

NEWS AND UPDATES FROM 2017

12/27/17 - QUICK UPDATE ABOUT ASSOCIATION DUES. A third-party company processes the issuing and mailing of our association dues statements for Kirkpatrick Management Co. They are on their way, but many of you have not yet received your statement coupon book. When you do receive it, it should have 2 coupons... one for the 1/1/18 payment and the second for the 7/1/18 payment. The KMC office is closed for the Holidays until Jan. 2nd. Here is the information you need to pay your fees: Your payment is the same amount as you paid on your July, 2017 statement.

Make Check payable to: Meadowlark HOA

Mail to: Meadowlark HOA, c/o Kirkpatrick Management Co., PO Box 90023, Omaha, NE 68103-1523

Include your account # (it will be on last year's statement) and your address and phone #.

Hope this info is helpful.

12/05/17 - GENERAL UPDATES: (1) Well, Mother Nature gave us such nice weather that we had another mowing last week. Should be our last one, as colder weather and snow is forecast this weekend.

(2) New Calendar of Events for 2018 -----> see events shown above.

(3) We recently welcomed another new couple to Meadowlark:

* Ann Foster and Chris Bourke, 1218 Partridge Drive; Ann: (317)

313-0012, Chris: (317) 402-1267; Indytandem@gmail.com

12/05/17 - HOLIDAY SEASON. Thanksgiving is past, and Christmas is fast approaching. Everywhere you see trees and lights and hear Christmas Songs. Enjoy every moment of this joyous season. Take in pageants and plays at school, church, and in your community. Check out all the wonderful light displays and other special activities in Indianapolis, and around us. Join in. Have a special lunch or dinner with a friend. Sing a carol or two. Wish all you meet "Merry Christmas." Watch "It's a Wonderful Life" or "Miracle on 34th Street." And be especially aware of neighbors who are by themselves. It can be a very lonely time for many. Stop by with some cookies or a card, or just to let them know they are remembered. Here are just a few of the activities:

*Visit Indy Christmas – <https://www.visitindy.com/indianapolis-holiday-attractions>

*Winterland at Ellis Park in Danville - <http://www.danvillechamber.org/pages/winterland-light-show>.

Did you know that once you get into Winterland, you can go back through it several times? You can park by the big Christmas tree and take a picture or two; pop in to see Santa and get some cookies and hot cocoa while the little ones talk to him. This site offers a discount coupon too.

*Christmas in Plainfield – December 8th at 7:00 p.m. in the Plainfield High School Auditorium. Musical groups from Plainfield churches will present an evening of songs and special music. Admission is free.

*Lights at the Brickyard - https://www.visitindy.com/indianapolis-lights-at-the-brickyard?utm_source=google&utm_medium=cpc&utm_term=lights%20at%20the%20brickyard&utm_campaign=Events.

And don't forget Winterlights at Newfields, Indiana Historical Society Festival of Trees, Eiteljorg

Museum Jingle Rails, Christmas at the Zoo, Children's Museum Jolly Days Winter Wonderland, and Conner Prairie by Candlelight. What great experiences for young and old.

12/05/17 - SCAMS. It is sad that these days we are constantly being made aware of various ways people try to scam us. Here is another one from Sgt. Todd Knowles, Plainfield Police Dept. about a jury duty scam. The scammer calls the victim and says they've failed to appear for jury duty, and that a warrant has been issued for their arrest. The scammer threatens victim with arrest for failure to appear for jury duty, then relents and says if the victim agrees to pay a fine, ranging from \$500 to \$2,000, he or she will not be arrested. The fine is often requested to be paid via 'electronic voucher,' and the victim is advised they can pay the fine using a prepaid gift card. Click this link to see the WISH-TV video: <http://wishtv.com/2017/11/28/court-officials-jury-duty-scam-on-the-rise/>

And the scam is still going on where a supposed grandchild or family member calls needing help (been arrested, robbed, lost their wallet, etc.), asking you to send money right away. To protect yourselves, have a family code word, name, or phrase that you all agree to use if something like this ever happens.

12/05/17 - SAFETY FIRST. In this time of good will and cheer, we must still take precautions to protect ourselves and our things. Don't leave packages visible in your vehicle. Always be cautious as to where you park when shopping, and if uncomfortable going to your car alone, ask a store security guard to escort you. If you have packages being delivered and you can't be home, have a neighbor watch for you. DON'T give out any personal information to a caller. Be cautious about opening your door. If you don't know the person, keep the door locked. And if you see anything suspicious, call the police. They are always there to help us.

