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## A Word From the President of the Board of Managers...

Dear Fellow Residents,

On behalf of the Board of Managers, may I first state how deeply saddened we were to hear of the horrific end of Eugene's young life. May he rest in peace.

On a brighter note, we have much positive news to report in the way of progress.

Beside numerous other capital projects we are undertaking, the one that many residents are most anxious to hear about is our lobby/elevator cab/corridor project. I am pleased to report that the Board of Managers, by a unanimous vote, retained Selldorf Architects ([www.selldorf.com](http://www.selldorf.com)) as the design firm for this project.

Starting in April, the project is scheduled to proceed with the Schematic Design Phase.

At the next Annual Meeting of Unit Owners, or shortly thereafter, we anticipate that this phase will be completed and the owners will have the opportunity to preview the preliminary project plans.

The Board is committed to move this project along as quickly as possible, but not at the expense of anything less than a successful outcome. We will keep you informed.

Lastly, it is important to note that the Board has retained several consultants to examine everything from the mechanical equipment to the exterior curtain wall of the building, in order to develop a clear and comprehensive plan to address all maintenance and capital improvement needs (See Page 2).

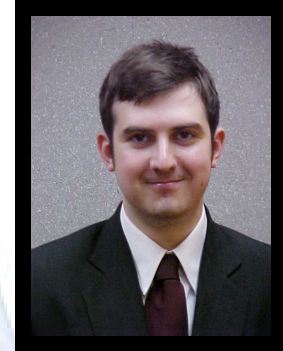
As always, we welcome your comments and suggestions in order to further improve our building.

Sincerely,

*Fred G. Peelen*

Fred G. Peelen,  
President, Board of Managers

## In Memory of Eugene Marshalik...



March 30, 1987 to March 14, 2007

Eugene and his fellow Auxiliary Police Officer were shot and killed in the line of duty, while chasing down a murder suspect on March 14th. Both officers were unarmed, carrying only a baton and handcuffs.

Eugene was an employee of Olympic Tower and worked on weekends as an elevator operator since May 2006.

Eugene was an exceptional young man. Despite his busy schedule at NYU and working at Olympic Tower to help pay for the costs of his education he also made time to perform a volunteer service to his community.

If you had the pleasure of interacting with Eugene while he was working here, you would see that he made people feel special and was eager to assist them in any way possible.

He took great pride in his job and truly strove to exceed expectations.

Eugene was honored with a full NYPD Inspector's memorial service on March 18th.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Marshalik family. Eugene will certainly be missed, but not forgotten.

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## A Secret Concierge Resource Revealed...

For those of you that have received written directions from the Concierge on how to walk or take mass transit from one address in the City to another, we thought we'd share our secret with you.

[www.hopstop.com](http://www.hopstop.com) is our secret. If you visit this site and select your City (New York, for example), after entering a starting address and a destination address, you can get your choice of walking, subway, or subway/bus directions. They even have an option that can estimate cab fare. The directions can be printed out in several different languages.

Currently, the site can assist you with directions and city guides (attractions, museums, etc.) for the following cities: New York, Boston, Chicago, San Francisco and Washington, DC.

## Other Upcoming Projects...

The Board of Managers retained two professional engineering firms.

One firm surveyed the building and developed a five year capital expenditure plan for our mechanical equipment. Many of the items in the survey pertain to "back-of-the-house" items that you may never see, but you would miss them if they weren't working, because they are necessary to maintain basic services.

The other engineering firm surveyed the exterior (glass curtain wall) of the building to identify and address maintenance issues (window seals and condition of the exterior metal) and aesthetic issues (clarity of the vision glass and luster of the exterior metal). We have also ordered needed window parts for the operable windows.

Another item that we are investigating that will have a direct impact on your quality of life is the upgrading of our House Phone system.

One smaller project that the staff recently completed is the installation of motion activated lighting in the compactor rooms.

We realized that the implementation of these improvements will cause inconvenience, which we try to minimize, and we thank you for your patience and understanding.

## Planning An Alteration, Decoration or Furniture Delivery....

Please be reminded that unit owners contemplating an alteration or decoration should contact Mr. Carpentieri at Douglas Elliman for approval and residents expecting a furniture delivery, should contact the management office to reserve access to the service elevator.

## Staff – New Hires and Retirement...



We are delighted to inform you that Mr. John Lindstrom (above) has accepted the position of Chief Engineer.

Mr. Lindstrom, who has been in the business for over 17 years, started as an Apprentice Engineer at Silverstein Properties. In his 15 years with Silverstein, he worked multiple locations and rose through the ranks to the level of Chief Engineer.

During 9-11-01, Mr. Lindstrom assisted in evacuating his building, at 140 Broadway, and literally stayed on the premises (night and day) for two weeks until the most critical time period had past.

Mr. Lindstrom brings with him a strong work ethic and a great deal of engineering expertise.



We would also like to welcome Mr. Anthony Colontino (above left) to our engineering staff and Mr. Dimitrios Doukas (above right) who will be assisting us as a relief elevator operator.



On behalf of the Board of Managers, we would like to sincerely thank Mr. Galo Teran (above) for his more than 18 years of service to our building. We wish him much health and happiness during his retirement years.