

Malibu East Dialogue

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Your Communication and Information Resource

Malibu East makes a landscaping statement

By Scott Young
Landscape Committee chair

The goal of landscaping should be to complement and enhance the nature of a site. It should establish curbside appeal and distinguish itself from its neighbors. Given our building's name and lakefront locale, the MECA Landscaping Committee came upon the idea of a 'lakeshore' theme as a way of accomplishing setting us apart from the other buildings on Sheridan Road. We have been working closely with a well-known Chicago firm, The Brickman Group, and architect Doug Kraus to develop a unique landscaping strategy for Malibu East. Our challenge to Doug is to rethink our existing street-level common areas with an eye toward a more natural look, both for beauty and ease of maintenance. If you travel Lake Shore Drive, Michigan Avenue or LaSalle Street, you have seen the trend toward more natural, prairie-style landscaping. It's both dramatic and beautiful.

The Landscaping Committee has been meeting for over a year to discuss a landscaping strategy for Malibu East. Gone would be the flat, generic look of our existing lawns. Instead there would be gentle, rolling "dunes" covered in wild flowers, grasses and trees that one might encounter on a walk along the Lake Michigan shore. The look is decidedly informal, yet makes a unique and powerful statement. The design will incorporate many vivid colors and unusual textures that would change with the seasons and provide visual interest all year long. No longer would there be bare dirt and leafless trees to look at in the off-seasons! By varying the height of the plant material and introducing exterior lighting for dramatic effects at night, the scale of the building is æ-



knowledgeed. Large rocks and even a water feature might be included in the final design.

I'm sure you have noticed the atrium landscaping that was recently installed. It is strictly a design exercise with a "lakeshore" theme that is helping us determine what kind of plant materials can live in the harsh atrium environment as well as help visualize what might be done on the rest of the grounds. Thanks go out to Landscaping Committee member and Board Secretary Larry Creter for his imaginative atrium design. Other interim landscaping features are being installed elsewhere on the grounds while the long-range plans are being developed.

Doug Kraus has presented his initial design concepts to the Landscaping Committee recently, and we sent him back to the drawing board to take a bolder design approach in the atrium. His plans cover all of the building common grounds all along Sheridan Road and

Glenlake to the end of the street. The area immediately in front of the Captain's Walk, recently acquired by MECA, is also given much attention. Moonscape Lighting is assisting in development of a lighting plan that complements the landscaping design and provides interest 24 hours a day.

Good landscaping is never inexpensive but must be a MECA priority. The committee is confident that a plan can be implemented without an increase in assessments. The final proposal submitted to the board for review would be presented as multiple phases, spreading the cost over several years.

Very soon, the Landscaping Committee will begin holding open meetings to present their vision and build support among the owners at Malibu East. Please come to the meetings when they are announced and see how we are working alongside other dedicated owners to establish Malibu East as the premier Sheridan Road address. Your input

MECA board meeting notes

by Elaine Winans



MECA owners & board meetings Thursday, May 11

Attendance:

10 board members, 1 management representative and 25 residents (Allan Eckhardt, Marcel and Martina Molins were present on speakerphone.)
Absent: Bill Davis and Scott Young

I Open Forum 1

- 1) Management announced that due to weather delays, the balcony/exterior construction schedule has been revised to permit weekday hours to be extended from 4:30 to 6 p.m. and to allow Saturday (noise) hours to start at 10 a.m. for three Saturdays.
- 2) Why are we considering exercising the "right of first refusal" regarding unit 15F?
The proposed sales price of this unit is considerably less than the range of prices of sales contracts for comparable units over the past year.

