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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

CONDO LIVING

The move from Connecticut to Florida some 10 1/2 years ago, from one condo complex to another, was not such a "big deal" for me. In both instances I was working full time and had little (like zero) desire to get involved in the vagaries of condo living. Like most of you, I paid my maintenance fees every month and was more than happy to let a handful of people administer the activities and operations of the condo association. But unlike the majority of residents at Colony Point, I did attend every Board meeting because I really did want to know what was going on.

One of my most favorite expressions is "Ignorance is bliss," and I was content in my knowledge that there were some very capable people managing the condo community in CT. For the most part, the residents were young, working singles and/or young couples with small children. Few were former home owners so it was easy for them to adapt to the condo way of life. Even as a new community, we had rules and we had challenges and most were content with living within the prescribe boundaries.

My Florida condo experience is significantly different because the majority of residents are former home owners, and the transition is very difficult for some. The major difference in owning a condo or a house is in the ownership. At Colony Point there are 660 co-investors who own apartments within an interior space and they are connected by a common wall, and these units are governed by established documents, covenants, and rules outlining the rights and restrictions of the owners. The land, grounds, and facilities are considered "common areas." All owners pay a shared maintenance fee for certain defined upkeep and services. For former home owners, these may be very troublesome to understand and live by but it is the nature of condo living. Please understand this is a very general explanation and an oversimplification of the condo way of life.

At Colony Point, we have six building associations and a separate Club association, each with respective boards of directors and officers. Unit owners elect members from their buildings to represent them in the administration of their organizations. A unit owner does not have the authority to act for the association by

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reason of being a unit owner, another disturbing concept for some people to grasp.

Owners need to understand there are some common electrical, carpentry, plumbing problems, i.e., leaky faucets, water heaters, running toilets as prime examples of THEIR responsibility, and in most instances I suggest you contract with a licensed and insured individual/company for repairs. There are several "handymen" in the complex that can provide these services but remember: <u>licensed and insured are key words</u>.

It's really important for unit owners to attend their respective building meetings. Your Board(s) need to communicate with you about their issues and challenges and they need to hear from you on how to best address them. If you choose not to attend or participate, then you abrogate your right to legitimately complain.

Back to the main topic...condo living! Some disadvantages: (1) maintenance fees can and do rise; (2) there can be assessments; (3) noisy neighbors. The advantages far outweigh the negatives: (1) our management company handles all the exterior maintenance, including grounds, pool, club, and general maintenance; (2) cable, trash collection and insurance included in maintenance fee; (3) no lawn to mow or upkeep to worry bout. Life can only get better if you're living at the Ritz (and can afford it).

Finally, there is a need to understand the role of a management company and its on-site employees. Management company employees provide advice, guidance, and assistance to the Board(s) to comply with the laws, statutes, ordinances, and rules governing the Associations. Its duties and responsibilities are clearly spelled out in our contract with them. With the possible exception of certain emergency situations, the management company does not have the right or the authority to enter into any agreements. Only the Board(s) has that right. A major responsibility of a management company is to develop a budget and to create a plan for operating expenses. In this regard, I often recall the slogan of the old Greyhound Bus Company: " ... Leave the Driving to Us." So sit back and enjoy the ride...condo living can be a very pleasant experience.

SCREENING STANDARDIZATION COMMITTEE

Recently I was asked to chair a committee to help standardize the screening packages we use at Colony Point for new Owners/Residents. The screening committees of each building, 1 thru 6 were asked to have at least 2 representatives take part in this project.

The packets that were being used had grown way out of proportion over the years and many items were just duplicated. Many screening committee members were concerned that the process was just too repetitious and the true purpose for the screening was not being achieved.

There were three work sessions held in February, which were very productive. The screening packages were reduced by almost half their overgrown size with absolutely no change to any of the Colony Point rules and regulations.

I want to thank and congratulate the following screening committee members for all their time and effort.

Building 1 - Ron Cohen & Gary Braithwaite; Building 2 - Annette Moody & Lilly Friedman; Building 3 - Annette Drazin & Lois Levitt; Building 4 - Isela Torres & Mary Canavan; Building 5 - Winnie Bartholomew & Claudette Martin; Building 6 - Arlene Sargent & Dolores McNab.

All the committee members and I want to express our sincere appreciation to Sulyn Guerrero for all her time and dedication to this project. Her knowledge and guidance made all the difference in our achieving the goal of a standardized package. Sulyn spent many hours on our behalf working on this project plus doing her daily work in the Colony Point office.

Thank you to Lu Ann and Angie for covering the front office while Sulyn was busy in the work sessions with the committee. At no time did our residents suffer any loss of service from our front office during this project.

This shows that dedicated people in our community can come together and accomplish something when asked to "Step up to the plate."

It has been my honor to work with each and every one of you.

Louis De Traglia, Chairman, SSC

TEMPORARY PASSES

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A Young man learns what's most important in life from the guy next door

Over the phone, his mother told him, "Mr. Belser died last night. The funeral is Wednesday." Memories flashed through his mind like an old newsreel as he sat quietly remembering his childhood days.

"Jack, did you hear me?"

"Oh, sorry, Mom. Yes, I heard you. It's been so long since I thought of him. I'm sorry, but I honestly thought he died years ago," Jack said.

"Well, he didn't forget you. Every time I saw him he'd ask how you were doing. He'd reminisce about the many days you spent over 'his side of the fence' as he put it," Mom told him.

"I loved that old house he lived in," Jack said.

"You know, Jack, after your father died, Mr. Belser stepped in to make sure you had a man's influence in your life," she said.

"He's the one who taught me carpentry," he said. "I wouldn't be in this business if it weren't for him. He spent a lot of time teaching me things he thought were important...Mom, I'll be there for the funeral," Jack said.

As busy as he was, he kept his word. Jack caught the next flight to his hometown. Mr. Belser's funeral was small and uneventful. He had no children of his own, and most of his relatives had passed away.

The night before he had to return home, Jack and his Mom stopped by to see the old house next door one more time.

Standing in the doorway, Jack paused for a moment. It was like crossing over into another dimension, a leap through space and time. The house was exactly as he remembered. Every step held memories. Every picture, every piece of furniture.... Jack stopped suddenly...

"What's wrong, Jack?" his Mom asked.

"The box is gone," he said.

"What box?" Mom asked.

"There was a small gold box that he kept locked on top of his desk. I must have asked him a thousand times what was inside. All he'd ever tell me was 'the thing I value most,'" Jack said.

It was gone. Everything about the house was exactly how jack remembered it, except for the box. He figured someone from the Belser family had taken it.

"Now I'll never know what was so valuable to him," Jack said. "I better get some sleep. I have an early flight home, Mom."

It had been about two weeks since Mr. Belser died. Returning home from work one day Jack discovered a note in his mailbox. "Signature required on a package. No one at home. Please stop by the main post office within the next three days," the note read. Early the next day Jack retrieved the package. The small box was old and looked like it had been mailed a hundred years ago. The handwriting was difficult to read, but

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the return address caught his attention. "Mr. Harold Belser" it read. Jack took the box out to his car and ripped open the package. There inside was the gold box and an envelope. Jack's hands shook as he read the note inside.

