

# Soundings

THE STRATFORD AT PELICAN BAY



## From the Manager's Desk

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### **SAVE THESE DATES!**

- **Board of Directors Meetings**  
October 9<sup>th</sup>  
November 13<sup>th</sup>  
November 29<sup>th</sup> Budget Approval  
January 8<sup>th</sup>
- **Annual Membership Meeting**  
February 12<sup>th</sup>
- **Long Range Planning  
Committee Meetings TBA**

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As the Phase 2-3 construction project draws to a close this fall, we look forward to getting our seasonal residents back to see the newly renovated areas. For those residents returning in October, we will still have many contractors and vendors working in the building this month. Outside parking will be at a premium at this time. The good news is that the revised schedule indicates the project will be substantially complete with all furniture and art set prior to Thanksgiving. Once D. Garrett has approvals on all of their final inspections, we will then be able to start moving the offices back and begin using the amenities again. We will keep you posted on those dates.

For your information, we will continue to use only two elevators through December. ThyssenKrupp Elevator is making good progress on the modernization of the North passenger car and anticipates having it back in service on October 9<sup>th</sup>. They will then start working on the South passenger car which will be out of service from October 9<sup>th</sup> - November 6<sup>th</sup>. The Service elevator will be down from November 6<sup>th</sup> to December 6<sup>th</sup>. Please schedule any planned moves accordingly.

Our maintenance staff has also been busy this summer. Besides the day-to-day issues that have come up with the project, Gerald and Brian re-painted the North stairwell and the exterior retaining wall adjacent to the service area. They are presently working on replacing the top railings on the boardwalk, and re-painting the boardwalk gate.

Our 2013 Annual Membership Meeting is February 12<sup>th</sup> this year. Four of the current director terms will expire at this time. In early December you will receive the first notice of the annual meeting as well as the election package. If you would like to be considered for the Board, please review the package and fill out the application. If you have any questions feel free to call the office.

In closing, we are excited about getting back to normal around here, but also showcasing our newly renovated property. I am certain you will be as impressed with the changes as I am.

Sincerely,

Clayton D. Lietz, CAM  
General Manager, The Stratford at Pelican Bay

# Social Calendar

## **Welcome Back Stratford Residents**

Please be sure to mark your calendars for the upcoming **"Stratford Gala"** which is tentatively scheduled in the new Stratford Social Room for:

**Wednesday, January 22, 2014**



(subject to change based on the completion date of the Phase 2-3 Renovation).

## **Fall Backwards!!**



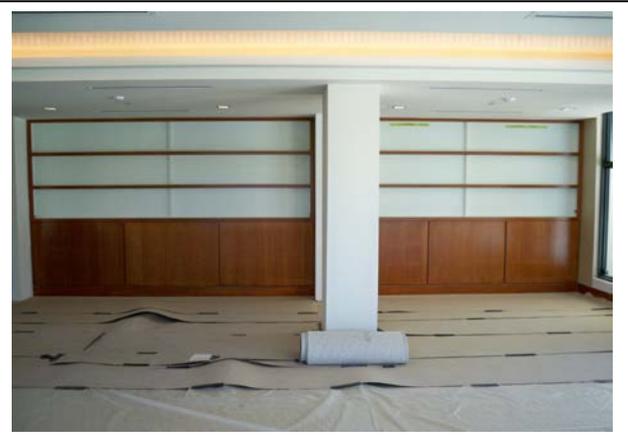
It's that time of the year again! Daylight Saving time begins on:

**Sunday, November 3, 2013**

• Turning your clocks back is a great way to remember to change your smoke detector batteries.



**The Social Room Entertainment Center**



**The Social Room**

## **Flu Shots**

Flu shots are offered at most pharmacies in our area, along with most grocery stores. Stay flu free this winter by getting your shot!

# Things you should know...

## Phone Entry

When you have visitors at the entry directory, press **6** on your phone to allow them access into the building. If you change your number or want to add a number to the front entry box please let the office know and we will set it up for you.

## Stratford Staff News

For those members that left early last spring, management made the decision to bring Ines Nieto back to handle the Housekeeping duties in the building. Her first day was May 8<sup>th</sup>. Happy to have you back Ines! ☺

## Unit Owner Construction

On January 9, 2013, the Board of Directors adopted a "seasonal restriction" on unit alteration work at the Stratford. This restriction is to commence November 1<sup>st</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup> of each year. The first restrictive period will start November 1, 2014 due to the Phase 2-3 Project.

At this time, we have six (6) renovation projects scheduled during the period directly following the completion of the Phase 2-3 project in January 2014 that we estimate will take until June 2014 to complete.

If you are contemplating a unit alteration project or considering selling your unit in the near future (and you believe the new buyer will desire to perform a major renovation), make sure to check with the office.

