

Foundation Focus

Charitable giving propels Meadowlark's funds, programs, projects



by Becky Fitzgerald, Development Director
Meadowlark Foundation provides opportunities for private giving to further the person-directed mission of Meadowlark, a local not-for-profit (501(c)3) organization enhancing senior lifestyles.

If you've ever made a donation to Meadowlark Foundation, you may have read the Foundation's mission statement (shown above) at the bottom of your gift receipt. The word "opportunities" was carefully chosen to not only indicate that there are several ways to give, but there are also many reasons to give.

Unlike organizations with primarily one purpose, Meadowlark is a multi-faceted community, catering to people with a variety of needs and interests. Since 1999 when Meadowlark Hills Foundation was established, the work of the Foundation has grown and changed to help meet those needs and interests through charitable giving.

Meadowlark Foundation regularly fields questions about donations, so in this, and future, Foundation Focus articles, some of those Frequently Asked Questions will be answered.

Are Manhattan Retirement Foundation and Meadowlark Hills Foundation the same entity? No. Manhattan Retirement Foundation was incorporated in 1975 under the laws of the state of Kansas and is a not-for-profit organization doing business as Meadowlark. As many of you know, Meadowlark provides senior living services and wellness programs throughout the area as well as offers senior living options at its continuing care retirement community.

Meadowlark Hills Foundation, commonly called Meadowlark Foundation, is the nearly 26-year-old organization through which all gifts flow in support of Meadowlark funds, programs, and projects.

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EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Home is Where the Heart Is

Habitat for Humanity of the Northern Flint Hills cordially invites you to the annual Valentine's Day gala dinner, Home is Where the Heart Is. The event features a silent auction, music from the Thundering Cats Big Band, and swing dancing with instruction from the Ballroom Dance School of Manhattan.

The gala is from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 14, at Hilton Garden Inn in Manhattan. Tickets can be purchased online at <https://habitatflinthills.org/event-calendar>.

The Dancin' Stew

Friday, Jan. 31, at 7 p.m.

Meadowlark welcomes *The Dancin' Stew* at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 31, in the Event Center. The story began with the ladies performing together in "Beehive: The '60s Musical." They had such a blast singing in harmony that they thought, "Why not keep this party going?" And that, my friends, is how *The Dancin' Stew* came to be!

Starting with the groovy sounds of '60s divas, they couldn't stop there. Now, they are all about mixing up the oldies with today's hits to keep the party alive wherever they go! This is a show you don't want to miss!

Worship Service, two opportunities!

Sunday, Feb. 2, at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Join Rev. Melanie Nord, Spiritual Life Leader, for worship at 10 a.m. or 11 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 2, in the Community Room/Chapel. This week, Melanie will explore the book of Zachariah.

Town Meeting

Monday, Feb. 3, at 9:30 a.m.

You're invited to attend the monthly Town Meeting at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Feb. 3, in the Event Center. At this month's meeting, Meadowlark leadership will be talking about future growth and sharing updates on the new building project. Attendees also will learn about upcoming events and campus news. Don't miss this great opportunity to ask questions and stay informed!

Prairie Star Writing Group

Tuesday, Feb. 4, at 1 p.m.

Interested in joining the writing group at

Meadowlark? Prairie Star Writers is led by Cathy Hedge. The group meets on the first and third Tuesdays. The next meeting is set for 1 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4, in the Patriot Room.

The Feb. 4 session is titled, "Walk Around My Favorite Room." When Charley Kempthorne invented this group, he had a favorite exercise to help us tell our memoirs. He told us to pretend you are standing or sitting in the center of a room that was, or still is, very important to you. As you write, describe what the room looks like, including the light, sounds, and feel of the furnishings. What memories does this room bring?

UFM Class: Celebrating Black History

Tuesday, Feb. 4, at 6:30 p.m.

Following the end of legal Reconstruction (1865-1877) in the United States, the racial climate of the Deep South inspired many African-American families to look for a new home in other states, including Kansas. These pioneers, known as Exodusters, traveled to Kansas in May of 1879, and settled in cities such as Leavenworth, Lawrence, Tonganoxie, Ottawa, and Manhattan. Join us in the Community Room on Tuesday, Feb. 4, at 6:30 p.m. to learn how this migration helped form the historic Yuma Street district in Manhattan and influenced settlement throughout the county.

