

Malibu East Dialogue

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Oldies but goodies – not just for the young at heart

By Tracy Poyser

When I first saw the flyer from the Social Committee inviting us to a July 22 “Oldies but Goodies” disco party with hits from the ‘60s, ‘70s and ‘80s, I realized I’m afflicted with a case of musical arrested development back to “Swinging” London, where I lived in the mid-to-late ‘60s. After all, if my contemporaries Mick Jagger and Paul McCartney are still rocking, so can we – never mind the gray pony tails!



With our own fabulous DJ Dominic Wayne rocking the Windjammer Room with nonstop requests from seven until after 11 p.m., there was nothing ancient about the animated crowd of over 50 people, from teens to venerable seniors in their 90s. It was a super-friendly atmosphere, with regulars getting to know first-timers, people walking from group to group to make others feel welcome, sharing, enjoying round-the-table conversations and, of course, dancing to their favorite beat. Many generously brought extra nibbles and beverages, adding to the ample supply

of wine, soda and refreshments provided by the Social Committee.

In the spirit of the “oldies” theme, quite a few partygoers came decked out in period garb and makeup from their favorite decade, including Sandy, James Brainer and life-of-the party Kevin Fukumoto, whose disco-ball shirt was positively dazzling. My sis Rita and I went back to the ‘60s – she as a long-haired blonde former California flower child saying hi with the peace sign, and I trying to impersonate London’s Twiggy (or her mom) with slicked-down hair and black lashes painted down my cheeks. Sadly, I no longer own any mini dresses. To our happy surprise, we each won a \$10 Walgreens gift card for best costumes.

As always, we owe a round of applause to our wonderful Social Committee, chaired by Sandy Chaet, with the intrepid Aida Calvopina, Dominic Wayne, newest committee member James Brainer and others for planning, decorating, setup, serving and making the evening run smoothly. Cleaning up can be quite a chore, but as always, on-the-spot volunteers pitched in and helped make the staff’s late-night task easier.

Quite a few people commented to committee members on how nice it is to have these social events and fun activities to connect with each other. “They’re a win-win. You get to have fun with friends, meet new neighbors, enjoy a variety of food and music, and you don’t have to drive home,” says long-time resident Eileen Smith.

Last but not least, we thank our dynamic DJ Dominic Wayne, who kept the music flowing, played all the requests he had received ahead of time and more, and kept the dance floor crowded. He had also made the wonderful slide show that highlighted Malibu East’s 45th anniversary party last year. You may not know that he was trained by Chicago’s best DJ companies before starting his own business 13-plus years ago. He’s a musician himself and is very knowledgeable about music of all genres, eras, and music culture. If you’re interested, check out his website, www.dominicwayne.com, or you can find him on Facebook.

Mark your calendar for our next event with music wiz Edizon Dayao, a Malibu East favorite, on Saturday, October 7.

Malibu East events and meetings

Board candidate forms due

Friday, Aug. 18

5:00 p.m. - Management Office

Owners/Board meetings

Tuesday, Aug. 22

7:30 p.m. - Windjammer Room

First budget planning meeting

Wednesday, Aug. 30

6:00 p.m. - Windjammer Room

Dialogue staff meeting

Tuesday, Sept. 5

7:30 p.m. - Community Room

Meet the Candidates Night

Wednesday, Sept. 6

7:30 p.m. - Windjammer Room

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



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(All photos by Tracy Poyser)



Board meeting notes

By Neil Warner

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Attendance: Seven Board members, one management representative, eight residents
Excused: Martina Molins, Sriram Sitaraman, Carl Stahlheber; Carl Chadek and Marcel Molins joined the meeting in progress, with agenda items being reordered
Presiding: First vice president Thomas Vaughan

REVISIONS TO AGENDA

- 1) "Passenger elevator padding" was added to Items requiring immediate Board action.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Joan Scholl

1) Financial statement (as of June 30)

Operating and reserve cash
\$4,651,480
Investment in units
\$2,427,888 (16 units)
Excess of operating revenue over expenses
\$544,444 year-to-date

2) Delinquencies (as of July 21)

\$437,931, including \$270,736 from former residents, less \$275,000 allowance for doubtful accounts

3) 2016 audit

See Items requiring immediate Board action.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1) Architecture & Aesthetics – Carl Chadek

Landscape architect presented to the committee his initial vision for landscaping our property.

