

LEGIONNAIRES' SOURCE FOUND

Opera House cooling system identified

BY JAIME WILLIAMS

The largest outbreak of Legionnaires' disease in the city's history has been declared over, and the source has been identified.

City, state and federal health officials announced on August 20 that the Mott Have-based outbreak originated in the cooling towers of the newly refurbished Opera House Hotel.

Since the outbreak began on July 10, 124 people fell ill with the form of pneumonia and 12 died. No new cases were identified after August 3.

The disease is caused by the Legionella bacteria, found in water, which can grow to unsafe levels in warm environments such as

in a cooling tower.

People contract the disease when they breathe in a mist or vapor containing the bacteria.

With extensive sampling of cooling towers and testing of Legionella bacteria, the laboratories have matched the Legionella strain found in the Opera House Hotel cooling tower with the strain found in patients.

Further investigation by the Health Department supports the conclusion that this cooling tower was the source of the outbreak, according to a statement from the mayor's office.

The Health Department continues to investigate the circumstances that led this cooling tower to become the

outbreak source; inadequate maintenance and inadequate levels of biocide may have contributed, according to the statement.

The hotel has cooperated fully with all agencies involved in the investigation, has cleaned and disinfected its tower, and is working with the Health Department on long-term maintenance that is consistent with industry standards.

A statement from the hotel in the wake of the news said the findings were "disappointing."

"It's particularly disappointing because our system is two years old, has the most up-to-date technology

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Twisting The Day Away

Angelina Hernandez twirls a hula hoop at the 3rd Annual Cruger-Mace Back to School Block Party. Photo by Silvio Pacifico

Armed robbery at TN deli

BY ROBERT WIRSING

An armed robbery at Green Apple Deli in Throggs Neck has shaken the community to its core.

On Monday, August 24, at 2 a.m., Imad Aloudy, 22, the deli's cashier, was working when three men wearing hooded jackets and face masks held him hostage as they robbed the store.

During this incident, one of the gunmen pistol whipped Aloudy before the trio made off with a backpack full of stolen items.

According to a NYPD spokesman and Aloudy, the

suspects made off with \$1,300 in cash, about \$600 worth of scratch-off NYS Lottery tickets, a carton of cigarettes and the cashier's iPhone 5 and his iPad Air before fleeing eastbound on Lafayette Avenue, the same direction they approached from before entering the establishment.

Aloudy, a Throggs Neck resident, said he was away from the counter repairing the store's coffee machine when two men entered the store.

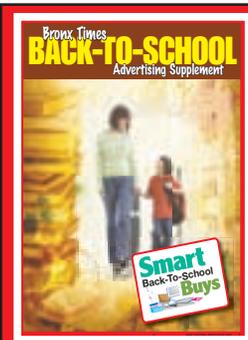
One of the gunmen carrying a big backpack closed the front door as a third man stood at the far corner of the

store pretending to be a customer.

A second man approached Aloudy from behind, gripping a black semi-automatic handgun and pressed it into his back warning him not to move.

The gunman directed Aloudy to stand behind the deli counter as his backpack-wearing accomplice armed with the same type of weapon jumped over the store counter and twisted the security camera around to face the wall before raiding the store's two

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Riders depart the BX5 bus at the Pelham Bay Park stop.

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Bx5 bus extended for the weekends

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

The city's newest indoor mall is now open to any Bronxite that can reach the #6 IRT train.

The BX5 bus is being extended on weekends to Co-op City's Bay Plaza retail hub from Pelham Bay.

Officials at the company that manages Bay Plaza Shopping Center, Prestige Properties, lauded the move.

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority stated that the new weekend schedule would be providing a 'one-seat' ride from southern Bronx communities to the mall beginning on Sunday, September 6.

The extension starts at Pelham Bay Station for local riders.

Meanwhile, some merchants in Pelham Bay are irked over the fact that it took almost two years and a huge fight to get a new bus line to replace the old BX14 bus, and other improvements, while this new extension to the Mall at Bay Plaza seemingly came with relative ease.

According to the MTA, the additional BX5 buses address a new transit need, with the expanded Mall at Bay Plaza opening in August 2014 bringing new jobs and more shoppers to the area.

The change on the BX5 was announced in June, less than a year after the opening of the new Mall at Bay Plaza.

"As a result of keeping close watch on changing ridership trends and listening to our customers, this service enhancement will improve weekend service and provide south Bronx residents with a direct link to a major business and retail destination," said Carmen Bianco, New York City Transit president, in a statement.

Easier access to the mall, whether it is for shopping, dining or entertainment benefits all involved, including people who work at the mall, said Maranda Ashkar, director of mall management for Prestige.

"We could not be more pleased that New York City Transit will be extending the BX5 bus route from Pelham

Bay Park to The Mall at Bay Plaza on weekends," she stated, adding "We applaud NYC Transit president Carmen Bianco for making it easier and more convenient for our neighbors in the south Bronx to reach the mall."

The MTA's fast response to the mall's transportation concerns could impact the Pelham Bay business area, some believe.

"Shoppers who don't drive need buses to access local shopping areas," said Jordan Treibert, former board member at the Pelham Bay Merchants Association, who said Pelham Bay merchants had to wait two years for the MTA to address their needs.

"Meanwhile, you have a shopping center with plenty of parking and the MTA provides access there almost immediately," he concluded.

Another local businessperson and PBMA member, Lucia Mariani of Lucca Restaurant in Pelham Bay, said that lack of foot traffic on commercial corridors is causing business to suffer.

"I feel like when it suits (the MTA's) purposes then they move, but when it is for members of the community, they really don't care," she said, adding "The MTA is more responsive to big corporations and not smaller businesses."

Mariani predicted certain shoppers will now bypass local restaurants and businesses because they can shop and dine more easily at Bay Plaza.

Taking still another view was the East Bronx Traffic Coalition, a consortium of local civic groups studying the effects of increasing vehicular traffic.

Robert Barbarelli, EBTC member, stated that the group was pleased to hear about the BX5 extension because Co-op City has been under-served in terms of public transportation for many years.

"The extension will not only better serve the residents of Co-op City, but it will also reduce traffic and individual vehicle use in the area," he stated.



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Rotary Club News

The Rotary Club of the Bronx reported information about their meetings in late July and August:

- The Tuesday, July 21 meeting of the Rotary Club of the Bronx featured **Amanda Compton** and **Angela Torres** as guest speakers. Compton spoke about Easter Seals, an organization whose mission is to provide services to children and adults with special needs

- At the Tuesday, July 28 gathering, there was a visit from **Marilyn Massaro**, Rotary International's district governor for the region including the Bronx.

She spoke about the need

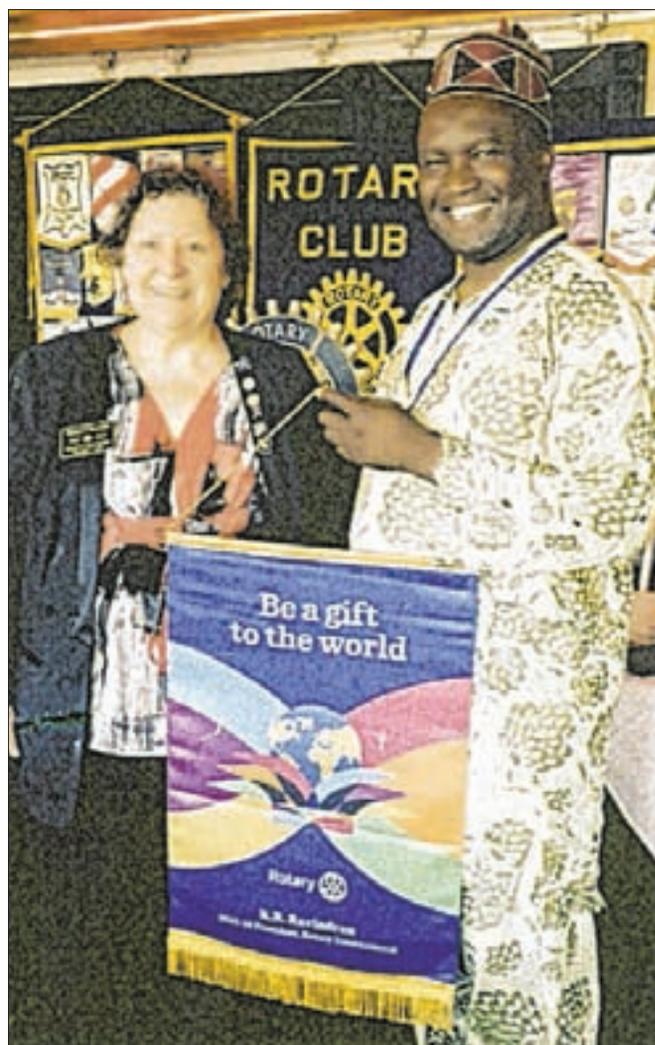
to maintain transparent leadership, and gave a talk about how she got involved in the organization and where it is today.

- Guest Speaker **Imran Kazmi**, a self described peace activist and 'a consultant by day and philosopher by night' spoke to the group about peace and prosperity and his unique way of achieving it on Tuesday, August 4.

- Paula Miritello**, of My Cousin Vinny, an organization that does outreach to veterans, spoke on Tuesday, August 11.

Also, fine artist and Rotarian **Marguerite Chadwick-Juner** is moving out of state with her husband, but will continue to create newsletters and graphics for the club materials.

Masiero presented Toba LaCrown, Bronx Rotary president, with a banner at the Tuesday, July 28 meeting.



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Parkside Houses to get new roofs

BY JAIME WILLIAMS

The days of leaky ceilings are coming to an end for residents of the Parkside Houses.

The New York City Housing Authority complex will soon have new roofs to keep out the water that regularly seeps into the apartments.

Councilman Ritchie Torres announced the city's \$16 million project to replace all 14 roofs in the Parkside Houses on Friday, August 21.

The project is part of \$100 million in funding this year, and \$300 over three years, to replace the roofs at 66 NYCHA buildings across the city.

The roofs at the Parkside Houses are among the worst in public housing, said Torres of the development in his district, and they should have been replaced a long time ago. Residents have been dealing with chronic leaks for years.

"Every time it rains, they feel it in their apartment," said Torres, who is the chairman of the public housing committee.

The improvements will have a number of direct and

indirect benefits, including stopping leaks, reducing instances of mold, and dramatically decreasing work-orders, with which NYCHA is overloaded.

"The number one enemy of a building is water," said Torres.

He acknowledged that the investment will not address all the issues present in the NYCHA developments.

"A new roof is not a magic bullet, it's not going to solve every problem," said Torres, but it will significantly improve the quality of life of many residents.

The roofs should make a big difference, said resident council treasurer Denise Fredericks, as the most frequent complaint the council hears is about leaks, alongside issues with mold and mildew. Complaints come from every building in the complex, she said.

"Until the roofs are replaced, its going to be constant," said Fredericks.

For Parkside Houses tenant Harriet Lockett, who's



Councilman Ritchie Torres announced on Friday, August 21 that all 14 of the roofs in the Parkside Houses will be replaced. Community News Group / Jaime Williams

been receiving temporary fixes for the leaks in her apartment for years, the work can't start quick enough.

She's excited to see a permanent solution in sight

"I'm looking forward to it," she said.

Construction is expected to begin before the end of the year, and should be completed within three years.

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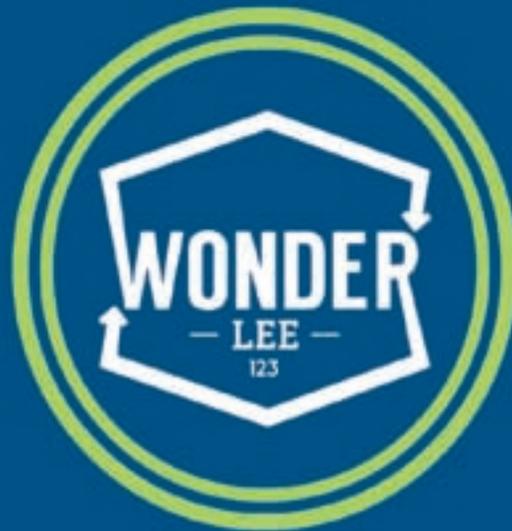
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The temporary bridge (left) and the City Island Bridge, side by side, is part of the footage from the documentary film.
Photo courtesy of The New City Island Bridge

Drones document new City Is. Bridge

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

A new film project is documenting the end of the lifespan of a bridge that has been an integral part of a north Bronx community for over a century.

James and Tommy Breen, two City Island natives and filmmakers, are producing what they one day plan to turn into a full-length feature documentary about the bridge's replacement.

The film, which has video already available on a Facebook page, goes under the working title 'The New City Island Bridge.'

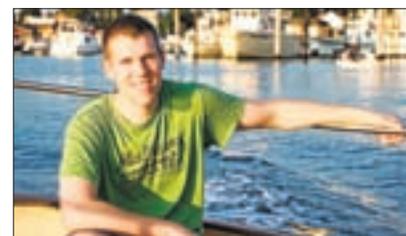
It combines images of the construction of a temporary bridge to the island that is almost complete, as well as images of the building of a new permanent bridge with recollections from community members about the whole process, explained James.

About 20 to 30 hours of the documentary's early footage focuses on the construction of a temporary bridge that will be put into place so a new bridge can be built, he said.

"I was a full-time contractor for many years so I have been very interested in construction," he said, adding that narration and interviews would eventually be added.

"I am trying to capture the most visually interesting things the construction workers do, like when they are moving a large section of the (temporary) bridge into place," he added.

In an effort to film the ongoing construction while not having access to the worksite, Breen said that he and



Tommy Breen Photo courtesy of James Breen

his brother have used camera-equipped drones, providing some striking images of the reconstruction process.

The drones have been very helpful in gaining photo access to the most difficult situations, he said.

He recently spoke on behalf of allowing photographers to keep using drones, as states and municipalities look into regulating or banning their use all together.

"You can get something that you can carry around in a backpack and you can tell your story in a compelling way, and it would be a shame if that were regulated out of existence," said Breen of drone photography.

The brothers have also begun interviews with islanders.

Barbara Dolensek, one of the key plaintiffs in a lawsuit that may have forced a bridge redesign just before construction began, lauded the film project.

Any important project needs to be documented in some way, she said, and the Breen brothers seem to be the chroniclers of the new bridge.

"What James is doing is a beautiful and timely piece," said Dolensek, adding "What he is doing is important and I just wish they would grant him greater access."

She also said that the film project appears to be doing more than chronicling the construction and demolition of two bridges, but has turned into a documenting of the community.

To view video and images available from The New City Island Bridge, go to Facebook and search the title.

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James Breen with one of his drones.

Photo courtesy of James Breen



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POLICE BLOTTER

42nd PCT.

Saturday, Aug. 22, 1:23 a.m. — Police responded to a 911 call of a person stabbed inside 540 E. 169th Street, apartment #10H. Upon arrival, officers observed a 51-year-old male with a stab wound to his torso. EMS also responded to the location and transported the victim to Lincoln Hospital, where he was pronounced deceased.

44th PCT.

Monday, Aug. 17, 6:00 a.m. — A suspect entered the Surf Logistics Parking Garage, located at 751 Grand Concourse Village West.

While he was distracting the parking lot attendant, a second entered the location, and proceeded to enter the lot office where he removed several car keys from inside a lock box that was left open. Suspect #1 and suspect #2, along with two others, removed a 2013 Range Rover and a 2012 Honda Civic from the location and fled to parts unknown.

Tuesday, Aug. 18, 6:00 p.m. — A suspect displayed a firearm and dis-

charged it multiple times while engaged in a fight in the vicinity of East 173rd Street and Toppings Avenue.

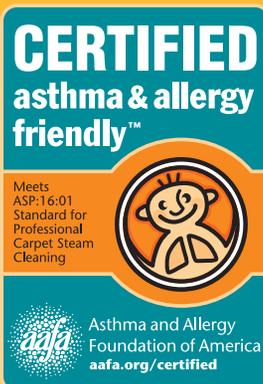
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47th PCT.

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No parking

Dear editor,

This is in response to the article by Patrick Rocchio on the 'building boom' in Pelham Bay. The latest atrocities are the two apartment buildings that are planned to be built in a four block area from each other - 1701 Parkview Avenue (22 units with 11 parking

spaces) and 3066 Buhre Avenue (35 units with 18 spaces).

Let's do the math- 57 units in all. Say 1.5 cars per unit. That gives us 85 more car to the area minus the 29 that will be 'available' for renting from the buildings, that leaves approximately 56 more cars on the street.

Street parking is already at a premium in the area. Just

because they are providing the spots doesn't mean they will be utilized. The building next to me has the seven spots mandated, but only three are utilized.

Patty Justiniano

Smoke-free

Dear editor,

Did you know that in the

Bronx there are 3,000 high school students who smoke? In my neighborhood I have noticed there are 28 local stores that are licensed to sell tobacco products, but only three playgrounds and two schools.

Tobacco companies are targeting teenagers like me and my peers with their display ads outside of these stores. I'm tired of this and we don't need any more stores in our neighborhoods that are licensed to sell tobacco products, who are marketing the product to entice teenagers and children.

If we continue to have more retail shops open in our neighborhoods that are allowed to sell tobacco products think about how many more high school students would smoke. More teenagers would be attracted to the tobacco products and more likely become new teenage smokers.

Over the past six weeks I have worked with NYC Smoke-Free at Public Health Solutions and groups of high schools students to give our community a voice against tobacco companies.

I don't want to see any more advertisements or new tobacco retailers in my neighborhood. We need the community to step up and fix this major problem that is going to affect the present and the future generation.

I believe that teens all over the world should be aware of what big tobacco companies are trying to do and gain a voice for what they believe in. Please visit nycsmokefree.org for more information on how you can lend support.

Mariama Kabba

Common sense

Dear editor,

Thank you so much for your article last week titled 'St. Frances de Chantal pastor issued directives'. Why after two years of pleading with the archdiocese and submitting documented evidence of wrong doings, did Cardinal Dolan choose to issue directives that are just general policy of the church? Every parish is aware of these 'common sense' directives. I guess he felt that the church's pastor, Fr. Miqueli, lost his manual.

Pamela Dettmer

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47th Pct., community at block party

BY STEVEN GOODSTEIN

A Bronx precinct and its community recently collaborated at a block party.

On Thursday, August 20, the 47th Precinct, along with collaborators and partners from the community, held a block party to provide youth with school supplies and fun activities.

The first-time event, which took place outside of the precinct house on Laconia Avenue between 229th and 230th streets, included a backpack giveaway, where elementary and middle school students were given a free

backpack with school supplies, a rock climbing wall, a bounce house, a dunk tank, a DJ booth and a barbecue for those in attendance.

The block party saw the 47th Precinct collaborate with the New York Fire Department, Well Care, different block associations as well as the Precinct Council.

Many political leaders, such as Senator Ruth Hassell-Thompson, Congressman Eliot Engel, Councilman Andy King, Assemblyman Carl Heastie and Senator Jeff Klein, also contributed and showed their support towards the event.

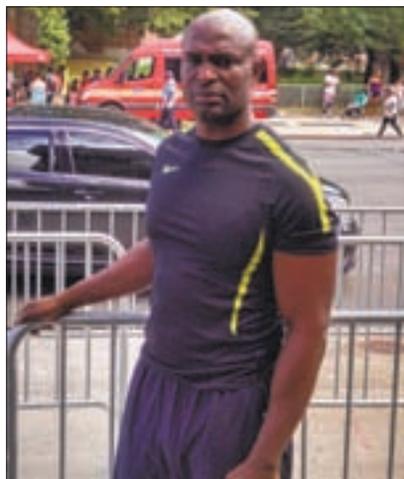
“The goal of this event was to give back to our community and the children within it, while also preventing our youth from going down the wrong path and making bad decisions,” said commanding officer Ruel Stephenson.

“Policing is not only about catching criminals and felons and locking them up, it also involves developing relationships with our community’s youth and helping them make positive choices while providing them with a quality lifestyle of health and safety.”

“This event will provide children in our community with the supplies and tools they need to become educationally successful while decreasing the risks of them living a life of crime in the future.”



A backpack giveaway was held at the block party to provide kids with supplies for the upcoming school year.
Community News Group / Steven Goodstein



Stephenson during the set-up for the block party. Community News Group / Steven Goodstein

“The initial vision was to give backpacks filled with school supplies to school children in need, but (the 47th Precinct) decided to turn the giveaway into an event for the community,” said officer David Belle.

“The idea of this event is giving back to the community, especially its youth, and what better time to do so than right before the school year begins.”

“I came to this event to promote my

organization, but more importantly, to support the community, its children as well as the precinct,” said community activist Deborah Gibson, who promoted her group Alfrba, an organization that teaches youth about social manners and life skills.

“Anything involved in assisting youth, especially in the Bronx, is a positive step towards providing them with what they need to be successful,” she added.

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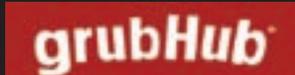


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Food pantry drive honors Mother Teresa

BY JAIME WILLIAMS

The community honored Mother Teresa near her 105th birthday with its annual food drive to benefit the pantry at the Jewish Community Council of Pelham Parkway.

Councilman James Vacca, who orchestrated the collection along with Assemblyman Mark Gjonaj, gathered with local community leaders to mark the culmination of the drive on Tuesday, August 25, the day before the revered mother's birthday.

Members of the Albanian Ameri-

can Society Foundation and the Pelham Parkway Neighborhood Association joined Vacca on Lydig Avenue at Holland Avenue, which was dedicated as 'Mother Teresa Way' several years ago, before bringing the food to the pantry of the Jewish Community Council of Pelham Parkway.

The annual food drive was started five years ago to honor Mother Teresa on her 100th birthday and imitate the good works she did in her lifetime, said Vacca.

