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**Next RNA Meeting:**  
 Tuesday, December 11th at 7:30 PM  
**HOLIDAY PARTY (in lieu of regular business)**

**Location:** Harbor View Health Care Center  
 1st Floor Cafeteria  
 178 Ogden Avenue

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**Membership Dues**  
 Membership dues and donations help sustain the RNA. Annual dues are \$10 for residents and \$15 for those outside RNA boundaries. Please contribute at an RNA meeting or make checks payable to Riverview Neighborhood Association and mail c/o RNA, 154 Ogden Ave., 3E, Jersey City, NJ 07307.

**Dear Becky,**  
 Please join us on Tuesday, December 11th, for our annual Holiday Party.

**Wine Tasting Postponed - But the RNA Holiday Party Goes On!**

Due to a snafu with our Alcoholic Beverage Permit, **the Wine Tasting Fundraiser has been postponed until 2008. But have no fear, RNA will host our annual Holiday Celebration, on Tuesday, December 11th.** There will be plenty of food and holiday cheer (but you'll have to wait for 2008 for the wine). It's a great chance to meet your neighbors and celebrate the holidays.

We are inviting our colleagues from other block, neighborhood and civic organizations. RNA also extends this holiday invitation to elected officials and City personnel from the various agencies that have worked with RNA this past year.

We will have delicious food for you to enjoy. If you can, bring a favorite homemade dessert or nonalcoholic beverage. There is no charge for this event. Please call Maria Tuzzo to confirm your dessert donation in order to coordinate this part of the feast: (201) 659-2245.

The party will start at 7:00 p.m. at the Harbor View Health Care Facility (1st Floor Cafeteria) located at the corner of Ogden Avenue and Franklin Street. As usual, there will be no official RNA business conducted - just a chance to meet your neighbors. RNA asks its members to bring a friend or neighbor to the party. Start the holidays with RNA!

**Still No Bus - Gearing Up for A Grassroots Effort**

We have waited long enough! **Despite the stated support of our elected officials, NJ Transit has not yet responded to our proposal to extend the NJT 123 bus from Congress St. to Christ Hospital.** And Coach USA continues to offer poor service and abandon additional lines throughout the City. Jersey City does not have the public transportation infrastructure it needs to support its current residents, let alone further population growth.

**In the next few days, we will be contacting you as we launch a grassroots campaign to get reliable, direct New York City bus service along Palisade Avenue.** Your support will be critical to the success of this campaign - we cannot do it alone. It will take the concerted effort of concerned citizens throughout Jersey City and the Heights to make it known that public transportation in Jersey City is essential to its economic viability and the future of the Heights community.

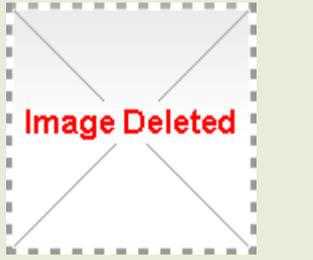
Please look for additional information in the days to come. Volunteers are needed to make this campaign a success - please be a part of restoring bus service to Palisade Avenue.

**Court House Rotunda Dedicated**

[Click here to see our ad for the event](#)



On November 29, 2007, the Theodore Conrad Rotunda was dedicated at the Hudson County Brennan Court House. The Conrad family, RNA members, friends, community activists from around the City and many elected officials joined together to witness this honor.



**Ted Conrad** was a founder of RNA and was instrumental in saving the Court House from demolition, getting it entered into the National Registry of Historic Places and working on its restoration. A lifelong resident of Jersey City, Ted passed away in 1994. His wife Ruth and daughter Doris, live on Ogden Avenue and Doris is a current member of the RNA board.

**Community Updates**

**230-232 Ogden Avenue** - a stop work order was issued on December 3rd. The building at 230 Ogden Avenue was essentially demolished and this was not part of the approved plan.

**100 Paterson Avenue** - intersection work continues to keep Mountain Road closed to vehicular traffic but open to pedestrians. Ravine Road/New York Avenue and Congress Street are alternatives for vehicular traffic.

**Crime:** as of the end of November, no one has been arrested in a series of **three area muggings** (two on Ogden Avenue and on Sanford Pl.) Detectives continue to investigate. Please stay alert and pull doors closed behind you when entering a building. There was also an **attempted armed robbery** at the liquor store at the corner of Cuneo and Palisade Avenue. The suspect ran off and police were unable to apprehend him.

**Loew's Theatre Upcoming Events**

[www.loewsjersey.org](http://www.loewsjersey.org)

The Landmark Loew's Jersey Theatre will screen the classic, **Miracle on 34th Street** starring Edmund Gwen, Maureen O'Hara & Natalie Wood on **Friday, December 14th** at 7:30 and **Mary Poppins** starring Julie Andrews & Dick Van Dyke **on Saturday, December 15th at 6PM.** Each screening is \$6 for adults, \$4 for seniors & children 12 years old and younger. Combo discounts are available for multiple screenings.

For the thirteenth consecutive year, on **Saturday, Dec. 15th** from 12:30 to 3:30, **Santa Claus will be on hand to greet visitors and listen to their Holiday wishes.** Everyone is welcome -- including PETS! (Pet owners are asked to come between 2:20PM and 3:30PM). The visit with Santa is free. A digital photo with Santa is just \$3, but bring a new, unwrapped toy for a needy child and the photo will be free as a "thank you".

The Landmark Loew's Jersey Theatre is one of America's grandest surviving Movie Palaces, and now operates as a non-profit arts center. The Loew's Jersey, located at 54 Operal Square, Jersey City, is directly across JFK Boulevard from the JSQ PATH Center. For directions or more information, call (201) 798-6055 or visit [www.loewsjersey.org](http://www.loewsjersey.org) for exact times.