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Angels, police cut tension

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As tension simmers between the Guardian Angels and the Midtown North police command over patrolling Restaurant Row, "the cops and Guardian Angels are getting along fine" in driving crack dealers out of the Amsterdam Housing project behind Lincoln Center, according to the leader of the project's anticrack association.

"There is no tension at Amsterdam," said Elaine Eddison Boadi-Agyemang, who heads ATAC, which stands for Amsterdam Tenants Against Crack. "The police of the 20th Precinct and the Guardian Angels have been getting along fine. The purpose here is not to make tension, but to make things work."

She said that when the Guardian Angels patrol the 13-building complex

of six and 13-story structures, she contacts police of the precinct's W. 82d St. stationhouse "so there will not be any confrontation."

"I was so upset when I heard what happened," Boadi-Agyemang said, referring to the stabbing of 16-year-old Angel Illya Lichtenberg as he patrolled Restaurant Row Saturday. "Bam Bam's been up here," she said, using his nickname.

"I feel like one of my own children were hurt," she said, noting that she has raised nine.

"We are all concerned with the same thing," said Bill Gamble of the 20th Precinct's Youth Services Division. "We would like to get someone in to sponsor some activities for the kids. We have been cooking around some ideas about putting together a baseball team."



CECELIA VAZ is surrounded by (clockwise) Eric Carozza, Noah Tepperberg, Sylvie Strauss, Anna Lech, Amanda Dalz, Naomi Gin and Laura Gilbert. MONICA ALMEIDA DAILY NEWS

RAIL AGAINST FLOATING JAIL

Won't barge in, Villagers vow

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Community Board 2 will formally be presented this evening with a resolution that denounces the city's plans to moor a floating prison barge to Pier 40 at the foot of Clarkson and Houston Sts. in Greenwich Village.

But Corrections Department spokeswoman Ruby Ryles said yesterday that the department is "optimistic" the barge site will be approved and ready for mooring.

work force of up to 353, is to undergo repairs because a Greek tanker rammed it earlier this year. It is a four-story structure and is being leased from Great Britain at a price tag of \$19 million for five years.

After listening to the objections, the committee unanimously voted to oppose the barge, and the resolution saying so is being drafted.

Arthur Strickler, who is the committee's chairman as well as the board's vice president, said the resolution would cite