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WHAT'S NEW at Ocean Dunes

- The Kuester Management after-hours emergency maintenance number is 1-888-600-5044. Please choose option 1 for the maintenance department.
- Have you checked out your website lately?
 Remember to go to
 <u>www.oceandunesresortnc.com</u> and check out all of the new things being added.
- Insurance: Is your bank or mortgage company asking for a Certificate of Insurance? Go to www.cais-usa.com, click the "Request a Certificate" button, & complete the form. Also, you can call CAIS at 1-888-320-2021.
- Closing Information: Any closing information can be obtained using www.HomeWiseDocs.com.

Office Hours:

Mon - Fri 9:00am-5:00pm Recreation Center Hours:

> Tues/Thurs 9:00am-9:00pm Mon/Wed/Fri 9:00am-9:00pm Saturday 10:00am-9:00pm Sunday 10:00am-8:00pm



Reminders – Important Dates:

- Nov. 14, 2015: Open board meeting at 10am in the Rec. Ctr.—Budget Ratification
- New Recreation Center Hours will begin October 15th! (Information on new winter hours will be available in the rec. center office soon)



**Help keep our neighborhood clean and beautiful.

Pick up after Fido!

Maintaining your water heater

Check the Pressure Valve

Step 1

Turn off the electricity to the water heater or turn the off gas switch to pilot.

Step 2

Shut off the cold-water inlet to the water heater.

Step 3

Position the bucket to catch water from the pressure relief valve.

Step 4

Pull the trip lever on the valve. You should hear a slight rush of air or see some water and vapor exit through

the pressure relief valve. If you don't, drain the tank and replace the valve.

Flush the Tank

Sediment buildup in the tank can reduce your water heater's energy efficiency and also clog your water lines. Avoid these problems, and increase the life of your unit by flushing the tank each time you check the pressure relief valve.

Step 1

Turn off the electricity to the water heater or turn off the gas switch to pilot.

Step 2

Shut off the cold-water inlet to the water heater. Step 3

Connect a garden hose to the tank's drain valve.

Step 4

Locate the draining end of the hose in an area that won't be adversely affected by the scalding hot water.

Step 5

With the pressure relief valve open, open the drain valve and allow the tank to drain completely. Completely draining the tank ensures that you've removed all of the sediment possible.

Step 6

Close the tank drain valve, disconnect the hose from the valve and close the pressure relief valve.

Step 7



Open all the hot-water spigots in the house, and turn on the cold-water inlet to the tank.

Step 8

Close each hot-water spigot as water begins to flow from it. After all the spigots are closed, turn on the electricity to the water heater, or turn the gas switch to run

Gas Water Heaters: Lighting the Pilot

Step 1

A newly installed gas water heater will have some air in the gas line. It may take several attempts to light the pilot. (Also, make sure the gas supply valve has been turned on).

Stop 2

Your new water heater is more energy-efficient than older models and has a smaller pilot light, which can sometimes be hard to see. You may have to darken the room and look carefully through the sight glass in order to see the pilot light.

Step 3

The first time a gas water heater is started up, it'll produce condensation. You may hear dripping sounds or see a small puddle of water in the drain pan. Condensation is normal and will go away once the water heater has reached its normal operating temperature.

Electric Water Heaters: Before Connecting Electric Power

Step 1

The most common problem with electric water heaters is turning the power on before the tank is completely full of water. If this happens, the upper heating element will burn out, and you'll have no hot water (until the upper element is replaced). Once you've installed the water heater, open a hotwater faucet all the way and let the hot water run for three minutes. This will ensure all of the air has been removed and the tank is completely full of water.

Step 2

If you don't have hot water after two hours, check to make sure the unit is getting the correct voltage. See the unit's label for power requirements. No electric power or the wrong voltage causes many electric water heater problems. An electrician may be needed to solve wiring / power problems.

Leaks and Drips

Step 1

Most leaks are caused by faulty water supply connections. Use good materials and proper techniques and check your work carefully. Compression fittings are easier to use for DIYers than soldering copper pipes.

Step 2

Drips from the temperature and pressure (T&P) relief valve discharge pipe usually mean a thermal expansion tank is needed.

