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## Brick Township Second Safest City in America

According to the Morgan Quintno Awards for the safest and most dangerous cities in America, when comparing all cities regardless of their size, Brick Township ranks as the 2nd safest city in the nation and the safest city in New Jersey. In fact, Brick Township was the only city in New Jersey that made the overall top-ten list.

The Morgan Quintno awards are based on the crime statistics kept by local law enforcement and the FBI for the following six crime categories:

- Murder
- Rape
- Robbery
- Aggravated assault
- Burglary
- Motor vehicle theft

Interesting to note is, when compared only to our peers – that is, cities with populations of 75,999 to 99,999 – Brick is the safest in the country, and Dover Township ranks 10th. Also in this population category, Camden is the most dangerous and Trenton is the 3rd most dangerous! Clearly, NJ is a state of extremes.

What is it that makes our city so safe? First must be the quality of our township's residents. And, much of the credit should also go to the Brick Police Department under the leadership of Police Chief Ronald Dougard, and Mayor Joseph Scarpelli's unrelenting support of the Police Department. Police presence is evident here, and it has successfully deterred crime.

We are all very fortunate to live in a town as safe as Brick is!

## Water Restrictions Lifted

Effective January 8, 2003, the Governor lifted all state-wide mandatory water use restrictions. However, he continues to encourage water conservation in an effort to avoid future water restrictions.

Until the BTMUA reservoir project is completed, Brick Township will be dependant upon the daily flow of the Metedeconk River for the majority of its water supply. When the flow of the Metedeconk slows, the BTMUA draws water from the Potomac-Raritan-Magothy aquifer. Should we experience drastically reduced river flow again, the BTMUA, the Mayor, or the Governor may implement local restrictions.

The BTMUA expects to begin filling the new one billion gallon reservoir in the 4th quarter of 2003.

## Next Board Meeting

All members of the Association are invited to attend. The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be:

**February 26, 2003 at 8:00pm**  
**43 White Swan Way**  
**Brick, NJ 08723**

Please note that this meeting is scheduled for the last Wednesday in February

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## CONGRATULATIONS

During the past few months, we've had a few new arrivals, and some happy news at Drum Point Village West. The Association would like to acknowledge and congratulate:

- Randy Abeles on the purchase of her new home. Randy moved in during October of 2002.
- Denise Wujciak on the purchase of her new home. Denise moved in just before Christmas.
- Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Dougard on their recent marriage. They tied the knot just after Christmas

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## Annual Meeting Scheduled for April 4th

The annual meeting of the homeowners has been scheduled for April 4, 2003 at 7:30pm. This meeting will take place at the Brick Municipal Complex in the Courtroom. An official announcement of this meeting, along with a proxy and proxy statement will be mailed to all homeowners in early March.

Among other items on this meeting's agenda, there will be an election of two Trustees to replace those whose terms will be expiring (Bob Martin and Dolores Tappert). If you would like to nominate someone as a Trustee, please advise this office, in writing, of your nomination(s) no later than February 28, 2003. Another homeowner must second any nomination(s). Forms for this purpose can be obtained by writing the Association, or can be found on the web site via a link on the home page. If desired, substitute forms may be used.

Should you have any proposed changes to the Master Deed or By-laws of the Association, or any other proposals that you would like the members to consider during the meeting, we ask that such proposals be submitted to this office no later than February 28, 2002. We cannot guarantee that proposals received after that date will appear on the proxy and proxy statement for the meeting. Proposals must be submitted in writing and should be clearly marked as proposals for the meeting. Please note that the Board of Trustees reserves the right to add opinions and/or comments to any proposals that appear on the proxy statement.

We look forward to seeing all of you on April 4<sup>th</sup>.

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## Condominium Living 101

The statistics compiled by the Condominium Associates Institute show that 50% of new homes in metropolitan areas are Condominiums, Townhomes, Coops or other forms of Community Associations. Condo living is not for everyone. But, for many of us, it is the ideal home.

People are attracted to condominium living for a variety of reasons:

- Some like the affordability of the homes. Frequently, new families find it is the most cost effective way to own their first home.
- Some seek the "carefree living style" so frequently associated with condominiums and townhomes. These folks may have owned private homes in the past and look forward to being relieved of the responsibilities of lawn care, snow removal, gutter cleaning and a myriad of chores that are often assumed by the Association. Others may have busy lives that do not allow them the time to perform these chores.
- Others may take comfort in living in a tight-knit community where neighbors are close by
- Single people may appreciate the fact that they are building equity in a home without the burden of "total" home ownership

Condominium living combines the principles of single-family ownership with the concept of shared ownership of the property with other homeowners. There may be advantages and disadvantages, depending upon your own unique perspective.

