Castle Cove Newsletter

May/June 2010

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Covenants, architectural control application and form to reserve the clubhouse available online.

EMERGENCY

911

Non-emergency incidents 327-3811 Poison Control (Indiana) 800-222-1222 Mayor's Action Center 327- 4622







CRIME WATCH Committee Liaison: Jay Bobian Phone: 918-4035



Dates to Remember:



May 29 Sat. <u>Castle Cove Pool Opens</u> 10 a.m.

Pool Opening Party 4-8 p.m.

(see flyer on page 6, pool rules

pages 7 & 8)

May 31 Mon Memorial Day Holiday

June 3 Thurs 3 p.m. Task Force Meeting

Library 5420 E 38th St

June 4,5 Fri & Sat Neighborhood Garage Sale

8 a.m.—5 p.m. (page 12)

June 8 Tues Crime Watch Captains Meeting

7 p.m. at the Library

June 14 Mon Flag Day

June 20 Sun Father's Day

June 21 Mon Summer Begins

June 24 Thurs IMPD Community Day at Broad

Ripple Park 11 am—2 pm (page 16)

July 4 Sun Independence Day

July 13 Tues Board Meeting 6:30 p.m. at the pool

Note from the President

Hi Castle Cove Neighbors,

Warmer weather is finally here and Castle Cove is ready to open the pool for a great summer of neighborhood enjoyment. Pool info is on pages 6-8.

In case you missed it last issue, the article regarding the revitalization study and plans for **Castle Cove's recreational common area** is being included again on page 9.

Trash and recycle information has been requested and is available on pages 10 & 11.

I look forward to seeing many of you as I walk the neighborhood or at the upcoming Pool Opening Party.

Marie Wright, President

School Information

Mary Castle Elementary 849-5672 Craig Middle School 823-6805 Lawrence North High 849-9455

For more school information, call the school or check the website at **www.ltschools.org**

Neighborhood Reminders:

- Storm Drains Please keep street gutters and storm drains clear of grass, leaves, sticks and other debris so rain water can easily drain away.
- <u>Mailboxes</u> are to be Size 2 painted Rust-O-Leum Leather Brown.
- Yard Lights Each home must have a working dusk-to-dawn yard light.
- <u>Sidewalks</u> Homeowners are responsible for removing snow from sidewalks and trimming bushes and trees so they don't obstruct sidewalks and streets.

Newsletter Editor

Ruth Ann Stephenson ___570-7717

7949 Cove Trace

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The newsletter will be published and sent by email in January, March, May, July, September and November. For those residents without email, a paper copy will be mailed. Residents' email addresses will not be shared with anyone and used only for newsletters, important announcements (like Annual Meeting) and Crime Watch information. The newsletter is emailed in a manner so as not to disclose email addresses.

Deadline for articles, ads and other information will be the 15th of the month preceding the next issue and may be mailed or emailed to me. Opinions, comments and letters submitted to the Editor are welcome. All letters must be concise and signed with name, address and telephone number and are subject to review and editing by the Board prior to publishing.

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Castle Cove	: NOH-	
Resident	Resident	
free	\$5/issue	
\$5.00/issue	\$15/issue	
free	\$5/issue	
free	(residents only)	
	Resident free \$5.00/issue free	

Advertisement space in the newsletter is limited — residents have first priority. Please make checks payable to "Castle Cove Owners Association."

If you have any suggestions or ideas to be included, please contact me by phone 570-7717 or email at ruthann@comcast.net. This is **your** newsletter!

Ruth ann Stephenson

Castle Cove Real Estate Update

Information from the Metropolitan Indianapolis Board of Realtors .

- 3 homes **SOLD** so far in 2010
- The average sales price was \$197,167
- Average Days on the Market (DOM) is 31

Real Estate Information as of 5/17/10 provided by

Address	Bed rms		ths -half	Base ment	Lvl	List Price	Sale Price		
Currently Listed FOR SALE									
8020 Bayview Pt	4	2	1	Υ	2	\$209,900			
7910 Springwater Ct	3	2	0	N	1	\$179,900			
8150 Bay Brook Dr	3	2	0	N	1	\$159,500			
Homes with a sale PENDING (offer accepted, not closed yet):									
8118 Clearwater Dr	3	2	0	N	1	\$195,000			
8061 Bay Brook	4	2	1	N	Tri	\$129,900			
Homes that SOLD (1/1/09– 12/31/09)									
8036 Castle Lake Rd	4	2	1	Υ	2	\$212,000	\$208,000		
8031 Springwater Cir	4	2	1	N	2	\$199,000	\$197,000		
8110 Bay Brook Dr	4	2	1	N	Tri	\$192,000	\$186,500		

Interest Rates remain low! Consider refinancing, if you can secure a mortgage interest rate at least 1% lower than your current rate.

