

Indian Lake Smoke Signal

• INDIAN LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION •

President's Message

by Mark Rumreich

2021 Bylaw Reaffirmation

Every twenty years, the Indian Lake Improvement Association is required to call a special meeting of all lot owners to reaffirm our bylaws. The process is described in the last paragraph of the bylaws (printed in your ILIA Directory and on IndianLakeHOA.com). The next such meeting must be held no later than December 31, 2021. This gives us about two years to prepare.

Bylaws versus rules

There's a difference between Indian Lake bylaws and rules. Bylaws are the constitution of the Association. They form the foundation of our neighborhood government and it's difficult to change them. The bylaw reaffirmation meetings are a special chance to do so. The bylaws define the rights and responsibilities of lot owners and the board. Examples of bylaws are the automatic suspension of all lake privileges by delinquent lot owners and the requirement that lot owners submit home design or alteration plans to the board for approval.

Rules are the ordinances of the Association. The board has the power and responsibility to make reasonable rules for the use of community property by lot owners, to maintain community property, to create a budget and to collect assessments. The board may not create a rule that contradicts the bylaws. Examples of rules are the 10 MPH speed limit for watercraft, and policies for watercraft storage on Association property.

Examples of possible changes

The board doesn't anticipate radical changes, but there are a few areas where fine-tuning could be helpful. Examples include:

- explicitly define our fiscal year for the purposes of new home buyer prorated assessments
- clarify and establish the rights of the Association to assess certain fines
- clarify the membership rights of partial lot owners
- re-evaluate the number of votes required for passing specific measures
- consider allowing signage subject to limitations
- consider allowing expanded membership subject to limitations
- review the bylaws for consistency with current state and federal laws

Any changes would need to be reviewed by an attorney with expertise in community association law. The board has allocated \$2500 in the proposed budget for attorney fees next year and expects money to be budgeted in 2021 as well.

All residents are encouraged to take a look at the ILIA bylaws and contact a board member or attend a board meeting with their thoughts and suggestions.

Annual Picnic

The Civic Committee outdid themselves at this year's annual picnic on Saturday August 17. The Luau by the Lake featured a pig roast and all the fixings, a Kona snow-cone truck, lifeguard supervised swimming, and a band. Sun shelters and tables with umbrellas were set up to keep everyone comfortable and the weather was perfect.

This was the first ever annual picnic located at North Beach. The Civic Committee wanted to take advantage of our neighborhood's best feature, and it worked! Everyone who attended had a great time.

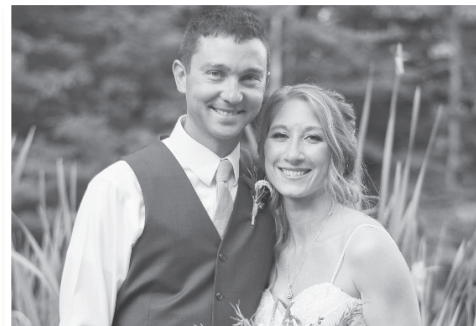
Thanks to all who contributed to the success of this event, including the Civic Committee, Chad and Carla Rosebrock, Joe and Brigitte Dayan, Mark and Holly Dennett (clean-up crew leaders), Ron and Ann Gillum, Shawn and Alyssa Alexander, Jason and Stevi Kersh, Dan and Joyce Van Treese, Ben and Jen Slocum, and RJ and Stacy Russell.





Across the Fence

Indian Lake resident, **Kyle Hurd**, married his beautiful bride, Jenny, on August 10. They had a beautiful rustic wedding at "The Barn At Timber Ridge" in Morgantown near Brown County. Family and friends witnessed their exchange of wedding vows in an outdoor ceremony. A barn reception followed, including a Mexican buffet, along with dancing and fun to be had by all. Later, their guests enjoyed hot dogs and s'mores out by the fire pit. It was a perfect day. Kyle & Jenny continued their wedding celebration with a romantic honeymoon in Jamaica. Congratulations to Kyle & Jenny!



The **Mathews family** will be heading to Mexico for a two-year stint as missionaries. They'll be working with Maya people in the jungle near Tulum. The family will miss their Indian Lake friends, especially in the summer. They'll return to their home in 2022. They welcome groups who want to do a mission trip to work with an amazing people group in a beautiful place. If you would like to know more about their adventure, you can visit Mathews Mission to Mexico on facebook or donate at GiveSendGo Mathews Family Mission.

Laine Rumreich was recognized on the Ohio State football field on the evening of October 5th as a member of the 2019

Ohio State Homecoming Court. Court members are chosen based on their leadership qualities, spirit, integrity, and achievement through their contributions and involvement at Ohio State. The Court selection process includes an application and individual interviews. Laine served as an ambassador during Welcome Week and Homecoming Week, participated in the Friday night pep rally, rode in the homecoming parade, and was recognized at the famous Ohio State "skull session" prior to walking out on the field in the "Shoe" at the homecoming game. What an experience for Laine and her parents! Laine will graduate with a B.S. in Computer Science and Engineering in May.



A big thank you to all who assisted with the dredge this year. We had to remove the dredge from the water a few times for repairs this season. Many people stepped up to help, which makes a difficult job much easier. A special thank you to **Ed French** and the crew at Monarch for always keeping a truck ready to go. Thank you also to **Ron Gillum** for taking over the driving duties. All volunteers are greatly appreciated. Good job all!



