# Castle Cove Newsletter June 2013 Special Supplement Edition

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### Available on our website:

Neighborhood map, Board Member List, Committees & Members, Covenants, By-laws, Architectural Improvement Application, Trash & Recycle Information, Pool Information, form to reserve the shelter house, previous newsletters, minutes from Board Meetings, Crime Watch, etc.

Castle Cove Homeowners Association, Inc.

PO Box 50853 Indianapolis, IN 46250



### Dates to Remember:

Jun 7&8	Fri & S	Sat Neighborhood Garage Sale 8 am - 5 pm
June 14		Flag Day
June 16 June 20		Father's Day IMPD Broad Ripple Community Day
June 21		First Day of Summer
<b>July 2</b> July 4		<b>Board Meeting</b> 6 p.m. at Pool Independence Day Holiday
Aug 6	Tues	Ice Cream Social to celebrate National Night Out Against Crime
Sept 2	Mon	Labor Day
		Board Meeting 6 p.m. at Library
Sept 22	Sun	First Day of Autumn
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Crime watch meetings have not yet been scheduled for 2013 and will be announced when scheduled.

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### **EMERGENCY: 911**



Other hours: 327-3811 Poison Control (Indiana): 800-222-1222 Mayor's Action Center & Animal Care & Control: 327-4622

M-F, 7 am—7 pm:

327-6100

Non-emergency incidents:

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### **School Information**

# Mary Castle Elementary (kindergarten)<br/>8510 E 82nd Street423-8400Crestview Elementary (or the Magnet Program allows children to<br/>apply for schools such as Mary Castle or other Charter Schools)<br/>7600 E 71st Street964-4200Fall Creek Middle School<br/>9701 E 63rd964-6600Lawrence North High School964-6600

7802 Hague Rd 964-7700 Website information at: www.ltschools.org

or call 423-8400 to verify the school for an address.

### **Neighborhood Reminders:**

**Storm Drains:** please obey the city ordinance to keep street gutters and drains clear of grass, leaves and debris for proper drainage. And remember, what goes in those drains ends up in our retention pond!



<u>Mailboxes:</u> Must be Size 2, painted Rust-O-Leum Leather Brown. Wooden posts must also be painted the same color.

<u>Yard Lights</u>: working dusk-to-dawn yard light required for each residence.

<u>Sidewalks:</u> Homeowners are responsible for removing snow from sidewalks (city ordinance) and trimming bushes and trees so they don't obstruct sidewalks and streets.

### **Castle Cove Real Estate Update**

Sales data from Metropolitan Indianapolis Board of Realtors .

- 5 homes **SOLD** so far in 2013
- The average sales price \$177,270.
- Average Days on the Market (DOM) 27

Real Estate Information provided by Ruth Ann Stephenson, Realtor, F.C. Tucker Phone: 372-4779 or Email: ruthann@comcast.net

Mortgage Interest Rates Remain Very Low					
As of 5/30/13 (from Tucker Mortgage 849-5050)					
Loan Program	Rate (%)	Points (%)	79		
30 year fixed—Conventional	4.125%	0	80		
15 year fixed	3.625%	0	80		
30 year fixed —FHA	3.75%	0	79		
30 year fixed —VA	3.75%	.0			

#### Bed Baths Base List Sale Price Address Full-half ment Lvl Price rms **Homes Currently Listed FOR SALE** 8140Springwater Dr 3 2 1 Ν 11/2 \$209,900 2 2 4 1 Ν \$204,900 8131 Lake Point Way Homes with a sale PENDING Homes that SOLD (1/1/13- 5/30/13)

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oints (%)	7913 Cove Trace	3	2	1	Ν	2	\$183,500	\$177,000
0	8038 Clearwater Dr	4	2	1	Ν	2	\$175,000	\$175,000
0	8050 Clearwater Dr	3	2	0	Ν	1	\$174,900	\$174,900
0	7959 Springwater Dr	3	2	0	Ν	1	\$176,900	\$172,450
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### Newsletter Information

The newsletter will be published and sent by email 4-5 times per year. Timing will be so as to include the previous Board Meeting minutes. 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 Castle Cove announcements and Crime Watch information. The newsletter is emailed in a manner so as not to disclose email addresses.