2) Commercial Property – Violette Deschamps

Management is seeking a new broker to market commercial spaces.

3) Garage – Martina Molins

Garage was 46 cars below capacity as of June 30. Twelve residents were on waiting list for single self-park spaces. There was one damage claim in June; it was approved.

4) Finance & Insurance – Joan Scholl

First budget meeting will be held at 6 p.m. Aug. 30.

5) Sports – Neil Warner

Yoga class is being held one night per week, on Thursdays, with the first August class on Aug. 10.

6) Social – Sandy Chaet

Oldies-but-goodies party on July 22 was a success, with committee receiving positive comments from attendees (see article, Page One). Edizon Dayao will perform here Oct. 7. The discussion group will resume meetings in September.

7) ASCO & Community Affairs – Sandy Chaet

EdgeFest will be held Aug. 5-6. A fenced-in dog park will open in August between the lakefront trail and Lake Shore Drive

at Bryn Mawr. The Berger Park Advisory Council will sponsor a dog wash, ice cream social and movie on Aug. 26 at Berger Park (see Community Calendar). Interns from alderman's office have been patrolling Sheridan Road for illegal bike riding on Tuesdays. On the legislative front, HB 3755, which would shift more of the burden for attorneys' fees to condo associations, narrowly passed the Illinois House and is before the Senate. ASCO opposes the bill and urges that owners contact our state senator, Heather Steans, as well as Senate co-sponsors Emil Jones and Julie Morrison, in case the bill comes up for a vote in the Senate. The City sent a crew to fix the problem of the drain in front of the bus stop at the northeast corner of Glenlake and Sheridan, which often causes water to accumulate in the street.

MANAGEMENT REPORT – Violette Deschamps

Items requiring immediate Board action

1) 2016 audit

Board approved the audit with one revision. It will be printed and sent to owners.

2) HiPoint fee waiver

Management will discuss with HiPoint the possibility of a fee waiver for July 7 internet outage.

3) Balcony coating selection

Directors selected the Irish green custom color for all balcony floors at an additional cost, and black satin paint for balcony railings.

4) Facade coating selection

Board chose china white paint for the facade.

5) Condensing units and balcony coating

Directors voted to hire an HVAC contractor to inspect, disconnect, relocate and eventually reconnect all air conditioner condensers on balconies to enable the complete replacement of all balcony membranes during the balcony/facade project. It also approved a vendor's proposal to do this work. Board authorized the installation of rubber pads under the corners of each condenser when they are reconnected. (See management report, page 3.)

6) Brick selection – garage west wall

Board selected new brick to replace the existing brick on the garage's west wall.

7) Syska Hennessy billing

Directors approved a settlement offer from our elevator consultant regarding invoices.

8) Early lease termination request

Board ratified an agreement with renter in Association-owned unit.

9) Vendor renovation defects

Directors approved the parameters for a settlement offer.

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.

10) Electronic transmission to owners

Board approved the submission to owners of a proposed new rule regarding email communication of documents with owners. (See management report, page 3.)

11) 22.1 disclosure statement

Approved as amended.

12) Passenger elevator padding

Board will consider requiring a damage deposit from contractors working in the building.

Old/new business

1) HiPoint's service interruption

See items requiring immediate Board action.

2) Balcony/facade project

See items requiring immediate Board action.

3) Landscaping beautification

See Architecture & Aesthetics Committee.

4) AWB antenna removal

Internet service provider AWB will be asked to remove its transmitter from Malibu East roof, so that Association is in compliance with contract of our current ISP, HiPoint. Consequently, residents using AWB's service will have to switch to another ISP.

