



## **WATER SHUTDOWN WEST BUILDING, FLOORS 6 - 20**

On Tuesday, September 3, 2013 beginning at 9:00 a.m. and continuing through approximately 12:00 noon, all water will be off to the West Building apartments, floors 6 through 20 while repairs are made to a leaking cold water supply line on the rooftop. We will turn the water back on as soon as the work is done, but just in case the plumber needs the entire time, please plan on not having water for the entire period. Also, whenever we perform shutdowns such as this it is very important that you do not run any water in your apartment. Running the water will create air pockets when we turn the water back on and this invariably causes issues with our hot water due to air blocking the return line. This will restrict the circulation of the hot water so that you will have to run your hot water for awhile before it gets hot. We can help reduce this problem if everyone helps out. Thank you for your help and cooperation during this work. If anyone has any questions, please contact our Management Office at 395-7544.

## **POSTAL DELIVERY REMINDERS**

Due to some recent problems with our mailboxes and parcel lockers becoming overloaded, I wanted to pass on some reminders about our mail/package deliveries:

1. **Parcel Lockers.** There are only 8 lockers for every 108 apartments. They are for parcels only and the parcels need to be removed within 2 days. After that all parcels will need to be picked up at the Hawaii Kai Post Office.
2. **Hold Mail.** Mail can only be held by the Post Office for a maximum of 30 days. If you request delivery of held mail, you must be home to accept it. Held mail cannot be placed in the parcel lockers due to the volume of parcels received on any given day.
3. **Box Full of Mail.** If you are unable to pick up your mail from your box for a few days, please make arrangements with friends or family to pick it up for you. Otherwise, you should place a "hold" on your mail until you return. If your box becomes full and the mail is removed by the postal carrier, it will not be redelivered. You will need to go to the Hawaii Kai Post Office and pick it up.



### **HOLIDAY NOTICE**



The Management Office will be closed on **Monday, September 2, 2013** in observance of the Labor Day holiday. 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

## **USE OF TRASH CHUTES**

Just a reminder that our trash chutes are available for use between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., daily. **PLEASE ADHERE TO THESE HOURS AS THE SOUND OF TRASH CRASHING INTO THE COMPACTOR IN THE LATE EVENING OR EARLY MORNING HOURS IS VERY DISTURBING TO RESIDENTS WHOSE BEDROOMS ARE LOCATED DIRECTLY ADJACENT TO THE TRASH CHUTE.** Also, the only type of trash that should be placed in the chutes is bagged, kitchen-type trash. No boxes, lamps, ironing boards, wood, fans,

large breakable items, etc., are to be placed inside. Most of these items block the chute which requires our staff to expend a great deal of time and energy trying to unclog it. Please bring all items, other than normal bagged trash, to the ground floor trash bins located in the mall areas of each building. We would also like to ask that you please not dump loose garbage into the chutes as it can get caught up on sprinklers and/or chute door ledges and end up creating odors from rotting food items as well as attracting insects to those areas. **Individual glass items will also break up once they hit the ledge on a floor and can cause injury to another resident if they happen to open the trash chute door on their floor when the glass breaks up.** Your help with these items will be greatly appreciated!

### **PENGUINS WATER EXERCISE CLASS**



The Penguins water exercise group is always looking for residents who wish to improve their physical fitness in a friendly atmosphere. Benefits of water exercises include limberness and stamina as well as feeling good about oneself. The Penguins currently meet on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in the heated West Pool. There is no fee involved and it is also a nice way to meet some of your fellow neighbors and get some exercise to boot! Come on down to the West Pool some morning and try it out.



### **CLOSING OF DRIVEWAY FOR SPEED BUMP REPAIRS/REPAINTING**

During the latter part of September we will need to close portions of our driveway while our maintenance performs repair and repainting to the speed bumps at the entryway guardhouse and further up the driveway between the buildings. We do not have the specific dates set as yet but will post notices when we get ready to do the work. During this work at the guardhouse all traffic, incoming and outgoing, will need to use one side of the driveway while the other side is being done so we will need everyone to exercise caution and consideration to help make the process as smooth as possible. For the upper portion of our driveway we will be detouring vehicles around the work so there will probably be two-way traffic which will require patience and caution. You may also want to leave a little earlier than usual to be sure you have enough time to get to where you are going. This work will probably continue over a period of days so please pay particular attention to posted notices to help make your travel go smoother. Thank you for your cooperation in this project. If anyone has any questions please contact the Management Office at 395-7544.

### **PHOTOVOLTAIC INSTALLATION UPDATE**

As a brief update on installation of a photovoltaic electricity generating system at the Mauna Luan, we are still being held up by Hawaiian Electric Company (HECO) who has stated that they want us to perform another study, at a very high cost, to determine if there is any danger to their systems. We do not think this is the real reason for the delays and as a consequence, the Board of Directors is pursuing other avenues to try and speed this process along. We will keep everyone up to date as additional information becomes available.

### **USE OF SAUNAS IN REC BUILDING**

Just a note on the use of our saunas in the Rec Building. If you stop by and find the door closed with the heating unit running, please do not leave the door open. Some of our residents try to pre-heat the room by starting it up and then returning to use it. If the door is left open the sauna will be cold when they return. Your help will be appreciated!

### **BICYCLE STORAGE AREA**

Most of you who have bicycles in our storage area are aware that it is pretty full right now. We are in the process of performing an inventory to determine if there are bicycles that are not registered and should not be there. There are also a large number of older bicycles that have not moved in a very long time and are probably not ride-able. To help us make some room for new bicycles that are actually being used, we would like to ask all residents with bicycles to take a look at your bike with the aim of removing ones that are no longer serviceable so we can make space for others. If you do have a bicycle that you no longer want, we can arrange for one of the local charities to take it if it can be used; or, we can help with disposal if that is the final outcome. If anyone has any questions on the above please let us know. Mahalo.

### **OVER WATERING OF PLANTS**

Just a note that when watering your plants in the planterbox facing the street, please remember that you must have drip pans under your plants and only use the amount of water needed. Any excess will run out and end up dripping on windows below.

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.



Aloha,

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