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*Wishing the Isola family an abundance of peace, joy, health, and prosperity this holiday season and into 2020.*

*Happy Holidays!  
-Isola Condominium Association*

### Isola Projects Update

#### HALLWAY RENOVATION PROJECT

As you know, work on the hallway renovation project continues to be underway.

Drywall repairs have been completed on all floors.

PD Painting continues to work on the paint in our hallways. Floors PH2 through 16<sup>th</sup> and the 12<sup>th</sup> floor have already been completed. They have already begun preparation work on the 15<sup>th</sup> floor and expect to have that floor completed next week. Based on our current schedule, we expect the painting portion of the project to be completed by the end of February.

The contractor completing the baseboards and casings has completed his installation.



**Update** (cont. from page 1)

Our new hallway signs have been delivered to the building. We will be completing installation once all hallway work has been completed.

The wall covering material has been delivered and is currently on site. We are working with our installer for availability to complete at least the finished floors.

Our in-house staff will begin the removal of the thresholds on floors 18<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> next week and will continue working their way down until all have been removed.

Carpet has been installed on floors PH1, 21<sup>st</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. Our installer expects to have floors PH2, 20<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup> completed within the next 2 weeks. They have also began ramping the elevator landing on all floors. Once these floors and the ramping are completed, they will need to take a pause on the installation. They will return once all the thresholds have been installed and all painting completed.

**GARAGE RESTORATION AND POOL DECK PROJECT**

Our engineer, E.C. Consulting has submitted the plans and specifications to the city to begin

with the permit process for our garage repairs and pool deck renovations.

Contract negotiations continue underway with Structural Preservation System "SPS". As negotiations are taking longer than originally expected, our engineer, E.C. Consulting, has also met with Promax to obtain pricing in case an agreement cannot be reached with "SPS".

As approved by the Board on our December 2<sup>nd</sup> Board Meeting, we

have begun contract negotiations with DSS Condo as they have been selected to provide Project Management Services/Owners Representation in our construction project.

We appreciate your patience and understanding while these improvements take place in our community.

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- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 cups semi-sweet chocolate mini morsels
- 1/2 cup finely chopped nuts
- Powdered sugar



Preheat oven to 375° F. Beat butter, sugar, vanilla extract and salt in large mixer bowl until creamy. Gradually beat in flour; stir in morsels and nuts. Shape level tablespoons of dough into 1 1/4-inch balls. Place on ungreased baking sheets. Bake for 10 to 12 minutes or until cookies are set and lightly browned. Remove from oven. Sift powdered sugar over hot cookies on baking sheets. Cool on baking sheets for 10 minutes; remove to wire racks to cool completely. Sprinkle with additional powdered sugar, if desired. Store in airtight containers.



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# What is Chanukah?

In 2nd century BCE, in an effort to pull Jews away from Judaism and adopt the Greek culture – Hellenism, the Syrian-Greek regime of Antiochus outlawed aspects of Jewish observance, including the study of Torah, which began to decay the foundation



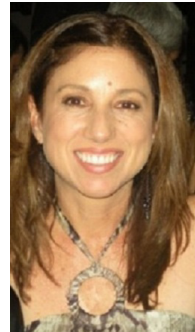
of Jewish life and practice. In response, a band of Jewish settlers took to the hills of Judea in a revolt against this threat to Jewish life. Led by Matitياهو, and later his son Judah the Maccabee, this small band of devout Jews led guerrilla warfare against the Syrian army. Antiochus sent thousands of well-armed troops to crush the rebellion, but the Maccabees succeeded in driving the foreigners from their land. Jewish fighters entered Jerusalem in December, 164 BCE.

The Holy Temple was in shambles, defiled and desecrated by foreign soldiers. They cleansed the Temple and re-dedicated it on the 25th day of the Jewish month of Kislev. When it came time to re-light the Menorah, they searched the entire Temple, but only one small jar of oil bearing the pure seal of the High Priest could be found. Miraculously, the small jar of oil burned for eight days, until a new supply of oil could be brought. From then on, Jews have observed a holiday for eight days in honor of this historic victory and the miracle of the oil.

Today, the observance of Chanukah, meaning “dedication” features the lighting of a special Chanukah menorah with eight branches (plus a helper candle), adding one new candle each night. Other customs include spinning the dreidel (a top with Hebrew letters on the sides), eating “oily” foods like potato latkes (pancakes) and sufganiyot (jelly donuts), and giving Chanukah gelt (coins) to children.

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