

## **INDIAN FIELDS HOMES ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER**

### **FALL 2017 UPDATE**

#### **ANNUAL ASSOCIATION MEETING/BLOCK PARTY**

The Indian Fields Homes Association Annual Association Meeting/Block Party was held on Sunday, September 17. The day began cloudy and it was not certain we were going to be able to have the meeting/block party. The Board made an executive decision to go ahead with the meeting/block party. The day turned out to be beautiful and all who attended enjoyed themselves meeting new neighbors and socializing; tasting free samples of Shatto ice cream; having Cowgirl Kate and her sidekick, Sarah, entertain the children with face painting and balloon art; and, HyVee did an excellent job with hot dogs, hamburgers, fried chicken, cookies, sides and beverages. There was a run on the fried chicken. We will strive to do a better job of ordering for next year. A tent, tables and chairs were rented for this year's event. This worked out well giving everyone who attended a place to eat and socialize.

A huge thank you to our neighbors who live on Homestead Circle who helped set everything up; let us use their driveways for setting up and serving the food; making sure we had all of the necessary last minute items we needed; and cleaning up afterwards. We could not do it without all of the efforts put forth by the Homestead Circle neighbors.

The Annual Association Meeting was well attended. The minutes have been written and are in the process of being reviewed and commented on by the Board. The minutes will be posted on the HA-KC web site for you to read.

#### **BYLAWS**

The Indian Fields Bylaws were approved at the Annual Association Meeting. The Amended and Restated Bylaws are effective as of September 17, 2017. These Bylaws supersede the original Indian Fields Bylaws that were enacted on May 11, 1954 with two amendments. Many thanks to all who gave input into the red-lined versions and to their constructive comments. To access the Bylaws go to the HA-KC website at [HA-KC.org](http://HA-KC.org). Click on Kansas Associations; click on Indian Fields; click on Bylaws.

#### **QUARTERLY BOARD MEETINGS**

The last 2017 Quarterly Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 17 at 7:00 p.m. If you would like to attend a Board meeting please let one of the Board members know. The Board members and contact information can be found on the HA-KC web site.

The 2018 Quarterly Board Meeting dates will be determined at the October 17 Board meeting. The 2018 dates will be posted on the HA-KC web site for your information.

## **END OF TERM BOARD MEMBERS AND NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

Heather Powell, Nancy Weeks and Sara Dippel ended their three years' terms on September 17. We want to thank Heather, Nancy and Sara for all of the contributions they made during their terms.

Lyndsey Guggenmos, Susanne Jantsch and Tessie Wissel were unanimously approved as the three new Board Members at the Annual Association Meeting. Please welcome them to your Board.

## **ISLAND UPDATE**

The capital improvement project for this fiscal year is the upgrading of the Homestead Circle island. Prairie Village Public Works (PVPW) removed the five red bud trees and ground the stumps. The City of Prairie Village paid for the cost of the three new Armstrong maple trees. The island has been cleared and the fall plantings/mulching are completed. The perennials will not be planted until the spring to not risk losing them over the winter months. The two benches are in place and will be the center pieces for the island. A work order has been submitted to PVPW to inspect the urn in the center of the island and determine if it needs to be made more secure for the safety of those who come to enjoy the island.

We want to give a huge round of applause to Bill Malouche, our neighbor on 63<sup>rd</sup> Terrace, for his design and cost containment work on this project. It has taken Bill and the Board many months to make this project a reality. Also, many kudos to Raintree for working in the rain to complete the fall planting. Drive by and see how the island has been transformed.

James Carney and Bridget Tolle, thank you for all of the advice and help you gave and continue to give to help with this project and for the work PVPW does in keeping Prairie Village a beautiful city in which to live.

James Carney, Field Superintendent for the Prairie Village Public Works, has asked that the urns on the islands throughout Prairie Village not be planted as it causes damage to the statuary. The following was posted in the March/April 2017 issue of the Prairie Village Voice:

*"As you may know, the City has hired Paul Benson to begin the process of cleaning and repairing our island statuary. He has concerns that many of our urns have been "planted" and statues are in direct contact with plants or trees. This direct contact causes organic growth and acids that destroy and stain the stone. Public Works crews will remove any dirt and plants that they find inside the urns/ pots as well prune back any bushes, trees or plants on the islands so they are not touching the statuary. Many volunteers contribute to the beautification of our islands, and we appreciate your efforts to help us preserve our statuary for years to come."*

If the urn in your island is planted, please take steps to remove the plants and dirt. Thank you.

## **DIRECTORY UPDATES**

Fourteen new families have moved into Indian Fields since we published the 2016 directory. The Board has been working on ways to keep the directory “up to the minute” so that everyone will have current access to their neighbors contact information.

If you have not done so, we encourage everyone interested in being kept up to date to complete the attached form so your current information can be added to the data base as we begin to move forward on communicating electronically. If you recently submitted an updated form, or there are no changes to your current listing, there is no need to complete the form. We still have several new neighbors who have not sent us contact information. Once we get an electronic system in place, this will be a cost savings to the Indian Fields Homes Association in the form of printing, and costs associated with mailings. We will keep you updated as decisions are made and we move forward with this item.

## **INVOLVEMENT**

We encourage you to get involved in Indian Fields. If you have an idea, let us know.

We wish you a happy, healthy and safe autumn season,

*Indian Fields Board of Directors*

Dear Indian Fields Neighbors:

Due to people moving out of Indian Fields and new neighbors moving in, we have had several changes to the 2016 Indian Fields Homes Association Neighborhood Directory. The goal of the Indian Fields Board of Directors is to update the directory by sending out an insert sheet to be placed in the current directory. ***The directory and updated insert sheet will only be provided to Indian Fields Residents.***

We would appreciate it if you would fill out the information below with as little or as much information as you would like. If you have changes to your current listing, please provide that information.

Please complete and return this sheet as indicated on the bottom of the form. ***If you do not wish to be listed, please complete the address portion only and check the "No Thanks" box.***

**1. Household Information:**

Name(s) (example: Smith, John & Sue): \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Phone: (example: John Cell 913-999-9999) \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: (example Sue – [suesmith@gmail.com](mailto:suesmith@gmail.com)) \_\_\_\_\_

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**2. Children and Children's Services**

Please include children you want to be listed, even if they don't provide any services.

Child's Name	Birth Year	Babysitting	Pet Sitting	Lawn Care	Snow Removal
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**Please return to Marti Levy. You can drop off at 6521 Granada Drive or email to [mlevy@kc.rr.com](mailto:mlevy@kc.rr.com)**