Although the drive takes place



(Above) Food collected during the annual Mother Teresa food drive by Councilman James Vacca and Assemblyman Gjonaj's offices was donated to the Jewish Community Council of Pelham Parkway's food pantry on August 25. Photo by Jaime Williams

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each August, Vacca hopes it reminds people that they can help their neighbors all year long by bringing non-perishable food to the pantry at 2157 Holland Avenue.

"There's always an opportunity for people to donate to a local food bank," said Vacca.

Since the food pantry at the Jewish Community Council of Pelham Parkway was established in 1982, the food pantry has served more and more people as other local food banks have closed their doors over the years, said executive director David Edelstein.

"The number of people who have come to depend on us has grown," he said.

The food bank is now the third largest in the Bronx.

Although the council receives the bulk of the food they distribute from the Food Bank for New York City, which is funded by the city and state, they are always looking to supplement that with donations from individuals or community groups.

"The food we get from the Food Bank typically disappears the day it arrives," said Edelstein. "Any amount of food that comes in gets used."

The council also receives funding from Vacca for the food bank each year, starting with \$10,000 in 2006 and reaching about \$19,000 this year.

The organization is important to Vacca because it's the only food bank in the neighborhood open Monday through Friday.

His office regularly refers people who are applying for food stamps, but are hungry in the interim, he said.

"It's always here for people in need," said Vacca.

Edelstein said this year's drive collected a few hundred pounds of food, including 48 boxes of macaroni.

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'Highlights' publishes Bronx girl's poem

BY ROBERT WIRSING

A young Bronxite whose poem was published in a national children's magazine hopes to inspire others to follow their dreams.

Samantha Oyola, 12, a 7th grader at Bronx Studio for Writers and Artists, enjoys creating arts and crafts and dancing as well as writing poems, short stories and plays for school and in her spare time.

The daughter of David and Susan Oyola, Samantha, had her poem, 'Daddy's Little Girl' published in the March 2015 issue of the national children's magazine, 'Highlights' appearing in its 'Your Own Pages' section along with other children's poetry and artwork from around the nation.

"We thought she did a great job on this poem in capturing her relationship with her father using playful and colorful language," said Judy Burke, Highlights editor.

"It felt very genuine for a 12-year old's poem and she was having fun writing about how special their relationship is to her," she added.

According to Susan, they

received a letter from the publication congratulating Samantha, along with three copies of the March 2015 issue featuring her work.

"I was very surprised to see my poem in this magazine and now people can read about me and my experiences," shared Samantha, a Soundview resident.

Susan explained Samantha has family spread out from Hawaii to Florida and due to this geographical gulf she uploaded a photo to Facebook of Samantha's poem for all of her family to see.

"When her family saw her poem was published in Highlights, they were so proud of her," said Susan. "Her grandmother has been telling everyone about this."

Burke explained the magazine's 'Your Own Pages' features selected representatives of children's poems and drawings which can inspire their young readers' creativity. They receive more than 35,000 submissions each year.

"When children read poems such as Samantha's 'Daddy's Little Girl', they can be in-

spired to write about someone who is very special to them in their own lives," Burke added.

Samantha said she became interested in writing from attending P.S. 93 and BSWA and is inspired by certain events and the people she has met in her life.

"We learned in class that poetry describes character and feeling and it was my desire to create a poem about my dad and how special he is to me," she said.

Nadine Johnson, Samantha's 5th grade teacher from P.S. 93, served as a mentor for the poet-in-the-making by inspiring her creativity as well as offering constructive criticism to improve, and was given a copy of the magazine as a sign of gratitude.

In addition to 'Daddy's Little Girl', Samantha wrote a poem called 'Lady Bug Love' symbolizing how anyone can find love and read it at her elementary school's Poetry Cafe section of their library as it was broadcast throughout the classrooms.

She cites Jeff Kinney, author of 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid';



The Bronx' own Samantha Oyola had her poem, 'Daddy's Little Girl' published in this year's March edition of 'Highlights' magazine.

Photo courtesy of Susan Oyola

Raina Telgemeier, author of 'Sisters', 'Smile' and 'Drama' and Rachel Renée Russell, author of the number one New York Times best selling book series, 'Dork Diaries' as her favorite writers because of how each uniquely captures their own experience of growing up.

Samantha dreams of one day becoming either a choreographer or a publisher.

Interestingly, she explained her favorite family of modern dance is interpretive dancing

because it tells a story and like reading a book, the performer and the audience get to experience it as it is happening.

She hopes to attend LaGuardia High School and eventually Long Island University to further her dance knowledge.

"Samantha is developing into a very mature young lady and I've seen a huge improvement in her schoolwork and in her wanting to help people," said Susan.



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Bronx students named AT&T Scholars

BY ROBERT WIRSING

Meet four of the Bronx' future tech developers-in-the-making challenging the issue of diversity in the tech industry.

At Thursday, August 13's All Star Code's Demo Day and Graduation Ceremony, seven students, including John Abreu from Castle Hill and central Bronx residents Kwaku Kessey-Ankomah Jr., Kofi Adu and Anand Karmaker were named AT&T Scholars, a scholarship program AT&T funds to educate, inspire and prepare high school boys of color with the skills necessary in pursuing a technology career.

They will serve for the next year as 'All Star Code Ambassadors' able to network with industry professionals and receive free laptops and other supplies.



JOHN ABREU
PHOTOS COURTESY OF ALL STAR CODE

Marking the end of a six-week long summer intensive program, students showed their finalized mobile apps before a group of leading tech industry experts.

ASC prepares qualified diverse young men for full-time employment by providing mentorship, industry exposure and intensive training in computer science.

Abreu, a top-performing Horace Mann School senior leading a video production team catered to his school's student body.

He worked with fellow ASC students Ayinde Castro and Efmajackson Rosario in developing 'Howl', a school-based study group mobile app connecting students with their peers needing help with school subjects which will be launched this fall at all three's respective schools.

Abreu likened its development to "a tree branching out with different ideas, chopping down some features, adapting what we have and further developing it with our collective strengths" and is inspired to create apps by the concept of



KWAKU KESSEY-ANKOMAH JR.

"everyone carrying a smartphone serving as a key to the world wide web."

Kessey-Ankomah Jr., a top-performing Cardinal Hayes High School senior works at the non-profit Sankofa Tech which empowers African youth through tech.

He and teammate Adriel Ortiz developed 'Collab Code', a website app emphasizing collaboration while coding by using text chat, video conferencing and live editing capabilities.

The app was inspired by an experience he and a friend had working together on a coding project in which they had to email their changes in separate files.

Kessey-Ankomah Jr. hopes to continue 'Collab Code' and have either an alpha or beta version released by mid-September.

Adu, a top-performing Deerfield Academy senior, developed a hobby for browsing the web and a desire in learning to advance the skills he learned at ASC.

Working with his peers Anslem Cambridge and Uzair Vawda, they created 'YouNotes', a split screen website app students can view YouTube videos reinforcing their knowledge from school on one side and write notes on the other.

A time stamp capability marks a certain time in the video in the note pad after hitting the enter button and clicking the link allows users to view it at that time.

'YouNotes' separates itself from competitors in that users can prioritize notes by importance labeled red for high, yellow for medium, and green for low.

"My favorite part of ASC



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was touring the tech facilities and learning more from the Q and A sessions," he said.

Karmaker, a top-performing High School for Math, Science and Engineering junior, worked with peers Shaun Haque, Evan Mays and Cesar Alvarado as part of the 'Kepler Apps' company, to develop 'Word Bubble', a fun, cross platform gaming app which rewards players for seeking out and tapping bubbles with misspelled words awarding them with extra time as the game progresses. They hope 'Word Bubble' will enter the iOS store and to expand this app into other languages.

"We're incredibly impressed by the creativity of this summer's students and are extremely hopeful for their futures in this industry," said Marissa Shorenstein, New York State AT&T president.

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Bronxites demand end to illegal ads

BY ROBERT WIRSING

“Your ad should not be here” is what many Bronx residents are saying after discovering plastic corrugated signs and stickers defacing their neighborhood.

Life-long Bronx resident Stephen Franciosa explained that he began seeing corrugated signs advertising ‘Cash for Cars’ and stickers popping all over the Baychester area and has spent months taking them down from telephone poles in front of his own Bronx home.

Franciosa added he has seen these same signs appearing in Pelham Bay and Throgs Neck as well.

He did some investigating and discovered a post dated May 29, 2014 on a Queens neighborhood blog regarding these same signs.

The blog complained that the ads were appearing at almost every intersection in north Flushing from College Point Boulevard to Murray Street and 28th to 35th avenues.

Some were even glued to poles using an industrial strength adhesive.

Franciosa said that the signs are costly to remove.

According to a New York City Department of Sanitation spokeswoman, the law prohibits the placement of signs and stickers on public property and perpetrators are sub-

ject to a violation and fine.

She added the current crop of Cash for Cars advertisers have been issued violations.

“This is thousands of dollars worth of damage to public property and these individuals don’t care. This is willful destruction of public property,” said Franciosa.

Franciosa contacted one of the telephone number posted on these ads in an attempt to speak with the person responsible, but he was greeted with an automated message.

“They think a telephone pole is a bulletin board for them to use,” he added. “I’m afraid if this goes unchecked then other businesses will employ this same tactic. The City Council should make it a priority to change the law so people like this are prosecuted and let everyone know that this practice will not be tolerated.”

“I’ve personally taken down about 600 of these ‘Cash for Cars’ signs,” said John Provetto, a Country Club resident who volunteers his time working alongside Community Board 10 and the 45th Precinct in removing graffiti, corrugated advertising signs and stickers.

Armed with an arsenal of tools, including a tree pruner and a wire cutter, Provetto goes to work remov-

ing the various types of ads from utility poles, the back of traffic signs and from highway fences.

He uses a saw to remove the more stubborn ones that are either heavily stapled, strapped or glued to the public structure.

Each week he spends approximately two 5-hour days removing the signs.

“It’s a black eye on the neighborhood,” he added. “The area, the community board and the precinct aren’t going to tolerate this anymore. The most important part of all of this is to stay on top of it.”

Kenneth Kearns, CB 10 district manager, said Provetto; John Marano, CB 10 vice chairman and himself have tackled the removal of these signs.

“These signs are illegally posted and this is nothing short of public defacement of property,” explained Councilman James Vacca. “This has been a problem for many years and we have seen signs advertising used cars and real estate agencies hung high and low from telephone poles and other similar structures.”

Vacca urges people to call 311 whenever they see such signs and to avoid calling these advertised numbers as they have the potential to be scams.



Sticker advertisements for ‘Cash for Cars’, such as this one appearing at the on-ramp to I 95 along Baychester Avenue, are appearing throughout Bronx neighborhoods.

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Councilman Vacca funds UPK tech

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

Four-year-olds in local parochial schools are going to be having some impressive new technology to learn from this fall.

Universal Pre-K programs in Councilman James Vacca's 13th district will be receiving between \$35,000 to \$65,000 each to purchase new technology in what the councilman termed as a groundbreaking program.

A total of \$450,000 will be dispersed to pre-k programs at eight schools. Universal Pre-K citywide is funded with taxpayer dollars already.

The grant money will be spent on computers and technology that will help round out a 21st century educational experience, said the councilman.

"All children need access to current technology, whether they attend a public or private school," said Councilman Vacca. "This year, when I saw how many of our parochial schools had participated in the full day UPK initiative, I looked for a way to allocate these resources."

Because the UPK programs are funded through the government, the allocations for technology grants are available to those programs in a way they are not to traditional Catholic or private schools.

A representative from the New York Archdiocese's Northeast/East Bronx school region, Jodian Davis, said that technology is an important part of education at Catholic schools already.

The children in the UPK program will be retained and continue on to the upper grades of the schools, she said, so teaching technology earlier on should give them a good start to their overall educations. It should be helpful for the four-year-olds, she indicated.

"Being at this young age, with the world we are in today, the children are being hit with technology all of the time," said Davis. "It is important that they be exposed to technology properly the first time around."

Principals in the schools with the UPK programs

seemed delighted by the news.

"I am humbled that (Councilman Vacca) thought of our Catholic schools when awarding the grant money," stated Theresa Bivona, principal of St. Clare's. "This grant will help to bolster our technology department in educating our students for the ever changing world of tomorrow."

Newly appointed Our Lady of the Assumption School principal John Paul Barnaba stated he plans to utilize the grant to create a learning environment for modern learning.

He expressed appreciation on behalf of the school community to Councilman Vacca, adding that the school received \$45,000.

According to Davis, in addition to OLA and St. Clare's, the following UPK programs received technology funding: St. Theresa School, Pelham Bay; St. Frances de Chantal, Throggs Neck; St. Francis Xavier, Morris Park; and St. Lucy's School, Allerton.

Vacca is chair of the City Council's Technology Committee.



(l-r) Theresa Bivona, principal of St. Clare of Assisi School in Morris Park; Councilman James Vacca and John Paul Barnaba, principal of Our Lady of Assumption School in Pelham Bay stand together at St. Clare as \$450,000 in technology grants for Universal Pre-K programs at eight local Catholic schools were announced. Grants were secured by Councilman Vacca. Photo courtesy of Councilman James Vacca

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The Bronx Council on the Arts' Seeing It Through Professional Development Workshop Series begins its 2015-16 season with three exciting Saturday events in September, on the 19th at Poe Park Visitor Center and at the Morris Park Public Library, and on the 26th at Poe Park Visitor Center. Seeing It Through is a curated professional development workshop series offering assistance to creative people, organizations, and those seeking cultural grants. Admission to all workshops is free, but RSVP is required.

For additional information contact Sabrina at (718) 931-9500, ext. 22 or Sabrina@bronxarts.org.

Saturday, September 19, noon to 2 p.m. at Poe Park Visitor Center, 2640 Grand Concourse, (718) 365-5516: Seeing Red: Editing and Revising Your Fiction with Richie Narvaez of Mystery Writers of America-NY. You've finished a draft of your story, but don't send it out yet! You only have one chance to impress an agent or publisher. Take the time to edit and revise your manuscript. Find out what to look for and get some easy tips for how to fix plot holes, clunky language and other common mistakes. Bring a finished draft to work on! RSVP: <http://j.mp/Seeingitthrough>.

Saturday, September 19, 2 to 3:30 p.m. at the Morris Park Public Library, 985 Morris Park Avenue, (718) 931-0636: Artist Statement vs. Bio with Morgan Tachco of Brooklyn Arts Council. Geared toward individual artists, this workshop will address the difference between two very different tools: your artist statement and your biography. We'll address the audience for each, the necessity of having both, and how the practice of writing and maintaining these can inform your creative practice. Workshop will include writing exercises, and participants will leave with preliminary drafts. RSVP: <http://j.mp/Seeingitthrough>.

Saturday, September 26, 2 to 3:30 p.m. at Poe Park Visitor Center, 2640 Grand Concourse, (718) 365-5516: Every Goal Has a Silver Lining with

writer, poet, and BCA teaching artist Orlando Ferrand. I use my own experience and yours as a framework for the workshop/mini seminar. This highly interactive session will have a concrete emphasis on every stage of the process from concept idea and logistics to execution. However, the overall workshop goal is to provide participants with the know-how and tools necessary to develop attainable goals throughout a project's lifetime. Whether your work is made for traditional exhibition, publication and performance spaces or is pushing the boundaries into new territory, setting goals for your work is a crucial career development skill. There will be a consult and follow-up with attendees working on specific projects as well as on the spot coaching for those starting new projects, or brainstorming to start-up projects using prompts given in the workshop. RSVP: <http://j.mp/Seeingitthrough>.

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Bronx educator retires after 42 years

BY JAIME WILLIAMS

The Bronx is losing a long-time educator.

Roseann Carotenuto, most recently a regional superintendent for the Archdiocese of New York, has retired after a 42-year career in Bronx Catholic schools.

counseling full time at the Academy of Mt. St. Ursula in 1989.

Her administrative career began in 1994 when she was appointed principal of St. Mary School on Carpenter Avenue, where she increased enrollment from 208 to 317 students in three years.

After nine years she left to become Dean of Academics at Cardinal Spellman High School.

In 2006 she was named superintendent of Bronx Catholic elementary schools, overseeing 62 schools and 28,000 students.

When the Archdiocese regionalized the schools, she became regional superintendent for the Northeast-East region of the Bronx.

When she retired in July, colleagues honored her career with a celebration at Villa Barone Manor.

Although Carotenuto loved being in the classroom, she also enjoyed the leadership and collaboration that came with her later roles.

She especially cherished the opportunities to implement innovation into the schools, such as a pilot computer program at St. Mary School in the 1990s.

"You can't be afraid to try something," she said.

Her other strength has been listening to the needs of the school's



Roseann Carotenuto, former regional superintendent for Bronx Catholic schools, has retired after 42 years with the Archdiocese.

Photo courtesy of Roseann Carotenuto

bering that she was ultimately working in service of them.

"I served the teachers when I was their principal, and I served the principals when I was their superintendent," she said.

Her teaching philosophy comes from a similar place of listening to and believing in students.

"If you capture that child's heart, or make them know you care, they're going to learn for you," said Carotenuto.

Over the years, she's gotten immense joy out of watching former students turn into successful adults.

"I have been rewarded so many times," she said.

As much as her career has given her, Carotenuto's joy also comes from her family and watching her two daughters grow up.

"I think that Dana and Gina are amazing women, they're smarter than their mom," she said.

And although for the moment she's happy to be able to spend more time with her husband, Vinny, and her new granddaughter, Francesca Rose, she's not totally done with education yet.

"I'm hoping in some way, shape or form I can still contribute to something in education," she said.

community, teachers and administration, learning about the situation before making changes and remem-

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Roseann Carotenuto

Carotenuto's love for education goes back to when she was a kid, she said, when she would rather read or play 'school' than play with dolls.

"I always knew I was going to teach," said Carotenuto.

Carotenuto began her career teaching third grade at St. Frances de Chantal in 1974.

In 1986, after getting a Masters in Guidance and Counseling, she taught fifth grade and counseled at Villa Maria Academy before transitioning to

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IDNYC offers seniors new identification

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

East Bronx residents got the opportunity to get New York City municipal identification cards in Pelham Bay recently.

Councilman James Vacca worked with the mayor's office and the Archdiocese of New York to bring a pop-up enrollment center for registration for IDNYC, the city's municipal identification card, from Monday, August 17 to Tuesday, September 1 at Our Lady of the Assumption Church.

Councilman Vacca visited the OLA pop-up center on Monday, August 24 and signed up for his own IDNYC identification card while he also observed the ongoing registration process.

"This served a need," said Vacca, who added "It addresses a problem we have had in our neighborhood for a long time: a lot of people don't have IDs"

Many seniors don't have identification because they no longer drive, and IDNYC allows them to have identification, while other people sign up for a plethora of benefits

that IDNYC offers to cardholders, explained the councilman.

"There are a lot of benefits, and it is important that everyone has an identification," said the councilman. "I don't think a lot of people know this exists, so bringing it to our district (is a good idea.)"

Going beyond identification purposes, the card entitles the holder to benefits at cultural institutions like the Bronx Zoo or the New York Botanical Garden, as well as discounts on prescriptions, groceries and fitness centers.

The card was launched citywide in January, and according to a representative to the mayor's office for immigrant affairs, so far 400,000 people have registered across the city.

The New York City Council has worked with the cultural institutions to make sure as many of them as possible offer discounts and benefits to IDNYC card holders in the program's first year of existence.

Councilman Vacca thanked OLA for graciously opening



Councilman James Vacca and staff member tests new ID equipment.

its doors.

Monsignor Anthony Marchitelli, the pastor of Our Lady of the Assumption Church, said that the parish hosted the event because the church always cooperates with the community.

Hosting events such as the IDNYC registration open the church to Catholics and non-Catholics alike, said Msgr. Marchitelli, adding that the church also runs college fairs, Alcoholics Anonymous and a

food pantry for the public.

This is the first time the Archdiocese of New York has provided a space specifically for an IDNYC pop-up enrollment center, said Joseph Rosenberg, executive director of the Catholic Community Relations Council of New York, Inc.

In addition to pop-up locations, there are three permanent enrollment centers in the Bronx:

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coln Medical Center at 234 E. 149th Street, 2nd Floor; Bronx Library Center at 310 E. Kingsbridge Road and the Department of Finance Bronx Business Center at 3030 Third Avenue.

