



JANUARY 2012

From The Board of Directors

A Town Hall meeting was held on Tuesday, January 24, 2012 in the Whispering Sands Clubhouse. This was an informational meeting for all Midrise owners on the replacement of their forty-year old roofs. Invited to this meeting was Bruce Manson, owner of Manson Roofing, Joe Landolfi, Project Consultant and Shawn Sulzener, representative from FiberTite. There were eight (8) Directors present and one (1) Director on the telephone. Also in attendance was Richard H. Jones, General Manager and Christine Sims, Office Administrator.

This meeting was posted in all Midrise Buildings, Clubhouse, and on the website and Channel 195 to notify all

Midrise owners of this meeting for their questions, concerns and input.

Michael Baumann, Vice President and Director in charge of Building Maintenance presided over this Town Hall meeting. There was a sign in sheet for owners of the Midrise buildings who attended. (Sign-In sheets attached to these minutes and recorded in office).

Michael stated that he would ask for questions after the presentation is given by the professionals. Questions will be taken by Sections, and he asked owners with questions to come to the microphone so everyone can hear.

Michael introduced the gentlemen from Manson Roofing and FiberTite. Joe Landolfi explained what he found on each roof when he did his inspections and core samples. He also

said he would be the supervisor on this project. He also stated he had cut core samples and had them tested for asbestos and none was found.

Bruce Manson gave a brief overview of his company history, they have been in business since 1977. They have the designation of a platinum roofing company from FiberTite. He also stated that there are only eleven platinum roofers in the entire United States. He also spoke about wind ratings on roofs and brought a sample of how the FiberTite would be applied and the fasteners. He also brought additional photos of the roofs and detailed sketches of the installation of the FiberTite. Mr. Manson said they are a financially sound company who pay all their bills on time. Each building will take approximately eight - twelve days per roof. The rainy season could have an impact on the time frame. He also noted that each day when the workers leave, all material will be cleaned up and the roof would be secure from weather as best as possible.

The representative from FiberTite, gave Manson Roofing a glowing recommendation. FiberTite will warranty the roofs for twenty years, labor and materials. Manson's Roofing warranty is for two years. FiberTite will also have a representative checking the installation of the material. Also, County permits are required and inspections from the

County. The FiberTite material is an American made product. This product is used on schools, hospitals, airports, large buildings, etc.

Questions from Sunset House:

Will the work be noisy and can damage be caused? There may be some noise during the tear off of the old roof, but the installation will not be noisy. It was suggested that if you have a valuable item on the wall or a delicate item on a shelf it should be removed during this process, only as an extra precaution.

Will walk pads be installed around the AC units? Yes, walk pads will be installed around the AC units, plus flashing up the curbs and sealed. Manson will provide an additional bid for pads from the roof door to the AC units.

Will the fabric lose its color and show stains? Sometimes ponding can cause dark spots but can be cleaned, it is a very reflective product.

Is there any maintenance needed on this product? No maintenance necessary.

Questions from Waterside Manor:

An owner commented on his research on this company and was impressed with the system and the professional organizations integrity and solid reputation.

Asked if a performance bond was necessary: Manson will supply the cost for a performance bond but they do not use subcontractors and will supply partial and final release of liens during and at the end of the project, so not necessary.

Is the fabric subject to the weather conditions of Florida? Superior performance on this system. Chemical resistant and used around oil wells, high use airports with de-icing, and is also used for landfill liners with no problems.

Asked if our attorney has reviewed this proposal? All information will be sent to him for his review and contract.

Asked if it is definitely necessary to install new roofs. Yes, these roofs are forty-five years old and have been patched and sealed many times and are at the end of their lives. At this point in time, there is no other option or damage could be caused to third floor units. Waterside Manor is in a dire state right now.

Asked if existing roof membrane will be torn off. Yes.

Questions from Tropic View:

Asked if a pitched roof was considered? It was looked at but not contusive to the building and would be very costly.

Phil Doughty had an extensive list of written questions, which were answered by Manson Roofing. (Copy attached to minutes and recorded in office.)