*Some disadvantages may be:*

- If we do not like a neighbor, we cannot build a fence to separate us from them
- Somewhat like apartment living, we need to restrict some of our activities so as to not disturb our neighbors – excessively loud music and barking dogs, for example.
- Since we do not own the land adjacent to our homes, we are not free to decorate it as we please. We are limited in what we may do by the Covenants of the Master Deed, By-Laws, and Rules or Restrictions of the Association. These rules are often adopted by the Association, in which each homeowner is a member, to maintain a visual harmony that is acceptable to the majority of the homeowners, and by doing so, to preserve the underlying value of the property.
- As we do not directly own the exterior of our homes, often we are not at liberty to change or modify it in any way, nor are we permitted to attach anything to the buildings.

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## Web Survey Results

Recently, we decided to survey our on-line homeowners to determine if the DPVW web site was being used, and if it provided added value to those homeowners who use it. Survey invitations were sent to all homeowners who have supplied us with their e-mail address – about half of all our homeowners – and about half of those homeowners participated in the survey.

From the results of the survey, it appears that the web site is currently meeting the needs of our on-line homeowners and is being used often enough to warrant its continuation. The only real surprise was the apparent low usage of the Association's financial reports posted on the web site.

The results of the survey show that:

- 67% of our on-line homeowners use the Internet every day
- 50% use dial up modems, while 50% use high-speed Internet access
- 80% have Adobe Acrobat Reader software installed on their PCs
- 80% visit the DPVW web site at least once per month
- When visiting the site:
  - 80% read the home page often
  - 75% read the newsletter often
  - 65% read the minutes often
  - 55% read the FAQs often
  - only 20% read the financial information often
  - only 6% read the archived pages often
- When specifically asked which pages were found to be most useful, the meeting minutes and FAQs stood out, and homeowners were split 50/50 between these two pages
- Several people had specific comments on how we could improve the web site. Unfortunately, most of their suggestions would require a significantly more expensive web presence – active server pages, increased security, etc.

Thank you to all those who participated in the survey!

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- Even though we own the interiors of our homes, we are restricted in the use of that home and cannot do things like adding rooms, changing floor plans, extending the size of the unit, etc.
- It seems that when the economy causes a slump in the Real Estate industry, Condominiums are affected more than single family homes in loss of value or arrested appreciation in value.

Interestingly enough, some of these *disadvantages* are considered to be *advantages* by some homeowners. For example, the same restrictions that do not allow us to paint or decorate the outsides of our units also assures us that our next door neighbor may not use the property to store old refrigerators, an aging, rusted Winnebago or a broken down boat that may never float again. We also know that our neighbor may not grow four-foot-tall ragweed instead of a lawn. His roosters will not be waking us up at dawn every day, and he may not paint his home bright pink with chartreuse shutters and a purple door. These restrictions assure us that our property values will be protected and that we will continue to live in a pleasant environment.

#### Ownership

The most confusing thing to a first-time condominium owner is: who owns what? Where does my private property end? Where does the common property begin?

#### The Unit

Here in Drum Point Village West, each homeowner holds title to the interior of his or her home – more or less from the sub floor upward, from the back of the sheet-rock inward, and from the outside of any windows or doors inward. As individuals, we own what is inside these boundaries and we are responsible for maintaining what is inside these boundaries. We are also responsible for maintaining the services that are exclusive to the unit including, electric, gas, cable, telephone, HVAC, plumbing, etc.

Although we own the unit's interior, in a condominium environment, there are some restrictions that apply to the interior of your home that would not apply to a single family home – structural changes to the interior, for example. And, while we own the exterior doors and windows, the Association can restrict the colors in which these doors may be painted, and, in many cases, can require that window treatments be installed and maintained.

Anything that is not part of the Unit belongs to the Association, which is made up of all of the homeowners equally. The "Common Property" consists of "Common Elements" and "Limited Common Elements".

