

# Country Club Manor

## September 2009 Newsletter

*Edited by Lee and Mary Bakewell*

**PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEW MAINTENANCE MAN!**



CCM would like to welcome Pat Fritz, our new part-time maintenance technician. He will be replacing Dan, who will be “merely” left with the pool and caretaking the 55 building.

Pat is a native of St. Paul. He has one brother, one sister, eight nieces and nephews, and.....10 grand nieces and nephews. In the summer of 1970, Pat played semi-pro baseball with the Chicago Cubs until he was shipped overseas to Vietnam. He served four years as an Aviation Electrician for the Navy. After being discharged from the service, Pat has been self employed and has worked over 10 years for Bally Fitness Centers. He still resides in St. Paul and currently cares for his 91 year old mother.

Pat enjoys playing cards, shooting darts and attending the Twins baseball games. He looks forward to working here and meeting you all. Please make Pat feel welcome and feel free to stop him to say 'HELLO'!

## FROM TERESE'S DESK



Hello to everyone at CCM! I am continuing to enjoy the summer and cabin life on my days off. We've had very mild weather so far up north this summer except a stretch of 3-4 days in the mid to upper 90's.

I also received some very exciting and happy news! My son & his new bride are expecting their first child. MY FIRST GRANDCHILD!!!! It is still very early on in the pregnancy and I'm trying to maintain some composure and not be too over-bearing with my new daughter. Ask me next month how that's going. I am an extremely relentless and persistent individual! I did find a crib already for 'grandma's' house and have a 'beat' on a rocking bassinet. I've asked my husband to take apart our 'guest/computer room' to make way for the new nursery. There's so much to do, buy and plan!!! Kind of sounds like I'm having the baby...doesn't it!?!?!?!? All I can say in self defense is...I LOVE CHILDREN! And, it's been awhile since there's been a baby at our house.

SO....the upcoming spring is as follows; My future son-in-law will be graduating with his degree as a pharmaceutical technician in mid March. Elizabeth will be giving birth somewhere around March 13th. My daughter Michelle will be graduating from the U of MN mid May and is getting married May 28th. Let's not forget about baby showers, wedding showers, graduation ceremonies, etc, etc, etc. I was just wondering if anyone else had something they wanted to schedule with me!!! If so, please contact my personal assistant at [www.looneybin.com](http://www.looneybin.com)!

That's it for this month. Take care. *Terese*

## NOTES FROM OUR "SOCIAL DIRECTORS"



Hi all. I can't believe it's already September. Mom always said, "As we get older the time goes faster." She sure had that right!

We would like to thank each and every one of you who join in the activities here at CCM. It's a pleasure to know you are enjoying them and remember, "The more the merrier." I had to turn this article in before the potluck, but I'm sure it will be great as usual. Our Sept. Potluck will be on Mon. the 28th.

We've had a good turnout at our Vikings game parties. Please join us and watch the signs for dates and times. We have one more pre-season game (Fri. Sept. 4th at 7pm). Regular season starts September 13th.

**GARAGE SALE!!!** Our annual garage sale is Fri. the 11th & Sat. the 12th from 8am to 4pm. Please bring your items marked with price and initials down to the east parking lot. If you can't do it yourself call us 651-451-6828 and we'll give you a hand. You do not have to stay there if you choose not to, we will handle your sales if need be. Invite your friends and family to join us. We will have tables and some chairs available. You can make a few dollars but the friendship and fun we have is priceless! Hope many of you participate.

We are starting our monthly brunch on Sat. the 19th at 11:30am in the Club Room. No coffee and donuts on the days we do brunch. Please watch signs for details.

One last thing. If you are new to the CCM Community or are a seasoned resident, please join us for the functions we have. If you don't find it's something you enjoy that's ok, but just give it a try at least once and you might be pleasantly surprised.

That's all for now

Love, *Kevin + Kathy E.*

## A MESSAGE FROM MARY



Hi Everyone:

I guess I blinked and we lost our summer . . . or what we had of it. I guess I just have to be thankful that fall is such a great season. Warm during the day and cool at night for sleeping.

