

Malibu East Dialogue

December 2016

Your Communication and Information Resource

High-rise living from a child's perspective

By **Beth Robinson**

People sometimes ask what it is like to be a child in a high-rise community. In Kay Thompson's children's book, *Eloise* is a little girl who lives in the Plaza Hotel. Out of place in a world full of grown-ups, she lives a charmed life making mischief, talking with pigeons and crashing wedding receptions.



Since it opened in 1971, Malibu East has been home to multiple generations of children who have grown up in the building. Malibu East is not the Plaza Hotel, and the children who have grown up here have a more settled life and are much better-behaved than *Eloise*. Though definitely in the minority, children have a significant presence here. On the elevator, adult conversation dissolves into cooing when a baby appears. At the pool, the playful splashing bunch negotiates space with the serene floating crowd.

From the time she can remember, Charlene Linke spent her childhood in Malibu East. Her mother, Grace Cabrera, and her father moved into the building when Charlene was two years old. An

only child, Charlene says she felt protected in the building, surrounded by loving, caring adults. Her mother befriended another resident, Jean Joe, who was Charlene's babysitter when her mother worked. Charlene attended Sacred Heart School up the street and came home to her "Auntie" Jean's apartment until she was old enough to be home alone. Charlene's parents, who are Filipino, taught her to use "Auntie" to show respect for people older than she was. Other neighbors gave her attention as well, including Zeny Villagnacio and Rochelle Allen. Charlene felt secure, coming home to a building with a doorman who knew her and friendly neighbors. In fact, even as an adult, she cannot get used to the idea of living in a single-family home. It feels open and vulnerable to her.



When she graduated from high school, Charlene went to college and moved away from home. Her mother always said that the Malibu East condo would be Charlene's one day, but Charlene was happy living in her own apartment and did not think about returning to the building. Then her mother passed away and her stepfather moved out of the condo. By then Charlene was married and needed a larger space. So she moved back to the apartment she grew up in. The apartment looks different now because Charlene and her husband completely remodeled it, but it is still her childhood home. Rochelle Allen, the neighbor with

whom she grew up, still lives on the floor. Charlene feels bittersweet about coming back to what she thought of as her mother's home, but now it feels like her home, too.



Jorge Scerba was born a few months after his parents moved into Malibu East in 1971. He thinks he was the first baby born to residents of the building. He also went to Sacred Heart School and had a babysitter in the building who watched him when his parents worked. Jorge remembers having a lot of fun as a child, playing with friends who lived in the building. He recalls going to the Racquetball Court to practice swinging a bat with tennis balls and hanging out in the playroom, which was located where the Management Office is now. On Halloween, children trick-or-treated in the building, but at that time there were no ribbons or flyers marking the doors of neighbors who wanted to give out treats. As a result, kids sometimes knocked on the doors of people who were not prepared for trick-or-treaters, leading to awkward encounters. He has a picture of

(Continued on page 7)

Malibu East events and meetings

Holiday party

Wednesday, Dec. 14
6:00 p.m. - Lobby

Board meeting

Tuesday, Dec. 20
7:30 p.m. - Windjammer Room

New Year's Eve party

Saturday, Dec. 31
8:30 p.m. - Windjammer Room

Dialogue staff meeting

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

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

*Our condolences to the family and friends of
Barbara Murphy
Paul Tedesco*



Board meeting notes

By Neil Warner

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.

Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2016

Attendance: Ten Board members, two management representatives, six residents
Excused: Martina Molins, Carl Stahlheber
Presiding: President Marcel Molins

REVISIONS TO AGENDA

- 1) "Captain's Walk consultant" and "Laundry Room braille" were added to Old/New Business.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Joan Scholl

1) Financial statement as of Oct. 31

Operating and reserve cash
\$3,045,265
Investment in units
\$3,105,330 (20 units)
Excess of operating revenue over expenses
\$707,102

2) Delinquencies

\$373,299, including \$271,849 from former residents, less \$275,000 allowance for doubtful accounts

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 1) **Architecture & Aesthetics - Carl Chadek**
New weather mats for common areas have been ordered.

- 2) **Garage - written report by Ali Saeed**
The garage was 40 cars below capacity as of Oct. 31. Sixteen residents are on waiting list for single self-parking spaces. There were no damage claims in October.

- 3) **Finance & Insurance - Joan Scholl**
A \$99,656 CD at Byline Bank has been renewed at 1.1% interest rate for 13 months.

