

(Prez ltr. from p 1) Water savings can be had by cutting the duration of running water and by changing to low flow devices. If each residential unit cut their total shower time by one minute/day, we would save over 28,000 gallons of water in a month. Imagine what just a few minutes less per day in showers and running faucets could do....

Each fall, the Finance Committee and the Board prepare and approve the new year's budget. To do so, we look at the current year's expenses in a given line and use that figure to estimate the current year's annual expenses. This means our current utilities utilization will be the basis for the 2010 utilities budget. Adding the best information available on the expected cost increases for the next year, we plan for the required budget amount. The necessary increases or possible decreases in each line taken together form the budget and provide the information needed to determine the next year's monthly fees. The more we each control those expenses that are within our control, the more control we have over increases in our monthly HOA fees.

Fiscal responsibility on everyone's part is important to the continued stability of Telegraph Landing's finances. Do you have other ideas? The Board would love to hear them. Please bring them to a Board Meeting, e-mail us, drop them off at the Front Desk. However you choose to share them with us, please do so. Each cost saving idea we are able to implement benefits us all.

- Kathi

TL News & Views:

Committee News:



Call for Committee Volunteers:

It is once again time to call for volunteers in order to establish our committees for the next year. Telegraph Landing is extremely fortunate to have a group of dedicated, hard working volunteers who regularly volunteer their time and talents to help make this community the best it can be. Each of these volunteers is highly valued for their contribution to our Association and we hope to see another volunteer forms from each for the upcoming year.

We would equally like to see volunteer forms from members who have not yet had the opportunity to serve on a committee. The Board knows we have many talented owners who would serve our Association well.

Anyone who wishes to serve on one of the committees, please complete a Committee Volunteer form. Forms can be picked up at the Front Desk, from the management office, or at the April Annual Meeting/Board Meeting. Completed forms can be left to the attention of Kathi Barnes at the Front Desk or at the management office. You may also send an e-mail to Kathi at kathlab@comcast.net indicating the name of the committee on which you wish to serve, a description of your background, experience or views which are relevant to committee service, and your contact information.

Committee volunteer forms/e-mails are due May 8. Our new committees will be announced at our May Board Meeting. The Board looks forward to working with both our returning volunteers and our new volunteers.

Maintenance Committee

Under Rule 3.0606, only the current issue of daily delivered newspapers and fliers from CitiScape may be left in halls. Nothing may be left in the stairwells. Also, doormats are



prohibited except in the uncarpeted areas on the first floors of Buildings 1 and 2. Thank you for your cooperation. - Hank McKenzie on behalf of the Maintenance Committee: Karen Hartquist, Jasper Schad, Frieda Weiner, Eunice Stuart, Morton Beebe

Landscape Committee



In early March the Landscape Committee and all of the on-site CitiScape staff participated in a walk through with the supervisor of Gardeners' Guild (GG), our new landscape management service. Everyone had an opportunity to voice their concerns regarding the grounds here at TL. Since that time, most of the items discussed have been completed. The GG supervisor is very knowledgeable and since he will be doing a walkthrough on a monthly basis, problems can be discussed with him and addressed before they become large.

Last Friday, the areas at the bases of the perimeter trees were filled. This not only improves the appearance of our sidewalks but also removes a safety hazard.

Upcoming projects include the spring color change. Going forward, color planting will be done three times per year rather than twice. Many annuals become disreputable looking near the end of their season. We feel that changing these plants more often will enhance the overall appearance of our courtyard.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO RESIDENTS WHOSE VIEWS INCLUDE THE LOBBY ROOF:

The shrubs on the lobby roof are time consuming to care for because the gardeners have to climb up there on a ladder to water and prune them. We are considering replacing the shrubs with a dark, medium sized rock or small chunks of colored glass. If you object to this idea or want further information, contact the landscape committee chair, Bev Sutton, bev_sutton@yahoo.com or leave a note at the front desk. - Bev Sutton on behalf of the Landscape Committee, Marilyn Benioff, Joann Finberg, Pat Johnson, Richard Knight

Staff Notes:



Mark's Memo:

(aka Mark Moreno, Property Mgr.)

