



# EHCO Voice

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## **EHCO Health & Safety Fair update**

The EHCO Health & Safety Fair was held Saturday, October 6th. Approximately 40 people attended the event. Organizers had hoped more residents would attend to take advantage of the free screenings. While attendance was considerably lower than expected, many participants stated that attendance was good considering this was our first event of this kind.

EHCO would like to thank all participants and volunteers who took time out of their Saturday schedule to attend this event. Special thanks go to Central Indiana Cancer Centers and Community Hospital East for giving free health screenings. Special, special thanks go to Bishop Viernes, Eric Scott and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints for the use of their parking lot, tables, chairs, and building.

Participants included: American Diabetes Association, Caring Dentists (4604 East 10th Street), Central Indiana Cancer Centers, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Community Hospital East, Damien Center (26 North Arsenal Avenue), Indianapolis Animal Care & Control, Indianapolis Fire Department, Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department's CrimeWatch, INShape Indiana, NESCO, People's Health Clinic (2340 East 10th Street), and Ruth Shaw.

Volunteers included: Don Bailey, Greg Brookbank, Leo Layne, Jodi Lepper, Josh Mathis, Donna Moore, Jim Schrum, Pauline Schrum, and Ralph Schrum.

## **Neighborhood marker to be discussed**

We asked for your money for a neighborhood marker and you gave. Now, we need your help again. EHCO will be discussing designs for the marker at the November 15th meeting. All residents, especially those who donated money, are asked to attend to give their input on a design.

The initial thought for the marker was to purchase a large boulder and have it engraved with our logo and a welcome sign. With the overwhelming amount of donations, we can now look at other marker possibilities, including something fashioned similar to the brick markers currently visible at the entrance to several EH streets.

As part of the Emerson Avenue Gateway Corridor project, drawings of neighborhood markers was done. The drawings, while not meant to be final designs, allow for neighborhood input and are intended as a design starting point. EHCO will present those drawings at the meeting.

If you have an artistic eye or have a design for consideration, please plan to attend the November 15th meeting.

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## IPS Magnet Deadline - December 14th

A reminder that the deadline for application to IPS Option and Magnet School program is Friday, December 14th for the 2008-2009 school year. Interested parents should investigate schools and programs early in order to meet the application deadline.

IPS Option Schools include the very popular Key School, the Center for Inquiry and the Montessori Schools. These schools use different teaching methods and parents are encouraged to visit the schools to find the learning environment best suited to their child.

There are also numerous magnet programs in IPS that provide challenging curriculum for students with special aptitudes or interests such as art, math, science, music, or technology. If your child has shown an interest or aptitude in a particular area, consider talking with his/her teachers about enrolling in a magnet program. Magnet programs can also help to keep your child engaged in school and learning as they move into middle and high school by presenting them with more challenging material.

More information about the IPS Option/Magnet program, including a list of programs, school performance and an application, may be found under on our website ([www.emersonheights.org](http://www.emersonheights.org)) under "Neighborhood Schools."

Submitted by Kurt Wiegand

In a neighborhood, as in life, a clean bandage is much, much better than a raw or festering wound.

— Edward Koch



### Your Neighborhood Needs You - Don't Drop the Ball!

We are getting near to the holidays again and we have our party in December when we vote for Officers to serve in the coming year. This year will be very important to Emerson Heights as we have Officers leaving and that means vacancies and decisions to make.

The November meeting will include nominations from the floor and e-mail for all positions. These include President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary, as well as the NESCO Representative for Emerson Heights. Nominations will also be accepted at the December meeting right before the vote.

I can't begin to tell you how rewarding it is to serve Emerson Heights and how many nice and interesting people I meet in the neighborhood and throughout the City. I can tell you that if you care about your community and you want to see it moving forward and improving, you need to be involved. It is a truly growing experience and I learn something new almost every day.