4) Sports - Neil Warner

A new yoga class typically begins the first Thursday of each month, opening to newcomers on that date only.

5) Social - Sandy Chaet

Holiday party with be held at 6 p.m. Dec. 14 in Lobby, with live music. A New Year's Eve party will be held on Dec. 31 from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. in Windjammer Room (see article, page 8).

MANAGEMENT REPORT - Violette Deschamps

Items requiring immediate Board action

1) 2017 budget

Directors approved the budget that was mailed to owners, calling for 2% increase in assessments (see article, page 6).

2) 18L sale

Board voted to exercise its right of first refusal on unit 18L at a purchase price of

\$110,000, as authorized by owners at a special meeting immediately preceding this one.

3) 35F sale

Board voted to exercise its right of first refusal on unit 35F at a purchase price of \$164,000, as authorized by owners at a special meeting preceding this one.

4) Requests for religious displays

Directors approved three requests for religious displays in Community Room for Advent and Christmas.

5) 2016 winter display

Board approved a vendor's proposal to provide Malibu East's winter display.

6) Holiday fund letter

Directors approved the holiday fund letter to be distributed to owners.

7) Lease renewal

Board approved a one-year renewal for an Association-owned one-bedroom unit.

8) Lease renewal

Directors approved a one-year renewal for an Association-owned one-bedroom unit.

9) Lease renewal

Board approved a one-year renewal for an Association-owned two-bedroom unit.

10) Lease renewal

Directors approved a one-year renewal for an Association-owned two-bedroom unit.

11) Captain's Walk lease renewal

Board approved a proposal for renewal of a lease by a Captain's Walk tenant.

12) 22.1 disclosure statement

Approved as amended.

Old/new business

1) Victor Noriega status

Victor returned to work in November after recovering from injuries sustained in a hit-and-run accident on July 4. Board elected to send him a letter expressing how pleased it is to have him back among the Malibu East family.

2) AWB roof antenna

Directors voted to notify American Wireless Broadband that it must remove its antenna from our roof by Feb. 1.

3) Facade project: balcony railings

Directors will be able to examine balcony railing samples before deciding whether or not to replace the existing railings.

4) Facade project status

Project is expected to begin in spring (see article, page 3).

5) Elevator modernization

Management will contact our elevator consultant regarding performance.

6) CMU repairs

Board authorized repairs to exterior wall of a unit.

7) Fourth-floor water heater

Management will get additional bids.

8) Captain's Walk stairwell project

Management will review revised drawings.

9) Captain's Walk restrooms

Contract with vendor has been signed; awaiting City permit.

10) Captain's Walk leasing

Commercial broker continues to pursue leads.

11) Captain's Walk ATM

Bridgeview Bank has installed an ATM in Captain's Walk (see article, page 3).

12) Captain's Walk internet services

Nothing new.

13) Realtor report

Our residential broker submitted a report on viewings of Association-owned units.

14) Rules revisions

See article, page 3.

15) Association-owned units

Not counting two units approved for purchase earlier in meeting, Malibu East owns 20 units, of which 15 are rented and five are for sale or being renovated for sale.

16) Malibu-Malibu East meeting

Nothing new.

17) Captain's Walk consultant

Replacement of Captain's Walk exterior windows will take place before any other renovations are begun.

18) Laundry Room braille

Braille strips were added to the machines after this meeting.

The meeting ended at 9:36 p.m. and went into closed session.

Special meeting of unit owners

Nov. 15, 2016

Presiding: President Marcel Molins

After first vice president Thomas Vaughan's recap of Board's recent history in buying and selling units, owners approved a resolution authorizing Board to buy unit 18L for \$110,000, plus or minus prorations. Next, owners approved a resolution authorizing Board to buy unit 35F for \$164,000, plus or minus prorations. President Molins voted the proxies in favor of both resolutions.



What's happening around the building

By Violette Deschamps, Malibu East Manager

HOLIDAY SEASON: The Holiday Fund Committee launched its 2016 holiday fund on Nov. 21. The committee is asking for your generosity in providing voluntary cash gifts to Malibu East's employees, including the garage and relief employees. I have personally observed significant improvements from our staff in serving you rightfully with effectiveness and courtesy. I have even noticed on many occasions our employees' willingness to serve well and assist with matters exceeding their job descriptions. Please accept our most sincere and warmest wishes for this holiday season.

