

# Farley Pride Newsletter

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## Mark Your Calendars...

- **September 21, 2013** - Fall Garage Sale\*
- **October 24, 2013** - Crime Watch Meeting

\*For **free** pickup of unsold items after the sale, call **Don Griffith** at **241-0588**. Items will be used to benefit the **Lion's Club**.

## Next Crime Watch Meeting

Thursday, October 24, 2013  
7:00 PM

Chapel Hill United Methodist Church  
10<sup>th</sup> and Girls School  
(Behind Taco Bell)



### You will not want to miss this meeting!

A member of the Indianapolis Prosecutor's office will be at this meeting to provide tips and information to help our residents be safer in their homes and our neighborhood.

If you feel a crime is being or has been committed, CALL POLICE.\* If the crime is not in progress, use the non-emergency police phone number: (317) 327-3811. **If a crime is in progress, use 911.** Then notify a crime watch captain:

**Tom Cox - 247-1648 and Larry Wood – 247-1962**

**A Crime Watch won't work if crimes are not reported!**

\*Details given to police about the **crime committed, description of cars, license plate numbers and/or persons involved** will help them do their jobs.

## The 2013 Board of Directors...

For information or to discuss concerns about the Farley neighborhood, you may contact any of the board members below:

<b>President:</b>	<b>Charlie Payne - 244-7005</b>
<b>Treasurer:</b>	<b>Don Griffith - 241-0588</b>
<b>Secretary:</b>	<b>Jayne Edison - 484 -1632</b>
<b>Crime Watch</b>	<b>Tom Cox - 247-1648</b>
<b>Co-Captains:</b>	<b>Larry Wood – 247-1962</b>
<b>Membership:</b>	<b>Linda Thompson - 487-6301</b>
<b>Nwsltr Distrib:</b>	<b>Mark/Jayne Edison - 484 -1632</b>
<b>Mbrs At Large:</b>	<b>Pat Wood -247-1962</b> <b>Aimee Bligan – 241-8174</b>

Our mission is to help ensure that Farley is a safe and enjoyable neighborhood for you and your family to reside.

Although we cannot get involved in disputes between you and your neighbor, if your efforts to resolve a problem with city government or the Mayor's Office have not been addressed, we can act as a go-between for these issues.

To report issues to the Mayor's Action Center, you can go online to: <http://maps.indy.gov/RequestIndy/> or call: (317) 327-4622.

Be sure to retain the request confirmation number in case the issue needs follow up.

## Time to Remit your 2013 Annual Dues!

### Mail your Farley Neighborhood Association annual dues by October 1, 2013...

It is vitally important for all residents to support our neighborhood by remitting your **\$25 per household** annual dues promptly. Some of the services your dues support include:

- Promoting better speed control in our neighborhood.
- Working with city and county government to:
  - Maintain our streets.
  - Provide better storm water drainage and improve sewage service.
  - Provide tighter zoning controls and code enforcement.
- Sponsoring, advertising, and placing signs to promote the semi-annual garage sales.
- Coordinating the neighborhood Crime Watch effort.
- Planning, promoting, and holding the informative Annual Farley Neighborhood Association Meeting each year.
- Working with KIB to secure **free** trees for Farley residents.
- Ensuring the streets are plowed after snow and ice storms.
- Working with IPL to obtain streetlights in un-lit areas.

To continue to receive these services, it is important that your annual dues are paid. Please use the attached envelope to send your check for **\$25** for the **2013** dues to the following address by **October 1, 2013**:

**Farley Neighborhood Membership Drive**  
**PO Box 51920**  
**Indianapolis, IN 46251**

This is an excellent value for these services and among the lowest association fee of all neighborhoods in Indianapolis.

**Please complete the information on the reverse side and return it in the attached envelope with your check for \$25.**

### **Did You Know...**

*Many responsibilities residents have regarding the upkeep and maintenance of their properties and for being good neighbors are described in the Municipal Codes of Marion County.*

*Farley board members have received comments about the concerns listed below. Please look through them to see if any apply to you. If so, please make appropriate adjustments; the consequences of continuing the actions may generate costs such as fines and/or payments to the city for clean up.*

**Mowing and upkeep of properties** – “It shall be the duty of any person owning or controlling a house...to maintain such premises in a reasonably clean and orderly manner and to a standard conforming to other orderly premises in that vicinity.

It shall be a violation of this section to abandon, neglect or disregard the condition or appearance of any premises so as to permit it to become unclean...or to allow a rank growth of grass, weeds or other vegetation...to continue for a period longer than thirty (30) days in any calendar year...

The director of the department of public works, where premises are abandoned or neglected for more than thirty (30) days, is...empowered to...correct the unclean conditions and place a lien on such land in the same amount and in accordance with the procedure provided for weed cutting in the city...”

**Disposal of grass clippings and/or leaves** – “Owners and occupants of premises shall dispose of the grass and/or leaves on their own premises..., either by burning as provided by the air pollution control board or shall otherwise dispose of all grass and/or leaves on such private premises by arranging for their removal, but in no event shall grass and/or leaves be swept into any street, alley or gutter.”

**Garage sale signs** – “...such sign(s) shall be permitted for no longer than two (2) days prior to the sale and be removed immediately after the sale is completed.”

### **Update on Neighborhood Efforts...**

**Street Lights:** Your Farley Neighborhood Association Board of Directors has coordinated with IPL to get additional streetlights installed in our neighborhood.

We hope the residents living in these areas now feel safer in your home and when you are on the street at night.

**Creek Bank Erosion:** The board will be working with DPW to investigate the erosion to the yards of many of our residents living along drainage ditches running through our neighborhood. If you have been impacted by erosion, please send photos along with your annual dues to the dues payment address listed on the previous page by September 30<sup>th</sup>.

After all information is gathered we will announce the time and date for a special meeting with DWP representatives to present this information.

**Traffic Concerns:** Speeding through our neighborhood and ignoring stop signs has become a safety risk to our residents, especially children.

The board is trying to have signs placed in the neighborhood to encourage drivers to slow down and watch for children playing.

Also, IMPD is cruising our neighborhood regularly to monitor traffic violations. There have been several citations issued recently. Avoid a ticket and do your part to protect the safety of Farley residents by being alert when driving in Farley and observing the speed limits and stop signs. **A child's life may be at stake!**

**Home Break Ins** – Since the recent arrest of 2 men suspected of a series of burglaries in Farley and Chapel Hill, there have been no reports of additional break ins! Kudos to IMPD and Farley residents who helped bring an end to the crime spree!

**However...**Even though home break-ins have decreased, there have been more break-ins to cars in driveways recently. So please lock your cars anytime they are parked in your drive.

Also, several bikes left outside have also been stolen recently. Use bike locks or, better yet, bring any bikes or other valuables in at night.

**Deter crime by leaving porch and outdoor lights on at night!**

**Attention Farley Renters...**All Farley residents receive the benefits of the services provided by the Farley Neighborhood Association. Please contribute your share of the costs by paying the annual dues or following up with your landlord when they are due and letting him/her know how much needs to be remitted.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

*Your e-mail address will only be used for notices of Farley meetings or events, or urgent messages. It will never be shared with other parties.*

**Please complete the information above and return it in the attached envelope with your check for \$25.**

**I would like to see the following speakers/programs at future Crime Watch and Annual meetings:**