Mortgage Interest Rates As of 5/17/10 from Tucker Mortgage 849-5050					
Loan Program	Rate (%)	Points (%)			
30 year fixed	4.875%	0			
15 year fixed	4.25%	0			
3/1 ARM	3.5%	.5			
5/1 ARM	3.625%	.5			
30 year fixed —FHA	4.875%	0			
30 year fixed —VA	4.875%	0			

Castle Cove Board Meeting

March 9, 2010 — 6:30pm, Lawrence Library

Attendees:

<u>Board Members</u>: Lana Jordan, Jay Bobian, Marie Wright, Frank Borelli, Ron Sans, Audrey Neucks, Tom Stephenson, Jessica Gallagher.

Non-Board Members: Sherry Havlin, John and Melissa Pollard, Ruth Ann Stephenson, Jim Long, Ron

Long Absent: Tim Scofield

Minutes of last meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report was approved.

Committee Reports

Architectural Control- Frank Borelli

Request from 8036 Castle Lake Road. The new buyers have requested a 5 foot fence. Committee approved request.

Committee will review committee procedures, guidelines, and forms this month to simplify.

Common Grounds- Nothing new to report

Compliance Committee- Lana Jordan

Neighbors are reminded to keep their mailboxes in good repair.

Crime Watch- Jay Bobian

Some block captains have attended District Task Force meetings.

Homeowners are reminded to call 911 or the non-emergency number

Marion/Hamilton county have rebuilt tornado sirens to be activated by the National Weather Service and will be activated by area, not the entire county.

Garage Sale- No report

<u>Lake</u>- Ron Long

Committee is researching dredging the lake to increase depth. Free assessment to be completed the week of March 15.

Aquatic Control for algae control which includes a biweekly inspection – prepay \$2100 by April 1

Newsletter- Ruth Ann Stephenson

Next newsletter will be sent via email after the board meeting minutes are finalized. The board discussed garbage collection guidelines as outlined by Republic and will publish in the newsletter.

Nominating- Nothing new to report

<u>Pool-</u> No Report <u>Tennis-</u> No report

Website- Nothing new to report Welcome- 7 houses listed for sale

Old Business

Tiplick Project –

The Board met with the attorneys to discuss a deadline for exterior project completion and payment of attorney fees. No agreement has been made, and the case will be pursued through the court.

Two new signs for meetings and events have been purchased and are in use.

Bank account interest rates -

Tom Stephenson provided rates from National City (current bank), Chase, National Bank of Indianapolis, and Indiana Members CU. There was not a great enough improvement in other banks' rates to warrant changing banks at this time. Tom will call Federal Credit Union to check their rates.

New Business

Pot holes – The Mayor's Action Line should be called for potholes in the neighborhood.

Respectfully submitted, Audrey Neucks, Secretary

BOARD MEETINGS

Neighborhood residents are always invited and encouraged to attend any Board Meeting.

Check front page of newsletter for date, time & location of future meetings.

Castle Cove Homeowners' Association Board Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2010, 6:30 p.m. at the Lawrence Library

Attendees:

<u>Board Members</u>: Ron Sans, Tim Scofield, Lana Jordan, Frank Borelli, Tom Stephenson, Jay Bobian. <u>Non-Board Members</u>: Ruth Ann Stephenson, Mark Theising, Larry Jordan

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>—Tom Stephenson

Bank Balances as of April 30th:

Checking \$25,625.97 Savings \$48,443.33 Money Market \$47,116.64 Total \$121,185.64

- As of April 30th, 96.3% of the annual dues have been collected and the 8 outstanding are being turned over for collection. This is a much better collection rate than many other neighborhoods.
- The treasurer's report was approved as read.