II Vote of unit owners on the exercise of the right of first refusal

In a special owner/board meeting the "right of first refusal" was exercised with regard to unit 15F

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- 1) A quorum was established with 66.7% of the unit owners present in person or by proxy.
- 2) A motion was passed to have an owners vote on the right of first refusal with regard to unit 15F
- 3) The vote count
338 votes in favor
2 votes against

III Special board meeting

- 1) The attorney for the buyers presented a proposed new sales contract in the amount of \$163,000.
- 2) The board determined that this

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proposal was out of order and even the act of considering such a last-minute proposal would set a precedent for the future that could be injurious to Malibu East owners' right of first refusal.

- 3) The board in compliance with the vote of the owners exercised the right of first refusal in regard to unit 15F.

The meeting ended at 9:15 p.m.

MECA board meeting Tuesday, May 23

Attendance:

9 board members, 2 management representatives and 9 residents
Absent: Stuart Meshbom, Richard Strauss, and Judy Walker

OPEN FORUM 1

Resident comments and questions:

- 1) 24C's buyer was unable to attend Admission Committee meeting and requested a specially arranged interview be discussed at closed session. **Granted**
- 2) Owner asked for information on replacement baseboard heaters. **Vito Senese will research replacement units and reduced price for quantities.**
- 3) Can we reduce the man-hours used for manual sprinkling with hoses and sprinkler heads? **Management will do a cost comparison.**
- 4) What companies offer window replacement? **Vito will research suppliers of several replacement items for publication in the Dialogue.**
- 5) Twice, I have come home to find waste erupting from kitchen drains

and was told that the obstruction was ten floors down. *Could be an illegal clothes washer. Management will look into cleaning the standpipes.*

- 6) A complaint of the air-conditioner drain pipe backing up. **The board added these complaints to the agenda under the heading of "preventative maintenance that can benefit our owners."**

TREASURER'S REPORT

1) Financial statement

Balance on hand, cash and reserves — \$2,751,284.

2) Invoice payment issues

Discussion concerning delayed payment of Captain's Walk vendors ended with the president indicating that the board is not satisfied with Sudler's service in connection with Captain's Walk. One vendor threatened to withhold services because of late payment.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1) Rules and Regulations

The Rules Committee is still waiting to receive Garage Committee input. The president commented that perhaps we should not look for perfection in creating a new package of rules as that may take more time than is acceptable.

2) Floor Representatives

We are refining a list of duties and should have an open meeting date set for next month for residents. The president suggested that one owner from each floor should just be assigned as the floor representative with the option of refusing by providing a volunteer.

3) Social

Congratulations to the committee for the well-attended Captain's Walk open house.

4) Commercial Property

The committee is handicapped by the lack of the engineering report that was requested March 3. A let-

ter will go to the engineers requesting prompt action. The empty space will be available June 1.

**MANAGEMENT REPORT
Items requiring board action**

- 1) **Balcony repairs**
Engineering invoices for \$6,700 were approved for payment.
- 2) **Commercial property**
The old leases will be used as a base for rewriting tenant leases.
- 3) **New Braille elevator letters**
Will be ordered.
- 4) **Fitness Room equipment**
One treadmill is marginally operational and the stair climber is not repairable.
Both units will be replaced this year.
- 5) **Video employee training tapes**
The board reviewed a sexual harassment training tape and voted to purchase one of two different packages (to be determined by Ila Chaiken) including instructional and workbook material.
- 6) **Admissions procedures**
Under revision to become more realistic and workable for both the office and the buyers. To contain 24-hour time frames for both parties to resolve procedural and documentation problems.
- 7) **Preventive actions to be taken around the building**
 - A) **Rodding**
We are currently rodding the main waste lines.
 - B) **Air conditioner condensation drain lines**
Might be possible to clean them out via air pressurizing them in early spring. They are too small to rod. Will have to provide a clean-out valve every 100 feet or so.
 - C) **Owner responsibilities**
The board reminds all owners/residents that they should have yearly preventative maintenance performed on their AC and heating units. Check for refrigerant leaks, rusting drain pans. A licensed plumber must do any plumbing work, including the installation of water heaters. Have your contractor contact the management office for details of building codes and required MECA specifications.

