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Fall Neighborhood Clean-up

Saturday, October 27

9:00 till 12:00

We'll meet at Walnut and Dequincy for coffee, donuts, and supplies.

This year we will be focusing on scraping accumulated dirt and weeds from the curbs. The job is easier with partners so we'll team-up. Volunteers will drive around to collect the heavy bags of dirt and weeds.

> At noon, we'll get back together to celebrate a job well done with a neighborhood cookout.

A few neighborhood house signs are available and on sale for \$10. Contact Lorainne Cramer: Icramer55@yahoo.com.

Accident on 10th Street

Many people have been asking about the burnt tree and memorial near 10th and Emerson. On July 27, at about 5:30 in the evening, there was an accident that involved multiple vehicles and resulted in one death. The narrative from the police accident report described the following. An Oldsmobile was traveling west bound at a high rate of speed. That vehicle passed on the left an IndyGo bus stopped at a red light at the intersection with Emerson. The Oldsmobile struck the driver's side bumper of the bus then rear ending a Dodge SUV in the left turn lane. The Oldsmobile then struck a Pontiac Sunbird that was traveling north on Emerson and was making a left turn onto eastbound 10th Street. The Oldsmobile then hit the tree and caught on fire.

The news reported that an EMT, her husband and her driver, were at Ballpark Pizza across the street from the accident. They tried to get the driver of the Oldsmobile out of the car before the fire spread. Sadly, they were unsuccessful. The driver of the Oldsmobile died in the accident. The drivers in the other vehicles and one passenger were taken to local hospitals. It appears that they did not suffer major injuries.

Issues and Information

- **DigIndy.** This project is a 28-mile long system of 18-foot tunnels being built 250 feet beneath the city. The tunnel system will prevent storm and sewage systems from overflowing into streams and rivers. Find more information at https://www.citizensenergygroup.com/Our-Company/Our-Projects/Dig-Indy. (*FYI-this project does not resolve the problem of storm & waste water backing into our basements during heavy rain.*)
- **Red Line. Blue Line.** Electric bus rapid transit lines are in development connecting Indy with surrounding counties. The north-south Red Line is under construction now. The Blue Line will run east-west on Washington and will begin construction in 2020. For more, see IndyConnect.org.
- Sherman Park Update. The reuse plan for the 50 acre brownfield site at the corner of Sherman and Michigan has been submitted for multiple approvals. The multi-use redevelopment plan, as well as background on the planning process, is available at www.shermanparkplan.com

Events and Activities

- Feast of Lanterns. One of Indy's most beautiful evenings includes live music, artisans, kids' activities, food trucks, local breweries and beer garden and lots and lots of lanterns. Spades Park, across from Spades Library, 1801 Nowland Avenue. <u>August 25</u>, 4:00 till 11:00. See <u>https://indyfol.org</u> for music line up.
- Little Flower Movies in the Parking Lot. Little Flower Catholic Church is having a movie night, yes, in their parking lot! They will be bringing in a giant screen and sound system. It's BYOC (bring your own chair) but movie snacks will be provided. The movie is TBA. <u>September 15</u>, 8:00. For updated information, there will be flyers at the church doors.
- Emerson Avenue Baptist Church Gospel Dinner. The church is hosting a chili dinner and fellowship. The event and meal is free. They will be accepting goodwill offerings. There will be a children's area for play and games. The church is at 308 Emerson Avenue. Sunday, <u>September 16</u>, 4:00 till 7:00.
- **Pennsy Trail Art Walk.** This temporary outdoor art exhibit between Arlington Ave and Audubon Road on the Pennsy Trail will feature local artists. There will also be live poetry and music, and activities for children at local businesses. <u>September 22</u>, 2:00 till 5:00. See https://Irvingtondevelopment.org/events/pennsytrailartwalk/ for more.
- Historic Irvington Halloween Festival. Ghost Tours. Art Auction. Puppet Show. Blood Drive. The list of events goes on and on. But of course, the big event is the Street Fair, <u>October 27</u>, 10:00 till 5:00. Washington Street will be closed to make way for lots of venders and activities. Check <u>www.irvingtonhalloween.com</u> for a list of all the events.
- Irvington United Methodist Church 3rd Annual Craft Sale. The IUMC will be holding their 3rd craft sale. The event is free. And they are always looking for more crafters. IUMC is in the North Circle. <u>November 10</u>, from 9:00 till 3:00. For information about a booth email <u>IUMC.pinners@gmail.com</u>.

Monthly Meetings

- > EHCO member meetings are held the third Thursday of every month (except January and February).
- > Meetings are 6:30 to 8:00 in the basement of the Wallace Street Evangelical Church (10th & Wallace Streets).
- EHCO member meetings often include representatives from Marion County Health and Hospital, IMPD, Marion County Prosecutor's Office, and the Mayor's Office. Other government agencies and community organizations may attend for specific topics. Topics and guest speakers will be announced by e-mail, Facebook and other social media.
- Minutes of monthly member meetings are being posted on <u>www.Nextdoor.com</u>.
- If you wish to add an item to future meeting agendas, please e-mail president@emersonheights.org.
- > If you have information that might go into the newsletter, please e-mail m.k.alam65@gmail.com.