

NOT SO FAST, POLS TO BLAZ

Questions arise over Rodman's Neck upgrade

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

More information is being requested on the mayor's proposed renovation of Rodman's Neck.

A possible city budget allocation of \$275 million to rebuild the NYPD range and training facility at Rodman's Neck in phases over ten years has some questioning just how - and how quickly - the sound attenuation that nearby communities have requested for a generation will come to fruition.

Mayor de Blasio made an official announcement along with Councilman James Vacca at a press conference at the facility on Tuesday, January 31.

Barbara Dolensek, City Island Civic Association vice president, said the community group and Vacca had been doing the bulk of the advocacy to get

sound attenuating included in the Rodman's Neck rebuilding project, which police officials believe is needed for training its police officers.

"I am thrilled with the allocation, it did not happen overnight and it did not come easy," said Vacca, adding "I am going to insist that there be community input during the design phase."

Both Dolensek and Vacca said more information about the details and timetable are needed.

Separately, Senator Jeff Klein, Assemblyman Michael Benedetto and Assemblyman Mark Gjonaj, who wrote to the mayor about the planned allocation in a letter dated January 31, have all requested more information.

Their letter noted that the multi-million dollar commitment, which would include six new ranges with sound controls that the mayor said would reduce noise from the range in nearby communities to ambient levels, is an ambitious goal for the next five to seven years, and one "that previous administrations have been unable to fulfill."

The letter stated that the three electeds have "been vocal about the negative impacts the range presents to local communities" and urged the noise pollution and metal contamination removal parts of the massive overhaul be completed earlier in the time frame.

Klein said he would like to know how the city concluded

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2 mosques planned for CB 11 area

BY ARTHUR CUSANO

Plans for a new Bronx Muslim Center on Amethyst Street have been resubmitted to address earlier concerns, while plans for another mosque in Allerton are on hold.

The filing was submitted by the Bronx Muslim Center located on Rhinelander Avenue, to build a new, larger center just down the road on four vacant lots at 1912-1920 Amethyst Street.

The new facility is aimed at alleviating overcrowding at the popular mosque, said

the center's attorney Michael Nacmias of the Eric Plotnik law firm.

Nacmias is representing the project as it goes before Community Board 11's Land Use Committee.

"They (currently) have space that is good for about 150 people," Nacmias said. "But what happens during Friday prayers is people are actually on the street trying to pray because they can't get into the building."

The move to Amethyst will allow the entire congregation, estimated at around 800

members, to pray at the location comfortably, he said.

Earlier proposals featured a three-story mosque that exceeded the zoning's height restriction, which Nacmias said has been addressed in the newest plans submitted.

However the applicant is still asking for a waiver of the parking requirement. No on-site parking is planned.

CB 11 Jeremy Warneke said while the height of the building was a concern, so too were the parking and

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A Gift From The Heart

Children and their families got creative celebrating the approaching Valentine's Day holiday during an arts and crafts event on Friday, February 3 at the Mall at Bay Plaza. Children made a gift from the heart by creating sweetheart bear door hangers for their loved ones and enjoyed dancing and playing games at the fun-filled extravaganza. Dance contest winner Leila Lopez proudly displayed her Wonder Woman face paint design.

See more photos on page 49.

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HS of Science senior a Regeneron finalist

BY ROBERT WIRSING

A Bronx High School of Science student has earned national recognition for her research project.

On Wednesday, January 4, Bronx High School of Science senior Isabella Greco was selected among 40 finalists for the Regeneron Science Talent Search, the nation's oldest and most prestigious pre-college science and mathematics competition for her study, "The Effect of Gender Stereotype and Stereotype Inconsistency on False Memory of Occupation Descriptions".

According to Regeneron, the finalists were selected based on their research project's scientific rigor and world-changing potential.

Greco, a Concourse Village resident, researched gender stereotyping and careers with the guidance of Fordham University psychology professor Dr. Mitchell Rabinowitz.

With Dr. Rabinowitz's assistance, she examined the impact gender association and gender stereotype inconsistency had on a person's

ability to precisely recall an individual's occupation.

"I chose this topic because stereotypes are something that affect us all to such an extent that they have a sometimes subtle, sometimes not-so-subtle, impact on our everyday life," expressed Greco.

She was inspired to learn how stereotyping influences people's perceptions and the possible mechanics behind this influence.

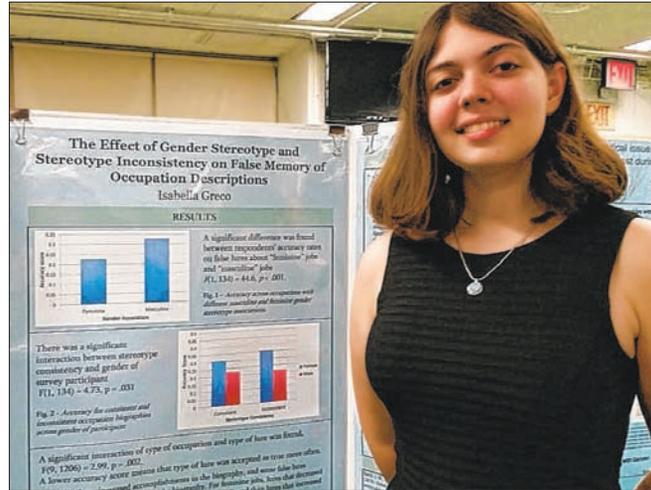
Her extensive study was conducted over four to five months which included data collection, analysis and interpretation.

Greco had men and women complete a four part Mechanical Turk online survey for her research project.

The survey started with six short biographies detailing individuals in their occupation which varied in the gender association of the job and the employee.

A distraction task was implemented to test its impact on participants' cognitive performances.

The participants then an-



Isabella Greco was named one of 40 Regeneron Science Talent Search finalists for her impressive study examining the effect of gender stereotyping and stereotype inconsistency on false memories of occupation descriptions.

Photo courtesy of Isabella Greco

swered a series of questions testing their long-term memory to distinguish between true and false statements from the original biographies.

Finally, the test subjects answered a short set of questions asking about their own demographic information.

According to Greco, the study's most major finding

was that any job mostly associated with women such as a nurse had a higher rate of false memory compared to any job associated with men like an engineer.

These results were the same whether the person holding the 'feminine' occupation was a man or woman.

"You would hope there

wouldn't be any biases discovered, but if there were you would expect them from men," said Dr. Rabinowitz. "However, from this study it seems implicit bias is just as prevalent among women."

Implicit bias refers to attitudes or stereotypes affecting people's understanding, actions and decisions in an unconscious manner.

These pervasive and malleable associations held in the subconscious cause people to have feelings or attitudes about others based on such characteristics as race, ethnicity, gender, age and appearance.

This March, Greco and her fellow Regeneron finalists will visit Washington, D.C. to present their research, meet National Geographic Society scientists and undergo final judging.

She will also vie for one of the top ten awards ranging from \$40,000 to \$250,000 for the first place prize.

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Pvt. **Oliver Martinez Diaz**, who hails from the borough and was originally from the Dominican Republic, was made a U.S. Citizen when he completed his recruit training recently at Parris Island, SC, the U.S. Marines report.

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CB 10 opposes Westchester Sq. road changes

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

Community Board 10 voted against some tweaks to the Vision Zero pedestrian safety improvements already implemented in the Westchester Square commercial corridor.

In a recent advisory vote, CB 10 opposed a NYC Department of Transportation mitigation that would have reversed the direction of Frisby Avenue for one block between Benson Street and East Tremont Avenue.

The plan would also have made St. Raymond's Avenue into a two-way street between Williamsbridge Road and East Tremont Avenue, with the loss of six parking spaces.

It is unclear as of press time if DOT will accept the community board's recommendations.

The Westchester Square Business Improvement District is in favor of the proposed changes.

The vote, taken at the monthly CB 10 full board meeting on Thursday, January 19, would have sent more traffic from the commercial corridor onto residential streets, they

argued.

The January 19 vote was 17 against, six in favor, with six abstentions, according to the board.

CB 10 member and Zerega resident Hannah Acampora, who voted not to support the changes, was also concerned about the loss of parking spots.

"When they sacrifice parking spots, [residents] are the ones that lose them, because [shoppers park on residential streets]," said Acampora.

Lisa Sorin, Westchester Square BID executive director, said that backups on Frisby Avenue approaching East Tremont Avenue have become commonplace, especially at peak times, perhaps because traffic is not permitted to make a left onto East Tremont Avenue.

"The cars are stuck, especially during school hours," she said of traffic issues on Frisby Avenue, adding "It just piles up into this massive, congested blockage at that corner."

The reversal of St. Raymond Avenue is necessary to stop vehicles from making ille-



As part of the proposal, DOT would make St. Raymond Avenue, currently a one-way street in the Westchester Square BID's service area, into a two-way street, eliminating parking spaces on one side of the street.

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gal U-turns or cutting through parking lots, said Sorin.

It has become necessary not only because of the problematic turns, but also because Silver Street drivers cannot make a left turn to enter the Westchester Square business area, only a right turn is permitted, she said.

Another Zerega resident and CB 10 board member, Bob Bieder, voted in favor of the changes because he said he trusts that the BID knows

what's needed.

"I voted in favor of it because I have faith in the BID and the people who run the BID," said Bieder. "They are there every day."

Bieder said he believes that overall, the board members present voted against the two changes because they were concerned not only about increased traffic on residential blocks, but also because taking away parking anywhere is "very difficult" to support.

In a statement, a DOT spokeswoman said that the agency "was planning to meet with stakeholders to learn more about their concerns to readjust the plan."

Starting in 2015, pedestrian islands were constructed in Westchester Square and changes in traffic patterns were implemented to make the commercial corridor more pedestrian friendly as part of the citywide Vision Zero initiative.