- 8) **Landscape maintenance**
Watering procedures need to be regimented by a professional. The lobby plant people will be asked

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for recommendations. Moisture indicators will be investigated. The cost of outside services will be researched along with the training of our maintenance staff for this task.

We are working to reinstall the outside light fixture whose base bolts snapped.

- 9) **2nd-3rd floor key issues**
Resident has a storage locker on one floor and parks on another. The security key works on only one of the two floors. Attaching a black key programmed only for the elevator to the locker keys will solve the problem.

Items not requiring board action

- 1) **Exterior/balcony repairs**
The crews are working with four drops on the east and southeast corner. Due to days lost, a Saturday and extended weekly day schedule has been implemented. Until the crews are done working in this area, the pool will be open only from 6 to 10 p.m. on construction days.
- 2) **Building interior sign update**
When available, sample signs will be installed on floor 32.
- 3) **Unit sales**

5 H	\$162,000
23 J	\$165,000
29 E	\$160,000
30 J	\$171,000
34 J	\$170,000
42 H	\$180,000
Avg 2BR	\$168,000

10 L	\$120,000
26 L	\$125,000
Avg 1BR \$122,500	

- 4) **Garage report**

Claims	
Approved:	2
<u>Denied:</u>	<u>1</u>
Total:	3

Waiting lists	
Single self-park:	67
Tandem self-park:	3
Second car:	2

Monthly parkers	
Valet:	322
Tandem:	81
Single:	142
Preferred:	4
Engineer:	no charge
<u>Motorcycle:</u>	<u>2</u>
Total:	551

New monthlies:	7
Cancellations:	1

- 5) **Cable contract**
Still no response from 21st Century.
- 6) **New letterhead**
Will start using the new letterhead June 1.
- 7) **Pool opening**
See management report, page 6.
- 8) **Census counters' access to the building**
Census counters must make a one-time registration at the management office, including copying their identification. To see a resident, they must have the unit number and name and will be allowed up only after the resident has been contacted and gives his approval. The meeting ended at 10:30 p.m. and went into closed session.

If you have information concerning MECA residents, who have interesting hobbies, professions or personalities, please contact the Dialogue.

Community Calendar

by Rose Wandel



AA – AL-ANON – COCAINE ANON

For meeting info, call ECC
773-334-5609

BERGER PARK CULTURAL CENTER

6205 N. Sheridan Rd.
312-742-7871

Summer camps, programs

Register now for summer programs — art, music, drama, writing, pottery, jewelry making and many more.

Register now for morning, afternoon and tot's camps.

A Shakespeare reading

"A *Midsummer Night's Dream*"
1 p.m. Sunday, June 25 — FREE

BROADWAY ARMORY

Drop in tot-lot

For children up to 5 years old accompanied by parent or caregiver. 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Call Keith Donovan to reserve space or for info.

5917 N. Broadway
312-742-7502

EDGEWATER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

ECC Edgewater Beautiful Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month at Broadway Armory.
ECC Planning & Development Committee/Housing Committee/Board of Directors.

Care for Real Steering

Committee membership drive. Call for info and meeting dates
1042 W. Bryn Mawr

773-334-5609

EDGEWATER PUBLIC LIBRARY

CAPS 24th Dist. Beat #33SD

Come meet our beat police.

Wednesday, June 7, 7 p.m.

(1st Wed. of every month)

1210 W. Elmdale

312-744-0718

FAMILIES TOGETHER

COOP NURSERY SCHOOL

Accepting children ages 3 to 6 for part-time curriculum,

9 to 11:30 a.m., Mon, Wed, Fri.

\$1,030 for 2000-01 season.

1500 W. Elmdale

773-381-5200

KIWANIS CLUB OF NORTH SHORE

Meets for lunch and business at the

Calo Restaurant, 5343 N. Clark,

Tuesdays at 12:15 p.m. Open to

retired professional men and

women who reside or conduct

business in the community.

Contact Gloria Aykroid for info.