5) Column investigation: garage

Management will seek a second opinion.

6) West penthouse air handler

Coil assemblies are being repaired by manufacturer.

7) Men's sauna, fourth floor

Sauna has been demolished; vendor is working on wood cladding.

8) Open house schedule

At Aug. 22 Board meeting, directors will set a date for open house of recently renovated Association-owned units.

9) Elevator report

Discussed in open forum.

10) Dry cleaner alternatives

Nothing new.

11) Captain's Walk ADA restrooms

Demolition of restrooms began in July; work is expected to take 4-5 weeks.

12) Captain's Walk stairwell

Pending revision of drawings.

13) Realtor lease/sale reports

After numerous showings of Association-owned unit 18L in brief time it had been on the market, Association agreed to a sales contract on that unit, but sale later fell through.

14) Rules revisions

See #10 under Items requiring immediate Board action.

15) Association-owned units

Of 16 units owned by Association, 11 are being rented, one is listed for sale, one is about to be listed, and three are being renovated.

Meeting ended at 9:54 p.m. and went into closed session.



What's happening around the building

By Violette Deschamps, Malibu East Manager

NEW RULE: The Board is proposing a rule to expedite, and reduce the cost of, the transmission of information and documents to unit owners. The electronic transmission is a new method provided for by the law that is being offered to unit owners. This method has the advantages of drastically reducing the transmission time of documents, the labor involved in mailings (allowing management to focus on other tasks), and the cost of the involved equipment, postage and supplies. The proposed rule for Electronic Media and Communications using email addresses will allow management to transmit information and documents to unit owners, such as meeting notifications, copies of the annual budget and the audit, annual meeting documentation, etc. Unit owners will be given the choice of accepting or declining the communication via electronic transmission. Once accepted, the unit owners who opted for the electronic transmission retain the option to revoke it and return to paper copies and "snail mail" at any time. This new rule will allow owners to better manage the Association's documents and notices disseminated via email as it facilitates the organization of these documents on personal computers, not to mention the time and space you may be saving by decreasing the amount of paper documents currently being mailed.

You will receive a notice for a special meeting of unit owners on August 22 to discuss the proposed rule in open session.

VALET PARKERS AND KEYS: The garage manager brought to the property manager's attention that valet parkers too often forget to leave their keys in their vehicle at the drop-off location on the first floor of the garage. As a result, the garage employees have been involved in countless incidents where they have no key with which to move a valet vehicle. When this happens, the garage hikers sometimes experience undue delay in retrieving the key from the resident, and they often have to deal with frustrated parkers lined up in the atrium waiting impatiently to get into the garage. These incidents occur too often during rush hours.

In order to minimize this type of lock-out and consequently improve the overall efficiency of the garage staff and operation of the garage, the Board will discuss whether or not to implement a valet lock-out service fee of \$50 applicable each time a driver fails to leave his/her keys in the dropped-off vehicle, effective on a date to be determined this fall. As the Board envisions it, the garage manager will issue a lock-out incident report to the property manager, and management will apply the lock-out fee of \$50 to the account of the associated unit owner. Any renters involved in this type of issue will cause their respective unit owners to be billed the valet lock-out service fee.

FAÇADE AND BALCONY PROJECT: Phase One of the project is progressing smoothly per the anticipated schedule. The Board of Directors has selected the new brick for the garage west wall, an Irish green color for the balcony floors, a black satin for the railings, and a China white for the walls. Reliable Building Systems, our contractor, is currently stripping the balcony membranes. Once the stripping is completed, KGH, our architect/engineer, will proceed with a second inspection of the balconies for the purpose of assessing the deteriorated concrete and the needed repairs. Once the quantities have been established, RBS will remove the damaged concrete, clean and prep the areas and apply fresh concrete in the affected areas. The railing will be prepped and painted along with the concrete repairs, and then the Irish green membrane will be applied once the new concrete sections have cured.

