



The COLUMNS



Forest Hills 101st Anniversary Celebration & Progressive Dinner!

Back by popular demand is the Forest Hills Anniversary Celebration & Progressive Dinner

Following the success of last year's Centennial Celebration, the Anniversary Celebration will be a hybrid Progressive Dinner / Neighborhood Party. The evening will begin with Progressive Dinner-style appetizers and drinks at various homes throughout Forest Hills before moving to a tented dinner, with live music by Touch of Grass!

Tickets are \$50 per person and can be purchased at the event page on the website. Please note that the Anniversary Celebration is an adults-only event.

The schedule for the evening will be:

5:30-6:30 pm - Drinks and Hors d'oeuvres (House Destinations to be Assigned to each Attendee)

6:30-9:30 pm - Dinner, Dancing and Desserts at the Point at 58th and Guilford

Come eat, dance, and drink under the stars with neighbors and friends to celebrate Forest Hills, the wonderful neighborhood we call home!

Upcoming Events

APR 29 Forest Hills Spring Cleaning Day
8am-12pm

MAY 06 Forest Hills Annual Garage Sale & Dumpsters
8am-2pm

MAY 20 Forest Hills 101st Anniversary Celebration & Progressive Dinner
5:30pm to 9:30pm



Get 2 Yeti Tumblers with Insignia Membership!

2023 donations of \$250+ will include two FH Yeti Tumblers

For 2023 all donors that are included in the Insignia Membership will be given 2 custom Forest Hills Yeti Tumblers. The tumblers are designed in classic white this year.

If you have yet to donate, or if you would like to increase your donation, you may do so at any point before the end of the year and receive 2 of the tumblers.

Currently, we are not selling individual tumblers.

Thank You to All 2022 Donors!

Dues are voluntary, but most households participate. Your dues help pay for the summer picnic, halloween party, snow plowing, garage sale & dumpsters, luminaries and much more.

Dues are for the calendar year, **January 1st to December 31st** and are \$65 except for residents on College and Kessler, which are \$50 because they do not pay the \$15 snow plowing fee. Dues may be paid on-line at www.foresthillyindy.org or by delivering to any Board member.

Below is a list of residents who have donated in the 2022 calendar year. 2023 dues can be paid now and 2023 donors and active subscriptions will be listed in the next issue of The Columns. If you've paid but aren't listed, please email: fhnaboardpresident@gmail.com



Pay 2023 Dues Here!

Lawrence Sheridan Club Members - \$500+

Kristian & Brandi Andersen *

Insignia Members - \$250+

Eric & Lynne Fox
Reid & Jamie Garlock
Brock & Kirstie Hileman *
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David & Katrina Seitz
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Columns Members - \$100+

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Burry
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Gillon
Gulden
Haake
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Hamstra *
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Long
McKinney *
McNamara
Meyer
Neal
Perry

Piatt
Poole
Rudolph
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Sepiol
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Skaff

Stoesz
Strope
Taggart
Terrazas
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Kaliban
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Kea
Kelley
Kempshell
Knabe *
Kolbus
Krevda
Ladd

Lehmann
Louden
Lovati
Main-Jackson
Mark
Martyniak
McNew
Melcher

O'Connor
Patterson
Quinn
Reid
Ristow
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* Indicates dues payments above tier base

Payments for 2022 as of December 31st, 2022



Volunteers Needed for Anniversary Party / Progressive Dinner

Help make the Forest Hills Anniversary Party truly memorable!

We are looking for volunteers to host drinks and hors d'oeuvres for the Progressive Dinner portion of the Anniversary Celebration from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and to assist with set up from 2:00-5:00 p.m. and tear down from 9:30-10:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 20th. If you are interested in hosting or assisting with set up/tear down, please contact Jamie Garlock at (317) 450-5158 or jamieacatton@gmail.com by May 13th.

FH Garage Sale & Dumpsters - May 6th

Set aside Saturday, May 6th for the 2023 Forest Hills Garage Sale

The Forest Hills Garage Sale is a festive event that draws huge crowds to our neighborhood. Sale hours are officially 8 am to 2 pm (although many shoppers arrive early).

To be included on the sale map, contact Tom Quinn at tquinn56@sbcglobal.net or (317) 294-3712 by April 29th.

