

FOR THE BIRDS

Heritage Glen Homeowners' Association Newsletter
December 2015

BOARD TWEETS

Heritage Glen Wins Environmental Excellence Award!

At the November 18th City Council meeting, the Board of Directors accepted the City of Woodbury's Environmental Excellence Award on behalf of the homeowners in Heritage Glen. Mayor Mary Giuliani Stephens presented the award for our rain garden projects and the rock island projects.

The rain gardens have converted about 4,600 square feet of grass that promoted water runoff, to water-absorbing, eco-friendly alternatives. The Board worked with the South Washington Watershed District to plan and complete the gardens in 2013 and 2015.

The two rock islands were converted this fall from unusable, impervious-surfaced areas to attractive hardy plantings in mulch.

Pesticide-free plant plugs and shrubs were specified for both projects. The results are pretty, low-maintenance, wildlife-friendly areas

that prevent the runoff of phosphorus-laden water into the water waste stream.

Do you know who was responsible for these impressive results and the award? It was the homeowners in Heritage Glen who were so enthusiastically supportive when the possibility was presented to you at the annual meeting in 2011. Thank you, homeowners! You have made our community a model in sustainability for Woodbury.

PARKING and PLOWING

Personal Touch included a copy of the Winter Parking Regulations in the envelope sent to you with the October Board Meeting Minutes. Following is a short recap:

Woodbury's winter parking rules began November 1st and end April 1st, 2016. On-street parking is banned between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. The city ordinance also prohibits on-street parking any time 2 or more inches of snow have accumulated until after the street has been completely plowed.

Residents who violate the ordinance will be ticketed and fined. To avoid receiving a citation, also please tell any guests who visit you about the city winter parking restrictions.

Our HG Maintenance contract with A-1 remains unchanged regarding snow removal:

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.

ANNUAL MEETING

During the annual meeting there were no new candidates for the open Board of Directors positions, so the current members were all reelected to serve another 2-year term. Their positions on the board will remain unchanged and are listed on the last page of this publication.

Lucky winners of the drawing for one free month's Association dues were Jim and Louise Jacobs.

BUNCO NIGHT

The Social Committee is planning another Bunco Night on Saturday, January 30, at 7:00 p.m. Watch for

REFUSE REMINDERS

The Christmas and New Year's holidays will not affect our trash collection days - they will remain on Thursdays of both weeks.

Remember to KEEP TRASH BINS OFF THE STREET and ON YOUR DRIVEWAY at least two feet apart, preferably one at each side of your driveway. This is especially important during the winter months.

NEVER SQUAT WITH YOUR SPURS ON!

Will Rogers, who died in a 1935 plane crash in Alaska, was one of the greatest political country/cowboy sages this country has ever known. Some of his sayings:

1. Never slap a man who's chewing tobacco.
2. Never kick a cow chip on a hot day.
3. There are two theories to arguing with a woman. Neither works.
4. Never miss a good chance to shut up.
5. Always drink upstream from the herd.
6. If you find yourself in a hole, stop digging.

7. The quickest way to double your money is to fold it and put it back into your pocket.

8. Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.

9. Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier'n puttin' it back.

10. After eating an entire bull, a mountain lion felt so good he started roaring. He kept it up until a hunter came along and shot him. The moral: When you're full of bull, keep your mouth shut.

DON'T TRASH - RECYCLE HOLIDAY LIGHTS

Remember to recycle any tangled, broken or discarded Christmas tree or other decorative holiday lights - bring them to the Washington County Environmental Center at 4039 Cottage Grove Drive or check the website <http://recycleminnesota.org> for all collection sites.

For a complete list of recyclables and hazardous materials disposal go to www.co.washington.mn.us/envirocenter

DID YOU KNOW?

- Elephants are the only animals that cannot jump

- Crocodiles cannot stick out their tongues
- Butterflies taste with their feet
- Cockroaches can live 9 days without a head - they only die because they cannot eat
- It's impossible to sneeze with your eyes open
- Multiplying 111,111,111x111,111,111 = 12,345,678,987,654,321
- Starfish have no brains
- During historic civil wars, when troops returned without casualties, a writing was put up for all to read: O Killed. From this we get the expression "OK" which means that all is good.

HG WEBSITE

Access our HG website for current documents, newsletter archives, board and committee information, forms, etc. relating to our community.

Click on www.heritageglenhoa.com. Contact Karl Bozicevich at 739-6067 or karlboz@comcast.net with any questions, suggestions or additions. Karl maintains this website.

INTERESTING FACTS

Giraffes and kangaroo rats can last longer without water than a camel.

Your stomach has to produce a new layer of mucus every two weeks or it will digest itself.

The dot over the letter "i" is called a tittle.

A 2 X 4 is really 1-1/2" by 3-1/2".

Because metal was scarce, the Oscars given out during World War II were made of wood.

There are no words in the dictionary that rhyme with orange, purple and silver.

The very first bomb dropped by the Allies on Berlin in World War II killed the only elephant in the Berlin Zoo.

The first CD pressed in the US was Bruce Springsteen's "Born in the USA."

The original name for butterfly was flutterby.

It is impossible to lick your elbow.

(At least 75% of the people who read this will try to lick their elbow.)

NAMES AND NUMBERS

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

Remember, if you are planning any changes to your home, 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 Julie Wright at 451 Bluebird Lane for approval before any work is begun. The [HGA Architectural Petition](#) form can be located under "Architectural Committee" on our HOA website.

TRUE

No relationship is all sunshine but two people can share one umbrella and survive the storm together.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all! May you have a healthy, happy and safe 2016.

RESOURCE EXCHANGE CORNER

Do you know a good painter, carpenter or other trades person whom you'd recommend to others? Please call Betty Koreltz at (651) 501-0897 or e-mail fbkoreltz@comcast.net.

**No Recommendations were
made for this issue.**