

Save the Date: BHNA Annual Meeting is April 1, 2024

The BHNA fiscal year ends on March 31, 2024 which means it's almost time to start a new membership year! The Bates-Hendricks Annual Meeting is on Monday, April 1, 2024 (no joke!) at 6:30pm at The Lincoln Center (516 Lincoln Street). It is crucial that a quorum is reached at this meeting in accordance with the BHNA bylaws to vote on the 2024 budget and new board members.

For those who paid a recurring membership fee, your membership will renew via square payment on the date that you paid. If you paid a one-time membership fee, please consider renewing your membership by paying your dues on or after April 1, 2024 at www.bateshendricks.org/pay.

Bates-Hendricks Neighbors Enjoy Another Great Chili Cook-Off



This year's cook-off on February 24 was once again held at the Southside Turnverein in the neighborhood. We had 18 contestants enter their red and white chilis, as well as vegetarian dishes. This year's judges were Jeremy from Klausung Meads, Alesha from TwainIndy, and Bates-Hendricks President James Bulow. Judges graded these dishes on color, aroma, taste, consistency, and aftertaste, while neighbors selected their own favorite. The Neighbors' Choice award was renamed this year to the Rob Uppencamp Neighbors' Choice award in memory of Rob's commitment to the neighborhood and passion for the neighborhood Chili Cook-Off.

Winners: Rachel Rollison (best red chili), Erik Mudrak (best white chili), Ted Letherer (best vegetarian dish), and Phuoc Pham (Rob Uppencamp Neighbors' Choice Award).

Thank you to everyone who made this event possible: our Events Committee; Point Comfort Underwriters for use of the space in the Turnverein; Fountain Fletcher District Association and Lincoln Lane for use of their tables and chairs; ARC Fitness, Klausung Mead, Square Scoop, Smudge Salon, City Nail Bar, Macra-yay Macrame for donating raffle prizes; our contestants and judges; and of course everyone who came to the event and donated money to help fundraise for the neighborhood!

Join Our New Neighbors Facebook Group



Are you a Bates-Hendricks neighbor? Join our neighbors-only group at www.facebook.com/groups/bhneighbors to connect with our community and discuss local happenings! This new Facebook group is in addition to our neighborhood association page at www.facebook.com/bateshendricks. Our page is a way to disseminate information to residents while the new Facebook group allows neighbors to directly interact with each other.

Looking to Get More Involved? Join the BHNA Board

Are you looking to get more involved with helping the Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association (BHNA)? Do you want to help us work toward our mission to improve the quality of life of those living in the neighborhood through four main activities: advocating for the needs of the community through an organized and unified voice, neighborhood beautification, community-building, and economic development? If so, you should consider joining the Board!

The BHNA Board will have openings available starting on April 1, 2024. To be eligible for a board position, you must be a current dues-paying member of BHNA with a minimum of 6 months of active participation in achieving the BHNA mission, such as participating on a committee or volunteering at events. See more eligibility details and learn about the Board responsibilities in our bylaws (Articles 5 & 6 on pages 3 and 4), available on our website in the Download section of our Resources page. You can also directly download the bylaws at www.bateshendricks.org/downloads/BHNAbylaws.pdf.

Interested in joining now or in the future? Email president@bateshendricks.org to let us know.

ProPEL Indy Studying the Future of Our Interstates

ProPEL Indy is a unique opportunity for residents, neighborhoods, businesses, and commuters to envision the future of I-65 and I-70 inside I-465. In Indianapolis, the majority of I-65 and I-70 inside the I-465 loop was built more than 40 years ago and will need to be modernized in the near future.

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has initiated ProPEL Indy, a two-year planning study with a unique opportunity for residents, neighborhoods, businesses, and commuters to envision the future of I-65 and I-70 in the heart of the city. The study is seeking bold concepts and ideas that will modernize the interstates and improve the region's overall mobility, equity, economic opportunity, and quality of life.



ProPEL Indy's goal is to identify transportation needs and community goals along I-65 and I-70 inside I-465. ProPEL Indy will set the long-term vision for investment in our interstates and the future of Indianapolis, balancing bold ideas with sound engineering and responsible financial management.

Every Hoosier is encouraged to participate in ProPEL Indy to gather input from people from across the state with a variety of backgrounds, perspectives, and opinions. Your feedback is critical to the success of ProPEL.

Visit ProPELIndy.com to learn more about the study and subscribe to updates.

Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association

The Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association strives to improve the quality of life of those living in the neighborhood through efforts to assure safety, to maintain or improve the living environment, and to enhance the spirit of cooperation and neighborliness among all residents. We meet monthly on the first Monday of the month at The Lincoln Center (516 Lincoln Street) at 6:30pm. Annual dues are \$10 for households and \$25 for businesses. Please mail dues to Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association, PO Box 342, Indianapolis, IN 46206. More information about the neighborhood can be found online at bateshendricks.org.



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Upcoming

- Mar 4** **Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association Meeting, 6:30pm, The Lincoln Center, 516 Lincoln Street. The Association meets on the first Monday of every month except holidays (then it's the second Monday). Stay involved with the neighborhood and visit with your neighbors!**
- Mar 7** **Republic Recycling Pickup.** More info at www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling.
- Mar 11** **Quality of Life / Economic Development Meeting, 6:30pm, The Lincoln Center, 516 Lincoln Street.** This committee works to improve the East Street corridor, among other objectives. For more information, contact QualityOfLife@bateshendricks.org.
- Mar 18** **Events Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, The Lincoln Center, 516 Lincoln Street.** This committee works to plan neighborhood events, including Street Fest, the Chili Cook-off, holiday dinners, and more. Contact Events@bateshendricks.org for more information.
- Mar 18** **Marketing Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, online.** This committee works to promote the neighborhood. Contact Marketing@bateshendricks.org to join the meeting or for more information.
- Mar 19** **Heavy Trash Pickup.** More information at www.indy.gov/activity/trash-pickup.
- Mar 21** **Republic Recycling Pickup.** More info at www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling.
- Mar 26** **Land Use Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, online.** This committee considers zoning, development, and property issues in Bates-Hendricks with the goal of ensuring peaceful co-existence among residents and businesses. Contact LandUse@bateshendricks.org for more information.