THE LETTER

LAFAYETTE ASSOCIATION OF HOMEOWNERS, INC. NEWSLETTER

FROM THE BOARD

2010: Year in Review

By Jennifer Skaife, President.

Happy New Year and welcome 2011! May the year ahead provide great abundance and my wish for each of us is to have all we need, and the generosity to share our excess with those less fortunate.

The annual **Holiday Party** was a great success and very well attended by residents. Much fun was had by all and many thanks to those who contributed in so many different ways, from decorating the tree, donating gifts for the raffle, providing musical entertainment, setting up, cleaning up. . . the list goes on. The real stars are those of you who came and participated in our community, getting to know your neighbors and generally having a lot of fun!

The **painting project** continues and in spite of weather conditions is still on schedule. We have had so many positive comments and numerous Long Beach residents and business people from Downtown and beyond are noticing the transformation! The weather has been particularly harsh, which has given us an opportunity to identify **leak** locations throughout. Please note however that the majority of these are as a direct result of past neglect, and prior maintenance 'band-aid' issues that have now past their 'use by' date and are not a part of the scope of work with respect to the painting contract. We are addressing each as it is analyzed and taking advantage of having a Waterproofing Consultant on Board, providing site reports and looking at solutions. Having the scaffolding up has offered access to places that before were virtually inaccessible thus providing insight into causes.

We are negotiating **new lease terms** with our **commercial tenants** in 146 Linden Avenue and 500 Broadway. They have been on a month-to-month arrangement for 2010 at very favorable rates, on the understanding that leases would be negotiated for 2011 forward. Our **Commercial Properties Committee** examined the terms and details of the proposal provided by our agents **Appleby** and provided the Board with a very thorough and detailed report with recommendations that we supported, forwarding instructions to proceed to Appleby who are acting on our behalf.

The **annual meeting** is to be held in the Solarium at 7:00pm on **Tuesday January 25, 2011** where, among other things the new Board members and their positions will be announced.

As homeowners you will by now be in possession of a package containing a **ballot** giving you the important opportunity to vote for Homeowners who have generously volunteered to be on our Board of Directors for a term of two years. Please cast your **votes** by following the clear and simple instructions and return the envelope. It is incredibly important that you do so as this gives you a voice, through your choice of whom to give your votes.

There are **three (3)**

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positions open, one confirmation and **six candidates**. The following people are on the ballot:

Resident homeowners Renee Boudoi (currently a serving boardmember seeking confirmation), Leo Bell, Dennis Cornax, Annie Proffitt, Kavita Rodrigues and homeowner Jennifer 'Jiffy' Collins.

To make an informed choice and for more information about these homeowners see their statements and photos in this newsletter.

I have been asked by many of you to remain on the Board and **withdraw my resignation**, which is very gratifying. Having tendered my resignation it would need the current Board to request my reappointment, which, in view of the number of you who have expressed support, I would be willing to accept and complete the remaining 12 months of my elected term. I will leave the outcome to them.

No matter what the outcome this will be my last opportunity of 2010 to write this as Board president so let me end by wishing the new boardmembers good luck, good judgment and wisdom, and great patience in the year to come making this extraordinary place, The Lafayette Incorporated, an even better place for us all to live and work. ✍

LAFAYETTE ANNUAL HOMEOWNERS MEETING

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TUE., JAN. 25, 2011

7PM

11TH FLOOR SOLARIUM

CHECK-IN BEGINS AT 6:30PM

PLEASE TURN IN YOUR BALLOTS TO ENSURE QUORUM.

BOARD NOMINEES

2011 Elections

For more information on candidates, please refer to your voting instruction packet. Ballots must be submitted no later than January 25, 2011.

Leo Bell

Nathandra Renee Boudoi

Jennifer "Jiffi" Collins

Dennis Cornax

Annie Proffit

Kavita Rodrigues

HOLIDAY PARTY 12/16/10

Photos by Geronimo Quitoriano

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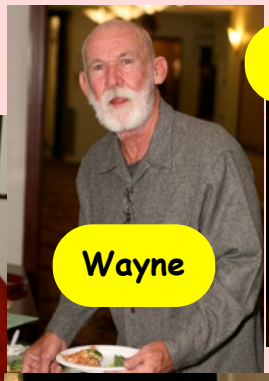
Wayne

Annie

Jennifer

Louise

Glenn & his 40" TV

Julie

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Jennifer

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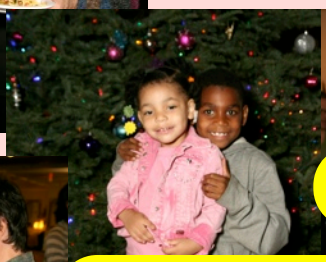
Brianna, Khalil

IC, Brandon

Greg

Jack

Sharon, William, Jennifer

The Ramsey Family

Silvi

Leah

Hisako

Lydia

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Who's Who at the Lafayette

2010 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Jennifer Skaife
1st VP: Joe Hill
2nd VP: Glenn Agoncillo
Treasurer: Rick Blackshere
Secretary: Renée Boudoi

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 you may email them through the office: sharon@thelafayettelb.org

In **person**: Come to the board meetings usually every first Tuesday of the month at 7pm in the Solarium (11th floor Campbell Building) unless a schedule change has been posted.

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Reminder: Meeting minutes may be viewed at the office or are available for download on our website thelafayettelb.org. ✍

WELCOME TO THE LAFAYETTE

New Residents

Unit 453 Perla De La Rosa

Unit 962 Perla Lastra

ALL RESIDENTS: Remember no bicycles in the Main Lobby. Please go through the Broadway or Garden entrances. Window coverings must be white or off-white! In the trash closets, put trash in the black bag and recycling in the clear bag! If you have large trash items, please place then directly in the dumpsters in the garden. Thank you and welcome to the Lafayette.✍

Calendar

Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2011

Annual Homeowners Meeting & Board Elections 7pm in the 11th floor Solarium

NEWSLETTER TEAM

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JENNIFER SKAIFE

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