"Upon my death, please forward this box and its contents to Jack Bennett. It's the thing I valued most in my life." A small key taped to the letter. His heart racing, as tears filling his eyes, Jack carefully unlocked the box. There inside he found a beautiful gold pocket watch

Running his fingers slowly over the finely etched casing, he unlatched the cover. Inside he found these words engraved:

"Jack,Thanks for your time! - Harold Belser."

"The thing he valued most was...my time."

Jack held the watch for a few minutes, then called his office and cleared his appointments for the next two days. "Why?" Janet, his assistant asked.

"I need some time to spend with my son," he said.

"Oh, by the way Janet, thanks for your time!"

"Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take but by the moments that take our breath away."

Think about this. You may not realize it but it's 100% true.

Submitted by Marci Welsome



ORGANIZATION NEWS



WOMEN'S CLUB

By Cynthia Greenfield 954-431-8301

We cordially invite all women residents to join our club. We provide great entertainment and luscious desserts and coffee at all our meetings. It is

especially meaningful to new residents to have a chance to meet your neighbors and make new friends.

Dues are \$18.00 per year, payable to Women's Club.

Mark your calendars:

April 11th - Hard Rock Casino-Hold the date. - \$16.00 including tip. Casino will give us \$15.00 to play and \$5.00 towards lunch.

Meetings:

April 25 - Howard Michaels

May 23 - David Merlemans

June 27 - To Be Announced

Note the dates on your calendar. Great entertainment is planned for each date.

Dec. 1-9 - 8 Day Caribbean Cruise - Carnival Freedom - excellent price.. Call Shirley Bivens - 954-433-7817 - If you love cruising, you could not find a better group to go with....

Carol Ostrow is doing a great job on entertainment for our meetings. Ruth Pell balances our finances and makes every dollar amount balance to the penny. Shirley Bivens, our President, is great to work with, and she is a strong leader..

Glad to have Louise Randazzo back on membership. It takes a "Village" to make a successful club, and we are fortunate to have caring people keeping our Women's Club so successful. My sincere gratitude to Annette Moody for the outstanding notices she does for our Casino trips and activities of the Women's Club. Mary Ann Ponty keeps everyone up to date on meeting dates and membership. Barbara Davis is the New Membership person, and an asset to the Board. If I left anyone out, I apologize... Everyone on the Board does a great job. A big "ThankYou" to all the Board Members who keep Women's Club so successful.

We wish the newly formed Men's Club good luck and much success.

Membership Committee:

Louise Randazzo 954-436-8103 Barbara Davis 954-443-9731 Maryann Ponty 954-441-2719

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The world is changing and then it seems that nothing has really changed. The world is still in turmoil. There are threats and/or conflicts everywhere, notably in the Middle East, Africa and Korea. A particularly serious threat to Israel is the potential development of a nuclear Iran. In spite of this, Israel and Judaism will survive.

Passover, a festival celebrating freedom and the survival of Judaism is approaching. We wish all our Jewish friends and neighbors a joyous holiday.

We also extend our best wishes for a happy Easter to our Christian friends and neighbors.

2012 Program: Our regular activities are suspended. You will be notified for special events.

The following services will continue:

- For birthday, anniversary, get-well or memorial cards, please contact Annette Drazin at 954-450-1296.
- Trees for Israel may also be purchased. The cost per tree is \$15.00. Contact Annette Drazin at 954-450-1296.
- For membership information, please contact Rachel Goldberg at 954-432-9605.



A Message From Lois Wexler

Broward County Commissioner
District #5

Working Together

We often let you know in this newsletter about what your County government is doing to make your life easier. But there's another theme running through this newsletter: Broward County is providing you opportunities to help improve your community sometimes while saving money.

Some people believe that there is little they can do to affect the world around them, but that's just not true. The opportunities to affect your lives are everywhere, from voting to volunteerism. Government is just a mechanism that you have empowered to help you make this a better community. But it's a partnership and we can't do it alone. We're trying to do our part; we hope you'll join us in the effort.

Making Taxes A little Less Painful

Broward County residents who want to drop off their property tax payments in person no longer have to find a parking place and feed a meter before going inside the Governmental Center to wait on line.

On March 30 and April 2, residents can use a drivethru payment station in the parking lot of the Governmental Center Annex, 115 S. Andrews Ave., in downtown Fort Lauderdale, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Customers should enter the parking lot from the Brickell Avenue side of the Governmental Center and follow the signs. For your convenience payments can also be made online at any branch of Wells Fargo Bank.

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To view your taxes or for more information regarding your tax bill, visit broward.org/revenue or call 954-831-4000.

Save Money and the Planet

Among the lessons at the Water Matters Day is the fact that many conventional toilets waste immense amounts of water. But County residents can save water and money through the Broward Water Partnership's Toilet Rebate Program.

Available through October this year, this program offers up to two \$100 rebates for buying approved WaterSense certified High EfficiencyToilets that use 1.28 gallons of water per flush or less. Residents also may also qualify to receive free low-flow showerheads and faucet aerators. Pre-rinse spray valves are available for business owners.

To determine your eligibility, visit <u>ConservationPays.com</u> or call 800-270-9794 for more information.

Right now is a smart time to buy an energy-saving appliance because you may qualify for a different rebate program, thanks to the County's ENERGY SENSE program, administered by the Natural Resources Planning and Management Division.

Through March 16, Broward County Residents and small to medium-sized businesses can purchase a new qualifying ENERGY STAR refrigerator or clothes washer and receive a rebate for \$150 or \$250 - Which may save you up to a fifth of the cost.

This is a repeat of last year's program when the County handed out more than \$180,000 in rebates. More information is available.

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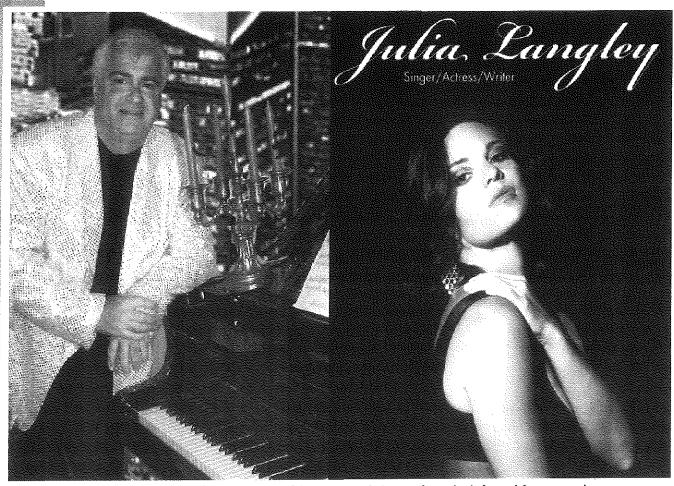
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IS YOUR HOME POISON-PROOF?

More than 500 times a day, Florida Poison Information Center nurses, doctors, and pharmacists answer calls for help on our 24 hour emergency and information hotline.

The calls come from families like yours:

- A parent of a toddler who swallowed potent medicine or cleaner
- The older adult who confused his prescriptions
- The homeowner who splashed pesticide in her eyes

Nationally between 70-80% of all callers to the Poison Control Hotline can be safely and effectively treated at home.

Poison Control Centers save Floridians millions of dollars every year by preventing unnecessary trips to hospital emergency rooms.

