



Up The Creek

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Calendar

CCHSNA Board Meetings

- July 18, 2005

Meetings are held at the residence of Association President, Karen Coleman.

Address: 7763 Paddington Lane W.
Meeting Start Time: 7:00 p.m.

Friendly Reminders

- Turn outside lights on at night for safety
- Obey Stop signs
- Obey 30 MPH speed limit to protect everyone! Nice weather is here and the children are outside playing again.
- All animals should be on a leash when outside and clean up after your pets please!
- Park cars on the correct side of the street.
- No Fishing without permission of the property owner. Remember, there are not common areas, property lines extend all the way to retention pond water lines.
- If you are going to be away on vacation, ask your neighbor to keep "an eye" on your house. Remember to stop mail/paper service or have someone checking on it regularly.



A message from your Association President

Dear Neighbors,

The weather is turning warmer and our thoughts turn to the outdoors. Which brings me to discuss our neighborhood appearance.

Several residents have voiced concerns about the litter in our neighborhood. While no one likes its ugly appearance, it still happens. One resident has told me they have found liquor bottles and used condoms in their lawn! Not only do I find this disturbing but unsanitary as well. "Our neighborhood sometimes looks like an "inner city" neighborhood," to quote one resident. Please let's all dispose of our trash properly. We all know how important a first impression is and how a clean neighborhood says a lot about the people who live here. If anyone has further comments please call the neighborhood voice mail or post a message on our group email.

We are missing several street signs throughout the neighborhood. If your street is missing one, please call the Mayor's Action Line to report it (327-4MAC). Please note it takes several months for the signs to be replaced. Also, please take a moment to see if some of the signs have become decorations in our homes. If you have one, return them to me - no questions asked. The city will melt them down to make new ones. It's very important to have our streets marked for emergency personnel, out of town guests, deliveries and prospective home buyers.

Please contact me at 872-8773 to return street signs.

Do you have a comment or concern for our next newsletter? Submit to Karen Coleman by September 1, 2005.

Have a wonderful summer!

Karen Coleman

To subscribe to the group email list, send an email to the following address:
cchsneighbors-subscribe@yahoo.com

Call for Bids for 2006 Snow Removal & Lawn Maintenance

Bids are now being accepted and should be submitted by September 15, 2005. Please mail proposals to:

CCHSNA, Inc., c/o Karen Coleman, President
7763 Paddington Lane W.
Indianapolis, IN 46268

Lawn Moving and Weed Whacking
for the residents of Crooked Creek Heights South and Crooked Creek West for only \$20.00. I will give you a nice and presentable lawn for your money.

Remember call (317) 872-1030
and ask for Chris Aveline



Reminder!



We still have several residents who haven't paid their dues. Invoices were mailed out during the October - February timeframe.

If you have not received yours, please contact Doug Neumeyer, our association treasurer, at 875-6914.

If you are new to the neighborhood, please call and we'll get you signed up.

The \$30 membership dues is a bargain compared to other nearby neighborhoods and the money is used for things like snow removal, lawn care and lighting the main entrances.

79th Street Entrance Needs Help

Do you have an interest in designing a new look for our 79th street entrance? Several of the trees planted by the developer are dying. We'd like to form a committee that would care for its upkeep. Volunteers should contact the association voice mail box at 971-2618.



Speak Out! (An anonymous comment from our Group Email)

I live near the 79th Street entrance on Camberwood. In the past six months, we have noticed an increase in garbage found in our yard and on the curb. Last night (3/16/05) as I came home around 10:00 p.m., I noticed a full bag of fast food garbage in the middle of the street just after the median dividers on Camberwood. This garbage was obviously thrown maliciously out of a vehicle. In the past year, I have found beer cans, fountain drink cups and candy wrappers near the curb and blowing through the yards. These items are easily assumed to be tossed out of moving cars. Adding up the past year, I have discovered used feminine products, multiple alcohol-related trash, and countless fast food refuse.

Our streets are not our garbage cans. Either residents or resident friends are discarding this waste. I do not dream that we could actually catch or identify the culprits. However, we should do something? Thank you!



Save the Date: Saturday - June 4, 2005 CCHSNA Inc.'s Annual Garage Sale

The hours will be 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. rain or shine. This event has been a huge success in the past and we expect this year to be no different! So start your spring cleaning now. The association will post signs at both entrances and an ad will be placed in the Indianapolis Star.

