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Annual Meeting and Election

On Monday, April 1, Bates-Hendricks had their annual meeting and election. Outgoing President, Rob Uppencamp, shared a PowerPoint covering all the things that happened in Bates-Hendricks over the past year. A slate of nominees for the Bates-Hendricks Board was presented: John Winter, Angie Calvert, and Allen Janke, current board members were presented for reelection; Kathleen Blackham was presented as a new member to the board. Kate Reinhardt was nominated from the floor to also serve on the board. All were unanimously elected. The election of officers followed. John Winter,



New Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Boundaries Encompass the SE corner beyond Pleasant Run (Map also online at *bateshendricks.org/map*)

President, Rob Uppencamp, Vice-President, and Kate Reinhardt were presented as candidates and were elected unanimously. Lydia Brasher has one more year to serve as Secretary. John Winter thanked Rob for his leadership over the past years. The association also voted to officially extend our boundaries to Shelby Street all the way down to Beecher instead of stopping at Pleasant Run as before.

Meet Our New Board Members



Kathleen Blackham moved to the Bates-Hendricks neighborhood in July of 2011 and lives on Terrace Avenue. She is a Senior Planner with the Division of Planning, Department of Metropolitan Development. For the past two years she has served as the Adopt-A-Block Captain for Terrace Avenue between East Street and Madison Avenue.

Kate Reinhardt and her husband moved into Bates-Hendricks in November of 2008 and live on

South New Jersey Street. Kate has a Bachelor's degree from Butler in Journalism and Spanish and a Master's in Teaching Spanish from IUPUI. She is currently working on a Masters in Applied Sociology with a concentration in Community Leadership at UIndy. Kate currently works at UIndy in the Department of Teacher Education.



May Association Meeting to Focus on Gardening

Even though many of us have started working on our gardens, come and listen to two people who will give us tips on making the most of our efforts. Deb Boyer will be talking with us about urban gardening. Andy Cochran and Jamie Fahrner from Circle City Rain Barrels will present information concerning their goal to limit the amount of water usage in Indianapolis by educating residents about the value of rain barrels, which harvest rain for future use that contains no chlorine, lime, or calcium, making it ideal for gardens.



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Letter from the President

Welcome from the New Bates-Hendricks President

I have lived in the neighborhood now for just over 5 years. In that time, I have seen many amazing things. We have categorized our streets and sidewalks and were able to prioritize many resurfacing projects. We surveyed and cataloged all of the vacant and abandoned houses, allowing us to target the worst homes for demolition. Even better, we were able to save some of those homes by working with the City and the County. We have also had some great landscaping projects on Alabama Street, New Jersey Street, Morris/Prospect Streets and, coming soon, on East Street after quite a bit of work with Euro Plastering.



BHNA President, John Winter

While we have had many successes, there is still a lot of work ahead of us. We still have many streets and sidewalks that need attention. There are still near-epidemic levels of abandoned housing. And there are still areas full of trash requiring basic maintenance and beautification.

I look forward to the many challenges and successes that will come in my 3 years as president. I hope that I can look back at the end and put together another great list of accomplishments!

–John Winter



Use Caution in the Streets

Now that the weather is getting warmer, our neighborhood streets are seeing increased activity. Drivers, please use extra caution when driving down our streets and reduce your speed. Parents, be sure to remind your kids about the importance of always looking both ways before crossing the street.

There has already been a serious accident this year on Orange Street where a small child was severely injured after being struck by a vehicle, so everyone please be careful!

Neighbors Pitch In for 2013 Great Indy Cleanup



Each year the city and Keep Indianapolis Beautiful sponsor The Great Indy Cleanup. This happens each spring and sometimes in the fall too. On Saturday, April 6, several neighborhood groups gathered in several areas to clean up and get ready for spring. Through Keep Indianapolis Beautiful, we were able to get dumpsters, packer trucks, and claw trucks along with supplies to spruce up our neighborhood. The Building Blocks area in our southeast quad picked up trash, collected brush and weeds, and continued to work on the park area in their part of the neighborhood. The Terrace

Avenue Block Club also picked up trash and swept all the sidewalks. The folks on Cottage Avenue picked up trash and cleaned out sewer drains. The Sanders/ Orange/Wright Street Block clubs worked together to clean up alleys and sidewalks, filling two dumpsters. It is always great when neighbors work together to make our neighborhood a good place to live. There is another city-wide cleanup coming in October. Why don't you and the people who live on your street plan now to participate in this fall's event? Working together, you can show how much you care about your property and your neighborhood! More photos available on the Bates-Hendricks Facebook page: www.facebook.com/bateshendricks.



