



MEADOWBROOK NEWS



Specials, Fires and Holiday Treats!

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New Special for Referrals

Beginning October 1, 2011, Meadowbrook will begin a permanent referral bonus program for any current Meadowbrook or Mastercraft residents. By referring a resident to live here, you can earn \$25 of rent credit on your rent account. The best part is that you can refer as many people as you like!

Here is a brief rundown of how it works:

- Any current resident who refers a prospective resident to Meadowbrook will earn \$25 of rent credit, which will be applied to his or her account after the new resident moves into an apartment or townhome.
- Incentive program applies only to referrals of prospective residents who do not already live at Meadowbrook. It also does not apply to roommate changes or persons trying to fill their own apartment that is up for sublease.
- Prospective residents must make mention of the referral at the time they put down the security deposit. (After all, we can't give a bonus if we don't know who referred them!!)
- Referral bonuses are given *per apartment or townhome*; if you refer three people that all will live in the same apartment, we will give you \$25. If you refer three people that all take separate apartments, we will give you \$75.

Complete details are available at the office. Ask your leasing agent for details. Thank you, again, for choosing Meadowbrook!

Fireplace Inspections

Those apartments with fireplaces should have received a notice about whether or not their fireplace will need to be inspected or cleaned before use this winter. For those whose fireplace does need inspection, please call the office and let us know if you intend to use your fireplace this winter so we can schedule an appointment for cleaning.

This **MUST** be done before the first winter precipitation (ice, snow, sleet etc.) due to safety reasons. If it is not completed before then, you may not be able to use your fireplace this winter. Please let us know ASAP.

If you have received a notice stating that your fireplace is clear for use this winter, you do not need to schedule an inspection. If you are unclear about how to use your fireplace, one of our maintenance staff can show you.

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DULY NOTED:

- Rent is ALWAYS due on the first of the month. Late fees start after the fifth of the month, \$25 on the sixth and \$5 for every subsequent day it is not submitted.
- You can have your rent charged to your card automatically each month. Talk to our bookkeeper, Marilyn, for more details.
- Meadowbrook has a strict noise policy. Please be courteous to your neighbors and be mindful of noise levels.

“Delicious autumn! My very soul is wedded to it, and if I were a bird I would fly about the earth seeking the successive autumns.”

- George Eliot

Things to Remember:



Check Your Furnace:

The weather is beginning to get colder, making this the ideal time to check your furnace. It is better to discover a problem with your furnace before you actually need it. We recommend testing your furnace as soon as possible. To test your furnace, follow these steps:

1. Turn your thermostat to the "OFF" position for at least 10 minutes before testing the furnace.
2. After 10 minutes, turn your thermostat to "HEAT" and set it to a temperature at least 5 degrees above the outside temperature. The fan switch should be set to "AUTO".
3. If your furnace is functioning properly, you should feel warm air coming out of the vents. It should continue to blow out warm air until the indoor temperature reaches a temperature slightly above what you have set on the thermostat.

NOTE: You may smell a weird odor the first couple times you use your furnace. This is normal and is not an indication of a gas leak or furnace malfunction. This odor is merely the furnace 'cleaning itself out' and will go away after the furnace has been used a few times.

For Residents of TT and UU buildings:

Your furnace units differ slightly from the ones we have just talked about, but the principle is the same. Instead of an adjustable thermostat, your units will say "Low Heat" or "High Heat". To test your furnace, follow these steps:

1. Make sure that your heating and cooling unit has been turned to "OFF" for at least 10 minutes.
2. Set the dial to either low or high "HEAT". If you have a separate setting for the fan, turn it "ON" or to a medium setting.
3. Make sure that the unit is blowing warm air.

NOTE: You may also smell a strange odor. This is not a gas leak; your heating units run only on electricity and the smell is just the furnace 'cleaning itself out'.

If your furnace is not functioning properly after your test, please call Meadowbrook Maintenance at 785-842-4200.

Pulse Newspaper Service Cancelled:

Meadowbrook Apartments has refused service from the Pulse Newsletter. If you would like to keep your subscription to the Pulse, please contact Lawrence Journal-World and ask for the subscription to be placed in your name:

Jane Doe
123 Random Place #4
Lawrence KS, 66049

Pulse News addressed to *Current Resident* will not be delivered.

