

The Town of Wynnedale Newsletter
Wynnedale News & Views
“One Newsletter for One Wynnedale”



*Happy Holiday & Welcome to
Warm Weather!*



May 2008 Edition



Letter from the Editor

Our town is having some wonderful warm weather events!

There have been some great suggestions of things to do this Spring & Summer season:

- A Wynnedale Town Beautification Contest
- A town-wide Yard Sale
- A Street Fair/Party

We are going to act on the first two immediately – but will have to get with the town board and the city – along with the neighbors whose street(s) would be involved - if we have a “street fair” or party. So look for more information to come about that and please share your thoughts.

But since we have had a lot of interest in the other two:

- “Beautiful Wynnedale Contest” will be held this summer – see the article with details enclosed.
- “Wynnedale Town Yard Sale” will be held May 31st – short notice – but timed to coincide with the dumpster – so what is unworthy of selling or you don’t sale or want, can be easily disposed of! See the article enclosed for all the details!

We hope you can participate in the “Yard Sale” – but if you cannot and would like to do another one later in the year – please let me know and if we have others who are interested – we can certainly do another and get that info in the next newsletter.

The town directory is in process of being updated – please see the update form inside this newsletter . Note: The final deadline for any corrections or additions is May 31st.

I want to be sure we give special thanks to Bruce Ranger for sharing the list he keeps pretty well updated, and to all the newsletter staff who took the time to help verify and update the information.

Thanks again for all those who give so unselfishly of their time – none of this would happen without you!

Denise Owens, Editor

“Our mission is to keep the newsletter vibrant and relevant while using it to maintain a strong bond of community in our town; fostering a sense of inclusion for all by living up to our new motto “One Newsletter for One Wynnedale”.

Wynnedale Directory Update Information – ~~Last date for submission May 31, 2008~~
June 4th Adjusted Deadline for those who did not get this newsletter in time!

Names (as you want them to appear)_____

Children(if you want their names shown)_____

Address_____

Phone #s, including cell if you want displayed_____

Email addresses_____

Do not give us information you DO NOT want listed – we will print exactly what we are given.

Please complete and return this information to newsletter editor Denise Owens either via email to dransom13@yahoo.com or

drop off or mail to Denise at 4336 Hidden Orchard Lane,46228.

This is our **Final** request for updated information!

If we do not hear from you – we will assume the information in the last updated directory is correct (2005) and will run what we have.

Note: If you have already emailed information or dropped off the yellow flyer – there is no need to do it again – we have that information.

“Wynnestock”

The Christian family is hosting a neighborhood party

**1:00 pm, Sat. June 14th
at their home,
4280 Roland Road**

**Four different bands will be taking the stage on their new front patio.
The party will be kid friendly and even include games and other
activities for the kids.**

Beer, hot dogs and burgers will be provided for dinner.

Please bring a dish to share.

All Wynnedaleans are invited!



Our Young Wynnedaleans!

By Cheri Moore

Congratulations to Margaret Kincaid, oldest daughter of John Kincaid and Mary Soper, who received her bachelor's degree from the University of Utah in May.

She was also elected to Phi Beta Kappa scholastic honorary society. Margaret plans to work in a research lab at the university next year while applying to medical school.

She is a North Central High School graduate.

Need a sitter?

Sienna Sheets is interested in babysitting.

She is CPR certified and is graduating from the 8th grade.

Please call her at 328-0779.

“On The Town”

Town Council News

By John Kincaid – Town Council

Town Residents:

In consideration of maintaining the good appearance of the town the Town Council suggests each town resident take a look at your home from the viewpoint of a pedestrian or motorist passing by, and also from the viewpoint of a neighbor sitting on a patio. Objects viewable from the road like trash cans and other items awaited being discarded should be moved to locations not readily visible from the street or viewable by neighbors. Consider replacing or repairing deteriorated mail boxes also.

The annual Wynnedale dumpsters will be available on the weekend of May 31st -- June 1st at the usual Hidden Orchard cul-de-sac and Knollton-Wynnedale Road locations for items not easily disposable in regular trash pick ups.

Remember – Town Council meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the home of Mary Koers. Residents are always welcome to attend. To get the latest minutes from a council meeting go to our town website: www.wynnedale.org

Thank you

Wynnedale Town Council



In Care & Concern

By Janet Gibson

Lois Myers, wife of Elmon Myers, who developed the newest part of Wynnedale and still resides close by on Knollton Rd, passed away in early March. She and Elmon would have been married 70 years as of next month – quite a wonderful example for our young marrieds! Her daughter Elinor Nelson and her husband Jim live in Wynnedale proper and thank all the neighbors for their kind expressions of care and sympathy during their loss.

Merlyn Usher, a long-time Wynnedale resident, passed away peacefully on May 7, 2008, at the age of 92. Born in Los Angeles, she was reared in Minneapolis where she met and later married her high school sweetheart, Kenneth Usher, Jr., who died in 1994. The Ushers settled in Indianapolis where their four children were raised. Mrs. Usher is survived by her sister, Joan Policoff, and her best friend and caregiver, Coriene Scaife. A world-wide traveler, she was a gourmet cook who took pride in replicating meals enjoyed with her family around the globe. Mrs. Usher, known as an admirer of the arts, also received special recognition a champion of animal rights and a rescuer of many of God's little creatures. Her kind and gentle presence in this community and on this earth will be long remembered.

