

Indian Lake Smoke Signal

• INDIAN LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION •

President's Message

by Mark Rumreich

WORKING TO BUILD TIES WITH NEW LAWRENCE ADMINISTRATION

By the time you read this, Lawrence will have a new mayor and councilors, and the Indian Lake Community will be actively engaging with them.

I'd like to thank everyone who took time out from their busy schedules to attend one or both mayoral Meet and Greet meetings for our neighborhood. These were incredibly important to let the candidates know that we are a community of engaged voters, make them aware of issues that are crucial to our neighborhood, and establish a positive start to our working relationship with our future administration.

Board member Mike Nix arranged the meetings on Thursday October 19th for Deb Whitfield and Thursday October 26th for Dave Hofmann. Both candidates brought supporting staff and council candidates with them.

The meetings started with the candidates telling us about their vision for Lawrence, an ILIA representative providing background on subjects important to our neighborhood, prepared questions from the board, and an open question and answer session. We heard answers to:

- Please describe your approach to working with the Lawrence council when there is a contentious issue.
- What are your environmental priorities for Lawrence?
- What are your thoughts about a long-term solution to the aging sewer pipe under Indian Lake?
- How will you partner with us to provide stronger ordinance enforcement within our neighborhood for infractions such as inoperable vehicles, trash in yards, uncompleted construction, etc.
- How can we elevate our priority for paving and drainage projects at Indian Lake?



Refreshments were provided by the Civic Committee.

I believe that everyone in attendance felt that the meetings were beneficial and informative.

PRODUCTIVE DREDGING SEASON

We've had a very productive 2023 dredging season as evidenced by the amount of sediment moved. Indian Lake resident Paul Legge joined the operation in June and brought a new level of enthusiasm and collaboration to the team.

Paul points out that operating the dredge is a labor of love that takes a team effort, including volunteers willing to get wet, dirty, and maybe a little banged up. In one instance in September, the pipes detached from one another, requiring intervention by Jeff and Jordan Van Treese.

Thanks to all who pitch in over the course of the season!

Blast from the Past

Fifty years ago in Smoke Signal history, the Indian Lake Women's Committee reported:

- Upcoming events include the Hootenany and Hayride for adults and Halloween parties for kids.
- Congratulations to Indian Lake resident David Meeker, the new Assistant Secretary of HUD. The former Deputy Mayor of Indianapolis is now in charge of community development for the entire country.
- Girl Scout Troop #889 is collecting glass to be recycled. They ask that the glass be washed with labels and metal bands removed.
- The Irwins purchased a 147-year-old log cabin that had been built 25 miles from Petersburg, Indiana, with the intention of reassembling it on the hill above their home.

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INDIAN LAKE NEWS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

A preliminary budget will be presented at the Oct. 21st. meeting. This will include both an operating budget and a capital expenditures budget (dam, lake, etc.). Also at the next meeting John RePass will present a proposal for removing silt from the lake.

The Board of Directors resolved to institute a suit against the one 1972 delinquent assessment. This is the only delinquent assessment prior to 1973.

WOMEN'S COMMITTEE NOTES

Come to the Hootenany and Hay Ride! This next big event the Indian Lake Ladies are planning for your enjoyment will be held Oct. 13th at the North Beach at 8:00 pm. Adults only. Bring your own food and drink.

The Halloween parties will be held Tues. Oct. 30 at Joan Stewart's home, 7124 Indian Lake Blvd. W. Dr. Ages 3 yrs. through 6 yrs. will attend 4:00 to 5:00; and ages 7 yrs. through 12 yrs. will attend 7:00-8:00.

The Women's Committee will again be selling the Food 'N Fun Voucher Books. The books contain 50 to 60 more coupons this year and will sell for \$11. Don't be left out! See or call one of the committee members to reserve your coupon book.

Current stationery can still be ordered from the

Women's Committee member in addition to the notes, cards, and greeting cards. enchanting Christmas cards are now available. Call Cassady (823-6725) to see latest catalogue.

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU !!! to all who helped to our Monte Carlo Night a success. A special thank to Joe Zainey, our auctioneer and to all the husbands who pitched in.

