Don't Be Chilly, Grab Some Chili!

The annual Bates-Hendricks Chili Cook-Off is back for another year of heated competition on Saturday, March 5 from 4:00 to 6:00 pm at 306 Prospect Street (enter basement level on west side). Chili Chefs are invited to register to compete for the titles of Best White Chili, Best Red Chili, Best Vegetarian Chili, and the People's Choice Award. Chili fanatics can join the fun by purchasing a tasting ticket to sample the best of Bates' chili. Registration is open to everyone (neighbors and friends) and is first come first serve, space is limited. Please visit www.bateshendricks.org/cookoff for more information and registration.

Parent Meetup a Success as Event Moves Inside



The monthly parent meetups are in full swing as they move inside at James A. Garfield IPS School 31 for Winter Open Gym. Over 20 of the smallest neighbors enjoyed the climbing wall, scooters, hula hoops, and stacking cups while their parents enjoyed chatting on the sidelines. Check out the calendar of events at www.bateshendricks.org/parentmeetup for the times! All events are free unless noted in the event. Meetups are proudly hosted by the Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association, but open to all families regardless of residency.

SENSE First Graders Get Creative in Art Class

First graders in the SENSE Charter School classes pieced together over three class periods beautiful winter scenes with cardinals and birch trees. Each one was unique.

"You could tell" said the SENSE art teacher, Warren Beal "that shaping a bird was a new way of thinking with their hands. I drew the shapes on the board. A raindrop shape for the cardinals facing forward and an elaborated half-circle for the birds seen from the side view. The students copied the shapes, cut them out, and pasted them to the construction paper background. It was a new project that resulted in some great finished pieces."

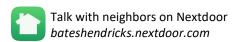
The next project the students are working on is creating Chinese paper lanterns from red construction paper and decorating them. In China, red represents wealth, fame, and prosperity, which is why festivals, weddings, and other celebrations often have a lot of red decorations and outfits. This lantern project is in celebration of the start of the Chinese New Year. Based on a lunar calendar, this year the Chinese New Year is scheduled to start on February 1. It is the Year of the Tiger.

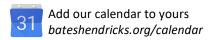


Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association

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 James A. Garfield IPS School 31 at 307 Lincoln Street at 6:30pm. Annual dues are \$10 for households and \$25 for businesses. Please mail dues to Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association, PO Box 342, Indianapolis, IN 46206. More information about the neighborhood can be found online at *bateshendricks.org*.







Upcoming

- Feb 7 Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association Meeting, 6:30pm, <u>James A. Garfield IPS School 31 (307 Lincoln Street</u>). The school requires that masks be worn inside the building. 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!
- Feb 10,24 Republic Recycling Pickup. More info at www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling.
- **Feb 14** Quality of Life / Economic Development Meeting, 6:30pm, The Lincoln Center, 516 Lincoln Street. This committee works to improve the East Street corridor, among other objectives. For more information, contact *QualityOfLife@bateshendricks.org*.
- **Feb 15** Heavy Trash Pickup. More information at www.indy.gov/activity/trash-pickup.
- **Feb 19** Monthly Parent Meetup, 9:30am to 11:30am, James A. Garfield IPS School 31, 307 Lincoln Street. Join other downtown families for a monthly family-friendly event! All events are free unless noted in the event. Meetups are proudly hosted by the Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association but open to all families regardless of residency. See www.bateshendricks.org/parentmeetup for details.
- **Feb 21** Events Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, The Lincoln Center, 516 Lincoln Street. 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.
- **Feb 21** Marketing Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, online. This committee works to promote the neighborhood. Contact *Marketing@bateshendricks.org* to join the meeting or for more information.
- **Feb 22** Land Use Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, online. 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.
- **Feb 28** ROW Pleasant Run Meeting, 6:30pm, location varies. This committee focuses on improving the waterway that runs through our neighborhood. For more info, contact *ROW@bateshendricks.org*.