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Double parking crackdown

BY BOB KAPPSTATTER

You're being warned.

Double park in the Bronx at your own risk.

Cops responding to Mayor de Blasio's Vision Zero traffic safety plan to reduce pedestrian deaths have launched an educational outreach campaign along a busy South Bronx commercial shopping strip, with others potentially on the list.

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Photo by Walter Poreliti

Messier Scores In The Bronx

Hockey legend Mark Messier and Bronx Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Lenny Caro show off an autographed New York Rangers jersey that was auctioned off for charity at the Chamber's gala on Wednesday, Feb. 26. Chamber Chairman Joe Kelleher mans the microphone in the background. For photos and story see page 38.

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EYES FOR HOUSING PROJECTS

Additional security cameras approved

BY BOB KAPPSTATTER

These cameras could wipe the smile off bad guys' faces.

There'll soon be several hundred security cameras installed to help improve safety at these two east Bronx city housing projectss

After two years of waiting since the original city funding was approved, some 2,531 residents at the Pelham Parkway Houses will shortly be seeing 375 security camera installed there.

Residents at the Throggs Neck Houses will see similar security cameras installed, thanks to almost \$5 million in city funding obtained by City Councilman Jimmy Vacca.

Vacca, officials from the NYC Housing Authority and others inked the final paperwork on Friday, Feb. 28 to begin installation work after the two-year red tape funding wait.

With a large populaton of senior

citizens living in its 23 six-story buildings, the move for security cameras at the Pelham Parkway Houses, off Williamsbridge Road and Astor Avenue, was sparked by the murder of an 88-year-old grandmother two years ago.

Vacca previously secured funding for security cameras now in place at two senior citizen NYCHA buildings in his district, at Middletown Plaza and Boston Road Plaza.

"Cameras make developments, as well as the surrounding residential communities, safer," he noted.

"I put my money where my mouth is by getting city funding in place," said Vacca. "Now, the finalization of the Pelham Parkway camera design means we are moving full steam ahead. I've told NYCHA very clearly we will accept no delay."

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Police warn of phone scam

Bogus bill collectors use Green Dot cards, wire transfers

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

A scheme to steal people's hard earned cash through Green Dot MoneyPak cards, and wiring money, is raising suspicions.

Now the Police Department in the east Bronx is getting proactive and raising awareness after what police sources said are string of con-artist scams involving the pre-paid cards.

Suspects pretending to be bill collectors are calling people on the phone and asking them to buy Green Dot MoneyPak cards, or wire money, for bogus debts.

Changing stories

The con artists' stories are always changing, said a police source, but the most common is a person posing as a bill collector for a utility company or the Internal Revenue Service.

They tell the victims that they need to send money immediately and that they should go to pharmacies that sell Green Dot MoneyPak Cards, which can be used like debit or gift cards and need to be loaded with money. They can only be purchased with cash.

They give a call back number, or sometimes even stay on the phone with the person as they go to the store and purchase the card. Once the money



Joseph Donahue, a victim, speaks with Assemblyman Benedetto at a 45th Precinct press conference on the Green Dot scam.

Photo by Silvio Pacifico

is placed on the card, the scammers ask for a 14-digit pin number on the back of the card, and gain access through the money electronically.

Warning signs

There are some tell-tale warning signs, said 49th Precinct crime prevention officer Tyrone Mederos.

"No private entity or government office is going to call you over the phone and demand immediate payment for any reason using a specific medium (way of paying)," said Mederos. "The IRS is not going to call you saying that they want a gift card from you now. The same goes for wire trans-

fers."

The police are asking anyone who receives such a phone call to get the number of the person making the request, and any other information they can gather, and phone the local precinct.

Officer Mederos said that as he walked throughout the precinct area to tape up flyers warning of the scam, he heard reports from even more people who had been victimized.

Variations on the con are people calling claiming to represent district attorneys, U.S. Marshals, and police in far off jurisdictions where a relative is supposed to have been in a car accident. Another variation, he said, is that the victims had watched internet porn without paying, and needed send money or be arrested.

A pattern

"We are seeing mostly elderly victims," a police source said.

Since anyone with the 14-digit pin on the back of the money card can drain the card of funds, theft is easy for the perpetrators. They never have to show up to collect the money.

It is then channeled through various accounts to hide the source, said Mederos.

Wiring money through MoneyGram or Western Union is also a variation on the same scam, police said.



45th Precinct Capt. James McGeown speaks during Feb. 22 press conference on the Green Dot scam, flanked by Assemblyman Michael Benedetto and Councilman Jimmy Vacca.

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by Patrick Rocchio

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SAMANTHA JUSTINIANO

Scholarship Winner
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P.S. 14 Salutes Vets
The P.S. 14 Chorus performed songs during Senator Jeff Klein's Valentines for Vets event at the Bronx James J. Peters Veterans



P.S. 14 CHORUS



ARIANNA KIENLE

Administration Hospital on Feb. 14. The event was held in conjunction with the Have a Heart Foundation. The students also handed out boxes with supplies to the veterans.

Notable Passing
With deepest sorrow, **Marianna Kienle** passed away peacefully March 2, 2014 at the

age of 89. She is survived by her son Anthony and daughter Theresa, and her sister Irma, whom she has never been apart from in 85 years. She is also survived by her 12 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren. She lived and raised her kids in County Club for well over 50 years and worked at Providence Rest for many years. She was funny, charming and so loved by us all. She will be missed terribly and she is now at peace. RIP Grandma, mom and sister

10/26/24 to 3/2/14.

Street Renaming

Over in Belmont, the late **Natale "Nat" Cerini**, long-time community accountant and father of Bronx Tax Man John Cerini of Throggs Neck, will have a street co-named in his honor. The street renaming ceremony will take place Sunday, March 9 at Belmont Avenue and East 187th Street, and Councilman Richie Torres will host the dedication ceremony.

- Public Notice -

Bronx Community Board 10 will be conducting a Public Hearing on the Mayor's Preliminary

Budget for 2015, at its office located at 3165 E. Tremont Avenue at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 12.

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Car break-ins up in 49th Precinct

BY JAIME WILLIAMS

Lock your cars and keep your valuables elsewhere.

That's the message from the 49th Precinct to local residents amid a recent spike in car break-ins.

Deputy Inspector Lorenzo (Andy) Johnson said he began noticing an increase in reported car break-ins at the end of 2013.

There since have been 50 reported car break-ins reported and five arrests between Jan. 1 and March 3 in the precinct, said Community Affairs Officer Jay Sturdivant.

The precinct coverage area runs from Van Nest through Morris Park and Pelham Parkway north to Allerton, Pelham Gardens and Laconia.

Lock and take

Sturdivant, who said the crimes have spread throughout the borough, urged drivers to remember to lock their cars and keep their valuables out of sight.

Johnson said it was important not to park a car in desolate areas, but rather try to find places with lights, cameras, or lots of people around.

"It's a crime of opportunity," Sturdivant said.

Johnson said the precinct is working with the

We're doing as much as we possibly can to combat it. If you see something, say something..

Lorenzo Johnson
Deputy Inspector

narcotics unit to combat the problem because many break-ins are done by drug users. While some sell what they steal for drug money,

Johnson said more and more are by-passing the pawn shops, which must document all items, opting instead to trade the electronics directly for drugs.

Targeting thieves

The officers compile information from the reports into a database to help identify and target those who have gotten away with break-ins.

The precinct is also using bait cars to try and lure thieves into situations where they can be arrested.

"We're doing as much as we possibly can to combat it," said Sturdivant.

But Johnson said that it is very difficult to make an arrest because an officer can't arrest someone just for entering someone else's car. They have to catch the perpetrator "red-handed and full-pocketed," Johnson said.

But even if the precinct can't easily make an arrest, they can identify and target

those who are known to break into cars, Johnson said. The community can also help by keeping an eye out for odd behavior around cars.

Johnson said that rarely

do break-ins come with broken windows, and that most thieves check the cars door handles to find ones that have been left unlocked or can easily be broken.

"If you see something, say something," said Johnson, advising people to call 911 or the precinct when they believe someone is trying to break into cars.

POLS MEET AT 'RESPECT FOR ALL WEEK'



City Council Speaker Melissa Mark-Viverito, with Bronx Councilmembers Vanessa Gibson and Andrew Cohen, share their thoughts at launch of City Council and Department of Education's Respect for All Week on Feb. 6, at the Simon Wiesenthal Center/Museum of Tolerance New York, in Midtown Manhattan.

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BOROBEAT



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DUD STUD

If you haven't seen THAT 2005 video of Assemblyman **Jose Rivera** playing Boyz in the Dominican 'Hood with former Assemblyman **Adam Clayton Powell IV**, oogling young girls, discussing, um, anatomical firmness, "marihuana" and zooming in on some DR cutie's *culo*, here it is: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GQE0kX3GZWA>.

But the geriatric gigolo's sexual joshing is tame compared to our discovery of more disgusting tapes by the video auteur.

While pretty shocking, we think voters deserve to know his involvement in a group where men, and yes, women, meet behind closed doors and practice bizarre, depraved and embarrassing acts of degradation and self-abuse.

We'll hopefully be shortly posting his R-rated tapes of those regular sessions in the state Assembly....

CLUBBED

Kenny Agosto, founder of the Liberty Democratic Association and outgoing district leader in the 80th Assembly District, is miffed at Assemblyman **Mark Gjonaj's** comments about "disenfranchised voters" in the district. Gjonaj made the comment in announcing he and Senator **Jeff**

Klein are seeking members for their newly formed political club.

While Kenny was redistricted, and can't run for reelection, he's still a Liberty loyalist.

"I take exception with Mark saying the Liberty is not inclusive," sayeth Kenny, citing a long list of club officers who are or have been Latino, Jewish, Irish and disabled.

And just to dig the knife in, Kenny called it "a fluke when Mark won because the people in the district didn't like the predecessor ("Some girls just wanna have fun" **Naomi (Snooki) Rivera**.

As far as the club putting up a candidate for district leader, Kenny noted that he asked state committeeman **Joe McManus** if he'd be interested, but Joe declined.

So far, no word on any other interested parties, either out of Liberty or the newly forming Gjonaj/Klein club.

District leaders, by the way, carry a lot of clout both locally and within the county organization.

As Kenny sayeth, "Politics is who gets what. If you're not at the table, you're on the menu."

D.C. RE-BOUND

With petitioning kicking off Monday, March 4, we'll go out on a limb and

predict Congressmen **Eliot Engel**, **Joe Crowley** and a suddenly out of hibernation **Jose Serrano** will be reelected, without opposition.

The big question is will second time be a charm for northern Manhattan state Senator **Adriano Espaillat** taking on incumbent **Charlie Rangel** after almost beating him the last time.

Could the Bronx, which covers about 20% of the 13th district be a factor this time?

Senator **Gustavo Rivera**, who faces his own challenge from Councilman **Fernando Cabrera**, is backing Espaillat, and helped him kick off his campaign on Saturday, March 1 with a meet-and-greet walk along the Fordham Road shopping district.

Cabrera is still reported weighing his options on whom to back, since the eventual winner in the June Congressional primary can go a long way to helping or hurting him in his challenge against Rivera. Stay tuned on this one.

CHAIRMAN OLLIE

Former Attorney General and now ex-Riverdale City Councilman **Oliver Koppell**, sounding like Chairman Mao, calling Democratic Senator **Jeff Klein** "a lapdog for Senate Republicans." Ollie's been

weighing a challenge against Jeff, whose five-member Independent Democratic Conference co-rules the Senate with Republicans. He cited Jeff for "openly endorsing challenges to sitting Democratic legislators," including regular Democratic Conference head **Andrea Stewart-Cousins** of Yonkers.

Senate Dems would love to see a serious challenge against Jeff, but so far, have been hedging their bets with Ollie.

SPRUNG

Former state Senator **Pedro Espada's** son **Pedro G. Espada**, 40, released from Chez Fed on Feb. 28 after doing his one-year stretch for helping to loot Papi's Soundview Healthcare Network. Papi Pedro, 60, is doing his five-year stretch at the Fort Dix Federal Correctional Institution, due to be sprung 10/30/17.

HUDDLING

One of our spies reports Assemblymen **Mark Gjonaj** and **Jose Rivera** recently spotted in rapt conversation over dinner at **Jimmy Rodriguez'** new Don Coqui on City Island. Wonder if it has anything to do with new mega-political club Mark and Senator **Jeff Klein** are opening and some possible challenges Jose could be facing for his Fordham/Kingsbridge seat?

COP CORNER

Congrats. To Sgt. **Tawee "T" Theanthong** at the 49 Precinct squad in Morris Park, upped to full detective squad commander; Detectives **Michell Geist** at the 42 Squad in Morrisania and **Jose Rodriguez** at Bronx Gang unit, both upped to prestigious first grade rank, and to **Anthony Elio** and **Cristina Reyes** at the 45 Squad in Throggs Neck, getting their prized gold detective shields.

Big time. Former Bronx Homicide and 40th Precinct First Grade Detective **Robert Addoralato**, named chief investigator for the Moreland Commission to Investigate Public Corruption in the state legislature. Wonder if Bobby is still asking his favorite question?

BRONX BIRTHDAYS

March 7 - Councilman **Jimmy Vacca**.

March 7 - Former 80th Assembly District state committeewoman **Diane Cerino**.

March 12 - Councilman **Andy King**.

March 13 - ex-Bronx Republican Party leader **Jay Savino**, whose sentencing on a bribe receiving plea has been moved to July 22, no doubt after he testifies against co-conspirators, including state Senator **Malcolm Smith**.

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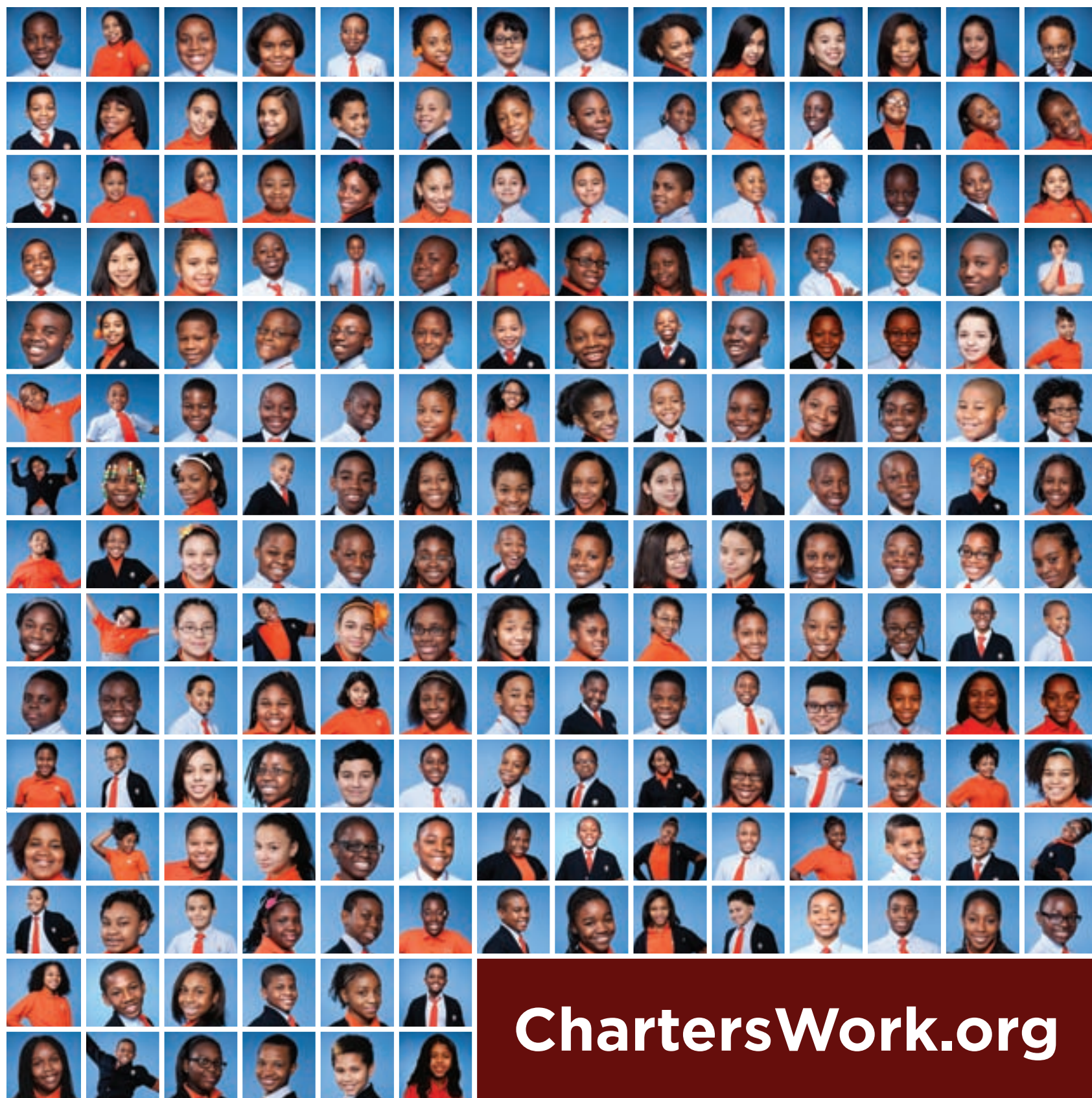
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FRI, JAN. 17th, 4:35 p.m. — 710 Tinton Ave. An inquiry was started by detectives after learning that a man had been shot. The male victim was in the process of leaving work as an employee of the New York City Housing Authority when he was approached by two males. A bullet rang out ripping into the victim's stomach. Local detectives are handling the inquiry.

SAT, JAN. 18th, 8:45 a.m. — 675 Morris Ave. Authorities reported that a black male keep them at bay for over thirty-minutes. The 30 year old emotionally disturbed man refused to open the door for officials until after 9:20 a.m. Once in custody, the man was transported to Lincoln Medical Center and provided with medical assistance.

SUN, JAN. 19th, 3:55 a.m. — 431 East 138 St. An armed robbery of a Laundromat is under investigation. Armed with a knife a black male, possibly in his 20's, robbed the store's worker of two-hundred dollars. The employee escaped injury.

SUN, JAN. 19th, 10:40 p.m. — 353 East 141 St. Police officers arrested a person who failed to obtain the proper permit to have a gun in NYC. The 9-mm semi-automatic pistol was taken away from its owner and vouched by police as evidence for the upcoming trial.

41st PCT.

THURS, JAN. 16th, 12:30 a.m. — 836 Faile St. A Hispanic male was treated at Lincoln Medical Center. The male crime victim was suffering from a bullet wound to the right foot. Local detectives are handling the inquiry.

SUN, JAN. 19th, 6:10 p.m. — 881 Irvine St. Police were alerted to an attempted robbery in the Hunts Point section. A shot was fired during the attempted, but officials indicated that no one was injured.

TUES, JAN. 21st, 8:00 a.m. — 730 Bryant Ave. A search was conducted for a black male who committed a robbery. Wearing a ski mask the unknown culprit robbed an I-phone from a school guard at Middle School # 424. The culprit fled before police arrived.

42nd PCT.

THURS, JAN. 16th, 8:50 p.m. — 905 Tinton Ave. Officials are looking into the death of a 23 year old Hispanic male. The 23 year old Hispanic male victim was suffering from two bullet wounds to the back of the head. Despite efforts to assist the young man, he expired at Lincoln Medical Center. Bronx Homicide Squad members are assisting with the inquiry.

43rd PCT.

THURS, JAN. 16th, 8:00 a.m. — 1510 Zerega Ave. First responders came to the aid of a young boy. The 6 year old child was struck by a school bus. After being stabilized at the scene by the ambulance crew the child was



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transported to Jacobi Medical Center in critical condition. Police officers from Highway 1's Critical Investigation Squad were summoned to the scene to handle the inquiry.

THURS, JAN. 16th, 8:40 p.m. — 1105 Elder Ave. The emergency room staff at Lincoln Medical Center treated a Hispanic teen. A 17 year old male was taken to the hospital after being stabbed in the right side of the torso. Local detectives are looking into the attack on the teen.

FRI, JAN. 17th, 7:30 a.m. — 2338 Turnbull Ave. A 38 year old man will be able to tell his story to a judge, if he so desired, why he was in possession of a gun. Taken away from the male culprit was a defaced 9-mm pistol. The weapon was vouched as evidence since the male failed to obtain the proper license to possess a gun within the city.

MON, JAN. 20th, 5:55 p.m. — 1030 Boynton Ave. A 28 year old male was arrested after interfering with police. The arrest was made after the culprit's sister was involved in a domestic incident.

TUES, JAN. 21st, 12:00 p.m. — Specially trained members from the Special Victims Squad are looking for a teenage male. The alleged culprit, described as a 16 year old male, is accused of raping a 14 year old girl.

TUES, JAN. 21st, 3:25 p.m. — 1724 Lafayette Ave. A male shoveling snow was robbed by two males. The male victim was busy removing snow when two armed males wearing ski masks approached the victim. The unknown pair removed eight-hundred dollars from the crime victim before running into a nearby NYC Housing Development.

44th PCT.