The Crime Watch Corner

Hello, it's time to remind people about leaving up your Garage Doors in our area, If you leave your home please put down your Garage Doors and lock up your homes, I do not want to see a rash of break-ins in our neighborhood. Remember, lock your doors and make sure the Garage Doors are down when you are not at home!

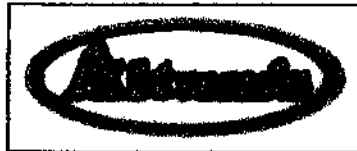
I am asking everyone to assist me by helping me install the Crooked Creek Radio Network or (CCRN). For everyone to use this system it will only cost the people buying these radios around \$20-\$40 for a pair. They are available at Wal-mart, Costco, etc. I have a base station set up in my home. This radio system is called FRS or Family Radio System. This system can be used for communications with all of our neighbors to talk with each other. There are 14 channels in the system and you do not have to have a license from the federal government to use the system. My plan is to use this system for our area for not only Crime Watch but also for putting out Severe Weather Watches and Warnings for Marion County, I am trained by the National Weather Service for Storm Spotting and I would like to train our residents, free of charge, to learn how to become severe weather spotters, as The National Weather Service Office here in Indianapolis needs additional people. My plan is very easy and will cover our entire area as I have conducted numerous test in our area and the system works very well. I would like to have the entire residential area online as soon as possible. I will train all residents on how to use the system and what to call in and what not to call in to me. Anyone who wishes to become involved in the project can call me at home 299-0307 anytime after 4:30 p.m., Mon-Fri or anytime on the weekend. I also have voice mail, leave a message and I will call you back. This is a great system and it will work to save lives and property in our neighborhood. Please help others in our area so others can live safely. Thanks for your help!

Please feel free to contact me at home by telephone 299-0307, or you may contact me by e-mail at w9nes@comcast.net

Best Regards,

Tim DeLong, Crime Watch Coordinator

11335 N. Michigan Rd.
Zionsville, IN 46077
733-GROW



April's showers have brought us beautiful May flowers!
Below are a few garden tips for your May gardening and enjoyment.

- To kill dandelions and other broadleaf weeds use Proven Step 2 when the lawn is wet.
- Fertilize container plants with Fertilome Rooting & Blooming, for bigger, better blooms.
- If you haven't applied a fresh layer of mulch-now is the time! Mulching keeps down weeds, diseases, conserves moisture and looks great. Use bark mulch like Hardwood or Forrest Fines or try Cocoa Mulch for a new look!
- Fertilize Rhododendrons and Azaleas After bloom with All Purpose Fertilizer 12-12-12.
- Prune early flowering shrubs such as magnolias, forsythia, viburnum, quince, after blooms fade.

Visit Altum's today for a complete May checklist, and to shop for beautiful May flowers to add to your garden. To help make your gardening tasks a little easier, bring in this newsletter to receive a FREE pair of Altum's Branded Leather Gloves with your purchase of \$20 or more. A good pair of leather gloves are great for planting, mowing, when using gardening tools, and for other heavy handed tasks.

Indianapolis Works

On April 6th, a member of your Neighborhood Association attended the Pike Township Town Hall Meeting at Eagle's Hide-A-Way, sponsored by the city of Indianapolis. This was an opportunity for the city to present it's case for the "Indianapolis Works" program proposed by Mayor Bart Peterson. The city's vision is to streamline local government and reduce or eliminate the projected 35 million dollar budget deficit for Fiscal Year 2006. A 20 minute video was shown, the legal counsel for the city talked for about 10 minutes to further explain the Mayor's program, and then there were opportunities for questions and answers from the audience. There were three current members of the City-County Council in attendance, including Isaac Randolph who represents Pike Township.

The Mayor's plan calls for unifying the city and county (and Indianapolis International Airport) Fire Departments into one unit, unifying the city and county Police Departments into one unit, and reducing the Trustees Offices from 9 to 2. The Trustees Offices are responsible for poor relief (welfare), as well as providing tax assessments and other duties as assigned by law. Savings are expected to be derived from the elimination of duplicate jobs within those divisions and consolidation of offices and property. The city argued that taxes would have to go up or services would have to be reduced if the Indianapolis Works plan is not adopted. For the plan to succeed, it must be enacted by the Indiana General Assembly. Take an active role and lobby your State Representatives and Senators for your position, either for or against.