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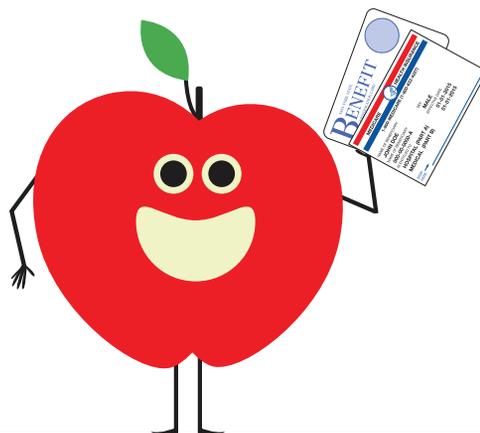
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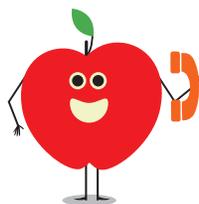
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The Bronx Salad is a 5-star tasty mix

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

A group of borough organizations have played a hand, along with community culinary input, in creating a salad as unique and flavorful as the borough itself.

The Bronx Salad, an effort to create a green dish to represent the borough for New York City's Restaurant Week and as a vehicle for fast growing immigrant businesses to market themselves, is a proactive response to the borough's placing last out of 62 New York State counties in the Robert Wood Johnson County Health Rankings Report, its boosters said.

The effort to make a healthy and culturally reflective dish, dovetailing with Borough President Ruben Diaz Jr.'s #not62 health campaign, was the brainchild of several different borough organizations and individuals, and is now on sale at food vendors and restaurants.

The South Bronx Overall Economic Development Corporation; the United Business Cooperative, an SoBRO initiative for immigrant business

owners; and Bronx Health Reach, which polled borough residents as to the ingredients to use, all took part in the salad's creation, said Jamila Diaz, SoBro vice president.

"The Bronx Salad came about to help (people) understand that the population is changing in the Bronx," she said. "Not only in the fact that we are becoming more diverse and we have new groups that want to come into the Bronx, but also that people are aware, educated and would love to change their lifestyle in terms of health."

The Bronx Salad was first created in 2016, but it was promoted heavily during restaurant week this past year, she said.

Some business owners in UBC believe that opportunities may exist down the line to manufacture and market it to major food distributors or airlines, said Diaz.

The Bronx Salad contains black beans, mango, red peppers, avocado, corn and red onions.

It also includes black olives, plantain chips, tomatoes,



The Bronx Salad is a colorful and deliciously tasty treat!

Photo courtesy of SoBro

cilantro, lettuce and kale.

According to SoBRO, many locally sourced ingredients are used, including some ingredients from a local community garden that are har-

vested by youth.

According to published reports from the salad's initial 2016 launch, Chef King Phojanakong played a role in its formulation, and it is some-

times served topped with the locally-sourced Bronx Greenmarket Hot Sauce.

The Bronx Salad was recently featured on the Blox.Tv, a new online news channel about the south Bronx created by Round Seven, a Bronx-based development and production company founded by Marco Shalma and Gillian Todd.

The two-minute segment was part of Blox.Tv's Bloxpedia series that showcases various borough attractions said Todd, stating that the video was released in conjunction with the citywide restaurant week.

According to SoBRO the salad is available in several places, including: Mott Haven Bar & Grill at 1 Bruckner Boulevard; Delmys at 456 East 149 Street; Mexicosina at 503 Jackson Avenue; Don Pancho Steak House at 43 Bruckner Boulevard; Viktoria Italian Restaurant at 3114 Third Avenue; Angel's Healthy Soul Food, 555 Bergen Avenue and Fine Fare Supermarket at 459 East 149th Street.

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POLICE BLOTTER

40 Precinct

Thursday, January 26 at 10:45 a.m. -- A robbery was reported to cops after two Hispanic men, both about 20-year-old, reportedly entered an apartment building near Pontiac Place and Cauldwell Avenue. They knocked on the door of a 21-year-old victim. The man opened the door and the two people pushed their way into the apartment. They were holding guns and demanded money from seven people inside who had ages ranging from 18 to 67. The two men removed about \$300 in cash, iPhones, and a wallet. No injuries were reported as a result of the incident.

condition shortly after the incident. Published reports indicate that at least one of the people in the car may have been an off-duty police officer.

46 Precinct

Tuesday, January 24 at 4:30 p.m. -- Police got a report about a robbery in front of 88 W. 181st Street. Three people described as Black men who are between 16-years-old and 18-years-old approached a 16-year-old male victim as he entered the building. One of the three took a backpack off his back and all three fled on foot. No injuries were reported.

45 Precinct

Wednesday, February 1 at 11:43 p.m. -- Cops responded to a 911 call of a vehicle collision. A single overturned 2012 Dodge Charger was on fire at a roundabout at City Island Road and Park Drive after it flipped over. When cops arrived on the scene, they pulled from the car 32-year-old man with trauma and burns to both legs and a woman with very severe burns, who was pronounced dead at the scene. The man was taken to New York Health + Hospitals /Jacobi where he was in critical

48 Precinct

Friday, January 6 at 5:37 p.m. -- Police responded to a 911 call of an assault at 2012 Boston Road. When they got to the location, cops found a woman who was around 45-years-old on the ground with a gunshot wound to the torso and arm. The woman was taken by ambulance to St. Barnabas Hospital, where she died. A male victim went by private means to New York Health + Hospitals /Jacobi.

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According to a neighbor, Pluchino lived on Ellison Avenue since the 1960s and walked to wherever he needed to go. Soriano-Ynfante was unharmed in the crash, but was arrested for manslaughter, vehicular manslaughter and drunken driving. Traffic on the ramp was halted for several hours as the NYPD's Collision Investigation Squad investigated the scene.

(Above) NYPD Collision Investigation Squad members and medical examiners prepared Pluchino's body for transport.
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Let's do something

Dear editor,

We know that there are millions of people here illegally. They overstayed their visas or risked their life to cross our border. We all know this.

Some illegal immigrant families have been here 10, 20, 30 years or more. They are part of our fabric now. Once here they are beautiful people who have followed our laws and want to be here. They love this country. I know these people. I love these people. I want them to stay. They don't just come from Latin America. They are Irish, Albanian, Somalian, Jamaican, Russian, Chinese, Filipino and from many other parts of this globe.

There is no hate in wanting to follow our immigration laws but there is disagreement. I challenge all of our elected officials to be real leaders. Stop following the parties rhetoric. Make a real difference and get us out of this cycle.

If the immigration law is unjust or outdated ... change the law. To quote President Obama, "Pass a bill." Both Obama and President Clinton publicly stated, "We are a nation of immigrants but we are a nation of laws". President Clinton supported building a wall on our southern border.

Five of the seven countries on the temporary travel ban list (Iraq, Syria, Somalia, Libya and Yemen) were actively and periodically bombed by the Obama administration. We are in a war in these countries. Recent actions in Iran and Sudan have added them to this list.

Bring peace in this region. Lift the ban. Document the undocumented, let the good stay and deport the parasites and criminals that victimize our citizens.

Stop attacking people for wanting the laws to be followed and respected. Stop attacking people for wanting to stop the exploitation of human beings.

Stop attacking people for wanting to get people out of the vulnerable shadow of our society and into the light.

Leave the attacks and the talk at home and let's start seeing some action.

Gene DeFrancis

Family sing-a-longs

Dear editor,

I read Lenore Skenazy's column about the lost joys of singing. I would like her to know that our family is still singing together. All my life, at every family get-together we would evolve into a sing-along. At some point, three of my brothers would bring out the instruments and begin playing. Anyone, family or friend, who was so inclined, would sing enthusiastically. This was usually a large group. Today, my one surviving brother and his son have taken up the cause. We are still singing. The younger generations will sing their music and the older folks will sing theirs.

We sometimes overlap. This is still the highlight of every family party and Lenore is invited.

Anita Mule

Nation must uphold laws

Dear editor,

I read with interest Assemblyman Luis Sepulveda's opinion that we should scrap the rule of law in order to give people who are here illegally all the rights afforded citizens. Frankly, we have to approach this problem not only with compassion but with common sense and stop the hysteria.

The assemblyman's praise of Mayor de Blasio's stance - a stance that includes no deportation for illegals arrested for DWI or grand larceny or identity theft is not within the boundaries of what I and many others consider the American way.

I assume the assemblyman took an oath to uphold our laws. It does not seem that he is honoring that oath, preferring to side with those who espouse anarchy. I must also remind the assemblyman that in spite of his rhetoric about President Trump, Democrats have lost over 1,200 seats nationally since 2012. That will continue in the upcoming midterms unless Democrats get with the program. The original purpose of 'sanctuary cities' has been co-opted to protect criminals. This will stop under President Trump.

Marion M. Cronin

Gone forever

Dear editor,

In the 1960s, when there was a Bronx GOP field office grand opening, it was cause for celebration. Today it is little more than a wake.

The last Bronx Republican Borough President Joseph Periconi and Congressman Paul Fino held office in the 1960s. The last state assembly member was Guy Vellela who lost his bid for reelection in 1982. Despite overwhelming Democratic Party enrollment in the Bronx, Republican Senator John Calandra and subsequently followed by Guy Vellela where able to hold that seat until 2004. The last Republican city council member was Nick Savino, who lost his borough wide at large seat when they were abolished by court order in the 1980s.

Enrolled Bronx Democrats outnumber Republicans over twelve to one. There are fewer Bronx Republicans than any other borough within NYC.

Remnants of the Bronx GOP can now fit in one of those old-fashion street corner telephone booths which disappeared decades ago.

Larry Penner

Rodman's Neck response

(The following letters were sent to the mayor re the recent announcement of the reconstruction of Rodman's Neck NYPD training facility.)

Dear Mayor de Blasio,

I applaud the city for dedicating \$275 million for the much needed reconstruction of Rodman's Neck NYPD training facility. That investment, along with a commitment to have the project completed within 5 to 7 years, is an ambitious goal that previous administrations have been unable to fulfill. However, the coastal communities surrounding this facility have endured years upon years of noise and environmental pollution. I believe it's only fair that these long-suffering residents receive some data to back the promised noise reduction, and the assurance that these new gun ranges will be prioritized early on in the construction process.

Senator Jeff Klein

The city's allocation of \$275

million to reconstruct the Rodman's Neck NYPD training facility is a step in the right direction towards enhancing the quality of life for City Island residents. For years they have voiced concerns over the noise and environmental pollution stemming from the outdated facility. While this investment is a welcomed one, I look forward to reviewing the data collected by the administration that will assure me and my colleagues that these concerns will be minimized.

