

FOR THE BIRDS

Heritage Glen Homeowners' Association Newsletter September 2010

2010 HERITAGE FEST

Our 4th annual Heritage Fest Picnic will be held on **Saturday, September 18, from 12:00 noon until 2:00 p.m.** outside Karl and Sharon Bozicevich's home at 331 Bluebird Lane. Come for a great picnic lunch and visit with your neighbors.

You'll receive a flyer as a reminder just before the event.

ANNUAL MEETING

Our annual homeowners meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 28. Watch for a mailing from Personal Touch for time, location and other information. If you wish to be considered for a Board or Committee position, please attend the meeting or indicate your interest to any Board member. Results of the survey sent out earlier this year will be distributed at the meeting.

DOG WALKERS

Most Heritage Glen pet owners are carefully picking up after their dogs, but apparently some HG residents are

allowing their dogs to do their "business" on common areas in HG and leaving the mess.

Please consider other homeowners' areas and be good neighbors - clean up after your pets.

GENERAL ELECTION

This year's general election will occur on November 2. The Precinct 2 voting location for HG residents is City Hall at 8301 Valley Creek Road.

Questions about the election, absentee voting or voter registration can be directed to City Hall at (651) 714-3500 or to Washington County Elections at (651) 430-6175.

HAPPINESS IS.....

- ❖ Waking up and realizing you still have a few hours left to sleep
- ❖ Making new friends or spending time with old ones
- ❖ Making chocolate chip cookies (and eating them!)
- ❖ Watching the sunrise or sunset
- ❖ Getting out of bed every morning and being grateful for another day

- ❖ Playing with your grandchildren
- ❖ A good conversation
- ❖ Having someone tell you that you're beautiful/good looking
- ❖ Warm towels fresh out of the dryer
- ❖ Hearing your favorite song on the radio
- ❖ Watching the expression on someone's face as they open a much-desired gift from you

2010 SURVEY QUESTIONS, ISSUES and RESPONSES

(Full survey results will be distributed at the annual meeting.)

Q. What are the overall services Personal Touch (PT) provides?

A. PT will provide a service description at our annual meeting. For future comments regarding PT service, inform a Board member.

Q. Garage and other outdoor light fixtures are becoming worn. Is this an Association issue?

A. Light fixtures are the homeowners' responsibility. Check the "Architectural Guidelines" for any restrictions on your choice for replacement fixtures.

Q. Will there be an association-wide driveway sealer program?

A. This is also the homeowners' responsibility. Watch for or submit information to "For the Birds" to get the word out for future multiple homeowner

participation and probable discounts for such projects.

Q. Can a more clear and understandable budget report be provided?

A. The Board worked with PT to revise budget line items to produce a clearer understanding of operating and replacement funds and where our money is allotted and spent. The Board hopes to provide a better budget report format more often than once annually.

Q. Since PT handles our funds, are they bonded for these amounts?

A. Yes, PT is insured and bonded. In addition, Kay Sand is a licensed real estate agent.

Q. For landscaping around my home, I'd like to see general guidelines to follow rather than having to get prior approvals for some personal style.

A. The Architectural Control Committee recommendations to the Board have supported the concept that personal style is not incompatible with maintaining community objectives. The Guidelines document provides the ability to show individual taste while remaining true to compatibility standards set by the Declaration. Not every project requires committee/board review and acceptance; some items have been pre-accepted.

Q. Can we be informed of agenda items for upcoming Board meetings? Can these meetings be held on different evenings?

A. Yes, the Board has begun noting agenda topics for future meetings in the

Board Meeting Minutes, and will consider your request that meetings be scheduled on different weekday evenings.

WE HAVE A WINNER!

Bluebird Lane homeowner Lee Lowery has been entering cooking contests on Mixingbowl.com (one of Better Homes and Gardens' sites) and won with her recipe for gluten free cookies. Winning recipes will be featured in the 2010 Christmas Cookies magazine due out in September.

To see Lee's recipe on line, go to www.Mixingbowl.com, click on the "Recipes" link and type in: Dark Chocolate Almond Butter Cookies (GF). Congratulations, Lee!

REMINDER

Trash and recycling collection for Thanksgiving week will occur on Friday, November 26.

RULES OF CHOCOLATE

- If you get melted chocolate all over your hands, you're eating it too slowly!
- Chocolate contains many preservatives. Preservatives make you look younger.
- Diet tip: Eat a chocolate bar before each meal. It'll take the edge off your appetite and you'll eat less.

- Problem: How to get a pound of chocolate home from the store in a hot car. Solution: Eat it in the parking lot.
- Put "eat chocolate" at the top of your list of things to do today. At least you'll get one thing done!

CONTACT NAMES

The names of all members of the Social, Architectural Control and Maintenance Committees have been printed in each issue of our Newsletter and will be published in the December issue only if there are changes, additions or deletions as a result of interest or disinterest indicated at the annual meeting.

In future newsletters just the name and number of the chairperson of each committee will be published. Names of all Board members, their positions and contact numbers will remain in every issue.

FUN FACTS

- ❖ "Dreamt" is the only word in the English language that ends in the letters "mt"
- ❖ A snail can sleep for 3 years
- ❖ Almonds are members of the peach family
- ❖ An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain
- ❖ Babies are born without kneecaps. They appear after the child reaches 2 years old

- ❖ Rubber bands last longer when refrigerated
- ❖ The cruise liner, QE 2, moves only 6 inches per gallon of diesel fuel it burns
- ❖ There are more chickens than people in the world
- ❖ Winston Churchill was born in a ladies' room during a dance

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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

Remember, when you are planning any changes, consult the *Architectural Guidelines, Standards and Criteria* publication. If you're unsure as to whether 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.

