

# Malibu East Dialogue

April 2016

Your Communication and Information Resource

## Big turnout for annual Easter egg hunt

By Sandy Chaet

Armed with bright, colorful baskets for collecting eggs, approximately 18 children participated in Malibu East's annual Easter egg hunt on March 26. It is such a pleasure to stage this event yearly to see the smiling faces of the adults as they watch the happy, enthusiastic children.

Three residents who grew up at Malibu East and formerly attended the Easter egg hunt assisted this year in hiding the eggs, welcoming the children and helping them with the hunt. A huge thanks in appreciation to Cathryn, Gianna and Maddie for a job well done!

Participants ranged in age from eight weeks to 10 years. Nearly 140 eggs filled with candy were hidden in the Windjammer Room. After all of the eggs were discovered, the Social Committee provided refreshments.

Prizes were given to Amira for youngest girl (eight weeks) and James for youngest boy (three months). Alyssa, 10, won the prize for most eggs collected by a girl, and Samir, 3, won the prize for most eggs found by a boy. Teddy, 2, discovered the prize egg, a shiny blue one.

Thanks to Tracy Poyser for the great photos of those who participated.



### Malibu East events and meetings

#### Thursday afternoon discussion

Thursday, April 21  
2:00 p.m. - Community Room  
(every 3rd Thursday of the month)

#### Board meeting

Tuesday, April 26  
7:30 p.m. - Windjammer Room

#### Dialogue staff meeting

Wednesday, May 4  
7:30 p.m. - Community Room

Leave event and meeting notices at the desk for the *Dialogue*. For more events: [malibueast.org/calendar](http://malibueast.org/calendar)



# Board meeting notes

By Neil Warner

## Tuesday, March 22, 2016

Attendance: Twelve Board members, two management representatives and four residents

Presiding: President Marcel Molins

### REVISIONS TO AGENDA

- 1) "Insurance" was added to Items Requiring Board Action.

### ANDERSON ELEVATOR PRESENTATION

Jim Fatigati of Anderson Elevator Co. provided an update on the elevator modernization project, along with a recap of change orders that are being contemplated. Car #3 is expected to be released into full service from a test mode on or about April 1. Car #4 will be taken out of service next and is scheduled to be completed about June 1. The Board approved a change in the schedule whereby Anderson would remove cars #1 and #2 from service simultaneously, once car #4 is done, which should move up the project's end date by one month. Directors approved a change order that calls for flush-mount stainless steel call-button panels, rather than surface-mount panels, for the passenger elevators on residential floors 4 through 45. The Board approved the relocation of the passenger elevator call-button panels on floors 4 through 45 from the south side to the north side of the hallway. Directors approved a change in the shade of bronze used for passenger elevator ceilings, resulting in a small credit. The Board approved an alternate floor covering for the service elevator after the originally installed floor covering proved defective.

### TREASURER'S REPORT - Joan Scholl

#### 1) Financial statement

Operating and reserve cash  
\$2,077,125  
Investment in units  
\$3,588,278 (23 units as of Feb. 29)

#### 2) Delinquencies

\$377,356, including \$204,973 from former residents

#### 3) Audit

A first draft of the 2015 audit has been received and will be reviewed by the Finance Committee.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### 1) Security & Life Safety - Sandy Chaet

Board voted to replace the "no parking" signs in the atrium with new ones. With

the new signs and flyers to be distributed, vehicles picking up and dropping off passengers will be requested to stop near the handicapped ramp rather than in front of the revolving door. The garage vestibule has been finished, and smoke detectors have been installed in all water heater closets in preparation for another life safety inspection by the City.

#### 2) Communications & Cable - Neil Warner

The *Dialogue* may downsize to four pages for certain issues as needed. Sudler is beginning to roll out its Web portal for its properties.

#### 3) Garage - Martina Molins

The garage was 61 cars below capacity as of Feb. 29. Two residents were on the waiting list for a single self-park space. The only garage claim in February was denied.

#### 4) Sports - Neil Warner

New yoga class begins April 14 at 6:30 p.m. Beginners are welcome at first session.

