

INDIAN FIELDS HOMES ASSOCIATION UPDATE

SPRING 2017

Hello Indian Fields Neighbors,

The Indian Fields Homes Association Board of Directors would like to take this opportunity to update you on what has been going on in our wonderful neighborhood.

Throughout this Update there will be several references to the Indian Fields Homes Association web site. To access the web site go to www.ha-kc.org. Click on Kansas Associations. Click on Indian Fields. You can also find the names and contact information for the Indian Fields Board of Directors under Board Roster.

ANNUAL ASSOCIATION MEETING AND NEIGHBORHOOD PARTY

Our 2017 Annual Association Meeting and Neighborhood Party will be held on **Sunday, September 17. Please add this date to your calendars for a fun and informative time.** The September event is something we will begin working on in the next month. If you would like to volunteer to help or have suggestions for the event, please contact either Marti Levy or Cindy Worthy.

ANNUAL BUDGET FOR 2017-2018 FISCAL YEAR

Your Board is currently working on the Annual Budget for the 2017-2018 fiscal years. The fiscal year is from June 1, 2017 to May 31, 2018. Once the budget is finalized, you will have an opportunity to view it on the Indian Fields web site.

Monthly statements can be found on the Indian Fields web site under Financial Documents. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Cindy Worthy or Marti Levy.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' QUARTERLY MEETINGS

Your Indian Fields Board of Directors meets on a quarterly basis. The meetings occur at 7:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month at one of the Board members' homes. Meetings held thus far in 2017 have occurred on January 17 and April 18. Future quarterly meetings are scheduled for July 18 and October 17. The quarterly meeting schedule as well as the meeting minutes and other information can be found on the Home page of the Indian Fields web site. If you wish to attend a meeting or have an item you would like for the Board to address, please let one of the Board members know.

BYLAWS

Our Indian Fields Bylaws have not been revised since May 11, 1954. There have been two (2) amendments to the Bylaws: The first amendment was adopted on April 28, 1976; and the second on July 25, 2001. On January 1, 2011 the Kansas Legislature adopted a modified version of the Uniform Common Interest Owners Bill of Rights Act ("UCIOBORA" or "the Act"). The Act is the first comprehensive Kansas law governing basic relationships between unit

owners in Kansas common interest communities (“CIOs”) and their governing boards and managers. Based on the Act, the Board began revising the Indian Fields Bylaws to comply with the current laws and to delete parts of the original Bylaws that are no longer applicable. The Act can be viewed by going to the Home page of the Homes Association of Kansas City at www.ha-kc.org.

The Board has been working with Rod Hoffman, an attorney with the law firm of Martin & Pringle who specializes in homes associations’ law, to assure the revisions comply with the Act. A red lined draft of the revised Bylaws will be sent in a separate mailing for your review and comments. You can find the 1954 Bylaws in the back of the 2016 Indian Fields Directory as well as the Indian Fields web site. If you have questions or comments on the draft revision, please feel free to email or call Marti Levy at 816-419-5058 (Cell) or mlevy@kc.rr.com. **Our goal is to have the revised Bylaws completed and put to a vote by the Indian Fields home owners at our September 17, 2017 Annual Association Meeting.**

DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

Indian Fields has a Design Review Board (DRB) that is responsible for reviewing and approving projects that include, but are not limited to, construction, design, additions, and aesthetic standards to new and existing residential buildings in Indian Fields. Members of the DRB are Neal Eidemiller, Larry Levy and Mark Lieb. If you have questions or concerns regarding issues under the DRBs purview, please contact one of the DRB members.

DIRECTORY UPDATE

With the number of neighbors moving out of and into Indian Fields, it is a challenge to keep the Indian Fields directory current. The last directory was published in 2016 and is already in need of changes. Please be on the lookout for a separate mailing that will include a listing of new neighbors as well as some changes/corrections to the current directory. A form will also be included for you to either make corrections to your current listing or, if you are new to Indian Fields, to furnish information you would like included in the directory. One of the Board’s goals for the 2017-2018 fiscal years is to update the latest edition of the directory with an insert sheet that will be sent to Indian Fields Neighbors once we have the updated information. A goal for Fiscal year 2018-2019 will be to publish a directory that will include the updated Bylaws.

FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION 30TH ANNIVERSARY

July 4, 2017 marks the 30th anniversary of the Indian Fields Fourth of July celebration with the bike parade and get together. Details will be sent closer to the date. In the meantime, **please add the morning of July 4, 2017 to your calendars for this landmark occasion.**

ISLAND MAINTENANCE

Indian Fields has a total of 11 islands that require upkeep, watering, mowing, planting, etc. At one period in time, volunteers from the Indian Fields Neighborhood maintained the islands. Several years ago the decision was made to hire a professional lawn service company to maintain the islands. After going through the bidding process, a three years contract has been

renewed with Raintree Lawn & Irrigation. Part of your Indian Fields Annual dues goes toward the upkeep and maintenance of the islands. **Please do not take it upon yourself to make changes to the plantings in the islands.** If you feel work needs to be done or you have concerns or questions regarding anything in the islands, please contact Bill Malouche. Bill, one of our Indian Fields Neighbors, is our liaison with Raintree. Bill can be reached at 913-269-7919 or billm@nnpkc.com. Bill will follow up with Raintree to assure your concerns are addressed.

One of the islands the Board has been looking at for improvement is Island #8 (Homestead Circle cul-de-sac island). The island currently has five red buds that have seen better days. Some Board members have been working with the City of Prairie Village Public Works Department to remove the trees and plant new ones. A petition was signed by all affected neighbors to proceed with the work. It is now a matter of when the PV Public Works can work it into the Spring schedule

IN CLOSING

Your Indian Fields Board of Directors is working hard to assure that you are proud to live in a neighborhood that is a great place to live, raise your families, share with your neighbors and be involved. If you have any concerns, suggestions, questions, etc. please do not hesitate to let us know. Some of your issues may be easy to solve while others may be out of our purview or may take more time. We will do our best to continue to make Indian Fields a great place to live.

We wish you all a happy, healthy and safe Spring and Summer!

Indian Fields Board of Directors