#### Limited Common Elements

Having Limited Common Elements provides each homeowner with a certain degree of privacy. Limited Common Elements are commonly owned by the Association but, by deed, are assigned to the individual homeowners for their exclusive and limited use. These include such things as the attics, crawlspaces, patios, walkways and driveways. Often, the homeowner is responsible for maintaining their Limited Common Elements. However, the Association has the right to access these areas as needed. The Restrictions of our Master Deed specify what may and may not be done with the Limited Common Elements and what may be placed on them or in them.

#### Common Elements

These make up of the remainder of the Property and include things like the lawns, landscaping, sidewalks, streets and curbs. Unlike the Limited Common Elements, these are not reserved for the use and enjoyment of any particular homeowner but are owned by all. Consequently, homeowners may not modify anything in the Common Elements without express approval of the Board of Trustees.

The Master Deed of Drum Point Village West defines the Unit, the Common Elements, and the Limited Common Elements. The above article is designed for general informational purposes only. Please refer to the Master Deed for specific definitions or restrictions.

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## Duties of the Board of Trustees

Many times people have asked us "So, what exactly does a Trustee do, anyway? With the annual meeting and elections coming up soon, we thought that we might review some of the duties of the Trustees with you.

Our Condominium Association is managed by a Board of Trustees. Members of the Board are elected by the Association membership. Each homeowner is a member of the Association and those members in good standing are entitled to vote for Trustees.

The Board of Trustees is like the Board of Directors of a small corporation, in that they are charged with making those decisions needed to keep the Corporation in business. In other respects, the Board is like a government, in that its members are elected by the owners of the Association to run the day-to-day operations of the Association and enforce the Rules and Restrictions of the Association. Like those officials who we elect to run our towns, counties, states and the Federal government, Trustees are charged with the duty to do what is in the best interests of the majority of the homeowners.

According to our By-Laws and Master Deed the general powers and privileges of the Board are:

- Hire a manager or managing agent to oversee, supervise and carry out the responsibilities of the Board. *Our Board of Trustees has determined that the Board is able to carry out its duties without the additional expense of a management company. This saves the Association roughly \$15,000 per year.*
- Hire companies or persons to maintain, rebuild or renovate the Common Elements and Limited Common Elements as needed. *The Board has established relationships with, by contract or verbal agreement, those persons and companies needed to perform the maintenance and repairs of the Property.*
- Employ professional counsel and obtain advice from such persons. *The Board has retained several attorneys and has contracts with other professionals as needed.*
- Hire any managerial person necessary for the efficient discharge of the duties of the Board. *While the Board has not chosen to do so in the past, it may hire administrative personnel to assist the Board with its duties. Many similar Associations have full or part time administrative assistants to handle phone calls, faxes, correspondence, etc.*

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- Adopt, amend and publish rules and regulations covering the details of the Operation and use of the Property, Common Elements and Limited Common Elements. *The Board may establish rules and regulations either not specified in the Master Deed or to expand and clarify the items in the Master Deed. An example of this would be "pet" rules, which would specify the dog-walking areas, requirements to clean up after pets, etc.*
- Enforce obligations of the Owners and do anything and everything else necessary and proper for the sound management of the Condominium. *The Board may bring or defend lawsuits involving Owners with regard to the Owners' obligations to comply with the Rules, regulations and Restrictions of the Association as set forth in the By-Laws and rules and regulations established by the Board. The Board may also assess fines against Owners for non-compliance after reasonable notice to the Owners.*
- Borrow and repay monies as needed for the operation, care, upkeep and maintenance of the Property. *The Board establishes a budget each year for expenses anticipated to be incurred for the maintenance of the Property. These expenses are covered by the monthly Assessments and this Board has not had to borrow funds for this purpose.*
- Invest and reinvest monies, pay taxes, sue and be sued, make and enter into contracts, make and execute any and all proper affidavits for various purposes.....etc. *This one is self-explanatory. As to the last item, the Board fulfills several requests each month from lenders, banks and mortgage companies for information about the Property.*
- Grant and obtain easements, licenses and other Property rights with respect to contiguous lands. *Any permits required for construction work done on the Property are obtained by the Board. Most recently, we obtained a permit for the construction of the fence behind building 10.*
- Purchase and lease or otherwise acquire Units offered for sale or lease or surrendered by any Unit Owners to the Board. *To date, the Association has not fully exercised this right.*
- Purchase Units at foreclosure or other judicial sales. *To date, the Association has not fully exercised this right.*
- Sell, lease, mortgage or otherwise deal with units acquired by the Association.
- Bring and defend actions by or against one or more unit owners pertinent to the health, safety or general welfare of the members.
- Create, appoint members to and disband such committees as deemed necessary. *Currently, the only committee is the Covenants Committee, whose responsibilities will be covered in detail in a future issue of this newsletter.*