#### 5) Social - Sandy Chaet

A British-style high tea is planned for Sunday, May 15 from 3-5 p.m. A fire safety speaker is set for 10 a.m. Saturday, June 4. Malibu East's 45th anniversary party is tentatively planned for Saturday, June 11. More details to follow.

#### 6) ASCO & Community Affairs - Sandy Chaet

The City's Department of Water Management will install a new water main on the west side of Broadway from Thorndale to Foster, beginning April 4. Project should last 4-6 weeks.

### MANAGEMENT REPORT - Violette

#### Deschamps

#### Items requiring immediate Board action

##### 1) Generator radiator replacement

Board approved a vendor's proposal to replace the radiator in the generator on the boat dock.

##### 2) Elevator change orders

See "Anderson Elevator Presentation" above.

##### 3) Pool lights replacement

Directors approved a vendor's proposal to replace five pool light fixtures.

##### 4) 22.1 disclosure statement

Approved as amended.

##### 5) Insurance

Board approved a renewal of Association's multi-peril insurance coverage at a cost that is far under budget and below

Please keep in mind that the meeting notes are not the official record of the Malibu East Condominium Board of Directors meetings. The official minutes are generally approved during the next meeting and may be viewed or copied in the management office.

our 2015 cost.

### Old/new business

#### 1) Hydraulic elevator maintenance

Nothing new.

#### 2) Life safety: garage vestibule

Vestibule is finished with new push-button door to comply with City's life safety code.

#### 3) Elevator project

See "Anderson Elevator Presentation" above.

#### 4) Entry door replacement

Board and its committees will formulate a program for repairing and/or replacing unit entry doors and door hardware to achieve better-looking corridors.

#### 5) Captain's Walk stairwell

Nothing new.

#### 6) Captain's Walk restrooms

Renovation project is about to go out to bid.

#### 7) Janitors' room renovation

Project will go out to bid.

#### 8) Commercial tenants: Internet service

Nothing new.

#### 9) Rooftop conduit securement

Nothing new.

#### 10) Captain's Walk leasing

New leasing agent for commercial unit is planning an open house on April 16.

#### 11) Captain's Walk ATM

Management is investigating our options.

#### 12) Association-owned units

After the sale of 8J in March, the Association owns 22 units, 17 of which are being rented. Another unit (35C) was about to be sold, while the Board was set to exercise its right of first refusal on 39F. Two units are for sale, one is for rent, and another is being renovated. The Units/Redecorating Committee will examine our leased units where the renters are planning to move out, in order to determine which ones should be renovated and then listed for sale.

The meeting ended at 9:48 p.m. and went into closed session.

## Board meeting dates

April 26	September 27
May 24	October 25
June 28	November 15
July 26	(budget approval)
August 23	December 20
September 12	
(annual meeting)	



## What's happening around the building

By Violette Deschamps, Malibu East Manager

**REAL ESTATE TAXES AND CONTEST FEE:** The Board of Directors hired legal firm Worssek & Vihon to contest, on your behalf, the assessed value of your condominium unit as it relates to your property tax bill. The consultation services consist of an appeal of the Cook County assessor's real estate tax reassessment of all residential units at Malibu East. Worssek & Vihon was responsible to pursue the necessary and appropriate actions to secure a fair and equitable value of your units to be used in the calculation of your property tax bills. Worssek & Vihon succeeded in gaining a reduction in the assessed value of each unit, except for those owners who pursued their own appeals. This reduction in the assessed value alone generates a potential decrease in your tax. However, there are other factors used in the calculation of your real estate taxes (e.g., state equalization factor, local tax rate) that may contribute to an increase in your tax bill, and if so, your net tax bill may end up being higher than last year's despite the reduction Worssek & Vihon achieved in the assessed value. There is nothing Worssek & Vihon or Malibu East can do about that fact because it is beyond the scope of any appeal, and you would have paid even more if Worssek & Vihon hadn't been able to reduce the assessed value.

Later this year, unit owners will be billed their share of Worssek & Vihon's fee, which is based on a percentage of the reduction it achieved in the assessed value of your unit.

