

# THE PARK CRIER

WINDING BROOK PARK ASSOCIATION

## Winding Brook in Bloom Winner



Vibrant color, whimsy, creativeness, texture, and an abundance of flowers made this front yard this year's **Best Front Yard** winner! In just four short years and starting with a blank slate, **Mirzeta Imamovic, 54752 Winding Brook Drive**, has researched, designed, planted and given pleasure to all who have passed by her lovely front yard. Congratulations to all the Imamovics who have had a hand in this beautiful gardenscape!

### It is Finally Here!

**Your DIRECTORY has arrived!** The WBPA Board of Directors approved another print edition so here with your Crier is the latest offering. As this was being printed, there was no doubt that it was already out of date with so many residents moving out of the neighborhood and others joining us. If you can't find your name, we didn't know about you—but we want to. So please send your information to [wbpahome@gmail.com](mailto:wbpahome@gmail.com) and you will be added to the database. In the future, if your information changes in any way, please do the same so we can keep everything current and post changes in a later edition of the Crier. Our Directory is another way our dues work for all of us.

## President's Column

The insert you will find with this Crier is in lieu of Michael Miller's monthly column. Please take the time to read the important information he wishes to impart to all residents. Don't miss out!



## Parking Cars in Front Yards

In order to keep Winding Brook an attractive place to live, please refrain from parking cars in your front yards and use the street or your driveway instead.

Thank you!

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## The Best of the Rest...

### Best Front Yard

1. **Imamovic** 54752 Winding Brook
2. **Koziatek** 54701 Winding Brook
- Putman** 54706 Winding Brook
- Mackey** 54736 Merrifield
3. **Spahic** 54741 Winding Brook
- Strasser** 54610 Whisp. Oak
4. **Trimberger** 54630 Whisp. Oak
5. **Brill** 15399 Carriage Lane

### Best Use of Flowers

1. **Koziatek** 54701 Winding Brook
2. **Imamovic** 54752 Winding Brook
3. **Buhr** 15311 Fox Run
4. **Hall** 54720 Merrifield
- Spahic** 54741 Winding Brook
5. **Catanzarite** 15668 Winding Br.

### Best Mailbox

1. **Spahic** 54741 Winding Brook
2. **Imamovic** 54754 Winding Brook
3. **Sellers** 15456 Old Bedford
4. **Strasser** 54610 Whisp. Oak
5. **Trimberger** 54630 Whisp. Oak
- Mackey** 54736 Merrifield

### Most Improved

**Penrose** 15561 Carriage Lane

### Best Container

1. **Sellers** 15456 Old Bedford
2. **Firth** 15797 Branch Water
3. **Cavanaugh** 15451 Carriage Ln.
4. **Koziatek** 54701 Winding Brook
5. **Spahic** 54741 Winding Brook
- Imamovic** 54752 Winding Brook



## Little Free Libraries

An exciting new initiative may come to Winding Brook. **Jennifer** and **Jared Dees** were recently introduced to the concept of *Free Little Libraries*. The premise of the movement is to station little libraries (essentially large bird houses) around communities where people can swap and borrow books. A passerby can borrow books and/or trade them out one-to-one. The Dees checked it out and loved the concept. Here is a link if you want to learn more:

<http://littlefreelibraries.org>

The cost and maintenance of the program is minimal. The libraries can be ordered online and cost anywhere from \$250-\$1000. **The Dees plan to have a lemonade stand/book drive on August 18th (during evening rush hour) and August 19th from 10-12 to raise funds for a library (they will opt for the \$250 version).** Once they have raised the funds they will order the library and plan to place it on the northwest corner of their yard, 15690 Springmill, so that everyone would have easy access. Great idea!

## School Days!

Wishing a great school year to all of our Winding Brook students!

Here are some starting days for some of the schools our students attend:

<b>Marian</b>	August 15
<b>St. Pius</b>	August 16
<b>St. Joseph H. S.</b>	August 17
<b>Stanley Clark</b>	August 18
<b>P-H-M</b>	August 23
<b>Montessori Academy</b>	August 28

## WBPA Board Meeting

September 20, 2017

6:30pm

Location:  
TBA

All residents are invited and encouraged to attend!

