



Meet The Staff - Peter Brown

To say his life has been interesting, would be an understatement when describing Peter Brown.

Peter, along with three brothers (Tony, Marlon, and Christopher), and sister (Nassing) were born in Kingston Jamaica, and raised in both Kingston and St Ann by the “greatest strongest single mom in the world”, Ms Vera. Who, by the way, is still going strong at a young 92 years of age.

After high school, Peter joined the Jamaican Defence Force, serving as a Crew Chief/Co Pilot for the JDF's Air Wing. Along with making Ms

Vera proud, it gave Peter a chance to help and serve the people of his country. This ranged from transporting patients from rural hospitals to the better city hospitals, rescuing people during the floods and storms such as after Hurricane Gilbert, to even being in gun battles with wanted gunmen, during his time in the military. He's also had the opportunity to meet and transport world leaders, including Queen Elizabeth, President Jimmy Carter, other PM's, and was the crew chief on the near fatal helicopter accident with then Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Colin Powell, who was visiting US troops in Jamaica. General Powell used this story to start his autobiography *My American Journey*. In 1990, he had also worked in Haiti alongside the US Government for the first Presidential election for President Aristide.

In 1993 Peter left the JDF and moved to the NYC area in search of a better life for himself, and Ms Vera. Since that time, Peter has built quite an educational and professional resume. Receiving certifications as a computer technician, as well as being certified as an EKG and Phlebotomy technician, Peter was able to work as a nursing assistant, sales associate, carpenter/painter, managed a Doctors office, and has also owned a West Indian Restaurant.

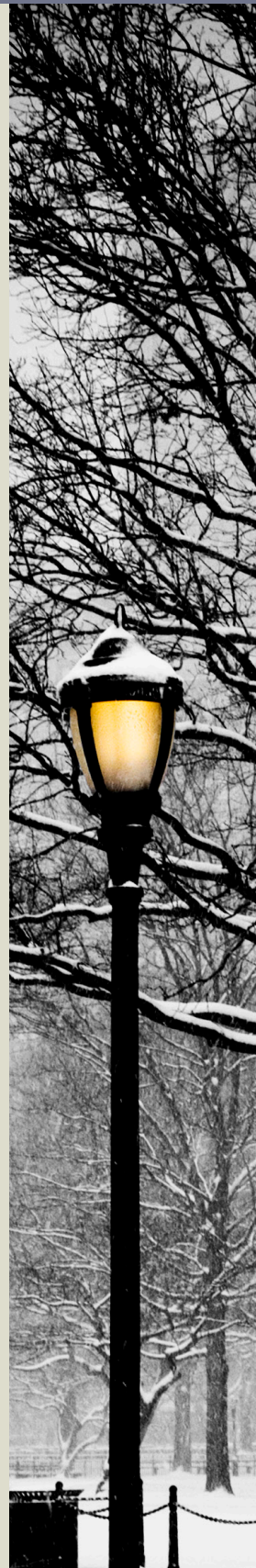
Speaking of the West Indian Restaurant, Peter, as many might have had the pleasure of tasting some of his dishes at the holiday party, has mad cooking skills. All attributed to growing up in Ms Vera's kitchen at home and in her market cook shop. Peter has actually created a new sauce, that he's trying to market. It also happens to be delicious. The sauce comes in Mild and Hot, and for those who like Hot, this stuff is HOT!

Along with his love of cooking, reading and traveling, Peter enjoys following his favorite soccer teams, Reggae Boys (Jamaica), English Premier League teams, Liverpool Chelsea and Manchester United, not to mention, the Knicks and Yankees.

Peter's other love is the desire to help others. Whether that's a kind gesture that will put a smile on someone's face, or helping the less fortunate, especially kids. Understanding what it's like to struggle, Peter has always gone out of his way to feed the hungry when he had his restaurant, and although the restaurant has closed, he still goes out of his way to provide, whenever he can.