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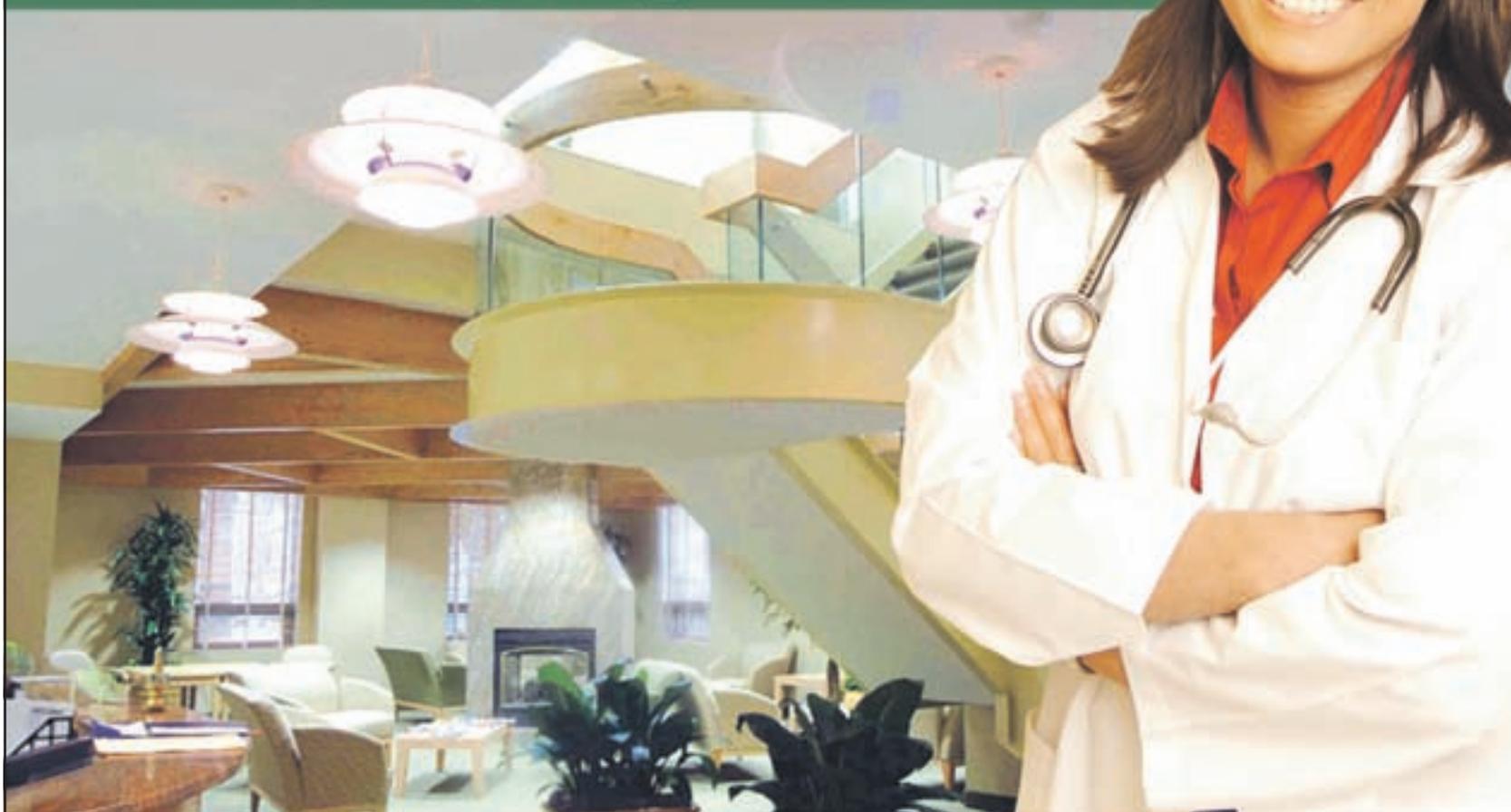
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Senator Jeff Klein presented award certificates to graduates of the 'Call for Caddies' summer jobs initiative at the Throggs Neck Houses. Photo courtesy of Senator Klein's office



(l to r): Pedro Modesto, Aidan Peruzza, Zarel Williams and Jaiden Perry.

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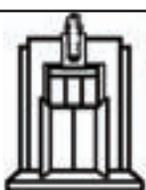
(l to r): Timara Johnson, Khaari Jackson and Ashley Serrano.

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(l to r): Event organizer and Resident Council president Monique Johnson with Shirley Cheatum and Joyce Irrizar.

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Erle Ladson '09

On Tuesday, July 28, the Cleveland Browns signed OL Erle Ladson. Ladson is 6'-6", 350-pounds and officially in his first NFL season out of Delaware. Originally signed by the Raiders as undrafted free agent in 2014, Ladson also played in the Arena Football League.



Willie Colon '01

The Jets re-signed Willie Colon, their starting right guard for the past two seasons. Colon was born and raised in the Bronx, played his high school ball at Cardinal Hayes, and spent his college career at Hofstra. Colon, began his NFL career in 2006 as Pittsburgh's fourth-round pick, 131st overall. He played in 63 games for the Steelers including the Superbowl XLII win over the Cardinals in 2009.



Carlif Taylor '10

Taylor signed as a rookie free agent by the Giants on May 11, 2015 from Southern Connecticut State. The 6'-2" 319lb two-time All Northeast 10 Conference selection racked up 172 tackles and 6.0 sacks. As a senior in 2014, he was a team captain, played in 11 games and was credited with 73 tackles (35 solo), including eight for losses.

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Tickets are \$35 per person. B.Y.O.B.B. For tickets, table reservations and information call Brenda or Diane at (718) 320-3210, Jerome at (917) 671-7862 or email naaccpcity2210@gmail.

The College of New Rochelle resident Judith Huntington announces the appointment of Danielle F. Wozniak, MSW, PhD, as Dean of The College of New Rochelle School of Arts & Sciences, effective August 1.

As Dean of the School of Arts & Sciences, Wozniak will be responsible for developing and realigning a strategic vision for the continued excellence of the all-women school that includes creating new programs and initiatives and growing existing programs. Among these new initiatives are the implementation of a revised liberal arts core curriculum as designed by the faculty and collaboration with various divisions and offices on the implementation of a \$10 million federal grant recently received by the College for first-time, full-time students.

Wozniak comes to The College of New Rochelle from the University of New England in Portland, Maine where she was the Director of the School of Social Work, the largest program at the University. During her tenure, she was responsible for significant growth in the online and campus programs. She attributes program growth to content innovation as well as to increased accessibility through low-residency hybrid course offerings.

Before the University of New England, Wozniak worked at the University of Montana in various roles, including Co-Director of Sexual Assault Prevention, Director of the Bachelor of Social Work Program, and Associate Professor.

Wozniak holds a PhD in Anthropology from the University of Connecticut, a Sixth Year Certificate in Educational Administration from the University of Hartford, an MSW from Fordham University, and BA from Miami University of Ohio in English literature.

Wozniak and her research partners at the University of Montana are currently working on a book entitled, Pathways to Healing: Women's Voices of Reclamation, Hope and Transformation in the Aftermath of Violent Relationships. She is also a founding partner of the cyber simulation game design company called PowerfulME!

The City Island Library will offer the following events:

Circle Time: Children from birth to 3 years old and their caregivers can enjoy interactive stories, songs, and finger plays while spending time with other toddlers in

the neighborhood. There is a limit of 15 children and their caregivers per session. Space is limited on a first come / first serve basis the day of the program. Every Tuesday from 11 to 11:45 a.m.

Read & Play: Children from birth to 3 years old and caregivers can take part in wonderful stories, discover amazing toys, and meet new friends in this fun, informal program. There is a limit of 15 children and their caregivers per session. Space is limited on a first come / first serve basis the day of the program. Every Friday from 11 to 11:30 a.m.

Family Movie Night: Into the Woods: Monday, September 14 at 4 p.m.

Craft-A-Way: Drop in at any time throughout the day and participate in creating projects related to a theme or holiday. Ages 2-11. Friday, September 25, between noon and 4 p.m.

After School Lounge: Monday to Thursday from 3 to 5 p.m.

Honor a Hero- In memory of 9/11, participants will have the opportunity to write letters or draw pictures to give to our local firefighters expressing their gratitude for their service. Ages 9-12. Friday, September 11, at 3 p.m.

My summer was so... Participants will have the opportunity to sit in a circle setting and share their summer stories with their friends. Friday, September 18, at 3 p.m.

Board Games: Friday, September 25, at 3 p.m.

Time to Spare: Strategies to Eliminate Clutter. This presentation is to offer participants strategies to eliminate clutter, prepare for mishaps, save money and maximize time. Presented by Daphne Kohavy. Saturday, September 12, at 1 p.m.

Are You Prepared For A Disaster? The American Red Cross is offering a free one hour presentation on disaster preparedness for the community. Thursday, September 17 at 5:30 p.m.

Computer Q & A: Ask questions about how to use computers. "How do I turn a computer on?" "How do I set up my own e-mail account and e-mail family and friends?" "How do I copy and paste text and pictures?" How can I sign in to use a computer at the library with my library card?" Every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to noon.

Résumé Writing Workshop and Online Job Search: Staff will be here to help you look for employment and get your résumé into top form for the competitive job market. It is recommended you bring along a flash drive to save your work. Every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to noon.

One-On-One: Computer and Tablet Assistance. Stop in or call to make an appointment for one hour of personalized instruction that addresses your questions and concerns.

Saturday Afternoon Movies: Saturday September 19, at 1 p.m. Five Flights Up

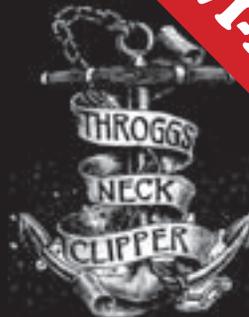
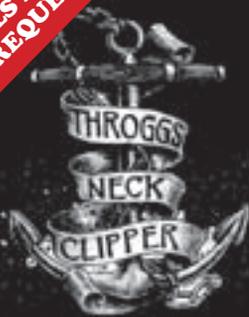
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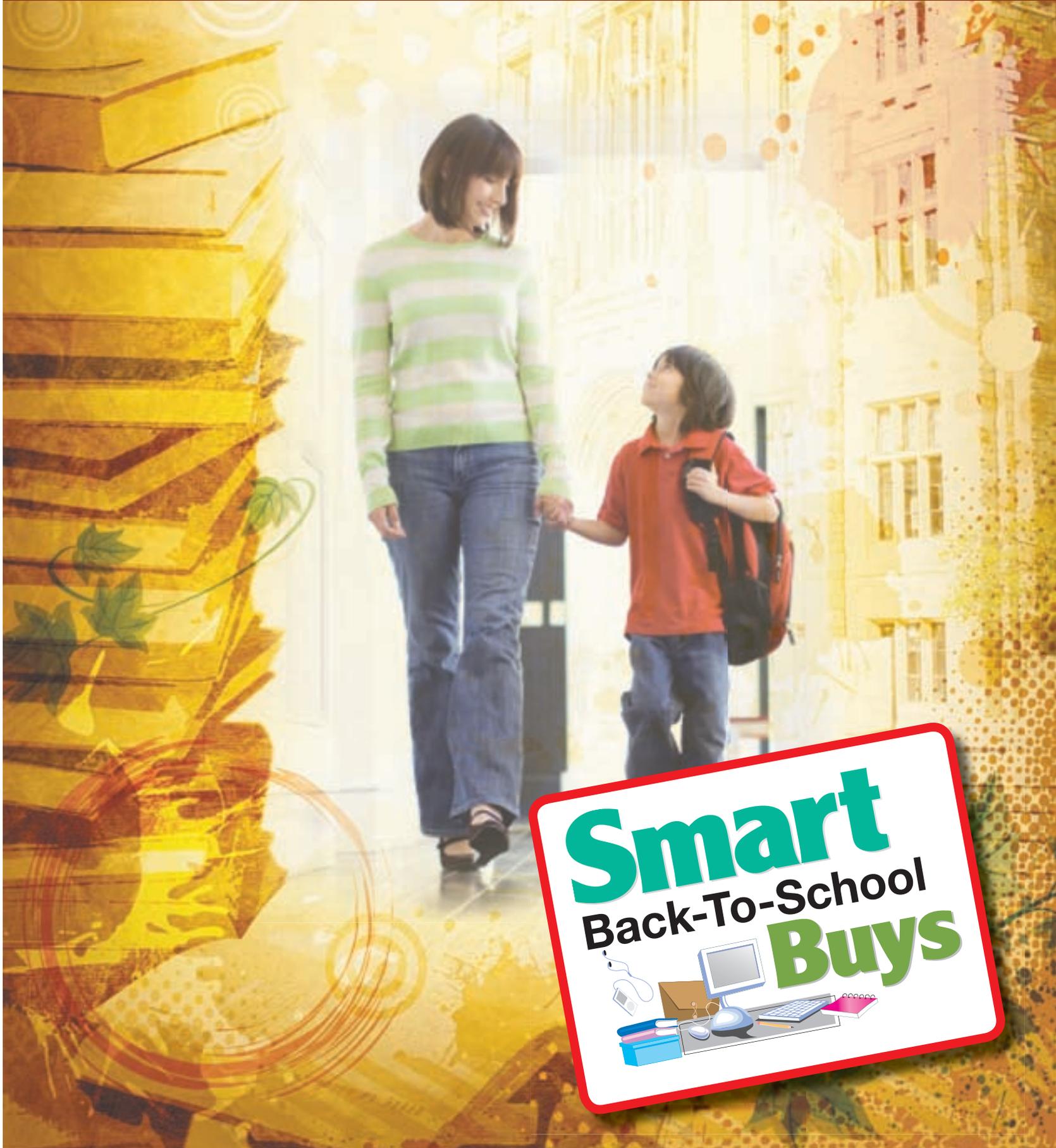
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Picking a college major is a big step for young students. Though many adults eventually find themselves working in fields that have little to do with their college majors, many more spend their entire careers in the same field they chose to major in way back in their college days.

Choosing a major is a decision that ultimately rests on the shoulders of the students who must consider a host of factors before committing to a specific field of study. But parents can still help their children, whether those kids are already enrolled in college or college-bound, as they make such an important decision that could very well affect the rest of their lives.

* Encourage patience. Today's college students and college-bound youngsters are living in a world that's significantly different than the one their parents or even older siblings might have encountered. Global and domestic unemployment rates remain high, and technology is changing the way many industries conduct business. But students trying to pick a major

should avoid picking one too quickly. Just because a certain field is experiencing job growth does not mean that field is ideal for all students. Encourage kids to be patient when choosing a major so they can find the field that's right for them, and not just the major they feel will produce the best job prospects.

* Suggest a double major. Many of today's students are fully aware of the difficult job market and the cost of a college education. As a result, such students want to choose a major they feel will put them in the best position to land a well-paying job after college. That's a smart strategy, but it's also one that overlooks the joy of studying a subject you are passionate about. Parents can simultaneously encourage kids to be smart about their job prospects and pursue their passions by suggesting a double major. For example, if your child has a love of art but understands the difficulty in earning a living as an artist, suggest a double major in art and graphic design. This way he or she has more career options upon graduation but

still has the chance to pursue a subject he or she is passionate about while in school.

* Encourage students to apply for internships. An internship is another great way parents can help kids as they decide on a college major. Internships are rarely easy to get, but some firms hire interns who are still in high school. Parents should encourage kids to pursue internships as early as possible. Internships can provide young students with some real-world experience and give them an accurate glimpse into what their professional lives might be like if they choose a particular field of study. Some kids might be encouraged by an internship, while others might realize a given field is not really for them. Either way, the internship can help narrow down the field of prospective majors for young students.

* Let kids know a major isn't the same thing as a career. The pressure to choose the right major can be overwhelming for some young students. But parents should let kids know that a major is not the same thing as



a career, and many graduates end up working in fields that had little or nothing to do with their majors. For instance, just because a student earns a degree in finance does not mean he or she will end up working on Wall Street. While parents should emphasize the importance of choosing the right major when speaking to their children, they should also let kids know that nothing is ever set in

stone. That can help take some of the pressure off students as they make such an important decision.

Today's college students have more to consider when choosing a college major than many of their predecessors. But parents can still take steps to help kids choose the right major without succumbing to the stress that comes with making such a significant decision.



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How to save on school supplies

Back to school season can be as expensive for parents as it is exciting for students. Once the initial letdown of the end of summer vacation wears off, many kids are excited to return to school, where they can see their friends, study their favorite subjects and participate in extracurricular activities.

Parents of school-aged youngsters may share in that excitement while also knowing that back to school season can stretch their budgets. One of the ways to salvage those budgets is to save on school supplies. Fortunately, there are several ways parents can do just that.

- Be patient. Shopping early can save shoppers money in many instances, but parents may benefit by exercising patience when it comes to buying school supplies for their children. Teachers often give students lists of supplies they will need for each class, and parents who wait to receive such lists can avoid spending money on items their kids won't need. Even if you wait it out, you may be able to get a head start, as some teachers may post supply lists on school websites, while others might email lists to parents before back to school season hits full swing.

- Take inventory. If you have more than one child, chances are you already have lots of school supplies around the house. Dust off kids' backpacks and



study areas from last school year to determine which supplies you need to buy and which you already have. Going forward, encourage kids to store their supplies in a predetermined area once the

school year ends, as this will make next year's inventory that much easier to examine and assess.

- Spend more now to save later. While inexpensive supplies can be

hard to resist, such items likely won't withstand the test of time, forcing you to spend time and money each year buying replacement supplies. Paying more now for certain items, including stronger backpacks and more highly rated calculators, may end up saving you money in the long run, even if the initial pill is somewhat tough to swallow.

- Use technology to your advantage. Department stores and businesses that sell school supplies, such as pharmacies and office stores, may or may not discount too many items once back to school season hits full swing. But savvy parents can still find deals by using technology to their advantage when shopping for school supplies. Download apps like RetailMeNot to your smartphone and enable its updates so your phone essentially notifies you of any discounts the moment you walk into a given store. If you don't receive any updates, search for discounts via the app or the Internet as you shop. Chances are strong that there are deals to be had, even if you don't learn of the deals until you arrive at the store.

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Oftentimes, behavioral issues, lack of attention paid to the teacher, and incomplete work assignments can actually be attributed to uncorrected refractive error (in layman's terms: when the shape of one's eye(s) precludes seeing clearly at one or more distances). The bottom line: If it's out of focus, it's not part of their world. Making sure kids can see clearly and comfortably in the classroom is vital to ensuring academic success.

The Importance of Comprehensive Annual Eye Exams

Kids and adults alike need comprehensive eye exams yearly – not only to check for refractive error, but also for conditions of the eye such as infections, injuries, dry eye, and “lazy eye,” as well as more serious diseases. With the prevalence of technology use by people of all ages, digital eye strain is another growing concern: these devices emit high-energy blue light, the effects of which are damaging to the eye over time and can be mitigated with special blue-blocking lenses.

Patients should also be aware that new web- and app-based services have recently come to market, offering in-home autorefraction via smartphone, tablet, or computer. While these provide mostly accurate results in determining one's prescription for glasses, it is important to note that these services do not screen for conditions and diseases of the eye, and should not be considered a substitute for a comprehensive annual eye exam with a board-certified optometrist.

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Signs a tutor might be necessary

School is not always easy, and some students struggle as they transition from grade to grade. As students get older, some who may have experienced smooth sailing as youngsters may find they need some extra help grasping the material as coursework becomes more complicated.

Those who need some extra clarification and reinforcement may first turn to their parents. But parents may not be familiar with certain subjects or capable of explaining certain concepts in terms kids can understand. In such situations, tutors can prove to be valuable resources to get kids back on the right academic track.

One-on-one attention from a tutor can benefit all types of learners. Students who discover newfound success under the guidance of a tutor may have more self-

confidence in the classroom. Parents wondering if a tutor can help their children may want to consider the following indicators that students may need tutors.

- **Consistently falling grades:** Tutors may be necessary for students whose grades are gradually on the decline. First speak with your child's teachers, who may recommend tutors that specialize in certain subjects.

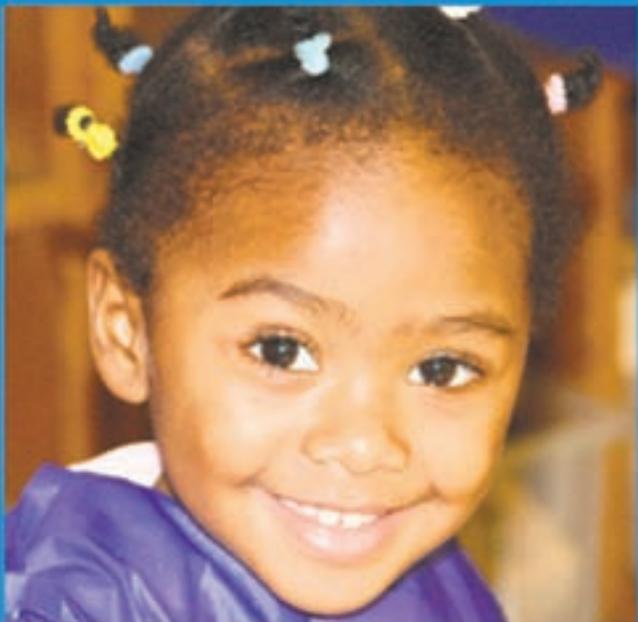
- **Confusion in and out of the classroom:** Some kids struggle to grasp certain concepts, and such confusion can sometimes be remedied with the kind of intense study available in tutoring sessions.

- **Low confidence:** Some kids' confidence wanes when their grades suffer. Kids whose grades have been on the decline may feel a sense of defeat even

before they take a test or work on an assignment. Tutors can help restore confidence by creating small victories that slowly build up to larger successes.

- **Indifference to coursework:** No student will be captivated by every subject he or she studies, but there should be some subjects that students find engaging. Students battling indifference toward their coursework may benefit from a dynamic tutor who can present subject matter in new ways and revive students' interest.

Students who are struggling in the classroom may need some extra help outside the classroom, and many tutors are adept at reviving interest in subjects kids are studying at school. Some teachers may recommend certain tutors, while others may do some tutoring work themselves.

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Students seeking private music lessons have options

Time and again research has proven the benefits of music education. Children who study music typically score better on standardized testing and exhibit improved language and reasoning skills, and music education helps students with advanced mathematics lessons by improving their spatial and temporal reasoning. Involvement in music and the arts can improve a student's SAT scores and make the student well-rounded.

Despite these benefits, music and art education is slowly disappearing from the classroom. At many schools across the nation, stages are dark and band and chorus rooms are empty. Budget cuts have been unkind to music education programs. To keep up with the demand for technology in the classroom, certain school programs have to be scaled back, and art and music are generally the first to go. This leaves it up to parents to involve their kids in music education.

Private lessons have long

been a great way for kids to learn music, and many such music coaches are former music teachers. With private lessons, kids get to benefit from working with certified instructors, and parents are happy to make music a part of their youngsters' lives. The following are a handful of ways parents can find private lessons for their kids.

