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East River

SEEKING TALENTED LEADERS

East River's annual elections to select members of the East River Board of Directors (four openings) and House Committee (three openings) will be held at the annual shareholders' meeting scheduled for November 27 at 7:30 pm at P.S. 137 (293 East Broadway at Grand). If you are interested in donating your skills, talents, and time to helping to maintain and improve our beautiful community, please obtain the forms from the Management Office and return them, along with a short biography, by October 22. Please also be sure to cast your vote either in person or by proxy so that a quorum will be achieved. An enthusiastic turnout would be appreciated.

MALTY AND MOLDY

Lovers of beer and cheese rejoice! A delightful new little shop at 221

East Broadway (at Clinton), Malt & Mold, features a true monger of cheese and beer, including about 50 craft beers, and a well-curated assortment of cheeses, including artisanal, American, and imports like Taleggio. Malt and Mold is also the only local retailer for the sweet and savory knishes from Knishery NYC, and features a very warm and friendly staff selling pickles and chocolates from Brooklyn, yogurts, vinegars, crackers, and cured meats, such as salami by Charlito's Cocina, of Long Island City, Queens. Stop by, fill up a growler, and enjoy.

NEWS AT 11

The Local Law 11 project continues to run smoothly, on schedule, and under budget. While it has been a necessary inconvenience, the community has responded well and the end is in sight.

A SECOND SCOOP

On September 20th, the House Committee held a wonderfully-attended Ice Cream Social in Building 2. Nearly 300 people are estimated to have attended and the House Committee will be planning additional social events in the near future. Please join us then.

SEWARD PARK HALLOWEEN PARTY

On Saturday, October 27 from 2-6 pm, Seward Park Cooperative will host its annual Halloween Bash in the large park off Grand just West of Clinton Street. The Bash will feature a costume parade, games, a costume contest, a pumpkin patch, a fortune teller, treats, and bouncey houses. You can purchase tickets online at <http://tinyurl.com/sphaloweentkts2012> or visit the Seward Park Management Office at 413 Grand Street.

JAZZY JOINT

For a more adult-focused Halloween, East River standby La Flaca will be serving ghoulish cocktails at their annual party on October 31 (at 384 Grand Street near Suffolk). If you cannot wait that long, on October 23 at 8 pm La Flaca will host "Jazz Night with Jay Frank."

SPURRING DEBATE

At a September 27 City Council meeting, which followed her meeting



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with the House Committee, Council member Margaret Chin persuaded the City to add 100 apartments to the plan for Seward Park Urban Renewal Area, which means the development will now include 1,000 units instead of 900, approximately 500 of which will be affordable housing. Another modification potentially allows for a school to be built on a 15,000 square foot portion of the project's Site 5. The full Council approved the plan on October 11.

COMMUNITY GARDEN

The first season of the very popular East River Community Garden is coming to an end. In May, more than 120 residents showed up for the lottery of 26 plots. Over the summer, the garden brought great joy to young and old alike - digging in the dirt, planting seeds and plants, watching the first sprouts appear, and cutting herbs for dinner that evening. Those involved plan to have gatherings over the Winter to learn more about ways to improve and expand for next year, and to share the wealth of knowledge our cooperators have about gardening. Watch for signs to be posted announcing the events. You can also

check out the garden webpage at <http://cooperativelyours.org/garden/>

WASTE NOT WANT NOT

The Lower East Side Ecology Center (lesecologycenter.org) is sponsoring a free electronic waste recycling event Sunday, October 28 from 10 am-4 pm on Grand Street just outside of the Abrons Art Center (between Pitt Street & Bialystoker Place). They will accept working and non-working computers, monitors, printers, scanners, keyboards, mice, cables, TVs, VCRs, DVD players, phones, audio/visual equipment, cell phones and PDAs.

TENEMENT MUSINGS

Food might not be your first thought when you think of the neighborhood and national landmark Tenement Museum at 103 Orchard Street (at Delancey), but their culinary offerings will make any mouth water. First, a "Foods of the Lower East Side" tour Fridays and Saturdays at 1 pm offers a chance to taste dumplings, fried plantains, cream puffs and more while exploring the immigrant experience and some of the ways immigrant foods have shaped American food. Second, a

series of talks called "Culinary Conversations" explore the vibrant food life of immigrant New York, both past and present. Among featured guests are cookbook authors, food critics, historians, and filmmakers, along with a full cast of working food producers from neighborhood butchers to three-star chefs. And all East River Cooperators are eligible for a 10% "Good Neighbor Discount Card" valid at the museum store, which stocks a wide selection of books, toys, novelties, and stationary. <http://www.tenement.org/>



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East River House Committee

The East River News is brought to you by the House Committee, a group of your East River Cooperative neighbors who are elected to advise the Board and Management Office on issues of importance to shareholders. We look forward to your comments and suggestions. You may contact us at erhousecommittee@gmail.com.

