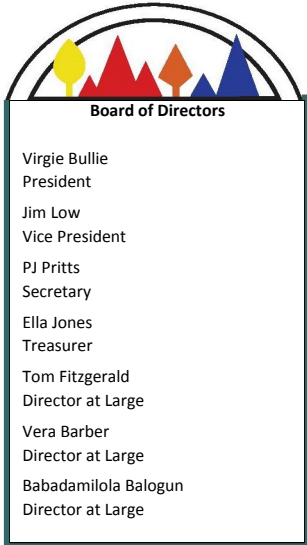




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Diana Jankus	Accounts Receivable/ Payable
Lisa Stateman	Administrative Assistant
Amanda Allen	Sales/Member Services
Maintenance Staff	
Rick Tidd,	Maintenance Supervisor
Ralston Davis	
Robert Lulis	
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Manager's Report

We are in the midst of our Annual Meeting preparations. This year, there are two board seats up for election. The two seats are for a three-year term. This is an important time for us because our membership has an opportunity to vote for your Board of Directors. It is also a time that the Cooperative gives you a report of all recently completed projects in addition to our plans for the near future. A report is given for the general status of our Cooperative as well as a financial report from various professionals. We hope you can join us on Tuesday, April 23rd at 7:30 p.m. at Dining on the Green in Downtown Park Forest. We'll have many prizes and a snack for you to enjoy.

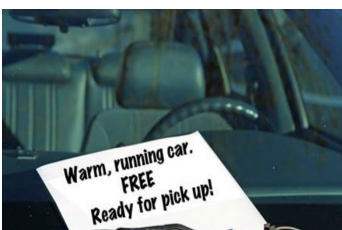
In February, our board approved \$726,868 towards our Capital Improvements. We are very excited about all our projects for this year as we continue to make great strides with the Front Porch Replacements, Water Main Replacements, Sewer and Manhole Connection Lining and Repairs, and Roof Replacements, just to name a few. More information will follow to each respective court and unit as these pro-

jects are scheduled.

In spite of the long winter, we have been very busy selling units. Although we have 7 units listed for sale, there are 4 contracts pending; therefore, we only have 3 units on the market! That is officially a record low, of .005%. You should be very proud to be part of a greatly sought out community. Everyone plays a role, especially our members. Thank you for keeping your yards and porches manicured at all times and for taking care of your units. Everything, as small as it may be, matters.

Finally, the Village of Park Forest has an election coming up. As done in previous years, the Cooperatives host one of the Village Candidate's Forum, which is coordinated by a Non-Partisan Committee. This event is scheduled for Sunday, March 17, 2019 at 1 p.m. at the Village Hall. You will have the opportunity to meet the candidates and ask questions. Refreshments will be provided.

Mary Arroyo-Ortiz
Property Manager



A reminder from the Park Forest Police Department: Leaving your vehicle running with the keys in the ignition is an invitation for thieves. It can leave you without a car. It can also give you a \$120 ticket. In Illinois it is illegal to leave your vehicle running. The only exception is if you have a keyless remote start or ignition safety switch that allows the keys to be removed and the vehicle locked while it's running. As a reminder, please report any suspicious activity to the police immediately.



Maintenance Report

Spring is right around the corner and we are probably all looking forward to the warmer weather. Until the ground fully thaws, we may experience snow melting resulting in puddles which can freeze if temperatures drop. If you are experiencing this in your area, putting salt down will help prevent slipping. Ice may have damaged some gutters or downspouts this past winter. If you notice any damage on your building, please report it to the office so we can make the repairs as needed.

Please be reminded to not flush foreign objects down the toilet. The following cause damage to our plumbing:

Baby Wipes	Dental Floss	Napkins
Cleaning Wipes	Feminine Hygiene Products	Paper Towels
Condoms	Hair	Q-Tips
Cotton Balls	Kleenex	

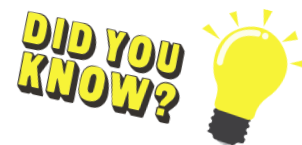
Although many of these products advertise they are “flushable”, due to the age of our pipes, our plumbing systems cannot tolerate the disposal of these products and they cause clogs and back-ups.

