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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I am ready for some snow!

Welcome to spring. I am happy to finally have warmer weather. I will be complaining when it is 95° in July but for now, I am enjoying the outdoors, along with my neighbors - walking, biking, mowing, and planting.

Your GLNA Board has had a busy year. First, THANK YOU to the 238 residents who have paid their dues, many paying optional higher amounts. The Board sent out an urgent call for participation due to the expense of snow removal as the New Year began and you answered the call.

The Marion County Zoning Board, in a 5-0 vote, denied the variance of use for the property at 8645 E 96th Street on May 20. The GLNA continues to provide feedback regarding a proposed round a bout (RAB) at Lantern Road; it will adversely affect access to the neighborhood via the Falkirk entrance.

Thank you. For signing the petition. For gathering signatures. For voicing your opinion.

Thank you for demonstrating (again) that the GLNA is a community.

Please take a moment to go to the new [GLNA website](#); you will find a link to the private [Facebook](#) neighborhood page there as well. We have great, real-time communications, and a place where everybody knows your name. Okay. Maybe not. But we would love to hear from you!

The only way I can do my job is with your help. Your participation in our community benefits everyone, and I believe the January 2014 snowfall amount was proof.

If you have not joined GLNA for a particular reason, please let me know. My job is to listen and to do my best to keep our neighborhood one where we are happy to come home, and others see what a true community can offer.

I look forward to the challenges of change, and hope you will join me in that effort.



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GLNA Annual Garage Sale

May 30-31, 2014
8 AM to 3 PM

While you are shopping our neighborhood, be sure to check out Hunter's Ridge and Pine Ridge Estates; our neighbors are having their annual garage sales that weekend as well!



Have Yourself a Happy Little Garage Sale



- § Put your best stuff out front
- § Reuse bags, boxes, or newspaper to wrap breakables for easy carry out
- § Recruit your family/friends to help (especially if you have large or heavy items)
- § Carpenter aprons make great cash drawers; if collecting money in one spot, ensure someone is minding the store, valuable items, etc.
- § Have a hand truck or other method of moving bulky items
- § Can you break a ten? Have plenty of ones, fives, and coins to make change
- § Use painter's tape for pricing; it removes easily and will not damage book covers, posters, etc.
- § Have accessible power (extension cord, batteries) to test drive electronics, appliances, etc.
- § Toss a tarp over items not for sale
- § Give it away at the end of the day, either to stragglers or to charity.
- § Be prepared for the early birds; garage sales are serious business!
- § Check online for the charity of choice, hours, and pick-up/drop off services
- § Stage baby clothes and toys near the back; shoppers will browse your other items on their way to their target
- § HAVE FUN!

FINANCIAL REPORT

Linda Sillery

- ☑ 236 GLNA memberships have been paid out of 360 member households
- ☑ Thanks to the generosity of 117 members, an additional \$5,218.00 was paid to ensure GLNA services continued
- ☑ The Board and your neighbors are truly grateful for your support to provide snow removal, street lights, etc.
- ☑ GLNA funds support the entire community
- ☑ Dues may be paid via PayPal or mailed to the PO Box

<u>As of April 10, 2014:</u>	Projected	Actual	Difference
Homeowners Paying Dues	200	236	36
Total Income:	\$12,025.00	\$16,935.67	\$4,910.67
Business Expenses	\$900.00	\$436.87	\$463.13
Street Lights	\$4,100.00	\$1,352.95	\$2,747.05
Newsletter	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Insurance	\$625.00	\$0.00	\$625.00
Landscaping	\$2,400.00	\$0.00	\$2,400.00
Snow Removal	\$4,000.00	\$6,156.00	-\$2,156.00
Total Expenses:	\$12,225.00	\$7,945.82	\$4,279.18

Linda Sillery

YARD OF THE MONTH

Finally...Spring is here. You may be noticing how quickly the landscape has changed. Daffodils, crocus, magnolias, and other blooms adorn the yards. Time to clean up winter's ugly debris and replace it with beautifying mulch. I have seen many doing just that as I walk through our neighborhood.

For several years, we have awarded GLNA residents with the designation of "Yard of the Month" (YOM) by placing signs indicating the three winners for the month. In the past, board members would submit pictures of yards and votes were made to select three of the most attractive.

This year, thanks to the updated website and addition of the GLNA [Facebook](#) page, EVERYONE may have a voice. Snap a shot and submit yard pictures to the GLNA website or

Facebook page (include the address) for yard nominations. We will tally the votes on the second Thursday of the month from May through October, and the winning yards will be posted on our website and Facebook page.

