

Country Club Manor

April 2012 Newsletter

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YOU CAN CHOSE YOUR OWN NEIGHBORS!



Mary Bakewell Presents Two One Hundred Dollar Certificates to Mary and Paul Rohowetz (#132)

How hard is it to wrestle \$200 away from Mary Bakewell? Not as hard as you think. Here's how Mary and Paul did it:

“We met Jay and Suelin Werner in 2010 as our neighbors in Inver Grove Heights. When we moved here in Dec. 2010, Jay and Suelin helped out a lot by providing food for us and the movers on “moving day.” They could see that we were very happy at Country Club Manor and they, like us, liked the location, the facilities including the pool, the nice views from our apartment, and all our wonderful new neighbors.

Then in February, they decided to move here as well (#228). We didn't really know it at the time but I guess that's called a “referral” and it's worth \$200! We hardly did anything to earn it. All we did was let someone else know how nice it is here. Mary Bakewell and/or the staff did the rest.

NOTE FROM THE “EDITORS:”

We are renting apartments as people leave but we would rather have YOU choose your own “pre-qualified” neighbors rather than us! That way, you won't even have to be introduced to them! We would also rather give part of our advertising budget to YOU!

Right now we have a nice 2BR corner unit facing south available May 1 in the 1955 building. It has a really nice view of the golf course for \$1050. We also have nice one facing North for \$955

Choosing your own neighbors is easy! Just give the Country Club Manor office the name and number of someone you think might be looking for a nice apartment. That's all there is to it. Or you can give the office number (451-2633) to your friend. In the latter case, please ask them to mention your name in their conversation with the office. When your friend joins our little community, you will receive two \$100 certificates of appreciation to use towards your rent.

THE BIRDS OF PARADISE



Two Bluebird Houses

The much coveted bluebirds are finicky and generally difficult to attract. We have been lucky enough to get nesting pairs here at CCM so once again, we have installed four bluebird boxes on the south side of the buildings. Two are out from the x32 “stack” (#132, #232, & #332) in the 55 building and two are out from the x14 stack in the 45 building. The reason we put them out in pairs is because usually, a tree swallow pair will preempt the bluebirds since they are both cavity nesters and the swallows are more aggressive and usually return first. But since tree swallows are also territorial, if they take one house, they will also (conveniently) keep all

other tree swallows away from the 2nd one of the pair leaving it available to the bluebirds. Anyway, if you are out walking around, keep your eyes on the two pairs of houses back there. With any luck, we will get two pairs of bluebirds nesting at CCM.

Flash! This just in: Paul and Mary Rohowetz reported seeing bluebirds looking over a housing pair, the ones out from the 55 building! Spring is finally here! It seems even bluebirds seek out carefree living at Country Club Manor!

NOTES FROM OUR “SOCIAL DIRECTOR”



Hi everyone. Congratulations Derek & Denali on the birth of your son Jacob. God Bless you all!!

Our casino trip was a success. Everyone had a fun time. Please join us for our trip to Treasure Island on Thursday April 12th. We ask you to be in the 1945 lobby at 9:30am as the bus leaves at 9:45am. If you sign up and can't make it PLEASE call me and let me know. Thanks. See the flyers hung around the building for more information. Sign-up sheets are in both lobbies. Please invite your friends and relatives as everyone is welcome.

The St. Patrick's Day Brunch was a lot of fun. We had 20 people and great food. Our Easter/Spring Brunch will be Saturday April 14th at 11:30am in the Club Room. We ask you to bring a dish to share. (even a bag of chips or jar of olives would be welcome) This will be our last brunch until September so please try to join us.

The potluck for this month will be on Monday April 30th at 5:30pm in the club room. The theme for this month is Chinese food. You may bring a Chinese dish or any type of food you want. Hope many of you will join us. Thanks to all of you who participate in the functions and events, Kevin & I really appreciate it. We wish you all a very Happy Easter and Happy Spring. Until next month.

Love *Kevin + Kathy E.*

A MESSAGE FROM MARY



Happy and Blessed Easter to everyone and your families. I will be in the office on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday while Patty and Terese are on vacation. Thursday and Friday, April 5th and 6th the office will be closed. Please try to get your rent in by Wednesday evening to save me a trip in on Thursday to pick any last minute rents. I will really appreciate it.

Do thank God for the beautiful weather we are having. Little to no snow for the full month of March and we are finally getting a little rain that is needed so badly.

Congratulations to Derek and Danelia on the birth of their baby. Jacob who weighed in at 7pounds 6.2 ozs. He is gaining rapidly and is a very good little boy. Be sure to look at the pictures in each of the lobbies. Derek will be back very soon.

I would also like to thank Dan for doing rounds every day for Derek while he was out. I really apologize for the delay in routine repairs. I did have my son (another "Derek") come in a few days but we had him working on turns most every day. Bill hurt his arm and is out until further notice. I will be interviewing for a part time person to help Derek out during the next week, so we will get caught up shortly. Thanks so much for your patience.

It will not be long and we will be planting flowers so if anyone would like to help, please leave a note in the office. Let's hope we have more rain this summer so our grass can grow and get healthy again.

Till next month, God Bless and have a Blessed Easter.

Mary

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Name	Bldg	Apt #	Day
Sharon Ranalls	45	#207	3
Rena Locke	45	#307	9
Bill Grams	55	#229	10
Jay Werner	55	#228	12
Deloris Ward	55	#336	16
Dottie Kline	45	#317	21
Dee Weimar	45	#102	22
Rita Williams	55	#232	23
Shirley Ringhand	55	#325	25
James Long	55	#122	26
Kevin Ericson	45	#107	27

THE FUNNY BONE

Four brothers left home for college, and eventually they became successful doctors and lawyers. One evening, they chatted after having dinner together. They discussed the 95th birthday gifts they were able to give their elderly mother who moved to Florida .

The first said, "You know I had a big house built for Mama."

The second said, "I had a large theater built in the house."

The third said, "I had my Mercedes dealer deliver a SL600 to her."

The fourth said, "You know how Mama loved reading the Bible and you know how she can't read anymore because she can't see very well. Well I met this preacher who told me about a parrot who could recite the entire Bible. It took ten preachers almost eight years to teach him. I had to pledge to contribute \$50,000 a year for five years to the church, but it was worth it. Mama only has to name the chapter and verse, and the parrot will recite it."

The other brothers were impressed. After the celebration Mama sent these "Thank You" notes:

"Larry, the house you built is so huge that I live in only one room, but I have to clean the whole house. Thanks anyway."

"Bob, I am too old to travel. I stay home; I have my groceries delivered, so I never use the Mercedes. The thought was good, thanks."

"Tony, you gave me an expensive theater with Dolby sound and it can hold 50 people, but all of my friends are dead, I've lost my hearing, and I'm nearly blind and I'll never use it. Thank you for the gesture just the same."

"Dearest Melvin, you were the only son to have the good sense to put a little thought into your gift. The chicken was delicious. Thank you so very much."

Love, Mama