

At A Glance

News and information for
The ParkShore Condominium Association
195 N. Harbor Drive; Chicago, IL 60601

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Garage Management: 616-9030
Garage Valet: 565-9240
Dry Cleaners: 946-0700
Market: 616-7676
Olga's Day Spa: 929-3940

UPCOMING MEETINGS: Décor Committee 4/7 ♦ Building Committee 4/14 ♦ Finance Committee 4/21 ♦ Board Meeting 4/28

SWIMMING POOL SEASON & SPRING MAINTENANCE

With springtime here, please remember that the swimming pool is scheduled for a major project prior to the 2009 pool season. The pool is scheduled to have a new Pool Armour™ coating applied to the interior, which comes with a guaranteed performance of 10-years. The coating work itself could take 4-6 weeks, and does require 3-4 weeks of weather above 60-degrees for completion, so residents can expect the pool to open later than usual this season. The 2009 pool opening is totally dependent on good, warm weather for the coating project. Watch for news updates.

THE PARKSHORE CARPET CLEANING DISCOUNT

You may have noticed that the residential corridor carpets were recently cleaned. The Association has a quarterly program in place with ACR, Inc. to keep the new carpeting looking good. The Association's vendor has also offered a great deal for ParkShore residents: 20% OFF on services! Contact:

**ACR, INC.
KRYSTAL URBAN
(866) 645-1165**

ParkShore residents will receive a 20% discount on carpet, upholstery and area rug cleaning. Just call Krystal and mention that you live at The ParkShore at 195 N. Harbor Drive. Such a deal! Take advantage of it. ☺

BOARD RESOLUTIONS SUMMARY

From the March Board Meeting:

- Motion to Approve Category C Remodeling Project
- Motion to Elect Tom Zic to Treasurer's Office
- Motion to Approve Garage Manager Compensation
- Motion to Approve Pool Equipment Room Floor Coating
- Motion to Approve Pool Equipment Room Plumbing Removal and Reinstallation
- Motion to Approve Cleaners Lease Language
- Motions to Approve Reserve Fund controls requiring dual signatures

CRIMINAL MINDS

Author Rich Lindberg
will appear at The ParkShore on
Thursday, April 30, 2009
@ 7:30 PM
in the 1st Floor Club Room.

Mr. Lindberg will provide a slide presentation and speak on crimes that have made the Chicago area headlines from the Civil War era through the present. You might know him from his appearances on the History Channel or WTTW. Plan to join your neighbors for this fascinating journey into the City's criminal past and present. We dare you!

SERVICE PHONE NUMBERS

AT&T	(800) 244-4444
Comcast	(866) 594-1234
ComEd	(800) 334-7661
GE (repairs & service)	(800) GE-CARES

HAND-HELD SHOWER DEVICES – TURN THEM OFF!

Some residents have chosen to install hand-held shower devices in addition to shower valves. Sometimes those shower spray-heads have different settings that change the water flow through the head, and frequently heads may have dials that allow you to turn the water completely "on" or "off." If you use a hand-held shower device, you need to be certain to turn the shower valve itself "off" when you're finished showering. Otherwise, the failure to turn "off" your shower valve could result in cross-feeding; i.e., allowing cold water into the hot water supply or hot water into the cold water supply. That means the water temperatures in your bathrooms will be affected, as well as the water temperatures of your neighbors above and below you. Please remember to turn "off" the shower valve!

\$1 MILLION LIABILITY INSURANCE REMINDER

All Unit Owners know that the Association requires you to carry liability insurance in the amount of \$1 million dollars for your unit. You are required to provide proof of your insurance to the Association. To make your life easier, contact your insurance agent and ask to list The ParkShore Office as an additional mailing address. Then your policy should be mailed to the Management Office automatically at the time it renews, helping you avoid fines for failure to submit proof of insurance. Call your agent today.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

