

Algonquin House

Newsletter

Around the House



April Showers ...

Social Events...

- The **TGIF** will be hosted by the 9th floor on **April 21st**. *This event is always scheduled for the third Friday of each month and the hours are from 5:30 to 7:30 pm.*

Correction: *It has been brought to my attention that it was incorrectly reported that the TGIF hostesses must bring food when their floor is hosting the event. Hostesses may (NOT "MUST") bring food if they want to. Sorry for the confusion.*

- April's movie is "**Manchester by the Sea.**" It will be shown on **Wednesday, April 12th**, at **1:30pm**. The movie runs about two hours.
- **Bob Place** is hosting a "**Men's Night Out**" **Movie Night** on **Thursday, April 13th**, at **7:00pm**. Some snacks are provided, BYOB. The movie featured will be "**My Cousin Vinny.**"
- **Gentle Mental Chair Yoga** will be held every **Thursday afternoon from *1:30 to 2:30 pm in the Algonquin Room**. If you are interested, just show up. There is will be a small fee of \$5.00. **Please note the time change.*
- The **Belly Dancing Class** meets **Mondays only at 10:30am** in the Algonquin Room. **The cost is \$30.00 for 10 weeks**. New members are welcome! **And welcome to our new instructor, Sonia Monson**. This is more of an exercise class than a dance class, and stresses building up core strength.

A Goodbye to...

The Algonquin House Community sends our condolences to the family of **Dr. Carole Hines**. This lovely lady will be sorely missed.

Mark your Calendars...

- The **Lakewood Tap Club** will hold a recital on **April 6 at 1:30 pm** in the Algonquin room. After

the recital there will be an "**Old-Fashioned Sock Hop**" open to all.

- The **April Board meeting** will be held on **Tuesday, April 25th**, starting at **9:20 am** for the Homeowner's forum. The formal meeting starts at **9:30 a.m.** An **additional 10 minute Homeowner** forum will be held following the Board meeting.

Around the Corner...

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| • April Fool's Day | April 1 |
| • Tap recital | April 6 |
| • Palm Sunday | April 9 |
| • Passover | April 11 |
| • Good Friday | April 14 |
| • Easter Sunday | April 16 |
| • Passover ends | April 18 |
| • Earth Day | April 22 |
| • Board Meeting | April 25 |

Puns...

- I stayed up all night to see where the sun went.
Then it dawned on me.

Poem...

April
By Sara Teasdale

The roofs are shining from the rain.
The sparrows tritter as they fly,
And with a windy April grace
The little clouds go by.

Yet the back-yards are bare and brown
With only one unchanging tree--
I could not be so sure of Spring
Save that it sings in me.

Book Review...

Say Nothing by Brad Parks - A powerful and moving breakout thriller about a couple who are plunged into unimaginable terror when their children are kidnapped, and the stop at nothing compulsion to get them back.

Judge Scott Sampson doesn't brag about having a perfect life, but the evidence is clear: A prestigious job. A beloved family. On an ordinary Wednesday afternoon, he is about to pick up his six-year-old twins to go swimming when his wife, Alison, texts him that she'll get the kids from school instead.

It's not until she gets home later that Scott realizes she doesn't have the children. And she never sent the text. Then the phone rings, and every parent's most chilling nightmare begins. A man has stolen Sam and Emma. A man who warns the judge to do exactly as he is told in a drug case he is about to rule on. If the judge fails to follow his instructions, the consequences for the children will be dire.

For Scott and Alison, the kidnapper's call is only the beginning of a twisting, gut-churning ordeal of blackmail, deceit, and terror; a high-profile trial like none the judge or his wife has ever experienced. Their marriage falters. Suspicions and long-buried jealousies rise to the surface. Fractures appear. Lies are told.

Through it all, Scott and Alison will stop at nothing to get their children back, no matter the cost to themselves...or to each other. (Set in Norfolk.)

Reviewed by GoodReads

Thoughts...Judging from the looks of our "Rubbish Rooms", it might be time for a refresher course on recycling. The other day I was getting ready to put my newspaper in the bin, when I saw a box of cereal in the recycle bin for plastics. Being a "good neighbor", I reached in to flatten it and put it in the proper bin when I realized it was half full and that under it were several non-recyclable items like a waxed milk container and a clear plastic salad container, neither one cleaned before being placed in the recycle bin.

So, let's review. What is recycling? It's converting waste materials into new products, or fuel. "It's not just for 'hippies' and 'tree-huggers' anymore - all the "cool" people are doing it." (So says Susan Rodriguez, Algonquin House Manager.)

There seems to be lots of conflicting opinions and confusing information regarding what is and what isn't "recyclable".

Definitely recyclable: Newspapers, paper, cardboard (please break it down), soda and beer bottles and cans, wine and liquor bottles (please make sure all liquids have been emptied from their containers before placing in bins), metal cans, and glass jars. Not only should all containers be emptied, but they should be rinsed out so they don't stink. Yuck.

While we're talking about glass, note that not all glass is recyclable. Translucent jars and bottles like those mentioned above can be recycled. However, light bulbs, Pyrex products, lab glassware, mirror and window glass are usually not acceptable.

Oh, and let's leave out greasy food packages. Yes, your nasty old pizza box should be taken down stairs and pitched in the large bins, not placed in the recycle bin. And don't even think about trying to force those bad boys down the rubbish chute. We have been there, done that, ask anyone who has lived here for the last few years. We have some real horror stories we can tell you.

Definitely NOT recyclable: Any soiled items, (like greasy pizza boxes), soiled containers, used tissues and paper towels and hopefully it goes without saying no dirty diapers, discarded medical supplies like needles, etc., **anything Styrofoam**, the waxed bags from inside cereal boxes, waxed cardboard such as milk and juice containers, butter or margarine tubs. Caps should be removed from bottles and discarded in the trash.

Did you know that when the wrong items are included in the recycling container, the result is a much greater cost to divert the wrong material to the landfill, which in turn, reduces the value of recovered material and increases handling costs?

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