



## Spring/Summer Newsletter

**Please support GHPOA's Initiative to Update Our Governing Documents!** After careful analysis and review by our legal counsel, your Board is proposing a revision to our governing documents that will enable us to achieve a realistic percentage of votes needed to update our 40-year old governing documents. Vital changes need to be made to enable GHPOA to preserve and protect the value of our homes and desirability of our community. Please review the enclosed material and vote "YES." Thank you.

### **Annual Meeting**

Our Annual meeting was held on Tuesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Amy Beverland School. Your Board presented a comprehensive report on 2018 accomplishments and plans for 2019. Minutes of our Annual Meeting, as well as all other Board Meetings, are available for our review at [GHPOA.com](http://GHPOA.com).

### **Community Accomplishments**

- The yearly painting and refurbishment of our community street signs and poles has been completed.
- The Board launched an initiative to update our 40-year old governing documents in order to protect and preserve the value of our homes and desirability of our community.

### **Projects Underway**

- The landscaping beds in Admirals Bay, Admirals Pointe, Admirals Sound, Admirals Woods and Crossing South will be refurbished during the coming months.
- Necessary lighting repairs will be made to the lighting on a few monuments.
- The Infrastructure Committee will continue to work to obtain support from the City of Indianapolis to repair our crumbling roads and sidewalks.
- The Security Committee is continuing to work with Geist Patrol to prevent speeding and rolling through stop signs on two major roads, Old Stone Drive and Courageous Drive.

### **Neighborhood Security – Geist Patrol**

- **Be Seen and Be Safe!** Please remember to wear reflective clothing (and consider carrying a flashlight) when running, jogging or biking from dusk to dawn.
- **Avoid Being a Victim of a Crime of Opportunity!** Lock all vehicles parked outside and remove all valuables. Lock all exterior doors and use your security system. Remember that exterior dusk to dawn lighting is a crime deterrent!
- **Please report any suspicious person or activity by calling 317-842-8082.**

## **Neighborhood Events!**

- Our **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual GHPOA Community Social** was held on Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, from 1 to 3 p.m. at Geist Chapel. There was something for everyone... Glitter art, face painting, balloons, snow cones, hula hoops, fire trucks and more for the children. All enjoyed an IMPD K-9 demonstration. Adults registered and won over 2 dozen prizes (donated by local merchants) valued at almost \$2,000. Pictures are available at GHPOA.com!
- Our **“Deck the Homes” Exterior Holiday Decorating** contest drew dozens of entries. Our Grand Prize winner, the Wolfe Family, received a custom GHPOA Sailboat Mailbox (donated by Estes Design). The Halbach Family, our 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Winner, received a \$100 gift certificate from White’s Ace Hardware and our 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Winner, the Faludy Family, received a \$50 White’s Ace Hardware gift certificate. Pictures are available at GHPOA.com!

### **Questions from your neighbors...**

**Why does the Carroll Road Trail not completely connect to the Admirals?** GHPOA has previously investigated this issue & has learned that the area between the trail’s end & Bay Forrest Dr. is a Marion County Right of Way where all utilities are located. This changes what was once believed to be an easy & affordable project into a more complicated one, most likely requiring costly engineering drawings, and the utility issues might preclude the City of Indianapolis from granting a permit. As a result, the project has been put on hold.

**I know I need approval to make any exterior change to my home or lot. Where do I obtain the required form?** Please visit GHPOA.com. The “Developmental Control” link contains all of the guidelines and form.



### **Save the Dates!**

- **Geist Half Marathon – Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>**
- **GHPOA Community Garage Sale – Friday and Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>**
- **July 4<sup>th</sup> “Blast on the Bridge” (sponsored by the Town of Fishers)**
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual GHPOA Community Social – Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, from 1 to 3 p.m. at Geist Chapel**
- **“Halloween Trunk or Treat” – Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, 5 to 6 p.m. (sponsored by Geist Chapel)**
- **“Deck the Homes” Exterior Decorating Contest, November 28<sup>th</sup> through December 21<sup>st</sup>**



### **Mailbox Replacement/Maintenance**

Curb appeal for our streets begins with the condition and appearance of our mailboxes. If your mailbox needs replacement, please review our Mailbox Guidelines located at [GHPOA.com](http://GHPOA.com).

Only a black T3 metal mailbox with the approved address font and black post may be installed.

Information on purchasing a GHPOA pre-approved mailbox is also available for your review on our web site.



### **Be a good neighbor...**

While our pets are an important part of our lives, constantly barking dogs are a violation of both Indianapolis and Fishers statues, as well as GHPOA Guidelines. Violators are subject to fines.