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HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

June 1 signals the start of the Central Pacific hurricane season. To help you prepare, the Hawaii State Civil Defense provides a template for creating a family emergency plan. One of the first steps you can take toward preparedness is the creation of a family disaster supply kit. This will help families get through the first few days after a disaster. Public shelters after a disaster may not offer some of the basic necessities. The development of a kit will make a stay in a public shelter more comfortable, should it be necessary. Store the kit in a convenient place known to all family members. Store items in airtight bags or containers. Replenish the kit twice a year. Include six basic items; food, water, first aid kit, tools and supplies, clothing and bedding and special items. Please refer to <http://www.scd.hawaii.gov/> for more information on the preparedness kit and a host of other topics.

A very comprehensive handbook for emergency preparedness and a detailed list of components of a family disaster supply kit can be found at the Federal Emergency Management Agency's website - <http://www.fema.gov/txt/library/eprhb.txt>.

According to Dr. Scott Norville, P.E., PHD, Chair and Professor of the civil engineering department of Texas Tech University, it is important that **all windows of the building be CLOSED** in the event of a hurricane. Insurance losses can go up by 40% - 60% when windows are broken or left open and there is no other structural damage.

Inside this issue:

Hawaiki Tower: A Case Study in Sustainability 2 Please include in your hurricane preparedness checklist a note to **CLOSE AND SECURE ALL WINDOWS IN YOUR APARTMENT BEFORE YOU LEAVE.**

RECREATION DECK ISSUES

How Much Noise Do You Make? 3 During the summer months of July and August our second homeowner and visitor arrivals increase significantly. This increased use of the recreation areas by these owners and guests negatively impacts the occupants and neighbors living near and above the recreation area.

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HAWAII TOWER A CASE STUDY IN SUSTAINABILITY

Over the past eight months Hawaii Tower has been the focus of an HPU graduate student, Eva Tcholakova. Eva, a Bulgarian graduate student at HPU, used Hawaii Tower as her benchmark for her thesis in evaluating many of the high-rise properties in Honolulu.

Eva completed her studies in the Master of Arts in Global Leadership and Sustainable Development (GLSD) program at HPU. The GLSD is designed to prepare students to lead change initiatives in a globalizing world which is increasingly characterized by chaos, complexity, and change. Students learn to simultaneously search for the underlying causes of global environmental, economic and social problems, and at the same time learn how to design and lead responses that produce sustainable outcomes for the current and future generations.



Additionally, the GLSD program is designed to produce global leaders who are first and foremost environmental stewards with the skills to move human systems towards sustainability by thoroughly understanding the systemic causes of the multitude of challenges humanity faces at both the global and local levels. Most importantly, these new global leaders will have the moral courage to help chart new directions towards a human community in harmony with the natural world.

In her thesis Eva makes the following assertion, *buildings are accountable for globally important issues such as climate change and warming of the planet (Altomonte, 2008). The energy used by buildings is calculated to represent more than half of worldwide consumption and most of this comes from burning fossil fuels (Altomonte, 2008). The burning of fossil fuels to provide the energy high rise buildings demand, generates massive CO2 emissions contributing greatly to climate change (Altomonte, 2008). Honolulu's existing high rise buildings are no exception. Their energy efficiency is essential for future sustainable growth of the city. Thus, the incentives or disincentives for making these choices and moving towards sustainable urban growth are of particular interest for this research.*

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In conclusion, the reviewed literature confirmed that energy efficient technology exists and it leads towards sustainable operations and energy efficiency of high rise buildings. However even though there are many certificate programs and nationwide guide initiatives advancing the application of sustainable technologies, there are no legislative measures in the state of Hawaii, applicable to existing high rise buildings in Honolulu that mandate a process of adopting energy efficient technologies. Therefore, if it happens, it is entirely up to the buildings and their management to adopt changes and use energy efficient technologies. This choice, proactivity and knowledge on the subject of sustainable development through energy efficiency is left to be made by the General Managers of the high rise residential buildings and approved by their board of directors.

This is something we've known for many years. It was a pleasure working with Eva and having her research confirm that what we've been doing is worthwhile not only for the benefit of the owners, but for our community too.

HOW MUCH NOISE DO YOU MAKE?

Noise is an inevitable reality in condominium communities. Condominium dwellers live in such close proximity, it's essential that we consider the effect noise will have on our neighbors when deciding on floor coverings, where to mount the flat-screen television or when to knock out a wall.

