



# Imperial House Condominium

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Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year from the Imperial House Condominium Board of Directors and Management!

Please note our office hours in observance of the holidays:

**Tuesday, Dec 24** - Open 9 AM to 2 PM  
**Wednesday, Dec 25** - Closed  
**Tuesday, Dec 31** - Open 9 AM to 2 PM  
**Wednesday, Jan 1** - Closed



## Construction Project Updates

**GARAGE, UPPER PARKING DECK, AND POOL DECK:** Pool coping was installed.

Paver's installers are back to continue the installation of the tiles around the pool. New 3 pool ladders were installed and they are also installing new tiles in the gutter today.

AOE is applying waterproofing on the upper parking deck and working at the roof above unit 15E.

**Garage entrance gate** should be opened soon, there were some delays due to holidays.

**REAR ROOM:** Work is in progress, columns base being installed in the garage.

**LANDSCAPING:** Landscaping in front of Lanais is in the final phase.

**If everything goes by schedule, we expect to have the pool opened by the end of the year holidays.**



# Employee Holiday Fund 2019

If you wish to contribute on the Employee Holiday Fund, you may still mail or drop off your check at the Management office or at the front desk. The check needs to be payable to Imperial House Condominium Association. We thank you in advance for your continuous generosity and thoughtfulness.

**Please make check out to:**

Imperial House Condominium Association Inc  
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## Safety Tip of the Month

The Holidays are here and so is the season for increased fires. Here are some tips to keep in mind when decorating your home this holiday season:

- Do not overload your electrical circuits.
- Use indoor lights inside and outdoor for outside.
- Make sure there are no loose connections or broken sockets.
- Keep trees away from fireplaces, radiators and other heat source.

# Poinsettia Trivia

The holiday season is just around the corner. You'll be sure to see lots of America's favorite holiday plant in stores soon. Test your poinsettia knowledge with this trivia quiz!

1. The poinsettia plant is named after Dr. Joel R. Poinsett, a U.S. diplomat who served as an ambassador to which country in the 1820's?
2. In Mexico, what is the poinsettia called?
3. Poinsettia plants come in more than just red. Name some of the other colors it comes in.
4. True or false: Poinsettias should be placed in direct sunlight.
5. The shape of the center of the poinsettia represents what?
6. True or false: The red part of the poinsettia are actually leaves.
7. In nature, how tall does a poinsettia plant grow?
8. What percent of potted plant sales during the holiday season are poinsettias?
9. Which U.S. state is the top producing state of poinsettias?
10. True or false: Poinsettias are poisonous.

### ANSWERS

1. Mexico.
2. Flor de la Noche Buena, meaning the Holy Night Flower.
3. Peach, pink, lemon, cream, and white.
4. False. Indirect sunlight for at least six hours a day is best.
5. The Star of Bethlehem.
6. True. The actual flower is small and yellow. The red leaves are often mistaken for petals.
7. Ten feet tall.
8. 85 percent.
9. California.
10. False, despite common belief.

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## Recipe for Latkes



- 4 medium potatoes
- 1 medium onion
- 2 eggs
- 3/4 cup matzah meal (flour or bread crumbs can be substituted)
- salt and black pepper to taste
- vegetable oil

Shred the potatoes, onion and bell pepper into a large bowl. Press out all excess liquid. Add eggs and parsley and mix well. Add matzah meal gradually while mixing until the batter is doughy, not too dry. (you may not need the whole amount, depending on how well you drained the veggies). Add a few dashes of salt and black pepper. Heat about 1/2 inch of oil to a medium heat. Form the batter into thin patties about the size of your palm. Fry batter in oil. Be patient: this takes time, and too much flipping will burn the outside without cooking the inside. Flip when the bottom is golden brown. Place finished latkes on paper towels to drain. Eat hot with sour cream or applesauce.

If you'd like to try something a little different, add some bell peppers, carrots, celery, or other vegetables to the batter to make veggie latkes!

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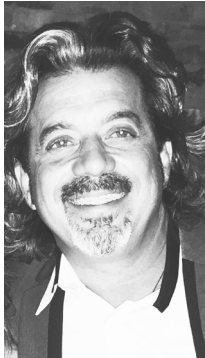
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