Visit our subdivision's website at: www.mf-ce.com

September, 2014

FALL is almost upon us: the leaves are starting to change and fall. Everyone loves the trees in the subdivision but not so much the work in raking, blowing and picking up the leaves from our trees and in some cases the leaves from our neighbor's trees. Please be considerate of your neighbors and pick up your own leaves. Republic Services will collect all yard waste when you sign up this service. Yard waste is collected on Wednesday. Chesterfield has an ordinance against dis-charging yard waste or leaves into the street. Thanks for your help in keeping our streets clean.

Subdivision Items

<u>Annual Meeting</u>: The Annual meeting will be held, Thursday October 30, 2014 at Kehrs Mill Elementary. The agenda includes voting for Trustees positions, a budget presentation and open question time.

The Assessment recommendation for 2015 is the same as 2014 at \$115 per year.

Candidates for Trustee are self-nominated. Please send a letter of intent by October 10, 2014 to:

Meadowbrook Farm / Clarkson Estates,

Board of Trustees,

PO Box 6781, Chesterfield, MO 63006-6781

To better prepare prospective Trustees, we will conduct a tour of our common ground and subdivision prior to the Annual meeting. While this is not required by the indentures it is recommended for candidates.

Chesterfield Ordinances

- Common Ground dumping-Chesterfield prohibits dumping yard waste on any property and on our common ground. As we clean up this spring have Allied Waste pick up your yard waste and tree trimmings. Please report any dumping you observe to Chesterfield (636-537-4000). If it is on common ground we will have to file a complaint, but we need your eyewitness statements.
- RV Parking RV parking (including travel trailers, motor homes, boats, jet skis and trailers used to transport RVs) is restricted within Chesterfield by ordinance, as well as by subdivision indentures.
- <u>Solicitation in Chesterfield-</u>Solicitation is legal only if solicitors have a permit from City Hall. Always ask to see the permit. (1-page on city letterhead, with raised city seal). Report any non-permitted activities to the police at 636-537-3000. Also free "No Solicitors, No Peddlers" stickers are available for free at City Hall.

• <u>NEW</u> The City of Chesterfield's Driveway Apron Snow Removal Program offers removal of the windrow of snow which accumulates at the end of your driveway when the City clears snow from the public streets. Applicants must be an 1 Individual who resides in a private single family residential property 2 within the corporate city limits of Chesterfield 3 be unable to perform snow removal activities as determined by a physician, If you have any questions, please call the City of Chesterfield Department of Public Services at 636.537.4762.

Chesterfield News New FREE Trash Cans

Beginning in the fall of 2014 Republic will implement a fully automated solid waste pickup system. This will require the use of a 65 or 95-gallon solid waste cart, provided by Republic-FREE! Republic will continue to provide recycling service through 65-gallon carts-also FREE!.

The Code of Chesterfield states that residents must store solid waste containers <u>behind the</u> <u>building line</u> in a manner not visible from the public right away.



<u>Trash can is on the side of the home visible from the street. Move behind the house, construct a small privacy shield fence or move inside garage.</u>

<u>Placement of garbage cans illustrated in the above picture is NOT PERMITTED.</u>

Common Ground

Landscaping: One of the largest expenses for the subdivision is maintenance of our extensive common ground areas, over 68 acres, including 19 cul-de-sacs, walking paths, large grass areas, small park areas, and wooded areas. Our work covers grass cutting, tree removal, mulching and weeding to name a few. As the common ground is constantly changing we have established some guidelines on how to deal with common occurrences.

Tree Trimming and Removal:

- 1 We do not remove live trees on common ground.
- 2 Trees that fall in wooded area of the common ground are left to decay naturally.
- 3 Trees that fall naturally are the responsibility of the owner of the property onto which the tree falls. That is, if a tree from the common ground falls onto an adjacent property, the owner of the adjacent property is responsible for removing the portion of the fallen tree located on their property. The owner is also solely responsible for any damage caused by the fallen tree to their property, such as damage to a fence or other structures
- 4 Trees that die or fall on common ground within, grass areas will be cut to allow the grass area to be cut.
- 5 Homeowners should not plant any trees on common ground without Trustee permission as this may incur future maintenance obligations for the Subdivision.

Grass Cutting:

- 1 We will only cut grass on property owned by the subdivision.
- 2 Grass area needs to reach out and touch a street with clear access to the area to be cut.
- 3 Common ground where the grass area provides a buffer between homeowners.
- 4 Grass areas should be open and accessible for the common enjoyment of all residents.
- 5 Resident usage of the grass area will be considered.

We continue to look at all areas of the subdivision. While we try to follow these guidelines each case is reviewed individually.

Please do not discard yard waste or other materials on Common Ground. If you or your children use the Common Areas Please make sure you pick up your litter. We have found numerous areas where kids have built "Fort" areas with discarded bottles and cans.

ENJOY AND USE THE COMMON GROUND. IT HELPS MAKE OUR SUBDIVISION SPECIAL.

You can view your property as well as all common ground within the subdivision via a St. Louis County website. http://maps.stlouisco.com/propertyview/

Hints & Tips

<u>Web Mail Program.</u> Chesterfield has a list-serve that delivers info to your email box. Go to the city website at <u>www.chesterfield.mo.us</u>, and then click on the "E-Notifications" link in the Popular Items section.

Senior Discount for Trash Pickup. Republic Services offers a service discount to residents 65 or older. Residents must mail proof of age (copy of drivers license), along with their addresses, to Republic Services, 12976 St. Charles Rock Road, Bridgeton, MO 63044.

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Eberwein Park. Eberwein Park is 18-acres while the dog park uses just 2-acres. The dog park is fenced into 2 separate areas – one for large dogs, the other for small dogs. Dogs must be registered in order to use the park.

If you cannot make it to the Chesterfield Dog Park and walk you dog within the subdivision, Please respect your neighbors by picking up and disposing of your dog's waste.

Subdivision Contacts

Communication should be by E-mail or US mail. As board members are all volunteers responses will be answered as soon as possible. E-mail is fastest as we check US mail only every 7 to 10 days and timing could be cause a delay in a response.

<u>Website:</u> <u>www.mf-ce.com</u> containing news, meetings, Home Improvement Request forms, Issue reports etc.

<u>Trustee E-mail</u>: <u>trustee@MF-CE.com</u> Questions, find who to call, submissions for Home Improvement, or Neighborhood issues reports, etc.

Resident E-mail Distribution List: We use this email list to send important information to our residents. *To join*, send an email message with your name, address and email address to: trustee@MF-CE.com

<u>Board of Trustee U.S. mail.</u> For Home improvement requests or neighborhood "Issues Report" download from the website and mail to:

Meadowbrook Farm / Clarkson Estates, Board of Trustees, PO Box 6781, Chesterfield, MO 63006-6781 Or scan the report and e mail to trustee@MF-CE.com

<u>Trustee Meetings</u>: The upcoming meetings are: October 30, (Annual Meeting), November 20, 2014, January 22, March 26, May 28, August 27, 2015. Meetings start at 7:30 pm location and changes to be posted on www.mf-ce.com

Trustees:

Scott Eiler President (Oct 2014)

2043 Meadowbrook Way Phone 636-537-3310

Adam Hale (Oct. 2016)

Mike Carroll (Oct 2016) Appointed, to stand election 2014 Kevin Pfarr (Oct 2014)

Open Position (Oct 2015)