# **Springbrook Homeowners Association**

## **Summer 2019 Update**

### Message from the Board

Dear Association Members,

As you drive around both Springbrook Lakes and Springbrook, you can see plenty of positive activity. In addition to the many home improvement projects that owners are undertaking, we're also seeing new homes being constructed, and welcoming new neighbors that have recently purchased homes within our association.

From the Board's perspective, this sense of vitality and healthy turnover is sound evidence that residents and prospective homeowners view our neighborhoods as great places to live and invest. Thank you for continually upholding the association's goals of supporting value and maintaining the many desirable aspects of our common areas.

Have a great end to the summer!

the Springbook Association Board

#### 2019 Annual Dues Update

In the Spring Update, the Board announced that our annual dues levels will return to \$140 for the time being. At that time, it was also announced that members that paid at the \$190 level would be receive a refund of \$50. In working through the most economical and efficient refund process, the board has consulted with the association's accountancy firm and determined that refunds will show as a \$50 credit to your 2020 dues, unless a request is made for check refund. If you require a check, please email that request no later than August 31st to <a href="mailto:springbrookassociation.hoa@gmail.com">springbrookassociation.hoa@gmail.com</a>

It remains the intent of the Board to continue with the \$140 dues level for at least 2019 and 2020, recognizing that, should the need arise, the Board may consider an increase to accommodate any necessary improvements going forward.

If you have not yet paid your 2019 dues, please pay the \$140 amount as soon as possible to avoid penalties and interest. A fair and consistent dues model is extremely important to the association's function.

#### **Architectural Control**

Please visit the association's website to learn more about the process for architectural control approval. <a href="https://www.springbrookhoa-dewitt.com">www.springbrookhoa-dewitt.com</a>

#### **Neighborly Reminders**

Sidewalks over Short-Cuts. New construction requires a little dust and neighborly patience. Additionally, it requires a change in some of our habits. Most notably, we've heard from property owners that are experiencing significant traffic through their properties to shortcut from Schavey Road into the Springbrook Hills neighborhood. Please be respectful of private property boundaries and choose the sidewalks over a neighbor's yard.

Use of Common Areas. If you are a property owner that borders a commons area, please be mindful that the commons area cannot be an extension of your property line. The installation of firepits, invisible fences, or other structures that encroach on the commons area is considered a violation of the covenants and restrictions. Not only do these encroachments interfere with the ability for members to use the common area, it also complicates the necessary lawncare and tree maintenance that is ongoing on common property.

**Tennis court nets.** The nets have been raised and the courts are ready for Tennis!

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#### Contact us

If you need to get ahold of us, we encourage members to first visit the association website. The site provides information including electronic copies of the by-laws on the site: <a href="https://springbrookhoa-dewitt.com">https://springbrookhoa-dewitt.com</a>

If you need more information, please email us using the **Contact Us** link on our website or mail: Springbrook HOA, PO Box 696, DeWitt 48820