THURS, JAN. 16th, 4:30 p.m. — 250 East 164 St. Police investigators are looking into an incident where a teen was shot. The 17 year old student was struck in the neck by a 'BB'. The boy sustained a minor injury and treated the teen as police looked for the culprit. The inquiry is being handled by local detectives.

FRI, JAN. 17th, 9:45 a.m. — 1410 Grand Concourse. Another Hispanic man was arrested after being found with a gun in his possession. The 45 year old Hispanic culprit was arrested after police officers removed a 357-caliber revolver from his possession. The weapon was vouched as evidence for the upcoming trial.

FRI, JAN. 17th, 3:15 p.m. — 1339 Morris Ave. Police are looking into the death of a male. Authorities believe that the man might have taken his

own life but the Medical Examiner's staff will make that determination. The male victim was found hanging from a pipe in the basement apartment by a neighbor.

FRI, JAN. 17th, 8:20 p.m. — Edward L. Grant Hwy. and West 174 St. A 22 year old female was taken into custody by police. The Hispanic woman was found in possession of a 22 caliber gun. The weapon was vouched as evidence by authorities.

FRI, JAN. 17th, 10:30 p.m. — 1058 Morris Ave. Police officers arrested over three dozen persons who were attending a party. Forty-One persons, including 22 underage teens, were arrested by police. Charges included endangering the welfare of minors and criminal trespass were issued by authorities to those taken into custody.

MON, JAN. 20th, 1:30 p.m. — 25 West 170 St. A black male involved with an armed robbery required medical attention. The injured male attempted to rob an auto parts store near Inwood Ave. with a knife. An employee apparently combated the culprit causing a laceration to the worker's finger while the culprit had a self-inflicted minor laceration to the back. The staff at Lincoln Medical Center treated the injured.

TUES, JAN. 21st, 12:15 p.m. — 1363 Webster Ave. A neighborhood deli was robbed by two unknown persons. At gunpoint the two culprits fled with over four-hundred dollars from the store. Local detectives are handling the inquiry.

TUES, JAN. 21st, 11:50 p.m. — 194 East 167 St. An investigation was launched after a burglary was discovered. The owner of a clothing store discovered that the facility had been broken into. Reported missing is clothing worth in the area of ten-thousand dollars.

45th PCT.

FRI, JAN. 17th, 7:45 a.m. — Throggs Neck Bridge. Emergency crew responded to the span after receiving a report that a person had jumped from the busy span. The woman was rescued by vessels and taken to the Queens shore where she was transferred to a waiting ambulance. The victim, in critical condition, was transported to a local hospital in critical condition. Detectives are handling the inquiry.

SUN, JAN. 19th, 10:45 p.m. — 1429 Glover St. Police took another pistol off of local streets this time in the Zerega community. Police officers were able to voucher a 9-mm pistol as evidence.

47th PCT.

THURS, JAN. 16th, 7:45 p.m. — East 214 St. and White Plains Rd. A young black male ended up in trouble with the police. An undercover investigator nabbed the 22 year old black male finding him in possession of a 45-caliber gun. The weapon was taken away and vouched as evidence for the pending trail by police.

48th PCT.

THURS, JAN. 16th, 4:35 p.m. — Marmion Ave. and East 179 St. Police are looking for a male whom committed an armed robbery on the street. The brazen unknown culprit at gun point robbed a male victim of an I-pod and some clothing while they both were on the street. A search of the area was fruitless for authorities.

SUN, JAN. 19th, 10:05 p.m. — 2375 Southern Blvd. An inquiry got started by local detectives after learning of a home invasion that occurred inside a high-rise residential building. Two black males forced their way into an apartment at gun point. The two culprits fled with the victim's wallet and also a cell phone. The occupant escaped injury.

49th PCT.

FRI, JAN. 17th, 6:30 p.m. — 2160 Holland Ave. A 53 year old Hispanic man could be face some jail time depending upon the outcome of his trial. The man was arrested after police officers found him in possession of a handgun. The weapon was taken away from the man who failed to obtain the proper permit to own a weapon in NYC.

FRI, JAN. 17th, 7:15 p.m. — 1551 Astor Ave. An investigation was launched after two males invaded a home near Woodhull Ave. Armed with a gun, the two culprits secured a female occupant before they fled with three thousand dollars in cash. The young female victim escaped being injured.

MON, JAN. 20th, 10:30 p.m. — 1639 Van Buren St. Police officers were sent to a reported home invasion that occurred in the Morris Park community. It was reported that six Hispanic males at gun point entered a home. The group displayed several guns the victim reported before gathering a cell phones, a selection of jewelry, and an unknown amount of cash. One occupant received a minor injury.

52nd PCT.

SAT, JAN. 18th, 2:00 a.m. — East Fordham Rd. and Morris Ave. Police

arrested a motorist for driving while intoxicated along the busy street.

SUN, JAN. 19th, 1:10 a.m. — Major Deegan Expwy. Police officers were forced to use mace in order to bring a driver under control. Arrested and being charged with driving while intoxicated was a member of the city's Hospital Police agency.

SUN, JAN. 19th, 1:35 a.m. — 2735 Creston Ave. An investigation was launched after officials learned that a man had been stabbed. A 28 year old black male was treated for a stab wound to the left shoulder. The injured man was treated at St. Barnabas Hospital for the wound.

SUN, JAN. 19th, 3:00 a.m. — 361 East 204 St. A search was conducted for five Hispanic males in the Bedford Park — Norwood areas. The five culprits were fighting inside a deli near Decatur Ave when someone fired a bullet through the deli's window. All five males fled before police were notified.

TUES, JAN. 21st, 8:00 a.m. — 2542 Marion Ave. Police officers were alerted that a deli was broken into. The unknown culprits broke through a wall while the store was closed based on the evidence found at the crime scene. Officials reported that five-thousand dollars in cash was taken along with other electronic equipment.

Housing

SAT, JAN. 18th, 4:20 p.m. — 575 Castle Hill Ave. Police are looking into an incident where multiple bullets had been fired. Authorities at the crime scene recovered multiple bullets and also bullet fragments marking them evidence. No injuries were reported.

SUN, JAN. 19th, 4:55 a.m. — Police officers from Housing's PSA # 7 were notified that a female teenager had been raped. Responding police officers arrested a 34 year old Hispanic male who charged with raping the 17 year old victim. Lincoln Medical Center treated the teenage victim.

Fire Log

THURS, JAN. 16th, 10:50 a.m. — 75 Schofield St. A blaze was reported on City Island down the street from the local fire station. For members of Engine 70 and Tower Ladder 53 the fire was located several hundred feet from their station in a one story structure As the local units arrived on the scene, other fire-fighting units started from their stations on Astor Ave and also in Co-op City to assist in the extinguishment operations under the direction of Battalion 15. The chief reported that there was a fire in the attic area of the private home. The blaze was quickly knocked down and placed under control.

FRI, JAN. 17th, 6:21 p.m. — 915 Hutchinson River Pkwy. Firefighters from several stations responded to a reported fire at a neighborhood high school. The blaze was located at the Monsignor Scanlan Catholic High School located in the western section of the Throggs Neck community near Lafayette Ave and Brush Ave. in the fa-

cilities boiler room. Battalion 20 commanded the operation until the arrival of Division 6. The fire quickly spread to the cockloft area right below the roof causing a second alarm to be sounded. With the transmission of the higher alarm, fire units traveled halfway across the borough to assist. Within minutes three hose lines were quickly placed into operation with the chief reporting that a forth hose line was being stretched. Division 6 ordered the transmission of a third alarm at 6:57 p.m. which included the response of Engine 70 from City Island. Additional ladder companies were needed to help expose the spreading fire. At 7:51 p.m. the incident was declared under control.

MON, JAN. 20th, 6:30 p.m. — 1970 Cedar Ave. It sounded like a big mass confusion over the public safety radio systems as dispatcher tried to interpret the information that was being placed into their computer systems by callers. First these under rated professionals needed to find out exactly where the incident took place. Information being provided sent equipment to either West Fordham Rd or West 179 St. on Cedar Ave. or was really the Major Deegan Expwy? Arriving first responders found the incident on Cedar Ave between West 179 St and West Fordham Rd. Bronx Fire Alarm Dispatchers had sent a major collapse assignment after hearing that a heavy duty construction truck crashed into the front of a private home trapping all the residents inside the damaged structure. Battalion 19 confirmed that anyone who was inside the home was trapped there as occupants of adjacent buildings were being removed. Division 7 transmitted a signal indicating that they were faced with a major rescue operation. Over three dozen units responded most of them specialist in collapse and special operations. The damaged building had to be shored up on the exterior. Inside the cement pump truck, the driver remained trapped up against the three-story home. Con Edison crews were requested to shut down the electrical service. Tow trucks were used to remove vehicles that had been legally parked vehicles before rescue crews could safely remove the construction vehicle. At 7 p.m. two injured occupants were transported to local hospitals. By 11:30 p.m. fire officials reported that all searches were completed in the damaged building, and the adjacent structures. The truck driver's body remained in the truck. The man apparently suffered a heart attack while behind the multi-ton vehicle, causing the crash. Power and telephone lines had been removed. Park Dept's crews were trimming trees so that a crane could remove the heavy truck. At 9:15 p.m. the following evening, a crane was able to lift the construction from the building's front. Crews from the EMS examined the driver indicating that he expired. Police officers from the Emergency Service Squad removed the driver body from the truck. Police officers from Highway 1's Critical Investigation Squad are handling the inquiry.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'Tree huggers'

Dear editor,

Thanks to the "tree huggers" of Pelham Parkway, a service road traffic nightmare now exists near Jacobi Hospital.

Since they wouldn't stand for any live trees to be removed, the road configuration and sidewalk design was compromised, causing this dangerous situation.

Now, they want the sidewalks on the drivers' side of the street removed.

Easier said than done.

That would be costly and take many months of road deconstruction.

Guess who would be complaining about that?

A cheaper, simpler solution would be to just ban parking altogether on one side of the street.

Problem solved? Yes, but these same whiners would soon complain about losing their parking spaces.

All because a few old, rotting trees weren't allowed to be removed.

Fred Deschler

Parking tix

Dear editor,

I am writing to let the city knw meter maids are good to give parking tickets on E. Tremont Avenue.

But why don't they try to chop mounds of ice you have to climb on to put money in Muni-Meters and risk falling and breaking bones as I almost did today.

The ice mound was at least two-three feet tall on E. Tremont Ave. between Lafayette and Philip Avenue in front of Urgent Medical.

Good place to be.

Lorraine Palumbo

Vacca snow job

Dear editor,

I am writing this letter to commend Jimmy Vacca for helping the homeowners of Hollywood Avenue.

We had a lot of snow blocking our drive-ways which caused many people on the block great difficulty getting out of their driveways.

The sanitation workers also did a superb job assisting in the clean up.

We appreciate all of Jimmy's help.

We are all very happy that we have our street back.

Ann Schultz

Mall traffic

Dear editor,

On the traffic and congestion coming due to the mall development:

As it is today, we are congested.

One accident on the Hutch or the Cross Bronx, and traffic is backed up to the bridges in one direction and as far as New Rochelle in the other direction.

This happens almost every day. Our roads just can't handle the cars, and it is getting worse.

Once the malls are finished and open we will have so much traffic, this will backfire on the developers. People will not shop in the new

malls. They will go elsewhere. You just will not be able to get in or out of the new shopping areas.

The city, state and federal people in charge of these roads are doing nothing. I think they are each waiting for the other agency to come up with a plan. No one is taking the lead.

Planning should have taken place three years ago and road construction should have started.

We the people who live here are stuck in the middle.

This is government in action, and once again we are the losers.

Andrew Chirico

School security

Dear editor,

I am a parent who's child attends the villa.

I am writing this letter to inform parents about a very serious issue that they really need to think about.

I had someone bring my child lunch because they forgot it at home.

The person rang the bell AND GOT BUZZED RIGHT INTO THE SCHOOL.

There was no questions asked!!!!

That person walked all around the school and NOBODY questioned them. The school says they have a visitor pass protocol but what good is it if they don't use it?

This person could have been a crazy man with a gun and killed innocent children and teachers.

Do they not recall the school shooting in Newtown?

Why are people getting past the front door and into the school without any questions?

I pay \$6,500 a year for my child to be in a safe environment. What's safe to them?

I am removing my child from there in June.

Do they have to wait for God forbid another catastrophe to happen?

I was under the impression that schools are much more careful now adays. Well, not this school.

I am concerned about ALL the children and staff there. I wish they would be too!

Michele Martinelli

Walmart phobia

Dear editor,

Too bad Walmart is not part of "Bronx on a retail store run" (Ben Kochman -- December 13).

Polls of ordinary New Yorkers continue resulting year after year and now decade after decade to support the right of Walmart to open stores in the Bronx and other locations in Queens, Brooklyn, Manhattan and Staten Island.

Residents in the other 57 counties outside of New York City within New York State have had the option of shopping or not shopping at Walmart for decades.

The same is true for virtually every other city and state. Only NYC is behind the times.

NYC residents continue to be denied the opportunity to shop at Walmart due to excuses made by politicians such as NYC Mayor Bill de Blasio, Comptroller Scott Stringer, Public

Advocate Letitia James, most members of the City Council along with numerous fellow liberal Democratic Party, elected officials and their union allies.

Many other Democratic State Assembly, State Senate and Congress members also oppose Walmart opening stores within their respective legislative districts, boroughs or any place in NYC. They feel that we should oppose Walmart because of substandard salaries and unfair competition they would provide against smaller stores.

Construction of a new Walmart can provide work for construction contractors and their employees. Once opened, there are employment opportunities for many workers. Almost eight percent of New Yorkers including students, housewives, heads of single family households, senior citizens and others currently out of work along with seven percent who have given up looking could find employment.

The city would benefit by millions in sales, payroll and real-estate tax revenue which could help fund essential municipal services everyone desires.

Walmart is the nation's largest private sector employer with over 1,200,000 employees and growing each year. Tens of millions of Americans including many fellow New Yorkers own stock in Walmart. The same is true for the various retirement and pension plans many people participate in.

Starting pay averages several dollars above the minimum wage for new employees around the nation. Promotional opportunities including training for higher paying managerial positions are common. They also offer health care and other benefits. Walmart may actually pay higher salaries and offer more benefits than some of their competitors such as Target, K-Mart, Costco and BJs which are already here.

Several hundred thousand New Yorkers work off the books, full- and part-time with no benefits. Many existing retailers pay minimum wage with no benefits. Public officials opposing Walmart never talk about these abuses.

The free enterprise system made our nation great. Economic growth and the creation of wealth comes from businesses— small and large. Consumers shopping at Walmart get a bigger bang for the buck by being able to compare prices, quality and service to other stores.

Many New Yorkers, poor, working class, single household, middle class, and seniors can't afford to pay extra. They need the great prices, good quality merchandise, affordable food, drugs and school supplies that Walmart offers.

Consumers have voted, with their feet, all over America making Walmart the number one retail merchant success story it is today. It is time to allow Walmart the opportunity to compete in the NYC marketplace as well!

For those "Politically Correct" liberals, don't shop at Walmart, but give everyone else a choice.

Larry Penner

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Bronx group wants animal shelter

Bronx Animal Shelter Endeavor taking fight to borough prez

BY JAIME WILLIAMS

We deserve more.

That's the message to the city from a grass-roots group of animal services advocates.

Bernadette Ferrara has been fighting for a full-service shelter in the Bronx since 2006, but just last month she joined forces with other five other advocates to form the Bronx Animal Shelter Endeavor.

Ferrara and other members testified about the need for a shelter at the Bronx Borough Board's city budget hearing on Wednesday, March 5.

Currently New York City's Animal Care and Control, an organization funded by the city Department of Health, operates a pet receiving center in the Bronx. But the members of BASE say the center, which transports the animals it receives to the full-service shelter in Manhattan, does not adequately serve the



Animal care advocates say the Bronx Pet Receiving Center doesn't serve the needs of the borough. They want a full-service, 24-hour animal shelter with a spay and neuter clinic.

Photo by Aracelis Batista

borough's needs.

"The residents of the Bronx and all New Yorkers cannot accept a Pet Receiving Center in borough of the Bronx as a sole means

of humanely and effectively addressing overpopulation, adoption, education, pet retention, among other needs as well as the survival of homeless and abandoned animals cast off to die on the very streets of the Bronx," said BASE member Donna Dechiaro in testimony she submitted at the budget hearing.

Ferrara said a full-center animal shelter would not only serve the animals, but it would also serve as an animal information center for the community.

She and the other members of BASE are also requesting that a new shelter have a spay and neuter clinic to preventively combat the overpopulation problem.

"It only takes one female to make a colony," Ferrara noted.

There are mobile spay and neuter clinics run by the ASPCA and the Toby project throughout

the Bronx, but there is no standing clinic in the borough, Ferrara said. Because of this, there are more and more animals that fall into the care of Trap, Neuter, Return rescuers like herself, she said, who take feral cats to get fixed and then return them to the neighborhood.

"The burden is being put on the backs of volunteers."

Ferrara called the stray animal situation a crisis, and said the number of stray animals in the Bronx has increased since the economic downturn in 2008. When times are tough, she said, people abandon animals they can't afford.

Her efforts to stop the cats from breeding in her neighborhood will work for a year or so, Ferrara said, but then someone abandons new animals and the stray population grows



The Bronx Pet Receiving Center on East Fordham Road is the only facility in the Bronx run by New York City Animal Care & Control. Animals taken there are transported to the central animal shelter in Manhattan.

Photo by Aracelis Batista

again.

"It's just not making a dent in the situation," she said.

She understands that an animal shelter is not at the top of most people's priority list, Ferrara said,

but she wants it to be recognized as a need. She and the other members of BASE will continue to push for a shelter.

"We're not going to give up until the borough gets what it deserves."

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St. Pat's honorary grand marshals

21 deceased remembered at March 16 parade

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

In what should be a bright green shamrock of a day, 21 community members will be posthumously honored during the Bronx St. Patrick's Parade.

The 16th annual parade will kick off at noon on Sunday, March 16 at E. Tremont and Lafayette avenues, and will roll along past a reviewing stand at Harding Avenue.

The grand marshals are Denis and Noreen Donoghue, chosen for their volunteer work at Calvary Hospital, and Honored Clergy will be Mother Alice Mary McGowan of Jeanne Jugan Residence.

Joining them will be families of 21 honorary grand marshals, community members who passed away in the last year who are being honored for their outstanding contributions to their neighborhoods.

Everyday Heros

Typical of the honorary grand marshals are people who could best be described as everyday heros.

John Roche, whose mother Maureen Roche spent a lifetime in the Silver Beach section of Throggs Neck, said that the parade will have special significance when his family marches and approaches near where his mother lived.

"She lived her entire life in the Bronx, so heading up East Tremont Avenue toward Silver Beach, where my mother was born and raised, seems like a great way for our family to remember and honor her," he said.

He added: "Right up to her death last January, the day of the Bronx Saint Patrick's Parade each year was a special time for our family to mark Irish heritage, cele-



ANNE CALLAHAN

brate Bronx pride and spend time with family. So my mother would be thrilled at being remembered in this year's parade as an honorary grand marshal along with such a wonderful group of fellow Bronxites."

Eileen Fontaine, whose mother Ann Callahan is one of the honorary grand marshals, recalled that her mother, who also raised a family in Silver Beach before passing away last winter, enjoyed being a specta-

tor.

"She enjoyed the parade, and would watch it every year with a group of friends outside of The Wicked Wolf or Casey's on E. Tremont Avenue," said Fontaine, adding that in the early years of the parade, she also went to the parade mass at St. Benedict's Church.

Margo McGinty, daughter of honorary grand marshal Jacqueline McGinty, said that her entire family will be marching in the parade wearing scarfs and Irish Claddagh pins that belonged to her mother.

"She would have been thrilled to have been honored this way, and probably a little embarrassed, because she was a very shy person," she said.

For honorary grand marshal Mary Broderick, the parade was a chance to celebrate her Irish heritage, and her youth in County

Clare. She came to America when she was 18, and enjoyed last year's parade even through a decline in her health, her son Mike Broderick said.

"She passed away on March 30th, and one of the last things she did was muster up the strength to stay at a friends house, right on E. Tremont Avenue, to watch the parade," he said.

The full list of honorary grand marshals: Tyler Albert, Donald Bloss, Mary Broderick, John Byrne, Ann Callahan, Ken Champlin, Steve Cioffi, Jack Featherstone, Richard Howley, Marion Hughes, Billy Kane, Edward Maden, John McCarthy, Bernard McCooey, Jacqueline "Jackie" McGinty, Brian Nash, Florence O'Connor, Chris Provenzano, Maureen Roche, Michael Sack, and Mike Tarpey.

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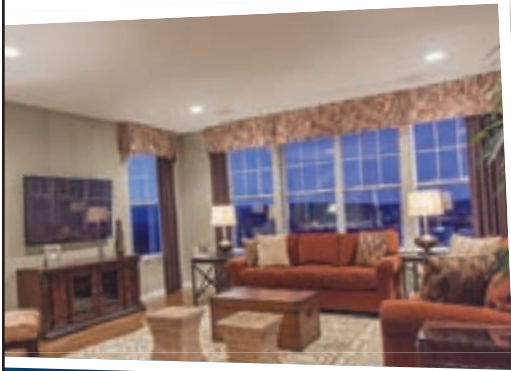
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CB 10 chair on crossing guards:

“Let NYPD traffic agents fill-in when guards are out.”