Assemblyman Mark Gjonaj

The \$275 million appropriation is a giant step in what needs to be done in Rodman's Neck, and I applaud our Mayor for finally listening to the pleas of the City Island community. However, there is still a lot more to do, such as cleaning up the contamination of our soil and water way and finding another home for the bomb detonation unit.

Assemblyman Michael Benedetto

A 'true' feminist?

Dear editor,

Raphael Schweizer took offense at my questioning of a possible personal prejudice on his part in the (49th Precinct CO) Keith Walton case and calls himself a "feminist." However, in his correspondence on this matter, Schweizer seemed to resent the fact that the alleged victim was not shamed and called a liar. Would a true feminist have made that kind of statement?

Schweizer's apparent criticism regarding treatment of the complainant was misogynous and the reason why so many women fail to report sexual abuse for fear of public condemnation. I stand by that statement.

Paulette Sorg

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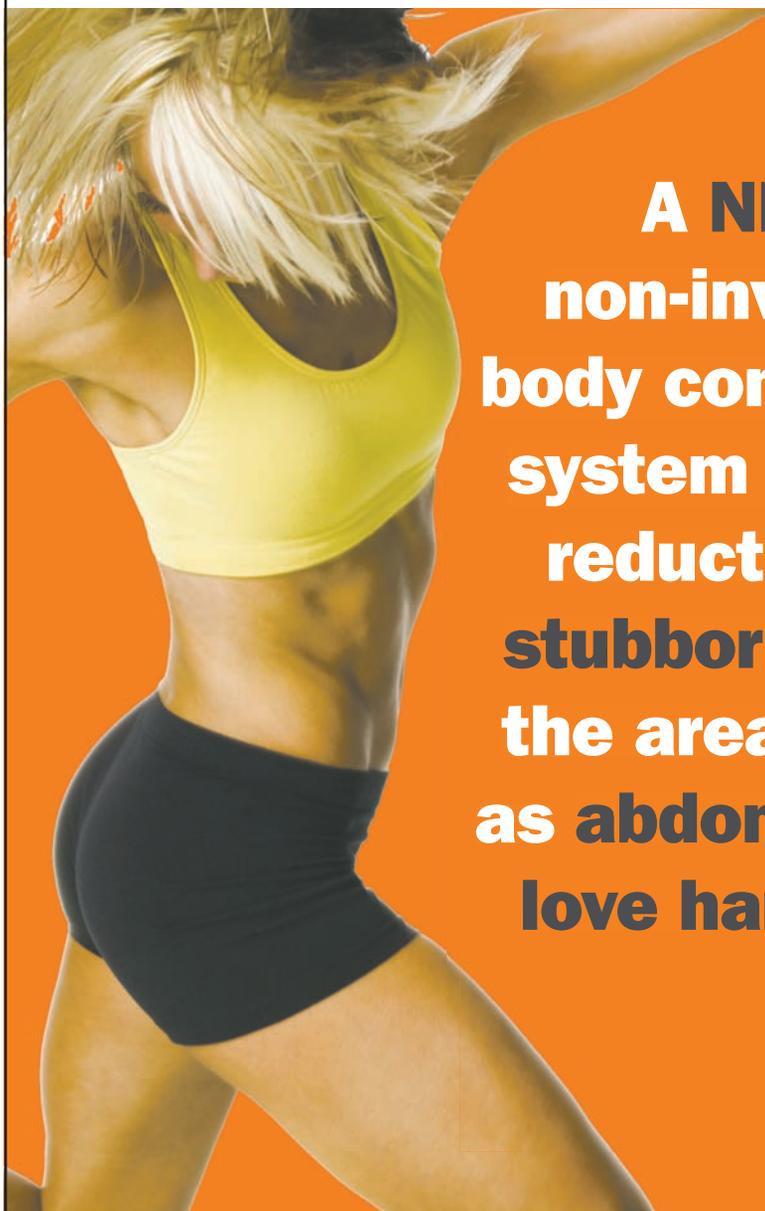
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Multi-agency heroin raid yields 72 indictments

BY ARTHUR CUSANO

A weekend drug raid late last month that led to 72 indictments and the confiscation of 53 pounds of heroin is the latest in the ongoing effort to curb the opioid epidemic in the borough.

The Bronx district attorney's office announced the raid, which was carried out Saturday, January 28, in conjunction with the NYPD and the Drug Enforcement Agency.

The 32 defendants named were indicted on charges including multiple charges ranging from second and fourth-degree conspiracy to third-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance to operating as a major trafficker, an A-1 felony.

Eighteen of the 32 defendants indicted call the Bronx home.

Twenty-two of them have already been arrested, while two are already incarcerated on separate charges.

The operation brought heroin and fentanyl, a prescription opioid far more powerful than heroin, from Honduras through Guatemala and then

Mexico to Los Angeles, CA.

The drugs were then packed onto tractor-trailers in hidden spaces such as wheel wells while the trucks were loaded with legal goods and driven to Pennsylvania or the New York City area.

"This operation spanned three countries and trafficked drugs 5,200 miles," stated District Attorney Darcel Clark. "No matter -we will go wherever investigations take us to eradicate this scourge that has destroyed lives here in the Bronx and across the nation."

The D.A.'s office is also suing the defendants for \$10.5 million in profits from the illicit operations.

The indictment dates back to February of 2016, when one of the defendants, Juan Santiago, 22, of the Bronx, sold crack cocaine to an undercover officer at the corner of Morris Avenue and McClellan Street.

The investigation included numerous recorded phone calls between defendants recorded over the course of eight months in which they discussed drug transactions being planned or implemented in the Bronx.

Two brothers - Steven Ri-



District Attorney Darcel Clark announces a major heroin operation bust that occurred in late January. The heroin and fentanyl was shipped from Mexico to New York using tractor-trailers.

Photo courtesy of District Attorney Darcel Clark's Office

vera, 40, of the Bronx, and Daniel Rivera, 34, of Manhattan - who communicated with other defendants via phone and text message, oversaw the operation.

Jason Alvarez, 37, of Fort Lee, NJ, whose family owns the Dominican restaurant Celia's on West Fordham Road, was arraigned for the delivery of the drugs to the United States, ac-

ording to court documents.

"His mother owns the restaurant, but he is involved with running it," said D.A. spokeswoman Patrice O'Shaughnessy.

Alvarez was never seen carrying out drug transactions in his family's establishment, but was seen carrying out drug-related business while he was there and was eventually ar-

rested while leaving the restaurant, O'Shaughnessy said,

There are no plans to attempt to seize assets of the restaurant, she added.

Alvarez was recorded carrying out business at the restaurant, according to the indictment.

Alvarez, along with fellow defendants Vianet Espinal and Cynthia Alegria, drove to Pennsylvania to pick up a large shipment in April of 2016, according to the indictment.

Among other conversations recorded was one in October 2016 in which a defendant, Jeanette Sotomayor, 35, of the Bronx, was going to smuggle narcotics into Mohawk Correctional Facility in the city of Rome in central New York to give to Steven Rivera.

Fifteen Bronx residents were arrested in October of last year as part of a separate heroin crackdown carried out under the offices of New York Attorney General Eric Schneiderman.

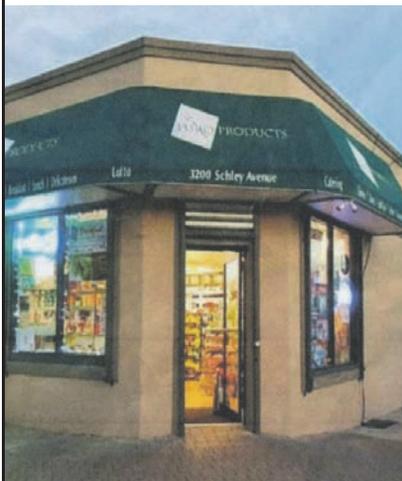
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3 religious honorees at TN St. Pat's Parade

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

The 19th Annual Throggs Neck St. Patrick's Day Parade will honor three religious women who have made a difference serving in community ministries, as well celebrating scores of community groups and Irish-American heritage.

Being honored along with grand marshal Derek Woods as the parade steps off at noon on Sunday, March 12 from East Tremont and Lafayette avenues are three members of the Dominican Sisters of Sparkill: Sr. Joan Marie O'Leary, Sr. Peggy Gannon and Sr. Betty McLaughlin.

Sr. Joan Marie is a volunteer and Eucharistic minister to the homebound at St. Frances de Chantal and a volunteer friendly visitor at Jeanne Jugan Residence; Sr. Peggy is a friendly visitor volunteer at both St. Frances and Jeanne Jugan and Sr. Betty is involved in outreach at St. Benedict's Church where she runs support groups and visits the homebound and sick to distribute Communion.



Two religious honorees for the 19th Annual Throggs Neck St. Patrick's Day Parade: Sr. Joan Marie O'Leary (l) and Sr. Peggy Gannon in County Kerry, Ireland. Photo courtesy of Sr. Joan Marie O'Leary

In a joint statement, Sr. Peggy or Sr. Joan Marie stated that they appreciate that people in the commu-

nity recognize the Dominican Sisters of Sparkill's contributions to the borough, where they have worked

since 1899.

"(We) feel happy and proud to be selected as honored religious as we have always treasured our Irish ancestors and heritage," stated the two sisters, adding that they first attended the parade in 1998 when it was "small but very spirited" and have seen it grow with many community groups and leaders feeling a sense of warmth, unity and Irish pride.

Sr. Peggy grew up in the borough and has worked in ministries at St. Joseph's on Bathgate Avenue, Cathedral High School's Sts. Peter and Paul branch, St. John Chrysostom and Monsignor Scanlan High School.

Sr. Joan's parents immigrated from County Kerry in Ireland in 1927 and she was the former Our Lady of Mercy Medical Center's pastoral minister.

Sr. Betty was a teacher at Aquinas High School for more than three decades, and has been a Sparkill religious sister for 55 years.

At St. Benedict's for a decade, she has run support

groups for people dealing with cancer and bereavement, as well as ministering to the infirm throughout the surrounding communities, she said.

