

Lincoln Street Family Wins Decoration Contest

Congratulations to the Melrose Family on winning this year's decoration contest. We had over 20 families enter and it was a close competition! Karen and Kelsy from Two Chicks and a Hammer were kind enough to drive and judge the contest. The winner won a gift card to General American Doughnuts and the prized yard sign!





Neighbors Gathered at Bauhaus Tap for Christmas Party

On December 15, neighbors once again got together at Bowhaus Tap for an adults-only Christmas party. The party included karaoke, an ugly Christmas sweater contest, as well as gifts from Santa Kelly! Thank you to Bauhaus Tap proprietor Wendy for allowing us to use her space again this year.

New Committee Formed to Focus on Families in Neighborhood

A new committee was formed this month to address the needs of families in our neighborhood. The committee first met on December 8 with a full house of adults and children at the Lincoln Center. From this meeting, the priorities of childcare at meetings, a closed Facebook group for parents, and a new park were identified. If you would like to participate in this group, please email Laura at *president@bateshendricks.org*.

Letter from the President: New Year, New Upgrades

Neighbors,

Happy New Year! Just like many of you, our neighborhood is working on our New Year's Resolutions. I'm happy to say, we have some awesome goals for 2019. This month, the board will meet for our first board retreat, where we will determine our budget, strategic plans, and calendar for the year. These plans will be presented in either March or April of this year.

A goal from our marketing plan last year included upgrading our website to ease the work of our marketing committee. Thanks to the hard work of this committee, our new website will be live early in January. Keep your eyes out for details! I promise you're going to like it!

As always, if one of your resolutions is something we can support, reach out and let me know. Our committees are determined by the needs and passion of the community, and that includes you!



BHNA President, Laura Giffel

See you around! Laura

SENSE Glee Club Brings Holiday Cheer to the Area



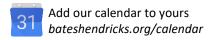
On December 17, the SENSE Charter School Glee Club took to the streets to spread holiday cheer by caroling at Fountain Square businesses and organizations. The owner of Papa Ray's Pizza was so thrilled, he served them all pizza and soft drinks after their performance. The Glee Club is an after-school club that rehearses all school year. It is under the direction of SENSE's 7th and 8th grade math teacher, Jayme Willan. The club performs throughout the year at various family and community events, including a highlighted performance during the school's First Friday opening every May.

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 \$5 for households and \$25 for businesses. Please mail dues to Kate Kilgore, PO Box 342, Indianapolis, IN 46206. More information about the neighborhood can be found online at *bateshendricks.org*.







Upcoming

- Jan 3 1st Thursday Supper Club, 6:30pm. Join your neighbors for this get-together at a different location each month! Please RSVP by signing up on the events page, which can be found at www.facebook.com/bateshendricks/events, or by emailing Events@bateshendricks.org. This month's location: Pure Eatery, 1043 Virginia Avenue.
- Jan 7 Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association Meeting, 6:30pm, Immanuel United Church of Christ, 402 Prospect Street. The Association meets on the first Monday of every month except holidays (then it's the second Monday). Stay involved with the neighborhood and visit with your neighbors!
- Jan 9 East Street Quality of Life / Economic Development Meeting, 6:30pm, Immanuel United Church, 402 Prospect Street (enter through glass doors on north side of building). This committee works to improve the East Street corridor. For more information, contact EastStreet@bateshendricks.org.
- Jan 4, 17, & 31 Republic Recycling Pickup. More info at www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling.
- **Jan 15** Heavy Trash Pickup. More info at www.indy.gov/eGov/City/DPW/Trash/Pages/TrashHome.aspx.
- Jan 15 Events Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, Immanuel United Church, 402 Prospect Street (enter through glass doors on north side of building). This committee works to plan neighborhood events, including Street Fest, the Chili Cook-off, holiday dinners, and more. Contact *Events@bateshendricks.org* for more information.
- Jan 21 Marketing Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, Immanuel United Church, 402 Prospect Street (enter through glass doors on north side of building). This committee works to promote the neighborhood. Contact Marketing@bateshendricks.org for more information.
- Jan 22 Land Use Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, Immanuel United Church, 402 Prospect Street (enter through glass doors on north side of building). This committee considers zoning, development, and property issues in Bates-Hendricks with the goal of ensuring peaceful co-existence among residents and businesses. Contact LandUse@bateshendricks.org for more information.
- **Jan 28** ROW Pleasant Run Meeting, 6:30pm, 924 Shelby Street. This committee focuses on improving the waterway that runs through our neighborhood. For more info, contact *ROW@bateshendricks.org*.