12/05/17 - HOLIDAY GREETINGS. The Meadowlark HOA Board of Directors wishes everyone in our community a wonderful holiday season, and are grateful that we all can celebrate according to our own beliefs. We wish the very best celebration for you and your families.

11/22/17 - GENERAL UPDATES: (1) Last mowing of the year was done this week. We'll see Landscape Solutions mowing crew come next spring. (2) Snow removal will be handled by Landscape Solutions this winter. Driveways, porches, and sidewalks from the drive to the porch will be cleared when the snowfall reaches 2" and is still falling. (3) We have recently welcomed these new residents to Meadowlark: * Sharon Squires, 10744 Crane Drive, (317) 201-0375 (her daughter Kelli Shiflet) * Marvin Myers, 10789 Oriole Court, (317) 801-0403, foot1455@gmail.com. (4) The last Crime Watch meeting was held November 16th. Click here to view all the information passed on to us by Sgt. Todd Knowles about crimes in Hendricks County and Identify Theft. He gave us some really good information. (5) In our last issue, we suggested you have your dryer vents cleaned because of possible fire issues, and suggested the Mite-E-Ducts company. A resident contacted us saying she checked with them and then with another company, and this company was quite a bit lower and did an excellent job. Here is Paula Moore's quote: "I contacted the vent company suggested on the home page. They gave me an estimate to clean my dryer vent of \$150. I contacted Fresh Air Solutions & Technologies, <http://www.freshairsolutionstech.com/> and got a quote from them for \$89. They came

on Nov. 13th and cleaned my dryer vent. Very professional, courteous young men. They did not try to sell additional services, but quoted them on their receipt. I will continue to use them and recommend them for the \$60 price difference." (6) If you are going to be away from your home for several weeks or months, contact the Plainfield Police to fill out the "Vacation Watch" form. The police will then check your house periodically, walking the perimeter, and checking doors and windows while you are gone. Use this link to access the form: <https://www.plainfield-il.org/pages/documents/235VacationHouseCheckRequest.pdf>

11/22/17 - CONDOLENCES. We wish to extend our condolences to Jackie Click on Oriole Drive, at the death of her husband, William, the end of October. We also send condolences to Pam Lyons on Partridge Drive whose husband, William, passed away earlier in the year.

11/22/17 - COMPLIANCE DEPT. In our last issue, we advised that a new compliance group from KMC will be driving through our neighborhood every two weeks to check on non-compliances and any other issues. Please be patient with this new process, as this group has specific guidelines to follow and may not be aware of any special things that the builder agreed to for a specific homeowner. The board is working with KMC to clarify some of the compliance issues. If you have any questions about this, contact Ryan Beres at KMC: rberes@ekirkpatrick.com.

11/22/17 - THANKSGIVING WISHES. The Meadowlark HOA Board of Directors extends best wishes to everyone for a Happy Thanksgiving. We have many blessings to be grateful for, including our fine neighborhood.

10/25/17 - MOWING. There have been some changes with our schedule, but this week the mowers will be here on Thursday, 10/26. There will be a couple more mowings into November, but may be every other week. If you have questions about this, contact Ryan Beres at 317-570-4358 or rberes@ekirkpatrick.com.

10/25/17 - SHINGLES. Missing shingles have been spotted on some homes, on Swan Court in particular. Check your roof...you may not be aware of this. Now is the time to take care of this, before winter gets here.

10/25/17 - COMPLIANCE DEPT. A new group from KMC will be driving through our neighborhood every two weeks, starting next week, to check on non-compliances and any other issues they might see (such as missing shingles that we may not be aware of). They will also be walking in the Common areas, to view back yards. However, they will not come into anyone's yard. This group will be in a truck with a KMC sign on it. If you are aware of a non-compliance, still contact Ryan Beres at KMC. He will see that the Compliance Dept. gets the information.

10/25/17 - SIDEWALKS. We are in conversation with the Town of Plainfield regarding damaged sidewalks due to water pipes and other construction-related issues. It may take awhile before we get a response, but we will keep you informed.

10/25/17 - DRYER VENTS. KMC has advised us of the critical need to clean out our dryer vents. Going through our neighborhood, they see indications of this need on many homes. Clogged dryer vents can cause fires, and this has happened in other neighborhoods. Be proactive. Have your ducts cleaned. Here is a suggested source for that service: www.airduct.info.

