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MARBELLA ELEVATORS

Dear Residents,

The elevator inspection will take place Thursday, December 22, 2022. After inspection passes, the new elevators will be in service and will work together with the old for eight days; after that, the modernization of freight elevators (1 East & 3 West) will begin.



Modernization work will take approximately twelve weeks. During this time, both freight elevators will be closed to deliver large items and move in/out.

- Residents parking in the garage must take the stairs to the lobby.
- Anyone moving in or out during January, February, March, and April must wait until the freight elevators are ready. This closure will also apply to large furniture.

We are very sorry for the inconvenience this may cause. We greatly appreciate your patience, cooperation, and understanding.



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Wrap It Up!

Have you noticed that wrapping a gift can cost more than the gift itself? There are some ways to cut the cost of gift—wrapping. Try these tips this holiday season!

- Brown paper bags can be decorated with stamps, markers, or paint. Tie the top with yarn or raffia. Use white trash bags to wrap large or oddly shaped presents. Check your local newspaper office to see if they sell "ends" from the newsprint paper. You can decorate the paper in many different ways.
- Make the wrapping part of the present itself. Wrap a gift of clothing in a pretty scarf and tie it with a hair ribbon. A purse or small bag could hold another smaller gift. Use a tablecloth or towel to wrap up a gift. Check thrift shops for old tins, hatboxes, or fabric remnants that would make great gift containers. Baskets make great gift holders.



Use curling ribbon instead of other bows or ribbon. It is cheaper and can give a wrapped gift a very festive look. Make tags by cutting up holiday cards from the year before. Simply cut around an image from the front and write on the back. Punch a hole in one corner and thread curling ribbon through it. Tie it on your package for a nice touch.

Finally, buy your wrapping paper for next year at the after Christmas sales this year. You can save up to 75% off. Place it in a plastic bag to keep it clean and dry.





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Recipe for Latkes

- 4 medium potatoes
- 1 medium onion
- 2 eggs
- 3/4 cup matzah meal
- salt and black pepper to taste
- vegetable oil

Shred 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. Add a few dashes of salt and black pepper.

Heat about ½ inch of oil to a medium heat. Form the batter into thin patties about the size of your palm. Fry batter in oil. Flip when the bottom is golden brown.

Place finished latkes on paper towels to drain. Eat hot with sour cream or applesauce. They reheat OK in a microwave, but not in an oven unless you cook them just right. If you'd like to try something a little different, add some bell peppers, parsley, carrots, celery, or other vegetables to the batter to make veggie latkes!











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