

# SMOKE SIGNALS

An IVCA

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## **Indian Village Community Association ARCH Home and Garden Tour**

Indian Village's ARCH Home and Garden Tour is scheduled for Saturday, June 25, 2011, from 11am to 5pm. As of this printing, we have 3 homes and 2 gardens on the tour. For the tour to take place, we need to have a total of 8 to 12 homes and/or gardens to tour.

Angie Quinn, ARCH Executive Director, spoke at our October Semiannual Meeting, answering questions from attendees.

Did you know ...

- You don't have to have your entire home on the tour?
- Even if your home is a work in progress, people taking the tour love to see pictures and hear stories of your renovation?
- There will be guides, chosen by YOU, watching attendees?
- There will not be a single area in your home that a guide can't see at all times?
- People are paying to take this tour?
- This is a great money making opportunity for Indian Village?
- This is also a fantastic way to spread goodwill and positive publicity about Indian Village to everyone attending?

Enclosed in this issue is a form for you to fill out, and return to Jan Tidwell at 3801 Hiawatha Blvd., if you want your home to be considered for the tour. We want this to be successful for Indian Village, but that can't happen without your help. We will also be in need of volunteers ... lots of volunteers. If you would like to help, call Jan Tidwell at 747-1514. A meeting will be held in early January to finalize the tour.

Indian Village Community Association Website  
[Http://www.indianvillagefw.com](http://www.indianvillagefw.com)

## **Annual Holiday Lighting Contest**

It's time again to decorate those yards with lights and ornaments! There are already some gorgeous displays throughout the Village. If you want to be part of the Annual Holiday Lighting Contest, you must have your yards decorated and lights on from Sunday, December 12 through Wednesday, December 15 so the Board of Governors will know which homes to judge.

Last year's Grand Prize winner was 2426 Wendigo, so that home is not eligible to be judged this year. All other winners from last year are eligible.

Five homes will receive recognition. The Grand Prize winner will receive a \$50 gift card with four additional winners receiving a \$25 gift card each. The 5 winning displays will be marked by a sign in their yard.

Take a stroll or drive through the Village to see all the fantastic decorations.

## **2011 Mandatory Maintenance Dues**

The 2011 Dues billing will be mailed in early December. If an amount is listed on your statement for prior year(s), payment was not received and late fees were assessed. Late fees of \$5.00 are added with each successive quarterly billing.

*The total outstanding amount needs to be paid to bring your account up to date.*

Be sure to detach and return the completed form with your check. Payments received in December will be processed and deposited the first week of January to facilitate financial reporting. The final chance to pay 2011 Dues **without** a \$5 late fee will be at the March 2011 Semiannual Meeting.

**Thank you in advance for your prompt payment!!**

## **Reclaiming Futures, Kids Success/Neighborhood Strength**

by Sarah Didier

As promised at the October Semiannual Meeting, I will be doing successive articles on the seminars I attended while in Dayton at the Regional Neighborhood Network Conference. The first seminar was given by Judge Anthony Capizzi of the Montgomery County Juvenile Court in Dayton, OH. Judge Capizzi deals primarily with children up to age 18, but sometimes he encounters those who are a bit older. The first juvenile court was developed in Cook County, OH as a means for juvenile rehabilitation. Those children who become part of the rehabilitation process encounter stability, consequences for their actions, and reward for accomplishments. Many have never had any of these variables in their lives. Judge Capizzi said that no matter where you live in the country, 65% of the youth in court, have a drug or drug/alcohol problem. 10-12% more have mental health problems which ultimately lead to drug or drug/alcohol problems. No matter what the statistics are, 65% of the youth, ages 13-16, are doing drugs/alcohol on a weekly basis. As an example: a 12 year old child has 27 year old parents, 47 year old grandparents, and 65 year old great grandparents. Studies show that a child's brain is not mature until age 25, so we have kids raising kids. Who is there to tell this 12 year old child to go to bed so they can get enough sleep that they are able to learn in school? The answer is ... no one.

