

FOR THE BIRDS

Heritage Glen Homeowners' Association Newsletter December 2012

THE BOARD "TWEETS"

The Heritage Glen Townhome Association would like to thank the homeowners for their overwhelming response to our recent ballot.

On October 3, we mailed ballots to all homeowners requesting their vote to amend our Bylaws regarding townhome rentals. We are very pleased to have received 86 signed ballots. The result was 76 in favor and only 10 against, therefore the amendment passed.

Your participation as homeowners indicates your pride in our community which is indeed gratifying to us.

WINTER REMINDERS

City of Woodbury Winter Parking Rules are in effect through April 1, 2013. No vehicles are permitted on city streets between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. After any accumulation of two or more inches of snow, vehicles are banned from on-street parking until snow removal is complete.

Our contract with A-1 Maintenance specifications for winter indicates:

1. Driveways will be cleared after at least 1.5 inches of snow have accumulated.
2. Driveways will initially be opened up to allow access prior to 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. when continuous snow accumulation reaches 4 inches.
3. Driveways will be cleared within 8 hours of cessation for snow depths of 1.5 - 8 inches and within 12 hours of cessation for snow depths over 8 inches.
4. A snowfall lasting 24 hours or more with an accumulation of at least 1.5 inches will be cleared to allow access.
5. Driveways that become closed by the city plows will be opened near the street.
6. Sidewalk snow removal criteria are the same as for driveways, but sidewalks are generally cleared after the driveways have been completed.
7. A-1 Maintenance is not responsible for damage to any electrical cords which may be buried under snow on the sidewalks.
8. Sidewalk snow removal will be delayed if wind chill temperatures reach 25 degrees

below zero until safer conditions prevail.

Homeowners remain responsible for removal of snow from:

- Sidewalks and driveways for accumulations of less than 1.5 inches
- Driveways due to parked cars
- Roofs, decks and patios
- Driveways or sidewalks caused by roof clearing
- Ice accumulation from water drainage on sidewalks, steps and driveways.

Please do not run electrical cords across driveways or sidewalks. If vehicles parked in the driveway prohibit safe plowing without causing damage, plowing may be omitted.

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Normally upon election of new officers on our Board of Directors, we profile the newly-elected members. Due to lack of candidates for the open positions this year, no changes were made to the Board. Instead, following are brief summaries of each of our committee chairpersons:

Karl Bozicevich, Architectural Control Committee

Karl and his wife Sharon have 3 grown children, two grand-kids and 1 "grand puppy", and have lived in the community since January 2005 upon relocation from Florida back home to Minnesota.

He has a strong background in the construction industry, beginning as a carpenter apprentice and working until he retired this year and closed his construction management firm. Most of Karl's experience was in commercial construction with an emphasis on large retail, education and multi-family projects.

Karl inherited the Committee chair position nearly 3 years ago from the able leadership of Louise Jacobs and during his tenure they have had only a few requests to consider. The Architectural Control Committee is a wonderful group of diligent, respectful and forward-looking neighbors, and Karl finds it a pleasure to serve with them.

Since his retirement, Karl continues to teach at the U of MN where he is an adjunct faculty member. He is also an avid woodworker, chess player and grandpa.

Ray Buczkowski, Maintenance Committee

Ray is a retired 3Mer who was heavily involved in the development of new computer applications. He has lived in our community for thirteen

years and has been a member of the Maintenance Committee nearly the entire time, serving as chairperson for the last year.

He has been involved with all the projects and problems that have surfaced including:

- Yearly walk-around to check on maintenance issues
- Selecting a different maintenance service
- Replacing mail boxes and wood newspaper boxes with the black boxes currently in service
- Upgrading our current irrigation sprinkler system
- Insuring the utility boxes stay in good condition
- Many smaller projects.

Betty Koreltz, Social Committee

Having lived in HG since 2000 and serving on the Social Committee since its inception, I inherited the chairperson position from Joan Anderson. It's been an interesting endeavor for which I had no previous experience. I retired from the State of Minnesota, Department of Military Affairs, as a Personnel Officer in 2005. I am also editor and publisher of this quarterly newsletter.

Our annual picnic has been the most successful event. We continually try to get more homeowners involved, but the ongoing lack of response by residents is disappointing.

Another positive is our "For the Birds" newsletter, which provides residents relevant HG Association information and seems to be well-received and appreciated.

The Social Committee membership has changed little in the past 10 years. We encourage new, younger members with energy and fresh ideas for community events to join us. Along with a few meetings per year, we get together several additional times for socializing but would prefer activities including all homeowners.

