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Message from your Board of Directors

Thank you to those residents who attended the Board Meeting on March 6. It was the first Board meeting for our new Property Manager, Maria Veizaga. AKAM, our property management company, would also like to host a Meet and Greet for the community so that all of you can get to know Maria. The Meet and Greet is scheduled for 6 p.m. Wednesday, March 27, in the recreation room. Everyone is welcome and we hope you can all attend!

Manager's Corner

We would like to remind all residents that it is very important to pick up after your dog. Other people should not have to clean up after your dog, just as you would not want to clean up after theirs. Many residents have commented lately that people are not picking up as much as they did in the past, and we want to remind you to that it's not just important to follow the rules, but also to be considerate of your neighbors. We all live here – this is our home. Let's do our best to show that we care about it.

Damage Inspection Update

The inspection of the common areas and units for Hurricane Irma damages has been completed. A big thanks to all of you for making the inspection go smoothly. We should have a report from the engineer in a couple of weeks and will then be able to move forward on repairing the east windows and the other windows that were damaged in Hurricane Irma. This has taken longer than we would have liked, but please understand that we have been working diligently to make sure that we receive what is owed to us. As you know, the east side windows were installed a while back and because of all the damage it caused, we had to make sure we had the right people come in and assess the damage.

Grievance Committee

Our Grievance Committee is now official. We welcome committee members Jennifer Mendez, Jose Anzola and Christina Coltraro. We are confident you will be a great asset to the community, thank you for volunteering!

Outdoor Light Poles

The contract has been awarded to repair our outdoor pole lights with new LED lighting fixtures. Due to Hurricane Irma damage as well as old age, many of our lights have been in disrepair. We look forward to the new fixtures and having proper lighting around our property.

Sea Wall

The contract has been awarded to repair our seawall. The engineer, Wolfgang Schwerdt from RAS, spoke at the Board Meeting and gave a clear overview of how

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the project will be handled from start to finish. We look forward to working with him and getting our seawall repaired and our dock replaced.

New Gym Equipment

Many residents have given us great feedback about the kind of equipment they would like to see in the gym. While we are not in a position to purchase all of it right now, we are moving ahead to provide two new elliptical machines, one new treadmill, several new free weights and an exercise ball. We have contracted with Life Fitness and we hope you will all be happy with the results!

Cabana

I know we keep saying this, but here we go - today we are closer than we ever have been. We have only one more permit to go, our FLOOD permit. As of March 8th, we were told that they just need to update it in the system and then we should be good to go. We hope that this will be the last of it and we are granted the permit. Once we receive the permit, you will definitely be receiving an email letting you know. We are excited and hope you are too!

Landscape

Our landscapers have finished replacing some of the foliage around the fountain. They have also finished injecting all of our palm trees to protect them against disease. Hopefully our lovely palms will be with us for many years to come!

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Community Corner

Property liability insurance

We have written about this in the past, but really it cannot be stressed enough just how important it is for all of us to have homeowners insurance on our units as well as renters insurance if you are a renter.

Condominium unit owners face the same risks as all homeowners. They can lose belongings to water damage, fire or theft, and they can be sued for causing injury or property damage to others. Please check with an insurance company (perhaps your auto insurance company, or any reputable insurance carrier) for quotes and information. Condo unit owners should have their association bylaws in hand when meeting with their insurance agent to ensure that they purchase the coverage they need.

Replacing smoke detector batteries

If you are going out of town, especially for any length of time or during hurricane season, please remember to check the batteries in the smoke detector in your unit. We've all heard that annoying chirping from



a unit where no one is home. If the management office has a key on file, they may be able to help. If not, we all have to live with the sound of your dying batteries until you get home. It is especially bad for your closest neighbors, so maybe you could simply go ahead and change the batteries before you leave town.

Registering new vehicles

If you buy a new car or get a new license plate, please be sure to give the information to the management office so they have your correct information on file. It's important for security to be able to identify which vehicle belongs to which unit. Please bear in mind the decal on your license plate must be for the current year!

Saving water by reporting leaks

If you see a water leak inside or outside of the building, please report it to the management office as soon as possible. Small leaks can quickly become big leaks, affecting neighboring units, and continuously running water increases our monthly water costs. We all pay for the water that the building uses and over time, leaks can cause big increases in our water bills.



International Women's Day, an international holiday, has been set aside to recognize the achievements and successes of women the world over. March 8th marks one of the first organized actions by working women anywhere in the world. On this day in 1857,

hundreds of women garment and textile workers went on strike in New York City protesting against low wages, long working hours, and inhumane working conditions. The event ended in violent struggles with police.

"Our lives shall not be sweated from birth until life closes, For our hearts starve as well as bodies Give us bread, but give us roses." (The anthem of striking mill workers in Lawrence, Massachusetts, 1912.)



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