

Feb 9, 2024

Kung Hei Fat Choi! Happy Chinese New Year, Everyone! 🐉 🎉 This year marks the year of the dragon. My grandma is the year of the dragon; she is the grandparent from whom I inherited my Chinese heritage, so this year is special to me. Every New Year, my grandma checks to see if I cleaned my house and car. Why my car? My grandma gave me her 2002 Mustang back in 2017. With the car were my grandma's bright red dragon floor mats. That was not my style, so for a while, I would switch out my black mats to the dragon mats every time I picked her up until I finally got rid of them a couple of years later, then told her the truth. Now we laugh about it.

Schedule

Elevator Reservations: Saturday 2/10, Saturday 3/3.

Tree Trimming: Monday, February 12. The garden will be closed.

HO-6 Policy Update Deadline: Friday, February 16. Please see below for more info.

Pest Control: Thursday, February 22.

Regular Board Meeting: Thursday, February 29, 5:30 pm via Zoom.

Window Cleaning: Thursday, February 29, and Friday, March 1.

Smoke Alarm Inspection: Tuesday, March 5 - Wednesday, March 6.

GM Out: Wednesday (half day), March 6 - Monday, March 11.

Annual Board Meeting: Thursday, March 28

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR OWNERS, HO-6 COVERAGE: The Association's master policy deductible has increased to **\$75,000** to cover damages below the AOA deductible. If you are responsible for a leak originating from your unit and the damage is less than \$75,000, the Association's master policy will not cover the damages. Please ensure your dwelling or building coverage is at least \$75,000 for your protection. You may contact your insurance company to inform them of the new requirements to ensure your policy has the appropriate limits under Dwelling/Building (and with some insurance carriers, Loss Assessment). Your insurance company should be able to advise you on how to update your policy best. In addition, please submit a copy of your updated policy by email, fax, or mail. The deadline is **Friday, February 16**. If we (management or the insurance company) don't get a copy of your updated policy, we will buy a policy for you.

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Trash Chute Use: On Wednesday, we had multiple pieces of glass and a gasoline container thrown down the chute. This is inconsiderate to the staff's safety and your neighbors who must deal with the odors.

Bag All Items: You must bag all items before disposing them down the trash chute, as loose, unbagged trash will fall outside the bin. In addition, I ask that you double bag pet feces and cat litter; sometimes, we get busted bags of cat litter that fall in and out of the trash bin. Maintenance must move the bin around to get to the loose trash, which requires them to stand near or under the chute. Residents have also thrown unwrapped and unbagged glass down the chute. The glass will shatter on impact or bounce out of the bin and shatter in the trash room. We have maintenance and security who tend to the trash bins hourly. You are putting our staff in danger by doing this. No one should have to run for safety out of fear of being hit by shattered glass.

No Hazardous Items: You should never dispose of gasoline in any trash can. The gasoline dumped in our trash chute spilled all over the bin and dripped in the trashroom. Gasoline is not easy to clean, and maintenance had to take care of it. This is a serious fire hazard to the property, and the chemicals are hazardous to the environment. Please contact (808) 768-3201 or householdhazardouswa@honolulu.gov for appointments and information on hazardous waste disposal centers.

Other flammable and poisonous items you should not dump in the chute include paint, pesticides, batteries, and chemical cleaners.

Smoke Alarm Inspection: AWPS staff will perform the annual smoke alarm inspection on Tuesday, March 5, and Wednesday, March 6. Two employee members will inspect the units. One will start from the top and work their way down. The other will address all 00 units first, then work from the bottom up. It takes about 5 minutes or less to get into the unit and test the smoke alarm(s). Please ensure a smoke alarm is in the hallway outside your bedroom and is in working order before our inspection.

Tuesday, March 5th: Floors PH-19

Wednesday, March 6th: Floors 18-1

This is a mandatory inspection for the Life Safe Evaluation; access to the unit is required.

Recycle Bin - Cardboard Only: We have replaced the recycle bin as the previous one was too large. The new recycle bin holds **cardboard boxes only**. Items that are not cardboard go in the dumpsters. You may put your HI-5 cans and bottles in the blue containers. HI-5 cans and bottles have a little HI-5 on the label; our staff takes these to get recycled. Please stop shoving your cans and bottles in the recycle bin.

Security Availability Due to Recent Break-In Incidents: Our security team has been doing a great job protecting the garage and has stopped or chased out trespassers. We will continue our **8:00 pm and 8:00 am** restrictions to keep security's attention on the garage at night. Security will respond to urgent matters in the building as needed.

Smoking: There have been complaints of chain-smoking marijuana and lighting incense from the Diamond Head side lanai around the 2nd-8th floors, 10th-16th floors, and 25th-32nd floors. If you are found smoking marijuana, you will receive a violation and fine. In addition, the smoke is disrupting your neighbors, and there is no effort to contain any smoke within your unit, whether it is incense, marijuana, or cigarettes. We are aware of possible locations this could be coming from and will thoroughly inspect to identify the responsible unit. Please respect your neighbors and be more considerate of their living space, health, and well-being.

Yellow Pages: We have 200 Yellow Pages Books available. They are near the mailboxes and pool door in the lobby by the Makai stairs. Please feel free to take multiple books.

Driveway Repairs: The front driveway still requires additional repairs. Repairs will be scheduled in March or after. Rey and Mark are gradually resealing the car wash driveway and will continue the work depending on the weather.

Resident Reminders:

- **Quiet Hours:** 9:00 pm-8:00 am
- **Service Elevator Use:** Allowed Monday-Saturday 8:00 am-5:00 pm. No Sundays and Holidays.
- **Construction Work:** Allowed Monday- Saturday, 8:00 am-5:00 pm. No Sundays and Holidays.
 - Quiet repairs, such as painting, etc., are allowed outside these hours.
- **Overnight Guest Parking:** Overnight passes take effect at midnight. Each unit is allowed six nights a month. The resident must sign for the pass to verify their guest's vehicle.

Thank you for reading through my newsletter.

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