LJ World Subscription Line: (785) 832-7135
LJ World Subscription Email: subs@ljworld.com

Carports:

Please note that within the next month, carports will no longer have personalized name signs. We will be hanging new signs that have only numbers. This change is intended to help improve the appearance of our carports, as well as protect the privacy of our residents. Those who currently rent carports will retain the same carport. If you wish to keep your sign, please remove it. Otherwise, we will dispose of it.

Residents are reminded that if you are not paying rent for a carport, you are not allowed to park in one. If you would like to check availability, please contact the office at (785) 842-4200 or visit our website: <http://www.meadowbrookapartments.net>.



He's There

The Phantom of the Opera was performed for the first time at Her Majesty's Theatre in London on Oct. 9, 1986.

Speaking in Code


Fortran, the first modern programming language, was released to the coding community on Oct. 15, 1956.

Let's Go Out to Which Game?

October is the only month where all the Major League sports are going at the same time. MLB, NBA, NFL and NHL are fighting for your attention.

*"In masks and gowns / we haunt the street / And knock on doors / for trick or treat.
Tonight we are the king and queen, / For oh tonight it's Halloween!" - Jack Prelutsky*

October

 Indicates a KU football home game which may affect traffic in this area of Lawrence.							 1 -RENT DUE- KU vs. Texas Tech
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	KU Fall Break → Yom Kippur begins at sundown
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	 15 KU vs. Oklahoma
	Columbus Day →						
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	 22 KU vs. K-State
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
	United Nations Day			Navy Day			
30	31						
	Halloween						

Entertainment Tonight!

Looking for something to do here in Lawrence with your friends or family this October? Look no further! The following local events promise that there is something fun for everyone:

- Forbidden Broadway — Oct 1-2, 6-9 @ Theatre Lawrence (formerly Lawrence Community Theatre)
- Shakespeare in Hollywood — Oct. 13-15 @ Crafton-Preyer Theatre in Murphy Hall, KU
- Lawrence Ghost Tour — Oct. 15 @ Eldridge Hotel
- Halloween Run and Potluck — Oct. 22 @ Clinton Lake
- EMU Theatre's 5th Annual Horrorshow (Adult Content) — Oct. 21-22, 28-29, 31 @ Lawrence Arts Center
- KU Symphony Orchestra Halloween Concert/Costume Contest — Oct. 28 @ Lied Center of Kansas
- Lawrence Halloween Trick-or-Treat — Oct. 31 @ Downtown Lawrence

For more details or other events, visit <http://www.visitlawrence.com/> and look under upcoming events.

"The woods are full of fairies; the sea is full of fish; the trees are full of golden leaves; let's make an autumn wish." - Author Unknown

GHOULISH GOODIES

SWAMP JUICE

Ingredients:

- Small round candy of your choice.
- Green Food Coloring
- Gummy Fish
- Clear Soda of your choice
- Lemonade
- Gummy Worms



Instructions:

1. Spoon 1 tablespoon of your candy and a gummy fish into each glass.
2. Fill the glasses with your soda, add a splash of lemonade and a drop or two of food coloring.
3. Wrap a gummy worm around a spoon and up the handle before placing it into the drink. Voila!

MONSTER TOES

Ingredients:

- Cocktail wieners
- 6-inch tortillas
- Ketchup or mustard
- Toothpicks



Instructions:

1. Heat the oven to 350 degrees. Cut a wedge into the end of each cocktail wiener to make a toenail.
2. Cut the tortillas into strips about 4 inches long and 3/4 inch wide. Discard the ends.
3. Soften the strips in the microwave between damp paper towels for 10 to 30 seconds.
4. Roll each wiener in a tortilla strip and secure with a toothpick.
5. Bake for 7 to 8 minutes. Remove them from the oven, then fill the toenail with ketchup or mustard. Remove the toothpicks before serving.

About Us

Between our pet friendly original buildings and our luxurious new expansions, our community has over 50 different floor plans of studio, one, two, and three bedroom apartments and townhomes to choose from. With variety like that, we have a home for everyone's tastes.

Our helpful staff members are here to help ensure a memorable living experience.

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