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OWNER'S UPDATE



- The domestic water pump #2 has been rebuilt this month. It should help mitigate the water pressure issues in the building we experienced lately.
- The life Safety equipment is now pending to select the company that will be do the job. The Board has received several proposals and will conduct interviews to complete the selection with the project manager.
- The landscape is currently working on a schedule for a new round of fertilization of the hedges around the property. They will also schedule the 1st trimming of the year.
- We are currently working with an electrician to improve the lighting on the parking lot. The idea is to replace the 4 lights on the 2 tall poles in the middle of the parking lot. We will also get a proposal to replace some lighting at the back of the pool room and by the bike area.
- The roof was repaired following the last episode of heavy rain, we had active leaks. In the meantime, the project manager is working on getting a solution to redo the entire roof.
- The security committee and Board met with 2 companies to discuss the upgrade of the surveillance system and install a new access control system on all doors in the building.
- Reminder: The trash chute is to be used only for trash previously bagged. No other item should be put in the chute since it will clog it. It appears some people recently threw shelves and cardboard boxes. Cardboard boxes need to be flattened and placed in the recycling container. See next line for instructions with bulk trash.
- **We remind you that bulk trash is not allowed in the building's trash room. Please arrange for a pickup or dispose of your bulk trash with the city of Miami Beach, the information can be find here; <https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/public-works/sanitation-division/bulk-disposal/>**

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Be sure to set your clocks ahead one hour at 2 a.m. on Sunday, March 12th.

This is also a great time to change the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Many fire departments encourage people to change their batteries in these detectors when they change their clocks, because it can be so easy to forget otherwise. "A working smoke detector more than doubles a person's chances of surviving a home fire," says William McNabb of the Troy Fire Department in Michigan. More than 90 percent of homes in the United States have smoke detectors, but one-third are estimated to have worn-out or missing batteries.



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GET AN INSURANCE CHECKUP

Just as your body needs a checkup once a year, you should consider giving your insurance the once over occasionally as well. People's lives can change very rapidly. But one thing many of us forget is to adjust our insurance coverage along with these changes. If it has been several years since you've sat down and reviewed your insurance coverage, now is the perfect time.

Start with your life insurance. If the number of dependents you have has increased due to a new birth or a marriage, you will need to consider both the amount of life insurance you have, and who is named as beneficiary. If your children have grown, you may find that you no longer need the same type of insurance that you had before. If you are approaching retirement or are already retired, consider sitting down with an insurance professional to determine whether you have the right coverage for you—you may find that the type of insurance you have is no longer necessary.

Next, take a look at your auto insurance. You probably obtained collision insurance when you bought your new car. It

makes sense to carry this type of insurance on newer models of cars. But as your car ages, this type of insurance may no longer be necessary. The value of a car decreases as time goes by. To gauge whether this type of insurance makes sense, compare the value of the car, and the cost of repairing it, to the cost of the collision insurance premiums. The most cost effective solution may be to assume the risk of repairing your car yourself.

While evaluating your renter's or homeowner's insurance, be sure to consider whether you have added any items of monetary significance to your home in the past few years. If you have purchased expensive jewelry, furs, or other big-ticket items, you may need to add some insurance coverage for these items.

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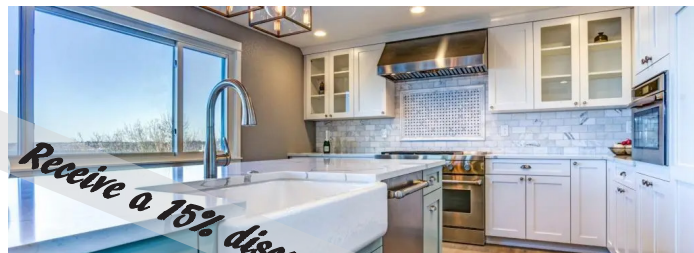
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