Steps to Poison Safety:

- Display the Poison Control Hotline 1-800-222-1222 with other emergency numbers near your phone or program it on your cell phone. Make sure babysitters and grandparents also have the number handy.
- · Remove all poisons from children's reach.
- Safely dispose of medicines that are old or no longer needed.
- Create a secure area for poisons. This can be a high cabinet or a locked box in the garage.
- · Keep products in their original containers.
- Locate and repair areas of flaking paint where children play.
- Never call medicine "candy". Teaching poison safety begins early!
- Find out names of plants in your house and yard.
 Keep houseplants out of reach of small children and pets.

A few more tips...

- Teach children to "Always ask First!" If children ask before trying something new, parents get a chance to say "No"!
- Most poison deaths in the U.S. are a result of medication misuse. Call your Poison Control center for any medication mistake.

Poisons in the home:

General: Flaking paint, plants, Repainted toys Purse: Pain relievers, all medications, cosmetics Bathroom: Aspirin, Drain cleaners, Iye, hair care products, nail polish & remover, Deodorants, hair remover, Rubbing alcohol, Boric acid, All Medications, iron tablets, Hand lotions, Creams, Room deodorizers, Suntan lotions, Toilet bowl cleaners, Pine oil & bath oil.

Kitchen: Aspirin, Furniture polish, Cleaners and scouring powders, oven Cleaners, Rust removers, Drain cleaners, Powder & liquid detergents, Ammonia, All medications, Carpet & upholstery cleaner, Alcoholic drinks

Bedroom: Sleeping pills, Cosmetics, jewelry cleaners, perfumes, Cigarettes & Tobacco products, moth balls & sprays

Garage: Bug killers, Lighter Fluid, Paints, Anti-freeze, Weed killers, lime, gasoline, turpentine, paint removers & thinners, Fertilizers, Rat poison

Questions & Answers:

When I call the Poison Control Center, who answers? Doctors, nurses and pharmacists specially trained in toxicology.

If I call Poison Control, is my information kept private? Yes. Your call is fully confidential.

Will I get billed for my call? No. Our services are free to the public. Poison Control services are sponsored by the Florida Department of health, Children's medical Services.

What if I need help on the weekends? The Poison Control Center is available 24 hours, 7 days a week.

What if I travel outside Florida? Calls to 1-800-222-1222 go to the closest Poison Control center, anywhere in the U.S. There are more than 60 certified Poison Control Centers in the United States.

Does the Poison Control come to my house and help with a poisoning or a snake in my yard? No. We assist callers over the phone.

First Aid:

If someone is having trouble breathing, has chest pain, or has fainted, call 911 IMMEDIATELY! For other poisonings, call 1-800-222-1222 for instructions.

Inhaled Poisons/Gases: Move a person to fresh air. Avoid contact with fumes. Call Poison Control for instructions. Do not mix chemicals or cleaners. Never operate a generator indoors or near an open window to avoid carbon monoxide. Keep cars exhaust systems in good repair.

Poison on the skin: Use gloves when applying pesticide or using chemicals. Rinse the skin with water for 10 minutes and wash with gentle soap in case of contact. Call the Poison Control center for help.

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FROM THE MAYOR

City of Pembroke Pines

Dear Reader:

A number of people have asked about the construction activity

occurring at the eastern portion of Pembroke Pines City Center, close to Palm Avenue, so I want to give an update about City Center. I look out my window every day and view the progress that the Mill Creek development is making on constructing its two-phase residential project. Mill Creek Residential Trust LLC has sparked renewed interest in City Center by Breaking ground with a subdivision of 422 rental garden apartments and rental townhomes. The Mill Creek development will create jobs and is expected to act as a catalyst for the sale of other vacant City Center parcels. I have already heard from prospective developers who are willing to now build. The Mill Creek development is an \$18 million dollar project to the City.

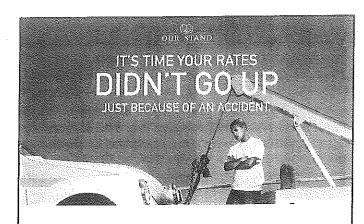
The development will be a gated community located just south of Pembroke Pines City Hall and just West of Palm Avenue. The developers were able to obtain the permitting necessary to construct a culvert over the canal to allow ingress an egress to the project. The completion of the mixed-use City Center, which consists of 142.89 acres, has been delayed as a result of market conditions, but now development is beginning to happen. I believe that this is a giant step in the building out of City Center, and we will keep you informed of the progress.

On another matter, just a reminder that you can access a live stream of the Pembroke Pines City Commission Meetings on the city's website at www.ppines.com; on the home page, click on "Live Webcast." If for whatever reason you cannot see the commission meeting on your cable or satellite service, accessing the Internet is a convenient alternative.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact me in the office at 954-435-6505 or email fortis@ppines.com

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IS YOUR HOME POISON-PROOF?

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Poison in the eye: Wear safety glasses when spraying pesticides or cleaners. If there is contact, gently rinse the eye with lukewarm water for 15 minutes. Call Poison Control for further instructions.

Swallowed Poison: In case of poisoning, do not take anything by mouth before calling poison Control. You should NEVER use syrup of Ipecac without being told to do so by a doctor. It can make things worse.

Take Action: Use this guide to make your home safe. Share the information you learn with your friends and family. It may help you save a life!

DON'T TAKE A CHANCE! **CALL POISON HELP** 1-800-222-1222!

Please help us to serve you. If you have any questions regarding this information, please call the Community Affairs Unit of the Pembroke Pines Police Department at 435-6538. For medical or poison related questions, please call the Poison Control center at the number noted above.

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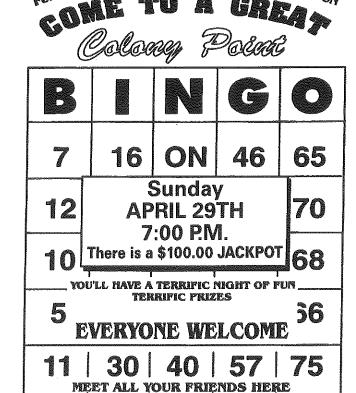
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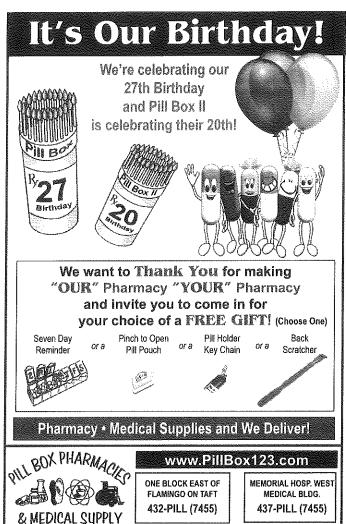
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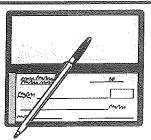




Sincerely Yours

Thank you my good friends for all your cards and calls on the passing of my dear sister Ruth Strickon. I do appreciate it so much. Thanks again.

> Lil Pertosoff Bldg. #6 - Apt. #411



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BUILDING NEWS

BUILDING ONE

Although we have not had a great deal of apartment turnover, we have experienced some changes in the past few months and I welcome M. Parvelus, Apt 510, Susan Doch, Apt 302, and Nancy and Oswaldo Imia, Apt 501, to our building and our community.