Articles, ads and other information for newsletter inclusion 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.

	<b>Resident</b>	Non-Resident
Small Ad (business card size)	free	\$5/issue
1/4 Page Ad (maximum size)	5.00/issue	\$15/issue
Coupon Space	free	\$5/issue
For Sale Space (about 5-6 lines)	free	(residents only)

Please make advertisement checks payable to "Castle Cove Owners Association." <u>Free business card size ads will run</u> <u>until the end of the current year and must be "renewed" to run for the following year.</u>

To include something in the newsletter, please contact me by phone 570-7717 or email at ruthann@comcast.net. This is **your** newsletter!

Ruth Ann Stephenson

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This brief newsletter is being sent to include several additional items that should have been in the last edition of the newsletter.

Ruth Ann Newsletter Editor

### SWIMMING POOL Opens for Summer Season With new access system

The Castle Cove swimming pool opened **Saturday, May 25** for the 2013 swimming season using a <u>new access system</u>. Each resident family will have their own code to enter on the gate keypad at the North side of the pool. This gate will allow residents access to the pool through the freshly painted and updated restrooms. The gate in the fence will remain locked. To obtain your family's access code, please **contact any Board member** (Phone numbers are on



page 1). If you already have a code for the tennis courts, the same code will access the pool lock. As a reminder, your code is for your family members only! Do not share your code with anyone. Residents who have not paid their annual dues will not have access to the pool or tennis courts.



**The key lock looks like this.** Residents who have paid their dues will use a 4-digit code to enter. Just enter the numbers, no star or pound sign after the number is required. Please be sure the gate closes behind you and you <u>do not let anyone</u> <u>"piggyback</u>" through the gates with you except for your <u>non-resident guests</u>. Other residents are not guests, they must use their own code.

This new code access system will provide restroom availability before and after pool hours and pool season for residents when using the tennis courts, playground or just enjoying the common area. The south restroom doors will be locked to prevent entry to the pool after pool hours. The locks record the date and time every code is used. Residents are responsible for the condition of the pool, restroom and tennis area when

their code is used to unlock the gate. It's your common area to enjoy, so please help keep the areas and equipment in good condition and clean and free of trash. The pool will be open from 10 a.m.—8:30 p.m. with lifeguards on duty. Please abide by the posted pool rules.

The Board hopes this new system will help allow residents to access amenities in a more structured and appropriate fashion and allow restroom access outside of pool hours.

### **Reserving the Shelter House**

Residents (who have paid their dues) are eligible to reserve the shelter for parties and other gatherings. A \$50 deposit is collected and then returned if the shelter is left in a neat and clean condition. To reserve the shelter, please call the pool manager, **Kyle Goodwin at 372-5248**. There is a form on the website for you to fill out. Kyle will need to know if your guests will also be swimming in case extra lifeguards are required.



### **GREETINGS TO MY GOOD NEIGHBORS IN CASTLE COVE**

### An Invitation to a theatrical performance And supporting a worldwide immunization effort.

The Kiwanis Club of Castleton Foundation, a 501 [c] [3] not-for-profit organization, is sponsoring its tenth annual fund raising event at the Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre. Supporting the Kiwanis goal of serving the children of the world, the proceeds from a portion of the ticket price funds various charitable organizations.

Another family oriented production, "The Sound of Music," was chosen as this year's production. The particulars are:

Production: The Sound of Music

Location: Beef and Boards 9301 Michigan Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46268

Date: Sunday, June 23, 2013

Time:12:00 pm — Doors open12:15 pm — Buffet

1:30 pm— Showtime

Ticket Price:\$67.00 per person(\$15.00 per ticket is tax deductable)

This year I am highlighting our international immunization project.

