

At A Glance

News and information for
The ParkShore Condominium
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**Upcoming Meetings: Annual Election and Meeting of Unit Owners-
7:00 PM on December 6. Meet the Candidates is at 6:30, also on
December 6**

Comcast Informational Events

We are still a couple of months away from having hi-speed internet service to each Unit at The ParkShore. The expected turnover date is February 1, but prior to this time, Comcast is bringing in their Account Representatives to meet with residents to answer any questions you may have about their services, the transition or their products.

Each Unit will be given new Xfinity equipment to include:

XFINITY® Digital Starter Channel Lineup
1 - X1 HD DVR
1 - X1 HD Box with DVR Access
1 - Voice controlled remote
On-Demand access
XFINITY® Internet Extreme & 1-wireless modem which will receive download speeds up to 150 Mbps.

Learn how to use your new services at the events on the following dates:

- Wednesday, December 14 from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM.
- Saturday, January 7 from 11 AM – 2 PM
- Tuesday, January 10 from 3 PM – 7 PM.

All three events will be held in The Club Room on the first floor.

A Picture is Worth...

...a quicker repair.

If you notice an elevator screen problem (or anything else which needs attention in the public areas) please take a picture and email it to Office@ParkShoreCondo.com If you don't have a camera with you, just stop in the office or telephone us for a speedy response.



Claire Happel Returns to The ParkShore

It is a ParkShore tradition to have beautiful music played in the Lobby each Friday evening in December. The lovely and talented harpist Claire Happel returns on December 2 and will play three additional Friday nights except December 9, when pianist Frank Caruso will play. Join your neighbors for holiday cheer and listen in on these extraordinary performances.

November Board Resolutions

- The Board of Directors approved the selection of Emcor Services to perform the preventive maintenance of our HVAC equipment for a three-year term at a cost not to exceed \$88,182. This represents a savings of 43%. Special thanks to Chief Engineer, Tom Walsh, for working to get this pricing and to the Building Committee for their due diligence in this process.
- The Board approved Holian Insulation Company to re-insulate around the boilers and the newly installed Cla-Vals at a cost of \$12,175.
- A motion was approved to change the company used to chemically treat the water in the closed water system. The one-year term with Global Water Technology will cost \$3,540, with an option to renew for two additional years at the same cost.
- Two new treadmills have been approved for replacement at a cost of \$9,123.76. We plan to replace the two oldest pieces in the Health Club.
- A motion was approved for Category C remodeling for Units 2107 and 4208.



By Gerald Moriarty

Chicago Alternative Policing Strategy (CAPS) was started in 1993 by the Chicago Police Department. The goal of CAPS is to blend traditional policing strategies with alternative strategies aimed at encouraging community members and police to work together to reduce the occurrence of crimes.

CAPS emphasizes the need for increased lines of communication between the community and the police, so that together they could come up with solutions for chronic neighborhood problems. CAPS' motto is "Together We Can" which promotes the cooperation of police, community and city services in fighting crime.

CAPS meetings are held at 400 E. Randolph on Thursdays in the even months of the year. Meetings for 2017 will be at 6:30 PM on February 9, April 13, June 8, August 10 and October 12. CAPS meetings are a chance for us, as involved community members, to meet with our police, share concerns, and get information. All Parkshore residents are encouraged to attend.

Parkshore is in Chicago Police 1st District, Beat 114. At the November 10 CAPS meeting, we received this information about Beat 114 for the period from October 13 to November 10, 2016:

CRIMES ON BEAT 114: Assault, 6; Battery, 9; Burglary, 2; Criminal Damage, 5; Criminal Trespass, 1; Deceptive Practice, 7; Motor Vehicle Theft, 2; Public Peace Violation, 1; Robbery 5; Theft, 40. TOTAL: 78

ARRESTS ON BEAT 114: Obstruction of Traffic by Non-Motorist, 10; Criminal Trespass, 3; False Charitable Impersonation, 2; Liquor License Required, 1; Charitable Solicitations Without License, 1; Resisting Officer, 1; Retail Theft In Excess of \$300, 1; Soliciting Business, 1; Theft of Labor, Services, or Property, 1. TOTAL: 16



Electricity Seminar

As some may recall, more than a year ago we invited Mr. Hans Herrmann of Alternative Utility Services, Inc. to talk with residents about alternative sources for the purchase of electricity. His last visit came out of the confusion generated by the option of each homeowner to select their own provider and the vast number of plans being offered. Some signed up at that time with a company he recommended and those contracts have now expired. Other residents are new owners and may not be familiar with their options.

Although the Board and Management does not endorse any one provider we wanted you to at least have the option of hearing about alternatives. Mr. Herrmann will be in the **1st Floor Club Room from 4PM to 7PM on December 12th** if you are interested in learning more. No reservation is required.

For a number of years your building has sourced both electricity and gas on the open market to hedge our energy costs. This gives you the same opportunity to fix your electricity charges (not including delivery etc.)

Thanks to Finance Committee Chair, John McDonald, for arranging this seminar.

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