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# The May EHCO Member Meeting

This month, the meeting will include a presentation by the Sierra Club and the film "Re-inventing Power".

## Thursday, May 16, between 6:30-8pm Eastside Community Baptist Church

(corner of Wallace and E. Michigan Street) In the basement meeting room

Keep an eye out: -June's Member Meeting will feature a presentation by the Beautification Committee. -EHCO is planning a fundraiser with the Steer In in June. -August's meeting will feature a presentation about the history of Emerson Heights.

# **Emerson Heights Neighborhood Yard Sale**

# Saturday, June 22, 9:00 till Noon

Got stuff you don't want? Join us for our annual neighborhood wide yard sale. We'll do the advertising and the signs. You'll do the selling. If you can help make signs, contact Charlie McDowell at 317-450-4075.

### A big Thank You to Volunteers for this Year's Spring Cleanup

On April 27, neighborhood volunteers got together to do some serious 'after winter sprucing up'. Keep Indianapolis Beautiful provided the dumpster and supplies. Residents supplied the grunt work. Enough trash was collected to fill the dumpster. Thank you to all the residents that came out to help. And a special shout out to Michael Carlyle for volunteering his truck and help with getting the trash to the dumpster.

### **Emerson Heights Signage & Neighborhood Identity**

To promote our community, an effort to clean and update the EHCO signs around the neighborhood is underway. Signs have been inventoried, and plans are being made to clean or replace the ones that need it. This effort is being led by Charlie McDowell.

To help out, call Charlie at 317-450-4075.

#### A few neighborhood house signs are available and on sale for \$10. Contact Lorraine Cramer at <u>lcramer55@yahoo.com</u>

### **Beautification Committee**

- <u>The Median Garden Project</u> is under way. Volunteers are cleaning and planting. EHCO is supplying the mulch again this year. There are still a couple of beds available for adoption.
- <u>The 10<sup>th</sup> and Emerson Community Group</u> was formed, in partnership with the surrounding neighborhoods, to clean, mulch and trim the tree plantings at that corner. Some volunteers also want to pursue development at this gateway intersection.

If you want to adopt a garden or volunteer with the 10<sup>th</sup> & Emerson project, contact Mariam Alam at 317-602-4798 or <u>m.k.alam65@gmail.com</u>.

### A word from Keep Indianapolis Beautiful: Adopt-a-Block

Are you the sort of person who picks up stray scraps of paper when you're on a walk? Are you the person who would pick up trash if you had a litter grabber? Do you lead by example and get your friends and neighbors to help too? If so, you're one of us. And you should be an Adopt-a-Block Captain.

The Adopt-A-Block program empowers you to bring beautification and neighborhood revitalization down to the city's smallest unit, the block. They provide free tools and resources, and you keep your block clean of litter on an ongoing basis. Plus, you get the awesome title "Block Captain" for leading your block's beautification.

The Adopt-A-Block program helps build communities by encouraging neighbors to participate in community activities. Street by street, neighbors inspire each other by setting an example of environmental and community stewardship, dramatically improving their quality of life. Some Adopt-A-Block volunteers also form neighborhood watch groups and improve their safety.

You can become an Adopt-A-Block captain at home, at school, or where you work.

#### Get more information and signup at www.kibi.org/adopt-block

#### **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 Eastside Community Baptist Church (Michigan & 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 have information that might go into the newsletter, please e-mail <u>m.k.alam65@gmail.com</u>.

<sup>&</sup>gt; If you wish to add an item to future meeting agendas, please e-mail president@emersonheights.org.