Please contact Anita Bullock, Apt 512 or Cece Held, Apt 210, with any interesting tidbits about yourself, your family, your job...anything that might make enjoyable reading for this publication. Everyone has a "story" to tell, and we have 659 pairs of ears eager to hear what you have to say.

WATER HEATERS: If you have a water heater 8 years or older, I strongly urge you to have it checked for leaks and replaced if necessary.

HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE: You are not required to have a home owners' insurance policy; however, I suggest every unit owner look into purchasing a policy that will fit your needs to cover possible costs associated by any unanticipated, accidents, including water damage from a burst/leaking water heater, pipe, fire, etc.

Choose a deductible that will suit your financial circumstance and one that will best satisfy your loss or damage as well.

FEEDING OF ANIMALS: The feeding of ducks is <u>illegal</u> in the complex. While it is not specifically stated in our rules, residents are reminded the feeding of other animals will not be condoned. There have been several sightings of raccoons around the complex. Raccoons may carry the rabies virus, and humans can die from a bite if not treated immediately.

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BUILDING TWO

Recently a resident who had their kitchen cabinets replaced, why they needed to fill out paper work, asked the question. The answer to this is very clear in your copy of "Colony Point 2 Condominium Association Document, Article X, Maintenance, Alterations and Improvement, Paragraph D. Alteration of Unit." Within the first nine lines, it states, "no owner of a condominium unit shall make or cause to be made any structural modifications or alterations or Replacements in unit owner's unit, without the consent of the Board of Directors of the Association." You All Have These Docs, Read The Entire Paragraph. The Castle office in the Clubhouse has all the necessary application forms you need for any modification, alteration or replacement you may wish to do. Also, the \$200 will be returned to you after satisfactory inspection of the unit for compliance with the application and inspection of the catwalk by the Property Manager and/or board member. This is the procedure Building 2 follows; other buildings may have other procedures, check with your building Board of Directors before starting a project.

Again, by the time you read this we will have a new resident, **Warren Hanson**, the new owner of unit 122. Welcome Warren when you see him.

One of the most important things you will do for yourself and your neighbors is Pay Your Maintenance on time and avoid the Late Fee.

Louis DeTraglia, (954) 447-1095 President



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BUILDING NEWS

BUILDING THREE

We are sorry to hear that **Bernadine Hassan's** Mother passed away in February. Building three wants to extend our condolences to you, **Bernadine (407)**.

Cass Daly's (401) surgery went very well, and he is recovering at home. We wish you only the best, Cass!

Lois and Norman Levitt (120) had their children and grandchildren visit for the March third weekend. They attended a wonderful family event, a b'not mitzvah, and had a glorious time!

We welcome to Building Three, Apt. 319, Santa Dominica Tejeda and Virginia Natoli Perez. We hope you will enjoy living here and will avail yourselves of all of our amenities.

We wish all of our friends and neighbors a Happy Passover and a Happy Easter.

CONDO COMMENTS

Our flowers are in, finally! We have multicolored Vincas and they are beautiful.

The elevator proposals are almost all in, there are only two left to get. Our board made up a spreadsheet and asked each company to give the same information so the comparison will be clearly discernible.

Elite Reconstruction has brought in a concrete expert who told them what product to use to repair the repair. This has bee a frustrating experience for the Board and the residents, but it is almost solved.

Please deposit all trash in a plastic bag and tie the bag tightly. Our porter should not have to pick up garbage on the trash room floor or on the grass. Thanks for your cooperation.

If you have anything you would like to share, call me.

Annette Drazin (954) 450-1296



BUILDING FOUR

Hope everyone had a nice St. Patricks Day.

We are getting new unit owners for 308 and 411. Welcome to Colony Point. I will give you their names next month.

Thank you, unit owners for saving water. Our bill went down a bit. Keep it up - save water.

Still trying to get a volunteer gardener for our building. Does anyone want to volunteer? Please contact me. Get ready for the end of this month for our annual picnic. Come and meet your neighbors. Picnic date selected will be April 28, 2012. Come and have some fun. Bring your own favorite foods, snacks etc. We will supply hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks etc. Please sign up on the sheet so we can know how to prepare for this event. Thanks for your cooperation.

Building 4 gentlemen - come and join the Colony Point Men's Club. Planning activities for you. Meetings are the third Thursday of the month.

Thank you, unit owners who fell behind in their maintenance fees and are now paying up. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Thank you, unit owners who support our Board in its decisions to maintain and repair the building. The Board is here to serve you and do the utmost best for building 4. We adhere to your suggestions and complaints. We need your support and cooperation. Think positive and do not think negative. Everything will be all right. Don't whine too much. Life is short.

I wish to thank the Board for its dedication and hard work they do for our building. Let us give them a hand of applause.

Thank you, Cynthia Greenfield for your work with the bus trips to the Casino. You keep the women of Colony Point active. I wish to thank those unit owners who come to the monthly meetings and give their input. Thanks to those who cooperate with the Board.

My suggestion to the Colony Point Club Board: don't hire consulting companies. Get many estimates on projects and think things out, discuss the issue and take your time, do your homework. We have folks here at Colony Point that can help you professionals.

I think we are in for a hot summer. Stay cool and be nice to your neighbors. Life is short. Good luck to everyone. God Bless.

George Rivera (954) 558-0707

BUILDING NEWS

BUILDING FIVE

We have to share the good news about our second centenarian in Building 5. Lillian Macwhirter (206) just celebrated her 100th birthday. Happy belated birthday Lillian and may you live many healthy, happy years longer.

We welcome our new neighbor, **Edgar Vasquez in 116.** We know Edgar will be happy here, especially with a neighbor as nice and helpful as our own **Felicia Fuentes.**

Speaking of Felicia, residents of Building 5 sure appreciate the good work (free) she does on the landscaping. Thank you my friend - only with I could help you.

Georgette Block had a short stay in the hospital and we're glad to see her back and feeling better. Welcome back and please stay well, Georgette.

Building 5 also welcomes two new unit owners in 301. **Norma Vega and Ileana Vega** will be moving in after renovations of the condo.

And now a message from our President, Winifred Bartholomew:

Many thanks to Felicia for taking care of our landscaping and making it look beautiful. We are very lucky to have her and not to have to pay outsiders to do the job.

Lately we have had to call in Oracle to fix the elevators. Evidently, residents (with their grocery bags) and vendors (with their equipment) hold the doors open for lengthy periods which puts the elevators "out of kilter". Please be more conscious of this fact and you will save us a lot of money.

We will also have to spend several hundreds of dollars to have the closers in the trash rooms fixed to be up to code with the fire department. Otherwise, the city will cite us and we will have to pay them for not meeting the fire code. Several owners have been observed pushing down items much too big for the openings and in the process leaning on the closers, breaking them. Again, we ask everyone to help our Association.

Happy Easter to our Christian neighbors and Happy Passover to our Jewish friends.

Please do not hesitate to call me if you have anything to share for the next column.

Claudette Martin (954) 432-3465

BUILDING SIX

We want to wish everyone a joyous Easter and a Happy Passover.

We need to make a correction from last month; Elaine Drogen's (103) correct cell phone number is 954-804-4439. Please give her a call; I am sure she will be happy to hear from her friends at Colony Point.

