

## Neighborhood Holiday Pitch-In Dinner – Monday, December 5

Our next Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association meeting is our annual Holiday Pitch-In Dinner, which falls on Monday, December 5 this year. We'll kick off the event at the usual meeting time and place: 6:30pm at Immanuel United Church of Christ at the northwest corner of East and Prospect Streets.



The Neighborhood Association will provide ham and turkey, buns, condiments, lemonade, water, utensils, and napkins. Everyone else, please bring a side dish or dessert. If you're new to the neighborhood, this is a great opportunity to meet your neighbors. Please join us in closing out 2016 with good food and good company!

## Letter from the President

Dear Neighbors,

Hopefully you enjoyed the Thanksgiving holiday and were able to spend time with family and friends. I only have a few topics to cover for this month:

1. It's a time of great fun in the city! Be sure to check out [DowntownIndy.org](http://DowntownIndy.org) to find all of the family-friendly events happening around the area.
2. Snow could be here soon so don't forget how to drive! If it's snowing, slow down and take more time to stop. There's no need to risk hitting another car or pedestrian by driving too fast.
3. The transit measure passed on the ballot this past month! That means that, if the City-County Council votes to pass the full tax rate, our neighborhood will soon be getting frequent bus service (buses that come down East Street every 15 minutes). Thanks for your support on this!



**BHNA President, Lance Boehmer**

From my family to yours, I hope you have a very Merry Christmas and Holiday season. See you in 2017!


Best,  
Lance


## First Saturday Cleanups


Were you aware that we started doing First Saturday Cleanups this year to help maintain our public spaces? We've worked on cleaning up our parks, pulling weeds, and otherwise maintaining public areas in the neighborhood. The cleanups are designed to be short, running from 9:00am to 11:00am, so you don't have to lose much of your day. This month's cleanup will be on December 3. We'll be meeting at the corner of East Street and Prospect Street (you can park in the Immanuel Church parking lot) to walk down East Street to pick up trash. We'll provide trash bags, gloves, and a few trash grabbers. Bundle up and join us!

# Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association

The Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association strives to improve the quality of life of those living in the neighborhood through efforts to assure safety, to maintain or improve the living environment, and to enhance the spirit of cooperation and neighborliness among all residents. We meet monthly on the first Monday of the month at the Immanuel United Church of Christ at the corner of East and Prospect at 6:30pm. Annual dues are \$3 for individuals, \$5 for families, and \$25 for businesses. Please mail dues to Kate Kilgore, 1425 S. East Street, Indianapolis, IN 46225. More information about the neighborhood can be found online at [bateshendricks.org](http://bateshendricks.org).

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## Successful Ringgold Park Planting Day

Working with Keep Indianapolis Beautiful, approximately 35 KIB and Bates-Hendricks neighbors volunteered last month to plant a ton of native plants and flowers. The old railroad ties were taken up as well. We'll be following up with the park in the spring for additional improvements. See the photos from the workday on our Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/bateshendricks](http://www.facebook.com/bateshendricks).

## Upcoming

- Dec 5** Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Holiday Pitch-in Dinner, 6:30pm, Immanuel United Church of Christ, 402 Prospect Street, see page 1 for details.
- Dec 10** Santa on the Square, PNC Bank in Fountain Square, 1059 Virginia Avenue, 10:00am to Noon. Free carriage rides for kids. Get your picture taken with Santa at PNC Bank then visit the Fountain Square Library to make a frame for your picture and listen to stories.
- Dec 10** Christmas at Garfield Park Conservatory, 10:00am to 1:00pm, Free. Visit the Conservatory to meet Santa and see Conservatory Crossing, the holiday train and poinsettia show running Nov. 25 through Jan. 1. You can also visit the Arts Center to make toys with Santa's elves and head to the Family Center for more festive fun. All activities are free. Bring your own camera to take photos with Santa.

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