

# The Hanover Square News

Hanover Square Condominium Association

## Editor's Message

### It's your legacy

I recently attended a Boy Scout ceremony for my nephew Lutsen where he was awarded the rank of Eagle Scout. Only 1 in 100 Scouts obtained this rank. The Scoutmaster's final words were about legacy, a topic that is of interest to me and should be of interest to all of us.

Once you are an Eagle Scout, you will always be an Eagle Scout, you have the prestige and the responsibility of being an Eagle. The Scoutmaster explicitly noted how Scouts and your achievements in Scouts contributed to your legacy.

Once you are gone, each time you move on, out of high school, out of college, from one job to another, when you die, you leave behind your legacy.

#### *How will you be known:*

Will you be known as the person who is always parking in other people's parking spaces, or who is always disturbing the neighbors or as one that lets their dog loose to do it's business in the yard. Will you be known as the person who is always helping your neighbors or who keeps their yard neat or is willing to pitch in and help the community achieve an honorable goal or who could tell a good joke and handle being the subject of others good jokes.

#### *Rich, buy your way out:*

Many rich people try to leave behind a note worthy legacy. The most notable to me was Andrew Carnegie who did whatever he had to do to succeed in business. He was willing to squeeze everyone he met to make money from them. In the end he gave away most of his money I believe to change his legacy from one of a greedy ruthless person and is now known as the benefactor to such institutions as Carnegie Hall and other public works. Most of us are not rich enough to buy a good legacy so we have to earn it over our lifetime.

It's never too early to start working on your legacy.

Larry M. Adrian

## President's Message

I hope everyone enjoyed the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday. Being the first 4<sup>th</sup> since the attack of 9/11 it was an emotional one for me. I have to say that I am personally impressed with how many Hanover Square members have been working together, cleaning up the neighborhood, landscaping their yards, and helping each other out. This is what a neighborhood is all about!

Please have a look at the letter in this issue written by Mary from 1309A. After reading it just think how great the entire complex could be if we were all like this. We are defiantly on the upswing here not only in how Hanover Square looks, but also in how we all see and treat each other, LETS KEEP IT UP.

### Hard at work:

You may have seen Dave from 1311A, Steve from 7609D, Chris from 7605D, Troy from 7607C and myself around the complex trimming trees, removing dead branches and trimming branches that were too low or blocking the lights. We also are removing dead or problem trees. By doing the work ourselves, we are saving Hanover Square the money that would have been spent on a tree service.

We have also repaired the lights that were broken or not working, replaced bulbs in those that needed bulbs and repositioned a few lights for better coverage in darker areas. As of July 5<sup>th</sup>, all of the lights are working. Once again, a huge THANK YOU to Dave for going far beyond the call of duty. Once again, by doing this ourselves we save the money we would have to pay Teco Electric to do the work.

We consider the entire complex our home and when it looks good we all feel proud.

### Money, money, money:

Speaking of money, there have been a few comments made to me by some residents about how the association funds are being used.

I would like to clear up one comment in particular. The comment was "... the association's money is being wasted on a web site when we should be using it to repair the roofs ....".

For everyone's information, the web site has been built and is being maintained by myself at no cost to the association. As far as the roof comment goes, so far this year we have spent \$15,838 on the roofs. I don't expect everyone to know everything about what is going on in the association, but it might be a good idea to get the facts before making comments like this. I, the other board members, as well as several residents are working very hard to improve Hanover Square. Comments like this one don't help motivate us, all they do is hurt our feelings and cause bad vibes all around.

### Web site:

The Hanover Square web site, [www.hanoversquare.org](http://www.hanoversquare.org), seems to be a big hit. We have already received positive feedback about it not only from Hanover Square residents but from a former Hanover Square president and from the village.

If you haven't seen or heard about the site here are a few things you will find there...

- Original documents from 1972 when Hanover Square was built
- Photos and info about the complex and residents
- Information about the management, board of directors and village
- The rules and regulations for Hanover Square
- Helpful information about home improvements
- Current news and all newsletters
- And A LOT MORE

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