

Air conditioning and furnace tips

Annual furnace inspections will begin this fall.

Air filters are available at the office or will be changed by maintenance upon request. Check and change your air filter often, especially if you have pets.

Never use the air conditioner of the furnace without a filter.

Don't block vents in your home.



Green Grass Project

Please stay off the new sod.

Watch out for water hoses.

We will revisit areas that need attention in the spring.

Upcoming projects

Parking lot refinish and striping

New roof

Snow removal help wanted

~ **Tim Ralph, Maintenance Superintendent**

From the Site Manager's Monthly Report

Walk right in

The office is no longer locked. You do not need to ring the door bell. Just walk in.

Available free to members

- Furnace filters
 - Ice melt
 - Appliance light bulbs
 - Leaf bags
 - Bed bug monitors
 - Smoke detector batteries
- Ask for these from the office staff.

Holiday donations

We will be collecting food items for our holiday baskets again this year. Last year, the donations were plentiful. Thank you very much. Your generosity was overwhelming.

We are hoping for this year to be as successful. If you know of any members who might need assistance during the holidays, please call the office and let us know.

~ **Alexis Martin, Site Manager**

OCT. 2022						
Carrying Charges Due: November 1		Board Meeting: November 15 - Open session at 6 p.m.				
Carrying Charges Delinquent: November 10			Delinquent Accounts to Attorney: November 21			
Thanksgiving observed: November 24 & 25 Office closed						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 <i>Carrying Charges Due</i>
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10 <i>Carrying Charges Delinquent</i>	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 <i>Board meeting: October 18 Open session at 6 p.m. Congrats to Tyler Schindling!</i>	19	20 <i>Delinquent Accounts to Attorney</i>	21	22
23/30	24/31	25	26	27	28	29

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NEWSLETTER

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Board of Directors

Sheryl Frank
President

Elected 2021, 3-year term

Judy Henthorn
Secretary-Treasurer

Elected 2019, 3-year term

Bill Bather
Elected 2020, 3-year term

Moises Valerio
Elected 2021, 3-year term

Handy Phone Numbers

Indep. Square Office
816-252-0444

State Public Safety
816-599-2110

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

INDEPENDENCE SQUARE TOWNHOUSES, INC.

SEPTEMBER 21, 2022

ANNUAL MEETING

NEWSLETTER MINUTES

Quorum

Sheryl Frank, president, confirmed with Alexis Martin, on-site manager, that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

Meeting notice

Sheryl welcomed members and thanked them for attending. She referred to the official notice of the Annual Membership Meeting sent on September 9 to all members as proof of notice of the meeting.

Minutes of 2021

Judy read aloud the minutes of the annual meeting on September 15, 2021. The minutes were approved as read.

Office report

Alexis gave the office report. In the past year, the office processed 33 applications and had 27 move-ins. Currently, no memberships are for sale; one application is pending; and two move-ins are scheduled.

Donations for Thanksgiving and Christmas gift baskets are being accepted in the office now.

Maintenance summary

Tim presented the annual maintenance report. The cooperative completed 24 rehabs in the last year. Four rehabs are underway.

The maintenance crew completed 1,117 work orders.

Upcoming projects include annual furnace maintenance, parking lot refinish and striping, drainage issue of Buildings 18 and 19 and a new roof.

Managing agent report

Betsy presented the managing agent's report. She discussed a pie chart showing the breakdown of how carrying charges are spent. The cooperative's assets are \$7,217,016; the reserves are \$589,568.

Election inspectors

Sheryl asked for three volunteers to serve as inspectors of election. Pam Harris, Mike Page and Lynn Brown volunteered.

Board positions open

Sheryl announced that there were one three-year position and two one-year positions open on the board of directors. The candidates are Cheryl Conaway, Todd Smith, Michael Gamble, Barbara Wood, Marilyn Porter and Judith Henthorn.

Nominations from the floor

Sheryl asked for nominations from the floor. There were no nominations from the floor and a motion to close the nominations was made and carried.

Speeches

Candidates addressed the members.

Vote

Members cast ballots.

Election results

Brad and the election inspectors left to count ballots and returned with the results: Cheryl Conaway, a three-year term; Marilyn Porter and Michael Gamble, one-year terms.

Good Neighbor Honor Roll

Sheryl read the names of members awarded the Good Neighbor of the Month from October 2021 through September of 2022: Gracie Sykes, Judy Henthorn and Neil McCumber, Cheryl and Summer Conaway, Amanda Bass and Jacob Newport.

Door prizes

Door prize drawings were held. Jacob Newport won a month's free carrying charges. Katrin King won second prize of \$50 and Frank Scheuring, third prize of \$25.

The annual meeting ended at 7:50 p.m. The board met in closed session and the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Officers elected

The board elected officers for the 2022-2023 year.

- President: Sheryl Frank
- Vice president: Marilyn Porter
- Secretary: Cheryl Conaway
- Treasurer: Moises Valerio

*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 \$25. Names of the current year's recipients are read aloud during the annual meeting.

**GOOD NEIGHBOR OF THE MONTH
HONOR ROLL**

2022

Gracie Sykes • Judy Henthorn and Neil McCumber
Cheryl and Summer Conaway
Amanda Bass • Jacob Newport

2021

Paul Michael Fenton • Bobbie George
Josh Rogers • Abigail Perez

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

**By the Numbers:
Sept. 2021 to Sept. 2022**

Office

33 Applications Processed
27 Move-ins

Maintenance

24 Rehabs
4 Rehabs Currently Underway
1,117 Service Requests Completed

**Daylight Saving Time
Ends on November 6**

It's that time of year again. You'll gain an hour on Sunday, Nov. 6. That's when Daylight Saving Time ends. So, set your clocks back one hour. For example, if you get up at 6 a.m. on Sunday, move the time back to 5 a.m.



Got a good neighbor? Tell us who...

Independence Square is full of unsung heroes. They may be the neighbor who brings you a meal when you're sick or who gives you a ride to the grocery store when your car is in the shop or who takes care of your cat when you're away. They may be the neighbor who volunteers to serve on committees or who organizes activities. You may have seen a neighbor picking up litter in your neighborhood. Whatever the act of kindness, Independence Square is a better place to live because of these unsung heroes. And now, we want you to help us recognize them with the Independence Square Good Neighbor honor.

Please tell us about your neighbor by filling in the form and turning it in to the office. The kindness can be a one-time act or it can be something done on a regular basis. The act of kindness can benefit just one person, a neighborhood or the entire cooperative. One Good Neighbor will be recognized every month and will receive \$25. Nominees must be members in good standing. All information will be verified. The Good Neighbor recognition program will continue throughout the year. When you're touched by another's kindness, please nominate that person.

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? _____

Tell us about your neighbor:

Why does or did your neighbor do this? _____

In what way does this act of kindness help you or others? _____

How long has he or she lived in Independence Square? _____