In 2010 Kiwanis International, with world-wide headquarters in Bring the family and enjoy the laughter, romance and Indy, announced a five year fund drive to eliminate **Maternal**/ Intrigue of a timeless musical. **Natal Tetanus** in the world. A goal of raising \$110,000,000 by

2015 to eliminate the deadly disease in 40 countries in the world. This money will provide the three shots necessary for immunization.

Here in the US/Indiana the disease is practically unknown. We all get our tetanus shots beginning very early in life. The last time you went to the Emergency Room I bet they asked you if your booster tetanus shot was up to date. In Haiti for example, the only western hemisphere country with a high incidence, UNICEF teams provide the manpower needed to deliver three shots to the pregnant women. This provides immunization for her and her unborn babies. In some countries a baby dies from tetanus every 9 minutes.

If you would like more information on the Maternal Natal Tetanus program, to purchase Sound of Music tickets, or to make a tax deductable donation; contact me at:

James Van Vorst

President Kiwanis Club of Castleton Foundation 7950 Clearwater Court

jamesvanvorst@comcast.net

Phone: 578-8643



REMINDER Castle Cove Garage Sale June 7-8 8:00 am-5:00 pm



Time to clean out your closets, garage and attic and get ready to make some extra \$\$ at our neighborhood garage sale. The sale will be advertised — all you have to do is put your items out!

**BUFET MENU BUFET MENU** Hand-Carved Roast Beef Chicken Finger Fillets Lemon Pepper Tilapia Macaroni & Cheese Vegetable Blend Glazed Carrots Sour Cream Wedge Potatoes Fruit & Salad Bar

A family favorite and the greatest Rodgers and Hammerstein musical of all time, *The Sound of Music* features the songs: My Favorite Things, Edelweiss, Do Re Mi, Climb Every Mountain and many more. Bring the family and enjoy the laughter, romance and intridue of a timeless musical

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### **Castle Cove Newsletter**

New Sidewalk and Ramp

# To Castle Cove Playground

The steep steps were torn out on the sidewalk between the pool and tennis courts.

A new concrete ramp was installed (according to handicap guidelines) to make accessibility much easier for those with strollers, wagons or wheelchairs.







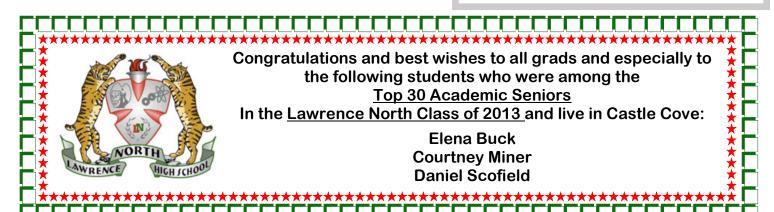


### And it didn't stop there!

A concrete sidewalk now completes the trip to the playground along the south end of the tennis courts.

The Board hopes this improvement is beneficial to a great many residents and will allow more people much easier access to the playground.

This concrete is now able to be walked on although some landscaping around these areas is yet to be completed.



### Special CASTLE COVE BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, May 22, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. Castle Cove Common Area Restrooms

### ATTENDEES:

<u>Board Members</u>: Patti Davis, Rich Havlin, Tom Johnson, Maury Lathrop, Tom Stephenson, Ruth Ann Stephenson. (Absent: Scott Gallagher, Lana Stevens, Marie Wright)

Non-Board Members: N/A

**MEETING NOTES:** The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

This special meeting was called so the Board members could view the restrooms after being painted and determine if the current lighting is adequate or if additional lighting is needed at this time.

The members viewed the restrooms and determined:

- Painting the restrooms an antique white was a wonderful idea and they look very fresh and clean.
- Other items done look great; new toilet seats, paper towel holders and toilet paper roll holders in each stall.
- The current lighting seemed fine for restroom use.
- There is a need for light switches at each door entering both restrooms (rather than 1 switch in men's room controlling all lights in both).
- The proposal from King Electric was reviewed and discussed.
- The doors on the pool side should have closers like the doors on the North side. Tom S. will contact Bob's Lock to install the closers.