"What Is Love?"

Wednesdays, Feb. 5, 12, 19, at 2 p.m.

Some call February the month of love, but what is love?! Join Rev. Melanie Nord, Spiritual Life Leader, on Wednesdays, Feb. 5, 12, and 19 from 2 to 3 p.m., in the Bison Room, as we discuss the three ancient types of love: *eros*, *philia*, and *agape*. We'll use history, scripture, and our own life experiences to look at how love spans well beyond cupid, hearts, and romance!

Meadowlark Men's Social Supper

Wednesday, Feb. 5, at 5:30 p.m.

Prairie Star Restaurant invites Meadowlark's men to attend a Social Supper at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 5, at Prairie Star Restaurant. Dinner can be purchased from the Prairie Star menu, or enjoy the daily special. Registration is not required, but

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please check in at the host stand when arriving. This opportunity will not feature a program.

PD Education Group

Thursday, Feb. 6, at 2 p.m.

You're invited to the monthly meeting of the PD Education Group at 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 6, in the Community Room.

This month's program is titled, "Improving Quality of Life in Parkinson's Through Unique Opportunities." Join us as we explore some "out-of-the-box" activities that can improve physical, mental, and emotional well-being. No registration is required to attend. If you have questions, please call Michelle at (785) 323-3899.

Meadowlark Singers

Thursday, Feb. 6, at 4:15 p.m.

The Meadowlark Singers practice on Thursdays in the Community Room. **Start time for practice is 4:15 p.m.** All current and new members are welcome to join the new director, Heather Augustine, for Singers!

Dinner with the League of Women Voters

Thursday, Feb. 6, at 6 p.m.

February's Dinner with the League of Women Voters will feature the staff of *Kansas Reflector*, who will join us again for a question-and-answer event.

The dinner menu will include a pesto-chicken panini, coleslaw, and roasted red potatoes for \$15. Please sign up in the Blue Book at the Hospitality Desk if you plan to attend.

Ruth Bader Ginsburg Program

Friday, Feb. 7, at 7 p.m.

Pamela Howe of Lawrence tells the story of historical figures through first-person reenactments. On Friday, Feb. 7, at 7 p.m., in the Event Center, Howe will appear as Ruth Bader Ginsburg, the second woman to serve on the United States Supreme Court. Despite her excellent credentials, Bader Ginsburg struggled to find employment as a lawyer because of her sex and the fact that she was a mother. Hear about Bader Ginsburg's life and triumph over adversity. She was a woman, wife, mother, good friend, and

always an advocate for those being treated unfairly. All are welcome to attend.

UFM Class: The Universe

Tuesday-Thursday, Feb. 11, 12, 13, at 7 p.m.

Join us from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Community Room on Feb. 11, 12, and 13 to learn about our universe! This class will review what's happening in the night sky regarding positions of the moon, planets, stars, and their motions. We will then explore the nature of these objects and others unseen to the naked eye. In the end, we will marvel at the magnitude and diversity of the furniture of our universe and gain a sense of how we belong.

Ladies Luncheon

Thursday, Feb. 13, at 11:30 a.m.

The monthly Ladies Luncheon is for all Meadowlark ladies, including Passport members!

The February luncheon will be at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 13, in the Event Center. Our speaker will be Beth Pannbacker. Check out next week's Messenger to hear about the presentation topic and get a sneak peek of the menu!

Please sign up in the Blue Book at the Hospitality Desk. Come meet old friends and make new ones!

Blood Pressure Check

Thursday, Feb 13, at 1 p.m.

Meadowlark Home Care hosts a monthly Blood Pressure Clinic on the second Thursday at 1 p.m. in the Kansas Room. The next scheduled clinic is Thursday, Feb. 13, at 1 p.m. No sign up required.

Shopping at Target & Dollar Tree

Saturday, Feb. 15, at 10:30 a.m.

The next scheduled trip is Saturday, Feb. 15, with transportation going to Target and Dollar Tree West. The bus will depart from the Village Entrance at 10:30 a.m., and the return time is set for 11:45 a.m.