* Word of mouth: Begin by asking neighbors or friends in the community if they know of any reliable music teachers. Someone is bound to know a person or have a connection to a music teacher. Speak with members of a community music ensemble, such as a church choir, or even amateur or professional musicians you see playing at a restaurant or bar. There's a good chance you can get a referral. You may also have a friend or neighbor who is a talented musician and will agree to offer lessons on the side.

* Community music programs: While schools may not have music classes, community centers offer programs for both adults and

children. A community arts center may offer instrument training and/or vocal lessons, so look into such organizations in your community. A community YMCA or a similar organization also may have after-school music programs.

* Nearby colleges: Music students at local colleges may want to make extra money by offering music lessons. They may be able either to meet at your home or use the music room on campus to conduct lessons.

* Newspaper classifieds: Tutors frequently advertise their services in the newspaper. Look in the classified section to see if anyone is offering music lessons. Many newspapers now offer their classifieds both online and in print, so utilize both options to ensure your search is as thorough as possible.

Music education is important, but those seeking instruction may have to look outside of school. Private instructors are available to help foster a love of the arts and mold creative, well-rounded children.



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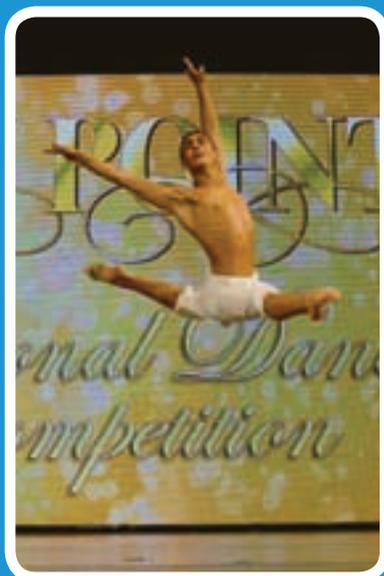


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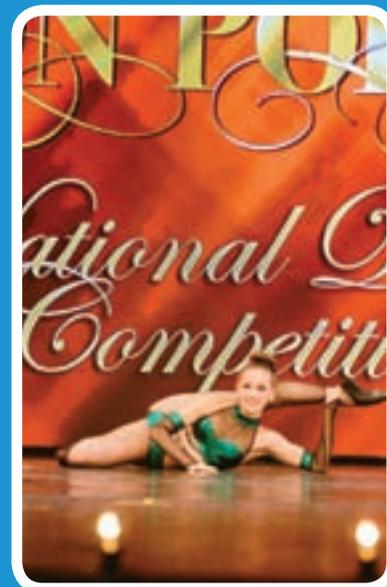
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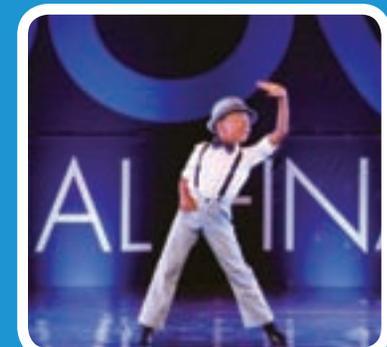
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Tried Stone Baptist Church and Synergi Community Improvement Organization held their annual family day on Saturday, August 22. The event, hosted in Crotona Park East, included health and wellness information, as well as music, games, food and face painting.



(l-r) Betty Peele, Tried Stone Pastor Connis Mobley, Marilyn Johnson, Selma Rodriguez and Michell Gantt.

Photo by Edwin Soto



ST. BARNABAS' HEALTH AND FITNESS DAY

St. Barnabas Hospital hosted a Friday, August 21 'Health and Fitness Day' on-campus event featuring health screenings, back-to-school immunizations, nutrition and obesity prevention education and physical activity for the community.

(Above) St. Barnabas Health Systems' Isaiah Sommers (l), Albert Alvarez and Emily D'Alemp keep guests well-informed about their health during last Friday's event.

Photo by Walter Pofeltd

BCHN'S HEALTH FAIR FIELD DAY

Dozens of young children participating in last Tuesday, August 18's Bronx Community Network's annual Health Fair Field Day at the Evander Childs Educational Campus learned about the importance of physical activity and good eating habits.



Children make tracks running the obstacle course during BCHN's Health Fair Field Day.

Photo courtesy of BCHN

BACK-TO-SCHOOL FEST AT CRUGER-MACE

Locals celebrated the end of summer at the Cruger-Mace 3rd Annual Back to School International Block Party in Allerton on Saturday, August 22.



Children and organizers at the Crueger-Mace Block Party.

Photo by Silvio Pacifico



DANCING IN THE PARK SPARKLES

Dancers from The Bronx Academy of Arts and Dance performed on the lawns of Owen Dolen Park on Friday, August 21 as part of the 2nd annual Dancing Through The Bronx outdoor dance series. The event was hosted by the Westchester Square Business Improvement District.

(Left) Rachel Nunez of Dancing in the Streets and Roberto Barone of BAAD!

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(Right) Dancers Emmanuel Delgado and Beverly Lopez perform.

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FORDHAM ROAD BID FILM NIGHT



The 2015 Fordham Road Business Improvement District's Film Festival continued on Friday, August 21 and Saturday, August 22. The classic comedy Ghostbusters was shown on August 21 and the sequel was shown on August 22. The movies in Bryan Park were co-sponsored by Councilman Fernando Cabrera, Councilman Ritchie Torres and HealthFirst.

The children wait for the movie to begin.
Photo by Aracelis Batista

(Right) A visit from the Ghostbusters was part of the fun! (l-r) Wilson Ocasio, Justin Ocasio, NYC Ghostbuster Chris Beaumont, Sandra Ocasio and Samantha Ocasio.
Photo by Aracelis Batista



FPCA HOSTS ANNUAL BLOCK PARTY

Ferry Point Civic Association hosted their 10th Annual Block Party on Saturday, August 22 on Rhor Place. Neighbors came together for food and fun.

(Above) Neighbors gathered on Rhor Place. Photo by Walter Pofeldt

HARVEST FIELDS COMMUNITY DAY

Harvest Fields Church in Westchester Square held its Community Day block party on Saturday, August 22. The annual event featured choir music, a balloon artist and arts and crafts.

(Right) Inora Semidey (l) and Maria Guzman enjoy the block party.
Photo by Silvio Pacifico



CONCOURSE CUNY IT LAB OPENING

Lehman College's School of Continuing and Professional Studies hosted a Wednesday, August 19 ribbon-cutting ceremony for a new Information Technology Innovation Lab at CUNY on the Concourse. The lab was funded through a City Council grant obtained by Councilman James Vacca.

(Right) Councilman Vacca and Lehman College president Ricardo Fernandez cut right to the chase at last Wednesday's ribbon-cutting ceremony.
Photo by Miriam Quin



Katherine 'Sparkles' paints a tattoo on Cameron Rodriguez's arm.
Photo by Silvio Pacifico

FAMILY CHRIST HEALTH FAIR HELD

The Family Christ Church of God held a health fair in Westchester Square on Saturday, August 22. The event, held at Owen Dolen Park, included health screenings, information and family fun in the park.

(Right) Members of the Family of Christ Church of God gather at their health fair in Owen Dolen Park.
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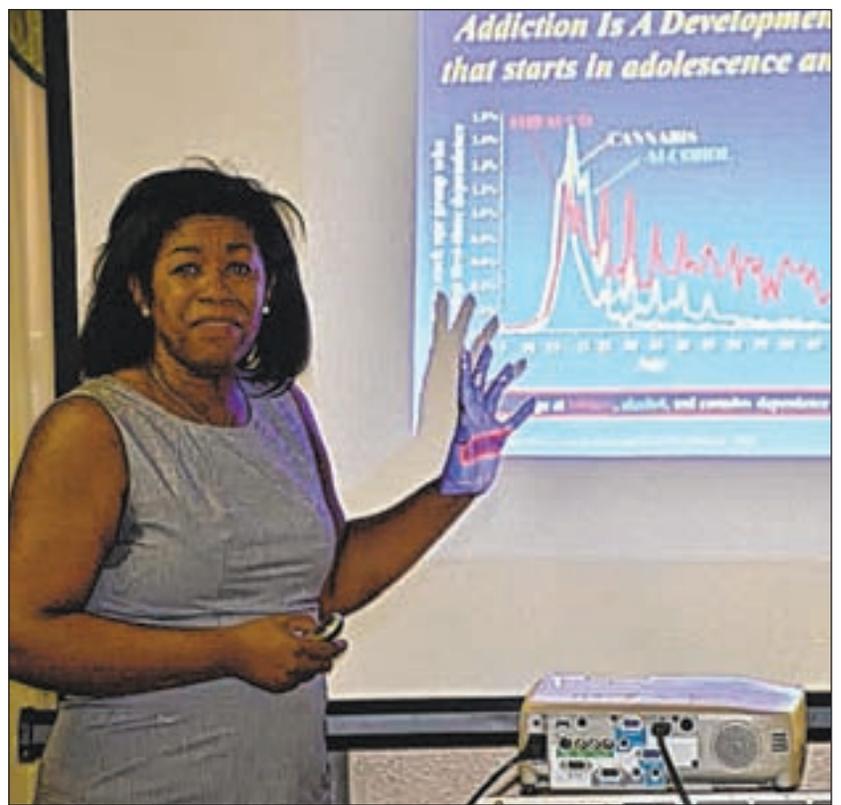
BID HOLDS MUSIC ON THE BOULEVARD

The Southern Boulevard Business Improvement District and arts organization Castia Maria held a back-to-school festival and freestyle concert on Saturday, August 22. The event was called Music on the Boulevard. The concert was hosted by Yamilet Mia and Artie Rodriguez from Artie and Legit.



Children dance during the music festival.

Photo by Miriam Quin



S'VIEW DRUG FREE COALITION MEETING

The Soundview Drug Free Coalition held a Tuesday, August 18 meeting to continue its work with residents in improving safety and quality of life in the neighborhood by giving informative presentations on topics ranging from drug addiction to self-empowerment.

Michelle Watt, SDFC program director gave a presentation on addiction at last Tuesday's meeting. Photo by Miriam Quin

SUV CELEBRATES ONE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Stand Up to Violence, an anti-violence program, held their First Anniversary Peace March and Rally on Saturday, August 22. The event began with a breakfast and then a march from Community Board 12's White Plains Road office to Mazzei Playground in Allerton. The march included a vigil and then there was a celebration of the program at the playground. SUV relies on violence interrupters to reach high-risk persons, and mediate disputes in the community, especially in locales where there has been violence in the past.



Senator Jeff Klein and Assemblyman Mark Gjonaj stand with some peace marchers after they arrive at Mazzei Playground to celebrate the one-year anniversary of Stand Up to Violence.

Photo by Edwin Soto



KLEIN SECURES FUNDING FOR YMCA

Senator Jeff Klein joined with the executive director of the Bronx YMCA Sharlene Brown, senior vice president for Public Affairs at the YMCA Paul Custer, and vice president of Public Affairs at the YMCA Sharon Levy, on Thursday, August 20 to announce \$200,000 in state funding for the YMCA of Greater New York. State funding secured by Senator Klein will be used to promote various health and wellness initiatives, including intergenerational programming, family engagement, nutrition and senior services.

(Above) Senator Jeff Klein, executive director of the Bronx YMCA Sharlene Brown, and YMCA campers. Photo courtesy of Senator Klein's office

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Assemblywoman Latoya Joyner hosted 'Read-to-Succeed Garden Party' last Tuesday, August 18 at Target Bronx Community Garden honoring children and their families, organizations and community stakeholders who participated in her first annual summer reading challenge.



(Back row) Latoya Joyner, Ramon Rivera, Miriam Tadd and Rafael Romero, Bridge Haven Family Shelter recreation specialist with the Summer Reading Challenge children proudly displaying their certificates. Photo by Miriam Quin



FRENCH MONTANA AT WINE & LIQUOR SUPERSTORE

Rapper French Montana visited the Wine & Liquor Superstore at the Throggs Neck Shopping Center for a special appearance and bottle signing on Thursday, August 20.

(Above) (l to r): Brittany Diaz, Elizabeth Ojeda, Stephanie Rodriguez, French Montana, Sara Colon, Mariela Tenorio, James Moye and Jim Gallaria. Photo by Walter Pofeldt

KLEIN SPEAKS TO MARITIME CADETS

Senator Jeff Klein addressed and presided over an indoctrination graduation on Saturday, August 22 at SUNY Maritime College. The ceremony marks a step up for cadets at the school who are Mariners Under Guidance, marking the end of a 10-day mandatory training program for all new students.



(Right) Senator Jeff Klein with Dr. Michael Alfultis, president of SUNY Maritime, at the college's annual swearing-in ceremony on Saturday, August 22.

Photo courtesy of Senator Klein

NYJTL'S ANNUAL SUMMER GALA

New York Junior Tennis and Learning held its annual Summer Gala on Wednesday, August 12 at the Loeb Boathouse in Central Park. Many citywide tennis teams including the Bronx Tennis Team were represented at this celebratory event.



Bronx Tennis Team coach Mike Moreno with NYJTL president and CEO Deborah Antoine had a great time at NYJTL's Summer Gala. Photo courtesy of NYJTL

TWOMEY STREET NAMING BILL SIGNED

Deceased local historian and longtime Bronx Times Reporter columnist Bill Twomey's family met with Councilman James Vacca at New York City Hall to celebrate a bill signing for a street co-naming in his honor. Councilman Vacca welcomed the Twomey family to the event. A street near Twomey's home in Throggs Neck will bear his name in honor of his memory, likely in the spring of 2016.



Councilman James Vacca (far r) and Michael Rivadeneira (far l), Vacca's chief of staff, with members of the Twomey family shortly after the street co-naming bill became a law.

Photo courtesy of Councilman James Vacca

New Innovation Lab at Lehman



Councilman James Vacca (c.) met with students and took a tour of Lehman College's new IT Innovation Lab, located at CUNY on the Concourse.

Lehman College's School of Continuing and Professionals Studies held a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Wednesday, August 19 for its new Information Technology Innovation Lab, located at CUNY on the Concourse. The lab, which offers intense programming and web development training for budding computer engineers, is the latest initiative by the College to groom the next wave of professionals in the field of information systems and create an IT hub in the Bronx.

Already this summer 24 students participated in the Lab's pilot program, called Traincube, where they learned to build professional web applications for existing businesses. Traincube partnered with the one year-old Bronx Business Bridge Incubator, which receives support from the New York City Economic Development Corporation, to select four businesses with IT needs.

"It's a win-win situation for everyone," explains Lehman alumna and IBM IT Specialist Eva Sofianos, who co-ran the summer pilot program. "Here are businesses in need of solutions and students in need of opportunities to build their experience. The training this program provides is rigorous, but at the end the students are ready to move to the next level in their careers."

For Eddie Rodriguez, who graduated from Lehman this past spring, the Traincube experience came at just the right time. "The training itself helped to flesh out my knowledge, but having the opportunity to work with a client on her business needs, and knowing that the end project could potentially be implemented was very satisfying," says Rodriguez.

The four participating businesses included a global wholesaler of recycled and refurbished computers, a jewelry maker, a tax and accounting service, and an education advocacy group.

To get into the program, participants must submit an application and, if selected, undergo an interview where their programming experience, technical skills, and personal commitment are evaluated. Those businesses that take part in the program receive completed, but not fully featured websites, which they can then choose to deploy.

"Digital technology and information technology is the way forward, and this new innovation lab is going to help create the workforce that is needed in the Bronx and elsewhere to meet the demands of an economy that demands the integration of new media at all levels," says Dr. Goher Murtaza, director of the School of Continuing Education at Lehman College.

The IT Innovation Lab and its pilot program, Traincube, received funding through a generous grant from New York City Council Member James Vacca of District 13 in the Bronx.

For more information about the IT Innovation Lab and Bronx Business Bridge, e-mail Claudia.hadley@lehman.cuny.edu. The application deadline for the next series of workshops is September 30.

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Cardinal Spellman High School holds golf outing

Under sunny skies more than 200 people attended Cardinal Spellman High School's annual Alumni and Friends Golf Outing at Knollwood Country Club in Elmsford, New York. The event helped to raise over \$35,000 for the student scholarship fund—a new event record! The golfers enjoyed lunch on the patio, a putting contest and an open driving range. Many tried their luck at winning an assortment of prizes at designated holes, including a new car.

Later in the day, a cocktail hour with silent auction took place at the clubhouse. Guests were entertained by dinner Master of Ceremonies Marcus Solis, class of 1987 and Reporter for WABC-TV Eyewitness News. Marcus introduced Science faculty member, Trudy Keane, who presented

the “Sequere Deum” Award to this year’s honoree, Jane (Lacey) Morris ’71, Girls’ Athletic Director and Coach of the Spellman Girls Varsity Basketball team. Coach Morris was honored for her nearly 40 years of service to Spellman students and to celebrate her induction into the New York State Basketball Coaches Hall of Fame this past spring.

The annual event benefits the Golf Outing Scholarship Fund. Scholarship recipient Arnold Baltazar ’15 relayed to the crowd the difference this award made to him and his family. “My family couldn’t afford to continue my Spellman education and I was supposed to transfer to a public school after freshman year, but I was blessed with this scholarship and was allowed to finish three more years. Thanks to

you I will attend Stony Brook University this fall and when I’m able to, later in life, I promise I will give back to Spellman the same you helped me,” stated Arnold. Now that Arnold has graduated, the new Golf Outing Scholarship recipient, Christopher Vitale ’18 was introduced and also thanked attendees, “I’m thankful to be here at Cardinal Spellman where I can get a great education and enjoy so many of the teams and activities that make Spellman more than a school and more like a family.”

This year’s golf outing included a special guest player, Carl Banks, a former linebacker for the New York Giants that won Super Bowls XXI and XXV. At the dinner that followed, special guest Dwight “Doc” Gooden, three-



(L-r) Trudy Keane; Jane Morris, athletic director and 2015 dinner honoree; and Daniel O’Keefe, principal.

time World Series Champion pitcher for the New York Mets and Yankees, spoke to attendees about his days playing ball in New York. The golf committee, under the leadership of

Liam McLaughlin ’85, along with the players, sponsors, and dinner attendees, all contributed to a highly successful and enjoyable event.

BY FRANK V. VERNUCCIO, JR.

The federal budget and the state of the U.S. economy are more deeply troubled than Washington acknowledges.

Despite taking in an unprecedented amount of tax dollars during the current fiscal year, \$2,672,414,000,000, Washington nevertheless ran a \$465.5B Deficit. The national debt now stands at \$18,112,975,000,000.

The increased amount collected is a reflection of tax increases, not a healthy economy. In 2012, the top individual income tax rate was increased 4.6%, while some deductions and exemptions were phased out. Obamacare also brought in an additional 3.8% on dividends, capital gains, royalties and capital gains. American corporate tax rates are the highest of any developed nation.

In a troubling letter, Treasury Secretary Jacob J. Lew wrote to Congressional leaders: “I am writing to notify you, as required under 5

U.S.C. § 8348(1)(2), of my determination that, by reason of the statutory debt limit, I will continue to be unable to fully invest the portion of the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund (CSRDF) not immediately required to pay beneficiaries. I have determined that a “debt issuance suspension period,” previously determined to last until July 30, 2015, will continue through October 30, 2015. As a result, the Treasury Department will continue to suspend additional investments of amounts credited to, and redeem an additional portion of the investments held by, the CSRDF, as authorized by law. By law, the CSRDF will be made whole once the debt limit is increased. Federal retirees and employees will be unaffected by these actions. I respectfully urge Congress to protect the full faith and credit of the United States by acting to increase the statutory debt limit as soon as possible.”

Community Action civic Association

Indicators of a weak economy are significant. A recent AP report noted that “U.S. food banks are expected to give away about four billion pounds of food this year, more than double the amount provided a decade ago, according to Feeding America, the nation’s primary food bank network. The group gave away 3.8 billion in 2013.”

Profit Confidential.com states that “the stock markets may be doing well, but the underlying fundamentals that hold the U.S. economy together are not...For those who have jobs, they’re making less than they did before the Great Recession. Wages for workers at every pay level, save for the bottom 10%, declined from the second half of 2013 through to

the second half of 2014. And there’s no indication wages will increase. For 70% of the workforce, inflation-adjusted hourly wages are still lower than they were in 2007. Over the same period, inflation (CPI) has risen 15%.”

Writing in Counterpunch former Wall Street Journal editor Paul Craig Roberts writes: “Today there are 4,000,000 fewer jobs for Americans aged 25 to 54 than in December 2007...As of July 2015, the US has 27,265,000 people with part-time jobs, of whom 6,300,000 or 23% are working part-time because they cannot find full time jobs. There are 7,124,000 Americans who hold multiple part-time jobs in order to make ends meet, an increase of 337,000 from a year ago...With so many manufacturing and tradable professional skill jobs, such as software engineering, offshored to China and India, professional careers are disappearing in the U.S...Clearly, this is not an economy that has a

future...

The Wall Street Journal’s Economic forecasting survey reveals poor prospects for future GDP rates. The Actual 2015 second quarter growth rate is 2.3%; the third quarter projection is 2.7%, and the 4th quarter, 2.8%. That will shrink, according to the projection, to 2.6% in the first quarter of 2016, and may rise slightly to 2.7% in the 2nd quarter. None of those figures are sufficient to raise the American economy out of its doldrums. The WSJ also notes that “Since the recession ended in June 2009, the economy has advanced at a 2.2% annual pace through the end of last year. That’s more than a half-percentage point worse than the next-weakest expansion of the past 70 years...”

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BY TONY SALIMBENE

Ok folks, we begin the 2015-16 American Legion season on, you got it, the 3rd Sunday of September, starting at 10:30 a.m. for coffee, 11 a.m. meeting, and noon at the club room of American Turners NY, the Turner Club. Parking down the corner at Philip Avenue. All units of the Legion Family are always invited.

