

condo queries Robert M. Meisner

Q Can you tell us some of the benefits that you have learned in regard to purchasing a condominum as opposed to a single family home?

A. Yes, there are obviously a number of benefits which are attributed to co-owners who purchase a condominium. First, there is the ability to share common expenses among a number of co-owners and perhaps take advantage of the social, recreational and association opportunities of a condominium project.

Also, there is the ability to pool resources in regard to obtaining services and for that matter, living quarters at a reduced rate depending upon the proximity of the units to one another. Also, there is a body of statutory and case law that has been established that assists the association in carrying out its responsibilities.

Accordingly, the rights of the association, vis-a-vis the homeowners, are clearly defined in the condominium context. In short, from a social, economic and political standpoint, the condominium project can be an

excellent form of living experience for a prospective purchaser who is propared to give up certain liberties which he might ordinarily have in a single family dwelling but who which the might ordinarily have in a single family dwelling but who which the properties to share the potential cost savings attributable to condominiums.

Q. We are leasing a so-called lease and, on top of it, will not make the repairs to our out. Moreover, our landord won't tell us where our security deposit is being held which he collected and there is excessive moise emanating from upstairs which keeps us up at all hours of the night. What can we do?

A. Depending upon the terms of he lease, your landlord may not have complied with the Truth in Itenting law and may be subject to appropriate penalties. In addition, he may have violated the terms of the Security Deposit Law and, otherwise, may be liable to you for damages because of his failure to provide you the quiet enjoyment of your unit.

Since your legal rights may have been abridged, you should consult with an attorney to advise you of the legal ramifications of the landlord's breach and what recourse you can take in dealing with him, including a sult for damages of termination of the lease.

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Maestro to speak

Gunther Herbig, music di-rector of the Detroit Sym-phony Orchestra, will be the guest for the second pro-gram in the Prefudes Wes-series at Temple Beth El, 14. Mile and Telegraph, Bloom-field Township, Friday, March 25. Luncheon will be March 25. Luncheon will be served at noon and the program will begin at 1:30 p.m. Luncheon reservations will be taken until two days before the program. For information or reservations, call Sharron Kreindler, 645-5244 or Serena Orsini, 644-5384.

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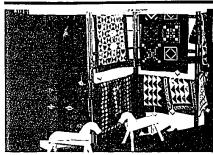


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