Committee Reports:

- Architectural Improvement Committee—Frank Borelli
 - Please note the name of the committee is Architectural "Improvement," not "Control."
 - The request forms, recently revamped and approved by the Board, are now available on the Castle cove website and from committee members.
 - A homeowner who recently had a fence installed, following the required committee approval, was informed that the fence did not conform to what had been approved. Correction to this is anticipated by the committee and they will follow up.
- Common Grounds— Ruth Ann Stephenson for Marie Wright

We are still under contract with Sunblest for weed control in the mulched common areas.

- Compliance—Lana Jordan
 - One homeowner currently has a contractor making exterior repairs to cedar and is getting guidance as to what could be done about his garage door.
 - Several other homeowners will be encouraged to do exterior house and mailbox painting.
 - Residents with storm drains in front of their properties are asked to keep them free of debris so as to prevent backups during heavy rains.
- Crime Watch—Jay Bobian
 - Shirley Purvitis, IMPD Crime Watch Coordinator who attended our recent Black Captain Meeting reminded us that captains and other residents alike are not to act as low enforcement. We can contact her directly about non-emergency issues.
 - Remove "door hanger" type marketing items as soon as possible so as not to alert "thieves" that you may be away for long periods.

- Some contract workers may be monitoring the comings and goings of residents to return for burglary.
- Keep valuable items out of sight and DO NOT leave valuables in vehicles.
- Do not place boxes from expensive electronic equipment purchases in plain sight for trash pick up. Cut and bundle or place in dark plastic bags.
- Captains have a survey which can be used to determine what we can do to make ourselves safer.
- Staying in touch with Shirley and other IMPD personnel keeps neighborhoods "on the radar." They want to know what is happening.
- Block Captains are again sponsoring the May 29th Pool Opening Party. Details to follow.
- IMPD's North district community Day is June 24th from 11 am –2 pm at Broad Ripple Park. A great opportunity to meet and greet IMPD officers and other staff as well as see some of the equipment used in fighting crime. This is a free event with games, food and prizes. Lana Jordan has attended and gave the event rave reviews.
- Cars in the pool parking lot after dark raise concerns about suspicious activity there. The question of locking the gate was again posed but the Board consensus was not to lock it. Residents observing such activity are urged to contact the police.
- Garage Sale—Ruth Ann Stephenson for Karen Young
 - The sale is set for Friday and Saturday, June 4th and 5th from 8 am to 5 pm.
 - Karen will place ads in the paper and our new signs will also be used to advertise.
- Lake—Ron Sans

The lake was recently treated by Aquatic Control

• Newsletter—Ruth Ann Stephenson

Next issue will be published after minutes of this meeting are submitted so as to be included.

- Website—Ruth Ann Stephenson
 - Once a new website is up and running, much of what is included in the newsletter can be posted there
 rather than be included in each issue of the newsletter. It will serve as a better source of information
 available 24-7.
 - There are two sites that appear to be good possibilities for a "trial" basis and can provide password protection for certain information.
- Welcome—Ruth Ann Stephenson for Marie Wright

There are 3 new families to welcome.

Nominating—Frank Borelli

Frank urged us to seek out residents who may be interested in being candidates to serve on the Board.

- Pool—Tim Scofield
 - The leak in the baby pool between the skimmer and actual pool shell seems to have been remedied at a much less costly expense than anticipated.
 - The contract for pool opening is in place and the water is turned on.
 - Pool management and lifeguard staff are returning.
- Common Area Revitalization—Frank Borelli & Larry Jordan
 - Seeking volunteers to assist in planning this project. Those volunteers would focus on these specific areas separately: lake recreation, sports recreation, children's recreation, & facilities improvement.
 - The committee would like to get started soon with at least some part of the project.
 - Numerous ideas were entertained.
 - The Board asked the committee to come up with an estimated cost for the total plan. The Board will either call a special meeting or vote via email once quotes from a local landscape designer are obtained. At that time, a determination will be made on how much, if any, will be spent on such plans.

Old Business

A Sept. court date has been set for the Tiplick project. Some progress on the residence is being made.