Further, the Board made the decision to apply the new membrane under the condensing units currently on the balconies. The Board has hired Call Joe! Heating and A/C Service to handle the disconnection, relocation and reconnection of the condensing units for all four phases of the project. RBS anticipates the disconnection of the condensing units on the L and M tiers in order to apply the balcony coating sometime in mid-to-late August. Memos will be disseminated ahead of time to inform the residents of the L and M tiers of the approximate dates during which their

condensing units will be disconnected. Based on the most recent information, the condensing units will be disconnected and out of operation for about 10 days. Management does not have a more precise schedule at this time; there are too many unknown factors, such as the extent of the concrete and railing damage and the time necessary to repair this damage.

CONDENSING UNITS ON BALCONIES: The condensing units located on balconies are to be disconnected and reconnected ON TIME during the course of the balcony work. Per Board decision, Call Joe is responsible for the disconnection and reconnection of the units. Please note that the appearance and operability of each condenser will be assessed before the disconnection and documented in a written report that includes pictures. The assessment report will state whether the condenser and its accessible components need repair and/or replacement. Accessible components include the electrical panel and breaker, the electrical connection, the refrigerant line and refrigerant content, the housing, the base and other visible/accessible parts of the condenser. Each unit owner will receive a copy of the assessment report. Please be aware that Malibu East and/or its agents are not responsible for any defective parts and/or any decayed parts disintegrating during the disconnection, and/or whether the condensing unit fails to operate properly after the reconnection. Any unit owner may hire, at his/her discretion, an insured and licensed HVAC contractor of his/her choice for the relocation, and/or the replacement or repair, of the condenser. However, if the owner chooses such an option, the owner is responsible for making sure that the HVAC work is synchronized with the façade and balcony project. A delay in the project will not be tolerated. In addition, the owner will be responsible for paying any HVAC contractor other than Call Joe if he/she chooses that option.

The condensers will be reinstalled, AS IS, meaning in the same condition in which they were found before the disconnection, except for those condensers that fall apart or otherwise fail to operate during the disconnection and/or relocation. The disconnection, relocation and reconnection of the existing condensers is free of charge, except for the cost of the refrigerant to be replen-

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Community Calendar

By Neil Warner

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

ANDERSONVILLE DINNER CRAWL

Sample the food from 22 local eateries in Andersonville, choosing from two different routes. Tickets are \$30 in advance, \$35 the week of the crawl.

Wednesday, Aug. 9, 6-9 p.m.

andersonville.org/events/andersonville-dinner-crawl

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

5917 N. Broadway

312-742-7502

goo.gl/MSZSES

CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT

No August meeting

(Alternating CAPS and community meetings 4th Tuesday of each month)

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6000 N. Broadway

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

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Current exhibits: "Made in Chicago:

An industrial history in everyday objects 1900-1970" and "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

EDGEWATER SATELLITE SENIOR CENTER

Organized activities for seniors, Monday through Friday, throughout the year.

Broadway Armory Park

5917 N. Broadway

312-742-5323

FARMERS MARKETS

Andersonville: 3-8 p.m. Wednesdays

On Berwyn, betw. Clark and Ashland

Argyle: 5-9 p.m. Thursdays

On Argyle, betw. Sheridan and

Kenmore

Edgewater: 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays

SE corner of Broadway/Thorndale

Loyola: 3-7 p.m. Mondays

Loyola Plaza, 6550 N. Sheridan

ICE CREAM & DOGGIE SOCIAL

Dog wash for a fee by Bark Bark Club,

4-7 p.m.; ice cream from Waterfront

Cafe, 5-8 p.m.; free animated movie

"Bolt," 7:30-9 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 26

Berger Park

6205 N. Sheridan

GO EDGEWATER BIKE TOURS

Go Edgewater is back for the 3rd

year, sponsored by the Edgewater

Environmental Sustainability Project.

