

## Blake takes 79th district; Klein wins

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO  
AND BEN KOCHMAN

A long-time east Bronx state senator hung on to his nomination, while a former operative for President Obama made his entry into the Bronx political arena on a busy Democratic Primary night Tuesday, September 9.

Incumbent Senator Jeff Klein was declared the winner for the Democratic party nomination Tuesday night in a 34th district race against challenger Oliver Koppell, a former state legislator and Riverdale city councilman.

At press time, unofficial Board of Election results had Klein winning with 66.8% of the vote, compared to Koppell's %33.2, in a district spanning east, from Throggs Neck and Pelham Bay, south into Hunts Point and Soundview, west to

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Photo by Walter Pofeldt

## Raising Funds For ALS

Bronxwood Home for the Aged staff members held an ALS ice bucket challenge on Friday, September 5, which raised \$1,000 for the ALS Association. Antionette DiRusso pours a bucket of ice water on fellow staff member Jeanie Occhino-DeSalvo. More photos on page 32.

## GPO'S NEW USE STILL A MYSTERY

Residents hope for innovative project

BY JAIME WILLIAMS

The Bronx General Post Office has been sold, but the new owners are keeping the development plans a mystery for the time being.

The iconic building at 149th Street and the Grand Concourse, with an estimated value of about \$14 million, was recently purchased by developer Youngwoo & Associates, spokesman Adam Zucker confirmed, and development plans will be unveiled at a future date.

The firm previously presented a plan to turn the Kingsbridge Armory into a mixed-use marketplace, but lost out to the ice center. The developer is also known for developing Delkab Market in Brooklyn and the in-progress SuperPier in Manhattan.

Zucker said the developer intends to build upon the property's legacy as a trophy of the Bronx and as an iconic gateway

to the borough, supported by the site's accessibility to Manhattan.

"Ripe with immediate potential, our plans include providing new amenities for the surrounding communities and continuing our core business of developing groundbreaking projects that will improve the quality of life and economic productivity of the borough," said Zucker.

The developer is committed to preserving the landmarked building, as well the 13 landmarked depression-era murals by Ben Shahn and Bernarnda Bryson in the building's lobby, said Zucker. The United States Post Office will also continue to have a retail presence in the building for the immediate future.

Historical preservation and loss of services were two components of the hotly protested sale.

Opponents included commu

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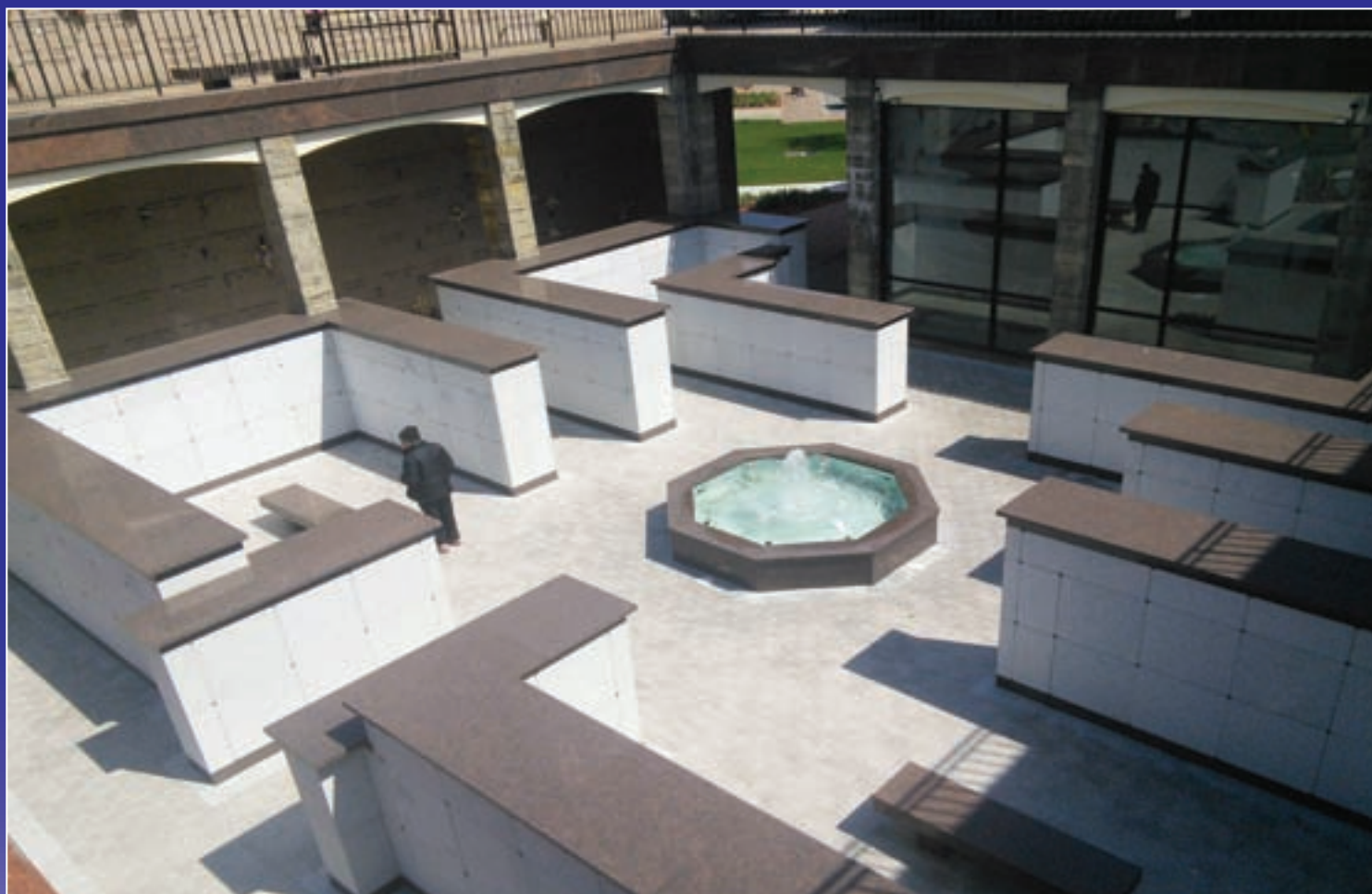
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# No 'luxury' coming to Pelham Parkway tenants

BY BEN KOCHMAN

For future tenants, these apartments may be a 'luxury' — but current tenants say living there now is Hell.

Dozens of new luxury apartments are coming to Pelham Parkway — but at the expense of those who already live in the buildings, tenants say.

Tenant leaders at four apartment complexes — at 1540 and 1130 Pelham Parkway South, 1135 Pelham Parkway North and 2160 Matthews Avenue — charge that their new landlord, Goldfarb Properties, is actively trying to push them out of their rent-stabilized units through what they call a campaign of harassment.

Tenants have complained of elevators out of service for months, and hot water cut off for days at a time, among other gripes since Goldfarb snapped up the four buildings in February. The group headed by Phillip Goldfarb bought the properties from former owner Bernard Putter for \$52.5 million, according to city records.

### Life in a 'funeral home'

Constant construction at the buildings, neighbors say, has made life unbearable. Tenants have filed nearly 200 complaints with the city since Goldfarb took over, city records confirm.

Management is currently renovating units, and marketing them on its website as luxury rentals. But the scene at 1540 Pelham Parkway South when a reporter stopped by was grisly, with gutted apartments right next to others where residents are living. The mayhem has caused many tenants to leave.

"It looks like a funeral home around here," said Linda Schier, tenant organizer at the building. "Goldfarb has made this his demolition project."

2160 Matthews Avenue has its own problems. The ceiling of its lobby is pocked



A tenant living at 1540 Pelham Parkway South can no longer use her terrace, as new owner Goldfarb Properties convert the building into "luxury rentals." The construction peeves resident representative Linda Schier. Community News Group / Ben Kochman

with holes, from what residents said was a botched attempt to install security cameras. In its laundry room, signs of a recent fire are still evident.

"They can't seem to finish anything," said Judy Bratnick, tenant leader at the building. "There has been a total lack of communication."

Goldfarb has already been cited for a laundry list of violations at other buildings. Angry residents at 2400 Webb Avenue in University Heights sued the company in 2012, to cite just one example, after Goldfarb illegally removed their fire escapes, forcing the city to evacuate residents.

### Meet with electeds to mull solutions

Goldfarb's Pelham Parkway tenants are mulling ways to fight back.

Tenant leaders met with management at Senator Jeff Klein's district office on August 6, with staff attending from Councilman Jimmy Vacca, Assembly-

man Mark Gjonaj, and the NYC Public Advocate's offices. Attorneys from Bronx Legal Services were also on hand, according to meeting minutes.

### Luxury? Or not

A spokesman for Goldfarb Properties refused to comment on the apartments when called by the Bronx Times Reporter.

But the companies' website proclaims that all is well at the buildings — at least for incoming residents.

"With its elevator and balconies on many units," reads a advertisement listing at [www.goldfarbproperties.com](http://www.goldfarbproperties.com), "1540 Pelham Parkway South offers a level of luxury that is simply unmatched."

Tenants say their current level of luxury is anything but.

"I'm interested in what their definition of luxury is," said Andrew Goebel, a tenant leader at 1135 Pelham Parkway South. "Because this is not mine."





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# around town

by Patrick Rocchio

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

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## Rotary News

The Rotary Club of the Bronx held a Club Fellowship meeting on Tuesday, August 19. The Rotary Club of the Bronx meets every Tuesday at 12:15 p.m. at The



(L-r) Bronx Rotary president Rick Sherman, Tuesday, August 19 guest speaker Juana Hart and Miguel Santiago.

Shrimp Box at 64 City Island Avenue.

At the club's Tuesday, August 26 meeting, the guest speaker was Juana Hart, who has a background in broad-

cast journalism. Hart spoke about "increasing visibility to boost the bottom line" of a business or non-profit organization. She said that this could be accomplished by

using earned or free media coverage in order to achieve business, non-profit, and/or professional development goals.

## Healthy Lifestyles Challenge

Bronx Community Board 10 presents The Healthy Lifestyles Challenge on Saturday, September 20, at Pelham Bay Park (field behind bleachers at Middletown Road parking lot), from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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The Healthy Lifestyles

Challenge will help participants reach their weight loss goals through proper nutrition, organized physical activities, and Facebook group support, featuring healthy recipes.

Join the board as they "step" into the Healthy Lifestyles Challenge with an hour long walk through Pelham Bay Park on Saturday, September 20, at 11:30 a.m. and receive a free pedom-

eter (while supplies last). Wear sneakers, long sleeve shirts and pants to participate.

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# Bronx Times Reporter returns to Throggs Neck

BY STEVEN GOODSTEIN

The Bronx Times Reporter is leaving its current location and moving back to its original neighborhood.

Throggs Neck will be the new location of the Bronx Times Reporter as of Friday, September 12, after calling Port Morris in the south Bronx home for seven years.

The move brings this local newspaper back to the neighborhood where it began and spent its first 25 years of existence.

The Bronx Times Reporter was co-founded in 1981 by Assemblyman Michael Benedetto and John Collazzi. After spending over two and a half decades at various locations in Throggs Neck, the newspaper moved to the New York Post Printing Plant in September of 2007.

Once again, the Bronx Times Reporter will be able to call Throggs Neck home.

Co-founder and editor John Collazzi said that this relocation has brought this newspaper's journey full circle.

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"Our location in Port Morris for the past seven years added an additional challenge for our staff," he said. "The editorial staff did a great job overcoming our siting in the most remote corner of the borough to the extent most of our readers never knew we had moved from the neighborhood."

"It feels great to go home to our original

neighborhood, and we will be right back in the heart of our community," said publisher Laura Guerrero, who has worked at the Bronx Times-Reporter since 1987.

"The move is bitter-sweet, because even though we're looking forward to moving and having more independence, we will miss the New York Post employees, who have always been more than accepting and welcoming to us ever since we moved into their facility. We will always appreciate them for their support and hospitality."

Co-owner Les Goodstein, who recently purchased Community News Group, a local newspaper network that includes the Bronx Times Reporter, said that the move gets this newspaper closer to the neighborhoods that its based off.

"It's always a good idea to be closer to your readers and advertisers, and that's



The Bronx Times Reporter staff (l-r) reporter Steven Goodstein, assignment editor Patrick Rocchio, editor John Collazzi, reporter Jaime Williams, publisher Laura Guerrero and administrative assistant Donna Wilson. Not pictured: sales representatives Lenny Vigliotti and Donna Marzi. Ben Kochman

where we'll be," said Les Goodstein. "That's the main reason for this move – to get back to the heart of the community that we serve."

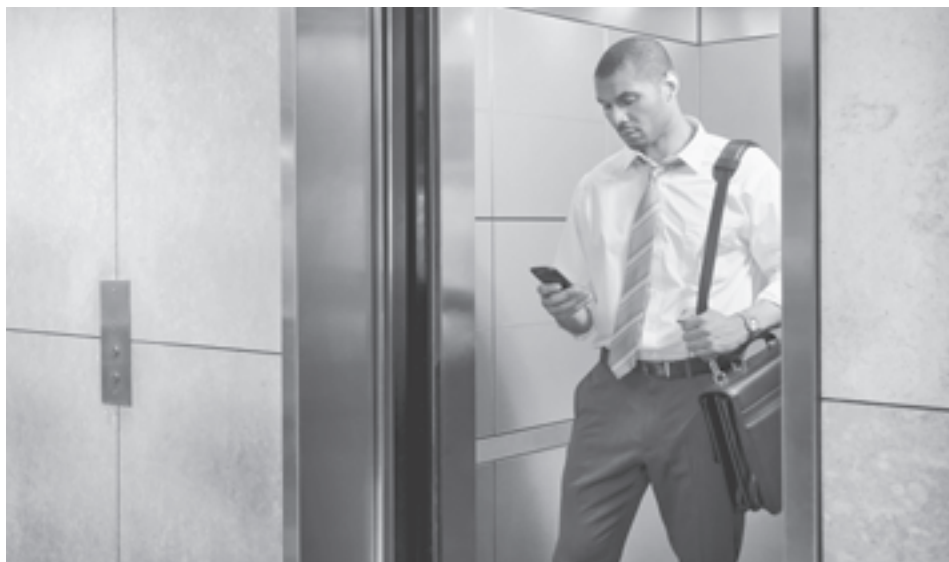
The new address of the Bronx Times Reporter is 3604 East Tremont Avenue

in Throggs Neck. For those who want to stop by and say 'hello', the doors will be wide open to all.

"Our doors will be open to everybody in the community, giving Bronxites the opportunity to inform

us and keep us updated on developing stories and upcoming events," said Laura Guerrero. "This move will help us connect with our community better than ever before."

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# Change is a 'big deal' for MP market

BY BEN KOCHMAN

Some new offerings — and slashed prices — are a “big deal” for one Morris Park supermarket.

Big Deal Supermarket on Morris Park Avenue has partnered with a new parent cooperative, a move its owner says allows it to both keep its local flavor and keep up with the prices and selections of its competitors.

“The variety is larger, and more into the gourmet, but it was important for us to keep our name,” said Big Deal owner Manuel Garcia. “Now we have the opportunity to have the same pricing as our competitors in the urban community.”

Big Deal is now a member of Allegiance Retail Services, a co-operative of over 90 independent supermarkets that is also the

parent company of Foodtown. Allegiance aims to leverage their network of local shops to keep them competitive with bigger chains.

## Lower prices, more selection

Allegiance has been working with Big Deal in the last few months to re-think how it sells groceries. The store held a “re-grand opening” Friday, September 5.

For now, that partnership means that customers will pay lower prices on items, and see increased selection in areas like gluten-free foods, said Garcia.

“Before we had one aisle, with maybe two or three items that were gluten free. Now we have sections of that type of merchandise,” said the

shopowner.

Customers will also see more sales that last longer, and increased signage around many items.

For example, the pasta aisle now boasts tags on different selections advertising if a certain selection is “heart healthy,” “gluten-free” or “low sodium.”

## Stacking up with city shops

The new distributor and partnership is part of a larger renovation for Big Deal, that also included installing solar panels on the roof. The changes allow the Morris Park staple to keep pace with the best supermarkets around the city, said the store owner.

“People often tell me, this is the kind of place you might see in Manhattan,” Garcia said.



Aurelio Rodriguez (left), Mike Stawniczy and Miguel Garcia outside Morris Park's Big Deal supermarket, which reopened Friday, September 5, and is now affiliated with a new cooperative.

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Inside the store, on the day of the re-opening, some people had already noticed

the change in selection, and were curious about the new offerings.

“I’m not gluten free, but maybe I’ll start now,” said local Silvia Magro.

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# CI bridge to include low key welcome

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

After getting the causeway bridge design the community wanted, City Islanders are now also getting to have their say on design details.

The city Department of Transportation has established a working group with key City Islanders to review design concepts for the bridge and for a new "gateway" to City Island.

The gateway would be an approach to the new bridge on the Pelham Bay Park side that would introduce people to the seaside community.

DOT presented three different gateway design concepts at a Tuesday, August 26 City Island Civic Association meeting, including "adaptive reuse" of existing parts of the current bridge, totally new structures, or some kind of hybrid.

But after a City Island/DOT Working Group of community leaders met on

Tuesday, September 2, the community requested that DOT recommend to the city Design Commission a simpler approach, explained Barbara Dolensek, a CICA vice-president.

The working group mainly addressed three different issues, including what to do on the Pelham Bay Park side of the bridge, and what kind of fencing and lighting to use, she said.

"The one thing on which we were all unanimous on was no gateway, no fancy reworking of objects, no fancy sign, nothing like that," said Dolensek about the introduction to the island.

Instead, she said, the group is requesting to the Design Commission and DOT that they take an existing City Island Garden Club welcome sign from the island side of the bridge and move it to the park side, with the DOT paying for plantings around the sign that the club will maintain.

"We all like the garden



The Department of Transportation made a presentation to the City Island Civic Association on Tuesday, August 26. The presentation was about a "gateway" concept for the new City Island Bridge. The design details of the new causeway-style bridge design are still being finalized.

Community News Group / Patrick Rocchio

club sign," she said. "It is low key, its 'welcome to City Island.'

There are signs like this all over New England, and in Eastchester, N.Y. and parts of Westchester, that indicate that you are

coming to a small, historic town. And this is exactly what City Island is."

The group does not want a reworking as the remnants of the current City Island Bridge, built at the turn of the 20th century,

because it does not contain design elements different from other bridges built around the same time, she said.

The first bridge rendering's fencing looked oppressive and like those used at

prisons, she said. This idea was advanced at the August 26 meeting, and later, according to Dolensek, followed up on during the September 2 meeting.

"We are hoping for a straight up and down fence, and for what is basically invisible chain-link," she said. "The idea of that is that you want to be able to see the water and the boats, and not the chain-link. Chain-link is made very transparent these days."

The lights on the rendering look similar to the lights on City Island Avenue, and the group had a discussion if that would be appropriate on a modern bridge, she said.

The DOT, under the de Blasio administration, has recently bent over backwards to include the suggestions of the City Islanders, and are being as cooperative as possible, she added.

Some decisions from the Design Commission are expected shortly.

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# East Tremont Ave. car dealerships expand

BY JAIME WILLIAMS

One East Bronx business is getting an upgrade.

Milea Auto Group in Waterbury-Lasalle is expanding their two car dealerships and service departments on East Tremont Avenue.

The group purchased and demolished the two mixed-use houses that were wedged between the Subaru dealership and Buick GMC dealership at Waterbury Avenue in order to renovate and expand the dealerships, said owner Albert Sanfilippo.

In addition, the group has purchased two buildings adjacent to their service departments one block south in order to expand and renovate those as well.

"It'll be really nice when it's all done," he said.

The GMC showroom has already been renovated as part of the project, and the Subaru showroom will also receive an update, said Sanfilippo. The project will also increase the size of the lots, by knocking down the two houses, making room for more than a hundred additional cars.

"We're basically doubling our size," said Sanfilippo.

That will allow customers to have more cars on-site to choose from when they visit either dealership, he said.

"We'll be able to increase our inventory and give a lot more variety to customers," said Sanfilippo.

It makes sense for the two dealerships, opened in 1995 and 1998, to share one piece of property, he said. The expansion comes after two years of planning and the last phase of the project should be completed by spring of 2015.

"We're excited about it," said Sanfilippo.

The two houses that were demolished were run down, said Sanfilippo, and he thinks their removal and the expansion of the dealerships will be much more visually appealing to neighbors.

"They were an eyesore," he said of the houses wedged between his lots.

The service departments of Milea Subaru and Milea GMC will also be expanded and renovated, incorporating the recently purchased buildings at 3273 and 3277 E. Tremont Ave. The additions will also include a new, more inviting, customer lounge with Internet, work stations, and a child play area.

"It'll be much more comfortable for customers," said Sanfilippo.

The expansion will be good for customers and for neighbors, he said, and the

dealerships will be hiring to support that expansion. The auto group expects to add between 10 and 15 full-time jobs when the project is completed.

"I think it's good for everyone," said Sanfilippo.

Car sales have increased in the past few years, said Sanfilippo, and the market for Subarus in particular is growing fast. He said both car makers are offering great products at good values. The project is also part of the GM Image program, which set certain standards for facilities.