New Business

Speeding on Springwater Drive was brought up by a newer resident who reports difficulty getting out of his driveway sometimes because of this. While it is true that some drivers do exceed the 30 mph limit, some attending the meeting feel that 30 is too high a speed limit in Castle Cove. Lana Jordan will contact IMPD and the city about remedies.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Lana Jordan for Audrey Neucks, Secretary



When: Saturday, May 29th

Time: 4 pm. - 8 pm.

(pool opens for swimming at 10 am.)

Where: Castle Cove Pool/Common Area

Menu: Burgers/Dogs, Chips, Drinks, and Dessert

(served 5-7 pm)

Donation: \$2.00 per attendee

RSVP: Your Crime Watch Captain (by May 24th)

We encourage you to bring lawn chairs and yard games.

Join your neighbors anytime between 4 & 8 pm to help celebrate the beginning of a new pool season.

Come and enjoy food, fun, tennis, games and fellowship.

Please participate in the "Castle Cove Cares" Food Drive

to benefit Gleaners Food Bank

- Bring your donations to the CC Swimming pool area, Saturday May 29th
- All items must be nonperishable, in original packaging, unopened, with valid expiration dates.
 - Suggested items: Canned meats, fruits, vegetables, soups, 100% fruit juices, peanut butter, jelly, rice, cereal, boxed dinners, spaghetti, pasta, mac & cheese, etc.



CASTLE COVE SWIMMING POOL RULES AND INFORMATION

General Information:

Address: 8220 Lake Point Court

Phone Number: 841-8045

NOTE: Inbound calls are NOT answered

Opening Day: Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend

Closing Day: Tuesday after Labor Day

Pool Hours: 10:00 AM – 8:30 PM (Daily until first day of Lawrence Township School starts)

4:00 PM - 8:30 PM (Weekdays while Lawrence Township Schools are

in session)

10:00 AM - 8:30 PM (Weekends while Lawrence Township Schools are

in Session)

Pool Contacts: Tim Scofield, Board Member

Kyle Goodwin, Pool Manager

Private Parties: The pool is available to eligible residents for after hours private parties

based upon lifeguard and schedule availability and in accordance with

rules and policies governing after hours private parties.

Eligibility: All Castle Cove residents who have paid their current neighborhood

association annual dues are permitted to use the pool. Sign log in

sheet at pool entrance. <u>Use caution and swim at your own risk.</u> Guests of Castle Cove residents are welcome at the pool provided

their Castle Cove host accompanies them at all times.

Age Restrictions: All children less than 8 years old must be accompanied by an adult.

Children less than 13 years old must be accompanied by an adult EXCEPT that children between the ages of 8 and 13 may swim unaccompanied by an adult if the child demonstrates certain swimming abilities to the lifeguard and the parent witnesses the demonstration and completes a permission/waiver form. An identifying pin will be issued to children in this program. The pin must be worn at all times when the child

is at the pool.

Swim Lessons: Lifeguards may offer swim lessons prior to 10:00

AM. Arrangements and fees for lessons may be

discussed directly with lifeguards offering lessons.



(Swimming Pool Rules on next page)

Swimming Pool Rules:

