

Lakes of Buckingham



Newsletter

February 2026

Happy Valentines Day – Celebrating President’s Day – Honoring Black History Month

LOB Luchtime Listen – New in 2026!!

We had a **great** turnout for the first meeting in January and plan to continue this regular monthly gathering at the clubhouse, the second Saturday of each month. This will allow us to hear any concerns, thoughts, ideas you may have prior to our monthly Board Meeting held on the third Thursday each month.

Gathering will start at 12:00 noon. Someone from your Board will be present for at least one hour. Depending upon the number of residents who choose to participate, the gathering will last as long as necessary or whatever might be mutually agreed to. There will be no specific agenda. This is intended to be informal and to provide a regular forum to LISTEN to your concerns and any ideas you may have to help make LOB a truly exceptional community. We are looking forward to meeting with you. We see this as an opportunity to get to know our neighbors better and make us aware of your concerns, thoughts and ideas.

The next LOB Luchtime Listen will be held Saturday, Feb 14, 2026, 12:00 noon at the clubhouse.



Community Lighting –

Lighting Maintenance

As a friendly reminder, we ask that you monitor the operation of your post light at the front of your unit. These lights are an integral part of our community safety, security and way-finding and are your responsibility to maintain. We have asked TNG to monitor this item and send letters to residents whose lights are not properly functioning. Contact TNG if you need assistance. We ask that you address this issue as soon as possible.

There is a light in the South Lakes entrance island that is not functioning. This problem is being investigated and will be repaired when weather permits.

Security Lighting Management

Please be mindful of your neighbors. Many of our residents have installed additional lighting for security. We understand that this is necessary, and we welcome it. Please check your lighting and adjust it or provide shields that will prevent light from glaring onto your neighbor’s yard areas or into their windows. This will very much be appreciated by all.

2026 Community Grant Application –

The City of Fort Wayne sponsors a Community Grant Program. This is awarded once a year for a maximum of \$5000 per community. Last year we were successful in obtaining this grant and as a result, we were able to plant approximately 25 additional shade trees in the community. A total of **37** of these grants were awarded last year. Due to budget cuts, only **22** will be awarded this year. Competition will be tight.

The intended purpose of this grant money is to promote community among residents by providing opportunity for gathering as community and/or improving the community environment beyond what would be considered normal maintenance. For example, money **can** be used for planting additional trees, adding benches, providing signage, art, etc. This money **cannot** be used for trimming or removal of trees, or normal maintenance of existing fixtures or existing infrastructure.

We plan to submit our application again this year. The application deadline is March 13, 2026.

This grant program is in place to also promote community involvement. As a resident, we are asking for your opinion of the type of project we should proceed with in the coming year should we be successful in obtaining this grant money. So far, we have the following suggestions:

1. Provide additional shade trees, continuation of last year's project.
2. Provide benches for community use. These could be either concentrated at the clubhouse area or scattered throughout the community, perhaps adjacent to open areas near the lake/ponds.
3. Provide a permanent grill station at the clubhouse area.

We are asking for your ideas and suggestions. Please provide suggestions by **Feb 16, 2026**, to Mike Majewski at: mrmmajewski@gmail.com, or you are welcome to call, 614-314-4684. Thanks in advance for your input!

LOB February Community Calendar –

February 14 – Lunchtime Listen at the Clubhouse – Noon

February 19 – Regular Board Meeting at the Clubhouse – 5 pm

THINK SPRING!!

