

# HorizoNews

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## Around the House

### Repairs Planned for Risers

On October 4, the Board approved a contract to replace old, deteriorated riser pipes and branch lines in Buildings 5 and 6. These pipes, which supply hot and cold water for heat and air conditioning, original to the construction of the buildings in 1968, are in an advanced state of disrepair. The first step, installation of new isolation valves so particular lines can be shut off without affecting the rest of the building, is mostly complete. Valves on the risers in Building 5 have already been installed and almost three-quarters of the new riser valves in Building 6 are in. The whole project will take two to three years to complete at a cost not to exceed \$7.88 million which, after



competitive bidding, was significantly lower than the originally anticipated \$11 million. Replacement of the pipes will alleviate continuing costly problems with flooding in Buildings 5 and 6.

### Horizon House Nets \$400,000 from Railing Settlement

An agreement with the engineer whose original recommendation pertaining to the height of new railings in Buildings 3 and 4 was questioned and subsequently changed, has been reached in the amount of \$400,000. Horizon House has already received payment.

### New Subletting Rules

The Board has approved a new sublet policy which now allows shareholders

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## Meet the Fort Lee Department of Human Services

Jillian Raimondo, Director of Human Services, is a great advocate for Fort Lee residents in need. With 22 years in the office, Jillian describes most of what the Human Services Department does as falling under the umbrella of "crisis intervention and general assistance programs" that include family services and assistance for senior citizens. Her department usually gets the call when emergency help is needed and she is tasked with locating the appropriate resources to respond.

The office currently serves about 150 families with children and 150 senior citizens in Fort Lee.

Jillian says that she is able to accomplish what she does with the help of an assistant who has worked with her for 20 years and that our Mayor and Town Council are very supportive of their work. The months of August through December are especially busy.

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FROM THE BOARD

Dear Neighbors,

In my letter dated April 17, 2017, I described many Board initiatives launched since the January 2017 special election. Over the past seven months, the Board has been meeting in Executive Sessions nearly every week to focus on the implementation of these initiatives and address other Horizon House matters. I would like to provide an update to you.

**I. Operations**

• **Budgeting.** The Board will be working on the 2018 operating budget and 2018 capital plan over the next several weeks. After the special election of January 2017, the Board decreased the monthly maintenance charge by 2%. Despite this decrease, we still expect to have an operating surplus in 2017. This operating surplus is the direct result of the significant financial prudence exercised by the Board and Management. Operating surplus can be used to strengthen our operating reserve and/or capital reserve,

thereby reducing any additional capital assessments that would otherwise be required to fund our capital plan.

• **Staffing.** The Board and Management are working on improving the process of handling work order requests. We asked the senior management of FirstService Residential ("FSR") to have its talent management experts evaluate our current work order processes and recommend steps that we could take to improve these processes. We expect FSR to complete the first phase of this work by the end of the year, with the second phase to begin in January 2018.

Horizon House is leanly staffed at the supervisory level. To improve supervisory oversight and services, we hired a new operations manager in July 2017 to replace the one we terminated in April 2017. The Board also authorized Management to hire a project manager to assist us with the coordination required in the plumbing repair project in Buildings 5 and 6. We expect that,

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over time, the responsibilities of this project manager will extend beyond the plumbing project in Buildings 5 and 6.

- **Electronic System for Purchase and Rental Applications.** The Board and Management have negotiated with FSR for our use of its electronic system for the processing of purchase and rental applications. We expect to implement this electronic system over the next several months. We believe that transitioning from a paper-based system to an electronic system will improve process efficiency and release some of the labor hours currently assigned to the paper-based system, allowing us to re-deploy such resources to improve other work streams at Horizon House.

- **Conservation.** Our Pay-for-Performance application with the State of New Jersey covers three recent projects: new gas boilers, new electric chillers, and new LED lighting. The amount of monetary rebate from our Pay-for-Performance application depends largely

on the amount of electricity and natural gas Horizon House uses. Therefore, please turn off the lights and other electrical appliances and equipment in your apartment when you are not using them. Also, in the coming months, if you are away from your apartment, please turn off your heat or set your heating at a low temperature. Although the use of water is not covered by our Pay-for-Performance application, your conservative water use will ultimately benefit you as the monetary savings will help us strengthen our operating reserve and/or capital reserve, thereby reducing any additional capital assessments that would otherwise be required to fund our capital plan.

- **Laundry Rooms.** The Board has entered into a new laundry room contract with Hercules. In March 2017, the Board conducted a shareholder survey to elicit your feedback. Based upon your responses, we implemented changes to the mix of different

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### Welcome New Residents

Since the July issue of *HorizoNews* was published, 37 new residents who have become part of our community have given permission to include their names in *HorizoNews*. Please join us in welcoming them.