Peter also uses his free time to collect non-perishables and clothing to send back to families in some of the more rural areas in Jamaica where the children don't have any food, clothing or even shoes. “it's about providing for others, so they might be able to make a better life for themselves....”

Peter is happy to be part of our 336CPW staff family, and looking forward to bringing his positive attitude and many assets to the building.



PRESIDENT'S POTPOURRI

Dear 336 CPW Friends and Neighbors,

I am beginning to think about this year's annual meeting - Tuesday, May 5, 2015, at 7 PM, to be precise. The Board has been thinking about it as well. Actually, we have been thinking about it since last year's meeting. There are two big themes to our thinking.

The first is work that needs to be done in the next three or four years and beyond. I am talking about big projects. We are in the midst of installing FIOS capability. But there are several others worthy of mention: mortgage refinance; Local Law 11 Cycle 8 report and related maintenance; building deferred maintenance generally; review and potential revision of our proprietary lease and other documents which frame our governance structure; further codification of policy, rules and regulations governing apartment renovations; and better, more routine building communications. And that is not necessarily all.

The second theme is human resources. You will undoubtedly recall David Bither's yearly exhortation at the Annual Meeting - as our governance guru - that folks with talent, experience, availability and the inclination come forward to discuss possibly greater involvement in building governance and management. My May 2013 President's letter stated in particular: "[W]e will need to find others in the building who are willing to give their time, wisdom and dedication to fiduciary stewardship of the building, its finances, the community and our general welfare. . . [T]he pipeline of interested members of the community willing at least to discuss the need can never be too full." I repeated David's exhortation last year at the Annual Meeting, saying "we always need volunteers of superior quality and capability. If you think you have that profile, please give me a call." My May president's letter re-emphasized the thought: "we are always looking for ways to do things better, for quicker, better solutions to problems and for more effective responses to perceived needs of the building community."

The Board is making considerable progress in this regard, I am very happy to report. It is premature to get into the details of our discussion and our planning, but I do think it is now timely to say that we will be sharing a plan with you as part of the preparation for this year's Annual Meeting. I am confident our proposals will reflect thoughtful, prudent and deliberate efforts to make certain that the Board continues to have the human resources needed to address our building's needs and our community's needs over the next 5-10 years. At the moment it is premature to say more than that, but I do want to emphasize that is our objective. Please stay tuned. And please feel free to share any thoughts or suggestions you may have with me or any of our very dedicated and conscientious board members.

There is one more item of news from the Board. Not long in advance of last year's annual meeting, Lee Michel was recruited by JP Morgan Chase to take on the top job in that company supervising the legal aspects of all its political activities. Lee has labored mightily to continue his excellent work on behalf of 336 CPW and the board as our Secretary and legal wise man, while at the same time making the transition and undertaking all the new responsibilities conferred at JP Morgan Chase. He has done a wonderful job of it, for which we are grateful. However, all things considered, Lee feels his efforts in service of these two masters have grown

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riskier for both than he thinks prudent. He has very responsibly sought relief. Luckily for him – and for us – that relief resides right at home. Cindy Michel is the Chief Compliance Officer at Apollo Global Management, LLC, where she has worked since 2007. She has been a corporate private equity counselor on Wall Street for all of her professional career after leaving the international law firm DLA Piper. Cindy has graciously agreed to complete Lee's unexpired term on the Board and as Secretary and to stand for re-election at this year's Annual Meeting. We are delighted to have her and look forward to working with her. I don't think we could have been more fortunate.

On behalf of the board and the entire building, I want to extend enthusiastic, emphatic kudos to the 336 staff team that has been our frontline defense against three winter snow storms recently. They have volunteered to serve unscheduled shifts, stayed all night shoveling, slept on aero beds in the basement and generally done everything necessary (and then some) to insure our safety and our unimpeded ingress and egress around the building. Under Sergio's leadership, the team has included Felix Cruz Sr., Felix Cruz Jr., Fabian Gonzales, Edwin Torres, Edwin Nunez, Hugo Campos, Emilio Jimenez, Jaime Alves and Omar Espinoza. Profound thanks to all of you fellows from all of 336 CPW!!