Joe from Manson Roofing wanted to comment on a question that was asked, if the roofs were done at different times would the cost be more. He said it would add approximately \$17,000 - \$20,000 more per building due to bringing cranes back on the property, staff schedules and permits needed at separate times.

After questions were finalized, Joe Landolfi, Bruce Manson and Shawn from FiberTite left the meeting.

Payment schedule was discussed and it was decided that a two-part payment would be best. First installment will be needed to start the project and a second installment at a later date. A letter with detailed information will be sent to all Midrise owners.

Richard Jones, General Manager

Our property is full! We have most owners here, renters and many guests. I hope you all are enjoying your time here at Whispering Sands, the weather has been beautiful.

I have had many compliments on our new pool deck at the Clubhouse. Moving the pool equipment has really added to the aesthetics of this area. We have also ordered additional chairs

to go around the tables at the Clubhouse pool deck.

We will be having a Board meeting on February 7th to approve the proposed contractor for the Midrise roof replacements and for the Special Assessment for this project. I think we had a good turn out at the Town Hall Meeting from the Midrise owners. They asked great questions of Manson Roofing and the FiberTite representative. I think the professionals were able to answer any concerns that the Midrise owners may have had.

The exercise rooms have been busy. Many owners, guests and renters are using the equipment. Please wipe down the machines after use. We will be installing sanitizing wipes on the wall in each room to make it easier to accomplish this. It is also suggested that you bring a towel with you. Our cleaning people also wipe down and spray the equipment to prevent the spread of bacteria.

Several people have asked for another demonstration of the new exercise equipment in the Clubhouse. We have one scheduled on February 6th at 1:30pm with a representative from Gym Source.

For those of you who have done modifications to your units, remember you need to insure those improvements on your own coverage and future

maintenance is the owner's responsibility.

The Tower's elevator project is pretty much complete. The North Tower floor tile is being scheduled for installation. I know it took longer than expected, and we had some issues during this time, but all the elevators look great and really have updated the buildings. Please remember to use only the large elevator in each building for moving of furniture, deliveries, etc. Call the office in advance to have the elevators padded to keep them in the best condition.

The Annual Meeting has been scheduled for April 3, 2012. Christine has already started to prepare and the outside auditor is working on the audit. Owners will receive their first notice the first part of February. The second notice and audit will be sent to owners mid-March.

A lot of the property has already been re-mulched and we will continue to do so until all is done. When we are sure the cold weather is over, we will again pull out old bushes and replace with new healthy ones.

Our office has been extremely busy with owners, renters and guests checking in for the season. We are glad to welcome all of you back.

Here is a brief Treasurer's Report for November, 2011:

Operating

Maintenance Fees Income	\$137,889.00
Misc. Income	\$342.00
Interest Income	\$24.77
Total income January	\$138,255.77

Total Expenses paid	\$151,003.50
Net Income over Exp.	(\$12,747.73)

Breakdown of Reserves Spent:

Association-Painting, street print redone & repair, replacement shop security fence, Sewer line replacement Breezeway bathrooms and new floor \$9,000.48
Section 1-Fence replacements, stucco repair, painting, sidewalk repair \$5,202.47
Section 2-Water heater replaced, electrical repairs & update \$1,735.00
Section 4-Installed concrete footer & paver edging, painting, replaced walkway paths to 1st fl unit \$1,281.43
Section 5-Garage ceiling repair \$391.69
Section 6-Painting, 50% of luggage cart replacement, exit door repairs & painted \$1,418.63
Section 7-Painting, 50% of luggage cart replacement, exit door repairs & painted \$1,418.63

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Resident's Corner

Our Whispering Sands Community extends a warm welcome to new owner:

Betty Thrapp 109 WSD

IMPORTANT NOTICE:
In the 2012 Directory the emergency after hours number is incorrect

It should be
346-2069

As a reminder:

Office number - 349-8458
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Guard - 302-7687
Office e-mail wsands@juno.com
Website-WhisperingSandsSarasota.com

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A NOTE FROM YOUR NEIGHBOR IN SUNSET HOUSE

*My column is dedicated to
marketing only Whispering Sands
properties & information*

During 2011 Sarasota MLS reports
six Whispering Sands properties
sold.

