

Board Talk

YRCC 616 - Observatory II

March 2021

2021-2022 Budget & Fee Schedule

The budget for the coming financial year, which begins May 1, has been approved by the Board. The budget, fee schedule and government mandated "Third Quarter Periodic Information Certificate" will be distributed to all owners the week of March 29th. If you haven't received your copy by April 9th please contact the Management Office.

Food Bank Drive

We are again collecting money to help the *Richmond Hill Community Foodbank*. We will receive donations through Thursday, **April 1** with the intention of delivering to the food bank before the Easter weekend. Thank you in anticipation of your generous response.

Sealed Unit Window Maintenance

This spring, if pandemic restrictions allow it, we will again be undertaking window maintenance. An "In-Suite Maintenance Request Form" should be returned to the Management Office **immediately** if you have windows that need to be replaced.

Spring Window Cleaning

Window cleaning is tentatively scheduled for the second or third week of April. If you have any issues with the work done, please address them to the Management Office, and **not** to a Board member.

Elevator Lobby Marble Floor Cleaning

Marble flooring at the elevator lobbies on each floor and on the main floor corridors is scheduled to be cleaned on **April 20 and 22**. **Elevator lobbies will be closed as work proceeds on each floor**. To minimize inconvenience, lobbies will be cleaned on alternate floors so that, at most, residents will need to walk down one flight of stairs when leaving or returning if the work is being done on your floor when you need to leave or return. **The precise schedule remains to be finalized and will be posted in advance of the work.**

Garage Cleaning

Our parking garage will be cleaned at the beginning of June: **June 1, Visitor Parking; June 2, P1, and June 3, P2**. Please remove your vehicle on your scheduled cleaning day before 8 a.m. and **do not return it before 5 p.m.** You may leave it in visitor parking that day on a "first come, first served" basis. A reminder notice will be issued shortly the week before the cleaning.

Carpet Cleaning

Hall carpets are scheduled to be cleaned **June 7-10**.

Recreational Facilities

The Library has reopened. The Tennis Court is open for exercise and shuffleboard, and after needed maintenance, will open for tennis. Bicycle riding in the court is discouraged because of the potential for damaging the surface. In accordance with the current pandemic regulations, all other recreational facilities remain closed.

Muskoka Chairs

There are five new Muskoka chairs on the patio outside the Party Room accessible by the exit door beside the Library to allow outdoor, socially-distanced and properly masked gatherings. Feel free to move them around on the patio but please re-stack them so they don't get blown around by the wind before you leave.

Noise

With so many of us spending so much more time at home, it is unsurprising that we are more sensitive to noise. Indeed **complaints have continued**. Noise comes from two main sources: household and renovation. In respect of household noise, please keep it to a minimum, especially after 10 PM. With respect to renovation noise, some in-suite renovations that might be noisy have been approved as pandemic restrictions have been eased. Contractors are only allowed to complete noisy work between 9AM and 5PM, Monday to Saturday.

Plastic Bags and Waste Disposal

Plastic bags in the green composting and blue/cardboard recycling bins are considered contamination. Plastic bags, regardless of their contents, must go in the regular garbage bins and nowhere else. Recycling does not need to be bagged. Compost must be in compostable bags.

Smoking

Smoke smells from "grandfathered" smokers in the building occasionally find their way into hallways and are objectionable to other residents. "Open cell" weather stripping around suite doors may provide a remedy but must not impede a suite door's ability to self-close, a fire regulation requirement. Except for "grandfathered" smokers smoking in their suites, smoking is forbidden everywhere in our building and property, including on balconies. Legal remedies will be pursued against offenders.

The Superintendent's Suite

Alex's suite is his private residence. **Please respect his privacy by not knocking on his door.** If you need him, please call him at 416 648 8735, the mobile phone which is carried by Alex when on duty and by the Relief Superintendent at other times. Alex, Management, and the Board very much appreciate your consideration in this matter.

AGM, Zoom, Notification

Our 2021 Annual General Meeting (AGM) is scheduled for Thursday, **October 14** at 7:00 p.m. and will be held electronically as allowed by our new Bylaw. If you can join a Zoom meeting and have not already done so, please register to receive condo notifications electronically. The "*Agreement to Receive Notices Electronically*" form is available in the Mailroom. Please fill it in, and return it to the Management Office.