

Country Club Manor

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October 2009 Newsletter

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CONSTRUCTION: WILL IT EVER END!



We wish to thank Dan for all his hard work during the re surfacing of the pool bottom, installation of the new ceiling tiles in the pool room, and the new roof on the pool room and club room. Thanks also to Dan and Kathy for cleaning up after the very messy job. We also would like to thank everyone for your patience during the construction period. The new roof and the re surfacing of the pool bottom were both overdue but very messy. Thanks to Mark Seeger for doing the landscaping in the front by the entrance to each building and for taking care of the runoff in the back of the 55 building. And kudos to the few residents that had to move plants and etc for him to do that work. We are still trying to do something with the decks. Hopefully, that will be the last project for awhile. Again, thanks for your patience. If it's any consolation, we hate these projects more than you do! (We need to try and find the money!)

FROM TERESE'S DESK



Hi again to everyone at CCM! I can't believe another month has come and gone. Along with it...SUMMER! It will be a nice break from the humidity; just not looking forward to going from AC to heat all in one week!

My husband and I will be closing up the cabin sometime this month. We will miss the fresh fish dinners and the 'GREAT OUTDOORS'. My daughter was up over the last weekend in September with her camera. I hope to preview some beautiful sunsets, landscape and wildlife shortly.

Thanks for everyone's patience during the pool remodel project, roof replacement and inside ceiling repair. The pool is up and running, the club room is 'spic-n-span' and the new sky light has been installed in the puzzle area. ENJOY!!

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



NOTES FROM OUR "SOCIAL DIRECTORS"

Hello all! Here it is, Fall already. The leaves are starting to change and hopefully we'll get beautiful color this year.

- The pool is finished and Dan & I would like to thank Ken & MaryAnn Knoll for the help they gave us in the cleaning effort. Also thanks go out to Dan for his hard work.
- The 3rd Annual CCM Garage Sale was a great success. All told we made almost \$2000. WOW!! Thanks to all who participated and a special thank you to those who helped with set up and take down. Start looking through your items and plan to join us next year.
- The casino trip to Diamond Jo's was a lot of fun. Plus we had a few people go on an overnight to Jackpot Junction and that went well also. Our casino trip this month will be to Treasure Island on Thurs. Oct. 22nd. I hope many of you will join us.
- We started up our once-a-month "Saturday Morning Brunches" again. We had 23 people and great food. Please consider joining us on Oct. 17th for a change of pace. There will not be coffee & donuts on "Brunch Saturdays." Birthday/Anniversary/Potluck this month will be on Oct. 26th.
- It's Oct. so that means we'll have our annual Halloween Party on Saturday Oct. 31st at 6:30pm. There will be costume judging so wear your costumes if you wish. Everyone is welcome, so just bring a snack to share and choice of beverage. (Coffee and cider will be served) We really have a great time at these parties and would love to see new faces.

We had a surprise at coffee Sat. morning. A resident who has lived here for 17 years came to Coffee & Donuts for the first time. (It has been going on for 11 years) He enjoyed himself, and will be back. This just shows you that, whether you've lived here a long time or just moved to the community, you are always welcome to join us for any of our gatherings. For all our social functions, please watch bulletin boards for dates, times, and sign-up sheets. That's it for this month. Take care!

Love, *Kevin + Kathy E.*

A MESSAGE FROM MARY



Happy Halloween Everyone! The Halloween party will be on Saturday, October 31, 2009 at 6:30 PM. I would again like to thank everyone for your patience during all the work going on around here. There is just no way to get it done without inconvenience. So a big “thank you” for that!

The heat has been turned on, so please turn your heat off before you open a window if you are too hot. Be sure your storm windows are closed up. If you have trouble closing them, please call the office so we can send someone up to close them.

On another note, Please be reminded that Dan has retired from our Maintenance Dept. If you have an after hour emergency, please call the office number, not the personal number of the person on call. If you cannot get hold of the on-call person, please call me at 651-451-9770.

I am still enjoying my grandchildren and now that Sean is in Kindergarten, I have more one-on-one time with Nick and the two of us are really enjoying the special time. Nick enjoys going for rides in the car without Sean. I think it makes him feel like a really big boy. He is even riding the jeep and tractor by himself now.

Don't forget the Christmas party on the 8th of December. Hope to see most of you there! 'Till next month have a great Day and God Bless,

Mary

FUN TRIP TO JACKPOT JUNCTION



Heading out

Bringing Home the Bacon

Only a few CCM residents (and the photographer) were serious enough gamblers to make the overnighter to Jackpot Junction in Western Minnesota on September 19. The hotel/casino is about 2 ½ hours WSW of West St. Paul.

A KODAK MOMENT



On September 19, Craig Dahlstrom (#128) was walking out the door of the 55 building and noticed a raptor sitting on the fence separating us from Westview Condominiums. He ran back to his apartment to get his camera and alert Judy. They both returned and the hawk was still there. He and Judy enjoyed watching it for quite a while during which time he took these pictures. In referencing a bird book, it is most likely a Cooper's hawk which preys on, among other things, chickens. Good luck finding a live one in West St. Paul! Thanks Craig for being so perceptive and for sharing your photos with us!

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

This submitted by John Aldrich (#118):

- I got some jam on their new couch, but Grandma and Grandpa doesn't care.
- I lost my toothbrush, dropped a glass, my old jeans have a tear. I tipped the cat dish on the floor, my feet are always bare. The way I look is a disgrace, but...Grandma and Grandpa doesn't care.
- Grandma's very busy; then she sees the tangles in my hair. She gets a brush, I make a fuss, but...Grandma doesn't care.
- When I am grown, and on my own, when visits become rare (though we'll e-mail lots!). I'll never forget the love I'd get.....when Grandma and Grandpa didn't care!

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BLDG</u>	<u>APT</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Pat Gresafe	45	#312	1
Jack Ranalls	45	#207	10
Helen Smith	55	#233	11
Norman Sell	55	#323	11
Michael Gresafe	45	#312	13
Beverly Gutzmer	45	#205	14
Delores Stewart	55	#235	17
Jim Mehle	45	#316	24