Worssek & Vihon will waive its legal fees for unit owners who have been granted exemptions by the assessor for the second installment property tax bill in the categories of "longtime homeowner" or "senior freeze." These exemptions are decided by the Cook County assessor. In other words, a unit owner who has been granted either a longtime homeowner or senior freeze exemption by the assessor will not have to pay the legal fee of Worssek & Vihon. (Note: Those who qualify for the

longtime homeowner exemption will automatically be mailed the form by the assessor's office.)

The Cook County assessor prints at the bottom of the second installment property tax bill (to be mailed July 1 or later) the "Longtime Homeowner" or the "Senior Assessment Freeze Exemption," if you're deemed eligible. Neither Worssek & Vihon nor the Malibu East Board of Directors nor management has any power over the assessor regarding these exemptions. If you are of the opinion that you should be granted either one of these exemptions and it is not printed on your second tax bill, please contact the Cook County assessor's office and follow its directives to have your tax bill reviewed.

Worssek & Vihon's legal fee for this appeal varies from \$29 to \$70 per unit. Management will proceed in the coming months with the billing to unit owners of the legal fee for each unit.

Again, your share of Worssek & Vihon's legal fee will not be billed or will be reversed if your real estate tax bill is marked at the bottom with either the longtime homeowner or the senior freeze exemption.

**ELEVATOR PROJECT:** The elevator project is progressing on schedule. Passenger elevator #3 will be returned modernized and ready for operation in the first week of April. The modernization of passenger elevator #4 will follow. We expect the replacement of the service elevator flooring to be completed in May or June.

The Board of Directors has approved a revised schedule submitted by Anderson Elevator calling for the modernization of both elevators #1 and #2 at the same time after the modernization of elevator #4 is completed.

The Board has approved a change order consisting of the substitution of a medium bronze finish for the light bronze finish that had been initially proposed for the passenger elevator ceilings, and the installation of flush-mount (rather than surface-mount) stainless steel hallway stations (call

stations) for the passenger elevators from the 4th floor up to the 45th floor.

As a reminder, pet owners are required by the Board to use the service elevator to transport their loved ones, unless it is locked off (check the lantern on your floor) for a move or a delivery.

**LIFE SAFETY UPDATE:** The installation of the smoke detectors in the water heater closets was completed on March 23. Please do not store any of your personal belongings in the closet. The garage vestibule has been completed as well; all doors are fully operational, including the electrically operated door adjacent to the garage waiting area. We are anticipating another life safety inspection by the City.

**SUNDAY AND AFTER-HOURS DELIVERIES:** Please note that the door staff are not equipped to register, store and manage packages at the front desk. It is unfortunate, but the front desk area is too small and truly cramped with administrative paperwork and equipment.

In response to multiple attempts by Amazon and the U.S. Postal Service, among others, to deliver packages at the front desk on Sundays and after the close of business hours of the Receiving Room, we have had to decline several packages because the residents were not home to accept them in person. Please bear with us and keep in mind that ordering online and selecting a Sunday or after-hours delivery requires a person to be home to accept the package.

If the resident is absent at the time of a delivery on a Sunday or after business hours, the front desk employee has no choice but to decline custody of the package and instruct the carrier to take it back for redelivery. In such cases, please be aware that some carriers have had the audacity to leave a package unattended on the sidewalk.

There are exceptions to all rules, of course: The only small deliveries that are accepted year-round at the front desk are those that are urgent and critical in nature, such as overnighted medication. The other exception takes place when the Board of Directors extends the Receiving Room schedule on Sundays during the holiday season.



## Community Calendar

By Neil Warner

### COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

#### BROADWAY ARMORY

Indoor park, six gym floors, trapeze classes, senior activities, athletic equipment, meeting room, computer center, dancing floor, shuffleboard, weights, arts and crafts, aerobics, ping pong, after-school activities and more.

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chpublib.org/locations/28

#### EDGEWATER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

EHS spring benefit dinner

Tuesday, April 19, 6-9 p.m.

Pork Shoppe, 5721 N. Clark

\$60 donation (\$55 each for two or more)

Current exhibit: "Voices of Edgewater" (stories of immigrants who settled in Edgewater).