### **The Problem:**

- Too many teens today are struggling with drugs, alcohol and crime
- More than 2 million children are arrested each year in the US
- 4/5 of the teens in the juvenile justice system are under the influence of alcohol or drugs while committing crimes

- Only 10% of youth with substance abuse disorders actually receive treatment
- 2/3 of juvenile detention facilities are holding children who are awaiting mental health treatment

#### What we Know:

- These kids are not “bad kids”
- They are kids who need treatment and community support

#### Treatment:

- Helps reduce recidivism. 52% of youth without treatment will commit another crime. With treatment that number falls to 18%.
- Saves money
- Builds safer communities

#### Montgomery County’s Solution:

- Reclaiming Futures - Montgomery County, OH has a national movement to try and make this work throughout the country. There is already 1 court in Indiana using the same method as Montgomery County.
- Natural Helper Program - this is not a person who says “look at me and be like me”, but says “let’s look at you and see what you need”
- Merge Church with State - Judge Capizzi goes frequently to the faith community in Montgomery County for Natural Helpers.

Neighborhoods have a tendency to focus on insignificant things such as whether the garbage is picked up, but forget because of drugs and kids in trouble, that is why our neighborhoods are dirty. Creating a community center for 9-18 year olds to attend after school is out has helped many communities in Montgomery County, OH. Coming up with a partnership to create activities for the youth helps to keep kids out of trouble. If neighborhoods have things that need to be done, get the youth in that neighborhood involved in

“community service” to help with those projects. This helps neighborhoods to become strength based instead of focusing on the negative.

Now, on a closer to home note, I would like to see someone begin a program in Indian Village for our youth. Let’s get our young residents involved and helping where they can help in our neighborhood. Our youth are the future of Indian Village. I grew up here and now 38 years after leaving, I moved back to the place I loved as a child and am serving on the Board of Governors. Wouldn’t it be wonderful to get our youth involved enough that they want to come back in their adult years and become leaders of Indian Village? I would like to see someone in Indian Village step up to the plate and head up a committee for our youth. It could be a twofold committee that 1. puts the youth to work on projects within Indian Village and 2. reports to the Board of Governors ideas and/or concerns of the youth residing in Indian Village. If you think you would like to head up a Youth Committee, please call Sarah Didier at 747-7141 and I will help you get started.

### **Indian Village Elementary School News**

Indian Village Elementary School would welcome volunteers to help tutor students. If you could volunteer for even 1 hour a month it would be greatly appreciated. Volunteer applications are available in the school office. If you have any questions, please call 260-467-5200.

Indian Village is also in need of gently used games for student indoor recess and gently used uniform clothing for students in need. Uniform colors are: shirts – red, white, navy and light blue and pants - navy or khaki.

You may drop off games or clothing to the school office Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

## **Letter from the President**

We have a lot to be thankful for this year. We have seen a section of Wenonah repaved, there is work on Wawonaissa being done now, we received the "historical designation" for Indian Village and have received media coverage, we have our 5th District Councilman, Tim Pape, attending our Association meetings and we have seen increased attendance for our semiannual meetings. Our "new and improved" website [www.indianvillagefw.com](http://www.indianvillagefw.com) has received favorable reviews and communication is up between the Board members and the residents of Indian Village. We even had an antique car AND a fire truck at our 4th of July parade. So far, winter has been mild. It's been a good year for Indian Village.

Looking ahead to 2011, we still need more homes for the ARCH Tour in June. We are continuing to work with an attorney on the Indian Village covenants. We will soon see new speed signs posted at our main entrance streets. We will have additional street work done around the tee pee park area. We are also working to improve the area around the historical Indian Village entrance sign to make it more appealing. We hope to replace some damaged trees and improve some sidewalk areas. A new city recycling plan will begin in the new year. The Indian Village Community Association Board is working for you to improve our addition and we are very grateful to all of you who have taken the time to contact us with your concerns. It is only through communication that we are able to address your needs.