Sr. Betty said that she loves being on the steps of St. Benedict's Church after Sunday masses, which is where she gets her news about the community, adding that it is an honor to be recognized by the parade.

"It is extremely humbling," she said. "I am not used to being in the limelight."

Parade committee member Karin O'Conner said that the selection of honorees, including honored religious comes through the committee members' community interactions.

She added that as of press time, the following bands, school and community groups have confirmed, with many more to be included as the parade date nears: New York State Courts Pipes and Drums, Elevator Constructors Local One Pipes and Drums, NYC Transit Pipes



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Rendering of a 10-story building on Newbold Avenue which will be a part of a two-building 206-unit mixed-use project. Photo Courtesy of Procida Companies

206-unit housing project coming to Newbold Ave.

BY ROBERT CHRISTIE

Procida Companies is in the process of developing a two-building, 206-unit mixed-use project to Unionport.

The 2047 Newbold Avenue project, called the Westchester Muse, will feature a 10-story building on Newbold Avenue and an 11-story building facing Westchester Avenue.

According to Peter Procida, an associate of the company and the son of CEO Mario Procida, they purchased the parcel in 2015.

Once completed, the Westchester Avenue building will neighbor a 134-unit affordable housing building already constructed at 2040 Westchester Avenue.

The 10-story building will have 124 residential units above 1,350 square feet of community facility space.

Procida said the firm envisions the space possibly being used as a small doctor's office or an afterschool tutoring program.

The taller building will have 82 residential units above 7,413 square feet of retail space on the ground floor.

According to Procida, the company is marketing that space as a grocery store.

"We wanted to build something that serves the community well," said Procida.

Exactly half of the project's residential units, 103, will be affordable housing.

"I think affordable housing is of the utmost importance," said Procida. "You sort of see in some of the other boroughs concerns over gentrification and that's becoming more and more of a hot button issue here in the Bronx."

"To have permanently affordable units at the different levels of the area's median income is a good way to

preserve affordable housing for families and individuals in the Bronx," he added.

The project is being built under the city's new Mandatory Inclusionary Housing program which provides additional floor bonuses in return for the developer's willingness to include affordable housing units to the building.

William Rivera, district manager for Community Board 9, said the community board was very much in favor of the new affordable housing.

According to Rivera, the board voted 19-6 on Thursday, January 19, to support the development.

Procida Companies had to go before the community board as part of the Uniform Land Review Process to rezone the lot from an R5 - the area's current zoning - to an R6.

Now that CB9 has given its approval, the project is in Borough President Ruben Diaz's office.

The borough president has 30 days to make his decision.

From there it will have to be approved by City Planning and the City Council.

Most of the properties on Newbold between Olmstead and Pugsley avenues are modest 2-story homes.

When asked about the presence of a much taller building in the area, Procida pointed out parts of the block had already been rezoned.

The stretch of Newbold already includes a four-story apartment building on the corner of Pugsley Avenue and Newbold Avenue and a six-story apartment building facing Olmstead Avenue.

Procida expects a June start date and expects the project to take about two years to complete.

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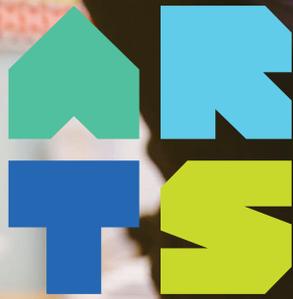
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Elevated lead levels found at P.S. 41

BY ARTHUR CUSANO

Elevated levels of lead have been detected in an Olinville elementary school, city officials recently announced.

The findings were announced during a Monday, February 6 press conference in front of P.S. 41, located just off Gun Hill Road, by Councilman Andy King.

The councilman was joined by representatives from the NYC Department of Education and several school employee labor unions.

Letters sent out Friday, January 27 to parents of students at the school informed them the DEC tested all of the water sources at the school on Thursday, January 12, and found that 10 of the 63 samples collected contained elevated levels of lead.

The highest level detected was a fifth floor cold water faucet in an adult men's bathroom, at 442 parts per billion.

However the results likely of more concern to parents were four water fountains located on various floors that all exceeded the elevated benchmark.

A first-floor classroom

fountain was tested at 206 ppb, while a third-floor hallway fountain was measured at 43 ppb and a fourth-floor hallway fountain was tested at 20 ppb.

A basement classroom fountain was gauged at 260 ppb.

Any water source found to contain more than 15 ppb in a city school automatically triggers a DOE response of shutting down, flushing and replacing all water sources.

Water fountains and faucets used for cooking will be shut down at the school until the plan is implemented.

King said 23 out of the 36 schools in his district have tested positive for elevated levels of lead, a neurotoxin that has been banned from construction for decades but is still found in some older buildings.

"That means we have a little work to do, and that's okay because the only way you can fix something is to uncover what needs to be done," King said.

The city recently revamped its system of testing for lead in schools after criticism from

health experts, who said the flushing of pipes for two hours before they went unused for eight hours prior to testing skewed the results.

Testing done since December has not been preceded by a flushing.

DOE spokeswoman Toya Holness stressed the lead detected is due to aging lead fixtures that are being replaced as they are detected, and is not coming from the city's water supply.

The results of the school water tests can be found on the department website under the 'water safety' section, she said.

Results for individual schools can be found using a database search tool located on the page.

Among other schools flagged for exceeding lead standards is the Bronx High School of Science, in which 13 fixtures were reported.

DOE Division of Facilities CEO John Shea said that finding some elevated lead levels in fixtures tested was normal, and immediate steps were being taken at P.S. 41.



Councilman King (c) addresses excessive lead levels found at P.S. 41 during a press conference on Monday, February 6.

Community News Group/Arthur Cusano

"Those fixtures are isolated, and by the end of this week we will have them replaced and we will test them again before we put them back into service," he said.

King said P.S. 41, which he had attended and which is now attended by his granddaugh-

ter, was over 75 years old.

In addition to aging fixtures, King said bathrooms at the school were in dire need of renovation.

King promised \$400,000 in city council funds towards renovating every bathroom in the building.



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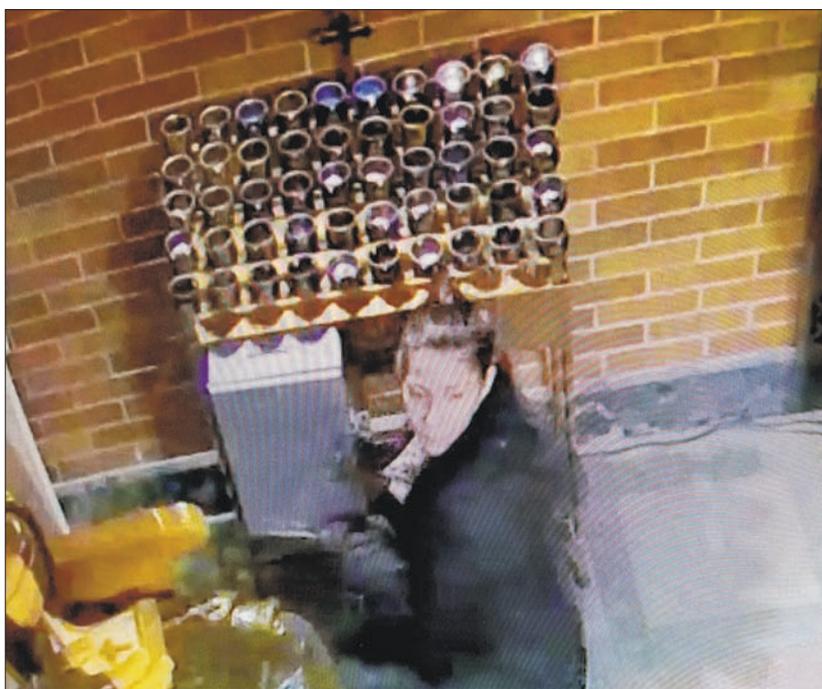
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An unidentified person was recorded stealing money from a donation box at St. Benedict Church in Throggs Neck last month.

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Church theft goes viral, as pastor offers help

BY ARTHUR CUSANO

Video of an unidentified woman stealing money from a Throggs Neck church last month has gone viral.

The theft occurred at St. Benedict Church at 4:23 p.m. on Thursday, January 12.

The woman was captured on surveillance video footage walking up to the locked donation box containing the votive candle money and prying it open to steal its contents before calmly leaving the church.

At one point in the video, the woman appears to look directly at the security camera, but that moment of reflection ends quickly as she continues with the theft.

The suspect is a white female, approximately 30 to 35 years old.

She is seen wearing a dark-colored hooded coat, blue jeans and black and white Nike sneakers.

The theft was reported to the NYPD, who asked anyone with information on the identity of the woman to contact them.

It was soon picked up by numerous media outlets across the tri-state area and posted on social media sites.

Father Stephen Norton said he never anticipated the theft would grab as much attention from the media as it did.

“Had I known that would happen I never would have given it to them to begin with, because it’s not my job to hurt this person,” he said. “My hope is that anybody who needs assistance would come to the rectory door and ask for help.”

Thefts from the candle collection

box have occurred before, Norton said, since the amount of money collected has sometimes been noticeably lower than the candles lit.

He said he did not believe the woman got away with a large sum.

The donations all go towards the upkeep of the candle setup.

Norton said the church opens early in the morning and remains available until the rectory closes, often around 6 p.m.

Church staff did not see the woman carry out the act as they went about their daily tasks, he said.

“It’s a problem because of the location in that area of the church where the statues are,” he said. “It’s kind of tucked away and hidden. When we were able to do so, we put security cameras in the building.”

Norton said he did not recognize the woman in the video, nor was he actively looking to find her - he simply wanted to protect the church and its assets that are used by the parish.

While St. Benedict’s does not distribute cash to those in need, Norton said there are other ways the church can help, such as through Catholic Charities of New York, local food pantries, or gift cards to local grocery stores donated to the church.

“To the best of my ability I try to make sure people are spending the money properly, which is why I can’t give out \$10 at the door or we’d have a line out there,” he said. “And what would they use it for?”

A full listing of assistance programs can be obtained at the church, and many are listed in the church’s printed bulletins.