We are pleased with the completion of the lobby painting and general repair project, accomplished by Sergio, Fabian and the remainder of the 336 CPW staff crew. In my humble opinion, they did a terrific job and the lobby looks so much cleaner and fresher as a result. And I can assure you it was done as economically as could possibly be managed. Thanks to all the guys who were part of the rehab team!!!

In a similar vein, I would encourage all of you to have a look at our new aluminum container structure at the rear of the building which will house refuse and recycling materials pending pick-up by the city. We are hoping we will be able to eliminate entirely the unsightly collection of large plastic bags of various kinds of refuse at the rear of the building. The aluminum containers should accomplish that objective.

I mentioned FIOS above. You may have observed Verizon has been doing infrastructure work in the street (CPW) and under the sidewalk into our building. I believe they have also been doing infrastructure work inside the building preparatory to being able to offer that connection on a retail basis to residents. At the moment I have no forecast exactly when that will be, and I would be terribly reluctant to share it if I did. These utilities – think ConEd and the gas conversion – are notoriously unreliable. However, I do believe the project is making progress and I do hope we will be able to take advantage of it sometime this year. We'll see.

In my last president's letter, I asked for input regarding the laundry room upgrade. The board is working to maximize revenue from that source without unduly increasing the burden on residents and shareholders who use the laundry room. At the moment the laundry room is functioning more as a service provided than as an independent revenue source. That may be a function of the level of usage. It may also be a function of any price increases – not a single one – in more than 10 years. This may be an alternative we will need to consider. However, it would be very helpful if we could get feedback from residents who use the laundry concerning their satisfaction levels, their frequency of use and any suggestions they may have for improvement. You can send your notes to me or another board member or John Devall or Sergio Ochoa. We'll collect and collate them. Thanks in advance.

I think that's all I have on my mind for the time being. Please circle Tuesday, May 5, on your calendars and plan to attend the annual meeting.

Warm regards. And, yes, the pun is intended.

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**Welcome The Segel Family**

Seth Segel and Liz Hilton Segel, and their two children moved into apartment 9E & 10E. Liz is a longtime New Yorker. She was born and raised here and attended Trinity School. Liz is a senior partner with McKinsey & Company focused on the Media and Telecom sector. She co-founded the Harvard Business School Women's Club of New York and previously served on the Board of Prep for Prep. Seth, originally from Miami Beach, is the CEO of Woodbury Health Products, a private equity-owned distributor of medical products to patients in the home setting. Seth is

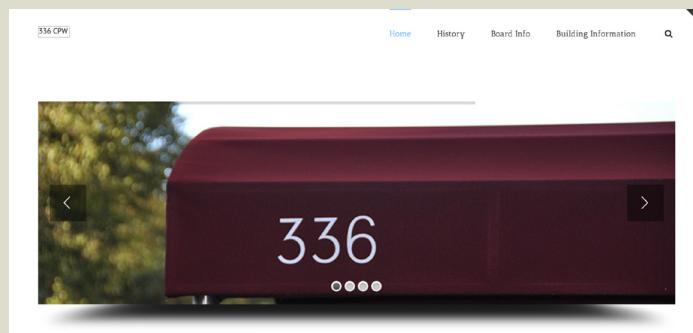
a member of the Young Presidents' Organization (YPO NY Metro) and is an avid cyclist, having rode across the United States. Seth and Liz have two children, Daniel (13) and Kate (11), both of whom attend the Trinity School on 91st and Columbus. Both Daniel and Kate are avid skiers and swimmers. The Segels are delighted to join the 336 CPW community.

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**336 CPW Website**

At the end of March, 336CPW will be re-launching its website: www.336cpw.org. The new site will be using WordPress and be more conducive to uploading pictures, comments, and blogs.