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For a Better Life in the Heights

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Fulop at July 13th RNA Meeting

Ward E Councilman Steve Fulop will be our guest at the July RNA meeting. He will be discussing the upcoming property tax revaluation and other issues of interest to our community. Last month, Mayor Healy made an unannounced appearance at our meeting to speak about the Reval on an evening when the tax assessor was our guest. RNA is endeavoring to educate the public about the property tax revaluation process and hope you will join us on Tuesday, July 13th at 7:30PM, at the Harbor View Health Center, 178 Ogden Ave (corner of Franklin) 1st Floor Cafeteria.

Pomp and Circumstance - But No Steps

Did you know that in exchange for the zoning board variances that allowed The Cliffs apartments to be built, its developer agreed to build the "100 Steps" stairway? That the "100 steps" will connect Ogden Avenue to the base of Mountain Road, and make the pedestrian trip between the Heights and the Light Rail and Hoboken safer and easier? That the Steps are to be built at the "sole cost and expense" of the Developer, Brass Works Urban Renewal, LLC, at no cost to the taxpayer as stipulated in a written developer's agreement entered into on August 11, 2005 between the developer and the City of Jersey City? That The Cliffs is fully occupied yet this promised benefit to the community has not been constructed?

The City needs to enforce its agreements. Instead, it held a ground breaking ceremony right before the 2009 Mayoral and Council election promising completion by the end of 2009. And Nothing.

Demand better! Take Action. Go to: www.riverviewneighborhood.org/campaigns.html to contact Mayor Healy, Councilman Gaughan and others or contact them directly using the information below.

- Mayor Healy 201-547-5200 MayorHealy@jcnj.org
- Councilman (Ward D) Bill Gaughan 201-547-5485 bgaughan@hcnj.us
- Council President Brennan 201-547-5319 brennanp@jcnj.org
- Carl Czaplicki, Director, HEDC 201-547-5070 czaplicki@jcnj.org
- The Cliffs (Manhattan Realty/Agent) 201-656-0314

An Evening at The Distillery!

Did you know that a new art gallery opened recently at 7 Hutton Street, right off Palisade Avenue? Join RNA at The Distillery Gallery & Art Space to view their latest exhibit (featuring Heights Artists!) on Saturday, July 24th from 6PM-9PM. This is a fundraiser for RNA's 3rd Annual Movie Night in Riverview Park and is also a chance to meet your neighbors, support local artists, and enjoy wine tasting, music and tapas.

Tickets are \$25 and are available at the door or in advance at our website. For more information about The Distillery, please visit www.distilleryart.org.

A Beautiful 4th!

Riverview-Fiske Park was host to hundreds who came for one of the best seats in Hudson County for watching this year's Macy's Fourth of July Fireworks. Our thanks to the Jersey City Police for their watchful presence and the Jersey City Incinerator Authority for the quick clean-up of remaining trash in the park.

Conrad History Scholarship Awarded

Isaac Armand Smith is the 2010 winner of the Theodore Conrad Prize for Outstanding Achievement in History. Isaac is an honor student and a member of the Dickinson Science Research Magnet Program. He will attend Seton Hall University in the fall and major in Political Science and International Affairs.

The Theodore Conrad Prize was established in 1998 by Barbara Petrick to honor the memory of Ted Conrad, distinguished local historian and a founding member of Riverview Neighborhood Association. It is awarded each year to a Dickinson graduate who exhibits high achievement in history studies.

Tree Work in Riverview Park Slated to Start

Ten dead trees will be removed over the next few weeks by the Division of Parks and Forestry. Pruning of healthy trees by a certified arborist will begin in July as well. RNA has been told that concrete repairs to the sidewalks on the east side of the Park are scheduled to take place concurrently.

GUEST STEVE FULUP
JULY 13TH RNA MEETING

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COMING EVENTS

Upcoming Events in Riverview Park:

August 19th - 3rd Annual Movie Night - 7:30PM

Movie to be announced. Free!

Other possible movie dates to be determined.

September 11th - 24th Annual RNA Park Fest and Flea Market - 10A-5PM. Spaces available for vendors, nonprofits and local residents to display/sell their wares. Look for details soon on our website

Next RNA Meeting:

Tuesday, July 13th at 7:30 p.m.

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

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.



4th of July Photo by Cindy Zuanich