

Te have experienced many wonderful community activi-**V** V ties and events throughout the previous years; each with much participation and success. It is once again time to accept volunteers for various committees and events. Whether you are a newcomer or an old-timer, now is the perfect time to get involved.

Each committee works on different projects throughout the year, however, a resident can be involved as little or as much as their time allows. Consider signing up for a committee or volunteering to plan an event. It's a wonderful way to meet your neighbors and to have fun at the same time.

Our community is a great place to live. However, we need volunteers and participation to continue having such events. If you have great ideas and the commitment to see things happen, or just like planning events and activities, let's hear from you! Please call 317-592-9516 and be on your way to answering the call!

Some of the events planned for the upcoming months and year if participation is received are as follows:

- **♦**Halloween Parade in October
- **♦**Holiday Party in December
- ◆Spring Easter Egg Hunt
- **♦**Late Summer Community Picnic
- **♦**Fall Golf Outing

In addition to these events, we welcome anyone who would like to organize other neighborhood groups or activities. such as book clubs, euchre, bunko, etc., that help to promote a fun and entertaining place to live.

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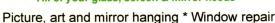
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Special Points of Interest

- Annual Homeowners Association Meetings are scheduled for the last Wednesday of every month, starting at 7:00 p.m. Meetings are open to all homeowners...please mark your calendar and plan to attend.
- Dusk to dawn lighting is required on each home. Please check your carriage lights to ensure they are operating properly.
- Off duty police officers will be patrolling our neighborhood and issuing tickets to anyone exceeding the speed limit. Please watch your speed.
- Due to amount of road construction mentioned on page 2, we have increased traffic cutting through our neighborhoods. We ask everyone to be more alert and cautious.

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CRIME

WATCH

This special bulletin is to inform you of a recent Armed Robbery in Brookstone. On Thursday, August 25th at around 8 p.m., a couple parked their car in the driveway of their home at 6240 Twin Creeks Drive. They were approached by two black males wearing football jerseys asking whether they knew someone named "Davis", as if to get directions to the house.

As the suspects got near the victims, they proceeded to pull out a bag and claimed it contained a gun. They threatened to harm the couple if they did not hand over their valuables. The suspects stole a purse, credit cards and cash.

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Lock Crime OUT of your home!

October is Crime Prevention Month. Making your home safer from crime doesn't always mean having to install expensive alarms — effective home security starts with properly locked doors and windows and visible, well-lighted entryways.

Here are a few important tips in making sure your home is properly secured:

EXTERIOR DOORS – All exterior doors should be either metal or solid wood. For added security, use strong door hinges on the inside, with non-removable or hidden pins.

LOCKS – Strong, reliable locks are essential to effective home security. Always keep doors and windows locked. Use quality keyed knobs as well as deadbolts. Deadbolts can withstand twisting, turning, prying and pounding that regular keyed knobs can not.

LIGHTING – Lighting is one of the most cost effective deterrents to burglary. Indoor lighting gives the impression that a home is occupied. If you are going to be away from your home, consider using automatic timers to switch lights on and off at preset times. Outdoor lighting can eliminate hiding places. Install exterior lighting near porches, rear and side doorways, garage doors and all other points of entry.

Traffic Issues Effecting Brookstone and Fieldstone

I-465 Northwest FastTrack

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) began reconstruction of the 79th Street Bridge over I-465 on the Indianapolis northwest side on July 15, 2004. INDOT reports that the bridge reconstruction will effect traffic patterns in the surrounding areas. The bridge will remain closed throughout the reconstruction process and will not reopen until the end of November 2004. This closure is part of the I-465 Northwest FastTrack project. Please visit INDOT's project website at www.in.gov/dot/div/specialprojects/465/index.html for further information.

West 62nd Street and Georgetown Road

West 62nd Street will be closed from Hollingsworth Road to Georgetown Road on or after September 15th, 2004 through December 01, 2005 for culvert replacement and repair.

West 62nd Street and Georgetown Road

Georgetown Road and 62nd Street will have lane restrictions due to intersection improvements through June 2005.

Cold Springs Road at Michigan Road

Cold Springs Road at Michigan Road will be closed on or after September 30 through December 15, 2004 due to sewer construction and reconstruction of Cold Springs Road.

Moller Road/Pike Plaza Road

Moller Road will have lane restrictions in effect through November 2004 due to road and bridge widening.

From The Board Room:

Board Faced With Increasing Homeowner Dues

We are happy to announce the election results for the Twin Creeks Homeowners Association (TCHA) new Board of Directors.

> President: Wyatt Smith Lee Mariner Vice President: **Vice President: Charles Morrison** Treasurer: Charles Young Anne Inman Secretary:

The Board has been hard at work handling the important issues concerning the Brookstone and Fieldstone communities. One of such issues was the recent armed **robbery** reported in the Crime Watch section of this newsletter. Safety and security is a vital responsibility and one taken very seriously by the Board. The Board is in the process of investigating several ways to improve the safety and security of our communities and has implemented a \$24 increase in the annual homeowner dues. Effective January 01, 2005, the new homeowner dues will be \$266 a year.

Crime Watch

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Next, the suspects got into a dark colored, older sedan, possibly a Chevy Caprice, and backed down Bird Branch Lane, preventing the

victims from seeing their license plates. They then used the stolen credit cards to make fraudulent charges.

The victims then did the right thing and called 911 immediately. Police believe the criminals may have followed the victims to their home.

Always be aware of your surroundings and those that may be following you. Dial

911 to report any suspicious behavior or suspicious vehicles in your neighborhood.

With vigilance, these criminals will be brought to justice, and we will work hard to keep our neighborhood a safe place to live.

stain solver section

Need a remedy for a stubborn stain? Here are some answers for two of the most common household stains.

Stain: Red Wine

Surface: Carpet

Solution: For immediate action, sprinkle a generous amount of salt on the spill. Then vacuum. Blot the excess with a clean cloth, then sponge the rest out of the carpet using water. Apply carpet shampoo to the sponge and work into the stain using a circular, twisting motion. Sponge again with clean water. Repeat until stain disappears. For stubborn stains, apply glycerin diluted in equal parts warm water. Let stand and hour. Sponge with clean water and blot.

"Try using Gunk Degreaser to remove grease/oil from driveway."

"Use 2 parts water and 1 part vinegar to neutralize odors." Stain: Oil, Grease

Surface: Carpet

Solution:

Place a piece of brown kraft paper (or a paper bag) over the stain or spot. Apply the tip of a warm iron on the lowest setting until the paper absorbs the stain. Using a sponge, rub carpet shampoo into the stain maintaining a circular, twisting motion with the sponge. Once carpet shampoo has been worked into the stain, blot area with a clean cloth or sponge using the same circular, twisting motion. Repeat until stain is gone.

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