

# Country Club Manor

## August 2011 Newsletter

*Edited by Lee and Mary Bakewell*

**LET'S WELCOME OUR NEW NEIGHBORS!**



Hello! My name is Jeanine Martin [Above left, #231]. I have worked down the street at CHS (formerly Cenex Harvest States) for the past 10 years in Energy Accounting. My 'off duty' priorities include my family and friends. When I have free time, I like to read, write, swim, watch movies, play games and do puzzles. I am really enjoying the relaxed and secure atmosphere at "the Manor" and the friendliness of the residents here.

Hello! My name is Delores Ward [Above right, #336] and I moved in here with my sister Diane Gardner. I have two children & two grandchildren, whom I adore very much! I recently retired from Southview Acres Care Center where I worked for 11

years. I loved the fast paced job & the residents. My interests are reading the Word of God (Bible), the outdoors, and spending time with family and friends. I look forward to making lots of new friends here at CCM, some of which I've already met in passing.

## FROM TERESE'S DESK



Hello All! I'm looking forward to seeing you at the annual summer BBQ on Tuesday August 2nd. Hopefully the weather will cooperate and we can all enjoy sitting out on the back patio with good friends and good food!

Mother Nature threw us a real 'curve ball' for several weeks in July. I don't know about you, but with the heat & humidity, I actually 'melted away' some extra pounds! Let's all hope we have a little relief for the remainder of the summer.

Reminders: The pool patio door is sometimes not being locked after using the patio on the weekends. If by chance, you find the door open or unlocked, please use your pool door key to re-lock it after use. Let's work together to keep our complex—and you—safe and secure! If you do not have a pool door key but need one, please stop by the office and we will provide one for you. Until next month.....

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## "JUST THOUGHT YOU'D LIKE TO KNOW"

So many people have asked us where we get the cakes for the potlucks. We have been buying them from Cub Bakery for 12 years now and have not been disappointed. They are very reasonably priced and taste oh so good. We also buy the Saturday morning donuts and rolls there. The size, price, and taste beat any others we have tried. K&K

## LEE MAKES THE NEWSPAPER

You may have all noticed the feature story about Lee Bakewell, his purple martins, and the “international” attention they have been receiving as described in the Pioneer Press article of the 7/28/11 (front page of the 2<sup>nd</sup> section). But what you may have missed was that the same day, the Forest Lake Times ran a similar article some of which is repeated below:



An increase in local population means the birds will need new places to stay next year. Bakewell offers to help those interested in becoming martin landlords. Contact him at [LeeSail@aol.com](mailto:LeeSail@aol.com) or 451-8481. (Photo by Clint Riese)

*. . . Bakewell – who added a second martin house for this summer and plans a third for next – has his hands full. About 75 chicks were hatched in his houses this summer, so in addition to keeping meticulous notes he must look out for the welfare of nearly 100 birds. This means regular cleaning of each “room” in the*

*houses and the occasional flicking of crickets and scrambled eggs [if the weather turns cold so they cannot find flying insects to eat].*

*Then there are the efforts to band the birds in order to track their location. Thanks to the small anklets, Bakewell knows that two of his adult residents were hatched at his place last summer.*

*In addition to a regular banding session, Bakewell hosted an expert from a national purple martin group earlier this month who fitted seven birds with “geo locators.” The small devices will store data on sunrise and sunset times, effectively recording the route of migration to and from South America.*

*“Once installed, we have to bide our time like an expectant father for some nine months until the martins return...if they return,” Bakewell said. “Then the bird is trapped, the device removed, and sent in for analysis.”*

*The population spike at Bakewell’s colony is good news for prospective martin landlords in the area. As only 20 percent or less of the [newly hatched] birds will return to the same location from year to year, that means about 75 birds will be looking for a new place to call home in the area come next spring.*

*Bakewell’s colony includes one martin that was banded in Hugo and one from Lindstrom. He also knows of another colony on Forest Lake with 16 adult pairs this year, so the opportunity is there for those curious about hosting martins.*

## A MESSAGE FROM MARY



Hi Everyone,

I guess July has been one of the hottest July's in a long time. I guess it was a good thing we changed the summer BBQ to Aug. 2. Let's hope we have

nice weather and it is not so hot that we cannot be outside.

I am so happy that we have 75 people that signed up for it. I look forward to seeing all of you there next Tuesday. I would like to thank Kevin and Kathy for all the nice patio furniture and the umbrella that helps provide shade to our patio. I know they are not new, but I am sure they have many years of use in them and they are new to us. I hope many of you will get out and enjoy them on the patio.

Walking through the building as I do, I have noticed the carpet in the halls by many of the apartment doors is getting very dirty around the mats that so many of you put out. I love them all, but would like to remind you that staff do not move them when they clean and if you are going to use a mat, you must vacuum under and around them occasionally as needed. Please do so the next time you clean, so our common areas continue to look great!

Hope all of you are enjoying the summer, especially now that it has cooled down a little. Till next month, God Bless and have a good one,

*Mary*

## NOTES FROM OUR "SOCIAL DIRECTOR"



August is finally here. The HOTTEST month of the year. (July wasn't bad enough?) Keep cool, drink plenty of water, and pray for fall.

We had 17 for the casino trip. The people I spoke with had a good time. The August's trip will be again to Treasure Island on Thur. the

11th. Watch for notices and sign-up sheets posted in the lobby.

The Potluck was great as usual. Great food and great company. Our August Birthday/Anniversary Potluck will be on Mon. the 29th. Again watch for signs posted.

We are going to try for a fall garage sale on Fri. & Sat. Sept. 16th/17th. Start gathering your items and watch for a letter from us explaining everything. I sure hope it doesn't rain this time!!

We'd like to have our yearly craft show on Sat. Nov. 12th. Again I will let you know the exact details later. Start thinking of what you would like to sell.

Thanks to Don Stock who was out pulling weeds the other day. It really looks nice!

That's it for this month.

Love,

*Kevin + Kathy E*

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

NAME	BLDG	APT	DATE
Earl Brelje	55	#131	4
Curt Christensen	55	#333	8
Patti Cook	45	#111	9
Bill Gouette	Maintenance		12
Ralph Endres	55	#120	13
Kathy Damico	45	#302	16
Richard Sandstrom	45	#313	17
Bob Zontelli	45	#114	18
Ruth Lillie	45	#209	19
Ed Van Cleave	45	#315	19
Lois Sobon	45	#304	23
Madge Pedersen	55	#222	27
Bob Dwyer	55	#326	29
Linda Dawson	55	#121	30
Francis Lillie	45	#209	31

## THE FUNNY BONE

A funeral service is being held for a woman who has just passed away. At the end of the service, the pall bearers are carrying the casket out when they accidentally bump into a wall, jarring the casket. They hear a faint moan. They Open the casket and find that the woman is actually alive! She lives for ten more years, and then dies. Once again, a ceremony is held, and at the end of it, the pall bearers are again carrying out the casket. As they carry the casket towards the door, the husband cries out, "Watch that wall!"