



IN THE PINK

The Newsletter of the Edgewater Beach Apartments

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Please join me in thanking outgoing Board Members Pat Anderson, Howell Browne, Karen Clausen, Jacque Simon and Mark Tenney for their service to the EBA during their terms. We also owe a big thank you to outgoing President Sue Jungers for her hard work and efforts, and to outgoing Secretary Judith Bertacchi for her diligent service, to the EBA over the past year. And, join me in welcoming incoming Board members Dennis Anderson, Kim Biggs, Salvatore Bondi, Dave Dufty and Dan Stanzel as they begin their three year terms.

I look forward to working collaboratively with the new Board. There is no shortage of projects for a vintage building of the EBA's size and character that need our attention. After adequate study and discussion, our Board should be able to develop a plan that prioritizes those projects and enable continued improvement of our wonderful EBA home. I also hope that we can enhance and improve our Management and Board reporting as well as our communication with shareholders. Should you have any suggestions for improvements to the EBA, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Summer 2014 is upon us. We have the best garden in Chicago – and, I hope that everyone gets outside and takes advantage of this special outdoor space available to all of us at the EBA. Enjoy!

Bill Johnson

NOTES FROM THE MANAGEMENT

**Katharine Rousseve, General Manager
Draper & Kramer**

Happy Spring!! Now that winter bleakness has been replaced with glorious blooms and warmer weather, many of you are once again enjoying EBAC's beautiful garden and grills. It's such a delightful change of pace, and I hope everyone enjoys the great weather.

The garden plots have been assigned, but we have a just a few left if anyone is interested. Please let Robin know if you would like your name placed on the list and she'll coordinate with the Garden Committee.

On behalf of dkCondo and my administrative team, I join Bill Johnson in thanking out-going President Sue Jungers for her dedication and leadership and Pat Anderson, Howell Browne, Karen Clausen, Jacque Simon and Mark Tenny, the five Directors whose term ended this year, for their efforts to make the management transition as smooth as possible. We look forward to working with the entire new Board to improve service and increase efficiency.

Please note that the Board approved a change to the elevator call service on the Lobby and Mezzanine Levels that will require use of your fobs. We'll send out notice when this work is planned. You will be able to use the elevators without a fob between floors 2 and 19. While the door staff will be able to assist on occasion with calling the elevator, residents are requested to carry their fobs for the passenger elevators as you currently must to access the Fitness

Center, pool and the garden. Please remember to routinely lock your apartment doors at all times and add your fob to your regular set of house keys so that you won't be delayed once the new service is installed.

Finally, we have not received everyone's information form. Copies are available at the door station, so please complete and return to Robin. We don't want to seem intrusive but we require this information to comply with Chicago Code regarding emergency planning.

Robin, Giorgio and I wish everyone a happy and safe Memorial Day weekend and a great start to a Summer!

REMINDERS FROM MANAGEMENT:

I've been asked to issue a few reminders about our Rules and Regulations, and how important it is that each resident remains sensitive to harmoniously interacting with your neighbors.

Per EBAC Rules & Regs, please return the garden tables & chairs to the original locations should you move them. Please use Service Elevator #2 to transport food and beverage to the garden. When using the grills or enjoying meals or snacks in the garden or elsewhere in common areas, please remove all garbage which must be disposed of in sealed, plastic bags. Please be diligent in cleaning up after your meals to reduce pests and other rodents. As you know rodents are increasingly a serious problem in the City. Also, everyone will appreciate having the grills cleaned up after each use so that the next person will be able to prepare their meals quickly and safely. As you know, glassware and other breakables are not permitted.

We have received a few noise complaints recently. Please note that you are required to have at least 75% of your total floor covered by area rugs or carpeting and 100% of the floors covered in high traffic areas of your hallways, living and dining rooms and bedrooms. Being cognizant of our impact on neighbors is essential to being a good neighbor. As much as possible walk lightly and monitor your children's playing as thumps and bumps transmit. Playing music loudly is never permitted so please understand that your neighbors are entitled to enjoy their homes without noise intrusions. The Rules provide for fines, doubling with subsequent

complaints as a means of encouraging consideration for fellow neighbors.

Along similar lines, smoking is permitted only within your apartment or currently in two common areas: the concrete patio or on the terrace as long as you stay approximately 320' from the building door and a minimum of 15' from apartment windows. Smokers are required to ensure that smoke from their apartments does not permeate common areas or adjacent apartments and must use air filters or other means to eliminate odors. Smoking on the fire escape is never permitted.