- 1. Swimming is only permitted when a lifeguard is on duty during the hours of operation stated previously in "General Information."
- 2. The Lifeguards control activities within the pool during the hours of operation. Swimmers are required to obey the Lifeguards and Pool Rules at all times. Failure to do so will result in loss of swimming privileges or ejection from the pool.
- 3. No running or horseplay within the pool area.
- 4. The Lifeguard platform chair is off limits to all swimmers. No diving or jumping from or sitting in the lifeguard chair is permitted.
- 5. Backward diving or flips are NOT permitted from the side of the pool.
- 6. Swim wear must be worn by all swimmers. Street clothing, athletic clothing (basketball shorts, running shorts, etc) and cut-off shorts may not be worn in the pool.
- 7. Health department regulations prohibit anyone having infections, communicable diseases, open sores or wounds from using the pool until the condition has healed.
- 8. Children who are not fully "potty trained" must wear swim diapers. (Available from Wal-Mart, Kohls, Meijer's, etc). DISPOSABLE DIAPERS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE POOL.
- 9. There will be hourly adult swim periods for 10 minutes each hour of the day beginning at 50 minutes past the hour. During Adult Swim, only persons 18 years or older and toddlers 2 years old and younger accompanied by an adult may swim. These periods are intended for children to rest, provide personal time for Lifeguards, and permit Lifeguards to perform pool maintenance activities. Children must be seated away from the pool's edge. NO sitting on the edge of the pool, dangling feet, etc. The Lifeguard may extend the adult swim period if children do not obey this rule.
- Flotation devices (inner tubes, rafts, etc) are permitted in the pool ONLY during adult swim periods. The use of "Noodles" during All-Swim periods is at the discretion of the Lifeguards.
- 11. Children requiring the use of swimming aids must be accompanied by a parent/adult at all times when in the pool.
- 12. No one is to sit next to the Lifeguards or engage in social activities/conversation with Lifeguards when they are performing their lifeguard duties. Lifeguards are employed for the safety and protection of Castle Cove residents and their children. Do not distract the Lifeguards from this important task.
- 13. There is NO SMOKING in the pool area.
- 14. Glass containers are NOT permitted within the pool area.
- 15. Alcoholic beverages are NOT permitted within the pool area.
- 16. Swimmers are not allowed in the pool during inclement weather. The pool will be closed when lightning is sighted or thunder is heard. The pool will reopen 30 minutes after thunder and/or lightning has ceased.
- 17. The pool will not open if the air temperature at the pool is below 65 degrees Fahrenheit. The pool will open once the temperature rises above 65 degrees.
- 18. All food must remain in the wooden pool deck area. No food or beverage is allowed in the pool or on the concrete deck surrounding the pool.
- 19. The pool telephone is for outgoing EMERGENCY CALLS ONLY. Parents are advised not to call the pool as the phone does not ring for incoming calls.



Common Area Tennis and other Recreational Activities

A Revitalization Study is under way to better utilize the common area around the pool to accommodate a variety of recreational activities!

Last year, the Board budgeted \$7,000 to resurface the two tennis courts. Our Tennis Committee reviewed three bids. Because of age and condition of the courts, no contractor would guarantee that the cracks would not return for more than one season. Two of the bidders recommended replacement, the cost of which is too great when you consider how under utilized the two courts are and the small number of residents who would benefit.

With that in mind, the Tennis Committee made two recommendations to the Board:

- 1. The \$7,000 budgeted to repair the two tennis courts be held in reserve.
- 2. The Board budget \$7,000 a year for the future revitalization of the common area to include a variety of recreational activities.

The recommendations were accepted by the Board along with the recommendation that the proposal to revitalize the area be put before the general membership at our Annual Meeting. With an overwhelming show of support (raised hands), the general membership sanctioned the Board to proceed with the study.

To help in the study, we are asking for volunteers to work on the project, to share their ideas and to help put together a preliminary plan to present to the general membership at our next Annual Meeting.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact either —

Larry Jordan (ljordan1@comcast.net, 252-5875) or Frank Borelli (flborelli@comcast.net, 842-7018).

In addition, we need your input as to what activities you would like to see included. These are some of the suggestions that have been made:

- Picnic tables and a charcoal grill along the lake
- A pier out into the lake for fishing and to launch canoes or kayaks.
- Improvements to the shelter area to make it more open.
- Card readers for residents to access the pool, the shelter, the toilet facilities and other designated areas.
- A new tennis court
- A half court volleyball court
- A sand volleyball court
- Capping off the top of the hill north of the tennis courts and moving the children's swing set
- An area for horseshoes and corn-hole toss
- A small fenced in area accessed off the swimming pool for small children who would like to run around and play rather than swim.

What ideas do you have for the revitalization of the area? What would your list include? Please email your suggestions and ideas to either Frank or Larry.

Castle Cove has such a beautiful location for our common area. It's time to make better use of the area and offer additional recreational and other opportunities so more residents can enjoy the area. This would also make our community more desirable to others which could result in increased property values.

The previous Tennis Committee has now been renamed "The Common Area Revitalization Committee."











TRASH COLLECTION!

Information obtained from **www.indygov.org** Website

For questions or issues regarding trash pick up, call 327-4622.