10/25/17 - IDENTITY THEFT. In this day and age, our data is everywhere. We trust that the companies we deal with keep our data safe. But we also have an obligation to do all that we can to minimize our personal information from getting into the wrong hands. So, take every precaution, and don't just toss your data in the trash. Destroy it.

* Shred or destroy any mail, forms, receipts, documents, contracts that show any of your personal information, especially anything with medical info, or SS #, phone numbers, etc.

* If you don't have a shredder, there are programs held throughout the year when you can take documents to a specific location for shredding. Our local news stations always broadcast when these are coming up.

* NEVER put any papers showing your personal information in the recycle bin.

* Check into software programs that will monitor and provide identify theft protection.

Here is where to go to report identity theft: <https://www.identitytheft.gov/>

If you click the "browse a complete list of possible recovery steps" at the bottom of that page it takes you to a list of things that you'll need to do (<https://www.identitytheft.gov/Steps>). Below you'll find a few of them. Also click here to view more of the things you need to do about Identify Theft.

10/12/17 - ANNUAL MEETING REPORT. The Meadowlark Homeowners Association held its Annual meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 10th, 2017 at Grace Pointe Church. We had a turn out of 76 residences, either by Proxy or attendance. With additional guests, we had about 85 people there. Thank you to all who support our Community by your involvement in the Annual Meeting. Here are highlights:

2017-18 Budget: Projected income is \$158,072.00 and our proposed budget is the same figure. The Actual 2016-2017 expenditures showed we were over budget. This was due to some mowing and grounds expenditures for the prior year that did not hit our AP until our new reporting year. However, taking these into account, we were very close to our budgeted figures for last year.

KMC Compliance Dept. Ryan Beres advised that a new KMC group named the Compliance Dept., consisting of two people in a black truck, will be coming through our neighborhood every two weeks. They will check for all non-compliance issues such as garage lights out, shutters and mail boxes needing maintenance, storage cabinets, trash cans stored in view, etc. They will also be going through the common grounds in order to check back yards to determine if fences are in need of maintenance and any other issues. They will also take pictures of all such violations. If you see any violation issues, contact Ryan at 317-570-4358.

Financials: Was reported that since we moved all monies to Mutual of Omaha, we earned \$627 interest this past year on our money market accounts and our operating (checking) account as well.

Reports: Committees reports were brief, as the reports are stated in full in the Fall, 2017 Newsletter which was just distributed. It can also be found on our web site ([click here](#)).

Election: These officers were elected: Vice President Roy Gilbert, Treasurer Kim Wilson, Grounds Liaison Leonard Stringer, Social/Crime Watch/Welcome Liaison Elaine Kinkead.

Q & A:

- **Violations:** Question raised about the procedure for violations. Ryan stated a 1st letter is sent, then a 2nd letter sent, and when a 3rd letter is sent, it is turned over to our attorney. Next contact is in court, where supporting documentation is given to the court, with pictures, and homeowner is responsible for court and attorney costs as well. Be aware that issues are not always corrected as quickly as we'd like. We must follow the dictates of the court, and when a resident does not respond, it can take several weeks for a resolution.

- **Fencing:** Another question was asked about status of the additional fencing on Partridge, behind Huber's home. Ryan reported we are awaiting an estimate from Landscape Solutions to remove all of the trash trees and scrub; next will be the erection of the fence. It is being scheduled.

- **Sidewalks:** These were discussed about who repairs the uneven edges, cracked areas, etc. in our sidewalks. Ryan explained that sidewalk repairs are not the responsibility of the Town of Plainfield or the HOA Board. They are the responsibility of the homeowner. Ryan also mentioned A-1 Leveling, which does concrete leveling. Steve Richards (a former HOA President) also verified each homeowner's responsibility. If you see bad areas in the sidewalk in the community, you can report it to KMC and the Board and violation letters can be sent. Also take pictures. We will obtain more information about repair sources and post it on the website soon.

Pictures. Pictures from our Annual Meeting are posted on our pictures page. Check them out.

