

CHEESMAN TOWER WEST NEWSLETTER

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Holiday Party Reminder

The Cheesman Tower West holiday potluck is this Sunday, December 4th, from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room. If you have yet to RSVP, please call the CTW office at 303.832.7454 or fill out the form on the bottom of your invitation and drop it off at the office. We hope to see you all there for some great food and holiday cheer!

Save the Date

The Cheesman Tower West Annual Homeowners' Meeting will take place on Thursday, January 26, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Room. All owners are urged to attend the meeting to learn about and discuss the current budget, upcoming projects, and to participate in the election of new Board members.

Plumbing Reminders

Residents in the '03 stack have recently experienced some plumbing problems involving water backing up in their kitchen sinks. With this in mind, we would like to remind all residents that most food refuse should go in the trash and not in your kitchen sink drain (even if you have a sink disposal). The food items listed below are especially prone to cause clogs and should never go down the kitchen sink drain:

- Grease from animal fats. Pork grease is notorious for solidifying and clogging pipes.
- Vegetable peels.
- Rice, cooked and uncooked.
- Coffee grounds.
- Pasta noodles.

Even if one these foods doesn't cause a clog in your unit's pipes, it might still cause a clog in the building mainline and a mess for your neighbor below you. The most frequent sign of a building mainline clog is water coming up from your sink drain when you are not using it. If this happens, please immediately contact the CTW office, or Weststar Management if the problem occurs after hours.

Is your Emergency Contact Information Up to Date?

It's been a while since we updated our records. Please stop by the CTW office to supply your current information. Providing emergency contact information is not mandatory; however, it might come in handy if an emergency were to occur and a family member or friend needed to be contacted for assistance on your behalf.

Thermostats

Leaving for work for the day? Going on vacation? Please turn down your thermostat when you leave and help reduce the building's natural gas bills.

Exterior Painting Update

The panel bracket replacement and the majority of the exterior balcony painting on the 3rd and 4th floors has been completed, but a good amount of touch up still needs to be done before the project is finished. Please see the community boards for updates.

Garage Doors

Please ensure that the garage door has closed behind you when you enter or exit the Humboldt Street and 12th Avenue garages. Taking an extra moment to slow down and check your rearview mirror to make sure the door has closed is a great building security precaution. If you notice that the garage door isn't closing after the 14-16 second delay, please contact the CTW office or Weststar Management if after hours.

Neighborhood Safety

Over the last year, our neighborhood has seen a steady increase in property crimes: specifically theft of motor vehicles and theft from motor vehicles. Neighboring buildings have reported recent incidents, so please keep these safety tips in mind:

- Do not leave items of value in plain view in vehicle interiors. Items such as backpacks, wallets, purses, computer bags, iPods, loose change, radar detectors, garage door openers, GPS devices, etc., are an open invitation to have your vehicle broken into.
- After removing these items, lock your vehicle. Take all valuables or items that could be considered of value out of the interior of your vehicle. Opportunistic thieves are moving from vehicle to vehicle, trying doors on each one.
- Please report suspicious persons and/or suspicious vehicles seen in your community. Please call 720.913.2000 to report all suspicious persons, vehicles, or incidents.

Holiday Staff Hours

Office and maintenance staff will be off on the following days:

- Monday, December 26th, in observance of the Christmas holiday.
- Monday, January 2nd, in observance of the New Year's holiday.

Winter Safety – Watch out for Ice

Please walk carefully after a winter storm; check for ice that may have accumulated after plowed / shoveled snow has melted and refrozen onto sidewalks and parking surfaces. Conditions can change quickly! If you notice an icy spot, please alert the CTW office. If it is after hours, you can help yourself to the ice melt in the container by the back door.

Botanic Gardens Blossoms of Light

The Botanic Gardens transforms into a winter wonderland, with over 1 million lights creatively displayed throughout the gardens. Blossoms of Light will be open nightly from 5:30 – 9:30 p.m. beginning December 2, 2011, through January 1, 2012 (including Christmas Eve, Christmas, and New Year's eve). Please visit botanicgardens.org for more information.

Zoo Lights

If you like your holiday lights a bit on the wild side, then Denver Zoo Lights is for you! The Denver Zoo will have 38 acres lit up with holiday lights complete with 150 animated animal sculptures. Zoo Lights will be open nightly from 5:00 – 9:00 p.m. beginning December 9th through January 1st. Please visit denverzoo.org for more information.



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