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The House Committee is a group of your East River House neighbors who are elected by Cooperators to advise and to report to the Board and Management on issues of importance to tenants. The Committee meets monthly and focuses on several areas, including Physical Plant, Transportation, Newsletter, and Lobby Get Togethers. The newsletter has long been an important way to communicate with the overall community on these matters. We hope you'll find it useful, and look forward to your comments and suggestions to better serve you. You may contact the House Committee through the Management Office: 530 Grand Street, New York, NY 10002.

**Coming to a Lobby Near
You . . .**

Following the two successful Lobby Get-Togethers held in Buildings 1 and 2, 3, the final meeting is scheduled for:

THURSDAY, JUNE 22

Building 4 (Sections K, L, M)

Come to your building's upcoming Lobby Get-Together to meet your House Committee Members and your neighbors and to share your questions and ideas to help improve ERH.

The meeting is scheduled from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Light snacks will be served. See you there!

Community Board 3

The next Full Board meeting is Tuesday, June 27, 2006, at P.S. 20, 166 Essex Street (East Houston and Stanton Streets). For more information, see the website at www.cb3manhattan.org.

Parking Spaces

If you live on one side of Grand Street, but your car's assigned parking space is in the lot on the other side of Grand you may be able to save a few steps. At the suggestion of the House Committee it is now possible to switch parking spaces to be more convenient. If two cooperators wish to switch parking spaces between ERH's two lots, contact the Management Office to make arrangements.

Misdirected Mail

If you mistakenly receive mail which is addressed to another cooperator please either bring it to the apartment to which it is addressed or drop it in corner mailbox, and the U.S. Postal Service will redeliver it.

Please do not leave it on the counter by the mail boxes, it can get lost. And please don't throw it into the garbage... that's a federal offense.

Laundry Room Televisions

Thanks to RCN, televisions have been installed in each building's laundry room free of charge as a means to demonstrate their services.

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The Golden Rule

Even though ERH relies on our Security staff to watch over our buildings and parks, we rely on each other even more to help keep our homes and neighborhood safe. Having a key to all building entrances provides us convenient access, but it carries an important responsibility to carefully safeguard that access. This issue focuses on security in the Co-op:

- > When entering a building, don't let in strangers "just to be polite."
- > When contacted by intercom from the building entrance, confirm the caller's identity and don't buzz in anyone that you are not expecting or do not know.
- > All visitors, guests, and deliveries should enter the front center doors of each building.
- > Be certain to lock apartment doors and windows, especially when your apartment is empty.
- > As the popular slogan goes: "If you see something, say something."
Don't assume that someone else will do something. Promptly report suspicious activity and keep the following telephone numbers handy for quick use if needed.

Package Service

If you're expecting packages that do not fit into the mailboxes or lockers, ERH has a better alternative than missing deliveries or finding items left unattended in hallways. Packages may be shipped to the maintenance office in Building Three for you to pick up. The Maintenance Office cannot accept certain items, including furniture, appliances, jewelry, medications, perishables (such as food) or clothes from cleaners. You should instruct the shipper to send the package to: Your Name, Your apartment number, c/o East River Maintenance, 570 Grand Street, New York, NY 10002. You'll be notified by the Maintenance Office that a package has arrived for you, and you'll have 10 days to collect it.

In the Grocery Aisle...

Welcome to Saxelby Cheesemongers, purveyors of fine (and very yummy) cheeses from farms across the U.S. They are located in the south end of the Essex Street Market.

Fine Fare on Grand Street is offering finer fare with an expanded kosher selection and a new gourmet and organic section Both are located across from the frozen foods.

Transportation Committee

The House Committee has a very active Transportation Committee that seeks to improve bus service and dangerous traffic conditions in our community. This includes presenting ideas to New York City Transit, the New York City Department of Transportation as well as local elected officials and the NYPD's 7th Precinct.

Recent efforts resulted in new street markings and signs on eastbound Delancey Street to try to stop speeding and removal of graffiti on concrete barriers on the FDR Drive Service Road opposite Building 1. Ongoing efforts are seeking to improve pedestrian safety at the intersection at the FDR Drive and Grand Street, to improve service on the M22 and M14A bus routes, and to restore the bus shelter at the heavily-used bus stop on the southwest corner of Delancey and Essex Streets. The bus shelter there was removed when the bus stop was lengthened to accommodate articulated buses but was not replaced because of a standpipe against one of the buildings.

The Committee works in conjunction with Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver's office on these issues. We always welcome your ideas and suggestions.

East River Housing Emergency Numbers

BUILDING 1 SECURITY

212 253-6767

BUILDING 2 SECURITY

212 253-6996

BUILDING 3 SECURITY

212 253-6866

BUILDING 4 SECURITY

212 253-6966

N.Y. POLICE 7TH PRECINCT

212 477-7311

FIRE, POLICE EMERGENCIES

911

MANAGEMENT OFFICE

212 677-5858

Have a Great Summer!