



# Meadowlark Lakes News

Meadowlark...a great place to call home!

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2021

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 Sept 11<sup>th</sup> ..... Community Garage Sale  
 Oct 12<sup>th</sup> ..... Annual HOA Meeting  
 Nov 12<sup>th</sup> ..... Crime Watch

*All meetings held at Grace Pointe Church, corner of Morris and Raceway at 6:30 p.m.*

## Management Company



**Jeff Gibson, CAM**

Community Assn. Mgr.

Kirkpatrick Management Co., Inc.  
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[https://caliber.cloud/CaliberWeb2\\_Kirkpatrick](https://caliber.cloud/CaliberWeb2_Kirkpatrick)

## Who to Call

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<b>Covenant Violations</b> Jeff Gibson 588-8735	<b>Parking Violations</b> Plainfield Police 839-8700
<b>Architectural Requests</b> Paula Moore 341-4954	<b>Grounds Issues</b> Jeff Gibson 588-8735
<b>Crime Watch</b> Elaine Kinkead 839-9032	<b>HOA Board Questions</b> Paula Moore 341-4954
<b>Welcome/Social</b> Elaine Kinkead 839-9032	<b>Animal Issues</b> Hendricks Co. Animal Control 745-9250

## Greetings Meadowlark Residents

*Life has been in constant change this past year. Covid affected all of us in so many different ways. One thing we all are experiencing is an increase in the cost of so many things...food, lumber, gas, housing, you name it. These changes have also affected the fiscal responsibility of your HOA Board. We tried to cut costs by going with a different mowing company this spring...that didn't work out. The old saying, "You get what you pay for" was certainly true in this case. Thankfully, we were able to acquire Kelly Landscape to handle our mowing and fertilizing needs, but at an increased cost. So far they have really stepped up and are doing a good job for us.*

*Our Community is over 20 years old now, and there is much to be done. Last year we had the front entryway replanted and handled a large project by replacing the drainage system on Whippoorwill and Crane. We were able to pay for this from our reserve funds. This year we are facing several large maintenance projects:*

- (1) Removal of numerous large trees that are dead or causing damage to our fences; also a major trimming up of branches 7-8 feet on other trees to allow easier mowing and more sunlight to the grass below.*
- (2) Major repair of all fences in hopes they will last another few years. Current bids we've received for new fencing is running 6 figures.*
- (3) Restoration of the soil and grass on the Whippoorwill berm.*

*All of these projects come with a hefty price tag. Our reserve funds can handle some of this, but not all. We are seeking bids on all of this work and will share everything with you as we receive firm figures.*

*We are looking very carefully at our budget for July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 and are trimming costs everywhere we can. One place we can trim is our Newsletter. Since we have an active web page and all information and details are there, we will reduce the newsletter to only cover main topics, with references to where the detailed information is located on the web page and **send it via e-mail. Those without e-mail will receive a hard copy.** We ask that you use the web page as your main source to find answers to your questions such as Activity dates, Community Clubs contacts, the ARC procedures and ARC form, Covenants, Vendor List, etc.*

*Thank you for your support as we work to meet the needs of Meadowlark in the coming months.*

*Paula Moore, President, Meadowlark HOA*

**IMPORTANT!** *When you have an issue or concern re. damages, lawn care, ponds, common grounds, fence down, etc., contact our KMC Community Assn. Mgr. (CAM):*

*Jeff Gibson, 317-588-8735, [jjgibson@ekirkpatrick.com](mailto:jjgibson@ekirkpatrick.com)*

*Jeff will return your call within 2 work days and will contact the vendor to advise of your issue. The vendor will then contact you for the two of you to resolve the issue.*

**HELP NEEDED!** *We need board members: a Vice President, an experienced ARC Liaison and a Grounds Liaison. PLEASE consider lending us a hand and helping us continue to make Meadowlark a great place to live and to keep our property values steadily increasing. **WE NEED YOU!***