RECYCLING: We must be more vigilant than ever with regard to recycling considering that the City of Chicago is taking this issue very seriously. Indeed, we were informed that the era of leniency expires on Dec. 31. The City will enforce its recycling ordinance and fine property violators beginning in 2017. Our goal at Malibu East is to be in full compliance with the ordinance and never be fined.

Summary of Chicago recycling ordinance:

1. Ordinance is effective Jan. 1, 2017;
2. Enforcement will begin 30 days after the effective date;
3. Single-stream recycling continues to be permitted under the ordinance, meaning that all recyclable materials may be collected in the same containers;
4. Recyclable materials: The ordinance defines 13 specific materials that may be recycled, including aluminum cans, bi-metal cans, steel cans, glass bottles, plastics #1 through #5, cardboard and paper;
5. Prohibited materials: The ordinance defines 16 specific materials that may not be recycled, including electronics, batteries and fluorescent bulbs (these must be recycled at separate recycling locations), food or beverage waste, plastic bags and films (they get caught in the recycling equipment), paper plates and paper coffee cups (they com-

bine layers of different materials), chip and snack bags (they combine layers of different materials), Styrofoam, paper tissue/napkins (fibers are too short), and contaminated materials (otherwise recyclable materials that are contaminated with food, solvent, paint, etc.);

6. The education of residents is to be disseminated and documented at each property; educational materials may take the forms of articles (such as this one), flyers, posters, instruction manuals, etc.;
7. Enforcement of the ordinance is a shared responsibility among several City departments such as Streets & Sanitation, Police and Law Enforcement, and any City Inspectors;
8. Property fines for violations and noncompliance:
 - a. First offense is \$500 to \$1,000;
 - b. Second offense is \$1,000 to \$2,500;
 - c. Third offense is \$2,500 to \$5,000;
 - d. Each day that a violation exists is considered a separate violation.

If you would like to know more about the City's recycling ordinance, visit www.recyclibycity.com/chicago.

FAÇADE PROJECT: Consultant KGH is currently preparing the bidding documents for the first phase of the comprehensive repairs of the exterior walls and balconies of the building. We expect the selection of a contractor this winter before the commencement of the first phase of the contract in early spring. Further notices will be distributed to our residents to inform you of the start date of the repairs, the tiers that will be affected in the first phase, and the precautions to be taken on your balconies during the work.

ELEVATORS: Several design changes have been made to the elevator touch screens, consisting of enhancements rather than radical changes. To comply with City ordinances, Anderson Elevator will install new signage identifying the floor and the cab numbers on the elevator doorjamb.

KITCHEN DRAINPIPE ON THIRD FLOOR: This project will take about one week to be completed. Please save the email blast and memo we will distribute to notify you of this work ahead of time, once the exact dates have been established by the plumber. You will be notified at least three days before the work is initiated. The work will be done in early December. As a reminder, you will not be able to use your kitchen sinks, faucets and dishwashers during a specific timetable on the repair days. You will, however, be able to use your kitchen, with no restriction, on those repair days starting at about 4 or 5 p.m. and throughout the night.

ATM MACHINE: A free-standing automated teller machine operated by Bridgeview Bank has been installed in the Captain's Walk corridor between the convenience store and the beauty salon and is being monitored for the number of monthly transactions and related revenue. The ATM was installed in the first week of November, meaning that the three-month trial period will expire in early February. The ATM allows you to withdraw cash for a small fee, which is waived if you have an account at Bridgeview Bank. If the number of monthly transactions exceeds the expected benchmark established by Bridgeview, the ATM will be kept on site and may lead to Bridgeview having a modest part-time presence in the Captain's Walk for prospective clients to open bank accounts, manage transactions, deposit checks, order checkbooks and so forth. If the usage benchmark isn't reached, the ATM will be removed, and that would be a hardship for some residents.

RULE AMENDMENTS: The Board is preparing a revision of the rules. We anticipate having a number of rule amendments in the first quarter of 2017, and these changes will be distributed to owners for comment. Any resident can submit suggestions to the Board via email to the property manager: MECAmgr@sudlerchicago.com.

Recycling reminder: Don't place plastic bags or other non-recyclables in the recycling bins.



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.

Hours: Mon.-Fri. 7 a.m.-10 p.m.

Sat.-Sun. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

5917 N. Broadway

312-742-7502

goo.gl/MSZSES

EDGEWATER BRANCH LIBRARY

Check out their book clubs!