Enjoy the final days of winter .

Rick Tidd

Maintenance Supervisor

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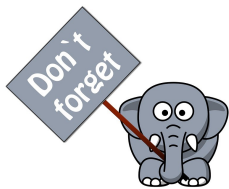
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ENERGY STAR® certified smart thermostats are available for purchase from ComEd at a discount during the assessment and include FREE installation. Only smart thermostats purchased during the assessment are eligible for installation by ComEd. **Cedarwood will only install Cedarwood provided thermostats.**

Cedarwood is not responsible for any loss of water pressure due to the installation of the WaterSense® certified showerhead and/or faucet aerators.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Thermostats, showerheads and aerators not issued by Cedarwood are considered member improvements. Per the House and Ground, the Member is responsible for the care, maintenance and repair of all improvements made by the Member and those inherited from any former Member. Cedarwood does not assume any liability or maintenance responsibility for any alternations made to a Member's unit.



Important Reminders



Time Change:



Don't forget to change your clocks on Sunday, March 10th. If you have not done so this year, now is a good time to change the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

Pet Registration:

Village Deadline: April 30th

Co-op Deadline: May 31st



Don't forget to register your pet at the Cedarwood office by May 31st. Please bring in your Village license, along with your pet registration and your proof of pet vaccination. Village tags go on sale March 1st for \$10.00 per animal. Young pups and kittens unable to receive their vaccinations must still be registered. Any pet owner that does not register by the deadline date will receive an automatic fine of \$25.00, with higher subsequent fines. If you no longer have a pet, be sure to put it in writing to the office by the deadline to avoid an automatic fine. If you are unclear about pet registration, please call the office.

Vehicle Stickers:

Park Forest stickers go on sale March 1st. Vehicle stickers must be purchased and properly displayed on all vehicles registered in the Village of Park Forest by the end of the business day April 30th to avoid late fees and fines. A late fee of \$25 will be assessed by the Village to all vehicle stickers purchases made on or after May 1st. Stickers may be purchased at the Village Hall or the Park Forest Currency Exchange located on Orchard Drive. As a reminder, all vehicles parked on Cedarwood property must adhere to all city vehicle ordinances.



Plumbing Problems:

The most common plumbing problems we see are clogged drains which can be reduced with some preventative steps:

- We highly recommend using a hair catcher (which Cedarwood supplies for \$2.00) to reduce the amount of hair that finds its way into the drain. Remember to remove any accumulated hair from the catcher after each shower.
- Never pour grease, fats, or oils down the drains as this will cause clogs, but if an accidental spill does occur, pour about 1/2 cup of Dawn dishwashing liquid down the drain and slowly pour hot water down the drain.
- Do not use the drains as a garbage can. Kitchen scraps like coffee grounds, eggshells, vegetable peels, and rice are not meant to go down the drain and will cause a difficult clog.

If you do experience a clog, contact the office. **DO NOT** use drain cleaners. Drain cleaners can cause significant damage resulting in costly repairs to your plumbing or injury to whoever may be working at clearing.

NOTE: If it is determined that the drains are clogged due to foreign objects including grease, hair, food, etc., the member or members will be charged. Please contact the office with any questions.





Cedarpost Publishing Policy

The Cedarpost is published seasonally. All submissions should be 250 words or less and must be signed by the member. You may request that your name be withheld from publication. The deadline for submitting articles, information, recipes, and photos is as follows:

The Cedarpost staff reserves the right to edit for content and form. Submissions may be sent in writing or emailed to info@mycedarwood.com. Ads placed for grass cutting, and selling of personal items are free to Cedarwood members. Advertisements for profit making businesses and services will be placed upon receipt of payment in the following amounts:

Deadline	Publication
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