

A New Year

2018 is well underway, and hopefully off to a good start for all of you. It's been quite awhile now since the last issue of At The Bay so there's a bit of catch-up with this one!



The Christmas holiday period was a very active one, with social functions and visitors abounding! The Social Committee once again set the stage with decorations in the lobby and community room, and a very successful, well-attended pot-luck dinner party. The pre-dinner reception with appetizers and beverages in the lobby created a welcoming entry point and atmosphere for the evening, and significantly reduced congestion in the main room prior to the dinner.

As in recent years, the Belle Tones (with thanks to Margaret Hewgill) provided wonderful seasonal music after dinner, as did everyone in attendance who were seconded to a few rounds of robust singing! The hallways were alive with an array of wreaths and decorations, which added much to the overall ambiance of the season! Santa couldn't make the reception this year because of the lure of a warmer climate, but that didn't prevent his helpers from orchestrating a gift exchange from the abundance of similarly-shaped packages under the tree!



Thanks also to the Social Committee for encouraging the donations of food to the Salvation Army with the basket placed in the lobby – the frequency of shuttles to the donation center attest to the level of support from within the building.

Though we're well past the mid-way point of our winter season now, cold and flu viruses have hit hard this year, with many folks under the weather for either brief or extended periods of time. However with increasing daylight, and spring around the corner, our community here is rebounding!

Declaration Amendment

The amendment to our Declaration, restricting building access to dwelling unit owners (and their guests/visitors) only, was successfully registered on November 27, 2017. There are no restrictions however, on the sale or rental of dock units to individuals who do not reside in the building as that proposed amendment was not approved.



Welcome

Shawna Allinson (302)
Harry Little (310)
Gudrun Taher (107)
Sid and Betty Goddard (204)

and Farewell

Laura Martin (302)
Rosetta Paolucci (310)
Gary & Marion Catchpole (107)



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Brian Adams, Secretary
Cliff Whitfield, Treasurer
Dit Vorbeck, Director
John Mitchell, Director



Lobby

With the simple rearrangement of some pieces of furniture and artwork, along with the donation of tables and lamps, we have been able to create an increased welcoming and comfortable atmosphere in our lobby and sitting area - and at no cost! Comments to date about the changes have been quite favourable overall.

New Regulations to Condominium Act

The provincial government has introduced new regulations accompanying the Condominium Act, and both Crossbridge and the Board are attempting to stay current with these provisions. One in particular requires written consent from owners for the receipt of notices via email, and the process of obtaining these is well underway at this point. Individuals who do not have access to electronic means of receiving notices, or who prefer to receive correspondence by hand delivery or mail, will still be able to do so.



Gardening/Landscaping:

In the spring, we will be adding some plantings (e.g. wild grasses, flowering bushes) to the northwest and northeast corners of the building to fill in some of the empty spots following tree removal. To do this we will be simply relocating various plantings currently on the property, so new purchases will not be required.



Special Thanks to:

Brian Greer - for continuing to take on the responsibility of preparing and publishing our newsletter based on information provided to him. To that end, we welcome brief articles of interest and suggestions to be included in future issues, to be published quarterly.

Bob Buchner, Cliff Martin, John Mitchell - for their continuing helpfulness to all residents in monitoring potential problems in the building and assisting with day-to-day operations.

Since You Asked



Our Condominium is a community of people living in fairly close quarters. Every Condominium has its own set of rules that help make life better for all residents.

Underground Parking – vehicles should be parked within the designated space for each spot, and not extend beyond the concrete posts.

Dogs should be encouraged to do their business beyond the parking lot if possible, and certainly not on the ramp, steps or entrance walkway to the building, as sometimes happens primarily in the winter months.

Items being stored in storage lockers should not be stacked to a height that they might interfere with the sprinkler system, and not covered with tarps. Fire Department suggests a 3-foot clearance from the ceiling.

Winter weather requires extra layers of clothing and footwear, but boots are not to be left in the hallways outside units.

Garbage should be secured in plastic bags to prevent leakage before being dispatched down the chutes.