"It's a good time to do this," said Sanfilippo.



Milea Auto Group has torn down two mixed-use houses tucked between their Subaru and Buick GMC dealerships on Tremont Avenue at Waterbury Avenue as part of a renovation and expansion project.

Photo by Silvio Pacifico



## 40th PCT.

**SUN, JULY 6th, 10:30 p.m.** — Cortlandt Ave. — East 158 St. Two additional powerful guns were taken en off of South Bronx streets. This time members of the Bronx Anti-Crime Unit were able to voucher two guns which included a 9-mm loaded pistol.

**MON, JULY 7th, 1:00 p.m.** — 675 Morris Ave. Evidence was recovered by police who responded to a report of shots fired. Upon completion of a search it was determined that no one had been injured, but property damage was reported.

**MON, JULY 7th, 3:20 p.m.** — 281 East 153 St. Another suspect was arrested by police for illegal possession of a weapon. This time police were able to vouched two separate guns. A 38-caliber revolver in addition to a 9-mm pistol were taken away from the culprit and vouched as evidence.

**MON, JULY 7th, 4:30 p.m.** — Morris Ave. and East 149 St. Police were called to Lincoln Medical Center on East 149 St. A black male appeared at the hospital seeking medical help for a bullet wound to the right leg. It was determined that the shooting occurred in upper Manhattan but the bullet was apparently self-inflicted.

## 41st PCT.

**SAT, JULY 5th, 1:00 a.m.** — Spofford Ave. Police officers responding to a 9-1-1 call ended up arresting a male suspect. The caller indicated that shots had been fired in the Hunts Point area. Arriving officers nabbed a culprit who was in possession of a 38-caliber revolver. The weapon was vouched as evidence for a pending trail.

**SUN, JULY 6th, 2:15 a.m.** — Simpson St. and East 163 St. A 23 year old Hispanic man needed medical assistance. The male victim had been shot three separate times. He was treated at Lincoln Medical Center as detectives started the inquiry.

**SUN, JULY 6th, 4:00 a.m.** — 561 Southern Blvd. A 25 year old Hispanic man was stabbed officials reported. The male victim was treated at Lincoln Medical Center for two stab wounds to the abdomen. Local detectives are handling the inquiry.

**MON, JULY 7th, 5:55 a.m.** — Investigators looking into a report attack upon a young Hispanic woman arrested a suspect. The 22 year old victim was able to provide sufficient information that police nabbed the culprit.

## 42nd PCT.

**FRI, JULY 4th, 9:45 p.m.** — 491 East 162 St. A shooting came to the attention of the law enforcement community. A 20 year old black male required medical attention after being shot in the foot during a robbery attempt. The young man was transported to Lincoln Medical Center where he was treated for the



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bullet wound. Local detectives are handling the inquiry.

**FRI, JULY 4th, 10:50 p.m.** — 1038 Boston Rd. Police officers took a male into custody. The 42 year old Hispanic man was nabbed along with two guns. Taken away from the culprit were a 380-caliber and also 357-caliber weapons. Both guns were vouched as evidence for the pending trail.

**SAT, JULY 5th, 6:00 a.m. 1215 Union Ave. Authorities are looking into a shooting. A 33 year old black male was shot once in the hip. The injured man was transported to St. Barnabas Hospital and reported in stable condition.**

**SUN, JULY 6th, 12:45 a.m.** — 1409 Prospect Ave. Police officers assigned to an undercover squad were able to remove another gun off of local streets. This time a 22 year old Hispanic male was arrested after being found with a 380-caliber pistol. Since the man failed to have the proper permit for the gun, the weapon was removed from the culprit's control.

**SUN, JULY 6th, 3:50 a.m.** — Union Ave. and East 163 St. A call to the 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Center caused first responders to assist a teenager. An 18 year old male had been shot once in the left leg officials reported. The teen was transported to Lincoln Medical Center.

**MON, JULY 7th, 10:20 p.m.** — 818 Home St. A 21 year old man was taken to Lincoln Medical Center. The Hispanic man was suffering from a bullet wound to the right leg. Local detectives are handling the inquiry.

## 43rd PCT.

**SAT, JULY 5th, 6:00 a.m.** — White Plains Rd. and Bruckner Blvd. A 22-caliber was added to the evidence facility by law enforcement officials. The revolver was taken away from a person who failed to have obtained the proper license issued by the city to own and carry a gun.

**SUN, JULY 6th, 11:05 p.m.** — 1237 Elder Ave. Homicide detectives are taking a lead in an investigation into the death of an older woman. A 66 year old Asian woman died after being transported to Jacobi Medical Center. The woman was found lying on a floor suffering from multiple stab wounds.

**MON, JULY 7th, 3:00 a.m.** — 1128 Croes Ave. Police are looking into a home invasion that caused injury to the occupant. Local detectives are handling the inquiry.

**MON, JULY 7th, 11:30 a.m.** — Fteley Ave. and East 174 St. Police are looking into a reported stabbing. A Hispanic male was suffering from a stab wound to the left side of the torso. The victim was transported to Jacobi Medical Center.

## 44th PCT.

**SAT, JULY 5th, 2:40 p.m.** — Sheridan Ave. and East 164 St. Authorities are looking into a shooting. A 24 year old Hispanic man was taken to Lincoln Medical Center. The young male was suffering from a bullet wound to the left leg. Local detectives are handling the inquiry.

**MON, JULY 7th, 12:15 a.m.** — 1453 Walton Ave. An inquiry got underway by the first arriving police officers at the scene of a stabbing. A 39 year old black male was found suffering from a stab wound to the chest area. The seriously injured man was transported to Lincoln Medical Center as detectives took over the inquiry.

## 45th PCT.

**SUN, JULY 6th, 12:10 p.m.** — Bruckner Blvd Service Road. First responders came to the aid of an on duty police officer. The injured police officer was on a scooter when the injury occurred near Exit # 7. Suffering from back and neck injuries the officer was escorted to Jacobi Medical Center by ambulance.

## 46th PCT.

**FRI, JULY 4th, 5:45 a.m.** — 1972 Walton Ave. First responders were dispatched to assist an infant. The one month old baby apparently suffered a cardiac arrest which claimed the infant's life. Officials indicated that the incident was non-suspicious.

**SAT, JULY 5th, 6:05 a.m.** — 2327 Valentine Ave. A suspect was arrested after being found with a gun. The 9-mm pistol was taken away from the culprit and vouched as evidence since the suspect failed to obtain the proper permit to have a weapon within the city.

## 47th PCT.

**FRI, JULY 4th, 11:10 a.m.** — Baychester Ave. and East 233 St. Authorities are looking into the death of a black male. The 41 year old man's body was discovered hanging from a tree. Police were summoned and an inquiry was officially started. The body was released to the Medical Examiner's office so that an autopsy could be performed.

**SAT, JULY 5th, 7:55 a.m.** — Katonah Ave. and East 238 St. Police officers who responded to a vehicle accident in the Woodlawn community made an arrest. The suspect was taken into custody after a gun and drugs were discovered.

**SAT, JULY 5th, 11:55 p.m.** — 659 East 243 St. An inquiry was started after a shooting occurred in the Wakefield area. A 19 year old black teenager was taken to Jacobi Medical Center suffering from a bullet wound to the knee. The male teen was reported in stable condition.

**SUN, JULY 6th, 1:10 a.m.** — Willet Ave. and East 216 St. Another teen was nabbed by police after being found in possession of a gun. The young black male was in possession of a 9-mm pistol when arrested.

**SUN, JULY 6th, 1:30 a.m.** — Bronxwood Ave. and East 215 St. First responders came to the aid of a 36 year old black male. The man had been stabbed multiple times about the body officials learned after the victim made his way to a hospital in Manhattan. The staff at St. Luke's Hospital treated the male victim for three stab wounds to the abdomen besides one to the right hand.

**SUN, JULY 6th, 3:50 a.m.** — 3338 Bronxwood Ave. Police have initiated an inquiry into a stabbing. A 48 year black male was stabbed once in the chest area. The victim of the attack was transported to Montefiore Hospital. An inquiry is underway.

**SUN, JULY 6th, 10:10 p.m.** — 1492 Hicks St. Authorities are looking for the person who shot a Hispanic man near Eastchester Rd. The 20 year old victim was shot in the abdomen officials report. The victim was transported to Jacobi Medical Center. Local sleuths are handling the inquiry.

**MON, JULY 7th, 3:00 a.m.** — 3224 Bronx Blvd. Police are looking

into a reported home invasion. Three Hispanic males apparently forced their way into a home at gun point. With weapons displayed, the trio was able to flee the home with unknown cash. The culprits fled before police could arrive.

## 48th PCT.

**SAT, JULY 5th, 12:00 a.m.** — East Tremont Ave. and East 177 St. An inquiry was started after a slashing occurred. A 22 year old Hispanic man required medical attention after being slashed in the neck and face during a robbery attempt. The injured man was transported to St. Barnabas Hospital.

**SAT, JULY 5th, 1:45 a.m.** — Vyse Ave. and East 181 St. An inquiry was started after officials learned of a shooting. Police officers were dispatched to St. Barnabas Hospital after the victim arrived at the medical facility. The young man was suffering from a bullet wound to the arm. Local detectives are handling the inquiry.

**SAT, JULY 5th, 4:00 a.m.** — 2327 Crotona Ave. An arrest was made after police nabbed a person who had a gun. Taken away from the culprit who failed to obtain the correct permit for the gun was a 25-caliber pistol. The gun was vouched as evidence for the pending trail.

## 49th PCT.

**SUN, JULY 6th, 2:05 p.m.** — 2445 Williamsbridge Rd. An inquiry was launched after a shooting occurred. The 28 year old black male was suffering from two bullets wounds after being transported to Jacobi Medical Center. The man had been shot in the right leg while the second bullet ripped into his right leg near Mace Ave.

**MON, JULY 7th, 8:30 p.m.** — 1735 Bogart Ave. A dispute ended with an arrest. The landlord-tenant dispute got to a point where a third party tried to mediate the situation by saying that they were a police officer. The real police were called and the so-call officer was arrested being charged with impersonation.

## 52nd PCT.

**FRI, JULY 4th, 6:40 a.m.** — Police investigators came to the aid of a female crime victim. Investigators

were informed by the victim that she had been raped by a person who she had just met. Authorities assisted the victim as other police officers arrested the culprit.

**SAT, JULY 5th, 11:15 p.m.** — 2966 Jerome Ave. Several city agencies responded to a reported building collapse near Bedford Park Blvd. Officials found a one story high vacant structure that has suffered from a partial roof collapse. No injuries were reported.

**SUN, JULY 6th, 1:20 a.m.** — Jerome Ave. and East 198 St. Additional police officers were sent in to help search for a culprit. A black male was found suffering from a bullet wound to the back area. The victim was transported to St. Barnabas Hospital. Local detectives are handling the inquiry.

**SUN, JULY 6th, 3:55 a.m.** — 2285 Davidson Ave. The medical staff treated another teenager who had been shot. The male teen was suffering from a bullet wound to the right thigh officials indicated. The incident took place near Evelyn Pl.

**SUN, JULY 6th, 4:25 p.m.** — 365 East 193 St. First responders attempted to assist a 47 year old woman. The Hispanic woman apparently jumped from a fifth floor apartment in a suicide attempt. The woman died shortly after 5 p.m.

**MON, JULY 7th, 6:00 p.m.** — 2401 Davidson Ave. Police officers at the scene indicated that fire shots had been fired. Arriving police officers arrested two suspects while recovering a 38-caliber revolver.

## Fire Log

**FRI, JULY 4th, 10:35 p.m.** — 755 White Plains Rd. Firefighters responded to a reported fire in a high-rise apartment in the Sound View area. Upon arriving at the scene Battalion 3 ordered the transmission of a fire department signal that increased the number of units assigned to the incident. The smoke-eaters found the fire in the first floor laundry room with in the 24 story high apartment house. Two hose lines were stretched to battle the spreading flames. Ladder companies were assigned the task of venting the building to permit a high level of carbon monoxide to escape. The fire was declared under control after 11 p.m.



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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Graffiti vandalism

Dear editor,

Have you noticed, on mailboxes, on lightpoles, on businesses' gates, along parkways, on bridges - graffiti - the mark of the sneaky vandal, is making a comeback?

Graffiti vandalism is a dehumanizing defacing of public and personal property. Graffiti vandalism is the symbol of s society in decline.

I hope all citizens of New York City will join me in contacting their elected representatives to have those leaders focus their resources in stopping the graffiti scourge in its tracks before it approaches the plague of the '70s and '80s.

Charles F. Taibi

## Children's safety

Dear editor,

When I see adult' crossing the street against the light, it's their problem, but when I see an adult crossing with children and on the phone, it's my problem, and I want to see them stopped and given a heavy fine!

Traffic officers can do this job, which I consider more important than giving out parking tickets.

Children's protection against stupid adults should be our number one priority.

CHIO

Dante Barozzi

## Is this change we can believe in?

Dear editor,

Did you miss President Obama's most recent fundraising stops last Friday in Westchester County. One was at the home of Camilo Patrigani, the chief executive of Greenwood Energy, a subsidiary of Libra. This was hosted by George Logothets, a shipping heir and chairman of the Libra group along with his wife, Nitzia Logothetis who is founder of Selenti, a nonprofit company which promotes mental health for woman. at \$32,400 per person.

The second was at the estate of Robert and Carol Wolf. This was hosted by Robert Wolf, former chairman of UBS Americas along with his wife, Carol Wolf, who manages special projects for the Robert F. Kennedy Center for Justice and Human Rights. nations for \$15,000 and more per couple.

How ironic that Obama visited at a time 6.6% of New Yorkers are out of work (with another 7% who have just given up looking resulting in a real unemployment rate of 13.6%). Is this the "Change we can believe in" (Obama's 2008 campaign promise)?

Obama continues to enjoy building up his "frequent flyer" mileage with his dozens of political campaign fundraising events. Each trip on "Air Force One" cost taxpayers a fortune for logistics and secret service protection. We are stuck with the tab for police and traffic support.

No previous President has spent so much time away from Washington to participate in

a record number of fundraising events than Obama.

"Do as I say, not as I do" applies to Obama and Congressional Democrats. Bash the wealthy with one hand, but get the big bucks with the other hand. Those in attendance included the usual 1% crowd along with Wall Street, lobbyists, trial lawyers, real estate developers, Hollywood celebrities, special interest groups, millionaires and the Pay for Play crowd. At those prices, the 99% working or middle class people were hard to come by, except in the kitchen or serving. I couldn't afford the price of a ticket, but was willing to park limousines, check coats or bus tables. What is that tired old refrain about the Democratic Party being the friend of the working and middle class, while those nasty greedy old Republicans are the wealthy big buck fat cats? Seems like Obama prefers hanging out with the 1%.

With all the current crises, including the spike in illegal border crossing, veterans not being treated, illegal IRS investigations, Hamas terrorist attacks on Israel, civil wars in Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria and Ukraine along with ISIS, one would think the President would spend more time at work. President Obama reminds me of the famous Mad Magazine character Alfred E. Newman. He was famous for saying "What, Me Worry" with a big smile on his face.

Larry Penner

## Deplorable conditions

Deareditor,

I am very concerned about the deplorable conditions of the street, especially in and around my neighborhood of White Plains Road and 225th Street train station.

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garbage on the street in order to get school.

Once in a while I see the blower come by to blow paper and leaves. This doesn't help. The street needs to be cleaned on a regular basis to help prevent contamination and rats and roaches infestations.

I would love if the city could look into this matter and give us some assistance, even for sake of our children.

Marvaline Pinnock

## Maritime "Top 10"

Dear editor,

The State University of New York (SUNY) Maritime College is ranked sixth in public colleges in the North Region by U.S. News & World Report in the 2015 rankings of the nation's top colleges and universities, released today by the publisher.

The latest U.S. News & World Report rankings place SUNY Maritime among the top 20 colleges overall, and among the select best publicly-funded colleges in the North region. It is the eighth consecutive year that Maritime has made the coveted U.S. News & World Report top colleges list.

"I am extremely excited that our campus has earned this distinctive recognition by U.S. News & World Report," said SUNY Maritime College President, RADM Michael A. Alfultis. "At Maritime, our focus on providing an affordable, quality college education that prepares our young men and women for careers in the maritime industry is of great value to the residents of New York State."

The U.S. News & World Report ranking marks the third national accolade for Maritime in the last two months. Last month, Maritime was cited for the eighth-consecutive year as a Best Northeastern College by The Princeton Review; an accolade derived primarily from student input. In July, Maritime was selected for a second-consecutive year as a Military Friendly College.

Again this year, we are proud to see so many of our SUNY campuses recognized as being among the best nationally by U.S. News & World Report," said SUNY Chancellor Nancy L. Zimpher. "In every community across New York State, SUNY colleges and universities like Maritime College offer students top quality degree programs and applied learning opportunities that prepare them for success in today's 21st-century global economy. Congratulations to each of the SUNY campuses making the list for 2015."

The U.S. News ranking is based on key measures of quality that education experts have proposed as reliable indicators of academic quality. The indices include: peer assessment; graduation and retention rates; faculty resources; student selectivity; financial resources; and, alumni giving.

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# Miss Columbus named for 2014 MP parade

BY JAIME WILLIAMS  
Meet Miss Columbus  
2014.

Gianna Bianco, a 17-year-old Pelham Parkway resident and senior at Maria Regina High School, has been named Miss Columbus for the 38th annual Bronx Columbus Day Parade.

Bianco grew up attending the parade each year, and said she always looked up to Miss Columbus as a model Italian-American girl. She was excited to learn she was eligible this year, and was over the moon when she was chosen, she said.

"It feels really surreal," she said. "Next month I'll be in the car, being the girl I always looked at in awe."

Bianco was chosen for the position by a panel of educators, and the title comes with a scholarship from Generoso Pope Foundation, the amount of which has not yet been determined. She said she is proud to be recognized for both her academic achievements and her representation of Italian heritage.

"It's such an honor to be deemed Miss Columbus," said Bianco. "I hope to represent everyone in the community and make them proud"

She said she has always loved the parade's atmosphere, with the floats, bands and cultural expression.

"I like everybody sharing the culture and the pride of Italian-Americans," said Bianco.

Her heritage is important to her, and she enjoys when Italians come together and celebrate.

"It's like we are one big family," said Bianco.

Bianco is inspired by her 96-year-old grandmother, who came from Italy at age six with no knowledge of English, before rising to become the first woman in her family to earn a masters degree.

"She's taught me a lot," said Bianco.

Bianco said she values education, and next year is



Gianna Bianco, 17, has been named Miss Columbus 2014.

Community News Group / Jaime Williams

hoping to attend either Iona College, Fairfield College, or Manhattan College. She aspires to work either in special education or social work.

"I feel like my calling in life is to help people however I can," she said.

Special education appeals to her because she believes everyone deserves a fair chance at education and at life, no matter their disability, said Bianco. Volunteering is also important to her, and she participates in Hope's Door's STAR Peer Leadership Program, which teaches participants about recognizing and supporting victims of teen dating abuse.

"I feel it's something that demands a lot of attention," she said.

Bianco is a member of the National Honor Society

and National Science Honor Society, and participating and showing school spirit at Maria Regina is important to her.

Her parents said she has always been a hard worker, who gets what she strives for.

"We're very proud of her," they said.

Bianco will be crowned at the annual Bronx Columbus Day Parade's dinner dance on Sunday, September 28 at Maestro's Caterers. For tickets to the dinner dance, call Chris Alessandro at 914-906-5464.

The parade will take place on Sunday, October 12, starting at noon at the corner of Morris Park Avenue and White Plains Road, and will follow Morris Park Avenue up to Williamsbridge Road.

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# Vacca introduces new chief-of-staff

BY JAIME WILLIAMS

Councilmember Jimmy Vacca's new chief-of-staff is no stranger to the city council or the neighborhoods he represents.

Michael Rivadeneyra, is 37-year-old Morris Park resident with almost 10 years experience working with councilmembers, including Vacca.

"This was a no brainer," said Vacca about the hire. "He knows the district, he knows how city agencies work, and he knows how the legislature works"

Rivadeneyra first got involved with the City Council in 2003, he said, working with Brooklyn Councilmember Diana Reyna as a constituent liaison. After volunteering with Vacca during the 2005 campaign, he was hired as a district director in 2006, he said, and worked for Vacca full time for a year before transitioning to part time while attending law school.

He continued working for Vacca after completing his degree before leaving to work as Councilmember Annabel Palma's deputy-chief-of-staff for two years, then transitioning to a job as Director of Government Relations at the New York Botanical Gardens. He was recently brought back into Vacca's office to replace longtime chief of staff Jeff Lynch.

As chief-of-staff, Rivadeneyra said he manages Vacca's legislative and district offices.

"I oversee both offices to strategize a way we can have meaningful and substantive effects on our district first, and then rest of the city," he said.

Rivadeneyra will also act as the face of the office throughout the district and city when Vacca cannot be present. He said he enjoys working with constituents and addressing their concerns about quality of life issues.

"I've enjoyed all of the direct services I've given to community over the years," said Rivadeneyra.