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

Community Board 10 chairman John Marano has a plan to have Traffic Enforcement Agents fill in for School Crossing Guards if there is a gap in coverage.

Coming on the heels of an incident where a six-year-old boy was seriously injured at an intersection outside of Santa Maria School in Zerega, Marano said he is concerned about some schools not having crossing guards if they call out sick. This happened the day the child was struck.

To address this concern, Marano said he believes that the traffic agents, which like School Crossing Guards are part of the Police Department's responsibilities, could fill in if a crossing guard could not be found for a particular school on a given day.

“I feel that all of our children are important,”

he said. “If any crossing guard does go out sick, and a replacement is not available, every location should be a priority for the NYPD. Those locations, be they near a public or private school, should be covered at all times when students are crossing the street.”

Letter written

Marano and CB 10 wrote a letter to the NYPD proposing the idea of having the TAs fill in if there is an absence of school crossing guards, and they are awaiting a response from the commissioner, he said.

If the traffic agents are going to be near the schools writing summonses, there is no reason that they cannot take three or so hours out of their day and act as crossing guards for school children, he added.

As far as concerns of parents may have of stopping to pick up children,



A school crossing guard on duty near P.S. 14 at Bruckner Blvd. and Crosby Avenue, keeping children and adults safe. Community Board 10 Chair John Marano is proposing traffic agents be called in when crossing guards call out sick.

Photo by Aracelis Batista

Marano has an answer too. He is a former police officer and remembers that he had discretion in writing tick-

ets.

“Traffic agent have have discretion too, though they are not often told that they

do,” he said.

Traffic agents respond

Robert Cassar, president of Local 1182 of the Com-

munication Workers of America, which represents NYC's Traffic Agents, said he would be willing to take a look at Marano's plan and offer feedback and ideas.

“I have been doing this along time, so I am not going to just blow anyone off,” he said. “Let me send his proposal and we'll will look it over.”

But upon hearing of the idea, he said that the TAs job “is challenging as it is,” and that many agents are already working at directing traffic at intersections. His members are overburdened, he said.

He also feels that more school crossing guards need to be hired if there is a shortage.

Representatives of Local 372 of District Council 37, which represents school crossing guards, were also called. They did not comment as of press time.

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Pelham Parkway Library name push

Elected officials join campaign to rename Van Nest Library

BY BEN KOCHMAN

The odds are beginning to stack in favor of Pelham Parkway's push to rename its local library.

A trio of politicians is urging the city's bookkeepers to turn the page and give Pelham Parkway's library branch — still recognized as the "Van Nest Library" decades after it moved north out of Van Nest to prime Pelham Parkway territory—a name to reflect the neighborhood it serves.

East Bronx electeds Rep. Joe Crowley and Councilman Jimmy Vacca have thrown their support behind the local campaign, alongside Queens Councilman Costa Constantinides, who chairs the Council's subcommittee on libraries.

Together the electeds penned a letter Feb. 20 urging Dr. Anthony Marx, president of the New York

Public Library, to adopt the wishes of the local community board and "change that name already!"

"Other communities have a library with the correct name; it's time we had the right name too," said Edith Blitzer, president of the Pelham Parkway Neighborhood Association.

Tricky Nabe History

If all this sounds too bookwormy, a quick history rundown:

Van Nest's library branch operated on Rhinelander Avenue from 1928 to 1967, when it moved a few blocks north to its current spot on Barnes Avenue, one block below Pelham Parkway South.

Since 2006, locals in "Van Nest," the neighborhood roughly bordered by Bronxdale Avenue, E. Tremont Avenue and the Bronx River Parkway, have also used the Morris Park



David Nochimson, manager of the Van Nest Library, which for over 40 years has been in a nabe most locals call Pelham Parkway.

Photo by Ben Kochman

Library on Morris Park Avenue.

"The reality is that the

majority of Van Nest residents frequent the closer Morris Park location, while

Total local support

Blitzer, along with fellow Community Board 11 member Joe Bombace, started the name change blitz back in 2011 as part of a campaign to boost neighborhood pride and identity.

Even the Van Nest Neighborhood Alliance, a group of Van Nest activists, has lent its support to the name change.

In 2011, the Board forwarded a letter to the NYPL Board of Trustees, but got no response. This time around, NYPL brass remain skeptical.

The city agency said in November 2013 that it was wary of changing the name because it might confuse longtime Van Nest Library

users, and because the name "Pelham Parkway Library" would be similar to the "Pelham Bay Library" even though its more than three miles away.

But the agency "remains open to having a conversation about the suggestion of a name change," said Amy Geduldig, the NYPL's media relations manager.

With near unanimous support from local groups and elected officials, the community is optimistic that the NYPL will come around.

They're emboldened by a recent victory just north of Pelham Parkway, where the Department of City Planning agreed to add "Allerton" to its maps in response to pressure from locals and pols.

"With Crowley and Vacca on board," Blitzer said, "I think it will be a different story."

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Lustgarten Walk to Find a Cure

Bronx resident Lily Rohn will join fellow New York tri-state area residents as she honors her mother Judith by participating in The Lustgarten Foundation's fourth annual New York City Pancreatic Cancer Research Walk. The walk will be held on Sunday, April 6, at Clinton Cove in Manhattan's Hudson River Park.

The Lustgarten Foundation is the nation's largest private foundation dedicated to funding pancreatic cancer research. Due to Cablevision's support of The Lustgarten Foundation, 100 percent of every dollar that Lily and her fellow walkers raise will go directly to pancreatic cancer research.

Lily always admired how her mother Judith lived life to the fullest -- caring for her family, working as a school administrator and traveling internationally. Her mother never got sick, but in late 2007 she wasn't feeling well. In January 2008, she received a shocking diagnosis: pancreatic cancer.

Sadly, Judith passed away just two months later, at age 72. Determined to honor her mother's memory, Lily joined the Foundation's first New York City walk in 2011 and has returned every year since, inspired by so many people coming together for this important cause.

"Lily is an extraordinary individual, and her passionate support is shared by the many participants who join with the Foundation to walk each year," said Lustgarten Foundation Executive Director Kerri Kaplan. "Anyone can get pancreatic cancer, that's why we need everyone to join us and help beat this disease."

The Lustgarten Foundation's New York City Pancreatic Cancer Research Walk at Clinton Cove in Manhattan's Hudson River Park (55th Street and the Hudson River) will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, April 6, with registration starting at 8:00 a.m. For more information about the walk

and to register, please visit www.curePC.org.

Contact LustgartenPR@goodmanmedia.com to arrange interviews with Lily Rohn and The Lustgarten Foundation's Executive Director Kerri Kaplan. Lily can share why she joined the fight against this deadly disease, and Kerri Kaplan can discuss the event, the curePC campaign, and the hope research provides to the many people united in the fight against pancreatic cancer.

Pancreatic cancer is swift and silent, often undetected until it's too late. The overall five-year survival rate for pancreatic cancer is six percent and most with advanced cancer die within a year. There are no early detection tests, no effective long-term treatments and, unless the cancer is surgically removed in its earliest stages, no cure. It is the fourth-leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States.

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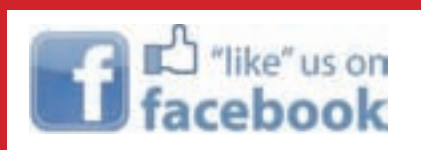
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New car service for Bay Plaza

BY JAIME WILLIAMS
Gypsy cabs, look out.

A car service should be coming to Bay Plaza soon.

Best Deal Car Service owner Albert Williams said the company has applied for a license with the Taxi & Limousine Commission to operate three taxi stands at the Bay Plaza shopping center near Co-op City.

Currently, the shopping center has a problem with unlicensed cars operating as cabs for shoppers.

"It's a free-for all," said Community Board 10 district manager Ken Kearns, about gypsy cabs trying to pick up people in front of the big stores there.

The presence of a legitimate car service in the shopping center should curb the number of gypsy cabs who operate there, Kearns said.

Although Best Deal's proposal has not yet come before the community board, Kearns said the board is likely to support it. The initial pitch was well received

by the board's Municipal Services Committee. The committee also supports the expansion of Prestige Car Service adding a radio base at Westchester Square.

Williams said the plans for Bay Plaza include a 24-hour dispatch booth outside of the Pathmark Supermarket, with a taxi stand, a dispatcher and a stand outside Kmart during their open hours, and a dispatcher with a stand outside the movie theater Thursday afternoon through Sunday. There are also plans to expand service to the new shopping mall there when it opens later this year.

Williams said he wants to provide safe and reliable transportation for Bay Plaza customers.

"We want to make so much of a presence that we get rid of the gypsy cabs," he said.

Williams said customers should choose TLC licensed vehicles because they know the cars have been in-

spected and the driver submitted to drug tests.

"You know the persons you're getting into a vehicle with has been somewhat vetted," Williams said.

Community Board 10 chair John Marano said people should be careful about what type of cab they're getting into.

"Some people don't have the knowledge of what makes one cab legal and another cab illegal," he said.

The only cabs that can legally be hailed on the street are official New York City taxis, yellow throughout the city and green in the outer boroughs. All others cars-for-hire must be requested through a dispatcher.

Bay Plaza property manager Matthew Lucchese also agreed that Bay Plaza has a need to provide safe and secure transportation for shoppers, and that he hopes the application is approved by the TLC soon.

"I'm hoping to have them in there yesterday."



Owner Albert Williams outside the headquarters of Best Deal Car Service on Burke Avenue. The service plans to expand to the shopping center at Bay Plaza, providing dispatch services and taxi stands.

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CI bridge plan rejected - again

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

The new City Island Bridge design is not getting any support from another community board either.

With Community Board 10 already opposing the modernistic bridge to the quaint island community, adjoining Board 12 is also giving it a thumbs down.

The City Planning Department requested that CB 12 vote on a Uniform Land Use Review Procedure that calls for support of easements and parkland swaps to build a temporary bridge so the new one could be built to replace the current City Island Bridge.

CB 12 held a joint public hearing with CB 10 on Tuesday, Feb. 25, and two days later voted unanimously not to support the ULURP.

"We are reluctant to put our stamp of approval on any project where the community feels it was not adequately consulted," said CB 12 Chairman Father

Richard Gorman.

City goof

A mistake on City Planning's part forced a vote by CB 12 very late in a ULURP process, according to a DCP representative at the Feb. 25 meeting.

CB 10's land use committee also voted unanimously on Tuesday, Feb. 25 not to support the measure.

"City Planning realized that they had messed up and that CB 12 should have been involved because we border each other, said CB 10 Chair John Marano, "so now they are trying to fix it."

Marano called it "a blessing in disguise because it gave our board and the City Island community more time to look at what the city is proposing. We had more time to educate our board members."

Some CB 10 board members at the joint board meeting said they felt voting to support building the temporary bridge might make



Community Board 10 and Community Board 12 held a joint meeting Tuesday, Feb. 25 over proposed City Island Bridge replacement, with neither board particularly happy with plan. (l-r) CB 10 district manager Kenneth Kearns, ; CB 12 transportation committee chair John Issac, CB 10 chairman John Marano, and Bob Bieder of CB 10 at the hearing.

Photo by Patrick Rocchio

the current bridge design the only alternative.

Controversial plan

Controversy continues over the replacement bridge design, which calls for a much larger superstructure - a 164 feet above the roadway.

The City Island Civic Association contends the city Department of Transportation never received an expression of support of the bridge design and outright lied in a Draft Design Report where the agency stated former CICA Presi-

dent Frank Fitz said on October 30, 2007 that he supported the bridge design.

"The DOT got its approvals by alleging they had community support in the design report, and that is not true," said John Doyle, CICA correspond-

ing secretary.

Frank Fitz also denies he ever support the bridge design.

"I unequivocally deny that I ever supported the bridge design," said Fitz. "It was never expressed or implied."

Doyle said that the DOT has contended at different times that the bridge design did not require community support, on other occasions expressed to various state and federal agencies that the community had given its support.

DOT responded by stating that "The language you're referencing is based on the agency's understanding of a meeting attended by the DOT and the Civic Association on that date."

The next official ULURP step is a vote by the Borough Board controlled by Borough President Ruben Diaz Jr., who has already expressed his opposition to the city's bridge design.



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Traffic crackdown in Hunts Point

Local leaders launch traffic task force

BY BEN KOCHMAN

One car-clogged South Bronx neighborhood is putting the new Mayor's traffic safety mandate into the next gear.

Hunt's Point's Community Board 2 and the 41 Precinct have launched a "Traffic Task Force" to help tackle the car crashes and pedestrian safety issues that have marred the nabe for decades.

Officers are doling out traffic summonses for speeding and failure to yield to pedestrians at unprecedented levels, officials said.

Meanwhile, Board 2 is launching an educational poster contest at local schools, with plans to hang the winning art at traffic trouble spots.

The Task Force is also working with the Department of Transportation to brainstorm engineering

changes at the neighborhood's collision hubs.

Mayor Bill mandate

"We don't only work here, we live here, and we know what the problems are through years of experience," said Rafael Salamanca Jr., a longtime local who is now CB2's district manager. "This is something we need to address right now."

Traffic safety is also something that Mayor deBlasio and new Police Commissioner Bill Bratton have prioritized since taking office in January. The new administration has embraced so-called "Vision Zero," the idea of ridding the city of all traffic deaths, and promised to do so by 2024.

Big time enforcement

Local leaders in Hunt's Point are taking an approach that starts with police ramping up traffic en-



Community Board 2 Rafael Salamanca Jr. has had it with wild traffic at intersections under the Bruckner Expressway.

Photo by Ben Kochman

forcement.

Through the end of February, the Four-One had given out 148 summonses for speeding—up 57% from this time in 2013—and 57 summonses for not yielding to pedestrians, up from a

mere 1 through the first two months last year, according to stats provided by the precinct.

"We've received our marching orders, and we know we need to go after this aggressively," said

Deputy Inspector Phillip Rivera, the Four-One's commanding officer.

The Task Force is still in its early stages, but has already identified a few of the nabe's most dangerous corners. Ringing in at worst, they say, is Hunt's Point Avenue and Bruckner Blvd., underneath the Bruckner Expressway.

Other problem spots include Southern Boulevard at E. 163rd Street and Westchester Avenue, and Bruckner Boulevard at Longwood Avenue—right next to the 41 Precinct.

Working with DOT

"It's horrible over here," said Salamanca on a recent Thursday afternoon when the Times-Reporter swung by that trouble corner during rush hour.

Cars making a left turn from Bruckner onto Longwood were dangling in the middle of the street, gaug-

ing whether to roll the dice and make a turn in time to beat oncoming traffic.

Salamanca thinks that issue could be shored up by DOT installing a left-turn-only signal at the site.

Calling in the kids

And if all that doesn't work, they'll bring in the real juice to get the word out on traffic safety—local school kids.

The Four-One will soon choose the winners of its traffic safety poster contest run through local schools. The winning safety art will then be laminated and displayed at the nabe's collision hotspots, to remind pedestrians and motorists alike of the dangers at hand.

"The education component has been lacking," Rivera said. "But we cannot do this without the community knowing about it, and chipping in."

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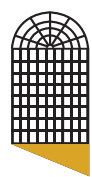


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Red Lobster coming to Hunts Point area

BY BEN KOCHMAN

Hunt's Point is set to see a rare sight – a sit-down seafood restaurant as part of a new mini-mall.

In a neighborhood where locals are as hungry for jobs as they are for seafood, the new Red Lobster is promising to bring jobs along with crustaceans.

The eatery has promised Community Board 2 that Hunt's Point locals will get first dibs on about 200 jobs at the new location, expected to break ground at Southern Blvd. and Hunt's Point Avenue later this year.

"Once they're in there, they will have to impress management, but locals will be at the front of the line," said Rafael Salamanca Jr., the board's district manager.

Board support

Red Lobster agreed to the job consideration stipulation as part of its efforts to nab Board support for a liquor license at its 9,000-square-foot, 312-seat restaurant, set for a 2015 opening.

The full board voted to push through Red Lobster's application at its February meeting, with only one abstention and one negative vote. That go-ahead clears the way for State Liquor Authority approval.

Through no clause in the stipulation binds Red Lobster to hire locals –only to interview them before interviewing anyone else—Salamanca said he's confident that the franchise is committed to bringing the



An artist's rendering of "The Crossings," Hunt's Point's new mall that includes a Red Lobster. Courtesy Prusik Group

community on board.

"It's a great way to start off a relationship," he said. "Some managerial positions will have already been filled, but the rest of the people they will want to hire local."

Rocky road for plan

Red Lobster is part of a larger development, called "The Crossings," that has been in the works for over four years. Developers Prusik Group had originally hoped to include units of affordable housing, as well as "big-box" retailers like those at Gateway Mall off the Major Deegan Expressway, in the project, but ended up downsizing the plan.

Besides Red Lobster, both McDonald's and Deals Discount Store have signed on to join the mall.

Local leaders are ral-

lying around the idea of a rare white-tablecloth restaurant in a neighborhood dominated by take-out.

"We need a sit down restaurant in the area, and Red Lobster is going to attract people that don't normally come to Southern Boulevard," said Medina Sadiq, executive director of the Southern Boulevard Business Improvement District.

The new restaurant is coming in just a block away from the Hunt's Point Avenue subway stop, and Sadiq's hope is that visitors to Red Lobster will stay a while and check out the shops on the commercial strip.

"The Crossing" will at least be better for the community, said Sadiq, than the existing BP gas station on the site that will be axed as part of the plan.

City Island Book Club leads NYBG tour

In celebration of National Women's History Month, the Women's Book Club of City Island, invites women to join them at the New York Botanical Garden on Thursday, March 13.

The group will meet at the main gate between 10:30 and 10:45 a.m.

Club member Mary

Colby, writer of the monthly garden column in The Island Current, and artist/owner of Fe Fi Faux Gallery on City Island Avenue, will lead a garden tour, followed by lunch at the garden's cafe.

At lunch, there will be a discussion on women in politics.

Contact Mary Colby at the gallery (718) 885-2024, or club member Toby Liederman, (718) 885-3423, if you'd like further information or would like to make arrangements to attend.

Partial-entry passes to the Garden may still be available, according to the group.

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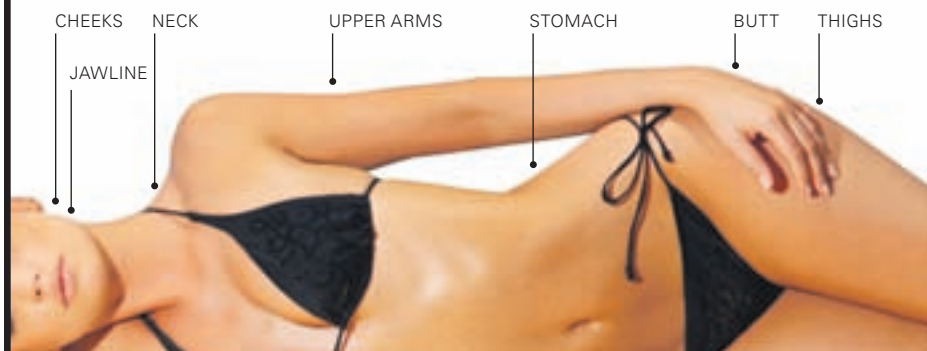
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Pack It Up For Purim

UJA-Federation of New York's fourth annual "Pack It Up For Purim" food drive runs now through March 16 and aims to provide more than 3,000 food packages to hungry New Yorkers. In the Bronx, food will be collected at JASA sites, including Bartow Senior Center, 2049 Bartow Avenue; Dreiser Senior Center, 177 Dreiser Loop; Throgs Neck Senior Center, 2705 Schley Avenue; and Van Cortlandt Senior Center, 3880 Sedgwick Avenue.

Drop-off times are Mondays through Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Each Pack It Up for Purim food package will contain nutritious, nonperishable items such as whole-grain cereal or oatmeal, canned vegetables, canned tuna, pasta, beans, granola bars, and peanut butter.

The festival of Purim, celebrated annually by Jews around the world, commemorates a time when the Jewish people living in Persia were saved from extermination.

For information about these "Pack It Up For Purim" food collection sites, please contact:

JASA Bartow Senior Center, Daniela Breton, (718) 320-2066 (ext. 2010), dbreton@jasa.org; JASA Dreiser Senior Center, Paola Ogando, (718) 320-1345, pogando@jasa.org; JASA Throgs Neck Senior Center, Raquel Portes, (718) 823-1771, rportes@jasa.org; JASA Van Cortlandt Senior Center, Sharon Wolfe, (718) 549-4700, swolfe@jasa.org.

New York City Comptroller Scott M. Stringer has announced a partnership among his office and the Internal Revenue Service, the Food Bank for New York City and non-profit organizations in the Bronx to launch a free tax preparation program available for lower income families during the month of March.

The service will be available in the Bronx from 10 am

to 4 pm. on Saturday, March 22 at the Bronx Christian Fellowship, 1015 Gun Hill Road for working individuals and families with adjusted gross incomes of less than \$20,000 and \$52,000, respectively.