The Duties and Responsibilities of the Board are:

- Maintain the Common Elements and Limited Common Elements according to reasonable standards. *The Board has contracted with some companies for regular maintenance of the Property and with others for as needed maintenance. For example, the Board recently contracted with a company to replace the rusted chimney caps on the Miller units.*
- See to the maintenance of the Property to be maintained by the Association and/or the Township of Brick. *The Board requests work such as the replacement of street lights.*
- Investigate, hire, supervise, pay and discharge the personnel needed for the proper maintenance of the Property. *The Association does not have its own*

*maintenance personnel. These functions are contracted to private contractors as needed.*

- Keep records of its actions and corporate affairs and present a summary of the fiscal records required to the members at the annual meeting. *Meeting minutes and financial summaries are available at the regular meetings, on the Web site and upon request.*
- Allocate common surplus or make repairs, additions, improvements to or restoration of the Common Elements and Limited Common Elements after damage or destruction by fire or other casualty. *In one of the severe thunderstorms we had last year, a roof was hit by lightning damaging both the roof and the siding of the unit. The Board arranged for and paid for the necessary repairs. Some of the funds for this purpose was paid for by our insurance carrier.*
- Take prompt action to comply with Federal, State and Municipal authorities requirements pertaining to the Property.
- Place and keep in force the following insurance coverages:
  - Physical Damage Insurance for Association Property
  - Public Liability Insurance
  - Directors and Officers Liability Insurance
  - Workers' Compensation Insurance
  - Other Insurance as deemed necessary
- Manage fiscal affairs of the Association including:
  - Collection of Common Receipts
  - Deposits of revenues into appropriate accounts
  - Compilation of the annual budget and determination of appropriate reserves for future replacements
  - Payment of Association bills
  - Submit records for annual audit
  - Take appropriate actions for the collection of payments in default

This may seem like a lot of things that the Board needs to accomplish and it is!! We are sometimes asked what exactly we do as Trustees, other than attend monthly meetings, of course. Recently, we stopped to think about all that we do. To our amazement, the list is much longer than any of us realized.

Let's take a look at the number of hours the Board members contribute each month in order to meet these obligations:

**Hours Per month:**

|  |          |
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| 2 to 5 questionnaires from mortgage companies      | 1 to 2   |
| 2 to 5 requests for Certificates of Insurance      | 1 to 2   |
| 10 to 40 phone calls from owners, vendors...       | 2 to 6   |
| 10 to 40 phone calls to owners, vendors...         | 2 to 6   |
| 5 to 50 faxes, emails, etc from owners, vendors... | 1 to 10  |
| Transcribe minutes of meetings                     | 4 to 10  |
| Post and deposit payments from owners              | 4 to 6   |
| Prepare monthly financial statements               | 2 to 4   |
| Assess late fees                                   | ½ hour   |
| Various meetings with vendors, township, ...       | 2 to 4   |
| Schedule repairs and maintenance                   | 1 to 2   |
| Intra-board communications                         | 20 to 40 |
| Written correspondence with homeowners             | 2 to 6   |
| Prepare newsletter                                 | 20       |
| Print and distribute newsletter                    | 4        |
| Maintain web site                                  | 2        |

**Total Hours Per Month 74.5 to 124.5**

Consider all of this when you make a nomination for the Board, seek election, or cast your vote for a Trustee. Folks with the time, energy and common sense required to perform all of these functions will best serve our interests. ♦

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## Treasurer's Message

Since taking over the role as your Treasurer in 1999, I have had several challenges that had to be dealt with. The first of these was the lack of adequate reserves and an un-realistic reserve budget – established in 1987, and never updated.

Condominium associations should always look into the future and anticipate major component replacement expenses. The major components should be given realistic life spans and should be depreciated accordingly. Annual reserve allocations should then be based on those depreciations, and assessments should be “stashed away” on a monthly basis. Failing to do so often leads to large special assessments levied long after the original owners have moved out – leaving the current owners to pay the previous owners' tab. This can reduce the resale value of the units.

