



Indian Head Lehigh

Neighborhood Association, Inc.

NEWSLETTER ** FALL 1993

HALLOWEEN PARTY

BUBBLE, BUBBLE, TOIL, and TROUBLE

The annual Halloween party will be held on Sunday the 31 of October at the clubhouse at Optimist Park from 5:30 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. There will be a costume contest with prizes and goodies for kids of all ages. If you wish, bring a pot luck platter to share, the Neighborhood Association will provide drinks.

We could always use more volunteers for decorating the clubhouse. If you have any ideas or could help us set up the party please contact Grant Gelhardt at 942-7608.

STORMWATER POND UPDATE

The City has held two public meetings to assess the flooding problem in the "East Drainage Basin" - Indianhead Acres is located in this basin. At both public hearings Indianhead and Lehigh Acres was represented by a large and vocal group of neighbors. The Neighborhood Association in conjunction with the many residents in attendance at the meeting let the consultants and the city know the intensity of the opposition of the placement of a holding pond within the greenway.

The consultants are still gathering data and developing a modeling system for the basin. The City and the consultants will be holding another community meeting sometime this fall to discuss their results of the study and some possible solutions to any problems identified.

For additional information you may wish to contact Jodie Cahoon with the City Stormwater Department at 891-8037.

OLD BANK BUILDING

Is Pier One Imports moving into the old bank building??? There has been activity at the building including the removal of asbestos from the building.

Building permits have not been applied for at this time and what will be done with the building is still unknown.

COOEYS RESTAURANT ???

Ragans and Roberts has requested and received approval for a permit to construct a Cooeys restaurant on the corner of Magnolia and Chowkeebin. The Neighborhood Association sent a letter to the Planning commission expressing a number of concerns that the Neighborhood Association felt needed to be fully addressed prior to the issuance of the permit. These issues included the appropriateness of a restaurant in a Mixed Use A district, parking for the facility, stormwater runoff and the buffering the site from the road and neighborhood.

ORANGE AVENUE STORMWATER POND

The completion of the expansion of the stormwater pond at the corner of Jim Lee and Orange Avenue is scheduled for October 24. The facility is scheduled for landscaping with the planting of over 100 trees, sodding the site, planting bushes, and planting aquatic vegetation to improve the wildlife habitat on the site.

INDIAN HEAD CREEK NEWS

Last spring a group of neighbors gathered at Optimist Park to work on cleaning up the headwaters of the creek, behind the Baptist Church on East Indian Head Dr. Bags of trash and other debris were collected. The glass and aluminum were recycled and the other trash was carted away and this left the creek a better place for the inhabitants of the creek and for all of us. Many thanks to all who helped for the marvelous work!

If you have questions or comments on the trail, please contact Connie Bersok at 942-7608.

GREENWAY

The Indianhead Creek Greenway was featured in the Florida Greenway news letter as a classic example of how a neighborhood can come together and protect and enhance a green space that otherwise could have been converted into stormwater holding ponds. If anyone would like a copy you can call Grant Gelhardt at 942-7608.

SPRING FESTIVAL

Spring festival was a great success over 200 people showed up for the music by Blue and Lonesome, food, and pony rides. As always the pony rides were a favorite with the youngsters.

FLEA MARKET

The Neighborhood Flea Market this summer was a great success with over 25 families participating. There were some great deals to be had and all the participants had a great time. Would you like to have the Neighborhood Association schedule another spring garage sale for the neighborhood? If you are interested in participating let us know.

CRIME WATCH

There have recently been a number of break-ins and thefts in the neighborhood. We should all keep a lookout for suspicious activities. Be sure to put your bicycles out of sight from the street and lock them up. Trim bushes around windows. Also, simply leaving on a porch light will deter many burglars.

ALERT

There is a young man who does odd jobs in our area who has, on more than one occasion, asked his "customers" to lend him money on various pretenses. He

promises to pay, but never has. If this young man approaches you for a loan, beware!

If he has already received a sum of money from you, how ever small, or if he proposes a loan, please contact the association at 942-7608. If there appears to be a pattern to his conduct, the police will intervene.

DELIVERY OF NEWS LETTERS

The Neighborhood Association would like to solicit assistance in delivering the newsletter in the neighborhood. If you could donate an hour to deliver the newsletter along your street it would be of great assistance and it is a good way to meet your neighbors.

IDEAS

If anyone has any ideas for activities in the neighborhood, please give any of the board members a call and let us know.

GAZEBO

A suggestion has been made to the Neighborhood Association that we construct a gazebo in Optimist Park. The facility could be used for parties, the neighborhood spring festival, etc. What do you think! Yes or no!

Greenway

Another suggestion was to have the city mow the portion of the greenway just north of Koucky Park to the wooden bridge!

BOARD

We have some openings on the Board for anyone interested in improving the neighborhood. Please give any board member a call.

NEWS LETTER

If anyone in the neighborhood would like to contribute to the newsletter or has something that they would like to do please let us know.

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