As we move ahead to Christmas, including the judging of the beautifully decorated Indian Village homes, we are also reminded of the Christmas blessings of the past in Indian Village, memories of growing up in Indian Village and we

even have many residents who have returned to Indian Village after having lived in other areas of Fort Wayne and the country. We are proud of our past and we will work in the future to make Indian Village the best it can be for all of our residents. Many continued blessings to all in Indian Village over the holiday season.

Deborah Dambra, President  
Indian Village Community Association

**Your Indian Village Board of Governors would like to wish every Indian Village resident a happy and safe Holiday Season!!**



## **Year in Review**

2010 was a busy year for Indian Village .....

- Three new Board Members were added to your Board of Governors. Blake Egly and Sarah Didier were voted in during the March Semiannual Meeting and Sarah Steup was voted in during the October Semiannual Meeting.
- Jan Tidwell left the Board after MANY years of service. Thank you Jan for your service to Indian Village all those years!
- Children had a blast hunting for eggs at Indian Village's annual Easter Egg Hunt.
- Residents enjoyed fantastic chicken and Coney dogs at Indian Village's annual 4th of July Picnic.
- One of the teepees on the Boulevard was in need of repair and that work was performed this fall.
- We now have an attorney working for Indian Village pro-bono on our Protective Covenants.
- Deb Dambra and Sarah Didier attended the RNNC Dayton in October and are anxious to put some of the things they learned there into motion.
- Indian Village is getting some much needed speed signs put up at all entrances.
- Wenonah Lane received some much needed repair work and much of that street was also repaved.
- The Smoke Signals took on a new look.
- Indian Village purchased the domain name [www.indianvillagefw.com](http://www.indianvillagefw.com) and our new website was constructed.

As you can see by this list, there were many changes, most of them positive, for Indian Village in 2010. As your Secretary, I look forward to what 2011 holds for us, especially with the ARCH Home and Garden Tour!! Be safe this Holiday Season and enjoy time with loved ones and friends!



## **Help Needed?**

It's that time of year when leaves are falling and snow is just around the corner. Do you need some assistance around your home such as snow shoveling, minor repairs, light yard work? Maybe you have a neighbor who needs help, but you know they would never ask for assistance. Your Board of Governors would like to extend a helping hand to residents in need. Please contact Sarah Didier at 747-7141 with your request.

**ALL REQUESTS WILL REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL!!**

## **Resident Directory**

The IVCA Resident Directory is out of date, and has been for some time. We would like to get the directory as current as possible and hopefully keep it that way. Enclosed in this issue is a form we would like for each resident to fill out and return to Sarah Didier. You can either drop the completed form in Sarah's mail slot at 2214 Wawonaissa Trail, call Sarah at 747-7141, or email the information on the form to [secretary@indianvillagefw.com](mailto:secretary@indianvillagefw.com). The sooner Sarah gets these forms back from you, the sooner new directories can be printed.

## **Block Captain Needed!**

A big "Thank You" to all our Block Captains!! You are the reason we have the Smoke Signals in our homes. IVCA is in need of a Block Captain for the block bordered by Wenonah, Nuttman, Meda & Wendigo. IVCA would also like to solicit some residents who would be interested in helping from time to time as back-up Block Captains. If you are interested in becoming a Block Captain, or a back-up Block Captain, please call Sarah Didier at 747-7141.

## **Crime Watch Corner**

Your Board of Governors has not received any reports of crime from residents in Indian Village since our last Smoke Signals. However, we did receive reports from our Liaison Officer, Brian Miller, of incidents in Indian Village. I have to say, I was quite surprised at the number of times the FWPD visited Indian Village the months of September and October ... 24 in September for the Fort Wayne Police and 4 for the Allen County Sheriff, and an additional 24 in October for Fort Wayne Police. Of those, only 2 were worth sharing with residents. On October 16, a theft reported on Owaissa Way and October 30 an intrusion alarm on Wenonah Lane.

