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### FROM THE OFFICE

## New Monthly Statements!

Congratulations to Sharon on ordering the beautiful new Statement forms. The faux-marbled pink background is absolutely stunning. Now, if we could just get them to fit in the return envelopes without using origami folds... If anyone knows where to buy the "matching #771 envelopes" mentioned at the bottom of the form, please let Sharon know.

## Broadway/Lafayette Building Plumbing Renovation

Finally, the long awaited major plumbing upgrade project is here! To expedite the repairs, the Broadway/Lafayette buildings hot and cold water will be shut off for approximately three months, beginning April 1st, 2004. Bear in mind that this is only an estimate and could be extended due to unforeseen circumstances. For your convenience, 3 porta-pottys will be set up in the parking lot across the street, and will be available for use beginning 4/1. Toilet tokens will be available in the office from Sharon for \$1.00 each, or a roll of 20 for \$19.00. Please see the "Porta-Potty Rules and Regulations" inset for complete details.

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### MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR'S DOG

## Dogs of the Lafayette

This month we get to meet some of the many dogs of the Lafayette. (Don't worry, if we missed your favorites, we'll interview them another month) Let's start with Winston, a rescued Akita who loves lounging on the sofa, watching Animal Planet on TV, special treats and walks in the neighborhood, as well as generally being spoiled rotten. Gordon, a rescued Airedale Terrier, loves lounging on the sofa, watching Animal Planet on TV, special treats and walks in the neighborhood, as well as generally being spoiled rotten. Mason and her new buddy who is also a rescue dog, both like to have fun lounging on the sofa, watching Animal Planet on TV, eating special treats and walks in the neighborhood, as well as generally being spoiled rotten. And of course we all know Nikki, the German Shepherd who loves lounging on the sofa, watching Animal Planet on TV, special treats and walks in the neighborhood, as well as generally being spoiled rotten. .

Next month look forward to a double feature! Now that the strike's over we'll be getting to know that guy who sits under the Von's sign with a bottle in a brown paper bag and a big teddy bear, and shouts obscenities at you while you're walking to the market. Also, get ready for a fascinating in-depth look at the feral cats of the Lafayette. Don't hold your breath... On second thought, just hold your nose instead, if that cat litter just got dumped in the trash room again....

## PORTA-POTTY RULES AND REGULATIONS

A) TOKENS MUST BE PURCHASED AT THE OFFICE DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS. B) \$1.00 EACH, OR A ROLL OF 20 FOR \$19.00 C) TO AVOID DELAYS AND/OR DISPUTES, PLEASE LIMIT TOILET TIME TO 5 MINUTES D) ABSOLUTELY NO INS AND OUTS E) ANYONE CAUGHT HOLDING THE DOOR OPEN FOR A SECOND UNPAID USER WILL BE SUBJECT TO A \$100. ASSOCIATION FINE.



Sir Winston waits for his special treat and further spoils.

FROM THE OFFICE, CONTINUED

# Car Crash Cancels Dynasty Filming at the Lafayette

“It could have been tragic...” Due to the unfortunate car crash into the storefront of Open bookstore, during the filming of a pilot for a remake of the old TV show Dynasty, the availability of the Lafayette for all location filming has been suspended indefinitely. Fortunately, no one here at the Lafayette was injured in the crash, but the storefront of the Open Bookstore was a total loss and witnesses felt things could have been much worse. Say, of Open Bookstore said “It could have been tragic, it was a close call, but the customers and I all jumped out of the way at the last minute. Fortunately it was only the driver that was hurt. If I would have been behind the register or if someone would have been browsing periodicals though, things could have been pretty messy....” The investigation took over a week, and the car remained in position in front of the store while the special forces and swat teams finished their work. The incident, which was initially feared to be linked to Moldavian nationals, meant that the “Dynasty” location filming had to be cancelled in mid-production because of all the police activity. One irate resident said, “if it was that big a threat, why didn’t they evacuate the whole building? With all those guys running around in flack jackets, any fool should have had sense enough to do that!” A task force committee will be formed and anyone interested should contact the office. Meanwhile, the good news is that the Open Bookstore is no longer closed due to the incident.

ON THE GROUND

# Koo’s Offering Free Earplugs!

This month only, Koo’s will be providing complimentary professional quality ear plugs for all interested Lafayette residents\*. These are the real deal: pre-shaped soft foam, brand new and in the package. Dennis says they are comfortable, hygienic and self adjusting to fit all sizes (of ear canals). They are ANSI rated NR33 for a noise reduction rating of a whopping 33 decibels. As a bonus they are also really great for shooting or using power tools! Just show up at the Koo’s door on any concert night and ask for your free earplugs. You’d be foolish not to!  
\*Residents only, with each paid admission.

# Sock Guy

Remember the Sock Guy? Many of us that have lived in the Lafayette for a number of years have wondered whatever happened to “the sock guy,” the one who always walked the neighborhood with a determined look on his face, always in sock feet, sometimes several socks for a layered look. The big thrill was when he would do a spur of the moment somersault, sometimes on request, sometimes just for the hell of it. It seems like years since we’ve seen him here, but we’re happy to report that he’s been found! He was last seen speed-walking on Anaheim Street, looking dapper as ever. No somersaults or cartwheels were observed, however, and it appeared he has no immediate plans to return to the East Village.

**NEWS FLASH!** As we go to press, we are happy to report that the Sock Guy has returned to the neighborhood, and was spotted on Linden Avenueright across from the Lafayette. Strangely, the Sock Guy is now barefoot. We don’t know what happened up there on Anaheim, but he must have lost his socks somehow.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

# Who’s Who at the Lafayette

## 2003 Board of Directors

- President:* Bill Guzik
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- Second Vice-President:* Lou Schor
- Treasurer:* Andy Blinn
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Sharon Hays

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## Contact the Board

*In writing:* Each board member has a mailbox in the office. All written comments will be addressed in a timely manner. Or go to “Feedback” on the Lafayette’s Website at [www.thelafayettelb.org](http://www.thelafayettelb.org).

*In person:* Come to the board meetings every first Wednesday of the month at 7pm in the Mezzanine (2nd floor of main lobby).

## Contact the Office

*Phone:* 436-5391 9:30am to 6pm weekdays

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