



EHCO Voice

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A sweeping success—Spring Clean 2007

On Saturday, May 19th, EHCO held Spring Clean 2007. More than 25 volunteers participated in the clean up, which started at 9:00am, by walking the streets of Emerson Heights to pick up trash in an effort to make EH a cleaner place to live. On many streets, some residents, encouraged by the efforts of the volunteers, came out of their houses and off their porches to pick up around their own homes. Most volunteers were finished by 11:30am.

The Spring Clean 2007 was sponsored by Keep Indianapolis Beautiful Incorporated (KIBI) who provided a dumpster for the event. The volunteers were treated to a cookout afterwards. The Linwood Square Kroger and its manager, Chad Brown, donated hot dogs and buns. While some participants brought drinks and side dishes, the majority of the food was donated by Crystal Allison.

Jodi Lepper and Pauline Schrum set up the food area and manned the base station, assigning streets to latecomers. Jim Schrum, Michael Clements and Nick Moon spent the morning driving up and down the alleys to pick up



Spring Clean 2007 volunteers - front row (l-r): Tommy Tabor, Ray Reisinger, RD Reid, Kylie Reid. Middle row: Don Bailey, Ellen Yoder, Crystal Allison, Donna Moore, Elise Reisinger, Jill Reid, Mike Jackson, Elias Gonzalez. Back row: Nick Moon, Heather Neiman, Leo Layne. Not pictured: Erica Bentley, James Bentley, James Bentley Jr., Tracy Bentley, Michael Clements, Jodi Lepper, Pat Neiman, Ann Rouse, John Rouse, Jim Schrum, Pauline Schrum, Ralph Schrum, Joe Wade.

This year, four children came with their parents to help out. The youngest was James Bentley Jr., who at three months old, took on a supervisory role while his parents picked up trash. The other children were Erica Bentley, Kylie Reid and Ray Reisinger. All three youngsters helped their parents and proved that you are never too young to help out in your neighborhood.

EHCO wishes to thank all of the volunteers who gave up their Saturday morning to make our neighborhood a little cleaner. If you missed this opportunity, you will have another chance later in the year. EHCO will hold a Fall Clean on Saturday, September 22. Once again, KIBI will provide a dumpster and volunteers will be treated to hamburgers and hot dogs. Mark your calendars and plan to join us. Together we **can** make a difference.

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Benefit concert brings in \$\$ for EHCO


The EHCO Benefit Concert was held on Friday, May 4. This proceeds from the concert were \$737 which went into the EHCO account. The concert featured artists Christopher Ames and Luke Austin Daugherty. Special performances were given by the Wallace Street Presbyterian Church Choir and their Bell Choir.

The following is a break down of the income and expenses.

INCOME		EXPENSES			
Ticket sales	\$628	Artist's fees	\$400		
Donation - Chase Bank	500	Church fee	100		
Donation - Moving Melodies	100	Hotel for Ames	33		
Donation - Italian Gardens	50	Refreshments	73		
Donation - Leon's Lectronics	25				
TOTAL	\$1343	TOTAL	\$606	EHCO PROFIT	\$737

The profit from this concert would not have been \$737 without the donations of some of the volunteers. Scott Weideroder paid for all of the printing costs for the flyers and programs. Crystal Allison and Donna Moore paid for the ticket blanks and the printing of the tickets. Ralph Schrum paid for the advertising in the Herald Weekly. A \$40 gift certificate door prize was given away thanks to a donation from the Italian Gardens Restaurante.

Many thanks goes out to all of the residents who volunteered their time and money, to all of the business who donated money and to all who purchased tickets. This event was a success because of you.