Please be on the lookout during the holiday season and report any suspicious activity to the Desk Sergeant at 427-1222 or call 911 if warranted. Secondly, please notify the Board of Governors at [ivcboard@indianvillagefw.com](mailto:ivcboard@indianvillagefw.com) or call Sarah Didier at 747-7141.

## **Services**

### **Youth Childcare**

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

### **Clothing Repair**

Kris Conner 747-5776

### **House Cleaning**

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

### **Pet Sitting**

Kelly Spitznagel 437-4283  
Dorothy Cahill 387-5057

### **Adult Childcare**

Debbie Greene 747-0453  
*Licensed*

### **Lawn Services**

James Conner 747-5776  
Chuck Chapman 747-0432

### **Homework/Tutoring**

Linda Kirby 747-1447  
*Licensed K-8*

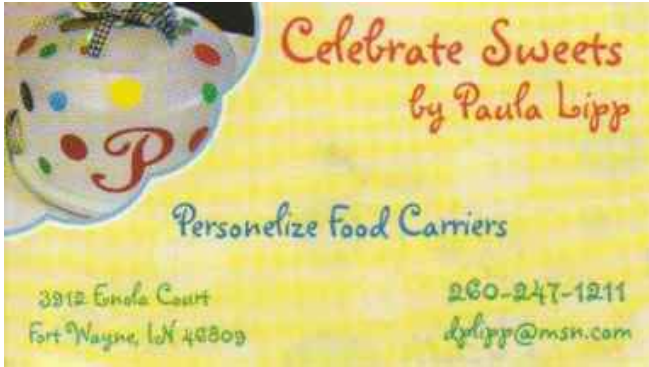
### **Computer Repair**

Sarah Didier 246-5382  
*Residential or Commercial*

## Classifieds

### Help Wanted

Needed someone to do detailed artwork painting in their home 10-20 hours per month. Call Bob @ 437-3099



**Celebrate Sweets**  
by Paula Lipp

Personalize Food Carriers

3912 Enola Court  
Fort Wayne, IN 46809

260-247-1211  
lplipp@msn.com

If you use one of these businesses, don't forget to mention that you saw their ad in the Smoke Signals.

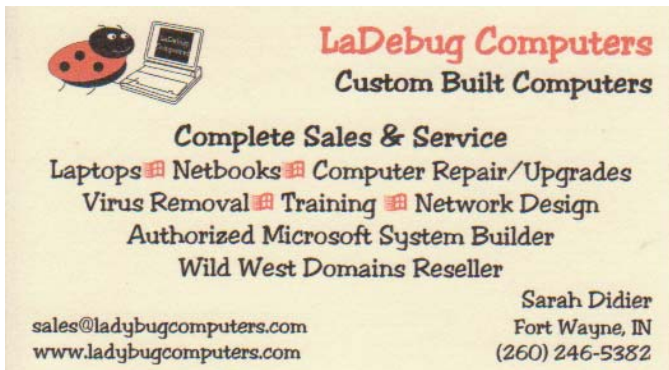
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to all the local businesses for advertising in the Smoke Signals!  
To place your ad, call Sarah Didier at 747-7141.



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1/4 Page Ad ~ \$15  
1/2 Page Ad ~ \$25  
Full Page Ad ~ \$50  
Ad Inserts ~ \$15

**Indian Village Community Association  
Board of Governors**

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Sarah Didier, Secretary	747-7141
Sarah Steup, Treasurer	747-3696
Judy Alcott	747-7812
John Dambra	747-9746
Pat Doran	747-7159
Blake Egly	705-6588
Marcy Malloris	747-9639
Stan Robinson	478-3511
Sally Williams	747-1384

**Other Important Numbers**

Questions for the City	311
Tim Pape, Councilman	456-2695
Ken Nicolet, SW Specialist	427-1122
Brian Miller, Liaison 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**



**Indian Village Yahoo Group**

Don't forget to sign up for our Yahoo Group.  
A link to the group can be found on the Contacts page  
of our website. You will have to sign up for a  
Yahoo account if you don't already have one.

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