October-November 2018





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A message from our President...

Creciente Owners,

We are happy to let everyone know we have hired Lauren Robison, our previous Administrative Assistant, as our CAM Manager.

She recently took the CAM exam and did excellent.

She has kept us on track the last two months and we

are confident she will continue to do a fantastic job as our new manager.

We have a new Administrative/Maintenance Assistant, named Jack Dayboch. Please stop by the office to say hello!

We were able to get all of our summer projects finished as well as caught up on our four page "Deferred Maintenance" list due to our new team all working together.

We are happy to have a lot of owners returning and looking forward to a fun filled season in "Paradise".

Please check your mail for the information on our Annual Meeting,

January 7, 2019, at 7pm and Board of Directors' election.

Cheryl Thompson, President



November Access Codes: Please contact the office December Access Codes: Please contact the office

Vendor codes may change periodically for safety and security reasons. Please contact the Office if necessary.

Creciente Book Club

Summer Reading List November 12 The Other Einstein by Marie Benedict December 10 Killers of the Flower Moon by David Grann January 14 A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles February 11 Any book about a woman spy or intelligence agent March 11

Hillbilly Elegy by J.D. Vance

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Marriage of Opposites by Alice Hoffman

April 8



The landscaping on the hill in front of the East Building is complete. This is the last phase of the special assessment project. We have planted a Seagrape hedge along the edge of the deck. This is a native hedge and provides the best wind

protection for the area. We were able to negotiate a lower price than the original bid for this project.

The fountains are finally back in operation. We were able to find a vendor to install the correct, continuous flow pump. This should alleviate the frequent pump replacement we have had in the past, keeping our cost down.

Submitted by Cheryl Thompson

Decorating Committee

Our last Decorating Committee Meeting of the year will be November 9, at 1 P.M. in the social room. All owners are welcome.

All three mailrooms and elevators rooms have been newly painted. New carpet was installed 3 years ago and new shiplap walls in all the buildings.

The painting and shiplap walls were able to be done with storm damage money. We have been searching for new furniture for all buildings to give us an updated

coastal look. These are the first rooms prospective buyers and visitors see when they visit Creciente. We have been consulted 3 different decorators this year. We have tried to come up with the most economical, sturdy, long lasting coastal look within our budget. We will be discussing our plan at our meeting along with other decorating projects.

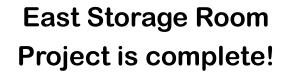
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Building & Grounds Report

Our Association Team had a very productive summer in completing many projects that our Committee had identified this past Spring. Below is a list of those accomplishments. Thanks to our staff for the great work!

North & South lobby ceilings (Irma insurance) Fountain pumps (Reserves) South exterior lights (Irma insurance) **Cleaning Service in-place** Garage project completed Landscaping replaced on east hills by garage entries Storm drains hydro-jetted Sanitary drains hydro-jetted South parking lot catch basin cleaned out Trash chute roof caps replaced (Irma insurance) Courtyard sidewalk repair and resurfacing (Reserves) Pool deck repair and resurfacing (Reserves) East building locker doors replacement (Irma Insurance) North building stairs painted (elevator fire insurance) Parking lot curbs painted (in-house) Drain replaced in North building garbage room Sidewalks at all 3 BBQ areas - cracks filled and repainted (in-house Picnic tables painted Sidewalk around South building – cracks filled and repainted (in-house) A PERSONAL PROPERTY AND Sidewalks around North and East buildings scheduled (in-house) Weeds removed by seawall at inner beach (in-house and owners) All 3 mailrooms and elevator lobbies painted (Irma insurance) All elevator iridescent walls replaced with shiplap siding (Irma insurance) All 3 garbage rooms cleaned and organized (in-house) North building tile floor professionally cleaned Social room carpet cleaned Irrigation line replaced on south side of garage wall East lobby deck-side glass tinted to be in compliance with turtle ordinance

Rich Preves Chairman

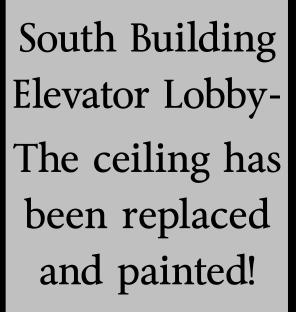


East Building owners have new storage doors, freshly painted lockers and floors thanks to Irma Insurance proceeds!



Courtyard sidewalks have been repaired, painted and sealed—with Replacement Funds!