FHNA will place dumpsters at the 57th & 58th street points. The dumpsters can fill up fast and are a benefit for all in the neighborhood, so please be courteous with disposal.

Join us for Community Day on Sat., April 29th 8am-12pm

The Forest Hills Spring Cleanup is our annual way to make our neighborhood shine

We here at the Forest Hills Neighborhood Association envision Community Day as an investment in Forest Hills through targeted clean-up and assisting under-abled neighbors who may need a helping hand around their property.

We're seeking volunteers (many hands make light work) for an estimated 90 to 120 minutes that day. To sign up to volunteer, or if you are in need of neighborly assistance or have ideas for projects, please email:

fhnaboardpresident@gmail.com

Restaurant Spotlight

Below is our interview with Courtney Chesebrough, owner of the local favorite, Binkley's Kitchen & Bar!

Q: Where did the name Binkley's come from?

A: From 1928 until the early 70's, the corner of Kessler and College was home to Binkley's Drug Store, which served the booming Broad Ripple, Forest Hills, and Meridian Kessler neighborhoods. Scores of youngsters got their first fountain drink, milkshake, banana split and, yes, cough medicine at Binkley's. Years later, many of those same youngsters stopped in to buy their first baby formula, fifth-anniversary card and seventh pair of Foster Grants. Today, we still hear stories like these as guests come to dine in our little slice of nostalgia. Gone are the soda jerks and pharmacy attendants, but in their place is an environment including artists, parents, actors, students, and entrepreneurs--in other words, a family.

Q: Tell us your journey to becoming the owner of Binkley's Kitchen and Bar?

A: Right out of graduating from Bishop Chatard High School I worked at Lulu's Restaurant, where I was introduced to the business, and fell in love with it. I never thought I would actually own a restaurant until the summer of 2018 where I was approached with an opportunity to purchase one. As hard as it was at the time, it all fell through, and I had to change direction and decide my next step. I tried a couple other restaurants, and nothing was coming together. Just when I thought I was done, a friend of mine said to look into a neighborhood restaurant and bar on Kessler and College. I was familiar with the restaurant since I had worked across the street for years. After talking with the owners, who also graduated from Chatard, it all came together and became a beautiful adventure. Three years later, not only are we still here, but we are thriving. The relationships that were built through the years of bartending in this community kept us alive through a pandemic. We will always be grateful for the love and support from all of the neighborhoods keeping us alive.

Q: What are your personal favorites at Binkley's, Also what are the favorites?

A: The Black and Bleu Salad, the Village Pizza, the Chicken Nachos, and the La Jefa burger, which won us the 2020 Burger Battle title, are my personal favorites. Our guests love the Blackened fish tacos, herb stuffed chicken and our breaded pork tenderloin.

Q: Do you have any connections, thoughts, or memories of Forest Hills?

A: My parents, my Aunt Patty, and Uncle John had homes in this neighborhood. I spent most of my high school years babysitting numerous families in this neighborhood, and now I'm seeing the children I used to watch coming in with their families. It's wonderful to see the same faces I've seen all my life alongside the new generation of Forest Hills.



Binkley's Kitchen & Bar

HOURS
Sun-Thu: 11am-10pm
Fri-Sat: 11am-11pm

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MKNA - Indianapolis Historic Preservation Commission Listening Sessions

The Meridian-Kessler Neighborhood Association wants all residents to know that their voices will be heard.

The Indianapolis Historic Preservation Commission is continuing its community conversations about the proposed Meridian-Kessler Draft Interim Conservation Plan in just a few days.

The Meridian-Kessler Neighborhood Association wants all residents to know that their voices will be heard. We encourage you to attend and share your concerns. If you are interested in learning more about the Conservation Plan, what it does and doesn't mean, and how the process works, please attend one or more of these sessions. The current draft can be found here: <https://indy.civiccomment.org/meridian-kessler-draft-interim-plan>

Questions or comments can also be sent to designation@indy.gov

April 24 - 6:00-7:30 pm
Midtown Church - 5610 Broadway St

June 2 - 6:00-7:30 pm
Immaculate Heart of Mary - 5692 Central Ave

May 10 - 6:00-7:30 pm
Northwood Christian Church - 4550 Central Ave

September 12 - 6:00pm-7:30 pm
Crossroads AME Church - 4602 College Ave

Additional meetings could be scheduled as the process develops. Stay tuned for more information.

-MKNA Board of Directors