

HarborPlace Tower

October 2017 Newsletter



P1 Lobby Remodeling Project begins

Two years in the planning stage; six months finding the right contractor and approving the contract, all complete. So, now as of September 1, 2017, work begins. We are currently in the demolition stage of the First Phase of the project.

Our contractor, Advanced, is on schedule and determined to finish on time. The yards of plastic hung in the P1 Lobby, the reduced number of elevators, and the relocation of HOA personnel and mailboxes can present quite a challenge for residents. But, we are happy to report that the majority of our residents are doing a wonderful job of calmly adapting.

The end result will be worth it! Thanks for your patience.



EVEN FIRE DRILLS CAN BE FUN

In September we completed all the requirements for our Annual Fire Safety review.

One particular floor, the 19th floor, even managed to make the Annual Fire Drill a community fun event. Here is their motto and picture:

"The 19th floor nailed the fire drill!!!! We were fast and united!"



Congratulations 19th Floor
Well done.

Recycling Tips

More than half of all recycling is deposited in the recycle bins on P1 on Saturday and Sunday. Your cooperation in following the rules for recycling (imposed by the recycling company, not just us!) is extremely important on the weekends. In particular:

1. Break down all boxes. Air inside boxes which have not been flattened is a big waste of space. In addition, large boxes should be cut into smaller pieces. There is a box cutter hanging on the wall to the right of the bin on your right (weekends) or the only bin on weekdays. It might surprise you to learn that a soft drink 12-pack at the bottom of the bin is not crushed by the items on top of it!
2. On weekends, it will be more efficient if the bin on the right is used primarily for flat cardboard and the second bin is filled with loose items. Please place miscellaneous items in the cardboard bin if the second bin is already full.
3. Empty your recyclable items into the bin so they are loose. A large cardboard box on top of bag of items is another waste of space in the bin. This also makes the sorting process at the recycling plant more efficient.
4. If your bag is plastic, it is now trash! Loose plastic bags and "air pillows" cannot be recycled (unless they are combined in a larger clear plastic bag). The reason for this is that plastic bags jam the conveyor belt which slows down processing. Loose bags should be reused (best alternative) or placed in the white trash container.
5. Electronic items, aerosol cans, and household batteries are classified as hazardous waste and cannot be disposed of at HPT.

There is a poster next to the recycle bin (and in the trash room on each floor) which identifies items which are and are not recyclable at HPT. Please review this list and avoid filling the bin with items which are not recyclable.

Monthly Preventative Maintenance Tips

- Looks for cracks in your shower grout. This can be a sign that you may have a leak occurring below.
- Replace the wax rings around your toilet every 5 years.
- Put an ABC type fire extinguisher under your kitchen sink.
- Find out where your emergency exits are on your floor. There is one at each end of the hallway leading to the stairs.

EVENT COMMITTEE NEWS

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The last brunch was well attended: 36 folks showed up to enjoy a variety of tasty food, good conversation and socializing with fellow neighbors.

The next Brunch, scheduled for October 22, 2017, will be sponsored by our local Pie Bar Cafe of 450 Pine Avenue. You'll have a chance to sample some of their unique and delicious offerings...yum...10:30 AM - 12 Noon.

There will be an opportunity to pre-order your Holiday Pies at this event.

Halloween is coming and so is the signup sheet for those interested in participating in a building trick or treat. There are more tots in the building now so plan to have lots of treats on hand. Remember your first Halloween?



Holiday events:

Keep your eyes peeled for an announcement for our annual Thanksgiving "Food Drive". This is a good chance to help deserving neighbors out there.

Christmas is in the wings with a Sunday, December 10th, "Trim the Tree" party in the Promenade Lobby starting at 5 PM. Join the fun and get in the spirit.

The Christmas party itself is scheduled for Thursday, December 14th, starting at 7 PM also in the Promenade Lobby. As usual, there will be a raffle. Here's a chance to contribute a prize to the pot via a gift certificate, perhaps mentioning your business as a way of getting it out there. Physical gifts are also encouraged.

Finally don't forget our annual Christmas TOY Drive. Dates to be announced.

LINKS PAGE

A BIT OF HPT HISTORY 1992

Below is a link to a brochure of an auction of some of the units in our building. The auction was advertised as being held on November 22, **1992**.

The builder retained most of the units on the 20th through the 23rd floors and was putting them up for sale at this auction. The units are listed on one page of the brochure along with the “last asking price” and the “minimum selling price” for each unit.

Also, there are various pictures of the common area circa 1992.

There is no indication how the auction turned out but some of the units were still available in 1996 so it couldn't have been that successful.

Enjoy this look back:

http://www.harborplacetower.org/1992_brochure_of_HPT.pdf

THE OLYMPICS ARE COMING TO OUR BACKYARD

The *Grunion Gazette* published an article and renderings of the 2028 Olympics, part of which will be in Long Beach. The renderings attached to the article show you what our view will look like.

Here is an excerpt and a link to the article:

It's official! The 2028 Olympics are coming to Los Angeles and Long Beach. Long Beach will play host to six events taking place on the waterfront. Those events include Men's and Women's water polo, the triathlon, BMX biking, handball, open water swimming and sailing.

Here is the link to the article:

http://www.gazettes.com/news/are-you-ready-for-the-los-angeles-olympics-in-long/article_be1a403a-9c04-11e7-a9ff-87acb6bbfb2b.html?utm_source=Gazette+Newsletters+Email+09-18-17&utm_campaign=Email+Blast+9-18-2017&utm_medium=email

See October calendar
below



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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
1	2	3 Events Comm. & P1 Furniture Committees 6:30pm	4	5	6	7
8	9 Columbus Day	10	11 Monthly Garage Sweeping 10 am – 2 pm	12	13	14
15	16	17 P1 Furniture Committee Meeting 6:30pm	18	19	20	21
22 Monthly Brunch 10:30 am	23	24	25 Monthly Board Meeting 6:30pm	26	27	28
29	30	31 Halloween 				