**911** for any crime in progress or other emergencies  
**317-839-8700** for suspicious activity, non-emergencies

**317-754-5200** Hot Tip Line for drugs, child abuse

## Crime Watch Captains

<i>Elaine Kinkead, Liaison (317 prefix)</i>		
Charlie Powell	742-7554	Blue Bird Dr.
Wanda Warren	839-8445	Blue Bird Dr.
Steve & Nita Kirchoff	742-7913	Cardinal Circle
Kay Weaver	268-6756	Cardinal Circle
Janice Bobb	839-7267	Crane Dr.
Karen Calvert	742-7927	Crane Dr.
Roy Gilbert	441-2124	Crane Dr. & Huntwick Dr.
Penny Fasel	979-4555	Oriole Ct.
John Runkle	292-6116	Oriole Ct.
Sandi Cooper	258-9701	Partridge Dr.
Cheryl Clarkson	838-0300	Partridge Dr. & Swan Ct.
Charley Crane	508-2016	Whippoorwill Ln
Elaine Kinkead	839-9032	Whippoorwill Ln
Paula Moore	341-4954	Whippoorwill Ln
Charlie Powell	742-7554	Blue Bird Dr.

## Community Clubs

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<b>Book Club:</b>	<i>Pam Lyons, 460-0739 <a href="mailto:lyons.pam@gmail.com">lyons.pam@gmail.com</a></i>
<b>Bunco Club:</b>	<i>Mary Ellen Ramsay, 332-3584 <a href="mailto:marvellenramsay@yahoo.com">marvellenramsay@yahoo.com</a>  <i>Elaine Kinkead, 839-9032 <a href="mailto:ckinkead38@yahoo.com">ckinkead38@yahoo.com</a></i></i>
<b>Lunch Bunch:</b>	<i>Diana Eldridge, 403-4835</i>
<b>Dinner Club:</b>	<i>Wanda Warren, 839-8445 Carolyn Huber, 838-7473</i>

## Meadowlark Website

[www.MeadowlarkHOA.com](http://www.MeadowlarkHOA.com)

Check it out often for the latest updates on what's happening in Meadowlark.

*New Rules: Get Vaccinated!  
Wear your mask a while longer  
Take care in large crowds*

# Community News

**Group E-Mail.** Did you know we have an e-mail sign up that allows you to get updated information between newsletters and web page updates? Shirley Hargis e-mails updated information to residents on that list. Examples: trash is going to be a day late, mowers coming a day later, when fertilizer/weed control will be applied, pertinent news from board meetings. The list is confidential, so your e-mail is not visible to anyone else. If you do not want to wait for updates on the web page or the twice a year newsletter, sign up now. If you would like to be added to this list, please e-mail Shirley Hargis at [ushargis@yahoo.com](mailto:ushargis@yahoo.com).

**Horses.** Since the first of the year, we have been dealing with horses from City Ranch on 100S being ridden in our neighborhood. The result being turf torn up and them leaving their "road apples" everywhere.

For several years now Elaine Kinkead has been talking to various departments at Town of Plainfield, trying to get the horses out of our neighborhood. She finally got to the right person, our district Town Councilman, Kent McPhail, who has proposed an Ordinance to prohibit horses from riding in neighborhoods such as ours. It takes about 30-90 days to do this.

The owner of City Ranch was talked to, asking them to stay out of Meadowlark and if they do come in, to immediately clean up the horses' mess. Until the ordinance is passed, if we see horses in Meadowlark again our option is this: call the police right away; take a picture and note the date/time. If the police are able to get here before they leave Meadowlark they will be dealt with. If not, give the picture and date/time information to an officer for them to follow up on.

**Damages.** If you have damages from when snow plowing was done, or damages from recent mows and they have not yet been reported, please do so right away. Contact Jeff Gibson at KMC with the details. See [pg. 1](#).

**Dues.** Your 2<sup>nd</sup> semi-annual Homeowner's dues for 2021 are payable July 1<sup>st</sup>. Use your 2<sup>nd</sup> coupon and make sure you don't include the \$20 late fee in your payment. Use this link on the "**management**" page to view the coupon:  
[http://users.neo.registeredsite.com/5/1/0/13108015/assets/2020\\_11-18\\_Updated\\_Sample\\_Of\\_Coupon.pdf](http://users.neo.registeredsite.com/5/1/0/13108015/assets/2020_11-18_Updated_Sample_Of_Coupon.pdf)

**NEW:** Make your check payable to **Meadowlark HOA** but from now on, mail it to Kirkpatrick's at 5702 Kirkpatrick Way, Indianapolis, IN 46220-3925. If you have

assessments set up for Automatic Bill Pay from your bank, change to the mailing address shown above.