Winterize Your Condo

Open kitchen and bathroom cabinet doors to allow warmer air to circulate around the plumbing. Be sure to move any harmful cleaners and household chemicals up out of the reach of children.

When the weather is very cold outside, let the cold water drip from the faucet served by exposed pipes. Running water through the pipe--even at a trickle-helps prevent pipes from freezing because the temperature of the water running through it is above freezing.

Keep the thermostat set to the same temperature both during the day and at night. By temporarily suspending the use of lower nighttime temperatures, you may incur a higher heating bill, but you can prevent a much more costly repair job if pipes freeze and burst.

Locate your water main in the event you need to shut it off in an emergency.

• If you will be going away during the cold weather, leave the heat on in your home, set to a temperature no lower than 55°F.

1 Check all weather stripping on doors and windows.

A major source of conditioned air loss is through the doors and windows of your unit. Inspect the weather stripping around doors and windows for breaks or misalignments. When the door is closed the weather stripping should touch the entire outside of the door. Windows should have weather stripping when closed that should touch the entire length of the window against the window seal.

2 Check thresholds on all doors - Thresholds are the section of the door you have to slightly step over to come in from the outside. It either has a rubber

surface that is stationary or a rubber sweep that attaches to the bottom of the door. This is a critical part of the door system that not only keeps out rain and keeps in conditioned air but it also keeps unwanted pest from being able to crawl into your unit.

3 Check your Heating ventilation and Air Conditioning unit (HVAC)

The best time to do a system check is just prior to a change in the season. Have a maintenance professional check your furnace portion of your HVAC to make sure it is functioning properly and not a potential fire hazard. Service contract are available to check these systems twice a year (spring and fall). Make sure your filters are changed and air is flowing freely through these. This can boost your unit's performance significantly.

4 Check your condensate drain and pour a cup of bleach down the condensate drain pipe. This will eliminate the mold that can grow all winter and eliminate the issues this spring with your condensation overflowing form A/C usage

5 Flush your water heater – Water heaters are holding tanks where sediment can build up and never get out. Sediment build up can cause premature failure of the water heater components. Flushing the system can make sure your system is at its optimum performance.

6 Check your pop off valve on your water heater for correct operation. This is located at the side top of the water heater. It has a small handle and is there to automatically release hot water if the internal pressure builds to dangerous levels. When activated it should start a small flow of water and stop when released. If it is not working call a professional immediately to have it replaced.

7 If you travel in the winter remember to turn your water heater to the lowest setting and to set your HVAC thermostat to a low setting but not off. You are part of a larger community and your system being off and severe weather in your absence could allow pipes to freeze. This could cause thousands of dollars of property damage to you and your neighbors.

Other good options to consider is turning off your water to your toilets, sinks, washing machines, icemakers and dishwashers. These items are served with a supply line that is the weakest component and is where we find most of the water leaks occur. A small icemaker line running continuously for days or weeks on end can cause major water damage not only to your unit but the units around you

Preparing for a storm

- 1. Tell the Association where you are going to be during your absence, with telephone numbers, email address, cell phone numbers, and location. 24 hours prior to any tropical storm or hurricane.
- 2. Arrange for a caretaker (a neighbor, friend, family or maintenance service) to regularly inspect your condominium to make sure everything is ready for a storm. And, after the storm, to ascertain what damage, if any, has occurred. If you plan to leave a car, make sure that the caretaker has a key to it.
- 3. Remove all personal items from the balcony.
- 4. Make sure that the office has updated keys to your front door (and screen door).
- 5. Wedge towels in the tracks of your [exposed] sliding glass windows/doors. This will minimize wind-driven water coming in under the door.
- 6. If you plan on leaving your condominium, shut off your main water supply.
- 7. Remove all perishable foods from your refrigerator and freezer unless you will be here to plug your refrigerator into the emergency generator.
- 8. Unplug or turn off at the breaker your computer(s), your TVs or other electrical appliances (microwave, stove) before you

leave. This type of equipment can be permanently damaged by unstable voltage.

Remember: Use of a personal generator, gas appliance or propane tank grill is prohibited in all condominium units, balcony or walkway areas.