What you may put out

- Each residence may put out <u>10 bags/containers</u> of standard household garbage per week.
- Shrubbery cuttings, small limbs and twigs must be tied in bundles no larger than 3' by 3'. Each bundle counts as one bag/container.
- Empty <u>cardboard boxes</u> must be flattened and tied into bundles. Each bundle counts as one bag/ container.
- Tires without rims count as one item of trash. Tires with rims count as one item of *heavy* trash.

How to put it out for collection

- Trash must be in proper containers including plastic bags and/or 5 to 32-gallon metal or plastic cans with handles and lids. If you use plastic bags, please leave enough room above the closure so the hauler can pick up the bag. Giant trash containers on wheels ("toters") count as 3 containers toward your 10-container limit.
- Limit of 10 bags or containers per week for each household.

When to put it out

According to Castle Cove covenants, trash may be put out no earlier than the evening prior to pick up (Sun. eve), but should be at the curb by 7 a.m. on our collection day, which is Monday.

Holiday Schedule

There is **no trash collection** on the following holidays:

- New Year's Day
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day (July 4th)
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving
- Christmas

Trash collection scheduled on a holiday will be collected the following day. Trash collection may also be delayed due to severe weather.

Heavy trash

- Includes household furnishings, appliances, tires with rims and bicycles. Swing sets must be disassembled first.
- Refrigerators, air conditioners, and other items containing freon require special handling. Please call 327-4622 for more information.
- Up to two heavy trash items per month may be put out on a regular trash pickup day (Monday).

Items not collected:

- Loose trash. All trash must be in bags.
- Used motor oil and paint (take to a tox drop)
- Demolition, construction, or discarded building debris, like drywall, roofing, brick, stone and wood.
- Trees, large tree limbs, or tree stumps
- Sod, fill dirt, and trash from contractor clearing.
- Propane and other gas tanks.
- Electronics, computer related equipment and cell phones may be taken to a tox drop.
- Automotive parts like engines, rear ends, springs, fenders, and seats must go to a private junk yard.
- Septic, human, and animal waste. Minimal amounts, like diapers and kitty litter are OK if securely bagged within a trash container/bag.

Tox Drops

Safely dispose of unwanted hazardous items such as batteries, chemicals, fire extinguishers, cleaners, motor oil, paint, paint thinners, pesticides and pool chemicals.

Detailed information and list of acceptable items can be found on the website at www.indygov.org.

Some materials brought to a ToxDrop site may be recycled. Items like computers are broken down and sorted into glass, metal, plastic, etc. to be recycled. Safe disposal methods require most materials to be incinerated or land filled. All collected waste is disposed of using U.S. Environmental Protection Agency approved methods.

ToxDrop Locations:

- 1. 2700 S. Belmont Ave, Tues & Thurs, 9am-11am
- 2. <u>7550 N. Lafayette Rd (Trader's Point Collection Facility)</u>, 1st & 3rd Sat., 9am-2pm.
- 3. 9049 E. 10th St (IMPD training facility), 1st & 3rd Sat., 9am-2pm
- 4. 4925 S. Shelby St (Perry Twp Gov't Ctr), 2nd & 4th Sat., 9am-2pm.

BAG IT FIRST

There have been some complaints in the neighborhood about loose trash not making it into



the trash trucks on pick-up day and blowing around the streets and yards. DPW reminds us of one of the above rules for proper trash pick up — all trash must be in bags — even when placed inside a trash can! Following this simple rule will help prevent the spread of miscellaneous trash debris in our neighborhood.



Recycling saves energy, reduces pollution and preserves valuable natural resources

Republic Services, Inc. provides our recycling service and now uses new trucks with a mechanical arm that picks up the recycle cart and empties its contents into the top of the truck. With this system, participants are given a 95 gallon cart on wheels to collect recyclables. This service is provided to our neighborhood every other Monday (a schedule and full instructions are included with your new cart).

Basic procedures are:

- 1. Have cart within 4 ft of road by 7 am
- 2. Be sure cart has 3 feet of clearance on all sides (away from mailboxes, trees, vehicles and other trash carts/cans).
- 3. Do not overload cart or place items on top of cart.
- 4. Place cart with arrows on lid pointing to curb. If it does not have arrows, place so hinges on lid and wheels are on side away from the street.
- 5. Place materials loose in cart no sorting and do not bag items.