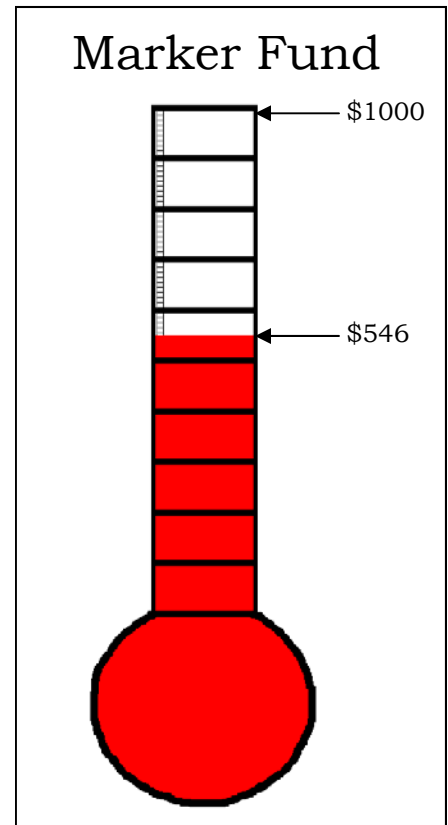
 <p>Oval Office Words from Don Bailey EHCO President</p>	<h3 style="text-align: center;"><u>Security & Block Clubs</u></h3> <p>As you may know, we had the Emerson Heights Block Club kick off meeting on Saturday, June 2nd at Joe Wade's house. We were lucky to have IMPD Sergeants Hayes and Simpson give us a talk about safety, the importance of Block Clubs/ Crime Watch Clubs and when to call the police. Our City-County Councilor, Duke Oliver, was also in attendance and we discussed some approaches we have been working on to keep the grass cut and the neighborhood looking nice. Stay tuned!</p> <p>The get-together was well attended and we hope that as the Block Clubs form, everyone will join their block club, get to know your neighbors and most importantly, <u>WATCH OUT FOR EACH OTHER!</u></p> <p>In the last few weeks, we have heard of security companies canvassing the neighborhood also of trying to steal each other's monitoring services. DO NOT GIVE PERSONAL INFORMATION TO ANYONE CANVASSING THE NEIGHBORHOOD. Ask for ID and a business card and if necessary, call the company from the phone book and verify the name of the person you met.</p> <p>We also see older cars and trucks cruising our streets and alleys. If you see people just looking around and appear as if they have no legitimate reason for cruising around, don't be afraid to write down their license number and vehicle type and color (as long as you can do it without any danger to yourself). You can pass the info along to emersonheights@aol.com and we can forward it to the police. Your name can be withheld at your request.</p> <p>If you see workmen taking off aluminum siding, working on air conditioners or otherwise acting suspiciously, please call the police <u>RIGHT THEN!</u> Obviously, if the home is being renovated then the work may be legitimate, but the police tell us that it is better to be safe than sorry.</p> <p>If you would like to know what is happening in our neighborhood, please send us your name, address, and phone number to emersonheights@aol.com and we will add you to our e-mail list.</p> <p>Hope to see you Thursday evening.</p>
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Marker Fund donations

EHCO would like to thank the following people for their donation to the Marker Fund. Want to see your name here? Donate today by completing the form above and either mail it to EHCO or give it to an EHCO officer.

\$100.00 *
 Don Bailey - \$20.00
 Patricia Heberden - \$25.00
 Pauline, Jim & Ralph Schrum - \$100.00
 Ann Sombun & Frederic Withrow - \$10.00
 Grace Taddeo - \$20.00
 Heather Nieman - \$25.00
 Jackie McGovern - \$5.00
 Joe Wade - \$100.00
 Anonymous Donation from Wallace Street - \$20.00
 Randy Deane - \$20.00
 Gary & Janet Spencer - \$25.00
 John & Carolyn Kanouse - \$26.00
 W.E. Freitag - \$25.00
 Jodi Lepper & Donna Moore - \$25.00

* Awarded to EHCO after Don Bailey's completion of an INRC leadership course and designated to this fund by the residents in attendance at the January 2007 meeting.



I want to help! Here's my donation of \$_____ to help with the marker fund.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Make check or money order payable to:
 Emerson Heights Community Organization

Mail form and donation to:
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 PO Box 11686
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Kids will walk to school next year

EHCO wants to remind parents that effective with the 2007-2008 school year, EH children will no longer be bussed out of the area to their schools but will instead have to walk to neighborhood schools. Elementary school students will walk to IPS #58, Ralph Waldo Emerson, at the corner of Linwood Avenue and New York Street. Middle and high school students will walk to T.C. Howe at the corner of Emerson Avenue and Washington Street.

Saturday, June 16 events

EHCO Neighborhood Sale

The annual EHCO Neighborhood Sale will be held on Saturday, June 16th. The number of participants in the neighborhood sale has grown each year and this year should be no different. EHCO will place an advertisements in the Herald Weekly and the Indianapolis Star. In order to offset this cost, a \$2.00 fee will be collected from each house participating.

Unlike the past few years, this year EHCO will not publish a map of pre-registered sales. We found that many participants did not pre-register and while some shoppers picked up the maps and used them, many did not. EHCO will be placing signs up along 10th Street, Emerson Avenue and Michigan Street to notify passersby of the upcoming sale.



WSPC event open to all residents

Wallace Street Presbyterian Church, 4805 East 10th Street, is planning an outside event with free food, games and activities for the children and musical entertainment. It will be on Saturday, June 16th from 12 pm - 2 pm and all are invited. We look forward to seeing you.

Residents of south Carlyle Place

The 96-gallon containers used for trash pickup do **not** belong on the sidewalks on days other than Mondays, our scheduled day for trash pickup. The residents of EH, and specifically Carlyle Place, do not appreciate you leaving your container on the sidewalk. It creates an inconvenience and possible hazard for walkers because they must walk in the street or in your yard in order to get around the container. Leaving your containers on the sidewalk also contribute making our neighborhood look “white trash.”