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Solar panels save market-rate renters \$\$

BY ROBERT CHRISTIE

Bronx-based Benedict Realty Group is planning to install solar panels to its 3025 Godwin Terrace building by late fall.

The six-story, 65-unit building will be BRG's third building in the Bronx that uses solar panels to generate energy to power its common-area lighting, elevators and boiler.

BRG's two other solar-powered Bronx buildings, 2022 Benedict Avenue and 4568 Manhattan College Parkway, were upgraded in 2014, and started a program which stretched to Brooklyn and Queens.

Ari Benedict of BRG Realty said the development company plans to start putting approximately 100 to 150 panels on the Godwin Terrace building by mid-summer and have them up and running by late fall.

"Traditionally electricity is supplied by burning coal or natural gas, which contribute towards pollution and greenhouse gas emissions," said Benedict. "Solar energy is a clean alternative with zero emissions, no pollution, and

no harmful effects on the environment."

Benedict adds that even on cloudy days the panels are able to turn energy from the sun into electricity.

According to Benedict, BRG has already seen some success with its other two buildings.

At the Manhattan College Parkway building - which has 325 panels on the roof - the installation has helped saved 112,911 pounds of carbon dioxide emissions since 2014.

To save the same amount of emissions, BRG would have had to plant 2,843 trees near the building.

In addition, the amount of power generated from the panels could power 200,965 lightbulbs for a day.

Benedict adds the company has saved \$16,000 in electricity costs since 2014.

At the Benedict Avenue property, the company has saved \$61,000 in electricity costs since 2014.

As far as carbon dioxide emissions, the 126 panels at have saved 436,615 pounds.

The amount of power gener-

ated at the building since 2014 could have powered 854,447 lightbulbs for one day.

"We're motivated by a combination of these projects saving money on our electricity bills and also just being more friendly to the environment," said Benedict.

According to Benedict, the Benedict Avenue job cost about \$300,000 and the installation at Manhattan College Parkway cost \$116,000.

Although the company was aided by New York State tax incentives and partial funding from the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority, Benedict said the jobs are still expensive.

Therefore, BRG makes sure to choose buildings that don't have a lot of clutter on their roofs and are not surrounded by taller buildings that could block out sunlight.

Benedict adds that without the state's financial help, the projects would have been cost prohibitive.

Although many of BRG's Bronx apartments are rent stabilized, Benedict said paying less for electricity helps re-



Benedict Realty Group is planning to bring solar panels - similar to the ones pictured here at 2022 Benedict Avenue - to its 3025 Godwin Terrace building by late fall. Photo Courtesy of Benedict Realty Group

duce costs for the market-rate rentals.

"Where the tenants are not rent stabilized the price of rent is directly correlated to the expenses in the building," said Benedict. "So if we're able to keep expenses down by keep-

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Benedict said if more development companies were aware of the success of the solar panels, they would install them on their buildings.



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Bombart retains control of 888 Grand Concourse

BY ROBERT CHRISTIE

The Bombart family has regained ownership of 888 Grand Concourse after the building was foreclosed on in 2015.

The Bombart family, through Concourse Realty Associates LLC, and Castellan Realty, a new partner in ownership of the property, paid off the outstanding debt on the building to mortgage lender Madison Capital Realty.

Tenants, who had been at odds with Jonathan Bombart and his late father Louis Bombart due to unsatisfactory living conditions, gathered outside the Bronx Supreme Court to rail against the deal.

Residents at 888 Grand Concourse have been fighting with the Bombart family for decades over uninhabitable conditions in the building such as lack of heat and hot water, broken elevators and roach infestation.

MCR, which owned the lien on 888 Grand Concourse, began foreclosure proceedings on the building in 2013 after the Bombarts defaulted on the mortgage payments and had

amassed unpaid real estate taxes.

An auction to sell the building was originally scheduled for Monday, February 6.

However, according to members of Community Action for Safe Apartments, the deal between Bombart and MCR was closed several minutes before the auction was scheduled to take place.

CASA and Bronx Legal Services have been working with the tenants through protests and court battles to get the repairs the building needs.

At the Monday rally against Bombart's re-acquisition of the building, residents shouted "888! Not for sale!" and "Housing is a right! Fight! Fight! Fight!"

Carmen Vega Rivera, who started the building's tenants' association in 1993, said she was disappointed in the final outcome.

"The courts have let us down, the system has let us down, government agencies have let us down," said Rivera.

"We're going to fight tooth and nail with CASA, with

[Bronx] Legal Services, with Urban Justice and the community because we feel for 30 years we paid our rent and [the Bombarts] stole the money," she added.

The tenants have tried many tactics in their battle with the Bombarts including a rent strike and sticking signs in their windows telling prospective tenants to beware.

Their latest plan is a 7A Action against Bombart.

Article 7A of the New York State Real Property Actions and Proceedings law allows housing court judges to appoint private administrators to manage residential buildings that have been "effectively abandoned" by their owners.

Robert Hammond, a lawyer with Bronx Legal Services, believes Bombart's recovery of the building will help their 7A action.

According to Hammond, if a new owner had purchased the building, they could have blamed the building's condition on the previous landlord.

However, with Bombart regaining ownership, Bronx Le-



888 Grand Concourse Entrance - The roller coaster ride which has been 888 Grand Concourse took another dip earlier this month. On Thursday, January 5, tenants found out an auction - which could have left the building with a new owner - was postponed until February 6.

Photo Courtesy of Robert Christie

gal Services can claim he was the person under which the building's condition deteriorated.

Neither Castellan Realty or Concourse Realty Associates was available for comment.

However, in a letter Bombarts sent to his tenants he wrote, "I hope you will help us,

to once again, make this building a jewel of the Bronx."

He promised to begin extensive renovations shortly "to make our building safe and comfortable."

Tenants still want a face-to-face sit down with the landlord and sent him a letter asking for one.

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Falciano has been the owner of Creative Images since 2007.

Community News Group / Steven Goodstein

Local hair salon, Creative Images, celebrates 20 years

BY STEVEN GOODSTEIN

A hair salon is celebrating 20 years of beauty treatments at their East Tremont Avenue location.

Creative Images, a hair salon located at 3162 E. Tremont Avenue, is still going strong after two decades and continues to make their customers look good and feel great.

For two decades, the hair salon has provided great service to customers from Throggs Neck, Country Club, Pelham Bay and other east Bronx neighborhoods, who continue to come back time and time again to update their looks and hairstyles.

The business opened in 1997 and was taken over by Francesca Falciano in 2007, who worked as a stylist for three years before she became the owner.

“Over the years, we have built and continue to build great relationships with our customers - many of whom also tell their family members and friends about the salon,” said Falciano. “This is a great location and a close-knit block, with a lot of businesses assisting each other and working together to achieve the same goal - to be successful, and, most importantly, to make our customers happy.”

Falciano, a lifelong Pelham Bay resident who graduated from Lehman High School and International Beauty School in Manhattan, has been very involved in her community for many years.

In previous years, Creative Im-

ages has participated in Locks of Love, where kids can get free haircut if they agree to allow their hair to be donated to the non-profit organization, which provides hairpieces to children who suffer from long-term medical hair loss.

The salon has also donated funds to Lehman High School's proms in past years. Falciano is responsible for stretching Throggs Neck's Christmas lights two blocks north on East Tremont Avenue, which includes the stretch where her business is located.

She added that the past ten years in business have produced many lasting memories.

“I am so grateful for all of the experiences that have taken place here over the years,” Falciano said. “There have been some lows but many more highs - and I just hope we can continue to make our customers look their very best for many more years to come.”

Falciano is also accompanied by two other stylists, Carmen and Maria, who work at the salon part-time.

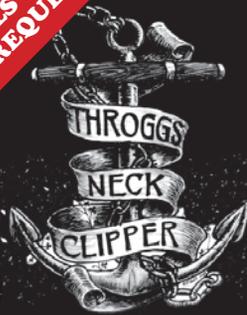
Before Creative Images took over, another hair salon named ‘Hair Biz’ occupied the location for nearly a decade.

Creative Images, which also offers discounts for seniors (on Tuesdays and Wednesdays) as well as students (who show their ID) is open everyday except for Monday, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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Notice of Public Hearing

On Wednesday, February 15, Community Board 10 will conduct a Public Hearing with respect to the board's response to the Mayor's Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2018.

The Public Hearing will take place at Community Board 10, 3165 East Tremont Avenue, at 7:30 p.m.

Contact the board office at (718) 892-1161 with any questions.

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Throggs Neck Home Owners Assoc.

BY LYNN GERBINO

How are you all doing with this mild (so far) winter? I hope well...

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 28, at 7:30 p.m. Our guest speaker will be Richard Bassik, BID Development from Westchester Square who will talk about the proposed BID (Business Improvement District) for East Tremont Avenue. He will explain what happens when one comes to a community and what to expect. We also want to know if it affects our homeowners who live on East Tremont Avenue.

New Scam Alert

It's not a Verizon commercial: If you receive a phone call from someone asking "can you hear me," hang up. You're a potential victim in the latest scam circulating around the U.S.

Police are now warning about the scheme, which also sparked warnings by Pennsylvania authorities late last year. The "can you hear me" con is actually a variation on earlier scams aimed at getting the victim to say the word "yes" in a phone conversation. That affirmative response is recorded by the fraudster and used to authorize unwanted charges on a phone or utility bill or on a purloined credit card.

You say 'yes,' it gets recorded and they say that you have agreed to something," said Susan Grant, director of consumer protection for the Consumer Federation of America. "I know that people think it's impolite to hang up, but it's a good strategy."

But how can you get charged if you don't provide a payment method? The con artist already has your phone number, and many phone providers pass through third-party charges.

In addition, the criminal may have already collected some of your personal information -- a credit card number or cable bill, perhaps -- as the result of a data breach. When the victim disputes the charge, the crook can then counter that he or she has your assent on a recorded line.

What can you do? If you suspect you have already been victimized, check your credit card, phone and cable statements carefully for any unfamiliar charges. Call the billing company -- whether your credit card company or your phone provider -- and dispute anything that you didn't authorize on purpose. If they say you have been recorded approving the charge and you have no recollection of that, ask for proof.

Be wise, be aware.

