

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear shareholders,

I hope everyone had a wonderful summer and enjoyed spending time outdoors with family, friends and neighbors. We were very fortunate that we had good weather overall this past summer. I wanted to share exciting projects that the Board has been working on.

We have installed 2 new EV charging stations, conveniently located in the center of Deepdale, just across from the Management office. They are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and, to keep their accessibility high, are for Deepdale residents only. The fees associated with using these stations are very competitive with similar amenities elsewhere. It's great for those who already own Electric Vehicles, and also those contemplating obtaining new vehicles. We will monitor the usage of these charging stations, and if it's warranted, expand it to other Deepdale areas.

The second project that we are working on is submetering electricity in the development. This will allow individual shareholders control of their monthly electric bills and it will be based on what each apartment consumes and not be cumulative of what the entire development uses. No longer will shareholders be responsible for their neighbors who may use electricity in excess, as the electricity is not "free" as some believe, as all shareholders currently pay electricity monthly in the common charges. Of course, the monthly maintenance bills will reflect the removal of electric charges, therefore each shareholders monthly maintenance bill will be reduced once the submetering is finalized. It is also important to be aware this project will also help reduce our carbon footprint, which is needed so that we are not subject to such hefty fines imposed by the government. It was good that shareholders attended the recent Local Law 97 meetings and now have a better understanding of what needs to happen in the very near future, so that we as a community can afford to continue living in our beautiful Deepdale Gardens. We will continue to update everyone as the project moves forward. Please look out for the mini newsletters and flyers that will be sending out with very important information.

Now that the summer is coming to an end and less people are outside on a regular basis, I want to remind everyone to keep alert and aware of your surroundings. Also please remember to look out for your neighbors, if we continue to look out for one another we will help keep our beautiful community safe for ourselves and our families. Everyone here in Deepdale should consider our neighbors as part of our extended family, let's all stay safe so that we can continue to enjoy our beautiful surroundings. We are very fortunate to call Deepdale our home, let's show everyone what that means and do the best we can to keep it lovely and safe.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a happy and healthy holiday season.

Melissa Tso
Board President

END OF SUMMER CLEAN UP

It is that time of the year to say goodbye to summer and hello to sweater weather! Let's tidy up the common area and prepare for snow removal days. Please note the following:

- ✓ Barbecue grills will be permitted to be stored in front of the building as long as they are fully covered and placed in a manner that is not unsightly and does not interfere with the removal of snow. Propane tanks **MUST BE EMPTY** before being stored for the winter and **CANNOT** to be stored in any close areas on the property such as garages, storage units, or apartments.
- ✓ Outdoor equipment (chairs, beach umbrellas, wading pools, etc) used during the summer months must be put away.
- ✓ Vegetable Gardens must be completely cleaned up; gardening tools, wooden stakes and post must be removed. Fencing must be removed if it is no longer in good condition by November 1st.
- ✓ Political signage is **NOT** permitted on Deepdale common property.
- ✓ Please remove personal property from common areas by November 10th.

TRASH CANS: BATTERIES NOT INCLUDED

It has come to our attention that shareholders are disposing of lithium-ion batteries in our communal trash areas. Please note that the NYC DOS **will not** pick up or recycle batteries. Those who improperly dispose of batteries may be subject to fines.

If you need to dispose of a battery, please take it to any store that sells rechargeable batteries – they must accept old batteries to dispose of properly. These may include your local Walgreens, Staples and/or Best Buy.

To find a location nearby, please visit: call2recycle.org and click on "find a location near you".

NEED TO MAKE SOME SPACE? PS 221 CLOTHING DONATION DRIVE

Clean out your closet and support your local school...what could be better?

P.S. 221 North Hills School PTA will be collecting your gently used items on:

Saturday, October 14th between 10am to 2:30pm at P.S. 221Q, 57-40 Marathon Pkwy (60th street entrance). Items being accepted:

- Clothing
- Shoes
- Handbags / Backpacks
- Stuffed animals and small toys (NO puzzles, games pieces, board games, or legos)
- Linens (NO blankets or comforters)

Give yourself the gift of decluttering while helping P.S. 221 PTA raise money for their students' enrichment activities.

FEED A CAT...FEED A RAT!

Our maintenance staff has noticed an uptick in shareholders feeding feral cats in the neighborhood. We strongly request that shareholders **STOP** feeding them. The same guidance goes for squirrels. First and foremost, these animals require specific food for their diets and some of the food that shareholders have in their disposal to feed them may end up making them sick. Secondly, the food that these animals don't eat, **WILL BE EATEN**, but not by them! During the night, the food left on the ground and grass will attract mice and rats which is the last thing any of us want on our property and in our homes. So, remember, if you see a neighbor feeding these animals, please gently remind them, if you feed a cat...you feed a rat!

DEEPALE CARES NORC UPDATE

Deepdale Cares NORC is open! All older adult residents are welcome to join for any and all in person, hybrid, and virtual groups of interest to them. They offer education and recreation groups (art classes, current events, gardening, Mah Jongg, Canasta, etc.), exercise and meditation groups, health and nutrition presentations, local trips, one-way transportation to medical appointments or the office, per week, & more! They're here to support the residents with all social work and nursing services, assistance with technology, and help with applications for benefits and exemptions.

