

Country Club Manor

March, 2017 Newsletter

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HAPPY ST PATRICK'S DAY!

You don't have to be religious or even Irish to have a blast on St. Patrick's Day! All you have to do is know a few things about this kooky holiday. The national holiday of Ireland, this holiday is taken pretty darn serious here in the United States and around the world. Maybe it's a nice little excuse to wear green, enjoy green alcoholic beverages, and act just a little sillier than normal. Or maybe it's so we can all enjoy some corned beef and cabbage and a Guinness. Speaking of corned beef, there's no corn in the beef. It's actually a nod to the large grains of salt that were historically used to cure meats, which were also known as "corns".



We HOPE this is the last SNOW we see in awhile!!

FROM MARGIE'S DESK

Hello!

Is it too early to say Happy Spring? I know we are probably going to get lots of snow yet but it sure was nice to have all those beautiful 60 degree days of sunshine!

Inspections will be done the beginning of April. I heard the Valentines Brunch was very nice and I hope you are all looking forward to the St Patrick's Day Brunch! We had a nice crew to decorate for the occasion (thank you!). We will have live music for St Patrick's so put on your dancing shoes and come on down! We will be going to the Plymouth Playhouse again on April 13th, tickets are \$23 and we will be eating lunch at Green Mill (not included in ticket price). We will be seeing "Rise Up Old Men", sign-up sheets are in the lobbies. The last day to sign up and pay will be March 23.

We will need volunteers for Easter / Spring decorating on Monday March 20th @ 9am. If you see Mike and or Danielle Williams #312 in the halls please wish them well in their new journey to Arizona. They will be gone the end of March. Monday night Bingo was a great success! Please watch the calendar for our next Monday night Bingo on the 6th & 20th. I attended for the first time and it was a lot of fun! The Super Bowl although a big letdown for many because of the winners was a huge success with over 43 people attending. Thank you to all who helped us with setting up and cleanup.

Please keep Kevin & Kathy in your thoughts and prayers they are both so special to us and we are so thankful to have them. They really do make CCM the best apartment complex ever!

I hope you all have a wonderful month!



WELCOME YOUR NEW NEIGHBOR

Sandee Clingerman - #105

Hello,

My name is Sandee Clingerman I live in apt. #105. I grew up in Roseville and then moved to Edina for 30 years. I have returned to my beloved St Paul to roost. I am a retired RN specializing in home care. I have two daughters Elizabeth & Jessica and one grandson Charlie who is the absolute love of my life! My heart overflows with love and gratitude. I chose CCM after seeing all of the activities offered and the photos associated with them. It looked like a really fun place to live! I love reading and most often read 4-5 books a week. I would love to start a book club so if anyone is interested, please let me know! I am learning the value of having good neighbors and friends to do things with everyday. All too often you hear and see about our senior population being isolated and lonely. I know the choice to move here was a good one and I look forward to meeting all of you. If you would ever like to stop by for coffee or even go to lunch, please let me know!



NOTES FROM OUR "SOCIAL DIRECTORS"

Hi everyone!

I'm sure most of you know that Kevin had a heart attack on Feb. 18th. He is back home and doing well. Both of us would like to "THANK" everyone who offered prayers, well wishes, offers of help, visits, cards, and flowers!! You are truly our family & we are so blessed to have you.

How about that Super Bowl Party? We had a great turn out with 43 people joining us for a GREAT evening of fun, food (filling up FOUR 8ft. tables), and a surprise ending to the game. Door prizes were given out & we even played "Commercial Bingo". A big thanks to all who came. Next year will be even better since it'll be right here in MN!! Just an FYI, the Spring Garage Sale will be June 9th & 10th. Mark your calendars.

We had a very nice Valentine Brunch. Great food & prizes. Thanks to Mary & Paul R. for entertaining us with music and a skit. We enjoyed the show. If anyone here has a special talent, (or even simply thinks they do) please let me know if you'd be willing to entertain us at any of our activities. We'll welcome you with open arms.

The St. Pat's Day Brunch is on Saturday the 18th. Kevin & I will bring the corned beef & cabbage. There will also be live music. Sign's will be posted with more info.

The Monthly Casino Trip is on Tuesday the 21st to Diamond Jo's Casino. Sign-up sheets will be in both lobbies & we'll have signs with more information posted around the buildings. We had some lucky people who won on the last casino trip so you could be next if you join us. Everyone is welcome & you can even bring your friends / relatives if you like.

On the 20th we'll be taking down the green decorations and putting up Easter/spring. If you'd like to help, we'll be in the Club Room at 9am.

Our monthly Birthday/Anniversary Potluck will be Monday the 27th at 5:30pm in the Club Room. As with all of our activities, signs will be posted throughout the buildings and in the elevators. That's it for now. Take care! Love, Kevin & Kathy

 Kathy E.

