

## Nominate a Neighbor

Nominate a member who exemplifies the Independence Square spirit of cooperation through his or her thoughtful acts to help others. One Good Neighbor is recognized every month and receives a \$25 gift card.

### Good Neighbor Nomination

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Your Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Address: \_\_\_\_\_

I Nominate: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please give full name of neighbor you are nominating.)

Neighbor's Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Neighbors Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please understand that phone numbers are necessary so we can talk with both the nominator and the nominee to verify all information. Phone numbers will not be published in the newsletter.*

### Explain why you are nominating this person.

What has she/he done to be a good neighbor? \_\_\_\_\_

Why does or did your neighbor do this? \_\_\_\_\_

January 2021						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 New Year's Day Office Closed Carrying Charges Due	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Carrying Charges Delinquent	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Office Closed	19 Board Meeting	20	21 Delinquent Accounts Sent to Attorney	22	23
24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30

Feb. 1: Carrying Charges Due  
Feb. 10: Carrying Charges Delinquent  
Feb. 15: President's Day, Office Closed

Feb. 16: Board Meeting  
Feb. 22: Delinquent accounts to attorney

**Please Note:** The Independence Square Newsletter, "Around the Square" publishes two months of dates in every issue. The newsletter is published and delivered mid-month.



# NEWSLETTER

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### Board of Directors

**Sheryl Frank**  
President

*Elected 2018, 3-year term*

**Michael Menosky**  
Vice President

*Elected 2020, 3-year term*

**Judy Henthorn**  
Secretary-Treasurer  
*Elected 2019, 3-year term*

**Bill Bather**  
*Elected 2020, 3-year term*

**Ray Gamble**  
*Elected 2018, 3-year term*

### Handy Phone Numbers

Indep. Square Office  
816-252-0444

State Public Safety  
816-425-4027

Animal Shelter  
816-621-7722

Animal Control  
Dispatcher  
816-325-7205

Citizens Info Center  
816-325-7000

Police (Non-Emergency)  
816-325-7300

Police (Emergency)  
911

Report Power Outage  
816-325-7550

### First Meeting of 2021

The first meeting of the new year is Tuesday, January 19. Members are welcome to attend the open session at 6 p.m.

### Kudos to All Our Good Neighbors

With heartfelt appreciation, the Board of Directors for Independence Square Townhouses congratulates all members who have been named Good Neighbor of the Month since the award was started in April of 2010.

Our Good Neighbor award recognizes members who exemplify the special spirit of cooperation that makes our community a better place for all of us.

Good Neighbors are recognized at monthly board meetings and given a \$25 gift card.

### Good Neighbor of the Month Honor Roll, 2010-2020

2020

Aaron Harris  
Fran McGowan  
Mary Jane Hart

2019

Judy Henthorn  
Paul Fenton  
Helen McElfresh  
Jacob Newport  
Cora Little  
Barbara Wood

2018

Dakota Cook  
Josh Rogers  
Helen McElfresh

2017

Tim Underhill

2016

Judy Henthorn  
Logan Rogers  
Mary Jane Hart

2015

Jean Hudgens  
Sheila Wells  
Michael Mahan  
Jessie Phillips  
Abigail Perez

2014

Cora Little  
Ed Korte  
Sheryl Frank

2013

Deborah Stephens  
Stephen Myers  
Denice Bartley and  
Bob Hopkins  
Josh and Felecia Rogers

2012

Helen McElfresh

2011

Jessie Phillips  
Josefina Acosta  
Bruce Raney  
Josh Rogers  
John and Wanda  
Buckingham  
Michael Benz  
Bea Parks

2010

Linda Dykeman  
Chelle Marler  
Ed Korte  
Edwin and  
Jenifer Schapeler  
Marilyn Clark  
Bonnie Jones  
Mary Lou Hemmy  
Aurora Subang

## Service Requests Defined as Emergencies

For emergency services after hours, members may call the cooperative office at 816-252-0444.

Listen to the prompts and press "1" for a maintenance emergency.

If no one answers the emergency service line when you call, please leave a voice-mail message with your name, unit number and a telephone number where you can be reached.

