

NID Website

Have you checked it out, yet? Larry Eckert with the help of Dave Wood has given the Neighbors InDeed website a whole new look. The colors have been changed to make it more attractive and easier on the eyes. It's also far more functional and has a lot more info than it did before. Thanks for making us look so good, Guys.



The website now has lots more information about NID, our various programs and even some local support groups. For those interested in volunteering with us there's a special page leading to descriptions of current opportunities. Kudos to I&R Co-coordinator Janet Roberts for providing so much of the revised and new content. When you get a chance go see it at <http://www.neighborsindeed.info/> If you have neighbors or friends interested in NID tell them to check us out on the Internet.

Protecting Our Seniors Seminar

NID was privileged to recently co-sponsor an informative seminar along with Neighborhood Watch that was attended by over 150 residents. Keynote speaker was Sheriff Ed Bonner followed by Scott Owen from the District Attorney's office. The two speakers were followed by an open forum with a panel of representatives from the Lincoln Police Department, Adult Protective Services and the District Attorney's office. Attendees were given a lot of useful information on what to do when fraud is suspected or there is concern that someone they encounter may be at risk.

Just as a reminder, Neighbors InDeed does have a Seniors At Risk policy that provides a protocol for our volunteers when they are on a service call and are concerned about the welfare of a resident. If you do not have a copy in your training manual, please send an email request for a copy to joan.brant-love@sbcglobal.net

All Hands Meeting

Larry Schurr asks you to mark **June 18th from 2:00 – 4:00** on your calendar! Neighbors InDeed has reserved Presentation Hall at Kilaga Springs for a meeting of all of our volunteers. We will have representatives from many different groups and services giving brief presentations followed by Q&A. It will be a great opportunity to learn about what's available right here in the Lincoln area. You'll be receiving more detailed information soon. Be on the lookout!



Handy Helpers

Predictably, we're starting to get lots of requests for sprinkler controller adjustments these days. With area water shortages looming out there, it's worth remembering that we can help residents save water by re-setting their irrigation system controllers for efficiency. Remind your neighbors to give us a call at **223-2763** to arrange an appointment with one of our Handy Helpers.



NID Funding

As most of you know, our current major funder is the **Lincoln Hills Foundation**. However, in years past we have also received funds from the **Lincoln Rotary Club** (our laptop) and way-back-when the **Kiwanis of Lincoln** purchased our I&R cell phones for us and continued to provide funds to pay our phone bills. This year, since we are now more solvent than we once were and can pay our own phone bills without their assistance, the Kiwanis have re-directed those funds to excellent use in the Lincoln schools. We are ever so grateful to the Foundation, to the Kiwanis for their years of support and to the Rotary for their help when we needed it. When the opportunity arises for you we would encourage everyone to support these generous organizations.

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Information & Referral Service



On April 22nd, the I&R team attended a potluck luncheon at the home of Betty and George Chiang. Great food, a chance to exchange I&R stories, discuss challenges and hear brief presentations from the Board President, Joan Brant-Love, Handy Helper Coordinator, Herman Tijsseling and Dispatcher Coordinator, Vic Albertazzi. Betty Chiang and Janet Roberts are pleased to say that they have added seven new volunteers to the I&R team since the beginning of the year bringing their total to 23. They've also been able to successfully move from three-day shifts down to two-day shifts for their volunteers. Sure makes scheduling much easier. This is a far cry from NID's early days when the shifts were for one week, seven days a week and from 9:00AM-9:00PM. Our early-day folks like Sandy Melnick, Pat Michael-Serio and Joyce Henderson (now a Dispatcher) can certainly remember that!

We are so-o-o glad we have evolved to where we are today!

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Volunteer Expo

On April 30th, Neighbors InDeed took part in the "Inspire by Example" volunteer expo in the ballroom at Orchard Creek. This is an annual event where interested residents have an opportunity to visit the booths staffed by numerous service organizations in the area and learn about different volunteer programs. It was also an opportunity for NID volunteers in attendance to network and learn more about these organizations. There are so many folks out there doing such good work!

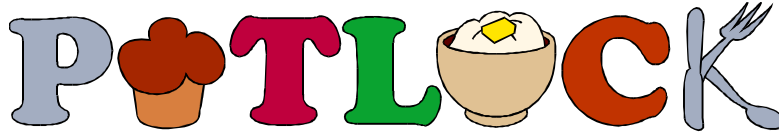
Kathie Wagner-Levine, our Volunteer Coordinator, will be following up with those who inquired about joining NID. And, of course, if you know of neighbors who would like to volunteer with us, please have them call **223-3763** and we will happily send them an application and information on our current openings.

Other Volunteer Opportunities

Jean Ebenholtz, who not only heads up our Medical Equipment program but also runs the Sun City Lincoln Hills Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group, is looking for a volunteer to assist her with various tasks related to the Support Group's monthly meetings. If you can give some time to this very worthy endeavor, please contact Jean at jme-sme@att.net or 434-6852.

We're also looking for an NID volunteer with accounting/bookkeeping background who can serve as backup to our dedicated and so efficient Treasurer, Tanya Piper. Tanya records all of our income and expenditures in protected files in SecureSheet so the backup person would have to have a computer and access to the Internet. If you have an interest in helping as our Treasurer backup, please contact Joan Brant-Love at joan.brant-love@sbcglobal.net

It's That Time Of Year Again...



Neighbors InDeed Potluck Lunch

Get ready for a terrific chance to meet your fellow Neighbors InDeed volunteers and share in a delicious potluck lunch. Volunteers and their significant others are all welcome.

We'll supply the drinks, utensils, and main course (Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, and Veggie Burgers). Just bring your favorite side dish or dessert to make this feast complete.

Please let your Program Coordinator know by **May 15th**, if you are planning to attend and if you are bringing a Side Dish or a Dessert. Please also plan to bring a utensil for your Side Dish or Dessert. We'll need the RSVP count to provide enough food for the luncheon. Hope to see you there!



Date:	Sunday, June 7th
Time:	11:30AM – 3:00PM
Place:	Lincoln Hills Sports Pavilion
What to Bring:	Side Dish or Dessert (+ utensil)

Potluck Contacts Info ↓

Dispatchers: Vic Albertazzi vicalb@starstream.net 408-4495

Handy Helpers: Herman Tijsseling gitanherm@ssctv.net 434-7307

Information & Referral: Janet Roberts janetroberts5000@sbcglobal.net 543-6015

Medical Equipment: Jean Ebenholtz jme-sme@att.net 434-6852



Happy Spring and thanks for all you do
for Neighbors InDeed.