HELP THE SCOUTS

Girl Scout Troop #889 Indian Creek School is still collecting glass to be recycled. Girl Scout Leader Sara Payne will pick up your clear, green and brown glass. Call 897-XXXX. The Scouts ask that the glass you save for them be washed with labels and metal bands removed.

NEW NEIGHBORS

Al and Helen Lukens are living at 10514 Indian Lake S. Dr. (823-6209). Their daughter Julie is in nurse's training at Community Hospital.

Mr. Lukens retired from Naval Avionics two years ago and became a resident manager at Chatham Walk. However, he and Mrs. Lukens, who enjoy travel, did not like being tied down. Right now the Lukens are on an extended vacation visiting their relatives in various parts of the country.



Trunk or Treat



Indian Lake residents enjoyed the 2023 Trunk or Treat event held in the park.



Old Signs for New Walleye



This summer we replaced many of the aging signs around the neighborhood with new ones.

Rather than throw the old ones in the recycling bin, we decided to try auctioning them off to Indian Lake residents, with the proceeds going to a special fish stocking program. The proceeds would be to purchase walleye fry, which are not a part of our normal fish stocking activities. Walleye make a great addition to our lake ecosystem and will help control shad and crappie populations.

It was suggested that the old signs would make a great addition to a man-cave, workshop, garage interior, etc. Residents were also asked to consider bidding to support the special fish stocking program even if they didn't need a sign.

Our program was successful, the auction raised \$450. This allowed us to stock 128 5"-7" walleye in our lake on October 16. This is the best time of year to introduce walleye, so the timing was perfect.

If you're fortunate enough to catch one when it reaches maturity, walleye are widely thought of as the best freshwater fish to eat.

Meet the Neighbor by Kimberly Hunt

What's the fastest way to get from California to Indiana? Advanced Targeting Forward Looking InfraRed missile - or at least it was for Phil Marble. Marble was living the "California lifestyle" in Redondo Beach when he led the cost proposal to win the Navy's ATFLIR missile program for his employer, Hughes Aircraft (later Raytheon Company). After this strategic win, Hughes promoted Marble to Strategic Proposals Manager and sent him to Indianapolis to manage Supply Chain, and all the Material Program Managers.



"I miss California," admits Marble, reminiscing about rollerblading along the Pacific Ocean every day, and recalling when *The Black Pearl*, of *The Pirates of the Caribbean* movie franchise, was moored outside his condominium complex. "But the promotion was too good to pass up," he attests. Besides, Marble is no stranger to the land of the Hoosiers. He was raised in Marion, IN and received his BS in Business Marketing from IU Bloomington.

So how did he get all the way to the West Coast in the first place? A 1964 Stingray Corvette (less technologically advanced than a targeting missile, but arguably more stylish.) After graduating from IU in 1980, Phil and some of his college buddies left Indiana in 1981 in search of better career opportunities. They converged upon Redondo Beach where a friend of theirs lived. Those early days in Southern California were pretty lean, and Marble, regrettably, had to sell the Vette and rely on rollerblades as his means of transportation.

In 1984, when a long-term career path had not yet presented itself, Phil and a friend decided to follow the Olympic torch run across the country for a few weeks. They designed t-shirts to commemorate the historic occasion and sold them out of Marble's friend's car. In the span of three weeks, they made enough money from the t-shirt sales to return to the beach and live off their earnings for a while.

Soon after Marble's pop-up t-shirt business venture, he landed a position with Hughes Aircraft in 1985, where he worked for 30 years as the Financial Manager and Strategic Proposals Manager for a long list of notable Navy submarines, tanks and fighter jets, including the Trident Submarine, Bradley Fighting Vehicle, F-16, F-18, A-10 Warthog and V-22 Osprey.

Marble retired from the Aerospace industry ten years ago. Now he puts his expertise in project management to work on the board of the Indian Lake Improvement Association. "Mark Rumreich asked me to be the 'Dirt Guy,'" laughs Phil. Marble took on the job and continues to manage the complexities of dredging, filtering, and hauling the dirt from the lake, and negotiating the many costs involved in keeping the lake from filling in.

One can tell that Marble takes to heart the guiding principle of an "Improvement Association" with the many other projects he has managed while on the board; projects such as recreating the island, building the seawall at the north beach, replacing the old wooden docks with more durable floating docks at the north and south beaches, and excavating and expanding the boat and trailer storage lot in the spoils area. Marble has more project ideas for improving our much-loved lake and its ecological balance that includes introducing helpful fish species, removing harmful plant species, using vegetative logs to combat erosion, and increasing and improving residents' access to common areas around the lake.

