

FOR THE BIRDS

Heritage Glen Homeowners' Association Newsletter September 2011

THE BOARD "TWEETS"

The Board of Directors encourages you to attend our Annual Homeowners' Meeting on Tuesday, October 18. **Attendees will be eligible for a prize of one month's free Association dues!** Watch your mail for more information and the agenda.

Please consider serving on the Board, as there will be 3 openings. In addition, new members are always welcome on the Architectural Control, Maintenance and Social Committees. The time commitment is minimal since the committees have been in place for several years and are well established.

If you're interested in joining, contact the chairperson. Names and phone numbers are listed on page 5 of this newsletter.

At the annual meeting, Angie Hong, Water Resource Education Specialist for the Washington Conservation District, will present information on rain gardens as a possible solution to ongoing wet soil issues.

Remember that the Board has an open meeting policy. All homeowners are welcome to attend the monthly meetings held at Caribou Coffee in

Oakdale. Future board meeting dates are always noted in the previous month's minutes which are sent to your home.

HERITAGE FEST PICNIC

Fliers for our Heritage Fest annual picnic will be distributed to all homes in the last week of September. The picnic begins at noon on Saturday, October 1, 2011.

Let's set a new attendance record this year. We especially encourage newer residents to come and meet their neighbors and enjoy the picnic fare. Again this year we will have give-away items for those attending the picnic.

NEW: Two outdoor activities - bocce ball and "ladder" golf - will be available to encourage neighbors to spend a little more time together at the picnic. Please join us!

To support and stock the local food shelf for *The Pet Project*, an ongoing pet food drive, please bring a lightly-used pet supply item or a new, unopened pet food item to the picnic. All contributors will be eligible for a special prize drawing.

COMING - YOUR NEW DIRECTORY

The Social Committee is nearing completion of the 2011 version of the Heritage Glen Directory (names, addresses and phone numbers). Residents of the following addresses, please provide your phone number to Betty Koreltz no later than September 15 so your information will be complete. Call (651) 501-0897 or fbkoreltz@comcast.net.

292 Blue Heron Lane
304 Blue Heron Lane
308 Blue Heron Lane
312 Blue Heron Lane
320 Blue Heron Lane

405 Bluebird Alcove

315 Woodduck Circle
345 Woodduck Circle

338 Bluebird Lane
347 Bluebird Lane
354 Bluebird Lane
370 Bluebird Lane
394 Bluebird Lane
406 Bluebird Lane
446 Bluebird Lane

The new Communication Guidelines, which provides contact information for issues that may arise, is included in the directory.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Maintenance Committee:

A treatment for Japanese Beetles will be applied next spring. Due to the lateness of the season, adult beetles will disappear and grubs will go dormant. Any treatment applied now would have little effect and would degrade throughout the winter. A spring application when the grubs are active is best for our needs.

The **smart irrigation controllers** have been installed and are operational, using ground moisture sensors to determine whether an irrigation zone should begin watering or remain off. In 2010, our Association used 3.1 million gallons of water for irrigation. The new smart system has the potential to reduce consumption by at least one million gallons and to reduce runoff using other features. At current water rates, cost of the system may be recouped in approximately 3 years.

Because of the way it is wired, once the system turns on, it will complete a cycle and sprinkling may occur while it is raining. Rewiring to correct this would be too costly. Irrigation times will vary as zones with adequate moisture are skipped. The previous watering schedule is now obsolete.

Adjustments will be required to determine optimums for the different irrigation zones. Several members of the Maintenance Committee, the Board and A-1 personnel attended a training session to better understand the controller program.

Some homeowners have expressed concern regarding the tree trimming done earlier this season. A1 Maintenance has not completed the trimming, but will do so when it is safe for the trees late this autumn.

Pruning of the common area shrubs should be nearly completed by the time you receive this newsletter.

Architectural Control:

The charge of the Architectural Control Committee (ACC) is to:

- Protect and preserve the quality of the community while offering the greatest possible freedom in the use and alteration of one's property.
- Enable residents to achieve their personal objectives with respect to their property in a manner that maintains the community's objectives.
- Review all applications for exterior alterations or landscaping, and encourage resident involvement in the review process.
- Foster pride in the appearance of our community.

We are a committee of neighbors who welcome all suggestions and comments, as well as invite your cooperation and participation.

Social Committee:

We have met several times in the past few months to plan the Heritage Fest annual picnic, work on the HG Directory and identify activities of interest for residents to socialize. Marie Elverum has volunteered to be the contact for anyone who would like to join a bridge-playing group. Contact Marie directly at 735-1346 if you're interested.

Brad Wright offered to provide a 5-microphone karaoke set-up. If you don't like being the center of attention, this might be a good winter get-together event to sing and have fun! We are researching cost-free venues. Contact Louise Jacobs at 731-0764 if you'd like to participate.

TRASH/RECYCLING

Looking ahead to the Thanksgiving Day Holiday, trash and recycling will be collected on Friday, November 25.

LATER MAIL DELIVERY

For residents who don't receive the Woodbury Bulletin, the August 10 issue addressed the lateness of our mail delivery since changes went into effect on July 8.

Elimination of six Woodbury routes has resulted in some very late

deliveries, but drivers are adapting to the new routes. Delivery delays have improved and are becoming shorter as carriers become more familiar with the changes.