Critics argued that this was just a way for the city government to get it's hands on money collected from the relatively wealthier suburban portions of Marion County in order to pay for services in the inner city. Other critics argued that reducing the number of elected Trustees from 9 to 2 would result in less democracy, although the city countered by stating that the result would be reduced representation but not necessarily reduced democracy. One fact both sides could agree on was the certainty of the budget deficit for next year. Interestingly, the Democrats were for less government and the Republicans were for more government, at least on this issue. That's a switch!

If you wish to learn more about the Mayor's plan, go to <http://www.IndianapolisWorks.com> and if you want to explore an alternative view, go to <http://TaxpayersForTruth.net>.

CCHSNA, Inc. Joins the PTRA

In order to better represent your needs, concerns, and interests in the surrounding community, your neighborhood association has joined the Pike Township Residents Association. The PTRA meets once a month to discuss liquor permits, zoning changes, business developments, school issues, and government proceedings concerning Pike Township. Did you know that there are 11 racing teams who have their national offices and other facilities located in Pike Township, plus there are plans to add a 12th? We didn't know that until we attended our first meeting.

Once each month we will receive the agenda for the next PTRA meeting. If there are any items on the list that affect our neighborhood or surrounding area, we will ensure that a member of the CCHSNA Board attends and represents our best interests. If necessary, we will request the placement of an issue on the agenda and attend to remonstrate for our neighborhood. After each meeting, we will also receive the minutes and share any relevant happenings with the CCHSNA Board.

We believe that the minimum cost per year is more than offset by the opportunity to have a voice in the future growth of our township. If you have any concerns or issues to be addressed by the PTRA, please feel free to contact any member of the CCHSNA Board and we will take it from there. If you would like to join the PTRA as an individual or if you would like more information, you may write, call, or email at the addresses below:

Pike Township Residents Association, P.O. Box 78673, Indianapolis, IN 46278
Phone: 317-872-6744 Email: PRTA1972@aol.com Web site: <http://www.ptra.net>

Homes for Sale in Crooked Creek Heights South

7521 Lippincott Way	\$197,000
7342 Camberwood Dr.	\$179,000
3746 Paddington Ln. N.	\$179,900
7117 Tappan Dr.	\$174,900
3711 Langston Dr.	\$169,900
3808 Langston Dr.	\$169,800
7126 Tappan Dr.	\$168,500
3331 Crickwood Dr.	\$163,000
7547 Crickwood Ln.	\$162,900
7358 Tappan Dr.	\$155,900
7815 Paddington Ln. W.	\$154,900
7549 Allenwood Ct.	\$153,500
7864 Paddington Way N.	\$149,500
7542 Augusta Ct.	\$146,900
7775 Camberwood Dr.	\$139,900
7351 Camberwood Drive	\$139,900
7342 Crickwood Pl.	\$130,000
7836 Camberwood Dr.	\$129,900
7617 Camberwood Dr.	\$128,900
7614 Lippincott Way	\$124,900
7720 Oakshot Ln.	\$124,900
3314 Crickwood Dr.	\$124,900
7743 Paddington Ln. W.	\$118,000

Average Days on Market- 75

YTD Sales- 8

YTD Pending- 5

For more information on selling or buying a home please give me a call!



At The Crossing
In The Village

Dan Stratton

Century 21 At The Crossing In The Village

705-2943 voicemail

442-1451 cell

Note: All information obtained from MIBOR- deemed accurate but not guaranteed.

