beautiful grant for a sign and landscaped area at the entrance of Camelback and 75th Streets. Unfortunately we did not receive a grant last year because they don't do signs, but indicated they would be open to paying for the landscaping if Ivy Hills did the sign and design.

We are asking for any creative Ivy Hills residents to submit designs for this sign and landscaping.. We would also like for someone to take ownership of this project. The thought is to choose a few designs, receive quotes on building the sign and let the residents vote on their choice. The winning designs will be posted on the web site. If we are able to finance the sign we believe KIB will be more willing to finance the landscaping. The sign would go between the street and sidewalk on the west side of Camelback. **This great idea will not be possible unless someone is willing to accept the chairmanship of this project.** The email list generated 17 individuals willing to help. If you are interested in taking charge call or email Steffanie Rhinesmith.

Last year when we asked for volunteers to plant the flower beds at the 79th street entrance we were fortunate to have Mary Gorrell and Anne Weiskittle step forward. They have done a wonderful job of planting and maintaining this entrance and continue to do so.. Thanks again to both of you.

We are also looking for a volunteer to paint and repair the wood boards of the entrance signs at 79th and Allisonville Road.

GIVE BACK TO IVY HILLS

Most of your board members have been serving for several years. To keep the Association active and strong we need new board members with energy and enthusiasm. Please consider the following positions for ways YOU can give back to Ivy Hills.

President: Sets agenda and chairs meetings for the Association, writes President's letter for Newsletter.

Vice President: Fills in for president, attends meetings and votes on Association matters.

Co-Activities Coordinator: Plans and coordinates the Neighborhood Garage Sale and Picnic.

Hospitality Committee: Welcomes new residents of Ivy Hill with a visit and small gift.

Streets and Snow Removal: Works with city to keep roads maintained and coordinates snow removal with plowing contractor.

GACC Liaison: Attends once a month GACC meetings on behalf of Ivy Hills and also attends Ivy Hills board meetings and writes report for newsletter.

BRAG Liaison: Attends once a month BRAG meetings on behalf of Ivy Hills and also attends Ivy Hills board meetings and writes report for newsletter.

Contact Steffanie Rhinesmith if you would like to volunteer for any of these Positions or activities.

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IVY HILLS MEMBERSHIP DUES FORM

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

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

_____ \$20 _____ \$25 _____ \$30 _____ OTHER

Minimum dues payment is twenty dollars. Larger payments are welcomed and appreciated. Please make dues payable to "IVY HILLS RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION" . Send your payment, along with this form to:

Are you a new Ivy Hills Resident () Yes () No

Treasurer, Ivy Hills Residents' Association
P O Box 501436

Would you like to volunteer? () Yes () No

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