When You Need To Call



KEEP THIS WITH YOUR INDIAN LAKE PHONE DIRECTORY

Assessments - Lynn Osborn	826-1505
Beach reservations - any board member	
Boat slip rentals - Kyle Hurd	416-7982
Bylaws and rules - Bob Gundaker	855-1349
Civic Committee - Stacy Russell	557-2283
Communications - Alyssa Alexander	670-7559

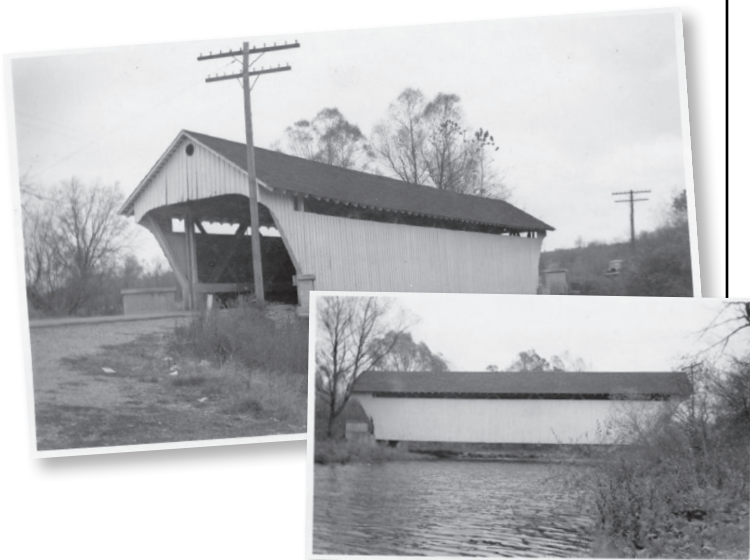
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mark Rumreich (president)	823-3897
Andy Van Treese (vp)	627-0737
Lynn Osborn (secretary/treasurer)	826-1505
Alyssa Alexander	670-7559
Joe Dayan	910-7751
Bob Gundaker	855-1349
Kyle Hurd	416-7982
Scott Kelley	919-7231
Phil Marble	702-5715
RJ Russell	281-0024

Blast from the Past

These photos from November 1949 show the Indian Lake covered bridge, built in 1899 by J. D. Torr & Company. The covered bridge was lost in 1958.

The photos are courtesy of the Sidney B. Pepe Estate. Sidney B. Pepe documented the lifespans of many of those beautiful, historic structures over several decades. Born in Ft. Wayne, Sid was a WWII Army Air Corps Veteran in Europe. He worked for the US Postal Service for 33 years, retiring in 1975.



Trunk or Treat

Indian Lake's creatures, celebrities, and superheroes enjoyed hot dogs, smores, and plenty of Halloween treats at Trunk or Treat at the park on Friday October 25th. Thanks to the Civic Committee for sponsoring this fun event.



Planting Bald Cypress Trees on Peninsula

Thanks to everyone who helped clear and plant six bald cypress trees on the peninsula on September 15. These deciduous conifers are native to Indiana and will grow to a height of seventy feet. Thanks to the Alexander family, Phil Marble, Stevie & Jason Kersh, Phil Rogers, Andy Van Treese and Mark York.



Meet the Neighbor

by Kimberly Hunt

Meet Bob Karnak

Upon first meeting Bob Karnak, his easy manner and warm humor are the first things one notices. He has an inherent friendliness, and an enthusiasm to connect with people through a common cause. These attributes have marked his tenure as an Indian Lake neighbor since he and his wife, Annette, moved into their home at 10301 Indian Lake Blvd. N. Dr. in 1999. Bob wasted no time getting to know his neighbors and dedicating his time and talent as a ILIA board member to assist with projects and improvements important to the neighborhood.

Bob's idea of neighborliness extends beyond conversations across the fence. As he talks about Jeff Harris, who has cut his hair for the last umpteen years, and Chef Kelly at Tuttle's Orchard who makes "the best Rueben sandwich", and Will, the proprietor of Porter Books and Bread who sees him enter and says, "Hi Bob, how's it going," it is apparent that community and connectedness are meaningful to Bob on a cellular level.

It is somewhat surprising to know that this obvious people person spent 34 years at Eli Lilly and Company / Elanco Animal Health in a variety of science and tech related positions, studying bugs. No, it wasn't because he had a fondness for "creepy crawlies" as a child.

In fact, it is Bob's interest in his global community and the environment that led him to get his BS in Biology at Cleveland State and his MS in Entomology at Ohio State. "There are 'indicator species' of insects," Bob explains, "that give us early signs of the environmental impact of pollution." It is this passion of environmentalism that fueled his thesis research and first job out of school.

Bob is retired now, but his love of people and the environment still keep him quite busy. He spends two days a week on construction sites working with volunteer laborers for Habitat for Humanity. Much of the rest of his time, Bob spends planning, training and raising funds for charity bike rides for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. From 2001-2011, Bob raised over \$100,000 for JDRF, participating in 100-mile rides through Death Valley, CA. Since 2011, and Annette's Leukemia diagnosis, Bob has focused his efforts toward riding and raising funds for LLS. To date, he has raised over \$100,000 to find a cure for blood cancers, making him one of the organization's top local fundraisers.

Bob also participates in bike tours for the sheer pleasure of the landscape and camaraderie of others. So far, he has completed tours in TN, IL, FL, NY, WI, and MI. Now in his 70's, Bob admits that 100-mile bike rides, "are getting more challenging," but he says he has no desire to hang up his road bike and be a snow bird just yet. This is good news for us at Indian Lake, because we still have Bob in the neighborhood year-round, adding to our sense of community.