Regular museum hours:

Saturday and Sunday 1-4 p.m.

5358 N. Ashland Ave.

773-506-4849

www.EdgewaterHistory.org

#### WHITE CRANE WELLNESS CENTER

Adult day wellness programs for persons 60 and over. Gentle yoga, tai chi, music, exercise, lunch and snacks.

Transportation provided within boundary area.

1355 W. Foster Ave.

773-271-9001

whitecranewellness.org

### THEATER / SHOWINGS

#### CITY LIT THEATRE

**"I've Got the World on a String,"**  
devised by Sheldon Patinkin

A world premiere musical revue featuring 23 great Harold Arlen

songs.

Thru April 10

Edgewater Presbyterian Church

1020 W. Bryn Mawr

773-293-3682

citylit.org

#### JACKALOPE THEATRE

**"Christina, the Girl King" by Michel Marc Bouchard**

In 1649, Queen Christina of Sweden summons Rene Descartes to her court to share with her the radical new ideas of the time. Presented by Cor Theatre.

Thru April 9

The Frontier

1106 W. Thorndale

773-340-2543

jackalopetheatre.org

#### LIFELINE THEATRE

**"Midnight Cowboy," adapted by Chris Hainsworth**

A meditation on loneliness and the need to form real connections amidst the crushing isolation of 20th-century life, in a world premiere adaptation of the 1965 novel by James Leo Herlihy.

Thru April 10

6912 N. Glenwood

773-761-4477

lifelinetheatre.com

#### LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO

**EStrella piano duo**

Friday, April 8, 11:30 a.m.; free

Skowronski Music Hall

1020 W. Sheridan Road, 2nd floor

**"She Loves Me"**

Misconceptions and mixed emotions intensify as a disguised love unfolds in this lovely musical many might recognize as the story dramatized in the films "The Shop Around the Corner," "In the Good Old Summer-time" and most recently "You've Got Mail."

April 14-24

Newhart Family Theatre

1020 W. Sheridan Road

**Derek E. Nickels organ concert**

Sunday, April 17, 3 p.m.; free

Madonna della Strada Chapel

SE side of campus at lakefront

**"columbinus" by Stephen Karam and PJ Paparelli**

Inspired by the events of the massacre at Columbine High School in 1999, "columbinus" explores the often dark corners of the teenage

psyche.

April 21-24

Underground Laboratory Theatre

1020 W. Sheridan Road

**Jazz ensemble and jazz combos recital**

Thursday, April 28, 7:30 p.m.; \$10

Newhart Family Theatre

1020 W. Sheridan Road

goo.gl/RU5JQX

#### PRIDE FILMS & PLAYS

**"Raggedy And" by David Valdes Greenwood**

In this fast-paced comedy of manners, the perfect poet is needed for the impending inauguration of America's first female president, but the choice of a trans woman has repercussions.

Thru April 10

Rivendell Theatre

5779 N. Ridge

800-737-0984

pri defilmsandplays.com

#### RAVEN THEATRE

**"The House of Blue Leaves" by John Guare**

In Queens, N.Y., during Pope Paul VI's 1965 visit, struggling songwriter Artie wants to be famous and feel important while his heavily medicated wife Bananas just wants to feel.

April 20 thru June 18

6157 N. Clark

773-338-2177

raventheatre.com

#### REDTWIST THEATRE

**"The Realization of Emily Linder" by Richard Strand**

This quirky, comedic drama revolves around Emily, a 70-ish widow who says she's had a premonition about her own death.

April 9 thru May 8

1044 W. Bryn Mawr

773-728-7529

redtwist.org

#### STEEP THEATRE

**"The Few" by Samuel D. Hunter**

Four years ago, Bryan walked away from his life, his lover and his labor of love - a newspaper for long-haul truck drivers. Now he's back, without any answers and looking to finish what he couldn't on the road.