6000 N. Broadway

Mon. and Wed.: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Tue. and Thu.: noon-8 p.m.

Fri. and Sat.: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

(closed on Sundays)

312-742-1945

chiblib.org/locations/28

EDGEWATER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Current exhibit: "Edgewater Beach Hotel 100 Years Later"

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

EDGEWATER SINGERS

"An Edgewater Holiday"

The Edgewater Singers perform holiday songs that honor traditions from the many waves of immigrants who have made Edgewater their first home in America. Free.

Dec. 10, 7:30 p.m.

St. Gertrude's Church

1420 W. Granville

edgewateringers.org

HOLIDAY REMIX 2016

Find one-of-a-kind items from 50 artists working with recycled/repurposed materials. There will be free workshops where you can learn how to make your own ornaments, and food and beverages will be served.

Dec. 10, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Broadway Armory Park

5917 N. Broadway

JACKALOPE THEATRE

"Octagon" by Kristiana Rae Colón

The Octagon. The fiercest arena of lyrical battle on the planet, where eight poets bare all to become immortal. But backstage, as relationships fray and silence resounds, whose freedom is worthy of speech?

Thru Dec. 11

Broadway Armory Park

5917 N. Broadway

773-340-2543

jackalopetheatre.org

LIFELINE THEATRE

Fillet of Solo Festival 2017

Lifeline Theatre and Live Bait Theater bring 15 storytelling collectives and numerous solo performers together for a three-week, multi-venue selection of powerful personal stories.

Jan. 13-29

6912 N. Glenwood

773-761-4477

lifelinetheatre.com

LIL BUDS THEATRE

"Santa ... Deux?"

In this musical for the whole family, Santa hires the highly ambitious New Elf, who promises a faster, more efficient Christmas and creates a clone of Santa to help out.

Thru Dec. 18

The Edge Theater

5451 N. Broadway

773-334-4543

lilbudstheatre.org

RAVEN THEATRE

"Betrayal" by Harold Pinter

Jerry, a successful and married London literary agent, has a nine-year affair with Emma, the wife of his publisher best friend Robert. What happens when we break the rules requiring fidelity to one's spouse and loyalty to our friends?

Thru Dec. 17

6157 N. Clark

773-338-2177

raventheatre.com

REDTWIST THEATRE

"Turtle" by Jake Jeppson

This world premiere paints a funny and deeply-felt portrait of Americans in the years leading up to Trump. It asks us to investigate the myth of exceptionalism, the unrelenting noise that saturates our lives, and the cost of politics on our personal and national journeys.

Thru Dec. 30

1044 W. Bryn Mawr

773-728-7529

redtwist.org

THREE CAT PRODUCTIONS

"The Other Side of Christmas"

Eight playwrights explore what it means to be an outsider on the biggest, most commercial and most televised event of the year.

Thru Dec. 30

Berger Park Coach House

"The Gorilla King" by David Finney

It's 1948 and times are changing for the Callahan family and their little grocery store in the Bridgeport neighborhood of Chicago. A one-night staged reading in the Berger Park Cultural Center. Free.

Dec. 19, 7 p.m.

6205 N. Sheridan Road

312-970-9840

threecatproductions.com

If you notice a hallway spill or accident, immediately notify the front desk for a clean-up.

**"Town Crier" announcements
by Melody Keegan**

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

Andy's Thai Kitchen brings authentic new flavors to Edgewater

By Tracy Poyser

What better warming flavors for your taste buds during the inevitable Chicago winter that's around the corner than the authentic and unusual Thai dishes you'll find at Andy's Thai Kitchen (ATK), conveniently located on the west side of Broadway between Granville and Rosemont? It's the second venture for renowned Thai chef Andy Aroonrasameruang, whose Lakeview location has received raves for a number of years.

The vibrant, true flavors of Chef Andy's home region – Chachoengsao in south central Thailand – arrived in the States with him nearly 21 years ago. He brought with him years of delicate cooking talent he acquired at a young age while learning the art of Thai cooking with his mother. Per an early October press release, Andy used to live in Edgewater and, together with his business partner Travis Sutton, jumped at the chance to open a second location when a former restaurant location at 6230 N. Broadway became available. Edgewater customers who had come to ATK's 946 W. Wellington location in Lakeview often commented, "Oh, I wish you were closer," said Sutton.