# Welcome Back!

## Window Casements

Check your casement windows for secure latching as we have found that over time vibration and / or wind can loosen the latch.

**The Management Office will be closed in Observance of the following Holidays:**

### Thanksgiving

Thursday, November 28, 2013  
Friday, November 29, 2013



### Christmas

Tuesday, December 24, 2013 (Close @ Noon)  
Wednesday, December 25, 2013

And Will Open On:  
Thursday, December 26, 2013 @ 8:00am



### New Year's

Tuesday, December 31, 2013 (Close @ Noon)  
Wednesday, January 1, 2014

And Will Open On:  
Thursday, January 2, 2014 @ 8:00am

*Happy Holiday's!*

# Long Range Planning Committee

## October 2013 Report

From Jan and Paul to our neighbors and friends;

Our last monthly visit brought more excitement than any of the others with the finished job so much more visible. Driving up to the building and finally seeing what the awnings will do for the building, the open look of the landscaping with an amazing group of newer and better placed royal palms give us a look that I don't think any of us had ever envisioned. All of this even after having to add a last minute cut thru to St. Simone. The new marble endless pool fountain is stunning and will be framed with the new brick pavers. The elegant entry door system has taken years off the building. Stepping into the lobby and getting the feel of the floating stairs, the wood columns, and the matching round windows – the mezzanine that now looks like it is part of the lobby takes your breath away. On to the Stratford Room and getting a feel of how the whole room will look and be used will hopefully be an answer to everyone's wishes.

The pool and deck area with its stunning pavers, are becoming a reality along with the water wall – still missing the caps and bougainvillea to grow over the top, the spa which is larger than we had hoped for, and some pretty amazing landscaping to give us one of the most outstanding pool areas in Pelican Bay.

As we have reported before, we were able to add back almost everything we had to remove to get to the \$2.7M budget except for the atrium. Still hoping to find a way to pay for at least a scaled down version so everything in the building will be new again!

Working on a daily basis with first of all Clay, and then with each and every one of the subs, architects and designers has been a treat beyond belief. Phone calls are always answered and returned within a day. Our weekly construction meetings via conference calls when we are not there in person are always interesting and fact filled – only troublesome when our budget is being pressured or added to with change orders!

We really appreciate all of the cooperation and understanding of all of the owners, especially the permanent residents for the inconveniences this project has caused. We also know that to please and accommodate all of the wishes for 81 residents is probably not achievable. We do know however, that we have worked with top notch professionals who have given us their best, have consistently stayed ahead of schedule and have caused the least amount of disruption in the building that could be expected.

We hope that you will feel like you have a new and exciting place to come home to – a home that will stand out as an older building finding a new life.

Paul & Jan Robertson on behalf of the LRPC

# Long Range Planning Committee October 2013 Report



The Stratford Pool



The Pool Water Wall



The Front Lobby Entrance



Lobby Stairway to the Mezzanine Level



The Front Entry



The Social Room



The Mezzanine Level



The Fountain

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## Local Naples Activities

### Third Street Farmers Market

Naples, Third Street South, Saturday's from 7:30am to 11:30am  
For more information call 434-6533

### Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre

"Burt And Me"; August 22<sup>nd</sup> thru October 5<sup>th</sup>  
"Cats"; October 10<sup>th</sup> thru November 23<sup>rd</sup>  
For more information call 278-4422 or [www.broadwaypalm.com](http://www.broadwaypalm.com)

### Germain Arena

"Everblades vs. Orlando Solar Bears"; October 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>  
"Life In Color – The Rebirth Tour"; October 26<sup>th</sup>, 9:00pm to 2:00am  
For more information visit [www.germainarena.com](http://www.germainarena.com)

### Cambier Park, Concert – 755 Eight Avenue S.

"Free Concert"; October 30<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm

### Barbara B. Mann

"Chicago"; October 16<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30pm  
For more information call 481-4849 or [www.bbmanna.com](http://www.bbmanna.com)

### Naples Players at the Sugden Theatre

#### Blackburn Hall

"The Great American Trailer Park Musical"; October thru November 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Call 263-7990 or [www.naplesplayers.org](http://www.naplesplayers.org)

### Artis – Naples

#### Hayes Hall

"Leon Fleisher & Family"; October 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00pm

#### Daniels Pavilion

"Boccherine, Beethoven & Schubert"; October 13<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00pm  
"The Medium"; October 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00pm

## KIDS ACTIVITIES

### Germain Arena

"Sesame Street Live: Can't Stop Singing"; October 30<sup>th</sup>

### Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre

"How I Became A Pirate"; October 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>

### Sun-N-Fun Lagoon @ North Collier Regional Park

Call 239-252-4021 or [www.napleswaterpark.com](http://www.napleswaterpark.com)

### Collier County Public Library Headquarters @ 2385 Orange Blossom Dr.

Call 239-593-0177 – For Details