10/12/17 - NEWSLETTER AND PHONE DIRECTORY. The Fall Newsletter was distributed last weekend and is posted on our documents page. [Click here](#) to view it. The Telephone Directory will be distributed this coming week to residents who are new in the past two years and those who gave permission to be included in the directory. We know there may be some information that wasn't updated. Just know that we make every effort to update our book, but we must depend on those who are listed to make us aware of any change in name, phone numbers, e-mail address, and contacts. The Directory will not be updated for another two years, but please send us any corrections so we can make sure we have the proper information. Use the [contact us page](#).

10/12/17 - CRIME UPDATE. It was just reported that again mail was seen being taken from mailboxes with the flags up. Persons left area before police could get here. SUGGESTION: Don't put your flags up. We will advise our mail lady what is going on and to be aware flags on outgoing mail may not be put up. Also an attempted house break in on the west side of Crane was just reported. Police came out and did

find footprints and other evidence, but persons were gone. There have been reports of criminal activity in the neighborhoods around us, and this may be spilling over into our area. Plainfield police said they would patrol our neighborhood more often. Be diligent, be cautious. Keep all doors locked and blinds drawn at night. Keep front and back porch lights turned on. Lock car doors parked outside. And call the police for any suspicious activity. 317-839-8700

9/26/17 - UPCOMING ANNUAL MEETING - 10/10/17. Our Meadowlark Homeowners Annual Meeting is set for Tuesday, October 10th at 6:30 p.m. at Grace Pointe Church, corner of Raceway and Morris St. (100 S). A meeting notice and Proxy form was recently sent to all Meadowlark homeowners by Kirkpatrick Management Co. We certainly hope you will plan to attend, but if you can't, please fill out the [Proxy form](#) and either return it to KMC or give it to any board member. We really need your participation, either in person or by proxy, to achieve our quorum so that business can be conducted. This year we will be electing a Vice President, Treasurer, Grounds Liaison, and Social/Crime Watch/Welcome Liaison. Candidates are those currently serving in those positions: Roy Gilbert, Kim Wilson, Leonard Stringer, and Elaine Kinhead. If you are interested in serving in any of these positions on the Board, or as a Crime Watch Block Captain or Architectural Review Committee member, please fill out the form enclosed with the Proxy and see that it gets to KMC or a board member. Things have been going well in Meadowlark this past year, and we want to make sure it continues to do so. Please attend, and help in the governing of our community.

9/26/17 - NEWSLETTER AND PHONE DIRECTORY. The Fall Newsletter and the Telephone Directory will be distributed a few days prior to our Annual Meeting. Bring your Newsletter with you to the meeting, as reports for all committees are being reported in the Newsletter. Reminder: the Directory will be given only to new residents and those who have given permission for their names to be included in it.

9/26/17 - PARKING ON SIDEWALKS. In the upcoming Fall Newsletter, we've included a letter from the Town Of Plainfield explaining the Ordinance that prohibits parking on sidewalks. [Click here to see that letter.](#)

9/26/17 - SOLICITING IN MEADOWLARK. [Click here](#) to see an e-mail from the Town Of Plainfield explaining that Soliciting is not permitted in neighborhoods where "No Soliciting" signs are posted.

9/26/17 - PICNIC. We had a good turnout for the Sept. 9th Community Picnic, which was the 12th picnic held for Meadowlark. See the article in the upcoming Fall Newsletter about the function. Also go to the [pictures](#) page for pictures from the day.

9/26/17 - GET WELL WISHES. Please remember Brenda Stringer (on Partridge), who is recovering from back surgery. It is a slow process with good and bad days. Also remember Barbara Messinger (on Crane) who has been in bad health for several months, and is currently at the Brook Knoll Nursing Home on West 10th.

8/29/17 - LAWNS & PONDS. Recently the dry weather resulted in our lawn crew mowing lawns every other week. With rainy weather forecasted, the crew should be back on their weekly mowing schedule. Also, the fountain motor for Pond A (between Whippoorwill and Swan Court) is to be replaced. It should be back in action very soon.

8/29/17 - CRIME WATCH UPDATE. It was reported in late July that a couple was seen taking mail out of mailboxes that had their flags up. This was on Cardinal Circle. The Police were called, but they were not caught. Always contact the Plainfield Police at **317-839-8700** to report any suspicious activity, and in an emergency, call **911**.

8/29/17 - MEADOWLARK DIRECTORY. In 2015 we published a Meadowlark telephone directory that listed information for only the residents who gave their permission to be included in the Directory. They were the only ones to receive the Directory. If you are listed and have changed your phone number or e-mail address in the last two years, or want to change your contact information, please send that information to Shirley Hargis. Also, if you were not in the Directory and would like to be, just send the information shown below to Shirley as well. We will be distributing an updated Directory this Fall.