These are the remaining bike tours:

- Edgewater Beach Hotel & Apts -

Tue., Aug. 8

- Public Art in Edgewater - Tue.,

Aug. 15

- West Ridge Nature Preserve - Tue.,

Aug. 22

- Full Moon Fire Jam - Wed., Sept. 6

www.facebook.com/GoEdgewater

SUMMER ON THE PLAZA

Live entertainment and food trucks

in the plaza at the Loyola Red Line

station.

Wednesdays and Fridays through

October, 5-7 p.m.

6550 N. Sheridan

luc.edu/CommunityRelations

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Adult day wellness programs for

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1355 W. Foster Ave.

773-271-9001

WhiteCraneWellness.org

THEATER/SHOWINGS

IDLE MUSE THEATRE

"The Veil" by Conor McPherson

A transfixing, mystical ghost story about the search for love and the circularity of time – and the ghosts that are woken by scarcity and the fear of dispossession.

Aug. 17 thru Sept. 17

The Edge Theater

5451 N. Broadway

773-340-9438

idleemuse.org

STEEP THEATRE

"Lela & Co." by Cordelia Lynn

Instinct, tenacity, biting humor, and trust in the future keep Lela alive as her world closes in around her.

Based on a true story, *this play* is an eerily funny and enthralling story

about the courage and perseverance of women in conflict zones.

Thru Sept. 2

1115 W. Berwyn

773-649-3186

steeptheatre.com

THREE CAT PRODUCTIONS

"Cabaret on the Lake"

A free, monthly variety show giving singers, storytellers, comedians, performance artists, musicians, dancers, poets, and solo artists of every type a place to develop their work.

Friday, Aug. 11, 7:30 p.m.

"Our 14 Abortions" by Barbara Lau

Reminding us that every decision affects two lives at the very least, this play explores a teacher devoted to her at-risk students. A staged reading. Free.

Monday, Aug. 21, 7 p.m.

Berger Park Cultural Center

6205 N. Sheridan

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More oldies but goodies photos



Restaurant review**Waterfront Café – a nearby summer delight***By Tracy Poyser*

Most of our residents probably know about a seasonal gem hidden in plain sight just a block north of Malibu East right on the water. The aptly named Waterfront Café in Berger Park is housed in a historic landmark coach house alongside one of the few remaining mansions that once lined Chicago's lakefront.

The entrance to the café is at the southwest corner of the building. With a capacity of about 100, it consists entirely of an outdoor patio, with redwood picnic benches and tables on the east side, and (relatively new) wooden patio decks and garden furniture to the south, a bit shadier and surrounded by Berger Park's trees and shrubs. And, there's live entertainment every evening except Mondays, with the stage framing those breathtaking lake views.

Even though the weather was a bit cool and breezy on a late July Monday night, your Dialogue Diners didn't want to miss the August print deadline so you'd know where to go for lakeside lunches or dining under the stars while summer is still golden. Waterfront Café doesn't accept reservations, but it had space on the patio deck for the seven of us (Neil, Debbie, Beth, Sandy and I – plus honorary DD Edgewater friends Louise and Nancy). And we spotted a Malibu East neighbor, pianist/entertainer Bob Solone, at a neighboring table, and he agreed to chime in for our review.

There's an extensive beverage and cocktail menu, including some refreshing non-alcoholic choices. Beth and I ordered watermelon agua fresca (watermelon, mint and crushed ice) – nice, but it needed some lemon for a bit more zing. Louise enjoyed her Prosecco, while Neil thought his ginger beer was good but not distinctive. On prior visits, he loved the Caipirinha cocktail – the Brazilian national drink made with caçaça (fermented sugarcane), lime and sugar, although \$11 seems a bit steep for Edgewater.



The one-page food menu is relatively short, casual, outdoorsy and a bit eclectic – with a focus on seafood, but enough choices for meat eaters and veggie lovers, and a few favorites for little “whippersnappers” like peanut butter & jelly, and chicken tenders. And, there's a distinct Middle Eastern influence, with Shoreline shawarma (beef and lamb), falafel or Mediterranean salad accompanied by pita bread, which Neil enjoyed during an earlier visit, especially with grilled shrimp as an add-on.