As you should have seen by now, we will be closing the pool early Wednesday morning. We are starting the roofing project over the pool and Club Room. In addition, we are going to be giving the pool area a “top-to-bottom” face lift, literally! We need to re-plaster the bottom of the pool and replace the ceiling tile. If everything goes as planned, we should be back in the pool by September 17. I want to thank you all for all the cooperation in bearing with us on all the projects we have done so far. I don’t know if it helps but we don’t like them any better than you do, probably less!

Until next month, God Bless *Mary*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**REMINDER:** When reserving the Club Room, please remember to take all your left-overs with you. The refrigerator has many miscellaneous items left in it. This has created an 'unpleasant' odor for other events and gatherings to endure.

**RECYCLING CONTAINERS:** Please make sure to dispose of your recycling in the appropriately marked containers. **DO NOT USE THE RECYCLING CONTAINERS TO DISPOSE OF GARBAGE/TRASH!**

**GARBAGE/TRASH RECEPTACLE:** Trash hauling for large or hazardous items is not included in your rent. Please do not use the trash receptacle to dispose of any such household items (like furniture or electronics), before contacting Terese in the office to make arrangements for payment because there is an extra charge assessed by the hauler. Large cardboard boxes must be broken down and, preferably, stored alongside the dumpster else they can cause the dumpster to overflow other trash on the floor.

## SPEEDY JUSTICE



On August 12, before 5 a.m., Dan surprised two young men trying to remove our plasma TV from the wall in the Club Room. As they scampered out, Dan called 911. Dan's call, our security cameras, and good work on the part of the West St. Paul Police department resulted in the arrest and, later, full confession by Randy Knight pictured here. Randy, 30, gave police the name of his accomplice so another arrest will probably be forthcoming. In the meantime, his sentencing is scheduled for September 21 at 1:30 p.m. If you would like to join Lee in attending the hearing, please let him know!

In the past four years, there have been three cases of persons breaking and entering the common areas of the building. In 2005, they stole a Corvette out of the UG parking. In 2006, they stole our nice plasma TV. And now this one. In all three cases, the perpetrators are behind bars! Plus, because we have such nice, easily accessible "toys" in the Club Room, no burglar has even given a thought to entering an apartment. Could that be another advantage of apartment living as opposed to homeownership?

## THE FUNNY BONE

A real estate agent had just closed his first deal only to discover that the piece of land he had sold was completely underwater. "That customer's going to come back here pretty mad," he said to his boss. "Should I give him his money back?"

"Money back?" roared the boss. "What kind of salesman are you? Get out there and sell him a houseboat!"

This submitted by Ken U. #306 >

## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

| Name             | Bldg | Apt  | Day |
|------------------|------|------|-----|
| Darrell Lehnertz | 45   | #302 | 4   |
| Carl Otto        | 55   | #135 | 6   |
| Marlene Woog     | 55   | #133 | 9   |
| Edmund Grund     | 45   | #110 | 11  |
| Tina Sanchez     | 55   | #134 | 15  |
| Gary Jones       | 55   | #334 | 18  |
| Doris Wells      | 45   | #105 | 20  |
| Marion Johnson   | 45   | #217 | 21  |
| Fred Arndt       | 45   | #209 | 22  |
| Myrna Schreur    | 45   | #208 | 28  |

**USERS BEWARE!**

While compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs) are energy efficient replacements for incandescent bulbs in the light fixtures you use most, it is very important that you match the correct bulb type to the fixtures in your home. Only specialty CFLs may be used in dimmer and three-way light switch-controlled appliances. One customer shared with LCEC his lesson learned:

He and his wife unknowingly put a new CFL into their three-way light fixture. When they turned on the light, it began to smoke and caught on fire! Luckily they were able to put out the small flame before major damage or injury occurred and only needed to replace the appliance switch.

Three-way and dimmable CFLs, as well as a variety of other styles such as flood lamps and ceiling fan bulbs, are available for specialty fixtures and uses. Please double-check the package before you buy new bulbs or install new CFLs in your home. If it doesn't say dimmable or three-way, then it is not compatible with those types of fixtures.