NORTH TOWER

Direct view of both Gulf and
Beach from this level. Great cross
ventilation. Partially updated,
marble floors. Lanai shutters.
Owner relocating to be with family.
Take advantage of this special
opportunity!

*"As a Whispering Sands owner and
year round resident I can provide
extra service."*

- Broker price opinion letters
- Check your unit after a showing
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20 WHISPERING SANDS DRIVE #801

2 Bed/2 Bath South Tower Condo
Total Remodel 8th Floor End Unit
Stunning downtown & Big Pass Views
All New Appliances & TNK Furnished
Offered For Sale at **\$819,000**



19 WHISPERING SANDS DRIVE #605

2 Bed/2 Bath North Tower Condo
New Hurricane and Solar Lanai Sliders
Many new updates - ready to move into
Full Gulf/Beach Front 6th floor beauty!
Offered For Sale at **\$775,000**



199 WHISPERING SANDS DRIVE #208

2 Bed/2 Bath Waterside Manor Condo
Completely Remodeled 2nd Floor Unit
Sunny Southwest Exposure
Pool and Lagoon Views & 36'x8' Lanai
Offered For Sale at **\$369,900**



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Of the 12,300 local Realtors, only 7% are given the
"Best of the Best" award and of those, I am one of
the less than 1% to have won the award 4 TIMES.



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by Ruby

Your Social Committee welcomes all residents, renters and guests to Whispering Sands Winter Season activities. We look forward to seeing all of you at our social events. Please call the host mentioned to confirm reservations where requested. All are warmly welcome.

Please make a note that our In-house TV access is now CH-195 only. You will need either a box or an adaptor which can be obtained from Comcast on Fruitville Road.

NOTE: Sand Dollar for our villa friends can be picked up in the Clubhouse or the office.

Thu Feb 2 *Ladies Out to Lunch Bunch* today is to “**MARINA JACK**”. Order from the menu and receive separate checks. We will leave Whispering Sands by carpool at 11:15 am. Call **Sharleen** at **349-0869** and tell her if you will drive or need a ride. Our Host is **Sharleen Rosso**.

Wed Feb 8 *Book Discussion Group* meets in the Tower Lounge today at 1:30pm. “*The Art of Racing in the Rain*” will be discussed. Our Host is **Marilyn Manzer**.

Wed Feb 8 The 2nd in our *Lecture Series* is tonight in the Clubhouse at 7:30pm **Dr. David Eddleman**, composer and musicologist, will deliver a one-hour lecture on Gershwin's opera, "Porgy and Bess." Dr. Eddleman holds the Doctor of Musical Arts degree from Boston University, where he also taught theory and composition. His lecture will include many video clips from the Glyndebourne Festival in England.

Dr. Eddleman has a wide and varied background. A composer of more than 600 titles published with some of the most prestigious music publishers in the country, he has also taught at almost every academic level from public school through college and university. For 23 years he was senior music editor at Silver Burdett Company, producing music textbooks for the public school music programs. In that capacity he wrote more than 80 children's songs, some of which have been recorded by major children's artists such as Raffi. His choral publications are widely performed and account for the bulk of his compositions, but he has also written larger vocal and instrumental works that include oratorios, operas, and theatrical and instrumental works. The Krakow Opera in Poland staged his most important large work, an

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oratorio called "Voices from the Holocaust," in nine performances during their 2009 season. It remains in their repertory.

