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## **Message from the Board President**

Dear Residents of Coastal Towers

Welcome to Fall and – though it is not so pronounced this close to the Equator – a change of the season.

We are having our own season of change at Coastal Towers. I am writing to you as your new Association President, following an exchange of positions between Rich Parker and myself at the Board meeting on 10 September.

As your new President, I am committed to continuing the efforts to improve the quality of life of residents at Coastal Towers. I have been a visitor to this building since 1996, a renter since 2017, and an owner since 2022. I care about this community and want this to be a place where all residents feel at home, greet their neighbors, and show love to one another.

Coastal Towers is an unusual community. We have 428 units of which only 70 have two bedrooms. This means our community consists mainly of residents who are at the early stage of their career; residents who are late in their careers or in retirement; and people who are seasonal residents.

This means that nobody in the building knows that many people. Except for Francheska and Joel who appear to know everybody! Let's each take the initiative to greet one another in the lobby, elevators and other common areas. We have all been living such isolated lives since COVID and a little human warmth goes a long way.

I hope that the new poster and slide show in the lobby may have provided you with a reason to engage in a conversation with other residents. I hope it has also made you realize that you are living in the OG of high-rise condominiums in Coastal Towers! This may be an old building, but she has good bones, and we are determined that Coastal Towers is a place that you are proud to call home – for however long you plan to be here.

### **Message from the President** (cont. from page 1)

This is not just kumbaya. Many of you will have first encountered me in the parking lot and will have learned that I am intolerant of anti-social behavior such as parking in spots that do not belong to you, keeping an unauthorized second vehicle, driving in a fashion that is unsafe, or occupying handicapped parking spaces under false pretenses. We live in a community and the quality of life of all residents depends on everyone observing the Golden Rule. Please treat others as you would like to be treated yourself.

Please also remember that we all have bad days. Assume that the first time that someone is inconsiderate or rude to you, it is because they have stuff going on in their lives that is causing them stress. But if they persist in that pattern of behavior, please let Francheska know. As a Board and as a management team, we are determined to make Coastal Towers a place where joyful, respectful interactions become the norm.

On this topic, I remind everyone that Coastal Towers does not permit units to be used for commercial short stays of the type offered through Airbnb, VRBO or other similar platforms. Nor do we allow for commercial operations to be run from our units or our boat docks that involve unverified visitors being on property.

I end this note as I began it - I care about this community and want this to be a place where all residents feel at home, greet their neighbors, and show love to one another.

#### Jonathan



## RENTER'S INSURANCE

Take a look around you. Everything you see is vulnerable if you don't have renter's insurance. Many renters think that their possessions are covered by their landlord's policy. But



your landlord's policy typically only covers the structure and any liabilities the owner would face. Your possessions are not covered under this type of policy.

Why Do You Need Insurance? You may think your possessions aren't valuable enough to insure. But add up the cost of replacing everything you have. It is a significant amount of money. If you do not have enough savings to cover these expenses all at once, you need renter's insurance. Many policies also provide personal liability coverage, protecting you in the event that someone is injured at your home.

**Isn't It Expensive?** Renter's insurance can cost as little as \$15.00 a month. It all depends on how much coverage you want and where you live. Considering that you have no control over circumstances like fire, water damage, or burglary, this is a wise investment and gives you peace of mind.

Where Do I Get Renter's Insurance? Almost all insurance agents that sell homeowner's insurance also sell renter's insurance. Call several for quotes and choose the one that seems the most comprehensive and affordable for you. If you are interested in buying renter's insurance online, search for renter's insurance and you will find many companies willing to give you quotes by email. Some companies specialize in renter's insurance with low deductibles and the ability to purchase your policy online.



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Tuesday's starting at 9:00 am 1st Tuesday of the Month: Floors 16 thru 12

**2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the Month:** Floors 11 thru 8

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## Did You Know?: Mushroom Trivia

## September is National Mushroom Month.

- The mushroom is not a vegetable, but is classified as a fungus.
- Mushrooms were first cultivated in France in the early 1700's. They were introduced to the Americas as a cultivated food around 1890.
- There are about 38,000 different varieties of mushrooms.
- In the United States, Pennsylvania is the largest producer of mushrooms, producing over 55 percent of the total U.S. production.
- Mushrooms are a good source of potassium. For example, one portabella mushroom has more potassium than a banana.
- A mushroom expert, a botanist that specializes in the study of fungi, is called a mycologist.
- In France, pharmacies offer testing for hunters of wild mushrooms to see if they are poison-free.
- Wild mushrooms never grow in the same place 2 years in a row.





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