

# COLUMNS EXTRA, MAY 2011

## ANNUAL MEETING 6/12

THE FOREST HILLS ANNUAL MEETING WILL BE HELD JUNE 12TH AT 6 P.M. AT THE 57TH & GUILFORD POINT. You will see a tent, and no, the circus isn't in town. Wine, pop, and food will be served, so if you're hungry or thirsty, consider it your personal food kitchen. Children and screaming babies are welcome. You simply don't have an excuse not to attend. We even have a guest speaker. This year it will be Kathy Shorter, President of Harmoni. You may not have heard of Harmoni. Its goal is to promote and develop the "Midtown" area, which roughly runs from the Fairgrounds to the Art Museum, and from Broad Ripple down to the Children's Museum. You probably have heard of one of Harmoni's projects - *Midtown Loves Local*, which seeks to promote businesses in the area and aims to have us all wearing one of their T-shirts as we do it. Harmoni works with the local neighborhood associations, and with the city administration to collaborate on the future of our area.

We also elect our association's Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting. It used to be a thankless, never-ending task to be on the Board, but now that beer and wine are available at Board meetings, it's a thankless, never-ending job with fringe benefits. A lot of your neighbors who have been here awhile have already served terms on the Board. (Our Treasurer, Keith Lerch, arrived here in a Conestoga wagon and has been on the Board ever since). If you'd be interested in taking your turn at this thankless, never-ending task (or just like the idea of going to meetings that serve beer and wine) contact our outgoing **President, Julie Moeller at 253-2341 or moellerjc@yahoo.com**, or just show up and raise your hand for something besides another glass of wine.

The Annual Meeting is also a great opportunity to meet new neighbors. (If you don't show up, we talk about your crab grass). A lot of what makes Forest Hills the best place to live in the city is how much we participate in neighborhood events together. Come join the party. – *Jim Garrettson*

### Annual Meeting Agenda

THE ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA WILL INCLUDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR NEIGHBORS TO PROVIDE INPUT REGARDING A PROPOSED MINOR INCREASE IN OUR VOLUNTARY FHNA DUES. Also on the Agenda is nomination of new FHNA Board members, who are elected to serve staggered three-year terms. If you are interested in joining the FHNA Board, please contact **Julie Moeller at 253-2341 or moellerjc@yahoo.com**.

## MKNA HOME & GARDEN TOUR

DON'T FORGET THE MKNA HOME & GARDEN TOUR IS SATURDAY, JUNE 18TH AND SUNDAY, JUNE 19TH FROM 11:00A.M. - 5:00P.M. Tickets for the home tour are available online at **mkhometour.com** or at local retailers. FH's entry is at the Moreman/McClure house at 5825 Carrollton.

This year's Twilight Tour will be held on the grounds of Immaculate Heart of Mary on Friday, June 17th from 6:30p.m. - 11:00p.m. Twilight Tour tickets are available online at **mkhometour.com**. Proceeds raised during the event's Silent Auction will be reinvested into the neighborhood through the Vi Walker Neighborhood Grant Program.

## FH GARDEN TOUR?

DO YOU HAVE A GARDEN YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS? Looking for some good ideas for your own garden? Do you just like walking through the lovely gardens in the neighborhood? Then the FHNA needs your help. If you would like to participate in a Garden Tour of FH homes by FH residents on June 25 from 9-11 a.m., **please contact Beau and Heather King at 797-7269 or beaking100@yahoo.com**. This event is dependent upon neighborhood interest and participation, so please check the website at [www.foresthillsindy.org](http://www.foresthillsindy.org) prior to June 25 for further details and to confirm the event is going forward.

## SUMMER PICNIC SCHEDULED

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR AUGUST 6, 2011, FOR THE ANNUAL SUMMER PICNIC! Additional details will follow in the next Columns, but, rest assured, it will be fun for young and old alike. Look for opportunities to volunteer to help make this picnic a success online and at the Annual Meeting.

## PROGRESSIVE DINNER

THE FHNA SOCIAL COMMITTEE is working hard to provide a variety of neighborhood events in the coming months and would like to gauge interest in a progressive dinner. The dinner would likely occur in September, but dates have not been set. **If you are interested in participating or volunteering, please contact Lara Knitter at 251-0446 or lknitter@sbcglobal.net**.

## DON'T JUST LOCK YOUR CAR!

A RASH OF THEFTS FROM UNLOCKED CARS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD SERVES AS A GOOD REMINDER TO LOCK YOUR CAR, EVEN WHEN IT IS SITTING IN YOUR DRIVEWAY. Even better, don't leave anything in your car that someone could remotely imagine might be valuable, or might contain something valuable. That includes your garage door opener, because it gets the bad guys into your garage and there's probably good stuff in there. It might even be attached to your house. It only takes a second to pop out a car window, and since the thief doesn't have to pay for it, they don't much care about the broken glass. Help yourself by eliminating the temptation.

Speaking of temptation, the French's on 58th Street actually had plants stolen from their flower beds (but not their new sod, which probably cost more). In case this new form of larceny spreads to Guilford, I've taken to labeling my weeds with cute little signs saying they're rare Himalayan lilies. – *Jim Garrettson*

## MKNA ZONE 8 DELEGATE

**Barbara and Jerrey Finnegan have been appointed as Zone 8 Delegates to MKNA. Contact them at [zone8delegatemail@gmail.com](mailto:zone8delegatemail@gmail.com).**

## NEW NEIGHBORS

### Welcome to:

Evan and Lindsay Frey, who moved into 5871 Winthrop Ave.

Eric and Erica Long, who moved into 5725 N College Ave. along with their daughters Sara (age 4) and Reese (age 2)

Sally McShane and Matt Dun (to be married in September), who moved into 5855 N College Ave

## 54TH AND MONON ART FAIR

THE ANNUAL 54TH AND MONON ART FAIR WILL BE HELD: **Saturday, June 4, 2011**. The juried fair features more than 60 local artists and drawings for gift certificates at local restaurants. The fair is held at **Reese Kitchens, Thorp Awning and the 54th & Monon Shops**. Free hot dogs, lemonade, and balloons complete the event, which drew more than 4,500 people last summer.

**Date:** Saturday, June 4, 2011

**Time:** Fair 10am-4pm Artist Setup 8am-10am

**Location:** 1057 East 54th Street Indianapolis, Indiana

## CHOW DOWN MIDTOWN

FROM JUNE 6TH THROUGH 16TH, HARMONI IS SPONSORING **Chow Down Midtown**, which will feature bargain priced meals at various dining spots in the Midtown area. For information, go to:

<http://www.chowdownmidtown.com/>

## BROAD RIPPLE FARMERS MARKET EXPANDS TO WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

INDIANAPOLIS, IN (MAY 9, 2011) THE BROAD RIPPLE FARMERS Market is proud to announce its expansion to a Wednesday evening Market. The new Wednesday Market is located in the main parking lot of Broad Ripple Park at 1550 Broad Ripple Avenue. **The first Market was June 1st from 5 PM to 8 PM.**

The Wednesday Market in the Park takes place just a few blocks from the location for the **Saturday Market** at **Broad Ripple Magnet High School for the Arts and Humanities**. The new Wednesday Market will be comprised of many of the same vendors that make up our Saturday Market but there will be some new additions. The first Market launched with about 30 vendors, it's family and dog friendly, and staffed by the same volunteers who support the Saturday Market.