Acceptable recyclables: (no need to sort)

- Plastics Recycle rinsed PET and HDPE plastic bottles and containers which are marked on the bottom with a number "1" or "2" inside a recycle triangle. Remove all caps and lids. Labels do not have to be removed. Plastic toys are not acceptable.
- All glass bottles & jars —Recycle all brown, green, blue and clear glass bottles and jars. Rinse clean and remove lids and caps. Do not crush or break glass containers. Paper labels do not have to be removed.



- Aluminum, tin & steel cans— Aluminum, tin and steel food and beverage cans including aerosol cans. Please rinse clean; labels do not need to be removed — no paint cans.
- Newspapers, magazines, phone books, cardboard and cereal type boxes.

How can I recycle?

establish curbside recycling or get additional information (M-F, 7 a.m.—5 p.m.) or go to the informative website at www.indyrecycles.com. The cost for this service is \$6 per month billed quarterly.



- **Drop Off Recycling**. The closest drop-off sites to our neighborhood are:
 - 1. Kroger parking lot 79th and Fall Creek
 - 2. Sahm Park 6801 E. 91st Street. Drive South into parking lot back toward pool and playground.
 - 3. Marsh Parking Lot—11625 Fox Rd

Compliance Committee

Spring is here and we're hearing the sounds of mowers, weed eaters and the like. Walkers and bike riders are commenting on the gorgeous colors of the many beautiful blooming trees, perennials and shrubs in our beloved neighborhood. It must be a welcoming sight to prospective home buyers as they "tour" Castle Cove and an encouragement to our neighbors whose homes are currently for sale.

Not only is taking care of our homes and yards a plus for our neighbors who are trying to sell their homes, it is something each of us agreed to do when we purchased our homes in Castle Cove.

All residents are encouraged to take a look around their properties to see if there are things which can be done to enhance the appearance of their own homes and yards. There is such pride in home ownership! Aren't we blessed to live in Castle Cove!?

The following are priority issues:

- exterior home/garage upkeep: painting;
 replacement of damaged siding
- garage doors: painting, repair or replacement
- mailboxes & posts: damaged and/or in need of painting
- garbage & recycle receptacles: improperly stored and/or set out for pickup
- tree limbs overhanging streets & sidewalks
- mulch: spreading rather than long-term "piles"
- RV and boat storage: location and longevity

Please do remember that the establishment of this committee is intended to protect your valuable investment in a quality neighborhood by helping everyone maintain compliance with Castle Cove standards. In no way is it to be perceived as punitive in nature. Covenants and Property Compliance Guidelines can be accessed on the neighborhood website www.castle-cove.com. Should you have questions, concerns or need clarification, feel free to contact Lana. Information about this new committee and issues to be addressed by it has appeared in the November/ December Newsletter and the minutes from the 2009 Annual Meeting.

HAPPY SPRING from your Castle Cove Compliance Committee:

Lana Jordan, Chair 252-5875 <u>ljordan1@comcast.net</u> Richard Havlin Jana Millard



Castle Cove CRIME WATCH

Jay Bobian, Neighborhood Coordinator 918-4035

Our active **Crime Watch** program increases awareness of and reports criminal and suspicious activity. It also hosts several neighborhood events each year and encourages block parties so residents have more opportunities to become better acquainted and feel more comfortable looking out for each other.

Block Captain Meetings:

Block Captain meetings are scheduled for 7 p.m. the 2nd Tuesday every other month at the Library on Hague Rd.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE APRIL 12, 2010 BLOCK CAPTAIN MEETING:

Block captains reported on suspicious activity or incidents on their blocks. Only two issues were reported:

- 1. A "scam" phone call was received in Block 1 with someone posing as a grandson stranded in Canada and needing money.
- 2. Block 4 reports continued activity of cars parking in the pool parking lot and speeding in that area.

It was mentioned that there seems to be a lot of "drive through" traffic in our neighborhood which could be potential home buyers and contractors. PLEASE be vigilant and report any suspicious activity to the police.

Shirley Purvitis, IMPD Crime Prevention/Crime Watch Specialist was a guest speaker who reviewed the structure, concept, functions and purpose of the Crime Watch Program and complimented our group for their level of involvement. She presented a Residential Survey Form which homeowners are encouraged to utilize to determine how effective they are in protecting themselves from criminal activity. Block captains have this form.