Filers can check the documentation they need to bring by visiting <http://www.irs.gov/Individuals/Free-Tax-Return-Preparation-for-You-by-Volunteers>.

Individuals are encouraged to make an appointment by calling the Comptroller's Office at (212) 669-3916.

MetroCard vans will be making stops on the second and fourth Friday of each month at Fordham Road and the Grand Concourse from noon to 2 p.m.; and Fordham Plaza from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Seniors with photo ID may apply for reduced fare cards and others may add value or purchase cards.

For more information, call (212) METRO-CARD or visit www.mta.info.

Continuing a City Island tradition for over 25 years, National Women's History Month will be celebrated this year on Sunday, March 23, between 1 and 3pm, at the City Island Community Center, 190 Fordham Street on City Island.

For this year's event, entitled "Women's HERstory Month Celebration, Plan B", you're invited to bring your personal story to share, or that of a woman you admire, famous or unknown. We'll each have a short time to honor ourselves or someone else whose story we want to tell.

Opportunity to start a Women's Memoir Writing Group will be offered by Islander Ellen Ruth Topol, Ph.D., literacy studies, if there's enough interest.

Women and girls, as well as men and boys of good will, are welcome to attend this free event. Please bring healthy finger foods that are easy to serve and easy to eat!

Coffee and tea will be donated by our long-time women's event historian, Cheryl Berent of City Island.

Show and tell items are welcome, including business cards, flyers, notices of events, and anything else that will be of interest. If you have women's music and whatever it takes to play it aloud, do bring them! We'll be setting up at 11:30am, and volunteers are welcome!

For more information, contact Violet Smith, 718-885-0978, or Toby Z. Liederman, 718-885-3423.

Margaret M. Pelkowski has joined Calvary Hospital as Vice President for Hospital Patient Care Services.

She has overall responsibility for the nursing department's care of all inpatients admitted to Calvary's 200-bed Bronx hospital and 25-bed Brooklyn Satellite at Lutheran Medical Center; and professional growth of more than 500 nurses, cancer care technicians and ward secretaries.

Pelkowski came to Calvary after a 13-year stint at Wyckoff Heights Medical Center in Brooklyn where she was most recently the vice president of nursing.

She has also served as a director of nursing at Lenox Hill Hospital in Manhattan, Beth Israel Medical Center in Manhattan, and Saint Barnabas Medical Center in New Jersey.

In addition to being a graduate of Mount Saint Mary College with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing, Pelkowski was graduated from Seton Hall University with a Master of Science degree in Nursing.

She is a current member of: American Organization of Nurse Executives (AONE), and a former member of the New York Organization of Nurse Executives; Association of Women's Health, Obstetric, and Neonatal Nurses; and the New York State Nurses Association

MERCY COLLEGE MOBILE HEALTH VAN



Mercy College, in partnership with the Head Start Sponsoring Council Board, cut the ribbon on a new mobile health van Tuesday, Feb. 25 at the Sharon Baptist Head Start on Bathgate Avenue. Mercy College faculty and physician assistant students will use the van to provide health screenings and education to the Sharon Baptist Head Start and the broader Bathgate community.

Photo by Silvio Pacifico

JACOBI MEDICAL CENTER BLOOD DRIVE



Suesann Belton and Elaine Hassan from Jacobi Medical Center's Pharmacy Dept. at Thursday, Feb. 27 blood drive at hospital. The drive was held to meet the needs of a critical blood shortage in the metro area.

Photo by Silvio Pacifico

COMMUNITY BOARD 11 YANKEE YOUTH AWARDS



Five local young people were honored with New York Yankees Community Council Youth Leadership Awards at Community Board 11's general meeting Thursday, Feb. 27. Honored were Jidel DeLeon, sponsored by the 49th Precinct Explorers; Krishna Kemraj, sponsored by the North East Bronx Association; Victoria Avellino, sponsored by the Pelham Parkway Neighborhood Association; and Zyra Guevara and Brandon Pagan, both sponsored by the Van Nest Neighborhood Alliance. Assemblyman Mark Gjonaj was among those officials on hand to congratulate the winners, who will receive \$750 and be honored during an on-the-field ceremony at Yankee Stadium.

Photo by Patrick Rocchio

ANNIE JR AT BRONX HOUSE

Kiki Manuguerra played that famous cartoon redhead in recent production of Annie Jr. at the Bronx House School for Performing Arts, co-produced with Riverdale Children's Theatre.

Photo by Robert Capriglione



SCOTT STRINGER VISITS 49TH PRECINCT



"Your pensions are safe!" boasted new City Comptroller Scott Stringer when he stopped by the Four-Nine Precinct Community Council meeting Tuesday, Feb. 25, headed by Council President Joe Thompson. Stringer later swung by the City Island Civic Association. (below) Stringer holding one of the East Bronx's new "Save Haven" store signs, alongside Joe Thompson, Four-Nine Council President.

Photo by Ben Kochman

BRONXWORKS MOBILE HEALTH VAN



BronxWorks rolled out its latest mobile medical unit to treat the homeless Thursday, Feb. 27 in front of the BronxWorks HQ at 800 Barretto Street. The new van will provide on-the-spot testing for HIV/AIDS and hepatitis C, among other diseases. Roula Siklas (left) of the Stavros Niarchos Foundation and Eileen Torres, executive director. of BronxWorks.

Photo by Walter Pofeldt

TURNER CLUB GYMNASTIC COMPETITION



Local kids were beaming at The Turner Club, which held its annual children's Gymnastics competition Mar. 2 at its location on Clarence Avenue .Above is competition winner Amanda Nikprelevic, age 10.
Silvio J. Pacifico



(Above) The Bronx YMCA kicked off its annual fundraising efforts at F & J Pine Restaurant Thursday, Fri. 17. Borough President Ruben Diaz Jr. is pictured with the Bronx YMCA Board of Managers. The YMCA have had much to cheer about lately: The organization recently announced that it was opening a new location in the South Bronx and was eyeing another site in Williamsbridge. Photo by Walter Pofeldt



BRONX YMCA ANNUAL KICK-OFF CAMPAIGN

(Left) Joshua Theodoros was eager to get that fundraising started at the Y meeting.
Photo by Walter Pofeldt

PRIMAVERA ITALIAN LANGUAGE PROGRAM GRADUATION CEREMONY



The Primavera Italian Language Program held its annual graduation ceremony on Saturday, March 1 at St. Benedict's School. The event included performances from the students, who take time to learn a foreign language on their Saturdays. On hand for the festive occasion were Senator Jeff Klein, and Tommy Messina, representing Congressman Joe Crowley's office. Primavera student Matthew Longhitano, 9, shows his certificate from the Primavera program graduation. He is with his father Chris, mother Rebekka, and baby sister Sophia
Photo by Edwin Soto

Above, students, teachers, and program director Loretta Ziano join with Senator Jeff Klein, Tommy Messina from Congressman Joseph Crowley's office, and Community Board 10 District Manager Kenneth Kearns as they all share a moment at the graduation.





KEEPING MARRIAGE GOING STRONG — INTO YOUR GOLDEN YEARS

The trend of long-married couples calling it quits has been growing. However, there are some steps couples can take to keep their relationships going strong.

According to the AARP, divorces among people over the age of 50 have doubled since 1990. According to Susan Brown, co-director of the National Center for Family and Marriage Re-

search at Bowling Green State University, one out of three baby boomers will face their golden years unmarried.

There are a number of reasons why divorce rates have skyrocketed among the over-50 set. Understanding just why these divorces are taking place and taking proactive steps to alleviate some of the divorce triggers can be a recipe for a

happy marriage that continues throughout a couple's golden years.

Increase accountability

Ours is a transient society where families no longer bat an eyelash over moving great distances away from other family members. As a result, boomers may feel like they are not connected to children or grand-

children. With this in mind, they may feel less attached to their marriage or their responsibilities, or believe that no one will get hurt by a divorce. Keeping families close and remaining in frequent contact can increase accountability and reduce the propensity for divorce.

Get things out in the open

A major reason for a

failed marriage is years of avoiding significant issues, rather than addressing problems. Couples should make time to talk to each other about anything that might be bothering them, rather than letting too many things slide. If these conversations turn into shouting matches, there is always the option of bringing in a third party to serve as a mediator.

Spend time apart

After retirement, couples may find themselves spending hours upon hours in each other's company. While togetherness can be beneficial, too much time spent together may lead to feelings of suffocation and the perception that each member of the relationship is no longer his or her own person. Individuals can

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Local Hero's Day:



Bronxwood Assisted Living Is Proud to Be an American



On Thursday February 27th, 2014, Bronxwood Assisted Living celebrated their first annual Local Hero's Day. The day was designed to help Bronxwood honor members of their local community who have enhanced the lives of their residents. The 47th police precinct was represented by Police Officer David Bell, Director of Community Affairs. FDNY's Captain Russo and Engine Company 62 were in attendance as well.

Adorned in full fire regalia, Captain Russo and his crew were presented with a plaque of recognition by Mark Taub, Administrator of Bronxwood Assisted Living. The police force on hand received the same honor. One of the residents of the home recited two poems written especially for the event. He honored both the NYPD and FDNY for their courage, valor, and for always making him feel safe. Poignantly he stated, "In life some people who don't give will always be a zero, but in my mind it's penetrated, you're forever my hero."

A representative from Councilman Andy King's office joined the group to extend the Councilman's thanks for the work of both service organizations in the Bronx community and to honor Bronxwood's own war veterans. Captain Russo and the fire department helped distribute certificates to represent the gratitude of Bronxwood toward their very own heroes, the veterans who currently reside in the home. Listed were the years they served and the conflicts that they participated in. The room was filled with applause as the men proudly stood to accept.

In a touching moment, the entire crowd turned toward the flag placing their hand ceremoniously over their heart. It was no longer a separation of fire department, police department, veteran or simply citizen; it was one group united proudly thanking each other for their right to be an American.

The event was covered by local media, specifically Bronx News 12.





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Five foods for the over-50 crowd

Men and women must alter their diets as they age. Portion sizes that young adults might have been able to get away with shrink when those same people enter their 30s. The same goes for men and women over 50, who must take steps to reduce their risk for heart disease, stroke and diabetes. One of the easiest ways to do just that is to eat healthy foods. The following are flavorful and healthy foods tailor-made for the over 50 crowd.

Apples: Apples definitely qualify as a superfood, helping reduce cholesterol by preventing plaque buildup in the blood vessels and, as a result, cutting an individual's risk of diabetes considerably. In fact, a recent study published in the British Medical Journal found that eating at least two servings of apples per week can reduce a person's risk of type 2 diabetes by as much as 23 percent. Apples also make for a great source of fiber, potassium and vitamin C.

Blueberries: Blueberries help maintain healthy blood sugar levels because they are high in soluble fiber, which lowers cholesterol while slowing the body's uptake of glucose. And



Certain foods can help the over-50 crowd fend off many health ailments.

despite their relatively small size, blueberries contain more fiber, vitamins and minerals per ounce than any other fruit.

Broccoli: Broccoli is loaded with vitamin C. A single 3.5 ounce serving of broccoli contains more than 150 per-

cent of the recommended daily intake of vitamin C, which can shorten the duration of the common cold. In addition, a 2013 British study published in Medical News Today found that broccoli may help prevent osteoarthritis, a degeneration of joint cartilage and the underlying bone that is most common from middle age onward. Researchers at New York's Roswell Park Cancer Institute found that just three servings of broccoli per month can decrease bladder cancer risk by 40 percent.

Fava beans: Fava beans are cholesterol-free and low in fat. They also may provide cardiovascular benefits and help maintain healthy weights. They are considered "nutrient-dense," a term used to describe low-calorie foods that boast lots of nutrients, and are an excellent source of vitamin B1, which is important for nervous system function and energy metabolism.

Oatmeal: Oatmeal is loaded with soluble fiber, which can reduce cholesterol levels and subsequently reduce a person's risk of heart disease. Also low in calories, it can help maintain a healthy weight. Double your superfoods by adding some blueberries into the mix.

Marriage

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remedy this by doing more things on their own, whether spending time apart with friends or engaging in hobby time without your spouse. After all, absence makes the heart grow fonder. Brief periods of separation can make the time married couples do spend together feel more meaningful.

Recommit to your vows

After 30 or more years, the vows you shared on your wedding day may be a distant memory. Some people may have different views on the permanence of vows, putting personal happiness ahead of the happiness of the couple. Take stock of what you promised one another on your wedding day and stick to those words.

Become a comedian

Laughter has a way of dissolving a tenuous situation. Focus energy on laughing at mistakes instead of

pointing blame. Couples can make fun of themselves and resolve to not take things too seriously.

Act like you're dating

Couples often become complacent after many years of marriage. They may forget about the little details that made the relationship fun in the early years. The personal notes and cards and other surprises may fall by the wayside after being together for some time. Make an effort to go on dates, write love notes, and think of what was appreciated by your partners when you were in the dating stage.

Practice selflessness

Sometimes all that is needed to rekindle a relationship is a selfless act that shows how much you care for your partner.

Couples who are on the fence with regard to divorce can make an effort to improve the relationship rather than simply see divorce as the best option.

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Bronx Chamber Celebrates



Looking dapper in black tie, Borough President Ruben Diaz Jr. touts his vision of a "New Bronx" filled with more and more development;

Courtesy Bronx Chamber

BY BOB KAPPSTATTER

It was a gala night for the Bronx Chamber of Commerce as it held its Bronx Centennial Celebration Wednesday, Feb. 26 at a jam-packed Marina del Rey.

The event drew more than a thousand guests for a night of entertainment, mingling, charity and honoring of some special people and institutions.

The 100th anniversary thing is about the year that Bronx was officially recognized as one of the state's 62 counties.

The Chamber itself traces its borough roots back 120 years.

"Celebrating a hundred years of the Bronx, this year's standing-room-only and a waiting list to attend the gala at the Marina del Rey - the dignitaries, from the past borough presidents to ambassadors of countries like Sweden, Israel and Spain, and presidents of local colleges, - this was an outstanding event to celebrate our great borough of the Bronx," said Chamber President and CEO Lenny Caro.

As the president of the Bronx Chamber, to see over a thousand people come out as a part of this celebration, it was a great feeling," added Caro. "The Bronx is

a star of the five boroughs!"

The affair also helped raise several thousand dollars for youth education.

Some \$10,000 will go towards scholarships to students at CUNY Schools, said Chamber chief of staff Michele Dolgow, while another \$3,000 will go towards Truman High School, where students won a broadcasting contest to attend a scholastic media convention in Tampa, Florida. The students had run short of the needed trip money until the Chamber came through.

Borough President Ruben Diaz Jr., the evening's guest speaker, once again touted

the New Bronx theme he unveiled at his recent State of the Borough speech, citing more than \$5.7 billion in total investment since 2009, with more than 14,000 jobs, and more than \$600 million in new housing, building nearly 13,000 new units.

The evening's honorees were Montefiore Medical Center, Simone Development, the Trump Organization and the new Kingsbridge National Ice Center, with former Rangers star Mark Messier on hand to accept the award - and donate his team jersey in a charity auction.



Bronx Chamber Chairman Joseph Kelleher, Assistant Treasurer Greg Gonzalez and President Lenny Caro with gracious, "and shiny," servers giving out Inca Kola.

Photo by Walter Pofeldt



Two Community Board Chairmen, Father Richard Gorman of CB 12 and John Marano of CB10, share a moment.



Former Bronx Community College President Dolores Fernandez (right) shows her team loyalty, as she hangs with current Bronx Community College President Felix Matos Rodriguez.

100 Years as Bronx County



Bronx's past and present collide as former borough presidents Adolfo Carrion, Freddy Ferrer and Bob Abrams show off those pearly whites alongside new BEEP Ruben Diaz Jr.



(L-r) Phil Foglia, deputy inspector general of the State Inspector Office, alongside "A Bronx Tale" star Chazz Palminteri and former New York Rangers star Mark Messier, who is now spearheading the Kingsbridge National Ice Center project.
Courtesy Bronx Chamber



Judge Doug McKeon with Steve Squitieri enjoying the evening.
Photo by Walter Pofeldt



Singer Jose Feliciano lights some fire in the room.
Photo by Walter Pofeldt

25 Influential Women 2014 named

Fifth annual list honors those who impact the borough

BY JAIME WILLIAMS

Let's hear it for the women.

With its list of 25 Influential Women, for the fifth year the Bronx Times Reporter is honoring women who benefit the borough through their tireless hard work.

"Five years ago, when John Collazzi, the former publisher, and I discussed the possibility of honoring 25 women, the main criteria that we agreed on was that the candidate had to do more than just her job, she needed to impact the lives of the people of the Bronx," said Bronx Times Reporter Publisher Laura Guerriero. "Needless to say, this criteria still applies. The 25 women chosen for 2014 represent the essence of what this award stands for."

This year's group of women were chosen by the annual planning committee made up of Rosemary DeLuca of the Wildlife Conservation Society, Elizabeth Figueroa of the The New York Botanical Garden, Geri Scior-

tino of The Bronx Design Group, Lisa Sorin of the Westchester Square Business Improvement District, and Anna Vincenty of the Office of Congressman Jose Serrano.

DeLuca said the award is an opportunity to honor women who are not often recognized, and that the committee looks for women who serve the community in ways outside their normal job description. She has been with the planning committee since the beginning and was named to the list in 2011.

"It's a nice feeling to be appreciated," she said.

Honoree Michelle Dolgow Cristofaro, chief of staff for the Bronx Chamber of Commerce, said the award is an honor, and a reminder of the importance of serving the community.

"I am fortunate that my role at the Bronx Chamber of Commerce allows me to help educate our businesses and advocate for them," she said.

Each of the influential women



will be featured with a profile in the special issue of 25 Influential Bronx Women, which will be published April 11.

The women will also be honored at an awards dinner June 26th at Villa Barone Manor in Throggs Neck.

The 2014 Bronx Influential Women are:

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Preston gal meets science guy Nye

BY JAIME WILLIAMS

The Bronx has its own science girl.

A Preston High School senior was featured in an educational video with Bill Nye the Science Guy.

Donna Grace Moleta, 17, won the chance to assist Nye through the educational company Sophia's "Get Schooled" contest. The first step in the contest was successfully completing an online, college-level course through Sophia.org. In Moleta's case, it was college algebra. After grades were in, Moleta submitted a tweet to win to meet the man she calls her childhood hero.

"I <3 Bill Nye w/ all of my hypothalamus: he's why I'm going into science. I want to help him Change the World! by inspiring passion in STEM," was Moleta's 140-character ticket to meet Nye.

Moleta, whose interest in science was piqued by a chemistry poster in her second-grade classroom, said

she has been watching Bill Nye the Science Guy videos for as long as she can remember.

"Meeting my childhood hero was one of the greatest experience of my life," she said, "It's something I'll never forget."

Moleta said she admires Nye's commitment to engaging people in science through his fun videos.

"He's such a strong believer in what science and education can do," she said.

Moleta has her own plans for changing the world through science. Her interest in environmental issues and love of science is leading her to pursue a career as an environmental engineer after she graduates from the Throggs Neck Catholic school.

Moleta traveled all the way to the Mall of America in Minnesota on Feb. 23 in order to meet Nye and participate in science demonstrations with him and his assistant.

One experiment involved blowing out a candle with different methods, such as sound waves and a pulse generator.

Another showed how a vacuum that connected two glass panes created a suction that even 16 people could not overcome.

A third involved Nye lying on a bed of nails with a cinder block on top of him, showing the effects of weight distribution.

"It was so much fun," Moleta said of the experience.

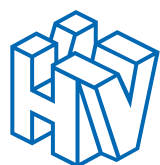
The experiments Moleta participated in will be featured in an upcoming Bill Nye video.

Preston High School Principal Jane Grendell said the school's community is proud of Moleta's academic initiative that led her to complete the online college level course through Sophia.

"We're also delighted that she had the opportunity to meet and assist Bill Nye as a reward for her efforts."



Bill Nye the Science Guy with Preston High School senior Donna Grace Moleta, who won competition to assist Nye in one of his upcoming educational videos. Photo courtesy of Preston High School



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Mothers who deliver at Lincoln are supported by an environment that encourages breastfeeding to be the norm and highlights the importance of breastfeeding to mother and baby health. In addition to designated lactation rooms, new moms are able to breastfeed anywhere in the hospital, staff throughout the facility receives sensitivity training enabling them to offer support to new moms, and multilingual educational posters are placed throughout the facility to further educate and promote

breastfeeding.

To remove barriers to successful breastfeeding, Lincoln staff focused on two priority areas: uninterrupted skin-to-skin (STS) care after natural and cesarean births, and prenatal education about the importance of STS care following birth.

For new moms, multilingual educational tools were created by a team of IBCLC® certified breastfeeding coordinator, prenatal nursing staff, and WIC (Women, Infants and Children) program dietitians and breastfeeding peer counselors. Improved staff procedures were implemented to ensure STS care consistency and successes, and newborns who were previously transferred for exams immediately following birth now stay with the mother for an hour for STS care to foster mother-baby bonding. All neonatal exams and blood work are done at the mother's bedside and STS care with fathers or significant others are encouraged to further the bonding experience.

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‘Congrats’ to Monroe College

School recognized for high graduation rate

BY JAIME WILLIAMS

A local Bronx college is exceeding expectations on a national scale.