April 14 thru May 21

1115 W. Berwyn

773-649-3186

steeptheatre.com

Restaurant review**Riques Cocina Mexicana: Heartwarming cuisine on cold night***By Tracy Poyser*

Your intrepid Dialogue Diners had targeted Riques Cocina Mexicana on Sheridan Road for our next dining adventure when we learned that they had reopened in early 2015 after a long hiatus – and we finally zeroed in on Feb. 24, 2016. “Zeroed” was right – that night turned out to be one of the most severe in our rather meek winter, with freezing temperatures, very strong wind gusts, blizzard warnings and media imploring us to stay indoors. But, true to our “intrepid” moniker, the seven of us (Neil and Debbie, Janet, Lori, Beth and Freddy, and this reviewer) bundled up and ventured out – and we were sure glad we did.



Riques is conveniently located near the northwest corner of Sheridan and Argyle, with the 151 bus stop in front and easy (metered) street parking. So, we were able to duck into its cozy and welcoming space without freezing our noses. Not surprisingly, we started out as the only diners in the restaurant, joined a bit later by a few more hardy souls.

This intimate, conversation-friendly storefront BYOB place seats only about 24 people, with a small upstairs area toward the back for private parties. The décor and furnishings are inspired by chef/owner Enrique Cortez's northern Mexican hometown of Sonora, with a deep ochre and red wall, arched

doorways, dark wooden tables and comfortably padded chairs, a lovely collection of colorful art, wall sconces and soft recessed lighting. In 2008, Cortez had left an earlier incarnation of his restaurant to travel through the northern part of Mexico and rediscover the flavors of his childhood. When the same building that housed his earlier restaurant became available in 2014, he grabbed the opportunity to reopen with a new concept of northern Mexican cuisine developed over several years.

We were warmly greeted and immediately seated by our friendly server and provided with complimentary, very fresh tortilla chips with black beans and salsa. A few minutes later, chef Enrique emerged from his kitchen to introduce himself and help with our selections from his unique menu, simply hand-printed and photocopied so he can make daily changes to reflect the best seasonal produce and ingredients. Our choices that night included half a dozen appetizers, a couple of soups, and seven or eight main courses, plus a couple of daily specials and the promise of a free hot chocolate to offset the deep freeze outside.

We started out with a couple of servings of appetizers and salads, including a delightful little pyramid of crunchy, tasty flautas filled with chicken and potatoes, compliments of the house. Our *quesadillas de huitlacoche* (a mushroom-type fungus also known as corn truffle) with Chihuahua cheese, avocado sauce and pico de gallo were a far cry from the ordinary – moist and packed with flavor and textures. Quesadillas are a personal favorite of mine, and these were exceptional. The easy-to-share *la dona ensalada* turned out to be a pristinely fresh array of mango, green apples, oranges, jicama and radishes splashed with a light lemon vinaigrette served on a long rectangular plate highlighting each ingredient.

For the main course, each of us zeroed in on personal (warming) comfort foods – all made fresh and brought out at the same time. Beth selected *gallina pinta*, a flavorful soup from the Sonoran Desert with oxtail,

pinto beans, hominy and oregano, with chile de arbol, lime, cabbage, onions and tostadas added at the table. Her husband, Freddy, opted for the skirt steak enchilada with rice and beans – nothing out of the ordinary there. Janet raved about her *mole negro con pollo* – a dark, spicy almond mole sauce over tender grilled chicken breast with rice and pinto beans. She thought the mole sauce was spot-on, with complex flavors and enough kick to really make it interesting.

Lori and Neil both ordered the *enchiladas de mariscos* – seafood enchiladas featuring fish, octopus, potatoes and pickled jalapenos accompanied by rice and beans. Neil felt his serving didn't have quite enough sauce and tasted a bit too dry as a result, although the seafood was cooked just right. However, Lori loved her dish, and even though she's not in the habit of taking food home from a restaurant, she made an exception for Riques. Debbie and I opted for the same dish: *pescado y pulpo con calabacitas* – a tilapia filet and very tender octopus coupled with zucchini, poblanos and salsa verde over Mexican rice and accompanied by pinto beans. I thought it was super-tasty comfort food, with a well-balanced spicy flavor from the salsa verde. I didn't leave a morsel on my plate, while Debbie asked for a doggie bag.



