

Heritage Glen III Newsletter

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Did You Know?

Storm Drains: We have 25 storm drains in HG-3 and none of them are connected to a sewer system – In fact, only a few of them empty into ‘The Pond’. The rest are similar to the drain fields that we all have as part of our septic system. Since the drains are open to collecting leaves, fir needles and dirt, they must be cleaned from time-to-time. They had not been cleaned recently, so the Board decided to clean all of the drains at a cost of \$5,272 (and spent an additional \$1787 to repair 2 sections that were broken) – in the future we will clean about 1/3 of the drains each year on a fixed rotating schedule.

Landscaping: For the past few years we have hired someone to take care of the landscape in the common areas – the large and small ovals on 139th Street and the front entrance planters. The individual (who has done a great job) may be moving out of the area this summer and we will need a replacement. Please contact any Board member if you have recommendations.

Road Repair: In 2009 we did some major repairs to our roads and then applied a seal coat to the entire road surface. Our roads are getting older and are more prone to deterioration and cracking. Sealing the cracks that may develop is a yearly maintenance task that helps to prevent future (major) problems. Over the past 12 months we have sealed over 3000 linear feet of cracks at a cost of over \$4000.

Pond Maintenance: You may have noticed the ‘disappearance’ of many of the trees in the Pond – over a period of time, the silt caused by the leaves from deciduous trees can lessen the capacity of the pond – so we removed all of them and just left a few evergreens. Hopefully, this will be a one-time activity (cost= \$2500) as long as we continue to remove future ‘volunteer’ trees when they are small.

Crime Watch: During the past couple of months there were some incidents in the Glen (Divisions I, II & III):

- 4 or 5 cars broken into – all parked on the street or in driveways, some had locked doors – be cautious and do not leave valuables in your vehicle.
- Mailbox in Div II – postman’s door opened and mail taken – please report any incidents to the Board and to the Post Office

Yard Sale: We will again sponsor the community yard sale in conjunction with Div 2 but this year it will be in August. We hope that moving it to the weekend of August 3-5 will increase participation since last year it was very low (less than 10 families).