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Chairman Calls for Budget Input

Plaza Budget Chairman Ed Finn, Grant Tower, says "it's Budget time again!" He is seeking owner input for good ideas for 1989.

Owners can make their opinions known either by volunteering for the committee, call 222-7243, or putting their comments in writing, addressed to APCA Budget Committee and dropped in the Plaza mail drop on each mailroom door.

The first draft of the Budget will be submitted to the Board at their October meeting so resident's suggestions should be submitted in September.

Waterfront Construction Identified by PDC

Fill dirt and grading activity on the waterfront is being done on parcel 4 of the Riverplace Development because a cheap source of fill became available.

Much fill will be needed to bring the streets of this section of Riverplace up to the level of Front Avenue.

According to the Portland Development Commission, the next Riverplace improvement will be a parking structure at about the area of the present parking lot below the Athletic Club.

The parking structure will be begun sometime in October or November and is not a high-rise.

Next month Tower Talk will put out a questionnaire aimed specifically at finding out what you want in a newsletter. When you read this issue think about what you like and don't like about it. Think about what you would like added to it. We'll be asking.

ON THE AGENDA Board Meeting September 15 7 P.M. Sivers Center

Reports:

Welcoming Committee, Cliff Pengra
Safety Committee, Jim Fell
Recommendation for Madison Plantings,
Irv Trachtenberg

Issues:

Lighting for Guest Parking Lot (Final Decision)
Landscape Improvements: Evaluate for
1989 Budgeting

New Pool Hours

The new hours for the Lincoln (outdoor) pool specified by the Board are 7 am to 10 pm. The pool will remain open until Labor Day and beyond. It will be kept open until the weather changes and that could be as late as October, according to Ron Balash, Plaza Account Supervisor.

New Directory

The MSI office is preparing an updated American Plaza Resident Telephone Directory, to be published before Christmas, according to Diana Beck, Office Manager.

The June APCA resident survey indicated that residents found the phone directory useful. Residents will be listed in the directory alphabetically by name, with tower of residence and phone number. Unit numbers will not be listed.

Any resident who prefers to be unlisted or wishes any variation of the listing format, such as no telephone number, is asked to contact Ms. Beck at 222-7243, the MSI office, before November 1st.



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July Board Meeting a "Monster"

At least 25 residents attended the APCA Board's July 21st meeting, a marathon two and a half hour event at which the Financial Statement showed APCA to be in the black by \$5,000, all 1988 committee chairpeople were re-appointed, windsocks on balconies were outlawed, a new elevator service company was chosen, and new contractor rules and regulations were adopted.

The lighting plan for the guest parking lot was reviewed, and painting the Lincoln and Grant downspouts authorized at \$5,915 to be paid out of budgeted funds in the replacement reserve fund.

The pool table was returned to Liz Sivers of Grant Tower with the Board's thanks for the years of use it had at the Plaza.

Unauthorized move-ins/outs with the attendant security risks were reviewed and Manager Stephens asked for suggestions in controlling the situation. The Board approved installation of a wheelstop in a garage space and specified what type it must be.

Resident David Chambers made a impassioned plea to ban windsocks and Irv Trachtenberg offered helpful advise on safely securing balcony basket planters.

The Resident Questionnaire results were reviewed and the Board's Mission Statement evaluated.

The meeting closed at 9:30 with adjournment until September.

"No resident will be allowed to park on the Plaza level except for 15 minutes parking only and at loading zones (one at each tower) to load/unload vehicles." APCA Rules and Regulations, page 14.

Lighting for Plaza Guest Parking

The final design for lighting the guest parking area will be submitted to the APCA Board at their September 21st meeting by Interface Engineering.

Plaza Manager Dave Stephens says he anticipates Board approval of the plans at that meeting, and will immediately place the plans out to bid. As soon as the bidder for the lighting job is chosen by the Board, a special assessment will be prepared and mailed to all owners. This should take place in November, Stephens said.

Construction could start immediately and be completed before the Christmas holidays.

A special assessment for this lighting project was the financing method chosen by the APCA owners at the 1988 Annual Meeting.