To make things interesting for Edgewater fans of ATK, new dishes not found on the Lakeview menu have made their way to Edgewater. And, true to Chef Andy's heritage, the menu promises deeper, more complex and spicy flavors than the more popular southern Thai recipes.

With a multitude of Thai restaurants competing with each other in our neighborhood, your Dialogue Diners were curious to find out what would set ATK apart from the rest. So, on Nov. 22, several weeks after ATK's opening, our group of nine set out to give it a try (Neil and Debbie, Beth and Freddy, Janet and visiting brother Bill, Judy, and my friend Louise and I). Since most of us had forgotten to BYOB, several of us ordered hot green tea or Thai iced tea, and I tried a Thai green lemonade – a

bit sweet for my taste, but fresh lemon and extra ice toned it down.



We each ordered different entrees but shared three appetizers: a vegan gyoza (pan-fried dumplings with mixed veggies and tofu), char-broiled marinated grilled squid, and grilled chicken satay skewers with a fragrant peanut sauce and a small side salad. Visually, the presentation was lovely. We all agreed that the squid was fantastic, tender with nice char marks and, per Bill, the best he'd ever eaten. The satay chicken was equally delicious, nicely browned and with a warming extra bite in the peanut sauce. The gyoza were not quite as successful, probably because most of us expected these delicate dumplings to be steamed or softly sautéed. ATK's were lightly fried and therefore a bit chewier and hard to cut. But, they were large and came decorated with a deeply flavored plum-like dipping sauce, so picking them up was easier.



Here's what each of us felt about our entrees, starting with Neil, who said: "My basil pork leg entrée was very good, with tender pork, mushrooms, basil, garlic and chili. It had just the right amount of heat. I wish I had realized that I could have ordered brown rice with my entrée instead of the jasmine rice. Debbie liked her Chinese broccoli with crispy pork, garlic and chili. I also tried this dish and liked it – the spice level was similar to my basil pork leg. Despite the name of the dish,

there was a lot of pork in it. I tasted Bill's seafood entrée, and the shrimp in it was very good."

Janet touts ATK as a small, clean, tasteful venue (it seats about 34) with many and varying dishes at reasonable prices. She had ordered the Kao Mun Kai – steamed Hainan chicken, cucumber, rice, cilantro and soybean sauce – and thought the sauces and flavorings were excellent although the chicken was a little fatty. Her brother, Bill, who was visiting from out of state, had gone for Tom Yum Pad seafood, a combination of shrimp, squid, mussels, fish ball, jalapeno, onion and chili paste, and he enjoyed the rich, spicy flavor of the perfectly cooked ingredients.

Beth thoroughly enjoyed the Pad Ped catfish with hot red chili coconut curry and Thai eggplant. "The catfish was crispy, and the curry sauce was spicy and creamy. It was delicious." Her husband, Freddy, had the Pad Thai with chicken, which he said was fine but not the best he'd ever eaten. They had also ordered delivery from ATK shortly after it opened, and were happy with the results.

Two in our group were less enthusiastic. Louise's red snapper filet, billed as crispy fish with a sweet-sour sauce, bell pepper, pineapple, onion and cilantro, was a bit overcooked and dry and a downer for her after the tasty appetizers. Oddly, it arrived several minutes after our other entrées. And, Judy's cashew vegetable dish was tasty, if mild, and loaded with veggies, including peapods, pineapple, dried pepper, carrots, onions, water chestnuts and mushrooms. She didn't think the value matched the prices.

As for me, I went carnivore and opted for a wild boar Pad Ped, cooked with red curry, young pepper, Thai eggplant and coconut milk, taking me back to my native Germany where wild boar was hunted as a delicacy (although we were scared to run across one roaming in the woods as kids). This one was quite tame, super tender and with a fragrant, complex, deeply spicy sauce that didn't burn your tongue if you avoided the fiery red and green pepper pod strips. I especially liked the con-

(Continued on page 6)

Restaurant review
(Continued from page 5)

trast with the Thai eggplant – small, halved golf-ball-size light green spheres with seedy flesh that has a firm and crunchy texture. The dish did contain some fattier bits of skin, which I put aside before taking half of it home. Warming it up for dinner the next night brought the flavors out even more distinctly.

