



The VFTS Newsletter for News, Reminders, Tidbits and Updates

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## Holiday News

\* We have already filled one Toys for Tots box and started on a second! The deadline for contributions is December 6.

\* Letters and envelopes for the staff holiday collection have been distributed and your kind generosity has been evident already.

\* If you see one of the maintenance staff you might want to compliment them on the beautifully decorated lobby.

\* The sparks must have been flying off the keyboards even before Black Friday, as we have had a huge increase in the number of packages delivered. Please be sure to retrieve your packages promptly. If you have a problem, Cathy Dahl, in the management office has been a genius at solving locker issues. I made a mistake (no need for details here) one evening while retrieving a package. I called the 800 number and while it took 20 minutes, the Amazon security person carefully checked my identity and reopened the locker electronically for me. The system is easy to use, give it a try!

## Can You Solve This?

Which items have been thrown down the trash chute recently?

- a. Kitchen chairs
- b. Bed spreads
- c. Loose kitty litter
- d. All of the above

Who is doing this?

- a. Residents who don't know better
- b. Residents who don't care
- c. Third parties hired to clean out a unit
- d. All of the above

If you answered **d** for both questions you are correct. If the question was, "Who pays for staff to hand remove the items stuck in the chute or repair the compacter?" The answer would be **WE ALL DO.** Please contact the office if see anyone violating the trash policy.

## Monkey Business?

In the spring of 2022, a cleaning company engaged by a resident decided that as long as they had access to the building, they would put an advertising flyer in every door in the building. Needless to say, that did not go over well. Our manager at the time called the company and threatened to ban them from the building. A resident on the 14<sup>th</sup> floor reported that he recently had a similar event with someone soliciting door to door. At this time it seems to be limited to that floor. If someone is trying to conduct business on the resident floors, please contact the management office right away.

## **Budget Process**

We have not completed the Budget for 2024 as of this publication. We will likely work the weekend and into next week. We expect to publish more information about the process and issues when it is finalized.

**Reminder** – Electric shutdown, Tuesday, December 12, 8am to 1pm.

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🕴 Peace on Earth. Goodwill to all 🏌