Quarterly Newsletter

October 2017

Greetings all,

It has been a challenging year particularly the quarter we have just been through.

However, it sometimes takes the adversities we confront in stormy periods of life to bring out the best in us. Our crew at the Empress rose to the occasion in every way and outperformed our expectations.

Kudos to Debbie, Jeffrey, Tammy and Steve for the fine job they did in securing the property and later returning to cleanup and put things back in order.

As I mentioned before, we sustained minor damages from water intrusion and wind blown debris. We have all but completed addressing these issues and will soon return to normal.

Construction work on the balconies was delayed by approximately two weeks but progress towards completion is evident.

The remaining stacks #2 and #3 are to receive the final coat of waterproofing by October 13th and stack #4 on October 20th.

The work remaining consists of putting back the shutters, painting some exterior walls, repairing the grounds with new sod and general clean up which is expected by October 30th.

Throughout the entire process you have been most patient and are to be commended.

Sincere thanks to all for your kind words of encouragement and we look forward to seeing you on your return to the Empress.

Best regards,

Howard



Empress Board of Directors

Steed Johnson President

Carl Visscher Vice President

Carl Valdiserri Secretary

Bob Christianson Director



Welcome New Empress Owners



Frank & Janet Cipolla Unit #101

Tom & Theresa Hammerle Unit #301

Thomas & Wendy Paradise
Unit #707

Sameh & Janeth Soliman Unit #708

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

Our property did sustain some damage to the plant material from Hurricane Irma.

According to Simply Green we have wind and salt burn on many of our flowering bushes and we lost one of the bougainvilleas out front of the west wall and a few palm trees as well. I'm having the burn area cut back from the bushes and will see how they bounce back.

I will arrive on the property Oct 16, at which time I'll know more what will need to be done. Should you have any questions feel free to email me at mjsayles@aol.com.

Marcia Sayles
Landscape Committee Chairperson

REMINDER

Please remember that the Empress Rules and Regulations state that the *hours* for *ALL recreation units*, which includes the Ping Pong Room, Billiards Room, Social Room, Exercise Room and the Pool area are from 8 a.m. until 10 p.m. ONLY.

Please be aware that at the Board of
Director's Meeting on
June 23, 2017 the
Empress Rules and Regulations with
regard to smoking
have been updated to include
e-cigarettes and vaping.

Please remember if there are any changes you want made to the Empress Telephone Directory, please fill out a new Directory Questionnaire and either email, fax or mail it to the Empress Office.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

We are getting ready for a fun packed and exciting season again this year at the Empress!

We have been emailing all of you as an additional way of communication. If you are new or have not been receiving our emails and wish to participate, please send your name, unit number and email address to Shelly Mahoski at mishbromat@optonline.net. We are currently working on our calendar which should be going out via email very soon.

Beginning the last week in October we will once again be selling the Enjoyment Books for \$35. This is a chance to not only support our committee but to get great savings on local restaurants, stores and services. Marie Shelton will be posting a notice in the Mail Room. Pat Borland has volunteered to be the Chairman of this task for next year and is going to shadow Marie this year. Thank you Pat for your help, it is very much appreciated. Once again we wish to thank Marie and her husband, Chuck, for their 20 years of dedication.

We will begin the season with our first meeting in the Social Room on Wednesday, October 25th at 3 p.m. We are excited and open to any suggestions or ideas you may have to make this another memorable and fun year.

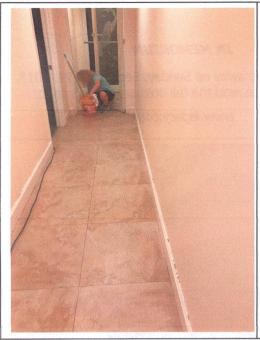
Friday, October 27th is our first TGIF Halloween Party. Come as you are or dress up as your favorite character!

See you all soon! Safe travels!

Shelly Mahoski
Paulette Smith
Social Committee Chairpersons

Jim Chemel recently resigned as the Empress Board Treasurer. The Empress Board of Directors and the Empress community want to express their gratitude for his professionally prepared and delivered Treasurer Reports and dedicated service to the Board of Directors and Empress community. We all wish Bonnie and Jim the best in the future.

The Empress Board of Directors and Staff







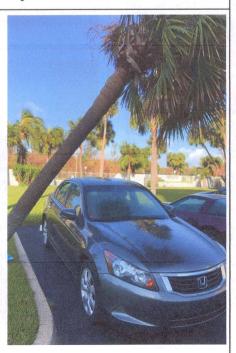




The Empress was ready for Irma...



Trash collected by Ruth Ann from beach and parking lot after Irma







REMINDER



Spring ahead, fall behind....





IN MEMORIUM

Frank Hunt passed away on Sunday, September 24, 2017. If you would like to read the full obituary, please go to:

www.legacy.com



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