We had absolutely no room for desserts, even though the offerings sounded great, including green tea ice cream. The consensus: We loved the airy, tasteful space with its calming, yet modern décor, including comfortable metal chairs and tables and some fine Thai art pieces on the walls. Most of us would go back again and try different menu items. The bill, which we shared, came to \$25 each with tax and tip – and there’s a range of prices from low to a bit above moderate. A “Check Please!” review of the Lakeview location recommended that you go outside the box and try dishes that are new to you.

ATK Edgewater – still BYOB while it
(Continued on page 8)

Budget increases take effect Jan. 1

Some of the costs of living at Malibu East will increase as of Jan. 1, as outlined in the 2017 budget that was sent to owners in October and approved by the Board of Directors at its Nov. 15 meeting.

Assessments will rise by 2%, the first increase since 2014.

The satellite TV charge rises by \$1 to \$25 per month. The bulk internet fee remains at \$24.

Monthly parking rates will increase by \$9 for valet, tandem and single self-parking, to \$130, \$142 and \$155, respectively. The motorcycle parking rate rises by \$5 to \$79.

Hourly parking for two hours or less remains at \$5, while the other hourly rates will have increases ranging between \$1 and \$4 and the weekly rate rises by \$5 to \$65.

For owners who are renting extra storage lockers in the Captain’s Walk, the monthly fee will increase by \$2 to \$58 for single lockers, by \$5 to \$115 for double lockers, and by \$7 to \$153 for triple lockers.

These increases will be reflected on the Sudler statements that are mailed in December.

How we voted

As anyone who followed the U.S. presidential race knows, Republican Donald J. Trump scored a convincing victory over Democrat Hillary Clinton in the Nov. 8 general election. In the category that counted, Trump won 306 electoral votes compared to Clinton’s 232. Clinton won a plurality of the popular votes, which were still being counted in early December.

What you might not know, though, is how Malibu East voted. With the polling place conveniently located in our Lobby, Malibu East comprises the 22nd Precinct of the 48th Ward.

Figures from the Chicago Board of Election Commissioners show that, like the Democrat-dominated City of Chicago, our precinct gave 80% of its votes to Clinton, 17% to Trump and 3% to the two independent candidates combined. However, our precinct’s percentage of votes that went to Trump was substantially higher than the percentages he received in the 48th Ward and in the City as a whole.

Our precinct’s 86.5% voter turnout
(Continued on page 7)

Picky People Pick Us!

ALL STAR CARPET CARE
and APPLIANCE CLEANING
CARPETS – UPHOLSTERY – RUGS – FLOOD
RICK SUTTLES
OWNER



Save
\$20
Mention
this ad!

2727 W. GIDDINGS
CHICAGO, IL 60625

CELL: 847-420-4111
ALLSTARCARPET57@YAHOO.COM



Hanukkah Lighting

Please join your friends and neighbors to light the First Hanukkah Candle

Saturday Dec. 24 at 2:30 p.m.
Community Room 4th Floor

(Paid advertisement)

Buying • Selling • Renting • Management

Your Sheridan Road Condo Specialists

If you are thinking about selling in the spring – contact me now.



Helen Wagner

773-334-0200



Wagner Realty Services, LLC



Captain’s Walk Mall
6033 N. Sheridan Rd. #5
Chicago, IL 60660

Phone: (773) 334-0200
Cell: (773) 297-0205
HMWagnerRealty@sbcglobal.net

Malibu Convenient Food Mart

6033 N. Sheridan in the Captain’s Walk

Stop in for coffee – and.



Fresh pastries delivered daily

Mon-Fri:
8 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Saturday:
8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Sunday:
10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

For Delivery Call: 773-769-5440

High-rise living

(Continued from page 1)

himself with Santa Claus at a building party.



Though born more than a decade after Jorge, Elaine Rojas-Castillo also has fond memories of celebrations in the building, including the annual holiday party and her “Sweet 16” in the Windjammer Room. She was part of the “Children’s Committee,” a group that helped to plan Halloween parties and other child-focused events. According to Elaine, one of the best aspects of living here is “the awesome staff. Some of them, like (doorman) James Bolante, have known me since the day my parents brought me home from the hospital.”

Like all high-rise dwellers, children run into many people on a daily basis in the elevator or in the garage. At a young age, they learn to interact with a variety of people whom they see infrequently, people who may remember them and pause to chat or ask questions. Jorge says that he received attention regularly but was not always sure whom to say “hello” to. Elaine looked forward to elevator rides as a chance to greet someone.

