

News from the Glen

A newsletter for the Glenabby Condominium community February, 2018

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From the Editors

HAPPY NEW YEAR and Welcome to the February, 2018 issue of "News from the Glen", the newsletter for the Glenabby community.

You can read and/or print any of the documents (including the newsletter) on the website. Most documents will require Adobe Acrobat Reader to read or print.

If you don't have an email address, you can receive a printed copy of the newsletter as well as any other documents as they change.

Contact us if you have any questions or suggestions.

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New Property Management Company

In November, Case Bowen announced they would not renew the contract with Glenabby Condominium Association as our property management company. In December, after interviewing several property management companies, the Glenabby Board of Directors signed a contract with Condo Management of Columbus (CMOC), to begin January 1, 2018.

CMOC was formed in 1990 by Jim Chew (Owner and former condo board member) to manage ONLY condo properties. Our CMOC Property Manager is John Morway. His contact information is available in the Contact List at the end of this newsletter as well as in the Contacts Section on the Glenabby website (www.glenabby.org).

Board of Directors Election at Annual Meeting of Unit Owners

The expiring terms on the Glenabby Board of Directors currently held by Len Pavuk and Don Kraemer as well as a third "open" position will be filled by election at the Annual Meeting of Unit Owners (date to be determined). Have you decided to run for election to the Board? Notify the Property Manager at CMOC (John Morway) of your intent to run for election.

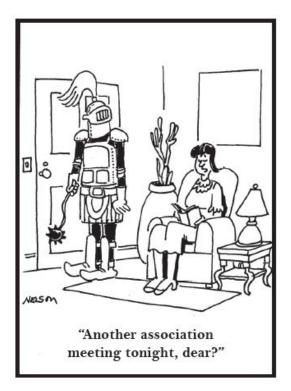
As a Board Member you can attend the free Orientation and Training seminars offered by CMOC. Held on Saturday mornings, attendees: are educated on topics pertinent to the management of condo properties such as pest control, lawn care, legal issues; receive sample forms and policies; learn about Rules and Regulations, Finances, etc.; ask questions and have them answered.

PLUS! Seminar attendees get FREE COFFEE AND DONUTS!!!

These seminars are for BOARD MEMBERS ONLY!

Remember:

"The purpose of the annual meeting is NOT to raise your hand and complain, but to raise your hand and run for the board." (from "10 Reasons to Volunteer to Serve on the Board", Kaman and Cusiman, LLC, available on the Glenabby website - www.glenabby.org - Education section)

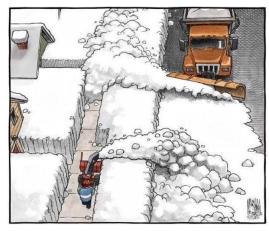


From the President's Desk

February 4, 2018

Hi Everyone,

The transition to our new Property Management Co. has taken place as of January 1, 2018 and they are now the contact point for the community. This transition, as expected, created some issues not being completed as



expected. The Association Board is working with the Management Company to work out the issues, so bear with us during this time frame. This change will cause all of us to change some of the procedures that have been in place for many years. Our expectation of the new company is very high and we will do our part to make this interaction a successful one. Everyone in the community has received the information packet from them and the contact details that are to be followed. The Collection Policy and Procedure has also been updated and are in place at this time.

We also had our first involvement with the winter weather and the first snow removal in the community. To be honest, it did not go very well. Some driveways were not plowed; some garages had snow piled up against the door. I could go on but let's just say it was unacceptable. We have contacted EMI about the issues and expect a better job when their services are required.

We had a very busy year in the community with major repairs of the roads and the repair of maintenance items associated with the buildings. The only major activity scheduled this year is the final six buildings to be painted. This project was a three-year commitment and will conclude this year. Some of our information and policy procedures will also be updated in the near future and will be shared with the community when they are completed.

The Social Committee was very busy this year scheduling many events for all of our residents. Some events were very well attended, some not. I encourage everyone to be involved and enjoy the friendship available through these activities. I'm sure the committee is very open to new ideas and events for all of us to enjoy.

The Community Website continues to be a source of valuable information for everyone. It is very important the information is kept up to date so if you have any changes such as e-mail changes, please let Jim or Linda Pace know so this important information is kept up to date.