To ensure safe passage in the event of any emergency, Chicago Fire Code prohibits storage of personal items in the common areas, including hallways and storage areas outside of assigned lockers. Please take a few moments to see that you comply by removing shoes, trays, boxes, bikes, carriages, etc. in compliance with Code and with EBAC rules.

All apartment doors have been equipped with an automatic door closure as required by Chicago code to prevent fires from spreading. As you know we are subject to inspection and compliance. We must complete the Life Safety project this year and will be inspecting doors. Any shareholders who have removed the closures will be charged for reinstallation and subject to further Board action. The new Building Department Commissioner has already indicated grave concern for complete compliance of this Life Safety Issue and will issue stiff penalties per diem to those in violation.

NEW SHAREHOLDERS

Richard Mallette	1907
Claire Whitaker	315
Judith Irle	
Julia Christiansen	135
Ellen Rubert	143
Martin Ley	
Pietro Fiermara	312
Kim Biggs	
Christine DeGroote	142
Brett Muldowney	1214
Kimberli Baily	

GET BACK IN THE SWIM!

A whale of a THANK YOU to all our staff and management who were involved in the repair, cleaning and painting of our pool! It is a testament to the quality and integrity of staff and management that this unanticipated and enormous project was completed as quickly as possible thanks to the follow through by management and participation of staff. Now if I can just find my water wings.



Dan Stanzel

NEWS FROM THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The annual sidewalk sale will be held on June 7th on Bryn Mawr in front of the EBA. The date coincides with the 20th annual Edgewater Neighborhood Garage Sale. The sale will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 7, no rain date. Five block clubs

as well as the Edgewater Beach Apartments will participate this year. By coordinating with this larger sale we draw a larger audience and share advertising expenses. This was quite successful last year and we look forward to another good year. Flyers have been posted giving specific directions regarding table rental rates and other details. In the meantime, dust off those treasures and items for which you no longer have use and get them ready for the sale!

If sidewalk sales are not your thing, try visiting the Gazebo on Tuesday evenings for a building wide happy hour event from 5 until...? This is a casual BYOB drop in event and opportunity to meet other shareholders while enjoying our fabulous garden. We look forward to seeing you there beginning June 3rd.

Dan Stanzel

Fireworks View on the terrace in July
Annual Garden Party in August
Octoberfest in the Garden
Salute to Veterans in November
Annual Holiday Party in December

RECYCLING/GREEN COMMITTEE NEWS

Pat and Dennis Anderson and Phyllis Raine stepped up to enable the EBA to participate in the 48th Ward e-waste collection event on May 3rd. Despite short notice, EBA residents disposed of a carload of e-waste including more than 80 CFLs and 500 household batteries. Thanks again to the e-waste crew and to the rest of you.

The Recycling/Green Committee held an expired pill collection in April where we collected over 10 pounds of unwanted pills, which were delivered to an Illinois EPA disposal bin.

Our documentary film series continued on February 24th with "Running Wild", the story of Dayton O. Hyde and the 12,000 acre Black Hills Wild Horse Sanctuary he founded in South Dakota 25 years ago.

One of the most controversial environmental issues today is the Keystone XL Pipeline, with a proposed route from Hardisty, Alberta to the Texas Gulf

Coast. On March 31st, we had a double feature of "Down Stream" and "Pipe Dreams" by Academy Award nominated director Leslie Iwerks. "Down Stream" focuses on a Native American community living downstream from the Athabasca tar sands of Alberta Canada, one of the most polluting oil operations in the world, and a doctor's fight to get industry and the Canadian government to recognize a link between pollution resulting from tar sand extraction and an otherwise statistically improbable cluster of rare cancers afflicting the town. "Pipe Dreams" looks at the difficult struggle by farmers and landowners in the Midwest to protect their land and water and to prevent the Keystone XL pipeline from being constructed right through the heart of the Ogallala Aquifer, our country's largest freshwater resource, and the fragile Sandhills of Nebraska.

On April 28th, we saw "Earth: The Operator's Manual" which explains the science behind climate change, explores the history of energy use, presents evidence that use of fossil fuels has caused the unprecedented rapid changes and discusses currently available sustainable energy alternatives to fossil fuels. See <http://earththeoperatorsmanual.com> for ideas you can implement at home to reduce your carbon footprint.

On June 2, we will be showing "Food Patriots" at 7:00 pm in the Scarborough Room.

Start collecting your tote bags: The Chicago City Council has approved a partial ban on plastic bags beginning in August 2015. More details later.

