

INDIAN FIELDS HOMES ASSOCIATION

SPRING 2018

Hi, Neighbors:

Can you believe it is spring? How time flies. We did not publish a winter newsletter as there was not much homes association activity to report on in Indian Fields. Now that spring is about to descend upon us, things are starting to pick up.

QUARTERLY BOARD MEETINGS

The quarterly board of directors' meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month. The dates are posted on the Homes Association of Kansas City web site at www.ha-kc.org for your information. If you have trouble accessing the web site, please let one of your board members know. If you would like to attend a quarterly board meeting, please let one of the board of directors know. A list of the board members can be found on the HA-KC web site.

The 2018 quarterly board meetings are generally held at 6521 Granada Drive at 7:00 p.m. on the following dates:

January 16

April 17

July 17

October 16

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

Three standard operating procedures have been written and were approved at the January 16 quarterly meeting. The procedures are posted on the HA-KC web site. The procedures are:

Submission and Review of Proposed Building Plans

Welcome Package

Reimbursement Submission

Please contact a board member if you have questions on any of the procedures. If you have suggestions for procedures you feel we need for Indian Fields, please let us know.

PROPOSED BUILDING PLANS

As outlined in the procedure for Submission and Review of Proposed Building Plans there is a process that needs to be followed if you are doing an extensive remodel or addition that affects the exterior of your existing home or if you are tearing down an existing home and building a new home. In order for this to be a smooth process from start to finish, and prior to you incurring expenses on plans, etc. it is advisable to follow the Indian Fields restrictions for your block and lot and to adhere to the restrictions; and, to assure that your architect and contractor are aware of the restrictions. Recently we have had situations where the owner has gone to a great deal of time and expense to have plans drawn up that do not meet the restrictions, and

have not been approved by the Indian Fields Homes Association. To avoid this, we suggest you become familiar with the Indian Fields Restrictions. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Mark Lieb at 913-908-4940 or mlieb@hufft.com; or Marti Levy at 816-419-5058 or mlevy@kc.rr.com. The goal of the Design Review Committee and the Board of Directors is to assure the integrity of Indian Fields is maintained and to abide by the restrictions of the City of Prairie Village and the Indian Fields Sub-Division. If you have friends or know of someone moving into Indian Fields and thinking about putting on an addition or tearing down and rebuilding, please let them know of the restrictions and the process we follow to keep Indian Fields a beautiful neighborhood where people choose to live, raise their families, and enjoy life.

ANNUAL BUDGET FOR 2018/2019 FISCAL YEAR

The annual budget for the next fiscal year is due to the HA-KC by the end of April. The annual budget will be on the agenda for the April 17 quarterly board meeting. If you have any issues you feel need to be addressed for the coming fiscal year, please let a board member know.

BOARD MEMBER OPENINGS

Chad Taylor submitted his resignation from the board in January. In September four (4) board member term limits will expire so we will be looking for new board members. New board members are voted on at the September Annual Association Meeting/Block Party. If you would like to volunteer for a board position, please let us know so we can be sure your name is on the slate for the September Annual Meeting. We want to thank Chad for his contribution to the board and wish him the best in his current and future endeavors.

FOURTH OF JULY PARADE

The Fourth of July Parade falls on a Wednesday this year. Be sure to put the Fourth of July Parade on your calendar. Unfortunately, we were not able to have the parade last year due to severe weather. If memory serves correctly, this was the first time in 30 years that the parade did not occur. Keep your fingers crossed that the weather will be beautiful this coming Fourth of July. We will update you with details as the date gets closer.

ANNUAL ASSOCIATION MEETING/BLOCK PARTY

The annual association meeting/block party is held in the month of September. The last several years the event has been held at the Homestead Circle cul-de-sac. The "Homestead Circlers" have been more than generous with letting us set up in their drive ways, providing trash cans for waste, running into their home for last minute forgotten items, and just being the best neighbors. We usually wait until we have some key dates for various Kansas City area activities, e.g. Plaza Art Fair; home Chiefs football game, before determining the exact date. The one thing we can tell you is that it will be on a Sunday in September. We will let you know the date as soon as we know what it is.

We had several suggestions after the 2017 annual association meeting/block party to consider for the 2018 date. Some of the suggestions were to have gluten free food offerings, more

veggie options, more fried chicken and less burgers, explore food trucks, rent tent and chairs again, yard signs to remind neighbors of event, explore other entertainment options.

Please let us know your ideas to continue to make the event better.

ISLANDS

The capital improvement project for 2017 was the updating of the Homestead Circle Island. The dead and dying trees were removed and new trees planted. Two new benches have been placed on the island. This spring the perennials will be planted. Walk and/or drive by to see the transformation. Raintree will be in your neighborhood in the coming weeks making sure the beds are ready for the spring plantings. If you see anything in the islands that require attention, please contact Bill Malouche, one of our Indian Fields Neighbors, who 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. We ask that you let Raintree take care of any landscaping issues that may arise and not attempt to handle them yourself.

ELECTRONIC DIRECTORY

Cindy Worthy has worked long and hard to input names and contact information into the Indian Fields electronic data base, DirectorySpot. If your name and/or contact information is not currently in DirectorySpot and you wish to be added, please contact Cindy at either 913-579-1551 or cindyhworthy@gmail.com. Cindy, on behalf of the board and the neighbors, thank you for all of the time and research you put into finding this app and for inputting the data.

HOMESTEAD COUNTRY CLUB

A great deal of activity is taking place at Homestead Country Club (HCC). HCC is under new ownership and the new owner is in the process of working on plans to update the facility. To date, the new owner has held two meetings with the residents whose properties adjoin HCC. The plans are scheduled to be presented at the Prairie Village Planning Commission on Tuesday, April 3 at 7:00 p.m. if you have an interest in attending.

NEW NEIGHBORS

Since January 2017, we have had 16 new neighbors move into Indian Fields.

INVOLVEMENT

As always, we encourage you to get involved in your neighborhood. We have volunteer opportunities throughout the year and it is fun to get to know neighbors you may not otherwise have an opportunity to meet.

Have a happy, healthy and safe spring,

Indian Fields Board of Directors