

1st Holiday Social – A Smashing Success

On December 3, over 90 residents gathered in the 7th floor activity room over the course of the evening for some holiday cheer for the **1st Holomua Holiday Social**. Our resident manager, **Jim Collins**, got the word out by setting up a sign up table festooned with colorful decorations in the lobby and posted signs around the condo. With only a little over a week to organize, residents signed up for potluck items and procured decorations and raffle gifts. Jim and Jackie brought a decorated

Christmas tree while residents brightened up the room. At 6 p.m., residents were lined up with their potluck dishes ready to party! The food table was overflowing with appetizers, entrees, desserts and festive punch. Residents played a get-to-know you card game and a raffle was held for prizes. Everyone left with something to be cheerful about...and massive amounts of leftovers. A lot of hard work went into making the social a reality, but it was worth it to see so many attendees enjoying themselves in getting to know their neighbors. That is truly in the spirit of the holidays!

Lobby Furniture and Garage Mirrors

You may have been wondering if or when Holomua would have furniture in the lobby so residents and guests could sit down and relax, perhaps while waiting for a ride. Well, the wait is almost over. The Design Review committee discussed, debated and pored over the many available options and made a recommendation to the Board of Directors at this month's meeting. In turn, the Directors voted to allocate \$1,500 to buy the recommended furniture, so we will soon have somewhere to sit in the lobby (besides the floor).

Jim, Rodel and Roberto finished installing all the garage mirrors, which are a tremendous help to everyone. And thanks to Jim's vigilance and constant monitoring of Amazon.com, the total cost for all the mirrors came in at less than \$1,000!



Parking Gate and Speed Limit Reminder

Of course, our newsletter would not be complete without some house rule reminders. When opening the parking gates, please remember to take the following steps:

1. Come to a complete stop at the red line.
2. Press the correct FOB button.
3. Wait for the gate arm to lock into position at the top.
4. Proceed through the gate.

The reason these steps are important is because in order for the gates to return to their original position, the arm must be fully raised and locked before the vehicle rolls onto the sensor mat. The good news is the situation has improved, but there are still residents who drive right through while the arm is still going up. Consequently, the arm stays up until the next vehicle goes through. You may not be aware, but there is a camera recording every vehicle that passes through the parking gates and video is being reviewed to identify chronic offenders, all of whom will be warned and fined accordingly.

Finally, please abide by the 5 mile per hour speed limit in the garage; there have been near misses by residents who insist on careening around corners. It's a matter of safety!



Board of Directors Meeting

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held on January 14, 2014 at 7 p.m. in the 7th Floor Activity Room. Please attend!

Guest Parking Policy

When you have guests parking in the building, please remember the following:

1. Guest parking is limited to five hours.
2. All guests are required to sign in and provide the information requested in the log book.
3. Overnight guest parking is not allowed without first obtaining an overnight guest parking pass from the Resident Manager.

If possible, residents will be warned if their guest has violated the guest parking policy. Repeat offenders may have their vehicle towed without prior notice.

Activity Room Additions

At the Board of Directors meeting in November, the board approved funds to purchase a refrigerator and microwave for the Activity Room. Both were recently acquired and are ready for use.

If you want to use the Activity Room, please speak with Jim to reserve a date and time!