773-465-6731

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

Community Literacy Center

Free adult instruction in basic

English reading and writing.

6576 N. Sheridan Rd.

773-508-2330

NORTH LAKESIDE CULTURAL CENTER

Neighborhood Music Consort

With Bonnie Tipton Long

Saturdays 10 a.m. to noon

New beginners session

June 3-9, 10 a.m.

Registration required

Writers reading from their work

June 4, 3 p.m. Free

Crafting the Memoir workshop

June 10, register 10 to 1 p.m. \$25

Andersonville String Quartet

June 11, 3 p.m.

\$5, \$3 members/seniors

Sketch Club with Willie Carter

June 10, 1 p.m.

1st of four one-day workshops

Registration required

"Memoir: Narrative Non-fiction"

June 15, 9:30 to 12:30 p.m. and

June 15, 7-10 p.m.

10-week sessions

Kindred Courage

Exhibit of works by African-

American artists through June 19.

6219 N. Sheridan Rd.

773-743-4477

SWEDISH AMERICAN MUSEUM CENTER

Midsommarfest

June 10, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

June 11, noon to 8 p.m.

Celebrate Midsummer at the museum with traditional dancing around the maypole to Swedish music (Sat. only). Street festival of Andersonville follows. Activities, arts, crafts, etc. for all ages.

\$5, seniors/children free

Art exhibits

Lapland artists, woodcarver Toivo

Lundmark and linen weaver Asa

Bergdahl

Through June 30

Tue.-Fri., 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sat.-Sun., 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

\$4, \$2 students/seniors

\$1 children under 12

5211 N. Clark St.

773-728-8111

WOMEN & CHILDREN FIRST BOOKSTORE

"Girl Reel" by Bonnie Morris

Author presents a review of a

memoir of growing up at the

movies from the '70s to the '90s.

June 2 – 7:30 p.m.

"Leap" by Terry Tempest

Williams

Author will review her book, a

response to a 15th century painting.

June 5 – 7:30 p.m.

"Eleanor Roosevelt – Vol. II" by

Blanche Wiesen Cook

A very lively and comprehensive

bio from 1933 to 1938.

June 8 – 7:30 p.m.

"Something to Tell You: The

Road Families Travel When a Child is Gay"

Reviewed by author Bruce Koff,

psychotherapist specializing in

work with gay men, lesbians and

their families

June 11 – 5 p.m.

"White Teeth"

A debut novel by Zadie Smith,

tackling ideas about race, religion, multiculturalism, history, gender, eugenics in a radical way.

June 13 – 7:30 p.m.

“Women and Human

Development: The Capabilities Approach” by Martha Nussbaum

Author presents her views regarding feminism that are international, specifically the struggles of poor women around the globe.

June 15 – 7:30 p.m.

Flux: Women on Sex, Work, Love, Kids, and Life in a Half-Changed World” by Peggy

Orenstein

Author discusses book on what it means to be a woman at the beginning of this century.

June 21 – 7:30 p.m.

5233 N. Clark St.

773-760-9299

Ongoing THEATER/SHOWINGS

BOXER REBELLION THEATRE

“Hair”

A Vietnam-era musical about a group of hippies facing a crisis.

Through June 10

Thur.-Sat. 8 p.m., \$12

1257 W. Loyola

773-465-7325

CITY LIT THEATRE COMPANY

“Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland” (an adaptation)

Through June 18

Fri. – 8 p.m., Sun. – 3 p.m.

Sat. – 3 and 8 p.m.

1020 W. Bryn Mawr

773-293-3682

COFFEE CHICAGO

Open mike

Poetry, performances, host poet

John Starrs

\$3, participants \$2

Fridays – 7:30 p.m.

5256 N. Broadway

773-784-1305

GRIFFIN THEATRE

“The Man Who Fell in Love With the Moon”

A story of love, faith and identity set in the “Old West.”

Thur.-Sat., 8 p.m.