Monroe College was recently recognized by U.S. News & World Report as the regional university with the largest difference between predicted and actual graduation rates.

The news magazine predicted that in 2012 Monroe would have a six-year graduation rate of 27%, based on such factors as the average ACT and SAT test scores of the entering class in the fall of 2006, the proportion of those students from the top quarter of their high school class, and the proportion of the student body receiving federal Pell Grants.

Monroe College's 2012 graduation rate was 65%, over-performing by 38 percentage points. Eighty per-

cent of the college's U.S. students use Pell Grants.

College Vice President Anthony Allen said the 2012 graduation rate is consistent with past years, and points to the college's history of serving urban students.

"We've been doing this for a very long time," he said.

"We take great pride in the success of Monroe students," added Monroe President Stephen Jerome. "They graduate at a high rate because of the comprehensive support system provided by the college. Their goals are our goals." The college was founded in the Bronx in 1933 and opened its New Rochelle campus in 1983. It also has a small campus in St. Lucia and about 600 students enrolled online.

Of the low expectations, Allen said that people of-



Members of the Monroe College's class of 2013 celebrate their graduation. School was recently cited as having one of highest graduation rates in nation.

Photo courtesy of Monroe College

ten view a low-income, urban population as one that "just doesn't get through."

"We don't agree with that assumption."

Allen credits the suc-

cess with the school's advising system. Personal counselors are assigned to students, he said, with different counselors serving new students and students nearing graduation.

"We try to give our students as much attention as we can possibly give," he said.

Allen also said part of the success is because of the support and flexibility offered to adult students who are facing everyday challenges of juggling work and family.

Although the New Rochelle campus serves a more traditional student body, the average age of students at the Bronx campus is 27, while the average age of online students is 31.

Allen said the school offers classes from very early in the morning to late at night and on week-

ends. Students can combine taking classes at both campuses and online.

"I think for adults, we do have the flexibility they need," Allen said.

The college is also relatively affordable for a private university, with a year's tuition costing \$13,236.

The college only started participating in the U.S. News & World Report rankings a few years ago, he said. The school ranks 116th overall in the Regional University North category.

"It's such a competitive marketplace for students," Allen said. "If you have a third party validating the institution, that's helpful."

College President Jerome added that the college is "grateful that U.S. News and World Report has recognized our excellence."



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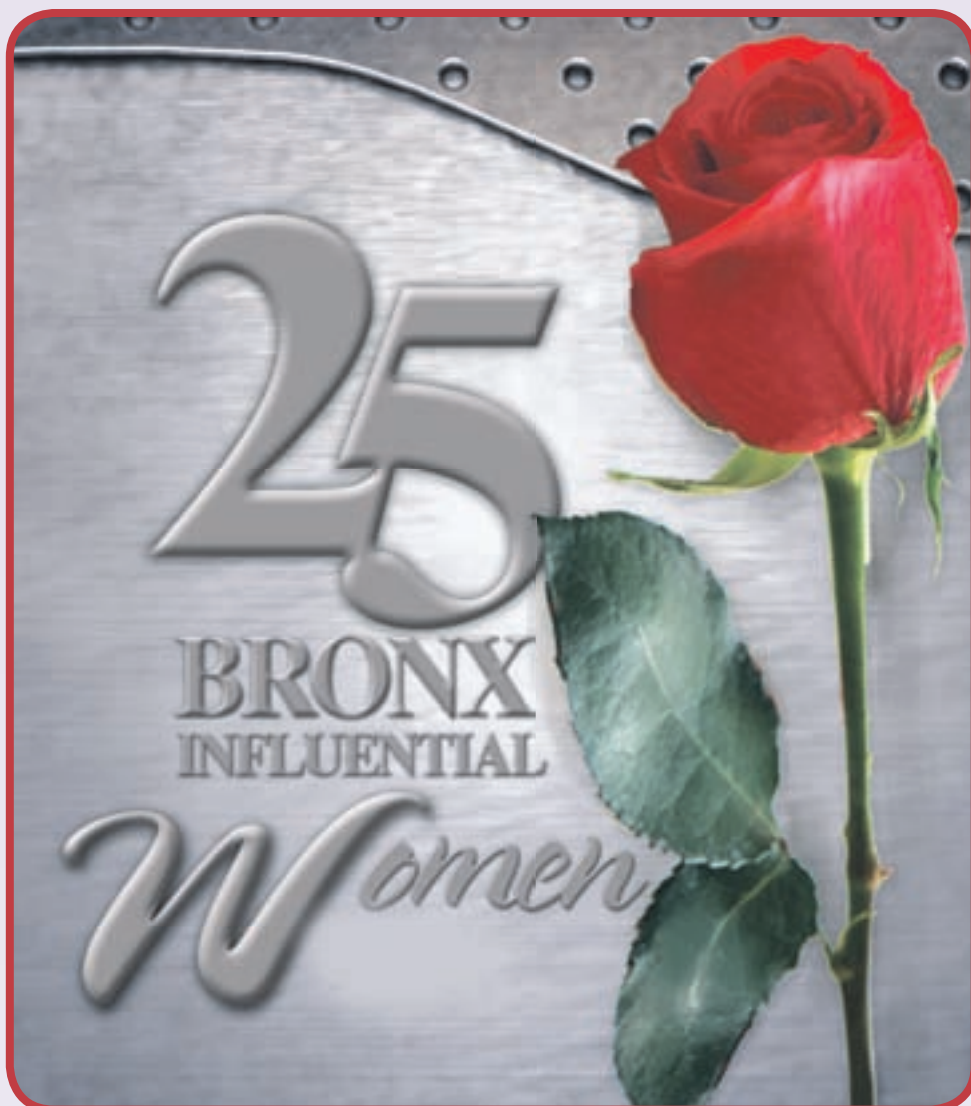
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Time for some birding at Wave Hill

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Temple Hatikva will be sponsoring our annual reading of "Megillah Esther" to be followed by a fabulous Purim Party. The Megillah Reading and Purim Party are free events co-sponsored by the Bronx Jewish Community Council.

Traditionally, when you read the Megillah, you uti-

lize noisemakers to drown out the name of the villain, Haman.

In keeping with that tradition, the temple is requesting that all those attending the Megillah Reading bring an unopened box of pasta so that you can "shake" that box and make lots of noise to drown out Haman's name.

And, at the end of the Megillah Reading, the temple is going to donate all of the pasta to a food bank so that Purim truly becomes a holiday for all to enjoy!

Make your plans now to be with the temple on Friday, March 15 and be prepared to "Shake It Up For Purim" as Cantor Kyle Cherry chants the Megillah Esther.

Bring your family, friends, neighbors and especially children! And don't forget to wear your costume!

Also, join in for the temple's Adult Education program on Sunday, March 17 at 10 a.m.

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rock on the bronx

by Fish Altieri

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Marketing & Advertising Solutions Inc. (MAS) announces its 3rd Mommy To Bee Expo for moms and moms-to-be! taking place on Sunday, March 23, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Villa Barone Manor.

Expectant moms, new moms and moms of toddlers can learn about essential products and services from newborn care, childcare, fitness and healthcare, to baby products, nutrition, apparel and accessories, new gear, gifts, breastfeeding, insurance, nursery products, photography, pregnancy & maternity, and more—all while learning how to prepare for your growing family this fall. It's a baby shower for moms to learn about new baby services, local products and resources, and shop for their baby's needs, a one-stop

shop.

What's new this year? The Toddler Area within the Expo, as Mommy to Bee will be dedicating a space to vendors and sponsors that cater to toddlers (ages 1-3) and their moms.

Jackie Acevedo-Villanueva of MAS, Inc. was quoted as saying "Our moms from 2013 will now have given birth, and babies have grown into toddlers. Luckily, the baby industry is constantly evolving and a trend we are seeing a lot this year is gear that grows with your child: accommodating them from infant to toddler and into school age. We need to bridge the gap of growing families with vendors and services for not just moms to be, but their children as well. We'd like to call it 'Growing Together'."

Moms can take a load off and relax while your toddlers and up attend onsite daycare, as you enjoy the conference program with light fare and 'Mommy Mocktails' in a serene setting.

Moms, dads, grandparents, godparents, aunts, uncles, and infants are all welcome, and strollers are welcome too.

Tickets to the event also include access to 60+ vendors and sponsors, conference program, light refreshments, door prize raffles, a fully loaded Baby Shower gift bag, valet parking, and CleanBeeBaby offering free stroller cleaning while moms shop, and more.



Register at <http://mommytoabee3.eventbrite.com/> PR for a chance to win a year's subscription to an early parenting magazine.

Bingo at Holy Family Church

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'Red' Allen led the house band at Metropole Cafe

When I was a young man I had a friend who worked as a deck hand on a tugboat which I believe was called the "Metropolitan III." He worked about two or three weeks straight and then had a week off.

This was in 1965 and he was paid very well due to the long hours.

He would occasionally splurge and invite a couple of friends out for a night on the town and money was no object.

One time after a sumptuous dinner at the Dixie Hotel he took us to hear Gene Krupa, then considered one of the greatest jazz drummers alive, at the Metropole Cafe at Seventh Avenue and 48th Street.

Seats were secured for us right up close to the band that performed right on the bar; it was an interesting set-up with a bandstand attached to the inside of the bar as well as an oval extension so you could practically sit at the feet of performers.

Unfortunately, Kru-

do you remember

by Bill Twomey

pa was a no-show and Maxie Kaminsky, also a great drummer, was filling in for him. It was still a great night but I missed the chance to speak with Krupa. Kaminsky, by the way, played with Tommy Dorsey, Artie Shaw and all the other leading bands of the era.

Oddly, that would be the final year for the fabled jazz venue that featured such notables as Billie Holliday, Cozy Cole, Roy Eldridge, "Red" Allen and too many others to mention here.

Henry "Red" Allen (1908-1967) was very well known for his recordings and extensive work with Louis Armstrong. He also recorded with Billie Holliday and, oddly, both are interred not far from each other in St. Raymond Cemetery here in the Bronx.

"Red" Allen led the house band at the Metropole Cafe from 1954 to 1965 and is among the most noted trumpeters and band leaders of the jazz era.

Art Kane of Esquire Magazine heard of a gathering of all-time jazz and blues greats in East Harlem in 1958 and showed up with camera in hand. He took one of the most historic photographs of jazz artists ever assembled. He snapped his picture at about 10 a.m. on August 12 of that year on East 126th Street between Madison and Fifth Avenues and "A Great Day in Harlem" has ever since been celebrated.

It is considered the most important photograph of the swing era ever taken and a documentary film was later made of the event.

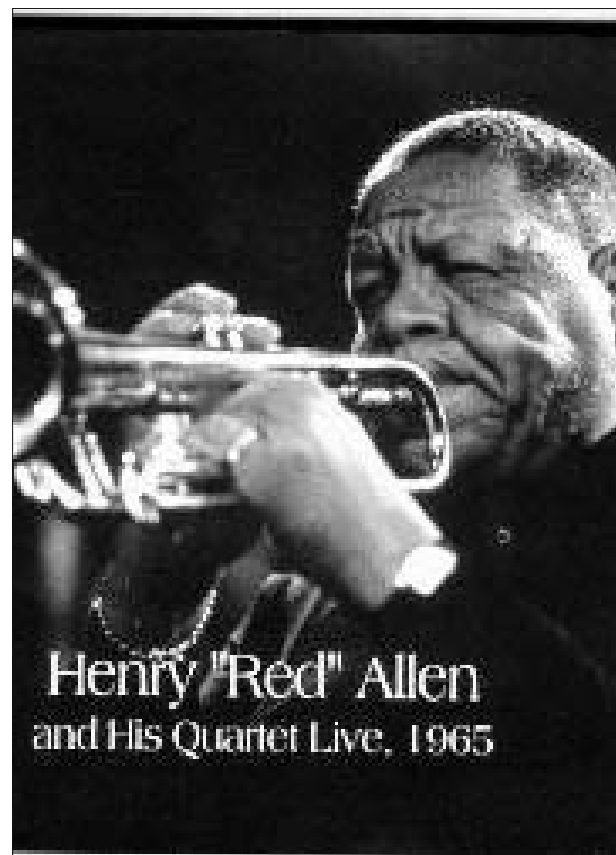
Among the 57 noted

jazz entertainers, both black and white, who posed for the photograph were "Red" Allen, "Count" Basie, Gene Krupa, Max Kaminsky, innovative trumpeter Roy Eldridge, Dizzy Gillespie, pianist and composer Theolonious Monk, musician and composer Benny Golson who, in addition to his jazz work, also composed music for such popular TV staples as MASH, Ironsides, and Mission Impossible.

The photo also included Maxime Sullivan. Maxime, known for her stage and screen rolls as well as her recordings, bought a home on Ritter Place in the Bronx in 1945 and raised her daughter there.

She also opened an outlet for jazz musicians nearby in the community that later became known as "The House That Jazz Built."

There was not one unknown in the photograph and each person pictured would merit a story of their own.



Henry "Red" Allen and his band played at the Metropole Cafe for many years with all the great jazz musicians of the era.

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Salesian helps the needy

Their small charter plane which only sat about fifteen passengers touched down on the rocky dirt road of Cap-Haitien. As the door to the small aircraft opened, the smell of burning garbage and sewage filled their nostrils. The sight of poverty stung their eyes. Women offered them their babies, begging them to save their children from their misery.

Salesian High School, the vast school which boasts a college like campus, located on busy Main Street in New Rochelle, NY, is home to some of the world's most generous people. It is the home of students who work hard all year in the classroom. It's also the home of selfless individuals who dedicate themselves to the people of third-world countries during their time off. February break wasn't a time for these men to recuperate. February break was a time for them to board an airplane destined for Haiti to spend seven days with the people of an impoverished country.

Steve Edelson, a religion teacher at Salesian, and Fr. Matt DeGance, SDB, a Salesian priest and the Youth Ministry Coordinator at Salesian, captained a group of six seniors: Joseph Madia, Josh Thomas, Tyler Chen, Nick Crecco, Michael Agovino, and Jordan Oehler. These young men have been working since September to raise the money they would need to make this trip possible. They put in extra hours of community service and fund raising because they wanted to help people who needed the assistance.

Steve Edelson, who has already been on mission trips to Jamaica and Honduras, reflected on the trip saying, "Having been to Honduras and Jamaica I expected to be prepared for this. I just wasn't ready to see the kind of poverty that I saw. They were hungry,

they were thirsty, and they were depressed. They don't live in poverty; they live in misery. They have nothing to live for except life itself. These people are suffering and their lives are miserable yet, especially with the younger people, there's joy and hope. I think sometimes we forget that there's more to life than possessions and careers. The Haitian people understand that because life is literally all they have."

Fr. Matt DeGance, who has ample experience servicing the poor, most recently in Nicaragua on a separate Salesian mission trip, reiterated what Mr. Edelson had to say. "The children don't even know they're poor. They're so hungry but for the most part they are playing soccer and laughing. We weren't bawling or wailing on the trip but there were plenty of times I was choked up."

Fr. Matt suffered from a broken wrist and two dislocated fingers while on the trip. Additionally, a physician who was traveling with the Salesian group fractured his tibia while exiting a truck. He stayed with the group despite the broken foot, going on to perform several operations including an amputation. He flew back to America four days later to have a leg operation.

While playing soccer with some of the local children, the group witnessed one boy severely hurt himself. The "soccer field" they were playing on was filled with broken glass and sharp rocks. Most of the kids playing were playing barefoot. The boy, who was dripping blood from his leg and who could barely walk, was going to attempt the quarter mile trek to the first aid station. Instead, Steve Edelson did his best to bandage the child with some equipment Salesian had on hand. The boy, still bleeding, was

grateful for the help and continued playing.

"I had to clean the boy's wound and all I had was some hydrogen peroxide. These people only speak Creole and/or French so I couldn't tell him to brace himself while I poured it on his cut. He didn't even wince. He didn't make a single sound. He's so used to the pain that it didn't even faze him. I bandaged him up as best as I could and he got right back on the field."

The Salesian group stayed in Northern Haiti for a total of seven days. Their goal was to increase the delivery of basic health care and they wanted to get a Salesian nursing clinic in Fort-Liberte up and running. There are about 350,000 people in Fort-Liberte and only one hospital with forty rooms and no ambulances.

Throughout their seven days, the Salesian group experienced a tremendous amount of begging. They witnessed children regularly traveling about naked being their families were unable to afford clothes. The homes they came across were made of bamboo and mortar. They encountered women who tried giving away their children. One of their most moving experiences came while they were traveling through the mountains distributing food and supplies. One of the women they encountered was a widow with seven children. When they entered her straw hut they saw a young woman, only twenty-two years old, lying paralyzed on a makeshift bed. The girl had come down with a fever six years ago that left her paralyzed from the neck down. Her family was unable to care for her and carried her to the woods where they left her on the floor to die. That's where this woman found her. Together with



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her seven children she carried the girl back to her hut and has cared for her since. Fr. Matt recounted the tale saying that all the young, paralyzed woman said was "Merci" which means thank you. He said that the one thing that really struck him was her absolutely beautiful, radiant smile. After all she had experienced in life she was still smiling.

Don Bosco and the Salesians are widely recognized and respected in Haiti. Even in the areas with higher crime rates the

Salesian priests are well protected. Salesian High School will continue to help the young and the poor both in America and overseas. That's the Don Bosco way. It's what they live to do and it's what they are raised to want. Should you feel inclined to contribute your services you can contact the school directly.

While leaving Haiti, Steve Edelson said he witnessed a group of Haitians dancing to the song "Empire State of Mind" by Jay-Z. He acknowledged that they probably couldn't un-

derstand what the song was saying. He also knew that many of these people would stay in Haiti for the rest of their lives whereas he and his group were boarding a plane and heading back to the place this song was about. They were going back to a city where they could do anything they wanted and be anyone they wanted to be. A concrete jungle where dreams are made. Where bright lights inspire you. A big lesson Salesian High School learned is a simple one. We are very lucky, and we need to help.

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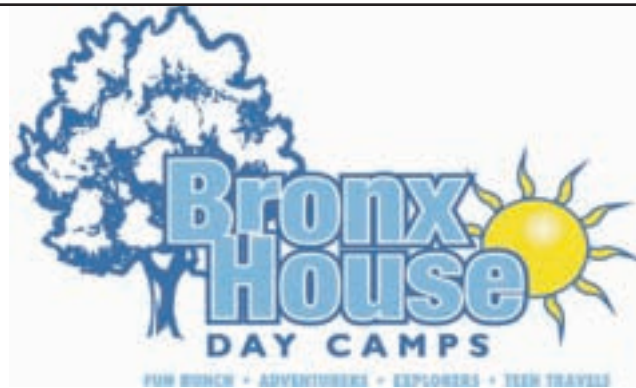
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LEGAL NOTICE

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

ROBERTAANN AHOUSE,
Plaintiff,
-against-
JONG KIL HONG,
Defendant.

SUMMONS WITH NOTICE
ACTION FOR DIVORCE

Index No.: 3908-13
Plaintiff's Address
90 Cowles Avenue
Yonkers, N.Y.

Plaintiff designates Westchester County as the place of trial. The basis of the venue is Plaintiff's residence. Plaintiff resides in Westchester County.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff's Attorney within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the notice set forth below.

Dated: November 13, 2013
White Plains, New York
Bashian & Farber, LLP,
By: James L. Hyder, Esq.
Attorney for the Plaintiff
235 Main Street, 6th Floor
White Plains, New York 10601
Phone: (914) 946-5100
Fax: (914) 946-5111

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT: BRONX COUNTY. NYCTL 2012-A TRUST AND THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON AS COLLATERAL AGENT AND CUSTODIAN, Pltf. vs. JOHN EDOZIE, et al, Defts. Index #260226/13. Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale entered Feb. 3, 2014, I will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, Rm. 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on Monday, Apr. 7, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. prem. k/a 772 East 233rd St., Bronx, NY a/k/a Block 4846, Lot 76. Approx. amt. of judgment is \$5,640.72 plus costs and interest. Sold subject to terms and conditions of filed judgment and terms of sale. LAWRENCE SHEEHAN, Referee. SHAPIRO, DICARO & BARAK, LLC, Attys. For Pltf., 105 Maxess Rd., Ste. N109, Melville, NY. (631) 844-9611 (File No. 13-024239 - #83811)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT: BRONX COUNTY
FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION; Plaintiff(s)
vs. LARRY WILLIAMS; et al;
Defendant(s)
Attorney (s) for Plaintiff (s): ROSICKI, ROSICKI & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 2 Summit Court, Suite 301, Fishkill, New York, 12524, 845.897.1600

Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale granted herein on or about December 18, 2013, I will sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder at The Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Room 600, Bronx, NY 10451.

On March 24, 2014 at 2:00 PM

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As more particularly described in the judgment of foreclosure and sale.

Sold subject to all of the terms and conditions contained in said judgment and terms of sale.

Approximate amount of judgment \$152,366.49 plus interest and costs.
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BY FRANK V. VERNUCCIO, JR.

Elected chief executives, such as a President or governor, have significant authority to pursue their goals, subject to the rights of the legislative branches and their obligation to be honest with their constituencies. Neither Mr. Obama nor Governor Cuomo have met those obligations.