We often drive the same route to work, school, or shopping, and miss the beauty created in Geist Landing. Your nominations will give us all a chance to appreciate the effort, hard work, and imagination we would otherwise miss.

NOTE: Previous winners within the last three years and current board members are excluded from active voting.

FARMERS' MARKETS WITHIN 20 MILES OF GEIST LANDING*

Geist Farmers Market (3.1 mi)

8115 Oaklandon Road
Indianapolis, IN 46236
Faith-based institution
May - September
Thursday 2:30 PM to 6:30 PM

Fishers Farmers Market (3.4 mi)

11601 Municipal Dr
Fishers, IN 46038
Local government building grounds
June - September
Saturday 8 AM to 12 PM

52 & Shadeland Ave Farmers Market (4.5 mi)

5200 N. Shadeland Ave
Indianapolis, IN 46226

Binford Farmers Market (4.6 mi)

7600 N Hague Rd
Indianapolis, IN 46220
Lawrence North High School
March - December
Saturday 8 AM to 1 PM

McCordsville Farmer's Market (4.9 mi)

6247 W. Broadway
McCordsville, IN 46055
Faith-based institution
June - August
Wednesday 4 PM to 7:30 PM

Broad Ripple Farmers Market (7.1 mi)

1115 Broad Ripple Ave
Indianapolis, IN 46220
May - November
Saturday 8 AM to 12 PM
(October and November hours will be 9 AM to 12 PM)

Carmel Farmers Market (7.5 mi)

5 Center Green
Carmel, IN 46032
Local government building grounds
May - October
Saturday 8 AM to 11:30 AM

Farmers Market at the Barn (8.6 mi)

At the Barn
1201 E. 38th St
Indianapolis, IN 46205

38th & Meridian Farmers Market (9.5 mi)

3808 North Meridian St
Indianapolis, IN 46208
Faith-based institution
June - October
Thursday 4 PM to 6:30 PM
(Rain or shine, may be cancelled due to lightning)

Cumberland Farmers Market (9.6 mi)

11501 E. Washington St
Cumberland, IN 46229
Private business parking lot
January - December
Tuesday 4 PM to 7 PM
Saturday 8 AM to 12 PM

Irvington Farmers Market & Art Fair (9.6 mi)

5301 E. St Clair St (East Side Indy)
Indianapolis, IN 46219

Noblesville Farmers Market (9.9 mi)

City Hall parking lot
Noblesville, IN 46060

Westfield Farmers Market (11.2 mi)

211 N Union St
Westfield, IN 46074
Local government building grounds
June - August
Friday 4:30 PM to 7:30 PM

Hurlock Farmers' and Watermen's Market (11.6 mi)

7010 E. Raymond St
Indianapolis, IN 46239

Original Farmers' Market at Indianapolis City Market (12.1 mi)

22 E. Market St
Indianapolis, IN 46204
Closed-off public street
May - October
Wednesday 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM

* This list is derived from the National Farmers' Market Directory (NFMD) [website](#). If you learn of a change of location, date, defunct, or new markets to add to the list, please let us know so we may ensure the list is current.

CENTRAL INDIANA BICYCLING ASSOCIATION (CIBA)

Daron Aldrich

I joined this group, hoping to ride my bike more and to see Indianapolis without a rearview mirror. If you are interested in getting out and about, please consider this volunteer group's offerings at the [CIBA website](#). Indianapolis is fortunate to have one of the premiere bicycling associations in the country. It's a great way to exercise, meet other cyclists, and see areas of the city that you may not be familiar with. The N.I.T.E Ride is one of my favorite activities.

CIBA's Mission?

- Provide opportunities for bicyclists of all ages and abilities to ride their bicycles on safe, friendly, and well-organized rides
- Be informed of bicycle events and related activities; to volunteer in support of CIBA and other bicycle-related organizations
- Socialize with other bicyclists.
- Most of these rides are in a country setting to avoid traffic.
- The Weekend Rides are on all sides of the greater Indianapolis area and run entirely by CIBA volunteers.

What does the CIBA do?

- We are a bicycling club for riders of all ages, shapes, and sizes
- One of the largest bicycling clubs in the country and run completely by volunteers.
- Provide over 250 rides yearly

Weekend Rides

- Rides begin in March and continue almost EVERY Saturday and Sunday through November
- Most rides start at schools, churches, or parks
- Weekend Rides are hosted by the CIBA membership
- Routes offer mileage options from 15 to 60 miles, with road markings, map, and/or a cue sheet
- They will also provide one or more rest stops called SAGs. The SAGs will have plenty of water, cookies, bananas, and other goodies.

