

# The Liberty Letter

Liberty Tower Condominiums

January 2004



## Liberty Tower Home Owners Association

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### Board of Directors

Loyd Linde  
(*president*)  
Frank Jordan  
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Steve Glenn  
(*secretary*)  
Walter Long  
(*treasurer*)  
Robert Pressly  
(*asst. treasurer*)  
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### Manager

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## Board Changes to Occur at Annual Meeting

Some of the Liberty Tower Home Owners Association's Board of Directors faces and officers will change at the Jan. 6 annual meeting.

The meeting begins at 7 p.m. in the seventh floor clubroom.

Ballots and proxies for two board positions were received from unit owners in the LT manager's office through Jan. 1.

Ballots not cast in that time can be cast the night of the meeting. Unit owners who wish to withdraw and change their votes



after submitting a proxy/ballot can do so at the meeting prior to the closure of voting.

Packets explaining the balloting procedure, candidate resumes and financial reports were distributed to unit owners in mid-December.

The three candidates vying for two vacant board seats are Armella Glenn, Jim Pinkerton and Virginia Walker. The seats being vacated belong to board President Loyd Linde and Secretary Steve Glenn. Both those officer positions will need to be filled. Linde has served two years as president.

Following the elections, officer and management reports, and a review of financial statements, the floor will be opened for questions and comments from unit owners.

## Insurance Check Can Avoid Financial Soaking

Have you checked your insurance coverage lately? If not, you could be all wet.

A few leased storage unit users in the basement recently had a close call with water damage from a Christmas day leak in

a lobby restroom above.

Most unit owners carry supplemental condo owner or renter insurance coverage for personal property and appliances in their units. They should check to verify that the insurance covers items in on-site storage.

Problems such as the Christmas day leak are very rare. However, coverage can provide peace of mind should damages occur to items in storage.

Remember, LT's insurance does not cover personal items..

## LT Christmas Party an Enlightening Experience

The party favors really shined at LT's annual Christmas Party Dec. 19.

The attendees who filled all three clubrooms received flashlights embossed with, "I Survived LT in 2003." The lights were a fitting tribute to the year's misfortunes at LT

that culminated in a three-day power outage in November.

The mementos were received lightly.

The evening's activities, organized by Mella Glenn and her family of assistants, proved popular with residents of all age groups. The food and drink were plentiful, and

the conversation and laughter lasted long into the evening.

Regrettably, the pianist hired for the event died earlier in the day. However, several residents and guests enlightened everyone with their significant musical talents.

## *Happenings ...*

### **THANKING FESTIVE FOLKS**

A big thank you goes out to those who contributed funds, decorations, time and effort to decorate LT's entry and lobby, and the club room tree. They include Charlie Peterson, Bruce Hartnitt, Frank Jordan, Scott Williams, Rusty Kidd, Steve and Mella Glenn, Virginia Walker, Greg Hishaw and an anonymous donor who left a contribution at the front desk. They helped to make LT a decorative standout and an inviting place to come home to during the holidays.

### **STOP ... THIEF!**

Someone has been randomly stealing copies of the *Tulsa World* from residents' doorways on various floors in recent weeks. Shame on you! This is an inconvenience for residents and penalizes our excellent paper carrier, Kathy Duke. Violating the trust and respect residents have for each other at LT is not worth the small cost of a newspaper.

### **DON'T BUZZ THAT ELEVATOR**

Those who hold the elevator too long are now well aware of it. After the polite chimes sound, a loud buzzer sounds and the doors close. With 24 floors to cover and only three elevators, the cars must keep moving to timely serve all residents. To avoid getting buzzed, plan an efficient entry and exit. Many residents use a cart to easily transport groceries or other shopping items on the elevators from the lobby or parking garages.

## *LT Classifieds ...*

Fellow Liberty Tower residents — file your federal and state tax returns electronically here in the building. I am offering a \$35 discount to my fellow LT residents for their non-business returns. Call Joe Miller, CPA, at 625-0892.

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(Maintained by Bill Johnson)

## *From the President ...*

### **Reflections on a Year of Unplanned Events**

It is hard to believe that 2003 is almost history. This has been a year filled with many unplanned projects caused by weather and a squirrel.

Cold weather in February caused the floor in the kitchen to buckle. Two lightning strikes to the top of our south and north end outside walls caused about \$8,000 damage.

A summer tornado caused major damage to the seventh floor card room window, carpet and sliding door to the kitchen. Lightning from the storm also caused damage to the building's security system and TV equipment.

The squirrel was responsible for the blackout in our building for three days. It was then that several Good Samaritans came out to help their neighbors go up and down the black stairwells, bring in food to those who could not get out, go get prescriptions

to those who were out, and many more tasks. May the Lord bless those who were ready and able to help.

We have three good candidates running for the LTHOA board. There are only two offices to fill. Be sure to vote for your choice. The new board members will be announced at our annual board meeting Jan. 6. Please plan to attend.

The Christmas season has been upon us. Give thanks to Rusty Kidd, Scott Williams and Mella Glenn for their generous contributions of time and money to decorate the lobby and club rooms. There were others who helped that I do not have their names. We praise you all for a job well done. The decorations were beautiful.

I hope your holidays were filled with joy and gladness. My prayer is that great things will happen for all.

*Loyd Linde*

## *Commentary ...*

### **Chocolate Chip Pancakes Not to Die For**

Well, things are pretty quiet around the Libertyarosa right now. For the most part, all the news that's fit to print was hard to come by this month. In a year filled with changes and natural calamities around here, no news is good news!

So when news gets lean, good reporters go to their war chest of column-inched memories. So, here's a tasty piece of family lore that I wrote about years ago. It's one of my drop dead favorites even though the initial subject wasn't so appetizing.

I was eating lunch with several of my colleagues early in my newspaper career when I was asked what my least favorite food was. I replied chocolate chip pancakes. It seems several of my siblings and I ordered these one time while eating breakfast at the Northwestern Pennsylvania Funeral Director's Assn. convention (my father was a funeral director for 29 years). They were so disgusting

that my oldest brother who ate six-month old ice cream when home from college wouldn't touch them.

I soon realized from the dropped food and ashen faces of my colleagues that pancakes were not the real story here. I proceeded to explain in matter of fact terms that the NWPFDA convention was a highlight of our family's year. It was held each June at a resort with an amusement park where we spent the first day riding all the rides.

The next day, we collected trinkets from the vendors in the convention hall while checking out the latest in caskets, burial clothing and hearses.

I realized from the shock on everyone's faces that I had a unique childhood experience.

I've often wondered if they still have a NWPFDA convention. And, I wonder if they still serve chocolate chip pancakes. ... But I'm not dying to find out!

*Andy Templeton*