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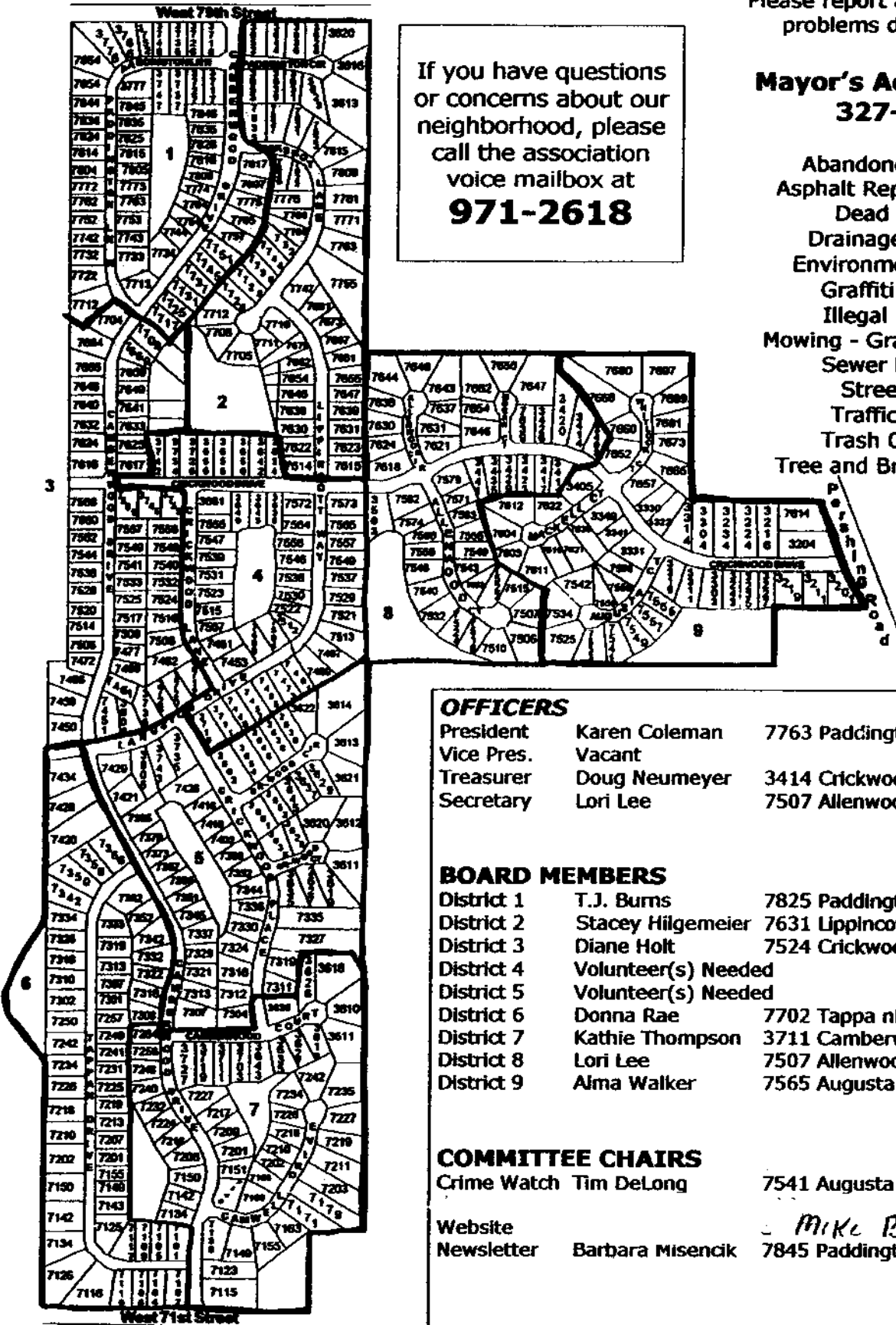
Your Crooked Creek Heights South Neighborhood Association

Please report any of the below problems directly to the

Mayor's Action Center 327-4MAC

- Abandoned Vehicles
- Asphalt Repairs/Potholes
- Dead Animals
- Drainage Problems
- Environmental Issues
- Graffiti Removal
- Illegal Dumping
- Mowing - Grass and Weeds
- Sewer Back-ups
- Street Signs
- Traffic Signals
- Trash Collection
- Tree and Brush Removal

If you have questions or concerns about our neighborhood, please call the association voice mailbox at
971-2618



OFFICERS

President	Karen Coleman	7763 Paddington Lane W.	872-8773
Vice Pres.	Vacant		
Treasurer	Doug Neumeyer	3414 Crickwood Drive	875-6914
Secretary	Lori Lee	7507 Allenwood Court	291-2272

BOARD MEMBERS

District 1	T.J. Burns	7825 Paddington Lane W.	
District 2	Stacey Hilgemeier	7631 Lippincott Way	875-9433
District 3	Diane Holt	7524 Crickwood Lane	
District 4	Volunteer(s) Needed		
District 5	Volunteer(s) Needed		
District 6	Donna Rae	7702 Tappa nDrive	328-8451
District 7	Kathie Thompson	3711 Camberwood Court	293-9628
District 8	Lori Lee	7507 Allenwood Court	291-2272
District 9	Alma Walker	7565 Augusta Court	297-1197

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Crime Watch	Tim DeLong	7541 Augusta Court	299-0307
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Website	<i>Mike Broaddus</i>		
Newsletter	Barbara Misencik	7845 Paddington Lane W.	228-0015