

#### • INDIAN LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

## President's Message

#### by Mark Rumreich

#### The board is pleased to welcome long-time resident Angie Vogt as Indian Lake Treasurer. She'll be assisted by long-time resident Julie Morgan, who will be handling payroll for our dredging operation and

**BOARD WELCOMES NEW TREASURER** 

handling payroll for our dredging operation and summer workers. Jay White announced his retirement this spring and is working with Angie and Julie to achieve a smooth transition.

Both Angie and Julie are very well qualified for the work, and we're grateful to have them.

## When You Need To Call



KEEP THIS WITH YOUR INDIAN LAKE PHONE DIRECTORY

Assessments – Angie Vogt	847-1650
Beach reservations - Mark Rumreich	643-6733
Boat slip rentals – Alyssa Alexander	719-0910
Boat stickers - Tim Watts	765-430-4130
Car stickers – Tim Watts	765-430-4130
Civic Committee – Stevi Kersh	691-4854
Community trailer – Dan Van Treese	319-7708
South Beach gate key - Kevin Hunt	716-7264

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Mark Rumreich (president)	643-6733
Phil Marble (vp)	702-5715
Angie Vogt (treasurer)	847-1650
Tim Watts (secretary)	765-430-4130
Shawn Alexander	463-248-7284
Joe Dayan	910-7751
Kevin Hunt	716-7264
Patrick Kennedy	908-0007
Jeff Martin	626-1442
Jeff Van Treese	627-0738

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. All Indian Lake residents are welcome to attend. Visit the Indian Lake website at www. IndianLakeHOA.com

The best way to contact the treasurer is through treasurer@IndianLakeHOA. com. The goal is to have the transition completed by August 1. Angie plans to install a dedicated drop box for Indian Lake paperwork.

The board would like to thank retiring treasurer Jay White for his dedication and service to our community.

#### **GUEST POLICY REVISED**

In June, the board decided to fine-tune the Indian Lake guest policy to allow out-of-town visitors staying with the lot owner to enjoy the beaches and park unattended.

The revised guest policy can be found in the Lake, Beach and Water Safety Regulations in the documents page of the website. It's summarized below for your convenience.

Household members are permitted to use the lake, beaches, park, and trails. Children and grandchildren of household members (who are not themselves household members) are also permitted to use the lake or other Association property. Out-of-town houseguests staying with an Indian Lake household are also permitted during their visit.

Household members are permitted to invite guests to use the lake or other Association property.

- 1. A maximum of four guests per household is permitted.
- 2. The household member must accompany guests at all times.
- Parties or picnics that consist of numerous guests must receive prior approval from the board of directors.

#### **COMMUNITY KAYAKS CONSIDERED**

The board is considering providing a limited number of community kayaks to replace the large clutter of kayaks now stored at the beaches. The proposal is to provide six community kayaks at each beach. Storage of privately-owned kayaks would no longer be allowed at the beaches. Residents could bring their own kayaks, but they would need to be stored at members' homes or private docks. Residents would need to provide their own paddles.

The advantages of the proposal are to give a way for non-kayak owners to enjoy the activity and to reduce the kayak clutter at the beaches. It might also help reduce the number of unidentified kayaks loose on the lake after a storm

An electronic survey will be sent to members on this topic, to help the board make an informed decision.

# Meet the Neighbor

by Kimberly Hunt

Angie Vogt is the Indian Lake Improvement Association's new treasurer. She brings a wealth of experience in accounting and non-profit management to the role. She works for NetSuites, a division of Oracle, as a Senior Solutions Consultant, helping non-profits improve their marketing, donations and memberships through data management software. Angie works in the tech industry, and her degree is in Accounting with a minor in Computer Science, so it isn't surprising to hear her off-handedly describe herself as a "math nerd." It's interesting, however, to sit down with Angie and realize her joy does not come from well-managed systems or powerful databases, but from helping people help people. Her face lights up when she talks about the work her clients do to provide safety and shelter to victims of war-ravished nations, or train service animals for military veterans. She is proud to say she has helped Goodwill, Salvation Army, YMCA and Alex's Lemonade Stand find better ways to do what they do on a national scale. She is equally proud to come along side small, grass roots non-profits as they strive to make the world a better place in some small way. "It is so heartwarming to know that my professional efforts can make a contribution to these organizations," she beams.



Angie's joy is also most evident when she talks about her family. Her husband, Mark, their three children; John (38), Crissy (35) and Wendy (28), and their grandchildren, occupy most of Angie's conversation. In fact, it was difficult for her to stay on the topic of herself for this interview without weaving in lots of proud stories about the people she loves most, including extended family and dear friends whom she loves like family.