Grant Leaks Fixed

Many of the Grant Tower wall leaks on upper level units have been caused by rain blowing under the parapet flashing and running down the inside of the exterior wall, according to Larry Milner, Plaza Superintendent.

This problem should end, since the new Grant roof is now completed. The roof, of Rñoflex, was installed by Cascade Roofing and is guaranteed for 5 years labor and 12 years on materials and cost \$27,765.00. New flashing and caps were installed at the same time as the roof, he said.

K & M Contractors, a waterproofing contractor was hired to inspect the building and states that the window caulking is in good shape and there are no cracks or holes in the exterior walls.

Fumes Irritating In More Ways Than One

A smoke and cooking smell venting problem at Madison Tower is causing annoyance to several residents on the lower floors. It seems that cooking odors from one unit, that should be sucked into the ventilating stacks, are instead flowing into a neighboring unit.

One resident, complaining on July 7th, said it had happened possibly 12 times in the last two months. Security verified that the vented fumes were heavy enough to make a mist in the unit.

Another Madison resident, reporting of the same problem on June 26th at 10 pm, desperately said "Oh forget it! Next time I'll just call 911!"

Bits and Pieces

● The breezeway lights on Madison's fourth floor showed evidence of tampering and were hooded with cardboard, which was quite warm when Security Officer Mark Lindseth made his mid-night floor check on July 4th. A fire hazard, he thought.

● An attempt to illegally enter a Grant storage room was noted on August 8th. Hinges were tampered with and the door gouged, but nothing was missing.

● Security officers discovered a clumsily forged date extension on a guest parking permit on August 7th. They'll be watching for a repeat of that trick!

● Another rules violation that surfaced on July 17th, was spotted when Security Officer Mark Lindseth discovered that one APCA resident had asked for and gotten a guest lot parking permit for another APCA resident's car. When Officer Lindseth reviewed Plaza parking permit records he discovered that this resident has abused Plaza parking privileges for another resident five times. Good detective work, Mark!

Tower Talents



Was it the perfect August weather? Was it the casual dress? Was it the catered barbecued food? Was it those master chefs at the barbecue, Ron Still and Harry Dereiko?

● Whatever it was, the Madison, Grant and Lincoln residents and their guests had a super time at the summer party on the evening of August 20th. And thank you, dear Max, of Rose's at 315 NW 23rd, for the generous contribution of petit fours. What a treat!

We met new neighbors, visited with familiar old timers, and renewed special acquaintances. In fact, we had the largest attendance ever! One hundred and forty five people!

Grace Brown of Lincoln Tower, APCA's Social Committee Chairman, deserves credit for this great evening. She will happily take names for new committee helpers and was delighted when Bill and Nita Rollins volunteered to help with the Christmas Party.

Our thanks to Caroline Brown Stutevoss for all her help as well as the Dereikos, the Stills, Rays, Trachtenbergs, and bartender David Chambers. A great party crew.

It was good to have Board members there also. We had a chance to visit with David Pugh, Ron Still, Harry Beik and Jim Fell, and although Charlie Jones was out of town, his parents were a welcome addition!

● We do have talented people in our Towers. Talents in the Towers"...sounds great doesn't it? Come forth and we can do some "talented" caroling at the Christmas party in December. Plan on it! I'll see you there!

Results of the Resident Questionnaire are posted in each mailroom.

Check Processing

All checks sent to MSI, the American Plaza management office, are processed the day they are received, according to Jamie Marcy, head of accounting. "We receive too many checks from too many different accounts to risk the potential for error that would occur if we held checks for deposit on days specified by each account", she said. "If you are going to be out of town, but do not want to prepay and lose interest on your funds we suggest you make out your checks and leave them with a trusted friend or neighbor to be mailed on the dates you specify."

Use Return Address!

Always put your full return address on all mail, even if it is going to go through the APCA drop box.

Letters and checks intended for the APCA management office, but accidentally dropped in the U.S. mail slot on the counter instead of the APCA slot on the mailroom door are returned to the sender if the return address is on the envelope. The Post Office will not forward them to their listed destination.