Congrats to JP on his selection as our County Sgt. at

civic center

Korony American Legion Post 253

Arms. First Tuesday is the county meeting, open to all, this time at the commander’s home post at Co-Op City.

Thanks again to Colleen, Mike and Aunt Cathy who are always involved in Support

the Troops activities, all year long.

The SAL and post membership cards will be out soon.

We all know Andy V. from the Sons and other clubs. His son Andy just reported for duty with the U.S. Navy. We wish him well on his new ‘voyage.’

Until next time: Let’s make a real effort to dedicate ourselves to a successful and productive Legion year!

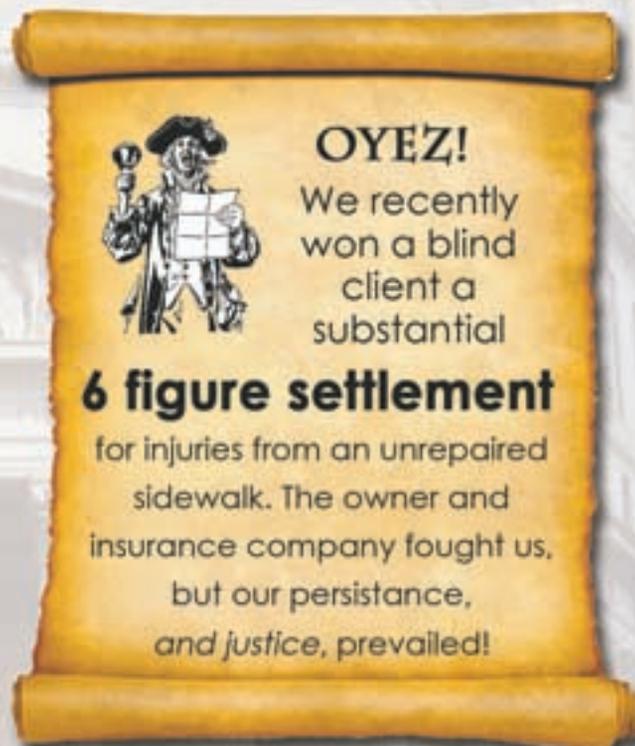
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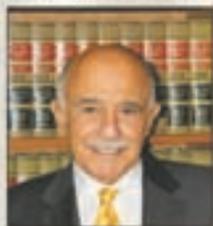


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St. Barnabas reduces 30-day readmissions

When it comes to reducing 30-day hospital readmissions, it's no longer a matter of hospital "bragging rights," but one of financial necessity.

As a result of the Hospital Readmissions Reduction Program (HRRP) established by the Affordable Care Act, hospitals now face financial penalties from Medicare for their failure to reduce 30-day patient readmissions occurring after initial hospitalizations for heart attack, heart failure, pneumonia, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), and elective hip or knee replacement.

According to results published this month by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), 140 hospitals in New York State were penalized, with an average penalty of 0.75 percent (with some as high as 2.5 percent). At a time when virtually all of the state's urban hospitals faced higher-than-average penalties, St. Barnabas Hospital in (SBH Health System), along with a handful of suburban and rural hospitals, had among the state's lowest penalty rates (0.19 percent).

This has not happened by chance. In fact, since 2011, the hospital has experienced an

across-the-board reduction of more than 14 percent in its 30-day patient readmission rate.

"This has been a priority not only for our Medicare patients, but with all our patients," said Dr. Manisha Kulshreshtha, St. Barnabas Hospital's Medical Director, Care Transitions and Physician Practice. "A good part of this effort comes down to doing a better job communicating among ourselves and educating our patients."

The hospital began its campaign to reduce hospitalization readmission rates by breaking down the process from patient admission to discharge and forming a readmission committee (comprised of members from emergency medicine, internal medicine, surgery, nursing, case management, social work, pharmacy, IT and ambulatory care). Closer attention was paid to patients' medication, with a clinical pharmacist assigned to a high risk patient floor and the hospital offering medication options and/or assisting patients with the cost of their meds when they couldn't afford them.

According to Rachel Sussman, the clinical pharmacist assigned, "Having a clinical pharmacist on the medical

units assists in high risk patient education and in resolving medication access issues, which had been found to be a significant barrier to their care."

Added Wanda Kelly, the hospital's director for case management, "We focus intensively on the reasons for readmission to constantly look for areas of improvement."

Additionally, Dr. Kulshreshtha credits these hospital-wide changes for the dramatic turnaround:

Introduction of "white boards" used in daily meetings with as many as 15 to 20 doctors, dietitians, pharmacists, physical therapists, nurses, social workers and case managers. "We discuss each patient, with a discharge plan developed at the time the patient is admitted," said Dr. Kulshreshtha. "The white board is color-coded so clinicians know when patients are being discharged, whether they have been readmitted (which means they are at renewed risk), and their care moving forward," she said. "It's made for far better communications."

Enhancement of Electronic Medical Records. Made possible through a grant from the United Hospital Fund, the im-

proved EMR system has enabled the hospital to focus on such things as creating alerts for 30-day readmissions and high-risk medications, and doing a better job of transmitting clinical discharge summaries to physicians (including primary care physicians) and other providers.

Improved patient and caregiver education at the patient's bedside. This has included a "rounding" process whereby providers educate high-risk patients, including those with congestive heart failure and diabetes and their caregivers, in order to better prepare them for discharge. This has included, for example, "teach back" sessions where nurses have patients tell them what they will need to do following discharge. All exit materials for patients are now prepared in both English and Spanish, with the hospital making additional provisions for communicating to its patients originally from such areas as West Africa and Albania.

Collaboration with a large private physician practice in making "house calls." It is estimated that as many as 25 patients, for the most part elderly and chronically ill, are seen monthly through a collaborative program with Essen Med-

ical. The program facilitates the transition of patients most at risk for re-admission back into the community and consists of regular telephonic follow-up and at-home physician visits for up to 30 days following hospital discharge. "The first 30 days following a hospital stay are the most critical to ensuring that patients properly recover and avoid complications," said Dr. Sumir Sahgal, EssenMed House Calls' Chief Medical Officer. "We have found this model to be very cost-effective in reducing hospital readmissions as well as provide patients with the caliber of personalized care management that leads to increased patient satisfaction." Since the partnership's inception in 2013, EssenMed House Calls has cared for over 2,400 SBH patients.

"Working with high-risk patients, many of whom are not always compliant, can be very challenging," said Dr. Kulshreshtha. "But not only do our numbers (in terms of 30-day hospital readmissions) continue to trend down, which obviously is important in light of the financial incentives, but we feel that we've improved the overall quality of our care."

Severe headaches in pregnant women: when to worry

If a pregnant woman with high blood pressure and no history of headache suddenly develops a headache that quickly gets worse, she could be at risk for pregnancy complications, including preeclampsia, which put both the mother and fetus at risk. These and other findings from a new study conducted by researchers at Montefiore Health System and Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University, offer the first clinical recommendations for making diagnostic decisions about headaches in pregnant women. The study, the largest of its kind, was published online today in the journal *Neurology*.

"Headaches during pregnancy are quite common, but it is not always easy to distinguish between a recurring, preexisting migraine condition and a headache caused by a pregnancy complication,"

said lead author Matthew S. Robbins, M.D., director of inpatient services at Montefiore Headache Center, chief of neurology at Jack D. Weiler Hospital of Montefiore, and associate professor of clinical neurology at Einstein. "Our study suggests that physicians should pay close attention when a pregnant woman presents with a severe headache, especially if she has elevated blood pressure or lack of past headache history. Those patients should be referred immediately for neuroimaging and monitoring for preeclampsia."

Preeclampsia (previously called toxemia) typically occurs during the second or third trimester of pregnancy and may be related to an abnormal interaction of blood vessels that supply the placenta. Symptoms and signs can include high blood pressure, headaches, blurry vision, or abdominal pain, al-

though some patients may have no symptoms. Depending on the severity and the age of the fetus, treatment ranges from bed rest for mild preeclampsia to premature delivery if the condition is severe.

Dr. Robbins and colleagues analyzed records of every pregnant woman with headache who had been referred for a neurological consultation at Montefiore's Weiler Hospital over a five-year period. The study involved 140 women with an average age of 29. A large majority of the patients were Hispanic or African-American, reflecting the makeup of the Bronx population.

Most (91) of the 140 women had primary headaches, 90 percent of which were migraines. Among the 49 patients with secondary headache, 51 percent were diagnosed with pregnancy-related high blood pressure, including the

38 percent of women who had preeclampsia.

The most telling indicator of a secondary headache among pregnant women proved to be high blood pressure. Compared to pregnant women with headache but no high blood pressure, women with headache plus high blood pressure faced a 17-fold increased likelihood that their headaches were caused by some other condition. "In most of these patients, their elevated blood pressure was driven by preeclampsia," said Dr. Robbins.

The researchers found that another red flag for a headache that should be taken seriously was lack of a previous history of headache, which was associated with a five-fold increased likelihood that the headache was secondary to something else. Other warning signs were fever, seizures, and headaches in the absence of phonopho-

bia (sound sensitivity) and psychiatric problems.

The paper is titled "Acute headache diagnosis in pregnant women: a hospital-based study." The other authors are: Constantine Farmakidis, M.D., Ashlesha K. Dayal, M.D., and Richard Lipton, M.D., all at Einstein-Montefiore.

Dr. Lipton serves on the editorial board of *Neurology*, holds stock options in eNeura Therapeutics and serves as a consultant, advisory board member, or has received honoraria from Allergan, the American Headache Society, Autonomic Technologies, Boehringer-Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals, Boston Scientific, Bristol-Myers Squibb, CogniMed, CoLucid, Eli Lilly, Endo, eNeura Therapeutics, GlaxoSmithKline, Merck, Novartis, NuPathe, Pfizer, and Vedanta Research. Dr. Robbins, Dr. Farmakidis and Dr. Dayal report no conflicts of interest.

BY CHRYS NAPOLITANO

Recently, I helped Pedro Rosario, Christina Abatiello and everyone at New Beginnings Animal Rescue by coordinating a pet adoption event at the Locust Point Civic Association. I am devoted to this group and the cause of protecting our furry friends. I do this in memory of our Schumi, who we lost on March 16, 2013. A few weeks later, we adopted Mini and then fostered Cooper for about two hours before realizing she was part of our family too. The incredible loss I felt after losing Schumi was difficult to transition to the joy of having two puppies in your house, but we got through it and joy won out.

How can you say that there is no connection between man and dogs? Our survival is directly connected to them. When man and wolf entered into the evolutionary bargain that over thousands of years created the animals we share our homes with today, it was to enable both species to survive.

Once man figured out that cooking meat over fire made it easier to digest it enabled the brain to use more of its energy on thinking of better ways to track and trap animals. We got pretty good at it and soon the wolves found that it was easier to hang around the camp and get scraps from the humans. The humans received in return the wolf's incredible hearing and sense of smell, further assisting us in not only protecting the camp but assisting us in

the hunt.

When we started to settle down, form communities and practice agriculture, those dogs were right there with us, adapting to our needs by assisting us with guarding and herding our livestock. (And of course domesticated cats were also helping out). Our Schumi was a cocker spaniel, a breed that was used to flush out small birds from the brush so that hunters could then shoot the birds. While Schumi never was used in the hunt, we were amazed at her innate ability to run towards a group of birds, never trying to actually catch one as much as get them to fly away.

Having a dog (or a cat) connects us to our humanity in a way that loving another person doesn't. Not to diminish the love of my husband or family or friends, this is just another facet of our emotional lives. We are stewards of this planet, but we are wrong when we say that we are out to save the planet. If we continue on the path we as a people are on, we'll be gone and the planet will still be here. Mother Nature can laugh at our braggadocio thinking that we were her saviors! We are the stewards of each other and the creatures we share the planet with.

To understand this relationship is to understand who we are, how we got here and what our current lifestyle is robbing us of. Knowing Schumi, loving her and feeling her loss made

food for thought

me remember how to live, in a way that losing my parents did not.

When I held Mini in my arms the first time I knew it was right, I passed from sorrow to joy and that was a gift. In my endeavors as a food activist, I tell people to eat simple good food and know where it came from and will connect you to the earth and that will start you on the path to a more sustainable lifestyle. But to love an animal, to feel its loss and then the love of another is the cycle of life. Embrace it all.

If you want to learn more about eating simple good food and knowing where it came from, join us on Saturday, August 29 at the Owen Dolen Center for Healthy Eating Back to School, a free cooking class sponsored by Healthfirst.

I will be teaching the class and thought I would share one of the recipes I will be demonstrating. I call it 'Rice Salad' and I usually make it with a wild rice mix that I buy at Costco. For the demo, I used a mix I purchased at the Key Food in Westchester Square. This was a mix of brown rice, couscous, chia seeds and black lentils and it worked perfectly for this recipe.

I start with 3 cups of left-

over rice (1 cup uncooked rice + 2 cups stock, cook according to directions and let cool overnight). Using a large sauté pan, with good nonstick finish, on a high heat, add 2 tablespoons avocado oil. As soon as oil is shimmering, add rice, toss quickly and using a large spoon, pat the rice gently to an even layer.

Set a timer for 4 minutes and keep the heat high (8 out of 10) while standing nearby. Do not touch rice, but monitor temperature so that nothing burns. After 4 minutes, use a large spoon to gently scrape the browned rice, toss slightly before patting down again. Set timer for 4 minutes. When done, you should have pieces or clumps of rice that are crunchy mixed with not crunchy but chewy pieces. Set aside to cool in a small bowl. Wipe pan clean.

The next step is the vegetables. For me, this recipe (or technique, really) is a great way to utilize items from the CSA or at the local farmers markets. To select the assortment of fresh vegetables, I try to use at least 4 vegetables, with 2 sautéed and 2 raw. All should be chopped to 1/4" dice or less. For the test recipe, which I made yesterday, I used a Japanese eggplant, 8 large Cremini mushrooms, a cucumber and a green pepper.

Heat 2 tablespoons of butter and 2 tablespoons of olive oil in a sauté pan on medium. Add chopped eggplant and chopped

mushrooms. Toss to coat, cover and sauté for 8 minutes, checking every 2 minutes for doneness, until lightly browned but not burned.

When done, add two tablespoons of chopped fresh herbs, toss to mix well and set aside to cool. For the test recipe, I used cilantro, but you can also use parsley or dill, again, depending on what's in season. While vegetables are sautéing, finish chopping the raw vegetables. Open a can of beans, drain and rinse. For the test recipe, I used white cannellini beans. You can use any bean you have on hand.

A few weeks ago, I printed my basic salad dressing recipe and you'll need one batch for this salad. Once all elements are ready, get a large serving bowl. Add rice, the sautéed vegetable mixture, raw vegetables and beans, toss to mix. Add dressing, toss again. Taste and check for seasonings, add salt and pepper as needed.

You can also chop up some optional add-ins before assembly, such as roasted chicken, chopped dried cranberry, scallion or nuts. The salad works as a side dish, as a brown bag lunch or in a lettuce wrap for dinner. I love the mixture of textures, the crunch of the raw vegetables and the fried rice, the creaminess of the beans and the sautéed vegetables make for a never boring dish.

Hope to see you at the cooking class. Ve the change you want to see in the world.

BY PAUL GOLLUSCIO

Hello all!

Save the date. The 31st Annual Bronx Veterans' Day Parade steps off on Sunday, November 8. Stay tuned to this column for further information.

Thank you to Mary Perna of the St. Benedict's Senior Center for donation of food for the troops overseas.

Speaking of thank yous and donations. A big thank you to Arline Thienel for her generous contribution to be used for our BBQ at the Bronx VA Hospital. That BBQ is on Sunday, September 13 at noon. Arline is a long time fan of this column and cares a lot about the vets and the men and women of our Armed Forces. Thanks again Arline!

The Marine Corps League will resume their meetings on Friday, September 11, at 7:30 p.m. at the Sam Young Post.

Our post meetings will resume on Saturday, September 3, at 1 p.m.

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Samuel Young Legion Post 620

Sandy Rolon's Women's Empowerment Spa Day went very well this past Saturday. It was well attended and fun was had by all.

Trivia Time!!

Ted Kennedy passed away on August 25, 2009. This means he has been sober six years. Congrats.

The first Black slaves were brought to Jamestown, Virginia on August 20, 1619.

Nat Turner led a slave revolt in Virginia on August 20, 1831.

The last trolley in the Bronx clanged on August 28, 1948.

On August 21, 1959, Hawaii became the 50th State.

Keep the troops in your prayers, hug a vet and God bless.

UP FOR ADOPTION



(L-r) Bluemoon and Rafiki are brother and sister. They are Boxer mixes and are a year and half old. Both are very sweet and playful. They can be adopted together or separately. Rafiki should not be in a home with smaller animals.

If you are interested in adopting any of these pets, email newbeginninganimalrescue@gmail.com or call 347-691-3282. New Beginning Animal Rescue is located at 2515 Newbold Avenue.

Bronx Park East Community Association news and highlights

BY RAPHAEL SCHWEIZER

Bronx Park East Community Association advocates for the residents, students, businesses and all other people involved in some way in the Allerton and Pelham Parkway communities of Community Board 11. Though we have not held a meeting this month, it doesn't mean we have postponed our advocacy.

So here are some important issues which we have been in touch with city agencies and elected officials about this summer:

MS 135 TRAFFIC SAFETY

At the request of M.S. 135's Green Middle School, B-PECA chairperson Raphael has contacted Councilman Jimmy Vacca's office to request that Department of Transportation re-paint the crosswalks at the intersections of Boston Road/Mace/Holland avenues as well as Waring/Holland avenues.

The crosswalks are almost completely faded, which contributes to driver irresponsibility, and erratic pedestrian behavior. These two things combined can make the intersection more accident-prone, especially at intersections crossed by thousands of students during entry/dismissal. Thus, hopefully these white pedestrian markings can be re-painted before the school year begins on September 9th. BOSTON ROAD/ALLERTON

Thanks to concerns raised by a member of our B-PECA facebook group, we are also in communication with Vacca's office about another 6-way intersection a few blocks away.

When cars turn off of northbound Allerton Avenue onto Boston Road, they get in the way of vehicles going southbound on Allerton who are also turning onto Boston Road. Our facebook group member suggests that there be a left-turn only signal implemented into the traffic sequence, as is the case at other nearby intersections. Hopefully DOT can listen to the concerns of community residents, some of whom are the very people that drive the Allerton Avenue BX 26 bus and encounter these issues several

times a day.

BARKER SPEED BUMPS

Thanks to the efforts of Luisa Benedetto of Councilman Ritchie Torres' office, as well as the petition-gathering of Elaine Williams and B-PECA member James Vargas, DOT is in the midst of another speed bump study on Barker Avenue between Waring and Allerton.

These two blocks were denied speed bumps a year ago, but we the people are adamant about the need for more traffic safety controls. When it comes to slowing down vehicles, nothing is more effective than those asphalt hills, which force drivers to either slow down or damage the under-carriage of their cars.

Barker Avenue between Waring and Mace is a main corridor for P.S. 96 students and their parents. Unfortunately, drivers use it as a race-way before approaching the Waring 'Stop' sign.

Meanwhile Barker between Mace and Allerton avenues houses over 200 senior citizen residents of Center-Light apartment buildings. It is a long, winding block and seniors frequently - and understandably - cross in the middle of the block so they don't have to walk all the way to the corner. However, there is a blind spot towards Allerton Avenue and this has led to many near-crashes (they are traffic crashes, not accidents, as per Vision Zero) as the seniors go from one of their buildings to another across the street.

DOT should be finished with their second speed bump study by year's end and hopefully the result will vindicate the concerns of block residents.

NOISE COMPLAINTS

The new, energetic captain of our 49th Police Precinct has received and acted upon noise complaints sent to him concerning private houses blasting music after 10 p.m.. At last, the precinct is now taking away the sound-producing equipment when chronic offenders are caught at inconsiderate times of night.

Thank you to Captain Keith



Norma Lopez and Her mom, along with Liridona, Kris, Denise Pagan and many others celebrated the 3rd Annual Cruger-Mace Back-to-School Block Party on August 22.

Walton, and the rest of the 49 officers for their renewed efforts to tackle quality-of-life concerns in Allerton, Pelham Parkway and the rest of our precinct. Their efforts are indispensable.

Feel free to follow the precinct on their very active Twitter page at @NYPD49pct. You don't need a Twitter account to view their page.

As always, if you have any concerns about our neighborhood, please call/text B-PECA at (347) 654-7044, email bxpark-east@gmail.com or become a part of our vibrant facebook group by going to www.facebook.com/groups/bxpark-east.

What is ECAN?

On August 17 a reception was held at the Einstein College of Medicine for all the new first year students. This soiree was put together by a little know organization called ECAN.

Grace Lovaglio, B-PECA executive board member, founder and chair of Allerton Barnes Block Association (ABBA) and ECAN member, attended this event along with Larry Mauriello, who is also a BPECA member and ABBA's secretary. ECAN (Einstein Community Action Network) is run by medical students along with faculty advisors who want to give back to the community.

Think about it. We have medical students from all over

the world who come to Albert Einstein to get training in the medical field and, while here, become part of our community. So, a few years ago, some medical students decided that they wanted to give back to the neighborhood which they have come to be a part of. They decided to reach out to the community and it's organizations and thus, ECAN was born!

The students involved are on the CSAB (Community Student Advisory Board) and meetings are held quarterly to discuss what the community needs and how they can help. One of the faculty members is Sunil S. Jhangiani (MD, MBA, FACP & AGAF), founder and medical director of NutritionVista.com as well as a member of Doctors for a Healthier Bronx.

