

# SMOKE SIGNALS

An IVCA

Publication



February 2010

## Semi-Annual Meeting

Mark your calendars for **Wednesday**, March 10!

The next IVCA Semi-Annual Meeting will be held on  
**Wednesday, March 10, at 7 p.m.**  
**at the Indian Village Elementary School.**

There will be discussion on possible changes to our Protective Covenants. We have several speakers who have confirmed along with some new “surprises”.

Read the “Letter from the President” to see what is scheduled.

You won't want to miss this meeting!

### **Last Chance! 2010 Maintenance Dues**

Thank you to all who have already sent in their dues. Your last chance to pay your \$30 mandatory maintenance dues, **without late fees**, is at the Semi-Annual Meeting. Make your checks payable to “IVCA” (no cash, please). IVCA Treasurer will be available to take payments starting at 6:45 p.m. If you have misplaced your billing statement, they will be available at the meeting. Dues not paid by March 10, will have \$5 per quarter late fees that will begin with the March billing due April 1, 2010.

**Indian Village Homepage**

**<http://indianvillage.htmlplanet.com>**

## **Easter Egg Hunt**

The Indian Village annual Egg Hunt is planned for Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of April 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Egg Hunt will take place on the greenway of Indian Village Blvd. and will begin at 11 a.m. The event is open to residents and grandchildren of residents. We rope off areas for age groups 1 through 12. Each group hunts in turn so parents can enjoy watching all of their children have fun. The hunt goes very quickly and is usually over within 20 minutes, so be prompt and don't forget your baskets and cameras!

We need volunteers to stuff eggs! If you can help in making this the best Egg Hunt ever, call Jan Tidwell at 747-1514. "Stuffing" date will be March 24 at 7 p.m. at the Tidwell's.

## **Holiday Light Contest Winners**

What a success this past years Holiday Light Contest was!! We had so many wonderfully decorated homes to judge. It was really tough to come up with only 5 winners. Drum roll please ... and the Grand Prize winner was ... **2426 Wendigo!!** Congratulations to all the other winners:

3524 Owaissa Way

3525 Owaissa Way

3813 Meda Pass

3924 Enola Court

Everyone, except the Grand Prize winner, will be eligible for judging again this next holiday season!

## **Block Captains**

A big HUGE thank you to all our Block Captains who make sure the Smoke Signals gets into the hands of all the Village residents. Have you been wondering what you could do to volunteer? We are in need of a Block Captain for Wenonah Lane. If you are interested in volunteering, call Sarah Didier at 747-7141.

## **National Historic Register**

It's official!! As of December 22, 2009 Indian Village is now being designated as an historic neighborhood on the National Historic Register!

## **ARCH Home Tour**

We have been approached by ARCH about the possibility of hosting a home and garden tour. If we proceed with this, the tour will be held in the summer of 2011. If you would like to have your home or garden on the tour, please contact a board member for details.

## **HELP WANTED!!**

The position of Indian Village Secretary/Treasurer is being split into two separate positions. The Secretary position has already been filled. We are in need of someone to take on the responsibilities of Treasurer. The Treasurer will be responsible for:

- Billing the mandatory dues four times a year and lien placement
- Payment of Indian Village bills
- Creating monthly financial statements and a yearly budget
- Maintaining the bank accounts with reconciliations
- Attending monthly Board of Governors meetings

Accounting experience is preferred. A period of training and transition will be provided.

If you are interested in serving your neighborhood, please call Sarah Didier at 747-7141.

## **We Need YOU!!**

Want to get more involved with the Indian Village community and everything that goes on within it? Why not volunteer to become a Board member today!?

## **Letter from the President**

I am so pleased to announce an "action packed" Indian Village Community Association Semi-Annual Meeting to be held on Wednesday, March 10, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at Indian Village Elementary School. Please plan on attending this informative meeting. You will have an opportunity to discuss your concerns not only with our Board, but with officials from our city.

Tim Pape, 5th District Councilman will discuss items of interest to our addition and also answer your questions. Ken Nicolet, West Neighborhood Advocate, will be available to discuss any concerns you may have, as well as, bring information to share on upcoming events. Gina Kostoff of Public Works will make a presentation on sidewalk and street repairs and how you apply for repair work on your property. Ms. Kostoff will also tell us about the new repair process that the City of Fort Wayne is utilizing for sidewalks.

As many of you may have seen in the newspapers recently, Indian Village is now listed on the National Register of Historic Places. We are very proud of this designation and will have pamphlets available at the meeting for your information.

