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A Monthly Newsletter for the Residents of Lake Point Tower Condominium

January 2025

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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Hi All LPT Owners,

We had our annual elections Monday night (yesterday) and here are the results:

#### **2025 Elected Board Members:** 121 votes – Matthew Hasson 121 votes – Steven Vargas

Additional Running Candidates: 46 votes - Gary Vaksman



I would like to thank Gary for a competitive campaign. I would like to congratulate Matthew and Steven on their re-election to the board.

Obviously, every year, when we run these campaigns and invest a lot of energy and time, it can be a little disappointing if the candidate or the voters (Unit Owners) don't get the outcome they want. It happens at every election in the real world and LPT is no different. But I can assure you that no matter who is on the board, the priority is to \*all\* owners and the building regardless of the election outcome.

Here are some of my goals in the coming months:

1. I believe in getting as many unit owners involved in the building to contribute or volunteer their time or expertise. This is either our permanent home, winter retreat or investment. Regardless of your situation, you have a responsibility to help the building in any way possible. The board is just advising and setting direction, but real work comes from the people in the building to assist with

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making this building a better place for all.

- 2. One of the ideas passed around is having more events in the building to bring everyone together. I've been discussing some ideas and I ask each and every one of you to please participate and bring some of your own ideas to me so we can make them a reality.
- There are obviously a lot of people that like to 3. complain about things online. But I can assure you that complaining online is not going to get you the results you need, and it just makes the person complaining look silly. Especially, when they say things anonymously or under an alias name. The appropriate way is to tell the Property Manager and they will correct it right away. Therefore, I just ask everyone to limit your time online and misinformation. I ask everyone to talk to the source, Property Manager, and if you aren't getting the answers or results, just call or email me. As a small example, recently an owner in the building was complaining about noise from the elevators going into their apartment. The elevator company made a recommendation to fix the situation. We went with the recommendation, which was minor in nature, and now it appears it fixed the issue.
- 4. We still must focus on cost saving measures. There is still a lot of waste, and we need to eliminate as much as possible.
- 5. We have major projects needed this year and here is a quick summary:
  - Concrete, Balcony, Painting and Hurricane Window Project – Currently underway with balcony repairs, waiting on final window permits to start installing windows in February.
  - Clubhouse rebuild interviewing contractors and architects for recommendations.
  - Marina Lights Waiting on permits
  - Marina Docks/Slips Waiting on final numbers and options
  - Front Gate/Key FOB System Old system has mostly failed and outdated, reviewing new system upgrades and options.

I'm looking forward to another successful year and continued improvements to the building.

Thank you for your continued support. Matthew Hasson, President Lake Point Tower Condominium



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## **Bridge Across the Water**

On New Year's Day, 1914, a fellow called Tony Janus started the world's first passenger-carrying airline when he flew from St. Petersburg, Florida, to Tampa, just 19 miles across Tampa Bay. Since the plane, a flying boat, flew only 15 feet above the water, his only fare-paying passenger got a real bird's eye view of the bay! That passenger was prominent citizen of the area, George Gandy. Today there is a bridge named after him across Tampa Bay, which raises the inevitable question: did Mr. Gandy really enjoy his flight?



# **Toasting To a New Year**

Toasts have existed for almost as long as drinking itself. To help you bring in the New Year properly, here are some great Irish toasts.

- In the New Year, may your right hand always be stretched out in friendship but never in want.
- May you be in heaven a full half hour before the devil knows you're dead.
- May you be poor in misfortune, rich in blessings, slow to make enemies, quick to make friends. But rich or poor, quick or slow, may you know nothing but happiness from this day forward.
  B C O T PHYSICA
- May the roof above us never fall in, and may we friends gathered below never fall out.
- Here's to you and yours and to mine and ours, and if mine and ours ever come across you and yours, I hope you and yours will do as much for mine and ours as mine and ours have done for you and yours.
- May you have warm words on a cold evening, a full moon on a dark night, and the road downhill all the way to your door.
- May the Lord keep you in his hand and never close his fist too tight on you.



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