Fountain Square Academy 3rd 9-Week Honor Roll

The Fountain Square Academy would like to acknowledge the following Honor Roll students:

Student	Grade	Student	Grade	Student	Grade
Banks, Kazdin D	8	Embry, Clayton	12	Perez-Lopez, Mayra	12
Banks, Skylar	7	Etabo, Rachel	8	Perez-Lopez, Noberto	12
Barragan, Jessica	10	Gilson, Kaitlyn M	11	Pruitt, E'Ternity J	10
Bartley, Brady L	12	Gipson, Hannah	12	Renfrow, Rachel D	12
Beasley, Kalynn	7	Hargraves, Zach	11	Rider, Casandra	9
Bodtke, Melissa A	12	Henson, Clyde Eugene	9	Rosales, Andrea	12
Brown, Gabrielle	7	Johnson, Christopher A	12	Rybolt, Samantha	11
Buntain, Nichole	10	Johnson, Tara R	12	Serrano, Josel	8
Camacho, Alejandro	8	Kelley, Elizabeth	8	Settles, Coriyona L	11
Camacho, Anthony	7	King, Whitney	7	Skelton, Justin G	11
Camacho, Stacy	7	Knight, Kevin T	9	Stinson, David	9
Campbell, Sierra	10	Koons, Dallas Elizabeth	10	Stinson, Kaitlyn	9
Capps, Shawn	12	Madsen, Hailey N	11	Twyman, Derek A	7
Caudill, Julia H	7	Marcum, Sabrina	9	Waggoner, David	12
Coburn, Dycie M	7	McKinley, Christian George	8	Waldron, Chassidy	10
Cochran, Shelbie	7	McKinley, Kristina C	8	Webb, Cheyenne	10
Contreras, Claudia	11	Montgomery, Tyra D.	9	Wida, Marlee M	12
Conway, Carl J	12	Morgan, Donnishia	9	Wong, Elijah	9
Crabtree, Shelby	9	Norcross, Cierra	8	Wright, Cameron S	7
Croom, Arelexa L	7	Norris, Kayla M	12		
Dillion, Cassasndra R	8	Oliver, Bilek	7		

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 Craig Dukate, 1435 S. New Jersey Street, Indianapolis, IN 46225. More information about the neighborhood can be found online at *bateshendricks.org*.

Like Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association on Facebook! www.facebook.com/bateshendricks

Monthly Calendar

May 5	Cinco de Mayo, S. New Jersey Street Median in Bates-
	Hendricks, 2:00pm. Join your neighbors in celebrating Cinco
	de Mayo with a concert and pitch-in picnic.

- May 6 Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association Meeting, 6:30pm, Immanuel United Church of Christ.
- May 9 IMPD Southeast District Taskforce Meeting, 1150 Shelby Street, 3:00pm.
- May 10 Senior Euchre, The Burrello Family Center at Garfield Park,
- **& 24** 1:00pm, Free or \$1 to play in prize fund.
- **May 11** Get Down On It Cultural Trail Grand Opening Celebration throughout the Cultural Trail. Details at *www.indyculturaltrail.org/get-down-on-it.html*.
- May 16 Community Day at Garfield Park with bike giveaway, Garfield Park Conservatory, 10:00am to Noon.
- May 16 Beer Under Glass, Garfield Park Conservatory, 6:30pm to 9:30pm (5:30pm for VIP ticket holders), \$45 (\$75 VIP). Enjoy the Conservatory at night as you sip inventive brews from some of Chicagoland's hottest craft breweries in your souvenir glass. Popular local restaurants will serve up tasty small plates and other surprises will round out the evening. More info at www.garfieldconservatory.org/beer_under_glass.htm.
- May 21 Family Game Night, Fountain Square Library, 6:00pm to 7:30pm. Families are invited to play a variety of fun and educational board games with their children.



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