We were very sorry to hear about the passing of **John Sheils (105)**. We offer our condolences to his family.

We were very sorry to hear that **Lil Pertosoff (411)** lost her sister and son-in-law. We offer our condolences to Lil and her family.

We understand that **Friedel Weinberg (221)** is recovering and we hope to see her back soon.

We are very happy to welcome our new residents, Rhema James (318) and Jose and Aura Barajas (504). We hope you will be happy in Colony Point and look forward to seeing you at our various events.

We are very happy to report our flowers arrived and love it here.

Harriet Silverglate (954) 447-6355

We had the pleasure of having an owl in the atrium. Not everyone looked on it as a pet. The owl has left us, but he/she was sure cute.

Have you noticed the plumbing companies in and around the building? We in building six are very fortunate to have a resident who has become an expert "Josephine the plumber". If you know who this person is notify the Chatterbox and you will have your name in the next issue.

At this time you will have been notified of **Manny Ardila (301)** resigning his position as vice president of our building. His insight and experience in business will be missed. Manny has done so much for building 6 and the club house. Possibly with enough people committed to assist him in his responsibilities of entertainment he can continue bringing all the entertainment everyone has enjoyed.

We want to thank **Maryann Ponty (321)** who is just a mother hen to the flowers and the beautiful plants at our entrance.

Many thanks to **Roger Uncapher** who trimmed the palms. They were a serious threat to anyone passing them. He also was kind to trim the tree by Shirley McLain's (106) door. Shirley is a good example of being proud of where she lives. She works at keeping the area beautiful.

Dorothy Lukacsko, Building President

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Riding the Storm Out

Have you ever wanted to be part of the safety net that warns your neighbors of impending severe weather? The Broward County Emergency Management Division is recruiting residents to join the nationwide network of SKYWARN Storm Spotters volunteers who alert the National Weather Service of severe weather as well as damage from storms.

The first step is for volunteers to undergo training from a meteorologist on Saturday, March 3, at the Broward County Emergency Operations Center, 201 N.W. 84 Ave., Plantation. There will be information for newcomers as well as experienced spotters.

Attendees, who must be at least 14 years old, must preregister by Thursday, March 1. The class is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., but attendees must make their own lunch arrangements.

To register, call 954-249-5343 or email n4hhp@comcast.net.

1-595 Rolling Along

For all the noise, rush hour congestion and some notable accidents, work is progressing smoothly on I-595, with average monthly travel times reportedly near what they were before the project began, a project spokeswoman reported. All five segments of the ongoing expansion are 40 to 50 percent completed, she said.

Already completed is the westbound I-595 and State Road 84 direct connection ramp to the northbound lanes of the Florida's Turnpike, plus the "missing link" of westbound SR 84, which allows a driver to go from the east end of SR 84 road to the west without getting on and off I-595. That part of the project was completed one year earlier than originally scheduled.

The major work right now is the construction of the braided and by-pass ramps, to the interchange with Florida's Turnpike, the three reversible Express Lanes and the continuous connection of eastbound SR 84.

No major long-term road closings are anticipated over the next few months, although some areas may be closed overnight occasionally and some lanes may be closed for short periods.

Continued construction through the summer of 2014 will make it difficult to travel the corridor, although disruptions have been minimal considering how much massive work is underway day and night. The project appears to be on schedule.

You can sidestep the worst problems by being aware of precisely when and where work will be concentrated. An <u>online construction map</u> details land and ramp closures allowing you to plan for detours and additional travel time. Also, watch for information on portable message boards posted along the corridor that give motorists a few days warning about closings.

Continued on next column

Staving Young At Art

Pencil it in on your calendar: The eagerly awaited opening of the newYoung At Art Museum and Broward County Library in Davie is slated for May 5. The 55,000 square-foot facility at 751 S.W. 121 Ave. will have four exhibition galleries, a national Traveling Exhibition Gallery, a theater, a recording studio, gift shop, café and preschool classroom. For more information, call 954-424-0085, Ext. 27.

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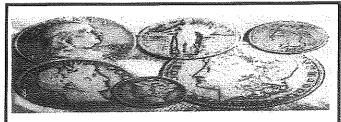




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They try 50-lb. potato bags and then eventually try to get to where you can lift a 100-lb. potato bag in each hand and old your arms straight for more than a full minute. (I'm at this level.)

After you feel confident at that level, put a potato in each bag.

Submitted by Barbara Klein

SUMMARY OF LIFE

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- 3) If your sister hits you, don't hit her back. They always catch the second person.
- 4) Never ask your 3-year old brother to hold a tomato.
- 5) You can't trust dogs to watch your food...
- 6) Don't sneeze when someone is cutting your hair...
- 7) Never hold a Dust-Buster and a cat at the same time.
- 8) You can't hide a piece of broccoli in a glass of milk.
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Submitted by Dorothy Lukacsko



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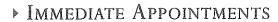


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1 - Bernadette Germain 10 - Manuel Ardila

19 - Ruth Pell

1 - Gladys Torres

13 - Sarah Lefkowitz

20 - Maurot Pineda

5 - Al Liebeskind

16 - Janice Landers

22 - Victoria Criston

8 - Damaso Fernandez

16 - Muriel Schwartz

9 - Hilda Chernicoff

18 - Mercedes Hevia

The Chatterbox does its best to be current and to accurately bring the news to you. However, we don't always have first hand knowledge of the monthly birthdays and anniversaries. If you know of individuals who, for whatever reason, no longer reside at Colony Point, please let us know and we will eliminate their names from our records. As always, we thank you for your assistance.



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REASONS NOT TO MESS WITH CHILDREN

A little girl was talking to her teacher about whales. The teacher said it was physically impossible for a whale to swallow a human because even though it was a very large mammal its throat was very small. The little girl stated that Jonah was swallowed by a whale. Irritated, the teacher reiterated that a whale could not swallow a human; it was physically impossible. The little girl said, 'When I get to heaven I will ask Jonah'. The teacher asked, 'What if Jonah went to hell?' The little girl replied, 'Then you ask him'.

A Kindergarten teacher was observing her classroom of children while they were drawing. She would occasionally walk around to see each child's work. As she got to one little girl who was working diligently, she asked what the drawing was. The girl replied, 'I'm drawing God.' The teacher paused and said, 'But no one knows what God looks like.' Without missing a beat, or looking up from her drawing, the girl replied, 'They will in a minute.'

A Sunday school teacher was discussing the Ten Commandments with her five and six year olds. After explaining the commandment to 'honour' thy Father and thy Mother, she asked, 'Is there a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters?' Without missing a beat one little boy (the oldest of a family) answered, 'Thou shall not kill.'

One day a little girl was sitting and watching her mother do the dishes at the kitchen sink. She suddenly noticed that her mother had several strands of white hair sticking out in contrast on her brunette head. She looked at her mother and inquisitively asked, 'Why are some of your hairs white, Mum?' Her mother replied, 'Well, every time that you do something wrong and make me cry or unhappy, one of my hairs turns white.' The little girl thought about this revelation for a while and then said, 'Mummy, how come ALL of grandma's hairs are white?

