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As you may have heard, last week those renowned Climatologists Osama Bin Laden and Hugo Chavez announced that we (the rotten infidels and sulfur stinking imperialists of this world) have caused and are accountable for all current weather and/or earthquake calamities that have recently befallen us because we continue to ignore Al Gore. While I agree it's probably pretty hot where those esteemed gentlemen reside, I must also note that it's a slam dunk neither of them spent last week anywhere near the sunny South—a seven day horror when snowbirds fled to Minnesota to thaw out. Well, it wasn't really that bad but we actually hit (gasp!) the teens. Okay, maybe it was just for a night or two but the other five days were in the low twenties. For thin blooded people like us that's bad. And, as the song goes...."The pipes, the pipes they were a popping'". Literally.

Okay...and now the news.

Here's a number you need to note—251-662-1532. That's Harbor Communication's customer support line. If you received a phone bill with any charges after January 21st you need to call them for reimbursement—the 21st is the date the Association assumed the bill. It's also the number to report any problems you many have encountered in the phone changeover or if your WiFi isn't working properly. We tested our unit's WiFi last week and it was working fine. Also, make sure you inform your rental company of your new phone number if a change was made.

Password for WiFi use---islandsunrise(unit number)—no spaces.

Insurance: Our insurance bill is down slightly from last year. While it has no impact on this year's assessment hopefully it will on next year's **if... (the big if)...**we don't have the pleasure of butting heads with one of nature's whirly wonders this year. Gotta love ole El Nino or La Nina...whichever one it is that blows the storms straight up the Atlantic.

Also to note—the bank has approved our Line of Credit so now we can pay the insurance premium up front and avoid interruption in premiums payment. The credit line is then retired with proceeds from the special assessment.

Can't send one of these out without a reminder—the first installment of the assessment (1/2 of the total, although 100% will not be rejected) is due on March 1st. The second will be due on May 1st. Please try to meet the deadlines—it makes things run so much smoother. Nancy has included the unit specific payment schedules.

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Cameras: They're up and running. For those of you who missed the annual meeting, part of our WiFi and phone deal with Harbor is that they put up several security cameras around the building. As of now they are operational in the parking lot, pool area, lobby and the deck.

Remember the 16 million dollar pier. Remember Ida—the dud hurricane that hit as a minor tropical storm. You guessed it. As puny as Ida turned out to be it still put the pier down for several weeks. Seems the breakaway panels designed to fly loose and preclude any major damage to the basic infrastructure of the pier did work. Unfortunately they (the breakaways) were tethered to the pier so as they popped out they flopped around and not only smashed themselves to kindling but took along nice chunks of the pier with them. Somehow I can't believe Congress wasn't involved in that contracting process.

The attrition on stressed units is beginning to slow but still significant. Two have recently sold leaving three in foreclosure. Hopefully these will sell soon.

Can't end this on a sad note so here's some good news—remember the little zoo that could...remember Chucky? Well, according to the big sign a few miles north of the Intercostals, ground will break for a new facility sometime this spring—one better equipped to keep the residents safe from the storms and keep Chucky and that magnificent row of ivories home.

Enough: Take care, stay warm and pull for me to win the lottery.

Board of Directors; Larry Campbell - Writer

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

			<u>Due March</u>	<u>Due May</u>
			<u>1st</u>	<u>1st</u>
1-BEDROOM	2,658.60	12 Units	\$ 1,329.30	\$ 1,329.30
2-BR SMALL	2,893.28	36 Units	\$ 1,446.64	\$ 1,446.64
2-BR LARGE	3,245.03	12 units	\$ 1,622.52	\$ 1,622.52