By Phyllis Kenny, Social Committee

FOR FUTURE and PRESENT YOGIS... The first yoga session took place in the Club Room on Tuesday, March 24 at 10:30 AM. For an hour and fifteen minutes the eleven “yogis” stretched and relaxed to soft background music. The emphasis is on proper alignment, strength building and flexibility training. The instructor, Diane Patten, inquired whether the participants had any physical conditions that had to be considered and she assisted those with difficulties. Yes, the writer was one of those getting special attention. The yoga sessions are now scheduled in the Club Room on Tuesday mornings from 10:15 AM - 11:30 AM. The cost is \$10 per session. You need not make a commitment to continued attendance each week. Participants should bring a mat, preferably a yoga mat, a blanket, and a yoga strap or belt to support the leg in upward position. Diane did bring extra mats and straps for those not prepared. Newcomers are to sign a waiver, both for the Association and for the instructor. You are welcome to drop in to see if yoga is for you.

CRIMINAL MINDS... The ParkShore has engaged Rich Lindberg to give a slide presentation of crimes that have made the headlines in the Chicago area from the Civil War era to present times. He is scheduled for Thursday, April 30 at 7:30 PM in the Club Room. Mr. Lindberg is the author of numerous books dealing with notorious crimes, essentially occurring in the Chicago area. He has also appeared as a crime specialist on the History Channel, American Justice and on WTTW. Be sure to mark your calendar for this special evening.

WEIGHT WATCHING... Residents have shown interest in enrolling in Weight-Watching classes which can be held on building premises. However, the sign-up sheets did not yield the minimum number needed to schedule on a particular day or a specific time. The option can be considered for a future time.

SAVE GRANT PARK... There is a need for donations for near-term legal fees. There are currently two lawsuits that have been filed in response to the Chicago Children’s Museum plan to build the new museum in Grant Park. Donors’ names are kept confidential. If you wish to donate, you may donate on-line to:

www.savegrantpark.org

or mail a check to:

**Fifth-Third Bank
ATTN: Save Grant Park
400 E. South Water Street
Chicago, Illinois 60601**

PARKSHORE YOGA CLASSES

Time to limber up! Weekly yoga classes are now held on Tuesday mornings in the 1st floor Club Room. **Instructor Diane Patten**, who currently teaches a weekly course at 340 E. Randolph, teaches:

**TUESDAYS @
10:15 AM – 11:30 AM
1st FLOOR CLUB ROOM
\$10 per SESSION
NO COMMITMENT!**

All ages, all sizes and all fitness levels are welcome to attend this class. New to yoga? Beginners are welcome too! Instead of committing to a number of weeks, just show up any Tuesday and pay as you go! Plan to bring a yoga mat and a beach towel with you; wear loose, comfortable clothing, and bring a blanket if you like. Yoga mats are available at most major retailers. Please note that all participants will be required to sign a waiver for the Association and for the instructor. Enjoy!

PET RELIEF AREA SAFETY for PETS & CHILDREN

Please remember that the pet relief area located in the northeast corner of the Plaza level is for the use of animals only. Rules do require that pets are always leashed on the property, and it is particularly important while utilizing the Plaza pet relief area. Remember, if a pet leaps over that short knee-wall on the north or east sides, it is a 5-story drop to the ground below. We would also take this time to remind parents to monitor children in the pet relief area. Recently, young children have been observed playing on and around the pet relief area without direct adult supervision. While this is certainly unsanitary, it is also very dangerous! Parents are responsible for the safety and well-being of their children, and pet owners are responsible for the safety and well-being of their pets. Please use caution and monitor children and pets carefully on the property!

NO KIDS ON WHEELS IN THE LOBBY, PLEASE!

Most of us use the front lobby at some point during the day to enter or exit the building. Lately, there seem to be a number of children riding through the lobby area on wheels of one kind or another; scooters, rollerblades, little bicycles, etc. If a child is entering or exiting the lobby on wheels, that child should be in a stroller. That’s the only way it’s okay for kids on wheels to be in the lobby! Otherwise, you’re breaking the Association’s rules; or even worse, possibly creating a dangerous situation for others. We’ve seen some too-close-for-comfort encounters between our more senior residents and little ones on scooters. Scooters need to be walked or carried out the Plaza Deck door, as is required of bicycles. Your cooperation is appreciated in this matter, as is consideration of your neighbors who will thank you for caring.