The children had all been photographed, and the teacher was trying to persuade them each to buy a copy of the group picture. 'Just think how nice it will be to look at it when you are all grown up and say, 'There's Jennifer, she's a lawyer,' or 'That's Michael, He's a doctor.' A small voice at the back of the room rang out, 'And there's the teacher, she's dead.'

A teacher was giving a lesson on the circulation of the blood. Trying to make the matter clearer, she said, 'Now, class, if I stood on my head, the blood, as you know, would run into it, and I would turn red in the face.' 'Yes,' the class said. 'Then why is it that while I

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REASONS NOTTO MESS WITH CHILDREN

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am standing upright in the ordinary position the blood doesn't run into my feet?' A little fellow shouted, 'Cause your feet ain't empty.'

The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic elementary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun made a note, and posted on the apple tray: 'Take only ONE. God is watching.' Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. A child had written a note, 'Take all you want. God is watching the apples.'

Submitted by Nancy Blacker

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Now that the warm weather is here, please remember that pool exercises take place on Saturday mornings at 9:30.

BAR CODES

If you need a new bar code, please come prepared with the correct information. You will need your car, drivers' license and registration. Both your license and registration must have your Colony Point address. Please bring a check in the amount of \$5.00 made out to: Colony Point Club; no cash or credit cards can be accepted. If you purchase a new car you will need a new Bar Code. If you get a new license plate you must report it to the office. Barcodes are done on Thursdays between 9A.M. and 10 A.M. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Bar Code Committee

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Dave was at death's door, and the family was gathered around him.

"Sarah, my wife, are you at the bedside?"

"Yes Dave, of course I'm here."

"And Bernie, my oldest son, are you here?"

"Yes Dad."

"And Rachel, my daughter, are you here?"

"Yes father, at the foot of the bed."

"And Sam, my youngest, are you here too?"

"Right here Pop."

"Well then," said merchant, "if all of you are here, who's minding the store?"

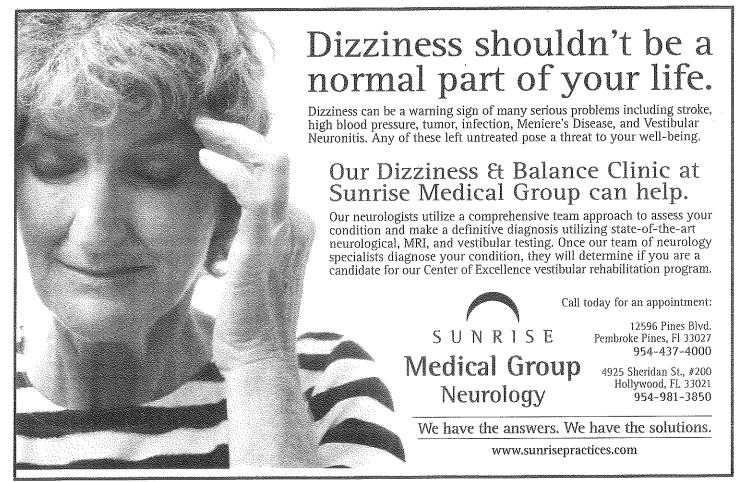
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SECURITY

Security hopes that the residents enjoyed happy and safe holidays of Passover and Easter.

The rumble strips by the tennis courts in back of building 5 have been moved back to the stop sign. This has solved the problem of drivers running over the lawn on one side and swerving into the handicapped spaces on the other side while trying to avoid them.

There was an incident at the gate on March 7 where guests were extremely abusive to the guard on duty. He was accused of stealing an I.D. from one of the guests. They exited their car and forced their way into the gatehouse where they proceeded to search for the missing I.D. The guard called 911 and the police came. The guests found the missing I.D. in their car where they had dropped it. This behavior is outrageous and the offenders would have been charged with assault. To show what a big person this guard is, all he wants is an apology from the offenders. Inquiries are ongoing.

Security would like to remind all unit owners that when they are expecting a visitor the guard must call to let the visitor in. If you do not answer your phone then the guard cannot admit the visitor. Please be available when you know you are expecting visitors.

We would like to thank Mayor Frank Ortis for his help in giving Colony Point police patrol after the vandalism incidents involving some resident's cars.

Please, for your own safety, carry a flashlight if you

decide to walk at night.

As if there aren't enough ways for thieves to steal identities there is a new method to steal your information that is being aided by credit card issuers. A lot of new credit cards have a neat little feature where a radio memory chip is imbedded in the card. With this type of card you do not have to insert it into a card reader to make a transaction. You simply wave it past whatever device the business uses to read your information and the transaction is made. Thieves can buy radio card readers on the internet and just passing by a person with one of these new cards on the street they can read the information on the card. That means your bank account numbers and whatever else is in the card's memory. You can tell if you have one of these cards because it may have a raised area where the chip is and it will have a symbol, three curved bars of increasing size that looks like the signal strength indicator on your cell phone. If you have one of these cards it is advised that you carry it in a protective sleeve or one of those new slim aluminum wallets that block radio transmission. The best way to avoid this problem is to refuse to accept this type of card from your financial institution. Along the same lines, be mindful if someone tries to get you to divulge personal information over the telephone such as social security or bank numbers.

Winnie Bartholomew, Head of Security

RULES FOR GUESTS ENTERING COLONY POINT

- All guests must park in a yellow visitors' space.
- Do not park in the numbered spaces; they are for unit owners only.
- Do not park in the fire zone areas.
- Do not back into any space, guest or other, except for marked guest spaces between buildings 1 and 2.

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- Do not blow your horn to announce your arrival.
- Motorcycles are to park in guest spots near the gatehouse and leave the property by 11 PM.
- Pickup trucks must leave the property by 11 PM.
- Motorcycle and pickup truck rules are strictly enforced.
- Observe all stop signs. Do not speed. You are in a 55+ community. And remember, pedestrians have the right of way.
- No one under the age of 18 is allowed in the clubhouse.
- All children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult in the pool area.
- Children in diapers are not allowed in the pool.
 Eating and drinking are not allowed in the pool area.
- Sneakers are the only foot wear allowed on the tennis courts.
- Please do not dispose of trash on community property. The parking lot and grounds are not a trash receptacle.
- Absolutely no dogs, cats or other animals allowed on the property.
- As a reminder, please refer to the Blue Book of rules and regulations for information on delivery times, moving in and out, etc.

IMPORTANT SUPPLEMENT!!!

Due to the increasing number of disturbing and annoying incidences at Colony Point it is necessary that we turn to strict implementation of the existing rules governing parking, as follows:

- Unit owners must have a Colony Point sticker on their car. It is placed there when you get your bar code and must remain there. It does not identify your unit, only your assigned parking spot.
- 2. Do not use a guest spot while leaving your assigned spot vacant. If there is more than 1 car associated with your unit, then of course the additional vehicle uses a guest spot.
- Unit owners or guests do not have the right to park in another unit owner's numbered spot without proper permission.
- A sticker will be put on the car window of any guest who does not display the guest pass on the dash board
- 5. Parking in the fire lane or without a handicapped sign in the handicapped spaces will result in the following actions being taken:
 - A. Warning sign will be placed on the window of the car.
 - B. Your bar code will be subject to deactivation.
 - C. You will be subject to a \$100 fine.
 - D. The car may be towed, at your expense.

GETTING RID OF YOUR CAR?

