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A belated MERRY CHRISTMAS and best wishes for a HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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## BIKE STORAGE

As some have noticed and many haven't there is now winter bicycle storage INSIDE the garage. On Level 4 (if I remember correctly) bike racks have been bolted to the floor along the elevator core wall.

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## HO! HO! HO!??

There was a lot of excitement around the CHATEAU Christmas weekend, and not just for the traditional reasons. Festivities included drought, smoke eating and a water fight.

On Friday evening at 6:00 a man came out to check a water leak complaint that the contractor had called in. The seal had broken on one of the two pumps that increases the city water pressure for the CHATEAU, and that pump had to be shut down. At 7:15 or so, everyone must have decided to do dishes at once, because there was a dramatic drop in water pressure, the single pump couldn't keep up, the building pressure dropped below minimum point, and the single pump shut down, leaving all residents without any water at all. It took several hours to get in touch with the serviceman (his phone was out of order), during which time two amateurs tried to correct the situation (without any luck, obviously). Anyway, it was about 2:00 AM (after three hours of guessing, cleaning and praying) that the pipes began to rattle as pressure built up and once again our faucets poured forth water.

On Sunday evening what could have been a very serious situation developed. Despite repeated warnings not to throw large objects (cardboard boxes & stuffed full 30 gallon plastic trash bags) down the trash chute, we have had constant problems with the chute stopping up because too large items are put into it. Well, Sunday it happened again, only this time with more disastrous results. The chute got plugged up and

then someone apparently emptied still hot ashes on top of the backed up garbage and a small fire started. There were few flames and a little bit of smoke. Most residents weren't awakened until the fire trucks arrived; even then cooler heads prevailed and the situation turned into an impromptu fire drill for some. What a way to meet your neighbors! With this in mind, PLEASE CUT UP ALL CORRUGATED CARDBOARD BOXES and put out all cigarettes, etc., before chuting them. Let's not go through THAT again.

Then, on Tuesday evening the garage sprinkler system had a fight with the iceman. In making his rounds, the maintenance man was dutifully attempting to increase the pressure in the sprinkler system; however, one of the valves had frozen. It burst when the extra pressure was exerted, and the sprinkler system went off (or is it on?), giving all the parked cars a free wash. Again, the fire department was called to aid in shutting off the sprinklers. The sprinklers in the garage corridors drained into the elevator shaft. That's what that watery sound was Wednesday morning.

Everything has now been brought back to almost normal, with the exception of those cardboard boxes still jamming up the trash chute.

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## ELEVATORS GET PHONES

Our elevator phones have been installed. Both phones are set up to AUTOMATICALLY dial Otis Elevator Company. As soon as the phone is lifted off the hook, an automatic relay begins dialing Otis. Matter of fact, the dial part of those phones isn't even hooked into Ma Bell's system, so no matter what number is dialed on the phones, that l'il ole automatic relay sees to it that only Otis Elevator Company gets the call.

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## LAST ORIENTATION SESSION SCHEDULED

Our last orientation session will take place on Thursday, January 3, at 7:30 pm in Lounge A. All residents who have not yet attended one (or don't even know what an orientation session is) are strongly urged to attend. We will be holding elections soon and some education is necessary for intelligent decision making.



### GARAGE LOCK CHANGE

Unfortunately, a few residents of the CHATEAU feel that its policies don't apply to them. The garage door was originally keyed to the elevator lobby door key in order to cut down on the number of keys residents would have to keep track of. Because of the problem created by every resident having a garage door key, it has become necessary to change the lock and issue special keys to those persons holding parking contracts. This change will be accomplished shortly, with all parking contract holders being given at least one week's notice to pick up new keys before the lock is changed.

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### MORE ON PARKING

For those who have continued to overlook the "Assigned Parking" signs on the surface parking lot, let this serve as additional warning. ANY car parked on the blacktop which doesn't have a CHATEAU parking sticker will be TOWED. Those spaces are for tenants of the first floor space.

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### POWER FOR ABUNDANT LIVING

What's happening up on the 18th floor in the main lounge? People's lives are being changed. And people are gaining new heights. How can this be so? People's problems, fears, worries and defeats can be overcome when they are fully and accurately instructed. People can start living abundantly instead of living below par or simply existing.

Abundantly living means you can be set FREE from all fear, doubt, and bondage; DELIVERED from poverty, sickness and poor health; OVER FLOWING with life, vitality and zest; RESCUED from condemnation and self-contempt.

If you have power for abundant living, you can GAIN self-respect; enjoy SATISFYING work with more adequate income; you can OVERCOME depression, discouragement, and disappointment and have LOVE, JOY, AND REAL PEACE. There can be a new purpose in your life. If you have the more abundant life, YOU CAN HAVE AND BE WHAT YOU ALWAYS WANTED!

Does this sound unreal? Many hundreds of ordinary people from all walks of life and from around the world can testify to the authenticity of the claims made on this page. It's not an elite group of people, but people that want to

enjoy life and be genuine doing it.

What's happening on the 18th floor? People are taking a class called "Power for Abundant Living." A class on keys and principles that work with mathematical exactness towards a life worth living. Come and find out more about it. Apartment 1001, Phyll and Nancy.

- Phyllis Herrington

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### OTHER CO-OPS

Several residents of the CHATEAU are involved in other co-ops, notably food co-ops. Diane and Vicki in 1207 publish the newsletter for the Saint Anthony Park co-op at 1435 North Cleveland (646-9173). SAP provides whole, nutritious foods, organic when possible, at cost plus 10% to workers in the co-op and cost plus 30% to non-workers. For more information, contact Diane or Vicki in 1207.

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### BOARD NOTES

At the December 13 meeting, the Interim Board drew up election procedures which will be posted on each floor's bulletin board next week.

In January the CHATEAU will sponsor two seminars for elected Directors, their Alternates, and Trustees. The seminars will be on January 20 and 27, both Sundays, between 7:00 and 10:30 PM, in Lounge A. The seminars will be panel discussions involving persons who made the Chateau Dining Co-op work, the architects, engineers and community people who planned and designed the CHATEAU, and persons involved with and responsible for a good part of cooperative philosophy and for putting that philosophy into practice. We hope to be able to videotape the seminars and broadcast them on closed circuit TV throughout the building. (we'll probably never have so many people important to the CHATEAU's past, present, and future in one place again).

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### PROGRESS NOTES

The construction people have left until a final inspection of the building has been completed. This means that the building should be secure (doors locked) 24 hours a day. This means that essentially everything should work just like home. If you are having problems with your heat (or lack of it) please call the office. It should be working properly.

HAPPY HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYBODY!!!!