

Berkley Grove's POA

—THE GROVE NEWSLETTER—

Fall 2025

Special Points of Interest:

- *Berkley Grove Board of Directors and Committee Chairs*
- *Save the Date*
- *Covenant Violations—How to avoid common violations*

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–Open

VP Financial Affairs– Donna Szabo

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

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.

- **Community Garden** - This summer has been a busy (and sweaty!) season for our small but mighty garden crew. After planting, we set up a watering rotation to keep our new native plants thriving every other day, unless Mother Nature stepped in with some rain. Without a water source nearby, we got creative. Some neighbors hauled in gallons of water in big containers, while others crossed the creek with buckets and scooped water like pros. Either way, I think we are all jacked now.

SAVE THE DATE

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

Food/Beverages/Bounce House
Come and mingle with your
neighbors

A huge shoutout to our dedicated waterers—Mike & Alexis A., Rebecca D., Sarah H., Kish S., Dan W.—and Calli M. for keeping the rotation rolling all summer long! We only planted a small section of the large garden area this year as a trial run, but the results are looking great so far.

Next steps include Harrison and Dave spraying the crazy weedy areas. And we are looking to expand our native plant patch by a bit more for next year. Extra thanks to Kish for donating five more bags of premium mulch—our plants are about to get a big nutrient boost before fall arrives. Looking ahead, we'll be hosting a booth at the Fall Festival again this year with more info and kids activities!

We'd love your support, whether that's joining the team as a volunteer, donating toward more native plants, or just stopping by to say hi. Don't be intimidated by our new water-hauling biceps. We only flex for the plants. 🙌

Join us to help make Berkley Grove the neighborhood that really plants itself on the map.

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/942904457838585/?ref=share&mibextid=adzO7I>

- **Area Leader Program** - The former Block Captain Program is now known as the Area Leader Program. The most significant change was moving from the former 16 'block leaders' format to 7 'area leaders' which the group leaders felt would provide for more solid, consistent, and higher-quality leadership. Jon & Katie Wiest have taken responsibility for this reorganization. If you would like more information, please contact info@berkleygrove.com and mention the Area Leader Program.



Architectural Review Forms ...

If in doubt, submit a form

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. The form and guidelines can be found at www.berkleygrove.com/forms



**FALL IS HERE —
A Few Reminders**

As we approach the cooler days, yard maintenance is **vital** in keeping our properties in top 'curb appeal' mode. Curb appeal impacts **all** properties in Berkley Grove.

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

- *Keep grass mowed, edge those flower beds and sidewalks
- *Keep those weeds from sprouting in your yard and driveway
- *Keep bushes and trees trimmed neatly to improve curb appeal and prevent overgrowth that can attract pests.
- *Garage/porch lights in good working order and on dusk to dawn
- *Landscape lighting working properly
- *House trim painted (not peeling)
- *Trash bins stored inside garage or in the back of your house
- *Garden tools stored inside garden shed or garage
- *Toys stored out of view when not in use
- *Keep siding free of algae**Very important this time of the year**
- *Mailboxes (*approved type*) are in good condition (*form on the website*)

Berkley Grove Covenants Common Violations—LETS WORK TOGETHER

- ◆ 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 a City Ordinance, it is a violation to park where visible 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
- Be aware of the street parking restrictions in the City of Fishers:
 - No parking within 15 feet of a fire hydrant.
 - Sidewalks cannot be blocked (partially or completely).
 - Cars must be parked 20 feet from any intersection and 30 feet from STOP signs.
 - 18 feet of road width must remain available after parking.
 - Inoperable and/or unlicensed vehicle parking on streets or driveways is not permitted.
 - Violations of Fishers parking ordinances may be reported to the Fishers Police Department.

- **Dog Owners:** as you are walking your dog, **PLEASE** pick up after your dog does his business. We love them, but **NOT** deposits left in our yard, especially when you do not own a dog. This applies to the park as well where our children are running and playing and not paying attention to where they run!



Thank You!!

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Did you know, per the trash pick-up contract with the city:

In April and November, Republic will pick up an extra 20 bags of yard waste or leaves per pickup from each household.

Where do I put the extra bags? Please place bags next to your container for pickup.

What type of bags do I use? Please use compostable bags.

When will yard waste be collected? Yard waste will be collected on the same day as your trash service day.

Will branches be picked up? Yes, branches/twigs will be picked up if placed in 3 ' x 3' bundles of branches/twigs. Please place bundles next to your trash bin for pickup.

2025 BGPOA Recycling Schedule for the Remainder of 2025



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.

For large/bulk items, contact Republic Services at 317-917-7300 or on their website and pay \$25 directly to Republic Services for this special pick-up.

Need some help with those unsightly trash bins. Several residents have either put a wooden lattice screen around them if stored at the side of your garage. Others have purchased wood- looking composite bins designed to hold trash bins. A quick search on-line for trash can enclosure panels, and you will see all your options. Please remember, trash bin enclosures or screens must be a wood looking composite or wooden screens to be acceptable with the covenants. **To be compliant all trash bins must not be visible from the street except on scheduled pick-up days.

**HAPPY FALL – SEE YOU AT THE
FALL FESTIVAL**