Building 1: Michael Erenberg, James Fay, Norayir and Aylin Gocmen and Kevin Ucarian, Hyunjin Kwon, Jina Lee and Jai Young Lee, Christopher J. Root and Monica G. Snitily

Building 2: Matthew Alberti, Yoon Chang, Simon and Alison Ku, Serge Kubwimana, Olga Pizzo,

Building 3: Sasha and Lucia Hernandez, Dr. Orhan and Emine Kayaalp, Stanley and Hyang Schulman

Building 5: Kwon and Ok Whan Kim, Kuma Lin, Maria Eugenia Londono, Eugene Lubarsky, Can Ozger, Stephanie Sfaelos, Stephen Verducci and Melita Sanchez

Building 6: Arnold and Eileen Green, Lauren Schmidt, Amer and Amela Stroil, Chaim Wexler

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## Around the House

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to rent their apartments for a maximum of four two-year terms. Shareholders must reside at Horizon House for a minimum of three years before they are allowed to sublet and all sublet applications must be approved in advance of the sub-lessee's move-in. Overall, no more than 10% of Horizon House apartments may be sublet at any given time.



### **Leaving for the Winter? Prep Your Home First**

These steps will help conserve energy and protect your electrical appliances while you are away.

- Turn off all lights.
- Close all windows and doors securely.
- Draw shades, blinds and drapes.
- Unplug all appliances, except the refrigerator, including computers, alarm clocks, radios and televisions. Turn the refrigerator's control to a more moderate setting.
- If you have thermostatic heat controls, set them at 60 degrees.
- If you have non-thermostatic controls, reduce heating units to minimum setting.
- Make sure all faucets and gas jets are off.
- For your security, please make sure you alert your doormen and the Security Office that you will be away for the winter and provide information on how to contact you in case of an emergency.

### **Horizon Yoga – Still Going Strong**

Back in 2001 Lee Aiges, a long-time resident of Building 5, wanted to start a yoga program for Horizon House residents. She recruited a small group of interested residents who met with the Board to discuss several issues, including where to meet, insurance needs, costs, and potential degree of interest among shareholders. After quite a bit of discussion, the Building 5 Community Room was made available at no cost provided the participants signed waivers agreeing not to sue Horizon House should an injury occur.

Today, the yoga program is still going strong, though chairs are now used instead of mats. The current program is led by instructor June Matican and the group meets in the card room in the Building 6 lobby on Mondays and Wednesdays at 9:30 AM. If you're interested in participating, please stop by the Building 5 Management Office to sign up or contact June at [jsm1262@gmail.com](mailto:jsm1262@gmail.com).

## Ode to the Yogettes (an excerpt)

By Janet Chertkoff

We meet Mondays and Wednesdays in our shmatas and our sweats  
 A motley crew, with one guru, we are the Yogettes.  
 We massage our internal organs; we lubricate our joints  
 We cleanse our bodies and our minds, no time for needlepoint - so  
 We align our spine, we target our hips, and then we twist our torso.  
 We focus, we are totally aware of the moment even more so.

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## Upcoming Events

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### **Film and Discussion on Climate Change**

On Tuesday, November 21 at 7:30 PM in the Horizon House Building 5 Community Room, Professor Robert Dill will introduce the controversial film Merchants of Doubt and entertain questions on global climate change. Refreshments will be served. The event is sponsored by the Horizon House Events Committee.

### **Fort Lee Tree Lighting**

The Fort Lee Tree Lighting Ceremony will be held at the Jack Alter Fort Lee Community Center, 1355 Inwood Terrace on Thursday November 30 from 7 to 9:30 PM (raindate: December 1).

There will be refreshments, DJ music, amusements, rides and "special visitors."



### **HolidayTubas**



The year 2017 is the 44th anniversary of New York City HolidayTubas. This year's free event will be held at the Rockefeller Center skating rink on Sunday, December 17 at 3:30 PM. There are also several New Jersey locations, including the West Side Presbyterian Church, 6 S. Monroe St., Ridgewood on Friday, December 8 at 7:30 PM. For a complete list of sites, visit [www.tubachristmas.com](http://www.tubachristmas.com) and click on "Where is TubaChristmas?"

TubaChristmas was conceived in 1974 by Harvey Phillips as a tribute to his teacher and mentor William J. Bell, born on Christmas Day, 1902. Cities throughout the world hold this annual event where tuba and euphonium players of all ages gather to participate in festive holiday concerts.

If you play tuba or euphonium and would like to join a band, visit the TubaChristmas website (above) and click on "What Do I Need for TubaChristmas?"

## Around Town

Lots has happened around town in the past few months.

Fort Lee's Fall-O-Ween Spectacular, featuring music by DJ Johnny Mac, was celebrated along Main Street by hundreds of costumed angels, goblins, super heroes and their families.



*A Fall-O-Ween angel on Main St.*

September's Community Art Show, sponsored by the Fort Lee Artists' Guild and the Fort Lee Film Commission, brought local artists — including some from Horizon House — to the Jack Alter Fort Lee Community Center to display and sell their work.



*Horizon House artist Ed Kubersky*



*2017 Tour de Fort Lee*

A summer highlight was the Tour de Fort Lee bike race at the end of July.