If you have not sent in your dues yet, please do so. You can send a check for \$15 to Throggs Neck Homeowners Association, P.O. Box 25, Throggs Neck Station, Bronx, NY 10465. We will be sending out the dues notices soon, but if you pay now you will help us save postage.

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Summer youth employment

New York City Department of Youth and Community Development Commissioner Bill Chong announced that applications are open for the 2017 Summer Youth Employment Program through Friday, March 17.

The application process was launched earlier this year to give New Yorkers additional time to plan for summer.

Participants are selected by lottery for the program, which runs from July 5 through August 19.

SYEP is the nation's largest summer youth employment initiative, and since 1963 has provided New York City young people between the ages of 14 and 24 with up to six weeks of entry-level experience at worksites in all five boroughs.

SYEP participants are compensated for their work at thousands of diverse worksites, including government agencies, hospitals, summer camps, nonprofits, small businesses, law firms, museums, sports enterprises and retail. Specialized programming for disabled, foster care, runaway/homeless and court-involved young people are also available. SYEP offers workshops on job readiness, career exploration and financial literacy, and opportunities to continue education and social growth. Ladders for Leaders is an employer-paid internship component of SYEP for youth aged 16-22.

As part of a national effort to encourage young people to save and make healthy financial choices, SYEP participants have the option to receive their wages via direct deposit to a bank account of their choice. Youth who signed up for direct deposit and/or opened savings accounts are eligible to receive over 2,000 rewards deposited to their accounts ranging from \$25-\$500.

Applications can be completed online or at a participating community-

based organization during the application period. Online applications are available on the DYCD website (nyc.gov/dycd) Updates will also be posted to DYCD's Facebook, Twitter and Instagram sites. For more information, call 311 or DYCD Youth Connect (1-800-246-4646).

Employers and worksites looking to support New York City's youth employment programs, including SYEP, should go to the Center for Youth Employment's website (www.nyc.gov/cye). Interested employers can also email the Mayor's Fund at fund@cityhall.nyc.gov for details.

Associates at the **Montefiore Einstein Center** for Heart & Vascular Care will host a series of heart-healthy events in observance of American Heart Month.

Montefiore leadership will kick-off Heart Month on Thursday, February 2, at 11 a.m. at the Henry and Lucy Moses Division of Montefiore in the main lobby, located near the East 210 Street entrance, with welcome comments followed by a group walk of the “Montefiore Mile,” a designated indoor, one-mile path.

Montefiore's Heart Month program offers a wide variety of events in both the Bronx and Westchester, including heart healthy screenings, healthy eating and cooking demonstrations, and educational talks. A full schedule of Heart Month events can be found at www.montefiore.org/heartmonth.

To learn more about the Montefiore Einstein Center for Heart & Vascular Care and heart healthy tips, follow @MontefioreNYC on Twitter and use the hashtag #LoveYourHeart. Additional information will also be available on Montefiore's Facebook and YouTube pages.

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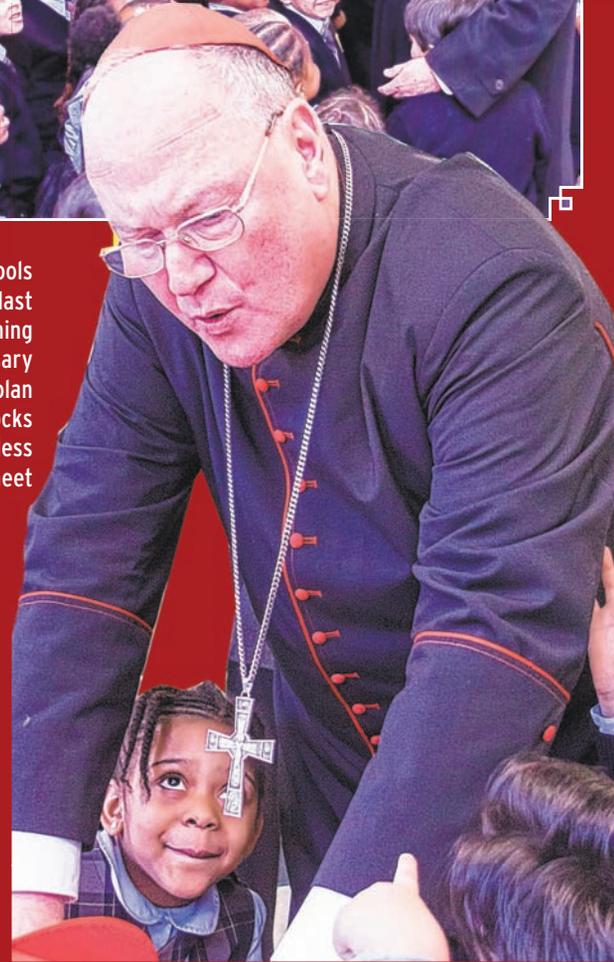
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Cardinal Dolan Visits Holy Rosary School



Holy Rosary School celebrated Catholic Schools Week with the Archbishop of New York last week. Timothy Cardinal Dolan hosted a morning Mass on Wednesday, February 1 at Holy Rosary Church. Following the service, Cardinal Dolan and the faithful traveled two and a half blocks to Holy Rosary School for His Eminence to bless a plaque inside the school's lobby and to meet with students. Photo by Silvio Pacifico

(Left) (l-r) Cardinal Dolan (c) with principal Maryann Fusco (l) and Donna D'Urso who provided funding for the school's plaque.



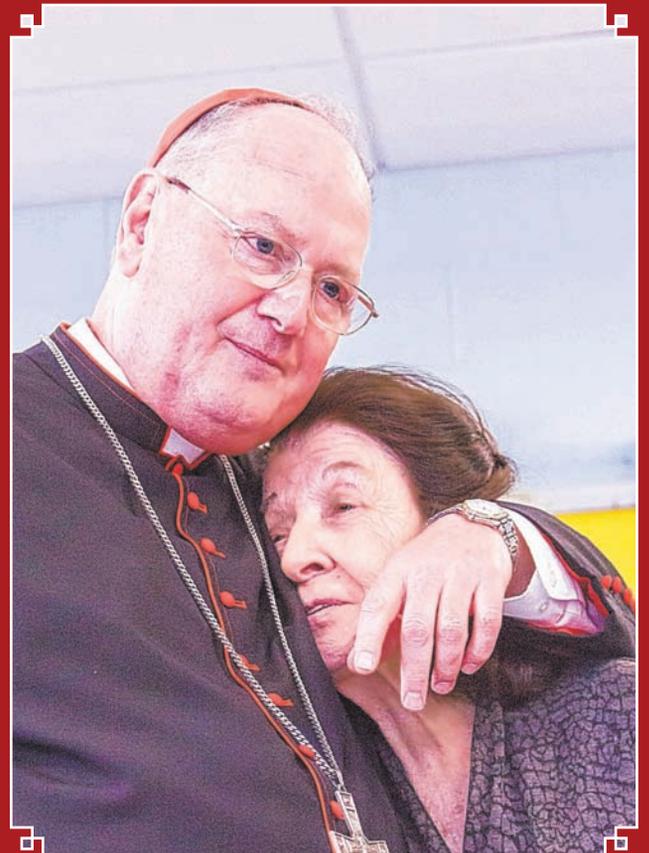
(Left below) Holy Rosary students were excited to meet His Eminence at their Baychester school.

Cardinal Dolan looked at some of the students' work.



(Bottom left) Cardinal Dolan asked about what the students were learning in their class.

(Bottom right) Cardinal Dolan with second grade teacher Josephine Mascia.



OFFICER REYNOLDS NAMED COP OF THE MONTH

The 45th Precinct Community Council named officer Garfield Reynolds as 'Cop of the Month' at its monthly meeting on Thursday, February 2 at the monthly meeting. Officer Reynolds received this distinct honor after he and his partner pulled people out of a car containing 60 bags of marijuana and a gun near Mayflower Avenue during a midnight tour.



Police officer Reynolds (front, c) received thanks and praise from Assemblyman Michael Benedetto, Senator Jeff Klein and Deputy inspector Danielle Raia (back, l), the precinct's commanding officer at the 45th Precinct Community Council meeting.

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ENTREPRENEURSHIP AWARDS FOR BRONXITES

The American Entrepreneurship Award, a program created and funded by the Libra Group to support American start-up businesses and entrepreneurs, announced on Tuesday, January 31 it will begin accepting submissions for its second annual award. Entrepreneurs are encouraged to apply for the opportunity to receive vital business funding and ongoing coaching from experienced business leaders on how to effectively grow their businesses including advice on how to best harness the power of technology and innovation within their business plans.

(l-r) Noel Gaskin, Noga Tech founder; Mohammed Diallo, Ginjan Bros CEO; Ibrahima Diallo, Ginjan Bros COO; George Logothetis, Libra Group chairman; Natasha Green, WelIntervene founder; Lily Kesselman, South Bronx Market co-founder and Stacie Alexiou, Watt + Flux founder were named last year's honorees.

Photo courtesy of Libra Group

YOUTHFUL VALENTINE CARDS AT LEHMAN COLLEGE

Lehman College Art Gallery helped local children explore their artistic side by creating unique Valentine's Day cards at its Family Focus event on Saturday, January 28. The budding artists created handmade cards just in time for the upcoming romantic holiday.



Art teacher Hannah Brenner-Leonard inspired the children to create their own distinctive Valentine's Day cards.