**Mailboxes.** Otto's Streetscape Solutions is once again offering Meadowlark residents a **Week of Special Pricing Promotion** for July 12-16 on mailbox repair or replacement. We already receive a community-wide discount, but this special promotion gives us further discounts on orders placed for that week. Use this link to view the Special Pricing, also shown on the "**bulletin board**" web page: [http://users.neo.registeredsite.com/5/1/0/13108015/assets/OttosJulySpecialWkPricing\\_2021.pdf](http://users.neo.registeredsite.com/5/1/0/13108015/assets/OttosJulySpecialWkPricing_2021.pdf)  
 Get your order in soon.

**Mowing.** Kelly Landscaping is providing lawn care and mowing services to Meadowlark. They mow each Wednesday morning, barring rain. Following are some reminders.

- Swales between homes that are soggy because of rain might be skipped.
- Will not trim along foundations of homes with siding less than 6" from the ground.
- Will not mow or trim inside or around private fencing.
- Will not sow grass seed or treat for grubs. Both are the responsibility of the homeowner.

For mowing questions, issues, or damages, contact Jeff Gibson at KMC. See [pg. 1](#).

**Violations.** The KMC Compliance Team checks our neighborhood periodically for violation issues. Things they check for are:

- (1) algae on homes
- (2) shutters and mailboxes needing repair/replacement
- (3) garage lights out
- (4) trash containers improperly stored
- (5) weeds in flowerbeds
- (6) weeds and other items in the gravel between paired patio homes
- (7) improper parking over sidewalks
- (8) dogs/cats not on a leash

If you see a violation, contact Jeff Gibson at KMC. See [pg. 1](#).

### KMC Connect.

From Kirkpatrick's **KMC Connect (Caliber)** website you can access your account to see your payment information, make payments, enter a maintenance request and more. Use this link:  
<https://caliber.cloud/CaliberWeb2> Kirkpatrick  
 Any questions should be directed to KMC.

### Community Clubs.

Most clubs took a break last year because of COVID. Call the club contact to find out when they will resume meeting. Names are listed [in the left column](#).

- Bunco Club
- Daytime Readers Book Club
- Dinner Club
- The Lunch Bunch

# Being Good Neighbors

When new residents move into Meadowlark they receive a Welcome Packet. In it is a copy of the Articles, By-Laws, Declaration of Covenants, and Plat Covenants & Restrictions (referred to as "By-Laws/Covenants"). These covenants are the foundation on which Meadowlark stands. The purpose of the covenants is to provide a safe, enjoyable environment for each resident as well as preserve and enhance the value of our homes and property.

Use this link for the covenants, found on the "**documents**" page on our web page:

[http://users.neo.registeredsite.com/5/1/0/13108015/assets/ All Combined Documents-wSignatures\\_082316\\_r062619.pdf](http://users.neo.registeredsite.com/5/1/0/13108015/assets/ All Combined Documents-wSignatures_082316_r062619.pdf)

When the title page shows, click on a document name to view it. We suggest you at least read the **Plat Covenants & Restrictions** which explains what is and is not allowed in our community.

We encourage each of you to follow the covenants and be active in helping to eliminate violations and adhere to the rules that govern our neighborhood. In so doing, you are "being a good neighbor!"

## Reminders:

- Dogs and cats must be on a leash when outside your home and their refuse cleaned up.
- RVs, Trailers, Pods are not allowed to be parked in Meadowlark *except* for a 24-hour period to be cleaned or restocked.
- Outbuildings (free-standing structures) are not allowed.
- Standard and Invisible fences are allowed; both must be submitted on an ARC request. Standard fences must meet the guidelines described on page 82 in the By-Laws/Covenants file on the "**documents**" page. Use this link: [http://users.neo.registeredsite.com/5/1/0/13108015/assets/ All Combined Documents-wSignatures\\_082316\\_r062619.pdf](http://users.neo.registeredsite.com/5/1/0/13108015/assets/ All Combined Documents-wSignatures_082316_r062619.pdf)
- When the cover page shows, click the "1" in the page field at the top and type 82 **1** / 85. Press Enter.
- Trash/Recycle containers cannot be stored outside where they are visible by other residents. Boxes must be broken down. Use <https://raystrash.com/> to go to Ray's web page to see what recycle items are allowed.

