

INDIAN HEAD

LEHIGH



NEIGHBORHOOD
NEWSLETTER

ASSOCIATION INC
Spring 1989

DEAR NEIGHBORS

1988 was a very good year for our neighborhood. We all worked together to keep Indian Head/Lehigh Acres a great place to live and play. Our 1988 Springtime Festival, Neighborhood Garage Sale, Partners In Excellence with the neighborhood schools, Halloween Party, Election Day Project, and Christmas Carolling were all very successful and very enjoyable. It took the volunteer time of many neighbors to plan and organize these events. Many thanks to those of you who have contributed your time and talents throughout the Year.

Our Neighborhood Year begins each spring. This is when we install our new officers. March 12 we will meet at Optimist Park at 1:00 p.m. for our annual membership meeting. Refreshments will be provided while outgoing and incoming Board members are introduced. Upkeep on recently planted trees will then take place. We look forward to seeing you at this event.

It has been an extremely rewarding experience being your neighborhood president. Thanks to those of you have called or written to express your concerns during 1988. The Board worked very well together and feels that the activities during 1988 were all fun and successful. If you enjoy working with others, please consider becoming a board member sometime in the future. It's a very fulfilling experience!

Sincerely,
Kathleen Hubbard

IT'S MEMBERSHIP TIME

If you paid your dues any time in 1988, then its time to renew for 1989 membership. If you have never joined the Association, please consider lending your support this year.

Dues money is used to pay for printing and postage of the newsletters sent only to members throughout the year (except for this Spring issue which goes to all), and dues money also supports the many annual activities that enable neighbors to gather for fun and neighborhood enrichment. Join us in our endeavor to preserve the fine qualities that make our neighborhood so unique.

1989 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: _____ Phone _____

Address: _____ New: _____ Renewing: _____

Neighborhood resident for _____ (yrs) Would you like to serve on the board? _____

Comments, Questions, Suggestions: _____

Dues are \$5.00 per year. Send to: Mary Louise Bachman, 1905 Wahalaw Nene, Tallahassee, FL 32301. Phone 877-6344.

SERVICE DIRECTORY UPDATE

Aircond. and auto repair.....Dale Labitzke.....878-0647
Babysitting.....Serge Lipovetsky....877-8766
Custom cakes.....Nancy Thulman.....878-1720
Dog training.....Caroline Coile.....878-3233
Handyman.....Ailine McCathern...877-2264
Tutoring-French.....Leona LaBlanc.....977-0677
Tutoring-Science & Math.....Stephen Partney.....656-8915

HALLOWEEN FUN

The Annual Neighborhood Halloween Party was great fun for everyone. The costumes surpassed any we've seen before. The winners of the costume contest were:

Age 0-4: Eric Stratton (Most Halloweenie); Erin Boggs (Cutest).
Age 5-9: Lorin Brand (Prettiest); Ryan McGorty (Most Original); Christopher Fagan (Scariest); Lauren Studenic (Most Halloweenie).
Age 10-14: Matthew Ruddell (Most Original); Mary Gramling (Funniest); Paul Norris (Most Halloweenie).
Adult: Morgan Bunch (Best Male); Laura Thompson (Best Female).

Thanks to everyone who contributed goodies and joined in the fun. See you next Halloween!

OLD ELECTION NEWS

On November 8 the Neighborhood Association provided free coffee and juice to voters at Optimist Park. There was a wonderful mood of neighborliness all day as people stopped to chat, met new neighbors, expressed concerns, and watched the children play on the tot-lot.

Many neighbors volunteered at the membership table, and a total of 33 neighbors joined the Association that day. Thank you, and Welcome!

CHRISTMAS CAROLLING SPREADS HOLIDAY SPIRIT

The evening of Christmas Carolling was shivery cold and brisk - and thoroughly enjoyed by all. A special thanks to the Hernkinds for their generosity in providing refreshments to our harmonious group. We also visited those neighbors who had made special requests to be carolled. It was a joy to share the holidays with these neighbors.