TUESDAY WALKS

Our evening walks were less than successful this season due to excessive heat, heavy rain and high winds. Because of the earlier sunset times now, we'll resume the walks again in May, 2012.

WELCOME!

New residents on Bluebird Alcove are David and Deanette Haag. Welcome to our HG community!

ART AND GIFT EXTRAVAGANZA

Heritage Glen resident Lynne Michaels invites everyone to visit the Second Annual Art and Gift Extravaganza at 466 Bluebird Lane on Saturday, November 5th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Local artists' works will be available - original designs in jewelry, quilts, scarves, hats and other textiles as well as State Fair award-winning jams, jellies and sauces. Stop in to browse and taste - you'll have an enjoyable time!

A NEW PUBLICATION

"Bad Weeds Never Die" is the third book in his police procedural series by local author and Heritage Glen homeowner Jerry Peterson, who writes as Christopher Valen. The story moves between St. Paul and Colombia as homicide detective John Santana investigates a death.

This new crime/mystery book will be available soon. Congratulations, Jerry!

EDITORIAL

In the past 3 months, one very-much appreciated e-mail was received regarding "For the Birds". The homeowners enjoy receiving our newsletter, read it in its entirety and had no complaints. Thanks!

No responses were received expressing interest in any of the proposed social activities, nor were any original ideas suggested.

LAST BABY BOOMER TEST

1. You'll wonder where the yellow went.....
 - a. When you use Tide
 - b. When you lose your crayons
 - c. If you buy a soft water tank
 - d. When you use Lady Clairol
 - e. When you brush your teeth with Pepsodent

2. Before he was the Skipper's Little Buddy, Bob Denver was Dobie Gillis's friend
 - a. Steve Reeves
 - b. Zippy Zoo
 - c. Corky B. Dork
 - d. Maynard G. Krebs
 - e. Randolph Scott

3. Liar, liar.....
 - a. You're a liar
 - b. Your nose is growing
 - c. Your pants are on fire
 - d. On the wire
 - e. I'm telling Mom

4. I found my thrill.....
 - a. In blueberry muffins
 - b. With my man, Bill
 - c. With thyme and dill
 - d. On Blueberry Hill
 - e. Down at the mill

5. What do M&Ms do?
 - a. Make your tummy happy
 - b. Melt in your mouth, not in your hand
 - c. Make you fat
 - d. Melt your heart
 - e. Come in colors

6. When it's least expected, you're elected, you're the star today. Smile -
 - a. You're on Candid Camera
 - b. You won the Lottery
 - c. We're watching you
 - d. You're on Star Search
 - e. You're on television

(Answers to questions on last page)

NAMES AND NUMBERS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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| Susan Kallman | President | 734-0887 |
| Board Liaison to Personal Touch | | |
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| Jim Jacobs | Member at Large | 731-0764 |
| Board Liaison to Maintenance Committee | | |

ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

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| Karl Bozicevich | Chairperson | 739-6067 |
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MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

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| Ray Buczkowski | Chairperson | 702-6461 |
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SOCIAL COMMITTEE

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| Betty Koreltz | Chairperson | 501-0897 |
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To report problems, promptly notify any Board member directly or contact **Personal Touch**, attn: **Heritage Glen Homeowners Association**, PO Box 5233, Hopkins, MN, 55343, in writing or phone (952) 238-1121. For general questions or to submit an on-line service, request via www.ptouch.net, click on Home Owners Requests, then Service Request.

FOR PET OWNERS

Although most dog owners are very responsible about cleaning up after their pets while on their walks, once again some residents have expressed concern about people who allow their pets to do their "business" on common

areas of our property without adequately cleaning up.

It's not healthy or considerate of others to leave animal waste on the lawns when it takes just a moment to pick up and/or spray the area to prevent the concentrated waste from creating "pet spots" in the grass. This issue is addressed in the City of Woodbury Animal Control Ordinance.

PARAPROSDOKIANS

(Final segment)

- Evening news is where they begin with "Good Evening", then proceed to tell you why it isn't.
- Money can't buy happiness, but it makes misery easier to live with.
- Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.
- When tempted to fight fire with fire, remember that the Fire Department usually uses water.
- Hospitality is making your guests feel at home even when you wish they were.
- To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.

Answers to Baby Boomer questions:

1. e - When you brush your teeth with Pepsodent
2. d - Maynard G. Krebs
3. c - Your pants are on fire
4. d - On Blueberry Hill
5. b - Melt in your mouth, not in your hand
6. a - You're on Candid Camera

COMMENTS - ANY TYPE

If you have any newsletter suggestions, comments, requests, or issues we can address, please phone Betty Koreltz at 501-0897 or e-mail fbkoreltz@comcast.net.

RESOURCE EXCHANGE CORNER

Garage Door Repair Service

Aker Doors
Garage Doors & Openers
Ham Lake, MN

Phone (763) 434-4545

Remember, when you are planning any changes, consult the *Architectural Guidelines, Standards and Criteria* publication. If you're not sure if your proposed change is pre-accepted, submit a completed Architectural Change Petition Form to Karl Bozicevich at 331 Bluebird Lane for approval before any work is begun.