New restaurants are popping up all over town, including: Mavi's Coffee and Patisserie, 237 Main St.; Wok Bar spicy hot pot at 200 Main St. (entrance on Schlosser St.); Simply Juiced at 302 Main St., a juice and smoothie bar with sandwiches and other light foods; Shinpo Korean Eatery at 214 Main St., a casual restaurant; and fine Korean dining at Gayeon, 2020 Hudson St. in the new Hudson Lights complex.



*Mavi's*



*Wok Bar*



*Simply Juiced*



*Shinpo*



*Gayeon*

## Party Time!



As the holidays approach, our thoughts often turn to partying. In the past, Horizon House residents have rented the Building 5 Community Room for private affairs like birthday parties for children or adults, family reunions, engagement and anniversary celebrations. Newer residents may not be aware of this amenity and "old timers" may not know of the changes due to the re-location of the Management Office.

The Community Room, including the kitchen facility, is available for rental on Saturday

and Sunday from 9 AM to 11 PM and after 5:30 PM Monday through Friday. The minimum rental period is four hours, which costs \$100. Additional time is \$25 per hour. In compliance with the terms of our insurance, security must be on hand, costing \$100 for the four-hour minimum and an additional \$25 per hour thereafter. Use of tables and chairs is \$50. Note that the allowable room capacity, as per Fort Lee Fire Department regulations, is 30. A refundable deposit of \$500 is required for all rentals. The Horizon House owned TV, DVD player and sound equipment are not available.

So, make your reservation early because available time periods are limited.

## How to Read a Book?

What kind of question is that? Didn't we learn to read in the first grade or before?

Recently the Events Committee sponsored a program to answer that question.

Horizon House shareholder and professor of English, Janet Chertkoff, gave an informative and helpful talk about how to read a novel more meaningfully.

Recognizing that most of us probably read books in many categories, for example, light diversive, informative, classics, novels, Janet concentrated her analysis on novels. She suggested some basic questions for the reader to ask while reading.

What is the author's purpose? What is the basic theme of the novel? Does he/she succeed?

What is the basic plot?  
Did you find the characters well drawn? Was the dialogue realistic?

Are you aware of the writing style, vocabulary, structure of the novel?

While this article is only a brief summary of Janet's lecture, responding to these basic questions should make reading more meaningful and enjoyable.





### **Horizon House Book Group Meeting**

The next meeting of the Horizon House Book Group will be December 4, at 7 PM in the Building 5 Community Room. The book to be discussed is “City of Thieves” by David Penioff. Newcomers are welcome.

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## **Clothing Moths: How to Get Rid of Them**

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Clothing moths are tiny little critters that usually come out of hiding in the early evening. They are very small and fast. If you see one, best to go after it! The adult moths lay eggs on your wool clothing and blankets, so when the larvae hatch they have an instant food source – YUCK!

You need to take a two-pronged attack on these bugs:



1. Use Moth Traps – like the ones shown here by Safer (photo left). These have a small scented chip which attracts the adults to the trap. They will last for three months. When you no longer catch any critters, you are in the clear!

2. Use Neem Oil (photo right) – this is a natural non-toxic oil that gets onto the bugs' reproductive organs and prevents them from laying eggs. The bugs like dark places to lay their eggs. Make sure to spray the neem oil solution inside closets, under beds and furniture, in suitcases, and on the vents and doorways to your apartment. There is little to no odor.



This is the recipe:

- 1 Tablespoon Neem Oil
- 1 Teaspoon Liquid Soap – like Ivory – NOT ANTIBACTERIAL
- 1 Quart Warm Water

Mix together in spray bottle. You may need to apply the neem oil weekly for several weeks to eradicate the problem.

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## Fort Lee's Parking Permits — A Local Perk

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The Fort Lee Residential Parking Program was established to ensure that free local parking would be available to borough residents on **non-metered** streets. All parking permits are digital and no stickers or tags are needed. The Fort Lee Police Department uses a license plate scanning system for enforcement.

The program is an important perk of living in Fort Lee because non-residents are only allowed to park on many streets, including Horizon Road, for two hours. However, residents and their registered guests may park for up to 48 hours in most non-metered spots.

### How to Purchase Permits

To take advantage of the program, residents must register their vehicles with the Fort Lee Parking Authority either online at <https://fortlee.nupark.com/portalv5> or in person at the Parking Commission office, located directly behind Fort Lee Borough Hall, 309 Main St., in the rear parking lot. Note that the Parking Commission's visitor lot is only accessible via Center Ave. (make a left turn at Guntzer St., which is just past Main). Office hours are 8:30 AM to 8 PM on Mondays and 8:30 AM to 4 PM Tuesday through Friday.

There is a \$5 fee to register each vehicle and every registered household is allotted two free visitor passes. The permits are valid for two years from the date of issuance.

The following supporting documentation is required: driver's license, registration, insurance card (if car is leased), vehicle type, and license plate number. If registration is done online, scans of applicable documents are acceptable.

In addition, traffic passes for registered Fort Lee residents, which allow certain turns near the George Washington Bridge that are normally illegal for non-residents, are distributed in-person at the Parking Commission office. There is no additional fee for the traffic pass, which is hung on your vehicle's mirror.