And although the office is not always able to fix every constituent's problem directly, he said the complaints and feedback from constituents build into ideas that form policy.

"A lot of folks appreciate knowing they triggered something that helped other people," he said.

His strengths are listening, problem solving, and being non-reactionary, he said, in addition to the fact that he cares deeply about serving the community. His 12 years living in Morris Park, now with his wife and 14-month-old, also give him an extra level of investment in the district.

"I have a vested interest in trying to make sure quality of life is thought of, infrastructure is thought of, schools are thought of," he said.



Councilmember Jimmy Vacca with his new chief of staff, Michael Rivadeneyra.

Photo courtesy of Councilmember Vacca's office

He is not alone in his passion for his work in the councilmember's office, he said, and is surrounded by an energetic, vibrant staff who are willing to go above

and beyond for their constituents and councilmember.

"Our staff right now is top notch," he said. "I'm excited to be back."

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# Over 100 residents protest Pelham Grand

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

Protests outside the Pelham Grand continued over the weekend, as elected officials have begun reviewing the building and its permits in search of violations at the soon-to-become low-income housing facility.

An uproar occurred in Pelham Bay after a group called AIDS Service Center of New York (ASCNYC) leased a former hospital building known as the "Pelham Grand."

ASCNYC is known for working with people with HIV.

Community activist Egidio Sementilli led a second protest outside the building on Saturday, September 6.

"It went very well, we had about a 100 people," said Sementilli of the protest. "The community is still concerned about it, and we are going to have the more people at the next protest."

Sementilli said he has another protest planned for early October.

Protestors carried signs reading "Save Pelham Bay" outside the facility, which ASCNYC spokespeople have said would hold housing for 70 people when fully occupied. It is already par-

tially occupied.

Sementilli has expressed concerns that the program would benefit people who were formerly homeless or with addictions, and that this would hurt quality-of-life in the area.

Some signs called on elected officials to intervene.

Senator Jeff Klein and Councilman Jimmy Vacca have both said that they are looking into building code and zoning violations at the site.

"Hearing the concerns of the community, Senator Klein spearheaded an effort with Councilman Vacca and Assemblyman Benedetto to call on city agencies to examine the zoning law in relation to the Pelham Grand," said Candice Giove, a spokeswoman for Senator Klein. "In his constant fight against this project Senator Klein, wrote letters, signed by Assemblyman Michael Benedetto and Councilman Jimmy Vacca, to City Planning, the Department of Buildings and the Department of Health questioning the appropriateness of this organization's occupancy and legality of this type of use in a low density, resi-

dential district."

Councilman Vacca said that according to his examination of Department of Buildings' records, it does not appear that the building has a valid Certificate of Occupancy.

"There is no valid Certificate of Occupancy at the building," said Vacca. "The last Certificate of Occupancy was in 2009. They (the owner) changed the use of the building from a hospital to housing; when you do that, the zoning computations change."

A review of Department of Buildings documents by the Bronx Times supports Vacca's assertion that there does not appear to be a current Certificate of Occupancy at the building, at least in any online database.

Joe Oddo, the treasurer of the Pelham Bay Taxpayers Association, said that he is concerned about the overall reputation of the neighborhood in light of the ongoing protests. The position of his organization remains that they would like to see housing for veterans or seniors at 1870 Pelham Parkway South.



The community rallied once again on Saturday, September 6 outside the Pelham Grand.

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# Bird droppings 'Block' Allerton shopping

BY BEN KOCHMAN  
AND STEVEN GOODSTEIN

This awning is H and R - "Block" -ing one strip's style.

Merchants on a stretch of Allerton Avenue are up in arms about an 'eyesore' marquee jutting out from an H&R Block tax office storefront that they say has become a haven for birds - and a deterrent to customers.

Shopowners on Allerton's main shopping avenue between White Plains Road and Cruger Avenue are demanding that the canopy at 716 Allerton Avenue be removed.

"It's bad for business when people don't even want to walk on the same side of the street as your establishment," said Joseph Cohen, owner of the Florsheim Shoes shop next door.

## Cleaning up overtime

Neighboring businesses say they are forced to fish out bird waste and other gunk from the canopy and side-

walk, in order to keep the strip looking passable. They say the mess gets especially bad in summer, after the H&R Block closes for tax season every April.

The canopy, which locals say has been there for nearly a decade, is especially unappetizing to the manager of a fish market next door.

"Customers will walk into our place and let us know about the dirty canopy and the birds that have made it their home," said Carlos Reyes, manager of Allerton Fish Market.

Reyes said he often joins other businesses owners in scrubbing the sidewalk down with Clorox during valuable business hours.

## We've done it, again

A local merchant coalition has now put the canopy squarely in its crosshairs.

"For too long this canopy has been in horrendous condition," said Gene DeFrancis, head Allerton International Merchants, a newly

formed group that aims to tackle these types of quality-of-life concerns.

DeFrancis said he walked into the store in March and demanded that they remove the awning before the end of tax season, to no avail. He also filed a complaint with the city Buildings Department, though no action has been taken.

But after the Bronx Times Reporter called, a landlord spokeswoman said repairs were on the way.

The landlord, listed in property records as Elaine Copland, plans "to have the canopy repaired or removed within the next few days," wrote Angela Black in an email.

A fix-up could not come soon enough for neighbors fed up with a marquee they say "taxes" their bottom line.

"We need it corrected," said DeFrancis. "Take down the awning. And clean up the storefront."



Merchant group head Gene DeFrancis (right) and local shopowners on Allerton Avenue say an H&R Block canopy is 'taxing' surrounding businesses. Steven Goodstein / Community News Group

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# Cops nab Pelham Bay's senior mugger

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

Got him!

Police arrested a 16-year-old suspect who allegedly attacked and seriously injured two elderly women in Pelham Bay while stealing their purses in broad daylight.

Both women, a 79-year-old woman allegedly attacked on Jarvis Avenue on Friday, August 22 and an 81-year-old woman allegedly assaulted on Mahan Avenue on Friday, September 5, sustained injuries, according to a complaint report. A relative of one of the victims said that at least one was still in the hospital as of press time.

Tyrique Rushing, 16, has been charged in both incidents, and in the theft of a cell phone in Co-op City on Wednesday, September 3 that did not result in assault charges.

Rushing faces a slew of charges, including multiple counts of robbery, assault, grand larceny, petit larceny, and hate crimes.

One of his elderly victims suffered a broken hip and shoulder blade, the other a laceration

to the back of her head and damage to her jaw. Both victims fell to the ground during the alleged attacks, with one struck in the head.

Joe Oddo, a Pelham Bay community activist, who said he is a cousin of one the elderly victims, also said that he was disturbed that the crimes from Rushing seemed to follow an increasing violent pattern.

"What really gets me is this pattern and the technique that he is using," said Oddo. "This 16-year-old isn't just yanking the purse away from someone or making a verbal treat. Instead, he resorts to pushing seniors onto the sidewalk."

He added: "He is escalating into violence against elderly women, and this could easily lead to a fatality."

Oddo said that he had heard from police sources that the suspect showed little remorse about his crimes, and the confession as stated in the complaint report seems to confirm this.

"They are easy targets," Rushing allegedly stated, according to the complaint report.

"I realized how easy it was to rob old people. I went out the second time looking for an old white lady."

Oddo indicated that the attacks show that the 45th Precinct is understaffed, and could use additional officers.

The vice-chairman of Community Board 10 and community activist John Marano, himself a former police officer, said that the incident is another example of why the 45th Precinct needs larger allocations of police officers.

"These youth and people with criminal backgrounds know that we are easy targets here," he said.

He added: "We are undermanned and we are not getting the response that we need. The 45th Precinct is working well, and they are proactive, but they are also overworked."

Marano said he would be very glad to see a small unit of five to ten officers who mainly address quality-of-life issues in the precinct, as well as footposts in every major commercial corridor.



Recent robberies of elderly in Pelham Bay have some calling for more police for the 45th Precinct.  
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# 14th Annual Orchard Beach Car show Sept. 21

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

Time to rev your engines for a good cause.

The 14th Annual Orchard Beach Annual Classic Car and Motorcycle Show 2014 will take place in the beach's parking lot on Sunday, September 21 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., with a throng of car buffs, vendors and celebrity guests on hand to raise funds for 9/11 victims' families and sev-

eral charities. The rain date is Sunday, September 28.

The exciting car show usually draws 2000 to 2500 classic cars, 800 to 1000 motorcycles, and about 10,000 spectators, said John Monsolino, vice-president of the Eastcoast Classic Car Association, which hosts the yearly event.

There is a \$10 entry fee for each spectator, \$20 for a car with two people, and

a \$10 extra for a police-escorted motor cycle run to the World Trade Center site and back.

"Since 2001, we have donated about \$500,000 to the Widows and Orphans fund of the Patrolmen's Benevolent Association's 9/11 fund," said Monsolino, who added that several other charities have received about \$52,000.

This year, there is a new charity, he said. For the first time, the Orchard Beach Car show will raise money for the St. Jude's Children Research Hospital. St. Jude's helps pediatric cancer patients. Celebrities should be signing autographs on one of two stages, he added, with the other stage for comedic and musical performances.

Among the sports and entertainment celebrities expected to be there are WCBS-FM D.J. Joe Causi, the Master of Ceremonies; Burt Young, a celebrated actor who played 'Paulie'

in the movie series Rocky; Comedian Victor Dibitto; five-time world champion boxer Iran "The Blade" Barkley; singer Yolanda Slocum, who will perform the national anthem; five-time Golden Gloves winner Mark Breland; World Bantamweight and Super Bantamweight champion boxer Junior Jones; current WBA middleweight boxing champion Danny Jacobs; as well as cast members of Jerseylicious and Carfellas.

All of this fanfare only adds to the classic cars on display, stretching all the way back to the days of the Ford Model-T to the present day classics.

Spectators should be able to look under the hoods and inside some of the real classics.

The show has been held at Orchard Beach since 2002, with the show in 2001 held literally at what was then known as "Ground Zero," close to the site of the original World Trade Cen-



A 1960s Batmobile at a previous year's show is seen here.

File Photo



A 1950s Chevy entry in a previous Orchard Beach Car Show.

File Photo

ter in the month following the terrorist attacks, said Monsolino. The show was founded by Joe Caldwell, a former NYPD highway cop who worked at Ground Zero.

Monsolino joined Caldwell a few years later, and the show has blossomed into one of the most successful car shows in the region.

"The cars come from Connecticut, New Jersey, New Hampshire, and sometimes in trailers from as far away as the south," said Monsolino. "It is one of the largest one-day car shows on the east coast."

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# Youth Running Series at Van Cortlandt Park this fall

BY JAIME WILLIAMS

Lace up those sneakers.

New York Road Runners is launching a new youth initiative, which begins this fall with a series of cross-country running races in Van Cortlandt Park.

The four weekend races, for 10 to 14 year olds, are meant to be an introduction to racing for kids without much running experience, said NYRR spokeswoman Laura Paulus.

"It's a very non-intimidating atmosphere," she said of the races.

The races range from 3/4 to 2 miles on a flat course, said Paulus. The distance makes the races more challenging than most youth components of adult races, but is short enough to not require training.

"It's still doable for a kid

with little to no running experience," said Paulus.

The kids are timed and scored like a real race, and they will be able to look and track their stats from one or more races online.

"It's a fun opportunity for them," said Paulus.

The goal of the series, which will also host indoor track and road running races in the winter and spring, is to introduce kids to the concept of racing, said NYRR spokeswoman Jennifer Slomack.

"Maybe you'll like it so much you'll become a regular runner," she said.

The new initiative rose out of a gap in NYRR's youth services, said Slomack. The organizations offer two youth programs to schools free of cost, and registration for the pro-

grams, Mighty Milers and Young Runners, are open to schools now. But Slomack said that the organization wants to engage kids whose schools do not participate in the program.

"We didn't have much to offer," Slomack said, before the idea to host open races.

The initiative is part of the organization's mission, "Run for life," said Paulus, and they try to get kids engaged, in addition to offering programs for adults and seniors to facilitate the healthy habit.

In addition to having health benefits, running also teaches kids about goal setting, working with incremental improvements, and striving for your personal best, said Slomack.

"That will help them achieve in any aspect of

life," she said.

Another benefit of the sport is that it's inexpensive, said Slomack, since it requires no equipment or specific space.

"They just need a pair of sneakers," said Slomack.

The Youth Running Series Races is itself an inexpensive activity, she said. It costs \$10 to register and includes a t-shirt.

The Youth Running Series races will take place Sundays, September 14, September 21, October 5, and November 16 in Van Cortlandt Park, starting near Broadway and 242th Street. A fifth event will take place on Sunday, October 12, at Clove Lakes Park in Staten Island.

Learn more about the series and register at NYRR.org.



The one mile cross country route through Van Cortlandt Park for New York Road Runners Youth Running Series this fall. The races begin near Broadway and 242th Street.

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# Bronx Multifamily Buildings Attracting Investors from Across the Spectrum



**By Jason M. Gold**  
Associate Vice President  
Ariel Property Advisors

Commercial real estate investors are setting their sights on the Bronx, attracted by the borough's proximity to Manhattan, growing population, demand for housing, and higher returns.

In fact, the Bronx saw more multifamily transactions and apartment buildings trade in the second quarter of 2014 than any other submarket in New York City, with large portfolio sales driving most of the activity and single asset trades also picking up. Out of 328 multifamily property sales in New York City in the second quarter, 30 percent were in the Bronx, which also captured 23 percent of the city's total multifamily dollar volume of \$2.137 billion, according to Ariel Property Advisors' Multifamily Quarter in Review: New York City, Q2 2014.

The number of Bronx apartment buildings sold in 2Q 2014 compared to 2Q 2013 increased 48 percent to 98 and the dollar volume of those trades jumped 77 percent to \$483 million, the report shows. Nearly half of the borough's multifamily building sales were concentrated in two neighborhoods—Melrose in the South Bronx and Bedford Park, which is surrounded by Herbert H. Lehman College, Fordham University, and the New York Botanical Garden.

More investors are interested in the Bronx because it has a large supply of multifamily buildings that offer consistent cash flow and potentially higher returns than buildings located in other areas of the city.

We're seeing private investors, institutional capital, and major operators of affordable housing that have been active in other parts of New York City investing in multifamily properties in the Bronx this year. An example of this trend is the Related Companies, which in partnership with city pension funds, picked up a 35-building portfolio consisting of more than 2,000 apartment units for \$253 million. The Pelham Parkway Multifamily Portfolio in Morris Park, which sold for \$52 million, or an above average \$172,000 per unit, is another example of a recent large Bronx portfolio sale.

At Ariel Property Advisors we're marketing, have in contract, or have sold a number of multifamily properties in the Bronx that range from small walk-ups with a few apartments to elevated buildings with hundreds of units to large portfolios. One 20-unit building we're marketing at 2475 Hughes Avenue in the Belmont section of the Bronx houses students attending nearby Fordham University and is generating investor interest because it offers a steady and reliable cash flow and considerable upside. Earlier this year, our firm sold a three-building affordable portfolio also in the Belmont neighborhood for \$18.55 million.

As in the rest of New York City, prices for apartment buildings in the Bronx are rising, but they haven't reached the heights of properties located in Northern Manhattan or Brooklyn. In the Bronx in the six months ended June 2014 compared to

the same period the previous year, the average cap rate fell to 6.56 percent, the price per unit increased to \$106,277, and average price per square foot rose to \$120. In contrast during this same period, average cap rates in Northern Manhattan fell to 4.58 percent, and the average price per unit and average price per square foot rose to \$221,318 and \$257, respectively. In Brooklyn cap rates fell to 5.22 percent, and the average price per square unit and average per square foot increased to \$211,027 and \$239, respectively.

We believe the demand for housing in the Bronx will continue to rise because between 2010 and 2013, the borough added 33,625 new residents bringing the population to more

than 1.4 million. Yet during this three-year period only 3,994 new units of housing came online. Mayor de Blasio's affordable housing plan is expected to benefit the Bronx because 60 percent of the 200,000 units planned will focus on the preservation of affordable housing units, while the remainder will be dedicated to new construction.

With 1.6 million square feet of retail space planned or under construction, major affordable housing developments planned or underway, and public/private initiatives on the horizon, we anticipate that investor interest in the Bronx will continue.

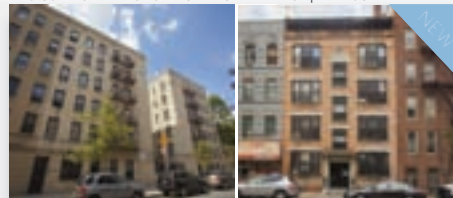
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*Ariel Property Advisors is a New York City investment property sales firm with an expertise in the multifamily and development market. The firm also produces a number of research reports including the Multifamily Month in Review, Multifamily Quarter in Review, Multifamily Year in Review, and Mid-Year and Year-End sales reports for the Bronx, Brooklyn, Northern Manhattan, Manhattan, and Queens. For more information see [arielpa.com](http://arielpa.com).*

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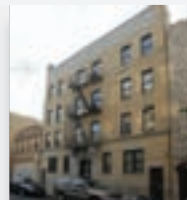
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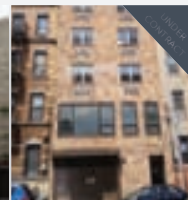
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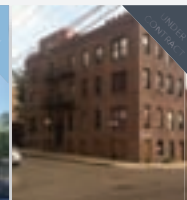
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# Environmental, cycling groups prepare for 46-mile bike tour

BY STEVEN GOODSTEIN

All cyclists with stamina and durable bikes are invited to go on a bike tour to kick off the return of Bicycle Sundays.

The Bronx River Bike Tour, organized by the Bronx River Alliance will take place on Sunday, September 14 along the Bronx River Greenway.

The Bronx River Alliance will team up with co-sponsors and closely affiliated Bronx River Alliance Greenway Team, Boogie Down Rides, Five Boroughs Bicycle Club and the East Coast Greenway Alliance for a bike ride to promote environmentally friendly travel and healthy activity.

Cyclists have an opportunity to join these bike clubs on a scenic route that begins in Soundview and continues all the way to Val-

halla, a span of 23 miles.

"This event is a great way to promote the new and improved greenway to cyclists around the city," said Claudia Ibaven, who is the Greenway coordinator.

"We hope bicycle enthusiasts will appreciate the work that has been done on this project since it began nine years ago."

The original Bronx River Greenway was created in 1925. At the time, the greenway did not extend past the borough borders of the Bronx.

In 2005, the Bronx River Alliance published the Bronx River Greenway Plan with the idea of expanding the greenway to Westchester County, a plan that had been envisioned by the community for years.

Now that cyclists have seen this vision come to

fruition, they can enjoy an extended bike path in both an urban and suburban environment.

The bike tour will begin at 9:30 a.m. with cyclists gathering at the Soundview Park Field House, on Lafayette Avenue near Colgate Avenue. The nearest subway stop is Elder Avenue on the #6 train.

The bike route will start at the Field House and end at the Kensico Dam Plaza in Valhalla, where the ride will break for lunch for approximately 45 minutes. Cyclists can bring their own lunch or purchase lunch on site.

Think that's far? The Bronx River Alliance will then challenge those who are up for it to bike back to Soundview Park where the bike tour started, which will conclude a 46-mile ride.

Cyclists who plan to attend this event are required to wear a helmet and sign a waiver prior to the bike ride. Those travelling back to the city by train can take the Metro North from the Valhalla train station. A \$5 permit is required to bring a bike on the Metro North with the exception of folding bikes, which do not require a permit.

This event marks the return of Bicycle Sundays, a set of bike tours sponsored by Con Edison and Westchester Country Parks that will take place on every Sunday of this month.

"The great thing about this ride is that it's bringing together many of the coalitions that have been critical in developing the Bronx River Greenway," said Andy Hamilton, Mid-Atlantic Trail coordinator of the East



Locals ride on the Bronx River Greenway at last year's bike tour.

Photo Courtesy of the Bronx River Alliance

Coast Greenway Alliance. "This greenway is important not only locally, but nationally as a part of the 2900-mile long East Coast Greenway system linking

any of the major cities of the Eastern Seaboard."

All cyclists must register beforehand by contacting: Claudia.Ibaven@parks.nyc.gov.

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# Last stop for “Soundview Shuttle”

It was called the “Soundview Shuttle” by police, undercover cops and investigators within both the NYPD and the County D.A.’s office, who trailed narcotics as they made their way across Soundview Avenue to their destination, the parking lot of a popular restaurant along Bruckner Boulevard.

Now, District Attorney Robert Johnson announces that this shuttle has made its final stop with the arrests and Grand Jury in-

dictments of five people on narcotics sale and possession charges: Luis Alomar, Angel Alvarez, Steve Rich, Carlos Laureana, and Fred Scott.

Each defendant has been charged with Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the 1st Degree, as well as Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 1st, 2nd (A Felonies), and Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 3rd Degree (B Felony).

In addition, the accused ringleader of Operation Soundview Shuttle, Luis Alomar, is facing a total of 46 counts, including Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the 1st Degree (A-Felony) for selling more than two ounces of cocaine and heroin, and Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the 2nd Degree (A-2 Felony) for selling more than a half-ounce of cocaine and heroin. Among the other charges he is fac-

ing are 26 B-Felonies, 14 A-2 Felonies and 3 A-1 Felonies, all relating to drugs.