A motion was made NOT to purchase new lights at this time, but proceed with King Electric to:

- 1. Install switches near each restroom door in both restrooms.
- 2. Raise the entry lights that shine on the "Castle Cove" entrance signs
- 3. Install electric outlets at each of the two entrances.

The motion passed unanimously. It is also understood that this will change the price and could reduce the original cost by as much as \$1,500. Maury will contact King Electric to get a new estimate and proceed with the work as voted on.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Ann Stephenson Secretary

The Board noted a few other items outside of the meeting:

- The pool was in the process of being filled and the water looked clear. It is about <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> full. It is questionable that the water will have time to get warm before opening on Saturday.
- One of the two large umbrellas is broken, so more umbrellas will be needed.
- The asphalt cul-de-sac outside of the parking lot has a lot of cracks with grass growing in them. Tom & Ruth Ann will spray with grass & weed killer.
- Tom Johnson reported that he saw Aquatic Control treating & bluing the pond.







You may not be aware, but in Castle Cove our street drains empty into our large pond and rain water carries any debris with it to the pond. Grass clippings, leaves and other debris are not good for the pond. Likewise, please do not pour any paint, solvents, oil, insecticides or other chemicals down any street drain.

It's the time of year when that green grass just never seems to stop growing and we are mowing quite frequently to keep up.

Whether you mow your own grass or have someone else do it for you, please be sure there are no grass clippings left on the sidewalks or in the street.





### Other ways to beat the mess:

- Use a mulching lawn mower
- Bag your grass
- Invest in an inexpensive blower to clean up any stray clippings.
- Hire help!

Grass spread over the sidewalk and into the street also does not look very nice and gives our neighborhood a messy appearance.

It's easy to just sweep or use a blower to put the clippings back on your lawn or pick them up. You can either put clippings out for the trash or even use them to mulch garden plants.



While you're at it, if you have weeds or grass growing from the crack next to the curb or in the street in front of your home, give them a squirt of Round-Up! Another great event you are invited to attend Sponsored by IMPD North District Associated through our neighborhood Crime Watch

Castle Cove's Crime Watch Coordinator and Board member Lana Stevens is participating on the planning committee

# Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department North District 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Day



Games & Giveawo

Meet your local law enforcement

Specialty Units Bomb Squad <u>SWAT</u> Motorcycle Unit Mounted Horse Patrol

# Educational Wellness<sup>2</sup> Booths

Officer Michael Maxwell 327 6119 Officer Lindsey Terry 327 5999

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### List items or services wanted — it's FREE

### CHILD CARE

Looking for occasional weekday child care for 1 year old. Might work well for a stay-at-home mom or college student.

Please contact Lisa Theobald at lisaklugo@yahoo.com or call 727-5339

# **SERVICES**



**Simon Confer Castle Cove Resident** 12 years old



Certified Safe Sitter, \$3/hour Older brother of a 3 year old Dog Walker/Pet Sitter \$5/day



Grass Cutter/Leaf Raker \$15/yard Call Linda Confer (Simon's Mom) at 317-258-9081 to schedule.

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**SITTERS**—Castle Cove residents Haley (14) and Joey (11) Harper have both taken a safe sitter class and are ready to babysit. Please call 578-8904 to make arrangements. 

### FOR SALE:

A great way to sell items....and it's FREE! Provide editor with item, price & contact number.

List your items for sale here! It's free and it works!

Motorcycle Lift/Stand Park or store your motorcycle on this hydra swivel casters allowing you to move it wi stand. Keeps the motorcycle in an uprig rather than leaning on a kickstand. Call: Tom Stephenson	hile on the		
HP Elite Wireless Keyboard like new	\$10		
New Engine Air Filters (#3916)3 for \$15for 1997-2005 Cavaliers/and many other GM Cars			
<b>Brother HL-2140 black laser printer \$20</b> Like new, still using the original ink cartridge. Cable and instructions included.			
Call Ken Massey	849-7099		

# **Classified Ads**



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