

NEXTDOOR HAHAIONE VALLEY

Our representative in Hawaii Kai has just announced a new networking program to help residents from Hahaione Valley stay in touch and keep abreast of issues affecting all of us. The network is called Nextdoor and is a free and private social network just for Hahaione Valley neighbors. On Nextdoor, neighbors share crime and safety concerns, local events, recommendations, items for sale/free, ideas about how to make the neighborhood better, and more. Some people use Nextdoor to get word out about a break-in or other crime; track down a trustworthy babysitter; find a good painter; help find a lost dog; etc. Nextdoor was created due to the neighborhood being one of the most important and useful communities in a person's life. Nextdoor's mission is to use the power of technology to build stronger and safer neighborhoods. If you would like to find out more about Nextdoor Hahaione Valley, or join, you can go to: www.nextdoor.com/join. Use Code PBJEBS when signing up. Remember, this network is FREE so there is no obligation to check it out!



Please contact our Security at 395-7422 or 001 on the enterphone if you require any assistance. Have a safe and fun holiday!!! The Management Staff

HURRICANE SEASON REMINDER

Although we haven't had a lot of hurricane/tropical storm activity affecting Hawaii yet this year, with hurricane season in full bloom until November we just wanted to pass on another reminder to all of our



residents that it might be a good time to review the information that was contained in the June 2016 Special Edition Newsletter regarding preparations for a hurricane. As we noted in that issue you should begin your preparations far enough in advance so that you do not get caught up in the rush at local stores and/or be unable to find items that you really need. If you do not have a copy of that newsletter and would like another, you may contact the Management Office or it is also available on our web site.

USE OF BASEMENT STORAGE LOCKERS

Just a note to remind everyone that all of the storage lockers in our basements <u>are assigned</u> to a specific apartment. From time to time we receive complaints that a locker that has been empty for a while now has a lot of items in it with a lock on the door. Please do not go looking for an empty locker if yours is full and then put your belongings inside. If the owner of that locker eventually needs to use it, your belongings may end up being disposed of since they are illegally in that locker. Also, to prevent this from happening <u>every resident</u> should check their locker periodically and ensure that it does have a lock on it, even if you do not have anything stored there, to prevent unauthorized use. Since it is your locker, any items inside would be your responsibility to dispose of if the need arises.



SMOKE DETECTORS



A reminder to those of you who still maintain smoke detectors in your units that you need to check the battery every once in a while. Recently, we have received a number of reports of an irritating beeping noise coming from a couple of apartments. When this was checked, it was found that the battery was going bad and the detector began beeping to notify the resident that attention was required. To prevent this from happening you may want to pick a date, such as your birthday, and change the batteries in all of your items that use batteries just so you can be sure to always have everything functioning correctly. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

SMOKING REMINDER

Although the Mauna Luan is not currently a non-smoking building, there are still some requirements that all of our smokers need to follow. Even if you are smoking completely inside of your apartment you must take appropriate steps to try and keep the smoke from blowing outside the through other apartments. This does create a nuisance to other residents and as such needs to be corrected. We would like to ask for everyone's assistance in keeping this type of problem to a minimum by being aware that this activity does have an impact on others around you. Thank you for your help.

DONATIONS TO CHARITY

We regularly receive requests for donations from charities such as Cerebral Palsy and Big Brothers/Big Sisters where we post notices for bulk pickups for our residents. Due to some problems with items being brought down to the lobbies that are blocking access to our lobby kitchen areas we need to ask for everyone's help in following the instructions on the flyer for dropping off these items. Please remember that items for pickup may only be dropped off between the hours of 10:00 p.m. the night before pickup and 8:00 a.m. the morning of pickup. Recently, there have been a number of items that were being left a day or more in advance which then blocks the use of the lobby by other residents. We would appreciate everyone's help to ensure these items are not brought down early. Mahalo!

REMINDER ON USE OF ELEVATORS FOR MOVING LARGE ITEMS

A reminder that the only days and hours that any items of furniture, appliances, construction materials, uncovered surfboards or other large items can be moved in the elevators are **Monday through Saturday, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.** There is no padding in the elevators after those hours. If any of these items, or other large items, are moved without padding there is a fine system in place for violations to help protect our

elevators. As a reminder, the house rules state: "Any person found moving furniture, appliances, building materials, uncovered surfboards or other large items in an unpadded elevator shall be assessed a fine of \$50.00 for the first occurrence, and \$50.00 times the number of occurrences for subsequent violations." What this means is that, to prevent a total disregard for the rules, the fine is a progressive one. If you are not sure, please ask before moving any large items. With everyone receiving a set of house rules whenever they move in, and reminders posted on the 1st, 3rd and 5th floor landings, after the fine is assessed is not a good time to appeal it because you did not know you would be fined a certain amount. The security cameras installed in each elevator also make it fairly hard to dispute the fact that an unauthorized move has taken place. We urge all residents to please take a minute to review the rules and become familiar with them to avoid a situation such as this. Mahalo!

AUTHORIZED ITEMS IN HALLWAYS

Although you may decorate the interior of your apartments any way you like, there are restrictions to what can be done when visible from the outside or in the hallways. The only items permitted in the hallways are doormats and plants. Doormats must have bound edges and be no wider than the apartment doors. Plants are restricted by number and, because of fire code requirements, cannot protrude into the walkway or conflict with the normal use of the hallways by other residents. With our building design some units will be able to locate plants where others will not, so if you have questions please contact us first.

REPAINTING OF BUILDINGS

We wanted to give everyone a little advance notice that the Board of Directors is finalizing a contract to have the buildings, garage and Rec Building repainted with other upgrade work included. The contractor may be starting a portion of this work sometime in



September with the bulk of the project beginning in October. Once the project begins there will be a lot of disruption due to the various aspects of this work. We will be posting notices every step of the way to keep you all informed so please watch for these to see if you will be affected in any way. We thank you in advance for your understanding and patience during this large project.

As always, we solicit your comments, suggestions and even complaints to help keep the Mauna Luan one of the finest places to live in Hawaii.



Did you know that we have a web site? Please visit us at: <u>www.maunaluan.com</u> to find information about the Mauna Luan. Mahalo!

