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A Better HPP for You!

Have you noticed the improvements around our building and grounds lately? For example, the front entrance has been beautified with new plantings of anthurium, ginger, areca palm, monstera, peace lily and other tropical plants creating a more attractive space in this area with low-light and challenging growing conditions.

Similar treatment is planned for the area next to the water feature near the front entrance.

In the Club, the plastic tables with the clipboards to sign up for the tennis courts, bowling alley, and barbecue *hales* have now been changed to an attractive amenities desk. It saves space, and looks so much cleaner and streamlined.

The Real Food Cafe has been painted and ceiling lights replaced to provide better light. Look for more improvements to this space.

To keep our building and grounds looking their best, here are a few reminders:

Bulky item pickup is the second Monday of the month. Items should be placed curbside (between Loading Zone and guest parking entrance) by 6:00 a.m. on the first day only. Do not place any items at the curb any earlier than the day before. Residents may bring their bulky item to the lobby level and security will open the trash room for them to place their item in the trash room for overnight storage. The resident will be required to remove the item from the trash room and move it to the curb for the Monday morning pick up. You may be subject to a storage/removal charge if the item is not removed from

the trash room by that Monday morning.

Please keep pets out of the newly-renovated landscaping.

Parking Decals. Security is checking vehicles in the parking garage to ensure that they have an HPP parking decal. If the vehicle does not have a decal, security will place a citation on the vehicle. If you receive a citation, please be sure to bring the vehicle registration certificate to the administrative office to register the vehicle and obtain a parking decal.

Use of the Freight Elevator. The freight elevator is available for moves and/or deliveries from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday. No moves or deliveries are allowed on Sunday or building-observed holidays.

The following are the upcoming holidays for the remainder of 2018:

Wednesday, July 4, 2018, Independence Day

Monday, September 3, 2018, Labor Day

Monday, October 8, 2018, Discoverers' Day

Thursday, November 22, 2018, Thanksgiving

Tuesday, December 25, 2018, Christmas Day



Finally, Independence Day is annually celebrated on July 4 and is often known as "the Fourth of July". It is the anniversary of the publication of the declaration of independence from Great Britain in 1776. **Use of fireworks** of any kind anywhere in the Project **is strictly prohibited** at all times.



The new amenity sign-up desk

Handy Phone Numbers

Real Food Cafe, 271-7052. Sandwiches, salads, personal chef services, catering, cooking classes, wine pairing dinners and more. Hours: Tuesdays through Saturdays, 11:00-2:00, 5:00-9:00.

Massage: Stan Sugai, 10 am to 5 pm, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Friday. Phone 808-536-6979. **Susan Lovinger**, phone 808-342-6402. Mondays and Wednesdays, 4 pm-9 pm; Saturdays, Noon to 6 pm.

By appointment only. \$50/hour massage \$80/hour & half. Gift certificates are available.



Don't forget to smile!

Here's a novel idea: It costs absolutely nothing and will make you feel good!

Next time you're in the elevator, smile at the people inside—They are your neighbors! Yes, we are a community here at Honolulu Park Place!

No matter if we are in front of somebody or talking to them on the phone they can easily tell

if there is a smile on our face and if it's coming from inside of us. Think about when we come across somebody unexpectedly joyous and how that makes us feel.

Let's do that today to the people here at Honolulu Park Place—a great place to live. Make it an amazing day!

Meet Your Neighbors

Cindy Trinh is a second-generation American whose parents immigrated to the U.S. from Vietnam. As a pharmacist for a Pharmacy Benefit Manager (PBM), she does not dispense prescription medication to patients as a pharmacist in a drug store typically does. Rather, she reviews insurance claims on behalf of the insurer which her company represents.

She finds her work interesting because she learns something new every day. For example, she has to keep abreast of new drugs and medications as well as newly-discovered clinical conditions. Additionally, Cindy gets to communicate with patients and their physicians and/or their office staff in the process of addressing and settling claims.

Her interest in gaining new knowledge and experiences extends to other areas of her life. Cindy has visited several National Parks in the U.S., and her overseas travels have taken her to Japan, Taiwan, Vietnam and Thailand. England will be at the top of her list when she turns toward U.K. and Europe.

While her daily diet consists mainly of Asian foods (Chinese, Japanese, Vietnamese), she is game to try cuisine (especially desserts) from other cultures. Cindy has delved into different forms of exercise including kickboxing but her preferred activities are yoga and dancing. Her favorite pastimes are drawing and reading the classics.

Honolulu Park Place has been for her an optimal living environment. She values the location of the condo, the view from her apartment, the amenities (especially the gym and swimming pool), the well-maintained grounds and building, and the helpfulness of the staff. In this domain, Cindy is definitely not seeking a new experience.



HPP Administrative Staff

Brandi Nagamine-Rodillas

Most residents have interacted with **Brandi Nagamine-Rodillas**, who has served in the Administrative Office since November 2012. She



assists residents with information on house rules and policies and maintains the database of information on residents. Other duties include the scheduling of appointments for the use of the freight elevator, club amenities,

the maintenance of air-conditioning units, and other maintenance-related jobs.

The content of notices is discussed among management before they are posted. With an interest in graphics design, Brandi enjoys creating posters for special events.

Given the diversity of the HPP community, she has had opportunities to hone her communication skills. Under the guidance of her supervisor, she has also gained experience in organizational and problem-solving skills. Brandi appreciates and values the spirit of cooperation and support among the staff and management at Honolulu Park Place.

Activities which she enjoys include drawing, playing video games, watching anime, and going to movies with her friends. She participates in food drives, and in Molokai, where she grew up, she helped to collect donations for the homeless.

On June 16, 2018, Brandi was married to a young man, who like her, grew up in Molokai and is presently working in Honolulu. We extend our best wishes to her as she looks forward to being **Brandi Johnston**.

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