Of course, that cold night required a soothing finale, so we shared a dark and very lush molten chocolate cake with vanilla bean ice cream and yet another complimentary special from Chef Enrique – a visually lovely plate of mixed fruit with exotic touches. And, the free hot chocolate turned out to be tiny but mighty – thick and creamy, and served in cute little cups holding just a

*(Continued on page 8)*

## Laundry Room news

By Carl Chadek

We here at Malibu East have, perhaps, the nicest Laundry Room on Sheridan Road. Our neighbor to the south, Malibu, remodeled its laundry room awhile back into a smaller version of ours. Other renovations that I've seen in the neighborhood have not come close to the level that we enjoy in our building. Here is some current and updated information about our Laundry Room that might be helpful.

### Laundry detergent

Laundry detergent MUST be "HE" – high efficiency. Using non-HE detergents with sudsing agents will cause the washers to malfunction. Sudsing agents were an additive in old-fashioned detergents and were used as a marketing tool. Suds, in fact, never had any effect on the performance of any detergent. The detergent is IN the water, and suds only float on top. Top-loading washers and – I'm aging myself here – wringer washers looked so nice with all those fluffy suds, but the suds did nothing to aid in cleaning.

Under NO circumstances should powdered laundry detergent or detergent "pods" ever be placed in the dispensers at the top of the machines. These dispensers are ONLY for liquid laundry products. Powdered and pod detergents are NOT recommended at all. If, for some reason, you use a powdered or pod detergent, it must only be placed INSIDE the washer with the laundry, NOT in the dispensers at the top of the machine. Again, powdered and pod detergents are NOT recommended. Liquid HE laundry detergent works best.

### Machine usage

Machine usage is, of course, on a first-come, first-served basis. There is no limit on the number of machines that you may use at once. However, in consideration of your neighbors, you may choose to limit your number of machines or, perhaps, select a different time to do your laundry if the room is busy. Please also be aware that laundry left unattended in any machine may be removed and placed on a table to free the machine for someone else to use. Please be considerate of your neighbors

and attend to your laundry in a timely manner. Also, please be considerate of your neighbors when removing their laundry from a machine for your own use.

Dryer lint traps on the large dryers are cleaned by our staff. They also will clean the lint traps on the smaller machines, but we can clean those ourselves for better dryer performance. Please clean the lint traps for the next user when you remove your laundry from the dryer.

### ESD Money Card options

**To add value to your Money Card using a credit card or a debit card from your computer:**

- Go to [familypridecard.com](http://familypridecard.com) and establish an account.
- Our CVA (coded value adder) is number 51.
- The CVA in our Laundry Room is labeled PayFlex.
- Follow the instructions to add value to your Money Card with a credit or debit card.
- There is a \$5 minimum transaction.
- Take your Money Card and your code number to the Laundry Room.
- Press #1 on the PayFlex on the machine.
- Follow the instructions to enter the code number you received.

**To add value to your Money Card using a credit card or a debit card in the Laundry Room:**

- Press #1 on the PayFlex machine.
- Follow the instructions to add value to your Money Card with a credit or debit card, using the card swiper on the machine.
- There is a \$20 minimum transaction.

**To purchase a new or additional Money Card using a credit card or a debit card in the Laundry Room:**

- Press #2 on the PayFlex machine.
- Follow the instructions to purchase a new or additional Money Card with a credit or debit card, using the card swiper on the machine.

**To add value to your Money Card using cash in the Laundry Room:**

- Insert your Money Card in the ClearView machine.
- Follow the instructions to insert cash with \$5, \$10 or \$20 bills.
- There is a \$5 minimum, and the ma-

chine will not accept singles.

**To purchase a new or additional Money Card using cash in the Laundry Room:**

- Insert cash in the ClearView machine with \$5, \$10 or \$20 bills.
- There is a \$5 minimum, and the machine will not accept singles.
- When you have inserted your desired amount, press the "Push to Buy Card" button.