It is alleged that drugs originating in Puerto Rico were shuttled between Manhattan and the Bronx, the buys taking place at a restaurant right off the Bruckner at White Plains Road. The customers were coming from in and around the 43rd Precinct, but among those buyers were undercover NYPD officers who bought, and

bought, and bought, mostly heroin. On August 12th, officers moved in to make their bust, bringing the Soundview Shuttle to its last stop.

Seized during this major bust was a kilogram of cocaine with a street value of approximately \$41,000, cash, and several vehicles, including a Mercedes-Benz and a Mustang.

If convicted, the charges facing Luis Alomar could land him behind bars for

well over 30 years; the other defendants face charges that carry some 15 years in prison.

Instrumental in Operation Soundview Shuttle were the NYPD’s Narcotics Borough Bronx, Major Case Unit, Detectives Patrice Wallace and Clarence Fredericks.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorneys Kieran Linehan and Cicely Harris of the Bronx D.A.’s Narcotics Bureau.

## 75 years-to-life for Mother’s Day triple shooting

District Attorney Robert Johnson today announced convicted killer ROBERT MITCHELL has been sentenced to 75 years-to-life for a triple shooting that took place following a toddler’s birthday party on Mother’s Day, 2010.

Following impassioned victim impact statements from the family of slain teenagers Marvin Wiggins, Jr., and Quanisha Wright, and from shooting victim and survivor Latisha Eleazer, Bronx Supreme Court Justice Dominic

Massaro handed down his sentence – 25 years-to-life for each of the two counts of Murder in the 2nd Degree, and 25 years for the single count of Attempted Murder in the 2nd Degree, all to be served consecutively.

In July, after a month-

long trial, a jury found Mitchell guilty for the killings of Wiggins, age 15, and Wright, who had just turned 16 the day before, as well as for the shooting of Eleazer, age 20 at the time, who was hit in the arm when Mitchell fired a .45-caliber semi-automatic pistol into a crowd of partygoers at 1776 Weeks Avenue in the Mount Hope section of the Bronx.

The wild shootings took place on May 9th, 2010, at a party among teenagers that followed a 1-year-old’s birthday party. After getting bested in a dispute with several people who at-

tended the after-party, Dexter Green, Jr. left, but then returned and got into a confrontation with Latisha Eleazer, whereupon Mitchell pulled a gun provided to him by his friend’s father, Dexter Green, Sr.

Robert Mitchell opened fire at the teens who were gathered in the hallway of the apartment building, shooting Marvin Wiggins, Jr. in the back, and Quanisha Wright, who was struck by a bullet that went through her arm and abdomen. Wiggins and Wright were both transported to St. Barnabas Hospital, where they succumbed to

their injuries. Latisha Eleazer was hit in the arm; she was treated and released from St. Barnabas Hospital.

Dexter Green, Jr. pled guilty to a charge of Manslaughter in the 1st Degree for his role in the incident and will be sentenced on September 15th to a prison term of 20 years with five years’ post-release supervision. Dexter Green, Sr. pled guilty to Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree with Intent to Use Unlawfully and has received a sentence of 10 years behind bars with four years’ post-release supervision.



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## Getting guns off the street

District Attorney Robert Johnson announces a “Cash for Guns” day – Saturday, September 20th -- done in partnership with NYPD Commissioner William Bratton and Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz, Jr., along with the pastors of three Bronx churches where the buybacks will take place.

Operable handguns and assault rifles will be accepted on September 20th between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the following three locations:

Fordham Evangelical Lutheran Church, 2430 Watson Avenue, (718) 367-8330; New Gospel Temple Church of

God In Christ, 1554 Minford Place, (718) 328-3010; and Our Lady of Grace Roman Catholic Church, 3985 Bronxwood Avenue, 718-652-4817.

Participants will receive a \$200 bank card for operable handguns and assault rifles, and a \$20 bank card for operable rifles and shotguns – no questions asked. People are encouraged to surrender as many weapons as they wish, but will receive payment for up to only three guns. The bank cards can be used either as a debit card to make purchases or to withdraw cash from any ATM.

Guns brought to one of the buyback locations must

be placed in a paper bag or a box. If firearms are being transported by vehicle, they must be placed in the trunk of the car.

Weapons belonging to either active or retired law enforcement officials are not eligible for the buyback program.

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## New deans at Lehman

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Distinguished Professor Laird Bergad Talks with CUNY-TV's Bob Herbert About Unaccompanied Minors Entering the U.S.

In the interview, Prof. Bergad attributed the surge to an increase in violence in places like Honduras, El Salvador, and Guatemala. Honduras in particular has seen a significant increase in its murder rate over the past decade, making it

the murder capital of the world.

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**City Parks Foundation** welcomes all New Yorkers, 60 and over, to participate in CityParks Seniors Fitness presented by Airbnb. The Fall 2014 season of Seniors Fitness programs will begin the week of September 22, 2014, and will offer free tennis lessons, yoga instruction and fitness walking in 14 parks across the city.

All activities in this six-week fitness program take place once or twice a week at each location through October 31st. Participants are encouraged to maintain regular attendance to maximize health benefits.

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**The Police Athletic League** announces the appointment of Frederick J. Watts as the new Executive Director. He was previously the Executive Assistant District Attorney for Finance and Administration with an over 30-year distinguished career in the Manhattan District Attorney's Office. Throughout his career in public service, Mr. Watts has been dedicated to addressing the needs of inner-city youth through promoting after school programs, sports and juvenile crime prevention.

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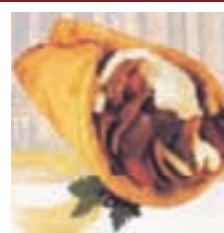
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## FOCAL POINT STILL 'ON POINT'

Four decades later, this City Island art institution is still running. The Focal Point Gallery on City Island Avenue held a 40th anniversary reception at its headquarters Friday, September 5.



(back row, l-r) Terry McElroy, Don Nester, Ellen Quentzel, Ron Turner and Joe Cuomo, and (front row) Ron's daughter Ruby Turner.

Photo by Aracelis Batista

## NURSING HOME INVOLVED IN ALS CHALLENGE

Bronxwood Home for the Aged staff members held an ALS ice bucket challenge on Friday, September 5.



Jeson Williams pours a bucket of ice water on Bronxwood administrator Glenn Rappaport.

Photo by Walter Pofeldt

## FIRST ANNUAL BRONX H.I.R.E. JOB FAIR

Senator Jeff Klein, along with the Bronx Chamber of Commerce and local elected officials, hosted the first Bronx H.I.R.E. job fair at Hutchinson Metro Center on Wednesday, September 3. The event put those who attended in touch with potential employers in the Bronx.



Senator Jeff Klein, Assemblyman Luis Supulveda, and Assemblyman Michael Benedetto join Bronx Chamber of Commerce board members at the Klein-sponsored H.I.R.E. event.

Photo courtesy of State Senator Jeff Klein's office



## BBQ CELEBRATES FIRST RESPONDERS

Senator Jeff Klein hosted his 4th annual First Responder Appreciation Barbecue on Saturday, September 6 at Orchard Beach. The event featured food, face painting, games, and entertainment for first responders, their families, and community members. Special honors were given to local NYPD, FDNY and EMT heros. Above Alexander Nilaj, Ostacio Negrón, Senator Jeff Klein, Robert De Silva, and Elio Morales at the BBQ

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Joe Inga and son Gavin.

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## BENEDETTO PAYS VISIT TO SENIOR CENTER

Assemblyman Michael Benedetto stopped by the Co-op City senior centers and distributed mouth-watering Italian ices to the seniors on Thursday, September 4.



Assemblyman Michael Benedetto hands out Italian ices to Annie Perez and other seniors.  
Photo by Silvio Pacifico



Jared Smith receives an Italian Ice from Assemblyman Benedetto while visiting his grandmother.  
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## MURAL HONORS FALLEN ARTIST

A group of street artists dedicated their latest work to a fallen brother. Brooklyn-based graffiti crew Soul Stoned Brothers and Hunts Point's own TatsCru painted a mural tribute Saturday, September 6 to Christopher "Shadow" Lee, a prolific street artist who died this year. The artists turned the canvas into a train – and then "tagged" the train, in tribute to "Shadow," who is the brother of filmmaker Spike Lee. The mural now hangs at The Point Community Development Corporation on Garrison Avenue.



The completed tribute to Chris "Shadow" Lee, a skilled street artist for decades and brother of filmmaker Spike Lee.  
Photo by Silvio Pacifico



Artists George Colon and Bio Feliciano stand by their art work.  
Photo by Silvio Pacifico

## SOFTBALL SEASON ENDS FOR TN GIRLS

The Throggs Neck Girls Softball League hosted this season's closing ceremony at Veterans Memorial Park on Sunday, September 7. The day's events featured an obstacle course, as well as snacks and snow cones before trophy presentations were made with the assistance of local community leaders and elected officials.



One of the Throggs Neck softball teams at the trophy ceremony, with their coach Ron Colamarino and Pat Divine of the Korrory American Legion Post.  
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Stefanie Romero, Nicolette McPartland, Ginna Cambria, and Rebecca Del Toro enjoy the snow cones at the ceremony.  
Photo by Edwin Soto

## ARTS PROGRAM CELRBRATED AT JHS 22

Learning Through an Expanded Arts Program (LeAp) celebrated the achievements of students at its after-school program at Junior High School 22 in Melrose on Friday, September 5. Presentations of past student art work from the hands-on learning program were made, and the work celebrated. The program and event are part of Mayor de Blasio's School's Out New York City (SONYC). The LeAp program at JHS 22 has won the MetLife After School Innovator Award, a national award for innovation and excellence.



Program participants (front row, l-r) Gladibel Morales, Sinai Martinez, Alana Perez, and Paola Andeliz.  
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(L-r) Bill Swarth, Mike Busso, and Ralph Squgga enjoy the day at Pasquale Rigoletto Restaurant. Photo by Walter Pofeldt

Belmont and Arthur avenues, the Bronx's Little Italy, came alive on Sunday, September 7 during the celebration of Ferragosto. A Belmont celebration for the more than 15 years, the Ferragosto tradition in Italian culture recognizes the end of the harvest season and the enjoyment of the fruits of those labors. It is billed as a way for families to engage in part of their Italian culture and traditions. People enjoyed music, entertainment, and food.



Noel Simone performs. Photo by Walter Pofeldt



Singer Riggie Parrello performs during the festival. Photo by Walter Pofeldt



Jerome Ragusa of Gino's Pastry Shop with some of the mouth-watering pastries he served at the festival. Photo by Walter Pofeldt





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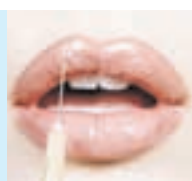
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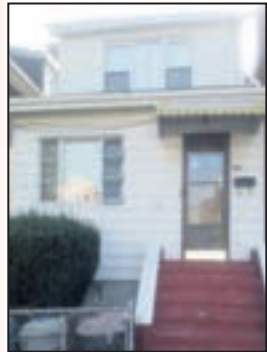


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## Fiesta de Flores at the New York Botanical Garden

On Thursday, September 25, celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month at Fiesta de Flores, a festival at the Botanical Garden commemorating the people of Latin America and the Caribbean. Enjoy the splendor of the Garden while being treated to food and wine tastings and much more. Take a tour of the award-winning Peggy Rockefeller Rose Garden. Surround yourself with fragrance, color, and beauty. Originally designed in 1916, completed in 1988, and beautifully renovated in 2006-2007, this stunning garden now displays nearly 700 varieties, with roses blooming for six months out of the year.

Guided Tours of the Rose

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Musical entertainment: Ensalada de Pulpo con Gilberto Colon, Jr. Award-winning group comprised of legendary musicians, delivering bold sounds of Salsa/Latin Jazz music.

Artisans/vendors: Olga Ayala Handicrafts (Hecho A Mano)—Functional Art in Polymer. A polymer clay artisan, Olga specializes in original,

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Juan Carlos Suazo. Born in Santurce, Puerto Rico, he is currently working with ceramic making his own version of Afro-Taino folklore masks.

Old-Earth Creates by Nanette Sanchez-Velasquez Floral-Arranging Demonstration by: Yoli LaGuerre

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# Scanlan celebrates 65th

Monsignor Scanlan High School – formerly known as St. Helena Girls' School, St. Helena Boys' School & St. Helena Commercial School – will be celebrating the 65th Anniversary of the Founding of St. Helena High School in 1949 by Monsignor Arthur J. Scanlan. Monsignor Scanlan wished to establish a Catholic high school that could continue to educate the St. Helena Parish elementary school students. He purchased land from St. Joseph's School for the Deaf and named the school St. Helena High School. The school officially opened in September 1949. In October 1971 Cardinal Cooke announced the changing of the name

of the schools to Monsignor Scanlan High School. In November 1974 Monsignor Arthur J. Scanlan died at the age of 93.

This year in addition to the 65th Anniversary Celebration we will be celebrating the milestone reunions of the Class of 1954, Class of 1964, Class of 1989 and the Class of 2004.

All St. Helena & Scanlan alumni and past faculty are invited to join us at Monsignor Scanlan High School on October 10th, 11th & 12th for this celebration. The schedule of events is as follows: October 10th, Welcome Cocktail Party, 5 to 8 p.m.; October 11th, Commemorative Mass, 11 a.m., school tours, 11:30

a.m. to 1 p.m., reunion for all classes, 1 to 5 p.m., 90's Decade Reunion, 7 to 11 p.m.; October 12th, hot/cold buffet brunch, 11 to 2 p.m., school tours, noon to 2 p.m., Alumni Basketball Game, 3 p.m.

In conjunction with the many alumni activities planned for the celebratory weekend, there will be a 65th Anniversary Souvenir Journal. The deadline for the submission of journal ads is September 22nd. Sponsorship and Underwriting opportunities are also available.

For more information call (718) 430-0100, ext. 13 or visit the Scanlan website at scanlanhs.edu

Control over a band's trajectory and image can get a little dicey among band members.

Sometimes when one person is doing much of the work in one area of the band, say the bulk of the songwriting or making all the booking calls, that person may feel that they have full say in other areas of the band like what the band will

## rock on the bronx

by Fish Altieri

wear or how a set list will be constructed. This can cause building resentments and bitterness among the musical unit.

To halt this kind of

problem bands have been known to make sure that all responsibilities are doled out equally, usually given to the member who has strengths in that area. Everyone working equally towards the same goals has been known to keep things running smooth in the ever challenging world of local rock. See you next week. Rock on. Rock out.

# Fun Day on the Parkway

Whether you prefer to stay fit with soothing yoga or with kickboxing set to a beat, you can sample a fitness class that's right for you on Saturday, September 13, when Bronx House hosts Fun Day on the Parkway, 11 am – 3 pm at Pelham Parkway between Bogart and Hone Avenues.

Throughout the family-friendly festival, sponsored by Montefiore Medical Center, instructors will also lead cycling and Zumba classes outdoors on Pelham Parkway and demonstrate why so many neighbors turn to

Bronx House to reach their fitness goals.

Starting Monday, September 8th, the Bronx House fitness center will also offer childcare services during some sessions and open at 6 am on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for workouts before heading to work.

Bronx House members enjoy discounts on all classes plus the use of the Bronx House fitness center, swimming pool, gym, sauna, and fitness classes, all offered in a supportive environment. The first ten people to sign

up for family or adult membership at Fun Day get 20% off; a 15% discount applies throughout the day.

Fun Day on the Parkway also features dance demonstrations, music, prizes and giveaways, and lots of fun activities for kids, including a bounce house, face painting and art activities led by the Bronx Children's Museum.

In case of rain, Fun Day moves indoors to Bronx House at 990 Pelham Parkway South. For more information, call (718)792-1800 or visit bronxhouse.org

## Old Mott Haven walking tour Sept. 13th

"Old Mott Haven" Historic Neighborhood Walk Tour will be held on Saturday, September 13, at 11 a.m.

In celebration of the Bronx County centennial,

BCHS Educator Angel Hernandez leads a tour through Old Mott Haven with his knowledge of the neighborhood as well as the 1840s Bronx industrial boom. This tour begins at the

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# Bartow-Pell welcomes landscape designer

Bartow-Pell Mansion Museum welcomes landscape designer and author Jan Johnsen to discuss her recent book *Heaven is a Garden: Designing Serene Spaces for Inspiration and Reflection* on Tuesday, September 23rd at 7:30 pm.

"As a unique cultural organization set within an exceptionally beautiful landscape, Bartow-Pell Mansion Museum is dedicated to providing the public with diverse programming inspired by its history

and surroundings," said Ellen Bruzelius, executive director of the museum. "Our Local Author Spotlight focusing on award-winning landscape architect Jan Johnsen and her latest book *Heaven is a Garden* is a perfect example of what the museum strives to do and we are delighted to have Jan join us on September 23rd."

Using ideas based on ancient and modern practices, Johnsen's *Heaven is a Garden: Designing Serene Outdoor Spaces for Inspira-*

*tion and Reflection* shows readers how they can uplift themselves and others in serene settings designed for unplugging and relaxing. Johnsen draws on her 40 years in the profession and offers stunning visuals and specific ways to make a garden look glorious and feel harmonious at the same time.

Johnsen is an East Coast-based landscape designer and winner of the 2014 Merit Award of the Association of Profes-

sional Landscape Designers (APLD) who has spent over four decades creating inspiring landscapes for residential clients. She founded her New York-based design/build firm, Johnsen Landscapes & Pools, 27 years ago and her projects have appeared in numerous magazines including *This Old House*, *Landscape Architecture*, *Woman's Day*, and more. Johnsen's latest book *Heaven is a Garden: Designing Serene Outdoor*

*Spaces for Inspiration and Reflection*, was released by St. Lynn's Press in 2014. An avid writer and speaker, Johnsen encourages her audience to see all the opportunities that their plot of ground holds, no matter the size, and emphasizes the vital connection between the green world and our well-being. Having studied at University of Hawaii and New Orleans and having worked in Japan and Kenya, Johnsen brings a wide perspective to the

art of garden making. She is a popular teacher at the New York Botanical Garden and was awarded the 'Instructor of the Year' in 2003. She currently teaches a graduate studio course in landscape design at Columbia University in New York.

Registration for the Local Author Spotlight with Jan Johnsen is requested at 718-885-1461 or via email at [info@bpbmm.org](mailto:info@bpbmm.org). Cost \$10 adults; \$8 seniors and students; members free

## Lehman Center Performing Arts' lineup for 2014-2015 season

Lehman Center for the Performing Arts presents the lineup for its 2014-15 Season, which continues its 34-year tradition of bringing world-class entertainment to the Bronx. The season will include a concert of intense passion with romantic favorites interpreted by the "Na-

tional Voice of Puerto Rico," Danny Rivera, as he presents *Obsesión*, his beautiful new album that features timeless Boleros from the great Latin American songbook with Musical Director and Tre-sero, Nelson González, and the return of Jose Alberto "El Canario" to La Casa de la

Salsa as he reunites with the original stars of *La Típica '73*, Camilo Azuquita, Tito Allen, Sony Bravo, Johnny Rodriguez and Alfredo De La Fé. Audiences will celebrate the Holiday Season Jíbaro Style with Parranda Navideña featuring Felito Felix Y El Trio Los Antares, Odilio Gonzalez

And Lily Y Su Gran Trio and be entranced by other world class performances including the Orquesta Sinfónica Del Estado De México conducted by Maestro Enrique Bátiz and the special 60th Anniversary Concert of La Sonora Ponceña featuring pianist Papo Lucca and special guests Yolanda Rivera, Luigi Texidor and Hector Pichi Pérez with Mc Paco Navarro. The popular Lehman Center favorites Forever Freestyle 9 and Rock And Roll Is Here To Stay - The Best of Doo Wop return along with a newly added concert Old-School Hip Hop, a celebration of the musical genre that was born in the neighborhoods

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20, Family Art Project: Spicy Paper; Sat, September 20, Annual Plant Sale; Sat, September 20, Tai Chi Chuan; Sat, September 20, Wave Hill History Walk; Sat, September 20, Gallery Tour; Sun, September 21, Family Art Project: Spicy Paper; Sun, September 21, Annual Plant Sale; Sun, September 21, Hatha Yoga; Sun, September 21, Meditation; Sun, September 21, Meet The Artists: Tammy Nguyen & Alexandra Phillips; Sun, September 21, Garden Highlights Walk; Tue, September 23, Garden Highlights Walk; And Tue, September 23, Gallery Tour.

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## City Island Fall Arts & Crafts Fair

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There will be jewelry, candles, painting, clothing, woodwork, glassware, skincare, face painting, food and more. Live music by

the Lickety Split Band. On Sunday tje will have a Clam Chowder contes t-sample and vote for your favorite!

Free admission. For more info call 718-885-9100.

## St. Joseph's carnival Sept. 13th

St. Joseph's School for the Deaf will host a BBQ and carnival celebrating 145 years of services on Saturday, September 13, from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for high school students, and free for chil-

dren under 14 years of age.