If you sell, trade-in or give your car away, PLEASE be sure to remove the Colony Point Bar Code and Shield from your window. You need only to wet them and scrape them off. If you are unable to do it yourself, any friend or member of your board will be glad to help you. Please also notify the office so they can remove your Bar Code from the Security computer. It's very important that you do this, because it only takes one time for someone to come in with a registered Bar Code who doesn't belong here for a problem to occur. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Until next month stay healthy and be safe. Winnie Bartholomew, Head of Security

MOVIES AND TELEVISION

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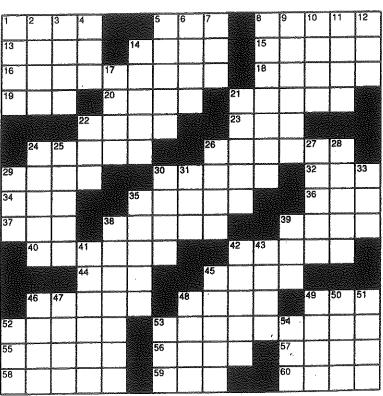
- 1. Singing brothers of the '50s
- 5. "Peter ____"
- 8. Director Brian De ____
- 13. "They ____ Not Love" (1941 film)
- 14. "Love on the ____" (1941 film)
- 15. Sign for Brando
- 16. 1963 Simmons film, with 17 Down: 3 wds.
- 18. Director Clair et al.
- 19. Clarke or West
- 20. 1976 Peck film, with "The"
- 21. Leigh or Gaynor
- 22. Cupid
- 23. ___ Annie of "Oklahoma"
- 24. Harold or Richard
- 26. "___ Three" (1961 film): 2 wds.
- 29. Historic times
- 30. "Hill Street ____"
- 32 Ms. Gardner
- 34. "I ____ Three Lives"
- 35. "The Best ____ of Our Lives"
- 36. Danson or Bessell
- 37. Balin or Claire
- 38. "Here Come the ____" (1945 film)
- 39. Actress Miles
- 40.1981 Dudley Moore film
- 42, Baseball, e.g.
- 44. "___ Jungle Love" (1938 film)
- 45. Actress Anna
- 46. "The Tattered ____" (1957 film)
- 48. Hemsley TV series
- 49. Frances or Sandra
- 52. "An Early ____" (1985 TV film)
- 53. 1940 Bennett-Fairbanks film: 2 wds.
- 55. "The Disappearance of ____"
 (1976 TV film)
- 56. Cosby
- 57. Actress Nazimova
- 58. Extra's weapon
- 59. Mineo
- 60. Shut hard

DOWN

- 1. TV's "____ 12"
- 2. Actress Powers
- 3. First name in mysteries
- 4. "The Desk ____" (1957 film)
- 5. Tyrone ____
- 6. Thicke
- 7. Richard ____ of "Mrs. Miniver"
- 8. Holiday events
- 9. "Men ____ Gods" (1937 film): 2 wds.
- 10. "What's My _____"
- 11. "____ the Press"
- 12. Fool
- 14. "My ____ Lover" (1987 film)
- 17. See 16 Across
- 21. Withers and Wyman
- 22. Molinaro and Jolson
- 24. 1953 Gig Young film
- 25. ____ O'Reilly of "MASH"
- 26. Bear, in Paris
- 27. "Don't Go Near the ____" (1957 film)
- 28. Unconcealed
- 29. ____ Wallach

- 30. "Cheers" potable
- 31. "___: A Dog" (1962 film)
- 33. 1961 Hayward film
- 35. Letter ender
- 38. ___ Goode of "Gunsmoke"
- 39. "____ Ryan's Express" (1965 film)
- 41. "The Old Man and ____" (1958 film): 2 wds.
- 42. "The ____ Cage" (1954 film)
- 43. Sean
- 45. "The Sweet ____ of Success" (1957 film)
- 46. Tap problem
- 47. "____ Adventure" (1962 film)
- 48. Song for Sills
- 49. Actor Gabriel ____
- 50. ____ Fitzgerald
- 51. Jack ____ of "The Texas Wheelers"
- 52. Scale notes
- 53. Playwright's monogram
- 54. "The Night ____ a Thousand Eyes" (1948 film)

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MOVIES

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Two sets of crooks and one reluctant hero square off in this blend of comedy and action. Tripp (Patrick Dempsey) has been trying to catch the eye of pretty bank teller Kaitlin (Ashley Judd), and he thinks he's come up with just the thing to get himself noticed -- he shows up just as the bank is about to close for the day and asks her to break a hundred-dollar bill into loose change. But Tripp's attempt to meet cute goes wrong when two different sets of thieves invade the bank at the same time.

Rated: (Not rated) 85 minutes

Saturday, April 14, 2012 "J. Edgar"*

DRAMA

Starring: Leonardo DiCaprio, Naomi Wats, Armie Hammer, Josh Lucas, Damon Herriman

Director Clint Eastwood delves into the personal life of J. Edgar Hoover with this biopic starring Leonardo DiCaprio as the controversial FBI director. Naomi Watts and Armie Hammer head up a supporting cast that includes Josh lucas, EdWestwick, and Damon Herriman.

Rated: R 137 minutes

Saturday, April 28, 2012 "Midnight in Paris"*

COMEDY

Starring: Owen Wilson, Marion Cotillard, Rachel McAdams, Kathy Bates, Carla Bruni-Sarkozy

Owen Wilson, Marion Cotillard, Rachel McAdams, Kathy Bates, and Carla Bruni star in Woody Allen's romantic comedy about a family on a business trip in the City of Light. As a young couple engaged to be married experiences a profound transformation during their visit to Paris, an idealistic man with a romanticized view of the city finds that there's plenty of truth to that old adage about the grass being greener on the other side. Michael Sheen, Mimi Kennedy, and Kurt Fuller co-star.

Rated: PG-13 100 minutes

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SPORTS PAGE



Miami Heat

| Date | Орр. | Time | TV |
|----------|---------------|------|------------|
| April 1 | @ Boston | 3:30 | ABC |
| April 3 | Philadelphia | 7:30 | Sun Sports |
| April 4 | Oklahoma City | 8:00 | Sun Sports |
| April 6 | Memphis | 7:30 | Sun Sports |
| April 8 | Detroit | 6:00 | Sun Sports |
| April 10 | Boston | 7:00 | Sun Sports |
| April 12 | @ Chicago | 8:00 | Sun Sports |
| April 13 | Charlotte | 7:30 | Sun Sports |
| April 15 | @ New York | 1:00 | ABC |
| April 16 | @ New Jersey | 7:30 | Sun Sports |
| April 18 | Toronto | 7:30 | Sun Sports |
| April 19 | Chicago | 8:00 | TNT |
| April 21 | Washington | 7:30 | Sun Sports |
| April 22 | Houston | 6:00 | Sun Sports |
| April 24 | @ Boston | 8:00 | Sun Sports |
| April 26 | @ Washington | 8:00 | Sun Sports |



