Berkley Grove's POA —THE GROVE NEWSLETTER—

March 2025

Special Points of Interest:

- Berkley Grove Board of Directors and Committee Chairs
- Save the Date
- POA Dues Date March 15th

MEET YOUR BERKLEY GROVE BOARD

BERKLEY GROVE BOD & OFFICERS

President: Harrison Custer – president@berkleygrove.com Treasurer: Steve Frank – treasurer@berkleygrove.com Secretary: Pam Wise – secretary@berkleygrove.com Architectural Review Committee – BOD Members VP Community Relations–Joe Reedy– vp@berkleygrove.com

COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Community Events – Barb Magsamen

Electronic Communications -Whitney Brown

Maintenance/Waterfall/Pond–Steve Verplank

New Resident Welcome – Pam Wise

Newsletter Editor- Pam Wise

Park/Entryway/Grounds - Dave Jacocks

SAVE THE DATE

BGPOA Community Egg Hunt Saturday, April 19, 2025 3:30-4:00 p.m. in the Park

VP Financial Affairs – Donna Szabo

BGPOA Community Garage Sale Friday & Saturday, April 25 & 26, 2025 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

BGPOA Community Fall Festival Saturday, October 25, 2025 4:00-7:00 p.m. in the Park

POA DUES—March 15, 2025

If you have not paid your Homeowners' association dues of \$275/yr. you will now be assessed a late fee of \$30.00. Late Dues of \$305.00 may be paid by check mailed to:

P.O. Box 23 Fishers, IN 46038

Or pay via credit card online at:

https://berkleygrove.com/pay-annual-dues/ (pay pal fee included)

Berkley Grove POA Updates:

- Mailboxes/Mailbox Posts are provided by your POA Dues. The service provider will install these mailboxes and/or posts at the expense of the homeowner by separate invoice. Orders are placed four times a year; March, June, September and December. The order form and guidelines are located on the website at www.berkleygrove.com/forms.
- Neighborhood Vibrancy Grant has been submitted to help fund several projects around the community in 2025 including replacement bollards around the large pond and planting trees at the front entrance.
- ➤ <u>106th Street / NPT Trail</u> After receiving approval from both the City and County to build a fence along the NPT trail, an old land plot was discovered prohibiting the construction of a fence. After several negotiations with the supplier, we will now sell the fencing materials, using the monies received to plant a green hedge of Arborvitae to provide privacy as requested by the residents.
- ➤ <u>Community Garden</u> As discussed at the January Annual Meeting, a small group of residents have maintained interest in turning this area off 106th Street into a natural grassy area with an assortment of prairie grasses and wildflowers. Interested residents can send their contact information to <u>info@berkleygrove.com</u> and ask to be connected with the garden project leaders.
- Park Storage Shed As discussed at the January Annual Meeting, a storage shed will be constructed in the park to house items currently in the Storage-Mart unit, thus eliminating annual storage fees from the budget. Storage is necessary for annual event items.
- Block Captain Program The current Block Captain Program is undergoing modifications. Watch the Website and future newsletters for a new roll-out.
- New City Ordinance Proposal The City is working on a new ordinance for a Rental Registry in Fishers. For neighborhoods without an existing rental cap, the city is proposing a limit of 10%. Further updates will be shared if/when the ordinance is passed. However, any neighborhood who already had a stricter cap, those caps will be honored by the City. Berkley Grove's Covenants were amended in 2023 with a 5% rental cap. That 5% cap will remain in effect.

Architectural Review Forms ...

Submit an Architectural Review Form as you begin planning **any** project that affects the outside of your home or yard (excluding routine landscaping, non-permanent playground equipment, or if you are painting your home or trim the exact same color). Per the Berkley Grove Covenants, Section 3(C), and Section 6 (A)(i), this form needs to be reviewed and approved by the Architectural Review Committee **before** your project begins. If in doubt, submit a form. The form and guidelines can be found at www.berkleygrove.com/forms



SPRING IS HERE — How is your Curb Appeal—need a spring project?

As Berkley Grove continues to become an 'older neighborhood' among the many new developments in Fishers, it is critical that we keep our properties in as good a condition as possible if we are to continue to see our property values increase. Look at your house from across the street and ask yourself, does this look like a home I would buy? Is this a home someone else would like to live next door to? Keeping our properties in top 'curb appeal' impacts all the properties in Berkley Grove.

Some things to help maximize your home's 'curb appeal' and are also in our Covenants:

- *Keep grass mowed and edged
- *Keep bushes and trees trimmed neatly
- *Garage/porch lights in good working order
- *Landscape lighting working properly
- *House trim painted (not peeling)
- *Trash and garden tools stored inside
- *Toys stored out of view when not in use
- *Keep siding free of algae
- *Mailboxes (approved type) in good condition (mailbox program found on the website forms page)

Berkley Grove Covenants Common Violations

If you are in violation, you will receive notice

- Planning an outdoor project; submit an Architectural Review Form BEFORE project begins
- ◆ Maintain continuous dust-to-dawn lighting controlled by a photocell on the side of your garage or yard light
- ♦ Trash Bins should not be visible from the street except on trash pick-up day
- ♦ Cut down and remove all dead trees/shrubbery
- Keep the exterior of your residence in such a state of repair or maintenance as to avoid it from becoming unsightly including repair to rotting wood and flaking paint
- ◆ No trucks one (1) ton or larger in size, campers, trailers, boats, or similar vehicles shall be parked on the street. Please be aware that according to the City Ordinance, it is a violation to park visibly from the street (including driveways).

Be courteous to your neighbors:

- Keep the sidewalk in front of your home free from tree limbs, lawn clipping, and play toys in the warmer months
- Dispose of all unsightly broken down/unused play equipment
- Receive mail /or packages that are not addressed to you, return to the Post Office for proper forwarding



2025 BGPOA Recycling Schedule for the Remainder of 2025



March 28 April II April 25 May 9 May 23 June 6 June 20 July 5 (Sat) July 18 August I August 15 August 29 September 12 September 26 October 10 October 24 November 7 November 21 December 5 December 19

Holiday Schedule: There is NO trash or recycling pick-up on Memorial Day, Labor Day, July 4th, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, & New Year's Day.