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Editorial

The Windssock Vendetta

The windssock vendetta described in the July Tower Talk was brought to the Board at the July 21st meeting. Manager Stephens said his interpretation of the Rules and Regulations has been that flags, windssocks, and hanging baskets are allowed so long as they are safely and securely mounted.

The Board took valuable time discussing various items that could be mounted upon the balconies at American Plaza and decided to outlaw only windssocks at this time.

The APCA Rules and Regulations state that "It is prohibited to hang garments, rugs, laundry or any items from the windows or from any of the facades of the building or patio or deck fences or walls or other external structures", (Rules and Regulations, page 20).

*Note: I have underlined the words or any items above because they have been substituted by some Board members for etc., which is used in the Association Bylaws, Article VI, Section 5, page 79.

It seems to me that the intent of that Bylaw is clearly to prevent laundry lines and other typical tenement appurtenances which might lower property values at APCA.

I do not feel that flags or windssocks that are properly mounted, clean, and in good repair fall into that category. You still have every right to disagree. It's a small thing. A trivial freedom. TRIVIAL FREEDOM. Interesting juxtaposition of words. As we let the "trivial" freedoms go, what else may be lost? Is it really necessary to exercise so much control upon each other? I don't think so.

Further, if we choose to interpret a clean and colorful windssock as a rules violation, how then can we fail to fine the "Lone Harranger", who wrote the offensive anonymous note published in Tower Talk last issue and stuck it upon a stranger's door?

The "Vigilante" is surely guilty of violation of Rule #2, page 13 of the Rules and Regulations titled "Noxious or Offensive Activity". This rule states that "No noxious or offensive activity shall be carried on in any unit or in the common elements, nor shall anything be done therein which may become an annoyance or nuisance to other owners." I think rude notes, anonymous or not, clearly fall into this category! Ed.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Tower Talk Editor & Plaza Manager David Stephens:

That's Gerard R. Griffin. An angry Gerard R. Griffin.

Once again the Board of this otherwise fine, well-located residential establishment votes a narrow-minded, petty viewpoint! Acting against the best interest of the owners by imposing another "can't do" directive, further confirms my wisdom in not purchasing one of these tower units.

Sooner or later, independent thinkers will outnumber those directors with blinders on and begin to restore the opportunity for prospective appreciation of property values. I give up.

Those joyful windssocks — happy symbols of my successful quintuple by-pass, gifts from friends glad to see me alive and well — are put away. Thanks to all of you who live by the numbers in routine sameness. But I'll find another small way to celebrate the goodness of life.

Remember — life isn't just uniform black, or white, or grey — it's a glorious rainbow! Smell the roses. Try "yes, you can" as a philosophy of living.

Constructively, Jerry Griffin

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Lost Your Copy?

The Regulations for Contractors approved at the July 21st Board meeting were mailed to all residents with the minutes of that meeting.

They are also posted in each mailroom, and a copy can be secured by calling MSI at 222-7243 and asking for them.

Bird Feeding

Help! Someone is feeding the birds from their balcony again. Please feed the birds and watch them in the park between the Plaza and the Red Lion.

Birds and highrise buildings are just not very compatible. Feeding birds on your balcony may be entertaining to you, but the anger it arouses in your neighbors dealing with the bird droppings, scattered planter box dirt, broken pottery and even cracked windows caused by the occasional kamikaze bird so attracted, is hardly a desirable or humanitarian result.

The problems our little feathered friends cause when they nest in our gutters and on our warm light fixtures cost you and all of us money in extra maintenance!

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Trouble in the Park Boomerang Trespasser

At 5:23 pm on July 14th, a white male with black hair, about 5' 9" tall, of medium build and clean cut except for a black eye was found in front of Grant Tower, yelling swear words and menacing the automobiles parked in the area.

Security Officer V. Gray called the police who responded with four squad cars to surround the area, and they took him away at about 7 pm.

Officer Gray said the man appeared to be under the influence of drugs and seemed not to know where he was. He had a leather cord which he was using as a lash in an attempt to damage APCA property, and was also throwing rocks at cars.

At 10:15 pm Officer Gray encountered the same man standing at the public square sculpture shouting a continuous string of profanity.

Police were called and took him away. At 11:30 pm the man was back, this time threatening bodily harm to Officers Gray and Security Officer Mark Lindseth.

