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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>. The basic disaster kit recommendations from FEMA and Red Cross can be found at the following link: <http://www.ready.gov/build-a-kit>.

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.

Please include in your hurricane preparedness checklist a note to **CLOSE AND SECURE ALL WINDOWS IN YOUR APARTMENT BEFORE YOU LEAVE.**

RECREATION DECK ISSUES

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.

The primary cause of the problems are the adults who allow their unsupervised children to engage in boisterous and inappropriate behavior for a residential project.

Allowing children to scream and squeal while running and jumping into the

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CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF TECHNOLOGY

We all know about the clouds that shade the sun and carry rain. Now it's time to get to know the other cloud—the one that delivers computing power, handy applications, and the ability to share information with others wherever and whenever you need. Like the atmospheric mass that provides its name, the technological phenomenon impacts our daily lives.

Cloud computing sounds mysterious and untrustworthy, but chances are you're already working, playing and surfing in the cloud. If you've purchased an iPhone, Kindle, or any smartphone, tablet or computer recently, you're probably taking advantage of its benefits. If you've downloaded a song from the Internet, chatted on Skype or purchased something from Amazon.com, you've used the cloud.

So, what does the cloud mean to you, and how can you harness its power?

It means you can access association documents and board meeting minutes from wherever you are. It might also mean, for the owners of second homes, that you can tune in to board meetings from the other side of the country.


It means you can work from a remote office without losing a beat. You can collaborate with others on a document without having to e-mail the file back and forth. You can store photos, music and files online without taking up precious space on your computer.

The cloud offers cheaper, stress-free alternatives to expensive hardware and maintenance. All you really need to take advantage of the cloud is reliable Internet access, but you should carefully consider security, privacy, the provider's reliability and contract terms first.


How secure is your data and information on the cloud? What privacy rules are you subject to? Some cloud services include clauses that allow providers to access and use a customer's data—often for marketing purposes—and can retain that data long after you're done using the service.

What if the company providing the cloud service goes out of business? What happens to all your information? Do contact terms lock you into one program or application?


These are important questions to ask. And though the cloud is relatively new, it's here to stay and will become even more



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prevalent over time. To see a list of cloud computing providers, visit <http://cloud-computing.findthebest.com>.

AC FLOAT SWITCHES

In May 2004, the Association adopted a policy that recommends owners install a device that automatically detects when the water level in the air conditioning drain pan rises too high and then turns the air conditioner off. This will alert the resident that a problem exists and that service is required.

In order to encourage homeowners to proactively install the device, the Association will provide the device at no cost. The devices are available at the administrative office at level 3.

The cost to install the valve will be the responsibility of the owner, along with the future maintenance, repair or replacement of the device. It can be installed during routine maintenance service by any of the air conditioning companies that provide service in the building. For the do-it-yourself apartment owner, we have an installation guide available in the office.

MOBILE MARKETING: INSTANT INFORMATION ANYWHERE

You may have noticed small, black and white, pixelated squares recently appearing in magazines and marketing materials or on signs and product packaging. Designed to work with cell phones, mobile tags instantly link to additional information when you scan them. They're decoded by a tag reader application installed on a web-enabled camera phone. When you scan a tag with your phone's camera, it opens a web page, displays a message or takes some other action on the phone to connect you to new content.

Mobile tagging is rapidly increasing as businesses and individuals discover creative uses for the technology. Businesses are capitalizing on the marketing and sales potential of the tags by driving consumers to websites for special offers, launching surveys, linking to additional product and service information and delivering exclusive content. Individuals are using tags on business cards and resumes to automatically download their contact information to a recipient's phone or to provide virtual work samples.

There are a number of different types of mobile tags, including Microsoft Tag, QR codes, Data Matrix, Cool-Data-Matrix, Aztec, Upcode, Trillcode, Quickmark, shotcode, mCode and Beetagg. Different types of tags require different types of readers; most are available as free downloads. Many of the tag types also offer free tag generators for personal and commercial use.

KEEP YOUR HOME SAFE WHILE ON VACATION

Throughout the year, many of you will escape the daily grind and head out on a well-deserved vacation. But before you hit the road, take a few precautions so your home isn't enticing to thieves (not likely at Hawaiki Tower) or susceptible to flood or other disasters. Not only is having your home flooded a highly unpleasant way to return from a trip, but it also puts the rest of

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REC DECK ISSUES, (cont'd)

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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.

The Board of Directors authorized additional staff to patrol the recreation deck are during the weekends from Memorial Day to Labor Day. The purpose of this extra staffing is to maintain a presence on the recreation deck and enforce the above guidelines and other House Rules relevant to the recreation area.

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.

KEEP YOUR HOME SAFE WHILE ON VACATION (cont'd)

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the association at risk, as these problems have the potential to spread quickly throughout the building. So, before you take off, consider implementing these safety tips to keep your home and our community secure. A special plumbing insert is included in this issue of the newsletter. Please read it and remove it from the newsletter and keep it in your apartment to provide to visitors and service providers.

Call on friends for help. If you're going to be away a week or more, ask a trusted friend to check on your house every day or two—or better yet, housesit—while you're gone. Not only will they make sure nothing happens to your home, but you might also ask them to bring in your mail and newspapers, water plants or even feed Fluffy. Of course, it's a good idea to let your management and neighbors know a friend is monitoring your property so they don't call the police to thwart a perceived “break-in.”

Stop your mail and newspaper. Nothing screams “nobody's home!” like a pile of newspapers strewn about your doorstep. So, if you can't get a friend or neighbor to collect them for you, it's best to have your mail and paper stopped if you're going to be out of town for awhile.

Make a last-minute checklist. Are all the windows and doors locked? Stove and oven turned off? How about all the faucets? Are the electronics unplugged and valuables secured? Take five minutes before you leave to ensure your apartment is vacation-ready. Another run-through of the apartment may seem unnecessary if you did it earlier in the day, but knowing you've left your house as safe as possible will help you kick back, give you peace of mind and have a great vacation.