



**Serving the Community of Pelican Pointe**

***ANNUAL HOMEOWNERS MEETING  
3<sup>RD</sup> NOTICE***

*Our HOA annual meeting will be held at Windsor Garden's Silverton Banquet Room on Thursday, November 20. An Italian buffet begins at 6:00 p.m. and the business meeting is at 7:00 p.m.*

*If you plan to attend the buffet, you must RSVP by Monday, Nov. 17 to Mary Mulholland at 303-973-9018/[marymul43@yahoo.com](mailto:marymul43@yahoo.com), or Linda Corry at 303-338-7661/[lindacorry@msn.com](mailto:lindacorry@msn.com).*

***Please note:*** there will be no regular Board meeting this month.

***Social Committee Events***

***Lunch Bunch***

The Pelican Pointe Lunch Bunch is meeting again on Tuesday, November 11th, at 11:30 AM at Sam's No. 3 located at the southeast corner of Havana & Parker Road. American and Mexican entrees are available.

***Pelican Pointe Book Club***

The Pelican Pointe Book Club will meet on Thursday, November 13th, at 6:30 PM, at Mary Mulholland's home, EE-101. The book for this month is an autobiography "The Story of My Life" by Helen Keller. It covers Helen's and Ann Sullivan's early years together and of Helen's remarkable psychological and intellectual growth. RSVP to Mary at 303-973-9018 or [marymul43@yahoo.com](mailto:marymul43@yahoo.com)

***Holiday Open House***

Mark your calendars for our annual Holiday Open House on December 7, 2008, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at June Hanley's home, QQ-102. Look for more info in the Dec. Pelican Brief.

***P.P. LISTINGS***

***Units on the market :***

*H-101, U-103, W-103, EE-102, HH-104*

*If you want your unit to appear in this space, contact Claudia Jacobson by the 24<sup>th</sup> of the month: [claudiadenco@gmail.com](mailto:claudiadenco@gmail.com) or 303-331-1616.*

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## SUSMAN UNLEASHED . . .

by Steve Susman

*You can't vote for McCain or Obama* at our annual homeowners meeting, because they aren't candidates here. Your packet of materials for this event will soon arrive by ordinary mail, or you may have received yours already. Again, we urge you to familiarize yourself with the materials in the packet, and attend the meeting itself: November 20, social hour at 6:00 p.m. and business session at 7:00 p.m., at the Windsor Gardens restaurant. If you cannot attend, consider granting your proxy (in your packet) to a neighbor who will attend, or return it to me, as suggested in the packet. Any homeowner in good standing can run for one of the two Board positions to be elected that night, but must file his/her written intention of candidacy with me by November 10. Call me for more details. See democracy in action. No federal bailouts, underwater mortgages, anxious stockbrokers, or flag-waving partisans. Attend: It's your property and your Association!

*"Don't fence me in"* is either the name of a country song from the Forties [Bing Crosby and the Andrews Sisters], or is the plaint of Joe Nacchio, trying to reverse his conviction. However, our perimeter fence, like an aging matron under the scalpel of her plastic surgeon, recently underwent a complete renovation. The fence is subject, of course, to weather extremes, sprinkler water, and general aging. The project consisted of extensive sanding and scraping; the application of an oil-based primer; and, finally, a complete re-painting with an oil-based paint which included a rust inhibitor. This should "last" for several years. It's a good example of the ongoing, essential rehabilitation and maintenance of our physical facilities.

*A dermatologist's dream: Re-surfacing.* All of us have seen the new re-surfacing of the concrete at our three mail kiosks. This process, of which I wrote previously, is an alternative to tearing out damaged concrete on our sidewalks, and then laying new concrete. A new concrete surface, over damaged or flaked concrete, will not adhere to the underlying surface. This new process utilizes a

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special epoxy that purports to be less vulnerable to our stressful climate, while maintaining the appearance of concrete. It is also less costly. The areas re-surfaced are, essentially, test areas. Next spring, we will evaluate their durability and appearance. We may cause many of our sidewalks to be similarly treated.

*In the world of romance, chewing with one's mouth open can be a real turn-off.* Our own irrigation system has been turned off for the season. This process required a powerful air compressor and the engagement of our landscaping contractor. The intent is to rid our subterranean lines of water during the winter, and to discover any previously-undiscovered leaks. In the spring, the system will be turned on, for seasonal irrigation. Meanwhile, be sure your own hoses are disconnected from their faucets. Consider the installation of a special turn-off valve in your crawl-space, which reduces the probability of winter freezing and bursting. If you have planted any bushes or trees by way of a Private Planting Request, consider hand-watering them if the fall remains so arid.

*First Rule of dating: You have only one chance to make a good first impression.* At Pelican Pointe, the flower beds at our entrance were impressive this summer. Our flower-bed servicing firm will soon be removing what's left of the annuals, and preparing the beds for next year's perennials and new annuals. The large bursts of color that greeted our guests and us were delightful. The Board and the Landscape Committee are now considering how best to treat our minor beds next season -- the beds at the directional map, on the flagpole island, and on both ends of the guardhouse. The Committee is now, as always, seeking volunteers (who, perhaps, fiddled around with their own flower beds at a former residence). Contact Caryl Shipley, Committee Chair, [cshipley@mail.law.du.edu](mailto:cshipley@mail.law.du.edu), to join with these energetic and devoted neighbors.

*It's probably not an emergency if you exhaust your supply of M&M's.* But your manager and neighbors have had some experiences in which it was crucial to be able to contact one of our residents. For example, if you accidentally leave your garage door open when you leave your townhome. Or your patio door, when you are in a Big Hurry to get to DIA in order to wait in the security line. Most of you have filled out and returned to me our simple Homeowners Information Form, listing your alternative phone numbers and emergency contacts. I keep all such information confidential, using it only for management purposes. This is for your own protection. Please contact me if you are unsure whether you have submitted that form.

*Sonny isn't your personal handyman.* As the Board and I have previously reminded all of us, Sonny's assigned responsibilities at Pelican Pointe do not include serving as handyman for our individual residents. He is not the equivalent of a resident maintenance-man in an apartment building. He works solely for your Association. I maintain a list of handymen, which changes occasionally. Further, you will find a relatively-current list in your new Handbook, under "Good Help." There is nothing sexist about the term *handyman*. I just don't know of any professional *handywomen*.

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*You think you're under pressure?* So is the water in the new Hotsy machine which we use for cleaning our driveways, and (soon) cleaning the fronts and rear sides of our units of cobwebs and assorted creepy-crawlies. As previously reported, this sophisticated equipment sprays water (and chemicals) under high pressure (and high temperature, where appropriate). Next spring, we intend to attach a long wand to the nozzle, so that we can spray wasp nests, usually affixed to the top-most peaks of our soffits and roofing members. There are other uses. One of the frustrations in cleaning driveways is that the extremely heavy trash trucks and moving vans track asphalt from our roads onto the concrete of the driveways, regardless of the ambient temperature that day.

*Weird behavior:* Experience is the thing you have left when everything else is gone. She was only a whisky maker, but he loved her still. A rubber-band pistol was confiscated from algebra class because it was a weapon of math disruption.

## ***GOOD HELP IS HARD TO FIND***

*Housekeeping Services.* Ofelia Medina, (720) 987-6163—excellent and trustworthy. Ms. Medina works on an hourly basis. Recommended by Steve Sackman.