Annual Window Washing is tentatively scheduled for mid-May. If you are not satisfied with the work when completed, contact Mark Moreno immediately as the crew will do remedial work for a limited time period.

Tips from Terri:

(aka Terri Quile, Facilities Director)

Elevator update: Please note that the elevators which have been mechanically upgraded in Buildings 3 and 4 have emergency back-up lighting built into the interior cab panel. You will notice a small green light towards the top of the button panel. This is the area that will illuminate during a power outage.



Mechanical upgrade of all elevators will be completed in Aug of this year. After that, the cab interiors will be renovated.

Compact Florescent Bulb Recycling

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all residents of Telegraph Landing who are helping to save water and electricity. In our efforts to become a greener complex, we encourage residents to change their light bulbs with energy efficient compact florescent bulbs.

To help facilitate this conversion, Maintenance will now

recycle your compact light bulbs under the following guidelines:

- Bulbs must not be broken (broken bulbs emit gases and contain mercury).
- Bring bulbs to the blue recycling container that is located adjacent to the recycling dumpsters in the garage under building 2.
- Do not bring the bulbs to the front desk or on-site management offices as there are no containers for bulb storage.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Kim's Korner:

- For those of you who participated in "Earth Hour", it was an amazing success! Lights went out in 4,085 cities in 88 countries in what is being described as the largest demonstration of public concern about climate change in history.
- When in the storage rooms, please always remember to turn off the lights when you leave.
- Spring is here and management is currently working on setting a date for a rooftop "Friday wine and cheese" gathering for all at TLN! More info on this coming soon.



Security Pass-downs:

(submitted by Linda Altafi, Assist. Supervisor)

FYI: Re Mail Service

TL's postal carrier has changed. We now have 3 temporary carriers who only look only at the address. If your unit number is not shown on the envelope it is not delivered but left at eh front desk. Victor and I have been placing the unit numbers directly on the envelopes and giving the mail directly to you rather than having it returned for next day delivery. Although we realize that most of it is junk mail, from time to time they are from banks, mortgage companies or bills, etc. We will not throw them away but we request that all important mail coming to you include your unit number to avoid any inconvenience. Thank you.

Letters:



Editor:

Eight years ago Pat and I bought into Camelot. We have seen significant, positive results due to the leadership and dedication of the recent boards. However, in my potentially myopic observation, there is a new blemish on this happy village.

Apparently there are some residents who think of the security staff as guards, and only guards. It is true that they are primarily there for the security issue, but, much like flight attendants, we see the social side of the job most often and feel that it is important they are allowed to express a bit of personality and festivity. We are very lucky to have Victor, Linda, Valentin, and Andree – people who care about our welfare, safety and happiness.

To begin with, the whole uniform concept is draconian, as if an urban militia is protecting us night and day. That being said, it seems best we treat the staff with respect and equality. It has taken long but here is the point of this tirade: some people have complained about the celebration of holidays and quasi holidays on the compound. This is San Francisco – a city which is built on diversity! To combine the neutrality of the current decor with a fiat of no celebration is ridiculous. There are certain cheerful events that happen throughout the year. If the lobby reflects this celebration there should be no opposition. To think that we should write up a staff member for wearing an appendage to the ugly uniform is very shallow. If we

continue in this vein then we may soon need a medical team to dispense elixirs of cheerfulness to distract us from the boredom. We owe it to ourselves to overcome this pettiness and create a little harmony with a dash of celebration.

I think there is a protocol in the by-laws to lodge complaints. If there is a serious issue then it should be put to a vote of all owners, not let a cranky few dictate to the masses. Let's all get a little real.

