

Letter from the President

Happy May, all you beautiful Bates people! I hope your schedules don't get too crazy with all the happenings that take place in this exciting month. Spring is definitely off to a bang and the ole Irises are out in full force! I hope you will take some time to "smell the Irises" and enjoy the beautiful weather. A couple of things to say, some new and some reminders.

Our neighborhood association was founded in 1996 which means we're officially 30 years young. We're doing a 30 for 30-year punch card to help celebrate our anniversary. By participating or attending a neighborhood event, you will receive a punch on your card. After receiving 30 punches on your card you will be eligible to win an epic prize.

Street Fest planning is well underway with registration starting as soon as next week. I would appreciate your help. The turnout for volunteers last year was outstanding and we had a great group. If you haven't signed up to help, you can do so at our next Street Fest planning meeting at Lincoln Lane at 4pm May 17th.

Lastly, we don't have a neighborhood meeting this Month (May). Our next meeting is the Annual Pitch in Cookout on Monday June 1st. Hope to see you all there!!



BHNA President, Brandon

Data Centers

Submitted by Land Use

The Department of Metropolitan Development (DMD) is in the process of drafting zoning regulations for data centers and are seeking public comments/input on proposed data center regulations prior to adoption by the Metropolitan Development Commission (MDC) and the City County Council. These zoning regulations will set minimum zoning requirements for data center developments within Marion County. The BHNA Board and Land Use committee are following this topic, but Bates-Hendricks neighbors are encouraged to submit your comments and feedback as soon as you can. Help influence the change you want to see in this city regarding data center developments!

Where you can find more information and take action: <https://www.indy.gov/topic/data-centers>

1. Read the draft copy of the zoning regulations
2. Submit a public comment
3. Provide feedback on the Future Land Use Map
4. Sign up to receive notifications of upcoming public meetings.

The Free Little Library

The library is moving from the current Orange Street location to its new home at East and Lincoln. Those of you who have been contributing books it is appreciated and please continue to donate to the new location. The take a book and leave a book has been a success and we hope to continue sharing with our community.



Bates-Hendricks Annual Pitch-in Cookout is June 1st

Save the date: The annual neighborhood cookout is **Monday, June 1st at 6:30, Baumann Park** at the corner of Beecher and Singleton. The park has a few picnic tables – we suggest you bring lawn chairs to be sure you'll have a seat. Hot dogs, hamburgers and buns will be provided. Please bring a passing dish. If anyone has a corn hole set, please bring along -- Jenga will be provided.

Spring has sprung and so have the weeds (gardening tip)

I'm sure we have all noticed the weeds growing in our streets by the curb (especially on Lincoln) and in your lawns and gardens. This Eco-Friendly formula will kill weeds without harming our pets, children, and environment (water runoff in the street). The simple and easy homemade formula is:

1 gallon of 30% concentrate vinegar (available at Walmart, Amazon, hardware & etc.), 1 Cup table salt, 2 tbs dish washing soap (Dawn). Use a garden sprayer and you will be amazed at the results.

Lincoln Lane Low Down (your local neighborhood coffee shop)

Did you know.... You can purchase breakfast, lunch, and dinner at Lincoln Lane Coffee. Buy a sweet treat from local bakeries (coffee cake, scones, muffins & more), as well as a yummy breakfast Burrito and lunch/dinner healthy protein bowls.

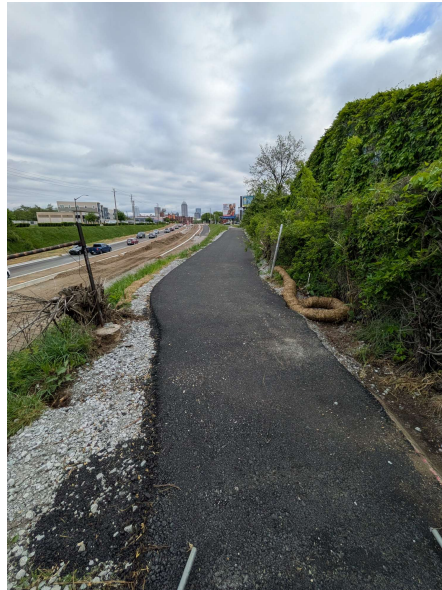
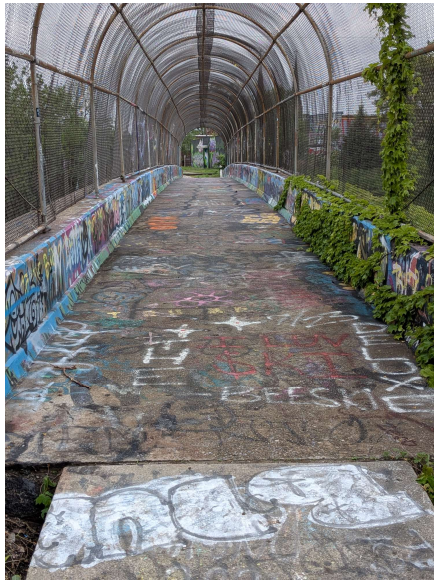


Check out the cool new mugs at Lincoln Lane which are flying out the door made by local artist Savanah Jacob, a BH neighbor. A Big Congrats to Savanah on her opening of Hepatica Pottery Collective, at CAMi (Contemporary Art Museum of Indianapolis) located just South of Garfield Park.

