

Meadowbrook Messenger

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Meet Your Neighbors!

Introducing David and Zipporah (Zippy), originally from Nairobi, Kenya, have been living in the subdivision (Prestonwood Lane) since 2014. Abby (16) is a new junior at Flushing High School (go Raiders!). Caleb (12) and Samuel (8) are homeschooled, a calling that stay-at-home mom Zippy absolutely enjoys. David is a nurse anesthetist at McLaren Hospital, a vocation he wholeheartedly delights in. We love traveling and getting together with family and friends. Please wave and say hi when next time you see us, and karibu (you're welcome), any time, for a tasty cup of authentic chai (tea).

May we feature your family in our next edition? Let us know at:

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Annual All-Resident Meeting on October 18

The annual meeting of all residents in the Meadowbrook Park subdivision will be held on Thursday, October 18, at Flushing Middle School, at 7:00 p.m.

Win a chance to have FREE 2019 dues!

At this meeting, we will have a raffle for those in attendance and the winner will have his/her 2019 HOA dues paid by the Association!

Mark this important date on your calendar or in your planner. We hope all residents will

Plan to attend Free Refreshments!



Approaching Election

We all appreciate living in a democracy where we can vote and elect our government officials. Along with that comes election campaigns and campaign signs. Most of us agree that the multitude of campaign signs along public roadways around election time is not a pretty site, but we tolerate it, recognizing that it is a part of the democratic process.

But, have you noticed you never see those political signs inside our subdivision? That's no accident. This is because our subdivision's "founding fathers" placed into our covenant a legal prohibition against all political and other signs within our subdivision.* Their thinking was this: Since there are always more than plenty enough political signs along the township roadways, why create an "eye sore" of signs in our yards and along the streets of beautiful Meadowbrook Park? (Of course, garage sale and home sale signs are no problem.)

Your current HOA board supports - and has a legal obligation to enforce - this prohibition. We trust all homeowners will support and comply with this provision in a positive spirit. All of us neighbors, thank everyone for doing so.

* Property Restrictions, Meadowbrook Park, ct-21544, Plat Book 70, Section 22: "No signs or other advertising devices shall be displayed upon any lot, except for signs designating the lot "For Sale", which sign shall not exceed three feet in height".



What Makes Meadowbrook Park Look So Nice? ... Maybe You Deserve Some Credit!

We have a nice-looking community here. The homes have great architectural design and look smart. The lots are spacious and well laid out. We see some nice landscaping. But what else makes Meadowbrook Park look so sharp?

We think it has a lot to do with YOU. Yes, our subdivision looks classy because of our residents! The vast majority of our residents work hard to keep their homes and yards neat and tidy. They clearly take great pride in the appearance of their properties. You don't see anything around their yards but nice landscaping. They always keep trash cans, lawn implements, grilles, building materials, landscaping debris, and the like, all hidden away in their garages or HOA-approved storage sheds. What's nice about that is that doing so doesn't require any expense or expertise. It's easy to do.

However, if you are one of the few who have such items around your yard that could and should be hidden away, we ask and encourage you to do so.

So we take this opportunity to say, "thanks" to you—our neighbors— for your ongoing efforts in making Meadowbrook Park a great-looking community—one that anybody would like to live in, and buy a home in!



About Our Vehicles . . .

Did vou know that our community's covenant includes some restrictions concerning our recreational and commercial vehicles? *

It specifies that we may not regularly park commercial trucks from our places of work in our driveways or in the street - at least not for longer than a couple of hours.

We also have parking limitations on utility trailers, campers, motor homes, boats, travel trailers, or any other recreational vehicles. Such vehicles may be at our homes for no longer than forty-eight hours.

The best solution is to routinely make room in our garages for these vehicles, where they may remain indefinitely. Of



course, if a vehicle is too large for the garage, then we must store it at a storage facility or at the home of a friend or relative who isn't subject to such restrictions.

Like most of our covenant restrictions, these exist, and must be enforced, to sustain an attractive and first-rate style neighborhood. We appreciate everyone's adherence to these requirements.

* Property Restrictions, Meadowbrook Park, ct-21544, Plat Book 70, Section 9: "No commercial vehicles owned or used by an owner or family or guest of an owner shall be parked on the streets nor on the premises, except in a garage, for a period of longer than two (2) hours. Any trailers, mobile home vehicles, motor home, boats or other recreational vehicles parked on the for a period of longer than forty-eight (48) hours must be parked in a garage."

Holiday Contest!

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Just like retail, it's not too soon to thinking



about our winter holiday outdoor decorating. This is the return of one of our successful activities in the early years of Meadowbrook Park. Our board members will be judging our beautifully decorate homes the week before Christmas. Turn on those lights, and let's be the sub that everyone is talking about! The first prize winner will receive a gift certificate to a nice local restaurant!



We really regretted having to cancel our August family barbeque for lack of interest, but we are not discouraged! What ideas and suggestions do you have for community activities or events? How about Euchre, gardening club, gourmet cooking, etc. Send us an email!

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