When Phil is not hard at work for ILIA, he enjoys traveling (to over 25 countries and counting), boating, gardening, and going on long walks around the lake with his flat-coated retriever, Nicki.

As winter approaches and drives us all indoors, Phil plans to dedicate his time and energy to finding a publisher for his second adventure/science-fiction novel, *Jovian Moons*, which he recently completed as a follow-up to his first novel, *Fireball Adventures*. So if you don't see Phil around the neighborhood, contemplating more lake improvements, keep your eye out for him on the back of his next book cover!

Pizza Entrepreneurs of Indian Lake

At one time or another, our community has had close ties to a number of pizza entrepreneurs, including the Grahams (Gramboli's), the Cliftons (Mozzi's), the Van Treeses (VTA), and new resident Eric Muzyka (Jet's).

The Grahams lived at Indian Lake from the late seventies to the early nineties. The family owned and operated Gramboli's Pizza in Oaklondon. At one point in the late seventies, there were thirteen Gramboli's locations. The Oaklondon store opened in 1980 and is the last to remain open. In January, the restaurant was renamed Graham's Pizza. It's still family owned and operated.

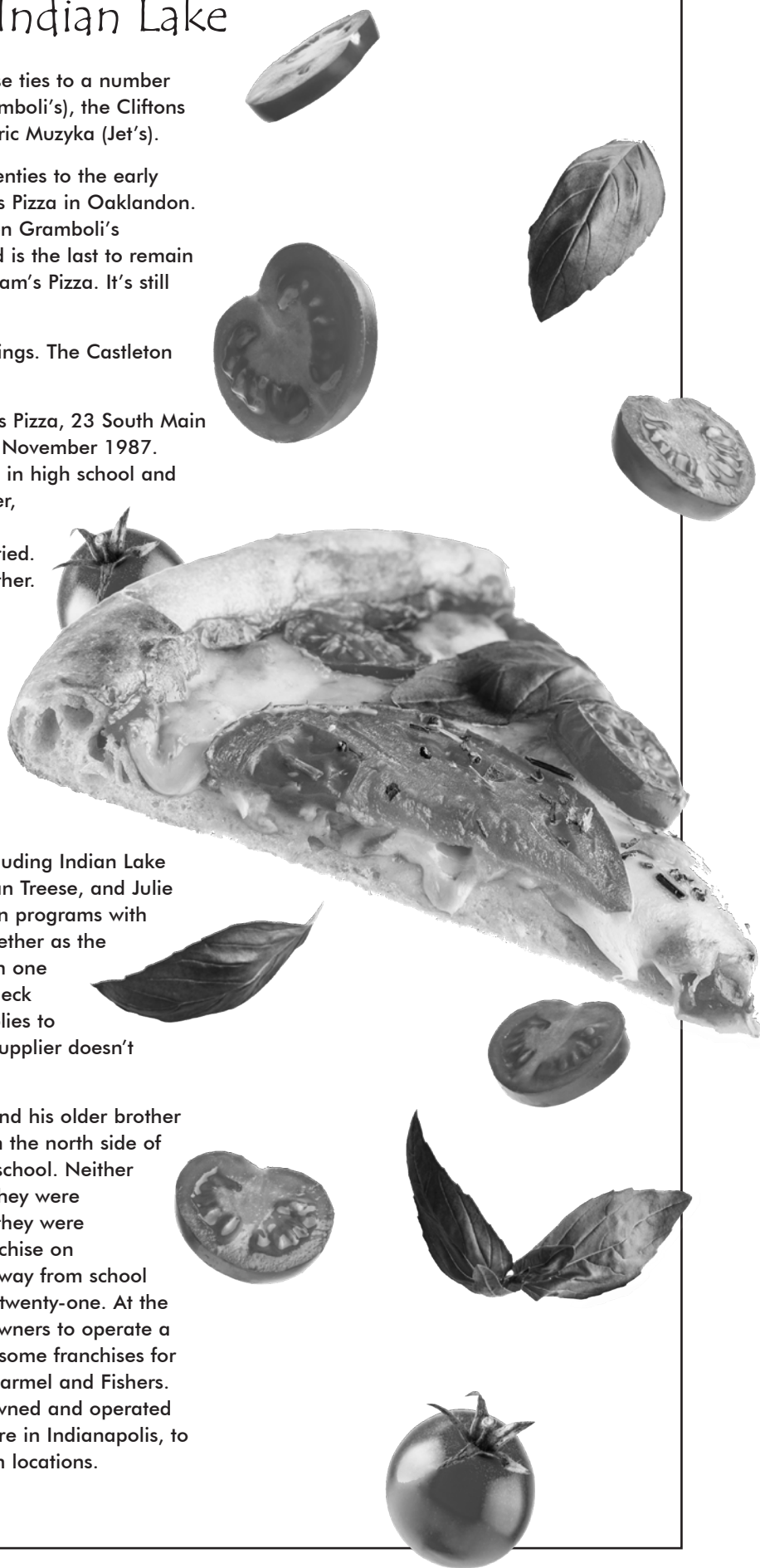
The Ale Emporium is well-known for its pizza and wings. The Castleton location is managed by an Indian Lake resident.