Next month's trip will travel to Hobby Lobby and Dollar Tree East on Saturday, March. 15. Please sign up in the Blue Book to participate.

Special Sing-Along Soiree

Tuesday, Feb. 18, at 3 p.m.

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I'd like to support (fill in the blank) at Meadowlark. How do I do that?

The easiest way is to write a check to Meadowlark Foundation and send to Becky Fitzgerald's attention at Meadowlark Foundation, 2121 Meadowlark RD, Manhattan, KS 66502. Or, give online with a credit or debit card at www.meadowlark.org and click the Donate Now button in the top right of the home page.

If writing a check, use the memo line to indicate the fund, program, or project you'd like your contribution to benefit. Please do not write your check to a person, such as "Virginia Honstead Memorial," or an event, such as "Speedy PD." Meadowlark does not have bank accounts with these names, and because of increased fraud cases, our bank will not cash checks written this way.

If giving online, select a donation option from the drop-down menu, or write in your designation, especially if making a tribute gift.

Contributions also may be made at Meadowlark at the Hospitality Desk or at the Development Director's office, which is across from the Miller Place dining room.

What funds and programs are commonly associated with the Foundation?

Funds: Good Samaritan Fund, Helping Hands Fund, and Nursing Scholarship Fund

Programs: Meadowlark Memory Program and Meadowlark Parkinson's Program.

HOGtoberfest and the monthly Meadowlark Market sales are fundraisers for the Good Samaritan Fund.

Special Programs Leader Michelle Haub and Becky Fitzgerald, Development Director, frequently collaborate to raise funds for the Memory and Parkinson's programs with four annual fundraising events. Art Mingle and Fiesta to Remember benefit the Memory Program. Pig Out for Parkinson's and Speedy PD Race for Parkinson's Disease benefit the Parkinson's Program. For more information, visit www.meadowlark.org.

I'd like to support the Parkinson's Program. May I direct how I'd like my donation to be used?

Yes. Write your check to Meadowlark Foundation and indicate the specific activity or class on the memo line. For example, one frequent donor to the Parkinson's Program requests his gifts support the weekly boxing classes. He notes this by writing "Rock Steady Boxing" on the memo line.

As the mission statement indicates, there are many opportunities or reasons to give to Meadowlark Foundation. If you have questions about the needs of a specific program or have an idea for a project, please contact Becky. In 2022, a Wroten House resident suggested that the house's screened-in porch would receive more use if it were a "sun porch." His children led the way with a major gift, and other like-minded individuals also contributed to see the idea to fruition.

When I pass away, I'd like memorial donations to support the Good Samaritan Fund/ Parkinson's Program/Memory Program/ Special Project (or for other fund, program, or project). How do I ensure that happens?

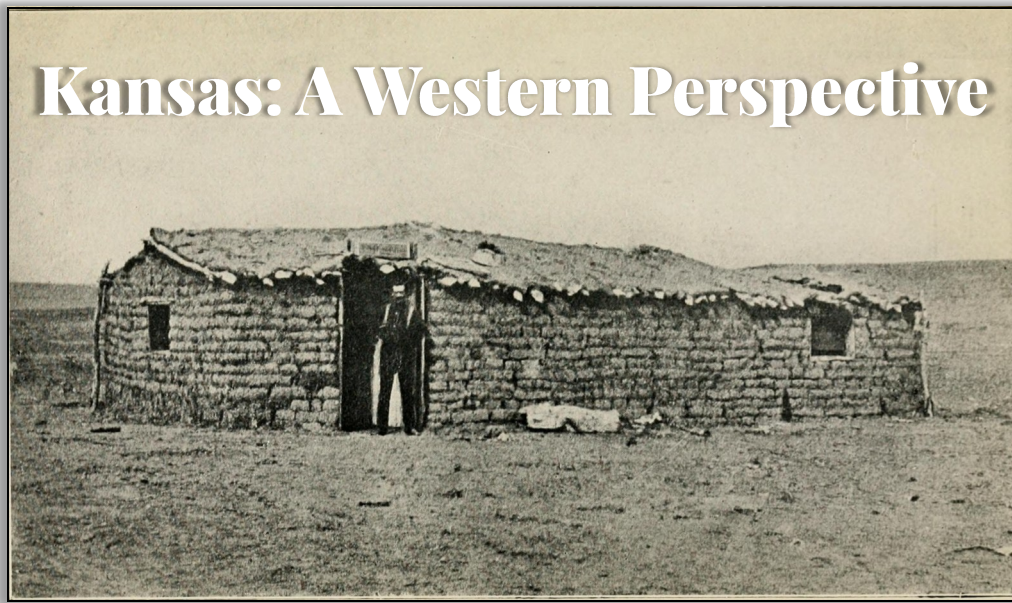
First, please communicate your wishes to your children and/or your durable power of attorney for financial decisions. The Foundation often receives calls from residents' children, who ask about the preferred way to list a Meadowlark beneficiary in an obituary. Sample wording: *Memorial contributions are suggested to Meadowlark Foundation to benefit the Good Samaritan Fund (or Meadowlark Parkinson's Program, etc.). Contributions may be sent in care of (name and address of funeral home).* Persons giving a memorial gift should write the name of the deceased on the memo line.