In closing, we expect challenges this year in our community and I assure you the Association Board will do our best to deal with these challenges. Looking forward to a somewhat different but a great year.

Len Pavuk - President

A Tale of Sharons

Did you know that we have four women in our community named Sharon (three use the Sharon spelling and one uses the variant Shaaron)?

In English speaking areas, Sharon is now predominantly a feminine given name. Historically it was also used as a masculine given name. In Israel, it is still commonly used as a masculine given name.

Variants of the name Sharon: Sharron, Shaaron, Sharyn, Sharona

Shortened form: Shari

The Hebrew word simply means "plain," referring to the fertile plain near the coast of Israel. This is also the name of a type of flowering shrub, the rose of Sharon. It has been in use as a given name since the 1920s, possibly inspired by the heroine in the serial novel "The Skyrocket" (1925) by Adela Rogers St. Johns and made into a romantic drama film starring Peggy Hopkins Joyce in 1926.

The name's popularity took a steep increase only in the mid 1930s and peaked during the 1940s, remaining a top 10 name for most of the decade. The variant Sharron had a peak in popularity in the US in 1943. The name's popularity has steadily declined since the 1940s, except for a slight rise in the late 1950s. It fell out of the top 100 after 1977 and out of the top 500 after 2001. In 2016, Sharon ranked 6,908th on the U.S. Social Security Administration list of most popular baby girl names.



See if you can meet the four real Sharons in our community! They are Sharon Herlan, Sharon McDevitt, Shaaron Fisher, and Sharon Linscott.

The Glen 10

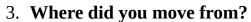
Get to know your neighbors in the Glen through this feature, we call "The Glen 10". Ten questions and answers with a Glen Abby resident. This issue features new residents Bob and Sharon Linscott (5318 Bridwell Lane)

If you would like to be a part of this feature, contact Linda Pace at lswpace@warpmail.net.

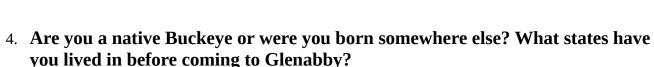
NAME: Bob and Sharon Linscott

- 1. **How long have you been a resident?** We moved into Glenabby in November 2017.
- 2. What brought you to this community?

We were searching for a roomy condo in a small community.



We lived in Brookstone in Westerville.



Bob is a native Ohioan. Sharon is from Buffalo, NY. Bob resided in Dallas TX for 20 years and then returned to Columbus.

5. Tell about your family.

Together Bob and Sharon have 5 children, 7 grandchildren, and 1 great grandchild. This number includes 2 twin daughters and granddaughters.

6. What do/did you do for a living?

Sharon held various management positions at the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, The Ohio State University Math Department, New Albany Company, and WTVN-TV. She ended her career as a realtor for 10 years. Bob drove a truck both over the road and locally for 41 years.

7. What kinds of hobbies or interests do you have?

We both love to ballroom dance. Sharon sings in a chorus. Bob likes golf and

biking. We both love to travel nationally and internationally.

8. Any travels you would like to share?

Our best man lives in the UK and we visit there as often as possible. We try to travel 2-3 times a year for two weeks at a time. We have had trips to the Caribbean, Mexico, France, Italy, Jamaica, and Hawaii. Our favorite US place is Boothbay Harbor, ME.

9. There are a lot of animal residents in Glenabby. Anything to share about your pets?

We presently do not have any pets.

10. There are so many places to visit and explore in the U.S.A. Do you have any recommendations for residents?

We like country rides so like to venture to Hocking Hills, Amish Country, and have found some interesting historical spots in Southern Ohio. We also like to hike at Mohican Park.

EXTRA QUESTION...Any sports teams you cheer on?

Neither one of us is an avid sports fan so we don't have favorite teams we cheer for. Sharon likes to go to see live hockey or basketball games.