The day's events will include pony rides, air castle, sand art, arts and crafts, face painting, cotton candy, refreshments and food on sale, Mr. Softie, carnival games and prizes, fire Dept. Experience Trailer, NYFD

recruitment table, free smoke alarms, NYPD Crime Prevention Unit - child ID, cell phone ID, bicycle registration, Throggs Neck Merchants Association vendors with jewelry and clothing on sale.



# Yiddish writer, Sholem Aleichem, lived on Kelly St.

I recently read something on Sholem Aleichem and it reminded me of the time I attended one of his one-act plays at the King David Hotel in Jerusalem. It was a great play at a grand venue that I'll never forget. But then, Sholem Aleichem is still a star in Israel although he's been dead since 1916.

His folksy way of writing has given rise to his being called the Jewish Mark Twain. He considered himself a common man writing for common people and always kept his dialogue simple. His style and name became more widely known to the non-Yiddish world only with the production of "Fiddler on the Roof."

Solomon Naumovich Rabinovich was born in on May 16, 1859 in a small Ukranian town and lived through an era when pogroms still ravaged Eastern Europe. He had always wanted to express himself in writing and began his career as a published writ-

## do you remember

by Bill Twomey

er at about the age of 20. He escaped from a pogrom in 1905 and fled to America where some of his plays flopped, but where his story-telling became legendary. He wrote mainly in Yiddish but also in Hebrew and Russian. He took the pen name Sholem Aleichem when he married in 1883. It was meant to keep his identity a secret, especially from his father, as Yiddish writers were generally looked down upon by Jews with superior educations who generally wrote in Hebrew.

"Motl, the Cantor's Son" is one of his more popular serialized novels. Written in English for the New York World newspaper while he was living in New York, the book tells the story of an 8-year old boy rejoicing at shedding his

Eastern European culture and coming to a new life in America. The book is still widely available and inexpensive as it was reprinted by Penguin Classics under the title "Tevye the Dairyman and Motl the Cantor's Son." The book will give you an idea of his Mark Twain-like approach to story telling.

He is also the subject of the documentary film "Laughing in the Darkness." Directed by Joseph Dorman, the film also showcases the lives of European Jews transitioning to a new life. The title is well-chosen as Sholem Aleichem did say: To make people laugh is almost a sickness with me.

Not only was he a wit, he was an intellectual wit, a side of his persona not often displayed in his writ-

ings.

Sholem Aleichem moved to the Bronx on his second trip to America. He lived at 968 Kelly Street near the Intervale Avenue IRT station of the White Plains Road #2 line which opened in 1904. He did quite a bit of writing at that location and passed away from tuberculosis there on May 13, 1916 when only 57 years old. There are varying figures as to how many people lined the streets for his funeral cortege.

The New York Times reported in excess of 100,000 people and another paper put the number at 150,000. Either seems quite impressive to me. The cortege traveled through Harlem stopping at a synagogue where a noted cantor chanted over his casket before it proceeded to the Lower East Side where many of his most ardent readers resided. From there it continued to Brooklyn for his burial. And a great many people cried.



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The American Dream Scholarships will be awarded annually to outstanding Mount students entering their sophomore, junior and senior class years who have achieved academic and/or athletic success while displaying leadership and entrepreneurial qualities. The scholarships are designed to reduce the fiscal barriers for young men seeking an exceptional Catholic college preparatory education and to build a diversified cadre of successful future leaders.

The American Dream Scholarships and its first student recipients will be introduced at Mount St. Michael's Honors Convocation on Tuesday, September 23, 2014. This ceremony will be followed by a reception in the Mount's historic Rotunda, which will be renamed the Rocco B. Commisso American Dream Rotunda.

Rocco B. Commisso is one of the most successful Italian immigrant entrepreneurs in our nation's history. He is the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Mediacom Communications Corporation, a company he founded in 1995 to acquire and reinvigorate cable systems in America's underserved smaller communities.

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"We are honored to name our Rotunda after Rocco Commisso," said Mount President, Anthony Miserandino. "Rocco's story of success, with deep roots in our Bronx community, serves as an inspiration to our students, many of whom come from immigrant families and are working tirelessly to achieve their own American Dream."

**We are honored  
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**Anthony Miserandino**

Mount Director of Development, Julie Androschick Boyle, added, "the amazing commitment Rocco is showing the Mount through this scholarship program will open opportunities and change lives for many young men in our community for decades to come."

Born in Calabria, Italy, Commisso immigrated to the United States at age 12. He earned both a Bachelor of Science Degree in Industrial Engineering and a Master of Business Administration from Columbia University. He was elected president of the business school student body, and was the recipient of the prestigious Business School Service Award. He also was co-captain of

the Columbia men's varsity soccer team, named a three-time All-Ivy League honoree, and was invited to participate in the 1972 U.S. Olympic Soccer Team trials. In 2004, on the 250th anniversary of Columbia's founding, the school's undergraduate newspaper, Columbia Daily Spectator, listed Commisso among Columbia's 250 greatest undergraduate alumni of all time. In 2013, Columbia recognized Commisso's more than 40 years of contributions to its soccer program by naming its soccer venue at the school's Baker Athletics Complex as the Rocco B. Commisso Soccer Stadium.

Commisso serves on the board of directors of the National Cable & Telecommunications Association, C-SPAN and Cable Television Laboratories, Inc. He is a past recipient of the Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year Award, the National Italian American Foundation Lifetime Achievement Award and the Vanguard Award for Distinguished Leadership, the cable television industry's highest individual honor.

Under his guidance, Mediacom has been recognized for outstanding achievements including being named the nation's best cable company of 2009 by CableFAX magazine and as one of North America's 500 Fastest Growing Technology Companies by Deloitte in 2003. Commisso was welcomed into the SUNY New Paltz School of Business Hall of Fame in 2010, and was also named the school's Business Person of the Year. He has also been inducted into the Broadcasting & Cable Hall of Fame and the Cable Center Hall of Fame.

## Hostos named Top 10

Eugenio María de Hostos Community College of The City University of New York (CUNY) was named as one of 10 finalists for the Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence. This is the nation's preeminent recognition of high achievement and performance in America's community colleges.

Hostos now enters the final stage of competition for the \$1 million prize that will be awarded to the winner and up to four finalists-with-distinction in March 2015 in Washington, D.C. Making this recognition even more special is the fact that Hostos is the only community college in New York State to reach this point in the selection process.

"It gives me immense joy to know that our remarkable college is being recognized by the Aspen Institute as one of the top 10 community colleges for the Aspen Prize. This is an extraordinary accomplishment, and we could not be more thrilled," said Dr. David Gómez, the Interim President of Hostos.

From an initial facility housed in a former tire factory 46 years ago, Hostos has become a highly prominent institution of higher learning, serving 7,000 students and more than 13,000 continuing education students. Hostos has been a critical catalyst in the transformation of this community and the educational advancement of Bronxites.

The Aspen Prize is awarded every two years, and Hostos competed with an original pool of more than 1,000 other institutions. With a singular focus on student success, the Aspen Prize assesses community colleges' achievements in four areas: student learning, certificate and degree completion, high rates of employment and earnings for graduates, and high levels of access and success for minority and low-income students.

Dr. Gómez went through the Aspen Award selection process previously when he was serving as the Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs at Kingsborough Community College. Kingsborough was named as a finalist for the award in 2013.

Before his time at Kingsborough, Dr. Gómez spent more than a decade at Hostos in several senior administrative positions, including Dean of the College, Interim Dean of Academic Affairs, Associate Dean of the College, and Special Assistant to the President.

Dr. Gómez considers Hostos' recognition to be well-deserved, and he credits its former President, Dr. Félix V. Matos Rodríguez, who was recently appointed as President of Queens College of CUNY, for raising Hostos to its current level of excellence.

Dr. Matos Rodríguez said he shared this special recognition with Hostos' faculty, staff, students, and alumni.

"When you look at the criteria for the award itself, Hostos Community College has served as a leader in the areas of student support and community building since 1968. I could not be more thrilled that the world will know more about the important work that Hostos is doing, and will continue to do," Dr. Matos Rodríguez said.

To meet the needs of its large numbers of minority and immigrant students, many of whom are the first in their families to attend college, Hostos established holistic support programs, including the Student Success Coaching Unit, the Single Stop USA Resource Center, and the Bridge Tuition Support Assistance (BTSA)—a needs-based emergency scholarship program.

These initiatives have helped Hostos improve retention and more than doubled graduation rates for some of the least academically prepared students in the nation.

Hostos' Division for Continuing Education and Workforce Development (CEWD) recently created the Center for Bronx Non-Profits to strengthen and support community organizations. In 2012, Hostos and the CEWD partnered with the NYC Department of Small Business Services and FECS Health and Human Services System to open the Bronx Workforce Career Extension Center. The Center offers workshops and one-on-one appointments with job-seekers to

review resumes, screen for jobs, and match candidates with available jobs.

Hostos also was busy this year working with several high-profile and civic-minded companies to keep students enrolled and on the road to success.

Partnering with Montefiore Medical Center, CUNY, and the Department of Education, Hostos helped to launch the Health, Education and Research Occupations (H.E.R.O.) High School, a new public 9-14 high school for students interested in health careers.

The College is also preparing to launch the nation's first community college Food Studies Academic Program after working with employers, community leaders and other stakeholders around the Hunts Point Market.

Hostos was selected to join the Aspen Institute Ascend Network in 2014. This new network of leading organizations uses a two-generation approach to combat poverty and create economic mobility for families. Through a \$50,000 grant, Hostos implemented a two-generation pilot program that enabled student-parents enrolled at the College to accelerate their post-secondary degree completion by making it possible for them to enroll in summer coursework (often not covered through financial aid programs) while simultaneously enrolling their children in Hostos' College for Kids Summer Academy.

Funding from Citi Community Development made it possible to start the "Summer Success 101: Student Financial Literacy and Retention Program," which is designed to empower students financially as well as to increase retention and educational attainment rates.

A \$1 million grant from JPMorgan Chase made it possible for Hostos, Phipps Neighborhoods and Montefiore Health System to create "Career Network: Healthcare Partnership in the South Bronx." This employer-driven program secures employment and/or education for young adults through training and career exploration geared toward healthcare-related fields.





## DREAMS REALIZED AT AQUINAS HIGH SCHOOL

At Aquinas High School, incoming 9th grade students were greeted by smiling faces as Student Council members and faculty welcomed the class of 2018. Freshmen students may have arrived with the “first day of school” jitters but they soon realized that their choice school was a dream come true. Aquinas HS is recognized by the United States Department of Education as a Blue Ribbon School and will be hosting an Open House for 8th grade girls on Sunday, October 5, 2014 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. For further information call (718) 367-2113, Ext. 137 or visit the school's website at [www.aquinashs.org](http://www.aquinashs.org).

## Back to school health tips

As parents and kids across New York City get ready for the new school year, the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation (HHC) reminds New Yorkers to follow ten tips for “back to school” health (click for graphic) and to visit any HHC primary care center or child health clinic in the community to receive needed physicals, immunizations and other wellness support available at little or no cost.

“Preparing kids for the new school year should start before their first day and remain consistent throughout the year,” says Heather Lawsky, MD, Pediatrician at North Central Bronx Hospital. “Getting kids on a regular sleep schedule, starting the day with a good breakfast and limiting foods with added sugars such as cookies and ice cream, will help kids be productive and focused in the classroom.”

HHC offers parents 10 health tips to help kids get ready for a new school year:

1. Annual Physicals: Yearly physicals are important to ensure children are growing and developing properly. Physicals should start at birth and continue into early adulthood.

2. Vision and Hearing Tests: Children should have their hearing tested before starting school, and vision exams starting at 6 months of age. Parents should watch for signs of hearing or vision loss and consult their child's

pediatrician right away for testing.

3. Flu Shots: Flu vaccination is recommended every year for everyone over 6 months of age. The flu is dangerous to children and sometimes results in death.

4. Childhood Vaccinations: Vaccines are necessary to help protect children and others against disease, and often required for children to attend school. Common immunizations for school-aged children could include meningitis, Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis), measles, mumps, rubella, polio, chicken pox, and HPV. Talk to your pediatrician to determine which immunizations your child needs and how often. Visit the NYC Department of Education for a full list of immunization requirements.

5. Nutrition: It's important to help kids make healthy food choices that include five servings of fruits and vegetables each day and limit added sugars found in candy and juices. Starting the day with a good breakfast may help kids focus better in school and be more productive.
6. Sleep: Adequate sleep helps keep kids focused each day at school. Preschoolers typically require 11-13 hours each night and children aged 5 to 12 need about 10-11 hours of sleep. To keep a consistent sleep schedule kids should sleep in the same room each night and TV should stay out of the bedroom.

7. Routines: Consistent routines help keep children alert and productive during the school year. Afterschool routines should consist of a healthy snack before homework, at least an hour of physical activity, no more than two hours of TV or video games, and at least eight hours of sleep each night.

8. Physical Activity: Parents should encourage their kids to do a variety of activities each day to keep them active. It's recommended that kids get 60 minutes of play with moderate to vigorous activity every day to maintain a healthy weight.

9. Street Smarts: Kids need to be reminded about pedestrian safety. Review the importance of stop, look and listen when crossing the street, being alert and not distracted while walking, and always make sure children are accompanied by an adult walking to and from school.

10. Limited Screen Time: It's easy for kids to go overboard with the amount of time spent in front of TV, computers, and video games. Parents should monitor the amount of time kids spend in front of the screen and limit it to no more than two hours each day.

Talk to your child's pediatrician if you have questions about your child's health or immunization status. To locate health services near you visit [www.nyc.gov/hhc](http://www.nyc.gov/hhc).

# Stepinac High School enrollment soars 53%

Classes for the new school year began today for Archbishop Stepinac High School's Freshman Class consisting of 213 students, representing yet another significant spike in enrollment that the 66-year-old, all boys school has experienced in recent years.

In fact, since the 2008-2009 school year when the freshman class consisted of 139 students, enrollment has soared 53%. “Equally significant is that over the same five-year period, the percentage of prospective students who indicated that Stepinac was their first choice also jumped sharply,” said Father Thomas Collins, President. He added, “Back then, 139 students put Stepinac first. This year, 242 made Stepinac number one, representing an astonishing 74% gain.”

The impact of soaring enrollment forced Stepinac this summer to create a wait list for the freshman class as well as hire eight new faculty members.

In explaining the striking difference that five years has made at Stepinac, Father Collins pointed out that today's freshman class will enjoy several advanced educational and extracurricular features and capabilities that were not available to freshmen in 2008-2009. They include an all digital textbook library, the first of its kind in the nation; a state-of-the-art computer lab and physics lab; a synthetic turf athletic complex as well as

significant enhancements to the school's Major Bowes Theater and notable building façade, parking lot and grounds improvements.

“As these became a reality, we showcased them at our Open Houses. Over time, word-of mouth—combined with our marketing efforts—sparked increased interest among our target audience of middle-school boys and their parents,” Father Collins explained. “Given our school's tremendous progress and consistent record of shaping future leaders by providing an outstanding academic education grounded on strong Roman Catholic values and traditions, it comes as no surprise why so many more prospective students and their parents are knocking on our doors.”

Geographically, each of the key areas where Stepinac draws enrollment—the Bronx, lower and Central Westchester—have shown increases over the past five years. But, the school has also been steadily attracting students from northern Westchester, a trend which is expected to continue in the years ahead.

The catalyst that sparked Stepinac's seemingly overnight enrollment success story was the decision that the Archdiocese of New York made five years ago for 10 of its high schools including Stepinac to become independently chartered. In so doing, each school would be responsible for budgeting, fund

raising, marketing and other governance functions associated with running a successful educational institution. As part of its new independent status, Stepinac created a Board of Trustees comprising prominent alumni and other leaders who have been committed to chart the school's new future. In 2011, it appointed Father Collins, a Stepinac alum (Class of 1979) as its ninth leader. Previously, he served as Stepinac's Associate Dean of Students.

“The key to Stepinac's success has been the tremendous generosity and support of our alumni who have made it possible to raise and invest several millions of dollars to help keep our school at the forefront of secondary education in the region,” Father Collins related. “I cannot imagine how this remarkable story can be told without their fierce loyalty and commitment.”

And there's more on the way. Sometime later this fall, the school's new video conference center, located adjacent to the library, will open. It will not only enhance Stepinac's ability to communicate with its core constituents but it will be used by students to interface with their counterparts in foreign countries, a likely outcome from Stepinac's recent hosting of students from China. “A new and exciting chapter in education is happening and Stepinac is proud to help lead the way,” Father Collins stated.

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**BY DOROTHEA POGGIE**

Update on Throggs Neck, Brush Avenue, Ferry Point. I first want to say that I look with pride at the up and coming community leaders that will carry on the hard work of so many others that came before them. You are appreciated. I also want to say that I do not agree with 17 year olds serving on our distinguished and important Community Boards. At that age young adults are not experienced enough to see the broader picture of the many balances that come with each change to a community.

Friends of Ferry Point Park in coordination with East Bronx Coastal Working Group is working on a "Canoe mobile" Event that will bring "Wilderness Inquiry" with their 10 person canoes to the park.

100 sixth? Graders learn to canoe and enjoy the waterways. Another event will be happening on shore while the designated children each spend 10-15 minutes in the canoes. Of course qualified Canoe persons will accompany each canoe to do this properly "safety comes first". Next week I should have the particulars. We can use adult volunteers to just "be there" for the children. Call me to discuss school needs to bus their children and we could use contributions for a box lunch? to recommend a particular school...917-741-2768

Don't forget to join us to discuss your future Waterfront uses, protection from Flooding, and Evacuation

suggestions at the upcoming public meeting being held Weds. Sept. 17th 6:30-8:30 pm at providence Rest Nursing Home, 3304 Waterbury Ave., Bronx, NY (Held by the NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program). Info at [www.stormrecovery.ny.gov/nyrcr](http://www.stormrecovery.ny.gov/nyrcr)

Many of us have been representing on this "NY Rising" committee (made up of your neighbors that was formed a few months ago). These meetings have proven to be a very productive way to gather information about each neighborhoods unique waterfront concerns. Join us for this next Public meeting and make sure we are getting your specific concerns in. As leader of the East Bronx Coastal Working Group which is an offshoot of Bronx Council for Environmental Quality, Friends of Ferry Point Park and FP Community Advocates I have been able to contribute a lot of information that may help us deal with resiliency. Karen Argenti of the EBCWG and BCEQ Water Committee also joined me to offer suggestions to NY Rising. The many meetings for the Long Term Control Plan for Pugsley, Westchester Creeks along with the Hutchinson River Restoration Project further educated me as to the Rain fall problems we face with our limited sewage filtration systems and the dangers our waterways face. The innovative community driven plans that are made through this NY Rising Program can serve our community

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in various ways now and in our future.

Brush Avenue continues to be dangerously blocked by the double buses that are towed to HOPenn daily. These buses are too big for this limited site to work on without abusing the safety of pedestrians, oncoming vehicles. Although we have reached out to Senator Kleins Office to stop the encroaching uses by HOPenn, Pepsi and UPS so far it has not helped. We tried to work directly with these companies but the established chain of commands changes frequently and our hard work to establish a respect for each other's uses of this busy street falls apart each time a manager is changed. The people and contacts we establish change too frequently for us to maintain a relationship with our lack of staff. Soooo it has to come down to what is legal and what is not.

Throggs Neck Mall is going along slower than we expected and we are concerned that if the High quality name brands do not sign up we may end up with stores that are not as reputable just so the rent is paid. This was a fear that came up originally when we heard that instead of the Offices on top and the Target and TJ Maxx below we were get-

ting 30 plus stores in a strip mall as well. Again we cross our fingers and hope for the best as it is again out of our hands.

The Capri/Whitestone Motel is up for sale. James Vaccas comment that there is not enough transportation for us to worry about a homeless shelter is a true statement, as most shelters are arranged to be near a Train Line. Our fear comes from the addition or extended bus lines that we feel will come when the Shopping Center is complete and also the fact that the City did use this Motel for temporary housing at times. We still hope that Trump or Simone will snatch up this property and make something more useful for the changed neighborhood that will be profitable for them. If the City Planning "Hutchinson River Corridor Study" does plan on switching the entrance and exit on the Hutch. Pkwy. Service road (Near Pepsi), the exit to the Motel should be considered in this change to be rearranged to enter back to the Hutch and over to Queens which would be convenient for Travelers to the Airport.

The Unionport Bridge Reconstruction has been brought up at various meetings pertaining to Traffic, Waterfront and Economic projects. Dredging of Westchester Creek would allow Schildwachter Fuel to bring in full tankers and therefore less bridge openings per month possibly reducing the price of Oil and the traffic. Extensions

of walkways and the three Greenways over the Bridge on both sides with bike paths will encourage cycling to work along Brush Avenue and E. Tremont and increase Ferry Point and Pelham Bay Park use. With designated lanes to and from Zerega onto and off of the Unionport Bridge there should be a significant reduction in backed up traffic on the East and West sides of the Bruckner Interchange. The future Tommy Hilfiger/Paragon Mall should benefit from the expanded Bridge and be less of a traffic problem if designed properly from the beginning. There is enough room for a sensible design for this Mall which could be successful for years if it is the most pleasant, exciting, shopping experience in the Bronx. Note\* the ugly Earth Transfer station across on Zerega should be moved to a more appropriate site and allow a more visually appealing view from the new Paragon Mall to enhance the whole waterfront experience opening the access to the water while possibly providing outdoor dining?.

