

Brook Meadows Messenger

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Social Calendar and Important Events

Book Club	Jan 31	6:30 pm	Stacy will follow-up...	Location TBD
Last Tuesday	TBD	6:00 pm	Hopefully in February	
Wine Club	TBD	7:00 pm	Looking for Hosts	
Kid Activities	TBD	TBD	Bibi Katsev arranging	Details, next page...

Brook Meadows – Happy New Year Neighbors!



Thanks again to the Shammass for hosting a wonderful Holiday party.
Here's to wishing everyone a peaceful, productive and safe 2022!

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to 2022, where the weather is...well, what day is it??

By Tony Elkins

Is anyone else having fun deciding if you should wear short pants or winter ski clothes from day to day! What a crazy time, right? Though the cold does seem to be here for a bit! And how about those Cowboys??!! Oh, wait...maybe next season!

Some important board news:

The CCR Amendment is now filed with the County and all is official. Thanks to everyone for your help!

The Board has determined again to set dues from 2022 at \$200 as we continue to drive down our account balance. This will probably be the last year for the lower dues, so be prepared for 2023 to return to the previous amount.

Some other great news for 2023...we are in the initial phases of creating a “Kids Activities Committee”, thanks to the great ideas and input from Bibi Katsev, who has graciously agreed to head the committee. There is more to come, but I believe this committee will get ramped up and active very, very quickly!

It was great this past year to finally be able to have more of the events we are all so accustomed to, and we look forward to more of the same in 2022!

Regards,
Tony Elkins
BMHA Board, President
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Ladies Ornament Exchange

...was a fabulous success at the home of Jen Barnes in December.



The Men's BS Exchange

...at The Londoner was also well attended and well enjoyed.



BMHA Book Club – Jan 31

By Stacey Taylor

After a few months away book club is resuming this month on Monday evening, **January 31st at 6:30 (Location TBD)** to discuss “Rules of Civility” by Amor Towles, author of *A Gentleman in Moscow*.

“Rules of Civility” is Towles’ first novel, published in 2012:

BMHA Book Club Jan 31 continued...

On the last night of 1937, twenty-five-year-old Katey Kontent is in a second-rate Greenwich Village jazz bar when Tinker Grey, a handsome banker, happens to sit down at the neighboring table. This chance encounter and its startling consequences propel Katey on a year-long journey into the upper echelons of New York society - where she will have little to rely upon other than a bracing wit and her own brand of cool nerve.

Grape Nuts... Wine Club is alive and well!

Fine Wine Takes Time

By Brett Flourney

Now begins the search for hosts for our next wine tasting event! Hosting is very rewarding, socially engaging, and is structured to keep the hosts' specific tasks to a minimum. Additionally, the hosts have great say over the actual program with the timing being in the next 3-6 months. Be brave...raise your hand...

Our wine word of the day: *Negociant* - A deal maker with a label, rather than an actual winery/chateau. Think Louis Jadot - or even Castle Rock. The word itself generally refers only to the French, but the same concept exists elsewhere. A wine label need not have a winery or a vineyard to exist, and the entire process of taking wine to market can be done over the phone. The *negociant* makes it happen.

To be added to the Grape Nuts email list, just contact me:

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Last Tuesday – Recap

By Brett Flourney

With much regret, we are postponing our 2022 January Kickoff outing due to the covid virus, but with great hope that we can launch fairly soon. This does afford me the opportunity to review the history and goals of the Last Tuesday program however!

Last Tuesday began sometime around 2005, with the primary goal of fostering social interactivity amongst neighbors, in order to build lasting friendships, and create true neighborhood fabric. Other goals included the support of local businesses, as well as introducing ourselves to unique restaurants that we might not otherwise visit.

We prefer Colleyville restaurants and locally owned restaurants, but our pursuit of the primary goal takes us to businesses of all kinds in both Colleyville and our border cities.

Shelley tells me the very first event was at Hacienda Ranch, and we have held over one hundred Last Tuesdays, many of them epic visits (recall 62 Main, Rio Mambo in the rain, or the restaurant that was out of business when we arrived). I hereby declare success for the Last Tuesday program!!! We'll be back soon, ya'll come...

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Teenage Job Seekers

Name	Age	Baby Sit	Pet Sit	Yard Work	Phone #
Bulger, Kathleen	16	Y Certified	Y		817-917-2109
Garner, Katie	15	Y Certified	Y		817-701-6460
Limosnero, Roland			Y		817 925-1713
Norwood, Alexis			Y	Y	817-540-2522
Seales, Isabella	13	Y	Y		817 909-6773

The Job Seekers listing service is provided free to all Brook Meadows teenagers seeking work. Each month the newsletter includes a list of teenagers in the neighborhood seeking employment; i.e. baby-sitting, yard work or pet care. With so many new people moving into the neighborhood this is a great reference for anyone in need of such a service. If you or your child is looking for a job in the neighborhood, please provide your information including name, age, telephone number, email and the job being sought. We'll include in the next and future issues of the e-newsletter.

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