

## **Foundation Generously Donates Grand Piano to Crystal Ballroom**

### ■ Foundation of Leisure World

by Judy Oliver

The Clubhouse I Crystal Ballroom has a newly purchased grand piano!

At the request of Ray Desir, manager of the Lifestyle Department, the Foundation of Leisure World began the search for a replacement. The current piano was several years past its serviceable life.

Residents interested in seeing and hearing the new piano can come to an unveiling on Thursday, Oct. 6, from 4-6 p.m. in the Clubhouse I Crystal Ballroom. For more information, see page TKTK??? of the Events and Entertainment section.

Desir and a couple of expert assistants including Rae Cooper and Lois Jordan (Arts In Motion) and Eleanor High (Foundation of Leisure World) visited a couple of piano stores in the area, finally selecting a Yamaha G3 grand piano. It has a sleek ebony finish and magnificent sound.

The piano was delivered on Aug. 24. It will sit for 30 days while it becomes acclimated to its new home and the conditions in the Ballroom, such as the temperature and humidity levels. Its dolly will facilitate moving it for storage and musicians' preferences. Its cover will protect the finish, and both the lid and keyboard can be locked to preserve its life and prevent casual curiosity.

The funds for purchasing the grand piano were provided by the Foundation of Leisure World.

About the Foundation Fundraising is an important component of the Foundation's activities, as no financial support is provided from the Leisure World of Maryland Corporation. Generous contributions made by the Foundation's donors and board members enabled the purchase of the piano and reduce the price of several events in Leisure World by underwriting the cost.

Donations of all sizes are combined to provide impactful improvements to the quality of life in Leisure World. More information about the Foundation can be found by visiting its website at ([lwfnd.com](http://lwfnd.com)) or by emailing ([LWMDfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:LWMDfoundation@gmail.com)).

The Foundation encourages everyone to attend the Oct. 6 unveiling and enjoy the performances played on this magnificent grand piano.



A recently purchased grand piano is delivered to the Clubhouse I Crystal Ballroom on Aug. 24. Photo by Leisure World News

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