For more information, contact the Parking Authority at 201-592-3500 extension 1518.

Horizon House also allows temporary guest parking in its own lots. Passes for these designated guest spaces are issued by the buildings' doormen.

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## Have a Laugh!

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By *The Unknown Columnist*

It's Holiday time! Be jolly, eat some turkey, watch the Yule log on TV with a nice cup of eggless egg nog, spin a dreidel and ring in the new year. My good friend *Anonymous* is a big fan of the holidays. He used to travel far and wide in a search for the best (and worst) holiday jokes money could buy. Well, he didn't exactly shell out cash for the jokes, maybe just a chocolate coin or two. Nowadays, we don't have to travel very much at all; we just let the jokes come to us via the almighty Internet. And maybe someone still makes some up. Your guess is as good as mine. So have a happy, laugh-filled holiday season... if you can stomach these year-end beauties:



Why did Santa confiscate his helpers' phones?  
They were taking too many elfies

What kind of computer do you spin on Chanukah?  
A dreiDell

Why should you switch to LED holiday lights?  
They save electreecity

Where does Santa swim when he gets to Horizon House?  
The North Pool

What kind of meat do percussionists crave?  
Drumsticks

What's the best Thanksgiving meal for a recovering addict?  
Cold turkey

Why couldn't the baker's neighbors get any sleep around the holidays?  
He was challah-ing all night long!

Which holiday recipe always falls flat?  
Squash

What do 3.14 pumpkins make?  
Pumpkin Pi

In what did the astrophysicist enclose the gift of a black hole?  
Warping paper

Why was everyone kissing the biker?  
He was on a Holly Davidson

Where to you kiss a body builder?  
Under the muscletoe

My New Year's resolution was to give up all my bad habits  
Then I remembered that no one likes a quitter

## **Letter from the Board President**

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capacity washers in several of our buildings. All washers and dryers in our six laundry rooms were replaced with new ones in July 2017. In addition, the walls in the laundry rooms were repainted and the floor tiles were replaced.

- **New Jersey Housing Inspection Cycle.**

The Fort Lee Bureau of Fire Prevention recently completed the current five-year cycle of housing inspections at Horizon House. Given the cooperation of many shareholders and the coordinating effort from Management, the monetary penalty resulting from this inspection cycle is less than that from the four previous cycles.

- **Meeting with FSR Senior Management.**

In July 2017, the Board met with FSR's senior management to discuss ways in which FSR could provide value-added support to Horizon House, including helping us to improve work order processing and providing an electronic platform for purchase and rental applications.

- **Site Improvements.** We recently repainted the lines and numbers on our exterior parking lots.

## **II. Capital Projects**

- **Buildings 5&6 Plumbing Repair.** In late 2015, a break in a HVAC riser in Building 5 flooded apartments on nearly 20 floors. In late May 2017, another riser break in Building 5 flooded apartments on 5 floors. In May 2017, we hired an engineering company, The Falcon Group, to put together the project specifications, conduct a selection process for the contractor, and to oversee the project.

After a competitive bidding process, we hired EVCO Mechanical Corporation as our contractor for this project. The scope of this project includes the installation of HVAC riser isolation valves and the replacement of HVAC risers in Buildings 5 and 6.

In October 2017, EVCO installed isolation valves on the 32 HVAC risers in Building 5. In the future, when there is a break in a HVAC riser, we will shut down the water in just one riser (instead of all risers in the building) while we repair the damaged riser. This saves time and money and reduces disruption to shareholders. The installation of isolation valves in Building 6 is approximately 75% complete, with full completion expected in spring of 2018.

We plan to begin the pilot program for HVAC riser replacement in Building 5 in January 2018. Management has already contacted the affected shareholders and set up a meeting in which they can pose their questions to EVCO. We expect to obtain valuable insights from the pilot program and we will incorporate the lessons learned into the remainder of the project.

- **Buildings 1&4 Western Façade Repair.**

The Board and Management have been working diligently with our engineers (The Falcon Group) and our contractors (Integrated Construction Services) on the western façades in Buildings 1 and 4. We are undertaking this major project to enhance the value of our apartments by not only improving the aesthetics of our façades, but also extending the useful life of our façades and balconies, and minimizing our long-term maintenance cost. Falcon recommended that we protect all exposed structural concrete to maximize

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the life of the concrete and to minimize the amount and frequency of maintenance.

• **Buildings 1&6 Lighting Upgrade.** The main purposes of our lighting upgrade are to lower operating cost and improve lighting quality. We will also receive a monetary rebate from the State of New Jersey as part of our Pay-for-Performance application. Most of the light bulbs in our hallway fixtures have already been replaced with the new energy-efficient LED bulbs. Installation of motion-activated lighting fixtures has already begun in the garage of Building 1. We expect that garage lighting fixture installation in all six building will be completed by mid-December 2017. Thereafter, Management and our electrician will monitor the performance of garage lighting and can adjust the motion sensitivity and lighting level as needed.

