The Q NEWS for December 1, 2023

The Quintet Condominium, Portland OR



PARTY

December 1 is the last day to sign up in your building lobby for the **Holiday Party** in the Piano Room on December 10. (This is so we don't run out of food. That would be un-neighborly.) Drinks and snacks from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., dinner at six. Entertainment by the Quintet Quintet.

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS



The board voted:

- To leave the gates open on weekdays during business hours throughout the holidays to facilitate package deliveries.
- To remove and refinish the sign at the Burnside Road entrance.
- To hire maintenance man Roberto, a Bluestone recruit, to replace Jose.

Committees reported:

- New brighter lights in the garages for improved security.
- Progress in large repairs funded by reserves. See minutes for details.
- Reminder to building 5 residents that the building will be scaffolded for repairs in 2024, making it a good time to replace windows.
- Reminder that the Facebook page "Condos PDX" still exists as a place for Quintet residents to air views and photos.
- Discussion of installing an online bulletin board site for Quintet residents only to use for announcements, invitations, recommendations, and polite comments.

OUR FOOD DRIVE



The Social Justice Team at the Quintet is holding a food drive in the clubhouse from Dec. 1 to the 31st. Resident Virginia Rea volunteers at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral's Food Pantry which distributes food to the homeless and the hungry five days a week.

The team will provide bins for

- Canned food with pull-top lids: dinners, such as stews, pasta, chili, and tuna, and also canned fruits and vegetables.
- Packages of hummus with crackers, and peanut butter in plastic jars are also welcome.
- Clean warm socks, hats, and gloves.

The Food Pantry cannot accept: food in glass jars, food past its sell-by date, and items like oatmeal or spaghetti that have to be cooked. The bins will be emptied frequently.

Thanks to Virginia Rea, Marilyn Schirk, and the Community Social Justice Team here at the Quintet for helping our less fortunate neighbors.

THE TALK



Former board member and piano man Richard Scott encouraged a vigorous recruitment of new committee and board members before the March elections. Current committee and board members were in full support. Discussion of personal invites, rewards, bribery, and other methods, short of kidnapping, ensued. More about this in January.

And also: no Board Meeting in December.

Happy Holidays to All!