We have been approached by ARCH to have a Home and Garden Tour in 2011 and we need your support for this event. We will need ten to twelve homes in our addition, to make a successful tour of Indian Village. Please seriously consider opening your home up for one day to share the diverse architectural stylings of our homes and gardens. A sign-up sheet will be available at the meeting. I am very pleased that Angie Quinn of ARCH will be at our meeting to

Speak to us about what an ARCH tour requires from the Association and the homeowners. We need to get working on this exciting project now and how fortuitous that we have just been designated as a "historical place". Let's build on this momentum and support an ARCH Home and Garden Tour to showcase Indian Village.

Brian Miller, our Liaison Officer, will be present to discuss crime in our area and advise us about our best defense to deter the growth of crime in our addition.

Last, but not least, we are taking steps to change our Protective Covenants to combine them to one joint covenant for the entire addition, as well as, address rental properties, satellite dishes, fireplaces as main sources of heat, and other items not originally addressed in our Protective Covenants. We need your input and your presence in order to vote the proposed changes into the Indian Village covenants.

Please come to this meeting. You are a very important person to us and an integral part of a successful Indian Village Community Association. Take this night to become involved with our Association. We need you and your support. See you March 10 at 7:00 p.m.

Deborah Dambra, President  
Indian Village Community Association

P.S. We're even having a drawing from those in attendance for several door prizes!

IVCA 2010 Proposed Budget

	<b>PROPOSED</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>PROPOSED</b>
	<b>2009</b>	<b>YR TO DATE</b>	<b>2010</b>
<b><u>INCOME</u></b>			
DUES 2009	\$14,910.00	\$13,755.00	\$14,910.00
LATE FEES		\$610.00	
PREVIOUS YEARS DUES		\$419.50	
NBC		\$1,048.00	
INTEREST	\$400.00	\$225.20	\$300.00
ADVERTISING		\$10.00	
CARRYOVER	\$23,700.00	\$23,788.80	\$25,500.00
2010 DUES			
TOTAL INCOME	\$39,010.00	\$39,856.50	\$40,710.00
<b><u>EXPENSES</u></b>			
ANNUAL MEETING	\$50.00	\$48.29	\$75.00
AUDIT	\$200.00		\$500.00
BILLING EXPENSE	\$350.00	\$322.00	\$400.00
CRIME WATCH (SECURITY)		\$3,400.00	\$4,500.00
EASTER EGG HUNT	\$250.00	\$246.62	\$300.00
4TH OF JULY	\$2,300.00	\$1,950.51	\$2,300.00
CHRISTMAS	\$500.00	\$150.00	\$500.00
INSURANCE	\$800.00	\$625.00	\$2,500.00
GARAGE SALES	\$150.00	\$81.50	\$150.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$100.00		\$100.00
BLDG RENTAL FEES	\$150.00		\$300.00
ISF + FEES		\$85.00	
POSTAGE	\$400.00		\$400.00
SEC/TREAS SALARY	\$3,000.00	\$2,140.00	
SECRETARY SALARY			\$2,000.00
TREASURER SALARY			\$1,500.00
SMOKE SIGNALS	\$1,500.00	\$699.58	\$1,500.00
WEBSITE			\$1,000.00
NBC (COMMON GROUND)	\$2,000.00	\$446.41	\$2,000.00
WELCOME PACKETS	\$100.00		\$100.00
MOSQUITO SPRAYING	\$4,000.00	\$3,591.00	\$4,500.00
DIRECTORIES	\$1,200.00	\$31.80	\$1,200.00
TEE PEE / MONUMENT REPAIRS	\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00
STORAGE FEES 6 mo 2009	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$500.00
LIEN FILING FEES		(\$10.00)	
PROFESSIONAL FEES	\$3,000.00		\$5,000.00
PROTECTIVE COVENANTS			\$2,000.00
SWAP DONATION	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$150.00
BANK FEES			
MISCELLANEOUS	\$200.00		\$1,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$25,750.00	\$14,307.71	\$39,475.00
<b>Ending Balances as of December 31, 2009</b>			
Checking	\$1,034.78		
Savings	\$24,514.01		
TOTAL	\$25,548.79	\$25,548.79	\$1,235.00

## *Indian Village Community Association*

October 6, 2009

The Indian Village Community Association held its Semiannual Meeting at Indian Village Elementary School. President Linda Hamrick called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Board of Governors in attendance were: Pat Doran, Deb Dambra, John Dambra, Marcy Malloris, and Jan Tidwell. Absent: Stan Robinson, Judy Alcott.

