

The Empress Condominium

Empressions

Quarterly Newsletter

July 2022

Hello Empress Family,

We hope all our snowbirds made it home safely!

Our efforts to maintain our Jewel of the Isle is continuing. To highlight a few: the guard shack window tinting film has been replaced; the annual inspection of our fire safety system resulted in the replacement of several pull station units on various floors; a major leak source between a 12th floor and an 11th floor unit was investigated and repaired; and the hurricane preparation shutter inspections were initiated.

Also, we finalized the plans for the start of the concrete restoration project and are waiting for St Lucie County to approve the permits; we are soliciting and evaluating proposals from various vendors for the door replacement project.

Last but not least, the artwork in the lobby was replaced with framed photos of our beach and ocean views. Many thanks to Barry Richardson, a resident and talented photographer, who donated the photos. They look beautiful and have enhanced the look of the lobby greatly.

Wishing all a happy and healthy summer!!

Howard



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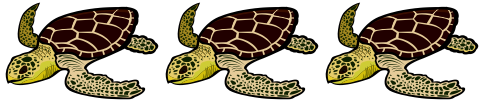
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SOME REMINDERS.....



Please remember that it is **Turtle Season** and it is **imperative** to **close your drapes or verticals at night** to prevent the light being emitted onto the beach area. **Believe it or not, even lights from the 15th floor can be detected by the turtles!**

Also, please turn off all unnecessary lights that are visible from the beach by sunset since they are disoriented by the lights.

If we do not comply with these guidelines, we can be cited by the County.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO RETURN THE GROCERY AND LUGGAGE CARTS TO THE BICYCLE ROOM AREA AS SOON AS YOU ARE DONE WITH THEM, SO THEY WILL BE READY FOR YOUR NEIGHBOR. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE THEM IN FRONT OF THE ELEVATOR, IN THE ELEVATOR OR IN THE LOBBY.

Let's please keep the Empress 'neighbor friendly?'



Dear Empress Owners,

Summer is coming and so are more renters, visitors and guests. Please be aware that as an owner you are responsible for the actions of your renters or guests that are staying in your unit. The Rules and Regulations

can be found in the Empress Telephone Directory (if you can't find yours, or need an updated version, please get one from the Office.)

Please stress the importance of the Regulations concerning the pool and pets.

POOL: *No food or beverages in or near the pool; no Horseplay around the pool; no unsupervised children in the pool. These rules are also posted in the pool and hot tub areas.*

PETS: *All pets must belong to condo owners – renters and guests (including family) are prohibited from bringing their pets.*

*Hutchinson Island is proud and protective of its turtle population. **Turtle Rules:** Close window curtains after sunset, don't use flashlights on the beach at night, stay off the dunes (turtle nests **AND** recent beach renourishment project.)*

Thank you for keeping the Empress a safe and relaxing residence – The Jewel of the Isle – and home to many of us!

Empress Board of Directors

Owners,
please make your contractors/delivery people aware:

The following is a list of rules for all hired contractors while on the Empress Property. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

1. **Do not use the Empress dumpster for construction debris.** They must be taken to an off-site location.
2. All contractors need to **sign in** at the Front Office **each and every day** they are on site.
3. Contractor working hours are: **Monday through Friday 8 to 5 p.m ONLY. NO WEEKENDS.**
4. **Do not transport supplies on the elevator after 3 p.m. on Fridays.**
5. All contractors transporting supplies to and from the unit **must use the North service elevator ONLY with pads.**
6. Contractor **must clean up ALL** common areas **during and after work is completed.** This includes catwalks, lobby, elevators and entrance.
7. Contractors must park their vehicles in the south side of the parking lot marked "**Maintenance Vehicles**" once supplies have been unloaded. **DO NOT** park vehicles under canopy, in front of building or in resident parking spaces.
8. Contractors are **NOT** permitted to use the shopping carts or luggage carts for transporting tools and materials; they **MUST SUPPLY** their own transporting device.
9. **Any furniture and/or appliance delivery and/or removal MUST ALSO USE the North Elevator ONLY.**

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Our season has ended. Our last event was a pizza/ice cream party held on April 22nd. All who attended had a great time.

There are so many new faces this year! We hope you will consider being part of our social events in the upcoming season. It's a good way to meet people and have some fun. We are working on our calendar already for the next season.

Our full-time residents celebrated Memorial Day with a barbecue and there are sure to be plans for July 4th and Labor Day in the works.

The Empress is a great place to live and we hope more of you will get involved and make it an even better place to live!

Enjoy your summer wherever you are and stay well and stay safe!

Empress Social Committee

Farewell Brunch 2022



MEMORIAL DAY 2022



***Thank you to all who proudly
served our country!
God Bless America!***



It is with a heavy heart that we have to announce the passing of Bob Fedak on May 12, 2022. His full obituary can be read at:

<https://www.foresthillspalmscityflorida.com/obits>

Bob, or Bobby to his friends and acquaintances, was many things to many people. He was an original owner at the Empress, full of knowledge and stories of past and present residents - he talked to everyone from little children to lobby-dwellers. Bobby's interests were also varied: Corvettes (especially blue), golf, swimming laps in the pool, dune/beach restoration, woodworking with the men in the garages, playing poker.

His one interest that never wavered was the love for his wife, Sonia.

Rest In Peace, Bobby.

***Welcome
New Empress Owners***



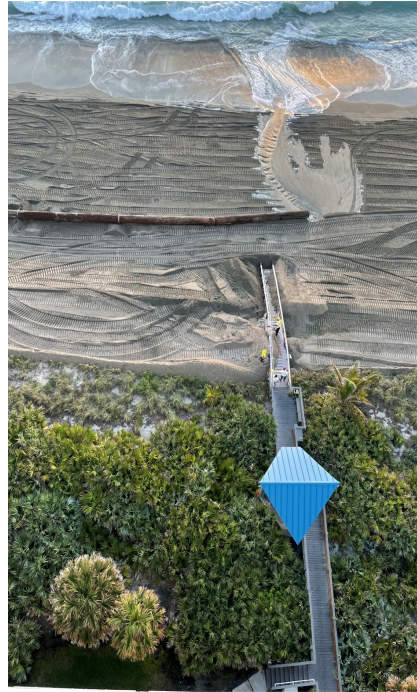
***Bill & Donna Goggins
Unit #1501***

***Carlos & Carmen Vasquez
Unit #104***

Your tax dollars at work.....



3-1-2022



***In Progress
4-19-2022***



4-20-2022

HURRICANE SEASON 2022

June 1st marked the official beginning of the Atlantic Hurricane Season, and will run through November 30th.

The Hurricane Preparedness Plan for the Empress Unit Owners contains a lot of good information on preparing for a hurricane.

If you do not have a copy of this plan, you can obtain one from the Office, either by email or hard copy, or on the website: www.empresscondo.org.

PLEASE REMEMBER, sliders and pocket doors being opened and closed, if not maintained, make noise in the units below and surrounding you.

IF YOU CAN HEAR YOUR SLIDERS OR POCKET DOORS, it might be time to lubricate or replace rollers or track.