Second, it's helpful for the Foundation to know when Meadowlark Foundation has been named as a beneficiary. DPOAs are invited to contact the Foundation to share this information, especially if memorial gifts are to help fund a special project. For example, one of the gazebos at our Bayer Pond was funded with such contributions.



Becky Fitzgerald has served as Meadowlark's Development Director since 2014. If you have questions or suggestions regarding Meadowlark Foundation, contact her at (785) 323-3843. Watch future Messengers for more answers to frequently asked Foundation questions.

Kansas: A Western Perspective



The following writing was submitted by Meadowlark resident Harriette Janke. She found this note among her mother's writing and it describes the western Kansas experience in the late 1800s and early 20th century, including another song that is representative of the state. The photo above is a representation of a sod house. In honor of Kansas Day, please enjoy this excerpt.

The summers were so terribly dry there. Crops would start growing in the spring, then it would turn off dry and never rain, and crops and gardens would dry up. Their claim was southwest of Goodland and about four miles southeast of Ruleton.

I have also heard them sing this song (to the tune of Beulah Land):

We're from the land of drought and heat
Where nothing grows for man to eat
The wind that blows with burning heat
O'er all the land is hard to beat

Chorus: Oh Kansas Land, poor Kansas Land
As on thy burning soil we stand
We look away across the plains
And wonder why it never rains
And wish that Gabriel'd blow his horn
Or that we never had been born.

Our horses are of bronco race
Starvation stares them in the face
Our chickens are too poor to eat
And on our pigs there is no meat

[Chorus]

The farmers go into their corn
And there they stand and look forlorn
We do not live, we only stay
We are too poor to get away.

[Chorus]

I had two brothers and one sister older than I am who were born in the sod house. They built a frame house before I was born on May 21, 1893. My parents were married Jan. 26, 1888, when both were 26 years old. When I was a year old they sold the claim and moved to Iowa near Albia to my mother's old home, near to a little settlement called Cuba, and now my parents, grandparents, and great grandparents are laid to rest in the Cuba Cemetery. I have a brother living, who was born in the sod house, and who is now living near the Cuba Cemetery.

I remember hearing about my older brother, when 3 or 4 years old, came into the house saying there was a snake out there as long as the stable. My mother looked out there and sure enough there was an awful long snake! Besides the drought, they had grasshoppers, and also hail, to destroy things.

I have a photograph of our old sod house and family in front – mules and stable in the background, but I would hate to part with it.

I hope some day to drive through Colby, Kansas and see your sod houses there.

Yours sincerely,
Sarah Grove, Kewsick, Iowa

Community Bulletin

Meadowlark is celebrating an extraordinary milestone! Vivian Dane, a cherished member of the Meadowlark family, is celebrating 45 incredible years with us. That's 45 years of dedication, expertise, and heart – helping us grow and thrive every step of the way.

Vivian, your hard work and passion have touched so many lives, and we couldn't be more grateful to continue having you on our team. Thank you, Vivian, for 45 amazing years! Here's to many more with you at Meadowlark!