Bates-Hendricks Trail Update

As part of the Madison Ave Road improvement project, we are getting a connecting trail at the west end of Lincoln (where it dead ends) by the pedestrian bridge over Madison. This will tie in at Terrace with the bike trail being installed on Madison Street. Good news, you will be able to bypass East Street to get downtown.

Thank you to those maintaining the pedestrian bridge over Madison. Over the last several weeks the trail to the bridge and over the bridge has been virtually litter free on both sides of Madison.



What Else???

As the eyes and ears of Bates-Hendricks we welcome and encourage appropriate stories, pictures, and ideas to include in the monthly newsletter and Urban Times. Future newsletters will include a Lincoln Lane calendar, as well as upcoming events from the neighborhood and the BH Board. If you are involved in BH activities you'd like to highlight in the Urban Times or this Newsletter, please feel free to submit. Examples: stories and photos of clean up, gardening, block parties and philanthropic activities.

Submissions for the newsletter and Urban Times are due by the 20th of each month, submit to news@bateshendricks.org.

Thanks Mike Ward, a neighbor on Barth Street, he communicated to Kristen Jones about the deplorable condition on Beecher Street, resulting from the Red Line detouring from Shelby St. to East St. (Kristen said she would act). If you have not been down Beecher recently it has been repaved from Shelby to East, and there is another bonus: the city installed speed bumps, which is something Quality of Life has been asking for more than the 8 years I've lived in BH.

Big Thank you for the work done by the residents of New Jersey Street. They supplied and spread the mulch on the esplanade. **Looks Great!!**

Bocce anyone? The Italian Heritage Bocce Ball League is under way at Lacy Park (corner of McCarty and East). Please come and cheer on the teams from BH through June 16th. You will have the opportunity to learn the game; Maybe play and substitute too. In the leagues summer season, you will have the opportunity to join the league as team/substitute, as well as enjoy some great Italian food.

Committee Updates, Clark Harris is stepping down in June as the Chair of the Land Use Committee. Clark Harris will still be involved with the committee. Clark Mathes assumes the Chair position. Nick Zimmerman (Business owner and Architect specializing in commercial properties), a vital resource for the committee still remains. Thank you, Clark Harris for all your contributions as the Chair.

Effective immediately, Clark and Sandi Mathes will be coordinating the Urban Times submittal and BH monthly newsletter. Thank you, Nick Zimmerman, as he has held this role for several years. Nick is staying on and directing us through the transition.

Upcoming Dates

NO MAY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETING. Our next regular meeting will be at 6:30 pm on Monday, June 1st at Baumann Park.

May 5 Toddler Tuesday, meet every Tuesday morning from 9-11 at Lincoln Lane Coffee for a casual caffeinated play date. Meet new friends and keep the children occupied while they make new friends.

May 6 Garden Nights, every Wednesday 6:00pm to 7:00pm, June through October, at the Bates-Hendricks Community Garden, 302 Lincoln Street. The garden serves as a shared green space where neighbors come together to grow fresh food. Whether you're an experienced gardener or novice, there's a place for you here. Lend a hand, learn something new, and enjoy the garden together. Follow our Instagram at *@Bateshendricks_communitygarden* for weekly updates or send us an email at *Beautification@bateshendricks.org*.

May 11 Quality of Life Meeting, 6:30pm, The Lincoln Center, 516 Lincoln Street. This committee works to improve the East Street corridor, maintain our greenspaces, and other quality of life objectives. For more information, contact *QualityOfLife@bateshendricks.org*.

May 12 Lakeshore Recycling Services (LRS) pickup. More info at www.LSrecycles.com.

May 12 Toddler Tuesday

May 13 Garden Nights @ Bates-Hendricks Community Garden, 302 Lincoln Street.

May 19 Heavy Trash Pickup. You are allowed up to TWO heavy/bulky items per month, placed by your trash cart for collection. More information at www.indy.gov/activity/trash-pickup.

May 19 Land Use Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, virtual. This committee considers zoning, development, and property issues in Bates-Hendricks. Contact *LandUse@bateshendricks.org* for more information.

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