Officer Lindseth called the police at 12:15 am, signed criminal trespassing charges and the police again took the man away.

Lindseth said the man was behaving very aggressively and seemed agitated, and in his judgement was a real danger to Plaza residents' safety and security. Lindseth asked one of the responding police why they didn't place the man in a detoxification unit and was told that those units were only for alcoholics, but they would try to commit him to a mental unit. The trespasser did not return.

Motorbike Parking

Four spaces in the resident garage are available for parking a motorcycle or motor powered scooter. The spaces can be rented for \$15 a month. Call the Association office, MSI, at 222-2743.

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More on the Red Lion Shuttle

A little re-cap on that story about the end of Red Lion privileges for APCA residents. No, no change in Red Lion Manager Nabih Giha's attitude, but you will remember the bit about the APCA resident who lost a pair of glasses on the shuttle and demanded reimbursement from the Red Lion.

You remember Mr. Nabih Giha indicated that this crass behavior made him decide that APCA residents' good will was simply "not worth the liability"?

Now hear this. An APCA resident who shall remain nameless says "that story sounds an awful lot like what to me....except kind of twisted."

"I had lunch at the Red Lion and then caught the shuttle to the airport. On the shuttle, I realized that I had left my glasses in the Lobby before I caught the shuttle. I called the Red Lion. They located my glasses and said they would label them and hold them for my return in a week."

**Where is Joe Topper
Now That We Need Him?**

"When I returned a week later I went to the Red Lion to pick up my glasses, but they couldn't find them. They decided that some employee had mistakenly put them in 'Lost and Found' and, sad but true, they were now lost."

"I said that since it was through their carelessness that an identified and labeled pair of glasses were lost instead of held for me as promised, they should reimburse me for the loss. They did. I'm sorry if this caused Manager Nabih Giha to decide that American Plaza residents are 'not worth the risk' if they use the Red Lion facilities."

"Certainly the fewer people who enter the Red Lion, the fewer the problems. Actually, if no one went there at all, managing the place would be dead easy! I wonder if it is a new Red Lion corporate policy?"



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Pengra Investigates Airport Transport

APCA Director Cliff Pengra contacted Caroline Raz of Raz Transport as well as office personnel in charge of Airporter Service to see if APCA could be included as an Airporter stop.

Both explained that they could not make stops at APCA on either a regular or an "on call" basis because: 1. the major complaint they receive from customers is that they already make too many stops (Benson, Hilton, Marriott), 2. they do not have the personnel and/or equipment needed for additional stops.

Director Pengra suggests APCA residents direct a write in campaign to Red Lion Corporate Offices expressing regret about the Portland Center Red Lion manager's attitude toward his neighbors.

During Earthquake Best Place in Building

Plaza Engineers responding to the question "where is the safest place to be at American Plaza in the event of an earthquake?", say "Stay in your unit. Although the stairwells have strong supporting walls of concrete, the stairs themselves could collapse during an earthquake."

How Would You Handle It?

Plaza Manager Dave Stephens would like Board and resident input for creative thinking aimed at solving certain rules violations and other problems.

1) Rules for scheduling move-ins/outs and fees for same are clearly stated on page 10 of the American Plaza Rules and Regulations Handbook. Some people, in the process of an unscheduled move simply tell Security "We're moving, whether you like it or not!" This is not a situation for the police. What would you do?

2) A young man is seated in one of the tower foyers waiting for a resident to return home. Another resident feels threatened by the presence of this person. Should Security simply escort the second resident through the foyer or tell the waiting person to leave the premises?

3) A resident reports losing keys to their unit to a Security guard who says he will report it. Later the resident has the guard paged and asks if he has reported the key loss yet. He has not written his shift report so he tells the resident "No, not yet." The resident then says "Well, you and I are the only ones who know my unit is unlocked, so if anything is stolen I'll know you did it!" How would you handle this?

Please send suggestions to Tower Talk via the MSI office. Use the drop box on your mailroom door.

