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President's Message... Paul Snyderman

A Farewell to Gregg

This is the season of Thanksgiving and the Board of Directors and the Vassar community certainly owe a debt of thanks to our **General Manager, Gregg Bidlack**.

As you know we are transitioning to a substantially updated communication and technology system for our building early next year and Gregg will conclude his work for us as General Manager on December 31st. As this happens, I cannot help but think back to the things that Gregg has done for Vassar Square.

Gregg stepped into the role of General Manager at a time when Vassar was in serious need of steady leadership. With the sudden passing of **Dr. Claude Damico**, we

suffered a personal loss while dealing with a managerial void. Gregg saw to it that our day-to-day activities stayed on track and moved forward seamlessly.

A major construction issue that occurred early in Gregg's managerial tenure was the renovation of our aging pool and the surrounding deck. This was a project that had been much discussed in prior years, and Gregg oversaw the planning, bidding and final construction. This has been one of the most successful capital projects in recent years at Vassar. Less apparent, but just as important, was Gregg's contribution to several significant infrastructure updates to our boilers, pumps, fire sensors and electrical systems.

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Our Vassar Community Room - Facelift Extraordinaire

Interior Designer, Susan Green, tells us her professional approach to giving the old Vassar party room a stylish new look.



During my initial interview with the Vassar Decorating Committee, I entered your party room and saw vertical blinds blocking the spectacular view and a lot of clutter. I immediately felt the need to

showcase your gorgeous expansive view and open up this room. One of the committee members stated that she wanted the room to feel “inviting,” and that concept directed me throughout the various design stages of your project.

I knew it would enhance the value of the condominium if we created a “community or social room” that could also be used as a party room. My design process includes asking multiple questions to clients, albeit individual residences or commercial projects such as Vassar’s. From the answer to those questions, I chose a marine color theme of navy-blue tones with soft grey, and an earthy tone of tans and browns for fabrics and floor coverings.

We used a combination of hard surface flooring, and carpet to allow for dancing as requested by the committee. We separated the card table and chairs from the lounge style chairs to provide an area for reading, socializing, and simply looking out at your beautiful view and sunsets. Placing the lounge chairs



across from the entry doors near the window wall, draws you into your new space, while highlighting the lovely outdoors. The updated contemporary, clean lined quartz bar provides a space for entertaining, as well as a focal

point in the room.

I try to incorporate interesting, surprising design elements into each job. We achieved this with the attractive, fun lighting fixture over the bar. Today, there are many areas in your new space to enjoy and relax.



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Now we are dealing with a pandemic and all the changes that we've needed to keep us safe. Gregg has seen to it that our staff has implemented cleaning protocols and rules about social distancing, masking, and sign up systems. And, it is thanks to Gregg that our elevator replacement program has finally kicked off.

On a personal note, I will miss visiting Gregg in his office. While Gregg and I did conduct Vassar business, I really enjoyed the opportunity to chat with him about some fun topics. These included Gregg's travels, love of motorcycles, and our shared appreciation of British cars.

I am sure that many members of the Vassar community have their own remembrances of Gregg's tenure as General Manager, and I hope you will express your personal "thanks to Gregg" in a message to Gregg.



Have a HAPPY and HEALTHY and SAFE Holiday Season...

