

336 CPW NEWSLETTER

February-March 2003

LOBBY IMPROVEMENTS ON THE WAY

Before long, the lobby will be looking spiffier with a new coat of paint. There has been somewhat of a delay in painting because our first painter was unable to satisfy the building's requirements. The front couch has been removed for a small repair as well as to protect it from paint, and the lobby furniture has been rearranged for the time being. A temporary light has been installed in the 94 Street hallway until the new fixture arrives this spring. The remaining sconce in the lobby will also be replaced with a new one.

Improvements in other parts of the building include recent repainting of the service elevators and the current painting of landings on the C-F stair wells. Doors on that landing will be painted at a future date

Many tenants have heeded the request to check their storage area in the basement and to remove any combustible items, including paint cans, mattresses, cardboard boxes, etc. If you haven't checked your storage bin yet, please do so within the next week. The building is clearing storage areas to comply with City fire codes.

AROUND THE BUILDING:

Ins and Outs: Like many other coops, our building has instituted a fee for shareholders moving out of the building and new shareholders (or subletters) moving in. Owing to increased costs, the board has found it necessary to raise those fees from \$150. to \$250.

Recycling Reminder: You do not need to separate glass and plastic from the rest of your garbage as they are no longer being recycled. Please put your newspapers, corrugated cardboard boxes, and other paper for recycling out very neatly. Tin cans, aluminum foil and trays and metal objects such as wire hanger, pots and pans, and other metal objects are also recyclable--but please be sure they are thoroughly clean before putting them out. The garbage can outside your back door should be kept clean too! Have you checked it lately? Also, please be sure that none of your garbage blocks stairways, and that you never put garbage or anything else on the stairs.

NEIGHBORS:

We note with sadness the recent death of longtime neighbor Herbert U. Goldman, 5F. Our condolences to his wife, Carmen Goldman, and the rest of his family.

John and Denise Henricks MacKerron began to settle into 14F last fall. He is a partner in a law firm., Denise had been curriculum coordinator at the Children's Storefront in East Harlem, until the birth of their daughter, Jane, who is now four. All three enjoy spending spare time upstate in Columbia County.

Rose Marie and Bernie Anderson moved into 10F in late January. After many years of living in West Orange, New Jersey, they enjoy being close to theater and the opera. Rose Marie is especially happy about the brief commute to her work; she is office manager for an intellectual property law firm. Before retiring, Bernie combined his skills as a lawyer and pharmacist while working for Pfizer.

Stuart and Elizabeth Glen, from Melbourne, Australia, are subletting apartment 8C. He is a banker specializing in power utility companies, she works at the Australian consulate. In their spare time they have enjoyed running the New York Marathon, touring around the U.S. on a Harley Davidson, and taking cooking courses.

SPORTS AND CULTURE:

Did you know that snuff bottles could be miniature masterpieces of Chinese art.? You can learn that and more from the book by Michael C. Hughes (10B), *The Blair Bequest: Chinese Snuff bottles from the Princeton University Art Museum*. This beautifully illustrated volume shows that snuff bottles, averaging about 2 ½ inches high, were made from minerals (including rock crystal, amethyst, carnelian, jadeite and turquoise), from lacquer, glass, porcelain, and cloisonné enamel during the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. You can purchase a copy (\$95.) from Paragon Book Gallery of Chicago, at www.paragonbook.com.

Golf anyone? Rick Lipsey (16A) and his family spent last fall in Bhutan (the Himalayan kingdom) where he was the kingdom's first golf pro. While there, he created the Bhutan Youth Golf Association, a Little League-like program for golf that has daily clinics and a paid staff. Rick will be running a sightseeing and golf trip to Bhutan this fall (2003); part of the trip fees will go as a donation to support the BYGA. For further info, see the website www.golfbhutan.com.

NOTICES:

Toddlers playdates: Carrie and Rick Lipsey would like to arrange playdates in the building for their daughter Claudia, who was born January 4, 2002. They say that Claudia would be happy to play with kids a little older than she is. Contact the Lipseys at 16A; phone 212 531 1602 or email rick_lipsey@simail.com

Housecalls for pets? Yes, Mark Maas (16D) reports that Dr. Andrew Obstler (phone: 917 747.3923 or e-mail: aobstler@hotmail.com) will come to your place to care for a small animal (dog, cat, etc.). Mark says " We've used him, and it sure beats caging the animal and going there." If you do want to go, Dr. Obstler's office is at 210 W. 78th Street.

Position wanted: Trusted housekeeper has one day available for cleaning and laundry. Hardworking and extremely friendly, she works well around both children and pets. She has worked for me, my closest friend, and my sister for over three years. Call Christine Lewis directly at 718-320-1051, or for further information call my assistant Barbara Scapinelli at 212-749-5757, or contact me, Deborah Shah, 11E.

STAFF NEWS:

Welcome back to Dennis Ubiles who had been on sick leave.

Fabian Ricupero is the latest addition to the 336 staff. He serves as porter, and fills in for elevator men or the doorman when they take their breaks. You will find Fabian taking the late shift (12-8) on Friday and Saturday nights; he also works Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

New Faces: From time to time, as help is needed to fill in for sick or vacationing staff, you will meet three men who are now on call as temporary help. You may already have seen **Hugo Campos** will helps us in the daytime and **Adrian Gilmore** who has worked weekends. **Bernard McCoy**, who has a flexible schedule, will be joining us soon.

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