Sun. – 7 p.m.

Through June 17 – \$15

5404 N. Clark St.

773-769-2228

HEARTLAND STUDIO THEATRE

“Schadenfreude”

Ongoing comedy sketch

Fri/Sat 10 p.m., \$5

7000 N. Glenwood

773-728-8111

NEO-FUTURARIUM THEATRE

“The Neo-Futurists’ Hall of Presidents”

Exhibit of portraits of U.S.

presidents by 42 artists.

Ongoing, during theater hours.

5153 N. Ashland Ave.

773-275-6111

MECA EVENTS/MEETINGS

Dialogue Committee meeting

Wednesday, June 21

7:30 p.m. — Community Room

Thursday Afternoon

Social meeting

Thursday, June 22

2:00 p.m. — Community Room

MECA board meeting

Tuesday, June 27

7:30 p.m. — Windjammer Room

Leave event and meeting notices at the desk for the Dialogue.

Balcony tips

Do you have a green thumb? Does your balcony sparkle with life and color?



Most of us would-be avid gardeners suffer from contending with too much or too little sun, from wind that rips the leaves off of our tender sprouts, from downpours that drown our pots and break our will to plant another season.

If you have the talent to make your balcony plot look like a corner of Eden, please share your secrets with the Dialogue. Along with your planting tips, we’d like to print a picture of your high-rise garden.

NOTICE TO REAL ESTATE BROKERS AND CONCERNED OWNERS

New admissions procedures

From Admissions Committee

Beginning July 1, the new procedures for all sales and lease admissions packages are as follows:

- 1) All completed packages are to be given to the office staff for review before noon on a Tuesday that falls before the first or the third Monday of the month.
- 2) The office staff and a member of the Admissions Committee will review the packages within 24 hours. After the package has been reviewed, the staff will notify the parties involved via a phone call that the package is complete or is not complete. If the package is not complete, the office will notify the parties involved and they will have until Thursday noon to provide the missing information to the office.
- 3) If the office is closed on Tuesday due to a holiday, packages will be accepted by 10 a.m. on the next day that the office is open. The office will contact the parties by 4 p.m. the same day, and the parties will have until noon the following day to provide the missing information. However, under no circumstances will additional information to complete a package be accepted after noon on the Thursday before an Admissions Committee meeting
- 4) Once a package is complete, an Admissions Committee interview will be scheduled.



What's happening around the building

by Vito Senese
MECA Association Manager



As the summer of 2000 approaches, your building staff has been very busy completing projects on the inside and outside the building. The tennis court is open, the north side of the fourth floor deck is open and new plants and sod have been installed around the building. The staff has also been getting the pools ready to open on Thursday, May 25, at 6:00 p.m., weather permitting.

will try to keep these days to a minimum.

Pool hours will be Monday through Friday, 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., and 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and holidays. Once the work on the southeast side of the building is completed, the weekday pool hours will be expanded. All residents need pool tags to use the pools this year. Pool tags can

2000 pool hours: Monday through Friday, 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and holidays

The balcony railing painting project is also under way for units on the north side of the building. If you live on the north side of the building and you have not had your railings painted yet, please contact the office to schedule a date to have them painted.

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The exterior construction is continuing on the east side of the building. The crews have completed the breakout portion of the work on the southeast corner up to floor 30, and they have completed the breakout on the A tier side up to floor 25. The project has been delayed several days due to bad weather, and the crews will be working on Saturdays in order to help make up for the lost time. The location of the construction will cause the pool to close on certain days due to safety concerns, and we

be purchased in the office for \$10 each (maximum of four passes per unit). When using the pools, all residents and guests are asked to obey the pool rules and respect the requests of the life-guards.

Although you may not be aware of it, the Board of Directors has recently passed a no-smoking rule in the building. No-smoking signs were recently installed on the first floor entry doors, and new ashtrays have been installed in the garage waiting area and by the front entry doors.