**Name *Others at Address *Address *Home phone *Cell phone *E-mail *Emergency
Contact Name and Phone #*

8/29/17 - ANNUAL HOMEOWNERS MEETING. Our Annual Homeowners Meeting is scheduled for October 10th. Mark your calendars to attend or return your proxy, which will be mailed to you in September.

8/29/17 - PICNIC. The big news now is the upcoming Picnic. You should have received a flyer this past week with a form to make your reservation. As part of our Fabulous 50s Theme, we will be playing some 50s Trivia Games and Bingo again. We invite all of you to join us as we get together as a community to share good food and good times. So, complete the form and turn it in with your money to Elaine Kinkead or Kim Wilson, put on your 50s clothes, and we'll see you on September 9th. [Click here to view and print the flyer and form.](#)

7/29/17 - OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. Things are going well in Meadowlark. The neighborhood is looking great. Comments come to us from both residents and visitors that Meadowlark is so inviting...the grounds are well-kept, yards and flowers are lovely, and the overall impression is that the people who live here really care about their property and their neighborhood. One visitor commented, "This is a real jewel of a neighborhood." Thanks to each resident who does their part in keeping Meadowlark beautiful and a great place to call home.

7/29/17 - CHANGING OF THE GUARD. In recent weeks, there have been changes to the officers and Board members. President Lee Green has resigned effective July 25th, as he is moving from Meadowlark. We thank Lee for his years of service and contributions to our community. Our new President will be Bill Jeffrion. New Vice President is Roy Gilbert, and new Treasurer is Kim Wilson. The other members remain: Shirley Hargis, Secretary, Rodney Kyle, ARC Liaison, Leonard Stringer, Grounds,

and Elaine Kinkead, Social and Crime Watch. The officers and board members appreciate your support as we continue to work for the good of our community.

7/29/17 - CONDOLENCES. On July 5th, Morris Hargis, on Swan Court, passed away after a long illness. Morris served for several years on the HOA Board as the ARC Liaison. We send our sincere condolences to his wife Shirley and family.

7/29/17 - ARC REQUESTS REMINDER. Any improvements you make to your yards, from pavers, to cement patios and sidewalks, to pergolas, new trees, satellite dishes, standard and invisible fences, etc. MUST be submitted to the Architectural Review Committee on the Request for Change form. Check the [documents](#) Web Page for the form.

7/29/17 - NATIONAL NIGHT OUT - AUGUST 1ST.

6/14/17 - E-MAIL BLAST. Besides Flyers and this web site, the Meadowlark HOA Board is also doing e-mail blasts to all residents in Meadowlark for whom we have an e-mail address. We recently sent one out regarding the Garage Sale last weekend.

If you did not receive that e-mail, please use the contact us page to send us your e-mail address to add to our list. And, in talking with neighbors, ask if they are also receiving the e-mails. If they say no, have them contact Shirley Hargis or another Board member to give us their e-mail address.

6/14/17 - NEW TREASURER. After many years of service, Mary Ellen Ramsay has resigned as Treasurer of the HOA. We thank her for all she has done and all she has contributed to our community. We are pleased to announce that Kim Wilson has agreed to serve in that position and we welcome her to the Board.

If you are interested in serving in any capacity on the Board, including the Architectural Review Committee, passing out flyers, helping with the Picnic, please use the contact us page to let us know; or, contact a board member and express your interest. We are always looking for those who are willing to help our community.

6/14/17 - ISSUES OF CONCERN. Three of the main concerns we have in Meadowlark are: (1) People who continue to park multiple cars on the street...park them in your garage and driveway; and also those who block sidewalks. That is against both a Hendricks Co. Ordinance and the Meadowlark Covenants. If you see this continuing to happen at a specific location, call the Plainfield Police...317-839-8700. Also take pictures and be sure to include the street address when reporting it.

(2) Owners who fail to obey the Hendricks County Leash Law and Meadowlark Covenants and don't keep their dogs on a leash when they are outside their home or not contained in a fenced area. If you see this, don't wait till later to report it...IMMEDIATELY call the Plainfield Police...317-839-8700 and tell them it's not an animal control issue, but a leash law violation and you want an officer to come out right away. Use your cell phone and get pictures and an address and name if possible.