Keeping those pesky raccoons away

Light and Sound

Raccoons are mainly nocturnal and prefer the cover of darkness while hunting for food. You can often discourage them from lingering on your property with bright lights or loud sounds. A simple porch light might not be enough for a stubborn raccoon, however. Motion-activated floodlights in several areas around your property are startling enough to make the masked mammal think twice about scavenging near your home.

Food Sources

Raccoons are omnivores, eating a wide variety of foods. Their diet is mostly composed of fruits, nuts, worms, insects, amphibians, fish, birds eggs and even an occasional small mammal or bird. If raccoons discover plentiful, easy food on your property, they'll raid your yard rather than make the effort to hunt. Leaving pet food outdoors is a sure way to attract a local raccoon. Trash cans are another lure for these masked bandits. Use locking lids, or keep your garbage secured in the garage. Bird feeders are easy pickings for raccoons, so clean underneath the feeders daily, or consider taking them down at night.

Upcoming Holidays

October 31, 2015

Halloween



Pleasure Island Events

22nd Annual Pleasure Island Seafood Blues & Jazz Festival



Featuring: DR. JOHN & THE NITE TRIPPERS (SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10th), SHEMEKIA COPELAND (SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11th)

Two-Day Ticket in Advance - \$50.00

\$60 Saturday Only Ticket Available at Front Gate if Not Sold Out

\$25 Sunday Only Available at Front Gate if Not Sold Out

Children 12 and under Free

NO COOLERS * NO PETS * NO REFUNDS * NO VIDEOS OR CAMERAS * NO WEAPONS

910-458-8434

Gates Open 11:00

American Legion Fish Fry October 2, 2015

Pleasure Island Parrot Heads Beach Sweep 'Meet 'N Greet

October 2, 2015

Carolina Beach Farmer's Market at the Lake (910-458-2977)

October 3, 2015

Pleasure Island Parrot Heads Beach Sweep After Party

October 3, 2015

Carolina Beach Half Marathon (919-889-3438) October 4, 2015

Boogie in the Park Concert Series Featuring Sonic Spectrum October 4, 2015 Featuring The Imitations October 18, 2015

Kure Beach Jazz Funeral October 9, 2015

Fall Festival at the Fort Fisher State Recreation Area October 10, 2015

Pleasure Island Surf Fishing Challenge (910-452-6378)

October 16-18, 2015

7th Annual Salty Paws Festival (910-458-7233) October 17, 2015

Carolina Beach Visions and Views 2015 - A Political Forum October 19, 2015

Kure Beach Visions and Views 2015 - A Political Forum October 21, 2015

Annual Carolina Beach Firefighters Association BBQ (910-458-8434) October 24, 2015

Halloween Fun At The Aquarium October 28-30, 2015

EXERCISE YOUR BRAIN

Across

- 1. Back
- 5. Highway divisions
- 10. Actress ____ Hayworth
- 14. She, in Nice
- 15. Make up for
- 16. Adam's abode
- 17. Tavern drinks
- 18. Stationed
- 19. Camping need
- 20. Treaty
- 21. Bullring cry
- 22. Relaxed (2 wds.)
- 24. Fire residue
- 26. Flings
- 27. Accumulate over time
- 30. Track event
- 31. Central American country
- 34. Farm tower
- 38. Misjudge
- 39. Erases
- 42. Tear
- 43. Consider
- 45. Parking lot employee
- 47. Paddles
- 50. Salary boosts
- 51. Skunk feature
- 54. Royal rule
- 56. Morally pure
- 57. Author Fleming
- 58. Besides
- 62. Tenant's payment
- 63. Fencer's thrust
- 65. Narrated
- 66. Desire
- 67. 19th letters
- 68. Warty amphibian
- 69. Existed
- 70. Go-getters
- 71. TV award

Down

- 1. Harvest
- 2. She, in Barcelona
- 3. Actor Baldwin
- 4. Begin again
- 5. Puccini opera (2 wds.)
- 6. " of Two Cities" (2 wds.)
- 7. Nuzzles
- 8. Wind dir.
- 9. Tranquilize

