

FOR THE BIRDS

Heritage Glen Homeowners' Association Newsletter
March 2014

BOARD TWEETS

On February 6th several Board members attended an informational meeting regarding the proposed Gateway Corridor. The project is currently in its environmental study phase and is entering the "scoping" phase which will help determine transit alternatives. Construction could start within five years.

Options being considered during this planning stage are whether to use bus or light rail, and how to align the route parallel to I-94. One alignment, moving east to west, would have the terminus at Manning Avenue, south of I-94, and move westward until it crosses Radio Drive and arrives at Globe College. Then it would cross I-94 and continue west to the Union Depot in downtown St. Paul. The other alignment would move westward and cross I-94 just west of Woodbury Drive.

We encourage you to consider how these options might affect traffic and noise levels near our homes, as well as how they might be a convenience for easy transit between Woodbury and downtown St. Paul.

View and contemplate these options at www.thegatewaycorridor.com. The public is invited to comment on the proposals between March 3rd and April 16th using the e-mail address: gatewaycorridor@co.washington.mn.us

There will be three additional open houses before the comment period is closed. Detailed information is on the website. Do you prefer bus or rail? Which route alignment? Make your voice heard!

TRASH/RECYCLING CALENDAR

Maroney's 2014 trash and recycling calendar showing the holiday and recycling schedule is now available on their website: www.maroneysinc.com. During the last week of May, which includes the Memorial Day holiday, trash and recycling will be collected on Friday, May 30.

Some residents continue to place the bins too close together, making pickup by the truck arms difficult. Please separate them by **at least one foot** and two feet clear of all other objects such as mail boxes, vehicles,

etc., preferably one at each side of your driveway.

Make certain the cart handle is toward your house to ensure proper emptying and lid closure, and bag light and loose debris so it doesn't fly away making a mess in the neighborhood.

OUR NEW WEBSITE

Heritage Glen moves to the Internet! On March 15th, our own website will become live. It contains minutes of meetings, communication avenues, copies of the important documents that guide our community, an archive of the newsletters and much more. Stop by and check it out: www.heritageglenhoa.com.

If you have something you would like to post to the website, please feel free to contact Karl at 651.739.6067.

RADON INFORMATION

Attached to this newsletter is a flier produced by the MN Department of Health regarding radon gas and real estate transactions. Be aware that potential buyers may request information regarding radon levels of the home and sellers are required to provide the buyer with information on radon test results of the dwelling.

See the back page of the flier for three different methods of testing. Complete information is on the Department of Health website at: www.health.state.mn.us/radon.

LET'S PLAY BUNCO!

The Social Committee invites you to an evening of Bunco on Friday, April 11, at 7:00 p.m. Regardless whether you're an expert or never played before, please join us for this simple and fun dice game. For more information and the location, call Louise Jacobs at 731-0764 or Marie Elverum at 735-1346.

NEW HOMEOWNERS

We are pleased to welcome the following new homeowners to our Heritage Glen development:

Carrie Morgan, who lives at 300 Blue Heron Lane, is an employee of Regions Hospital. Carrie comes to us from the St. Paul area and has been in her new home for several months.

Thomas and Judy Alberts of 347 Woodduck Circle previously lived in Oakdale before spending the past few years in Alexandria. Judy works at Union Brass Manufacturing, while Tom is employed by J.W. Hulme Company.

Shijing Cheng, the new homeowner at 398 Bluebird Lane, moved into our development several months ago.

A warm welcome to all - enjoy your new homes! We encourage you to join any committee (the time involvement is minimal) and learn more about how our Association works. Contact any Board member or Committee Chair for more information.

A NEW NOVEL

Our HG resident author Jerry Peterson, writing as Christopher Valen, has completed his fifth John Santana novel, *Death's Way*. He will be at Barnes & Noble in the Galleria Shopping Center in Edina on March 22 from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. for a book signing and to meet new readers.

Events will be added soon for April, May and June, so check his website at www.christophervalen.com for updates and to view the video trailer for *Death's Way*.

Death's Way was released as an e-Book on March 1 on both Amazon and Barnes & Noble websites.

Jerry has begun writing the sixth in his series of John Santana novels which will be entitled *The Darkness Hunter*.

If your book club would like to set up a visit, he would be happy to talk

with you either in person or via speaker phone. Contact him at cjvalen@comcast.net.

INTERESTING FACTS

- ❖ To make half a kilo of honey, bees must collect nectar from over 2 million individual flowers
- ❖ Tourists visiting Iceland should know that tipping at a restaurant is considered an insult
- ❖ Zero is the only number that cannot be represented by Roman numerals
- ❖ People in nudist colonies play volleyball more than any other sport
- ❖ Astronauts can't belch - there is no gravity to separate liquid from gas in their stomachs
- ❖ Gold is the only metal that doesn't rust, even if its buried in the ground for thousands of years
- ❖ Your tongue is the only muscle in your body that is attached at only one end

SUMMARY OF LIFE

Great Truths that Adults have Learned:

- Raising teenagers is like nailing jelly to a tree

- Wrinkles don't hurt
- Families are like fudge.....mostly sweet, with a few nuts
- Today's mighty oak is just yesterday's nut that held its ground
- Laughing is good exercise. It's like jogging on the inside
- Middle age is when you choose your cereal for the fiber, not the toy

Great Truths About Growing Old will appear in the next issue.

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Open at this time

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, 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 Karl Bozicevich at 331 Bluebird Lane for approval before any work is begun.

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 with this information.

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.

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