

January 2004

MEADOW LAKE ADVISOR

WINTER

Brrr... Well, we knew it would arrive! But did we have to get all the snow at once???

Please be reminded that when we get a snowfall that requires plowing, our snow removal service will come through and plow our streets as early as possible (or if it is in the evening, when snow stops). Once this is done, we ask that you move your vehicles from the parking areas behind the buildings onto the street. Then the parking areas can be thoroughly cleaned. When they are cleared of snow, you can move your car back into your parking spot.

Thank you for clearing your porches and patios of flower pots, doormats, etc. Leaving these things (especially doormats) can damage the snow clearing equipment. If you place your doormat between the storm door and the regular door, it will be readily available, but not in the way.



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HAPPY NEW YEAR
TO EVERYONE!

REPAIR REQUESTS

If there is something at your Unit that needs repair that is the responsibility of the Association, please place a service request in the Association Drop Box. The Drop Box is accessed daily by a Board Member, and you will be contacted as soon as possible.

There have been occasions when a Co-owner has had repairs done and deducts the cost from the Monthly Assessment Fee. This is not an acceptable method. Running the Association, is running a business. Invoices must be submitted, and will be reimbursed if the Association deems the repair is the responsibility of the Association.

If you decide to handle a repair on your own, you are running the risk of not being reimbursed. Please keep this in mind next time something needs to be fixed.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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CONSIDERATIONS

During this cold weather, please keep your garage door closed except when entering and exiting. Leaving the door open can cause serious problems for "D" Unit Co-owners. Not only do open garage doors make "D" Units cold, it could cause water pipes to freeze and cause damage to the Unit.

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THANK YOU

A sincere and hearty "Thank You" to everyone who took the time to complete the form updating emergency contacts.

Thank you, too, to those who responded to the special request for Title Insurance. Our By-laws require that the Association have on file a copy of each Co-owners' Title Insurance.

A third Thank You to those who decorated their Units for the holidays. Meadow Lake looked quite festive! (Thanks, too, for taking the lights and decorations down in a timely manner ☺).

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DE-ICING

A Co-owner recently expressed concern at the excess amount of de-icer that was spread on the street and driveways. The VP/Grounds has spoken with our snow removal service person and passed on the concern. While it is most important that the de-icer be spread, I'm sure we all agree that excesses are a waste.

Please be assured that our contract with the de-icing service is a flat rate each winter season, whether de-icing is spread many times or only a few times.

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CONGRATULATIONS

*To Co-owner Jason Petts
and his new bride, Jennifer,
who were married January 16, 2004!*

NEW MAIL BOX SYSTEM

The new locked mail box system seems to be working, and has become a place of friendly social interaction among Co-owners.

A Co-owner asked if there could be some kind of signal so that we'd know when the mail had been delivered (as the red flags on the old mail boxes were). A method for this has not yet been figured out. Any suggestions?



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FUNNY...

A man took his blonde girlfriend to her first football game. They had great seats right behind the bench. After the game, he asked her how she liked the experience. "Oh, I really liked it," she said, "especially all of the big muscles, but I just couldn't understand why they were killing each other for 25 cents." Dumbfounded, her date asked, "What on earth do you mean?" "Well, I saw them flip a coin and one team got it and then for the rest of the game all they kept screaming was: 'Get the quarter back!'"

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WELCOME

To new Co-owner
Julie Burda

TRASH PICKUP

Kudos to ALL Co-owners for their cooperation in placing trash out on Friday evening for Saturday pickup during the holidays (Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years Day).

Whenever there is a holiday, our routine changes from Friday to Saturday pickup. It's really great to see everyone remembering that!!

If you should have a large item that needs to be picked up (i.e. washer, dryer, sofa, large chest of drawers), it is recommended that you call Waste Management before Friday and alert them to the large item. That way, they can be prepared to send a special truck, and the item will not sit out there for a week. The telephone number for special pickup is: 586/791-5458. **Please keep this number handy because we could not find it in the telephone book.**

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APPRECIATION

More "THANKS" to all of you who remembered to write your monthly assessment fee for the new rates. As a reminder, they are:

A Units	=	\$143.00
B Units	=	\$132.00
C Units	=	\$128.00
D Units	=	\$117.00

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