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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Ocean One Residents,

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a healthy, happy, prosperous, and peaceful New Year.

A Busy End to the Year

December was a month filled with activity. The holiday season was marked by the installation of beautiful garlands, a Christmas tree, and a Chanukah menorah in our lobby. Additionally, the lighting of the many palms in front of our property signaled the festive spirit throughout our community.

We also held the Annual Board Meeting and the Budget Meeting to approve the 2025 Budget on Wednesday, December 18th at 6 PM in the Spa. No elections were necessary, as there were only three candidates for three open positions. Therefore, the 2025 Board was ratified at the Annual Meeting, consisting of Abe Kalfus, Hellen Soriano, Lew Thaler, Henry Castro, and myself. By motion of Mr. Thaler, all members will retain their previous positions.

At the meeting, the 2025 Budget was approved, along with a motion to reduce our contribution to partially waive our Reserves.

Holiday Festivities

The Association hosted two festive events on Thursday, December 26th.

The first event took place at 6 PM on the second night of Hanukkah, where we gathered for prayers and candle lighting, led by our esteemed neighbor, Mr. Michael Stahl. Afterward, Dr. Tobias Nobigrot treated us to a beautiful performance of classical music and holiday songs. This performance was a highlight of the evening, drawing a large crowd to the lobby to enjoy the music, donuts, and wine. A delightful surprise came when Manuel Govea joined Dr. Nobigrot, playing guitar while he sang.

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Following the candle lighting, the Association hosted a Holiday Cocktail Party for all residents in the Spa. The room was beautifully decorated, and guests enjoyed a wide selection of catered hors d’oeuvres, wines, champagnes, and live music. A festive photo booth with costumes allowed residents to capture fun memories from the evening.

A New Year and New Beginnings

As I enter my tenth year serving as both a board member and president, I have made the difficult decision to step down and retire from the board, with my resignation taking effect on February 1st.



Looking back on my time here, I am deeply proud of all we’ve accomplished together. From installing a comprehensive leak detection system in every unit, to bringing high speed fiber optic cables to our property to improve TV and internet service, to the extensive waterproofing and painting of our building, and the modernization of our elevators, we have worked diligently to improve both the beauty and the integrity of our home.

Each of these projects was a step toward ensuring a brighter future for our community.


Throughout my tenure, my priority has always been to safeguard the Association’s stability, transparency, and fiscal responsibility while pursuing projects that would enhance the value and well-being of our property. I sincerely hope that these efforts have helped earn your trust and support over the years.

As this will be my final President’s letter I write to you, I want to take a moment to express my deepest gratitude to all those who have worked alongside me. I am incredibly thankful to the current and past board members for their commitment and dedication, to the expert members of our Property and Finance Committees, to our devoted Management team, to our loyal staff, and most importantly, to you—the residents. Your cooperation and support have been the foundation of our success, and I will always be grateful for it.


With heartfelt appreciation and warmest regards,
Tamara Benson

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HOT SPINACH ARTICHOKE DIP

- 1 (8 oz) package cream cheese, softened
- ¼ cup mayonnaise
- ¼ cup grated Parmesan cheese
- ¼ cup grated Romano cheese
- 1 clove garlic, peeled and minced
- ½ teaspoon dried basil
- ¼ teaspoon garlic salt
- salt and pepper to taste
- 1 (14 oz) can artichoke hearts, drained and chopped
- ½ cup frozen chopped spinach, thawed and drained
- ¼ cup shredded mozzarella cheese

Gather all ingredients. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Lightly grease a small baking dish. Mix cream cheese, mayonnaise, Parmesan cheese, Romano cheese, garlic, basil, garlic salt, salt, and pepper together in a medium bowl. Gently stir in artichoke hearts and spinach. Transfer the mixture to the prepared baking dish; top with mozzarella cheese. Bake in the preheated oven until bubbly and lightly browned, about 25 minutes.





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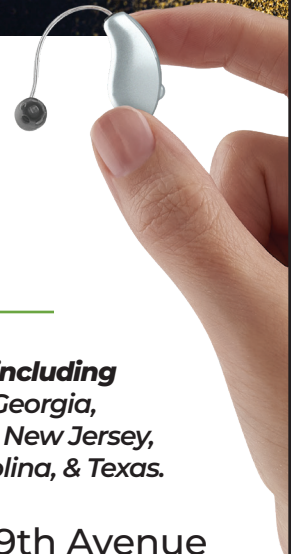


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Toasting To a New Year

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.
- 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.

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?



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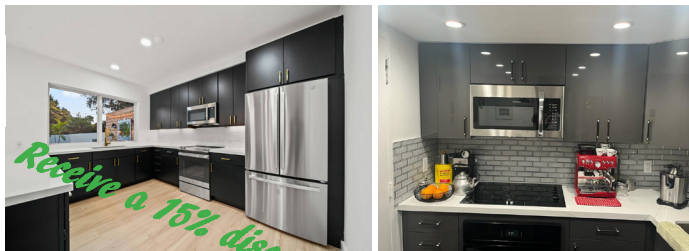
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