

February 2016

News

East River

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR NIGHT IS BACK!

Kick off 2016 with the House Committee's series of East River Socials. Meet, reconnect, and chat with your neighbors and friends over wine, cheese, snacks, cake, soda and cookies.

When: Monday, February 29, 2016
7:00 - 8:30 pm.

Where: Building 2 573-575-577
Grand Street

Kosher and Non Kosher refreshments will be available and everyone is invited.

LOCAL PARKS UPDATE

We wanted to share the latest update with you about the renovation process for Sol Lain and Henry M Jackson Playgrounds, both of which are part of the Mayor's Community Parks Initiative (CPI). The Community Parks Initiative is an investment in neighborhood parks with the greatest needs. Through the CPI, the Parks Department is working directly with New Yorkers to transform neighborhood parks by redesigning and reconstructing dozens of smaller, local parks through capital projects. Lower Eastside Parks selected for the CPI include Luther Gulick (aka Sheriff Street Park), Sol Lain and Henry M Jackson Playgrounds.

Approvals for the Sol Lain and Henry M Jackson playground designs are now complete, including those from the Public Design Commission. Parks staff can now go into the procurement phase for the playgrounds, typically 7-10 months. During procurement, the Parks team works to prepare contracts, legal approvals, bidding, and permits needed for contractors to begin work. Construction for Sol Lain and Henry M Jackson is expected to begin in the fall of 2016. Projects are being given a 12 - 18 months timeframe for completion, with the hope that the playgrounds will be fully renovated by the fall of 2017.

BUILDING A BETTER COMMUNITY

Maintenance Requests; they aren't just for your apartment! You can help make East River a better and safer place to live by helping report issues you see in the common areas that need tending to.

Is there a light out in your hallway, flood in the laundry room or trash in the stairwells? Perhaps the Wi-Fi is not working in the gym or community room. These are all types of things that you can report to maintenance to help us get fixed quicker. Requests can easily be filed 24 hours a day online at; www.coopvillage.coop/maintenance or by calling 212-677-5744.

LGBT NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

The Co-Op Village People brings together the LGBT residents of East River, Hillman, Seward Park, and Amalgamated co-ops for social gatherings and networking. There have been 3 gatherings so far, with the most recent one held in Amalgamated in January.

If you are interested in learning more or joining their email list you can contact them at: coopvillagepeople@gmail.com.



THE HOUSE COMMITTEE FROM EAST RIVER

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. Activities of the House Committee include hosting social nights for cooperators, such as Meet the Neighbors events and ice cream socials, conducting monthly walk-throughs to note maintenance issues, and providing suggestions for our community's improvement, and producing the quarterly Newsletter.

Are you interested in becoming a house committee member or learning more, please contact us at; ERHouseCommittee@aol.com

The House Committee meets monthly and we welcome your input, suggestions and questions. If you would like to contact us, or are interested in becoming a House Committee Member (Elections are held at the Annual Meeting scheduled each November), 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.

- Jeff Super - Chair**
- John Field - Vice-Chair**
- Carmen Alvelo - Secretary**
- Ellen Renstrom - Secretary**
- Leo Hoenig**
- Mark Lynch**
- Anouche Mardirossian**
- Michael Marino**
- Ted Pender**
- Sarah Sheahan**

EMAIL AND WEB COMMUNICATIONS AT EAST RIVER



Get the info you need wherever you are by signing up for East River's Email Notification System. By providing Management with your email address, you receive email alerts during an emergency, information and updates regarding important maintenance issues, and weather-related alerts. Your email address will be kept private, and personal information will be safeguarded in a conscientious manner.

Please visit our web site at **www.EastRiverHousing.com** and sign-up on the; **"Contact Us"**page.

CHECK OUT THE LOWLINE THIS SPRING!

The Lowline Lab is a long-term open laboratory and technical exhibit designed to test and showcase how the Lowline will grow and sustain plants underground. Built inside an abandoned market on the Lower East Side, just two blocks from the site of the proposed future Lowline, the Lowline Lab includes a series of controlled experiments in an environment mimicking the actual Lowline site.

Where: Essex Street Market 140 Essex Street (between Rivington and Stanton Streets)
When: Saturdays and Sundays Through March 2016