(3) Trash from recycle bins blowing throughout the yards and into the ponds. It's up to each of us to make sure our recycle items are tightly secured in the bins. Blowing trash that builds up in the ponds will result in dredging of the ponds and the cost involved sooner than we'd like.

6/14/17 - HOME MAINTENANCE. Violation letters are being issued to owners of homes needing the following maintenance:

*Mold and algae. The siding on many, many homes in Meadowlark is covered with this. It is your responsibility to clean your siding to maintain the standards of our community.

*Shutters. Many are faded, especially on the homes that were first built. We've posted suggestions on our bulletin board page; check there.

*Mailboxes. Many are showing wear, fading, rust, doors not shutting, posts leaning. Contact Otto's information on our bulletin board page for replacement information.

*Weeds. Keep your flowerbeds and other areas free of weeds. They are so unsightly.

6/14/17 - ARC REQUESTS. Any improvements you make to your yards, from pavers, to cement patios and sidewalks, to pergolas, new trees, satellite dishes, standard and invisible fences, etc. MUST be submitted to the Architectural Review Committee on the Request for Change form. Each form MUST include a "Plot Plan" of your lot and home with the improvement clearly marked to ensure your improvement is within your lot dimensions and not in the easements or common areas.

CLARIFICATION. The form stated you must submit a "Plat Plan". That was incorrect. We need your "Plot Plan". We have updated our form to clarify that and have included resources where you can go to obtain it. Check the last page of the form for these resources as well as our documents page.

4/19/17 - WELCOME NEW OFFICERS. The Meadowlark HOA Board is pleased to announce that the positions of Vice President and Liaison for the Architectural Review Committee have been filled.

Please welcome William (Bill) Jeffrion, 10738 Crane as our new Vice President. Bill and his wife Deborah purchased their home in Meadowlark in November of 2006. Deborah moved in while Bill completed his work career at Xavier University of Louisiana in New Orleans, where he served as the Associate Vice President of Auxiliary & Support Services. A major part of his job included managing 22 rental units for faculty and staff. He was also a contract liaison to several large companies, including a major bookstore, a food service, and a printing company.

Please also welcome Rodney (Rod) Kyle, 1149 Blue Bird Drive as our new Liaison for the Meadowlark Architectural Review Committee. Rod has served on several neighborhood associations in past years, including the positions of Vice President and President. Prior to moving to Meadowlark 3 years ago with his wife Linda, Rod served as a board member at Prestwick CSA, and on the Architectural Committee at Oxford Park in Parks of Prestwick. Rod currently is a designer of Design Plus custom homes.

We sincerely appreciate the willingness of both Bill and Rod to join the Meadowlark Board as we strive to serve our community to the best of our ability.

4/19/17 - SAFETY TIPS. Now that Spring is here, and Summer soon behind it, we all will be spending more time out of doors. If you are working outside, don't leave your garage door open very long. It could be a temptation for someone to help themselves to your things. And be sure to keep windows and doors locked and to keep your outside lights on at night...both front and back porches. Make sure your dusk-to-dawn garage lights are not burned out. If you see anything suspicious, contact the Plainfield Police right away: 839-8700.

4/19/17 - PARKING. With warmer weather here, more people are walking and riding around the neighborhood. Please park your cars in your garage and driveway, and make sure you do not park over the sidewalks. Keep our sidewalks and streets clear so we may all safely enjoy ourselves.

4/19/17 - HOME MAINTENANCE. Time to freshen up your outside shutters and mailboxes, clean up your flowerbeds, and remove any mold or algae from your siding. Very soon Kirkpatrick Management will be sending violation letters to those who have not performed the needed maintenance. Be proactive. See the "[bulletin board](#)" page for sources for maintenance for all of these. If you know of a good source, we'd be glad to post that information on our bulletin board, too. Just use the "[contact us](#)" page to send us the information.

4/19/17 - DOGS IN MEADOWLARK. Hendricks County Law and our Covenants state that any dog that is outside of your home and not contained within a fenced area, MUST be on a leash...there are no exceptions. Residents in Meadowlark on the whole abide by that law. For those that don't, you may expect a visit from the Police. Also, your animal's refuse must be cleaned up. That includes inside any fenced areas. It's just a matter of being a good citizen and a good neighbor.

