# LA VOIX DE FROBISHER VOICE

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# MESSAGE DU PRÉSIDENT

Bonjour à tous! Vous avez élu un nouveau conseil d'administration et mis votre confiance en nous. Nous allons travailler fort, en équipe, afin de prouver que vous avez eu raison de nous faire confiance. Votre nouveau conseil d'administration a une nouvelle façon de faire :

- Nous voulons que vous soyez tous informés de ce qui se passe, alors nous aurons des assemblées publiques, un bulletin d'information périodique et d'autres moyens de communication pour vous tenir au courant.
- Nous voulons la participation de tous et avons créé plusieurs comités auxquels nous invitons les personnes intéressées à se joindre pour mettre efforts et idées en commun.

C'est notre chez-nous à tous, et nous voulons en faire un endroit magnifique et bien entretenu, où il fait bon vivre.

À Frobisher Place, nous faisons partie d'une seule équipe, et non la nôtre et la leur. Rassemblons-nous pour accomplir de bonnes choses dans notre copropriété.

Cordialement,

Mostafa El-Defrawy

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello everyone. You have elected a new Board and placed your trust in us, and we will work hard as a team to prove that your trust was well placed. Your new Board has a new approach to doing business.

 We want you all to be aware of what is going on, so we will have Town Hall meetings, a regular newsletter and other ways of communicating to keep you informed.



 We want you all to be involved, so we have created several committees and we invite everyone who is interested to join in and help us with your efforts and ideas.

This is our home – all of us – and we want to make it a beautiful, well-maintained place to live. All of us in Frobisher Place are one team, not us and them. Let us join our hands together and make good things happen in our condominium.

Sincerely,

Mostafa El-Defrawy

## WINDOWS UPDATE

The Board met with Keller Engineering (Hans Keller was present) and the Building Manager to discuss the problems with new bedroom windows.

The Board indicated that the condensation test performed by EXP (the independent engineering firm) was not conclusive and Keller Engineering agreed that the test should be repeated on windows selected from the building as we choose. Nadia Giancaspro is following up on the arrangements for that test. The Board agreed to release part of the funds we are holding back from the Contractor (Lorlssa) - as a gesture of good will - providing that the Contractor agrees to remove the windows for testing and re-install them at his own expense.

The Contractor will come to address the remaining complaints by owners and demonstrate to us how to remove the sliders and screens for cleaning (an announcement will be posted).

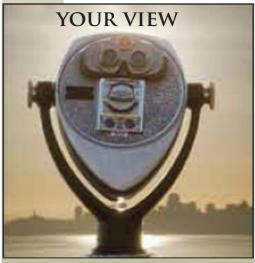
#### SIZZLING SUMMER BARBEQUE



The weather was perfect, the food was great, and the company was wonderful when 60 or so Frobisher Place residents met up in the yard on August 15 for our annual summer barbeque. Chef Rene Torres got two big barbeques going and, along with his sous-chefs Jo and Adrianna, kept those tasty burgers and hotdogs coming. Many people contributed delicious salads, desserts and fruit plates to round out the menu.

There were conversations and introductions under the shade of the trees, while the kids decorated the yard with bubbles and chalk art. And didn't those Board members look spiffy in their matching aprons? It was an evening we'll remember, especially when January blows in.

Thanks to everyone who worked and contributed, and a special word of thanks to Rene, Jose and Bruce, who groomed the yard to perfection beforehand and did all the heavy lifting.



YOUR SAY

Communication is a two-way street. Your ideas, questions and suggestions are important. Here's how you can say what you're thinking.

#### TELL IT TO THE BOARD

The elected Board members who represent you are:

Mostafa El-Defrawy (President)
Nadia Giancaspro (Vice President and Secretary)

Nicolas Mezher (Treasurer) Doug Brandy (613) 804-0882

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Ed Carpentier Annie Katona Rene Paquette

Phone or talk to a Board member. Or write to the Voice and drop your comments at the office in a sealed envelope addressed to the

Voice. **We're listening....**There are also several links on the pages of frobisherplace.ca where you may provide your input.

#### NEWS FROM THE PLACE

#### **COMMITTEES**

The Governance Committee met on Aug 21/12, and considered three immediate matters: The Operating By-law, the revisions to the Rules, and the format and process for proxies. The Operating By-law is nearly ready to be reviewed by the Board, while the Rules and proxy matters will get further study and work within the Governance Committee before going forward. Your comments and questions are always welcome.

- Nadia Giancaspro

The Communication Committee's first project is to produce a regular newsletter for FP. We welcome new members who want to help with the newsletter or with the electronic communications we are planning for the future we have a job for you! Next meeting, Aug. 27/12 at 5:30 p.m.

- Doug Brandy

**The Garden Committee** met on Aug. 29/12 to clarify the committee's mandate and generate ideas about the future of our grounds at FP.

# **The Decorating Committee**

met on Aug. 31/12. The planned activity was a visit to a condo building the same vintage as FP, to see how that building's committee carried out their project of updating their lobby.

- Annie Katona

The Building Committee met and discussed immediate items. First priority: complete the tests required to ensure windows meet the specifications sent out in the Tender Documents.

Second: Sanitary/health: As posted in the elevators, WSG won the bid to clean the garbage chute three times per year (Spring, Summer and Fall). First clean up Monday Aug. 27 at noon.

Next: The committee will soon review the water shut-off problem (which occurs periodically), and suggest steps to eliminate this problem. Following this, we'll look at the drainage problem (especially in adjacent units), and look at clearing the up the risers and main drainage pipe from the bottom of the building to the street.

- Mostafa El-Defrawy

**Social Committee:** read all about the barbeque on page 1, and watch the Voice – la voix for announcements of events this fall.

-Rene Paquette

#### **FÉLICITATIONS**

Connaissez-vous une personne qui célébrera un anniversaire ou une réalisation quelconque et qui demeure dans notre immeuble? Transmettons-lui nos félicitations.

Let us know about those special birthdays, anniversaries and accomplishments at Frobisher Place, so we can pass on the congratulations.

#### KUDOS

Hats off to Gail Popowicz, who has weeded, deadheaded and pruned our flower beds all summer long. The gardens look beautiful.

# **INVITATIONS**

Il me fait plaisir de vous informer qu'un **club de bridge** est en voie d'organisation. Il se tiendra dans la salle Perrier de notre immeuble. Si vous êtes intéressés, veuillez me contacter. Merci, *Georges Malt* 

I am pleased to inform you that a **bridge club** is in the process of organization. It will be held in the Perrier room of our building. If you are interested, please contact me. Thank you, *Georges Malt* 

Please join us at 10:00 a.m. for **Coffee & Chat** in the party room on the first and third Thursdays of every month.

The Stitch and B#%ch group meets on the third Tuesday of the month in the party room, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Bring your project, or just come for the conversation!

**Just Asking ?????** 

Where have all the good carts gone? All you can find on P1 and P2 are the broken-down leftovers. If a cart is hiding in your apartment or locker, please give it a good talking-to and send it back where it belongs!

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