Photo by Miriam Quin



SENATOR JAMAAL BAILEY'S INAUGURATION

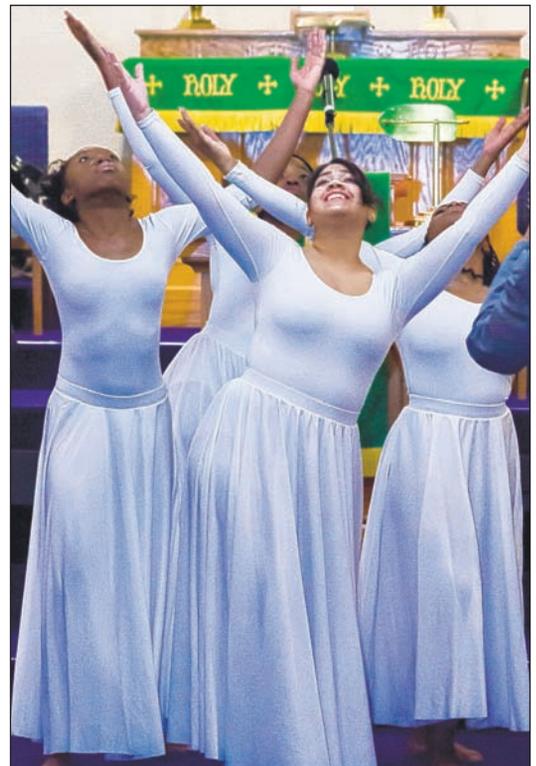
Senator Jamaal Bailey took the oath of office on Saturday, January 28 at Butler Memorial United Methodist Church. Bailey's exciting inauguration featured addresses by Senator Chuck Schumer, Councilman Andy King, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, District Attorney Darcel Clark, assembly members Marcos Crespo and Michael Benedetto and a live performance by the Mind-Builders Creative Arts Center Dancers.

NYC Civil Court judge-elect Patsy Goldbourne (r) administered the oath of office to Senator Bailey as his wife Giamara (l) and his mother joined him on stage.

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The Mind-Builders Creative Arts Center Dancers gave a crowd pleasing performance at Senator Bailey's inauguration.

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Healthy Seniors CliCC

BY RAIN GWEP PROGRAM

Welcome to a new column dedicated to increasing the health and wellbeing of older adults living in the Bronx.

Healthy Seniors CliCC is a partnership of the Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing at NYU Rory Meyers College of Nursing, Montefiore Medical System and R.A.I.N.

This partnership is dedicated to connecting primary health care to the community and their engagement in healthy behaviors. A goal is to move the Bronx out of the last position, #62, in the New York State county health rankings.

From this initiative, we have established the Bronx Health Corps – a group of volunteers who have committed to be trained as teachers for older adults and their families. This education is designed with the senior in mind; providing engaging, innovative, and interactive workshops on: Asthma, Healthy Heart, Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, and Healthy

Living which includes topics on nutrition, stress management, exercise and older adult sexuality. Each topic is either a three or four part series that is delivered across 4 consecutive weeks. The goal of the Bronx Health Corps, which began in the 12 R.A.I.N. Senior Centers, is to educate seniors in the Bronx Community to live a healthy life and manage a chronic disease they may have.

Healthy Seniors CliCC is continuing to recruit and train volunteers. Our goal is to have more than 100 community volunteers trained to educate older adults and their families or caretakers throughout the Bronx.

We are continually recruiting individuals who are concerned about the health of their community. Please contact Jeff Lucas, project manager at R.A.I.N. at (347) 202-8805 to join us. You can have a unique impact on your community by helping us make difference in the lives of a senior near you.

Next week: Catch a Falling Star

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Samuel Young
Legion Post 620

BY PAUL GOLLUSCIO

Hello all.

Well the Patriots won, I hope the Falcon fans don't go wild in the streets protesting the win like what happened with the election.

Post 620 welcomes new members Ray Bravo, Army/Navy, Jamie Betancur, Army. Both are on active duty. Welcome also Joseph Frerrante a transfer in. He is also Army.

We have taken out an ad in the St. Pat's Day Parade journal, wishing all the participants well. Once again, I have been passed over for grand marshal. Oh well, There's next year. The parade is on Sunday, March 12.

Dues are due. You will be dropped from the rolls if not paid up.

We donated monies to FDNY Ladder 44 for the cost of mailing goody packages over seas to the troops in A'stan.

Need a DD-214? Call (866) 272-6272 and follow instructions.

We are still collecting eye glasses, cell phones hearing aids and non-stained, non-torn clothing for the vets. This clothing includes women's and children.

If were not home, leave your donation inside the gate on the Ericson side of the building. That's the pub entrance.

The post clean-up and prettification is going well. We can use some more vols.

Short column this week.

Trivia Time

The Lincoln Tunnel north tube opened February 1, 1945.

The first 'lunch counter sit-in' happened on February 1, 1960 in Greensboro, NC.

Baseball's National League was founded on February 2, 1876.

Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and the Big Bopper went down in a plane crash on February 3, 1959.

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Possible causes for concussion symptoms

Frequent soccer ball heading is a common and under recognized cause of concussion symptoms, according to a study of amateur players led by Albert Einstein College of Medicine researchers. The findings run counter to earlier soccer studies suggesting concussion injuries mainly result from inadvertent head impacts, such as collisions with other players or a goalpost. The study was published online today in *Neurology*[®], the medical journal of the American Academy of Neurology.

"The prevailing wisdom is that routine heading in soccer is innocuous and we need only worry about players when they have unintentional head collisions," says study leader Michael L. Lipton, M.D., Ph.D., professor of radiology and of psychiatry and behavioral sciences at Einstein and director of MRI Services at Montefiore. "But our study suggests that you don't need an overt collision to warrant this type of concern. Many players who head the ball frequently are experiencing classic concussion symptoms such as headache, confusion, and dizziness during games and practice, even though they are not actually diagnosed with concussion. Concussion sufferers should avoid additional collisions or head

impacts during the following days or weeks, when their risk of incurring a second concussion is extremely high. Because these injuries go unrecognized and unmanaged, there may be important clinical consequences for the short and long term."

Studies clearly show that single or repeated concussion causes neurologic problems. But little is known about the effects of frequent but lesser impacts, such as those experienced while heading a soccer ball. Some research, notably a recent study of adolescent players published in *JAMA Pediatrics*, suggest that heading is not a common cause of concussion. "However, these studies did not actually measure heading, and thus they were unable to separate the relative contributions of intentional and unintentional head impacts," says Dr. Lipton.

In the current study, a part of the Einstein Soccer Study, Dr. Lipton and his colleagues asked 222 adult amateur soccer players (80 percent men, ages 18 to 55) to fill out online questionnaires on their soccer-related activities during the previous two weeks, including details about heading and other unintentional head impacts and any resulting headaches, pain and dizziness as

well as more severe symptoms, such as feeling dazed, needing medical attention, and becoming unconscious. Some of the 222 players filled out questionnaires for more than a single two-week span, resulting in a total of 470 questionnaires during a nine-month period in 2013-2014.

Approximately 35 percent of the participants reported one unintentional head impact, and 16 percent reported more than one such impact. The median number of headings during the two-week reporting period for all respondents was 40.5. Twenty percent of the participants reported experiencing moderate-to-very severe concussion symptoms, with 18 percent reporting severe and 7 percent very severe symptoms. Although these symptoms were more strongly connected with unintentional head impacts, heading was shown to be an independent risk factor for concussion symptoms.

"This finding is consistent with one of our previous studies, where 30 percent of soccer players who'd had more than 1,000 headings per year had a higher risk of microstructural changes in the brain's white matter, typical of traumatic brain injury, and worse cognitive performance," says

Dr. Lipton

In the new study, players who headed the most were the most susceptible to concussion. "The extent to which lesser degrees of exposure to heading lead to cumulative injury over time is not known and deserves further study," Dr. Lipton says. "Our findings certainly indicate that heading is more than just a 'sub-concussive' impact, and that heading-related concussions are common. We need to give people who have these injuries proper care and make efforts to prevent multiple head impacts, which are particularly dangerous."

The study is titled, "Symptoms from Repeated Intentional and Unintentional Head Impact in Soccer Players." Other contributors are Walter F. Stewart, Ph.D., M.P.H., at Sutter Health Research, Walnut Creek, CA; Namhee Kim, Chloe Ifrah, Richard B. Lipton, M.D., Tamar Glattstein, and Mimi Kim, Sc.D., all at Einstein; and Molly E. Zimmerman, Ph.D., at Einstein and Fordham University, Bronx, NY.

The study was funded by grants from the National Institutes of Health (R01 NS082432) and the Dana Foundation. The authors declare no conflicts of interest.

BY GENE DEFRANCIS

William 'Bill' Suriani was a local fixture. A 94-year old silvered hair man who sat outside his home on Allerton Avenue everyday when the weather was suitable. And if the weather was bad you could find him in one of the local shops, either chatting it up with the crew from Napoleons Hair Salon or grabbing a few lollipops from Tax Time Associates.

Peppa my sweet and loving pitbull terrier also had to stop and say "hi" to Bill whenever we went on our walks. She would have plenty of kisses for him and each time he would say the same reply "Thanks for the bath, sweetheart." As other residents would walk by Peppa with concern, he would comfort them and say "Don't worry she ate already."

The man was a gem and a sentinel of Allerton. He socialized with everyone and was fearless. These are common

traits in veterans and Bill served during WWII. Always clean shaven, a gentle but stern face with a lot of life and intelligence in his eyes.

Bill lived on Allerton on the same block, in the same house for over 80 years. His parents owned the house and lived there as a kid. When the war was over, he married his sweetheart and they lived together in that house when Allerton was still a farm. He saw it all and was happy to share it with anyone who would listen.

Through thick and thin, for bad times and for good times, he never forgot where he came from. He never abandoned his home ... he never left his post.

His seal of approval was the most encouraging and valuable compliment we received as an organization and personally as an individual. He motivated us to do more because when a man who has been in the neighborhood

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since the 30s notices and appreciates the work you are doing, especially a man of this caliber and respect, it hits you right in the heart and in the gut. When community service reached it difficult levels I would think back to Bill and other old timers who were so grateful of the work we have done.

And now the image and moment that will stick in my head is Thursday night as Bill sat in my newly established office. He came in and made sure he signed my freshly printed contact sheet list. Then he sat down for a moment and we talked. And at the end of the conversation he was telling me all of his buddies in

the neighborhood who never made it back from the war. The guys who lived on Radcliff and Colden. He remembered them by name, first and last. He parted telling me to "Keep up the good work."

Those were his last words to me. The next day, Friday afternoon, Bill had a massive heart attack driving his car out of Farenga Bros. Funeral Home parking lot.

Imagination and hindsight are powerful tools. I can't help but feel he knew his time was coming. Our last conversation was like none we've had before. I can't help but believe he came in that night to pass the torch. That he felt Allerton was in good hands and he can rest. He can be relieved of his duties as the Allerton sentinel.