Dr. Jhangiani is a hands-on man of action and is committed to being involved with the community at large. Even with his busy schedule he finds the time to come to neighborhood functions and events, such as ABBA's 'Hello Summer' block party which took place on June 20. We applaud this student/faculty initiative for reaching out their hands to the community, and look forward to working more closely with them in future events.

Block Party Success

The 3rd Annual Cruger-Mace Block Party was a fantastic day filled with love and

unity. Thank you to all the elected officials, neighborhood businesses and volunteers who made this event possible. Cruger Mace Block Association chairwoman, and B-PECA board member, Norma Lopez was overwhelmed with joy as she saw the children smile with their new book bags and school supplies!

The next block party that B-PECA board members will be involved in is on Saturday, September 12, headed by Grace Lovaglio on Barnes and Allerton avenues. And then comes the annual Halloween Block Party on Thwaites Place, taking place on Saturday, October 31.

Block parties are a great way to boost the spirit of the neighborhood, which has many other tangential benefits such as reduced crime, increased friendship and camaraderie among block residents and spreading of goodwill.

Summer ain't over. So go out to the beach, and enjoy 'El Verano' while it lasts.

Also remember to continue to set the example for others to follow by always picking up after your dog, putting your garbage - no matter how small - into a trash bin (or in your pocket until you see one), and giving up your bus/train seat to those who are pregnant, disabled or elderly.

Change starts from within.

Free Pre-K For All registration at St. Francis Assisi

St. Francis of Assisi Early Childhood Program, located at The Corry Academy, will be hosting a free Pre-K For All (NYC Universal Pre-K

program) enrollment fair on Wednesday August 27, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Corry Academy; 4321 Barnes Avenue.

Parents of children born in

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Honey Weekend at Wave Hill, October 17 and 18.

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'Rock n Roll' Oldies Music Concert Oct. 10th

The Uniformed Fire Fighters Association of New Rochelle presents a **"Rock n Roll" Oldies Music Concert** on Saturday, October 10, 8 p.m., at New Rochelle High School, Whitney E. Young Auditorium, Clove Road.

The concert will feature Just Nuts Band, Barbara Harris and the Toys, along with her R&B hit band, and the Fellas

MC for the evening will be radio jock Dennis Dion Nardone of the "Rock n Roll" doo-wop/oldies music radio show.

A night out at the movies just got even more exciting for families in Westchester County and the surrounding region. **Cross County Shopping Center** today a new spin on its annual Fall Flicks outdoor movie series, which includes an array of festive fall snack stations, vendors, kid-friendly pre-show entertainment, as well as fun movie showings for the entire family to enjoy.

Currently in its second year, Fall Flicks at Cross County Shopping Center in Yonkers takes place September through October on three consecutive Friday evenings. This year's film lineup includes: Cinderella 2015 on Friday, September 25; Avengers: Age of Ultron on Friday, October 2; and Big Hero 6 on Friday, October 9.

During Fall Flicks, visitors will enjoy pre-show entertainment that includes live music and fall snack stations. They will be able to enjoy samples from the Yonkers Brewing Company, who recently opened a brewery in Yonkers, sip warm apple cider, plus try tasty treats such as caramel corn and apple cider donuts. Each night, the event will begin at 6 p.m. on The Green (the center of the mall). The movie will start at sunset, on a 35-foot-high outdoor screen. To coincide with the celebration, select retailers will be offering coupons and samples to shoppers.

On September 20, historic Armor Hall at **Wave Hill** comes alive with a performance by award-winning pianist Tanya Bannister. Joined by a complement of gifted string players, the artist offers sublime and intimate chamber ensemble scale arrangements of masterful piano concertos by Chopin and Mozart. As a bonus, Bannister offers Chopin's gorgeous Ballade No. 4.

Opening the 2015-2016 concert season in Wave Hill's Armor Hall, the hour-long performance is the first in a series of ten extraordinary concerts. Come early to enjoy a leisurely stroll through the gardens and then settle in for an exceptional performance, starting at 2 p.m.

Tickets: Single Tickets: \$28 general admission, \$15 child (ages 8-18); Wave Hill Member: \$22 adult, \$12 child.

Weekend events at the **New York Botanical Garden** include:

Frida Kahlo: Art, Garden, Life, through November 1: The first solo presentation of artist Frida Kahlo's work in more than ten years, FRIDA KAHLO: Art, Garden, Life focuses on the artist's engagement with nature in her native country of Mexico, as seen in her garden and decoration of her home, as well as her complex use of plant imagery in her work. The New York Botanical Garden's exhibition is the first to focus exclusively on Kahlo's intense interest in the botanical world.

The exhibition reimagines Kahlo's studio and garden at the Casa Azul (Blue House) in the Enid A. Haupt Conservatory, and includes a rare display of more than a dozen original paintings and drawings on view in the Lu-Esther T. Mertz Library's Art Gallery. Accompanying programs invite visitors to learn about Kahlo's Mexico in new ways through poetry, lectures, hands-on activities for children, and Mexican-inspired shopping and dining.

The Mexico City of Frida and Diego, through November 1: This panel exhibition presents museums and other sites in Mexico City where Frida Kahlo's and Diego Rivera's artwork and personal collections can be viewed, conveying the scope of their artistic and intellectual contributions to the cultural life of Mexico.

The Two Fridas, through November 1: Inspired by Kahlo's double self-portrait, *The Two Fridas* (1939), contemporary Artist in Residence Humberto Spindola uses reeds, tissue paper, and a Mexican folk art technique to recreate the two figures and dresses with a trompe l'oeil effect that closely resembles fabric.

Frida's Flora and Fauna, through September 27; 10 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.: Experience the inspiration Frida Kahlo found in the natural world that can be seen and appreciated in her artwork. Children can use scientific tools throughout the Adventure Garden to investigate plants and animals growing and living in New York City. Other expressive activities include play at Frida's Puppet Theater and in the La Casita Azul playhouse, as well as creating self-portraits using seasonal colors, fruits, and inspiration—just like Frida might!

Octavio Paz Poetry Walk, through November 1: The works of influential 20th-century Mexican poet Octavio Paz, many referencing native plants and flowers, will be displayed amid the seasonal beauty of the Garden's own collections.

Cooking with Frida, through November 1; 2 and 4 p.m.: Hands-on activities bring together children and their families to experience the colors, textures, smells, and tastes of Frida Kahlo's Mexican kitchen. Cooking demonstrations feature recipes inspired by those Frida served to family and friends, using nutritious, garden-based ingredients. Visitors can explore and tend to the plant staples of Mexican

cuisine growing throughout the Family Garden: beans, tomatoes, peppers, chiles, herbs, and more.

Mario Batali's Kitchen Gardens, through November 1; 1:30 to 6 p.m.: Garden beds are filled with plants featured in the favorite recipes of the chefs from Mario Batali's restaurants. Children can explore the gardens to solve Mario's Menu Mystery game.

Dig! Plant! Grow! Pollinator Pals: Saturday, August 29 and Sunday, August 30; 1:30 to 6 p.m.: Learn about important pollinators: our honeybees and the monarch butterflies passing us by on their way to Mexico. Get buzzy doing the honeybee dance, observe up-close the workings of a beehive, and sample honey from different nectar sources. Meander through our meadow to find the beautiful monarchs' favorite snack-spots for fueling up before their long flight.

¡Cámara, Acción! Mexican Film Series, Saturday, August 29 and Sunday, August 30; 3 p.m.: The film series includes the Academy Award-winning *Frida* (2002) every Saturday and a revolving series of documentaries and shorts on Sundays, presented in partnership with Cinema Tropical.

Live Music: Mexico Beyond Mariachi, Saturday, August 29 and Sunday, August 30; 2:30 and 4:30 p.m.: Mexico Beyond Mariachi's performances forma bridge that connects audiences

to the living traditions of Mexico through a musical journey that begins with the conquest and leads to the present day.

Spotlight on Agave: A Tequila Story, Saturday, August 29 and Sunday, August 30: The rich history and long-standing traditions of Mexican tequila will be told through a living presentation of the plant at the heart of it all—the agave—for an informative look into the botany and craftsmanship of one of the world's favorite spirits. Sponsored by Jose Cuervo Reserva.

Garden Highlights Tour, Saturday, August 29; 12:30 and 2:30 p.m.: The sights and scents of the season flourish across the 250 acres of the Botanical Garden. Join a Garden Guide for a walking tour featuring highlights of the gardens and plant collections that stand out in winter, and start to look for early signs of spring.

Conservatory Tour, Sunday, August 30; 12:30 p.m.: Explore the Enid A. Haupt Conservatory, an acre of plants under glass, with one of the Garden's tour guides. Take an ecotour around the world through 11 distinct habitats, including two types of rain forest, deserts of the Americas and of Africa, and aquatic and carnivorous plant displays.

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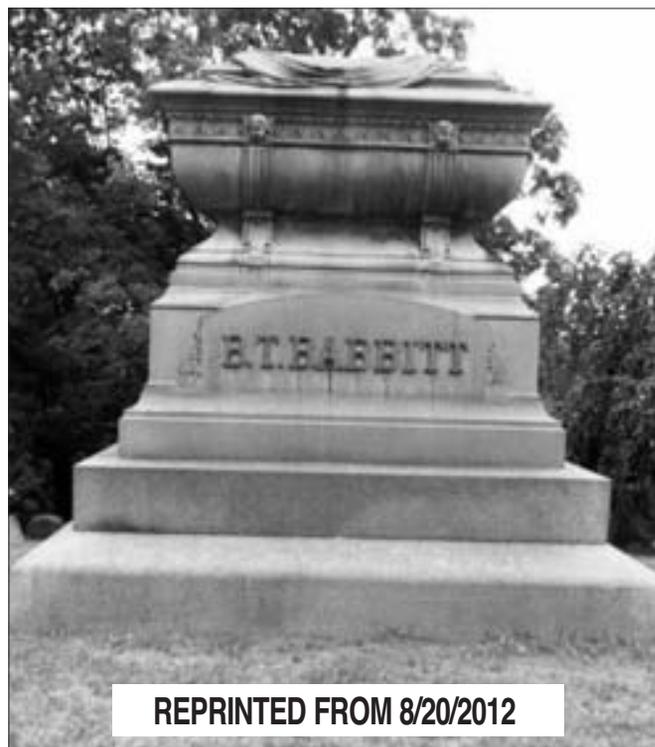
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Benjamin T. Babbitt, Baking Soda King, interred in Woodlawn

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The Benjamin and Rebecca Babbitt grave marker at the Highland Plot in Woodlawn Cemetery as it looked on Wednesday, August 22, 2012.

Photo by Carol Twomey

The next time you find yourself wandering around Woodlawn Cemetery enjoying its manicured lawns and scarce majestic trees such as the giant white oak, the weeping beech, or umbrella pine, meander over to the Highland plot off Ravine Avenue.

There up on the hill, out of sight from the roadway, you will notice a grand monument bearing an ornate sacrophagus held aloft. It adorns the Babbitt Family plot and was erected at the request of millionaire inventor Benjamin Babbitt's family.

Benjamin Todd Babbitt was born on May 1, 1809 in Westmoreland, New York to Nathaniel and Betsey Holman Babbitt.

Nathaniel was an ensign in the Oneida County militia and a blacksmith as well as being a farmer and the proprietor of a local tavern. Benjamin helped out at the family farm and received a well-rounded education becoming proficient as a machinist and wheelwright and even finding time to study chemistry.

When he was just 22, he opened his first machine shop

on the Mohawk River in Little Falls, New York where he manufactured pumps and motors including one of the first practicable lawn mowers.

Little Falls is located just east of Utica in Herkimer County, New York. The adjective little is used because there's a larger waterfall in nearby Cohoes. Babbitt remained at the shop until a flood destroyed it in 1934. He then moved to New York City.

He turned his attention to manufacturing in New York and took full advantage of the large population in the big city. His first product was baking soda which he produced from his own patent and sold in small usable packets that were well-marked and attractive. He knew the value of eye-appeal and found a great deal of success. He had actually cornered the market on baking soda.

It was so successful that he soon added baking powder

and then soap powder.

He developed a great deal of skill in marketing and by 1851 he began manufacturing soap in small usable bars to give his product the broadest appeal possible.

He was the first to try this method of selling soap and made sure that his soap bars were attractively packaged and well advertised. Needless to say, he was extremely successful as he not only manufactured his products, but also the machines that were used to create and package them. He controlled the entire process and was among the first to offer free samples and free tours of his plants. The phrase "Get on the bandwagon" is thought to come from him as that was one method he uses to sell his soap. He used a brightly colored streetcar with a band to attract attention.

Benjamin Babbitt passed away on October 20, 1889 leaving an estate of about five mil-

lion dollars to his wife and two daughters. One daughter, Lillian Babbitt Hyde (1856-1939), established a foundation in 1924 and served as the presi-

dent until her death in 1939. Benjamin's wife, Rebecca, is interred high on that knoll in Woodlawn Cemetery with her husband.



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NY ruling returns sanity to child care

It pains me to say it, but New Jersey is suddenly a light unto us all. Last week, its Supreme Court there ruled that it isn't automatically child abuse to let your kid wait in the car while you pick up the dry cleaning.

Hallelujah!

We've been warned these past 10 years that kids are in danger any time we leave them in the car. Public service announcements say, "Never leave your child in the car — not even for a minute!" Onlookers who spot a child in a car go crazy with rage. One mom I know had just buckled her child into the car seat and went to return her shopping cart. When she got back maybe 30 seconds later, a woman was screaming at her, "She could have died!"

But this is bunk. Most of us spent part of our childhood waiting in the car while our moms ran errands, and no one

called it abuse. Hardly! I had one friend who looked forward to the car waits with her sister because they'd tilt the passenger seat all the way back and play "dentist."

We refuse to concede there's a difference between waiting in the car for 10 minutes on a mild afternoon and waiting in the car for 10 hours in the Mojave Desert. This obtuseness explains why, back in 2009, a mom who let her 19-month-old wait in the car during a 5-10 minute errand at a dollar store in South Plainfield, was found guilty of child abuse by the state's Department of Children and Families. The law there states parents cannot "recklessly create a risk of severe injury."

But somehow it didn't matter that it was 55 degrees that day, or that the child slept peacefully through this whole "ordeal." The mere fact of letting a kid wait in the car was enough for the department to place the mom on New Jersey's Child Abuse and Neglect Registry. Every state has one — it is like the Sex Offender



RHYMES WITH CRAZY

Lenore Skenazy

Registry, just not public. Once you're officially a "child abuser," good luck getting a job in teaching, day care, or nursing.

This mom asked the child protection agency for a hearing in which she could try to defend herself and get off the registry. When this was denied, she appealed, but New Jersey's appellate court de-

nied her, too. The three-judge panel said there was no way she deserved a hearing because what was there to hear? She'd left her kid in the car, which automatically made her a child abuser because something bad *could* have happened.

That's true — but also highly unlikely. Of the 30-40 kids who die in hot cars every year, 80 percent were forgotten there for hours, or climbed in when no one was looking and couldn't get out. They were not waiting in the car while mom ran into the store to pick up the pizza.

What's more, law professor David Pimentel points out that anything could also happen when the child was being walked through the parking lot. In fact, more kids die each year in parking lots and driveways than waiting in cars.

And if you want to talk about a bigger risk to children, it isn't waiting in the car, it is riding in one. The No. 1 way children die in America is as car passengers. So if we really want to crack down on

parents who put their kids in danger, we'd have to scream things like, "How dare you drive that child to her piano lesson? She could die!"

We don't do that because we are not constantly warned, "Never let a child ride in a car, not even for a minute!"

So last week, the court agreed with the mom's lawyer, Sean Marotta, that we cannot expect parents to ensure a zero-risk childhood. No option is ever completely safe. And no parent is every completely perfect.

And being imperfect is not the same as being abusive. So ruled the court, by a vote of 7-0. Which is why New Jersey is now a beacon of sanity in our parent-shaming and blaming country.

Lenore Skenazy is a keynote speaker and the author and founder of the book and blog Free-Range Kids.

Bronx House School for Performing Arts registration

Bronx House School for Performing Arts is currently accepting registration for its fall session of group music, theater and dance classes, beginning the week of September 16th.

Group music classes run for 10 weeks and include Pre-School music appreciation for ages 2.5-4, Pre-School instrumental instruction on piano or violin for 4 and 5 year olds, and beginner piano, guitar or violin for ages 6-12. Ongoing registra-

tion is also available for private instruction in piano, guitar, voice, violin, drums, and other instruments. Classes are offered six days a week, including Saturdays and Sundays.

The School's newly improved and expanded dance program, renamed The Dance Studio at Bronx House, is offering classes that will provide students a strong foundation in diverse dance styles while increasing their technical and

artistic skills. The Dance Studio at Bronx House will run on a 15-week semester system to support student development and progress. The school has added more weekday classes, more classes for younger children, and a newly launched adult social dance program. Additionally, the program will include free health and nutrition workshops for parents and students. Dance classes offered include Creative Movement,

Creative Ballet, Pre Ballet, Pre-Tap, Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Modern, African and Hip Hop for ages 1.5 and up.

The 15-week session also includes the popular Musical Theater Workshop for children in grades 1-4.

All classes are held in a state-of-the-art 7,000 square foot wing that includes sound-proof and sound enhanced music rooms and dance studios. The school offers scholarships

to students who qualify for financial assistance as well as instruments available for loan, free of charge.

Additional information and discounts can also be found at the upcoming Family Fun Day Open House on Saturday, September 12th from 11am-3pm.

Bronx House is located at 990 Pelham Parkway South. For more information call (718) 792-1800 ext. 235, or visit www.bronxhouse.org.

Festival of Ferragosto celebrated on Arthur Avenue September 13th

On Sunday, September 13, from noon until 6 p.m., the Belmont section will host their annual Ferragosto festival that draws thousands of visitors from the tri-state area and beyond to the intersection of all-things-Italian at world-famous Arthur Avenue and 187th Street. This ancient Roman festival dates back to 18 B.C. when the gathering was created in honor of the emperor, Caesar Augustus.

For the past 18 years, the merchants of the Arthur Avenue have banded together to keep this lively Italian tradition alive by engaging visitors in Italian culture, traditions, music and of course, the greatest food. The Ferragosto event continues to grow each year with an average of 20,000 to 28,000 guests who travel from near and far to make it part of their family tradition.

Ferragosto is a chance for

people to experience first-hand the neighborhood's old-world charm and tradition of good taste, including all our fine-dining restaurants, our handmade and imported Italian products and so much more. The festival also includes booths from the New York Botanical Garden and Saint Barnabas Hospital, as well as non-profit organizations like Love Holds Life Children's Cancer Foundation, whose

mission is to help children in the New York Metro and Hudson Valley Region battling cancer and their families by providing financial support for their medical treatments and expenses not covered by insurance.

The Ferragosto celebration includes street performances, celebrity guests, music, kids' activities and more. Among the performers scheduled to appear are Two Gents & The

Lady featuring Elio Scaccio, Jessica Carvo and Teo Ricciardella, The 70's Project, Uncle Floyd, Sal Valentini, Bob Bisaccia and David Rubertone. Sponsorship for this event provided by Pepsi, Peroni, Wildlife Conservation Society, and Stepping Out NYC. For more information go to www.Ferragosto.com.

For more information about Love Holds Life or to donate, visit www.lhlly.org

LEGAL NOTICE

BIRD AND ANCHOR, LLC Art. Of Org. Filed Sec. of State of NY 2/4/2015. Off. Loc.: Bronx Co. Monica Rosario designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY to mail copy of process to The LLC, 2528 Bronxwood Ave, Bronx, NY 10469. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

LEGAL NOTICE

Name of LLC: General Holding LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State: 7/29/2015. Office loc.: Bronx Co. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: 825 E. 233rd St., Bronx, NY 10466, principal business addr. Term: until 12/31/2099. Purpose: any lawful act.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: **MIZZ P. POST - SECONDARY SUCCESS CONSULTING, LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on **06/03/2015**. 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: C/O UNITED STATES CORPORATION AGENTS, INC. 7014 13TH AVENUE, SUITE 202 BROOKLYN, NY 11228. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Manhattan Boy's LLC a domestic or foreign Limited Liability Company Manhattan Boy's LLC Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State on 08/13/2015. 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 C/O Benjamin Sharav, 160 West End Ave., Ste. 25K, New York, NY 10025. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Raw Shea Imports LLC (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York on April 2, 2015. 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 the LLC to C/O P.O. Box 6099, Bronx, NY 10451. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of REGALO DE DIOS UNISEX SALON LLC. A domestic or foreign Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State on July 08, 2015 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 C/O the LLC, 4820484 E 138th Street, Bronx, NY 10454. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of NYC's Best Dressed Cupcakes LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 6/12/15. Office location: Bronx County. LLC formed in DE on 4/10/15. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: 324 E. 143rd St., Apt. 4B, Bronx, NY 10451, principal business address. DE address of LLC: c/o The Corporation Trust Co., 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, P.O. Box 898, Dover, DE 19903. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

LEGAL NOTICE

RIVAS SEPULVEDA CHILD CARE, LLC Art. Of Org. Filed Sec. of State of NY 7/2/2015. 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, c/o Rivas Sepulveda Childcare, LLC, 3064 Buhre Avenue, Ground Fl., Bronx, NY 10461. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a license, number 1287441 for beer and wines has been applied for by the undersigned* to sell beer and wine at retail in a restaurant under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 859 E.149th Street, Bronx, NY 10455 for on premises consumption. Tori's Mexican Cuisine Inc.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that an restaurant wine license, #TBA has been applied for by Ramessis Aponte to sell beer and wine at retail in an on premises establishment. For on premises consumption under the ABC law at 234 West 238 Street Bronx, NY 10463.