Being this close to the water, all six of us veered toward seafood: Sandy, Debbie and Nancy opted for fish & chips and liked their choice – ample portion size, light and crunchy batter with firm-fleshed fish, not too greasy, and with nicely seasoned fries. Beth went for the lobster roll – with lobster aioli salad on a toasted brioche bun with fries. She thought it was delicious, with plenty of lobster meat.



Neil and Louise ordered shrimp & lobster salad with mixed greens, Maine lobster, jumbo shrimp, avocado, tomato, lemon caper aioli and pita bread. Although the price may seem a bit high (\$16), both agreed the portion was huge, with a particularly large serving of the chopped lobster held together by a minimal amount of mayonnaise and enhanced by a few capers. The lemon caper aioli was especially good for dipping the three very large shrimp and for dressing the mixed greens nestled on pita bread.

I had to continue my personal quest to find the best crab cakes this side of Maryland. Waterfront Café's coconut crab cakes rank pretty high, and the appetizer portion was just enough for dinner. Two spheres are deep-fried, with a thin, crunchy brown coconut crust holding a light and airy filling of crab meat with just a touch of aioli seasoning, nestled on greens with chunks

of pineapple.

And, Bob Solone reported that his Buffalo shrimp prepared in a light tempura batter were delicious, juicy and tender, with a moderately spicy Buffalo sauce and blue cheese dip on the side.

Although we barely had room for dessert, we shared a couple of portions of tres leches – a three-milk sponge cake with a whipped topping and fresh strawberries. It was rich and moist, and Louise and I pretty much gobbled it up, just leaving some of the topping behind.

Service was prompt and very friendly, with used dishes cleared without disruption. We never felt rushed, and could have lingered much longer had it not been for the cool weather.

Even though the menu may be a bit limited and the prices a touch on the high side for the neighborhood, the food is plentiful, and the main attraction is the beautiful setting surrounded by flowers and greenery with a view of the lake. Few restaurant locations in the city can compare, and there's the added pull of musical entertainment on Wednesdays through Saturdays from 8-10 p.m., and on Tuesdays and Sundays from 7-9 p.m. The focus is on local talent, from jazz vocalists to Brazilian guitarists and singer/songwriters. You'll find the lineup on the website listed below.

You may want to allow for a bit of extra time getting a table on music nights, or just go for a nightcap. And, what better place to bring visitors for a light lunch or mid-afternoon refreshments to show off Edgewater's greatest asset – beautiful Lake Michigan? Outside patio is dog friendly and features breathtaking views. You may even bring your four-legged buddies – the restaurant's patio is dog-friendly and has been awarded “four bones” by Bri ng-Fi do. com. Just make sure your dog sings in tune with the music.

Waterfront Café

6219 N. Sheridan Road

773-761-3294 – Call ahead in inclement weather

www.waterfrontcafecicago.com

Hours: Sun.-Thu. 11:30 a.m.–10 p.m.;

Fri.-Sat. 11:30 a.m.–11 p.m.

Management report
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ished if it is found to be below normal level before the disconnection, and the cost of any other repairs or part replacement deemed necessary if the unit was found in poor condition before the disconnection. In those cases, the owner will have to either reimburse the Association if the repair work is done by Call Joe and the owner agreed to it, or hire an HVAC contractor of the owner's choice to proceed with the repairs and/or part replacement and the reconnection of the condenser.

CONDENSERS AND UNIT ACCESS:

The overall schedule of Phase One is highly dependent on the work associated with the condensing units. Any delay caused by a lack of indoor access to the residential units will have an avalanche of disastrous consequences on RBS' work schedule, and possibly on the cost of the project. Indoor access to units will be required at least two times during the course of the balcony coating: the first visit will be to disconnect the condensers, and the second visit to reconnect them. Further, access to the electrical panel inside the residential unit is crucial before the disconnection and reconnection of the condensers.