We—you *and* your neighbors—all have a right to enjoy our homes in peace and to furnish them as we like. But remember, how you furnish your unit may be a nuisance to your neighbors in theirs.

Rigid flooring—wood, ceramic, stone—is fashionable and collects far fewer allergens than carpet, making it very popular. At Hawaiki Tower it is VERY difficult to install due to the required sound mitigating underlayment. If you're considering installing rigid flooring in your unit, you must first obtain approval from the Resident Manager. If your neighbor above you ever installs rigid flooring you will be very happy the standards exist.

Flat-screen televisions are becoming more affordable every year, and many of our residents have them. Please mount your screen on an interior wall—not a wall you share with a neighbor. Reverberations from wall-mounted televisions can be an annoyance for those on the other side.

How much noise does it take to be a nuisance? One definition says nuisance is a level of disturbance beyond what a reasonable person would find tolerable. But, sometimes the question isn't how much noise we make, but when we make it. You or your neighbor might find the raucous party next door entirely tolerable—until about 10 or 11 p.m. A noisy renovation downstairs might be intolerable if it's a religious or ethnic holiday for you. Whatever you're planning, give some thought to the day as well as the time of day for your activity.

If you have noisy neighbors, talk to them. They probably have no idea they're disturbing you. Maybe you work nights and their teenager—whose room backs up to yours—blasts the audio system after school each day.

The Golden Rule applies here: Treat your neighbors the way you want them to treat you.



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POWER DOWN, SAVE MONEY

Looking to cut back due to a tight budget or ready to go green? Here are quick and easy tips to accomplish both:

- Unplug appliances and electronics. TVs, computers and kitchen appliances, as well as cell phone and laptop chargers, all use energy when they are plugged in—even if they are turned off.
- Use power strips. “Smart” power strips automatically turn off when electronics are off or when one main unit (like your personal computer) is powered down.
- Turn off lights. When you're not in the room or not in the house, there's no need for all the lights to be on.
- Clean and replace furnace or air conditioner filters. Dirty filters block air flow, increase energy bills and shorten equipment life.
- Activate “sleep” features on your computer and office equipment. When they go unused for a long period of time, they power down.
- Use fans instead of air conditioning when possible or combine their use to turn down the air temperature a bit.
- Wash your laundry with cold water. It's just as effective.

REC DECK ISSUES (cont'd)

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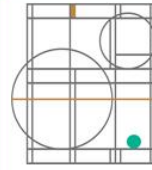
Allowing children to scream and squeal while running and jumping into the pool and back and forth from the pool and spa pool is a violation of the House Rules and clearly disrespectful to others who may be in the pool or spa pool, on the deck relaxing or in their apartment. Infants and toddlers should not use the spa pool at all. The high temperature has been proven to be unhealthy for these small children as well as pregnant women and persons with a history of high blood pressure or respiratory illness.

Large floating toys or toys being thrown from person to person in the pool are inappropriate for the pool. A flotation device that aids in swimming while exercising is appropriate.

The swimming pool and other recreation facilities are not a place to “run wild” and “let the steam out”. Parents whose children need to exhibit that type of behavior should take their children to the park or beach across the street.

The tennis court is for playing tennis and not a general purpose playground for other activities. The Project Documents specifically state the common elements are to be used only for the purpose they were designed for. The tennis court lights are to be turned on only when playing tennis. The lights are not to be used to provide background lighting or so other games can be played on the tennis court surface.

Occupants who disregard the rules or the instruction and requests of staff can expect to receive administrative follow up in an effort to correct the inappropriate behavior. Management certainly hopes this won't be necessary and that all occupants will comply with the spirit and letter of the Rules.



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

Q. Why are there cockroaches in my apartment after I return from being away for an extended time? I don't leave any food out.

Answer: Cockroaches enjoy peace and quiet as much as the next creature. Your vacant apartment is the perfect place for the cockroaches to camp out in while you're away. They can use your apartment as a base camp for night raids to other apartments where a bounty of food scraps await them. During the day your vacant apartment affords them the peace and tranquility they need to get plenty of rest for the next night's assault.

You can obtain roach bait traps from the Administrative Office for free each quarter.

Please keep in mind that any exterminating is only a temporary control measure and that the bugs will return. It is likely that another apartment nearby is vacant and spraying your apartment will encourage them to re-group in that apartment.