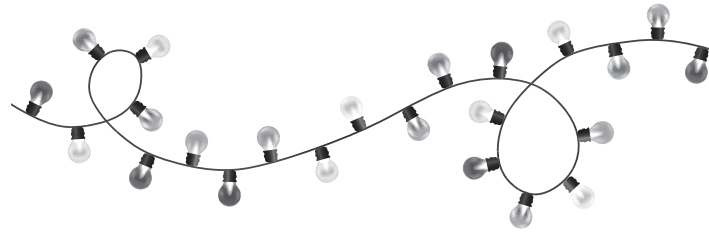
These are the service requests that have been approved as emergencies:

- Bathroom stool inoperable if there is only one bathroom
- Water line broken or frozen
- Furnace or water heater inoperable
- Kitchen sink clogged
- Electricity off (please check circuit breaker panel first)
- Locked out
- Sewer back-up or main sewer line clogged
- Gas odor in the unit (Also call Spire at 816-756-5252)
- Bathtub stopped up
- Broken window -- not merely cracked -- under severe weather or extreme conditions
- Refrigerator inoperable
- Basement flooding

These are the emergencies that have been approved by the board.

The board has determined that Maintenance does not need to respond to emergency calls for service requests not on the approved list. Regular maintenance hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Emergency calls cost the cooperative considerably every year, which costs the entire membership.



## Reminder

Holiday lights and yard decorations must be removed within two weeks after the holiday.



## Cooperative Members Help Families with Holidays

Generous members and donors made the holidays brighter for Independence Square families.

Again this year, the cooperative collected food and nonperishables to help members in need. Two families were helped at Thanksgiving and two families, at Christmas.

The holiday giving is an annual tradition at Independence Square. Families are helped based on the quantity of donations brought to the office in November and December.



*Thank you!*

*Independence Square office and maintenance staffs thank members for the delicious holiday cookies, candies, bread, and other baked goodies.*

*We are grateful to you for thinking of us and making our work days yummy.*

## Please Register Pets, Vehicles

Pet and vehicle permits are now due.

If you have not registered these with the office, please do so.

Pet registration requires a copy of the certificate verifying vaccinations are current. The certificate also must indicate breed and weight. A photo of your pet must be provided to the office.

Proof of licensing with the City of Independence must be shown as well.

All vehicles owned by or in the possession of members or their family must be registered at the site manager's office. When a vehicle is replaced, it is the member's responsibility to file a new registration permit with the office within 10 days.

A limit of one vehicle per licensed driver per townhouse, with a limit of three vehicles per townhouse, will be permitted.

All vehicles must have a valid state license plate. Vehicles not properly licensed will be subject to towing at the owner's expense. Vehicles are subject to towing if parked anywhere other than in the member's numbered spot or a guest spot.

Failure to comply with registration and rules may place your Occupancy Agreement in jeopardy.



## Keep Surfaces Slip-free with Ice Melt Granules

Members are reminded that bags of ice melt are available free from the office for use on townhouse sidewalks, steps, stoops and other surfaces.

Furnace filters also are available at the office.

Please remember that the maintenance staff does not shovel snow between vehicles in the parking lot.

## Board Meetings for 2021



Here are the 2021 board meeting dates.

<b>Jan. 19, 2021</b>	<b>July 20</b>
<b>Feb. 16</b>	<b>Aug. 17</b>
<b>March 16</b>	<b>Sept. 15</b>
<b>April 20</b>	<i>Annual Meeting</i>
<b>May 18</b>	<b>Oct. 19</b>
<b>June 22</b>	<b>Nov. 16</b>

The open session is at 6 p.m. Please join us.



## Guests Can Stay No Longer Than 30 Days

There is a 30-day limit for visitors.

At the end of 30 days, members are required to notify the site manager's office. A new household composition must be completed and the visitor must be in compliance with cooperative guidelines to qualify for occupancy.

A criminal background report is required for additions to the household composition and there is a charge for this report.

Failure to comply with the visitor policy will place the member in default.



*Cheerful seasonal decorations lit up Independence Square yards during the holidays.*