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OWNER'S UPDATE

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- The modernization of the Elevator is still in the permitting phase. At the same time, Suncoast Elevator will also be replacing Otis Elevator effective immediately to take care of the current elevator's maintenance.
- Touch ups were done on the pedestrian exit gate frame on the 19th St side, but the work is not satisfactory. The contractor has been asked to come back to do it again.
- We are still pending an estimate for the gate replacement at the entrance of the parking lot. We received only 2 proposals. The last one should be received shortly so we can move forward with the replacement as soon as possible.
- The association is in the process of evaluating landscape companies to take over Brightview. They have been difficult to work with and did not provide the expected services, leaving the parking lot covered with leaves despite multiple requests.
- The Association and its Board is still working on getting several project to be accomplished in 2024 but additional delays are pushing completion dates: - Generator Installation - Fire Sprinkler system installation - Parking lot drain pipes sleeving - Complete re-roof - Access control and camera upgrades - Catwalk flooring - Geothermal discharge well.
- Please find below a reminder regarding trash disposal:
 - o Refuse/bagged garbage shall be deposited only in the trash chute, or in the containers provided in the trash room. In this regard, all refuse must be in sealed bags. -Cardboard boxes or any size, wire hangers, newspapers, and any item that might clog the chute must be brought to the ground floor trash room, which is accessible from the atrium. -No construction debris, paint cans or other volatile or inflammable objects shall be placed in the trash chute, recycling bins or trash room. These items must be properly disposed of in accordance with the environmental protection guidelines.**BULK TRASH IS NOT ALLOWED IN THE BUILDING'S TRASH ROOM.**
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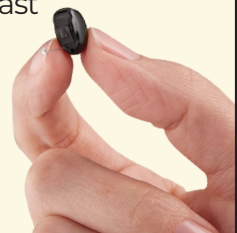
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Ingredients

- ½ pound extra-lean ground beef
- 1 large egg, lightly beaten
- 2 tbsp dry bread crumbs
- 1 tbsp grated Parmesan cheese
- ½ tsp dried basil
- ½ teaspoon onion powder
- 5 ¾ cups chicken broth
- 2 cups thinly sliced escarole
- 1 cup uncooked orzo pasta
- ½ cup finely chopped carrot

Combine ground beef, egg, bread crumbs, Parmesan cheese, basil, and onion powder in a bowl. Shape beef mixture into 3/4-inch balls and place on a parchment-lined tray. Heat broth in a large pot over medium-high heat until boiling. Stir in escarole, orzo, carrot, and meatballs and return to boil. Reduce heat to medium and cook at slow boil, stirring frequently to prevent sticking, until pasta is tender yet firm to the bite, about 10 minutes. Serve hot, garnished with fresh parsley and extra Parmesan cheese. Serves 4.





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