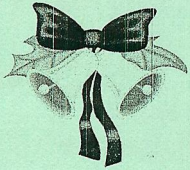


Season's

Greetings

Winterfield/Indian Reserve Newsletter

Holiday issue 2008



Decorating contest

It's time to get those boxes of decorations off the shelf and decorate your home for the holidays. Our contest is open to all Winterfield and Indian Reserve residents.

This is your chance to show your creativity and have fun as you display your special effects, originality, artistic ability and unique ideas.

Judging will take place over two nights: Friday, Dec. 5, and Saturday, Dec. 6, from 6 to 10 p.m.

Be sure to have your display lit during those hours. Winners will be notified after the panel of judges has reported in.

Cash prizes are as follows:

- 1st prize \$50.00
- 2nd prize \$35.00
- 3rd prize \$25.00

As in the past, last year's cash winners will not be eligible for this year's cash prizes but are still eligible for honorable mention awards.

We hope you join in on the fun and take this opportunity to help make our neighborhood beautiful and festive for the holiday season.

Just a reminder ...

As the winter season approaches, we would like to remind our neighbors to limit their parking of cars on the streets, especially in the cul-de-sacs, because it makes snow plowing and emergency access to the neighborhood by fire and rescue vehicles difficult at best. Your neighbors will appreciate the courtesy. Thank you!

Board meeting report

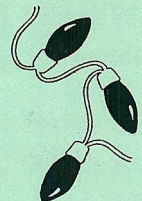
If you attended the Oct. 28 board meeting (open to everyone), you already know that:

- A financial report will be included with the dues mailing.
- Vandalism in the park area is alive and well. The new tabletop has been re-damaged. Patrolled security is being contemplated.
- The roof on the gazebo has been replaced.
- Salt barrels will be placed at the intersections of Winterfield & Summersworth runs and Summersworth & Aboite Center Road this winter.
- Our Web site soon will link to the city's site for bylaws and restrictive covenants.
- 2008 accomplishments and future projects were recapped.
- Carrie Boylan was elected as vice president, and last year's members were re-elected to their positions.
- We still are in need of a grounds chairperson and one at-large member.

Tidbits ...

New trees

Some of you recently may have received trees that you did not ask for. The city decided that since Summersworth Run is a main thoroughfare, they would plant trees along both sides, as they have done in various other neighborhoods within the city. This is the opposite of what we were originally told in regards to new trees. In addition, when the curbs were marked for tree placement, a letter was to be left in the door explaining the program and including a phone number to call if you did not want the trees. Some residents have said they did



not receive this letter. If you are upset, you should contact Steve Goodwin, who is in charge of the tree program. He can be reached at 427-6404 or steve.goodwin@ci.ft-wayne.in.us.

Web site update

Sue Clark has taken over the reins of our Web site from recently-moved resident Ilana Potts. Sue plans to link to the city's site for access to our neighborhood bylaws and restrictive covenants. You can access our site by typing: <http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/ftwayne/wir/>. Saving this address to your favorites (or bookmarks) makes it easier to access the next time. Take a look! More information to come.

Annual board meeting held

On Oct. 28, the annual meeting of the Winterfield/Indian Reserve Association was held at the Aboite Library. The 2009 Board of Directors was elected as follows.

OFFICERS:

President	Don Ley	602-8463
Vice president	Carrie Boylan	402-6930
Treasurer	Alan Ewing	459-1399
Secretary	Susan Clark	432-8046

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE:

Architecture	Dick Cameron	436-4796
Grounds	(open)	
Communications	Geneva Berger	432-6680
Publications	Melody Foreman	436-9158
At-large	(open)	

Please note that we still have an at-large position open. This is a great way to **have your voice heard** and get involved in the neighborhood!

Association dues & expenses

Association dues for 2009 will be \$80. While we were able to avoid an increase for 2008, higher gas prices have led to an increase in the cost of snow removal and grass cutting (a primary cost in our budget). We want you all to know that as your governing body, we are trying to be the **best stewards** of your monies as possible, and we do not seek to make a profit.

Your dues support many obligations and activities on behalf of our community (see the attached financial sheet). Some of them, in order of expense, are:

- Snow removal
- Grass cutting
- Grounds maintenance
(tree & bush
trimming, flowers,
sidewalk
maintenance, etc.)
- Real estate taxes
- Liability insurance
- Equipment repair
- Street & path lighting
- Water runoff control
- Replacement of items destroyed by vandalism
- Contest prizes
- Postage & printed materials



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2008 Winterfield / Indian Reserve YTD expenditures (Nov 07-Oct 08)

Martin Snow	\$3075.00	16.5%
Martin Lawn	\$6975.16	37.4%
Martin Fertilizer	\$1650.00	8.8%
Martin Mulch	\$780.00	4.2%
Martin Ent. Project	<u>\$1180.00</u>	<u>6.3%</u>
Total	\$13660.16	73.2%

Gazebo Repairs		
Menards	\$1017.28	
Labor	\$267.67	
Wabash Valle	<u>\$298.10</u>	
Total	\$1583.05	8.5%

Maintenance		
Tennis Courts	\$18.55	
Mailbox	\$51.74	
Lights (5 calls)	<u>\$497.53</u>	
Total	\$567.82	3.0%

Taxes	\$661.88	3.55%
Insurance	\$503.50	2.7%
Electric	\$441.00	2.4%
City Utilities	\$132.50	0.7%

Misc		
Fee	\$34.00	
Dues	\$93.00	
Ad	\$42.50	
Stamps	\$22.00	
Interest	.20	
Dues Supplies	\$140.45	
Christmas Exp.	<u>\$175.00</u>	
Total	\$514.15	<u>5.95%</u>

Grand Total	\$18634.88	100%
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Income		
Dues	\$16146.00	
Mailbox Rest.	\$486.21	
Right of Way	<u>\$1300.00</u>	

2008 Total Income	\$17932.21	
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Uncollected Dues	\$924.00	
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