Wildlife Observations

Ever hear a neighbor say, "I just saw the most beautiful bird fly overhead..." or, "saw a doe and her fawn last evening..." or got excited seeing a wild turkey roosting in a tree? Well, these things really happen when you live at Glenabby! Send in your wildlife report with what you saw and the date/time (and photograph, if you have one) and each quarter we will publish a list. I'll give you an update this quarter from what I have heard from people and have seen:

Winter (and construction of the HQ Flats) have brought many changes to our surrounding wildlife. On January 10 at 7:00 PM two large does were seen back by the Paces and the Castors condos. It was not uncommon before the woods was removed for deer to be seen there each evening. On this particular evening it was during "a warm up spell" between storms and there was grass available to eat. But that is not the end of the story....The Herlans moved into Glenabby at the same time as the woods near us were being chopped down. Sharon was especially disappointed because she had heard me (Linda Pace) talk so much about the deer and she was looking forward to seeing them.

Stu Herlan is an avid photographer so he also was looking forward to capturing some shots of the deer.

So no woods and no deer...until January 10. I immediately called the Herlans and told them to come look at the deer... They grabbed coats, camera, but no keys and found themselves locked out of their condo! This story does not have a happy ending...by the time they rounded the corner to see the deer, the deer had left and they had to call a locksmith and spend \$120 to get back into their condo! We are all laughing about it now...

On January 19, Jim Pace saw an Eastern Bluebird at Linda's new birdfeeder. In early February, on the way to Jeffery's (grandson) school, Jim and Jeffery saw the Cooper's Hawk perched at the very top of one of Ed Popper's pine trees.

Glenabby Travelers

If you would like to share an article and photos from your travels, please let your editors know. We look forward to hearing about more adventures of Glenabby residents.

Jim and Linda Pace travelled to Chicago in November to visit their oldest son, Brent, and his wife Christine. They moved to Chicago from Charleston, SC in late 2016. They have a third floor condo in a clock tower which gives a nice view of the "L" (elevated train). Jim and son Brent went to the Adler Planetarium (Jim is an amatuer astronomer). Adler Planetarium has a second planetarium in the building called the "Atwood Sphere". From "Wikipedia":

Constructed in 1913, the Atwood Sphere is Chicago's oldest large-scale mechanical planetarium. It is 15 feet in diameter with 692 holes in its metal surface, allowing light to enter and show the positions of the brightest stars in the night sky. When in operation, the sphere

slowly rotates around the viewer putting the stars in motion. Originally, this device was not only a planetarium display, but was also used to train pilots to navigate the nighttime sky.

You enter the planetarium while sitting in a cart (visible in the second photo) which travels up an incline into the sphere. About 8 people can enter at a time.



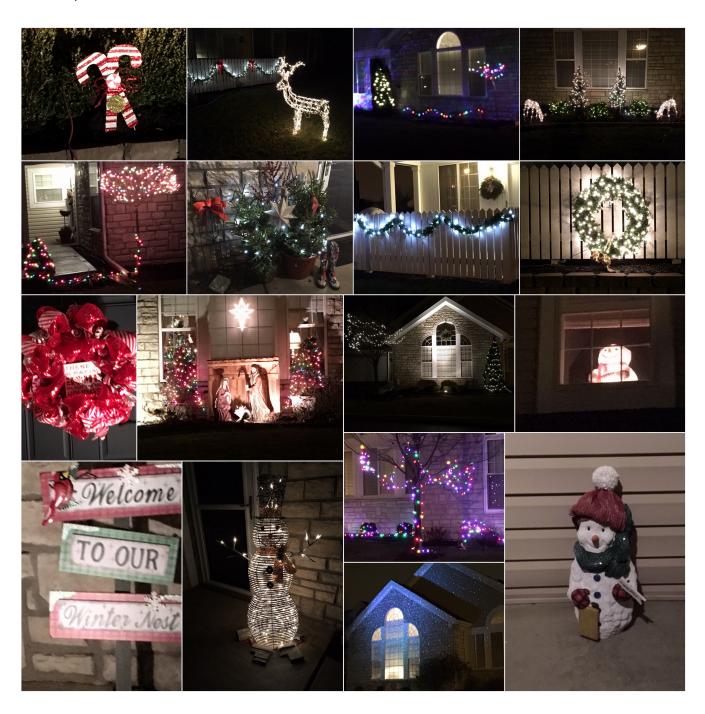


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Holiday Lights

Did you miss the holiday lights at Glenabby this year? Here is a selection that we (your editors) saw...



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