Management will be responsible for the logistics associated with the access to the units. Each resident will be contacted by management to require access on a specific date and get the confirmation as to whether a person will be present in the unit or the keys will be made available to enter the unit, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Please note that NO specific time can be provided as there are too many steps involved in the balcony work; access will be required based on date, without specific time other than between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. The Board of Directors is very sensitive to the critical path associated with the balcony membrane work, which can quickly get out of sequence as a result of a lack of timely access to units. Having said that, the Board of Directors made a decision to impose a service fee of \$100 every time a resident fails to schedule the access with management or fails to provide the access after it has been scheduled.

PURCHASE AND SALE PROXIES: You may have noticed a few directors hosting "proxy rounds" in the Lobby recently. The Board is striving to generate the maximum support from the owners for the purchase and sale of units on behalf of the Association. The proxy in question is specifically de-

signed and written for either the purchase of a unit that the Board has deemed to be under contract at a grossly inadequate price, or the sale of an Association-owned unit after it has undergone a renovation – nothing more. The Board's practice of purchasing and selling units has positively contributed to elevate the marketability of Malibu East; to minimize the number of off-site investors; to stabilize the number of rented units; and finally, to increase the selling prices of the units at Malibu East by a substantial percentage. The latest decision to acquire a unit is to purchase unit 33A, sold by the lender who took over the unit through foreclosure. **THE PROXY NEEDS TO BE SIGNED BY AN OWNER ONE TIME ONLY.** It will be used over and over for buying or selling units until you revoke it, if you so choose, because it is revocable. There is no need to sign more than one proxy. If you have not signed a proxy in the past and support the Board's strategy in buying and selling units, please contact management to get a blank proxy or meet with a director when there is a "proxy round" in the Lobby. Management can deliver a blank proxy to you via mail, email or via the Receiving Room service.



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Resident's adventurous life comes full circle

One of your Malibu East neighbors has a fascinating life story to tell.

Katherine (Katie) Heffernan was raised in Hubbard, Neb., in the north-eastern corner of the state on the Missouri River. It was predominantly settled by Irish, German and Danish immigrants. Katie and her many relatives were of Irish descent, and she always had cousins as classmates. Her father owned and operated grain elevators and her mother was the principal of the high school. Summers were spent riding her horses and competing in 4-H activities. She won in county fair competitions but remembers never winning on the state level.

After graduating from high school, Katie went to St. Mary's College, an all-girls residential college in Omaha. Her sister was attending St. Louis University, a Jesuit school, which had only recently allowed women to enroll. Their mother had many well-established relatives in St. Louis, so Katie transferred to St. Louis University to major in economics and business. She had a weekly column in the school newspaper called "Social Events by Katie Heffernan," was president of the Glee Club and estab-

lished a chapter of Kappa Beta Gamma, the Jesuit sorority, on campus. She hated to graduate and leave all of that fun college life behind.



Graduation meant getting a job. Intrigued with U.S. government overseas employment, she got a job managing recreational centers for the military stationed in Europe. That was a dream job! She focused on developing and leading tours for soldiers all around the northern area of Europe. She could requisition buses and drivers, arrange hospitality at the many military bases, requisition bags of food – and off they would go. Katie was young (just out of college), but the soldiers were younger

(just out of high school, for the most part). The ski trips down to the Bavarian Alps were always highlights.

But after several years, she decided to move on and found a job on the Mediterranean Sea, in Rome, Italy, as Director of Welfare for the U.S. Refugee Program. Refugees were coming from communist countries like Albania, and Italy could not take care of them financially, so the United Nations had establishments to manage this situation. Refugees seeking entrance into the U.S. had to stay in Rome during a two-year vetting period, and Katie was the director of this area. Although she L-O-V-E-D living in bella, bella Roma, she decided she was a Midwesterner and should return there.