**To check your Money Card balance:**

- Insert your Money Card in the PayFlex or ClearView machine.
- **Credit or debit card payment**
- You may also pay at any washer or dryer using a credit card or a debit card.
- If you pay in this manner, you may see an initial transaction amount of \$15 on your account.
- This amount is just a "placeholder" until the actual charges appear on your account.
- Only the actual charges will ever be deducted.

**How busy is the Laundry Room?**

**To check washer or dryer availability and receive notification when your washer or dryer cycle is complete:**

- Go to [familypride laundryaware.com](http://familypride laundryaware.com) and sign up.
- Note the number of the washer or dryer you are using.
- Log in and choose to receive an email or text message once your machine has completed its cycle.

**To view the activity in the Laundry Room:**

- If you would like to see the level of activity in the Lobby and/or the Laundry Room, go to [login.eagleeyenetworks.com](http://login.eagleeyenetworks.com).
- Enter [malibueast@skynet4.com](mailto:malibueast@skynet4.com) and enter the password.
- Click on either camera view to enlarge.

Lastly, and this is true for any aspect of our beautiful building, if you see something that needs attention, immediately inform management or, after hours, the door staff. Do not wait until a Board meeting for an issue that could have been addressed much earlier.

*Carl Chadek is the chair of the Architecture & Aesthetics Committee.*

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**"Town Crier" announcements**

*by Kellie Velasquez*

We welcome all new residents to our building, including:

If you have information concerning talented or famous Malibu East residents, please contact the *Dialogue*.

**Restaurant review***(Continued from page 5)*

couple of swallows.

Overall, we agreed that the ambiance is fantastic, the chef/owner full of personality, and it's nice to have a restaurant of excellent quality close to our home. Our main criticism was that most of our entrees could have been served a bit hotter. Prices are in the medium range (main courses top out at \$18), a bit higher than run-of-the-mill Mexican restaurants. Portions may be on the small side for some tastes, so keep that in mind when ordering. Personally, I prefer moderate portions to having food go to waste.

As a postscript, Lori returned for brunch at Riques with her husband, Pete, the Sunday after our outing and loved it. Among other soft drinks, they serve horchata, a rice milk-based beverage that is a favorite of Neil's. There were 10 items on the brunch menu, plus five specials, including French toast on challah bread with strawberries, warm oranges and piloncillo syrup. Lori loved her *burrito Suizo* - layers of scrambled eggs, vegetables and cotija cheese topped with salsa verde and melted cheese served with guacamole sour cream and a petite green salad. Pete enjoyed his scrambled eggs with chicken and Chihuahua cheese (he wanted chorizo, but the kitchen had run out of it, though he was happy with the substitute).

Riques is currently open Tuesday through Thursday for dinner only. Breakfast, lunch (or brunch) and dinner are served Friday through Sunday, with a complimentary sweet table starting at 9 a.m. on Sundays. Reservations are highly recommended, and a credit card number is requested for parties of six or more.

**Riques Cocina Mexicana****5004 N. Sheridan Road**

Phone: 773-728-6200

[www.riqueschicago.com](http://www.riqueschicago.com)**Hours:**

Tuesday - Thursday: 4 - 10 p.m.

Friday - Saturday: 8 a.m. - 11:45 p.m.

Sunday: 8 a.m. - 10 p.m.

Closed on Mondays



*Malibu East residents Tom Vaughan and Melodie Garcia completed the Hustle Up the Hancock climb of 94 floors (1,632 steps) on Feb. 28 to benefit the Respiratory Health Association.*

**How Malibu East voted**

Malibu East, which comprises its own voting precinct (22nd) in the 48th Ward, turned out on primary election day, March 15, enjoying the usual convenience of voting in our Lobby.

Following is a summary of our precinct's vote totals in the Republican and Democratic presidential races:

**Republicans:**

Donald J. Trump - 34 (44.16%)

Ted Cruz - 16 (20.78%)

John R. Kasich - 16 (20.78%)

Marco Rubio - 11 (14.29%)

Total - 77 votes

**Democrats:**

Hillary Clinton - 217 (65.96%)

Bernie Sanders - 112 (34.04%)

Total - 329 votes

Source: [www.ChicagoElections.com](http://www.ChicagoElections.com)**2015-16 Board of Directors**

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