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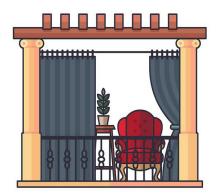
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MANAGER'S CORNER

A reminder to all residents to familiarize yourself with the Association's Rules & Regulations.

UNIT BALCONY REGULATIONS

Permanent attachment of fixtures such as plants, baskets, containers, chimes, plaques or other objects to the ceilings, floors, walls is not permitted. Wind chimes or any other noise emitting items are not allowed. Nothing placed on balconies, except for potted plants, shall extend above the enclosure of the balconies (railings or parapet walls) and be visible from the ground.



Residents are permitted to display the flag of the United States from balconies. Appropriate decorations may be displayed during religious holidays or seasons. All exterior displays must be securely anchored to prevent injury to persons or damage to property in the event of winds & storms.

No one may cause wash or sprinkling waters to flow from balconies or cause dirt, debris or damage to windows, walls and balconies of lower units or vehicles parked below. Nothing (including water and cigarettes) may be dropped, thrown or poured from balconies.

- Open-flame barbecuing or cooking on balconies is prohibited.
- No carpeting may be used as a floor covering on any balcony. The material retains moisture and can damage concrete and steel.
- Balconies are not to be used as storage areas. Bicycles are not allowed on balconies.
- No antennas, aerial or satellite dishes may be installed on balconies without prior approval of the Association.

We appreciate your assistance in following the Rules & Regulations

Thank you, MANAGEMENT

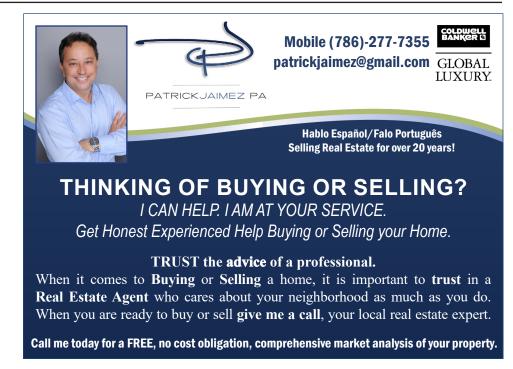
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A/C MAINTENANCE

Residents are reminded that their AC handler air filters should be replaced at least once every 90 days. Dirty filters reduce the amount of air flowing through the unit and could disrupt airflow, causing your AC handler coil to freeze and potentially result in AC compressor damage, with a high repair cost. Also, reduced air flow and/or coil freezing will significantly reduce the system's efficiency, resulting in insufficient cooling and increased electricity cost.

Drain pan drain lines should be kept clean by adding one cup of distilled vinegar or a commercially available drain line cleaner to the drain line once per month. When condensation builds up inside the AC's without being drained, water can overflow and leak out of the unit. As with any moist environment, the pan filled with stagnant water can also become a breeding ground for mold.

In addition to monthly/quarterly maintenance which residents perform on their own, air-conditioning units (both in units and on the roof) should be inspected, cleaned, and serviced at least once a year by a professional.







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MAJOR PROJECTS HIGHLIGHTS

September 5, 2023

GARAGE RESTORATION (50-Year Recertification)

Phase 1 (pool Deck/storage closet – Post Tension Cables Repairs) – New cables have been installed. Concrete has been poured near pool wall and curing is in progress. After curing, cables will be tensioned and remaining excavation will be poured.



Phases 4 and 5 (West Visitor Parking Lot)
Concrete surface and post tensioned cable repairs underway.



Estimated project completion: November 2023

TOWER RESTORATION (50 Year Recertification)

- Awaiting final contract from Paradigm for approval by BII.
- Building permit dry run application revised and awaiting approval by City of Coral Gables. Coral Gables Board of Architects to review application 9/7.
- Estimated project duration is 2 years after work commences. Schedule to be provided by Paradigm Construction after contract approval.

POOL RENOVATION

• Final finish (Florida Gem Pool plaster) being applied. Expect completion by September 8. To be followed by pool fill, equipment testing and permit closure. Estimated completion September 2023.



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FINANCE COMMITTEE **REPORT FOR JULY 2023**

Our current Accounting Firm, Sharma, has still not completed some of the items required by Mr. Montoro to complete the audit. Such items have been urgently requested from Sharma.

The income positive variance of \$6,081.00 comprised of late fees and miscellaneous income (amount recovered from the resident who hit the entry gate). On the expense side, HR had a positive variance of \$15,000.00. Professional fees reflect a negative variance of \$12,975.00. The Louis Aguirre expense will be changed to reflect as a reserve item. Legal expenses were \$6,842.00. Insurance expenses, as expected, are at a negative \$13,000.00. Utilities are currently on budget, but we anticipate higher fees due to the water testing of the pool. We are over budget on landscaping. Ms. Vivian Medina mentioned that they are now charging the full contract amount since all landscaping has been completed. On monthly collections, we are currently at a deficit of \$12,000.00 for the operating account with a balance of \$1,030.000 in the reserve account. Special assessment 2021 balance of \$870,000.00; special assessment 2023 balance of \$1,310,387.00; reserve account \$1,694,097.

The Board is currently discussing termination of the Sharma Contract and a presentation by the proposed Accounting Firm will be forthcoming, followed by a Board decision.



NEW RESIDENTS

Carlos Rosell

Be Considerate and Use Proper Phone Etiquette

When attending Association meetings and In order to avoid disturbing everybody else in the room, please turn off your phone before the meeting starts. If your phone still rings, silence the call or immediately leave the room to answer.

Do not use your phone in the gym for private conversations. Your conversation distracts and interferes with other people working out.

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