



Riverton Review

February 2019 – **Happy Valentine's Day**

2018 Income Info Needed

We previously placed a notice on everyone's apartment door requesting that you each submit proof of your income for tax year 2018 (W-2, 1099, Social Security Statements for 2018, etc.). To date, we have only received this from 26 residents. Please submit your tax forms as soon as possible. We want to keep expenses down so that our money goes back in to the business rather than paying other agencies. We are completing application for bringing down the cost of property taxes. Please help us in this endeavor.

Riverton Tower Updates by Alan Abel

I again met with Ken Jones, Director, CIS & Physical Facilities, for an hour-long sit down in the comfort of the Wi-Fi Lounge, to be up-dated in what is seemingly becoming this **Quarterly Report to the Residents** regarding our building facility. *Updates:*

Elevators: The hoist in the north car has been replaced and is becoming more stable "as we break it in". There have been a few problems, "little stuff", "old controls, analog and electrical devices, etc." After this fine tuning is finished with the north car then the south car will be taken offline for its hoist replacement. "The south car should only take 10 business days as we will not have a back order issue as we did with the north car". After both hoists have been installed, the bolder plan is to replace the 'brain', electronics, operational gears and the cars themselves to bring them up to very near new". ETA: Spring/Summer.

Patience will pay off as when finished, the elevators will "be ready for the next 50 years, with a better brain, better coordination, and hopefully move at a faster rate to lessen wait times".

4th Floor Conversion is progressing and there may be four units coming online in next several months.

Roof: The consensus is the roof needs replacing. "It's a job that needs to be done". Homework and planning are currently underway. Bidding and contracting will "take some time". When accomplished, the "Water Falls" will be history among many other benefits.

Ceiling in Lobby "is still on the radar". Contractor will be continuing work.

Parking Lot Lights: Several bulbs were replaced last week. "Next time we're looking at replacing the fixtures with LED lights as they are far less to operate".

Suggestions from Orkin – Our Orkin representative has requested that residents cease using over the counter (OTC) bug sprays as these products interact poorly with the professional chemicals. OTC products may kill a roach or two, but professional sprays have residual properties that will keep on working. Things to do if you see an increase in bugs—they love water, so don't leave water in sink or bathtub; don't leave food out; they also love paper bags and glue on book bindings. If you need extra visits from Orkin, call the rental office and we will set your unit up for more attention in the upcoming visit.

Cro-Knit Club – The Riverton Tower Cro-Knit Club announces that Beth Bailey is making her very first afghan and Mrs. Yvette Hardy completed a beautiful scarf. These are first-timers and Dorothy Jones along with her group have helped them begin crocheting. Sharon Toth knitted four scarfs and also helps Maryanne Slicker with her projects. Many thanks goes to Kathy Faryon who has donated needles, hooks and accessories. Kathy has a dedicated area with a special Quilt & Craft display in the Library. Have a look. Impressive! You can join in the fun! The Cro-Knit Club meets every Tuesday at 2:00pm in the Café.

Welcome New Resident – Monica Drake and Edward Houston



Restaurants that Deliver – Sherry Jones is compiling a list of restaurants that deliver to Riverton Tower. Which is your favorite? Sherry will post a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board across from mail boxes for everyone to add the name of the restaurants they call for delivery. Or you can text Sherry at 321-217-1367. Once she has a complete list she will make it available to visitors and residents of Riverton Tower.

Condolences – Heartfelt Condolences to the families and friends of our residents Janet McVey and Mary Randall who both passed away in January.

State Attorney's Office Thanks Grace Winter and Riverton Tower

A debt of gratitude goes to Grace Winter who coordinated a donation of 3,480 assorted law and legal encyclopedia books to the State Attorney's Office for Florida's Fourth Judicial Circuit and received a letter of appreciation from Melissa Nelson, State Attorney. Our books are now in the restored federal law library located in the historic Ed Austin Building in downtown Jacksonville.

Computer 101 Class

Ken Jones will be offering his monthly computer course on Wednesday, Feb. 6 at 3:00pm. Come join him in the Computer Lab if you want to learn from the best. He will be showing you how to use Excel, but he's always willing to teach about other things if you have the need. Just let him know.

Clear Captions & Close-Caption Phones

Anyone for lunch? Andrea Papaj with Clear Captions will be here Monday, Feb. 11, at noon and will be providing lunch, along with giveaways and fun. She will show us the newest free close-caption phones.

"A" Lot Etiquette

When parking please stay within the white lines. Parking spots in the A Lot are hard to find and it is very frustrating when some cars are parked over the white lines and taking up two spots. Please be considerate and accurate when parking.

Special Seminar: How to Write and Publish Your Own Book: Be an Author!

It is said that everyone has a book within them. Now maybe it's time to write yours. Create your own legacy. Let your children read what you have to say about anything in your own words. This seminar will train you in what to say, where to put it, and how to make an effective personal presentation for the world to see, including your family and friends. Led by Keith Johnson, who has published eight books and written newspaper and magazine articles, seminars will be in the Library on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, February 25, 27 and 28 from 3:00-5:00pm. Complete seminar sessions are \$10 total.

Supplies to be provided. RSVP (904) 743-1122 ext. 102.

You, too, can create beautiful mosaic artwork

Our new, extremely talented resident Monika Drake, would love to share with you how to create beautiful mosaic pieces. Monika works with many mediums, but has specialized in Mosaics using the Pique Assiette or Tesserae style for 23 years now. She takes vintage jewelry, broken china, tidbits and baubles and creates beautiful artwork. If you are interested in creating some of your own (the first class will be on creating mosaic picture frames) call the Rental Office at (904) 743-1122 ext. 111 to sign up.



Trash Chute

Just a reminder that whoever is throwing pizza boxes down the trash chute needs to stop. Pizza boxes clog up the chute. They must be placed in the blue bins.

Music News: Jacksonville University is staging *The Lux Radio Theatre's* original 1944 broadcast of *Casablanca* in the Terry Concert Hall. A 35-piece orchestra, actors, and live sound effects bring the story to life. Admission is free, dates are February 1 & 2 at 7:30.

Our Christmas Party had 70+ people in attendance and the party overflowed into the Exercise Room. Kudos to Cheryl Myers who beautifully decorated two Christmas Trees and Lobby areas.

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Contributions are welcome to include news, items of interest, tid-bits, activity info w/date, time & place.

Email info to Alan Abel by the 25th of the month for inclusion in the next Riverton Review.

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