Would you consider joining a Bunco group for both men and women? Bunco is the new craze - it's easy to learn and play. For more information contact Louise Jacobs at 731-0764 or lmjacobs2@juno.com. What about a book club or card club? We welcome any and all suggestions as we hope to help our neighbors get to know each other better.

NEW RECYCLING BINS

Maroney's plans to deliver the new recycling bins to HG homeowners by the end of December. A flier will be placed in each container noting the new recycling schedule, which will be every other week - ours will be the "Brown Week".

Remember that it will no longer be necessary to separate paper, cans and

bottles, junk mail, etc. All recycling materials can be placed in the cart loose and mixed. They will be separated at Recycle America.

June, September and December. Please watch for them.

WELCOME!

WITH SYMPATHY

Jim All, a long-time homeowner on Bluebird Alcove, passed away on November 12. Our sympathies go out to his wife Andrea. We will miss seeing Jim, along with Andrea, walking their two dogs around our area daily.

Two new homeowners have moved into our Heritage Glen community in the past few months.

Karen Haarala moved here recently from Maplewood and resides on Blue Heron Lane. Karen is a retired art teacher from the Mounds View school district.

EDITORIAL

After placing both the Heritage Fest Picnic fliers and this newsletter into the boxes below your mailboxes, **we request your input regarding the best delivery method for all future HG hand-delivered correspondence. Do you prefer newsletters and fliers**

1. Attached to your door handle?
or
2. Placed in the box beneath your mailbox?

Please e-mail Betty Koreltz at fbkoreltz@comcast.net or phone (651) 501-0897 with your choice. **The wishes of the majority of respondents will determine the future delivery location.**

The newsletters are delivered to your homes quarterly - during the first week of the months of March,

Linda Smith and her 10-year-old daughter Mary are new residents on Bluebird Lane. They previously lived here in Woodbury, not too distant from Heritage Glen.

We offer a warm welcome to both of our new neighbors and hope you will participate in HG activities and consider joining a committee.

TRASH COLLECTION REMINDER

Due to the upcoming Christmas holiday, our trash will be collected on Friday, December 28.

Following the New Year's holiday, the collection will be on Friday, January 4.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all. We hope you have a safe, healthy and peaceful 2013. Thanks to homeowners who have decorated the outside of their homes for all of us to enjoy as we drive by.

SANDWICH LOVE

- ❖ Americans eat about 45 billion sandwiches per year
- ❖ Ham is the most popular filling
- ❖ The sandwich turns 250 years old this year
- ❖ National Sandwich Day is November 3 each year

APPEAL TO PET OWNERS

Please clean up your dog messes immediately and dispose of them properly before winter snow arrives. Dog feces have been seen in the common areas behind some homes and we ask that you be more careful when taking your pets outdoors.

EVENING WALKS

Our Tuesday evening walks this season were the least successful ever. The weather, other commitments and

medical issues played a large part in the low turnout. We hope to do better next year.

AND THE WINNER WAS..

At the Annual Meeting a drawing was conducted using the names of those present; the lucky winner of one month's free association dues was Pete Backlund from Bluebird Alcove. Congratulations!

DEER IN THE AREA

Deer have been spotted on several occasions in our common areas, primarily on Blue Heron Lane. Deer can cause major damage to vehicles (and themselves) if they are hit while on the streets. It is not beneficial to have them so near to our homes and in residential areas, so please don't encourage them by offering food.

BRAIN EXERCISES

1. Move your indoor trash can to a new location for a week.
2. Memorize a poem.
3. Try to read holding your book or paper upside down.
4. Without looking, which coin has a building on the reverse side: a penny, nickel, dime or quarter?

5. Recite the months of the year in alphabetical order or in reverse order.
6. Use your non-dominant hand for one day.
7. While eating, sit at a different table location for a week.
8. Read aloud and you'll be using a different part of your brain.
9. Place a + sign or - sign between these numbers to get the correct answer: 5 3 2 4 1 5 = 14.

NAMES AND NUMBERS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Susan Kallman President 734-0887
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Karl Bozicevich Chairperson 739-6067

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Ray Buczkowski Chairperson 702-6461

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Betty Koreltz Chairperson 501-0897

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 it via www.ptouch.net, click on Home Owners Requests, then **Service Request**.

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.

RESOURCE EXCHANGE CORNER

Kevin Chapman, Pine Creek Services

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Services: install holiday lights, clean gutters, window washing, screen repair, pressure washing in season