Miami Marlins SCHEDULE

| Date | Орр. | Time | TV |
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| April 4 | Cardinals | 7:05 | MLB.TV |
| April 5 | @ Reds | 4:05 | MLB.TV |
| April 7 | @ Reds | 7:10 | MLB.TV |
| April 8 | @ Reds | 1:10 | MLB.TV |
| April 9 | @ Phillies | 1:05 | MLB.TV |
| April 11 | @ Phillies | 7:05 | MLB.TV |
| April 12 | @ Phillies | 7:05 | MLB.TV |
| April 13 | Astros | 7:10 | MLB.TV |
| April 14 | Astros | 7:10 | MLB.TV |
| April 15 | Astros | 1:10 | MLB.TV |
| April 17 | Cubs | 7:10 | MLB.TV |
| April 18 | Cubs | 7:10 | MLB.TV |
| April 19 | Cubs | 12:40 | MLB.TV |
| April 20 | @ Nationals | 7:05 | MLB.TV |
| April 21 | @ Nationals | 1:05 | MLB.TV |
| April 22 | @ Nationals | 1:35 | MLB.TV |
| April 24 | @ Mets | 7:10 | MLB.TV |
| April 25 | @ Mets | 7:10 | MLB.TV |
| April 26 | @ mets | 1:10 | MLB.TV |
| April 27 | D-backs | 7:10 | MLB.TV |
| April 28 | D-backs | 7:10 | MLB.TV |
| April 29 | D-backs | 1:10 | MLB.TV |
| April 30 | D-backs | 12:40 | MLB.TV |



FL Panthers schedule

| Date | Орр. | Time | TV |
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| April 1 | @ Red Wings | 4:00 | FS-F |
| April 3 | Jets | 7:30 | FS-F |
| April 5 | @ Capitals | 7:00 | FS-F |
| April 7 | Hurricanes | 7:30 | |
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Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

PLEASE WEAR LIGHT COLORED CLOTHING WHEN WALKING AT NIGHT



This recipe is from a column called "1-2-3 Bake" by Dorie Greenspan and submitted to us by Marcia Socorro from Building 6.

This is the Corn Muffin recipe Dorie gives to first-time bakers. It's both delicious and super-simple. Stir the dry ingredients in one bowl, the wet in another, and then combine the two. Done. Her one piece of advice: Stir lightly - no elbow grease needed. Lumpy batter is fine. For variety, stir in some kernel corn or diced jalapeño, chili powder, or a little of each. It's as easy as 1-2-3.

Corn Muffins

1 cup all-purpose flour 1 cup yellow cornmeal 1 Tbsp. baking powder 1/2 tsp. baking soda 1/2 tsp. salt 1 stick (8 Tbsp.) butter, melted 1 cup buttermilk 1 large egg

- Preheat the oven to 400 degrees
 Butter a muffin tin or drop a cupcake paper into each of the tin's openings.
- 2. Put all the dry ingredients into a mixing bowl and whisk to blend. Put all the wet ingredients into another bowl and whisk to blend. Pour the wet ingredients over the dry and mix together, stirring only until everything is moistened. (It's OK if there are a few lumps.) Then spoon the batter into the muffin cups.
- Bake 15 to 20 minutes, or until the muffins are golden and a knife inserted into the center comes out clean.
 Cool 5 minutes before unmolding. Serve the muffins warm or at room temperature.

GOING AWAY?

Unit owners leaving their apartments for periods of time longer than 1-2 days, please turn off both the water valves at the hot water heater. These valves are located on the cold water intake and supply lines. Turn the valve handles clockwise until fully closed, then UNPLUG the water heater "and/or flip the circuit breaker to the 'off' position." Should plumbing or tank ruptures take place while you are away, this will protect your apartment, or other apartments, to a great extent from becoming flooded.

Please leave a set of keys with the office or with a neighbor so that the Association may enter the apartment for emergency purposes should the necessity arise.



--- EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 20, 2012 ---

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| Leave Clubhouse | Destination | Leaves to Return to C.P. | | |
| 1ST MONDAY | • | | | |
| 9:45 a.m. | Village Square Publix & Banl | k 10:45 a.m. | | |
| 9:45 a.m. | Pembroke Lakes Mall & Targe | | | |
| 9:45 a.m. | Walgreens | 11:30 am | | |
| 9:45 a.m. | The Professional Center | Drop Off Only | | |
| 12:30 p.m. | Doris Italian Market | 1:30 p.m. | | |
| 12:30 p.m. | Sedanos Supermarket K-Mart | 2:00 p.m. | | |
| 2ND MONDA | 1 | | | |
| 9:50 a.m. | Ross /TJ Maxx Plaza / Michaels | 11:30 a.m. | | |
| 12:45 p.m. | Walmart - Flamingo & Pines | | | |
| 3RD & 5TH M | | | | |
| 9:45 a.m. | Village Square Publix & Bank | | | |
| | Pembroke Lakes Mall & Targe | • | | |
| 9:45 a.m. | Walgreens | | | |
| 9:45 a.m. | The Professional Center | • | | |
| 12:30 p.m. | Commons (Dollar Store & Pu | iblix) 3:15 p.m. | | |
| 4TH MONDAY | | | | |
| 9:45 a.m. | Village Square Publix & Bank | : 10:45 a.m. | | |
| | Pembroke Lakes Mall & Targe | | | |
| 9:45 a.m. | Walgreens | | | |
| 9:45 a.m. | The Professional Center | | | |
| 12:45 p.m. | Walmart - Flamingo & Pines | 3:00 p.m. | | |
| 1ST, 3RD, 4TH | & 5TH WEDNESDAY | | | |
| 10:00 a.m. | Flamingo Plaza Publix & Ban | k 11:15 a.m. | | |
| 10:00 a.m. | Post Office | 11:15 a.m. | | |
| 10:00 a.m. | Barnes & Noble | 11:30 a.m. | | |
| 10:00 a.m. | Pembroke Lakes Mall & Targe | et 11:30 a.m. | | |
| 10:00 a.m. | Walgreens | 11:30 a.m. | | |
| 10:00 a.m. | The Professional Center | Drop Off Only | | |
| 12:45 p.m. | Winn-Dixie & Wells Fargo | 2:00 p.m. | | |
| 2:30 p.m. | Village Square Publix & Bank | 3:15 p.m. | | |
| 2ND WEDNESD. | | | | |
| 10:00 a.m. | Sawgrass Mall | 2:00 p.m. | | |
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| 10:00 a.m. | Flamingo Plaza Publix & Banl | k 11:15 a.m. | | |
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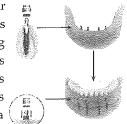
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The local sheriff would be well advised to continue his search for a smart deputy.

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"Eleven," Herman replied instantly.

The sheriff thought to himself, "That's not what I meant, but of course, he's right." Then he asked, "What two days of the week start with the letter 'T'?"

"Today and tomorrow," Herman answered.

Again the sheriff was surprised that Herman had supplied a correct answer he'd never considered. "Now, listen carefully, who killed Abraham Lincoln?" the sher-

Herman looked a little surprised, thought really hard for a minute, then admitted, "I don't know."

"Well," said the sheriff, "Well, why don't you go home and work on that one for a while?"

Hopeful Herman left the office and wandered over to the barber shop, where his pals were waiting to hear the results of the interview. "It went great!" he enthused. "First day on the job and I'm already working on a murder case!"

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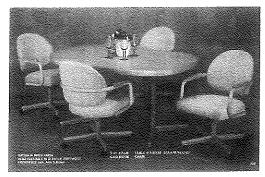
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