4/19/17 - ARC REQUESTS. Many homeowners have already sent in ARC Change Requests for improvements to their yards, adding pergolas, planting trees and for other improvements. Thanks to each of them for completing and sending the requests to the Architectural Review Committee. We appreciate your cooperation. If you have an improvement you want to make, just complete the ARC Change Request form and send it and supporting documentation to KMC. The Committee, led by new Liaison Rod Kyle, will review it and approve/disapprove it within 10 working days.

REMEMBER. Any new improvement, including satellite dishes, must be approved by the Committee. And work cannot begin until the approval letter has been sent to you.

2/24/17 - WELCOME BACK. The Website has been silent for the last couple of months, as things have been quiet in Meadowlark, but we're up and running again. Lately Spring has been giving us a "Sneak Peek", and homeowners are starting to think about improvements again. So here is a reminder: *Any new outdoors improvement or landscaping must first be submitted to ARC (Architectural Review Committee) and must be approved **BEFORE** work can start.*

IMPORTANT: ALLOW UP TO 10 DAYS FROM THE DATE YOU SUBMIT YOUR REQUEST BEFORE SCHEDULING OR STARTING YOUR WORK. If you start your work before approval, you may be asked to stop the work until the committee approves it.

Requests should be submitted for things such as pergolas, patios, pavers, fences, satellite dishes and landscaping, to name a few. Remember, landscaping within 6 ft. of your house doesn't need approval; beyond that, and for new trees, you DO need ARC approval.

2/24/17 - BOARD AND COMMITTEE POSITIONS OPEN. Recently John Tufano resigned from his position of Vice President and also as Chairman of the Architectural Review Committee. We gratefully thank John for all of his contributions to the Board and Meadowlark over these past months.

Two positions are now open on the Board, and we are asking anyone who is interested in serving in either capacity to contact Lee Green at lgreen070455@gmail.com...or any board member (see the [board](#) page for e-mail addresses). The Board will be reconvening our meetings soon, and we'd like to fill these positions right away.

VICE PRESIDENT. The Vice President performs the duties of the President when he or she is not available. This includes presiding over Board Meetings, Special Meetings, and the Annual Meeting, if needed. The Vice President also performs special tasks as assigned by the President and Board. The term is for two years. The Board meets monthly from March through October plus any additional special meetings, if needed.

CHAIRMAN, ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE. This person leads the committee in reviewing, discussing, and approving/denying all improvement requests from homeowners, and works with Kirkpatrick Management Company on managing these requests.

Requirements:

- (1) Must have daily access to a computer and e-mail to receive requests from Kirkpatrick and share with committee members.
- (2) Must be familiar with creating and updating Excel spreadsheets to track activity on all requests.
- (3) Presides over the committee.
- (4) Sees that requests meet the Meadowlark By-Laws, Declaration, and Restrictions.
- (5) Processes each request within 10 days.

2/24/17 - CRIMINAL ACTIVITY. In recent weeks there have been several incidents of car windows being smashed in our neighborhood as well as in surrounding communities. If at all possible, park your vehicles in your garage and leave outside lights on at night.

Also air conditioning units were recently stolen. A resident spotted someone trying to steal their neighbor's air conditioner; the police were called, but they did not catch them. They were seen driving a white van, (older, rusty white panel van with no side windows), which was seen speeding west on Crane about that time...keep an eye out for this van!

Be ever vigilant! If you see or hear anything suspicious....ANYTHING...contact the **Plainfield Police at 839-8700**.

2/24/17 - TRASH. We can't remind each other enough about the importance of securing our trash, especially the recycled items. Spring winds are blowing loose trash everywhere. Many homeowners are finding others' trash in their flowerbeds and yards, as well as much of it ends up in our ponds. Please be diligent and secure your trash to keep it from blowing.

2/24/17 - SHUTTERS/MAILBOXES. With Spring right around the corner, it is time to recheck our shutters and mailboxes for repair or replacement. Here are some products to check out for renewing your shutters or mailbox:

ReColor by Wipe New (\$20, Ace Hardware)

<http://www.wipenew.com/recolor/>

Rejuvenate Restorer Wipes (\$13, Home Depot)

<http://www.homedepot.com/p/Rejuventa-Pre-Saturated-Restorer-Wipes-5-Pack-RJESTWIPES/206161494>

Also check out Otto's for mailbox replacements and special pricing programs for Meadowlark:

<http://ostreetscape.com/mailboxes/>. [Click here](#) to view their flyer.