Host is [Alice Bukantz](#)

- Sat Feb 11** ***Saturday Nite at the Movies*** will be **The Help** in the Clubhouse 7:30pm. Starring: Emma Stone, Viola Davis, and Octavia Spencer
3 very different, extraordinary women in Mississippi during the 60's build an unlikely friendship around a secret writing project that breaks societal rules and puts them all at risk. From their improbable alliance a remarkable sisterhood emerges, instilling all of them with the courage to transcend the lines that define them, and the realization that sometimes those lines are made to be crossed. Host is **Judy Watson**
- Tue Feb 14** **WS Valentine Dinner** is at **Mattison's on So. Tamiami Trail at 5 pm.** Dinner Menu includes choice of 3 entrees – **All entrees \$35.**
Rosemary & Lemon Honey Glazed Salmon with sweet potato streusel, citrus beurre blanc.
Pot Roast Reconstructed, with truffle mashed potatoes, mushroom-Gorgonzola cream, port wine demi.
Half Chicken brick seared, cipolini onions, pancetta chicken jus.
All include a house salad or Tomato-Gorgonzola cream soup, seasonal vegetables, dessert, soft drinks, coffee or tea, tax & tip.
Hosts are **Charlotte & Ken Sizemore, and Kay & Gerry Paquette**
Make Checks payable to **Charlotte Sizemore** and leave in the office.
Call Charlotte for reservations - **349-4427 - by February 1st.**
- Wed Feb 15** ***Happy Hour*** is tonight in the Clubhouse at 5:30 pm. Bring hors d'oeuvres to share with 12 – 14 friends and neighbors and B.Y.O.B.
Hosts: **Maureen Buchanan & Jeff Howe** and **Marilyn & John Pela.**
- Thu Feb 16** ***Dali Museum OR Chihuly Collection.*** Leave WS in the morning by bus arriving at Parkinson's Grill in St. Petersburg to enjoy included gourmet lunch, after which we'll continue to the ***New Salvador Dali Museum***, the world's most comprehensive collection of the renowned Spanish artist's work, celebrated for its 96 oil paintings, spanning from 1917 to 1970, plus water colors, drawings, photographs & sculptures **OR** we will walk down the street to the ***Morean Arts Center*** home to Dale Chihuly's world famous glass art, including the spectacular Ruby Red Icicle Chandelier, along with several popular series works including Macchia,

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Ikebana, Nijima Floats, Persians & Tumbleweed, & a glass blowing demonstration. Enjoy 30-minute informative & entertaining video & a tour of the museum & visit to the special gift shop. With 16 participants bus will come to WS otherwise we carpool to meet bus.

Cost is **\$76.00** - Call **Ruby Fant** at **349-3516** to reserve.

- Fri Feb 17** *Set-Up for White Elephant Sale.* Beginning at 9 am, bring items to the Clubhouse for pricing, the things you have saved and you want to part with, things you are tired of, the wrong color, or just plain taking up space, i.e. – dishes, pictures, art, knick-knacks, jewelry, etc. Please no clothes! All items must be clean and usable. Items stored by the Social Committee will be delivered to the Clubhouse by the maintenance staff. Call **Ruth Duersch** at **349-4846** or **Marie Weaver** at **346-3294** if you have any questions.
- Sat Feb 18** *White Elephant Sale* is this morning starting at 9 am in the Clubhouse. Come and find some treasures you've been looking for, this may be your lucky day. Bring all your friends, relatives and neighbors, and help them find a real treasure too. Hosts: **Ruth Duersch & Marie Weaver.**
- Fri Feb 24** Come to the Clubhouse at 5:30 pm when doors open for our popular *Italian Pizza Night.* We will be serving wine, snacks and soft drinks. At 6:00 pm there will be salad and at 6:15 pm our pizzas will be delivered for our culinary enjoyment. Following the pizza we will have dessert. Cost is **\$10.00** per person inclusive. Call **Kay** at **312-0376** for your reservations. Hosts are **Kay and Gerry Paquette, Charlotte & Ken Sizemore and Ruth Duersch.**
- Sat Feb. 25** A matinee is planned at 2:00 pm for today at *The Players Theatre* featuring *"A Chorus Line"* which first opened on Broadway in 1975 and was an unprecedented hit, receiving nine Tony Awards. The play provides a glimpse into the personalities of 19 main characters as they audition for a chorus line and describe the events that have shaped their lives and their decisions to become dancers. Music by Marvin Hamlisch. To reserve seat(s) please contact **Carol Menken** at **346-2794** or **Ruth Lochmann** at **349-8603** by Wednesday, February 1. Cost is **\$17.50** per person.

