

# SIGNALS FROM THE HILL

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**SIGNAL HILL**  
A Great Place to Live

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### From the Board of Directors...

Dear Neighbors,

In case you haven't noticed – IT'S SPRING IN SIGNAL HILL!

That wonderful time of year we long for after a cold, dreary winter. Gone are temperature changes of 40 degrees in 24 hours. Gone is the flu bug that, once again, defied the wonders of the flu vaccine. Gone are the snow, the ice, the rock salt and cinders. Gone, too, are the plaintive prayers of young and old alike, for another sacred 'snow day.'

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When thunderstorms come in waves with 'straight-line winds' that nobody wants to call a 'tornado'; when ice, the size of golf balls, pelts our cars, our homes and our roofs; when drivers need water wings and life preservers instead of ice scrapers and blankets.

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It's that crazy, unpredictable, 'can't come soon enough' season that we love to hate. It never lets us close the gates on time because there's always that "chance of snow" in the forecast. It lures our walkers and runners to come back outside in their spiffy new jogging outfits, only to drop 30 degrees and rain cats and dogs on them before they can return home. It teases our pets to think it's safe to come outside, only to have the bejeebers scared out of them when a herd of deer hiss at them and paw the ground when they cross paths. It turns our beloved Hwy Commish into a sleep deprived workaholic who spends his days (and nights) answering frantic phone calls about falling limbs and drives hundreds of miles clearing streets of debris. It incites our very own "Keeper of the Green," Steve Suess, to raise his fists in the air while cursing the moles who ate all the tulip bulbs. And it prompts our frugal (but lovable) treasurer, Carole Butler, to start naggin' everybody that their annual dues are due....and due now!

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So...sit back and relax. Enjoy this newsletter. Catch up on what's going on in the neighborhood. Spend time with your family. Go outside. Renew old friendships and make new ones. Summer will be here soon enough and Mother Nature will hand us a whole new list of things to enjoy!

As always,

Your Signal Hill Board of Directors

**2007 – 2008 SHNA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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Kim Hettick	Precinct Committee	Centreville Township	394-9845		

## Calendar of Events

Check out [www.signalhillna.org](http://www.signalhillna.org) for updates

- Thursday, April 3, 2008 SHNA Board Meeting  
7:00 pm Signal Hill School Library
- Sunday, April 6, 2008 West End Redevelopment Corp.  
1:00 pm Open House at 9510 West Main
- Saturday, April 12, 2008 City of Belleville Annual City-Wide Clean-up  
9:00 am – Noon  
Call Belleville Township Office 233-0206  
for more information
- Saturday, April 26, 2008 Signal Hill Community Run  
8:30 am 5K run (Open to all)  
10:30 am Children's events begin  
Signal Hill School  
For more information, call the school at 397-0325
- Saturday, April 26, 2008 West End Redevelopment Corp.  
1:00 pm Golf Tournament at Grand Marias
- Thursday, May 1, 2008 SHNA Board Meeting  
7:00 pm Signal Hill School Library
- Thursday, June 5, 2008 SHNA Board Meeting  
7:00 pm Signal Hill School Library
- Sunday, June 29, 2008 Signal Hill Fire Dept. Ribs & Raffle  
11:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Hill Fire Dept.
- SHNA Annual Meeting  
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm  
Signal Hill Fire Dept. Community Room

*Love thy neighborhood Association.*

*Love thy neighborhood Schools.*

*Love thy neighborhood Fire Department.*

*Love thy County Sheriff's Department.*

**THANK YOU**  
**FOR BEING A 2007 DUES - PAYING MEMBER**

**BLUFF DRIVE**

Bob/Karen Graebe  
 Gregorio/Ana Sierra  
 Barbara Stalker  
 Larry/Barbara Taylor

**BLUFF HILL ROAD**

Rod/Tony Rodriguez  
 Don/Carolyn Tisch

**BRIAR HILL ROAD**

Bob/Arlene Goalby  
 Gay Norton  
 Bill/Susan Stiritz

**CARBON STREET**

William/Lisa Bequette  
 Dennis Thomas

**CIRCLE DRIVE**

Steve/Kathy Baumunkais  
 Jon/Rebecca Corbett

**CONCORD****CRESTON DR.**

Ray/Betty Politisch

**SOUTH CRESTON**

Fred/Maggie Colliflower

**DIVIDE****EDGEWOOD DRIVE****FOREST**

Irv DeFrates  
 David/Lisa Hollenbeck  
 William/Jan Kratky  
 Jim/Rose Pappas  
 Louis/Kathy Spilka  
 Ron/Gloria Tialdo

**FREDERICK****GLENVIEW**

Jayne Ganschinetz-Baulos  
 Bob/Sharon Cook  
 Nancy Macklin  
 Paula Rodriguez

**HAZEL AVE.**

Kevin/Yolana Hileman  
 Corey/Michele Hudson  
 Robert/Rose Laux  
 Barbara/Gladys Litsey

**HAZEL AVE. (con't.)**

James/Marion Morrison  
 Greg Render  
 James/Ann Spencer

**JULIA PLACE**

Dennis/Margaret Beupre  
 Fern Christian  
 Ed/Lynne Constance  
 Clara Eckley  
 Jim /Sharon Eisele  
 Roger/Yvette Elliot  
 Greg/Tammy Harville  
 Danny/Cynthia Hebentreit  
 Ann Laney  
 Dale/Bell Richards  
 Mariva Scherck  
 Doug/Julie Tedford  
 Dick/Zabelle Vartanian