Katharine Heed

New TerraCycle Recycling/Up-cycling Project

The Recycling/Green Committee has placed two new black bins near the vending machine in the basement. One is for used and EMPTY tooth care products, including tooth brushes, tooth paste tubes with or without caps, dental floss containers. No mouthwash bottles please. The other bin is for used and EMPTY personal care products, including shampoo bottles with or without caps, lotion bottles with or without caps, etc. No aerosol cans please. Although two commercial companies Colgate and Garnier are sponsoring this project for TerraCycle, **any brand** of oral care or personal care products is accepted.

When a substantial number of items have been collected, the Recycling/Green Committee will send the box free of charge to TerraCycle, a company that up-cycles discards into new products. Depending on TerraCycle's current production goals, your old toothbrush may become part of a park bench, or your empty shampoo bottle emerge as part of a tote bag! In addition, for each box sent in, EBA earns points for a local charity. Twice a year, TerraCycle calculates points and will send a small check to Care for Real.

So begin recycling oral care and beauty products, and you will keep these objects OUT of landfills ,participate in up-cycling previously discarded items into new products AND assist Care for Real through the TerraCycle points accumulated.

TerraCycle.com gives complete information about products produced. For more information about EBA's project, e-mail Virginia: vfko@rcn.com

Virginia Koch

AFFINITY GROUPS IN EBA

How lucky we are to have so many interesting and talented residents here at EBA, and that so many choose to share their interests and passions with others. There are the bridge players, the recycling club, the Happy Hour folks, the gardeners, the water aerobics group, the In the Pink committee, and many more. In the last year a book club group has developed. It all started when Marcie Stanzel posted a notice for a meeting to consider forming a book club. The EBA book club has now been meeting monthly for the last year and a half. Their book choices are quite eclectic reflecting the varied interests of the members. Two recent favorites were *River of Doubt* by Candice Millard and *My Antonia* by Willa Cather.

Let *In The Pink* know about your group or if you are hankering to start a group. We'll be glad to publicize it in *In the Pink*.

Dan Stanzel

Speaking of which...

CALLING ALL EBA VACATION TRAVELERS

Is there interest in establishing an "EBA Club VT"?

This could include travel photos, lectures, tips and advice plus cost savings, printed vacation brochures, along with a possible EBA Group VT discount. Regular club meetings would be here at the EBA.

A notice would be placed in the EBA mail room for the first meeting time, date, and room if there is sufficient interest.

Please contact Bill Harmon #516, Box 185 if you believe in this idea. Thank you.

MEET ERIC PANTOJA

My first interview with Eric was the Saturday before Easter. That evening, he and his wife, Evelyn would be preparing Easter baskets for their 4-year old twin boys, Eric, Jr. and Elijah, plus the twins' 5 cousins. Eric offered to write details of his life for this article and was very helpful. Many of the excerpts are in his own words.

He and his older brother and two younger sisters were born in Chicago and spent their early lives in the Humboldt Park area. He is now 24 years old and lives in Logan Square with his family of whom he is very proud...they are the best things in his life and have made him a better person.

Eric learned about the "world of work" while at Kelyvn High School. His first job was at a Dollar Tree Discount store. It was a fun job and helped pay for school fees and supplies. He never took for granted the concept of earning a living and is very serious about doing his best. After graduating from High School (where he met his future wife in his

sophomore year) he decided he wanted to be in the field of security. When asked why, he said, "I don't know. I've always liked the idea of helping and being there for others when needed."

Previous to starting at EBA, he had a position in security at the Rivereast Condo. He heard about an opening at EBA from an employee of our Infinity cleaning service. He applied and was given a temporary fill-in position, so he divided his time between EBA and Rivereast. Finally, four years ago in September, he became a full-time employee with us. He enjoys his job and says it's just what he had been looking for. His life has been at its all-time best since being with us. He also appreciates all his co-workers and the importance of teamwork to make things flow smoothly.

On his days off, he spends much time as a volunteer at his boys' pre-school and is involved with forming a kids' baseball...he has a good start with his sons and 5 young nephews to "man the bases." His hobbies are playing softball, fishing, hiking and working on cars. His father owned a used car dealership and Eric had hands-on training when working for his Da. He also worked for his uncle installing used office furniture. He recalls that one of the orders was for offices in the Shedd Aquarium.

In the field of sports, his favorites are the Bulls, Bears, Blackhawks and Cubs.

Once a month, Eric and his family take part in the neighborhood watch program when people gather and socialize with food and entertainment...Eric takes pride in being one of the chefs. He says, "so far, for the past two years, I am and will continue to be the best baker of homemade cookies and cakes!"

Rosemarie Craig

ALICE CASEY ARTICLE

amenities. There aren't buildings that have our amenities—our beautiful main lobby, our garden, pool, fitness room and businesses in the arcade. We should support those businesses. And of course, the transportation is very handy. Just get on the #147 and you're downtown in twenty minutes. Our staff is wonderful, always helpful. You can get almost anything done in the building. A lot of times people come to look at an apartment and ask me what do you really like about this building. And I say, "I can always call to get something fixed pronto."