Charlene, Elaine and Jorge spent time at the swimming pools in the summer. Though he sometimes had to be reminded to follow the pool rules, Jorge recalls being so impressed with the lifeguard that, for a while, he wanted to be a lifeguard when he grew up. Today, Jorge works for Sam’s Club and is a writer.

In a high-rise, we share public space with our neighbors. I raised two children in the building. When my younger daughter was a few years old, we used to walk together to take the recycling to the bulk room, located at the opposite end of the hallway. The bulk room always made her a little nervous – a closed door, dark on the inside until someone turned on the light

switch. After leaving the recyclables in the bins, we returned to the hallway, a long, straight shot back to our apartment, and that’s when the game started. One of us was the cat and the other, the mouse; and the cat chased the mouse all the way home. As long as no one else appeared in the hallway, we ran as fast as we could, with the mouse streaking down the hallway to avoid capture. But, because it was a public space, we had one rule: No noise. The mouse couldn’t squeal and the cat couldn’t hiss.

How we voted

(Continued from page 6)

was much higher than the City’s 71%.

Here is the voting breakdown:

	Chicago	Ward 48	Prct 22
Regist’d	1,570,529	34,466	599
Voted	1,115,664	27,806	518
Turnout %	71.04	80.68	86.48
Pres. votes	1,090,343	27,322	515
Trump %	12.41	10.04	16.89
Clinton %	83.73	85.75	80.00
Johnson %	2.24	1.95	2.14
Stein %	1.62	2.26	0.97

Source: www.ChicagoElections.com

PHONE: (773) 275-0110 HOURS BY APPOINTMENT

DR. JACK P. HORBAL
DR. KERSTIN E. HORBAL
 DENTISTS

CAPTAIN’S WALK
 6033 N. SHERIDAN RD.
 CHICAGO, IL 60660
 www.horbalds.com

Need A Handyman?
KC Beautiful Dimensions
 Home Improvement Services

Fully insured with the Association of Certified Handyman Professionals

Winter Specials
 Painting / Tile Work / Carpentry

Painting and Decorating - Drywall Repairs
 Tile Installation, Kitchen - Bathroom - Backsplash
 Ceramic, Porcelain, Marble, Glassblock, Stone
 Regrout/Caulk Shower Stall, Floors, Tubs, Backsplashes
 Steam Clean Tile and Grout, Seal Grout/Tile
 Closet Designs and Installation

Call For An Estimate

Many Other Services Available
 No Job Is Too Small
 I Will Beat Any Other Shown Estimate
 References Available

CHICAGO Home Improvement
 Contact Information:
 Office: 773-878-1574
 Cell: 773-425-2239
 Email: curtisjacobson@sbcglobal.net

IACHP
 Association of Certified Handyman Professionals

5128 W. Irving Park Rd.
 Chicago, Illinois 60641
Business: (773) 283-4600
 Home: (773) 271-7649
 Cell: (773) 520-1945
 PSmith6033@sbcGlobal.net

Percy L. Smith
 REALTOR

Expert service, Buying, selling or renting — contact Percy

Recently rented: 37K
 Units for sale: 41K, 24B, 11L

Chestnut Organizing & Cleaning Service
 312-332-5575

- We are a home and office cleaning service.
- But more importantly, we are an organizing/cleaning service for people who need that service. Often, cleaning services don’t organize and organizing services don’t clean, but we can do both and at the same time!
- Please visit us for more information and “before” and “after” photos:

www.ChestnutCleaning.com

Spotlight on theater: Raven

By *Beth Robinson*

Living surrounded by neighborhood theaters is one of Edgewater's attractive features. We are within walking distance – or a short drive – of more than a handful of theaters that provide a diverse array of creative, good-quality productions.

The Raven Theatre, located at Clark and Granville, is one of these venues. Those who have lived in the neighborhood a long time may remember that this location first housed a grocery store, starting with Kroger in the 1950s and more recently Granville Certified, before the space was converted to a theater in 2002.

The Raven Theatre's repertoire includes dramatic classics such as Arthur Miller's "Death of a Salesman" and "The Cherry Orchard" by Anton Chekhov, as well as lighthearted plays, including past productions of the Neil Simon comedies "The Odd Couple" and "Brighton Beach Memoirs." Raven's current (through Dec. 17) production, "Betrayal," is the work of the late renowned British playwright Harold Pinter. Involving a long-term love triangle, the play deals with the issues of honesty, faithfulness to one's spouse and loyalty to one's best friend.