Medicare Open Enrollment Period (OEP), which occurs every year from October 15th through December 7th. During this period, you can:

- Join, drop, or switch to another Medicare Advantage Plan (or add or drop drug coverage).
- Switch from Original Medicare to a Medicare Advantage Plan.
- Join a Medicare drug plan if you're in Original Medicare.
- Switch from one Medicare drug plan to another if you're in Original Medicare

The NORC has durable medical equipment available for anyone in need including canes, walkers, wheelchairs/transport chairs, shower chairs/benches, commodes, sanitary pads, and adult diapers.

Property Tax Exemption renewals and applications will be available starting in October. There will be an event at the Sam Field Center on 10/19 from 10 AM to 2 PM, must make an appointment for assistance with any of the below applications or call the NORC for help!

- Senior Citizen Homeowners Exemption (SCHE) - Age: 65+ and Income: \$58,399 or less (renewal every 2 years)
- Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption (SCRIE)- Age: 62+, Rent is more than 1/3 of Income, \$50,000 or less
- STAR Credit- Income: \$500,000 or less and purchased property after 2014
- STAR Exemption- Income: \$250,000 or less
- Enhanced STAR- Age: 65+ and Income of \$93,200 or less
- Cooperative Abatement- cooperative unit must be your primary residence
- Veteran's Exemption- Active combat during specific time frames (listed on application)

WHAT ARE THOSE?!

We've recently been informed from our maintenance team that there has been an increased number of termite sightings around the Deepdale grounds. As you are all aware, we have had record breaking rain in the NYC area. The excess water, combined with the unseasonably warmer and humid air sticking around from summer confuses and causes the termites, which normally live underground, to come up for air and seek new shelter. If you spot any termites around the property, please contact maintenance immediately to come and investigate. Following their visit, our

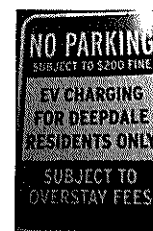
Deepdale exterminator may be called to come and remedy the situation. While we understand that the sight of these insects may be disturbing for some, we ask for patience as the weather returns to normal and these insects return to their living areas.

ALWAYS BE #FDNYSmart

Now more than ever, all shareholders need to place an emphasis on fire safety. As we approach NYC Fire Safety week starting October 9th, all shareholders are encouraged to visit fdnysmart.org to learn more about everyday fire hazards and the important role we all play in preventing them. One immediate recommendation, add a fire extinguisher to your kitchen, or check the expiration date if you have one.

NEW EV CHARGING STATION

We are extremely excited to see our new EV charging station (located near the management office) getting some good use by our "electrified" shareholders!



We hope that this added level of this convenience helps our EV car owners schedule their busy lives! There will soon be a new sign installed reminding all car owners that these spots are only for charging EV cars...no exceptions. Unless you want to take a trip to pick up your car at a local tow yard, we highly recommend you leave these spots for who they were made for.

REMEMBER TO R-E-S-P-E-C-T

As a reminder to all shareholders, our maintenance team works tirelessly to ensure that our grounds are immaculately kept and our shareholders' concerns are addressed in a timely manner. Deepdale Gardens does not tolerate, **under any circumstances**, rude or patronizing treatment of any of our maintenance team members by our shareholders. While we understand that a frustrating situation may lead to shareholders making a maintenance request for something, it is unacceptable for anyone to take their frustration out on our maintenance team who is simply trying to help them. If you feel your request was not been handled properly, call the maintenance office and ask to speak to Pete DiCarlo, our Superintendent. If unavailable, he will certainly call you back. We thank you for your cooperation in this matter and for remembering the golden rule the next time you interact with our dedicated maintenance staff.

Employee of the Month Winners

Please congratulate our hard-working winners if you see them around Deepdale!

ARGEMIRO MONDRAGON April		PHILIP MORENO July	
ROBERT DIAZ May		ALARCO HERMEES August	
SAAVEDRA BELTRAN June		CHRISTOPHER CAPUTO September	

CALLING ALL SHAREHOLDERS!



As a shareholder, you will be voting for a new Board of Directors in a few short months. As we begin planning for March 2024, the Deepdale Gardens Board of Directors is looking for shareholders to join us!

It is a great way to get involved and make a difference in our community. Deepdale has managed to stay amazing all these years because of all the shareholders who have stepped up to join the Board of Directors. Members use their knowledge, skills, and experience to work with staff to provide strategic oversight to current operations and future directions of Deepdale. Deepdale Board of Directors and its staff have weathered many economic and political storms throughout the years and we will continue to do so. Please join us if you believe you have the vision and ability to help us stay amazing and continue to grow.

If interested, please submit a letter to Deepdale Board of Director with your name, account number, and written statement of purpose on why you want to join the board and the knowledge, skills, and experience you bring to the table. We look forward to hearing from you!