CRECIENTE ELECTION 2019

Annual Meeting Timetable & Checklist January 7, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.

Nov. 6 - First Notice Mailing

Nov. 28 - Request to be Candidate Return to the Association

Nov. 28 - Information sheets from Candidate furnished to Association

Dec. 4 - Second Notice Pick Up

Dec. 5 - Second Notice Mailing

Dec. 24 - Annual Meeting Notice posted by 7pm

Jan. 7, 2019—Annual Meeting



by Kathy Luce

Did you know that our local Fort Myers Beach Elementary School is the smallest school in Lee County and opened in 1948? It is ranked "A" by the District and is on the Register of Historic buildings. Did you know that it has 108 students in grade K thru 5? Did you know

that nearly 2/3 of those kids are low income and qualify for assistance?

Renee Mulloy is the school Secretary and has worked there for nearly 20 years. She quietly operates what is known as "Renee's Closet" in the school office. Through personal and

private donations she stocks it with shoes, socks, back packs, toiletries, school supplies, gift cards to Target/Walmart and whatever else she thinks the kids may need. These items get discreetly sent home for those many children whose parents cannot afford them. In 2016, Renee was honored as The Observer's Humanitarian of the Year for her compassion and dedication.

These are the children of the many workers and servers on our beach who make mostly minimum wage. Summers always bring an economic downturn for them but this year they have particularly hard hit because of the red tide and algae blooms.

If anyone would like to donate to this cause, checks can be made out to "THE BEACH SCHOOL" and mailed to......

> The Beach School Attention/Renee's Closet 2751 Oak St Ft Myers Beach, FL 33931

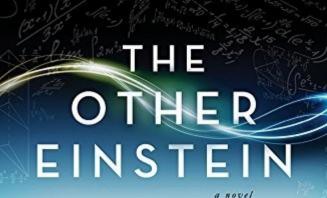
If you have any further questions, please call the School at 239-463-6356 May you have a Blessed Thanksgiving.

The 2018-2019 Social Committee Season Activities ;

November 2018 Thanksgiving Dinner—November 22, 2018 Christmas Eve Breakfast 2018—December 24, 2018 January 2019 Welcome Back Party—January 11, 2019 February 2019 Valentine Party—February 15, 2019 March 2019 Deck Party—March 15, 2019 Bridge on Monday 9-12pm & Thursday 7-10pm Bingo is every Wednesday (a) 7pm Book Club on Mondays (a) 7pm Canasta will begin this month Euchre & Bocce Ball will begin in January Water Aerobics is year round Beach Parties scheduled for Jan., Feb., & Mar.-dates to be determined Sign up is required for some Special Events



Creciente Book Club meets on Monday, Nov. 12th at 7pm in the social room. Refreshments will be served. All are welcome!



"Superb...the haunting story of Einstein's brilliant first wife who was lost in his shadow." —Sue Monk Kidd, New York Times bestselling author of The Invention of Wings

MARIE BENEDICT

In Loving Memory



Agatha S. Ray Birth Date: March 11, 1939 Death Date: October 24, 2018

Agatha was born in Athens, Tennessee on March 11, 1939 and was the loving wife of Howard W. Ray, devoted mother of sons Jeffrey Scott and Roger William and daughter Teri D. Ray, and proud grandmother of Dr. Jessica Ray, William Scott Ray, John (Jack) Fitzpatrick Ray and Thomas William Ray. She was preceded in death by her parents, George Hunter Starr, Sr. and Willie Underwood Starr, sister Francis Monroe and Brother Ray Starr. In addition to her immediate family she is survived by sisters Betty Wright, Wanda Patterson, Glenda Hall, Kaye Payne and Faye Morris and brother George Starr, Jr. On October 24, 2018 at approximately 9:45 AM. she passed away peacefully and, therefore, ceased to bear the suffering she has endured for most of the past two years. She was an avid tennis player, supporter of the Tennessee Volunteers and loved to try new recipes for the enjoyment of family and friends. And then, of course, prior to the limitation of her very bad knees, she loved, and spent hours, walking the beach looking for those rare shells of which she found many. Although the last few years were often difficult due to failing health, including overcoming lymphoma, she was still the cheerful, smiling treasure that came into Howard's life more than sixty years ago, and she will be terribly missed by all who knew her. If you are so inclined, contributions in her memory to the American Cancer Society or the American Lung Association will be a great honor for her and her family.

Please join us January 14th at 6pm for a Celebration of Life in the Creciente Social Room.