• **Buildings 5&6 Window and Sliding Door Repair.** Repair to the sliding doors and casement windows in Buildings 5 and 6 was mandated in our 2015 mortgage loan document. Earlier this year, the Board hired C. Bossolina Construction, Inc. to power-wash the sliding doors, replace the weather-stripping and rollers on the sliding doors, inspect the casement windows, and, where necessary, repair the casement windows in Buildings 5 and 6. This project was recently completed.

• **Buildings 5&6 Circulating Pump Replacement.** Earlier this year, the circulating pumps providing pressure to deliver water to the kitchens and bathrooms in Buildings 5 and 6 had reached the end of

their useful lives. We recently replaced these pumps.

• **Buildings 1&6 Decorative Railings.** The Board is evaluating options for the replacement of decorative railings throughout Horizon House. These are mainly the railings between Horizon Road and the main entrances of our six buildings. We expect installation to be completed by the summer of 2018.

### III. In Closing ...

Horizon House is a large residential complex requiring significant resources to operate efficiently. The Board is continuing to take steps to improve the process efficiency of various work flows.

We have an ambitious long-term capital plan. As we complete these capital projects, the process of renewal will continue at Horizon House, a renewal that will improve the quality of life and attractiveness of living at Horizon House.

Given the scope of our long-term capital plan, this Board and future Boards must remain financially prudent and spend wisely. We should make decisions that are in the long-term best interest of our shareholders in the aggregate, while taking into consideration shareholders' economic constraints. Striking an equitable balance among our significant competing demands is a difficult task. It is my hope that our Boards over the next decade will have the courage to maintain this delicate balance.

Respectfully yours,  
Richard Ng  
Board President, 1266 Apartment Corp.  
(richard.ng.horizon@gmail.com)

**Meet the Fort Lee Dept. of Human Services**

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Some of the special programs include the \$50 New Coat Card for children in Grades K-6. The program relies on school nursing staff to identify those in the free lunch program who qualify to receive an offer for the New Coat Card.

In September, letters go out to residents who are in the food stamp program, inviting them to sign up for the Thanksgiving \$20 gift card program. At Thanksgiving, the Department of Human Services accepts donations of frozen turkeys and hams.

For the December holidays, Horizon House residents place their annual donations of new toys into boxes provided town-wide by the Police Benevolent Association, working in association with the Department of Human

Services. For children in grades 5 and 6, donations of gift cards are most appreciated. Gift cards should be brought to the Department's office (address below).

What would Jillian and the Department of Human Services like you to know?

- When you contribute toys at the holidays, please give NEW toys only.
- If your children are on the free lunch list, please check with your school nurse to make sure they are on the list for the Department of Human Services.

The Fort Lee Department of Human Services is located at 1501 8th Street, across from the township tennis courts. Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM to 4 PM. The office can be reached by phone at 201-592-3500, extension 1511.

**The Kabocha Squash — A Fall Treasure**

The Kabocha squash is a treasure – simple to cook and delicious to eat. It looks like a turban with defined grooves, dark green in color with some touches of yellow. Hard to find, but currently available in H-Mart in Fort Lee. There are similar squashes, so be sure to ask the grocer if it is Kabocha.



- Preheat oven to 425 degrees.
- Cut the squash in half. (It requires some strength to cut and you can buy it already cut in half.)
- Do not peel the squash. Scoop out and discard the seeds. Cover a cookie sheet (with sides) in non-stick aluminum foil.
- Brush oil on the interior and the cut sides of the squash. Place the squash cut side down on the cookie sheet. Bake for 25 – 45 minutes. Test for doneness by gently pressing down on the top side of the squash. It should yield to the touch. It should offer no resistance – if there is resistance then cook in increments of 5 minutes until done (no longer than 45 minutes).
- Remove from oven and when it is cool to the touch, scoop out the flesh and put it in a food processor and blend. You can add a small amount of hot chicken or vegetable broth or stock to facilitate blending.

The squash is delicious with butter, can be made into a soup by adding broth to the desired consistency and can be seasoned simply or by adding your favorite herbs or spice blend.

It can be frozen and reheats nicely.

### Write to Us

HorizoNews provides residents with a forum to express their thoughts about life in and around Horizon House.

- We encourage letters that provide an exchange of ideas about issues of importance in the Horizon House community.
- Letters to the editors (300 words or less, please) can be left at the Building 5 Management Office, Attention: HorizoNews Letters.

Letters for the next issue should be received by January 15, 2018. For information on Classified ads, see box on page 18.

## Classifieds

### Services

**Affordable Science Tutor-** 26 years experience in private tutoring for all levels from middle school to college level. Please contact me @ 201-400-9814.

**Air Conditioning Enclosures** -- I am an Artist/Craftsman who designs and builds custom AC enclosures. They are painted or stained to match your interior. Additional services include painting, molding installation and decorative faux finishes such as Sponging, Stenciling and Antiquing. Paint techniques can be applied to your walls, furniture, etc. I build custom furniture and built-ins such as bookcases and cabinets. I restore, refinish and repair antiques and furniture. Other services are available. Call Charles for a free estimate or to see samples of our work. 917-783-9820.