The Vogt's home is the backdrop of many of those stories. They purchased their "starter home" on the north side of Indian Lake in 1986, just one year after she graduated from college. Angie recalls seeing it for the first time and thinking it was like the movie set of, "On Golden Pond." She describes the property that backs up to the Blue Heron sanctuary as "picturesque" and "serene." But Angie wasn't sure she wanted to move from nearby Warren Township into the wilderness. "I was used to curbs and sidewalks." "I never knew [Indian Lake] was here, and when we came to look at the house, I remember asking Mark, 'Are you sure we're supposed to be back here?'"

Angie's husband, Mark, was a framer for a builder at the time, and he was hoping to buy a house he could fix up, so the house on Cherokee Drive, built in 1955, was his dream come true. What Angie saw during the walkthrough with the realtor, however, was more like a nightmare. She recalls the bathroom had pink

tiles and a matching pink sink, but no shower. The only shower was down in the basement/garage area without walls for privacy. The kitchen was separated from the living room by a thin sheet of paneling, and the louvre-style "Chelsey" windows let in the rain. When Angie was greeted by a garter snake in the garage during the walk-through, the realtor did not expect to see her again. "She was really surprised I had decided I could live here," Angie recalls.

As it turned out, the snake was only the beginning of Angie's close encounters with the wilder residents of the neighborhood. The Vogt's have had to stake their claim against coyotes, rodents, deer, and one notable raccoon who opened their screen door, climbed a flight of stairs and entered their bedroom in the middle of the night. Angie recalls slowly coming awake and trying to piece together why Mark and the dog were making such a ruckus, and Mark helpfully pointing out that there was a raccoon right above her head on the transom ledge. "I must have looked like a cartoon, running away with my girly, high-pitched scream," she laughs.

Thankfully, they never got a return visit from their nocturnal invader, and these days Angie has turned her attention to her current territorial dispute with some squirrels over her tomato patch.

So if the Vogts can stand their ground against the wild "neighbors" at Indian Lake for nearly 40 years, does Angie think there is anything that can run her off from the home that holds so many important memories for her and her family? Her answer was surprisingly brief and decisive. "Stairs."

# Indian Lake Annual Picnic

Boogie nights and summer bites! Indian Lake residents brought the funk and fun to our disco-themed picnic - good vibes, great food, and groovy moves all around! Special thanks to the Civic Committee for sponsoring the event, and to our stalwart volunteers for putting on such an enjoyable event!







# Indian Lake Fish Survey

This spring, the Board commissioned a Fish Survey with a company called Aquatic Control. Two biologists came to the lake on a boat that was set up for electro shocking of the fish around the perimeter of the lake. This does not harm the fish but does allow the biologists to collect the fish to identify the species and much other data. Our last survey was conducted in 2021, and it was time for an update.

#### Guidance for fishermen

Aquatic Control recommends the following fishing practices for Indian Lake:

- catch and release largemouth bass and redear sunfish
- catch and harvest for eating bluegill over six inches, crappie under twelve inches, yellow bass, green sunfish and channel catfish
- catch and remove carp, gizzard shad, and bullhead

Note: even if you don't want to eat fish in the catch and harvest category, do not return these fish to the lake.

Need help identifying your catch?
There are a number of phone apps that can help. Some use AI to analyze your camera image. Fishbrain has a free tier that does this, and lets you log panfish and bass catches, explore local lakes, and learn from others.

#### Next steps

Aquatic Control recommended that there may be benefits in stocking largemouth bass and redear sunfish.

The complete Fish Survey Report is available at: www.indianlakehoa.com/docs/indian lake fish survey 2025.pdf

#### www.aquaticcontrol.com



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# FISH SURVEY REPORT

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#### Why stock redear sunfish?

The species' most distinct characteristic is the red edge on the opercle flap of the male, orange on the female. This fish is also known as the "Shellcracker." This is due to their diet of mollusks and snails. Why is this important to Indian Lake? The answer is that we have a problem with parasites. Many of the largemouth bass that were collected in the survey had these parasites attached to their bodies. The redear will eat the snails and the larvae that make up these parasites, including quagga mussels which is an invasive species. This will result in an improved largemouth bass weight. The redear sunfish resembles a bluegill, but with a red coloring. They grow to a larger size than a bluegill and are considered a great sport fish. The average size gets to be 8" to 9" with a maximum size of 17".

# Indian Lake Spring Cleanup



## Across the Fence

Welcome to new West Drive residents **Brady Miller** and his wife **Mallory Main**. They have two boys **Orie** (eight) and **Jack** (six). Brady and Mallory are both Indianapolis born and raised.

**Kate Rosebrock** and **Griffin Slocum** graduated from Lawrence North this year. Kate will be attending Purdue University in the fall, majoring in Human Services. Griffin will be attending IU in the fall studying biology. He plans to become a physical therapist.

