

Summer 2024 e-Newsletter



Message from the President

Dear residents, summer is upon us and I must say that the subdivision, overall, is looking pretty good. I see green, well kept lawns and our large trees look great with all their leaves again. I want to let you know how much the trustees appreciate your care. When you take care of your property it shows respect for all the other homeowners who live here. Also, homeowners have been making property upgrades this year. We have approved 15 Home / Property Improvement Applications thus far this year. Your Board has also been working on projects. The lighting in the entrance park at the Baxter entrance has already been redone. The lighting and landscaping for the 4 corners of the Baxter entrance has been contracted and work will begin soon. We have selected an attorney for the Indenture revision and the making of rules. The Social Events Committee, headed by Julie Thanner and Colleen Clark, has already had their first event, a Summer Social, on June 15th. Please look for more events later in the year.

Sincerely, Carol Fine President



Car stolen from the subdivision

It is very important to lock your car doors and to not leave key fobs inside your vehicles. Also, be mindful of leaving your garage door openers inside vehicles you have parked in the driveway. This is advice from Police Officer Michael Clymer of the Bureau of Community Affairs Unit. He also says to continue to ensure your garage doors are closed, car doors are locked and secured appropriately, and to ensure all valuables are left out of sight. Lastly, he states you should not try to approach a subject you believe is breaking into vehicles as it is not safe to do so. If you should observe an act taking place, then you need to just contact the authorities and allow them to try and deal with it.

The best crime deterrent is an engaged community working with their Police. If you have home security cameras, please consider registering them with the Chesterfield Community Camera Program. This allows Police to contact camera owners efficiently when investigating a crime. It does not obligate homeowners to turn over recordings. For more information, go to the Community Camera Program page on Chesterfield's website,

https://www.chesterfield.mo.us/community-camera-program.html; click on the "Register Now" button to participate.



Help the Police Stop Crime



It's that time of year......Yard mowing!!!!!

As a reminder Chesterfield <u>ordinance 215.030</u> states grass height cannot be taller than 10 inches. Please make sure you are maintaining your yards appropriately. If you need help, please let a neighbor know. Many people in the neighborhood use mowing services and would be happy to provide a recommendation.

Also, <u>ordinance 235.220</u> states "Waste containers, including bundles of yard waste permitted by this Chapter, shall be placed at the required collection point no earlier than 5:00 P.M. on the day prior to the regularly scheduled collection day." Our yard waste collection occurs on Tuesday. Therefore, no resident should be placing yard bags or cans of yard waste at the end of the driveway until Monday evening.

Summer Social is a hit!!!!!!

This past June 15th our Social Events
Committee headed by Julie Thanner and
Colleen Clark was held in the park at the
corner of Parsol and Country Ridge. Lily's
Cafe food truck was on hand serving shakes,
smoothies, scooped ice cream, etc. Thank
you very much Lily's Cafe for attending. And,
a tremendous thank you to the Social Events
Committee for putting together such a
wonderful event. We cannot wait to see what
you schedule next.

The Board and SEC would like to also thank David and Kaylyn Schulenburg for their help producing the Social Events Committee's new signage; they worked generously with us on pricing and produced attractive reusable signs. Thank you!





Watch out for bikes!!!!!!

With warmer weather, you will see more and more bikers on the road, especially kids on bikes in the subdivision. Please remember to share the road. Remember to look first for bikers and motorcyclists before changing lanes or entering the roadway. Remember, the speed limit on Country Ridge is 25 mph.

Help Us Spread the Word

The MF/CE is always looking for ways to expand our email list membership. RIght now, we have over 20% of subdivision addresses, but we can't use it as a primary mode of subdivision-wide communications until coverage is much higher. This is where we're asking for your help.

Please mention our email list to neighbors who might not be on it yet. Let them know they are being left out of additional subdivision news, and losing out on opportunities to offer their opinions to the Board. Hopefully, you can share your endorsement of the Board's outreach efforts with them. Let them know that we just need them to send an email request (to trustee@mf-ce.com) to be added. Thanks so much for helping us serve you better!



The next subdivision meeting is Thursday, July 25 at 7pm at Chesterfield City Hall. Please put this on your calendar. Your attendance is appreciated. Brush up on the <u>April Meeting Minutes</u> if you can before you come.

It's Never Too Early...

The HOA Annual meeting is coming up in October. As always in October, there will be positions on the Board of Trustees coming up for election. It's never too early to consider contributing to the neighborhood, and running for a Board position is a great way to do it! For more info, just drop us an email at trustee@mf-ce.com. Current Board members would be happy to answer your questions.



City & Village Tax Office has invested in a new software to manage the billings and collections of our HOA. Using the desktop or mobile app, you can access your account, make online payments and possibly in the future view our governing documents. Pre-register now.



A Quick and Easy Way to Be a Kind Neighbor

We all get caught up in summer fun this time of year. But the heat can be dangerous, especially for neighbors who are older or who have health issues. Be a kind neighbor, and check in with them now and again; make sure their AC is working and they're using it.

Most isolated people will appreciate a show of concern from a neighbor. If you're uncomfortable, picture one of your own older loved ones: wouldn't you want their neighbors making sure they're OK in the heat? It can take as little as five minutes to call or stop over. You might save a life. Or you might just make a new friend.