ANNUAL MEETING / ELECTIONS

East River’s Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, December 8th at 7:30PM in P.S. 134 at 293 East Broadway, located at the intersection of East Broadway and Grand Street. The meeting will include a discussion of our financial report for the year ended June 30, 2014, and an opportunity for cooperators to ask questions of the Board and Management.

There will also be elections for four (4) positions on the Board of Directors and three (3) positions on the House Committee. Biographies and pictures of the candidates are included in the Annual Meeting notice that you recently received in the mail. Candidates’ Night will be held on Monday, November 24th at 7:00 PM in our Community Room, located at 477 FDR Drive in Building #4. At this meeting, cooperators will have the opportunity to submit questions to the nine (9) candidates running for the Board. We encourage cooperators to participate in the process and to attend the Annual Meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting you can cast your vote by proxy. Detailed proxy instructions are included in the Annual Meeting notice package.

HOUSE COMMITTEE HAPPENINGS

Join the House Committee at Meet Your Neighbor’s Night on January 15th in the lobby of Building 1 - 453-455-457 FDR Drive. Meet Your Neighbor’s Night gives East River Cooperators a chance to meet, share information, ideas, stories and experiences with other residents. Whether you are new to the neighborhood or grew up here, Meet Your Neighbors Night is the perfect opportunity to get to know your neighbors and share a sense of community.

Wine (Kosher and non-Kosher), soda, cheese, snacks, cakes, cookies and fruit will be served. We invite you to attend for a post-holiday and New Year celebration.

COOPER APARTMENT OWNER’S INSURANCE - PROTECT YOURSELF AND YOUR PEACE OF MIND

From time to time, questions have been raised regarding insurance for our apartments. We encourage cooperators to consult their insurance brokers or other appropriate advisors, and present the following article for your consideration.

Co-op Owner’s apartment insurance isn’t required in East River, but overlooking insurance is simply foolish. Not only is it incredibly affordable, it will save you the money and headache of replacing your own items and those of your neighbors should you have a fire or flood that damages an adjacent apartment.

When you own a coop apartment, you own a share of the whole building. And while it’s true your building will have a master insurance policy, it does not cover your interior apartment. You need a policy of your own because your personal property and renovation work is not covered under the building’s master policy.

Cooperative owner’s insurance covers:

- Fire
- Theft
- Water damage
- Personal liability
- Damage to other residents’ property
- Necessary living expenses including hotel bills, meals, laundry, etc., while your residence is being repaired from damage by a covered event
- Improvements and additions
- Credit card and check forgery

Hopefully you won’t need it, but Coop Apartment Owner’s Insurance
delivers peace of mind and protects your net worth. We encourage all of our cooperators to protect themselves and their neighbors by holding a personal Cooperative Apartment Owner’s Insurance policy.

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ALL ABOUT COMMUNITY BOARD 3 - IT’S MORE THAN JUST BAR AND RESTAURANT REGULATION!
Jamie Rogers doesn’t just serve on East River’s House Committee, he’s also an active member of Community Board 3. The Community Board (CB) is New York City’s most local form of government. The CB serves as a conduit between New Yorkers and the city’s agencies and departments. Each CB is made up of 50 citizens appointed to two-year terms by the Borough President. The CB reviews issues of land use, development and housing, health and human services, education, parks, transportation, economic development, arts and culture and applications for liquor licenses, outdoor cafe seating, landmarks preservation, street co-naming and intercity bus permits.

The CB is responsible for a geographic area called a Community District. We live in Community District 3, the boundaries of which are the Brooklyn Bridge, the Bowery, 14th Street and the East River. Our CB, Community Board 3, has 9 standing committees and sub-committees: 1) Economic Development Committee; 2) Human Services, Health, Disability, Seniors, Youth and Education Committee; 3) Land Use Zoning and Public and Private Housing Committee; 4) Parks, Recreation, Cultural Affairs, Landmarks and Waterfront Committee; 5) State Liquor Authority and Department of Consumer Affairs Licensing Committee; 6) Transportation, Public Safety and Environment Committee; 7) Arts and Culture Subcommittee; 8) Landmarks Subcommittee and 9) Executive Committee. Each committee and subcommittee meets monthly and report to the entire CB3 membership in a general meeting at the end of the month.

CB3 reviews all types of community issues brought by people from around the district. Issues reviewed include rat mitigation, traffic light placement, community garden preservation and approval of the Seward Park Urban Renewal Area.

There are two ways to serve on CB3: 1) Public Membership and 2) Full Membership. Full members are appointed to two-year terms by the Manhattan Borough President. Each full member serves on at least one committee and must attend the full board meeting. Public members are appointed for one-year terms by the Chair of the Community Board to serve on a specific committee. Both appointments may be renewed indefinitely. For more information, call or email the CB3 District Manager’s office: 212-533-5300/info@cb3manhattan.org.

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THE HOUSE COMMITTEE is a group of East River neighbors elected by shareholders to advise the Board and Management on quality-of-life issues of importance. The committee meets monthly and focuses on several areas including, buildings and grounds, security, transportation and sustainability. We also arrange lobby get-togethers and ice cream socials to meet our neighbors and discuss your concerns. The Buildings & Grounds subcommittee conducts monthly walk-throughs noting maintenance issues and making suggestions for improvement. The newsletter is a means of communicating with residents and we hope you will find it useful and interesting. We welcome your input, suggestions and questions. You may contact us at our email address, erhousecommittee@aol.com or through the Management Office at 530 Grand Street. All written suggestions or concerns will be discussed at our meetings.