## Most Improved

**Brian and Holly Penrose, 15561**

Carriage Lane, are this year's recipients of **Most Improved Front Yard!**



## Coyote Sighting

Is it a wolf, a German shepherd, a mixed breed neighborhood dog? It is a coyote which closely resembles other animals. One has been recently sighted in Winding Brook, specifically on Robin Lane, during a resident's early morning walk. Previous to that, it has been seen wandering the fields adjacent to Edison Lakes and observed there 3-4 times. We are not surprised to see wildlife here in our neighborhood but not typically a coyote. Please keep in mind that they feed on just about anything not having discriminating

## AROUND THE PARK

### Welcome!

**Mary Putman** recently moved here from Atlanta, GA. She is now a resident at 15630 Hearthstone Drive which puts her in close proximity to her son and his family who live at the corner of Winding Brook and Hearthstone.

All moved in to their new home at 15415 Old Bedford are **Shawn and Jennifer Castaneda** along with their son and dog. They lived in Main Street Village prior to moving to Winding Brook. Shawn is the owner of Michiana Aquarium Professionals and Jennifer is a bank manager/business lender. They enjoy fishing and spending time outdoors.

54751 Rustic Terrace is the new home for **George and Mariah Cressy** and their golden retriever. George is an attorney and Mariah is a content developer at Notre Dame. George has long roots in Winding Brook to say the least!

Now residing at 54747 Winding Brook Drive is **Brian Krizder** and his two children. They moved here from South Bend. Brian is an accountant and enjoys biking his free time

**Lou and Ginni Gionfriddo** have moved into 15595 Hearthstone Drive leaving Vienna, VA behind. They are both retired—Lou was a federal government contractor in the IT field and Ginni worked for the Fairfax County, Virginia School Corporation. Ginni is the daughter of Clem Miller who along with George Cressy developed Winding Brook way back when. She has three siblings and several nieces and nephews here in the neighborhood who she and Lou enjoy spending time with. They miss the children and grandchildren they left behind in Virginia but don't miss the hectic pace, the crazy traffic and the high prices are now in their past. Lou and Ginni enjoy reading, walking, and socializing with the family and are very happy to be back in Winding Brook—Ginni grew up here in a house near the end of Winding Brook Drive

**Mark your calendars for Wednesday, August 16 and join your neighbors for a Winding Brook Event in the Park. See the enclosure for all of the details!**



taste hence our pets and children are at risk when they are around. This particular coyote has salt and pepper grey fur, is rail thin, low tail, and needle sharp teeth. In case you see something you may think could be a coyote but are not sure, keep in mind that dogs run with their tails up and coyotes with their tails down. They are scavengers and predators—please don't feed them. If you have a sighting, please keep us informed.



**Left: Best Use of Flowers—**  
**Koziatek,**  
**Winding Brook Drive**  
**Below left:**  
**Best Mailbox—**  
**Spahic, Winding Brook Drive**  
**Below: Best Container Gardening—**  
**Sellers, Old Bedford**



**Hiding Unsightly Trash Receptacles Detracts From Your Curb Appeal**

**Please consider keeping your trash cans out of sight!** There is **nothing** attractive about seeing receptacles for garbage and other household waste as you pass by someone's house. Please think about finding another location to keep those unsightly containers from detracting from our neighborhood.

**Thank You to Our Sponsors**

A big thank you to our *Winding Brook in Bloom* sponsors who are most generous each year when asked to donate a gift card from their local garden center for our annual event. When you shop at their business, please mention that you live in Winding Brook and thank them for their continued support. Would like to point out that **McKinley Terrace Garden Center** provides our top prize and has done so since this event's beginning. Others are **Vite Greenhouses, Not Just A Garden Center, Roseland Garden Center,** and **Varner's Greenhouse.**

**Things happening around town in August**

- .....
- 1. August 12—Free Outdoor Movie on the Gridiron—*Sing*
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- 2. August 15-27—*Much Ado About Nothing*—DeBartolo Performing Arts Center
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- 3. August 19—Art Beat
- .....
- 4. August 19—*Running Wild 5K*—St. Patrick's Park.
- .....
- 5. August 26-27—*Michiana Renaissance Festival*—Mishawaka
- .....
- 6. August Throughout- The History Museum—*Our Amazing Cabinet of Curiosities Exhibit*

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**FROM THE EDITOR**

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**Crier Editor**

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