**KINGSTON DRIVE**

Allen Biggerstaff  
 Mark/Lynn Foster  
 Pat/Laura Kilroy  
 William/Lorraine Linder  
 Steve/Barb Suess

**LAMASK****LAWRENCE DR.****LENEL****LINDORF**

Hildegard Bandy  
 Dennis/Nan Kammann-Judd  
 Lee/Della Paul

**MARTIN ST.**

Lori Meyer  
 Stephanie/Troy Papproth

**MILDRED****MILLE**

Mark/Robbie Williams

**PERRY LANE**

Paul/Nancy Browning

**RAVINE****RIDGE LANE**

Tom/Barb Ducey  
 Mindy/Jeff Morrison  
 Joe/Sharon Rodriguez  
 Jim/Donna Shaw  
 Margot Uhrig

**RUTH**

Carole Butler  
 Karen Davis  
 Delores Weiss

**SIGNAL HILL BLVD.**

Tom Biver  
 Leander Brockman  
 Ken and Sally Castelli  
 Steve Davidson  
 Ed/Donna Dougherty  
 Bob/Linda Havlin  
 Norma Jean Havlin  
 Mark/Stacy Henke  
 Jack/Bev Hunter  
 Michael Kappel  
 Roland Keller  
 Patrick/Kerri Laney  
 Lewis/Nancy Laughlin  
 Tom/Karen Linn  
 Lee Mikesell  
 Kathryn Reuther  
 Otto/Dana Roberts  
 Col. Mark/Kathryn Schmitz  
 Bill Schiller/Ellen Dauber  
 Paul/Laura Sforza  
 Terry/Marylou Tyrrell

**SIGNAL HILL TERRACE****SIGNAL PARK LANE****SIGNAL POINT**

Ted/Bertha Bryan  
 Georgia Ann Edwards  
 Richard/Karen Engel  
 Harold/Leona Morrison  
 Paul/Alicia Slocomb

**SOUTH 95<sup>th</sup> STREET**

Dean/Lisa Seales

**SUPERIOR**

Elmer/Christine Laut, Jr.

**SYLVANIA**

Lori Eyre  
 Colleen and Rochelle Reed

**VALLEY****WALNUT****WEDGEWOOD LANE**

**\*FRIENDS OF SHNA:** Carol Hackmann, Pauling, NY; Martha O'Malley, Belleville, IL

*[We apologize in advance if your name has been omitted. Please call Carole Butler and we will make the correction.]*

**As we begin 2008, we must acknowledge our achievements in 2007.**

It took a colossal community-wide effort, but we made a huge dent in the removal of the debris left by the November 2006 ice storm. Trees were cut down, the wood hauled away and the stumps were removed in the common areas.

Repairs to the lights on the gates at Kingston and Hwy 157 were finally completed with the help of neighbor Jeff Foutch, owner/operator of Loco Electric, Inc. and Mark Foster, a retired AmerenIP lineman. Jeff addressed the electrical problems and Mark helped us resolve several issues with AmerenIP. Thank you both.

The June, 2007, Annual Meeting was a huge success. We want to thank the Fire Department for allowing us to hold our meeting at the firehouse during their Ribs & Raffle Day. Attendance was high (the aroma from the barbeque probably had

a lot to do with it). Hopefully, the Fire Department sold a lot of ribs, too.

We had the largest number of neighbors (21, to be exact) in the history of the neighborhood association to volunteer to be on the Association Board of Directors. Attendance at our monthly Board meetings has been very good throughout the year. Their desire to get involved and volunteer their time says a lot about the character and quality of people who live in Signal Hill.

The Scarecrow Jamboree gets better every year thanks to Stacey Henke and her cohorts. They have made this a great fall event and attendance grows every year.

Dues-paying members increased significantly from last year and we hope to increase membership even more in 2008.

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**SHNA 2007 EXPENSES**

AmerenIP [lights on gates at Kingston/Concord]	\$ 366.40
Grass cutting at common areas	370.00
Sappington Gardens [tulip Bulbs]	238.67
Burrows stump removal [storm damage at common areas]	200.00
Event Insurance [2 yrs]	250.00
Miscellaneous expenses	246.30
Postmaster	7.80
IL Secretary of State [Annual fee]	5.00
Neighborhood Watch Supplies	164.00
Newsletter [printing, mailbox bags]	<u>793.84</u>
	\$ 2,642.01

***It's A Privilege To Serve You***

We all had a role in making 2007 memorable – whether that was simply making sure our yards looked great or volunteering in some big or small way or attending association meetings or social events.

So many people care very deeply about our neighborhood. We invite you to join us this year. Participate in monthly meetings and social activities. Volunteer to help with one of the beautification committees. Meet more neighbors. Be friendly to SHNA block captains as they give you info on how to protect you and your family. Take time to report crime. And most important, be a good neighbor! This is a special neighborhood, and the Board considers it a privilege to serve you.

***Thoughtful and generous members that include an additional contribution are greatly appreciated.***

Tear off this section and mail with your Signal Hill Neighborhood Association dues in the enclosed envelope.

**\$20**

**2008 DUES FORM**

**\$20**

Count me in as a MEMBER of the SIGNAL HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO SHNA and mail to: Carole Butler, Treasurer/SHNA, 36 Ruth Place, Belleville, IL 62223. (Do not send cash.)

