# **FOR THE BIRDS**

# Heritage Glen Homeowners' Association Newsletter June 2008

#### ANNUAL GET-TOGETHER

The HG Board of Directors has suggested we hold our annual gettogether in the autumn, rather than in July as we have for the past 4 years. The number of attendees at the September 2007 picnic was about the same as at the July gathering, but the weather was more comfortable. Since we don't have a covered, shaded area, and the weather for all previous July events was extremely hot, this year our second annual Heritage Fest will be held on Saturday, September 27, Mark your calendars! 2008. picnic-style food will be provided for vou. Watch for more information as the time draws nearer

# **ELECTION JUDGES**

Washington County expects a large voter turnout for the September 9, 2008, primary and the November 4, 2008, general elections. The county is looking for citizens willing to serve as election judges, with morning (6 a.m. to 2 p.m.), afternoon (2 p.m. to 8 p.m.) or all day sessions available.

If you are available to work the elections (yes, judges are paid), phone

the Washington County Elections Office at (651) 430-6175, e-mail elections@co.washington.mn.us or check www.co.washington.mn.us for more information. Certification as an election judge requires attendance at a training session before the election. Please consider serving - it's a rewarding and interesting learning experience.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

On June 14, 2008, Jim and Louise Jacobs will celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Jim has served as Heritage Glen's Maintenance Committee Chairman for several years and Louise is Chairperson of the Architectural Committee along with serving on the Social Committee. Both are active in their church activities at Guardian Angels as well. Congratulations to Jim and Louise - we wish them many more years of happiness.

## LOOKS GREAT!

A big thank you to Susan Kallman and John and Kathy Brolly for providing new landscaping surrounding

their homes. Their additions beautify the otherwise empty, open areas with trees and bushes - nice greenery!

If you plan to improve the grassy area around your home with plantings, first request approval from the Architectural Committee. Call Gopher State One Call at (651) 454-0002 at least 2 full working days before digging will begin. Before you call, visit www.gopherstateonecall.org for information you'll need to provide. Contact Gopher State One Call also if you will be digging in the rock-covered area to plant trees or shrubs.

#### AUTHOR IN OUR MIDST

Jerry Peterson, a HG resident on Bluebird Alcove, has written his first mystery novel, White Tombs, under the pen name of Christopher Valen. This story includes many local references to St. Paul. It's available at bookstores and at Amazon.com.

Visit <u>www.christophervalen.com</u> for more information. Subscribe to his e-mail list to receive updates and notices of events, appearances, book signings, new books, etc. Jerry will be happy to sign the book you purchase. Congratulations, Jerry!

## TRASH COLLECTION

The trash and recycling collection date during the week of July 4 will not be affected.

Collection for the week of Labor Day will be Friday, September 5, 2008. You can check <u>maroneysinc.com</u> for the holiday schedule when in doubt.

# NEW <u>FREE</u> ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

Electronics are now accepted on Tuesdays from noon to 5 p.m. and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at:

CRT Processing, LLC 3350 Granada, Suite 150 Oakdale, MN 55128

Accepted are computers and monitors, peripherals (keyboards, speakers, etc.), printers, TVs, DVD and VCR players and fax machines.

### WALK-AROUND

The Maintenance Committee, along with a representative of Land Maintenance, will soon conduct their annual spring walk-around, identifying problem areas with grass, trees, irrigation, and any other outdoor issues that need to be addressed to improve our development.

Remember that homeowners are responsible for re-seeding or re-sodding of any lawn areas that their pets or vehicles have damaged.

Painting and maintenance of the wood trim around garage doors and

primary entry doors are also your responsibility.

### LIVING "GREEN"

This is the final installment of our hints to save energy and resources:

#16 - Support local farmers by shopping at farmers' markets and buy locally grown produce. You get fresher, better quality food and help small-scale agriculture.

#17 - Recycle junk mail, office and school papers, magazines, phone books, shredded paper in closed paper bags, and boxes of all kinds: cereal, cracker, cookie, cake mix, pasta, shoe, gift, electronics, toothpaste, medication and toiletries. For a complete list, visit <a href="https://www.greenquardian.com">www.greenquardian.com</a>.

#18 - Plant a tree. Trees absorb harmful chemicals such as carbon dioxide and give off oxygen, catch runoff, and filter and trap pollutants. They shade and cool, block the wind and are home to a variety of birds we can enjoy. Be sure to obtain approval from the Architectural Committee first before you plant in common areas.

#19 - Check your tires to insure they're properly inflated. Proper inflation can improve your gas mileage by more than 3%.

#### EVENING WALKS

Our Tuesday evening walks have begun - please join us! We gather in front of 471 Bluebird Lane at 7:00 p.m. and walk at a leisurely pace for an hour or less. It isn't strenuous and it's nice to chat with neighbors as we stroll along.

# LIFESMARTS QUIZ\*

- Some fish have been found to contain high levels of:
  - a.) nicotine
  - b.) mercury
  - c.) polyvinyl chloride
- 2. When you shop from home, you have the right to:
  - a.) receive your merchandise within an allowable period
  - b.) return the merchandise to the vendor
  - c.) both a.) and b.)
- 3. A typical American household spends the most money on:
  - a.) housing
  - b.) food
  - c.) transportation
- 4. Which man-made fiber does not use petroleum as a raw material?
  - a.) nylon
  - b.) silk
  - c.) polyester
- 5. Ozone found at ground level is:
  - a.) harmless to people and animals
  - b.) helpful to all living things
  - c.) the principal ingredient of smog that causes respiratory problems

\* Answers to LifeSmarts Quiz: 1 - b; 2 - c; 3 - a; 4 - b; 5 - c.

# BOARD AND COMMITTEE NAMES AND NUMBERS

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Jim Auer		731-7693
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Kathy Phyle		734-9510
Sharon Shumaker		735-8532
Scott Thompson	Board Liaison	702-9468

#### SOCIAL COMMITTEE

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Louise Jacobs		731-0764
Susan Kallman		734-0887
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Sharon Shumake	r	735-8532
Dorothy Werner		738-2128

#### **CELEBRATIONS**

If you have a special anniversary, birthday, birth or adoption of a baby, or another memorable occasion, please notify any Social Committee member. We'd also like to welcome new homeowners so please let us know who you are!

#### COMMENTS - ANY TYPE!

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

# RESOURCE EXCHANGE CORNER

Do you have a good painter, carpenter or other trades person whom you'd recommend to others? Call Betty Koreltz at 501-0897 or email <a href="mailto:fbkoreltz@comcast.net">fbkoreltz@comcast.net</a> with your recommendation.

Remember, if you are planning any architectural changes, you must provide a completed Architectural Change Petition Form to an Architectural Committee member for approval before any work is begun.