- Al Petri, 1-601

Editor:

First we lose our lobby Christmas decorations to a "Bah Humbug" faction in our fair community. Recently, I understand, there have been complaints over our security officers wearing green on Saint Patrick's Day. Now, the final ridiculousness.....I understand there were complaints over the display of an American flag in the security area during a National Holiday. What the heck is going on here? Political correctness is running amok in Telegraph Landing.....Please Stop It.....!!!!: *- Al Dockus, Bldg. 2*

Response to Owner Letters re: Guards' Uniform Requirements

Since St. Patrick's Day, there has been input from owners about our Security Guards' dressing to celebrate holidays. Representative letters published in this edition of The Telegraph address these concerns. We received the first of these just in time for our March Board Meeting. Based on the information available from management at that time, it was announced at that meeting that the guards were required to adhere to Guardsmark's policies, which allow no variations from the basic uniform.

Since the March meeting, additional input from owners has come in requesting a relaxing of the uniform policy. In response, management has done further investigation and found that our Association may notify Guardsmark that we wish to make minor modifications to their policy and that those modifications in the basic uniform would then stand here at Telegraph Landing.

In light of this new information, we will place this on the April Board Meeting agenda to begin the discussion of whether or not to allow minor modifications to the uniform. The Board welcomes member input and looks forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting and following Board Meeting on April 28. The Annual Meeting will be held from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm with the Board Meeting immediately following. Please join us to express your opinion. *- The Board*

On the Move

IN:

- 2/10/09 Rachel Kent/ Edward Meinert to 3/41
- 2/17/09 Alexa & Ryan Fox to 1/708
- 2/27/09 Ardis Jerome to 1/209

OUT:

Note: *I leave a letter for each new resident inviting them to submit info about themselves for the Telegraph (unless their move date is very close to publication date in which case I'll do so the following month.) Not all people choose to participate. If I have missed you, please leave a note at the desk or e-mail me at bev_sutton@yahoo.com*

Board Meetings

All homeowners are invited to attend the monthly Telegraph Landing Board of Directors Meetings, held in the Club Room from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. usually on the **4th Tuesday of each month**. Homeowner input is taken at both the beginning and end of each meeting on items not listed on the agenda. On agenda items,



homeowners may comment etc. during the meeting at the time each item is being discussed/considered.

To put an item on the agenda, address a note to the Board and management. Leave your note at the Front Desk to be distributed at least by the Wednesday before the Board Meeting.

Next Bd. Mtg./Annual Mtg.: Tues., 4/28, 6:30 PM

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Landscape Services:

Gardeners' Guild



ancient Greece. In those days, however, it was Rhea, the Mother of the gods that was given honor.

Later, in the 1600's, in England there was an annual observance called "Mothering Sunday." It was celebrated during Lent, on the fourth Sunday. On Mothering Sunday, the servants, who generally lived with their employers, were encouraged to return home and honor their mothers. It was traditional for them to bring a special cake along to celebrate the occasion.

In the U.S., in 1908 Ana Jarvis, from Grafton, West Virginia, began a campaign to establish a national Mother's Day. Jarvis persuaded her mother's church in Grafton, West Virginia to celebrate Mother's Day on the anniversary of her mother's death. A memorial service was held there on May 10, 1908 and in Philadelphia the following year where Jarvis moved.

Jarvis and others began a letter-writing campaign to ministers, businessmen, and politicians in their quest to establish a national Mother's Day. They were successful. President Woodrow Wilson, in 1914, made the official announcement proclaiming Mother's Day a national observance that was to be held each year on the 2nd Sunday of May.

Many other countries of the world celebrate their own Mother's Day at different times throughout the year. Denmark, Finland, Italy, Turkey, Australia, and Belgium celebrate Mother's Day on the second Sunday in May, as in the U.S.

Excerpted from <<http://wilstar.com/holidays/>>

End Note:

Mothers' Day

In the U.S. Mothers' Day is a holiday celebrated on second Sunday in May. Although it wasn't celebrated in the U.S. until 1908, there were days honoring mothers even in the days of

