

FOR THE BIRDS

Heritage Glen Homeowners' Association Newsletter
March 2017

BOARD TWEETS

Our Neighborhood Crime Watch is Gaining Community Support!

Thanks to the interest started at our Annual Meeting last fall, the Neighborhood Watch Program planning is well underway. You may recall that a guest from the Woodbury Police Department attended the Annual Meeting and discussed the benefits and requirements for a community to begin such a program.

The HOA Board took up the conversation at November Board meeting and reached out to you, the community residents, to confirm that a minimum of 50% of the households in Heritage Glen are willing to participate. We are delighted that to date we have commitments from 80 of our 100 households!!

The board continues to partner with the City of Woodbury to complete the process of formalizing our own Neighborhood Watch Program. Next steps include selecting and purchasing street signs to be

placed in strategic locations in the community. We expect this to be complete early this spring.

"Many Thanks" to those neighbors who have volunteered to be Block Captains. We are working on defining the guidelines and expectations for those volunteers and will be bring the group together in the coming weeks to discuss the accountabilities. More information will be shared as it becomes available. The Board is excited to have such a broad commitment from the community and looks forward to taking this step to continue to assure a safe and responsible community.

There is still plenty of time to sign up to be included on the list of households that will be notified when there is suspicious activity.

MAILBOX SECURITY

As mentioned in the January 4th Board Meeting Minutes, theft of some outgoing mail placed inside mailboxes with the flags raised was noted.

In order to avoid future problems, either refrain from using the red flag when outgoing mail is in your box for pickup, or utilize central mail pickup locations such as the UPS Store, Cub grocery, the local Holiday Gas Station or the main post office.

Junk Mail? Enough Already!

You can easily opt-out of unwanted mail. Gather junk mail for a couple of weeks beforehand so you know which pieces you want eliminated.

1. Create an account on one of these opt-out websites:
 - www.catalogchoice.org
 - www.dmachoice.org
2. Check your e-mail to activate your account - you might find it in your spam/junk folder.
3. In your online account, fill in your home address.
4. Search the database for companies from which you want to opt-out. Instructions will be provided for each company.
5. The opt-out database will track which companies you've contacted. Use this to review or update your preferences from year to year.

Source: Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Provided by Susan Kallman

HELLO LADIES - HOW ABOUT LUNCH?

After many attempts to find a fun way to get to know our neighbors, this may be the answer: how about a Lunch Bunch, Brunch Bunch or even a Happy Hour Bunch? I will be happy to get the ball rolling for those interested. We could get together monthly, bi-monthly or whenever you like. We'll set a date, time, place, send out an email (or phone call for those who prefer) and you reply so we can make a reservation. Please let me know and I will set it up; it will be fun! Contact Jean Crotty at (651) 774-6464 or jeanmc5133@comcast.net.

HELLO GENTLEMEN - WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO DO?

How about coffee or breakfast in the morning at a restaurant to talk about sports, last night's game or going fishing, hunting or whatever else guys do. Perhaps you are a debater and would like to start a debate group. Come on, guys, get off your duffs and be creative. We know you have something to offer, if only grumbling about jobs around the house! You may even connect with other guys who would like to share their talents or expertise for those jobs. Who knows? You may develop a new friendship or two. Contact Karl

Bozicevich at (651) 739-6067 or email karlboz@comcast.net.

UPDATING DIRECTORY

Our Directory and Communication Guide will be updated for 2017. If your phone number or any other information included in the 2014 Guide has changed, please notify Betty Koreltz at (651) 501-0897 or fbkoreltz@comcast.net immediately.

BUNCO PARTY

Our next Bunco Night will be on Saturday, April 22, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Jean Crotty at 414 Bluebird Lane.

Just bring a small finger snack; beverages will be provided but if you prefer an alcoholic one, bring it along. A flier including complete information will be mailed to you shortly before the event.

NEW NEIGHBOR

A warm welcome to **Jack Brown**, the new homeowner at 287 Blue Heron Lane. Jack is a counselor at a Hazel Park area school in St. Paul and previously lived in another part of Woodbury.

CONDOLENCES

Our sincere sympathy goes out to the family of Dorothy Werner, one of the early HG homeowners, who lived at 470 Bluebird Lane. Dorothy died on February 4 in St. Petersburg, FL, as the result of a motor vehicle accident near her winter home.

Dorothy was a long-time member of our Social Committee and always attended the annual picnic and other events. She will be missed.

2017 HG GARAGE SALE

We need at least 10 homeowners to participate if we are to hold a 2017 HG Community Garage Sale, scheduled for June 23 and 24. Contact Deb Mullen at (651) 253-6042 or mullen.debrah@gmail.com no later than May 1 if you plan to have a sale or need further information.

This is an opportunity to make a profit on your unneeded and unused items which others may be delighted to purchase.

ANNUAL PICNIC

Mark your calendars for our 2017 Heritage Glen annual picnic, scheduled for Saturday, June 24, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Free food and fun!

Once again there will be a "Pet Table" for donations - those bringing a pet item will be entered into the drawing for a gift card.

More complete information will be in the June newsletter and via flier which will be sent to your homes.

TRASH COLLECTION

Please insure that your trash and recycling bins are set solidly at the opposite sides at the end of your driveway and are covered securely.

Some homeowners consistently have over-full bins with bags and loose trash sticking out uncovered. Strong winds in Woodbury have blown items out, making a mess of the street and causing Maroney's Sanitation drivers to get out of the truck to pick up the scattered trash.

HG WEBSITE

Access our HG website for information 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.

DID YOU KNOW.....

That in the event of a blackout, a crayon will burn for 30 minutes?

THOUGHTS ABOUT LIFE

Camping: Where you spend a small fortune to live like a homeless person.

I want to grow my own food but I can't find bacon seeds.

What's the difference between bird flu and swine flu? One requires "tweetment" and the other requires "oinkment".

We're all mature until someone pulls out bubble wrap!

I am a Seenager (Senior Teenager). I have everything I wanted as a teenager, only 60 years later:

1. I don't have to go to school or to work
2. I get an allowance every month
3. I have my own pad
4. I don't have a curfew
5. I have a driver's license and my own car
6. And I don't have acne.

Life is great!

NAMES AND NUMBERS

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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**.

If you are planning any changes to your home, please 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 is located under "Architectural Committee" on our HOA website.

Do not regret growing old. It is a privilege denied to many.

HMMMMMMMM...

The fact that there's a Highway to Hell and only a Stairway to Heaven says a lot about anticipated traffic numbers.

So when is "Old Enough to Know Better" supposed to kick in?

Be careful when you follow the masses. Sometimes the "m" is silent.

Have you ever listened to someone for a while and wondered..... "who ties your shoe laces for you?"

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 for
this newsletter**