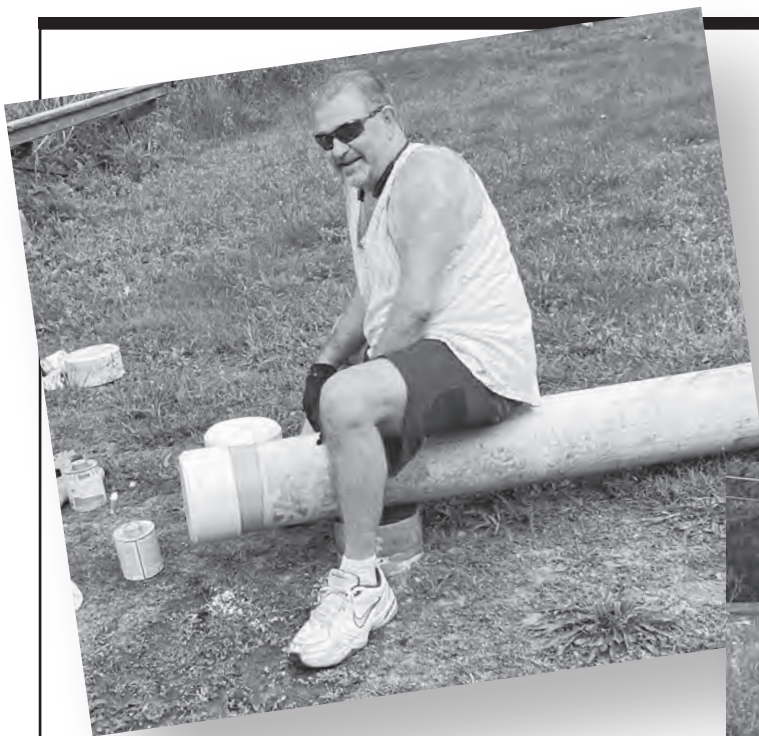
Andy and Christina Clifton are the owners of Mozzi's Pizza, 23 South Main Street in Fortville. Their location was opened in late November 1987.

Andy started working for Mozzi's Pizza in Greenfield in high school and quickly became the Assistant Manager. Six years later, in 1994, he purchased the Fortville location from its founder, and four years later, the Cliftons were married. They are now partners in running the business together. They love what they do and take pride in going the extra mile to make sure every customer has a memorable dining experience. In the course of their work, they have met great people, made great food, taught their kids about the business, grew their family, and got to purchase their beautiful home on Indian Lake. It's only about a fifteen-minute drive from Indian Lake - give Mozzi's a try!

Van Treese & Associates is a family-run business including Indian Lake residents Linda Van Treese, Jeff Van Treese, Andy Van Treese, and Julie Morgan. VTA has branded Genuine Broaster Chicken programs with pizza shops for years. Pizza and chicken go well together as the combination offers more choices for the consumer in one stop. VTA has sold and serviced pizza ovens, both deck and conveyor types. They have also sold pizza supplies to help fill in for their operators if their primary pizza supplier doesn't carry a particular style or brand.

