## THE LARK

**December 2022** 

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - Toni Dolan

I don't know about you, but, for me, the holiday season has come about "early" this year! We have already had our first snowfall of the season, although it didn't last long, and Darien & Mike are busy preparing for the winter. Hopefully, we will each have time to reflect on the spirit of the holiday season, however you celebrate your traditions.

The **Annual Holiday Party** is scheduled for Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> from 3-6 p.m. Donna Whelan and Caroline Rhoades, under the leadership of Sandy O'Leary, have planned a wonderful agenda of food and fun. You should have received a flyer by now, but, if not, please contact one of them for details. Hoping for the usual great attendance. Thanks to Sandy, Donna and Caroline for their creative talents and willingness to step up.

You might have noticed the **New Signage** that has been installed around the complex. The signs have been placed in strategic locations to assist emergency personnel and delivery folks in finding units quickly and efficiently. We worked with the Town of Glastonbury Police, Fire and Ambulance staff to ensure that these signs would provide them with easier access, saving critical moments in case of an emergency. Our thanks go to Gene Flynn and to Darien and Mike for their roles in making this happen.

The **Rules Committee** has produced a draft of the new rules for the association. The focus of this committee was to align the rules with the newly adopted governing documents, Declaration and Bylaws, and to update and to provide more specific guidance and clarity for the homeowners and residents. You should have received copies of the draft rules and notice for comment, so please do take the time to review the existing rules to determine where the changes are and submit your comments accordingly to Imagineers/Sheila Duncan. Many thanks to Jim Fuda, Christine Keating, Kathy McCarthy-Proulx, and Sandy O'Leary for their diligent review and thoughtful discussions on the revisions. It was a big job!

The **Annual Budget Meeting** has been scheduled for Tuesday, December  $13^{th}$  at 7 p.m., with a snow date of Thursday, December  $15^{th}$  at 7 p.m. You should have received a notice of the meeting along with the proposed draft budget. Please review the 2023 budget draft and come prepared to the budget meeting with comments. You will have the opportunity to vote on this budget at that meeting.

On behalf of the Executive Board, Ed Litke, Jim Fuda, Dave Faxon, Sandy O'Leary, Ron King and Dawn Faucher, we wish you joy and happiness during the holidays and a happy and peace-filled new year.



### Wiring Remediation Project is Underway!

The Long-Term Committee met with Bill Thompson of AL Wire Project Engineering of Cromwell and his project team to kick the aluminum wiring project off. The order for materials has been placed and work on individual units will begin once the materials are delivered in mid-December.

A Project Information Sheet has been sent to each unit to explain how the work is done and what to expect from AL Wire as they perform the remediation of the aluminum wiring. Residents can contact Angela Heizman of AL Wire at 860-604-9539 or by email to get their unit on the schedule. The Project is anticipated to be completed by April 2023.

Once the project is complete, the estimate provided in August will be updated and revised to reflect the actual and final cost of each unit owner for the Special Assessment. Payments or the option for payment will be due in August 2023. **Jim Fuda** 

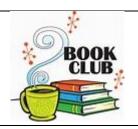
### WELCOME NEW GROUNDS COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS



The Grounds Committee would like to welcome two new members. Pete Rothfarb and David Fillion have recently volunteered to join the team. We look forward to their ideas and contributions. If there are other residents who are interested in joining this landscape planning (no physical labor) group, please contact committee chair, Mike Proulx at 585-474-6698.

### **BOOK CLUB ORGANIZING MEETING**

Several Meadow Hill folks have expressed an interest in restarting the pre-covid Book Club that met monthly. If anyone is interested, we will meet at the Clubhouse office, first floor, on Tuesday, December 6 at 1:00 to determine next steps. If interested but can't make it on December 6, please call Norma Flynn at 860-841-0845. We will see what the interest level is and how it may be organized.



## A FUNNY JOKE, OR IS IT?



Dolly and Ruby, two quite mature friends, were talking about their grandchildren. Dolly said, "Each year I send each of my grandchildren a card with a generous check inside. I never hear from them. Never receive a thank you message." Ruby replies, "I too send my grandchildren a generous check in a card. I hear from them within a week after they receive it. In fact, they each pay me a personal visit." "Wow! How come?" remarked Dolly. "Very simple solution. I don't sign the check."

### **GREENHOUSE REMINDER**

Last winter, someone left the door to the Greenhouse open and dozens of plants were killed due to the temperature change. If you use the greenhouse, please make sure that the doors are kept closed at all times during the winter. The greenhouse is not a social gathering space as its purpose is to give a reliable and safe environment for tender plants. Let's protect this important amenity.