With this in mind, I set about getting estimates for the current replacement costs for roofing, siding, painting, fencing, sidewalks and driveways, and the estimated remaining useful lives of those components. This exercise led to a more realistic reserve budget that hopefully will avoid major special assessments in the distant future. Additionally, I have set aside funds for other unanticipated replacements. By the end of Fiscal 2003 we will have about \$150,000 on hand for anticipated and unanticipated replacements, and every year we will add an additional \$35,000 to \$40,000 to the reserves.

### ***Estimated Reserves (as of 3/31/03):***

|                      |               |
|----------------------|---------------|
| Roofing:             | \$47,726      |
| Fencing:             | 6,462         |
| Painting:            | 7,222         |
| Siding:              | 20,772        |
| Sidewalks/Driveways: | 16,004        |
| Other/Unspecified:   | <u>54,252</u> |

**Total Estimated Reserves: \$152,438**

The second major challenge that I faced was directly related to the first. Soon after becoming the Treasurer, it was realized that the original cedar siding on the Miller units was failing much sooner than anyone had expected. It was just over 10 years old, yet it was badly in need of replacement. Based on individual repairs that were performed, it also became apparent that the framing of the buildings behind the cedar siding was failing in some locations. If we hadn't done something quickly, we could have had a catastrophic situation on our hands. Of course, because we did not have adequate reserves in place at the time, we didn't have the money to make the needed repairs. This forced the entire Board of Trustees to make some very difficult decisions in early 2000. Ultimately, the vast majority of the 47 then existing unit owners realized that the Trustees had no choice, and the homeowners agreed to a special assessment of, what turned out to be, about \$4,650 per unit. Ironically, this second challenge relieved me of the legacy of the first one. At the completion of the siding project, although our reserves were far below where they should have been for a twelve-year-old association, we had four-year-old roofs and brand new siding. And, after the Mignatti units were built, all the units were pretty much on a level playing field – as far as the age of roofing and siding.

Now, I have come to another crossroad and another challenge that must be faced head on. It's budget season, and I am charged with creating a balanced budget that not only establishes adequate reserves for future replacements, but also provides reasonable estimates for operating expenses for the coming fiscal year. Although budgeting requires me to “look into a crystal ball,” it really isn't very difficult. The process consists of looking at the operating expenses incurred in recent years, taking into account any special circumstances that may have increased or decreased spending in a particular category in a specific year, and then using that information and current knowledge to estimate expenses for the coming year.

This year, however, I have to face up to the fact that certain costs have increased dramatically. The first of these is the cost of watering the lawns. Water rates increased 10% in 2002, are scheduled to increase by another 10% in 2003, and are scheduled to continue to increase in subsequent years – mostly as a result of the soon to be completed reservoir. The second is the cost of insurance. When our policies renewed in October of 2002, our annual rates increased from \$14,375 to \$23,250 – an increase of \$93 per unit. In addition to this known increase for our current policies, business insurance analysts are expecting increases of approximately 30% in 2003. This could potentially raise our annual premiums to more than \$30,000 – for a total increase of \$166 per unit. I have known about this problem for some time now, and the Board advised you of the corresponding potential for maintenance increases in the October 2002 Newsletter.

For the past several weeks, I have thought about ways in which to avoid recommending a maintenance increase. Because we already run a rather tight financial ship, in order to avoid an increase, we would either have to reduce services, reduce reserves, or reduce working capital (cash flow funds, if you will). The first two options are simply out of the question. I have considered the latter option for some time. I thought we could use existing reserves for working capital without the need to actually borrow from the reserves. We would simply have run the Operating Fund Balance at a near zero level. Unfortunately, that idea went out the window when I learned about the potential 30% premium increases for October 2003. I had hoped that premiums might have leveled off or even decreased slightly in 2003. With these potential premium increases, and using a creative approach for funding our working capital, we would end up drawing the Operating Fund balance to below zero by the end of Fiscal 2004. While deficit spending in a single year might have been acceptable, having to actually borrow funds from reserves for operating expenses is just not prudent. Moreover, such a move would have only delayed the inevitable, as we could only play that game for one year. After that, we would have had to pay the Piper.