BIRTHDAYS HAPPENING THIS MONTH

From all of us at CCM, we'd like to extend a warm and fuzzy HAPPY BIRTHDAY to the following people this month. If you see them in the hallway or around the grounds, please say Happy Birthday to them for us! :)

NAME	BLDG	APT	DATE
John Aldrich	45	304	2
Carol Snidarich	55	125	5
Rita Lloyd	45	202	5
Paul Johnson	55	335	5
Jeanette Koegel	45	311	7
John Drake	45	210	8
Johnny De Carlo	45	302	11
Bruce Campbell	45	309	17
John Reyes	45	203	18
Brad Campbell	45	309	18
Robert Randall	45	303	20
Beverly Harris	45	208	20
Mitzi Vold	45	216	21
Kathy Ericson	45	107	26
Karen Kelley	55	227	27
Diane Gilsrud	55	333	29
Jean Ferderer	45	306	30



FRIENDLY REMINDERS

- Pets **must** be transported in and out of the building in a pet carrier.
- Please return carts promptly and park them properly, not behind the cars that park close by.
- Please set a timer and remove laundry promptly so others can use the machines.
- If you need to borrow a table or chairs, you must check them out in the office.
- If you have a problem with the vending machine or lose money please let me know.
- We sell quarters and stamps in the office and quarters at coffee & donuts on Saturdays.
- We have new rules concerning children and the use of the hot tub there is a 15 minute maximum time limit for children. Please see the rules posted in the pool area.
- If you change your phone number or vehicle please be sure to update the office.



DONALD BAKEWELL'S COLUMN

Are we done with Winter? It's beginning to look that way folks! But let's not forget, this is Minnesota (also known as MinneSNOWTA) so I'm not placing any bets just yet. For now though, we can finally start using the patio deck again with out having to totally bundle up and that puts a smile on my face!

I'm happy to report that our activities here in the building are becoming more and more popular. This is great news as the more people who come to hang out with their neighbors, the more activities we'll continue to host. From pot lucks to casino trips, we are doing everything we can to keep you all entertained while living with us at Country Club Manor.

With that said though, I have to be out in Las Vegas this week babysitting a real estate listing I just signed. I've only been a REALTOR® for under a year so I'm very excited to have already obtained a listing. I will try to get back as soon as I can but in the mean time, try not to party too hard with out me! ;)



THE FUNNY BONE

How Fights Start:

One year, I decided to buy my mother-in-law a cemetery plot as a Christmas gift. The next year, I didn't buy her a gift.

When she asked me why, I replied, "Well, you still haven't used the gift I bought you last year!"

And that's how the fight started.....

My wife and I were watching Who Wants To Be A Millionaire while we were in bed. I turned to her and said, 'Do you want to have sex?' 'No,' she answered. I then said, 'Is that your final answer?' She didn't even look at me this time, simply saying, 'Yes..'. So I said, "Then I'd like to phone a friend."

And that's when the fight started...

I took my wife to a restaurant. The waiter, for some reason, took my order first. "I'll have the rump steak, rare, please." He said, "Aren't you worried about the mad cow?" "Nah, she can order for herself."

And that's when the fight started.....

My wife was at her high school reunion, and she kept staring at a drunk swigging his drink as he sat alone at a nearby table.

I asked her, "Do you know him?" "Yes", she sighed, he's my old boyfriend. He began drinking right after we split up years ago, and hasn't been sober since." "My God!" I said, "Who would think a person could go on celebrating that long?"

And then the fight started...

My wife was hinting about what she wanted for our upcoming anniversary. She said, "I want something shiny that goes from 0 to 165 in about 2 seconds." I bought her a bathroom scale.

And then the fight started.....

THE FUNNY BONE (CONTINUED)

When our lawn mower broke my wife kept nagging me to get it fixed. But, I always had something else to take care of. Finally she thought of a clever way to make her point. I found her seated in the tall, un-mowed grass, busily snipping away with a tiny pair of scissors. I watched silently for a short time and then went into the house. I was gone only a minute, and when I came out again I handed her a toothbrush. I said, "When you finish cutting the grass, you might as well sweep the driveway." The doctors say I will walk again, but I will always have a limp. My wife sat down next to me as I was flipping channels. She asked, "What's on TV?" I said, "Lots of dust."

And then the fight started...

After retiring, I went to the Social Security office to apply for benefits. The woman behind the counter asked me for my driver's License to verify my age. I looked in my pockets and realized I had left it at home. I told the woman I would have to go home and come back later. The woman said, 'Unbutton your shirt'. So I opened my shirt revealing my curly silver chest hair. She said, 'That silver hair on your chest is proof enough for me' and she processed my Social Security application. When I got home, I told my wife about my experience at the Social Security office. She said, 'You should have dropped your pants. You might have gotten disability too.'

And then the fight started...

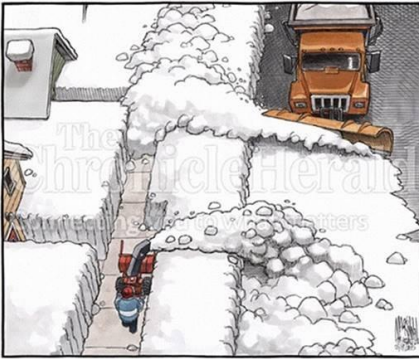
My wife was standing naked, looking in the bedroom mirror. She was not happy with what she saw and said to me, "I feel horrible; I look old, fat and ugly. I really need you to pay me a compliment.' I replied, "Your eyesight's damn near perfect."

That's when the fight began

I rear-ended a car this morning ... the start of a really bad day! The driver got out of the other car, and he was a DWARF!! He looked up at me and said 'I am NOT Happy!' So I said, 'Well, which one ARE you then?'

That's how the fight started....

THE FUNNY BONE (CONTINUED)



Have a great month everybody!