LEGAL NOTICE

UPS Shipping Charge

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: BRONX COUNTY. DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-FF13, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-FF13, Pltf. vs. LORRAINE Y. MILLER A/K/A LORRAINE Y. MILLER, et al, Defts. Index #35334/2013. Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale dated May 13, 2015, I will sell at public auction in Room 600 of the Bronx County Courthouse, Bronx, NY on Monday, Sept. 21, 2015 at 2:00 p.m., prem. k/a 3365 Radcliff Avenue, Bronx, NY a/k/a Block 4634, Lot 61. Approx. amt. of judgment is \$433, 208.97 plus costs and interest. Sold subject to terms and conditions of filed judgment and terms of sale. BIANKA PEREZ, Referee. FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISS WEISMAN & GORDON, LLP, Attys. for Pltf., 53 Gibson St., Bay Shore, NY. File No. 62094- #86510

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: BRONX COUNTY. THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATE HOLDERS CWABS, INC. ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-11, Pltf. vs. ADA I. MORALES, et al, Defts. Index #16755/07. Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale entered Aug. 19, 2010, I will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, Rm. 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on Monday, Sept. 28, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. prem. k/a 1484 Vyse Ave., Bronx, NY a/k/a Block 2995, Lot 13. Said property located on the easterly side of Vyse Ave., 300 ft. northerly from the corner formed by the intersection of the easterly side of Vyse Ave. with the northerly side of Jennings St., being a plot 25 ft. x 100 ft. Approx. amt. of judgment is \$532,081.34 plus costs and interest. This is a First Mortgage. Sold subject to terms and conditions of filed judgment and terms of sale. EDWARD L. KOESTER, Referee. DRUCKMAN LAW GROUP, PLLC, Attys. For Pltf., 242 Drexel Ave., Westbury, NY. File No. 17688 - #86433

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BRONX U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, TRUSTEE FOR LEHMAN BROTHERS STRUCTURED ASSET INVESTMENT LOAN TRUST SAIL 2005-5, Plaintiff(s), A g a i n s t Index # 7278/07 LUZ BLANCO; TAMARA REVES, ETAL.; Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered in the Bronx County Clerk's Office on 1/4/2008, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Room 600, Bronx, NY on 9/28/2015 at 2:00 pm premises known as 621 East 237th Street, Bronx, NY 10466, and 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 24th Ward, Borough of the Bronx, City and State of New York, and designated on the tax maps of the Bronx County Treasurer as Block 5040 and Lot 11.

The approximate amount of the current Judgment lien is \$460,325.82 plus interest and costs. The premises will be sold subject to provisions of the aforesaid Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale;

Index # 7278/07.

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.

Leroi Andrews, Esq., Referee.

Leopold & Associates, PLLC, 80 Business Park Drive, Suite 110, Armonk, NY 10504

Dated: 7/8/2015 tmc

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BRONX JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff(s), Against Index No: 380967/13 INEZ F. BERENQUER A/K/A INEZ BERENQUER A/K/A INEZ FELICIANO, Defendant(s).

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, duly entered in the Bronx County Clerk's Office on 4/16/2015, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction, at the Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, New York on 9/14/2015 at 10:00 am, premises known as 343 Pennyfield Avenue, Bronx, NY 10465, and 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, and designated on the tax maps of the Bronx County Treasurer as Block 5505 and Lot 5.

The approximate amount of the current Judgment lien is \$593,528.79 plus interest and costs. The premises will be sold subject to provisions of the aforesaid Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale; Index # 380967/13.

Edmond J. Pryor, Esq., Referee. STIENE & ASSOCIATES, P.C. (Attorneys for Plaintiff), 187 East Main Street, Huntington, NY 11743

Dated: 7/14/2015 File Number: 201001958 GR

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 09/28/2015 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, 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100, Williamsville, NY 14221 1146477

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF BRONX U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO WACHOVIA BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR GSMP'S MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2004-4, Plaintiff, against MARGARET GUADALUPE, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS SURVIVING JOINT TENANT WITH RIGHTS OF

SURVIVORSHIP TO CARMEN R. MORET, et al., Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 2/9/2015 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, City of Bronx, NY on 09/28/2015 at 02:00PM, premises known as 94 WEST 169TH STREET, Bronx, NY 10452 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 New York, Block: 2517 Lot: 27. Approximate amount of judgment \$292,728.30 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 381925/08. Joyce A. Brown, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC, Attorney for Plaintiff, 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100, Williamsville, NY 14221 1146474

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF BRONX WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff, against EUGENE PERRY, et al., Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 8/25/2013 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, City of Bronx, NY on 09/28/2015 at 02:00PM, premises known as 2260 WEBSTER 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 3030, LOT 149. Approximate amount of judgment \$670,965.53 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 381591/09. Gillian E. McGoey, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC, Attorney for Plaintiff, 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100, Williamsville, NY 14221 1146467

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF BRONX HSBC BANK USA, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR FIRST NLC TRUST 2005-3, Plaintiff, against PATRICIA CARROLL, et al., Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 1/2/2014 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, City of Bronx, NY on 09/28/2015 at 02:00PM, premises known as 830 KINSELLA STREET, Bronx, NY 10462 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 4045 - LOT 103. Approximate amount of judgment \$376,311.99 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 380818/08. Leroi John Andrews, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC, Attorney for Plaintiff, 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100, Williamsville, NY 14221 1145681

Crime Victims Support Services fundraiser

Crime Victims Support Services will hold a Meet & Greet fundraiser, hosted by master of ceremonies Stevan p.m., at Good To Go Restau- and includes hot trays, ap- For RSVP or for further information call (718) 823-9295.
 "Coach" Lynn, on Tuesday, rant, 1894 Eastchester Road. petizers, red and white and
 September 15, starting at 6 Donation is \$25 per person soda. (Pay bar separate).

BY DOROTHEA POGGI

Ferry Point Park is lookin' good. The wonderful addition of a Litter Picker, which is pulled by a tractor while it gobbles up litter into a container, is helping to clean our over used park in two to three hours instead of days.

There are two arborists working at the park. One is cutting and trimming dead and dangerous trees while the other is clearing and maintaining the 300 saplings which form our 911 Living Memorial Forest (donated by the Prince of Monaco).

It is very satisfying to see both the ancient Oaks and the sapling Redbuds cared for so tenderly. Our Model Airplane flying Club, The Blue Angels NY have celebrated their 50 plus years with a big 'sha-bang' at the park this month. But still each weekend we have the negative side. Witnesses are complaining about bottles of hard liquor being sold at the park along Schley Avenue from black plastic bags on Sunday towards the late afternoon into the evening.

Brush Avenue is still a hodgepodge of residential and commercial encroachments that at sometimes create a form of gridlock. Thanks to Sen. Jeff Klein's office, Community Board 10 and 311 calls, the main potholes are filled, but the deep undulations in the street are still dangerous and create intense noise from the trucks banging over them. Brush Avenue from Wenner Place to Jay Place needs to be reconstructed properly to hold the huge trailers, double buses being repaired at HOPenn along with the heaviest equipment imaginable that pound on it daily (on top of gas and electric and water and sewer lines).

The Crystal Residence at the Old Capri Motel has a life of its own. We have not witnessed any panhandling, increase in crime, car or home intrusions or anything like that. The resi-



dents seem content with walking quite a distance to the buses and shopping area. We still believe laundry services should be added to their facility or at the Throggs Neck Shopping Center.

Bronx Animal Shelter Endeavor (BASE) is speeding along after much dragging for a while. News coverage has enlightened many people to the overpopulation of cats in our borough. Articles in New York newspapers have discussed the need for a full service shelter. Senator Jeff Klein and Councilman Ritchie Torres have spoken out on the need for a shelter and are discussing intermediate solutions while we wait for NYC to step up with funding. Borough President Ruben Diaz, Jr. has also expressed his support for a full service municipally funded Animal shelter. Community boards and 34 of 51 council persons agree that laws should be replaced to require funding for city wide animal shelters.

ASPCA agrees that the Bronx shelter would alleviate much overcrowding in existing shelters and is working with us to plan some solutions. ACC is meeting with us this Friday to talk about some funding possibilities to help dogs and cats of our borough. We have 2,000 petition signatures and almost 600 online signatures, Myself, Donna DeChiaro, and Marion Koenig have held tightly to our goal and bend together to mold the strength we each have to further our successes.

Traffic has been an issue in our area for years and it is not getting better. The East Bronx Traffic Coalition (EBTC) has been gaining momentum for various changes that would assist

in alienation of parkland to allow some added entrances from the Hutch to Cop City and from the Hutch to Hutch Metro. The Bronx Times Reporter has coverage on these issues.

We swim, fish, crab and boat in these wonderful assets. 'Save the date' to attend Public Meeting #3 at P.S. 71 at 3040 Roberts Avenue on Wednesday, September 16, from 6 to 8 p.m. to learn about the Long Term Control Plan for the sewage that is now being discharged into your waterways during rain storms.

DEP will have a short presentation at 6:30 p.m. I am providing rides (limited to seven persons) to and from for those interested. Good news I am thankful for my more professional cohort's of the East Bronx Coastal Working Group which have applied to have

the Sound Shore Initiative extended to include our area (more news to come).

Well "that's all folks" to quote a grey rabbit that we grew up watching...don't forget to attend your civic and community group meetings and voice your opinions on the many interesting Facebook groups, and let your concerns for your neighborhood be loud and strong.

If you are new to Facebook I can help you find at least eight neighborhood-related groups that specialize in various things. Just type in Dorothea Poggi and Request my Friendship and I will hook you up. Don't forget to support and thank your best elected officials and don't re-instate the lame ones. That is how this section of the Bronx has maintained it's safe quality of life.

Lehman Center's 35th

Lehman Center for the Performing Arts announces the lineup for its 35th anniversary 2015-16 season, which continues its tradition of bringing world-class entertainment to the Bronx. To kick off the new season, a tribute to the big Latin bands the Machito Orchestra and the Mambo Legends Orchestra will perform hits from the 40's, 50's and 60's; Noche de Salseros Charlie Aponte, Jose Alberto "El Canario" and Domingo Quinones unite for an evening of world class music; and Lalo Rodriguez will perform a special concert that draws from his four decades of salsa and boleros. Audiences will celebrate the Holiday Season Jibaro Style with Parranda Navideña and be thrilled with the popular Lehman Center favorites Forever Freestyle 10 and Doo Wop: Rock And Roll Is Here To Stay. Lehman Center's exciting 35th Anniversary Season promises an exceptional array of talent to please all audiences. (Complete 2015-2016 Latin and Popular music schedule included below.)

For thirty-five years Lehman Center for the Performing Arts has presented an international selection of artists and celebrities at very affordable ticket prices. Eva Bornstein, who is beginning her eleventh season as executive director of Lehman Center, says, "As I look back and recall enjoying legends like Smokey Robinson, Patti LaBelle, Johnny Mathis and José Feliciano, we have been a home for many 'firsts', like the recent appearance of Michael Bolton. Lehman Center was also the only place

in the entire country where Gilberto Santa Rosa and Rubén Blades performed together on the same stage for the very first time. Lehman Center's 2015-16 season offers a full and varied line-up of performances that stay true to bringing the best headliners, dance, music and cultural attractions to the Bronx. New this season is an inaugural concert by a new generation of professional musicians who just formed The Orchestra Now and will present an evening of the beautiful music of Prokofiev, Haydn and Mozart for which tickets are complimentary with the purchase of tickets to any of the 2015-16 season's events from the box office! We will also be hosting the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra and its renowned Maestro Wynton Marsalis. From the Cuban sensation - Formell y Los Van Van, to the legendary Machito and Mambo Legends Orchestras, to the unprecedented evening of Salsa vocalists Charlie Aponte, Jose Alberto "El Canario" and Domingo Quinones, to the extraordinary Now Orchestra, to the classic Doo Wop: Rock and Roll is Here to Stay Concert, our new season has something for everyone."

Lehman Center for the Performing Arts is on the campus of Lehman College/CUNY at 250 Bedford Park Boulevard West. Tickets for all events can be purchased by calling the Lehman Center box office at (718) 960-8833 (Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and beginning at noon on the day of the concert), or through online access at www.LehmanCenter.org. Low cost on-site parking available for \$5.

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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF BRONX
Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2006-WMC2, Plaintiff, against Madia Coke; et al., Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated April 24, 2015 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction in Room 600, Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, New York on September 28, 2015 at 2:00PM, premises known as 2068 Anthony 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 NY, Block 3156 Lot 50. Approximate amount of judgment \$466,363.37 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 380161-12. Nestor H. Diaz, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard, Rochester, NY 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: July 10, 2015 1145625 8/28, 9/4, 9/11, 09/18/2015

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF BRONX
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR ADJUSTABLE RATE MORTGAGE TRUST 2006-3, ADJUSTABLE RATE MORTGAGE-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-3, Plaintiff, against SEAN IBITOYE, et al., Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 10/30/2014 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, City of Bronx, NY on 09/14/2015 at 02:00PM, premises known as 1069 INTERVAL AVENUE, Bronx, NY 10459 All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Bronx, County of Bronx, City and State of New York, BLOCK 2700 LOT 151. Approximate amount of judgment \$666,178.41 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 381354/10. Henry Max Adler, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC, Attorney for Plaintiff, 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100, Williamsville, NY 14221 1146202

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF BRONX
HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR CITIGROUP MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST INC., ASSET BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2004-RP1, Plaintiff, against CLARENCE JOSEPH, et al., Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 2/10/2015 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, City of Bronx, NY on 09/21/2015 at 02:00PM, premises known as 634 ROSEDALE AVENUE, Bronx, NY 10473 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: 3555 LOT: 19, 14-3555-19. Approximate amount of judgment \$428,250.80 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 14244/07. John Brickman, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC, Attorney for Plaintiff, 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100, Williamsville, NY 14221 1146291

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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF BRONX
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NYCTL 1998-2 TRUST, and THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON as Collateral Agent and Custodian for the NYCTL 1998-2 Trust, Plaintiffs, Index No. 300460/14 against - 961-969 WESTCHESTER AVENUE CORP. a/k/a 961 969 WESTCHESTER AVENUE INC., NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, : NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE, NEW YORK CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD, ELAINE SILBERGLAIT, DANIEL DICKER, AND SHARON POSEN, AS TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST u/w/o HARRY SILBERGLAIT DATED DECEMBER 16, 1999, DECEASED, Defendants.-----X-----
Pursuant to that certain Amended Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, Nunc Pro Tunc, duly entered in the Bronx County Clerk's Office, on March 12, 2015, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction on September 21, 2015 at the Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Courtroom 600, Bronx, New York 10451, at 2:00 P.M., the premises known as 969 Westchester Avenue, Bronx, New York 10451, and described as follows:

ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of land with the building and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Bronx, City and State of New York, designated on the Tax Map of the City of New York, being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at the corner formed by the intersection of the Southwesterly side of Westchester Avenue and the Northeasterly side of Kelly Street;

RUNNING THENCE Northwesterly along the said side of Kelly Street, 150.08 feet;

THENCE Northeasterly at right angles with Kelly Street, 17.86 feet;

THENCE Southeasterly along a line forming an interior angle of 124 degrees 38 minutes 15 seconds with the last mentioned course, 113.32 feet to the Northwesterly side of Westchester Avenue;

THENCE Southwesterly along the said side of Westchester Avenue, 100.00 feet to the aforementioned corner and the point or place of BEGINNING.

BOROUGH: Bronx, Block: 2715; Lot 1

The aforesaid property will be sold subject to the provisions of the aforementioned Amended Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, Nunc Pro Tunc, and the Terms of Sale to be issued by

me at the time of the sale. The approximate amount of the lien awarded in the Amended Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, Nunc Pro Tunc, was \$335,100, plus interest (at 9% from November 12, 2012), protective advances and costs.
HENRY M. ADLER, ESQ.
Referee
245 West 254th Street
Bronx, New York 10471
(718) 796-0263

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SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BRONX
BOARD OF MANAGERS OF PARKVIEW CONDOMINIUM, Plaintiff against JOHN DEGIORGIO, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered herein and dated April 9, 2015, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx Supreme Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on September 14, 2015 at 2:00 PM premises lying and being in the Borough and County of Bronx, In the Condominium known as "Parkview Condominium", known as Apartment No. 2B. Together with an undivided 3.289% percent interest in common elements. This Unit is also designated as Tax Lot No. 1002 in Block 4174. Said premises known as 1600 PARKVIEW AVENUE, APT 2B, BRONX, NY Approximate amount of lien \$ 47,577.63 plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale.
Index Number 21192/2013E.
CESAR FERNANDEZ, ESQ., Referee SMITH, BUSS & JACOBS, LLP Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 733 Yonkers Avenue, Yonkers, NY 10704

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SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF BRONX
JEFFREY LEVITIN, ESQ., AS NOMINEE, Plaintiff against MCOWEN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION., et al Defendant(s).
Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered herein on July 22, 2015, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx Supreme Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on September 28, 2015 at 2:00 pm premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of The Bronx, County of Bronx, City and State of New York, known and designated as Block 5655 and Lot 15.
Said premises known as 3534 MC OWEN AVENUE, BRONX, NY
Approximate amount of lien \$456,682.92 plus interest & costs.
Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale.
Index Number 306154/2009.
CESAR FERNANDEZ, ESQ., Referee
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SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BRONX
NYCTL 1998-2 TRUST AND THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, AS COLLATERAL AGENT AND CUSTODIAN, Plaintiffs against JUNIOR HART, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered herein on June 19, 2015, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx Supreme Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on September 28, 2015 at 2:00 pm premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of The Bronx, County of Bronx, City and State of New York, known and designated as Block 5017 and Lot 7 on the Bronx County Tax Assessment Map.
Said premises known as 4220 ELY AVENUE, BRONX, NY Approximate amount of lien \$ 3,688.58 plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale.
Index Number 301050/2013.
HARRY M. FORMAN, ESQ., Referee
Phillips Lytle LLP
Attorney(s) for Plaintiffs
28 East Main Street, Suite 1400, Rochester, NY 14614

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SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BRONX
NYCTL 1998-2 TRUST AND THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, AS COLLATERAL AGENT AND CUSTODIAN, Plaintiffs against PHANG HOLDING CORP., et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered herein on June 23, 2015, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx Supreme Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on September 21, 2015 at 2:00 pm premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of The Bronx, County of Bronx, City and State of New York, known and designated as Block 4714 and Lot 43. Said premises known as EAST 219TH STREET, BRONX, NY
Approximate amount of lien \$ 6,455.56 plus interest & costs.
Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale.
Index Number 300606/2013.
JOHN PERONE, ESQ., Referee
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SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BRONX
NYCTL 1998-2 TRUST AND THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, AS COLLATERAL AGENT AND CUSTODIAN, Plaintiffs against 12 SCHUYLER TERRACE CORP., et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered herein on June 19, 2015, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx Supreme Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on September 28, 2015 at 2:00 pm premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of The Bronx, County of Bronx, City and State of New York, known and designated as Block 5529 and Lot 816

on the Bronx County Tax Assessment. Said premises known as 12 SCHUYLER, BRONX, NY
Approximate amount of lien \$ 12,004.33 plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale.
Index Number 303024/2011.
CARL LUCAS, ESQ., Referee
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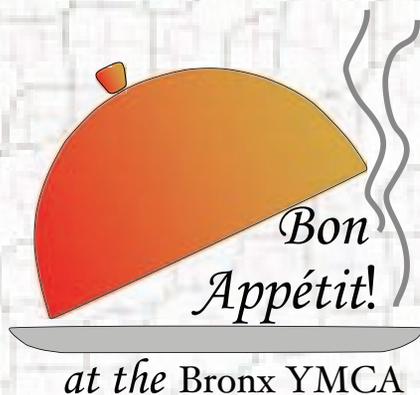
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NOTICE

MORTGAGED PREMISES: 558
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BL #: 5488 - 48.

Plaintiff designates BRONX County
as the place of trial; venue is based
upon the county in which the mortgaged
premises is situate.

STATE OF NEW YORK
SUPREME COURT: COUNTY OF
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NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC
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COMPANY,

Plaintiff,
-against-

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PIPE DREAMS

By Bob Connolly

NFL Hi-jinx

I wouldn't be able to identify the origin of the smell in Tom Brady's court room if I walked in there, but I would know what it was if I stepped in it.

Greed And Density A Bad Combo

The Sports Curmudgeon wrote, "There was evidently a law in St. Louis and/or Missouri that required a referendum before the city and or state could shell out taxpayer money to upgrade the Rams' stadium. That requirement meant the city/state could not meet the NFL deadline for proposing what they would do to keep the Rams in St. Louis. So the folks in charge went to court to get the law that was on the books declared too vague to enforce so that they could pledge taxpayer money without a referendum.

If that is not strange enough, they did that even though the Rams' owner does not want to stay in St. Louis and would prefer to spend lots of his own money to build a stadium in Inglewood, CA."

What Was Geno Smith's Wonderlic Grade?

The Sports Curmudgeon also wrote, "According to a report in the NY Daily News, a 'Jets' source" said that Smith deserved what he got not because of his late payment of
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Almost Famous: Bronx native moves closer to NBA dream

BY PARRICK MCCORMACK

Jarrid Famous has played professional regular season games in the NBA Summer League, NBA D-League, and overseas. Never in the NBA.

The Bronx native took a step towards that final dream when he signed a contract with the Dallas Mavericks in July

"It's a great feeling," Famous said. "I put in hard work and seeing that it pays off."

The 6-foot-11 forward has played professional in China, Slovakia, the Dominican Republic, and most recently the Philippines. The experience overseas has elevated Famous' game.

"It help me grow as a player from college to now," the former South Florida standout said.

In the Philippines, the 27-year old dominated the league averaging 30.2 points per game and 23.0 rebounds to help GlobalPort Batang Pier make the playoffs.

The time in Philippines helped prepare Famous in his journey to the NBA.

