

TO THE POINTE

A monthly newsletter for a community of condos where people of diverse backgrounds and ages live in close proximity to one another and share common elements with their neighbors.

NEIGHBOR NEWS

Welcome Ruth Dunlop. She is the new renter in 63 B. She might look familiar to you. She is the Bar Manager at our local Manzana! Stop by and say Hi!

After much consideration, Sonny Jepson has decided to sell his unit, 62 G. It is a three-bedroom converted with a garage. Sonny added many extras during his last remodel. If you would like to look at the unit, call MBC at 503-740-6937.

Farooq Shaikh (63 B) just purchased Del Cannon's unit (60 C) and will offer it for rent very soon.

Barb Laird was scheduled for shoulder surgery but caught that awful flu/cold. Her surgery has been postponed.

Bobbie Christianson is the proud owner of a beautiful new piano. I was treated to a few perfect holiday melodies. Thanks Bobby...we are all ready for a summer concert!!! Enjoy your new music maker!



The next board meeting will be March 11, 2020 at 5:30 in the Riverside Room. All residents are invited.

FOLLOW THE MONEY!

Do you love figures, love doing the math, love to keep your checkbook in neat order? Boy do we have an opportunity for you!

We are looking for an OPV Owner who would like to act as our Treasurer. You do not need to be a member of the board, to help the Board keep invoices, checks and many other money matters in order, with the help of CMI.

If this interests you, please call Judy Rossner and talk with her. She will connect you with Tom LaVoie for more details.



WHERE'S WENDY?

While we all know that Wendy Odiaga is a very busy gal...she seemed to be totally out of the picture around here for the entire last half of the month of December.



Wendy Odiaga's talent on display!

Well, now we know where she has been and what she has been doing. Wendy is the designer, creator, builder, put-er up-er and remover of the holiday decorations at her church, New Thought Center for Spiritual Living, (NTCSL). She does this as a volunteer, has many elves to help her and loves every minute of it. They are very lucky to have our Wendy as their designer! Great job Wendy.

CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLE

Speaking of Christmas Trees, OPV will help you recycle your tree. Put your tree next to unit 5057 H, by January 13th for removal. There are already a number of trees waiting for pick up.

DO NOT PUT YOUR TREE BY YOUR RECYCLE AREA OR IN YOUR DUMPSTER.

CLUBHOUSE USE

Our Clubhouse was "Party Central" over the holidays. So many families and folks enjoyed their celebrations at this fantastic amenity all month long. How great is it to walk 100 feet from your front door and have everything party ready right at your fingertips!

While the VAST majority of our residents did a great job cleaning thing up, please consider these reminders:

1. Please wipe down all tables after use. They need it...fingerprints, water rings and crumbs are stubborn things!
2. Vacuum after you use the room.
3. Return the heat and lights to original levels when you leave. Please close windows after each party.
4. Please remove ALL garbage and ALL recycling.
5. If you are having a large party, bring your own paper towels, cleaning supplies, etc.

If you break something, please let a board member know so that it can be repaired as soon as possible.



THANK YOU JUDY AND SANDY!

These two women removed all of the holiday decorations and put them safely away for 2020. Thanks ladies.

BIKE ROOM

Dianne Robbins will be starting to contact each of you for the bike room rentals. She has talked to most of the folks already in the room. If you want to add your bike, please contact her. She does have a list of folks waiting. (503-699-5528)



WLLO Holiday Party in the Riverside Room

WINTER SLUMBER

Landscaping has been put to bed for the winter. You might see Bright View on the grounds doing minimal work.

If you have leaves that need to be picked up, it will happen very slowly and by zones. If you can't wait, put your leaves in a tall yard bag and put them close to the walkways where BV can see them. It might take up to 2 weeks for the bags to be removed.

JANUARY TRIVIA

January is crowned as national soup month. Think of it as a win-win holiday. Observing it with a steaming bowl of body-and-soul warming soup will help you survive those cold, cold days (did I mention the cold?) and will probably be what your body needs after a string of stomach-bursting meals galore during Christmas.



Continue celebrating all things wholesome and natural with Houseplant Appreciation Day on January 10th. Winter is probably as harsh on your poor coconut palm or your tired ficus as it is on you, so don't forget them. Show them some love, play them some classical music (maybe even talk to them a bit if there is no one around). And, if you know someone who loves their leafy babies that much, why not tell them they're not crazy with a special gift?

Or what about dedicating January 4th to the most obscure facts you've gathered throughout the years on National Trivia Day? Challenge yourself to how many irrelevant curiosities you can sneak into casual conversations for extra fun.

If none of those holidays really float your boat and you wish to unleash your inner grump, fear not, for there is a holiday for you too: National Nothing Day on January 19. This is not an official public holiday and was proposed as an un-event only in the US, but nothing stops you from spreading its un-eventful glory wherever you are and whatever you do (or not do). Celebrate it the right way – with nothing, whatsoever. Finally, a holiday with zero pressure!

[January trivia from The Book of Everyone](#)

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CHIMNEY CLEANING

Many of us received a letter from CMI about needing our chimney either looked at from the inside or cleaned from the outside.

Many folks told me that that can't be true, as they never use their fireplace. AND THAT IS THE PROBLEM!!

Our units are over 25 years old. If the chimney has never been used, or is rarely used, it could be full of spider webs that collect leaves, twigs, mold, fur, feathers, moss and who knows what else. These fireless fireplaces are many times dirtier than the fireplaces that are used.

If you received the CMI letter about needing your fireplace looked at from the inside, you NEED TO GET THAT DONE. If it needs to be cleaned, they will tell you. Hire them to clean the fireplace for you, then send that information to CMI and your unit will be removed from the list. (You may use any cleaning company you like. Using our company is just easier.)

This is at the cost of the homeowner.

CMI will review the list in 30, 60 and 90 days to be sure that we have all done what has been asked. Remember, what happens in your unit could have an important effect on the other units in your building. Fines could be levied if this inspection is not done.

Also, the top chimney metal grates have started to rust out. We are getting bids for new grates. These grates keep limbs, animals, birds and garden fairies out of the chimneys!

The inspection list will be sent to all owners with this newsletter.

