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General Manager's Corner

Redecoration

I am pleased to report that the redecoration is complete for both the East and West Buildings. The resident corridor project took about 14 months to complete. Many thanks to all of those who worked so hard in the planning and implementation of the job. We have a finished product that should make us all proud.

Elections

Is it time already? The answer is "yes." With just several months we need to get into the election mode and prepare for our Annual Meeting & Election. This year there are two Board members whose respective terms expire. They are Dolores Littles (1113W), Vice-President who is completing a three year term; and Gabrielle Mallon (1213W), Director who is completing the remaining year of a three year term due to the resignation of Sam Blumberg who moved away from Skyline House. Unit Owners wishing to run for the Board of Directors will need to get their nomination forms in by the dates below. Following is the 1996 Election Schedule:

Nominations Open:

Tuesday January 2, 1996

Nominations Close:

Friday February 23, 1996

Unit Owner Mailout:

Friday March 1, 1996

Meet the Candidates Night

Monday March 18, 1996 -7:30 PM WPR

Annual Meeting & Election

Tuesday March 26, 1996

7:15 PM in the Main Lobby

We are also in need volunteers to assist in a variety of election related to do's. If you would like to help us out, please contact Don Perper in the Management Office or Jack Herzig (310W) at 820-6605.

Blizzard of 1996

What a storm it was!! Depending on whom you ask, the final accumulations varied between 24"-36" and that does not take into account the drifting. Bottom line...it was a lot of snow. We owe a very special thank you to several members of our staff who managed to make it in to Skyline House during the height of the storm and who kept our walks and paths clear. Kudos to **Gerardo Carranza, Arturo Melendez, Dionisio Pineda, Jose Padilla and Betty McLaurin**. They did an excellent job and worked incredible shifts to keep us up and going. Another special thank you to our security officer **Anthony Ikenna** who covered many extra security shifts when Sting could not provide the coverage. When you see these folks around, please give them a big thank you...they deserve it.

New Security Provider

Beginning February 1st, Skyline House will have a new security provider through **Argenbright Security**. Due to a number of difficulties over the past year with Sting Security, management recommended to the Board that (continued on page 3)

(continued from page 1) we seek another organization who may better meet the needs of Skyline House. We look forward to a long relationship with Argenbright and welcome them to our Association.

Committees

There is still plenty of room for **you** to serve on any number of committees. If you would like to be part of the process in keeping Skyline House a superb place to live then you are encouraged to join in the fun and get involved. Most of the committees meet once every other month. We promise that it's much better than going to the dentist. To learn more on how you might serve your community, please contact me or anyone of the individuals listed below. Thanks for your help!!!

COVENANTS

Jack Herzig 310W 820-6605

FINANCIAL MGMT

Bill Miller 1214W 820-9525

LANDSCAPING

Laurie Lakey 103E 931-0280

— PHYSICAL PLANT & OPNS

Bob Lowry 705E 671-3575

RECREATION

Tony DiSalvo 502E 824-1958

SECURITY/FIRE SAFETY

Ann Mehrten 1315E 820-8156

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Dick Noonan 203E 820-5178

(Board Liason) no chair at this time

EXERCISE ROOM

Do you like our fitness center facilities? Did you know that we have such a thing at Skyline House? Would you like to see more than what we have? Within the next few weeks management will have a survey for you to complete. Please participate in this survey so that your needs and concerns may be addressed.

Are you interested in automatic deductions from your checking account for monthly condo fee payments? For more information contact Kathleen Bailey in the Accounting Office at (703) 998-0718 M-F.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Bill Miller, Chair

The Financial Management Committee (FMC) held its first meeting of the new year on Thursday, January 18th.

George Beams, the Association Treasurer, and Kathleen Bailey, the Association Accountant, briefed the committee on the present financial status of the Association. The committee was also informed that the swimming pool furniture recommended by the swimming pool subcommittee and approved by the Board of Directors has been ordered.