The Oregon Chapter of the Community Association Institute's program for it's September 21st, Wednesday, meeting is:

Renters - A Positive Experience

- Turning renters into buyers
- Communication through newsletters
- Restrictions that apply only to renters can be imposed
- Landlord-tenant relations in a condominium
- Making friends
- Damage - who pays? Rules violations - who cares?

The meeting is a dinner meeting at 7 pm with no host cocktails at 6:30. The hour long program will begin at approximately 8 pm.

The cost is \$20 per person on a first come, first serve basis with space for 40.

The meeting will be held at the Greenwood Inn in Beaverton, Allen Avenue just east of Highway 217. Call 242-0830 to make your reservation.

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The Welcome Committee would like to practice on you. This is your opportunity to give them experience and see what you didn't know about APCA. Ever wanted to see the Madison garbage room? Did you know there was a hobby room for those large messy projects? Want to swap a book and didn't know there were about 1,000 books in the Lincoln Lounge? Didn't know there was a Lincoln Lounge? Now is your chance. On Wednesday, September 14, 1988, the Welcome Committee will give you tours of all three towers plus Sivers Center and show you things you might not have known about, as well as pointing out the various rules and regulations. Just come to Sivers Center between 6 and 8 pm and one of our volunteers will take you on the tour.

Life by the Pool

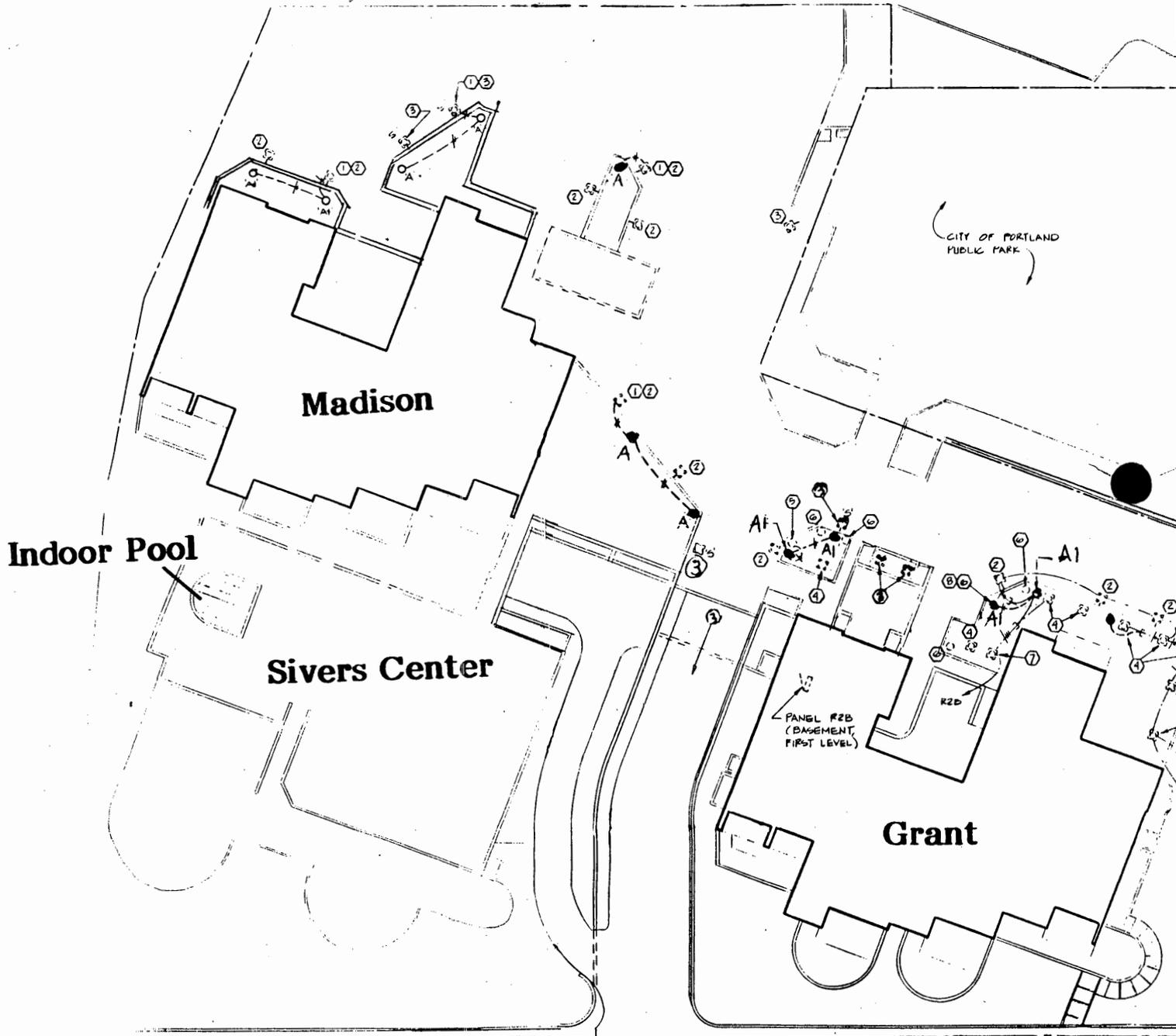
Cliff Pengra, who lives closer to the outdoor pool than anyone reports it's better than watching Dallas, Knots Landing or Dynasty. "People don't realize with the concrete wall and water how sounds carry. I am about ready to start a column for Tower Talk", he reports. "Secrets, Sun and Scandal" might be a good title, or maybe "Pooling the News!"

