

RIVERVIEW *Neighborhood Association*

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For a Better Life in the Heights

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From Problem Wild Life to Pets — Jersey City Has it All

Concerned about all the skunks you are seeing (and smelling!) each night? Tired of owners not cleaning up after their dogs? Want to learn what your responsibilities are as well as when to contact Animal Control? Robin Pinkowitz, from the Jersey City Dept. of Animal Control will be our guest at this month's RNA meeting (Tues. Oct. 12th @7:30PM, 178 Ogden Ave, 1st Fl.) Robin has been working closely with a City Task Force to address problem wildlife that may be coming from vacant structures that are not properly secured. Animal Control has also been cracking down on dog owners who do not clean up after their dogs and working hard to make sure that all dogs are licensed as required by State law. While specific complaints need to be addressed on a case-by-case basis, Robin will educate us about Animal Control and how we can work together to address issues in our neighborhood. You can also reach Robin at 201-547-4734.

Trees Trimmed — Sidewalks Replaced

Some significant work was completed in the park this summer, though there is still more to be done. Hamilton Tree Service trimmed over 50 trees in the park. The trimming was desperately needed to prevent further damage to the trees during storms and to keep the trees healthy. Unfortunately, lack of maintenance and killed many trees and they need to be removed. The dead trees are to be cut down by the City but work has been repeatedly delayed due to scheduling issues and a broken wood chipper. Once the dead trees are removed, we will be working with the City to ensure that new trees are planted and all trees are properly maintained. We welcome your support and input to make this happen.

Sidewalks around the gazebo were recently replaced by Parks & Forestry. The sections closest to the Cliffs still are in serious need of repair but at least the loop by the gazebo is greatly improved.

Keep the Ideas Coming

In case you missed it, at the last meeting we requested ideas and volunteers for events/activities/initiatives for the coming year. We've gotten many great suggestions and welcome you to continue to raise them with us at the meeting, via email or at the Forum on the RNA website. We want to continue to make RNA and our community vibrant and healthy.

It's Fisk not Fiske

Thanks to John Beekman in the New Jersey Room at the Jersey City Free Public Library, we have been made aware of an unfortunately discrepancy regarding the name of our park. Some of the signs in the Park say Riverview-Fiske and some say Riverview-Fisk. Here's the skinny according to Mr. Beekman's research:

In 1947, Riverview was renamed in honor of Captain Clinton E. Fisk (no "e"), who was killed in action during the First World War (at La Rue, France, Oct. 18, 1918). Prior to his service in the Great War he was a prominent lawyer and civil servant, including serving in the State Assembly. A November 6, 1947 news article records the newly approved official name as "Capt. Clinton E. Fisk Memorial Park." On Friday, Oct. 17, 1947 a plaque dedicating the park to Fisk was unveiled on site after a celebratory parade.

We will no longer use "Fiske" when we refer to the park, and will work with the City to get the signage corrected.

Fall Park Cleanup — Oct 16th

Neighbors and friends, please join us on Saturday, Oct. 16th between 11:30AM and 3:00PM – for a few minutes or the duration – as we join together to clean up debris in and around the playground and plant some 200 flower bulbs throughout the park. We will have some rakes, shovels, gloves and garbage bags, but please bring what you can from home. We also hope to have a dumpster in the Park on that Saturday for what we collect in the Park as well as non-construction/none hazardous waste items from your own fall spruce up but it is not confirmed as of this publication. **We are happy to give community service credit to students who volunteer.**

For more information contact Adrienne at 551-358-4981.

Halloween Dog Walk In the Park!

Halloween is a great opportunity to be in costume and meet your neighbors. Riverview Neighborhood Association & Riverview Bark are sponsoring Halloween Is For Dogs between 11AM to about 1PM in Riverview-Fisk Park. Let your dog show off its costume — and your own too if you wish. Riverview Bark, 479 Palisade Avenue, is donating dog treats and prizes for the best-dressed hounds. Prizes will be awarded around noon!

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Community Events

Oct. 9: Shred Your Identity/Personal Paper Shredding

Day: 9AM-1PM, Lincoln Park in Jersey City, Parking Lot by running track. Call 1-800-540-0987 or visit www.hcia.org

Oct. 10: Embankment Preservation Coalition community

day: 12:30-3:00. Jersey City Art School, 326 Fifth Street
Call 917-379-3455 or email info@embankment.org

Oct. 13: Senior Health Fair/Health screenings:

9:30AM-11AM City Hall, 280 Grove St. Call 201-547-5583

Oct. 16: Hudson TMA Bike Rehab Program: donate used bicycles in fair+ condition that will be rehabbed and given to adults/families who need them. Info: 201-792-2825

Oct. 15 & 27th: Senior Appreciation Days: Seniors (age 62+) get discounts at the Journal Sq. Farmers Market and can see a free movie at the Loew's. Info: 201-963-0408

Oct. 16: Riverview-Fisk Park cleanup 11:30-3PM

Oct. 20: Senior Health Fair/Health Screenings:

9:30AM-11AM @ Joseph Connors Health Ctr,
20 Paterson Ave, Jersey City. Info: 201-547-5583

Now – Oct. 27th: Mapping Race exhibit at

The Distillery Gallery & Artspace: 7 Hutton St.

To schedule viewing please email info@distilleryart.org
or visit www.distilleryart.org

Oct 30: RNA/Riverview Bark Halloween is For the Dogs:

11AM – 1PM

For more events please visit our website.

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SAT. OCT 16TH, 11:30 – 3:00!

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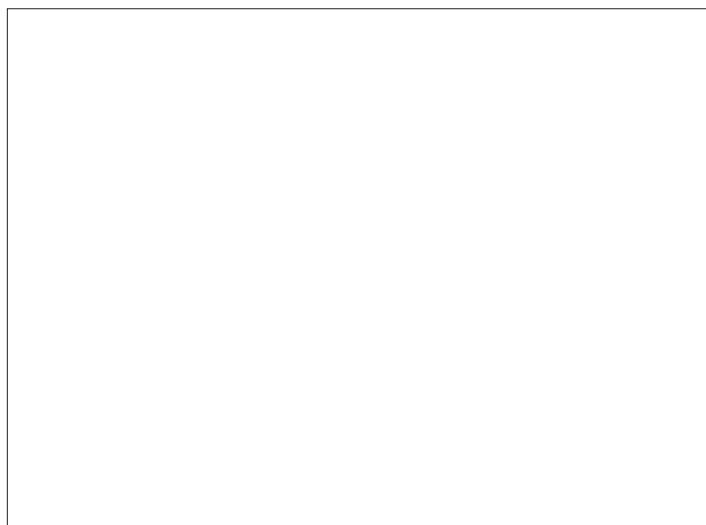
COMING EVENTS

Next RNA Meeting:

Tuesday, October 12th 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.



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