Despite New York's desperate struggle with unemployment and economic problems, the Governor has failed to pursue the policies of deregulation and energy development that could address those crises. Yet his rhetoric leads one to believe that he is. He refuses to openly discuss his opposition to fracking, for example, hiding behind one study after another, each indicating no environmental issue.

Similarly, President Obama refuses to openly disclose his views on na-

tional security.

Throughout his campaigns, his press conferences, his speeches, the White House web site, and even the statements of his national security advisor, we have no indication of his specific policies for defense or relations with dangerous powers such as Russia, with its renewed cold war attitude, China, with its dramatically enlarged and technologically sophisticated military, or even Iran and North Korea, both of whom have made and continue to make threatening statements to the United States.

All we do know is that Mr. Obama is vigorously pursuing the downsizing of the U.S. military.

Despite the reduction of defense spending levels as a percent of the GDP and the federal budget to historic low points, and rising, dangerous threats from abroad,

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the U.S. military is being asked to absorb massive new cuts.

America's armed forces have been reduced from 600 ships to 284, 37 combat air wings to just 20, and 17 Army divisions to ten. They have endured large budget cuts through sequestration. Much of the military equipment that remains has been worn down through years of fighting in the Middle East and Afghanistan.

Key parts of the nation's conventional and nuclear arsenals are old enough to be considered antiques, with some pilots flying the same aircraft their grandfathers flew. Unlike every other nuclear power, we have not modernized our strategic

arsenal in decades. For budgetary reasons, we may reduce our first line of maritime defense, our aircraft carriers, to a level below what is truly vital. Command and control functions once thought invulnerable are now subject to destruction.

All this is occurring as China and Russia astronomically increase their defense spending, and deploy technology that in some cases exceeds that of the U.S. The risk of an attack is actually greater than it was during the cold war, due to the growing ICBM and nuclear technology of Iran and North Korea, as well as Beijing's increased aggressiveness and confidence.

The system of alliances that helped discourage a world war has been weakened, as Mr. Obama's relations with allied nations in Europe and Asia are increasingly strained. In

Latin America, several governments are openly hostile to the United States, and have invited increased Iranian, Russian and Chinese commercial and military interests to play a larger role within their borders.

Contrary to all evidence, including Moscow's extraordinary military buildup, its development of new nuclear missiles, its growing naval power, its re-development of cold war bases around the world, its return to cold war strategic patrols off America's coasts and Putin's aggressive statements, the President clings to the "reset" policy that he and former Secretary of State Clinton proclaimed in 2009 that essentially declares Russia to be a non-problem.

Similarly, the President has largely chosen to ignore China's unprecedented military buildup in size and technological sophistica-

tion, the aggressive comments of its military leaders, its cyber-attacks and intensive espionage on U.S. soil, and most importantly, its assaults on U.S. allies such as Japan and the Philippines.

Despite all that, the President appears to truly believe that there is no current or immediately prospective significant threat to the national security of the United States or its key allies.

We give our presidents and governors enormous power, which they eagerly use. Unfortunately, they have been far less enthusiastic about fulfilling their obligation of honesty and openness with their constituents.

Contact COMACTA at nycommunityaction@gmail.com; tune into our affiliated radio broadcasts, and visit our website at comactainc.com.

BY LYNN GERBINO

Meeting Time Again!!

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 25th at 7:30 p.m. at the Villa Barone Manor. We have two speakers on board who will be able to give us an update on community issues. Captain James McGeown of the 45th Precinct and District Manager of Community Board 10 will

be there to speak. We look forward to seeing you all there. If you have not yet paid your dues, please send a check for \$15 to: Throggs Neck Homeowners Association, PO Box 25, Throggs Neck Station, Bronx, New York 10465. You may also bring your dues to the meeting.

St. Pat's Parade

If anyone wants to join

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Throggs Neck Home Owners Assoc.

us marching in the Throggs Neck St. Patrick's Day Parade, please give us a call at 718-823-0327 and we will tell you where to meet. We are all

Irish that day, so please feel free to join our group.

Kitty Tarsname

One of our special members, Kitty Tarsname, passed away last week and the membership and the executive board of Throggs Neck Homeowners Association would like to extend our deepest sympathy to her husband, Pete, and to her family. Her smile will

be missed by all who knew her. Rest in Peace, dear Kitty.

The B.O.L.D.

Living Program

Montefiore, under the B.O.L.D. Living Program, is sponsoring the Woman to Woman Volunteer Program, its newest peer support program offered exclusively for women affected by gynecologic cancer who

are treated at Montefiore Medical Center. If you are interested in learning more about this program or how to become a Woman-to-Woman volunteer, please contact out BOLD Buddy Team at: 718-430-4044 or cancersupport@einstein.yu.edu.

Please have a wonderful week...If you need us, please call us at 718-823-0327.

BY PAUL GOLLUSCIO

Hello all!

The Sam Young Post has issued an APB for George Amato. George, where are you? If you have died, please let the Post know so that we can adjust our records.

On a more serious note, save the date, Friday, March 28 for the "Support Our Troops" Bingo. This gala begins at 7PM and goes until 9:30. Doors open at 6:30. All proceeds go to the Christian Engeldrum Support the Troops Drive. \$5.00 gets you in with snacks and one Bingo Card. Additional Cards are available @3/ \$1.00. 50/50 and raffles are available. All tickets are to be purchased in advance as there will be no door sales. Call Judy Lanci at 718-822-1839 for tickets and reservations. Hop on this as

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Samuel Young Legion Post 620

there will be only 150 tickets sold. Oh Yeah! this will happen at the Sam Young Post 1531 Ericson Place. Come on out and support the Troops.

More on the Hollywood Stars that served.

Raymond Burr served in the Navy, was shot in the stomach on Okinawa and medically discharged. Hugh O'Brian and Robert Ryan were Marines. Eddie Albert was in the Coast Guard, was awarded a Bronze Star with a Combat "V" Device for saving several Marines under heavy fire as a pilot of a landing craft during the invasion

of Tarawa. Charles Bronson was a B-29 gunner and was wounded in action. More to follow.

Trivia Time!!

March 2, 1933, saw the opening of "King Kong" in NYC. Fay Raye screamed 59 times. Yes, I counted.

On March 3, 1931, The "Star Spangled Banner" became the National Anthem. Anyone remember who and where and in what war it was written.

The U. S. Constitution went into effect on March 4, 1789.

The "Boston Massacre" happened on March 5, 1770. Crispus Atticus, was killed in this and was the first Black man to die in the Revolutionary War.

Keep the troops in your prayers, take a vet to lunch and God bless.

BY TONY SALIMBENE

Remember the "No Rain" dance from Woodstock? I tried a "No Winter" dance, didn't work too well either!

Anyway, don't forget the St. Patrick's Day Parade here on Tremont the Sunday before (that's 3/16), let's have a strong vets turnout! All our friends are welcome to fall-in with us.

I think berets are especially in order as Uniform of the Day. Can't hurt to show up at church either, that's St. Benedict mass at 9am, breakfast downstairs at 10. Parade steps off at noon Sharp at Lafayette as usual.

That means we will have our regular post meeting on the 4th Sunday (3/23) at the Turner Club,

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Korony American Legion Post 253

American Turners NY.

Let's show up at 10:00 for coffee and see if Commander Joe has a Legion info video for us.

Speaking of the Commander and family, sincere condolences on the passing of mom.

She was a really neat lady and may they find comfort knowing she is in a better place, where we believe we will all meet again someday.

Our friends at Dormi & Sons Funeral Home will collect tattered U.S. Flags for ceremonial destruction

at a later date throughout the year. That's in their lobby at 1121 Morris Park Ave. just off Williamsbridge Rd. We thank them and Dignity for all the years of supporting the Bronx Military Veterans Museum.

The Los Angeles VA Hospital found (allegedly) a way to get rid of that pesky patient backlog we complain about.

Simple, just throw out the files! Backlog over. This was reported by a Marine Corp. vet and VA employee as a whistle blower. So as Mr. Diaz says on TV, Shame On You GLA-VAMC. If true, legal action and perhaps some butt kicking are in order!

Until Next Time: For answers, look deep into nature. - Albert Einstein

LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT: BRONX COUNTY
US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
AS TRUSTEE FOR THE HOLDERS OF THE
FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN
TRUST MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH
CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-FF9;
Plaintiff(s)

vs. WAYNE GONZALEZ; et al;
Defendant(s)

Attorney (s) for Plaintiff (s): ROSICKI,
ROSICKI & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 2 Summit
Court, Suite 301, Fishkill, New York, 12524,
845.897.1600

Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and
sale granted herein on or about December
18, 2013, I will sell at Public Auction to the
highest bidder at on the front steps of the
Supreme Court of the State of New York,
County of Bronx, located at 851 Grand
Concourse, Room 600, Bronx, NY 10451.

On April 7, 2014 at 2:00 PM
Premises known as 278 ROBINSON
AVENUE, BRONX, NY 10465
Block: 5599 Lot: 140

ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of
land, with the buildings and improvements
thereon erected, situate, lying and being in
the Borough and County of Bronx, City and
State of New York, known and designated on
the Map for the City of New York, County of
Bronx, as Block 5599, Lot 140.

As more particularly described in the
judgment of foreclosure and sale.

Sold subject to all of the terms and
conditions contained in said judgment and
terms of sale.

Approximate amount of judgment
\$731,762.49 plus interest and costs.
INDEX NO. 381828/09
Carl Lucas, Esq., REFEREE

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT: BRONX COUNTY
WELLS FARGO BANK, NA; Plaintiff(s)
vs. FRANCESCO GHIOTTI; et al;
Defendant(s)

Attorney (s) for Plaintiff (s): ROSICKI,
ROSICKI & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 2 Summit
Court, Suite 301, Fishkill, NY 12524
(845)897-1600

Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and
sale granted herein on or about July 15,
2013, I will sell at Public Auction to the
highest bidder at The Bronx County
Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Room
600, Bronx, NY 10451.

On March 31, 2014 at 2:00 PM
Premises known as 2889 HARRINGTON
AVE, BRONX, NY 10461-5932
Block: 5377 Lot: 42

ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of
land, with buildings and improvements
thereon erected, situate, lying and being in
the Borough of Bronx, County of Bronx, City
and State of New York.

As more particularly described in the
judgment of foreclosure and sale.

Sold subject to all of the terms and
conditions contained in said judgment and
terms of sale.

Approximate amount of judgment
\$367,575.85 plus interest and costs.
INDEX NO. 382433/09
Joseph Martin Carasso, Esq., REFEREE

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT: BRONX COUNTY
NYCTL 1996-1 TRUST AND THE BANK
OF NEW YORK AS COLLATERAL AGENT
AND CUSTODIAN; Plaintiff(s)
vs. FRANKLIN JIMINEZ A/K/A
FRANKLIN JIMENEZ; et al; Defendant(s)

Attorney (s) for Plaintiff (s): ROSICKI,
ROSICKI & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 2 Summit
Court, Suite 301, Fishkill, NY 12524,
845-897-1600

Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and
sale granted herein on or about October 31,
2002, I will sell at Public Auction to the
highest bidder at 851 Grand Concourse,
Room 118, Bronx, NY.

On April 7, 2014 at 02:00 PM
Premises known as 370 WILLIS AVE,
BRONX, NY 10454

As more particularly described in the
judgment of foreclosure and sale.

Sold subject to all of the terms and
conditions contained in said judgment and
terms of sale.

Approximate amount of judgment
\$36,560.69 plus interest and costs.
INDEX NO. 23035/97
Susan Lubowitz, Esq., REFEREE

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT: BRONX COUNTY
SRMOF 2009-1; Plaintiff(s)
vs. AHMED ABUBAKAR; et al;
Defendant(s)

Attorney (s) for Plaintiff (s): ROSICKI,
ROSICKI & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 2 Summit
Court, Suite 301, Fishkill, New York, 12524,
845.897.1600

Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and
sale granted herein on or about November
18, 2013, I will sell at Public Auction to the
highest bidder at The Bronx County
Courthouse Room 600, 851 Grand
Concourse, Bronx, New York on Any Monday
Except Holidays.

On April 7, 2014 at 2:00 PM
Premises known as 4304 GRACE AVE,
BRONX, NY 10466
Block: 5055 Lot: 3

ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of
land, with the buildings and improvements
thereon erected, situate, lying and being in
the County of Bronx, City and State of New
York.

As more particularly described in the
judgment of foreclosure and sale.

Sold subject to all of the terms and
conditions contained in said judgment and
terms of sale.

Approximate amount of judgment
\$410,423.92 plus interest and costs.
INDEX NO. 380188/11
JOYCE A. BROWN, Esq., REFEREE

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT
BRONX COUNTY
BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP F/K/A
Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP
Plaintiff against

Ramdai Sookhdeo et al Defendants
Attorney for Plaintiff(s) The Law Office of
Fein Such & Crane, LLP 28 East Main Street,
Suite 1800 Rochester, NY 14614 Attorney (s)
for Plaintiff (s).

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure
and Sale Granted herein on or about
September 5th, 2013 I will sell at Public
Auction to the highest bidder at the Bronx

County Courthouse, Room 600 at 851 Grand
Concourse Bronx, NY 10451

on March 24th, 2014 at 2:00pm. Premises
known as 4365 Byron Avenue Bronx, NY
10466.Sec N/A Block 5047 Lot 42. All that
certain Plot, Piece or Parcel of Land, with the
Buildings and Improvements thereon
erected, situate, lying and being in the
Borough and County of Bronx, City and State
of New York . Approximate amount of
Judgment is \$526,370.37 plus interest and
costs. Premises will be sold subject to
provisions of filed Judgment Index No
381658/2009 .

Richard Mario Biaggi, Esq., Referee
The Law Office of Fein Such & Crane,
LLP 28 East Main Street, Suite 1800
Rochester, NY 14614 Attorney (s) for Plaintiff
(s)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF
BRONX

SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC.,
Plaintiff(s),
Against
DURAN CARPENTER; et al,
Defendant(s)

Pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and
sale duly entered 3/18/2011, I, the
undersigned Referee will sell at public
auction at Bronx County Courthouse, 851
Grand Concourse Room 600, Bronx, NY on
3/24/2014 at 2:00 pm premises known as
637 East 241st Street, Bronx, NY 10470.

ALL that certain plot piece or parcel of
land, with the buildings and improvements
thereon erected, situate, lying and being in
the Borough and County of Bronx, City and
State of New York.

Block 5105 Lot 5
Approximate amount of lien \$535,855.31
plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold
subject to provisions of filed judgment Index
380333/09

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the
Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to
a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser
shall have no further recourse against the
Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagees
attorney.

William F. Mackey, JR., Esq., Referee
Leopold & Associates, PLLC, 80
Business Park Drive, Suite 110, Armonk, NY
10504

Dated: 1/13/2014 File Number:
0000016126 MNH

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF
BRONX

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST
COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR
SOUNDVIEW HOME LOAN TRUST 2006-
EQ1 ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES,
SERIES 2006- EQ1

Plaintiff(s),
Against
GARY STARMAND;
Defendant(s)

Pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and
sale duly entered 1/7/2014, I, the
undersigned Referee will sell at public
auction at Bronx County Courthouse, 851
Grand Concourse Room 600, Bronx, NY on
4/7/2014 at 2:00 pm premises known as
1594 Unionport Road # 3g Bronx, NY 10462.

ALL that certain plot piece or parcel of
land, with the buildings and improvements
thereon erected, situate, lying and being in
the Borough and County of the Bronx, the

City and State of New York.

Section 15 Block 3944 Lot 1645
Approximate amount of lien \$183,901.76
plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold
subject to provisions of filed judgment Index
381990/10

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the
Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to
a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser
shall have no further recourse against the
Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagees
attorney.

David P. Lesch, Esq., Referee
Leopold & Associates, PLLC, 80
Business Park Drive, Suite 110, Armonk, NY
10504

Dated: 2/1/2014 File Number:
71064661 MNH

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF
BRONX

FREMONT INVESTMENT & LOAN,
Plaintiff(s),
Against
JULIO RIVERA; CARMEN SANBRAIA; et
al,

Defendant(s)
Pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and
sale duly entered 11/29/2011, I, the
undersigned Referee will sell at public
auction at Bronx County Courthouse, 851
Grand Concourse Room 600, Bronx, NY on
4/7/2014 at 2:00 pm premises known as
2701 Dewitt Pl, Bronx, NY 10469.

ALL that certain plot piece or parcel of
land, with the buildings and improvements
thereon erected, situate, lying and being in
the Borough of Bronx, County of Bronx, City
and State of New York.

Block 4564 Lot 1
Approximate amount of lien \$341,334.16
plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold
subject to provisions of filed judgment Index
380318-08

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the
Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to
a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser
shall have no further recourse against the
Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagees
attorney.

Gary S. Basso, Esq., Referee
Leopold & Associates, PLLC, 80
Business Park Drive, Suite 110, Armonk, NY
10504

Dated: 2/3/2014 File Number:
7090800694 MNH

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF
BRONX, NYCTL 1998-2 TRUST AND THE
BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, AS
COLLATERAL AGENT AND CUSTODIAN,
Plaintiff(s), vs. QUARRY CROTONA
HOMES, INC., Defendant(s).

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure
and Sale duly filed on March 15, 2013, I, the
undersigned Referee will sell at public
auction at the Bronx County Courthouse,
Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx,
New York on March 24, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.,

premises known as 748 East 182nd Street,
Bronx, New York. All that certain plot, piece
or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in
the Borough of Bronx, County of Bronx, City
and State of New York, known and
designated as Block 3097 and Lot 32.
Approximate amount of judgment is
\$37,806.29 plus interest and costs. Premises
will be sold subject to provisions of filed
Judgment and Terms of Sale. Index Number
300897-11

Deidra R. Moore, Esq., Referee
Phillips Lytle LLP
Attorney(s) for Plaintiffs
1400 First Federal Plaza, Rochester, NY
14614

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT- COUNTY OF
BRONX

SOUTHSTAR II, LLC, Plaintiff -against-
WILLIAM WHALEY, ET AL., Defendant(s).
Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and
Sale duly entered December 20, 2013, I, the
undersigned Referee will sell at public
auction at the BRONX COUNTY
COURTHOUSE, ROOM 600, 851 GRAND
CONCOURSE, BRONX, NEW YORK on the
17TH DAY of MARCH, 2014 at 2:00 P.M.,
premises known as 755 EAST 221ST
STREET, BRONX, NY 10467, further
described as follows:

BLOCK 4669 AND LOT 20-21
ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of
land, with the buildings and improvements
thereon erected, situate, lying and being in
the Borough and County of Bronx, City and
State of New York, being bounded and
described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point on the Northerly
side of East 221st Street, distant 230.32 feet
Westerly from the corner formed by the
intersection of the said northerly side of East
221st Street and the Westerly side of Barnes
Avenue; and from said point of beginning;

RUNNING THENCE Northerly and
parallel with the Westerly side of Barnes
Avenue, a distance of 114.31 feet;

THENCE Westerly and parallel with the
Northerly side of 221st Street, a distance of
50.06 feet more or less;

THENCE Southerly and again parallel
with the Westerly side of Barnes Avenue, a
distance of 114.31 feet to the Northerly side
of said East 221st Street;

THENCE Easterly and along the
Northerly side of said East 221st Street, a
distance of 50.06 feet, more or less, to the
point or place of BEGINNING.

Premises known as 755 East 221st
Street, Bronx, New York.

Approximate amount of lien \$738,000.78
plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold
subject to provisions of filed judgment and
terms of sale. Index Number 380820/2009.

RICHARD TOLCHIN, ESQ., REFEREE
DOONAN, GRAVES & LONGORIA, LLC
Attorney(s) for Plaintiff
100 Cummings Center
Suite 225D
Beverly, MA 01915

St. Barnabas Hospital re-branded as SBH Health System

St. Barnabas Hospital and its sister facilities in the Bronx will now be known as SBH Health System. In addition to its flagship hospital, which features the hospital's state-of-the-art Ambulatory Care and Hemodialysis centers, SBH Health System will encompass Fordham-Tremont Mental Health Center, the St. Barnabas Rehabilitation & Continuing Care Center, and the Southern Medical Group.

"The name change reflects who we've become in recent years and the diversity of the care we now provide to those who live and work in the Bronx," said Len Walsh, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. "Healthcare is changing dramatically. We are no longer just treat-

ing patients when they are sick, but working as a physician-driven, patient-centered system to prevent sickness in the first place. We believe SBH Health System accurately conveys this, with the goal to improve the health and wellness of our patients."

St. Barnabas Hospital is a 461-bed not-for-profit acute care community hospital with a Level 1 Trauma Center. The Ambulatory Care Center at St. Barnabas Hospital recently received Level 3, the highest level of certification for a patient-centered medical home, a model of care that emphasizes care coordination and communication to transform primary care into "what patients want it to be" (as defined by the National Committee for Quality Assurance, the certifying

body).

In addition, a new 8,000-square foot Center for Comprehensive Care has opened, offering separate specialties in diabetes, asthma and geriatric care. This adds to recent openings of the Center for Sleep Medicine, the Center for Wound Health and Hyperbaric Medicine, a new infusion center, and, earlier this month, new vascular and arrhythmia centers.