The financial audit of the Association will begin on January 26th. The committee chair along with Ed Bisgyer will meet with the Association Treasurer and Management to review the draft copy of the audit upon presentation by our auditor, Goldklang, Cavanaugh & Associates, P.C. The final copy of the audit will be presented to the Board of Directors for their review and approval prior to the Association's annual meeting on Tuesday, March 26th, 1996.

Individual unit owners insurance was discussed and all present agreed that more information should be provided unit owners as to their responsibility to insure their units. Also the Association should place greater emphasis on this subject through the House Special or other means. A direct mailing on the subject to all unit owners would insure that all receive the information. The Physical Plant and Operations Committee has also discussed insurance at their meetings and agree that a greater effort be made to distribute information to all unit owners.

The FMC will performed the monthly financial document review on Monday, January 22, 1996.

The next meeting of the FMC will be held on Thursday, March 21, 1996 in the West Card Room at 7:00 PM.

RECREATION COMMITTEE**Tony DiSalvo, Chair**

The committee met on January 10, in the East Card Room.

A short committee meeting took place to discuss early '96 activities. A covered dish is tentatively planned for March and a trip to Atlantic City in May. More details as they become available. We are again going to try to cut down the number of committee meetings in 1996.

All things considered, the Post Holiday Party on January 5 was a great success. Things usually slow down for the first TGIF following New Year's Eve. Thanks to all those who attended.

The next TGIF will be on Friday, February 2 at 6:30 p.m. in the West Party Room. If you are a new resident and have not yet attended the monthly TGIF, make the next one your first and meet your neighbors. YOU are more than welcome, and to make it easier, you are requested NOT to bring a plate of *hors d'oeuvres*, just bring your own liquid refreshment.

There will not be a committee meeting in February. The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 13, at 6:30 in the East Card Room. Please join us.

TGIF	Fri	Feb 2	WPR	6:30 PM
TGIF	Fri	Mar 1	EPR	6:30 PM
RecCom	Wed	Mar 13	ECR	7:30 PM
RecCom	Wed	Apr 10	WCR	7:30 PM
TGIF	Fri	Apr 12	WPR	6:30 PM

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SECURITY, FIRE & SAFETY COMMITTEE

Ann Mehrten, Chair

The Security Committee met at 7:30 p.m. on January 11, with 8 members/visitors present.

The committee reviewed the incidents which occurred during the months of November and December, noting there was a lower number of reported incidents than usual in December.

The committee discussed its participation in a multi-committee task force convened to investigate potential changes to signs in the garage, and appointed a representative to this task force. It also discussed past general security concerns and noted subsequent actions.

Reminder to All Residents. It is against the rules to drive in the garage without using headlights. The most important reason for using headlights in the garage is to make your own vehicle visible at a distance to others, especially pedestrians. Also, please report to the Management Office anyone who tailgates you into the garage. With your cooperation, Skyline House will remain a safe and pleasant place to live.

The next committee meeting will be held on Thursday, March 8, at 7:30 p.m. in the West Card Room. All residents are welcome to attend.

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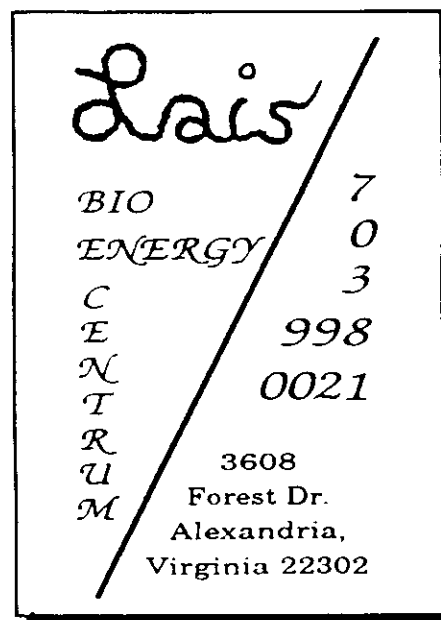
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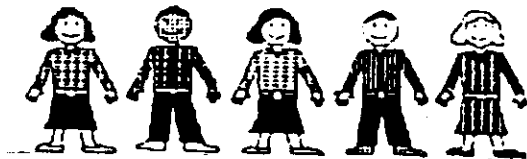