The Home Depot is working out fine; except for the kind of ugly view from Brush Avenue and the capping on the short retaining walls need to be replaced.

The four Vendors that slow down traffic daily, with double parked trucks and cars waiting for their food to be prepared are a nuisance and especially the step van on the corner of our residential section which does not fit in to the zoning of our

area and is actually on sidewalk property.

Unitron has planted some short shrubs in front of his office which I believe is an attempt to stop the garbage from the vendor's customers and home depot bags from constantly blowing over to his property.

Ciminello Properties has a new Tenant in the 711-713 Building. There are Grocery Haulers and supposedly a Bakery Supply Company will find a new home here.

Cablevision continues to block Schley Avenue each morning, across the street 515 Brush Avenue (former home of Joanne Miller) has been purchased supposedly by a developer for a small warehouse. The property has been cleared away and only the House stands which seems to have been gutted out. Best wishes to Joanne we will miss her representation on the Community Board and her wit and charm. With the entire goings on in this neighborhood I hope James Vacca and BP Rubin Diaz, ask Tom Lucania to pull out one of my 8 or more applications for a voluntary position on Community Board 10 so we have someone who networks with the entire Borough to represent this mixed use area of the Bronx.

B.A.S.E. Animal Shelter Endeavor continues to collect petitions and are encouraged by Senator Kleins adoption Van and his acknowledgment of the need for a full service shelter in the Bronx.

Well that's it for now.

**BY LYNN GERBINO**

Well, September is finally here, but the heat and humidity is still here. Hopefully, we will have some fall weather soon!

Our next meeting is on Tuesday, September 30th, at 7:30 p.m. at the Villa Barone Manor. I am working on speakers and, hopefully, can announce them soon.

**BIG ANNOUNCEMENT** --I have started a Throggs Neck Homeowners Association Face Book page. So make sure you "like it" so you can learn about what is going on in the community as fast as possible. I hope to "see" you there! I will be posting announcements as soon as they come in so you

will be in the know asap

The Department of Public Service sent a notice regarding the Lifeline Discount Telephone Service Program encouraging eligible consumers to enroll. If you want to know whether you are eligible for Lifeline, go to [www.askPSC.com](http://www.askPSC.com) consumer web site. I know there is an income limit, but it can't hurt to see if you are eligible.

Borough President Ruben Diaz Jr. invites all to an Educational Forum on Programs to Help Freeze Your Rent or Reduce Your Homeownership Costs on Wednesday, September 24, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the New York Public Library, 310 East Kingsbridge Road.

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### Throggs Neck Home Owners Assoc.

• **RENTERS**, did you know that more seniors and people with disabilities will now qualify for programs that will allow them to no longer rent increases? As of July 2014, income eligibility for individuals to qualify for SCRIE and DRIE programs has now increased to \$50,000 per year.  
• **SENIOR HOMEOWNERS**, did you know that you may qualify for additional tax exemptions?

Representatives from the New York City Department of Finance will be in attendance to discuss the following programs:  
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crease Exemption (SCRIE)  
• Disability Citizens Rent Increase Exemption (DRIE)  
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BY FRANK V. VERNUCCIO, JR.

No Bronx resident would dream of calling the Sanitation Department to put out a fire, or of asking the police to pick up garbage. But that clarity of mission is missing in Washington.

The White House is displaying a deeply disturbing, fundamental lack of comprehension concerning the role of the federal government, and the dominion of its various agencies. The problem is reflected in issues both foreign and domestic, and is profoundly changing the relationship between Washington, the states, and individual American citizens.

The White House response to the recent beheading of an American journalist, as well as the 9/11/12 attack on the U.S. facility in Benghazi is illustrative of this deep confusion. Each of these actions was military in nature, the former performed under the aegis of an adversarial armed force, the latter by organized terrorists using the weapons and tactics of war.

Rather than allow the appropriate organization,

The Department of Defense, to timely respond, the Justice Department was absurdly given jurisdiction. This is an irrational move for two key reasons. First, enemy military organizations are not vulnerable to nor concerned with American jurisprudence. Second, DOJ simply doesn't have the capability to bring a foreign military to heel. Indeed, as has been amply demonstrated, even the heroic arrest or elimination by Special Forces of individual culpable leaders, Osama bin Laden being a prime example, does nothing substantive to reduce the threat. Bin Laden is dead, but Islamic extremism is stronger than ever. Removing major figures has only strengthened the resolve of the movement, which now controls more territory than ever, a direct consequence of the Obama Administration's decision to prematurely remove U.S. forces from Iraq and its announcement of a departure date from Afghanistan.

Domestically, the Department of Justice has

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failed to prosecute the tidal wave of illegal aliens flooding through America's southern border, but has not hesitated to move against state and local officials seeking to do this vital task that the White House has abandoned.

The Department of Justice has repeatedly refrained from investigating fairly obvious actions which affected Americans' fundamental rights, including acts of voter intimidation, the harassment of journalists, and the abuse of the Internal Revenue Service involving partisan political attacks. It has also consistently interfered with states seeking to insure that their voter registration rolls are accurate.

While the Department of Justice is a key problem, other federal agencies have, during the tenure of the current White House, also been

responsible for numerous, dramatic and frequently unwarranted and constitutionally inappropriate increases in Washington's authority, endangering the rights and property of individual citizens and enterprises. The expansionist policies of the Environmental Protection Agency has caused significant harm and raised constitutional issues.

Washington's overreach has created a regulatory climate that is Kafkaesque.

In his 2013 testimony before the Congressional Committee on over-criminalization, John G. Malcolm of the Heritage Foundation Stated: "... buried

within the 51 titles of the United States Code and the far more voluminous Code of Federal Regulations, there are approximately 4,500 statutes and another 300,000 (or more) implementing regulations with potential criminal penalties for violations. There are so many criminal laws and regulations, in fact, that nobody really knows how many there are, with scores more being created every year. And that's just federal offenses."

It is clear that the Constitution never envisioned this vast and direct role for the federal government. The Bill of Rights' Tenth Amendment clearly states:

"The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people."

This combination of confused jurisdiction between individual federal agencies, combined with Washington's constitutionally inappropriate overreach into the jurisdiction of the states, reflects a government badly at odds with both common sense and its own founding principles.

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**Samuel Young  
Legion Post 620**

BY GEORGE AMATO

Good news - Doc Paul is home, and Ed McCarthy is doing well.

Meeting for the Legion will be the first Saturday of the month, October 5. Dues for the Legion and Sons of the Legion are due. Come on down!

Happy birthday to the U.S. Air Force, known during WW II as Army Air Corp. The official birthday is September 18, 1947.

Starting Friday, Happy

Hour at the Sam Young Pub. Hot dogs will be served from 4 to 6 p.m. Hours for the pub are Monday and Tuesday, closed; Wednesday and Thursday, 3 p.m. to midnight; Friday, Saturday and Sunday, noon to midnight.

Next county meeting is

October 7 at 7:30 p.m. at the John Fraser Bryan Post 19, Morris Park Community Center, 1824 Bronxdale Avenue. Mark it on your calendar if you would like to attend.

Thursday, September 11, the day the Bronx Times Reporter is available, let us never forget that fateful day and remember all in your prayers.

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## Cross County Fall Flicks

Cross County Shopping Center announced that it will be extending its 60th anniversary celebration into fall with a new lineup of events and entertainment for the community called Fall Flicks. For four consecutive weekends in September and October, the events will feature entertainment, outdoor movie showings, food trucks and more.

"We were so pleased with the excitement around our SummerFest entertainment for our 60th anniversary this year that we wanted to extend the celebration into the autumn season with our very first fall movie series," said Liz Pollack, Senior Marketing Manager, Cross

County Shopping Center. "Local families and visitors alike are encouraged to come to the mall to watch popular family-friendly movies, bring their lawn chairs and blankets and enjoy all the entertainment Fall Flicks has to offer."

Each night, the event will begin at 7:00pm on The Green (the center of the mall) with family entertainment, including a meet-and-greet with cartoon characters. The movie will start on an outdoor big screen when the sun goes down at about 7:30pm, including one movie showing set up like a drive-in movie reminiscent of the 1950s. To coincide with the celebration, select retailers will be offering exclusive coupons to shoppers.

The movie lineup, sponsored by Westchester Com-

munity College, is as follows: Saturday, September 20, Frozen; Friday, September 26, The Avengers; Friday, October 3, Maleficent; and Friday, October 10, The Princess Bride (drive-in movie - attendees should park their vehicles on the north lot, facing Cross County Parkway).

Cross County Shopping Center is also offering VIP seats through a social media campaign using #FallFlicksCC where followers and fans can post about their favorite movies on Facebook.com/crosscountysmallshoppingcenter. For more information about Fall Flicks at Cross County Shopping Center, please visit [www.cross-countycenter.com](http://www.cross-countycenter.com).

**BY JOSEPH ODDO**

Reminders: Please note our new mailing address. You can find it in our last paragraph. We will no longer be using a mailbox address. Please mail your membership dues of \$10 to our new address. The Pelham Bay Taxpayers is on its summer break. We will meet again this coming September 23. Our new mailing address is Maryann Maiorana, attention Pelham Bay Taxpayers And Civic Association, 1720 Mayflower Ave. apt. 9H, 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.

Its back to school we at the Pelham Bay Taxpayers wish all the parents, teachers, principals, and students a successful and effortless ( really want to say trauma free ) transition back into the academic world. Wishing you all the best of success!

Community Board 10 extends a special invitation to all members of our community to attend the Throggs Neck September 11, 2014, remembrance ceremony. 7:00 PM. The ceremony will be held at the intersection of Cross Bronx Expressway and E. Tremont Avenue by the firehouse at 3929 E. Tremont Avenue. The ceremony will commence at 7:00 pm.

On September 5, Governor Cuomo proclaimed September as Prepared-

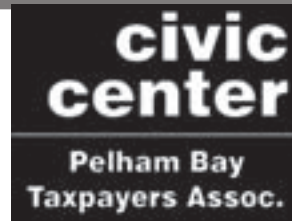
ness Month and announced new Citizen Preparedness Corps training sessions across New York State.

Interested in attending a Citizen Preparedness Corps training session in your area? Visit [www.prepare.ny.gov](http://www.prepare.ny.gov) to register and view the full list of courses, which are updated regularly. We also urge New Yorkers to sign up for the Skilled Volunteers Registry, where those with a skill or trade can volunteer to help your communities overcome and recover quickly after a disaster or other type of emergency.

Administered by the New York National Guard, the training course provides an introduction to responding to a natural or man-made disaster. At completion, participants will receive a certificate and a free Citizen Preparedness Starter Kit (one per family). The kit includes a first-aid kit, face mask, pocket radio with batteries, food bars, emergency blanket and other key items to help citizens in the immediate aftermath of a disaster.

Severe storms are the new normal and we must continue to raise awareness of the importance of a rapid and efficient response when disaster strikes. With these additional courses in our communities and online, New Yorkers will be more prepared now than ever before.

Parking, Parking, and more Parking, maybe if I the Bronx Times and chan-



nel 12 news dedicate all their coverage for the next year to the need of municipal parking in our communities something might get done about it. Now please don't take comment seriously. I am frustrated by the City's response to often made request for municipal parking. The response has for the last four years been the same "we don't do that".

Well, the "we don't do that" is really not all that truthful a statement. John Doyle this past Sunday afternoon texted me the following: Just saw something the Bx12 bus advertising the new 150 spot Park and Ride in the new Fresh Kills station. Kind of throws cold water on the whole "we can't have it here" argument. I agree with John.

We live in a community that every morning gets flooded with MTA workers who work on the Pelham Bay number six line. They come to work and take up what ever street-side parking spaces are available. The number of these civil servant commuters are further augmented by the Westchester County commuters who drive down and park their cars before taking the MTA express bus or the number six sub-

way into Manhattan. This situation leaves little or no parking for our neighbors who come home after a full nights work or for the shoppers who wish to frequent our shopping districts.

Do we need municipal parking lots in our community you bet we do. Lets not forget that if shoppers can't park their cars in our shopping districts they will shop elsewhere. We lose the shoppers we lose the shops. We lose the shops we lose the jobs. We lose the jobs the City loses tax revenues.

So the argument "we can't have it here" meaning we can't have a parking lot at the end of the number six line is a non starter.

Fresh Kills Staten Island is a community that demographically is very similar to Pelham Bay, Country Club, Spencer Estates, and Throggs Neck. If they can have a 150 car municipal lot to serve their train station there is no reason why we can't have one here.

The Pelham Grand, Martine Prince the Chairman of Community Board 10 is in the process of establishing a Community Advisory Committee to assist the management of the AS-CNYC operations that appear to be locating there.

The call for geriatric medical services is being repeated and is being heard in some political quarters. We have also been reaching out to the private sector for cooperation in establishing these much needed services for our community.

The Pelham Bay Taxpayers are committed to seeing, that additional senior housing and services be a part of the present or future use of these premises.

In last weeks article it was reported that on the afternoon of August 22, 2014, around 4pm on Jarvis Ave across the Street from PS 71 a senior citizen was mugged while coming home from shopping. A teenager about 15 years old attempted to grab her bag. She resisted. In the struggle she fell or was pushed to the ground. Resulting in a broken shoulder, a broken femur near her hip joint, eight stitches to the side of her head, assorted bruises and contusions.

Well, there is good news to report and there is also some news that is not so good. The good news is that a 16 year old has been arrested for this crime. The not so good news is that this character struck three times. Last year in Pelham Bay Park he attacked a senior and was arrested for that mugging. The woman who was mugged refused to press charges because she did not want to get involved with the criminal justice system.

This year this character and a friend choose Pelham Bay because as he stated: there are senior women here who make an easy target.

In the last two weeks he not only attacked the lady on Jarvis Ave. But last week

he also attacked a lady on Mahan Ave. It appears that his physical attacks were not accidents. He attacks with the intent to incapacitate his victim. The lady in the Mahan attack suffered meaningful head trauma.

The officers of the 45 deserve a well earned thank you for quickly solving this case and arresting this predator.

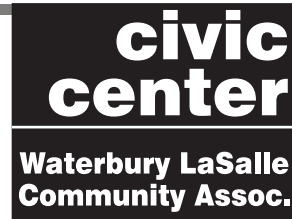
If it has not already been decided, this unremorseful predator must be charged and tried as an adult. His behavior and lack of remorse requires that our seniors and the seniors of Coop City where he is from be protected from his callous, indifferent, and aggravated disregard for life. Beating down a senior is only a hair away from an assault being a murder.

This predator must be put away for a meaning full amount of time.

The next Pelham Bay Taxpayers meeting will held on September 23, 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. Our speakers will be announced in future articles.

We hope that you are having a safe and wonderful summer.

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



bill, he enters your house, usually with an accomplice that has been hiding close by. They then proceed to rob you and if you resist God only knows what can happen.

The most important thing to remember is NEVER to let someone into your house that you have not called there. It is also a good idea not to answer the door to someone that you do not know.

A few years ago our

community tried to organize a community patrol group in coordination with the 45th precinct. With a downturned economy and many desperate people on the prowl, it may be a good time to re-visit this again. If enough people join, your commitment would be small compared to what you would gain by having a patrol in our community.

So, the first step to a safer community is for everyone to get involved. Start by attending the meeting with Captain McGowan on Friday, September 12th. . We hope to see you there. Of course, refreshments will be served!

**BY TONY SALIMBENE**

Reminder again, next meeting for Post 253 will be the 3rd Sunday of the month, September 21, at the Turner Club, 10:30 a.m. coffee, 11 a.m. sharp meeting and noon in the Turner's Club Room. We have some transfers and new members scheduled to attend so let's be extra sharp!

The Bronx County American Legion meeting will be on the 10th, 7:30 p.m. at Hawkins Post, City Island Avenue. All legionnaires are welcome and encouraged to attend. The October 7th meeting will be at Bryant Post 19 on Bronxdale Ave. Mem-



bership Vice Commanders from all Bronx posts should plan to attend.

There will be a Healthy Lifestyles Challenge, sponsored by Community Board 10, Saturday, September 20 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Middletown Road area benches. Free give-away stuff while it lasts. All invited..

Best wishes, prayers for a speedy recovery to Dr. paul of Post 620.

**BY MARY JANE MUSANO**

Our September membership meeting has been changed from Thursday, September 11th to Friday, September 12th due to the many remembrance ceremonies being held on that day. We meet at PS 14 at 7:30 pm in the cafeteria. Please alert your friends and neighbors to the change.

Our guest speaker will be Captain James McGowan from the 45th precinct so it is sure to be an exciting and informative meeting. This is your opportunity to find out what is going on in our neighborhood. What things should you look out for? Is crime up or down in our community? What can you do to protect yourself

and your family? Come to the meeting and get the information you need to stay safe.

One way to stay safe is to watch out for your neighbors. If you see something suspicious call 911 immediately even if you are not sure that there is truly something wrong. It is the job of the police to check it out. It is always better to be safe than sorry.

One thing we have to be alerted to is a scam regarding your Con-Edison bill. In most cases it goes like this. A man rings your bell and tells you that he can lower or freeze your Con Edison charges. He then asks you to get your bill. When you leave your door to get your



LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE

Name of LLC: Axella Research LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State: 7/29/14. Office loc.: Bronx Co. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Daniel B. Frier, Esq., Frier Levitt, LLC, 84 Bloomfield Ave., Pine Brook, NJ 07058. Purpose: any lawful act.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of GGC REALTY GROUP LLC, a domestic or foreign Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State on 4/18/14. NY Office location: BRONX County. Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him/her to GCC Realty Group LLC 2181 White Plains Road Bronx NY 10462. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

LEGAL NOTICE

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LEGAL NOTICE

**Notice of Formation** of G & M Realty II LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/29/14. Office location: Bronx County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 1605 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Bronx, NY 10453 Purpose: any lawful activity.

LEGAL NOTICE

**Notice of Formation** of Greater Works Wellness, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/31/14. Office location: Bronx County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 2429 East Tremont Ave., Bronx, NY 10461. Purpose: any lawful activity.

LEGAL NOTICE

**NOTICE OF FORMATION** of limited liability company (LLC). Name: THE BONE-YARD, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/18/2014. Office location: Bronx County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: THE LLC 213 FORDHAM STREET BRONX, NY 10464. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

LEGAL NOTICE

**Notice of Formation** of Maria Isabel Members LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/18/14. Office location: Bronx County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The Promesa Housing Development Fund Corporation, 1776 Clay Avenue, Bronx, NY 10457. Purpose: any lawful activity.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF: One Clear Choice Multiservice, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on: 12/11/2013. Office location: BRONX County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. The Post Office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is: 2328 Morris Avenue #1, Bronx, NY 10468. The principal business address of the LLC is: 2328 Morris Avenue #1, Bronx, NY 10468. Purpose: any lawful act.

LEGAL NOTICE

SCOTT AVENUE LLC Art. Of Org. Filed Sec. of State of NY 8/4/2014.Off. Loc.:Bronx Co. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY to mail copy of process to The LLC,2419 Crotona Avenue, Bronx, NY 10458. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

LEGAL NOTICE

**Notice of Formation** of G & M PROPERTIES II L.P. Certificate filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/31/2014. Office location: Bronx County. SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LP, 1605 Dr. MLK Jr. Blvd., Bronx, NY 10453. Name/address of each genl. ptr. available from SSNY. Term: until 12/31/2113. Purpose: any lawful activity.

LEGAL NOTICE

**State of Connecticut**  
Superior Court Judicial District of Stamford/Norwalk at Stamford  
NOTICE TO JULIO HERRERA:  
A Complaint has been filed seeking a divorce based on No Fault. Return Date: 10/21/14. The Court finds the current address of the defendant is unknown, all reasonable efforts to find him have failed and his last known address was 2253 University Avenue, Apt. 2D, Bronx, N.Y. The Court orders notice to be given to the defendant by placing a legal notice of this Order of Notice in The Bronx Times. Automatic Court Orders have been issued in this case as required by Section 25-5 CT Practice Book and are part of the Complaint on file with the Court. The notice shall appear once a week for two successive weeks commencing on or before 10/2/14, and proof of service shall be filed with this court. H. Valassis, Asst. Clerk of Court.  
A true copy, Attest, Paul Verille, Fairfield County.