Also, the association is requesting that all dog owners refrain from allowing their dogs to go on the new sod on Glenlake Avenue and Sheridan Road. Even though the new sod can be a magnet for your dog, allowing it to go on the new sod kills it and will cause the association to incur additional expenses to replace the dead spots. All the residents thank the dog owners in advance for their cooperation.

Captain's Walk open house a success!

By Grace Bergbom

An estimated 200-plus persons attended the Malibu East Captain's Walk open house. Most of those attending were from our building, and it was not only pleasant visiting with our own Malibu East residents, but a welcome opportunity to meet our Malibu and East Point neighbors. We also had the pleasure of meeting most of the owners of the commercial unit businesses.

The refreshments were not only gorgeous to look at, but delicious as well. A special thank you goes to Malibu Cleaners and Tailors, Sheridan Hair and Body Studio, Helen Wagner Realty Services and the Malibu Convenient Food Mart for their refreshment contributions.

Now our goal is to find an occupant for the empty unit, which was formally the Avondale Bank. If you have any ideas, please let us know. Your input is important.

Thanks to those who attended.



200 neighbors attended the Captain's Walk open house



Everyone enjoyed lots of food, fun and neighborly greetings



Captain's Walk tenants and the MECA Social Committee host an open house.

Left to right: David Yoon, Dr. Jack P. Horbal, Huan Bin Lin, Donna Karkalis, Jonnae Topper, Dr. Ahmad Bastani, Helen Wagner and Hala and Alis Barhoumeh



The cake says it all!



Larry and Scott plant while Judy kibitzes



Good food, good conversation, good friends



Fresh sushi to go



Beauty in progress



"Come on in!"



Helen's "wall of fame"

Elevator etiquette

By Jack Winans

Some of this stuff, I got from the Net and some of the stuff is just made up — all in good, clean fun.

I got on the elevator today after lunch and on the 39-floor trip, three other people got on, each of them choosing their own corner and not speaking (my corner of choice is the left rear). It seems that when there is more than one person on an elevator, they arrange themselves so that they are equidistant from each other. As the number of passengers changes, the remaining ones rearrange themselves to maintain this equal distance. It's most often apparent when a large number of people get off. If there are eight people on the elevator and six of them get off at the lobby, leaving two of you scrunched in the back corner on the way to the lower level, you feel really stupid staying that way, but you also feel stupid moving away, as if you can't stand to be next to that other person for the 10-second ride to the lower level.

Elevators are weird. You're trapped in this little box, sometimes with someone you wouldn't mind being trapped with for a while, sometimes with someone you can't wait to get away from. How many of these things have you done:

- Hit the "door close" button when you knew someone was coming, but

you just wanted to be alone?

- Pretended not to notice that someone wanted the elevator and let the doors close?
- Walked on past as if you didn't really want the elevator because someone was on it whom you didn't want to ride with?
- Got off on the wrong floor and just kept walking so no one would know?

Not that *I've* done any of those things.

Now for the rules:

Courtesies

1. Hold the door for a person running for the elevator and for persons getting on and off.
2. If you're standing by the button panel, push it for those in the back and ask, "What floor?"
3. If you're going to an upper floor, step to the rear.
4. Move aside to let passengers out.

Getting on and off

1. In most situations a gentleman holds the door for a lady and steps back to let her go. This is not true in the case of elevators. Whoever is closest to the door goes first. To step back and forth and around other people is actually called dancing, not etiquette.
2. Always "let them off" before you get on.
3. Let the person who pressed the button get on first.
4. Let the person closest to the door

get off first.

This is rude behavior

1. Pressing all the buttons.
2. Holding the door open to finish a conversation.
3. Blowing your nose in a crowded elevator.
4. Pressing into a jam-packed elevator with a cart or luggage.

Good manners

1. Face the front.
2. Don't crowd — give a little elbow-room.
3. Allow for that extra room your briefcase or bag needs when you move.
4. Don't carry on a loud conversation.

