

(Photo submitted by Anne Holland)

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Dear Unit Owners:

Below you will find various updates, news and reminders. Your attention to these matters is appreciated.

<u>Amenity Update</u> – the board continues to work with the Association's attorney in drafting a waiver (and suggested rule changes) to be signed by unit owners who want to use the amenities, attend a club or a board meeting. Proof of identification and proof of (COVID) vaccination will need to be shown to REI. <u>Copies of your ID and vaccination card will not be made.</u> Currently, there is no plan to open the clubhouse for rentals. Additional information will be sent out as soon as possible.

Pool Attendant Position Available

If you are interested in the weekend pool attendant position, please contact Kim Murray at (203) 748-0859 or via e-mail at kmurray@rei-pm.net. Please note the person applying for this job must be vaccinated (COVID) and have their booster shot too.

PLEASE SECURE YOUR GARBAGE AND RECYCLING

Please remember - Unit Owners are responsible for securing garbage and recycling each week. It can be very windy in the community and litter is often found scattered throughout the community from garbage cans that did not have tight fitting lids and items in recycling bins that blew out because they were not properly secured. It should be noted that cleaning up after unsecured trash or recycling flies around results in an additional cost to the community. If the source of the trash can be identified, the Association has the option of charging fines and the clean-up costs to the rule violator.

Spring Evaluations by the Maintenance and Landscaping Committee

The Maintenance and Landscaping Committees will be performing spring evaluations of property conditions soon after winter conditions break. If you have any concerns about your unit or the surrounding grounds, let Kim know as soon as possible so she can pass your feedback

along to the proper committee for review and consideration as they formulate plans for 2019. Please note - it is too early to determine if a plant is dead at this time as the plants are all dormant now.

Smoke Detectors

Per the rules, all Unit Owners shall have properly functioning smoke detectors installed in their units. Unit Owners shall test their smoke detectors every six months, and replace the batteries at least once per calendar year (or as recommended by the manufacturer for the installed unit). Unit Owners shall replace their smoke detectors every 10 years (or as recommended by the manufacturer of the installed unit).

March Board Meeting - If you would like to join the Wednesday, March 16th Sterling Woods Open Session Board meeting at 7:30 PM, which will be held via conference call, you can call (203) 666-8107 and then enter the conference ID number which is 162 199 522#. When you call in, you will be put into a "lobby" and when the meeting is ready to begin you will be "brought" into the meeting.

Please note - you will be muted during the meeting. However, you can listen in. If you have any questions, you would like the board to answer, you should e-mail your questions to Kim Murray at kmurray@rei-pm.net a week prior to the meeting. Your questions will be addressed at the end of the open session. The board also gives those in attendance an opportunity to ask questions at the end of the meeting.

Some routine reminders...

<u>Building Permits</u>: Reminder that almost all plumbing and electrical work, replacements of all heater, hot water, air conditioning units and Radon abatement installations require building permits from the City of Danbury and Board Approval before work is done. Please contact Kim for additional information.

The next holiday that will impact trash pickup is Memorial Day. That week, the pickup will be on Tuesday, May 31, 2022.

I would like to remind homeowners, if there are more snowstorms this season, to please keep your vehicles in your garage and driveway. Do not move your vehicle to the visitor's parking spaces as the snow vendor uses these areas to stage the snow during a storm.

Please adhere to the posted speed limit signs. The speed limit for association roadways is 15 miles per hour.

Please make sure your vehicle always comes to a complete stop at all stop signs throughout the complex.

Out of respect for your neighbors, we again remind pet owners to be diligent about curbing, picking up after your pets and properly disposing of any feces back at your unit.

If Kim or I can assist you in any way, please let us know. Kim's hours are approximately 7:30 AM until 2:30 PM. Her email address is kmurray@rei-pm.net and the on-site phone number is (203) 748-0859 or she can be reached at (203) 744-8400, extension 153. If you have an emergency, you can call (203) 744-8400 and hit zero.

Sincerely,

Art Stueck, President

REI Property and Asset Management