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- Wed Feb 29** *Style Show* today is in Clubhouse at 2 pm. You and your friends are cordially invited to attend. Refreshments will be served after the show. **FASHIONS BY: P. J. Boutique on Main** with a repeat of their very successful show of last year. Come and see the new fashions they have to show us this year.
Hosts are **Alice Bukantz, Kay Paquette, and Charlotte Sizemore**
- Thu March 1** *Out to Lunch Bunch* today will be to **Derek's Culinary Restaurant** at 514 Central Avenue. Order from the menu and separate checks. We will leave WS by carpool at 11:15 am. Call our host **Maureen Buchanan** at **487-7869** and tell her if you will drive or need a ride.
- Sat March 10** *Sat Nite @ the Movies* is tonight in the Clubhouse at 7:30 pm. Watch CH-195 and check the bulletin boards in all the buildings as well as the Clubhouse and pool glass cases to see what our host will bring us for our entertainment.
- Sat March 17** **St Patrick's Day dinner is tonight in the Clubhouse at 5:30 pm.**
Time to socialize and Dinner served at 6:00 pm.
Menu: Corned Beef & Cabbage, Potatoes, Carrots, and Dessert. Beer, Wine, Tea and Coffee is included.
Cost is \$18.00 per person, non-refundable
For reservations call Marie at 312-0375
Make checks to Marie Williamson & leave in the office.
Hosts are Marie Williamson, Ruth Duersch, & Lee Gothier
- Fri April 13** Nedra Farwell has secured tickets for the **Booker High School Musical Play "All Shook Up"** at 7pm. **Cost is \$10 per person.** She currently has sold all tickets. If you are interested, call Nedra at 340-4933 to have your name put on the waitlist for any cancellations. Leave checks in the office made payable to Nedra Farwell. If you leave cash, please be sure to enclose your name & unit number.

Bridge Schedule – all are held in the Clubhouse:

Monday afternoon at 1:00 pm. *Mixed Bridge*. Call **Patsy Wingo 346-1273**

Tuesday night at 7:00 pm. *Duplicate Bridge*. Call **Halina Zawadzka 349-1595**

Thursday night at 7:30 pm. *Mixed Bridge*. Call **Anne Miller 346-1740**

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Men's Poker - Monday night at 7:00 pm in the **Clubhouse**. All are welcome - call **Murrel Winner** at **346-1637**

Men's Coffee - Thursday at 8:30 am in the **Tower Lounge**. **Contact Dean 349-4933**

Low Impact Aerobics - Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 8 am in the **Clubhouse**

Water Aerobics - Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 9:00 am in the **Clubhouse Pool**

Pinochle for Guys & Gals - Each 1st & 3rd Sunday. **Tower Lounge** Call **Mary Long 346-2092**

Walking – Tuesday & Thursday morning at 9 am from the CH parking lot. **Maureen 487-7869**

Anyone interested in **Mah Jongg** please call **Caroline O'Connell 346-1637**

Quote of the Day: **There are only two ways to live life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle.** **Albert Einstein**

Thought of the Day: **It is not how old you are, but how you are old.** **Jules Renard**

Here are the dates & books for the 2011/12 [Book Discussion Club](#) :
(Clip out this page and attach it to your fridge for easy reference)

TOWER LOUNGE

<u>Date – Wed. 1:30p</u>	<u>Book and Author</u>	<u>Discussion Leader</u>
February 8	“The Art of Racing in the Rain” by Garth Stein	Marilyn Manzer
March 21	“New York” by Edward Rutherford	Jean Pokorny
April 18	“Cutting For Stone” by Abraham Verghese	Mary Rose Heffern

Watch your in-house Community **TV CH-195** for updates on all activities at Whispering Sands and keep an eye on those bulletin boards.