December 2024

For the last eight years, we've held StreetFest in the late summer. It's our largest event and we need your help! The previous leaders (thank you Angela and Erin!) have done a fantastic job of leading the event and providing a clear roadmap for the following year. We need individuals that are willing to help organize this important event. The tasks are straightforward and well-delineated and I am certain that you could help. Please do! The fundraising from StreetFest lets us keep dues to a minimum while maintaining the neighborhood, and allows us to provide financial support to our two neighborhood schools. This is important. We need your help. If you are interested in helping, please email *Events@bateshendricks.org*.

Celebrate the Holiday Season with Your Neighbors!

'Tis the season to gather as a community and celebrate the spirit of the holiday season. The neighborhood association will be hosting three opportunities to come together. You can add these events to your calendar by using the Bates-Hendricks Calendar at *bateshendricks.org/calendar*.

Holiday Pitch-in Meal, The Lincoln Center (516 Lincoln Street). Monday, December 2 at 6:30pm. In lieu of the Monthly Neighborhood Meeting, join your neighbors for a holiday meal! The Neighborhood Association will provide a main meat dish and neighbors are encouraged to bring their favorite vegetarian dish, side dish, dessert, or beverage to share. Neighbors of all ages are welcome to join!

Bates-Hendricks Holiday Party, Bowhaus Tap (1729 S. East Street). Friday, December 6, 8:00pm. If you are a 21+ neighbor, then put on your favorite festive sweater, hat, or vest and join us at Bowhaus Tap for drinks and Karaoke!

Santa is Coming to Bates-Hendricks, New Jersey Esplanade (1543-1401 S. New Jersey Street). Tuesday, December 17, 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Santa and Mrs. Claus are making their list, checking it twice, and coming to Bates-Hendricks to see who is naughty or nice! Bundle up and join us at the gazebo on the New Jersey Esplanade for hot cocoa and cookies, socializing with neighbors, and grabbing a photo with Santa if you want! Bring your family, friends, and pets too!

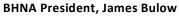
Letter from the President

Happy Holidays neighbors! We are wrapping up another great year in Bates-Hendricks and looking forward to 2025. Thank you for all of your support throughout the year.

For next year, we need your help! We will have two open positions on our board and need volunteers to support and help lead StreetFest 2025.

Our board strives to improve our neighborhood and grow our community. We do this by supporting the different neighborhood committees, managing the neighborhood finances, and guide fundraising to help improve the place we all call home. If you've been an active part of the neighborhood association for more than six months and are interested in joining the board, please send an email to board@bateshendricks.org.







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ROW Committee Shifts to People for Pleasant Run Committee

The committee formerly known as the "Reconnecting to Our Waterways (ROW) – Pleasant Run Waterway" has now rebranded and joined forces with Keep Indianapolis Beautiful to create the "People for Pleasant Run Committee".

The collective focus is on the 6.9-mile-long biking and walking trail that runs through Ellenberger Park and Garfield Park, as well as the care and revitalization of the Pleasant Run Waterway.

You are invited to help plan for the future of the trail, support community events, and organize waterway cleanups to ensure that this natural asset remains a safe, beautiful, and welcoming space for all.

Email questions to People4pleasantrun@gmail.com.



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 on the first Monday of even months at The Lincoln Center (516 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*.



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Upcoming

- Dec 2 Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association Holiday Pitch-In, 6:30pm, <u>The Lincoln Center, 516</u> Lincoln Street. See page 1 for details.
- Dec 6 Bates-Hendricks Holiday Party, 8:00pm, Bauhaus Tap (1729 S. East Street). See page 1 for details.
- **Dec 9** 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*.
- **Dec 12 Republic Recycling Pickup.** More info at *www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling*.
- **Dec 16 Events Committee Meeting**, 6:30pm, Gazebo on S. New Jersey Street Esplanade, 1543-1401 S. New Jersey Street. This month's meeting will be focused on decorating the gazebo for the Santa Visit on December 17. 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.
- **Dec 17** Heavy Trash Pickup. More information at *www.indy.gov/activity/trash-pickup*.
- **Dec 17** Santa Stop Visit, 6:00pm to 8:00pm, New Jersey Esplanade (1543-1401 S. New Jersey Street). See page 1 for details.
- **Dec 23** 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.
- **Dec 27 Republic Recycling Pickup.** More info at *www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling*.