### **Business Matters**

The minutes of the Semiannual Meeting of March 10, 2009 were approved.

The financial statement was reviewed and accepted.

### **Guests**

#### **Tim Pape, Fifth District Councilman**

Mr. Pate was unable to attend due to the City Council meeting conflict.

#### **Ken Nicolet, Mayor's Advocate**

Mr. Nicolet was unable to attend.

#### **Brain Miller, Liaison Officer**

Mr. Miller was unable to attend.

### **New Business**

#### **Flu**

Linda Hamrick cautioned everyone to follow the guidelines for H1N1 flu. Vaccinations should be considered.

#### **Rental Issue**

Pat Doran gave an update on the status of amending the Protective Covenants to include a rental provision.

The case is still pending before the courts. He recommends saving our resources until the issue is resolved.

## **Board of Governor Elections**

Citing personal reasons, Linda Hamrick resigned as President of the association.

The Board wishes to thank Linda for her terms of service. Deb Dambra was chosen to fill the position of President.

Nominated for positions on the Board of Governors:

Sally Williams

Vote taken from the floor: elected unanimously.

## **Resident Concerns**

Residents are asked to report incidents to the Police so activity is on file with the City. Then also report the situation to the Board so we have a log of incidents to discuss with the liaison officer.

Sidewalks and streets will be submitted for CEDIT projects. "Nonpolluting primary heating" should be considered as an amendment to the Protective Covenants.

The association used to have a snow plow for sidewalks. The City does little to plow the streets before they are compacted to ice. Possibly investigate private sources.

The next Semiannual Meeting will be held in March of 2010. Consideration will be given to moving the date to accommodate Daylight Savings Time and the availability of the councilman.

Respectfully submitted,

J.L.Tidwell

IVCA Secretary-Treasurer



## Census 2010

The US Census Bureau is recruiting temporary, part-time census takers for the 2010 Census. Information on how you can apply to be a census taker can be found at <http://2010.census.gov/2010censusjobs/>. If you don't have internet access, you can also apply by contacting our local Census Office at 424-9430. According to the site, census takers in this area will be paid \$12.25/hour.

## Smoke Signals Content

If you have some interesting tidbit, maybe a really fantastic recipe, or something you want to recognize (like a birthday or anniversary) call Sarah Didier at 747-7141 to have your content submitted.

## Services

### Youth Childcare

Amanda Didier 747-6931  
Lindsay Didier 747-6931  
Mackenzie Kneller 747-3169

### Adult Childcare

Debbie Greene 747-0453  
*Licensed*

### House Cleaning

Debbie Gordon 747-9142  
Christi Campbell 466-4961  
*Residential or Business*

### Pet Sitting

Kelly Spitznagel 437-4283

### Lawn Services

Amanda Didier 747-6931  
James Conner 747-5776

### Clothing Repair

Kris Conner 747-5776

### Homework/Tutoring

Linda Kirby 747-1447  
*Licensed K-8*  
Alan Quandt 437-0788  
*Computers & Design*

### Computer Repair

Alan Quandt 437-0788  
Sarah Didier 246-5382  
*Residential or Business*

Indian Village Homepage  
<http://indianvillage.htmlplanet.com>

## Classifieds

Remember, if you use any of these businesses, mention that you saw their ad in the Smoke Signals!



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Call Sarah Didier at 747-7141.

**Indian Village Community Association  
Board of Governors**

Deb Dambra, President	747-9746
Jan Tidwell, Secretary-Treasurer	747-1514
Pat Doran	747-7159
John Dambra	747-9746
Judy Alcott	747-7812
Stan Robinson	478-3511
Marcy Malloris	747-9639
Sally Williams	747-1384

**Other Important Numbers**

Questions for the City	311
Tim Pape, Councilman	456-2695
Ken Nicolet, SW Specialist	427-1222
Brian Miller, Liason Officer	427-1222



**Sprucing Up? Adding On?**

For **PRE-APPROVAL** of adding a  
Garage, Deck, Fence, Shed or an Extra Room  
Call Pat Doran at 747-7159

**IVCA CONSTRUCTION COMPLIANCE**



**Crime Watch Corner**

We have had several reports from residents who have had  
paint ball damage to their property ... homes and cars.  
Please be extra careful and watch for any suspicious activity  
in your area. Lock house doors and secure your car.

If you are a victim of crime, contact the Police directly ...

911 for Emergency Situations  
or the Desk Sergeant at 427-1222.

Please remember to notify the Board of Governors of your  
incident, so we have an accurate account of what happens in our  
neighborhood.