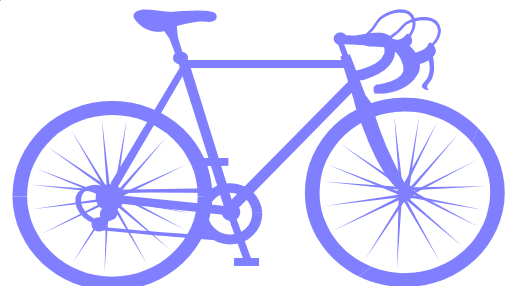
CIBA Signature Rides

The N.I.T.E Ride

- Fastest growing CIBA ride with 4000+ riders pedaling through downtown Indy
- All day event with a variety of activities, including:
 - Morning Bike Tour
 - Dinner Ride
 - L.I.T.E. up your bike contest
 - Live entertainment

The Hilly Hundred

- Nationally recognized event
- Listed as one of the "Best Rides in America"
- Takes place in southern Indiana every October
- Climb 8,000 feet in two days
- Enjoy great rest stops, live bands, and the famous "Hilly" lunch



Looking for Something to Do?

- ⇒ Check out the redesigned website
- ⇒ Strike up a conversation in Facebook
- ⇒ Prepare for the GLNA Annual Garage Sale
- ⇒ Circle the date and join us at the next GLNA Board meeting
 - ⇒ Thursday, August 14
 - ⇒ Meeting begins at 7 PM
 - ⇒ McKenzie Career Center

GLNA Word Search

Biking	Q F K T S R B I K I N G V V Y
Email	O K W E Y U D N I E M A I L O
Events	T O M L N S C J S A L E P V M
Facebook	V O N E S H A R E K F S H O H
Friends	Z B T N E Y S L I F J D Q D C
Gardening	C E X A G T S K D K Z N G I N
Holiday	J C L K N E W R Z B X E Z P L
Meet	H A A E I T S C O A G I Y D I
Neighborhood	J F V R K I V Q H B V R R M Y
Neighbors	B E Q L L S V V K O H F F R Z
Sale	A B D R A B K L A T L G A K Z
Share	W H O C W E E R Q E D I I V T
Talk	A I X N R W X S T B E M D E O
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Website	R D O O H R O B H G I E N Q Y
YOM	

Puzzle made at www.puzzle-maker.com

10. Sell your used household items, such as Q-tips
9. Rant about the President... of the GLNA
8. Have the opportunity to sign petitions
7. Avoid actually having to talk to your neighbors in person
6. Report solicitors, such as squirrels, going door to door asking for nuts
5. Gather a search party to find your runaway pet rock
4. Ask why your trash wasn't picked up on a national holiday
3. Discover great safety tips like, "Lock your car at night"
2. Something else to do online besides watching funny cat videos

And the number one reason to join the GLNA Facebook group is:

1. You were kicked out of Hunter's Ridge Facebook group

Be sure to update your bookmark to Geist Landing's revamped website:

<http://www.geistlanding.com>.



You are also invited to join us on

[Facebook](#)

where the conversation goes on 24/7/365.

GUEST COLUMNIST

Sarah Tonin

I have only viewed "The Wizard of Oz" in its entirety ONCE.

I hate those sepia Kansas scenes and the moment I hear "Somewhere, over the rainbow", I beat feet to the basement.

I don't do spring. I don't do summer, but that is another story. Most people see bulbs bursting through the earth. Me? Storm checklist review before the warning siren shrieks.

As a native North Dakotan, tornadoes were rare; on the prairie, we could see for miles. EVERYONE had basements or root cellars, and that's where

you went. Common sense.

I remember ominous black clouds spinning; cue my dad stepping outside in hopes of seeing a funnel cloud when we lived in SD. I knew he was going to be sucked up, NOT rocking in a chair, rowing a boat, or riding a bike, but in his bare feet, beer in hand, and without a telltale film score.

The conditions that produce powerful storms (Kansas) also bring sunshine and poppy fields (Oz). Sweet and sour. I get it.

For native Hoosiers, this is spring. While my house never

spun into the sky, I am prepared if it would. I have the basement I didn't have in Ft. Wayne. My mom and brother now have homes with basements.

Have a plan. Have PLANS for home, school, work, driving, or at a mall. Forecasting is great but knowing what to do in seconds is what matters.

I am teased every spring, but not one of my transplanted family members from ND exchanged their NOAA weather radio at Christmas.

One size fits all, and it is the gift that keeps on giving.

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