Fordham-Tremont Community Mental Health Center is one of the largest providers of behavioral health services in the Bronx. A multicultural, community-based organization, which services the community from three sites and in three public schools, Fordham-Tremont's programs deliver preventive, case management

and treatment services to children, adults and their families.

St. Barnabas Rehabilitation & Continuing Care Center, located on the campus of St. Barnabas Hospital, offers short-term rehabilitation and nursing

care services, as well as a medically-based adult day health center program.

The Southern Medical Group offers multispecialty quality care to patients living in the South Bronx. This includes pediatric, internal medicine,

OB/gynecology, optometry and podiatric care.

According to Walsh, SBH Health System plans to announce shortly the opening of new health and wellness services in the Bronx.

MetroCard Van schedule stop

Assemblyman Michael Benedetto announces that the MetroCard Mobile Van will visit in front of the his office located at 3602 E. Tremont Avenue, on Friday, March 14, between the hours of 1 to 3 p.m.

The MetroCard Mobile Van enables:

- Senior citizens 65 years of age or older to apply for Reduced-Fare MetroCard and receive a temporary card on the spot (Bring proof of age such as a Medicare card and valid photo identification);
- People with disabilities that qualify, and who present a Medicare card and valid photo ID such as a

driver's license to apply for Reduced-Fare MetroCard;

- Daily riders to add money to their Reduced-Fare MetroCard; and
- Everyone to get all MetroCard questions answered.

For more information, call Benedetto's office at (718) 892-2235

BY JOSEPH ODDO

Reminder: The Pelham Bay Taxpayers and Civic Association meets on the second Tuesday of the month. Our next meeting will take place on March 11, 2014. The meeting will take place in the Saint Theresa School Cafeteria located at the corner of Saint Theresa Ave and Pilgrim Ave. The room opens at 7:00pm and the meeting begins at 7:30pm. The Speakers for this meeting will be P.O. Annemarie Morrisson from the 45 pct. and representatives of our elected officials.

Before I bring you up to date on the Pelham Grand, I would like to share with you the following announcements brought to our attention by Phil Caruso from Community board 10. One

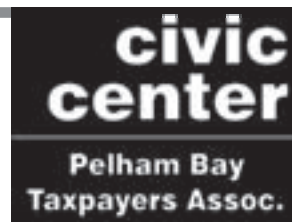
of the best ways to support our efforts to have more services for our community is to come out and participate in the activities that are being offered. Here some activities that are coming up.

Learn the time-honored art of creating these intricately patterned Ukrainian Easter eggs and create your own using a wax-resist technique at this hands-on workshop. Hot wax and permanent dyes used; please dress accordingly. Age 14 and up. Bring a bag lunch, only light refreshments offered. Space is limited.

\$15 Registration required at (718) 885-1461 or info@bpbmm.org

Bartow-Pell Mansion Museum in Pelham Bay Park, 895 Shore Road

Enroll in the 4 class-ses-



sion on tree pruning, after which there is a comprehension exam, to receive a permit to prune NYC street trees. Watch the website for updates on the next session this Spring. <http://www.treesny.org/citizenpruner>

In addition to activities in the arts and environmental services opportunities in crime prevention are also offered. The following is a reminder of services that are offered by the 45 precinct. Currently there are many identity theft scams going on targeting

seniors. The community affairs office of the 45 would like to share with us that there are ways to protect your personal information and credit rating. They suggest the following:

"Most banks and credit card companies offer FREE tools to alert card holders when purchases or charges are made. If you don't already have or use them please consider inquiring about them. This could prevent your finding out about fraudulent charges on your statement via the mail."

You can stay informed as to what is going on in the precinct by attending the monthly 45th Pct Community Council Meeting. And please remember when you go to these or other community meetings to make an

effort to meet the host and guest speakers and share with them your thoughts and concerns. Also let them know that your a member of the Pelham Bay Taxpayers.

The Pelham Grand will be discussed at our next meeting which will be this coming Tuesday the 11th of March. So far there is little to report besides the fact that Assemblyman Benedetto has hosted a couple of organizations in a tour of the building and no one has shown a real interest in the building.

But his office is reaching out to more groups in a continued search to find an acceptable use for this facility.

Councilman Vacca as well as Senator Klein and their respective staffs are also very concerned and

have offered their assistance in finding a suitable use for the Pelham Grand.

So please come and hear what has been done and what we hope can be done.

As of this writing, It looks like another cold front will be hitting us as you are about to receive this article. Please remember to stay warm and stay safe. Take Care and we hope to see you soon.

Our mailing address is Pelham Bay Taxpayers And Civic Association Pilgrim Station, PO box 610124, Bronx, NY 10461. Our annual dues is ten dollars. Please feel free to come to our meetings. They are open to all. If you are new to our community we would love to meet you. See you soon.

BY MARY JANE MUSANO

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, March 13th at 7:30 p.m. at PS 14.

Officer Rabbitt from the 45th precinct will be our guest. She will be speaking about the many free programs the NYPD has to help us protect our families, our homes and our cars from criminals.

Andrew Chirico, one of our board members, will speak about security cam-

eras. So, if you are considering security cameras, please don't miss this meeting. It will be a very informative meeting and I urge you to ask your friends and family to attend.

We must do all that we can do to prevent ourselves from falling prey to criminals.

The 109th precinct puts out a great newsletter that had an article on crime. It told us that most burglaries



can be prevented if you follow a few simple tips. Here is what they suggest.

-Keep your front entrance clear, well lit and visible from the street.

-Never leave the door to

your home or car unlocked.

-If you go out, close and lock all windows. Windows on or near fire escapes should always be locked as should basement windows.

-Don't advertise your vacation. Letting the world know that (especially on social media) you are leaving your home unattended is an invitation to criminals.

-Ask a neighbor to collect your mail or have it stopped by the PO when

you will be away for an extended period of time.

-Keep your lights on a timer. Automatic timers that switch your lights on and off create the illusion that you are home and it is a deterrent to a criminal.

-If you live in an apartment building that has a locked entry door, make sure it is closed and locked behind you. Do not let anyone in behind you that does not live there. If you see a

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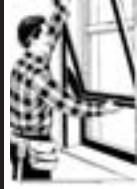
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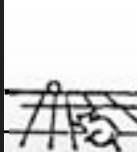
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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF BRONX, NYCTL 2009- A TRUST AND THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, AS COLLATERAL AGENT AND CUSTODIAN, Plaintiff(s), vs. 1155 TRUST, Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly filed on August 20, 2012, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, New York on March 24, 2014 at 2:00 p.m., premises known as 1155 Fteley Avenue, Bronx, New York. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Bronx, County of Bronx, City and State of New York, known and designated as Block 3747 and Lot 51. Approximate amount of judgment is \$9,025.30 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale. Index Number 381341-10
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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF BRONX, SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC, Plaintiff, vs. SULE BEST, ET AL., Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly filed on January 12, 2011, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on March 31, 2014 at 2:00 p.m., premises known as 4167 Edson Ave, Bronx, NY. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Bronx, County of Bronx, City and State of New York, Block 05015 and Lot 0017. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 380005/08.
Elena Makau, Esq, Referee
Berkman, Henoch, Peterson, Peddy & Fenchel, P.C., 100 Garden City Plaza, Garden City, NY 11530, Attorneys for Plaintiff

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF BRONX THE PARKCHESTER SOUTH CONDOMINIUM, INC., on behalf of its unit owners of the Parkchester South Condominium, Plaintiff, - against - FRANK RANDAZZO, Public Administrator Bronx County, As Administrator of the Estate of Beverly Thomas a/k/a Beverly Thomas-Tuitt, et. al., Defendants. Pursuant to a Judgment dated January 16, 2014, I will sell at public auction on March 31, 2014, at 2:00 p.m. in Room 600 of the Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, New York, the Condominium unit in the Parkchester South Condominium known as apartment 2C, in the building known as E-5 a/k/a 57, and by street address 2059 St. Raymond Avenue, Bronx, New York, and designated as Tax Lot 3351, in Block 3943 of Section 15 on the tax map of the Borough of Bronx, together with an undivided .0093 percent interest in the common elements of the Parkchester South Condominium. The amount due under the Judgment is \$8,784.79, with interest, costs, etc. Sale subject to terms of sale and provisions of the Judgment herein. Index No. 380543/13. RICHARD TOLCHIN, ESQ., Referee ROY, MONDELLO, LAROCCA & RISOTTO, ESQS. Attorneys for Plaintiff, 828 South Broadway, Suite 100, Tarrytown, NY 10591 (914) 591-7722

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF BRONX BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE PARKCHESTER NORTH CONDOMINIUM, on behalf of the unit owners of the Parkchester North Condominium, Plaintiff, - against - JEAN PAUL SANCHEZ, et. al., Defendants. Pursuant to a Judgmtent dated May 8, 2013, I will sell at public auction on March 17, 2014, at 2:00 p.m. in Room 600 of the Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, New York, the Condominium unit in the Parkchester North Condominium known as apartment 1G, in the building known as N-9 a/k/a 116, and by street address 2240 East Tremont Avenue, Bronx, New York, and designated as Tax Lot 3192, in Block 3944 of Section 15 on the tax map of the Borough of Bronx, together with an undivided .0272 percent interest in the common elements of the Parkchester North Condominium. The amount due under the Judgment is \$11,532.52, with interest, costs, etc. Sale subject to terms of sale and provisions of the Judgment herein, including being subject to a mortgage held by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for HSBC Corporation (USA), in the original principal sum of \$163,900.00 with interest.
Index No. 380631/11. SANFORD B. GLATZER, ESQ., Referee, ROY, MONDELLO, LAROCCA & RISOTTO, ESQS. Attorneys for Plaintiff, 828 South Broadway, Suite 100, Tarrytown, NY 10591 (914) 591-7722

LEGAL NOTICE

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BRONX BRONX 226TH FUNDING ASSOCIATES, A NEW YORK GENERAL PARTNERSHIP, Plaintiff against 849 EAST 226TH STREET, INC., et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale dated August 8, 2013 and entered on September 11, 2013, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on the 17th day of March, 2014 at 2:00 PM premises situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Bronx, City and State of New York, being more particularly bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the northerly side of East 226th Street, at the dividing line between Lot Numbers 274 and 240 on said map which point is distant 280.03 feet westerly from the corner formed by the intersection of the northerly side of East 226th Street with the westerly side of Bronxwood Avenue; being a plot 114.36 feet by 25.01 feet by 114.36 feet by 25.01 feet. Said premises known as 849 EAST 226TH STREET, BRONX, NY Approximate amount of lien \$ 319,211.77 plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale. Index Number 22923/12.
STEPHEN B. KAUFMAN, ESQ., Referee, Novick Edelstein Lubell Reisman Wasserman & Leventhal Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 733 Yonkers Ave., Yonkers, NY 10704-2659

LEGAL NOTICE

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BRONX BRONX 226TH FUNDING ASSOCIATES, A NEW YORK GENERAL PARTNERSHIP, Plaintiff against 849 EAST 226TH STREET,

INC., et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale dated August 27, 2013 and entered on September 13th, 2013, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on the 17th day of March, 2014 at 2:00 PM premises situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Bronx, City and State of New York, being more particularly bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the northerly side of East 226th Street, at the dividing line between lot numbers 274 and 240 on said map which point is distant 305.04 feet westerly from the corner formed by the intersection of the northerly side of East 226th Street with the westerly side of Bronxwood Avenue; being a plot 114.36 feet by 25.00 feet by 114.36 feet by 25.00 feet. Said premises known as 847 EAST 226TH STREET, BRONX, NY Approximate amount of lien \$ 319,211.77 plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale. Index Number 22922/12.
CHRISTOPHER J. MARENGO, ESQ., Referee, Novick Edelstein Lubell Reisman Wasserman & Leventhal Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 733 Yonkers Ave., Yonkers, NY 10704-2659

LEGAL NOTICE

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BRONX JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff against LARHONDA KING, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered on February 6, 2014, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Room 600, Bronx, N.Y. on the 7th day of April, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.
Said premises known as 2079 Cedar Ave., Bronx, N.Y. 10468.
Tax account number: SBL #: 3233-101.
Approximate amount of lien \$ 324,569.74 plus interest and costs.
Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale.
Index No. 382515-09. Heddyeh P. Broumand, Esq., Referee, McCabe Weisberg & Conway Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 145 Huguenot Street - Suite 210 New Rochelle, New York 10801 (914) 636-8900

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More security cameras for projects

From page 1

Pelham Parkway Houses Tenants Council President Donna Goodall said she hoped the cameras - both interior and exterior - could be installed and working hopefully by sometime in May after the two-year wait for the actual funding.

"It's a process. You just can't blink your eyes and get the funding for it," she said, adding that the next step would be for Verizon and police to work on finding the right places and then installing the fiber optic cable. "Everything is a process."

She praised Vacca for his continuing involvement with the tenants.

"We love him, we always love him and give him our support," she said.

Police are still hunting for the killer of 88-year-old Evelyn Shapiro, brutally murdered June 16, 2012 inside her sixth-floor apartment at the Pelham Parkway Houses during an apparent push-in robbery as she was returning with groceries. Investigators at the time believed her attacker may have helped her carry her groceries into the locked building. Her body was found lying face down in a hallway between the bedroom and kitchen, groceries scattered on the floor, and her apartment ransacked.

The city Medical Exam-

iner's Office said she had been bludgeoned to death.

It was the first murder in the Pelham Parkway Houses in 30 years, although there have been other serious crimes, including drug dealing and gang activity both inside and immediately around it.

Since August 2012, NYCHA said it has used City Council funding to install 3,879 closed circuit TV cameras in 500 buildings at 84 designated developments.

That included 11 developments in the Bronx, at the Bailey Avenue, Fort Independence, Marble Hill, Edenwald, Jackson, Middletown Plaza, Mitchel, Moore, Mott Haven, Murphy and Patterson Houses.



Pelham Parkway Houses are about to have 375 security cameras installed.

Photo by Aracelis Batista

NYPD crackdown on double parking focuses on the borough

From page 1

cops in selected precincts around the city began targeting double-parked drivers on several commercial strips around the city on Monday, March 3 to educate them.

In the Bronx, 138th Street from Third Avenue to Jackson Avenue in the South Bronx is the first targeted area in the borough.

The educational campaign may then shift to two other pedestrian accident-prone stretches in the borough: Southern Blvd. from Westchester Avenue to Hunts Point Avenue, and White Plains Road from Pelham Parkway to Allerton Avenue, said a source.

But once the education campaign is over, cops will be getting serious with summonses.

Since the start of the year, cops in the 40th Precinct have issued 110 summonses to motorists for failing to yield to pedestrians. Boroughwide, they've issued 521 summonses, according to the NYPD.

Cops from the 40th Precinct working the 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 4 p.m. to midnight shifts will initially be giving less blatant double parkers a break, slapping educational brochures rather than summonses under windshield wipers.

The crackdown on 138th



NYPD double parking poster.

Street is scheduled to run through Sunday, March 16, with cops then returning to full-on summons activity

against double parkers.

"It's all about promoting pedestrian safety and focusing on areas prone to

pedestrian accidents," said the source.

Bronx Councilwoman Vanessa Gibson, new chair of the council's public safety committee, on a recent trip to Albany asked state lawmakers to empower Mayor Bill de Blasio on some of

his proposed traffic safety issues.

"I am making it very clear to state lawmakers that New York City urgently needs sweeping authority to make our local streets and roadways safer for pedestrians of all ages," said the

west Bronx legislator.

She also called for the MTA to "be at the table" with de Blasio's Vision Zero Plan, since it runs the largest fleet of buses in the state and need to be "part of the solution."

Superheroes Tour Bronx

Alfred University college students wearing colorful "creativity superhero" disguises will spend their spring break spreading a positive message of equality and non-violence throughout the Bronx.

The Art Force Five will presents creativity-workshops at Bronx schools on March 13 and 14 before displaying a comic book exhibit at the Brooklyn Museum of the Arts on March 15th.

The initiative is part of Alfred University's Drawn to Diversity (D2D) program which aims to promote equality, reduce violence, and strengthen communities by using "creativity as the ultimate su-

perpower." The Art Force Five, Alfred's version of the Avengers, features Graphite the Illustrator, Brushstroke the Painter, Zoom the Photographer, 3-D the Sculptor, and Runway the Fashion Designer.

The heroes will be welcomed into the communities of Pelham Academy and PS 723, where they will present workshops which offer creativity as an alternative to the "fight or flight" response to conflict. Through a series of creativity challenges, students will realize that creativity reaches far beyond the arts and effects their relationships, perspectives, and problem-solving skills.

On Saturday, March 15th, "Drawn to Diversity: An Exploration of

Diversity in American Comic Books" will be on display at the Bronx Museum of the Arts (1040 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY / www.bronxmuseum.org). Over fifty comics will draw parallels between comic book history and the struggle for equality of all people. The exhibit will run from 11am until 3pm, with a presentation by the Art Force Five at 1pm. The event is free, open to the public, and light refreshments will be served.

Questions about the program can be directed to Dan Napolitano, Director of Student Activities at Alfred University at Napolitano@alfred.edu or by calling 607-871-2671.

LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF
BRONX
ONEWEST BANK, FSB, Plaintiff against
RAMON NERIS, et al Defendant(s).
Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure
and Sale entered on January 16, 2014,
I, the undersigned Referee will sell at
public auction at the Bronx County
Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Room
600, Bronx, N.Y. on the 31st day of March,
2014 at 2:00 p.m.
Said premises known as 64 Clinton Pl.,
Bronx, N.Y. 10453.
Tax account number: SBL #: 3207-15.
Approximate amount of lien \$ 508,632.41
plus interest and costs.
Premises will be sold subject to
provisions of filed judgment and terms of
sale.
Index No. 380383-12. Lorraine Corsa,
Esq., Referee.
McCabe Weisberg & Conway
Attorney(s) for Plaintiff
145 Huguenot Street - Suite 210
New Rochelle, New York 10801
(914) 636-8900

LEGAL NOTICE

Probate Citation
File No. 2011-1254
Supplemental
Surrogate's Court-Bronx County
Citation
The People Of The State Of New York
By the Grace of God Free and
Independent
TO: The Attorney General of the State of
New York and The Public Administrator of
Bronx County and to Gregory Pryce, whose
whereabouts are unknown and after due
diligence cannot be ascertained, if they be
living and if dead, to their heirs at law,
distributees, executors, administrators,
creditors, lienors, their husbands or wives or
successors in interest and to the unknown
heirs at law, and next of kin of Dolores Pryce,
deceased, if they be living, and if they be
dead, to their Executors, Administrators,
Creditors, and Lienors, their husbands or
wives or successors in interest.
A petition having been duly filed by
Veronica Pryce, who is domiciled at 266 19th
Avenue, Apt. 5, San Francisco, CA.
YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW
CAUSE before the Surrogate's Court, Bronx
County, at 851 Grand Concourse, Room 406,
Bronx, New York 10451, on April 15th 2014,
at 9:30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day,
why a decree should not be made in the
estate of Dolores Pryce lately domiciled at
3911 Barnes Avenue, Bronx, 10466
admitting to probate a Will dated 12-29-2010,
a copy of which is attached, as the Will of
Dolores Pryce deceased, relating to real and
personal property, and directing that Letters
Testamentary issue to: Veronica Pryce
Dated, Attested and Sealed
February 26, 2014
HON. Nilda Maiave-Gonzalez
Surrogate
Michael P. Hausler
Chief Clerk
Attorney for Petitioner: Karl A. Scully
Telephone Number 646-3348445
Address of Attorney: 33 Del Rey Drive,
Mount Vernon, New York 10552
(NOTE: This citation is served upon you
as required by law. You are not required to
appear. If you fail to appear it will be
assumed you do not object to the relief
requested. You have a right to have an
attorney appear for you.)