Plan on joining us next Christmas as we celebrate the season with this wonderful neighborhood tradition.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

February 26 - Tree planting at the Power Substation on Chowkeebin Nene. Meet at site at 1:00 p.m.

March 12 - Socialize, meet new Association Board, tree upkeep; Optimist Park at 1:00 p.m.

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES 1989-1990

President: Ramona Abernathy-Paine, 2006 E. Indian Head Dr., 656-6182
Vice President: Fred Calder, 2008 Wahalaw Nene, 878-5256
Secretary: Ann Morrow, 2016 Chuli Nene, 656-8671
Treasurer: Mary Louise Bachman, 1905 Wahalaw Nene, 877-6344
At-Large 1: Dan O'Connell, 2302 W. Indian Head Dr., 656-8128
At-Large 2: Eugene Nicoloso, 2022, Atapha Nene, 877-7052
At-Large 3: Bossie Hawkins, 1410 Lola Dr., 656-2578
At-Large 4: Helen Carroll, 1521 E. Indian Head Dr., 878-3201
At-Large 5: Dave Riddle, 1930 E. Indian Head Dr., 877-7207

KEEP OUR NEIGHBORHOOD BEAUTIFUL

Bring your work gloves, shovels, picks and pine straw with you February 26th and March 12th as we continue our ongoing efforts to keep our neighborhood's outstanding natural beauty intact.

February 26, at 1:00 p.m., we will meet at the new power substation on Chowkeebin Nene. Fred Calder has worked extensively with the City to create a landscape plan for this area. Twelve trees, chosen specifically for this site, will be planted. Eager helpers are invited to participate.

March 12, after the Association meeting at 1:00 p.m. in Optimist Park, we will weed, fertilize, mulch, and attach tree collars to the young trees we planted at Optimist Park and along E. Indian Head Drive in recent years. In case of rain March 12, we will postpone until March 19.

We are very fortunate to have the expertise and assistance of Donna Legare and Jody Walthall of Native Nurseries in these landscape projects.

Fred Calder has coordinated both projects; if you need more information, call him at 878-5256.

SAFEGUARD YOURSELF AGAINST CRIME

The Police department has responded to our concerns about crimes and safety in our neighborhood by sending along this important advice:

- When returning home, look around your yard for suspicious persons before you get out of the car.
- Keep shrubbery trimmed back so a burglar cannot hid near windows or doors.
- Lock all exterior doors at all times, even when gone momentarily. Most break-ins are walk-ins.
- Install a wide angle peephole on the front door so you can see your visitors.
- Never leave notes on your door that can inform a burglar that your home is unoccupied.
- Do not hide keys outside near your front door.
- Exchange home and work phone numbers with your neighbors. Call to report any suspicious activity.
- Report suspicious persons or activity in the neighborhood to the Police Department Immediately!

Remember, most home burglaries are committed by young amateurs who are able to gain easy access to you home. You can eliminate the opportunity by making it too difficult and by making your home less inviting to the potential criminal.

PARTNERS IN EXCELLENCE

The Neighborhood Association has recently participated in several activities at Hartsfield, Fairview, and Rickards Schools:

Hartsfield - Neighbors set up a "Double Dare" booth at the school carnival. It was very popular among all the students. Also neighbors volunteered to serve as judges for the school science fair.

Fairview - Neighbors chaperoned an afternoon dance rewarding students for good behavior and extra effort.

Rickards - Neighbors provided 30 dozen home baked cookies for the Honor Roll party.

All three schools have expressed their sincere appreciation for our involvement and support. Volunteers have found their time and effort spent in the schools has been very rewarding and fulfilling. The Association would especially like to thank Pat Gramling for her efforts in initiating and coordinating these projects.

If you would like to get involved, contact Pat Gramling at 1425 Nancy Dr; 877-5504. Here is a checklist to consider:

- I would like to spend 1 or 2 hours to help with a school activity.
- I can prepare something (food, art, etc.) at home to contribute to a school activity.
- I can provide or donate materials for a school activity.
- I can make phone calls or write letters.
- I have a specific talent or knowledge I would like to share with a class.