**24-Hr. Rule:** Put out trash within 24-hrs before pickup; remove and store containers out of sight within 24-hrs after pickup.

- Parking over sidewalks is not allowed per a Town of Plainfield ordinance and our covenants, so that people can safely walk on the sidewalks.
- Swimming pools, basketball goals, trampolines are not allowed.
- Flowerbeds and lawns must be kept free of weeds and overgrowth.

# Committee Reports

**ARC...** An ARC Request for Change form for any **new** changes to the outside of your home must be submitted. The committee will review and approve or deny it, based on the Covenants. If your request is missing any necessary information, it will be Denied and you will be asked to send the missing information. Approval is not needed for landscaping within 6' of your foundation. This is just one example; see the links that follow.

## Important links:

<http://meadowlarkhoa.com/arc-intro.html> (List of exceptions)

- <http://meadowlarkhoa.com/arc-process.html> (Overview of ARC process)
- <http://meadowlarkhoa.com/documents.html> (Documents re. fences, etc.)
- [http://users.neo.registeredsite.com/5/1/0/13108015/assets/2020-03-15\\_ARC\\_FORM\\_FI76327.pdf](http://users.neo.registeredsite.com/5/1/0/13108015/assets/2020-03-15_ARC_FORM_FI76327.pdf) (Request for Change ARC form)

**Welcome Committee...Elaine Kinkead** Since last fall we have welcomed 9 new residents. If you haven't yet been welcomed, call Elaine at 317-839-9032.

Address:	Name:	317 prefix
1101 Blue Bird Dr	Hope Fowler	268-4827
1213 Blue Bird Dr	Sharon Rice	361-3271
10724 Cardinal Cir	Peter Reinert	n/a
10720 Oriole Ct	Jeff Holland	474-2133
10726 Oriole Ct	Tommie Thomas	548-9343
10745 Oriole Ct	Haley Slusher	460-3461
10658 Swan Ct	Satvinder Singh & Rajwinder Kaur	610-517-9462
10740 Whippoorwill Ln	Sonya King	331-6035
10763 Whippoorwill Ln	Courtney Canchari	478-5555

## Crime Watch & Social Committee...Elaine Kinkead

- May 13<sup>th</sup> Crime Watch *cancelled*. No crimes to report.
- June 12<sup>th</sup> Picnic *cancelled*.
- August 3<sup>rd</sup> National Night Out to be determined.
- September 11<sup>th</sup> Garage Sale still scheduled.
- October 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting still scheduled.
- November 12<sup>th</sup> Crime Watch to be determined.

## Grounds...

The Drainage systems on Whippoorwill and Crane were replaced last fall.

### Projects for 2021:

- Secure bids and remove dead trees and trim up other trees for better clearance on mowing.
- Secure bids and repair all fence lines.
- Secure bids and restore Whippoorwill hill with dirt and sow seed.

**We are seeking someone to act as our Grounds Liaison. Please contact president Paula Moore for information.**

## Meadowlark Web Page...Shirley Hargis

Started in October, 2015 The Meadowlark web page continues to be our main source of information, documents, news, activities and general information about the happenings in Meadowlark. From Nov. 1, 2020 through May 1, 2021 we had 1,764 Total Visitors with 1,463 Unique Visitors. That's great!

As stated on [pg. 1](#), we encourage you to make the web page the place to go for all information about Meadowlark. Below are the pages you'll see on our web page that provide helpful information. **For those viewing this in electronic format, you can click a link to go directly to a specific page.**

Our URL:	<a href="http://www.MeadowlarkHOA.com">www.MeadowlarkHOA.com</a>
Pages Available:	<a href="#">home</a> <a href="#">news &amp; updates</a> <a href="#">about us</a> <a href="#">services</a> <a href="#">general info</a> <a href="#">board</a> <a href="#">who do you call?</a> <a href="#">arc intro</a> <a href="#">arc process</a> <a href="#">management co.</a> <a href="#">community clubs</a> <a href="#">crime watch</a> <a href="#">documents</a> <a href="#">pictures</a> <a href="#">bulletin board</a> <a href="#">contact us</a>

# Condolences

Since last fall we have lost several residents. We extend our sincere condolences to these families:

- Jim Vornholt at the loss of wife Pam
- Jeffrey Trees at the loss of wife Diana
- Jan Currier at the loss of husband John