



Blue Ridge Bugle: Summer 2020
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Blue Ridge Neighborhood Association Annual Meeting - Tuesday August 25, 7:00 p.m.

Our annual meeting will be held online through Zoom; you can listen in by phone and send questions and comments via email if you prefer not to go online. If you plan to attend, please email Ralf Shaw (shawd@indiana.edu) for the meeting ID and passcode. If you are new to Zoom or want to practice, email Ralf.

The agenda as currently planned is at the end of this newsletter. We will have (at least) two action items.

1. Elect a two-person Nominating Committee, who will prepare a slate of officers for the 2021 election and will conduct that election. The Board will recommend Jeannie Galbreath (Ramble East) and Jerry Towle (Blue Ridge Court) for the positions. Additional nominations can be made in advance via email or from the floor.
2. Approve spending up to \$3000 to underwrite part of the cost for the spring 2021 brush clean-up. We hope that the fall 2020 clean-up will go so well that there will be nothing left to clean, but we can't be sure. The Board will propose approving funds for spring 2021, with the understanding that the project may be deferred to spring 2022 if things go well in September.

Only Blue Ridge homeowners who have paid dues for 2020-2021 will be eligible to vote on these (or any other) issues. Dues invoices are included with this newsletter for homeowners who have not paid the \$30 dues for 2020-2021.



Kids' Parade Sunday September 13

Save the date! The new version of the neighborhood kids' parade will be Sunday afternoon, September 13. Contact Whitney Rutz if you would like to help with the Big Event.

●Neighborhood Cleanup Saturday September 26

Clean out your basements, garages, and sheds. Clean up fallen limbs in your yard. Get everything ready for Cleanup Day. We need volunteers to:

- Supervise the staging area
- Transport items to the staging area for folks who are unable to do this themselves
- Help neighbors who are unable to move items on their own
- Oversee "picker pile" for reusable items, which can be donated if not picked up by BR folks

Contact Dylan Grigar at dylan@lorenwoodbuilders.com if you can help.

Watch Your Speed

As things reopen, neighbors and visitors (including contractors) apparently want to get to their destinations faster. The city code sets the speed limit in residential areas at 25 mph. Please model good behavior and keep BR safe for all of us.

Sidewalk Repair Participants

Thanks to Nancy and Louie Deckard, who took part in the sidewalk repair this spring. Apologies for omitting them from the list in the spring *Bugle*.



July 4 Parade/Promenade

Thanks to Anna Knust and colleagues for organizing our own 4th of July event. Some 35 Blue Ridgers decorated scooters, bikes, dogs, and/or themselves and promenaded at their own pace from their houses along Ramble Roads and Lakewood Drive. They passed many admiring neighbors.

Thank Your Neighbors!

Blue Ridge is a special place because many volunteers step forward to keep things running. When you see these neighbors, let them know their contributions are appreciated. Thanks to:

- Annual picnic: Deb and Greg Kloeppe, and Carole Canfield
- CONA representative: Susan Catt
- Directory editor: Martha Michelson
- Dunn Street path plans monitor: Andy Knust
- Flag tender: Carole Canfield
- Front gate gardener: David Sparks
- Front gate area clean-up Dan Toth, Gene Laughman
- Holiday decorations: Ruth and Kelly Bogan
- Kids' Parade: Whitney Rutz
- New neighbor ambassador: Jeannie Galbreath
- Newsletter (*Bugle*) editor: Bethany Nolan
- Nextdoor Leads: Ruth Aydt, Amy Henn, Cory Rutz
- Sign keepers and other storage: John Grigutis, Keith Dinga, and Carole Canfield
- Sound system storage, support: Mike Trotzke
- Tech support: Ruth Aydt
- Uprooter keeper: John Grigutis

DRAFT AGENDA: BLUE RIDGE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING, AUGUST 25, 2020

7:00 P.M., VIA ZOOM

1. Call to order, introduction of officers, approval of agenda - Ralf Shaw
2. Acting Treasurer's Report - Matt Fields
3. Election of Nominating Committee
4. Proposal to authorize \$3,000 for spring brush cleanup
5. Information on Lower Cascades Road and other current topics by Sue Sgambelluri, City Council District II Representative, and a representative of Bloomington Parks and Recreation
6. Open discussion

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