THANK YOU to everyone who contributed to Tuesday's Kitchenware Donation Drive at Meadowlark! Your generosity will help multiple organizations and individuals in need.

21 boxes were donated to Meadowlark Market to support the Good Samaritan Fund.

8 boxes went to Kitchen Restore, providing essential starter kits for those in need.

7 boxes were sent to Cats' Cupboard, benefiting K-State students, faculty, and staff.

It was heartwarming to see our community come together to give back. We are so grateful for your kindness and support!

Art Engagement *from the* Beach Museum of Art

Spending a few minutes looking at art releases serotonin, which contributes to the feeling of happiness and well-being. Why not spend some time comparing the two watercolors shown here to lift your mood? Consider and compare how each artist used color, directional line, space, and perspective. Enjoy!



Jim Hagan, (United States, 1927 - 2006)
Title Unknown, ca. 1997
Watercolor on paper
KSU, Marianna Kistler Beach Museum of Art, from
the collection of Jean Riggs, 2010.110



Elmer John Tomasch, (United States, 1914 - 1977)
Title Unknown, 1956
Watercolor on paper
KSU, Marianna Kistler Beach Museum of Art, gift of
Mary Helm Pollack, 2005.430



February Birthdays



Skilled Nursing

2/1 **Glenna Fogo**
2/1 Barbara Fuller
2/1 Sheri Valentine
2/1 Sharon Adee
2/5 Beverly Dodds
2/7 **Carl McKee III**
2/9 Bob Hammaker
2/11 **Lois Deyoe**
2/14 Donna Dotts
2/16 Joann Williams
2/18 Loretta Burry

Assisted Living

2/2 Linda Graham

2/4 Vanna Pope
2/5 Doris Marsh
2/5 Mickey Bogart
2/16 Carroll Hackbart
2/17 Derril Gwinner
2/18 Wanda Fateley
2/21 Jane Meadows
2/22 Aurelia Pacey

Independent Living

2/1 Ruthi Monical
2/4 Marilyn Ray
2/9 Kay Fiser
2/9 Marilyn Martin
2/11 Carol Dodderidge

2/12 Faralane Chase
2/12 Pearl Wilson
2/12 Kay Fritchen
2/14 Pam Hunt
2/16 Bob Crawford
2/16 Steve Monical
2/16 Sandra Warren
2/19 Russell Moors
2/24 Roger Brannan
2/25 Betty Grubb
2/26 Cora DuChene
2/27 Harriette Janke

***Bold denotes milestone birthdays
of 70, 80, 90, or 100+!***

RESTAURANT **SPECIALS**

<p>Sunday, Feb. 2</p>	<p>Sunday Brunch Brunch Menu available from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.</p>	<p>\$14 Dinner BBQ Meatballs Scalloped Potatoes Roasted Broccoli</p>
<p>Monday, Feb. 3</p>	<p>\$11 Lunch Chicken Enchiladas Mexican Rice</p>	<p>\$14 Dinner Smothered Pork Chop <i>with Mushroom-Onion Gravy</i> Mashed Potatoes Honey Carrots</p>
<p>Tuesday, Feb. 4</p>	<p>\$11 Lunch Fish Tacos Cilantro Lime Rice</p>	<p>\$15 Dinner Beef & Italian Sausage Lasagna Garlic Bread Caesar Salad</p>
<p>Wednesday, Feb. 5</p>	<p>\$11 Lunch Meatloaf Sandwich Pub Chips</p>	<p>\$15 Dinner Chicken Cordon Bleu Rice Pilaf Roasted Broccoli</p>
<p>Thursday, Feb. 6</p>	<p>\$9 Lunch Hot Ham & Cheese Tomato Soup</p>	<p>\$16 Dinner Pork Tenderloin Mac & Cheese Brussel Sprouts</p>
<p>Friday, Feb. 7</p>	<p>\$11 Lunch Potato Bar</p>	<p>\$16 Dinner Baked Catfish Cheese Grits Coleslaw</p>
<p>Saturday, Feb. 8</p>	<p>\$11 Lunch Hot Turkey Melt Pea Salad</p>	<p>\$11 Dinner Boneless Wings Tator Tots Carrots & Celery Sticks</p>