LEGAL NOTICE

1208 Stratford Avenue Inc. has applied for eating place, beer to the NYS Liquor Authority. Serial #1003142.  
1208 Stratford Ave.  
Bronx, NY 10472

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a restaurant/wine license, has been applied for by the undersigned to sell Wine/Beer under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 40 E. 167th Street, Bronx, NY, for on-premises consumption.  
BY: La Nueva Wing Hing Rest. Inc.  
40 E. 167th Street  
Bronx, NY 10452

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Bronx County on Sept. 2, 2014, bearing Index Number NC-000360-14/BX, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk, located at 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY 10451, grants me (us) the right to: Assume the name of (First) Atif (Middle) Ali (Last) Iftikhar. My present name is (First) Atif (Middle) Ali (Last) Butt AKA Atif A. Butt AKA Atif Butt. My present address is 3560 Olinville Ave, Apt 2K, Bronx, NY 10467. My place of birth is Bronx, NY. My date of birth is August 20, 1996.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE  
SUPREME COURT: BRONX COUNTY. H & J INC., Pltf. vs. RAMDAI SOOKHDEO, et al, Defts. Index #381760/08. Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale dated Mar. 15, 2013 and order dated June 5, 2014, I will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on Monday, Sept. 22, 2014 at 2:00 p.m., prem. k/a 4441 Carpenter Avenue, Bronx, NY. Said property located at a point in the westerly side of Carpenter Ave. formerly Catherine St. distant 175.01 ft. southerly from the intersection of the westerly side of Carpenter St. formerly Catherine St. and southerly side of 239th St., being a plot 25 ft. x 100.01 ft. Approx. amt. of judgment is \$233,338.65 plus costs and interest. Sold subject to terms and conditions of filed judgment and terms of sale. KIM RAMOS, Referee. LAW OFFICES OF JOSEPH A. ALTMAN, P.C., Attys. for Pltf., 951 Bruckner Blvd., First Floor, Bronx, NY. #84589

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT  
BRONX COUNTY  
Nationstar Mortgage LLC, Plaintiff against Ibet Hernandez, 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 Entered June 23rd, 2014  
I will sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder at the Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Room 600, Bronx, NY 10451 on October 6th, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. Premises known as 1970 East Tremont Avenue, Apt. 10C A/K/A 1970 East Tremont Avenue, Bldg. N-5 #10C A/K/A 1970 East Tremont Avenue, Bldg. 102 #10C, Bronx, NY 10462.Sec N/A Block 3944 Lot 2285.  
The Unit known as Apartment No. 10C thereafter called “the Unit” in the Building known as Number N-5 and by the street number 1970 East Tremont Avenue, in the Borough and County of The Bronx, City and State of New York Approximate  
Amount of Judgment is \$78,847.22 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index No 380443/2012 .  
Anthony P. Delorenzo, Esq. , Referee

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  
Index No: 381990/10  
GARY ST ARMAND, et al.,  
Defendant(s)  
Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered in the Bronx County Clerk's Office on 1/7/2014, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction, at Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse Room 600, Bronx, NY on 10/6/2014 at 2:00 pm, premises known as 1594 Unionport Road # 3g Bronx, NY 10462, and described as follows:  
The Unit know as apartment No. 3G in the Declaration establishing the Parkchester North Condominium, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of the Bronx, the City and State of New York, designated on the tax maps of the Bronx County Treasurer as Section 15, Block 3944 and Lot 1645. Together with an undivided .0282 percent interest appurtenant to the unit in the common elements of the property.  
The approximate amount of the current Judgment lien is \$183,901.76 plus interest and costs. The premises will be sold subject to provisions of the aforesaid Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale; 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 Mortgagee's attorney.  
David P. Lesch, Esq., Referee,  
Leopold & Associates, PLLC, 80 Business Park Drive, Suite 110, Armonk, NY 10504 Dated: 7/28/2014 File Number: 71064661 GR

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT  
COUNTY OF BRONX WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff, against CHARMINE A. BARRETT, ADLIN MCZORN, et al., Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 4/11/2014 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, City of Bronx, NY on 09/29/2014 at 02:00PM, premises known as 3303 GUNTHER AVENUE, Bronx, NY 10469 All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Bronx, City and State of New York, BLOCK: 4750 LOT: 36. Approximate amount of judgment \$496,733.86 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 382404/09. Lorraine Vivian Coyle, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC, Attorney for Plaintiff, P.O. Box 540, Getzville, NY 14068 Dated: August 4, 2014 1106453

LEGAL NOTICE

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 September 22, 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 5015 and Lot 17. 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  
COUNTY OF BRONX WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff, against MICHAEL NUGENT, MARCIA NUGENT, et al., Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 12/24/2013 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, City of Bronx, NY on 09/22/2014 at 02:00PM, premises known as 2742 WESTERVELT AVENUE, Bronx, NY 10469 All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Bronx, City and State of New York, BLOCK 4537 LOT 27. Approximate amount of judgment \$265,575.37 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 381055/11. Heddyeh P. Broumand, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC, Attorney for Plaintiff, P.O. Box 540, Getzville, NY 14068 Dated: July 29, 2014 1105578

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT  
COUNTY OF BRONX U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR-IN-INTEREST TO WACHOVIA BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR PARK PLACE SECURITIES, INC. ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2004-WWF1, Plaintiff, against STEFAN SHILLINGFORD, et al., Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 3/6/2014 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, City of Bronx, NY on 09/22/2014 at 02:00PM, premises known as 1771 WEEKS AVENUE, Bronx, NY 10457 All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Bronx, City and State of New York, BLOCK: 2796 LOT: 41. Approximate amount of judgment \$389,890.85 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 380714/07. Gary S. Basso, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC, Attorney for Plaintiff, P.O. Box 540, Getzville, NY 14068 Dated: August 5, 2014 1106366

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# Last call for free High Holiday seats

Rosh Hashana will be here in two weeks, September 25 and 26 and Yom Kippur comes the following week on October 3 and 4.

So, if you don't have your High Holiday tickets, it's still not too late to make your reservations with

Temple Hatikva at Bronx House, 990 Pelham Parkway South.

Temple Hatikva is offering full High Holiday services. Rosh Hashana services will be held on Thursday and Friday, September 25 and 26 at 10 a.m.

A Kiddush will be held after each service.

Yom Kippur services will be held on October 3 (Kol Nidre) and 4, both beginning at 10 a.m.

Tickets for the High Holiday services are free, but are now being provided on

a first-come, first-served basis. To reserve your seats, you must call Temple Hatikva at (917) 453-7557 or send e-mail to TempleHatikva@aol.com.

Scott Davis, Temple Hatikva President, noted: "We promise you a religious

and uplifting experience at Temple Hatikva. No matter your level of Judaism, we will insure that you understand our services and that you can always participate."

Cantor Kyle Cherry added: "We want everyone

who attends our services to come away with a real sense of religious satisfaction. Rabbi Harry and myself do everything we can to make our services a wonderful experience for our congregants, friends and neighbors."

## BY CHRYS NAPOLITANO

It's been a busy few weeks with lots to talk about! First of all, the mystery of what exactly was growing on the vines winding their way around my tomato plants was solved: we harvested our first cantaloupe last week. I picked up some imported prosciutto and we wrapped up most of the wedges (I held back a couple of slices and had them with my yogurt the next morning). I had just harvested the fruit from my pear tree, so I sliced up a few, crumbled some Gorgonzola cheese and chopped walnuts over them, added a drizzle of balsamic vinegar and served them with the melon. Not sure if it was the company, the wine, the setting (my back porch on a warm early September evening) or the food, but it was a pretty perfect meal.

Earlier that day, we had returned from a weekend away at my cousin's family's weekend house on the Battenkill River in Washington County and our friends had just returned from a week's vacation also. While we ate, we shared vacation adventures. Our short time away had been quite memorable. My cousin's house is on the other side of the hill from Lewis Waite Farm, the Meat and Dairy CSA that we've been buying from for over five years now. Alan and Nancy, the farm's owners, were going to be out of town, so they arranged for their son Colin to show us around the farm.

I don't get to see my nieces and nephew often enough and wanted to be a part of something they would always remember, so I had a lot riding on these plans.

We arrived at the farm and parked near Alan and Nancy's house. The setting is bucolic. Their kitchen garden sat off to one side of the house, right next to the barn where Nancy's office is. The fields for the grazing of cows, pigs and chickens stretched off behind the house. We met Colin in one of the barns to the left of the house and we set off on our tour.

We walked through pastures and fields that had only recently been grazed by their 140 head of cattle. We climbed up high on to the tallest hill on their property and he showed us how much of the land around us that was theirs. We all asked questions and remarked at how beautiful a setting it was and how hard they all must work to keep it so. Colin was happy to tell us that while it was hard work, they had no debt, which seemed to be all that mattered.

While we were walking back down to the farmhouse, my cousin's husband noticed something in a grassy knoll off to the side of our path. He walked over and there was a newborn calf in the grass. At first he thought it was dead, but as soon as he got near it, the little guy raised up his head, took a look at the crowd of us and decided he would join us for a walk down the hill. Within ten steps, he had been named Theo. Colin explained to us that the calf had been left behind soon after he was born (he was covered in afterbirth and still had an umbilical cord), sometimes cows are not good mothers he explained. They would bring him over to where the herd was pasturing with the hopes of reuniting him with his mom. Sometimes another cow might let him

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nurse, but if not, they would bottle feed him.

Theo started to get tired on the walk down, so Colin picked him up and got him into the barn near the farmhouse. He then called one of the workers who came over with his truck and they loaded Theo into the back and we followed them as they drove over to the field where the cows had been moved to that morning. We stood in the pasture with all the cows as they chewed on grass while the other calves frolicked around them. Colin gently got Theo out of the truck and we all watched him as he tried to locate his mom.

We left after about 15 minutes, it was lunchtime and we didn't want to disrupt their busy day any more than we already had. A few days later, when Alan arrived at my house for a delivery, he gave me the sad news that poor Theo hadn't made it.

I wasn't surprised, he didn't look too good. Not that I know much about cows, but he was struggling. My cousin called later that day to see if I'd gotten a good report from Alan and I told her the truth, with the option of lying to her children if she wanted to. But despite the end result, my nieces and nephew really enjoyed their experience and thanked me profusely. So if they go through their lives thinking that Theo lived out his years as a bull on a farm, then so be it.

Our other story to tell during dinner had to do with a discovery my husband had made the day before we left for the weekend. He and his boss were looking for a missing piece of hardware for a project and were heading to a storage shed at the back of the parking lot behind one of the buildings. There, in the back of the parking lot was a giant peach tree loaded with ripe peaches. His boss explained that the husband of one of the company's owners had planted the tree 30 years ago and that for years, he and the other workers would sit under the tree and have lunch. He had retired four years ago and nobody had been caring for the tree, so the peaches rotted and fell to the ground.

The whole time we were away, I kept thinking about that tree and how I was going to send him to work with a canvas tote bag to fill up, which he did on that Monday morning. I weighed them when he got home and there was 20 pounds of peaches. Some were very ripe, so I immediately peeled them and made preserves. A friend had given me a package of pectin, which I'd never used before, so I gave it a try. The good thing was that I didn't have to use as much sugar, but I thought the pectin made the preserves a little too firm. But nevertheless, the jars of preserves my husband brought into work the next day were distributed to owner, office manager and boss, ensuring our access to that tree next year.

This past weekend, we went to the Sisters Servants of Mary Flea Market. While walking through the sale, we noticed that there were two plum trees on the back of the

property that were filled with fruit. The amount of fruit on the ground around the trees meant that they were not keeping up with the harvest and so we asked Sr. Puri if we could come back later and pick some. She said sure, especially with the promise of preserves for the sisters, and we came back later on at 5pm, after all the shoppers and vendors had left.

We picked 18 pounds of plums and as soon as we got home, we fired up some boiling water and began the process of peeling the ripe ones. I made another batch of preserves, but I didn't have enough pectin this time and the batch came out runny. As soon as I finish submitting this column, I'm running to the store to buy more and I will heat the batch up and add more so I can get a firmer product.

Nevertheless, I have a quart jar reserved for the sisters, which I will drop off on Tuesday when I bring them our extra CSA veggies.

I did find a great item at the sale too: a small soup tureen in the shape of a head of cabbage and a set of cabbage leaf plates. I got them home and remembered the two small heads of CSA Napa cabbage that were still in the vegetable drawer. I took out a package of spicy sausage from the freezer and let it thaw out overnight.

On Sunday, I cleaned up and sliced the cabbage, the volume was the same as a regular head of cabbage. Using a large enameled cast iron pot, I heated up three tablespoons of bacon fat and then added the cabbage, tossing to coat. With the heat on medium, I covered the pot and put the timer on for a half hour. 15 minutes in, I

turned on the oven to 325 degrees to warm it up.

When the timer went off, I uncovered the pot, added two tablespoons of sugar, 1/4 cup of the Currant Vinegar I made last year and 2 cups of the Chicken Broth I made in May (CSA Cooking Class). A little salt and pepper plus some dried Summer Savory, a stir to combine and then I popped the spicy sausage on top of the cabbage mixture, covered the pot and back in the oven for 45 minutes. When the timer went off, I took the cover off the pot and back in the oven for another 15 minutes.

When it was finished, I transferred it all to my new cabbage tureen and served it on the plates with a spoonful of Jalepeno Spiked Apple-sauce (mine of course, also from last year) on the side. It was just the easy to prepare dinner I needed while I made Plum Preserves. With the Fall season upon us, I hope you try this cabbage recipe. I hope you also make note of the fruit trees in our neighborhood. There are so many trees with fruit dying on the ground below it - food going to waste. If it's your tree, gather the fruit and share it with your neighbors.

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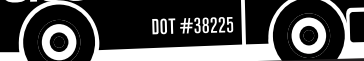
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SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BRONX DORAL BANK f/k/a DORAL BANK F.S.B., Plaintiff against 419 ESTATES LLC, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale dated July 24, 2014 and entered on July 29, 2014, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx Supreme Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY

on the 6th day of October, 2014 at 2:00 PM premises situated lying and being in the Borough and County of Bronx, City and State of New York, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the northerly side of 142nd Street, distant 200 feet easterly from the corner formed by the intersection of the easterly side of Willis Avenue with the northerly side of 142nd Street; being a plot 100 feet by 25 feet by 100 feet by 25 feet. Said premises known as 419 EAST 142ND STREET, BRONX, NY

Approximate amount of lien \$ 904,754.91 plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale. Index Number 35130/12E.

GERALD L. SHEIOWITZ, ESQ., Referee.  
SMITH, BUSS & JACOBS, LLP  
Attorney(s) for Plaintiff  
733 YONKERS AVENUE, YONKERS, NY 10704

LEGAL NOTICE

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BRONX NYCTL 1998-2 TRUST, and THE BANK OF NEW YORK as Collateral Agent and Custodian for the NYCTL 1998-2 Trust, Plaintiff against MARY WILLIAMS, if living and if he/she be dead, etc..., et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered herein and dated February 4, 2014, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx Supreme Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on the 6th day of October, 2014 at 2:00 PM premises situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Bronx, City and State of New York, bounded and described as follows:

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STEVEN J. BAKER, ESQ., Referee.  
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LEGAL NOTICE

File No. 282A-2007/A  
CITATION  
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CAUSE before the Surrogate's Court of the State of New York, County of Bronx, at the Surrogate's Court Building, 851 Grand Concourse, Room 406, Bronx, New York 10451, on October 7, 2014, at 9:30 a.m., why the Court should not grant the following relief: that the account of the Public Administrator of the County of Bronx, a summary of which will be served therewith, as Administrator of the Estate of RUBEN D. CARABALLO, also known as RUBEN CARABALLO, deceased, who at the time of his death was a domiciliary of 805 Taylor Avenue, Apt 1A; Bronx, New York 10473, be judicially settled; that the Administrator be allowed its statutory charges calculated pursuant to SCPA 1106(3); that the commissions calculated pursuant to SCPA 2307 and 1106(1) & (2) be allowed; that the funeral claim of Nurys Caraballo, also known as Nuris Caraballa, Nuris Caraballo, Nury Caraballo and Mury A. Caraballo, in the approximate amount of \$1,755.00 be allowed; that, in the absence of anyone appearing and filing objections hereto, the entire net estate, which consists entirely of the cause of action proceeds, in the current net amount of \$30,936.01 after the deduction of the workers's compensation lien payment, legal fees and other disbursements listed as paid in the accounting, which will be further reduced by the funeral expenses, fee of the Guardian ad Litem(s) and the proper expenses of the within proceeding, be paid to the decedent's distributees as follows: up to the first \$50,000.00 and 50% of any balance remaining thereafter (of which there will be none) to Nurys Caraballo, also known as Nuris Caraballa, Nuris Caraballo, Nury Caraballo and Mury A. Caraballo, whose whereabouts are unknown, as and for her distributive share, by paying said sum, along with the amount due on her allowed funeral claim in the approximate amount of \$1,755.00, into Court, by disbursing said sums to the Commissioner of Finance of the City of New York, to the credit of Nurys Caraballo, also known as Nuris Caraballa, Nuris Caraballo, Nury Caraballo and Mury A. Caraballo, a person whose whereabouts are unknown, to be held subject to the further Order of this Court; 12.5% of any balance remaining after the first \$50,000.00 (of which there will be none) to Alejandro Caraballo, whose whereabouts are unknown, as and for her distributive share; 12.5% of any balance remaining after the first \$50,000.00 (of which there will be none) to Jose Caraballo, as and for his distributive share; and 12.5% of any balance remaining after the first \$50,000.00 (of which there will be none) to Hanoi Caraballo, as and for her distributive share; and that such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper be granted. Dated, Attested and Sealed, August 13, 2014. (L. S.) HON. NELIDA MALAVE-GONZALEZ Surrogate, Bronx County, Chief Clerk.

This Citation is served upon you as required by law. You are not obliged to appear in person. If you fail to appear it will be assumed that you consent to the proceedings, unless you file written objections thereto. You have a right to have an attorney-at-law appear for you, and you or your attorney may request a copy of the full account from the petitioner or petitioner's attorney. Attorney: Carl Lucas, Esq. Tel. No. 1-212-925-9100 Address: 85 Worth Street, 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10013

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TO: PATRICIO ALEJANDRO DELUC-CA

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LEGAL NOTICE

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF OBJECT OF ACTION SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF BRONX ACTION TO FORECLOSE A MORTGAGE INDEX NO. 381145/13 WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff, vs. DOMINGO MALDONADO, AND ALL THE HEIRS AT LAW, NEXT OF KIN, DISTRIBUTEES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, TRUSTEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, ASSIGNEES AND SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST OF ANY OF THE AFORESAID DEFENDANTS, NEXT OF KIN, DISTRIBUTEES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, TRUSTEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, ASSIGNEES AND SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST OF ANY OF THE AFORESAID CLASSES OF PERSON, IF THEY OR ANY OF THEM BE DEAD, AND THEIR RESPECTIVE HUSBANDS, WIVES OR WIDOWS, IF ANY, AND ALL OF WHOM AND WHOSE NAMES AND PLACES OF RESIDENCE ARE UNKNOWN TO PLAINTIFF, EXCEPT AS HEREIN STATED, ASSOCIATES FIRST CAPITAL CORPORATION SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO ASSOCIATES FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY, INC. SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO ASSOCIATES CONSUMER DISCOUNT COMPANY, INC., BRONX COUNTY CLERK, CITY REGISTER OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, BRONX COUNTY, CRIMINAL COURT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD, NEW YORK CITY PARKING VIOLATIONS BUREAU, NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT ADJUDICATION BUREAU, NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE, PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING THROUGH THE IRS, JOHN DOE (being fictitious, the names unknown to Plaintiff intended to be tenants, occupants, persons or corporations having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the property described in the complaint or their heirs at law, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, guardians, assignees, creditors or successors.) Defendant(s). MORTGAGED PREMISES: 2271 CRESTON AVENUE, Bronx, NY 10453 BLOCK 3171 LOT 26 TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT: 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, on the Plaintiff(s) attorney(s) within twenty

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). In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. The Attorney for Plaintiff has an office for business in the County of Erie. Trial to be held in the County of Bronx. The basis of the venue designated above is the location of the Mortgaged Premises. Dated this 5th day of September, 2014 Gross Polowy, LLC Attorney(s) for Plaintiff(s), 25 Northpointe Parkway, Suite 25, Amherst, NY 14228 TO: DOMINGO MALDONADO, Defendant(s) In this Action. The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication, pursuant to an order of HON. Wilma Guzman of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, dated the 6th day of August, 2014 and filed with the Complaint in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Bronx, in the City of Bronx. The object of this action is to foreclose a mortgage upon the premises described below, dated March 11, 2004, executed by Domingo Maldonado to secure the sum of \$236,698.00 and recorded at Instrument No. 2004000302186 in the Office of the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County, on May 13th, 2004; which mortgage was assigned by an Assignment executed May 2, 2012 and recorded on May 7, 2012, in the Office of the City Register of the City of New York, Bronx County at Instrument No. 2012000179755, 2271 CRESTON AVENUE, BRONX, NY 10453 SEE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION The property in question is described as follows: 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, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the Westerly side of Creston Avenue, distant 63 feet Southerly from the corner formed by the intersection of the Southerly side of 183rd Street with said Westerly side of Creston Avenue; RUNNING THENCE Westerly and parallel with the Southerly side of 183rd Street, 95 feet; THENCE Southerly and parallel with the Westerly side of Creston Avenue, 30 feet; THENCE Easterly again parallel with the Southerly side of 183rd Street, 95 feet to the Westerly side of Creston Avenue; THENCE Northerly along the said Westerly side of Creston Avenue, 30 feet to the point or place of BEGINNING. 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 Department of Financial Services at 1-877-BANK-NYS (1-877-226-5697) or the Foreclosure Relief Hotline 1-800-269-0990 or visit the department's website at WWW.DFS.NY.GOV. FORECLOSURE RESCUE SCAMS Be careful of people who approach you with offers to "save" your home. There are individuals who watch for notices 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 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 has 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 a 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 (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. DATED: September 5, 2014 Gross Polowy, LLC, Attorney(s) for Plaintiff(s) 25 Northpointe Parkway, Suite 25 Amherst, NY 14228. The law firm of Gross Polowy, LLC and the attorneys whom it employs are debt collectors who are attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained by them will be used for that purpose. 297484

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# Sale of Bronx GPO building

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nity members Congressman Jose Serrano, who said in a statement that the United States Postal Service sold one of the Bronx's most important community and historic treasures in a completely irresponsible manner, disregarding voices of the community.

