# Good Neighbors Make Good Neighborhoods! May, 2019

2019 Annual Town Hall Meeting Wednesday May 22 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM



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## **Blaire Meadows Home Owners Association**

Chesterfield Township, Michigan www.blairemeadows.com



Hard to believe that 25 years have past since the first closing of a home back here in Blaire Meadows. Chesterfield was booming with new construction both residential and commercial during this time. In the beginning Baker was a dirt road that could knock the fillings out of your teeth and only two concrete streets had been poured within the sub itself. Half of Lillian and all of Blaire while the rest were just graded dirt for construction. A pond existed on Lillian, 52705 to be exact, where kids could grab a pole and go fishing. It was an everyday occurrence to wake up and have deer within the sub as well as pheasant, geese, and ducks. Believe it or not there is a family of ducks that continue to return to the park every spring to this day.



Sub Picnic ~ Back in the Day





Blaire Meadows and it's youth ~ Back in the Day

The first summer here was exciting as it seemed every new homeowner had children and as time progressed the sidewalks seemed to be busting at the seams. There was no end to the building of skate board ramps out of scrap wood while others played in the houses under construction. Many times, coming home covered in tar from the exposed basement walls. You could count on a bon fire every weekend at someone's house and the bonds being formed between neighbors was evident all around.

For those that don't know in the beginning our park had been dug out so the developer could dump his broken sewer crocks into thus saving monies on disposal. Luckily his crew hit a main power line and Chesterfield got involved forcing him to correct this illegal dumping. There is a certain spot on Lillian where deer had left their tracks in the wet concrete the night of the pouring. The sub, east of Blairemeadows where the woods once stood, used to be a protected wetlands and marked accordingly by the Michigan DNR. Since there was money to be made a developer came in, somehow convinced the government to zone this as residential, destroyed this protected area, and before you now sits yet another sub.

## **Welcome New Neighbors**

On behalf of the residents we welcome you and your family to the sub. It could not be any easier to become involved if you have it in your heart to offer a suggestion or two for improvement or possibly chair an event that once existed. Please don't hesitate to reach out as there are many ways to contact this board.

## **Annual Garage Sale**

Once again Dave and Sandi Gier have generously volunteered to chair the annual garage sales event of Blaire Meadows. This will take place May 30<sup>th</sup> to June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please contact Dave and Sandi at 586-212-1853 to be included along with up to date details. Helping hands in advertising needed.

## **Responsible Pet Owners**

Just a friendly reminder to pet owners to please clean up after your pet on your walks throughout the neighborhood. Wandering pets can be a hazard in our streets as well and a nuisance to others if messes are not being picked up after. Hoping this will be the first year where HOA is not contacted in regards to this matter.

## **Entrance Maintenance**

As one can imagine the entrance to the sub division needs sporadic upkeep throughout the growing season. Kathy Smith has given countless hours over the years to ensure we all have some color during the summer months. We believe that this main entrance reflects upon each home.

There are plans to have both brick signs getting a facelift this spring/summer and will be getting quotes for this project. Not the brick itself but the signs affixed to the brick. Twice in years past this was done by volunteers however the age is starting to show within the material itself and may need more of an upgrade.

#### **Thank You**

Thanks are in order to those that have contacted the board with thoughts, suggestions, and questioning of the recent increase in dues. A special thanks go out to the residents that have volunteered various means of talent to help maintain and further the progression of BMHOA. We look forward to working with you. A final "shout out" to the many that have prepaid their dues once the notification had been mailed out awhile back. Certainly lightens the workload once the due date is upon us.

#### **BMHOA Board**

The business decisions affecting Blaire Meadows are made by a Board of Directors. There are no specific requirements to be a member and amount of time devoted depends on your level/areas of interest. Board members must consider the Community as a whole and not have a specific agenda. You will have input in creating a budget, make decisions regarding issues of non-compliance and BMHOA violations, review contracts and delinquencies, generate resolutions and oversee our committees.

Seven of your neighbors comprise the Board. These positions are strictly on a volunteer basis. There is no compensation nor reduction of yearly dues. If you would like to be a candidate, consider attending the May Town Hall meeting to see what's involved.

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Hope to See You at the Town Hall Meeting!