Use your head

1. Check which way the elevator is going before you jump on.
2. Think about what floor you want before you press an unnecessary stop.
3. Keep your clothes and packages away from the elevator button.
4. Don't repeatedly stab the close button. It's not only rude, it's useless.

I've tried to keep these down to four each, but I'm sure a lot of you have more tips on devator manners. Send them to the Dialogue and we'll publish them and any elevator "horror stories" you have.

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Jack P. Herbal D.D.S.
Malibu Cleaners & Tailors
Alan Jacobs
Sheridan Financial Services
D.J. Aake Companies 907-0602
General Contractor / Condo Renovation
JDT Medical Billing, Ltd.
Sushi Corner
Leased & Managed by MALIBU EAST CONDO ASSOC. 773-271-1732
A. Bostani, M.D. - Family Practice

*Captain's
Walk*

Mall Hours

Monday - Saturday
7:00 am - 11:00 pm

Sunday & Holidays
7:00 am - 11:00 pm

*Thank you for your
patronage*

Dear Etta Kitt,



We have these darling red-headed finches that appear on our balcony. I love to see them and want to keep them coming back. I've been thinking of putting a pottery dish of birdseed on the balcony to attract them. Their song is so delightful. What kind of birdseed would you recommend?

A bird fancier

Miss Fancy,

I'm sure that most everyone loves the little, cute birds, but unfortunately, your kindly intentioned actions are going to result in bad consequences for Malibu East. Here's the drill:

1. The omnipresent wind around this building will share your bountiful supply of seed with your neighbors' fancy outdoor furniture cushions, others hairdos and season the steaks on their charcoal grill.
2. Birdseed is just that — birdseed. It's not pretty little finch seed; it's BIRDseed. You can bet your life that shortly after the finches start their cute little morning and evening trips to your balcony, that pigeons will show up. And even if you stop putting out the BIRDseed, the pigeons will continue to show up. They are very very persistent!
3. Then the nesting begins. Pigeons will nest almost anywhere, but they especially like the nice little cavities on our balconies provided by flowerpots and the other junk we store out there. So you get rid of the nesting material that they bring and they just bring more and then pretty soon, there are a few darling little eggs sitting there and you just don't have the heart to get rid of them. After all you're not an animal killer!

Well, Fancy, this little scenario happens just too many times and that's one of the reasons why there are so many city pigeons and why there's that rule about feeding the birds, "Thou Shalt Not!"

'Town Crier' announcement

We welcome all new residents to our building, including:



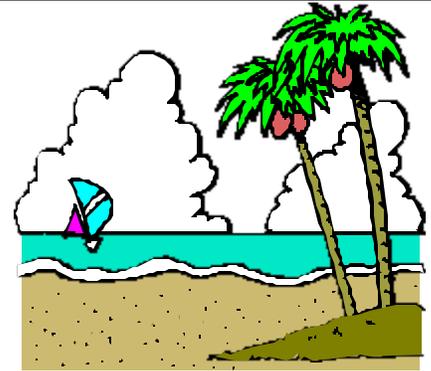
If you have information concerning MECA residents, who have interesting hobbies, professions or

Balcony Man by Scott Virzi



Reach 500 units here plus 40 more condominiums!

Le Sanche Discount Carpet Cleaning



is celebrating the early retirement of its owner, Joe, from the stressful grind of the Chicago Board of Trade trading floor, and offering a major summer long discount on all carpet cleaned in the Malibu East building.

One Bedroom	reg. \$65	Jun. – Aug. \$50
Two Bedroom	reg. \$75	Jun. – Aug. \$65
Three bedroom	reg. ...\$125	Jun. – Aug. \$100

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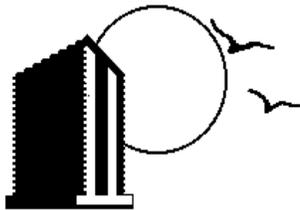
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