Everyone at EBA knows Alice. Most likely you first met Alice when you bought your apartment. After all she's sold 300 EBA apartments, lots of them several times. Alice is always surprised at how few people understand what a co-op is. Even realtors don't. She says she often has to give "co-op 101" to the realtors.

When Alice and her husband Don moved to EBA 25 years ago, EBA was hardly new to him. Don has lived at EBA four times over the course of his life—once with his parents when he returned from service, once with his first wife and two children, once as a widower and now with Alice. Don has four sons and Alice has one daughter.

Alice truly loves the real estate business. She has been a real estate agent since 1976 though she has done other jobs along the way. When she moved to EBA, Eric Hed was manager. He managed EBA ½ time and ½ time he sold apartments here. He told her he was going to retire soon and suggested that she come to work for his firm.

"I love meeting people and helping people find the right place. That's what you get to do if you are good at real estate. It isn't about the money, it's about having a good time," she said. She's had lots of fun and made some wonderful friends over the course of the years. She told me that she has tried to get prices up, and then we got hit with this awful market, but things are coming back again. Last year at one point she had thirteen listings, but she has only three now. The inventory is really low and there is a waiting list for three bedroom apartments.

"When we first moved to EBA, it was worth your life to walk down Bryn Mawr, but Don told me to just wait. We're near the lake and property will improve, and of course we know it has," said Alice. "I really like this building. This building is all about the

Over the years EBA has changed. They used to have "meet the new shareholders" gatherings and there were more bridge groups, but there was always a Christmas party, garden party and a St. Pats party.

Residents used to be much older. Now there are more young people, and that's nice. Who can see a baby and not smile?

It's not all work and no play for Alice. This summer she and Don are going on a river cruise in the Baltics. She's been reading about Peter the Great and Catherine the Great to bone up for the trip. And she's got a whole bunch of mysteries loaded on her Kindle waiting to be read! And next winter, it's at least a month in Florida! Enjoy!

HAVE YOU TRIED ZANZIBAR?

Six years ago we, here at the EBA, happily discovered that we were not so far from Zanzibar: about a block thanks to the efforts of Helen Potakis and Donna Ridley. Their wonderful restaurant, Zanzibar (A Little Taste of Paradise) graces the corner of Bryn Mawr and Kenmore. Featured items include breakfast paninis, soups, freshly made sandwiches, vegetarian dishes, salads and daily specials. The food is wonderful, the atmosphere welcoming and comfortable and the staff friendly, efficient and fun. Free WiFi is offered if you wish to linger and catch up on your emails and an area is devoted to a community library. Neighborhood art work graces the walls. With summer approaching you may wish to enjoy the outdoor dining area. Bakery treats are incomparable and the vast selection of ice cream is worth a stop in and of itself. Chef Donna has provided the enticing edibles for our holiday parties for several years. She deservedly prides herself on her creativity and originality. In addition to Zanzibar

being a delightful place to grab a bite to eat or treat, owner Helen is an avid supporter of the Bryn Mawr Business District. She and Ms Volini from Lakefront Group Realty recently published a booklet describing our historic district, the nearby businesses and a neighborhood map. We have a supply in the mail room. All in all, wonderful food, wonderful neighbors and a great boon for the EBA.



Dan Stanzel

A NEW PLACE TO TRY

Little Vietnam Restaurant on Bryn Mawr

Ricky Dinh, 28, is the owner of the new “Little Vietnam Restaurant” at 1132 W. Bryn Mawr in the former space of “Just Turkey,” which closed this winter

We can report that the menu is limited, but excellent. Mr. Dinh told us he personally shops for fresh vegetables every day! He learned as a manager of a restaurant on Broadway and Argyle what it takes to be a success; namely a menu of only 20 items which keeps the ingredients fresh and consistently delicious

A popular dish is their signature barbeque short ribs – high quality beef for only \$13.00 - - - a bargain! Other dishes include braised catfish in a clay pot, pho (soup,) crab Rangoon and various salads.

Mr. Dinh moved with his family from Vietnam in 1995 when he was eight years old. His family helps him in the kitchen and will help with the complete remodeling of the interior. Mr. Dinh hopes to

decorate the walls with scenes from the various provinces of Vietnam.

There is a take out and select delivery service. 773-944-0999, 7 days a week, 10 – 10.

Bill Harmon

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Contact any of us if you have an article you would like to see in In The Pink or if you would like to join the committee. We welcome you.