"Just the mind set of going hard. They gave me the experience to go out there. They put the ball in my hands and helped me lead a team to get in the playoffs."

Following his time overseas, he played his fourth summer in the 2015 NBA Summer League. With the Washington Wizard, Famous, who has also played for the Milwaukee Bucks, Indiana Pacers, and Memphis Grizzlies in the summer league, averaged 10.2 points and 6.8 rebounds a contest.

The time in the Las Vegas summer league helped Famous see what he needed to work on before training camps opens.

"I am focused, I know what I got to do," he said. "I know the things I am good at and know I have to get better at the things I am not. I am just going to go out there and give it my all."



Bronx native Jarrid Famous, seen here playing with the Memphis Grizzlies in the NBA Summer League, signed a contract with the Dallas Mavericks. AP/John Raoux

Prior to his success overseas, Famous played in 27 games and averaged 15.96 points per game and 14.9 rebounds per contest in the NBA D-League earlier this year with the Texas Legends and Iowa Energy.

Famous saw playing in the U.S. as different from overseas, but both helped him grow as a player.

"The physicality overseas they don't let them get away

with back home," Famous said. "Back home they protect the players more. It's just two different ball games. I am LeBron [James] over there and in the states I am just Jarrid Famous."

Famous has been all over the world playing basketball since he graduated from South Florida all in hope of eventually playing at the highest level back home in the NBA. He got a taste of in

2011 when he saw time in two preseason games with the Pacers. This season wants to finally reach his goal and become a member of the Dallas Mavericks.

"It doesn't stop now," Famous said. "It actually gets harder for me to go out there and really preform at the highest level. I feel like the underdog gets it eventually. I've been the underdog from the Bronx for a long time."

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Yankees' Hope Week

The Yankees kicked off their seventh annual HOPE Week (Helping Others Persevere & Excel) on Monday, August 17, with the story of Chris Singleton. Currently a baseball player at Charleston Southern University, Chris was a normal student and college athlete when tragedy forever changed his life. His mother, Sharonda Coleman-Singleton (pictured with Chris), 45 – a minister at the Emanuel A.M.E. Church in Charleston, S.C., and speech pathologist and girls track coach at Goose Creek High School – was among the nine parishioners who lost their

lives in a premeditated hate crime at the church this past June. Following a memorial at his former high school the day after the shooting, Chris said about the perpetrator, “We already forgive him for what he’s done. There’s nothing but love from our side of the family.” Chris’ positivity has galvanized a community. Despite losing the only parent who took an active role in his life, he continues to radiate wisdom beyond his 19 years. On Twitter on July 22 – more than a month after the tragedy – he posted, “The good outweighs the bad even on your worst days.”



Chris Singleton, center, was surprised during Hope Week on the set of the TODAY Show in Rockefeller Center by Yankees players Dellin Betances, Brett Gardner and Alex Rodriguez. Wrestler John Cena also posed with Chris and the Yankees. Photo courtesy of the New York Yankees

Velocity Track Club New York highlights

BY WINSTON DINKINS

Velocity Track Club New York is having a terrific year, we have so much to be thankful for! Here are some of the blessing we received:

1. We had 6 girls receive lovely trophies, sweat suits and 3 received educational grants at the Colgate Women's Games Finals and we received the Coach of the Year Award.

2. At the New Balance Games, VTC had a girls & boys 12 years old & under relay team compete. Both teams won bronze medals.

3. On Saturday, February 14th 2015, VTC had 9 student athletes compete in the 2015 Millrose Games and all 9 athletes won bronze medals

4. VTC were blessed to have over 12 student athletes on the honor roll

5. VTC had 19 student athletes qualified for the 2015 USA Track & Field Hershey Youth Indoor National Championship. At the National Championship, 8 VTC student athletes were on the podium to receive their medals and the title “All Americans”.

6. VTC won the 20th Annual Roy Wilkins Invitation on Sunday, May 3rd, 2015 at Roy Wilkins Park, Jamaica Queens, NY and received a lovely team trophy.

7. VTC have 22 students athletes qualified for the 2015 AAU Junior Olympics at Norfolk Va. (August 2nd to the 8th). 9 student athletes were able to make the trip. We returned home safe and with a National Champion (Gold Medal).

So far In 2015, VTC have 1 National Champion & 8 All Americans and we still have the Cross Country Season left.

If you know someone who may be interested in track & field, VTC is where they need to be. We have 3 USATF Level 1 Certified Coaches with many years of experience. A staff that ensures the administrative responsibilities for the team is taking care. Plus a group of parents and student-athletes who will



Velocity Track Club's 2015 National Champion and All Americans!

make you and your child feel like family. We compete all year around. September start our cross country and cross training season. Besides all the running events, we also train children in field events such as: shot put, javelin, long jump, discus and turbo throw. We are having our semi-annual orientation on Friday, August 21st at 7:00pm in the Bartow Community Center, room 28. If

you know a child between the ages of 6 & 16 that is interested in track & field please pass this information to them. Parent must attend orientation for child to try out.

On Saturday, August 22nd, we will be hosting races at the Section 5 Fun Day Event in Co-op City. Come on out and enjoy the live entertainment, music, food, giveaways, races and every-

thing is free. The event starts at 12:00 noon.

Velocity Track Club New York is a 501C3 Non for profit. 100% of your donation will go to help our children. For additional information, you can go to our web site Velocitytrack.org or contact me, Coach Winston Dinkins at 914-441-6196 or email me at watclt@aol.com.

Young Clinton holds high hopes for Langley's final season

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Howard Langley doesn't believe in staying past your expiration date as a coach.

It is just one of the reasons he will be stepping away from the Dewitt Clinton football sidelines after his 11th season this year.

"Everything has a seven, eight, nine, ten-year warrantee," Langley said. "After that it starts to deteriorate and I've reached my limit. There are other things I want to pursue.

Off the field demands took their toll on Langley and his health last year and he wants to spend more time with his daughter, who is starting high school this year. Langley spoke about the time and commitment it takes to coach at Clinton and in The Bronx with many kids playing football for the first time and coming from poor neighborhoods.

"They don't understand the level of commitment necessary to put a team on the field and then to be competitive on top of it," Langley said.

He hasn't officially told his players about him stepping down because he doesn't want to be the focus of the season, but they have heard the rumblings. Langley isn't leaving the school, however. He hopes to move on

to be the athletic director. He leaves feeling he accomplished his goals of regularly sending kids to college and making Clinton a regular play-off and a title contender. It was about more than football for Langley.

"He tried to coach you in two different ways," senior linebacker and running back Edward Nunez said. "In real life he tried to make us grow up as men. That's his main goal

Langley is determined to have success on field again in his final season, but it will be a challenge with a very inexperienced roster. There is open competition at nearly every position, including quarterback. Last year's backup Dashown Wilson Jr. is the expected with senior Brandon Harris transferring to Trinity Pawling.

Wilson Jr. compiled 455 totals yards of total offense and scored five touchdowns last season. He started Clinton's playoff game against Grand Street.

"I feel like he is ready," Nunez said. "He has matured. He's ready to play the game."

The 5-foot-11, 219-pound Nunez is the team's most proven commodity as a running back and linebacker. His commitment and leadership dur-



Clinton coach Howard Langley (c.) hoped players Edward Nunez (l.) and Ricardo Nias (r.) can send him out on a high note in his final season. Photo by Joseph Staszewski

ing his career make him a special player in Langley's eyes. He hopes colleges take notice.

"You don't measure someone who can flat out play football," Langley said.

Clinton is in the process of finding its best 22 guys, but Langley is still confident in his defense led by Nunez. Senior Remy Lynch returns at defensive end and Benjamin Gibbs is a playmaking strong safety. Freshman Ricardo Nias could see time at outside linebacker and running back. The younger players are learning whatever they can from Nunez.

"He helps me with what I need to

work on and the right places I need to be at," Nias said.

One of the big keys will be the development of a young offensive line led by Raquan Hylto and David Nwaogwugwu. Cardinal Hayes transfer Michael Santo and freshman Jaron Johnson could both see time at running back.

The goals won't change for this roster of beating rival Kennedy, making the playoff and going on a deep run. It's been that way since Langley took over. He wants to go out with the same standards.

"It doesn't matter who be got," Nunez said. "That's our main goal."

Reloading Rams want to continue winning ways

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Graduating 30 seniors won't change the expectations, goals or demands around the Fordham University football program. Coach Joe Moorhead won't allow it.

"There is a different feel, but it is kind of the same culture we developed over the last three years with coach Moorhead," graduated student linebacker Stephen Hodge said. "We kind of play to a standard. They guys that come in they know what they have to play to."

The Rams enter the season ranked No. 21 in country in the NCAA in the FCS Coaches' poll and were picked to win a second straight Patriot League title. Fordham finished 14th last season in the nation after losing to ? in the second round of the NCAA tournament. Moorhead has continued to tell his players to carry themselves like a top 15 team.

"Most of our older guys have never been through a losing season," he said. "They understand what the culture of our program is."

Fordham's biggest question mark was its biggest strength the last two seasons. The graduation of prolific quarterback Mike Nebrich has left the Rams with an inexperienced group of



Graduate student linebacker Stephen Hodge will try to lead Fordham to consecutive Patriot League football title. Fordham University Athletics

signal callers to orchestrate and offensive system that has proven it can produce points.

Kevin Anderson, a 6-foot-2 junior, in the front-runner for the job. He played in a victory over Georgetown last season and has impressed his teammates both last spring and in the preseason.

"Kevin Anderson is a great quarterback," sophomore running back Chase Edmonds said. "He has great arm strength."

Edmonds will be a major key to that along with fellow running back Kendall Pearcey, who ran for 592 yards of his own last year. Edmonds rushes for a Fordham freshman record 1.838 and 23 touchdowns and was voted the conference Preseason Offensive Player of the Year.

Preseason All-League pick Garrick Mayweather and sophomore Anthony Coyle will anchor the offensive line in front of him and an inexperienced

receiving corps. Even the Fordham defense doesn't enjoy playing against him.

"It stinks," Hodges said. "He's very good."

The Rams defense believes it can be thanks to a veteran linebacker group in Hodge, the Preseason Patriot League Defensive Player of the Year, returns from a season ending ankle injury. He joins a experience unit that includes Cardinal Hayes alum George Dawson, Nick Zawisha and senior Andrew Erenberg.

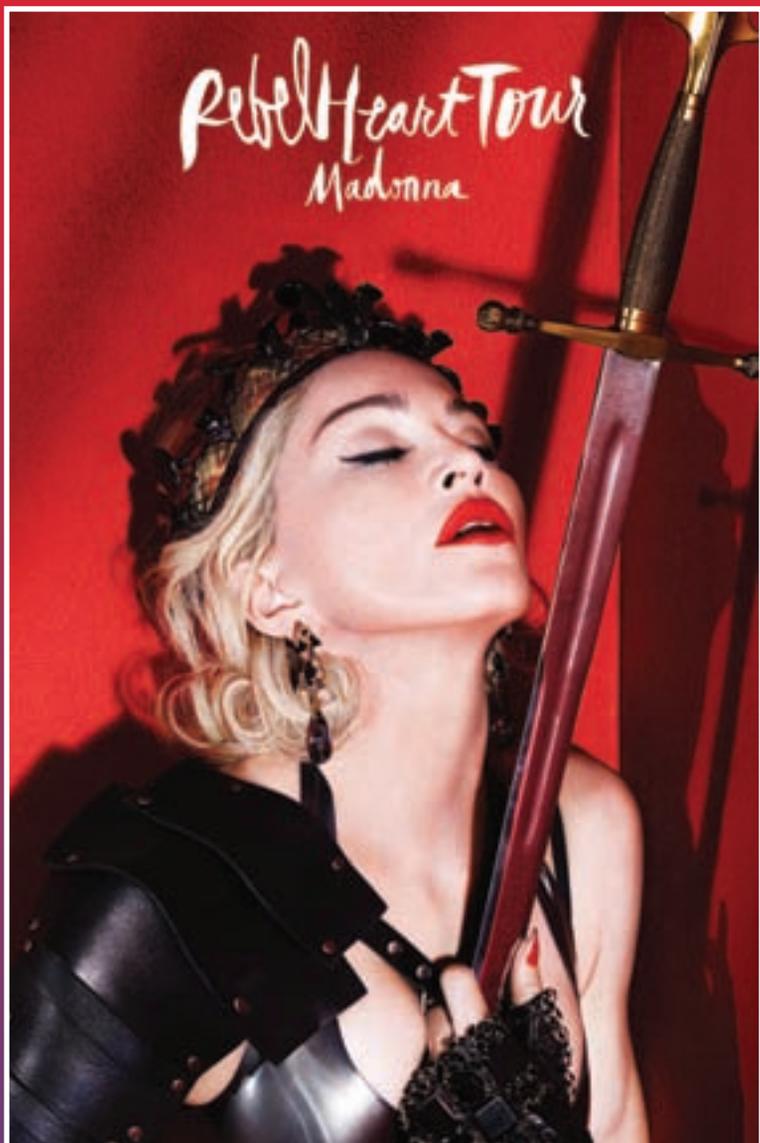
"It has the potential to be as good of a linebacking corps as we have had since we have been here," Moorhead said.

Senior JQ Bowers and graduate student Lourenzo Smith are the top returnees in the secondary. Marlon Crook, Jr. and Justin Vaughn, both preseason All-League selections, will anchor the defensive line as Fordham looks to win the conference, reach the NCAA tournament and compete for a national title again.

"You have to keep that mindset," Edmond said. "[Coach] is not going to insult us with lower expectations just because we graduated 30 seniors. I believe exactly what he is saying."

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the \$600 but because he was in Enemkpli's face pointing at him and perhaps even poking him. If that is the case — and I have no way to know if it is —, then Geno Smith is dumber than toast. None of that would raise the level of Enemkpli's behavior beyond the level of moronic. Even at the Pop Warner level, players know that they should not purposely take out their own starting QB."

Molinaro Maranara

Bob Molinaro (Hampton Roads Pilot) wrote: "I suppose sports fans who are paying attention to current events arrived at the unmistakable and mischievous conclusion that the Buffalo Bills' move to pick up linebacker IK Enemkpli after his release from the New York Jets for punching quarterback Geno Smith is a "jaw-dropping" decision.

The Washington Generals, put together by the late Red Klotz in 1953 as the foil for the Harlem Globetrotters, disbanded this summer after the Globies severed relations. Thus ends a 62-year tradition of spectacular losing that will never be surpassed. Except, perhaps, by the 76ers. (and maybe the Knicks- bc)

It's only to be expected that when Notre Dame junior tailback Greg Bryant was ruled academically ineligible that some in the media would reflexively deem it to be a "scandal." In what sort of warped world does disciplining an athlete for failing to live up to his classroom responsibilities constitute a scandal? The actual and time-honored academic scandal in college sports, we all know, is how few big-time athletes — certainly no star players — are lost due to poor grades or cheating. It's amazing how that works.

So how do we best assess Clayton Kershaw's feat of tying Dodger great Sandy Koufax's franchise record of six consecutive 200-strikeout seasons? For today's freer-swinging hitters, there's less of a stigma attached to striking out than when Koufax pitched. On the other hand, Koufax threw off a Himalayan-high mound compared to today's smaller bump. Call it a wash.

Perry Patter

Dwight Perry (Seattle Times) wrote: "'Broken jaw to force Geno Smith to miss 18—30 turnovers."

The Knicks finally signed small forward Thanasis Antetokounmpo, a 2014 draft pick, and one delusional Knicks fan we know is already saying Antetokounmpo is worth 21 points a game.

We're talking Scrabble, right?

Indoor football QB Jared Lorenzen — the 320-pounder known as The Pillsbury Throwboy — has volunteered his services to the short-handed Jets, saying he looks good in green.

If the Jets say no, maybe the Red Sox could use a Green Monster mascot ...

Jason Pierre-Paul's concussion pro-

tolcol going forward, you have to assume, won't include the question: "How many fingers?"

NBC's Jimmy Fallon, on Hillary Clinton's \$350 billion college-aid plan: "Which has to be better than my parents' plan to make college affordable: 'Be good at sports.'";

RJ Currie of SportsDeke.com, after a dog in Arkansas somehow survived despite swallowing 23 bullets: "One problem: His hair keeps coming out in bangs.

Rex Ryan, via Twitter, on partaking in the Dog Biscuit Challenge: "With a name Rex, I've eaten a lot of dog biscuits in my life.";

Ryan ate a Milk-Bone dog biscuit to show his support for the Erie County SPCA.

Coincidence? Buffalo visits the Dog Pound this Thursday.

U.S. teen swimmer Katie Ledecky — who set three world records and won five gold medals at last week's world championships — is delaying her entry into Stanford until after the 2016 Olympics. Too bad.

That "What I Did This Summer" essay could've been a doozy.

Overheard during a Jets team meeting late last week: "We like smashmouth football as much as the next guy, fellas, but c'mon ...";

So, Rich Rodriguez was asked at Pac-12 media days is it refreshing to return your starting quarterback at Arizona?

"Refreshing?" Rich-Rod responded. "I think a nice cold beer or a Bacardi and Coke, or maybe even a nice iced tea sweetened, is refreshing. What was the question again?"

Steve Schrader of the Detroit Free Press, on all the venom directed at Jane Rosenberg over her courtroom sketch of Tom Brady: "Bet she didn't see that coming when she answered the 'Can You Draw This Quarterback?' ad in the back of the magazine."

Greg Cote of The Miami Herald, after Buffalo signed QB-puncher IK Enemkpli: "First day in the Bills' locker room, Enemkpli had his lunch money stolen by Richie Incognito."

Reader Michael Sarro, to the Cleveland Plain Dealer: "Wasn't the Washington Generals' motto 'Play Like A Brown'?"

"I feel like I'm the best quarterback in the league," Washington QB Robert Griffith III told D.C.'s WJLA-TV, "and I have to go out and show that."

Results of RGIII's hastily arranged drug test were not available at press time

Finally, here is one more comment from Scott Ostler regarding Pete Rose:

Scott Ostler On Pete Rose

"I'm 100 percent in favor of letting Pete Rose into the Hall of Fame, but under my proviso that he has to get past Ray Fosse guarding the door."

Legionnaires' source found

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available and our maintenance plan has been consistent with the regulations that both the city and the state are putting in place," the statement reads.

The Opera House Hotel supports the recent legislation to regulate the cooling towers, and said they intend to go above and beyond the new requirement to test the towers every 90 days, instead testing every 30 days when the tower is in operation.

"Given recent events, we have decided to be especially cautious going forward," the statement reads.

The legislation to regulate cooling towers in the wake of the outbreak is the first of its kind in the nation, and was signed into immediate effect by Mayor de Blasio on August 18.

The legislation requires the registration of all cooling towers, annual certification, quarterly inspection, and reporting of increased microbes to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

The legislation also mandates the disinfection of cooling towers with levels of microbes that pose potential health risks, and outlines monetary consequences for non-compliance.

"Historic legislation passed by the

City Council and signed by Mayor de Blasio should help prevent tragic outbreaks like this from occurring again," said Department of Health Commissioner Mary Bassett in a statement.

And although the outbreak is over, its effects are not finished.

The first lawsuit against the Opera House Hotel was recently filed by Ronald J. Katter on behalf of Leslie Noble, a 54-year-old man who was hospitalized with Legionnaires' disease.

The complaint accuses the defendant hotel of negligence, carelessness and recklessness, which contributed to the decline of Mr. Noble's mental, physical and emotional health.

It also accuses the hotel ownership of failing to maintain the cleanliness of the cooling towers and the upkeep of the hotel's structure.

(Right) The Opera House Hotel in Mott Haven was found to be the source of the recent Legionnaires' disease outbreak. The cooling towers that were responsible have since been cleaned. Photo by Silvio Pacifico



Armed robbery at TN deli

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cash registers.

Aloudy pled with the perpetrators to spare his life as the gunman kept the gun aimed at the back of Aloudy's head warning the young cashier not to move.

The gunman then pistol whipped Aloudy in the back knocking him straight to the floor behind the deli counter.

During the incident, the third man periodically checked the door and his cell phone as he texted, Aloudy added.

The gunman stood above Aloudy warning him not to move as the trio began leaving the store with their loot.

Shaken to his core, Aloudy got back on feet and called police who immediately arrived on the scene.

Aloudy did not require any hospitalization and a police canvassing of the area yielded negative results, police said.

The cashier presented officers with security footage capturing the early morning hold-up as it unfolded and showed this same footage to the Bronx Times.

"I've been working at delis for a long time and it's the first time something like this has ever happened to me," expressed Aloudy. "I was completely surprised by this because it's such a nice neighborhood and there are so many nice people who live here. I don't want to experience anything like this ever

again."

John Marano, Community Board 10 first vice chairman, stated there is additional footage of the two men parking their car on Lafayette Avenue and entering a dark backyard behind the deli at around 1:50 a.m., before walking up to the deli.

A few minutes later the suspects are seen exiting the store returning to the backyard before running to a car parked a few feet away and driving toward I-95.

"We've been asking for more police officers for this area and just because it's a non-violent area doesn't mean we don't have crime here," said Marano. "We need our fair share of officers after they've been allocated and the landlords of Green Apple Deli must do their due diligence to light up their backyard and install sensor lighting to make it far more difficult for people to hide and conduct any criminal activity there."

Bob Beider, 45th Precinct Community Council president, said Thursday, September 3's 45th Precinct Community Council meeting for 7 p.m. at the precinct house will discuss how merchants may be able to hire off-duty uniformed police officers as security.

For further information regarding this meeting, contact the precinct's Community Affairs Office at (718) 822-5449 or email cao45pct@gmail.com.



Imad Aloudy stands outside the Green Apple Deli which was targeted by armed robbers early Monday morning. Community News Group / Robert Wirsing

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