**Auto Repairs-** import and domestic vehicles. From oil changes to state inspections - we do everything. As a mechanic who lives in the Horizon House complex I can take your car to work with me and bring it back home. You don't have to leave your apt! Since we are neighbors you will also receive 10% OFF on any work. Please call Axel at 201-245-0282.

**Can you help out a neighbor?** Very sweet, independent elderly lady residing in Building 3 is looking for someone to help her get dinner on the table during Sat/Sun around 5:30pm. Hours are flexible. Please call her daughter - 201-768-3988.

**Caricaturist-** One of the best party caricaturists in the tri-state area also happens to be a neighbor in Bldg 2. For more fun at your next party or event, call Bud Geisenheimer for samples and rates at 201-224-7754. Or email him at: ourwaystudios@gmail.com.

**Cat Sitter-** Purrfect care when you're not there®. Loving cat care while you work or travel. Insured. Bonded. References.

Guaranteed. Call 201-490-4498, email: Deborah@YourCatSitter.com or visit us online at www.YourCatSitter.com

**Certified Home Healthcare Aide-** recently certified by Freedom Home Healthcare. Looking for full-time or part-time work, preferably on Horizon House premises. I live in Bldg #6. Hours are flexible. Also have past work experience and references are available upon request. Please call Rosa @ 201-224-4468.

**Certified Kitchen and Interior Designer-** "Time for a New Look" Create a fresh, updated space with the help of a Nationally Certified Kitchen and Interior Designer. Reasonable hourly consultations available for space planning, furniture layouts, paint and product selection, reducing clutter and overseeing installation for your Kitchen, Bath, or Interior Project. Designer discounts passed on to clients. Please call Susan Shaub NCIDQ CKD at 201-224-4502.

**Composition, Piano, Improvisation, Theory Lessons** - Live the Music! Every lesson is an exciting experience. Individual approach and careful choice of direction in regards to every student. The lessons are always productive, and inspire the students to study on their own. It does not matter whether the student wants to be a musician or study for pleasure and cultural development. I invariably succeed in bringing the very best out of every single person I set my heart on instructing. Please contact Margarita Zelenaia 201-496-6451 mzelenaia@nj.rr.com

**Computer Service-** Need Help? I can install operating systems, set up wireless networks, instruct on Microsoft Office tools for email and web browsing. Please call Simon @ 201-615-8860.

**Daughter for a Day** – Horizon House resident for 17 years, retired business woman, available to help you with

bill paying or organizing your home office, taking you to and from doctor's appointments (and waiting with you), driving you wherever you need to go, grocery shopping, light meal preparation and airport drop-offs. Please call Marlene @ 201-290-8481.

**Dry Cleaning, Tailoring and Shoe Repair** - Cleaner America Inc, owned and operating by a Horizon House resident provides the following services. Full service Dry Cleaning, Shirt Laundry, Tailoring. Pick up and delivery to your doorman five days a week with one to two day turn around. All work done in my 4500 sq foot plant. Leather, Suede and shoe repair available. Price lists available at front desk. Call 201-998-4106 for service.

**Free Carpool Ride**- I am looking for passengers to ride for FREE across the GWB in the mornings Mon-Fri. I can drop off at the GWB Bus Station. Departure time is around 7:15 am. Please email me at CH07024@gmail.com or call 917-652-8073.

**Freelance Graphic Designer**- Need a logo, ad, newsletter, brochure, direct mail or marketing material to promote your business? HH resident looking to solve your marketing, promotion, packaging or print needs in a creative, professional and eye-catching manner. Over 20 yrs experience in creative development of promotions, marketing material and packaged goods. Project development from initial concepts through photography, final art and print production. Call today for a free estimate and upgrade your business graphics 914-954-8008.

**Get Your Gold Out....** Turn scrap unused and broken jewelry into cash today. Horizon resident owner has worked in the jewelry business for 30 years. I can top every price on the market. Call 201-314-4711.

**Global Visions Travel** - Customized travel experiences for individuals and groups designed by knowledgeable and experienced travel professional. Think about a Safari in East or South Africa, River Cruises in Europe, the Galapagos or Amazon. Explore China, Vietnam, Thailand or Myanmar. Family celebrations worldwide. Bar/Bat Mitzvah Tours to Israel. Getaways to Italy, France, Morocco and much more. The world is waiting. Licensed Travel Insurance Specialist. Call or email for a personal appointment: globalvisionstravel@aol.com or 201-282-4434.

**Home Improvements** — Arthur Esposito, President of A.C.E. General Contracting, has lived in Horizon House for 32 years. He and his team of talented and dependable craftspeople have worked in over 400 Horizon House apartments, handling projects involving electrical, plumbing, painting, kitchen and bathroom, tiling, wood flooring and more. His company is state certified and fully insured to meet Horizon House's high standards. To see a prime example of his work, visit Building 5's lobby — A.C.E. did it! For a free and reasonable estimate, contact Arthur: 201-224-6333 (O), 201-650-4693 (cell), espo924@verizon.net (email)

**Horizon Deli** in Building 6 offers a wide variety of fresh food and household items. A great place for breakfast, lunch or a snack. Eat in or take out. Try our weekend special: 1/2

dozen bagels, 1/2 lb. cream cheese, 1/4 lb. lox -- all for just \$17.99! Call (201) 886-8882 for free delivery, no minimum required.

