



# VILLAROSSO

Residences at DTC West



Newsletter

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## New Lights in the Parking Lots

New LED light fixtures have been installed on top of the poles in the driveway and parking lots. They do give off a clean and bright light and are a bit more stylish in appearance than the clunky old boxes that were there before. In addition to that, they are a lot easier on the association's budget, saving about 75% on energy costs and can last 25 times longer than the old halogen bulbs. Further, VR homeowners are benefiting from a rebate program provided by Xcel for installation of energy saving fixtures.



## Condo Living and Noise

The solid concrete structure of VillaRosso is an effective and formative barrier to the transmission of sound that is borne in the air such as with your voice or the TV. Unfortunately, sound that is generated against the structure itself, such as hard-soled shoes tapping on a wooden floor, not so much. That type of sound is not constrained in the same way, but in fact travels quite readily to all corners of the building and can be a major nuisance for neighbors around you. Another point of disturbance can come from appliances such as the dishwasher or the washer/dryer running during normally quiet hours. Please consider your neighbor's sanity and slip into some soft-soled shoes when you walk around your home, especially if you have hard wooden floors. And when doing the laundry or finishing the dishes, avoid running that appliance late at night or in the early hours of the morning.

## Test Your CO Detectors

If you have a CO detector you probably rely on it to alert you of dangerous levels of carbon monoxide, an invisible and odorless gas that could have deadly consequences if allowed to accumulate in your home. But did you know that the sensors in carbon monoxide detectors degrade over time and in only 7 years could become severely dysfunctional or completely unresponsive? If there is a test button on your detector, that only tests the battery and the horn. The only way to check the sensor itself is with actual carbon monoxide gas. You can buy little cans of CO gas for testing, but they are surprisingly hard to find.



Well don't worry, we have testing gas here in the building. It is used it for testing the CO detectors in the garages. If you want to test your CO detector, call me. I'll come over and give your unit a little dose and we'll see it is doing its job. Or you can buy a can from me and test your detectors yourself. Cost is \$12.00 and it will probably last you for decades, and provide valuable peace of mind.

## Board of Director's Meeting

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on:

**Tuesday, January 24, 2017  
at 4:00pm**

in the VillaRosso lobby. Association members are always welcome and encouraged to attend Board meetings.

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"It is better to light a candle than curse the darkness." – Eleanor Roosevelt