EHCO has had many complaints regarding these containers. Therefore, we will once again remind you of the Department of Public Works policy regarding the containers.

*Place your cart out by 7:00am on your pick-up day, and place it at least five (5) feet away from any other object- cars, utility poles, fire hydrants, fences, or buildings. If our trucks cannot **safely** reach your cart, your trash will not be collected. **After pick-up, secure your cart safely on your property, until the next pick-up day.***

Please be a good neighbor and help keep our neighborhood from looking trashy. Move your container off of the sidewalks and store it next to your house.

Crime Watch/Block Club cookout

EHCO held a cookout on Saturday, June 2 for residents interested in forming a club on their block. Many residents attended as well as IMPD Sergeants Hayes and Simpson and Duke Oliver, our City-County Councillor. Crystal Allison and Joe Wade, EHCO’s Crime Watch/Block Club coordinators, talked about the clubs and their purpose and had attendees complete a questionnaire about problems and crime in our neighborhood.

In the coming weeks, Allison and Wade will be walking the neighborhood talking with residents in each block about participating in a club. Participation does not require much, just a willingness to call the police when something suspicious is happening and a willingness to get to know your neighbors.

Ask Beth White, Marion County Clerk

Dear Beth,

I've seen and heard recently about problems on primary Election Day in Marion County. Why did we have such trouble and what do we do about it?

Vicki Voter

Dear Vicki,

It is said that "victory has a thousand fathers, but failure is an orphan." This past May, Marion County experienced a failed election, and as the person responsible, I can assure you that this failure will be no orphan. I unequivocally accept responsibility for the major problems faced by Marion County voters on Election Day. I want to share with you both an apology and a commitment.

First, I owe and offer the citizens of Marion County an apology for the primary election. It's my job to make our democratic process work, and that did not happen. Voters deserve better. To all voters, and to election workers who came to the polls in May, I am profoundly sorry.

I have learned many lessons from May.

- I learned that this community is filled with a deep and strong sense of civic duty.
- I learned that there are many people willing to come forward to help our community succeed.
- I learned that although we try to make it as easy as possible, the election process is not easy. It requires thousands of hours of hard work by people whose work goes largely unheralded. I will try to build on their successes even as I learn from my mistakes.
- I learned that I can not do this alone.

With those and many other lessons learned, I offer the citizens of Marion County a commitment: between now and November 6, we will work harder, we will work smarter, and we will engage the community to fix these problems. I'll start by gaining a complete picture of what happened, why, and how we can fix what's broken. We will seek reforms necessary for a successful election in November and beyond.

My goal is the same as yours – an election that we all feel good about. The people of Marion County deserve no less.

No guest speakers for the coming meetings

For the coming months, EHCO will not be inviting special guest speakers to our monthly meetings. We realize that people are busier during the warmer months and we feel that by eliminating these speakers, we will be able to keep the meeting's length to 1 1/2 hours or less (our goal is to be finished in one hour).



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What's happening at Ellenberger Park

Irvington Farmer's Market

Ellenberger Park and the Irvington Garden Club invite you to experience live music, fresh produce, and a wide variety of plants for sale. Ellenberger Park hosts free activities for families and children at each market. No registration required. For more information, call Ellenberger Park at 327-7176.

July 8	12:00pm - 3:00pm	Free
August 12	12:00pm - 5:00pm	Free
September 9	12:00pm - 3:00pm	Free
October 14	12:00pm - 3:00pm	Free

Ellenberger Concert Series

Enjoy live music in Ellenberger Park. Featuring local musicians, this eclectic series features music the first Saturday of every month (June-September) at 6PM and is open to all ages. For more information, please call Ellenberger Park at 327-7176.

July 7	6:00pm - 8:30pm	Kevin Friendly Experience
August 4	6:00pm - 8:30pm	Blue Print Music
September 1	6:00pm - 8:30pm	Artist TBA

Walk in the Park Art Show

In partnership with the Irvington Guild of Artists, Ellenberger Park will host the 6th Annual "Walk in the Park." This exhibit will feature premier artists in the area. For more information, please call Ellenberger Park at 327-7176.

August 13	12:00pm - 5:00pm	Free
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Ellenberger Park Pool

The Ellenberger Park pool features:

- Large main pool 2-1/2 to 13 feet in depth
- 1 diving board
- Lap lane always open
- Deck chairs available
- ADA Accessible lift

The pool is open daily Monday through Saturday from 11:00am to 7:00pm and Sunday from 12:00pm to 6:00pm. Admission: 2 & under free; Youth (3 to 17) and Older Adults (55+) \$1; Adults (18+) \$2. For more information, please call Ellenberger Park at 327-7176.

Indy in Motion - aerobic and strength training

Indy In Motion presents a total fitness and health program initiative through the Marion County Health Department. There will be incentive awards for regular participation in the fitness activities. All activities are **FREE**. For additional information, call the Marion County Health Department at 221-3122.

