

Members receive \$200 referral bonuses

Members of Independence Square Townhouses receive \$200 checks as referral bonuses when an applicant they recommend becomes a member.

We appreciate referring members for their vote of confidence in our cooperative and for helping us attract qualifying new members.

Word-of-mouth recommendations are our best source of new members. When you tell others to consider Independence Square for their new home, it means that you enjoy living here and that you know someone else who would be a good neighbor for us.



The referral should be mentioned at the time of application.

The referring member will receive \$200 after the applicant moves in.



JULY 2024

Carrying Charges Due: August 1

Carrying Charges Delinquent: August 12

Board Meeting: August 20 Open session at 6 pm

Delinquent accounts sent to attorney: August 22

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 <i>Carrying Charges Due</i>	2	3	4 <i>Independence Day Office Closed</i>	5	6
7	8	9	10 <i>Carrying Charges Delinquent</i>	11	12	13
14	15	16 <i>Board Meeting Open Session at 6pm</i>	17	18	19	20
21	22 <i>Delinquent accounts to attorney</i>	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

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

Michael Gamble

President

Elected 2023, 3-year term

Cheryl Conaway

Vice president

Elected 2022, 3-year term

Summer Bello

Secretary

Elected 2023, 3-year term

Phyllis Cannon

Appointed 2024, 1-year term

Handy Phone Numbers

Indep. Square Office
816-252-0444

Animal Shelter
816-325-7207

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



Looking ahead 30 days *Around the Corner*

Look for the grounds to get prettier this month: we will be planting flowers throughout the property.

The grounds are mowed every Friday. We do walk the property thoroughly but if you believe an area needs more attention, please call the office.

Yard inspections continue. Members with fenced yards are reminded to mow inside the fenced area.

Annual updates are now past due. Please comply with vehicle and animal registrations.

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

All guests who will be on the property for more than 24 hours must register a guest sticker with the office. The guest sticker must be returned at the end of their stay or the member will be subjected to a \$5 charge.



~ Jozie Blomquist
Site manager



Mike Gamble, board president, awards Lynn Brown the door prize of \$25 during the open session of the June board meeting.

BOARD MEETING, JUNE 18, 2024
NEWSLETTER MINUTES

Board members present: Mike Gamble, president; Cheryl Conaway, vice president; Summer Bello, secretary; Phyllis Cannon and Marilyn Porter
Staff present: Jozie Blomquist, site manager
Also attending: Bradley Constance, cooperative attorney, and Tamara Wallace, executive director with Community Housing Management

Mike called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Four members signed in for the open session at 6 p.m.

Welcome

Mike welcomed them and announced the next board meeting to be Tuesday, July 16.

Site manager report

Jozie reviewed the site manager’s report for June. Three applications have been approved and four move-ins are scheduled with a tentative date for a fifth move-in. A one-bedroom unit and a two-bedroom unit are for sale.



MEMBERS ASKED TO REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES

Whenever you see suspicious activities or persons on Independence Square property, please call the Independence Police Department at 911.

Responding to and investigating all citizen concerns are what the police do. You can help prevent crime by being alert to strangers on the property and questionable behavior. To keep the cooperative safe for all of us, report your concerns to the police.

Maintenance update

Jozie presented the maintenance report. Four refrigerators, two water heaters and one stove have been replaced. In May, 76 work orders were opened, 90 closed and 171 not yet completed. Two rehabs have been completed. Smoke alarm inspections resulted in some 36 smoke/CO2 detectors being replaced.

Managing agent’s report

Tamara reported that the board will finalize the budget tonight.

Mike opened the floor to member comments.

Door prize drawing

Lynn Brown won the door prize drawing of \$25.

The open session ended at 6:27 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Minutes

The board voted to approve the minutes of the May 21 board and budget meeting and the June 4 special meeting.

Adjournment

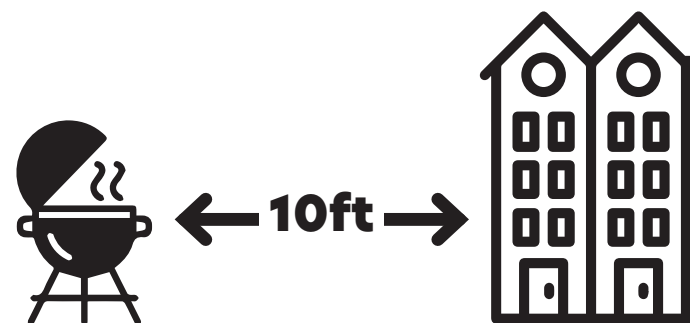
The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Store grills away from buildings

All outdoor grills, smokers and other such devices must be stored 10 feet away from the buildings.

These are not allowed to be placed on wooden decks.

These rules are necessary to comply with the property’s insurance requirements.



Candidate resumes published in newsletter

If you are interested in running for the Independence Square Board of Directors, please submit a resume to the office.

Resumes will appear in the September issue of the “Around the Square” newsletters.

If you want to publish a resume in the newsletter, here is an easy format to follow.

- You don’t need to use every category.
- Please limit the length to a half typed page.

Here is a format you can use to prepare a resume.

Name:

Cooperative experience:

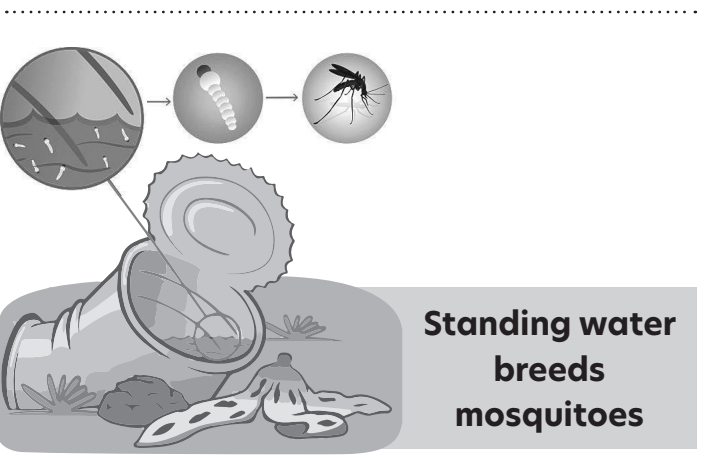
Qualifications:

Family:

Work history:

Education:

“I want to serve on the board of directors because:”



A diagram showing a bucket of water with a mosquito larva and a mosquito. A text box next to it says "Standing water breeds mosquitoes".

Members with wading pools for children are reminded to empty their pools daily.

Pet owners who leave bowls of drinking water outdoors for their dogs are also asked to provide fresh water daily.

Standing water becomes a breeding ground for mosquitoes and the diseases they can spread.

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 address: _____

Your phone number: _____

I nominate _____
 (Please give full name of neighbor your are nominating.)

Neighbor’s address: _____

Neighbor’s 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.

Newsletter editor, Su Bacon, will call the nominee. Explain why you are nominating this person.

What has she or he done to be a good neighbor?

Why does or did your neighbor do this?

Resumes accepted for board of directors

Members of Independence Square will vote to fill two positions on the board of directors at this year’s annual meeting.

Members in good standing who care about our community are encouraged to run for office. Resumes of candidates will be printed in the August and September newsletters.

The annual meeting is Wednesday, September 18.