

# Morris Place Newsletter

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## News

### May Open Board Meeting

Place: Rm 201, Morristown Town Hall (200 South St.)

Date: May 19, 2005 (third Thursday of every month.)

Time: 7:00 pm

- Flood threat: rubber washing machine hoses
- Proposal from pest control company for scheduled preventive maintenance
- Proposed 2005/2006 Budget
- Additional fence-line clearing – Proposal from Joe Trezza
- Hanging of flags in the community

### Morristown Postal Service: Keeping Us on Our Toes

Have you ever been expecting mail that never actually arrived? Chances are it was delivered, but to another resident's mailbox.

If you receive mail addressed to another resident - as has happened to some of us on numerous occasions - please be thoughtful enough to hand-deliver the mail to the addressee.

### Spring 2005 Resident Directory Sign-Up: Last Chance

Last chance to sign-up for the Spring 2005 Resident Directory.

To receive and have your name added to the print Morris Place community directory, go to [www.morrisplace.net/forms/signup/directory](http://www.morrisplace.net/forms/signup/directory).

### April / May Maintenance Update

Issue	Responsible Party	Status	Comments
Damaged light across from Bldg 5)	JCP&L	Complete	
Damage caused by snow ploughing	Fullerton	Pending	Fullerton will repair all damage caused by snow ploughs <b>Update 05/15:</b> Board to walk through community with Fullerton to identify damaged caused by snow plows.

## Resident Focus

Katerina and Francesco Quinterno – Some Pics from S. Africa

We introduced Katerina to you back in the February newsletter. To recap, she hails from South Africa, speaks fluent legalese, joined the board back in February, and is married to Frank, a buiness analyst for Colgate-Palmolive. (Click here to read [Katerina's profile](#).)

Here are a couple of photos from their recent trip back to S. Africa.



The "Cabana's Beach Resort" in Umshlangha – a favorite getaway!

[Just doesn't look right to me without an interstate running through it. — Ed.]



A typical "Zulu" tribal dancer providing entertainment to the guests at a resort on Durban's North Coast.

Incidentally, this is region in which "Chapelle" is rumored to be hiding!

You can view a few more photos from the Quinternos' trip back to S. Africa trip in the Resident Focus section of the Web site.

If you'd like to feature in the Resident Focus section of the newsletter, please let us know!

## Household Damage Prevention Tips

### Water – A Condo's Worst Enemy

By Becky Yeamans

According to CAU Risk Management Services, water leaks cause more damage to condominium residences than any other source – roughly 65 percent\* of property damage, in fact. The biggest culprit of such leaks is your washing machine. That's right! That trusty washing machine that you use so often is the most likely source of water problems.

So how can you prevent water problems?

Two actions on your part can prevent thousands of dollars of water damage:

#### **Replace the connecting hose.**

Most companies that install washing machines use rubber hoses to connect the machine to your home's water outlets. These hoses last roughly four or five years – and they don't give warning when they're wearing out.

A much safer – and long-lasting option – is installing a metal hose or one that is reinforced. One such hose, called Floodchek™, comes with a twenty-year warranty.

#### **Turn off the water at its source.**

By turning off the water at the washing machine faucet, you can relieve pressure on the connecting hose and extend its life. One way to make this job easier is to install a knife switch or automatic shut off valve, so you don't have to struggle with the faucet knob. With a simple flick, a knife switch can save you from an expensive flood of water. Ask your plumber for more information.

Thankfully, Morris Place is a new community and hasn't suffered a lot of water problems. Let's keep it that way!

\* Source: "Interior Water Damage: A Disaster You Can Prevent" by CAU Risk Management Services.

For other helpful information, refer to the Links, Tips, and FAQs section of the Web site.



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