Weekly Opportunities Calendar *Feb. 2 to Feb. 8*

Sunday • Feb. 2 *Put your trash at the curb!*
 10:00 a.m. ~ Worship Service, CR
 10:30 a.m. ~ Transportation to FUMC, VE
 11:00 a.m. ~ Worship Service, CR

Monday • Feb. 3 *Trash & Recyclepick-up*
 8:30 a.m. ~ IL Resident Council, BR
 9:30 a.m. ~ Town Meeting, EC
 9:30 a.m. ~ Seated Strength, CR/**1960**
 9:30 a.m. ~ Memory Care Partner Support Group,
[St. Thomas More](#)
 10:00 a.m. ~ Art Committee, BR
 10:30 a.m. ~ Weights 101, CR/**1960**
 11:00 a.m. ~ Rock Steady Boxing, **BF**
 11:30 a.m. ~ Sit & Be Fit, CR/**1960**
 1:00 p.m. ~ Parkinson's Exercise Class, CR/**1960**
 1:30 p.m. ~ God Talk, KSU CL
 1:45 p.m. ~ Parkinson's Voice Class, CR
 2:00 p.m. ~ Change and Loss Support Group, FHR
 2:00 p.m. ~ Tai Chi, EC
 5:30 p.m. ~ Tuttle Creek Dinner, BR
 7:00 p.m. ~ Community Bingo, CR

Tuesday • Feb. 4
 10:00 a.m. ~ Memory Activities Class, EC
 10:15 a.m. ~ Mat Yoga, KSU CL
 10:30 a.m. ~ Steady Yourself, CR/**1960**
 11:15 a.m. ~ Seated Stretch & Stability, CR/**1960**
 12:00 p.m. ~ Kimball Luncheon, BR
 1:00 p.m. ~ Prairie Star Writers Group, PR
 2:00 p.m. ~ 10-Point Pitch Group, KR
 2:00 p.m. ~ Social Circles, PS
 3:00 p.m. ~ Coffee Corner, EC
 6:30 p.m. ~ UFM: Celebrating Black History, CR

Wednesday • Feb. 5
 9:30 a.m. ~ Seated Strength, CR/**1960**
 10:00 a.m. ~ Walmart/Dillons Shopping Trip, VE
 10:00 a.m. ~ Mem. Care Partner Supp. Grp, FHR
 10:00 a.m. ~ Memory Café, KSU CL
 10:30 a.m. ~ Weights 101, CR/**1960**
 11:30 a.m. ~ Sit & Be Fit, CR/**1960**
 11:30 a.m. ~ North Monarch Luncheon, MR
 2:00 p.m. ~ Tai Chi, EC
 2:00 p.m. ~ "What Is Love?", BR
 3:00 p.m. ~ Rock Steady Boxing, CR
 3:00 p.m. ~ Sing-A-Long, FHR
 5:30 p.m. ~ Meadowlark Men's Social Supper, MR

Thursday • Feb. 6
 9:00 a.m. ~ Messenger Team, KSU CL
 10:15 a.m. ~ Mat Yoga, KSU CL
 10:30 a.m. ~ Steady Yourself, CR/**1960**
 11:15 a.m. ~ Seated Stretch & Stability, CR/**1960**
 1:00 p.m. ~ Parkinson's Exercise Class, CR/**1960**
 2:00 p.m. ~ Parkinson's Education Group, CR
 4:15 p.m. ~ Meadowlark Singers Practice, CR
 5:30 p.m. ~ Meadowlark Circle Dinner, MR
 6:00 p.m. ~ Dinner with The League, EC

Friday • Feb. 7
 7:30 a.m. ~ Rock Steady Boxing, **BF**
 9:30 a.m. ~ Seated Strength, CR/**1960**
 10:30 a.m. ~ Weights 101, CR/**1960**
 11:30 a.m. ~ Sit & Be Fit, CR/**1960**
 2:30 p.m. ~ Fanny & Furby, KR
 3:00 p.m. ~ Catholic Mass, CR
 7:00 p.m. ~ Ruth Bader Ginsburg Program, EC

