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WE DON'T WANT A LANDFILL IN OUR COMMUNITY!

(Editor's Note: David Kingsbury, who serves along with Shelley Huerkamp on an ELTPC committee, has furnished us with the following update on the landfill situation.)

For those of you who may not know, BFI (Browning-Ferris Industry) is in the process of establishing a landfill on its property at 10000 East 56th Street adjacent to Pendleton Pike. A small portion of its property was zoned to permit this landfill in 1968, and now it has filed plans with the Metropolitan Development Commission to approve the expansion of this proposed landfill.

Reportedly, the garbage which would be trucked to this expanded site would be from Marion County, Speedway and Lawrence Township. BFI will hold a hearing at the Oaklandon Elementary School, Thursday, July 14, 7:30 p.m., to inform the public of the proposed plans.

This past June 28, a meeting of the Eastern Lawrence Township Planning Council (ELTPC) was held at the Oaklandon Elementary School in response to BFI's announcement of its intention to create a landfill in our community. Much concern was expressed by the local residents who filled the auditorium. At the conclusion of this meeting, a committee of volunteers was formed to pursue this matter. (Committee members in the Indian Lake area are Shelley Huerkamp and David Kingsbury.) This committee met on July 5 and again on July 7, and agreed to engage attorneys Robert Clark and David Brooks of Bayh, Tabert & Capehart to represent the ELTPC and Lawrence Community in opposition to the proposed landfill. They will be working in conjunction with the City of Lawrence and Ft. Benjamin Harrison, both of whom are very concerned with the planned landfill. The Lawrence City Council has passed a resolution in opposition to the landfill, and letters have been sent to the State Board of Health and other agencies in Indianapolis.

Why should the proposed landfill be of concern to Indian Lake residents? For starters, consider that it's only one mile "as the crow flies" from Indian Lake, consider the possibility of surface drainage into Indian Creekand subsequently into the Lake, and, consider the possibility of future ground water contamination poisoning our wells. These matters should be of serious concern to all of us.

In order to pay the \$7500.00 that the attorneys have requested as working money, committee members will be visiting Indian Lake residents, as well as other Lawrence residents, collecting donations to help defray this cost. Please remember a donation may save your land, your well, your lake and your property values. If you have not been

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contacted by a committee member prior to the Annual Indian Lake Picnic, please bring your contribution to either Shelley or me then.

Additionally, the board also will consider making a donation at the next board meeting, Monday, July 18, 7:30 p.m., at the home of Mrs. French. Interested individuals are encouraged to attend this meeting to voice their opinions.



DON'T FORGET to send in your card saying you will attend the Annual ILIA Picnic. Do set this coming Sunday, July 17, aside to get together with your neighbors, 2:00 pm-7 pm. The Association is furnishing some mighty tasty catered food and table service. There will be soft drinks and brew thanks to Mildred French, who again furnishes the setting for our picnic. And, there'll be music (the pianist we enjoyed so much last year) for a sing-along.

BE SURE TO MAIL YOUR CARD. SEE YOU THERE!

HAVE YOU HEARD..... A Certificate of Appreciation signed by Mayor Hudnut was received in June by Joe Zainey's Quality Publications and First Copy Center. This recognition was for the company's work with the Indianapolis Alliance for Jobs..... Robert Jones was chosen "Officer of the Year" by the Lawrence Optimist Club in June, Bob and Jesse Kennedy, both Lawrence Police Department officers, do a fine job of providing our Indian Lake community's security patrol.... Miss Emily Susan was born to John and Clydeen Taylor this past April. Welcome to the world!.... The Ice Cream Social afforded a most pleasant Sunday afternoon event at the home of Helen Brodie. If you missed it, you missed a fine time and some scrumptious sundaes....Our wildlife will have it a little easier this coming fall and winter, thanks to John Miller and his son, Brian. They have planted sorghum and buckwheat on the levy area to provide food and cover for birds and animals.... Carolyn Roark's dad celebrated his 80th birthday this month. He was pleased and surprised to be greeted with a big "Happy Birthday" sign when he and five family members arrived here from Knoxville this week.... If you've noticed the high aerial at Helen Brodie's home, it's legal. She inherited is from her grandson who won HBO service for a year in a contest at Lawrence North ... We welcome Susan Deaupre who has come to live in the home of her aunt, Mary Nicholas.



OUR APOLOGY to Mathew Zainey who, with a friend, did a fine job at the beach clean-up. Matt came early, worked hard and stayed late. In the final typing (and your editor is all thumbs) of the last Smoke Signal, his name was omitted. Thanks, Matt, your efforts are appreciated...AND, A BELATED APOLOGY to Dennis Coulter who joined our Indian Lake rank over two years ago. He looked in vain for a welcome in the Smoke Signal. He is welcome and appreciated, too, for helping clear our roads during the heavy snows.

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