Residents are reminded to contact IMPD and then their Block Captain to report suspicious persons or activities and criminal activity. Block captains should then share that information with other captains being mindful of personal privacy issues.

Neighborhood children are also encouraged to be observant and report suspicious activity.

Be cautious of laborers working on homes as well as "door-to-door" scam artists posing as contractors. Know who you are doing business with!

Do not leave valuables in vehicles not parked in your garage. Hide your registration. Keep your garage door closed even when working in the yard.

Stay alert and stay safe!

Upcoming Crime Watch Events:

May 29 (Sat) 4—8 p.m. Pool Opening Party sponsored by Castle Cove Crime Watch

Jun 24 (Thurs) 11 a.m.—2 p.m. IMPD Community Day at Broad Ripple Park. Flyer at the end of newsletter.

Call <u>911 in an emergency</u> or <u>327-3811 to report a non emergency</u> and <u>then notify your Block Captain.</u>

It is **extremely** important that all incidents and suspicious activities are reported to the police. Patrols are directly related to the number of calls the police receive.

Crime Statistics

for the past 90 days in Marion County can be found at the *CrimeView Law Enforcement Map Viewer* Website

http://imaps.indygov.org/CVC/

Follow the directions. Using a range of 1/2 mile from 7900 Castle Lake Rd will include our entire neighborhood.

What was that siren? To view the Indianapolis Star's Marion Co. website map of current 911 calls, type "Indy911calls.com" into your computer's browser. You can also get a report of accident & fire runs for the past month.

Valuable Indianapolis information and resources can be obtained at http://www.indy.gov/mac.



Castle Cove' Annual

GARAGE SALE

June 4th & 5th (Friday & Saturday)

8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Get Ready! Clean out those closets, the garage, the attic. Turn your unwanted items into someone else's treasure (and cash!) The garage sale will be advertised.

To participate, just put your items out for sale any time June 4th & 5th.



Neighborhood Services

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NAME	PHONE	BABY SIT	PET SIT	Mow, Rake, Shovel Snow
Anderson, Julie A	578-7141		Υ	
Arthur, Stacy	849-4839	Υ		
Bacon, Samantha	849-5909	Υ	Υ	
Bacon, Justin	849-5909			Υ
Baker, Amy	842-6763	Υ	Υ	
Confer, Ashley	849-1453	Y**		
Cronkhite, Amanda	577-0973	Y**	Υ	
Goodwin, Erika	841-7391	Y**		
Jaicomo, Ali	578-0592	Υ		
Jaicomo, Nick	578-0592			Υ
Kautzman, Alexandra	845-0180	Υ	Υ	
Kautzman, Christian	845-0180		Υ	Υ
Kautzman, Michelle	845-0180		Υ	
March, Michael	842-3311	Υ	Υ	Υ
Miner, Christopher	849-6323		Υ	Y snow
Miner, Courtney	849-6323	Y**	Υ	Y snow
Roberts, Jonathan	849-9882			Υ
Roberts, Joseph A	849-9882		Υ	
Roeschlein, Michelle	842-8129	Y**		
Scofield, Dan	577-8469			Υ
Scofield, Greg	577-8469			Υ
Scofield, Jeff	577-8469			Υ
Smotherman, Basil	594-0794			Υ
Sonderman, Jeanette	595-0349	Υ	Υ	
Young, Johnny	849-5456	Υ	Υ	Υ
Young, Patrick	849-5456		Υ	Υ

KEY: ** Indicates Safe Sitter Course, A Indicates an adult

SNAKE ATTACK

One of our residents who lives on the lake reports there seem to be more snakes this spring than normal.

Another resident told him he was bitten twice by snakes around the lake. Although most snakes in our area are harmless, please use caution if you encounter a snake.



REMINDER TO RESIDENTS

Occurrences such as speeding, running stop signs, barking dogs, residents not picking up after their dogs, fireworks or other continual loud sounds late at night are breaches of the law that affect our neighborhood and should be handled through the IMPD.



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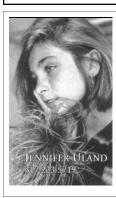
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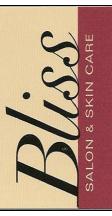
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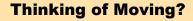
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