KEY DATES				
1 Holiday Party Payment Due	13 Budget Meeting	25 Christmas		
4 National Cookie Day	18 Hanukkah	26 Kwanzaa		
11 Holiday Party	21 Board Meeting	31 New Year's Eve		

# Halloween Party Is A Hít!!!

























### **PET PARADE**







### **COMMUNITY EVENTS**



The <u>Sharing Tree</u> is a quarterly publication that is packed with important Glastonbury information, events, educational courses, travel and much more. Check it out!!

For **Library Events** click **here**.



### SENIOR SURVEY

Every 5 years the Glastonbury Senior Center ungergoes a reaccreditation process. It's an opportunity for the staff to eveluate what they have accomplished in the previous five years and set goals for the future. As part of that process, they develop a survey to get input from seniors and soon-to-be seniors. It's important to hear from as many seniors as possible so please, <u>click here</u> to add your voice to the conversation or pick up a printc copy of the survey at the the Riverfront Community Center, Town Hall or the Library.

### **MEADOW HILL RESIDENT NOTES**

**Special welcome** to Mary Neary in Unit 128. So glad to have you as part of the Meadow Hill family. Also new to our community are Suzanne Bedell and Paul Jenkins in Unit 167. We hope you love living here as much as the rest of us.

**HELP WANTED -** Do you have local area grandchildren who could assist with snow shoveling this winter? Our usual part time shoveling crew is not returning this winter. If you know someone who might be interested, contact Darien Covert regarding this part-time job.

**Clubhouse**: Clubhouse has now reopened. See posted rules.

**Hollister House** – remains closed until further notice due to use by the construction contractor.

**Correction:** Kristen Fowler's phone number is incorrect in the directory. The correct number is 860-986-4000.

**Lark Submissions**: Please contact Gene Flynn at 860-212-7347 for more information on submitting articles and notices.

**Tennis and shuffleboard courts** are now reopened. **Bridge Players Wanted** - Please call Carolyn at 860-430-1046.

Pool - closed until next summer

**Crafts and Needlework** – If you enjoy knitting or crocheting and enjoy giving items to those in need, please contact Linda Fillion at 860-559-5504 for details. Items such as baby hats, booties, lap robes and prayer shawls are really appreciated by Middlesex Hospital.

**Book Club** – If anyone is interested in returning to Book Club Meetings at the clubhouse, please contact Norma Flynn at 860-841-0845.

### LENDING LIBRARY

Meadow Hill has received the donation of a bookcase and books which are currently in the Clubhouse Office. We are looking for someone to work with Darien for the best place for a mini-lending library and then to organize the start of it. If you can do this, contact Toni Dolan at 860-918-7069.

### **MEADOW HILL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

Advisory committees play an important role in Meadow Hill. They provide information and work that improves Meadow Hill beyond what the Board and Manager can do without assistance. Below are the committee chairs, liaisons from the Board and Committee members. Let's all thank these community members for their work to make Meadow Hill a great place to call home.



**Budget** Dawn Faucher (Chair), Larry Abbott, Connie Liscomb.

**Clubhouse Rental:** Danielle Merritt, Imagineers **Communications:** Gene Flynn, (Chair), Toni Dolan (liaison), Luther Weeks, Denise Weeks, Mike Proulx Norma Flynn, Nancy Maloney

**Grounds:** Mike Proulx, (Chair), Sandy O;Leary, (Liaison), Todd Blais, Kathy McCarthy-Proulx, David Fillion, Pete Rothfarb

Long Term Study Committee: Jim Fuda, (chair),

**Maintenance and Amenities:** Jim Fuda, (Chair), Ron King (liaison), Ray Dolan, Vin Liscomb, Bob Kolwicz, **(Stables,** 

**Greenhouse, Garden as subcommittee):** Stables TBD, Greenhouse, Sandy MacGregor; Garden, TBD.

Nominating: Ed Litke, David Faxon, Connie Liscomb

Rules: Toni Dolan, (Chair); Jim Fuda, Sandy O'Leary, Kathy

McCarthy Proulx, Chris Keating

**Social:** Sandy O'Leary, (Chair), Members as assigned **Trees:** Gene Flynn, (Chair), Ron King, (Liaison), Roger

Bouchard, Bob Kolwicz

Larry Abbot, Dave Faxon.					
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BOARD MEETINGS					
Monthly Board meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 1:30pm.	OWNER BUDGET MTG December 13 at 7PM AT THE CLUBHOUSE	Current and previous meeting minutes can be found at <a href="www.meadowhill.net">www.meadowhill.net</a> Hard copy minutes are no longer available at the clubhouse due to the coronavirus.			
Lark Editor: Gene Flynn; Lark Designer: Denise Weeks					