

## SKYLINE HOUSE NEWS BRIEF

September 2025

This month, as is tradition, the newsletter takes a break, but there is important information to convey so this brief is being emailed. Look for a full newsletter - email, print, and website - in October.

### PRESIDENT'S NOTES

BY RICHARD PORTER, BOARD PRESIDENT

Summer is nearly over and SHUOA will resume its board and committee work in September. We hope you have enjoyed summer thus far, including enjoying our pool.

Work on our garage has continued apace. So far the work is roughly on schedule and on cost, although some additional work has become necessary which has delayed finishing the first part of the project.

We have now arrived at the time for considering budgeting for 2026. Management has suggested a dues increase of 7.5%. The treasurer said that she could support an increase up to 8%. These suggestions are in line with the recommendations of the foresight committee report. There has been some feeling in some quarters that the increase should be greater, out of concern for future costs which have not as yet manifested. I am hopeful that the board will reach a resolution which takes into consideration the needs of the building and the reasonable expectations of owners about charges which remain hypothetical.

Discussion continues about the extent to which food delivery should be permitted in the building. I understand that there will be a survey taken of owners. I am hopeful that a solution can be found that will respect both the convenience of your door-to-door delivery and the need for safety in our community.

### FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

BY JOHANNAH EKLUND, COMMITTEE CHAIR

#### 2026 Budget Process Update

The Budget Planning Committee consisting of representatives from the Management team, Board of Directors, PPOC, and FMC met to prepare draft budgets for operations and reserves, which were reviewed (line-by-line) over the course of two open meetings on August 13th and 14th, 2025. Some residents attended in person and via Zoom.

After deliberations, at the close of the meetings, the FMC agreed unanimously to consider increasing HOA fees by 9% for the year 2026 in order to meet current budget needs and to add to reserves for anticipated capital expenses. The FMC will take an official vote at their September meeting, then forward a recommendation to the Board of Directors for their consideration. The Board will take their official vote at their October meeting.

The September **FMC meeting** is scheduled on **Thursday, September 18th at 7 p.m.** and the **Board meeting** is scheduled on **Wednesday, September 24th at 7 p.m.** Both meetings will be in the West Meeting Room or available via Zoom link. See forthcoming reminder emails for the link. Resident suggestions and the Budget Planning Committee's responses to them will be published in the October Skyline House Newsletter.

## SEPTEMBER SAVE THE DATES!

Mark your calendars and join us for an exciting lineup of events at Skyline House!

**Note: West Meeting Room (WMR) and West Party Room (WPR) are located on the Penthouse (P) Level**

### Activities -

- **Bridge**, Tuesday, 9/2, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m., WPR
- **Neuropathy Lecture**, Thursday, 9/4, 7:00 p.m., WPR
- **Book Club**, Wednesday, 9/10, 7:00 p.m., WPR **Note: new date**
- **Bridge**, Tuesday, 9/16, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m., WPR
- **Happy Hour at the Mezzanine**, Saturday, 9/20, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m., Mezzanine

### Meetings -

- **Furnishings & Design Committee (FDC)**, Monday, 9/8, 7:00 p.m., WPR
- **Activities Committee**, Tuesday, 9/9, 7:00 p.m., WPR
- **Physical Plant & Operations Committee (PPOC)**, Wednesday, 9/17, 7:00 p.m., WMR and Zoom **Note: new date**
- **Financial Management Committee (FMC)**, Thursday, 9/18, 7:00 p.m., WMR and Zoom
- **SHUOA Board of Directors**, Wednesday, 9/24, 7:00 p.m., WMR and Zoom

### Skyline House Library -

The SHUOA Library with items for children and adults is in the East Building Penthouse.

Hours: 6:00-7:00 p.m. on Mondays, except holidays, and from 1:00-5:00 p.m. on Saturdays.

### September Skyline House Book Club selection



### October Skyline House Book Club selection