The Marion County Health Department and the National of Sports (NIFS) sponsor these **FREE** classes for fitness. A NIFS instructor will be here waiting to get you into the fitness mind frame. No pre-registration is required - a short information form is filled out on site prior to your first class.

Strength/Toning	Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays	5:30pm - 6:30pm	(Ages 18+ only)	Free
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What's happening at Ellenberger Park

Pepsi Pitch, Hit & Run

Come out and test your baseball skills. Winners from each division advance to Victory Field, and a chance to compare in the 2007 MLB All-Star Game.

Wednesdays 12:00pm - 3:00pm 5:30pm - 7:30pm (Ages 7 - 14 only) Free

Summer Day Camps

Creative Arts Camp

This camp has a multi-arts theme that encourages and facilitates a hands-on learning approach for children. Many styles of visual arts are incorporated into this program to develop ideas, explore themes and creativity. Add to this a trained staff of professional artists experienced in facilitating the natural growth and development of children. Art workshops will be supplied by the Irvington Guild of Artists.

June 18 - June 22 Monday - Friday 9:00am - 3:00pm (Ages 6 - 12 only) \$90 (5 classes)

Theater Camp

A Musical Theatre Mentorship Workshop presented by Muncie Civic Theatre Association. Theatre Mentorship is a one-week summer workshop that This engaging Musical gives students hands-on experience working with professional actors, directors and techniques in the morning and various other experiences in drama in the afternoon. Both students and professionals work toward the shared goal of producing a play with music. One final performance will conclude the one-week workshop. Through rehearsals and performance opportunities, students physically participate in stage activities, learn memorization techniques, dialogue and develop confidence in stage presence. Don't miss this opportunity to join this exciting theatre group and learn from skilled theatre professionals!

June 25 - June 29 Monday - Friday 9:00am - 3:00pm (Ages 7 - 14 only) \$90 (5 classes)

Former EHCO President wins award

Former EHCO President and EH resident, John Kanouse, was presented the Karl Stipher Award for service to Arsenal Technical High School on June 9. Kanouse graduated from Tech in 1956. He then went on to earn an A.B. degree in History and Political Science from Indiana Central College (now University of Indianapolis) in 1960. He did his graduate work at Butler University, receiving his M.A. in History and Political Science in 1967.

Kanouse taught Social Studies and Spanish at Perry Central High School, Boone County, from 1960-1963. He started teaching at Tech in 1963, where he taught Social Studies, and was Tech's Social Studies Department Head from 1989 until his retirement in 2001. He has always been active in his church and the community. At East Tenth Street United Methodist Church, he has served as Lay Leader and Church Council Chairman. He served as a board member of the Near Eastside Community Organization from 1989-2001. he was the Tech Athletic Hall of Fame Committee's chairman from 2002-2005.

Some of the awards Kanouse has received: Near Eastside Community Organization - Ruth Shaw Lifetime Achievement Award; Tech High School - H.H. Anderson Award, Athletic Department Lifetime Service Award, Distinguished Graduate Award. On Alumni Day, 2007, Kanouse was honored with the Karl Stipher Award.

Kanouse and his wife Carolyn Auter Kanouse have one son, Steven. Kanouse is a bluegrass music fan and a fan of basketball and baseball. Wally Potter once said of Kanouse, "He has seen more Tech athletic events than any other living person." One of Kanouse's other hobbies is teddy bear collecting. His current teddy bear population is about 250.

Source: TECHnically Speaking, April 2007 issue

EHCO

*Serving the Emerson Heights
Community*

Meetings begin at 6:30pm on the third Thursday of each month and are held in the basement of the Wallace Street Presbyterian Church (on the southeast corner of Wallace Street and 10th Street).

Meetings are open to all homeowners, tenants, landlords, and business owners in the Emerson Heights neighborhood and surrounding area.

Please come!



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The mission of the Emerson Heights Community Organization
Is to preserve and protect the historic, cultural
And economic value of our community
Through organization, education,
Empowerment and action.

Dates to remember in 2007

EHCO Meeting Schedule

June 21
July 19
August 16
September 20
October 18
November 15
December 20

Heavy Trash Pick-up

June 8
July 13
August 10
September 14
October 12
November 9
December 14

Next Meeting...

The agenda for the June 21st meeting is:

- Call to order and introductions
- Reports from the City Neighborhood Liaison*, the Prosecutor's Office*, and the Indianapolis Police Department*

*Provided when information is available

Place Community Health Network here

The deadline for newsletter article submissions is 11:00pm on the evening of our monthly meeting. You can submit an article or an idea for an article by e-mail to dmoore1220@sbcglobal.net. EHCO reserves the right to decline to print any article submitted and to edit article as necessary.