The borough president had expressed concerns that the building would be turned into a storage unit, but his office seems to be pleased by the building's new owners.

"Our office has had several positive conversations with Youngwoo & Associates since the sale

was announced, and we are excited to see that this company is so enthusiastic not just about the future of the Bronx General Post Office, but the future of our entire borough," said John DeSio, communications director for Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz Jr. "We plan to meet with the company in the coming weeks to have a greater discussion about their innovative ideas for this historic space."

Community Board 4 members were frustrated by lack of community involvement in the sale of the building, said district manager Jose Rodriguez, but they are moving forward and are optimistic

about the potential uses for the site. Many community leaders are interested in seeing the building become a place of recreation, entertainment and dining for families in the community, looking at the Chelsea Market and Eatly as concepts.

"We would love to have that in our district," he said.

Whatever the ultimate vision is for the building, Rodriguez said he hopes the community will be involved in the planning process.

"We hope they give us the opportunity to have that conversation," said Rodriguez.



The buyer would also be bound to preserve the historic landmarked murals inside the post office and allow the public to view at least one time a month.  
Photo by Aracelis Batista

## Primary Day election results

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Riverdale and north into part of Yonkers.

### Jubilation for Klein

Klein, an east Bronx political lifer, celebrated with his team and supporters during his victory celebration at Maestro's shortly before 11 p.m. on primary night.

"I think most of all what gave me inspiration and what really grounded me were the residents of the 34th Senate District," said Klein during his victory speech, speaking of the campaign. "Those people are my friends and neighbors. Those are the people who stood with me my entire career, watched me grow in politics, but most of all taught me right from wrong, what it means to be a Democrat, what it means to be an elected official."

Meanwhile, fellow incumbent Gustavo Rivera, of the west Bronx's 33rd

district, celebrated with supporters at Escape Restaurant as results showed him besting challenger Fernando Cabrera in the primary.

"I am deeply grateful to the people of the Bronx, who have once again chosen to send me to Albany to deliver real results for our community," he said in a statement later. "Fundamentally, this race boiled down to a choice for our district -- between real progressive values that help Bronx families, and the divisive, counterproductive politics of the past."

In both races, a win in the Democratic Primary is effectively a win in November's general election, since there are no valid challengers running with other parties.

### New faces in Assembly

A former staffer for Barack Obama leads a pack

of primary winners in Democratic primary races across the borough.

Michael Blake celebrated after results showed him besting Marsha Michael, who had been backed by much of the Bronx Democratic political establishment, in the 79th district, which includes much of Morrisania and Tremont.

"The people really wanted this," he told the Bronx Times Reporter afterward. "The people showed very clearly that our message of bringing change to the Bronx is what they want to see."

Blake won with 37.4% of the vote, compared to Michael's 24.9%, according to preliminary results compiled by the Board of Elections.

A win in the assembly primaries is also tantamount to a win in November's general election.

Meanwhile, long time assemblyman Jose Rivera



Senator Jeff Klein, flanked by supporters, gave a rousing speech at Maestro's upon winning his party's nomination for the 34th district on Tuesday, September 9.  
Photo by Edwin Soto

routed challenger Fernando Tirado in the west Bronx 78th district.

Latoyna Joyner, a lawyer and avid member of Community Board 4, won the 77th district primary for a vacant seat — which includes Highbridge, Concourse and Morrisania —

in a landslide.

But one race has yet to be decided as of press time. Incumbent Victor Pichardo and challenger Hector Ramirez were neck in neck in the primary for the Democratic party nomination in the 86th district, which includes parts

of University Heights and Fordham.

Preliminary Board of Elections tallies had Pichardo trailing by just 11 votes. The absentees have not been counted yet. The clear-cut victor in this race may not be known for several weeks.

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STEVEN R. COSENZA AS HEIR AT LAW, NEXT OF KIN AND BENEFICIARY UNDER THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF JOHN J. CONSENZA; TERESA MAZZELLA A/K/A TERESA A. COSENZA AS HEIR AT LAW, NEXT OF KIN AND BENEFICIARY UNDER THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF JOHN J. COSENZA; JOHN DOE 1 THROUGH 50; JANE DOE 1 THROUGH 50, INTENDING TO BE THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN J. COSENZA WHO WAS BORN ON NOVEMBER 6, 1912 AND DIED ON MAY 14, 2012, A RESIDENT OF THE COUNTY OF BRONX, THEIR SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST IF ANY OF THE AFORESAID DEFENDANTS BE DECEASED, THEIR RESPECTIVE HEIRS AT LAW, NEXT OF KIN, DISTRIBUTES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, TRUSTEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, ASSIGNEES AND SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST OF THE AFORESAID CLASSES OF PERSON, IF THEY OR ANY OF THEM BE DEAD, AND THEIR RESPECTIVE HUSBANDS, WIVES OR WIDOWS, IF ANY, ALL OF WHOM AND WHOSE NAMES AND PLACES OF RESIDENCE ARE UNKNOWN TO THE PLAINTIFF; NEW YORK CITY PARKING VIOLATIONS BUREAU; NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT ADJUDICATION BUREAU; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; NEW YORK CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD ; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE ; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA - INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA O/B/O SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT;; "JOHN DOES" and "JANE DOES", said names being fictitious, parties intended being possible tenants or occupants of premises, and corporations, other entities or persons who claim, or may claim, a lien against the premises, Defendant(s),

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LEGAL NOTICE

Missing Persons and formal appointment of personal representative State of South Carolina, County of Berkeley in the probate court in Re: Estate of William S. Cohen Case No. 2014E508-439. Notice of Hearing

A hearing will be held on October 16, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. in the Probate Court

Berkeley County at 300B California Avenue, Moncks Corner South Carolina to find the whereabouts of William S. Cohen Jr. who may be an interested heir to the estate. William S. Cohen Jr. is required to appear on said date and time. Also to be heard is the formal petition of appointment of Personal Representative filed by Damon G Cohen. Please be present at said hearing if you are an heir or interested person in the estate of William S. Cohen.

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## PIPE DREAMS

By Bob Connolly

**WEEK 1**  
Jets 19 (1-0)  
Raiders 14 (0-1)

We saw Geno open the game making bad choices resulting in an INT and a lost fumble. He turned it around going 23/29 in the air with 1 INT. The Jets' D was impressive allowing only 158 total yds. The Jets even rushed for 212 yds. (102 by Ivory and 68 by Johnson).

Johnette Howard (ESPN.com) gave a few thoughts on game: "Oakland's rookie quarterback, Derek Carr, make the Jets pay for the error-strewn game Smith and the offense hung up, the scoring attempts they squandered and the offense's part in committing seven of those 11 penalties, three of them momentum-killers by veteran guard Willie Colon. (An eighth penalty for offensive holding was declined because Smith was sacked anyway.) But the Jets won't beat Aaron Rodgers and the Packers -- or survive the Bears, Lions, Chargers, Broncos and Patriots that come right after that -- if they're not sharper."

**Lions 35 (1-0)**  
**Giants 14 (0-1)**

This was a terrible game for a Giants fan to watch. The Lions had 341 yards in the air, while the Giants had 163- along with 2 INTs and two sacks. NY was 23% in 3rd down conversions. In

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# HAYES HANDLED BY POLY PREP IN SEASON OPENER



Poly Prep's running back Brenden Femiano breaks through the Cardinal Hayes defense.

Photo by Steve Schibbe

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

It certainly wasn't the type of start Cardinal Hayes was looking for in its first game and its season.

Mistakes, poor tackling and losing the battle at the line of scrimmage led to a 39-22 loss to visiting Poly Prep in a non-league football game at McCombs Dam Park last Saturday. The Cardinals, who will be playing at the highest level of the CHSFL for the first time since the late 1990's, fell behind as much as 32-0 in the first quarter. Hayes coach C.J. O'Neil felt the contest was a good eye opener for his team.

"We are stepping up," he said. "We didn't expect to step up and have anyone give us anything.

We are going to have to earn what we get."

Hayes was playing without star running back Tim Poindexter because of a shoulder injury. The reigning Bronx Times All-Bronx Player of the Year hurt it during a scrimmage against Bethel (Conn.) a week earlier. O'Neil said they are awaiting the result of a MRI to determine the severity of the injury.

It wasn't hard to see how the offense struggled without him going against Poly's massive offensive line. The Cardinals first points came on 23-yard touchdown run my Isaiah Covington with 8:33 to go in the third quarter. The junior carried the ball 14 times for 74 yards and quarterback Rob Nunez struggled as

well. Nunez, who was given little time to throw the ball, tossed an 8-yard touchdown pass to Jayvon Ingram, but also threw two interceptions.

"We made mental errors," O'Neil said. "When we clean those mental errors up we will be a good football team."

Poly's offense on the other hand pushed Hayes around and was aided by a blocked punt on the Cardinals second drive that set up a score. Blue Devils running back Brendan Femiano ran for 137 yards and touchdown on 13 carries and quarterback Chris Parker rushed for 91 yards on 11 carries. The highlight for the Cardinals on defense was Juwan DeVone stripping the ball from Parker and returning it

85 yards for a score in the third quarter.

"It's a tough thing to not tackle properly," O'Neil said. "When you are not coming up balanced and running your feet through your tackle, you are not going to be able to tackle a kid of his size and his talent. You try to catch Parker in open space and that's going to be rough too."

It certainly was a tough day for Hayes, but they kept fighting on until the last play. O'Neil was please to see his kids didn't play like they were sorry for themselves despite the less than stellar effort."

"Day in and day out we have to get better," O'Neil said. "We kept fighting. That's a dam good sign for us."



# Mount working to return to CHSFL's top tier

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Mount St. Michael is still looking to fill a number of key positions, but it is that need for competition that senior defensive tackle Odean Gilzene believes will bring out the best in his team in the end.

"I think people want to compete," he said. "They aren't as scared as last year to compete for a position. I think this year is going to surprise a lot of people."

Most of the big names from last year's Mountaineers squad graduated. A hungry group, however, stands ready to embrace their opportunity to shine and hopefully push Mount back into the CHSFL Class AAA playoffs. It lost to rival Cardinal Hayes on Thanksgiving in the 'AA' title game a year ago to end a 6-6 season.

"We have a good nucleus," legendary Mount St. Michael coach Mario



Legendary Mount St. Michael coach Mario Valentini gets is point across at practice.

Photo by Joseph Staszewski

Valentini said. "We just have to to fill in those other spots."

Mount has plenty of strengths despite still

looking to fill a position here and there around the field. It returns the majority of its offensive line, a key for an attack that traditionally relies on the run. Senior tackle Miguel Gomez and guards Aijalon McLean and Lindsay Malcolm will anchor the unit. Junior Justin Davilla steps in at center, but the other tackle spot is still up for grabs.

Senior Max Rillen, who will carry much of the offensive load at fullback, gets the pleasure of running behind veterans. He isn't as big as the Mountaineers fullbacks in recent years at 5-foot-10 and 195 pounds, but has a bit more speed. Valentini said Rillen, who will also play linebacker, is tough to contain once he gets through the initial hole.

"He's a tough kid, but he also has real good speed," the coach said. "He can get through the line and he can go."

Rillen will have a stable of talented running backs to help him out, led by seniors Aaron Brown and Devin Brissett. Mount is looking for one of its quarterbacks to distinguish themselves as senior Darius Hodges and last year's junior varsity starter Kevin Leach-Brown are in a battle for the job. Leach-

Brown can play receiver along side Julian Massiah and Joeandy Gonzalez if he doesn't start at quarterback and Hodges would be used in a defensive backfield. Mount feels it can be

successful with either as the starter.

"I'm comfortable with both of them," Rillen said. "I know both of them pretty well, good guys on the field and off the field."

The defensive leader on the other hand is unquestioned in Gilzene, a three-year starter. He will be surrounded by plenty of playmakers, especially at the linebacker with Carl Hoyte and Storm Williams along Rillen. Junior Teomar Fisher will bolster the defensive line, but it is Gilzene that will make it go.

"He's a big guy," Rillen said. "He's a big part of the defense. He calls the huddles most of the time. He's a good leader. A lot of guys look to him for leadership."

Valentini sees plenty of potential in this group and his team's traditional improve as the season goes on. It's a trend that could make them even more dangerous at the right time.

"As long as we can get better everyday and build up to when we get to the playoffs and we are ready to go, I think that is going to be big for us," Valentini said.



Mount St. Michael quarterback Darius Hodges carries the ball during a recent practice.

By Joseph Staszewski



Mount St. Michael fullback Max Rillen runs hard up field.

Photo by Joseph Staszewski



Mount St. Michael's Odean Gilzene (second from the left) tries to run past an offensive lineman.

Photo by Joseph Staszewski

## MMCC expands programs for karate school and Dojo

Mosholu Montefiore Community Center, Inc. (MMCC) is currently registering for Karate Classes with Sensei Jonas Correia.

MMCC Karate Classes focus on self-defense, concentration, stamina and skills. Most classes are geared for beginners but advanced classes for those students working

toward yellow and red belts are available.

The one hour classes are available Monday, Wednesday and Friday, afternoon and evenings and on Saturdays from 10am to 4:30pm. Students may be enrolled in more than one class a week.

The cost for the 10 class sessions are as follows: 5 to 12 years of age

- \$120 (10 sessions); teens and adults - \$130 (10 sessions).

Discounts are available for students who enroll in more than one class per week.

To register go to [www.mmcc.org](http://www.mmcc.org) or signup in person at the Center, 3450 Dekalb Avenue and Gun Hill Road or call 718-882-4000.





# Fordham can't earn second straight upset of Villanova

BY STEPHEN ZITOLO

Villanova enacted some revenge in a big way on Fordham University

The No. 10-ranked Rams football team jumpstarted their historic season a year ago with an upset win over the Wildcats. No. 7 Villanova made sure there would be no repeat of that feat with a 50-6 trashing of the Rams in a non-conference game last Saturday afternoon at Villanova Stadium.

Quarterback Michael Nebrich was the catalyst of that victory a year ago, but Saturday's performance on Nova's turf wasn't one to remember. He was 14-for-28 passing with two interceptions and had five carries for -28 yards. The running display wasn't any better for Fordham as a whole. It was only able to scrap together 18 total rushing yards.

The Rams managed just two field goals by senior kicker Michael Marando. He didn't get a chance to kick a third when lightning caused an hour delay in the first quarter with Fordham trailing just 7-3. When play resumed the Rams chose to go for it



Rams coach Joe Moorehead watched Villanova hand his team a lopsided loss.

Fordham University Athletics

on fourth down and Nebrich was sacked. Villanova scored 26 second quarter points to break open the game.

"Last year against Fordham, we came out really flat and that is why we lost the game in the

second half," Villanova defensive lineman Pat Williams said. "That sack right out of the break really set the tone for not only the defense, but the team in general."

The Fordham defense, which

forced five fumbles last season, allowed Villanova to amass a total of 514 yard of total offense. Junior quarterback John Robertson picked apart the Rams secondary as he threw for 216 yards and three touchdowns.

The rushing attack of the Wildcats averaged 5.5 yards per carry, rushed for a total of 351 yards and had three touchdowns on the day. Junior running back Gary Underwood led Nova' with eight carries for 75 yards and a score.

"We pride ourselves on our physicality," Fordham head coach Joe Moorhead said. "But it wasn't there today as we couldn't get the run game going and it's hard to move the ball against a good defense if you can't run or pass protect. But all of our goals are still attainable so we have to learn to put this behind us and get ready for next week."

There was one bright spot on the day for Fordham as senior defensive back Jordan Chapman had a career day. Chapman had a career-best 15 tackles, three of them being for a loss.

Fordham has a lot of season remaining with 10 games left on the schedule and can still win a Patriot League title. It will have to shake off the drubbing at the hands of Villanova when they host Rhode Island on Sept. 13 at 1 p.m.

## Pipe Dreams: A Look Back; NFL Development; Strikeouts Curve Is Trending Up

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total yards it was: Detroit 417 NY 197. This wasn't a failure of the west coast offense as much as a failure of the front office to put talented players, on both sides of the ball, in uniform.

### A Look Back

Dan Daley, who wrote for the D.C. Post, now has a sports blog where he wrote about Red Smith, who had a flair for writing that hasn't been equaled since. One snippet is included here as an example of his talent. It deals with the 1958 "Ice Bowl" between the Packers and the Cowboys: "It was the coldest Dec. 31 in the Green Bay records - 13 below zero at kickoff with a perishing wind carrying misery out of the northwest at 15 miles an hour. In spite of the 14 miles of 1for cleats. On the sidelines, players huddled under canvas hogans warmed by electric heaters, but out on the field there was no mercy."

Dan talked about the vanishing NFL shutouts, "NFL defenses posted just three shutouts last season, one off the all-time low. There weren't many the previous three years, either - six in 2012 and five in both '11 and '10. You don't have to be Norman Einstein, as Joe Theismann would say, to figure out that's one shutout every 53.9 games - in this decade, at least.

The whitewash in pro football is even more of an endangered species than the complete-game whitewash in baseball.

If this offensive explosion keeps up - and it shows no signs of abating - the shutout may go the way of the single-bar facemask. Especially with kickers becoming increasingly accurate. Since 2000, 183 shutouts have been spoiled by a single field goal. That didn't happen nearly as often in the Pre-Soccer-Style Era.

How about the 1970 Car-

dinals (8-5-1) - Beat Houston Oilers 44-0, Patriots 31-0, Cowboys 38-0. (Note: A three-week stretch in which they outscored their opponents 113-0.) Missed playoffs. Hall of Famers (2): CB Roger Wehrli, FS Larry Wilson."

### NFL Development

Dan wrote about this anniversary, "A fairly noteworthy 50th anniversary is coming up - on Sept. 13, to be exact. It'll be interesting to see how much attention is paid to it. On that date in 1964, in the Bills' opener against the Chiefs, Pete Gogolak kicked the first soccer-style field goal in pro football history. I don't know about you, but I can't think of too many developments in the game that have been more impactful than that.

In '57, NFL kickers - all of them using their toes instead of the side of their foot - were successful on 52.2 percent of their field goal tries. Last

season they made 86.5 percent (and were good on 67.1 from 50 yards and beyond).

Then, too, kickers are now specialists, among the most important members of any team. In the '50s, when rosters were much smaller, they tended to be position players who were versatile enough to handle two jobs. (Pat Summerall was an end and Paul Hornung - a RB).

And it all began - in the pros, at least - 50 years ago with Pete Gogolak stepping back at Buffalo's War Memorial Stadium and side-footing through a 13-yarder to give the Bills an early 3-0 lead in Week 1. Two seasons and 47 field goals later, Gogolak was in such demand that he jumped leagues and joined the Giants, a signing that intensified the AFL-NFL war and helped bring about the merger.

### Strikeouts Curve Is Trending Up

Ready for today's phys-

ics lesson?

Strikeouts are on a steady rise. Of the top 14 strikeout kings of all time, four are active. When you think of strikeouts, you think of Reggie Jackson, the all-time whiff king (2,597), but he played 21 seasons, and only twice did he top 156 strikeouts. His worst season was 171. Whiff-wise, Reggie couldn't carry the jock of Chris Carter, who struck out 212 times last season.

The shame factor is gone. When was the last time you saw a batter choke up with two strikes?

Put this on a graph: In 1950, two major-league hitters struck out 100 times or more. In 1970, there were 27. In 1990, 37. This season, there will be about 110.

Babe Ruth never struck out 100 times.

Reasons for the whiff epidemic? Pitchers throw harder, for fewer innings, have more pitches and throw them in less-predictable patterns. Batters

swing harder and miss more. Fewer balls are squared up, catchers are dodging (or not) more bullets.

Sorry, catchers, there's no solution, unless we can bring back Joe DiMaggio or at least Reggie Jackson. Your bell is going to get rung. In the words of former Carolina wide receiver Steve Smith: "Ice up, son."

### Idle Thought

Bob Molinaro (Hamp-tonRoads.com) thought that, "Tiger Woods fired his swing coach because the golfer couldn't fire himself."

### Far Out Debut

Dwight Perry (Seattle Times) told us about, "Cubs outfielder Jorge Soler, who hit a home run in his first MLB at-bat, added two more in his third game, leaving him with a gaudy 1.545 slugging percentage.

(Readers: Insert your own "Soler power" punchline here.)"



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