ROUNDWOOD RIDGE II E-NEWSLETTER

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HELLO SPRING!

Finally! It's here! And signs of Spring are everywhere – from the daffodils and jonquils blooming in the gardens to the hustle and bustle of our busy landscapers preparing the grounds for mowing and plantings.

That first sighting of robins is the BEST – isn't it? ☺ ❖

Our Valentine's Happy Hour...

was held on February 9 and was 'heart'-ily enjoyed by all. (Pictures to follow.) Thank you to everyone who contributed and participated in any way to its success!

Upcoming events . . .

April 6 - 'Welcome Spring' Happy Hour - in the RR II Lobby from 5-7 pm

June 15 - Gazebo Get-Together - further details to come!

Rocky retires ...

In January, we said goodbye and good luck to our mail carrier, Rocky. He will be missed for sure, but his retirement is certainly well earned! Because of the generosity of so many neighbors, we were able to present Rocky with a very generous "group" cash gift to say thanks for his diligent and dedicated service through the years. Thanks to everyone who contributed!



New directors elected to the Board at Annual Meeting...

The annual meeting of the Roundwood Ridge II Condominium Association, Inc. was held on Thursday, March 28, during which two new directors were elected to the Board. They are Kay Schuyler (#807) and John Kenny (#604). At the organizational meeting which followed the annual meeting, the Board members were assigned their positions as follows:

President – Robert Shearman Sr. Vice President – Robert Brennan Treasurer – John Kenny Secretary – Sheila Fitzgerald Member-at-Large – Kay Schuyler

Thank you to our new Board members and to the entire Board for volunteering to serve our RR II community in the role you have accepted. Everything you do is very much appreciated! ❖

Two directors' terms expire...

As their terms expire, two directors have decided it's time to step down from their positions on the Board.

Clark Swentzel has served on the Board for the past seven years. He began in the position of treasurer and has served as president for the past five years.

Patricia Lazaro has served on the Board as secretary for the past six years.

As we all know, Board service is a volunteer role that can be very challenging at times. Clark and Pat have at all times carried out their roles with dedication and determination.

Thank you both very much for all your time and attention to the needs of our building and its residents! ❖

Community news...

Padonia Road Detours to Begin – The Padonia Road Bridge Replacement project is well underway. At this writing, large traffic signs are notifying the surrounding communities that **road closures will begin on April 8 from 8pm to 5am**. (Note: The April 8 starting date is subject to change.) A detour map was distributed by Brodie Management in an effort to help residents get around the area during the posted closure times. Fortunately, the closure times are during evening and early morning hours. Additionally, our location is convenient to Jenifer Road, which connects directly with Timonium Road, where access to the I-83 interchange should be much easier.

Sheetz coming to Timonium - A Sheetz convenience store is planned for the corner of Padonia and Beaver Dam Roads (the old Bob Evans property). According to reports, it will be the first Sheetz location in Baltimore County. No further details were available. ❖

It's Spring, so let's talk about . . .

Balconies and Patios

It's the time of year when people start to think about getting outside more, and usually on the list of 'things-to-do' is sprucing up their balconies and patios. Here are some guidelines to keep in mind:

- a. It is recommended that planters and flower pots be placed on stands or bases to allow air to circulate under them and protect the concrete;
- b. Balcony furniture and decorations should be heavy enough to not blow off the balcony in high winds;
- c. Balconies and patios should not be used to store big items (i.e., furniture, appliances, boxes, etc.); and
- d. Nothing should be hung over the outside edge of balcony railings, nor should anything be thrown, swept, or shaken (i.e., mops, rugs, etc.) over the railings.

Our balconies and patios are a great place to relax and chill out. Following these guidelines will help to make sure that each of us is able to enjoy our modest piece of the outdoors! ❖



Vacation preparations ...

As the weather gets warmer, plans for vacation and 'time away' begin. Below are a few tips when leaving your unit for longer than a day or two:

- 1. When leaving your unit for days at a time, the main water supply should be turned off. (Note: During winter, the heat should be set no lower than 58 degrees so pipes in your unit don't freeze.)
- 2. As a courtesy to neighbors, any vehicle being left outside of the garage should be placed in the back parking lot (near the back wall, if possible) instead of leaving it in one of the spaces on the front lot.
- 3. It's a good idea to leave your unit keys and/or vehicle keys with a neighbor in case of an emergency while you are away.

Further details on this topic can be found in the "Condo Living RR II" document on the website. •

Question: If I want an awning on my balcony, is there a specific one that needs to be purchased and installed?

Answer: Yes, only one type of awning is approved for use on the balconies and patios. It is the Sunbrella Drop/Roll Shade, Style #4633, in Linen color. Awnings can be installed on the front and/or side of balconies and patios. However, prior approval is required. Unit owners are solely responsible for the purchase, installation and proper maintenance of the awning. More information can be found in the "Condo Living RR II" document on the website. ❖

Question: For deliveries, when is it advisable for a resident to ask for the pads to be put up in the elevator?

Answer: **Except when completely moving in or out**, residents are not required to use elevator pads. However, it is advisable for a resident to request the pads for any delivery where there is concern about the possibility of damage to the elevator. There is no charge for this extra service. Either way, the resident is responsible for any damages whether the pads are in place or not. If you want the pads put up, no problem! Please contact Brodie Management directly. �

Question: Specifically, what is the drain product that residents are supposed to use in the kitchen drain each month?

Answer: The name of the recommended product is Zep Drain Care Build-Up Remover. It is an "enzyme" product that maintains the drains. It comes in powder or liquid form and can be purchased at Lowe's.





On the first day of each month, residents should apply the Zep product to the drains in the kitchen sink and garbage disposal according to the directions on the container. The most effective way to keep the building's drain system as clean as possible is for each resident to apply the product before going to bed at night on the first day of each month. By doing this simultaneously, no water from the kitchen drains should enter the building's pipes for at least six hours (the recommended amount of time). ❖





Valentine's Happy Hour February 9, 2019













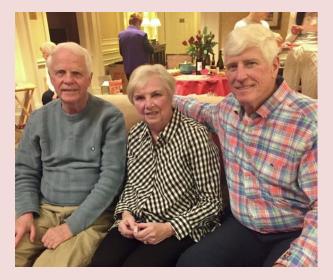














Wishing everyone a Happy Spring!



BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

President – Robert Shearman Sr.

Vice President - Robert Brennan

Treasurer – John Kenny

Secretary - Sheila Fitzgerald

Member-at-Large – Kay Schuyler

Management Company:

Brodie Management - Contact Margaret Bell or Julie Barber (410-825-6060) during normal business hours. For <u>emergencies</u> occurring after hours, please call 410-403-3050.

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Contact Christina Shearman (#204) with any questions or comments at clshear52@gmail.com.

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FLOOR CAPTAINS:

- 1 Robert Brennan (107)
- 2 Robert Shearman (204)
- 3 Kathleen Kurpaska (308)
- 4 Betty Sauter (404)
- 5 Mary McGibbon (508)
- 6 Bunny Singer (610)
- 7 Clark Swentzel (707)
- 8 Mark Ostrowski (803)

Floor captains keep information about you, your vehicles and your pets. Please notify your floor captain of any changes to your information so that, in the event of an emergency, accurate information can be provided to police and/or fire personnel about anyone in the building requiring assistance or pets that may be inside a unit. You can also notify your floor captain of anything you see in the building that might need attention. ❖

