



# THE PARK CRIER

## WINDING BROOK PARK ASSOCIATION



### ALL THE INFORMATION ABOUT OUR ANNUAL *GIFT TO THE COMMUNITY*

**Dates that charities will collect donations:** December 8–11, 14–25. Donations will be collected 6–11 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and all other days, collections will be from 6–10 p.m.

**Route:** Hearthstone is not on the tour this year, but people will still be driving past your displays and Hearthstone participants are still in the running for neighborhood awards!

**Judging** will take place between December 12–13. Make sure your lights are up by Monday, December 12 to be eligible for the neighborhood awards. Banners will be hung from mailboxes to indicate winners before collections begin again on December 14.

**Luminary pickup:** At the Carters' house at 15595 Carriage Lane on the following dates:



Saturday, December 17, 10 a.m.–12 p.m. • Sunday, December 18, 4–5 p.m.

Wednesday, December 21, 6–7 p.m.

*Cost to residents: minimum donation of \$0.75 per luminary*

If unable to accommodate these dates, please contact Maria Carter at (801) 400-0268

\*For those who are new to the neighborhood, on Christmas Eve, residents place luminaries around street-touching perimeters of front/side yards and light them before 6 p.m. It is a *beautiful* sight to see.

**Sand** has already been delivered! Please stop by the Hearthstone cul de sac to get some for your luminary bags.

# 2022 GIFT TO THE COMMUNITY CHARITIES

**Alcohol and Addictions Resource Center (AARC)** offers alcohol and other drug prevention, education, advocacy assessment, and referral for individuals and families.

**Blue Star Mothers** is a private nonprofit that supports mothers who have sons or daughters in the U.S. Armed Forces.

**Children's Dispensary** the program, A Place to be Me, provides social and recreational programs for young people with developmental, physical, and emotional needs.

**Family Justice Center** serves as a one-stop help center for victims of sexual and domestic violence. It works collaboratively with other nonprofits and governmental agencies so that survivors and their families can quickly and confidentially seek resources and information. S-O-S, the rape crisis center, is also a program of the FJC.

**IN\*SOURCE** provides Indiana families and service providers with information and training necessary to assure effective

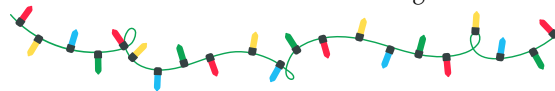
programs and service for children and young adults with disabilities.

**PHM Education Foundation** supports community education through awarding innovative teaching grants, scholarships to students, staff development and other corporation-wide initiatives.

**Saint Bakhita Vocational Training Center**, the charity for which Trinity School at Greenlawn students will be collecting this year, is a girls-only boarding school in Kalongo, Uganda. It was founded in 2007 to provide educational opportunities for young women that had been abducted and held captive by the LRA, returning home, often with children, after missing years of education.

**Tri Kappa**, South Bend Chapter provides financial support for five local charities each year.

You're seeing a few new nonprofit names above. In case you're wondering why, we've had so many requests from nonprofits to be part of our Gift to the Community collections that, starting this year, we're including charities on a rolling basis.



## Neighborhood Christmas Light Recycling Collection

Thank you to Jane Mason and Sarah Tepe who suggested that our neighborhood make an effort to collect broken Christmas lights that need to be recycled. As you might have seen in the November Crier, Christmas Light Source in Texas has a Christmas Lights recycling program, and "all proceeds from the recycling program are used to purchase books, toys, backpacks, and necessities to benefit children who need them." What a wonderful way to keep Christmas lights out of our landfills and support children in need! Since we encourage decorating for the Gift to the Community, the Board has approved to fund the postage for the shipping of this year's collection of the recycled lights to the Christmas Light Source recycling program.

Sarah Tepe will be collecting Christmas lights in a bin at the end of the driveway at 54499 Whispering Oak. If you have any broken strands of lights, please drop them off. Please note, this does not include inflatables/lawn ornaments that have Christmas lights attached; this only includes Christmas light strands. The Tepes will collect lights to be recycled until January 15, so that everyone has the opportunity to take their Christmas lights down from this year (with hopefully ample time to dodge inclement weather). Thank you all for your decorating and recycling efforts!

## nextdoor

Are you signed up with NextDoor yet? This website is a social platform based on your address. You can choose to only get alerts from Winding Brook Park or include surrounding neighborhoods. *This is our neighborhood's primary means of immediate communication.* This is where we communicate with our neighbors about upcoming events, meetings, safety concerns, etc.

You can sign up at [nextdoor.com](http://nextdoor.com) or by going to our [windingbrookpark.com](http://windingbrookpark.com) homepage and clicking the icon in the top right-hand corner.

## FLEET FEET'S RUNNING OF THE LIGHTS

*Tuesday, December 13*

*Run starts at 6:30 p.m. (check-in starts at 6:00 p.m.)*

Fleet Feet Mishawaka runners will be back again this year to run through our neighborhood's light display.