Katie's next direction may sound surprising to some, but it was a natural choice for her. She became a nun and entered the Good Shepherd Congregation in St. Louis. The Good Shepherd apostolate was to work with women at the lower fringes of the law. In St. Louis the Good Shepherd sisters focused on preventing delinquent adolescents from entering into the downward spiral of the penal system. They had a large monastery with a high wall, to which the juvenile courts committed adoles-

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cent females for rehabilitation. It was certainly challenging and not always rewarding, but most of their charges received their high school diplomas or job certifications, were given the therapies needed and were reconciled with their families and society. In this capacity, Katie was in San Francisco and Tulsa and finally Chicago.

She earned her master's degree in clinical social work at the University of Illinois at Chicago, as well as advanced certifications from The Chicago Institute for Psychoanalysis.

To adjust to the Chicago ice and cold she took up cross-country skiing. She joined the American Hostel Association and went on weekend trips "up north." Among her greatest sources of pride are the medals she won in cross-country races at the American Birkebeiner! She hopes to frame these two medals someday.

Her cross-country skiing ended abruptly at Banff, in the Canadian Rockies, where she fell and smashed her ankle and had to have surgery in Calgary, Alberta. When she returned to Chicago, her orthopedist told her to stop straining her right ankle to prevent the development of arthritis, so she stopped many of her activities, including skiing, golf and hiking. Twenty years later she broke that same right ankle again when she was in the northern part of Thailand trying to get on an elephant to ride to visit villages in the jungle. The same Chicago orthopedist gave her dire forecasts, but many years later she still does not have any pain or discomfort in her right ankle and uses it just fine.

At this time major changes were being made to modernize the Catholic Church. The mass was no longer in Latin. Nuns no longer wore their religious habits and veils. They moved out of their convents and into housing in the community and took secular employment. Katie became a Sister of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (BVM) and lived in a 10-story convent at 6364 N. Sheridan Road, across the street from Mundelein College, which has since been incorporated into Loyola University Chicago. She was employed as the director of clinical services at a private psychiatric hospital and also as an adjunct professor of psychotherapy at Chicago Medical College in North Chicago. For many years she maintained a

private practice of psychotherapy for nuns.

Eventually, she became a school social worker at Chicago Public Schools and a field instructor for graduate students in social work at Loyola and the University of Illinois. It was during this time that Katie moved into her own apartment at Malibu East. The balconies were the main attraction of the building.

Although school social work was a year-round job, Katie did manage to have some summers off. The bishop of Anchorage, Alaska, was recruiting nuns to come to work in the Eskimo villages located on the Bering Sea. His main goal was to give the Eskimos the experience of associating with some people from the lower 48 states, whom they had never seen before. The bishop had a connection with Alaskan Airlines so he could fly the sisters for free. These Eskimo villages were very simple with no running water. The sisters ate seal, walrus and moose. Summer is the season of the midnight sun in Alaska. The sisters slept on blankets in the back of the church while the villagers remained sitting around them, watching and visiting, not wanting to go home yet while the sun was still out.

Another summer Katie was a volunteer in Quito, Ecuador, at a BVM center that provided basic education for shoe-

shine boys and their families so they could get better jobs. The center recruited volunteers from the Peace Corps and American University. Since Katie didn't speak Spanish, she was assigned to work with the babies, and they all communicated very well.

Now that she is retired, Katie maintains her active lifestyle. She is a board member for American Women for International Understanding and has served as a delegate to such places as Saudi Arabia, Cuba and Libya (while Muammar Gaddafi was still alive) and is now preparing to be a delegate to Nicaragua. She is an officer for the Renaissance Art Club and is a docent for the Chicago Architectural Foundation. She attends senior aerobics at Berger Park twice a week.

Coming full circle, Katie was honored by her childhood hometown of Hubbard with an invitation to be the grand marshal of the Hubbard parade as well as the main speaker at the all-school reunion banquet that followed. Earlier she received an Outstanding Achievement Award from St. Mary's University in Omaha.

Katie continues to enjoy living at Malibu East. Her two main pleasures at home are the lovely view from her balcony and the people in the building – both the residents and the staff.

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