Everyone should be reminded that many of our neighbors live above the outdoor pool and people using the pool should keep their conversations to normal voice. Pengra reports one noise problem is people in the pool shouting to people not in the pool and says the outdoor pool is like a Roman amphitheater. Everything that is said is projected into the units surrounding the pool.

Pool users should not go over the Plaza wall to enter the pool area. The designated entry is on level 1B of Lincoln. Outdoor pool hours have been changed to 7 am to 10 pm at the request of the residents around the pool.

American Plaza Lighting

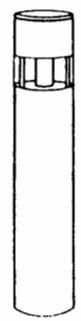
The hotly debated and much delayed lighting issue will be decided at the September Board Meeting. Director Cliff Pengra has volunteered to give you a walk-through showing you a picture of the fixture and the modifications proposed. Give him a call at 228-5359 to set a time.



FIXTURE SCHEDULE

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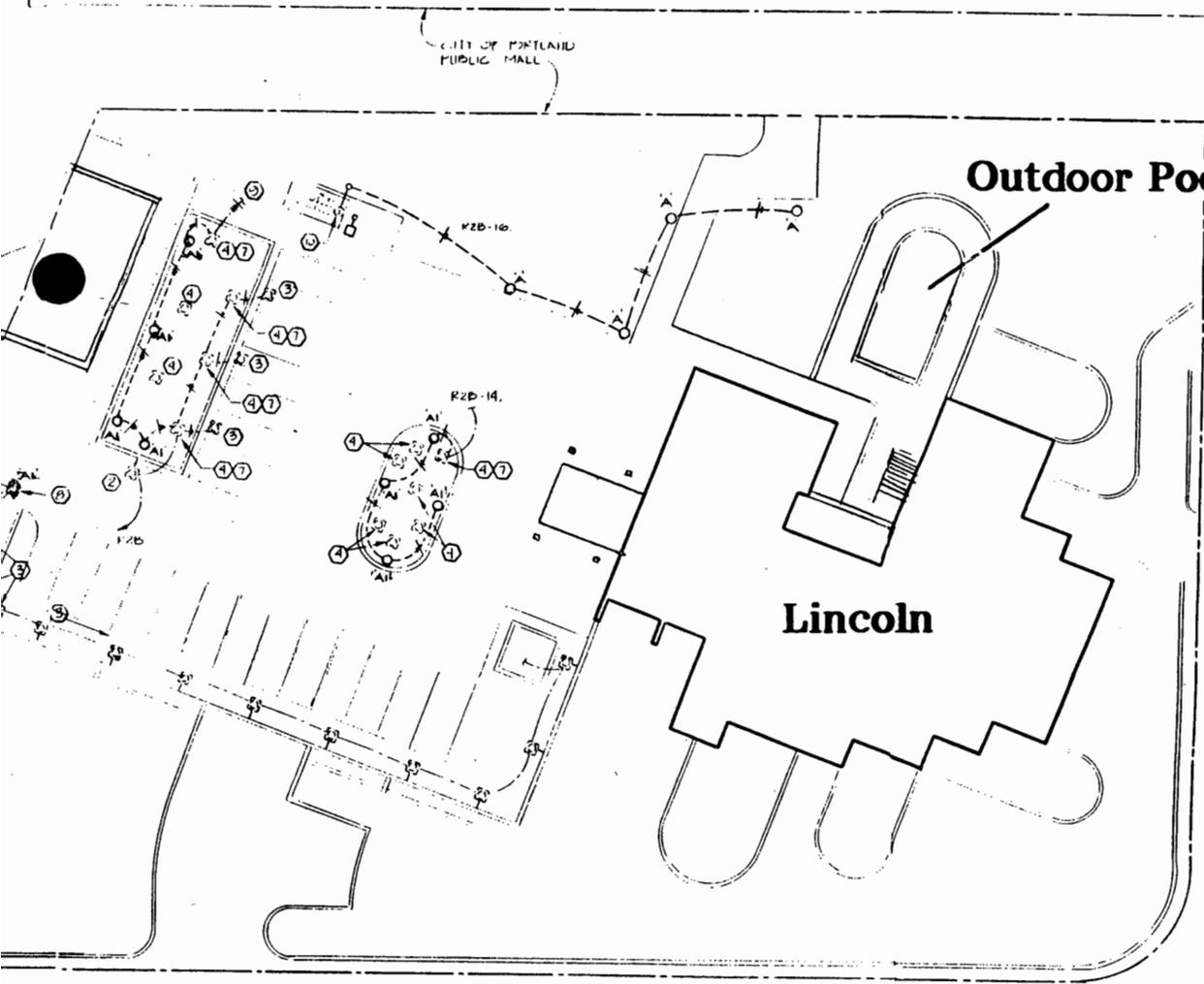
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A and A1: New Bollard Fixtures as pictured, mounted so the light is at about waist level.