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- 10. Quizzes again
- 11. Notions
- 12. Keyed up
- 13. Poker stakes
- 23. Shoe front
- 25. Took to court
- 27. Ripened
- 28. Heal
- 29. Concern
- 30. Actor ____ Damon
- 32. Woeful cry
- 33. Allow
- 35. Deferred savings accts.
- 36. Draw the ____
- 37. Picks
- 40. Weirdness
- 41. Obstacle
- 44. Dampen
- 46. Eating alcove
- 48. Suitable
- 49. Teetered
- 51. Rub clean
- 52. Not here
- 53. Kitchen stove
- 54. Remove suds
- 55. Avid
- 59. Weaving device
- 60. Bang shut
- 61. Whirlpool
- 64. GI's club

Recipe of the month: Apple Cinnamon Crepes

Prep time: 40 min Cook time: 15 min

Ingredients:

3 large apples, cored and peeled

3 tablespoons brown sugar

1 teaspoon cinnamon

Makes 4 servings

- 1) Chop apples into small cubes, place cubed apple slices in a medium bowl, add brown sugar and cinnamon, and toss everything together to coat chopped apples with brown sugar and cinnamon. Let the juices do their work for about 20 minutes.
- 2) In the mean time (or, beforehand), prepare <u>crepes according to instructions</u>.
- 3) Right before serving, heat chopped apples on medium heat in a skillet, and warm the crepes in a microwave for about 20 seconds. To serve, add chopped apples on top of the open crepe, and fold the crepe into the pocket shape. Sprinkle with powdered sugar right before serving, if desired.



WHAT'S NEW AT THE MOVIES!





The Martian 10/2/15:

During a manned mission to Mars, Astronaut Mark Watney (Matt Damon) is presumed dead after a fierce storm and left behind by his crew. But Watney has survived and finds himself stranded and alone on the hostile planet. With only meager supplies, he must draw upon his ingenuity, wit and spirit to subsist and find a way to signal to Earth that he is alive. Millions of miles away, NASA and a team of international scientists work

tirelessly to bring "the Martian" home, while his crewmates concurrently plot a daring, if not impossible, rescue mission. As these stories of incredible bravery unfold, the world comes together to root for Watney's safe return.



PAN 10/9/15:

Living a bleak existence at a London orphanage, 12-year-old Peter (Levi Miller) finds himself whisked away to the fantastical world of Neverland. Adventure awaits as he meets new friend James Hook (Garrett Hedlund) and the warrior Tiger Lily (Rooney Mara). They must band together to save Neverland from the ruthless pirate Blackbeard (Hugh

Jackman). Along the way, the rebellious and mischievous boy discovers his true destiny, becoming the hero forever known as Peter Pan.



Truth 10/16/15:

TRUTH is an independent feature film based on the book "Truth and Duty" by Mary Mapes. In the vein of "All The President's Men" and "The Insider", it is the incredible true story of Mary Mapes (played by Cate Blanchett), an awardwinning CBS News Journalist and Dan Rather's producer, who broke the Abu-Ghraib prison abuse story, among others.

The film chronicles the story Mapes and Rather uncovered that a sitting US president may have been AWOL from the United States National Guard for over a year during the Vietnam War. When the story blew up in their face, the ensuing scandal ruined Dan Rather's career, nearly changed a US Presidential election, and almost took down all of CBS News in the process.



Suffragette 10/23/15:

Academy Award nominees
Carey Mulligan and Helena
Bonham Carter, and threetime Academy Award winner
Meryl Streep, lead the cast of
a powerful drama about the
women who were willing to
lose everything in their fight
for equality in early-20thcentury Britain. The stirring
story centers on Maud
(played by Carey Mulligan),
a working wife and mother
whose life is forever changed

when she is secretly recruited to join the U.K.'s growing suffragette movement. Galvanized by the outlaw fugitive Emmeline Pankhurst (Meryl Streep), Maud becomes an activist for the cause alongside women from all walks of life. When increasingly aggressive police action forces Maud and her dedicated fellow suffragettes underground, they engage in a dangerous game of cat-and-mouse with the authorities, who are shocked as the women's civil disobedience escalates and sparks debate across the nation. Inspired by true events, SUFFRAGETTE is a moving drama exploring the passion and heartbreak of those who risked all they had for women's right to vote — their jobs, their homes, their children, and even their lives.

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