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THE GOOD NEIGHBORS GROUP

Co-Chairs: Irene Wolgamot 998-1715
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Skyline House Good Neighbors
February 1996

Isabelle Randall 820-2090
Don Randall

As we begin our fourth year, we will continue our efforts to publicize the Good Neighbors program. Our purpose is to provide temporary help to Skyline House residents who need it due to illness, emergency or disability. In addition to publishing the names and telephone numbers of the Two Good Neighbors of the Month in the *House Special*, they are also posted in the Mail Lobbies. In addition, we will have a Good Neighbor Table in the West Building on February 7th starting at 5 p.m.

A number of Get Well messages with the offer of help were sent to ill residents last month. If you know of a home-bound resident who might like such a message, please advise one of the Good Neighbors of the Month. Also let us know if you would like to join the Good Neighbors. Our hope is that the program will fulfill its purpose in Skyline House.

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MASON DISTRICT TOWN MEETING

A Town Meeting will be held at the Mason District Government Center at 7:30 p. m. on February 21. Cong. Tom Davis will speak and be available to answer any questions you might have. All unit owners and residents are urged to attend and take advantage of this opportunity.

Mason District Governmental Center is located at 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale. Please strive to attend.

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COVENANTS COMMITTEE

Jack Herzig, Chair

At the January meeting of the Committee were ten members and Gabrielle Mallon, Board Liaison and General Manager Don Perper.

The Chair disclosed that the new budget included funds for the services of a committee secretary. There was a discussion on how to recruit a person for this part-time position. It was clear that this person would have to be discreet and flexible due to the nature of some of this committee's business. Mr. Perper said that he would make an inquiry of a person who he thought would qualify and bring that response back to the Committee. Then, if necessary to seek further, the Committee would seek a candidate from among Skyline House owners.

The chair then mentioned that one of the many functions of this committee is to conduct the annual Board of Directors election. Veteran members of the Committee registered their concern that this places a great burden on the Committee, particularly the person responsible for the overall operation. Mr. Perper and I agreed that since neither had been deeply involved in prior elections, this year could be difficult. Last year, Ms. Arlene Burbank and Mr. Don Fenton, assisted by a number of experienced owner volunteers, did a fine job by all accounts. This year, Ms. Burbank wants to curtail her responsibilities so we are deprived of last year's two key authorities. At the request of the committee, Mr. Perper agreed to make an appeal to Mr. Charlie Roberts, who had directed the election for several years, to consider if he will again take on the responsibility for this essential function of our condominium. Mrs. Grant, Mr. Kafka, Mr. Lowry, Mrs. Maletzke, Mr. Maletzke and Mrs. Prather offered to assist as much as possible but Mrs. Grant and Mrs. Prather may not be present on the actual meeting date.

Mr. McClennan will preside at the "Meet the Candidates" night as he has for a number of years.

Only one owner has responded to the request for volunteers to serve on the Hearings Subcommittee, Ms. Brenda Burrell. Approval of her and Mr. Ross MacAskill to serve in this important role will be requested from the Board of Directors.

The Committee requested that Mr. Perper take two actions relating to the hearings for persons who commit serious and/or frequent violations of our regulations. One is to establish a time schedule for the process of holding a formal hearing to insure that all parties have adequate notice of details of a particular offense. The other request was for Mr. Perper to post a schedule of potential dates on which hearings are to be held.

Vice Chair Kafka mentioned that he and Mrs. Maletzke plan to meet with Mr. Perper about changes that should be made in the House Regulations since they have not been updated since 1992. Mr. Kemler recommended and the other members agreed to assist by forwarding suggested changes to Mr. Perper and Mr. Kafka.

Mrs. Grant then brought to the attention of the Committee a list of types of offenses that have appeared with frequency. The most serious of these was that of over-occupancy of units. This practice is not merely a matter of hygiene but of fairness in use of water, parking space and other common services and facilities for which the occupants are not paying their fair share. Mr. Perper stated that springtime brings about an increase in this practice and that Management and staff are alert to the need to detect and eliminate this unfair practice.

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