

The VFTS Newsletter for News, Reminders, Tidbits and Updates

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Thank You!

☺ Thank you to all of you who attended the Owners' meeting on June 14. It was informative and the Council appreciates your support and feedback. The President's report and Treasurer's report were supported by a Power Point presentation which will be displayed on our CCTV screen in the lobby and channel 1978. Phyllis Schmid kindly takes care of the postings for us.

☺ We have made progress on designing our own web site, thanks to our neighbor Helen King. Helen spent hours with Kathy Neary sorting out features we want and technical details for our web designer.

☺ The box in the lobby is the collection site for clothing items for children dealing with homelessness and mental health issues. The list of sizes, etc. was in the June newsletter and is posted on the box. Thank you for your help.

Neighbor to neighbor...valuable resources

✓ ReStore, a division of Habitat for Humanity, located in West Norriton and Phoenixville, accepts gently used household items, appliances and building supplies.

✓ If you have faded, worn or tattered US flags, here are some disposal sites. Never throw a flag in the trash.

- Drop box outside of the local VFW Post 7878 at 471 E. Church Rd, KOP, PA
- Drop box in front of Elks Lodge 714 at 494 Ford St, Bridgeport, PA
- Montgomery County website has a complete list of flag disposal sites in the area.

✓ You can have your small electronic items and apparel picked up and recycled for a \$10 doorstep fee by Retrievr which is a service provided through Montgomery County. Retrievr will also recycle some larger electronics including televisions, CRT computer monitors, mini-fridges and microwaves for a separate fee. <https://retrievr.com/location/montgomery-county-pa/>

So, what's the poop?

A notice was sent out about dogs relieving themselves in places other than the designated area along the back fence. The 2000 building is also a **no pet** building and allows only medical assistance and emotional support animals. We have learned that their Council levies a fine on dog owners whose animals go on the grassy areas around their entrances (C and D) or between parking rows. That explains the heavy traffic of dogs relieving themselves on the grassy areas near **our** building(A and B)!

Our Council will be following suit. If you see someone with a dog violating the rules, do not confront them, if you can, take a picture and report the incident to the office.

Balcony Safety

Carpets that adhere to the surface or astro turf type floor coverings are a danger to the structural integrity of the balconies. We only learned this 3 years ago from the engineers. The water sinks into the carpet pressing extra weight and erosion of the floor. These carpets must be removed. We announced this initially in the fall of 2020, during the pandemic when labor and materials were difficult to come by. Things have improved and this cannot wait any longer. Our maintenance staff can help. Call the office at 610-783-0810.

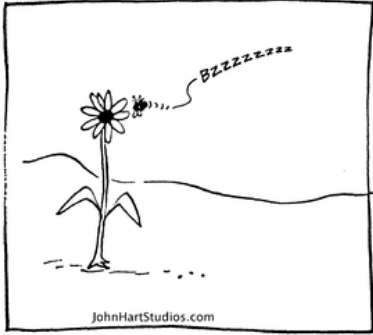
The same is true when you hang fans, lamps, plants or other décor from the balcony ceiling. Any hole that is drilled can fill with water and promote cracks for water to accumulate. In addition, the hanging object can break off in the violent storms we are prone to and become a missile, landing on cars or people below.

As always, we appreciate your cooperation.

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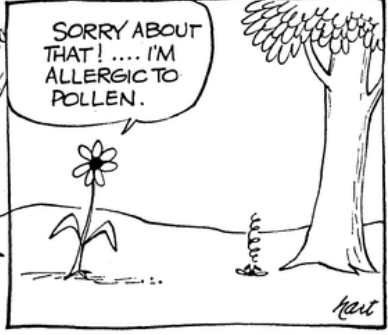
Wishing you a happy and safe July 4th!

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