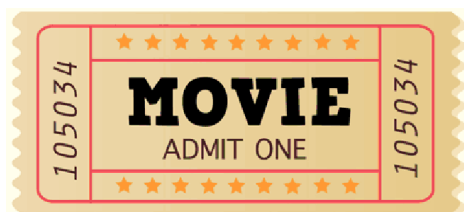
Saturday • Feb. 8
 9:30 a.m. ~ Band Bust Exercise Class, **1960 only**

Room Abbreviations

1960 , TV Channel 1960	KSU CL, KSU Classroom
BF , Body First	MM , 120 Scenic Drive
BR, Bison Room	MR, Manhattan Room
CR, Community Room	PR, Patriot Room
CY, Courtyard	PS, Prairie Star Restaurant
EC, Event Center	MSC , Manhattan Sr. Center
FHR, Flint Hills Room	VBL, Verna Belle's Lounge
GC, Grosh Cinema	VE, Village Entrance
KR, Kansas Room	WPL , Wamego Public Library

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Let's celebrate Valentine's Day all month long with an exciting addition of Sing-Along Social on Tuesday, Feb. 18. Guests are invited to sing or listen to a special repertoire of songs that will fit the theme, led by the talented stylings of fellow Meadowlark residents Jim Reed and Vera Williams. There will also be festive drinks and snacks to munch on! Meadowlark Ambassadors will be on hand to help out as hostesses and popcorn attendants, so you do not want to miss out! This event will take place in the Community Room from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. All are welcome to attend.



GROSH CINEMA SHOWTIMES

MONDAY TO SATURDAY 1:00 P.M. / 4:00 P.M. / 7:00 P.M.
SUNDAY 2:00 P.M. / 6:00 P.M.

SUNDAY: Feb. 2

AWAKENINGS (1990) PG-13, 2 hr. *Inspiring, Emotional*

Cast: Robert De Niro, Robin Williams, & Julie Kavner

In 1969, a doctor tests an experimental drug on a man in an unresponsive state, who awakens after 30 years and must come to grips with life as an adult.

MONDAY: Feb. 3

RESIDENT REQUEST

A CALL TO SPY (2019) PG-13, 2 hr. 3 min. *War, History, Thriller*

Cast: Sarah Megan Thomas, Stana Katic, & Radhika Apte

In the beginning of WWII, with Britain becoming desperate, Churchill orders his new spy agency - SOE - to recruit and train women as spies.

TUESDAY: Feb. 4

SATURDAY NIGHT (2024) R *for language, sexual references, some drug use, and brief graphic nudity*, 1 hr. 49 min. *Irreverent*

Cast: Gabriel LaBelle, Rachel Sennott, & Cory Michael Smith

In 1975, a young producer races to prove his prowess as his chaotic cast of comedians prepares for their first-ever broadcast --live from New York.

WEDNESDAY: Feb. 5

INTERSTELLAR (2014) PG-13, 2 hr. 49 min. *Mind-Bending, Cerebral*

Cast: Matthew McConaughey, Anne Hathaway, & Jessica Chastain

With humanity teetering on the brink of extinction, a group of astronauts travels through a wormhole in search of another inhabitable planet.

THURSDAY: Feb. 6

AFRAID (2024) PG-13, 1 hr. 24 min. *Scary, Science-Fiction, Horror*

Cast: John Cho, Katherine Waterson, & Havana Rose Liu

While testing a household artificial intelligence system, a family of five gradually falls victim to its invasive methods and overprotective personality.

FRIDAY: Feb. 7

THE COMPUTER WORE TENNIS SHOES (1969) PG, 1 hr. 31 min. *Comedy, Science-Fiction*

Cast: Kurt Russell, Cesar Romero, & Joe Flynn

A student turns genius when he absorbs the knowledge stored in a computer.

SATURDAY: Feb. 8

HELLO DOLLY (1969) G, 2 hr. 27 min. *Romantic, Comedy, Musical*

Cast: Barbara Streisand, Walter Matthau, Michael Crawford

Matchmaker Dolly Levi orchestrates the love lives of her friends while trying to figure out her own.