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Next RNA Meeting:
 Tuesday, April 8th
 at 7:30 PM

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

Agenda:

- Police Report and NID complaints/feedback
- **RNA annual elections**
- Guest: Freeholder Candidate

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 come to our monthly meeting, this Tuesday, April 8th at 7:30PM at the Harborview Health Center, 178 Ogden Ave (corner of Franklin), 1st Floor Cafeteria.

Direct Bus Service On Palisade Ave Begins This Saturday, April 5th!

After 7 long months, direct NYC bus service returns to Palisade Avenue beginning Saturday, April 5th. Unfortunately, since the service was announced by our elected officials at our February meeting, the schedule was published and it is not as robust as we had been promised. **Rush hour is underserved because not every bus will run the full length of the new route (to/from Christ Hospital/State Highway). However, during the day, after the evening rush and on weekends, all buses run the entire length of the route with regularity.**

Despite the shortcomings during the AM/PM rush, the service has several benefits. Discounted monthly commuter passes can be used on this bus as well as other NJT buses and the light rail for no additional fare. Discounts are available for seniors and the disabled. NJT is more reliable than Coach USA/Red & Tan. **The NJT 123 schedule can be downloaded at [NJ Transit 123 Schedule](#) and printed schedules should be available at the April RNA meeting and NJT locations soon.**

Please keep in mind that NJT is offering the 123 service on a trial basis until January 2009. It is important to establish ridership to ensure that service offerings continue and are improved. We encourage you to give the NJT123 bus service a try as it is important to the economic viability of the community. **Once you've tried the service let NJT and our elected officials know your thoughts. Go to: [Citizenspeak](#) and use our automated system. We will ask the elected officials and NJ Transit to come to our May meeting to hear your feedback and concerns.**

RNA Elections

At the March 2008 meeting, nominations were opened for RNA's executive officers for the 2008-2009 term. As of the March meeting, the nominees are:

Chair - Becky Hoffman
Vice Chair - Joe Sadowsky
Secretary - Monya McCarty
Treasurer - Roger Heitmann
Sgt at Arms - Doris Brown; Maureen Boesch (withdrawn)

Your involvement is encouraged and welcome. Nominations will remain open until the election is held at the April 8th meeting. To be eligible to run (or vote) you must be eighteen years old, paid your annual membership dues and live or own property within the constitutional boundaries of RNA. The Association's boundaries are Paterson Plank Road to the east, Palisade Avenue on the west, Cuneo Place on the south and Congress Street on the north.

Freeholder Candidate to be Guest at April Meeting

Ines Garcia Keim, currently the only official candidate for 5th Freeholder District (petitions are due April 7th), will be our guest at the April RNA meeting. Incumbent Maurice Fitzgibbons has not yet filed his petitions but an invitation was extended to him. RNA is a non-political organization and does not endorse candidates. However, we give candidates an opportunity to address our membership so that we can all familiarize ourselves with their views. If other candidates file by the deadline, they will be invited to address our members at this or a future meeting.

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Harbor View Party A Success

On Saturday, March 29th, RNA hosted a party for the residents of the Harbor View Health Center to thank them for the use of the facility for our monthly meetings. Local resident Leiza Michaels entertained, and member Maria Tuzzo made sure a good time was had by all. RNA wishes to thank the members of the Board and Alan, Adam, Dennis, Nicole, Diane, Jeanelle, Maureen, Robert, Dorothy, Sean and others who volunteered their time to make this event memorable for all.

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Flower Bulb Fundraiser

Thanks to all who ordered flower bulbs as part of RNA's spring fundraiser. Bulbs will arrive in the next few weeks - in time for planting! Thanks to Roger and Cindy for organizing this fundraiser and to all who ordered bulbs.

Community Updates/Events

- **At the April meeting, we will set a date for those who are interested in volunteering to organize and run community events like the annual flea market, film/other events in Riverview Park, and other social events. We would like 2008 to be the year that more of the neighborhood gets involved and gets to know each other.**
- Jersey City Families for Better schools is holding a **Board of Education Candidate Forum** moderated by Auggie Torres of the Jersey Journal, this Thursday, April 3 at 7PM at M.S. 4, 107 Bright Street. The community is invited to attend to meet the candidates, ask questions and understand the issues.
- **Friends of Liberty State Park** is celebrating its 20th Anniversary and has several events planned: Saturday, April 12 - Salt Marsh Habitat Natural Area shore cleanup from 9AM to Noon, and the Friends' 4th Annual Walk, 10AM-4PM on April 19th. Go to [Friends of Liberty State Park](#) or call 201- 915-3440 for more information.
- **The Loew's Jersey** (a restored movie palace right here in Journal Square) is showing All About Eve on April 12th with a live appearance by Celeste Holm and will feature Classic Comedy the weekend of April 25th/26th including screenings of Duck Soup and The Bank Dick. For more information and show times, go to [Loew's Jersey](#) or call 201-298-6055.