**Horizon North Haircutters** — Louis is starting his 17th year in the complex. He thanks his loyal customers for their continued support, and looks forward to new ones. We also offer a full line of quality hair products. Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Tuesdays-Saturdays. Call or drop by to make your appointment. 201-886-7377, in the Lobby Level of Bldg. #6.

**Horizons Classic Physique** — Fully equipped and conveniently located in Building 5. We cater to all age groups from pre-teen to seniors with all types of medical conditions. In addition to one-on-one training we now offer couples training and half hour sessions for the budget conscious. As always all trainers are degreed and or certified with more than 17 years of training experience. We also have an in house nutritionist /dietician by appointment. For a free consultation contact Michael Esposito at 201-886-9371 to discuss all of your needs.

**Legal Services** – Attorney admitted in NY and NJ, 30 years of practice serving individuals & small businesses; wills, POAs, health care directives (living wills), leases, contracts, entity formation; document drafting & review; available for consultations in your home or by phone; Melinda B. Maidens, Esq.; (201) 321-8166 or gindigar@gmail.com.

**Math Tutor** — Horizon House resident with many years teaching experience in Bergen County schools, including Fort Lee High School, as well as many years tutoring experience for middle and high school mathematics and SAT math prep. New Jersey State certified. Reasonable rates. Call 201-224-7178.

**Passion for Fashion**- Time for a new look or just want to update your wardrobe? Certified Image Consultant and Personal Shopper (FIT Graduate) can help. Call Karen at 551-574-2723.

**Piano Lessons**- Experienced educator and composer who has an original fun approach suitable for all ages and abilities. Free introductory lesson. Please call George Eckhardt @ 551-265-0102 or 201-969-9593.

**Pro Web Design**- Boost your business or promote your personal practice with our full service web development. Quick turn-around with specific focus on supporting your goals. From content architecture, copy creation to original photography and design, we walk you through the process of launching your ideal website live. Mobile responsive, Search Engine Optimization, E-Commerce and more. Trilingual capabilities. Call Suzie for a free quote at 917-767-6769 or email SuzieOfficialNY@gmail.com

**Speech Therapy**- Home visits for children and adults. HH resident NJ licensed speech therapist. Follow-up on early intervention, pre-school, school programs and adults. Please call Phyllis at 201-224-4434.

**Tailoring Services**- Horizon House resident with 30 years of experience in tailoring for ladies and gents. Please call 201-224-5822.



**Tax Preparer-** Individual and Corporate Taxes - Designated as a Registered Tax Return Preparer by the IRS. Tax returns expertly prepared by professional accountant with many years of satisfied clients. Free consultation at your home with no obligation. Your tax is my business. Please call Norman: 201-280-3074 or 201-282-4434. email: nh630@aol.com

**Wanted: Caregiver/Companion-** Pleasant, organized and reliable companion needed for sweet, easy-going, self-sufficient HH senior. Must have car and references. Hours are flexible. Please call 201-768-3988.

### Goods

**Area Rug** - Persian Hamadan c/ 1940 approx. -perfect accent piece for any room or foyer. Colors are mostly reds and blues. Asking \$300 or best offer. If interested, please contact 201-637-1258.\*

**Dinnerware for Sale:** Greek Key by Lenox Service for 12, 4 piece setting. Perfect Condition. Interested? Call 201-224-8560.\*

**ESTATE SALE!** Antique, vintage, decorative items, collected and loved for many years. French, English, African, China, Sterling silver, Glass, Quilts, Oil Paintings, Frames, Set of old Dickens books, Star Wars, and so much more. Please call 201-336-2120.\*

**Glass Door Cabinets** - 3 Bookcase or display cabinets with adjustable shelves from IKEA. Excellent condition \$90.00 each or \$270.00 for three. Must sell. W 31- D 12- H 79. Please call Aruna at 201 699 0723 or email: aruna.america@yahoo.com \*

**Glassware for sale:** Crystal Killarney By Hawkes Signed Water Goblets, Wine/Cordial Cocktail etc and Large cut crystal ice bucket. Interested? Call 201-224-8560.\*

**Guitar, cover and stand for sale:** One year old and rarely used. Almost new. Want only \$ 48.00. Please contact Aruna 201 699 0723 or email: aruna.america@yahoo.com \*

**Italian leather black sectional sofa set for sale:** As good as new. Asking \$1875.00 or best offer. Must sell. Originally \$4400.00. Please contact Aruna at 201 699 0723 or Email: aruna.america@yahoo.com \*

**Matterhorn Raclette Grill** - For 8 people. In original box and used couple of times. Want only \$44.00. Please call Aruna at 201 699 0723 or email: aruna.america@yahoo.com \*

**Women's designer clothing for sale:** Excellent condition. Sizes 4-8: Prada, JBrand, Juicy Couture, Ralph Lauren, Adriano Goldschmied. Very good price. Please call 203-249-5134.\*\*

### Community Blogs

**CHAIR YOGA AT HORIZON HOUSE GOOD FOR EVERYONE!!** No getting up and down on yoga mats!!

Come and try a great new class being offered to all residents. Stretch, breathe, and relax all while sitting in a chair. Strengthen and balance out of the chair and use the chair for support. **Fun group.** Mondays & Wednesdays @ 9:30 am. All classes \$10. Building 6 card room. Sign up in Management Office.

