

AROUND THE BUILDING

Tuckpointing

The garage tuckpointing project has come to a close. All garage walls and the pool area were thoroughly tuckpointed. This was a large project and, as many of you know, a very dusty one. Thank you all for your understanding over the past weeks. The workers did their best in keeping up with clearing the dust each evening.



Critical Façade Inspection

As required by the City, the Critical Façade inspection of the exterior of the building is underway. Workers are moving clockwise around the building on scaffolding. They ride from 35th floor down to the main floor and make repairs as needed along the way. The work is estimated to take another 8-10 weeks. Please remember to keep your windows and blinds closed during the day when they are in your area.

Landscaping



Ronzani Landscapers have begun their summer work. 30 new bushes were planted on the northeast corner of the building. Due to the fact that the exterior façade project is still underway, they will not be able to sod or plant summer flowers until the end of May when the scaffolds are out of the Lakeview area of the building. Thank you for your patience during this delay.

Pool Opening

Now that the tuckpointing has been completed in the garage area, the pool will be made ready for the expected Memorial Day opening. Please refresh your memory by reviewing the rules pertaining to the pool and sundeck area.

The 2nd floor door to the pool and garage area is now open for the season.



AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Update on Cabrini Hall/Columbus Hospital From the Columbus Development Committee

We have continued to meet with Alderman Vi Daley, various community representatives and the developer with respect to the proposed development of Cabrini Hall at 428 W. St. James. The proposed development would include 41 units and 60 cars with the height being equivalent to the 25th floor of our building. Strong opposition has been voiced throughout the community and we are hopeful that the project will be scaled back significantly. For those who have not already done so, a sample letter to send to Alderman Daley expressing concerns about the project may be obtained from the Doorman and Eileen will forward them on. You may, of course, send your own letter.

With respect to the adjacent Columbus Hospital site, the Sun Times reported on April 28, 2006 that MB Real Estate has taken over the project and may seek to modify the previously approved Planned Development to make it even larger than the 325 units and 700 cars, which was previously set after a lengthy community process. We have already been in touch with Alderman Daley and will be closely monitoring this situation as well.