I started going to the meetings and was asked to "volunteer" and from there the opportunities kept opening up. I didn't think that I could do it (some people might agree) but I am always surprised when I see what ordinary folk like us can do when we have great help and are willing to try.

#### **YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**

So please come to the meeting in November, nominate a friend for an office or get them to nominate you, and make sure that Emerson Heights stays:

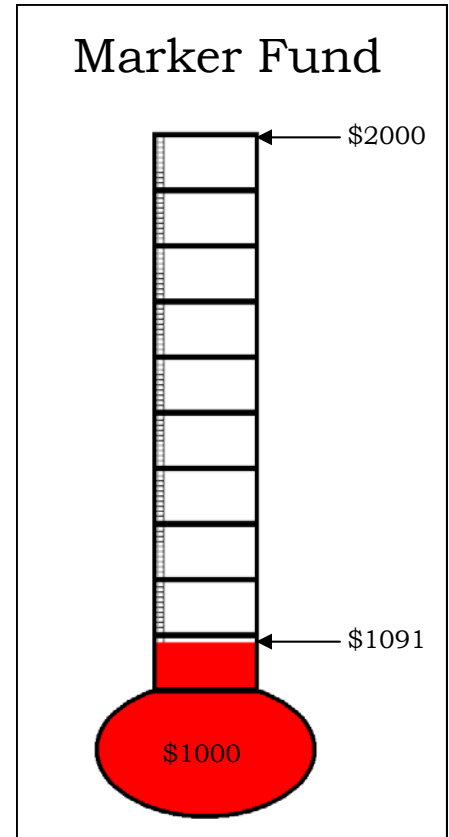
**"The Best Kept Secret on the East Side"**

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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  
Ball Park Pizza - \$20.00  
David & Stephanie Mink - \$25.00  
Roland & Marjorie Hiles - \$25.00  
John & Ann Rouse - \$25.00  
Martin & Eva Schrum (Millersville MD) - \$150.00  
Ian & Erin Colgan - \$30.00  
Tommy Tabor - \$25.00  
Richard & Shirley Aichele - \$25.00  
Maribeth Dowell - \$25.00  
Bob & Janie Gough - \$25.00  
Jim & Jodi Erlenbaugh - \$25.00  
Crystal Allison - \$25.00  
Anonymous Donation from 700 block of Wallace Street- \$50.00  
Ellen Yoder - \$20.00  
Buzz Schaefer - \$10.00  
Brent & Robyn Porter - \$20.00  
Dance Arts - \$20.00



\* 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.

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## Don't forget a non-perishable food item when you come!

Through the month of December, EHCO is asking all attendees to the monthly meeting to bring a donation of a non-perishable, unexpired food item to the meeting for donation to the Wallace Street Presbyterian Church (WSPC). The donation will go into their food pantry.

WSPC has allowed EHCO to hold our monthly meetings in their basement without every asking for money or a donation. This is our way of thanking them for the use of their basement.

A container will be placed at the top of the stairs for those who wish to donate an item. Please, bring an item and help someone less fortunate than you.

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## Looking for a program for young boys? Try Cub Scouts.

Since 1930, the Boy Scouts of America has helped younger boys through Cub Scouting. It is a year-round family program designed for boys who are in the first grade through fifth grade (or 7, 8, 9, and 10 years of age). Parents, leaders, and organizations work together to achieve the purposes of Cub Scouting. Currently, Cub Scouting is the largest of the BSA's three traditional membership divisions. (The others are Boy Scouting and Venturing.)

The 10 purposes of Cub Scouting are:

1. Character Development
2. Good Citizenship
3. Sportsmanship & Fitness
4. Spiritual Growth
5. Family Understanding
6. Respectful Relationship
7. Personal Achievement
8. Friendly Service
9. Fun and Adventure
10. Preparation for Boy Scouts



Cub Scouting members join a Cub Scout pack and are assigned to a den, usually a neighborhood group of six to eight boys. Tiger Cubs (first-graders), Wolf Cub Scouts (second-graders), Bear Cub Scouts (third-graders), and Webelos Scouts (fourth- and fifth-graders) meet weekly.