**Marcus Monachino** graduated from Bishop Chatard and will be attending Purdue in the fall, studying engineering.

Grace "Ozzy" Belle Morgan (proud Parents, Julie & Tony Morgan) graduated Class of 2025 from Lawrence North High School in the top ten percent of the class and was awarded the Distinguished Honor Award Medal and recognition. Ozzy's high school concentrations were Psychology and Color Guard. She was a member of the National Honor Society, a part of the Color Guard unit for four years in the MPLT Marching Band and Winter Guard competitions, mastering flag, rifle and sabor while dancing and keeping up with all assignments. In

August, Ozzy will be attending the Indiana State Honors College to pursue Psychology.

**Suny Muñoz** graduated in May with a Master of Social Work (MSW), specializing in Mental Health and Addictions. This milestone reflects Suny's dedication to building healthier, more compassionate communities. Please join us in congratulating her on this outstanding achievement!



Congratulations to **Dr. Laine Rumreich**, daughter of longtime residents Mark and Lori Rumreich. Laine graduated from The Ohio State University in August after earning her Ph.D. in Computer Science and Engineering. Her dissertation was focused on Formal Methods and Distributed Algorithms. Her parents are thrilled that she'll be relocating back to the Indianapolis area to begin her professional career at Rolls-Royce.

**Bob** and **Jean Gundaker** had a really nice retaining wall installed in their front yard on Indian Lake Blvd. South. The Gundakers shopped for pricing for almost two years with prices all over the board. After settling with a company to provide the work, they submitted their plans to the ILIA Board of Directors who reviewed the project and promptly approved its construction. Have a look when you pass by!

# Feral Cat Community on Winona Drive

When John and Victoria Karamanski lived on Winona Drive, they experienced problems with mice inside their home and moles and voles in the yard. To help control the issue naturally, Victoria proposed a project to bring feral cats into the neighborhood. She checked with neighbors first and received their support.

It's important to note that feral cats are not wild. Victoria underwent training to adopt and care for feral cats, which must be spayed or neutered and vaccinated. To indicate they've been through this process, their ears are clipped. As part of the adoption, she also committed to providing food, fresh water, and a warm, insulated shelter during the winter.



In April, we began transitioning the cats to our yard and moved their shelter over. We've named them **Orange, Tux, Gray,** and **Stripe**. You may see them wandering around Winona Drive. They are friendly and sociable—and you just might benefit from their excellent hunting skills if you have any moles or voles in your yard!

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to reach out. We're happy to help and want to ensure these helpful little neighbors remain a positive presence in the community.

Ruth and Jennifer Norrington

# Blast from the Past

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

The Indian Lake Women's Committee is now putting together their first annual euchre tournament. Have fun, meet your neighbors and win prizes!

The First Annual Indian Lake Tennis Tournament will be held on Saturday, June 21st and Sunday, June 22nd.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed French will host the Indian Lake residents July 20th from 2:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. for a 200 Years of America on Parade picnic. Costumes can be your favorite from any period of the last 200 years. Bring your favorite covered dish, enough for your own family, and your own table service. Meat, soft drinks and beer will be provided.

Linda VanTreese bowled 541 (total of three games) in the Singles Division of the WIBC Championship Tournament at the Meadows Bowl. Other lake residents participating were Kathy Zainey, Ernestine Lyke, Marguerite Brown, and Kay Malstrom.

This and other editions of the Smoke Signal are available in the archive at www.IndianLakeHOA.com.

# SMOKE SIGNAL

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PRIZES! PRIZES! PRIZES!

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The Indian Lake Women's Committee is now putting together their first annual euchre tournement. Have fun, meet your neighbors and win prizes!

To enter: Grab your partner and call Linda VanTreese (823-6047) by

#### SOFTBALL

Starting June 9th at 7:00 P.M. in the park. Bring running shoes, mitts, bats and balls.

## SWIMMING CLASSES

This is still a big maybe. We are trying to get our free Red Cross instructor from June 9th to July 3rd about 4:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. There advanced beginners. intermediate. and advanced beginners, intermediate, and

If you have not signed up as yet, please call Paula Christian (823-4334) or Linda VanTreese (823-6047) by June to be sure that he or she is in the right class.

### PIZZA PARTY

Hey kids from 7th grade to age 16, prve Wednesday June 11th at 7:00 P.M. for a pizza party at the North Beach!

Need definite R.S.V.P.'s. Call Paula Christian at 823-4334 by June 6th. No calls, no pizza!!

DATES: Saturday, June 21st and

AGE GROUPS: Men and Women's singles for 2 groups: 15 and under and over 15. Same for doubles play. Sign up

ELIGIBILITY: You must be a member of the Indian Lake Improvement Assoc.

MATCH PLAY: All matches will be one Tie-breakers at 10-10.

TIME: Matches will begin promptly at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday. Your time to Play will be determined by Mr.

RULES: 1. Each player must supply a can of suitable tennis balls for each match he or she plays.

generally accepted rules of tennis etiquette. If you don't know them, read the poster at the tennis court.

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Several Indian Lake residents showed their patriotism during the Indian Lake July 4 boat parade. Holly and Mark Dennett took top prize for their decorations.

# Boat Parade





