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LAFAYETTE ASSOCIATION OF HOMEOWNERS, INC. NEWSLETTER

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From The Office

By *Geronimo Quitoriano, Asst. Manager*

Seasons greetings! The next regular **board meeting** will be the 2nd Thursday this month on **Dec. 8** at 7pm in the 2nd floor mezzanine. As of this writing, the agenda is still forthcoming. It will be posted in the display cases and on our website's calendar.

The 11th floor **camel tile mural** installation on the front of the building was completed on Nov. 16. The 1920's mural depicting a camel in front of the Gaza pyramids was discovered during a routine roof replacement on the Campbell Building in March 2008. **Jack Nendel**, head of the Friends of the Historical Lafayette, was instrumental in receiving a Navy Memorial Heritage grant for its restoration and installation. The public may now enjoy this newfound historic art treasure in the East Village.

Speaking of village, multitalented **Max Viltz**, owner of the Village Treasures shop located in our building, is promoting a **Jazz Night** across the street at **The Basement Lounge** (149 Linden Avenue) in the Broadlind Building. It will be an entertaining medley of jazz, classic R&B, sophisticated soul, and live performances from an array of well-known and emerging musicians including Al Williams Jazz Society, Barbara Morrison, Amin El Blues Collective, Jeff Robinson, Andrew Gouche, "Radio" and more every Thursday evening beginning Dec. 1, 2011.

On Nov. 17, representatives from **Downtown Homeowners Unite** and the Downtown Long Beach Associates (**DLBA**) came to the Lafayette to discuss the possible assessment of residential property owners approximately **\$74/unit** to fund

the Property Based Improvement District (**PBID**) for improvements and services in addition to those provided by the City of Long Beach. It was spirited discussion and we hope homeowners will educate themselves on both sides of the issue. **Petitions** will be circulated early 2012 for a vote regarding the assessment. For more information, please contact the office.

Thank you to the **volunteers** who helped decorate the lobbies at the **Holiday Decorating Party** on Nov. 29. Hot apple cider and cookies were served in a wonderful holiday atmosphere where neighbors came together for the betterment of the Lafayette. Special thanks to **Wally Wasko** for helping transport the tree and Manager **Sharon Hays** for picking an economical tree and putting on the lights.

The Holiday Party Planning Committee met the next night on Nov. 30. by a cozy "fire" in the library. The **annual holiday party** is scheduled for **Thursday, Dec. 15 from 6-8pm** in the Main Lobby. There will be live entertainment and a few raffle prizes. All residents and homeowners are welcomed to attend. The Lafayette will provide all utensils, drinks and desserts as well as some holiday nibbles. In order to curb costs, we are doing something a little different this year by making it a **potluck** so please bring a **small appetizer** to share! If everyone brings just a little dish, we'll have food for everyone! It's a great time to meet your neighbors and enjoy the festive decor.

Homeowners will soon be receiving annual disclosures as well as information regarding the upcoming **Annual Meeting** in Jan. 2012 to **elect two (2) Board members**. Please read all the materials and fill out your ballots to ensure quorum. If you are interested in running for the board, please contact the office. **Happy Holidays!** 🍷