Jazz drummer Jack Gilfoy died peacefully in his sleep on Friday, May 2, 2008, at the age of 68. A lifelong native of Indianapolis, Jack held music and education degrees from Indiana University, where he was first to complete a degree in percussion. Over his 50-year career, Jack played with greats such as Errol Garner, Teddy Wilson, Jim Cullum, Harry Warren, Milt Hinton and Doc Severinson. His performing career began while he was still in college, including gigs with the Tommy and Jimmy Dorsey, Larry Elgart and Nelson Riddle big bands. Jack was probably best known for the 30 years during which he worked with The Four Preps, Sonny and Cher, Andy Williams, Johnny Mathis, Nancy Wilson, and even Elvis Presley (1971). On the classical side, Jack also played with The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra, the Chamber Brass Choir, The Columbus and Bloomington Pops Orchestras, the Sonic Boom Percussion Group, and other orchestras throughout the U.S., Canada, Australia and Japan. Of equal importance was his role as a music educator. Jack was Director of Music and Business Studies at IUPUI for 19 years. Jack is survived by his wife, Sue, children and step-children.

Please notify me of any illnesses or deaths in our town – we want to be able to show our support to each other, especially in times of illness and loss.

You can contact me at: 293-5597 or email me: hegibson@iquest.net



Recycling

By Cheri Moore for Sue Gilfoy

I recently found a great recycling resource. Keep Indianapolis Beautiful, Inc. publishes a complete recycling guide including drop off locations for everything from aerosol cans to yard waste. If you have old paint cans, cell phones, batteries, etc that you need to get rid of properly go to [http://www.kibi.org/re cycle/recycle_reuse_guide.htm](http://www.kibi.org/re_cycle/recycle_reuse_guide.htm).

The list was too long to publish in the newsletter.

KIB also publishes many volunteer opportunities on the web site to help keep parks clean, plant trees around the city or assist with recycling at community events such as the Indy 500 and Jazz Fest.



Safe & Sound

“Keeping ourselves and our homes physically safe and financially sound”

By Denise Owens – Editor/Insurance & Financial Specialist

Spring rains have started our greenery growing and warm weather means we are out and about more!

- **Be sure you keep hedges trimmed away from windows, and entries, and be sure to light areas where someone might hide. Consider adding motion flood lights around your property – these work great at warding off trespassers.**

When working around your property – don’t leave garage doors up or doors to the house unlocked if you are out of sight of them – thieves have been known to nip in through open doors and steal valuables while the owner is happily puttering away right on the property!

- **When traveling – be sure a neighbor knows you are gone and to keep an eye out; leave a light or two on variable timers, and stop mail & newspapers from stacking up and alerting others you are gone. Our best “security system” is each other!**
- **Walkers & Bikers should be sure they carry a cell phone and something to repel wandering dogs – a walking stick is handy to have for lots of reasons!**
- **Keep pool gates locked or covers on when you are not using them – they don’t call them “attractive nuisances” for nothing! On hot summer days, cool pools can be irresistible temptations for young people!**
- **Be sure to lock your cars and do not leave valuables visible. Better yet – if you can – garage your cars at night – there have been several incidents of items being stolen from cars parked in driveways.**
- **Please call the police “Non-emergency” line if you notice anything that makes you uneasy – like strange cars or groups roaming the area and of course call 911 if you think illegal activity is taking place.**

Use a little caution and enjoy the warm weather - without incident.

Wynnedale Beautification Contest!

We have a beautiful town!

Our residents work hard on their gardens and landscaping and take a lot of pride in how their property looks – its curb appeal!

There are also some really wonderful backyards, patio and pool areas that while not necessarily visible from the curb, add real beauty and substance to the homeowner's and neighbor's property. Your newsletter team is sponsoring a contest to recognize the best of the best!

The contest judging will be done Saturday, August 23rd, by our town board members and the editor of the newsletter, Denise Owens. (Board members & editor are not eligible to compete to avoid conflict of interest.)

The categories are:

- Most beautiful front yard
- Most beautiful back yard
- Most beautiful pool or patio area
- Most beautiful flower garden
- Most Exotic Landscaping
- Best Overall Landscaping

Winners will be awarded blue ribbons and certificates, plus we hope to be able to put photos in our local newspaper, and of course our newsletter and even put signs in the yards of the winners announcing the prizes won.

We hope to have lots of residents participate. If you would like to enter the contest please complete the attached information and fax or mail to:

Denise Owens – fax # 293-4553 or 4336 Hidden Orchard Ln, Indianapolis, IN 46228

Entry Form:

Name _____

Address _____

Category of entry* _____

*Most beautiful front yard; Most beautiful back yard; Most beautiful pool or patio area; etc.

Wynnedale Town Yard Sale!

With the dumpster coming and the cleaning out of stored “treasures” – now is a great time to have a garage sale!

We know it is short notice – but if you want to participate, all you will need to do is ***put some balloons on your mailbox and if you'd like, put a sign at your corner.***

(note: if you put up signs – please be sure you take them down at the end of the sale!)

The newsletter team will be placing “Town of Wynnedale Yard Sale” signs at the main entrances to the town and at the major cross roads – 44th & Knollton, Cold Spring & 42nd St., Cold Spring & Wynnedale Rd. and 44th and Hidden Orchard Lane and 44th & Kessler.

The date and time will be Saturday, May 31st, 9 am to 2 pm.

“Was a great success!!! We will do it again later this summer!”

Hope you can participate – a good way to make a little money for those upcoming beautification projects!

The Dumpster is Coming!

The annual Wynnedale dumpsters will be available on the weekend of

May 31st thru June 1st

at the usual locations:

- 43rd & Hidden Orchard at the cul-de-sac
- Knollton-Wynnedale Road

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