



Happy New Year!

May 2019 be a year of good health, good friendship, family fun and a little wealth thrown in! Here is hoping the recent holidays were all of the above for our residents and owners. Though many of us like that white stuff at holiday time, it was nice to be able to get out and about without the worry of dangerous driving. There were actually days that folks were sunning themselves in the pool area. (Inside of course!)

Building Guidelines & Rules

With the New Year, people often consider changes in their life style to improve the quality of their lives, also known as New Year's Resolutions. Maybe this is a good time to review our documents. Living in a community building is different from living in a house. Rules are different as it is important to consider the proximity of our neighbors and how what we do affects those around us. There are guidelines and rules to help us when moving in or moving out, when renovating our units, and for use of the common facilities like the pool, the exercise room and the laundry rooms. These are designed not to make life difficult but truly to assure that all residents are offered a peaceful and respectful living experience. Take some time this year and read over our **Rules and Regulations, Code of Regulations, Articles of Incorporation and Declaration of Condominium**. Are you surprised that there are 4 documents?

It certainly is a lot of reading but may we suggest you start with the Rules and Regulations as that document covers and regulates the routine activities of VMCA. The intent of this document is to ensure the mutual convenience, consideration and safety of all residents (and visitors).

If you can't find your set of documents they are available of on our website at Vmc-a.org.

A good neighbor increases the value of your property.

Czech Proverb

BEING A GOOD NEIGHBOR IS AN ART WHICH MAKES LIFE RICHER

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Construction Junction

Maybe you have noticed new signage? We have placed signs strategically to identify the East from the West building. Benihana has also placed signage so that customers know where to park if visiting the restaurant rather than them parking in our lot. Hopefully this will simplify things for visitors.

National Laundry will be here the first full week of the month to replace the flexible vents from each dryer to solid ones. This is a safety issue and was brought to our attention by our insurance company.

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 9 at 7 P.M. A quorum is required for this meeting to be on the records. If you are unable to attend, please assign your proxy to a friend or neighbor. And it is not too late to put your name on the ballot! After elections, the Board will meet to set the meeting calendar for the year.

There will be wine and cheese following the meeting.

Remember – if you have questions or concerns for the Board's consideration, you do not need to wait for a general meeting. Email or contact any member of the Board so that your concern can be dealt with in a reasonable time period.



Staff Updates

Jim Sherwood has joined the staff. He will be here initially 3 days a week and work on getting common areas back in shape as well as work with the staff on daily issues that arise. Austin is no longer with us.

Social News

The Social Committee is meeting to plan our 2019 activities. What a great job they did in 2018! We had a great number and variety of social events. Hats off to this group. Can't wait to see what they come up with in 2019 to keep us all involved and entertained!

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January Trivia

1. January was named after the Roman god Janus, who ruled over beginning and transitions. He's often depicted as having two faces – one that looks forward and one that looks to the past.
2. January's birthstone is the beautiful red garnet. It is said that the garnet represents balance, which is definitely something we all need after the crazy busy month of December!
3. January has the pleasure of being National Donate Blood month so get to the nearest donation site and give the gift of life!
4. The Roman Senate, in 153 BC, declared January 1st to be the beginning of the new year. During the Middle Ages, the Church remained opposed to celebrating New Year's Day - it has only been celebrated in the western world for about 400 years.
5. According to the Anglo-Saxons, January was known as the wolf month because of the wolves who would search the villages for food during this time.
6. January is National Soup Month in the United States.



Who remembers this poem?

“In January it’s so nice
 While slipping on the sliding ice,
 To sip hot chicken soup with rice.
 Sipping once, sipping twice,
 Sipping chicken soup with rice.”

- Maurice Sendak, *In January*



Don't Forget! New 2019 HOA fees are here!

If your HOA is now...	...then your increase is...	...making your NEW monthly payment:	Your Special Assessment EACH QUARTER is...
\$106.60	\$2.13	\$108.73	\$27.18
\$199.98	\$4.00	\$203.98	\$51.00
\$274.89	\$5.50	\$280.39	\$70.10
\$275.16	\$5.50	\$280.66	\$70.17
\$351.21	\$7.02	\$358.23	\$89.56
\$357.09	\$7.14	\$364.23	\$91.06
\$359.44	\$7.19	\$366.63	\$91.66
\$361.49	\$7.23	\$368.72	\$92.18
\$387.33	\$7.75	\$395.08	\$98.77
\$402.90	\$8.06	\$410.96	\$102.74
\$529.46	\$10.59	\$540.05	\$135.01

* Please ensure you make all necessary changes to any automatic payments currently in place.