



RIVERVIEW

Neighborhood Association

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The Cliffs Project A Work In Progress?

According to a recent engineering report of The Cliffs project, the building's structural integrity above the first floor is in question. The developer, Brass Works Urban Renewal LLC, contracted the report. Detailed within are concerns regarding the building's western wall in particular and recommendations that a significant portion of the structure be removed and rebuilt. The deterioration of the bricks, mortar and window headers are cited as being so severe that bracing the building during construction would be inadequate and raise a safety concern. The developer states that bricks salvaged from the building would be reused in the facade, along with a complementary brick to complete the higher floors.

The Jersey City Planning Department is currently reviewing this report and the changes to the project indicated by it. Representatives from Brass Works are scheduled to meet with the Jersey City Planning Department, on or about January 5, 2006. An update is expected by the January RNA meeting.

In Related News...

Another recent meeting with representatives of The Cliffs project introduced changes to the plans for the intersection of Mountain Road, Hope Street and Paterson Plank Road. [Many neighbors identify this intersection as "the bottom of Mountain Road next to the entrance of the recycling plant."] Most of the modifications to the design of this intersection--which is to be widened and is critical as an entrance and exit to the project--involve landscaping details. The new plans will be available for review at the January RNA meeting.

Also of note is that there is a new architect working on The Cliffs project, Mr. Ron Russell of the architectural firm Lindemon Winckelmann Deupree Martin & Associates.

Community Updates

Harbor View Healthcare Center: Every year, members of RNA provide a party for residents of the health-care facility in appreciation for our use of their building month after month. As in past years, this party will be given in conjunction with members of St. Paul of the Cross Church. It's an opportunity to meet the residents and reciprocate their hospitality. This year, the date has been set for February 4th, the first Saturday of that month. The theme will be Valentine's Day. The time will 1:00 p.m..

Volunteers are needed to contribute baked items and serve food. Volunteers DO NOT have to do both! Please mark your calendar and make plans to help. A sign-up sheet will be available at the January RNA meeting. The time commitment is at your discretion. Thank you!

Finally...

Here's hoping that everyone had a healthy and happy holiday! Now that the season is over, we need to contemplate the changes, inevitable to all organizations, that are coming to RNA. There will be turnover of at least 2 RNA officers this coming year.

Every member of RNA must ask his/her self, "What would our community be without a strong association to represent our neighborhood to the police, the city administration and agencies, developers, other community groups, and the Heights at large? How strong would my voice be without it?"

RNA is a legal nonprofit and has earned a reputation as one of the oldest and most respected neighborhood associations in Jersey City.

Consider becoming an officer on the RNA board! Renew your membership! It's only \$10 and a bargain for the strength and sense of community it provides. If you have any questions about the roles and duties of any RNA officer, don't hesitate to inquire.

COME TO THE NEXT RNA MEETING
JANUARY 10TH AT 7:30 PM
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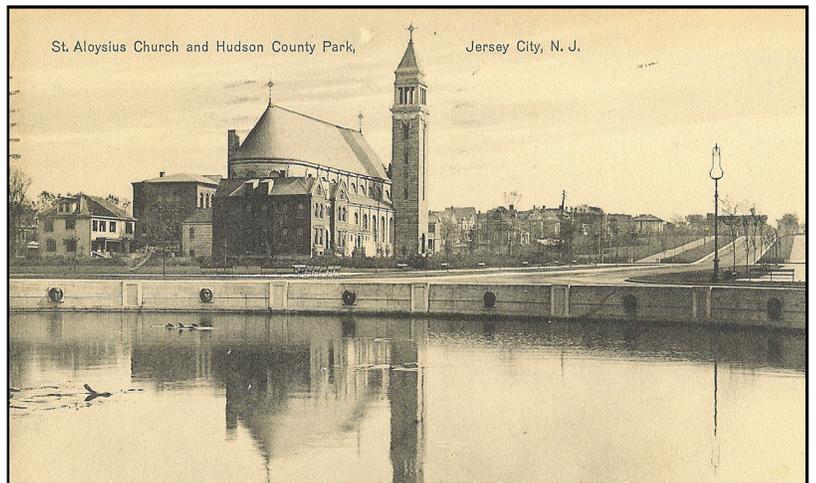
COMING EVENTS

RNA MEETING:

Tuesday, Jan 10th, at 7:30 pm
Location: Harbor View Health Care Ctr.
178 Ogden Avenue

AGENDA:

- 1) Police Report.
- 2) Update on The Cliffs project.
- 3) Looking towards spring events.



“St. Aloysius Church and Hudson County Park, Jersey City, N. J.”
postcard, circa 1909
(St. Aloysius Church is on West Side Avenue at the park,
which is now known as Lincoln Park.)