**Dear Horizon Friends.** My book "Liberal Theology" was just published. The e-book version, costing \$0.99, is available at amazon.com. The free online version is available at: <http://pages.csam.montclair.edu/~kowalski/LIBERAL9.htm>. Please share this link with other potential readers. Would be interested in any feedback and I would be happy to discuss the book, in small groups or at meetings, if invited. [kowalskil@mail.montclair.edu](mailto:kowalskil@mail.montclair.edu)

**Do you have hearing problems?** My recently composed essay, about relatively inexpensive PSAs (Personal Sound Amplifiers) is at: <http://pages.csam.montclair.edu/~kowalski/aps.edu>. Feel free to share this link with those that might be interested. The PDF file with my essay will be emailed to those who request it. [KowalskiL@mail.monclair.edu](mailto:KowalskiL@mail.monclair.edu)

**Looking for a Biking Buddy-** starting Springtime - Male or Female. Mostly interested in the spectacular New Jersey side of the Hudson River Bike Path from West New York to Jersey City. Go thru the quaint Hoboken train station. It's 9 miles of flat biking. Optional- Enjoy the local offerings before biking back. Questions- Call Harriet- 201 224-6771.

**Looking for a "Crafty" Person-** I would like to learn paper making and dimensional decoupage. I am hoping to find someone in Horizon House who is skilled in either and can teach me the basics. If you are interested, please call Anne at 201-224-0794.

**Looking for a Mahjong Game.** Please call Lucille @ 917-547-8580.

**Looking for a Poker Game.** Would be interested in playing as a regular or alternate. Please call Joel @ 201-886-1066.

**Want to be part of our Horizon House monthly HOT TOPICS IN THE NEWS GROUP?** We meet the 3rd Weds of each month in our Community Room, Bldg 5 at 7:30 PM. Charlie Kolber is a resident and our volunteer Moderator. This is sponsored by the Horizon House Events Committee and refreshments are served. Drop by for one or more evenings as we share our knowledge and opinions in a neighborly fashion.

**Want to Form a Knitting Circle?** Can you crochet or knit? Would you be willing to teach others? The Events Committee would like to help organize a knitting group so if you are interested in leading it or participating in it, email [ilenewithi@yahoo.com](mailto:ilenewithi@yahoo.com) and indicate your level of proficiency. Beginners will be welcomed.

**WANTED: REPORTERS for HORIZONEWS** - Takes minimum time. Provides fun and satisfaction. Send an email to [horizonews.editors@nj.rr.com](mailto:horizonews.editors@nj.rr.com) or call the Management Office (201-224-6300) and tell them you are interested and we'll get in touch with you.

**To Horizon House Music Lovers** - Please check out the new posts by Margarita Zelenai, resident Horizon House composer and concert pianist, on her website:

<http://www.margaritazelenai.com/music/video-gallery/>  
 Scroll down to "The Lion that Couldn't Roar", an exciting music fairy tale for children and the "Fantasy" on Rimsky-Korsakov's "Scheherazade" written for Four Pianos that continues the tradition of Russian romanticism, a music style that changed the world. An intrigued listener, on one hand, can recognize the familiar melodies, but, on the other hand, to feel an unusual sound of the highly virtuosic Piano orchestra, with all possible nuances. In 2015, it was commissioned and premiered by the "Pianissimo!" Four pianos Chicago based ensemble.

**To All Horizon House Contributors to the Building 5 Library** -- The Library Committee thanks all who donate books to our library. To help us make the library more effective, please:

1. Place all contributions and returned books on the library cart, NOT on the shelves.
2. Limit donations of nonfiction soft covered books to those published in the last 10 years. Limit donations of hard covered fiction books to those published in the last 20 years. Dates can be found on back of title page.
3. NOTE THAT WE DO NOT ACCEPT COOKBOOKS, SELF-HELP BOOKS, BOOKS ON RELIGION, BOOKS IN BAD REPAIR, SCHOOL TEXTBOOKS, OR TRAVEL AND GUIDE BOOKS.

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- *If commercial goods and/or services are offered, the advertiser's primary place of business must be within the Horizon House complex.*
- *Ads must be accompanied by the **advertiser's full name, building, apartment, and telephone number**. This information is needed by the *HorizoNews* staff for verification purposes and will not appear in the ad except at the advertiser's request.*
- *Upon acceptance, ads for "Services" and "Community Blogs" will appear indefinitely unless cancelled in writing.*
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