SYMBOL SCHEDULE

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- ⊠ GROUND MOUNTED UPLIGHT LUMINAIRE
- SITE LIGHTING LUMINAIRE(S) WITH POLE
- ⊕ JUNCTION BOX
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Bits & Pieces

●The month off (August issue) was lovely, but gone in a flash! So here we are again, with two months worth of Bits and Pieces.

●Like - Twelve elevator malfunctions, four at Lincoln, five at Grant and three at Madison. One at Grant was caused by vandalism! Some one knowledgeable in such matters bent the photocell reflectors of each passenger elevator up so the beam would not reflect, and therefore the doors would not close. Plaza Superintendent Larry Milner comments that as vandalism goes, this act was surely more trouble than it was worth!

●Another bit of elevator vandalism on July 20th to the Grant south passenger elevator (a broken bulletin board and vinyl bumpers kicked loose and broken) cost the Association money to repair, but did not stop the flow of traffic!

●The Board voted at their July meeting to accept Manager Dave Stephens' recommendation to shift Plaza elevator maintenance to Northwest Elevator Company. Stephens says Northwest's fees are 2% higher than those we pay to Armor, but still within budget.

●Doug Hart, Assistant Superintendent at the Plaza, was kept busy with water leaks: four at Grant, one at Madison and three at Lincoln. One of the leaks was from an exterior wall crack, one from a common water line, and the rest were in-unit pipe, fixture and fitting problems. Heck of a way to keep cool, Doug!

●Security Officer Mark Lindseth didn't feel so cool when he got sprayed in the face with dirt at the terminus of the Grant trash chute. He was on the 21st floor and heard heavy objects crashing down the trash chute from above. Immediately going to the basement to see if the chute needed to be cleared, he discovered the broken chunks of 6 to 8 plants at least three feet in diameter plus 10 smaller plants. He was moving the debris from the trash chute to the dumpster when he heard a botanic afterthought hurtling down and jumped back just in time.

●If someone is missing some items left in green garbage bags in the garage, Security Officer anHaack put them in the lost and found on July 15th, because storage of personal items other than grocery carts is not allowed in the parking garage.