The bottom line is this: I have to recommend a balanced budget to the Trustees for Fiscal 2004. If the majority of the Trustees agree with the budget that I will be presenting to them, then the monthly maintenance fee will increase to \$135.00 per month effective April 1, 2003. I have been somewhat apprehensive about having to deliver this news, but I'm afraid that there really is no other choice. ...

## Garbage and Recycle Calendar for 2003



For DPVW, the regular garbage collection day is Wednesday, and recyclables are collected on Thursday. However, when a holiday falls on or before our regularly scheduled collection day, the collection(s) on that week are delayed by one day. The following is a list of the 2003 Township

Holidays that affect garbage and/or recyclables collections at DPVW:

| Date     | Holiday        | Garbage Delayed? | Recycles Delayed? |
|----------|----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| 1/1/03   | New Years Day  | Yes              | Yes               |
| 1/20/03  | MLK's Birthday | Yes              | Yes               |
| 2/17/03  | Presidents Day | Yes              | Yes               |
| 5/26/03  | Memorial Day   | Yes              | Yes               |
| 9/1/03   | Labor Day      | Yes              | Yes               |
| 10/13/03 | Columbus Day   | Yes              | Yes               |
| 11/4/03  | Election Day   | Yes              | Yes               |
| 11/11/03 | Election Day   | Yes              | Yes               |
| 11/27/03 | Thanksgiving   | No               | Yes               |
| 12/25/03 | Christmas Day  | No               | Yes               |
| 1/1/04   | New Years Day  | No               | Yes               |

## Garbage Can Etiquette

Several times over the past few months, we have received complaints from homeowners telling us that they have found other people's trash in their garbage cans on the morning of garbage pickup.

At first, we were a little surprised that people felt so strongly about their garbage cans. After all, they are just garbage cans, right? However, after some thought, we came to the conclusion that many homeowners are very careful about keeping the inside of their cans spotless. Imagine going out your door in the morning to put that last bit of trash in your can, only to find that someone else has placed an open bag of smelly kitchen garbage in it, and the contents have spilled out and made a mess! You'd be just a wee bit upset, wouldn't you?

We can only surmise that some homeowners run out of room in their own garbage cans every so often. So, the night before garbage collection, or very early the next morning, they "hunt" for space in other cans along the street. While some may consider this a resourceful approach to solving a problem, others may feel that this is an invasion of their rights and privacy.

If you are a "hunter" of garbage can space, we ask that you please make arrangements with your neighbors and please ask for their permission prior to using their garbage can. If you find that you need a larger garbage can, or a second can, please contact the Township at 732 262-1000.

## Maintenance Q & A

**Q:** My window is broken, or my front door is damaged. Who is responsible for repairing it?

**A:** All window and door units are part of the condominium unit. Accordingly it is the unit owner's responsibility to maintain or repair them (please refer to the Master Deed for a complete definition of the Unit). Although the Association does not own these items, they can restrict the colors in which these exterior components can be painted. Additionally, the Association will attempt to repaint all front doors and trim every five years as a courtesy to all homeowners, and to keep the exterior colors uniform. Should you need your door or trim painted sooner than that, please contact the Association for the approved paints and paint colors.

**Q:** My attic fan is leaking or doesn't work. Who is responsible for repairing it?

**A:** The attic fan is an optional feature and is part of the unit – even though it physically resides outside of the unit. Accordingly it is the unit owner's responsibility to maintain or repair it, and also maintain or repair the roofing seal through which the fan is installed.

### WOULD YOU LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE A STORY OR TOPIC TO THIS NEWSLETTER?

We welcome your topic suggestions or complete articles on any topic that is relevant to condominium life or specifically to Drum Point Village West.

Please mail, fax or e-mail your stories or suggestions to us.

Submission deadlines for the April 2002 Newsletter is March 15, 2003.

## Important Phone Numbers

|                            |              |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| Emergency                  | 911          |
| Police, Fire, Ambulance    |              |
| Police (non-emergency)     | 732-262-1100 |
| Poison Control             | 800-222-1222 |
| Board of Health            | 732-341-9700 |
| Brick Municipal Utilities  | 732-458-7000 |
| Garbage Pickup             | 732-262-1085 |
| Library (Brick Branch)     | 732-477-4513 |
| Domestic Violence Hot Line | 800-572-7233 |
| Post Office (Main Branch)  | 732-477-0100 |

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