All Winding Brook residents are welcome to join! A \$5 donation per participant is suggested. Fleet Feet is donating \$1,000 and asking the running community to donate an additional \$1,000 for a total of \$2,000.

Parking and check-in will be at Walt Disney Elementary School. All participants will receive a safety light or reflective band but bringing another light source is encouraged! Traffic is typically lighter on Tuesday night but runners will be running with and against traffic at different times.

Festive Christmas wear is also encouraged, and strollers are okay as long as kids stay in them. Please leave dogs at home.

Check the Fleet Feet Mishawaka Facebook page; registration details will be posted there.

## WBPA BOARD

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## GIFT TO THE COMMUNITY TRAFFIC

Especially for anyone new to the neighborhood, please know that this is a highly trafficked event. People come from around the region to see our light display! With that interest comes heavy traffic — especially on Christmas Eve while the luminaries are lit; we even contract the police to direct traffic on that night. **As residents, you have the right to enter the neighborhood on Winding Brook Drive,** against the stream of traffic. Please just be aware that volunteers will be standing in the middle of the road to collect donations from exiting cars.



## AWARDS FOR DECORATIONS

Which one will you try for  
this year?

- Best Overall
- Best Front Door
- Best Theme
- Most Original
- Best Faith-Based Theme
- Martha Stewart Would Be Proud
- Clark Griswold Would Be Proud
- Rookie of the Year (resident for less  
than 1 year)
- Best Artisan (handmade)
- 3 Judges' Picks

# ANNUAL DUES

Dues for 2022 are \$110. The following residents are current on present and past dues from the last 5 years, as of 11/15. If your last name is missing and you feel there has been a mistake, please email [wbpahome@gmail.com](mailto:wbpahome@gmail.com).

If you haven't yet paid, open your smartphone camera and hold the camera over the QR code to the right to pay via CashApp; please comment with your street address. Or send your paper check for \$110 to P.O. Box 6566, South Bend, IN 46660.



Annis	Eslinger	Mainieri	Reber
Anzele	Fair	Mark	Reilly
Arslan	Farias	Martin, J. & C.	Rivers
Babcock	Feeks, G. & J.	McCorry	Robertson
Baranowski	Ferrell	McDonald, B.	Rodefer
Barker and Heaggans	Fox, J.	McElroy and	Rose-Weldy
Barnum, K. & D.	Fox, K. & J.	Seine	Ruhe
Bass	Freddoso	McGowan	Rulli
Beekman	Fulkerson	McKinnell	Saavedra
Behrens	Fulnecky	McMahon	Said and Ahmed
Benjamin	Gilstrap and Hepting	Medvigy	Salameh
Berta	Gionfriddo	Meier	Sammons
Bertha	Goodin	Melkey	Sanborn
Bloom and Scullion	Grover	Mester	Savage
Blum, A. & J.	Gutierrez and Benavente	Metts and	Schrager
Blum, K. & A.	Hahn	Rickerman	Schroeder
Bonadies	Haines	Meuzelaar	Shappell
Bradford	Hamilton	Miller, K. & W.	Simko
Brummitt	Hamman	Miller, M. & M.	Slack
Buhr	Hausenbauer, P. & T.	Milligan	Smith, Kathy
Burden	Havard	Monagle	Smith, K. & A.
Carpenter	Henthorn	Montgomery	Sovinski
Carr	Higginbotham, M. & J.	Moore	Spahic
Carter	Holt	Morey	Spalding
Castaneda	Hosinski	Morris	Stager
Cavanaugh	Howell	Muffoletto	Stanfield
Chen and Li	Hughes	Noonan	Stob
Christiana	Husted	North	Strasser
Cichowicz	Josenhans	Nugent	Stroka
Clark	Kelly	O'Malley and	Sullivan
Copeland	Kinney	Bagatini	Sun and Yim
Cordill	Kirzeder	Olsen	Tapper
Cressy, E. & J.	Koziatek	Onderdonk	Tawadros
Cressy, K. & G.	Kreager	Ouellette	Thrall and Gaydarov
Cressy, M. & G.	Kroll	Peregrine	Tirikos
Cressy, M.L. & R.	Kromer	Petersen	Trimberger
Crosen	Krzyzewski	Phillips	Umbarger
Cybulski	Kuc	Polaski	Voor, J. & D.
DeLee, G. & J.	Lacay	Porter	Wenger-Nussbaum and
DeLee, M. & P.	Laird	Potts	Nussbaum
Dickey	Lara	Powell	Whiteroft
Dripps	Laudadio	Probst	White
Duenas	Lawton	Quinn	Whitmer
Ellis	Leep	Rajdl	Whitt
Emery	Lorenz and McGill	Ramirez and	Williams, H. & F.
Ernsberger	Lowry	Betancourt de	
		la Rosa	

Witters  
Wollman and Stein  
Woodward and Bradley  
Yali  
Younts  
Zelvy

**Thank you for doing your part in supporting the many things that make our neighborhood great!**