Last season, Raven gained citywide recognition for its outstanding production of "Straight from Death Row: The Scottsboro Boys (An Evening of Vaudeville and Sorrow)." The play won a Jeff Award for Best Ensemble and was included in both the *Chicago Tribune* and *Chicago Sun-Times* critics' lists of best Chicago theater in 2015.

Subscriptions range from a four-show preview week package for \$72 to a five-show anytime subscription for \$125. Tickets for individual shows are also available. It would be advisable to arrive early for a performance. The theater has open seating, with subscribers entering first before the other ticket holders. A small lot provides limited parking, and street parking is available along Clark or Granville.

More information about the theater and its 2016-17 season is available at www.raventheatre.com.

Social events

The Social Committee has planned two events for December that are sure to please Malibu East residents.

First, the annual holiday party is set for 6 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14 in the Lobby. This is typically the most well-attended party of the year, with lots of good food, drink and camaraderie. This year, for the first time, Malibu East resident Randall Fler will provide keyboard music at the festivities.

A big part of the success of the holiday party is the homemade food donated by residents. Finger foods, particularly appetizers and desserts, are greatly appreciated. If you donate food and would like to have your serving dish returned, tape your name and unit number to the bottom of the dish.

Next, repeating on the success of last year's New Year's Eve celebration, the Social Committee will stage a party on Dec. 31 from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. in the Windjammer Room. Attendees will ring in the new year with a champagne toast at midnight.

Malibu East resident Dominic Wayne will serve as the DJ for the evening.

Attendees are asked to bring their favorite beverage – soda, wine, beer,

etc. – and/or an appetizer or dessert to share.

Please RSVP by returning the bottom portion of the door-dropped flyer to the front desk or the Management Office by Friday, Dec. 23 so that the committee can better plan for the evening.

Restaurant review

(Continued from page 6)

works toward acquiring a liquor license – accepts credit cards, but no reservations. But, if you have a large group (say, six or more), do call ahead and they'll try to accommodate you. Beth and Freddy had used the ATK website to submit an order for delivery. It was easy to register on the website and place the order – they didn't wait long for the food, and it arrived warm and ready to eat.

Andy's Thai Kitchen - Edgewater

6230 N. Broadway

773-856-5598

andysthai.kitchen.com/

[edgewater-location](http://edgewater-location.com/)

Open 7 days a week: noon-4 p.m., 5-10 p.m.

Online orders: andysthai.carry-out.com

The Dialogue

The Malibu East Condominium *Dialogue* is published by resident volunteers to promote communication among owners, residents, the Board of Directors, management and staff of Malibu East Condominium, 6033 North Sheridan Road, Chicago, IL 60660.

Articles written by and opinions of the Malibu East Condominium *Dialogue* staff and contributors are their personal views and do not necessarily represent the views of Malibu East Condominium or its Board of Directors and management.

Letters to the Malibu East Condominium *Dialogue* Committee are encouraged. Its staff reserves the right to edit those letters which it sees fit to print and to print only those with constructive content. Letters to the *Dialogue* Committee may be left at the management office.

Advertising disclaimer

The *Dialogue* neither endorses nor promotes in whole or part any advertising printed in the *Dialogue* newsletter or included as a separate insert. The content of such advertising is the sole responsibility of the advertiser and is paid for by the advertiser. Advertising fees are used to defray the publication cost of the *Dialogue*.

Copyright © 2016 Malibu East Condominium. All rights reserved. This material may not be duplicated or distributed without written permission from authorized representatives of Malibu East Condominium.

Malibu East Condominium

6033 N. Sheridan Road
Chicago IL 60660-3003
773-271-1732

Marcel Molins, Board President
Violette Deschamps, Malibu East Manager
Tom Vaughan, Chairman of the
Communications Committee
Larry Rosen, Webmaster
www.MalibuEast.org

Malibu East *Dialogue* Committee

Dialogue@MalibuEast.org

Neil Warner, Editor
Tracy Poyser, Photo Editor
Larry Rosen, Graphics Editor
Barbara Abarbanell

Jackee Ames
Bob Butler

Jo Gayle
Katie Hefferman
Ken Ilio

Myrna Manners

Ethel Mullin
Kim O'Neal
Ann Pollack
Tracy Poyser
Beth Robinson
Nancy Stoesser
Lori Ziesmer