Eric Muzyka is Indian Lake's newest member. Eric and his older brother started working at their local Jet's Pizza franchise on the north side of Detroit in 2007 and 2010 as their first jobs in high school. Neither had any intention to go into the pizza business, as they were focused on earning their college degrees. In 2014, they were given an opportunity to purchase into their first franchise on Detroit's south side, to which they decided to step away from school and become business owners at ages eighteen and twenty-one. At the time they became one of the youngest Franchisee owners to operate a store, and hands-down, the best. In 2016 they saw some franchises for sale, and two locations in Indiana were available; Carmel and Fishers. These two became their first Jet's stores that they owned and operated themselves. These two stores began their growth here in Indianapolis, to which they have now expanded into operating seven locations.





Putting in the Pipe

A big thank you to those who volunteered to put in dredge pipe on Sunday afternoon, July 23rd, including Shawn Alexander, Jeff Martin, Tony Morgan, Jeff Van Treese, Andy Van Treese, and Phil Marble.

The Indian Lake Community thrives because of its volunteers!



When You Need To Call



KEEP THIS WITH YOUR
INDIAN LAKE PHONE DIRECTORY

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| Assessments – Jay White | 296-3530 |
| Beach reservations - Mark Rumreich | 643-6733 |
| Boat slip rentals - Alyssa Alexander | 719-0910 |
| Boat stickers - RJ Russell | 281-0024 |
| Car stickers - Jay White | 296-3530 |
| Civic Committee - Stevi Kersh | 691-4854 |
| South Beach gate key - Ryan Free | 627-5674 |

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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| Mark Rumreich (president) | 643-6733 |
| Phil Marble (vp) | 702-5715 |
| Jay White (treasurer) | 296-3530 |
| Tom Crouch | 716-8662 |
| Joe Dayan | 910-7751 |
| Kate Dydo | 319-4743 |
| Ryan Free | 627-5674 |
| Mike Nix | 538-2729 |
| Tom Oliger | 847-6328 |
| RJ Russell | 281-0024 |

Board meetings are on the second Wednesday of each month except in January. Meetings are at 7 PM at the Indian Lake Country Club except in January and November. Visit the Indian Lake website at www.IndianLakeHOA.com



Annual Picnic

The 2023 Annual Picnic featured a Western theme that many Indian Lake neighbors embraced.



Across the Fence

The **Kennedys** moved into their home on South Drive in late July. They enjoy spending time together as a family outdoors and have found a new appreciation for Lawrence at Indian Lake. Patrick is a Lawrence Township administrator, scuba diver, and the family's resident handyman. Lauren works in clinical research at IU and enjoys hiking in the woods with her dog. Claire is their social butterfly and is an Irish dancer. Matthew is shy, but very active, engaging in any sport he can convince his parents to register him in. Kate is interested in princesses, babies, and doing anything she can independently. The family purchased a pontoon boat in September and has enjoyed getting to know the lake and the community over the past few months. They hope to meet more of their neighbors soon. Welcome!

Welcome to new neighbor **Eric Muzyka**, owner of lot 81 on West Drive. He's the father of three boys; twins Isaac & Elliot, and Oliver. They have three dogs, Pomeranians. They moved from Detroit to Indy in 2016. He's a diehard Detroit Lions fan, very diehard. Read more about Eric in the "Pizza Entrepreneurs of Indian Lake" article elsewhere in this issue.

Indian Lake's newest neighbor is **Hayden Parsons**, originally from Crawfordsville. Her home on Mohawk is her first. She previously lived in Indianapolis for two years. She graduated from Indiana University in 2017 and is a sales broker for premium supplements and body care. She has an 8-year-old Golden Retriever named Kalvin. Welcome Hayden!

Gary and Suzanne Keithley, longtime Indian Lake Residents, have decided to move into a smaller home and sell their Indian Lake home to their son **Brad Bridges**. Brigitte and Joe Dayan and Suzy and Bill McDaniel hosted an open house in honor of the Keithleys on Sunday November 5. All Indian Lake residents were invited to stop in to say goodbye and to wish Gary and Suzanne well, and welcome Brad and his two daughters to the Lake.

Jeffrey Lee Grey passed away on October 20th. He was Jack and Pat Grey's son, Jill Grey's brother, and Jeff Grey Jr's dad. Our condolences to the family and friends of Jeff.