LEGAL NOTICE

Filed: 8/21/2012
Index No. 380179/12
Plaintiff designates BRONX County as
place of trail Venue is based upon County in
which premises are being situate.
SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS WITH
NOTICE
ACTION TO FORECLOSE A
MORTGAGE
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF
NEW YORK
COUNTY OF BRONX
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., AS
TRUSTEE FOR CARRINGTON
MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, SERIES 2006-
NC4 ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH
CERTIFICATES, Plaintiff,
-against-
ARLENE M. BARTLEY; ALBERT S.
BARTLEY, if he be living or if he be dead any
heirs-at-law, next-of-kin, distributees,
executors, administrators, trustees, devisees,
legatees, assignees, lienors, creditors,
successors in interest, and generally all
persons having or claiming, under by or
through Albert S. Bartley, by purchase,
inheritance, lien or otherwise any right, title or
interest in and to the premises described in
the complaint herein; NEW YORK CITY
TRANSIT ADJUDICATION BUREAU; NEW
YORK CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL
BOARD; NEW YORK STATE
DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND
FINANCE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA;
ALVA BARTLEY, Defendants.
TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS:
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer
the Complaint in this action and to serve a
copy of your Answer; or, if the Complaint is
not served with this Summons, to serve a
Notice of Appearance upon the Plaintiff's
Attorney, within twenty (20) days after the
service of this Summons, exclusive of the
date of service or within thirty (30) days after
the service is complete if this Summons is
not personally delivered to you within the
State of New York. If you fail to appear or
answer, judgment will be taken against you
by default for the relief demanded in the
Complaint.
Dated: Elmsford, New York. August 19,
2013
NOTICE
YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING
YOUR HOME
If you do not respond to this summons and
complaint by serving a copy of the answer on
the attorney for the mortgage company who
filed this foreclosure proceeding against you
and filing the answer with the court, a default
judgment may be entered and you can lose
your home.
Speak to an attorney or go to the court
where your case is pending for further
information on how to answer the summons
and protect your property.
Sending payment to your mortgage
company will not stop this foreclosure action.
YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A
COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE
ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF WELLS
FARGO BANK, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR
CARRINGTON MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST,
SERIES 2006-NCE4 ASSET-BACKED
PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES AND
FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.
Karen B. Olson, Esq.
Law Offices of Knuckles, Komosinski &
Elliott, LLP
Attorneys for Plaintiff
565 Taxter Rd., Suite 590
Elmsford, New York 10523
THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A
DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED
WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
NOTICE TO OCCUPANTS: EMIGRANT

BANK IS FORECLOSING AGAINST THE
OWNER OF THIS PREMISES. IF YOU LIVE
HERE, THIS LAWSUIT MAY RESULT IN
YOUR EVICTION. YOU MAY WISH TO
CONTACT A LAWYER TO DISCUSS ANY
RIGHTS AND POSSIBLE DEFENSES YOU
MAY HAVE.
TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS:
The foregoing summons is served upon you
by publication pursuant to an Order of the
Hon. Larry S. Schachner, a Justice of the
Supreme Court, Bronx County, dated June
24, 2013 and filed with the complaint and
other papers in the Bronx County Clerk's
Office, Bronx, NY.
NOTICE OF OBJECT OF ACTION AND
RELIEF SOUGHT
THE OBJECT of the above-entitled action
is to foreclosure a mortgage to secure
\$476,000.00, plus interest, recorded in New
York City Register's Office in the County of
Bronx on September 1, 2006, in CRFN:
2006000498577 and which mortgage was
assinted to the Plaintiff herein as later
evidenced by written instrument dated
February 13, 2012 and sent to be recorded
with the New York City Register's Office in
the County of Bronx covering premises
described as follows:
767 Adee Avenue, Bronx, New York a/k/a
Block 04570, Lot 0002.
The relief sought in the within action is
final judgment directing the sale of the
premises described herein above to satisfy
the debt secured by the mortgage described
above.
The Plaintiff makes no personal claim
against any Defendants in this action
EXCEPT Arlene M. Bartley.
HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS IN
FORECLOSURE
NEW YORK STATE LAW REQUIRES
THAT WE SEND YOU THIS NOTICE
ABOUT THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS.
PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.
SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT
YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING
YOUR HOME. IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND
TO THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT IN
THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION, YOU MAY
LOSE YOUR HOME. PLEASE READ THE
SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT
CAREFULLY. YOU SHOULD
IMMEDIATELY CONTACT AN ATTORNEY
OR YOUR LOCAL LEGAL AID OFFICE TO
OBTAIN ADVICE ON HOW TO PROTECT
YOURSELF.
SOURCES OF INFORMATION AND
ASSISTANCE
The State encourages you to become
informed about your options in foreclosure, in
addition to seeking assistance from an
attorney or legal aid office, there are
government agencies and non-profit
organizations that you may contact for
information about possible options, including
trying to work with your lender during this
process.
To locate an entity near you, you may call
the toll-free helpline maintained by the New
York State Banking Department at 1-877-
BANK-NYS (1-877-226-5697) or visit the
Department's website at
WWW.BANKING.STATE.NY.US
FORECLOSURE RESCUE SCAMS
Be careful of people who approach you
with offers to "save" your home. There are
individuals who watch for notice of
foreclosure actions in order to unfairly profit
from a homeowner's distress. You should be
extremely careful about any such promises
and any suggestions that you pay them a fee
or sign over your deed. State law requires
anyone offering such services for profit to
enter into a contract which fully describes the
services they will perform and fees they will

charge, and which prohibits them from taking
any money from you until they have
completed all such promised services.
\$1303 NOTICE #83781

LEGAL NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS IN TAX
LIEN FORECLOSURE-SUPREME COURT
OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY
OF BRONX - NYCTL 2012-A TRUST AND
THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON AS
COLLATERAL AGENT AND CUSTODIAN
FOR THE NYCTL 2012-A TRUST, Plaintiffs,
against ARTHUR J. OCCHINO a/k/a
ARTHUR OCCHINO, DOROTHY OCCHINO,
if living and if he/she be dead, et al.
Defendants. Index no. 302050/13. Plaintiffs
designate Bronx County as the place of trial
site of the real property. To the above
named Defendants-YOU ARE HEREBY
SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this
action within twenty days after the service of
this summons, exclusive of the day of service
or within thirty days after service is
completed if the summons is not personally
delivered to you within the State of New
York. In case of your failure to appear or
answer, judgment will be taken against you
by default for the relief demanded in the
complaint. Plaintiffs designate Bronx County
as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the
county in which the property a lien upon
which is being foreclosed is situated. The
foregoing summons is served upon you by
publication pursuant to an order of the Hon.

LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Bid will be received at the Kips
Bay Boys & Girls Club at 1930 Randall
Avenue, Bronx, NY 10473 until 5:00 pm on
Friday, March 7, 2014. For meal catering
services at Kips Bay Boys & Girls Club, 1930
Randall Avenue, Bronx, NY 10473 with two
other serving areas in the Bronx.
Specification for 395 suppers and 395
snacks may only be obtained by contacting
Harold Maldonado at Kips Bay Boys & Girls
Club from 10am to 6pm at 917-295-3621.
All work will be conducted in strict
accordance with bid specifications. Bids will
be open and read on Saturday, March 8,
2014 at 12 noon.

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PIPE DREAMS

By Bob Connolly

Plan A

Ian Begley (ESPN.com) looked at what might be the next steps in the Anthony sweeps, "Anthony's pay cut would have a greater impact in the summer of 2015. That summer, the Knicks are expected to be heavy players in free agency because the current deals for Bargnani, Stoudemire and Chandler come off the books.

If Anthony signs a max deal, his salary in the 2015-16 season will be \$24,142,789, and the Knicks would have five players under contract at a total salary of \$39,492,533. They'd also have a first-round pick.

This assumes that both J.R. Smith and Raymond Felton pick up their respective player options for 2015-16. It also assumes that the Knicks offer Iman Shumpert a qualifying offer, he accepts and the Knicks don't pick up the team option on Pablo Prigioni's contract.

If that's the case, then Anthony's pay cut would pay dividends in that summer. It would give the Knicks more flexibility to pursue max free agents such as Kevin Love and Rajon Rondo and should leave them with room to add other players on the market.

Anthony said that his "first priority" is to re-sign with the Knicks this summer, but he also made it clear he needs the Knicks to produce a clear plan

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Andujar sends Manhattan past Iona

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Big games continue to bring out the best in Manhattan's Emmy Andujar, especially against rival Iona.

Andujar scored 16 of his career-high 28 points in the first half, had a key block at the end of regulation and converted a big hoop late to lead Manhattan to an 80-77 overtime win against Iona last Friday in front of a sold out crowd at Draddy Gymnasium. He admitted to reveling in taking on the Gales, against whom he is averaging 14 points for his career.

"It's a great rivalry," he said.

Jaspers coach Steve Masiello believes Andujar, who also had six rebounds, is a dangerous when he is aggressive. He attacked the hoop with ease and precision against the Gales to no surprise to his coach. Masiello has watched the junior flourish in big games since recruiting him in high school at Rice.

"He lives for big moments," the coach said. "Certain kids are built for it. Certain kids they struggle with it. He's one of those kids that loves the big stage, loves the big moment and he showed that tonight."

Manhattan, the preseason favorite to win the MAAC, feels the victory over the defending champions and regular season leader, sends a message to the rest of the teams heading into the conference tournament. Manhattan (21-7, 14-5) avenged an 85-73 loss to the Gales (19-9, 16-3) in New Rochelle on Jan. 31 and ended Iona's 11-game winning streak, even with starting point guard Mike Alvarado missing the majority of the game with a left ankle injury. The Jaspers earned the second seed in the MAAC tournament by beat Canisus last Sunday.

"It's just letting people know that we are still the team to beat," Andujar said topping Iona.

The Jaspers dominated early in the overtime, using a 7-0 run to take a 78-73 lead on a RaShawn Stores layup with 1:47 to go. An Andujar layup put Manhattan up five with 21 seconds left. Beamon missed the front end of a 1-and-1, leaving Iona one last chance.



Manhattan junior Emmy Andujar scored a career-high 28 points in a win over rival Iona last Friday.

Manhattan College Athletics

Donovan Kates defended an A. J. English 3-pointer well and the shot was off the mark. Manhattan forward Rhamel Brown missed two free throws down the other end, but got his on rebound to seal the win.

Iona star Sean Armond almost kept the game from needed overtime. He hit two 3-pointers late in regulation to put Iona up 71-69 with 57 second left. George Beamon, who has 13 points and 11 rebounds scored the last six Manhattan points in regulation, including a floater with 33 seconds left to tie the score at 71-71.

Iona did not call time out. Andujar got beat off the dribble by Tre Bowman (23 points), but blocked his shot with five seconds left. Andujar grabbed the rebound and raced down court. His layup in traffic fell short sending the game into overtime.

"In my head I was like, 'He's not getting this game winner on me,'" Andujar said.

Brown added nine points and nine rebounds for Manhattan. Tyler Wilson and RaShawn Stores provided quality mines in Alvarado's absence. Isaiah Williams had 15 points for Iona and

Davis Laury added 13 points and 14 rebounds.

Masiello jokes that he doesn't want to play Iona or any of the league's other top teams again, even if it is the MAAC championship game, because of how good the top of the conference is. The placement in the standings and the local players familiarly each other have made the Manhattan-Iona rival even more special.

"It's such a good rivalry," Masiello said. "Whether it's [from] your teammates or with your opponents you are going to hear about it"

Velocity Track Club New York

BY WINSTON DINKINS

The Blessings continues for Velocity Track Club New York on Sunday, March 2, at the Washington Heights Salsa, Blues and Shamrocks 5K (3.1 mile) Run that was hosted by the NYRR (New York Road Runners).

We were excited to participating in this amazing event through the historic Washington Heights and Inwood communities. There were approximately 6,182 (3,105 women & 3,077 men) running and walking the streets from 169th and Fort Washington Avenue. Past the George Washington Bridge at 178th Street and enter Fort Tryon Park. Over the rolling hills of Marganet Corbin Road and back to Fort Washington Avenue to the finish near 170th Street. After the 5k run, there were races for children, 12 years and younger, plus they gave all participants t-shirts, green bagels, apples and water.

Our student athletes competed in the 5K run, plus the children races. They performed well in both races. Adrian Swift-Henry ran the 5K and was 13th overall for 11 years old and younger boys and showed his sprinting skills with a 2nd place finish in the 400 meter race. Giovanna Tolbert ran the 5K in 23:20 minutes. Giovanna (12 years old) placed in 8th out of 100 girls in the 1 - 14 age division and was the 2nd 12 years and younger girl to finish. Then she won the 400 meter 11 & 12 age division race. Tiarra Kendall (7 years old) completed the 5K, with her father running with her, in 36:44. This was her 1st 5K run and she amazed everyone by finishing the race. Dontae Lindo ran an outstanding time of 26.39 in the 5K race for an 8 years old boy. He took 2nd for boys 8 & under and then won his heat in the 7-9 age division 300 meter race.

This was a great event

to expose our children to. The distance was challenging, but their training prep them for the task. They had the opportunity to meet and take pictures with Cliff Sperber, NYRR Vice President of Youth & Community Service, New York Congressional Representative Charles B. Rangel and Sid Howard (75 years young) World Masters Athletes Champion in Budapest.

On Friday, March 7th, Velocity Track Club New York will be traveling to Prince George's Sports and Learning Complex in Landover MD for the USATF Indoor National Championship. Please pray that we have a safe trip.

Anyone interested in joining Velocity Track Club New York, please Contact Coach Dinkins at 914-441-6196 or you email me at WATCLT@AOL.COM. For additional information about the team, visit our web site www.velocitytrack.org



Velocity Track Club New York

Warrior Football Registration

Chief Jerry Demers announces that registration for the 2014 Warrior Football Flag and Tackle Divisions will take place on Sunday, March 9 and Sunday, March 16, at the Pelham Bay Little League Field House, 2690 Westchester Avenue, from 10 a.m. to noon.

Boys and girls are welcomed to attend.

The various divisions will include:

Flag Football

ages 5 to 7, no weight limit

Tackle Junior PW

ages 7 to 9, 110 pounds or less; 10 yearw olds, 90 pounds or less

Tackle PW

ages 10 to 12, 130 pounds or less; 13 year olds, 110 pounds or less.

Birthdays are determined as of April 1. A parent or guardian should attend and a birth certificate is required (copy). Tackle players should also attend in order to be weighed. For more information call (718) 829-7574.

Pipe Dreams: Trade Deadline Dilema; Bueno Banuelos

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lead to a title. He's said several times that winning an NBA championship is his top priority.

So it's on Mills and the rest of the Knicks front office to convince Anthony they can build a championship-caliber team around him.

If not?

"If that's not the plan that they have, then we've got to talk about something else," Anthony told reporters in New Orleans."

Trade Deadline Dilema

Jonette Howard (ESPN.com) gave us her opinion of the Knicks' inaction at the NBA trade deadline. "When you add up what this trade deadline has reminded us about the Knicks, it's sobering. They didn't have enough assets to trade for a player of significance even before Iman Shumpert -- their trade bait version of Pau Gasol, a player often dangled but never shipped out -- got hurt Wednesday

night. They don't have the draft picks to land a franchise player. They don't have the salary-cap room to sign a big free agent right now. And there are no guarantees -- just hope -- Anthony will stay.

But hey, there's always Summer 2015.

And the hubristic notion that everyone is dying to play in New York.

This sales job isn't just a familiar storyline for the Knicks.

It's gotten beyond old.

Bueno Banuelos

Andrew Marchand of ESPN.com wrote from Florida (how unfair is that?) about the recovery of Manny Banuelos from Tommy John surgery. "No matter what Banuelos does this spring, the Yankees should not take him on the Opening Day roster. They have thought about it a little.

"Banuelos has got that big arm," a front office source told ESPNNewYork.com as part of our

three-part series. "If it's still there and the lightning still strikes then you're going to see people say, 'Bring him with us [on Opening Day].'"

The Yankees always have a win now attitude. If Banuelos is a better option than Cesar Cabral as a second lefty out of the pen after Matt Thornton, they may really talk about it. But they should not do it.

Banuelos has not pitched in games in nearly two years. He threw 24 innings in 2012, so he needs to put more mileage on his arm to make sure he is ready. He also needs to fine-tune his repertoire so he can be a more complete product when he gets to the majors. He has never dominated in the upper levels of the minors.

Even if Banuelos dominates at Triple-A, the Yankees should wait until around June and let him come up as a starter if he is ready to do that. Banuelos is a young pitcher the

Yankees should nurture a little to see if they can maximize his potential.

The idea of rushing him early as a second lefty would only improve the Yankees slightly and could slow Banuelos' development significantly. He has already lost enough time.

Banuelos sounds like a guy that is determined to make an impact. He is throwing at 93/94 right now, but hopes to let it rip soon to see if he can hit 96/97 again.

Sandy Alderson

So, Mets GM Sandy Alderson said that he could see the Mets winning 90 games this season. Yeah-right.

My Event

Greg Cote (Miami Herald) told me that I'd be a natural to compete in the Olympic style "Freestyle Chillin' Out" event.

In Closing

Scott Ostler (San Francisco Chronicle) said, "I always like to lose with a joke: Russian judges."

Son of streetball legend Pee Wee Kirkland scores 23 in championship game

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Richard “Pee Wee” Kirkland Jr. and his streetball legend father now have another thing in common outside of their game, lightning quick handle and silky smooth jumper. Both have led Dwight to the New York State Federation tournament.

Kirkland Jr., a Bronx native, scored 23 points to send fourth-seeded Dwight past No. 7 Riverdale 74-55 in the NYSAISAA Class B boys’ basketball final at Fieldston last Sunday. His dad, Richard “Pee Wee” Kirkland Sr., coached the Lions to titles in 1997 and 1998.

“For us to win a state championship is something special,” Kirkland Jr., a senior, said. “It’s basically changed my life. We made history because of this year.”

His father was on hand

to watch his son and backcourt mate Kieran Hamilton lead Dwight, a private school along Central Park West, to the crown. Kirkland Sr. was beaming from ear to ear and calling them the city’s best backcourt. Hamilton, the son of former Iona guard Kevin Hamilton, also dropped in 23 points.

“We are two guys who are unbelievable happy with our sons,” Kirkland Sr. said or he and Hamilton.

Dwight coach David Brown, who was the center on Kirkland’s first championship team, sees a lot of the father in the son. When Kirkland Jr. came into the school he saw a raw individual talent who was taught to play the game by a dad who averaged 41 points a game one season at Norfolk State and was a Rucker Park legend. He had great individual skills that needed to translate better to a team



Dwight guard Pee Wee Kirkland Jr. looks to make a pass.

Photo by Steven Schnibbe

game.

“It’s almost like coaching Pee Wee because he taught him to be the type of players he believed he was,” Brown said.

The coach enjoyed seeing it all come together for Kirkland Jr. this season. His play at the point allowed Dwight (23-6) to jell and the

players around him gain chemistry together. Kirkland Jr. is especially adept at breaking down defenses off the dribble, something he did quite well in the second half against Riverdale in transition.

“He has the ability to go by [defenders] and make people look a little bit silly



Dwight guard Pee Wee Kirkland Jr. (r.) drives to the basket

Photo by Steven Schnibbe

and finishing around the rim,” Brown said.

Kirkland Jr. is still working on his college destination. He’s had numerous Ivy League coaches come to watch him play this season, according to Brown, but he could end up at St. Thomas More, a Connecticut prep school as

a fall back. He’s gone about growing his game on his own and not paying any attention to those who want to compare him to his father, even after sending Dwight back upstate.

“I don’t think about it,” Kirkland Jr. said. “I just play my game and just listen to my coach.”

Riverdale’s magical runs ends in NYSAISAA final

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Riverdale biggest weapon this season and during its unlikely run to the NYSAISAA title game was its sharp shooting. The Falcons’ sweep strokes allowed them to hang with a more athletic Dwight club for a half in the title game.

“We knew we had to shoot the ball well,” senior forward Tom Ryan said. “It’s how we won games all year, shooting the ball.”

Good shots stopped going down after the break. They rolled out, popped out or were off the mark. No. 7 seeded Riverdale’s shooting woes were too much to overcome in a 74-55 loss to No. 4 Dwight in the NYSAISAA Class B boys’ basketball title game at Fieldston last Sunday. The Falcons were looking to claim its second straight crown after winning for the first time

in school history last year. Riverdale returned just one starter. Ryan, played on a team that lost to eventual Federation champion Monsignor Scanlan in Albany last March. A lot of improvement went into get this far.

“We really worked hard this year and really got better as the year went on,” said Ryan, who had 16 points. “We are proud that we won our first two [playoff] games. We wish we could have played a little better tonight, but I love this team and I’m happy with what we accomplished.”

He scored inside attacking the basket and Michael Gardner had things going offensively in the first half. Gardner scored 13 of his 18 points before the break. His 3-pointer from the left corner put Riverdale up 25-22

with 1:34 left in the stanza.

“After the first two or three went in I knew I was going to start hitting some,” Gardner said.

Dwight slowly took control of the game from there. Riverdale (13-9) couldn’t get shots to fall after half-time and Dwight closed up the middle on defense. The Falcons watched Dwight (23-6) get out in transition after their misses and burry key three pointers. Richard “Pee Wee” Kirkland Jr. and Kieron Hamilton both scored 23 points a peace and Jeremey Bonifacio added 11. The Lions used a 15-9 run, capped by a Hamilton 3-pointer from the right corner, to take a 37-30 lead with 6:23 left in the third quarter.

“It was tough,” Ryan said. “I usually shoot the ball better. I know that a lot of guys felt in the sec-



Riverdale’s Thomas Ryan takes a jump shot from the free throw line.

Photo by Steven Schnibbe

ond half shots weren’t going down. There is noting you can do. You just have to keep battling.”

Riverdale got within 43-34 on a Jared Gaer jumper with 2:20 remaining in the frame. Dwight, which is making its first trip to the state Federation tournament since 1998,

answered with a dunk by Jeremy Bonifacio and a Kirkland layup. Riverdale never seriously threatened again.

The run to the final as a No. 7 seed was still a memorable one for Riverdale, despite not earning a return trip to Albany. The Falcons beat No. 2 Poly Prep in the

quarterfinals and No. 3 Dalton in the semis. Gardner felt they showed they could rebuild quickly and Ryan believes it shows how far the program has come.

“Second place, it’s not bad,” Ryan said. “We hope the program continues to play in these games and win them in the future.”

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