The Cub Scouts program is available in our neighborhood. Pack #15 is looking for Scouts and meets on Wednesdays from 7 - 8pm at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 940 North Wallace Avenue. **You do not need to be a member of this church to join this pack.**

For more information about scouting, visit [www.scouting.org](http://www.scouting.org). For more information about Pack #15, please call:  
Cub Master--Sean Wright--317-717-7912  
Pack Committee Chairman--Bettie Scott---317-769-3243

Source: [www.scouting.org](http://www.scouting.org)

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:  
Emerson Heights Community Organization  
PO Box 11686  
Indianapolis IN 46201



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## Its that time of year...falling leaves and what to do with them

Ah, it's the Season of Fall in Indiana . . . time to travel around and be amazed once again by the vivid colors of each leaf on every tree.

Then, each leaf turns brown, and hits the ground. Beauty gives way to rolled-up-sleeves work. You didn't know there were that many leaves in the entire universe, as they all seem to now be covering your lawn (or even blowing in from other parts of town). What now?

That's where 'Leaf Season' comes in. The Department of Public Works (**DPW**) conducts the annual Leaf Collection Program to help our citizens dispose of the large number of leaves (more than 9,000 tons--or, 18 million pounds!) each fall. This program helps your Indianapolis/Marion County environment in two great ways--

- It produces useable compost, offered free to citizens, to help strengthen and beautify lawns and gardens.
- By not burning the leaves, we can all enjoy that crisp Fall air better (and see those beautiful trees more clearly). That's why **open burning of leaves is illegal in Marion County**.

**From Monday, November 5 through Friday, November 30, up to 40 bags of leaves will be picked up each week, free of charge.** No

more than 10 items may be regular household trash. For example, in a hand collection area, a resident may set out 2 bags of trash and up to 38 bags of leaves. Or, 8 bags of trash and up to 32 bags of leaves. For 96-gallon cart collection areas, all leaves must be bagged and at least 3 feet away from the cart in order to allow DPW trucks to continue to service the cart.

To ensure a successful collection effort, Indianapolis residents are asked to follow these simple guidelines:

- Place leaves in large plastic trash bags, specially-built large paper lawn-waste bags, or standard trash cans and containers.
- Place the leaf bags/containers out by 7:00 a.m. on your regular trash day.
- Separate your leaf pick-up from your regular trash (such as, putting the leaves on the opposite side of your driveway; using different colored bags for the leaves; or, using different colored tie wraps on the leaf bags).
- Make sure sewer inlets and drainage pipes are kept clear of leaves to avoid serious drainage or flooding problems.

Free compost is available at the Southside Landfill located at 2577 S. Kentucky Ave., (317) 247-6808. Compost can be used as a soil conditioner, potting soil or mulch. Using compost improves soil aeration, drainage and nutrient exchange - improving the health of lawns and helping gardens grow.

**Again, please remember--**

**OPEN BURNING OF LEAVES IS ILLEGAL IN INDIANAPOLIS/MARION COUNTY!**

For questions regarding leaf collection, please contact the Mayor's Action Center online (<http://www.indygov.org/eGov/Mayor/mac.htm>), or call **(317) 327-4MAC** for assistance.

Source:

<http://www.indygov.org/eGov/City/DPW/Residential/Trash/Leaf+Collection.htm>

# 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.



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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

November 15  
December 20

#### Heavy Trash Pick-up

December 14

### Numbers to remember

Police/Fire Emergency - 911  
Police Non-Emergency - 327-3811  
Mayor's Action Center - 327-4MAC (4622)

## Next Meeting...

The agenda for the November 15th meeting is:

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

\*Provided when information is available

**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](mailto:dmoore1220@sbcglobal.net). EHCO reserves the right to decline to print any article submitted and to edit article as necessary.**