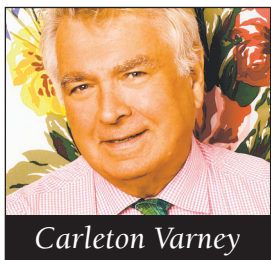


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YOUR FAMILY DECORATOR



Carleton Varney

For Father's Day, I'm thinking about gifts

Father's Day is Sunday, and it's a great time to think about the men who enrich your life — maybe a brother, an uncle, a grandfather, a son, a nephew, a cousin, a husband or a fiancé. It's easy to forget that there can be so many men in one's life. And I haven't even mentioned the boss and the business colleague.

There are lots of ways to acknowledge the importance of men — maybe with a kind word or two, or with a simple hug or smile. But — as I am always asked: "What should I get for the man in my life?" — I offer these suggestions:

If the man in your life is a gardener, purchase for him a special rose bush, maybe one that climbs, in a beautiful color. Think of happy orange, rich red or friendship yellow. A rose bush blooms again and again and is always a welcome gift. As I am a gardener myself, I enjoy receiving perennials, those plants that grow from year to year.

For the man who golfs, there are so many golf-themed decorative accessories, even autographed photographs of famous players such as Sam Snead or Arnold Palmer.

And if you give such a photograph, make certain it's framed appropriately in leather — or maybe alligator. I always believe that picture frames are a perfect gift for a man and, particularly so, if the frame includes a photographic image of a happy occasion you both have shared.

I also like to give pho-

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French doors in the living and dining area of the front Ocean Colony condominium unit at 129 Hammon Ave. open to a courtyard garden. The unit has been furnished to serve as a model for the development. The four condos and an accompanying townhouse have been listed for sale by the Corcoran Group.

'Your own little enclave'

That's how developer Ed Cury describes Ocean Colony, his latest Palm Beach project.

By **CHRISTINE DAVIS**

Special to the Daily News

ON THE MARKET

Developer Ed Cury of The Cury Group understands that the fine materials he uses in his upscale residential projects transmit subtle messages to residents and visitors alike.

Take, for example, the wood details found at one of his company's latest projects, the recently completed five-unit Ocean Colony condominium-and-townhouse complex on Hammon Avenue in Palm Beach.

"In the manner of the British Colonial style, we used dark doors," Cury notes. "That's an element that says, 'Welcome. Come in.' So all the predominant doors are dark mahogany."

Those doors are complemented by an exterior that offers many of the hallmarks of British Colonial style — quoins at the corners, for instance, and "Juliet"-style balconies on the



Photos by Brian Lee Photography, Courtesy of Corcoran Group

The front door of Unit 1 opens to an intimate foyer.

second floors. But the overall visual effect is understated, he says.

"It's not an overdone type of architecture. It has stucco treatments, like the scored key columns around the doors," says Cury, whose West Palm Beach company's other recent projects on the island include villas on Dunbar Road and Seaview Avenue along with Las Ventanas, a complex with two high-end condominiums on South Ocean Boulevard.

A stone's throw from the historic Colony Hotel, Ocean Colony is on an ocean block and within walking distance of Worth Avenue.

"I bought the property because it was in such a great location," Cury explains.

The development comprises two separate structures. In the front building at 129 Hammon Ave. are four condominiums — each measuring about 1,300 square feet and offering two

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Built in the British Colonial-style by The Cury Group, a new condominium building at 129 Hammon Ave. is part of the Ocean Colony development. It stands on an ocean block within walking distance of Worth Avenue.



A pass-through bar between the living room and the kitchen serves as an informal dining area. The kitchen features mahogany cabinetry, granite countertops and stainless-steel appliances.

PLATE AND CORK

A memo from the dog: Plan now for storm season



Roberta Sabban

Roberta Sabban teaches cooking classes and writes about food and wine.

To my dear owner: Fluffy and I have been following the plight of our fellow four-legged friends across the country. This has been an unprecedented year for weather-related disasters. We just want to remind you, as members of your family, to have a plan in place that includes keeping us safe during what promises to be an active hurricane season.

Palm Beach is a barrier island. If a storm hits our area, there is a good chance parts of the island may be underwater. There may be downed power lines and blackouts. Access on or

off the island will be restricted.

Wherever you decide to wait out the storm, you must take us with you or have a reservation at a secure facility off the island that takes pets. Only one shelter in Palm Beach County accepts animals. Space is limited, and you must reserve a place well in advance.

You must make sure we have a carrier that has enough room for us to stand up and turn around in it. The "new" rules say you'll need enough food and water for us for at least two to four weeks. You should

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HELPING PETS WEATHER A STORM

Boarding

- For more information on facilities for boarding your animals visit pbcgov.com/publicsafety/animalcare/pdf/boarding_facilities.pdf.
- There are pet-friendly hotels in our area, but you must have a pre-arranged reservation in case of a weather-related event.
- If you have medical questions about preparing

your animals for a weather-related event, a good resource is Island Animal Hospital at 262 Sunset Ave. Call 833-8552.

Supplies and more

For questions about pet supplies, carriers, food or special pet diets, call Woof Gang Bakery, 296 S. County Road, at 835-9663.