●Dealing with noise complaints (five), malfunctioning car burglar alarms (two), small emergencies (a sheet caught on washing machine spindle below the paddles and retrieved undamaged), complaints of noxious barbecue smoke (two), the Lincoln garage gate stuck (only once in two months...not bad!), finding the owner

of a barking dog tied to a car in the guest lot, calling the Portland Fire Dept. for a fire in the Grant garbage room on July 16th, helping two fallen residents (sounds wonderfully wicked, but in reality there was more pain than entertainment!, and it's good to have Security on the job!) and assisting with 911 calls (two) helped fill Security's time.

●Officer Lindseth wins the prize for apprehending the wittiest trespasser, though. On a security check of Sivers Center at 1:20 am, August 1st, he found a man attempting to enter the Exit door to First Avenue. When asked what he thought he was doing the man quickly said "What time does the pool open?" And yes, Officer Lindseth sent him summarily on his way!

●Two storage lockers adjacent to each other were broken into at Grant Tower on July 3rd. Nothing was taken and access was achieved by rolling back the chicken wire divider.

Security Officer Smokey Miller found a hacksaw left at the scene. A box with a picture of a Sony television set on it may have been the lure, however, the box was simply an empty one saved by the owner!

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Garden Chatter

By Irv Trachtenberg



It has been a beautiful and hot summer. The display of marigolds, impatiens, wax and tuberous begonias, ageratum, geraniums, dwarf dahlias, lilies, coreopsis, hostas, lobelias, petunias and zinnias around the neighborhood have been magnificent.

Our balconies will soon be denuded of their cheerful and colorful display. It is time to think of preparing our plants and containers for the winter weather. The following are suggestions for preparation:

1. Dispose of all annuals.
2. Save the soil in your containers and recondition in the early spring by the addition of fertilizers and soil lighteners. The removal of about 1/4 of the top soil in the containers and replacement with fresh soil will help.
3. Continue to water your outdoor plants. The overhang on the balconies prevents the rain water from penetrating the containers' soil. The plants tend to dry out especially because of the strong winds.
4. September should be the last month to fertilize your outdoor plants so that new growth will develop, and harden off before winter sets in.
5. Do not fertilize houseplants during fall and winter. Be careful not to drown them.
6. Bring in your houseplants well before the first frost. Check your plants for insects and disease so that they will not contaminate your other houseplants.

General Sprays That May Be Used

- A. Ortho Orthonex - A general spray that may be used to control both insects and disease.
- B. Malathion - For insects.
- C. Diazinon - For insects.
- D. Isotox - For insects.
- E. Schultz Instant Insecticide Spray - This may be used both indoors and outdoors.
- F. Safer Insecticide Soap
Mix only enough spray for each one time use - throw out any left over.

7. Stake and tie up all large plants to prevent the strong winds from loosening the roots. Check all plants to see that the soil is moist. A well-watered plant will be better able to withstand winter freezing.

The following is a list of bulbs and plants that should be planted now to provide early spring blooms. It is also a good time to divide your primroses if you have not already done so. Floral type cabbage and kale; Bulbs: anemones (mixed colors); iris (mixed colors); blue grape hyacinths; crocus (mixed colors); standard and dwarf daffodils; tulips; dutch iris; and lilies.

The soil should be worked to the depth of your container. A fertilizer with a formula of 5-12-12, 2-10-10 or 5-10-5 plus extra bone meal should be incorporated into the soil. Tulips should be planted 6" deep, crocus 2", daffodils 7-8", dutch iris 3" and grape hyacinths 3".

The paper white narcissus bulbs can be planted indoors to provide bright and fragrant blooms during the drab winter months. They can be planted at 10 day intervals through February to provide at least 3 months of winter blooms. The bulbs may be planted in a bowl using pebbles, soil or vermiculite. They do well with pebbles. 1. Fill the bowl with pebbles to about 1" to 1 1/2" from the top of the bowl; 2. Place the bulbs on top of the pebbles; a few pebbles may be placed between the bulbs to steady them; 3. Place water in the bowl until it reaches a level just below the bottom of the bulbs. The water level should always be kept just below the bottom of the bulbs. Place bowl in a sunny window. Discard the bulbs after blooming.



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