



MEADOW LAKE ASSOCIATION
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MEADOW LAKE ADVISOR

SPRING THINGS

I am one of those folks who get really excited about the blooming of flowers, especially spring flowers. They bring such hope and promise of the summer to come. I've seen hyacinths, the yellow and purple crocuses, and the blades of tulips coming out of the ground and perhaps by the time this letter reaches your hands, more actual blooms will be showing in our complex. One of the things guests to our space say is how beautiful our complex looks with its trees and flowers and the little curve in the road that makes things more interesting.

This feeling of spaciousness can sometimes make us forget how close together we really live to one another. We have been pleased to have good neighbors who are considerate and caring about one another's well being. It is a pleasure to see folks who can, put out pretty flowers, or see folk walking dogs on leashes with bag in hand, or keeping noisy activities to a minimum. Yes there are rules that are sometimes irksome, but it is part of keeping an orderly community where people can enjoy living.

Spring gives everyone a sense of well being after a long, cold and dark winter. I often think that many resolutions supposedly made at New Years are often followed through once the weather is warmer. It's a time for greeting our neighbors as they work in their yards, or walk our streets. Welcome spring with all that it promises. Life is good here at Meadow Lake. Let's get out and enjoy it.

WHAT'S NEW?

There are new additions to **mymeadowlake.com**. If you have internet access, stop by and check out the newly added **Frequently Asked Questions** section and the **Supplier List**. You'll also see copies of the new pages periodically placed in our roadside boxes.

SPRING WALK THROUGH

Soon it will be time for the Meadow Lake Association Board of Directors to make their annual "Spring Walk Through."

As we look over the exterior of each building, some things that need attention could be missed. **If you know of anything at your Unit or your building that needs fixing such as: downspouts, window repair, brick damage, caulking, etc., please mail the association a note, or if you have access to a computer, let us know via our website.**

One thing you can look for is on your outside faucet. When you attach you garden hoses, notice the backflow preventer that was installed last year. These were placed as a precaution for drinking water safety. These are a Harrison Township code requirement and **are not to be removed.** If you have one that appears to be malfunctioning, please send in a maintenance request. Thank you.

D units are reminded that the faucet on their porch should be used as little as possible as water flowing through that faucet is metered at a higher rate than water from the faucets of other units. Most C and A unit owners are willing to let D units use their hoses.



FEEDING ANIMALS

PLEASE do not put out food for strays or wild animals. We realize some folks are trying to do a kindness for our various critters but feeding squirrels, skunks, birds, mice, etc. only makes for a bigger problem for all of us especially since the far end of our complex is right on top of a "mini-woods"



Squirrels can cause problems with wiring, if they get into attics, and mice and rats have been known to pick up food left on the ground.

Meadow Lake Board Members

President:	Alan Goodrich	248/842-6431(cell)
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Please remember that these phone numbers are only to be used for EMERGENCIES. Write a letter when you can. It is easier to work with and documents your issue. Maintenance can be handled quickly if you have Internet access, through the web. Otherwise please document by writing a letter. Thanks.

WEB address: www.mymeadowlake.com

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS:

1-800-796-9696 Waste Management Company.
(Call them before leaving large items out for pick up. Meadow Lake account number is 705-622.

(586) 469-5151 Macomb County Sheriff Department Dispatch. Operator. (For non-emergencies only)

And of course **911** for life or property threatening emergencies for fire, police or ambulance. Be ready to give address and directions to the operator, especially if using a cell phone.

COMMUNITY NOTES

Our thanks to Tracy Marasco for her actions in searching around her building at 3:30 AM on Friday, March 27th, to discover the source of smoke and ringing alarms coming from Mary Dillon's condo. Her 911 call was made in time to save both the other units in the building and likely a young man's life. We are all very grateful that Mary was not in the building at the time.

One of our long-time residents here at Meadow Lake, **Betty Little** who resided at 24625, has passed away. We were informed just recently of her passing in August 2008. Expressions of sympathy are offered to her loved ones.

SPIDER SPRAYING.

Spider Control Inc. will once again be treating the outside of our buildings this year.) Spider Spraying will be coming up sooner than we think. June 8th with an alternate date of June 9th are the dates this is scheduled.

As in the past on the date of the spraying men dressed in hazard gear will quickly go around spraying the exteriors of the buildings. Windows and doors should be kept closed; and BBQ grills and patio furniture covered Children and pets should be kept inside until the application has completely dried, which usually takes about an hour. D units should also clear items from balcony railings.

Watch for the notification, which may be on the outside bulletin board, the newsletter box, or possibly on a note attached to your door. Whatever, it is very important to follow these precautionary measures the day the spraying takes place.



If you have any questions or concerns please call Terry Entwistle at 791-2040.

It has been this co-owner's experience during years when spraying has taken place, and during years we skipped, that there are fewer ants, spiders, ground bees, and even fish flies in the years when spraying has been done.