Bill Suriani you will be terribly missed. You made Allerton a better place and you shared your heart with everyone you met. You loved read-

ing these articles and told me so frequently. It's only fitting we dedicate this one to you.

Rest now. Allerton is grateful for you and we will continue to rebuild Allerton into a strong thriving community.

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Thank you Mamma Rosa for donating a few much needed items to the 4 Chaplains Mass this past Sunday. Also thank you to Ammirati Coffee and Tea for supplying us with fresh LaVazza and Cafe Ammi. And to Veronica Castro, Dawn Gonzalez and MaryAnn Cordani for volunteering for our vets on this day and helping set up and serve brunch.

Your community is your business.

BY FRAN ARICO AND BARBARA FLEMING

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, February 15 at 7:15 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 3283 Ampere Avenue (corner of Research Avenue). We will have guest speakers from

Senator Jeff Klein's and Councilman James Vacca's offices. On Wednesday, March 1 we will sponsor a bus ride to the Sands Casino, Bethlehem, PA leaving from in front of the Knights of Columbus Hall at 9 a.m. and 9:15 a.m. from the Mor-

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Annual dues of \$10 will be collected, if members have not paid their 2016 dues, the subscription to the newspaper will be discontinued.

Coffee and cake will be served at end of our meeting.

Spellman students attend March for Life

On Friday, January 27, 51 Spellman students accompanied by three chaperones (David Oniffrey of the Theology Dept., Fr. Peter Pilsner and Lauren Toro '09) attended the March for Life in Washington DC. They arrived for the rally, featuring guest speakers Mike Pence, Vice President of the United States, Kellyanne Conway, Counsel to the President of the United States, and Timothy Cardinal Dolan. After the rally, tens of thousands of participants marched from the Washington Monument, past the United States Capitol to the Supreme Court building.



Spellman students in front of the Washington Monument at the start of the 44th annual March for Life.

The students stayed overnight, and on Saturday toured the Saint John Paul II Shrine as well as the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, where Fr.

Pilsner celebrated Mass for the Spellmanites in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel.

The trip was sponsored by the Pro

Life Club, which has attended the March for Life for over the past 25 years. Students who attended this trip recognize the sanctity of life

from the moment of conception to the moment of natural death, and were there to show their support for the unborn.

Monsignor Scanlan presents 'Much Ado About Nothing'

Monsignor Scanlan High School (formerly St. Helena High School.) will be welcoming the Red Monkey Theatre Group in their production of "Much Ado About Nothing" to its Bronx campus. This production is being fully funded by the St. Helena Business High School Alumni Association and all proceeds will benefit the Sr. Mary Richard Scholarship Fund at Monsignor Scanlan High School.

Sister Mary Richard was instrumental in the opening of the St. Helena Business School on September 9, 1957. As their principal, Sr. Mary Richard opened the doors to 136 students introducing them to a curriculum that included academic and business subjects with Religion at its core. Each year 300 graduates walked down the aisle of St. Helena's Church to receive their diplomas and take their places in the business world. Many of these graduates have since gone on to college and successful careers, attributing their successes in school and in life to Sr. Mary Richard.

Sr. Mary Richard retired in 1973, having served as principal for 16 years and she died on November 16, 1995. She is fondly remembered by

her students, many who still recall the words she imparted to them a very long time ago, "May all that meet you be better for having met you; may no one be less good, less kind for having known you."

Much Ado About Nothing is a play set at the end of the war, at a time when people are allowing themselves to believe they have a future. Their emotions are thawing out after a period of national trauma. Soldiers are struggling to re-enter the civilian world; survivors are struggling to reform the bonds of family and friendship.

Like any Shakespeare play, this is a piece that reaches across time to shake us by our collective cultural lapses. It confronts us with a wealth of ideas that couldn't be more current – gender roles, infidelity, generational divides, civil war – and hope.

This play is a struggle of love, trust and forgiveness against pride, fear and envy. In this struggle, wit is sometimes a delicious poison – a tool by means of which we may speak to each other without listening. And the moments when characters in this play truly listen to each other, time and time again, are the moments when hearts and lives can be won or

lost.

The Red Monkey Theatre Group's production is a 90-minute adaptation directed by Tal Aviezer.

This adaptation is set in Italy in the late 1940's, just after the close of World War II, and will feature costumes, music and dance from that period. Scanlan students, who are presently reading Shakespeare's "Much Ado About Nothing" as part of their school curriculum, are excited to have the opportunity to see this play live, on stage on their campus. A donation of \$10 will fund a Scanlan student who wishes to attend this production.

There will be one performance on Sunday, March 26 at 2 p.m. in the Silverberg Field House on the campus of Monsignor Scanlan High School. Following the performance, there will be a brief question and answer session with the cast members. Ample parking is available on the Scanlan campus and refreshments and raffles will be sold.

Ticket prices are \$20 for adults, \$15 for seniors and \$10 for students

(with a school ID).

To purchase your tickets, fund a Scanlan student or to make a donation to the Sr. Mary Richard Scholarship Fund, visit the Scanlan website – www.scanlanhs.edu - and click on Alumni Events or call (718) 430-0100, ext. 46 or ext. 58.

If space allows, tickets will be sold at the door on the day of the performance. No reserved seating – open seating only on a first come, first served basis.

The Red Monkey Theatre Group is a non-profit performing arts company that was founded in 1999 and is the resident theater company of the College of Mount Saint Vincent in Riverdale, NY.

RMTG is dedicated to enriching local communities through the cultivation, creation and presentation of live theater. Company members have trained with the Royal Shakespeare Company, the National Theater Institute at the Eugene O'Neill Theater Center, the Moscow Arts Theater, Lincoln Center Theater, and other diverse institutions and programs.

OLA gym restoration project

Our Lady of the Assumption School needs your help to restore its gymnasium. They need paint, window, ceiling and vestibule repairs, and new stage curtains.

They are asking each family to help with this improvement project by supporting The Park Lane Jewelry Fundraiser and share the link on your social media with your family and friends. <https://www.parklanejewelry.com/store/start/fundraiser/1037>.

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The goal is to raise \$30,000. Y will pay no tax; no shipping and your produce comes with a lifetime replacement guarantee.

Pre-Valentine's Day Pop-Up Shoppe

This event will be taking place at Confetti, located at 3190 Westchester Avenue.

Kishma Simmons, Inc. will bring a free Pre-Valentine's Day Pop Up Shoppe for the first time to Confetti, 3190 Westchester Avenue, on Sunday, February 12, from 5 to 8 p.m.

The event will feature the fol-

lowing businesses spreading their gifts and selling their items: Cookiez Boutique, Sassalicious Cosmetics, PIP Treasures, Rebecca's Sweets & Spices and LuLa Roe.

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\$21M traumatic brain injury grant

An international consortium of academic research institutions have been awarded a \$21 million grant from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to develop better ways to prevent epilepsy in patients who have suffered traumatic brain injuries.

The grant will be led by seven principal investigators at five institutions: Albert Einstein College of Medicine, David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, Keck School of Medicine at the University of Southern California, University of Melbourne and University of Eastern Finland. The investigators will collaborate in the fields of bioinformatics,

molecular biology, cellular pathology, therapy discovery and the health sciences.

The research team will identify biomarkers associated with the development of epilepsy and develop novel therapies designed to prevent or modify the condition, which is currently incurable. They will also engage with patients and their families to help identify their most pressing needs and concerns, encourage them to participate in research, and provide educational resources. The project, the Epilepsy Bioinformatics Study for Antiepileptogenic Therapy, or EpiBioS4Rx, includes an international network of

13 centers for traumatic brain injuries and seven preclinical research centers with expertise in traumatic brain injury, epileptogenesis (the development of epilepsy), the identification of plasma, tissue, EEG, and imaging biomarkers and preclinical therapy development.

“Spontaneous seizures are a major side effect of brain injuries. With its diverse team of international experts, EpiBioS4Rx is one of three Epilepsy Centers without Walls which the National Institutes of Health funds to tackle some of the biggest hurdles in epilepsy research,” said Randall Stewart, Ph.D., program director

the NIH’s National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS). “The hope is that work by the researchers will lead to better ways to treat and prevent these types of seizures.”

Epilepsy is a broad term used for a brain disorder that causes seizures. About 2.9 million adults and children in the United States have active epilepsy, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. About a third of those patients’ seizures are not controlled by drugs. Traumatic brain injuries are the most significant cause of epilepsy in people ages 15 to 24.

The principal investiga-

tors on the grant are Jerome Engel Jr., M.D., Ph.D. and Paul Vespa, M.D. of the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA; Aristeia Galanopoulou, M.D., Ph.D. and Solomon Moshé, M.D. of Albert Einstein College of Medicine/Montefiore Health System; Terence O’Brien M.B., B.S., M.D., F.R.A.C.P. of the University of Melbourne; Asla Pitkänen M.D., Ph.D. of the University of Eastern Finland; and Arthur Toga, Ph.D. of the Keck School of Medicine at the University of Southern California.

The grant was awarded by the NINDS, part of the NIH (1U54NS100064).

BY FRANK V. VERNUCCIO, JR.

The real goals of the anti-Trump movement leaders are more complex than portrayed by the friendly media.

Even before Donald Trump took the oath of office, protests were being planned and executed across the United States. The tone and vehemence of those events are without any precedent, with the sole exception of the reaction to the election of Abraham Lincoln.

There is a certain irrationality to the comments and demonstrations. Some of the conditions those involved are angry about exist after eight years of an Obama presidency, an individual they clearly prefer. Despite the angry shouts, signs, and statements of the participants, there is scant evidence that, absent a strenuous misinterpretation, (which a biased media has been quite willing to provide) Mr. Trump has engaged in any action that could reasonably be construed as racist, misogynist, xenophobic, or anti-LGBT.

Nor does there appear to be any attempt to engage the new president in a reasonable discussion to dissuade him from the views that the demonstrators object to. Indeed, on Inauguration Day, rather than seeking to merely make their voices heard as the inauguration process unfolded, the attempt was actually to disrupt the process itself.

The Daily Signal reported that: “Disrupt J20 organizers, [posted] this definition of what it means to take ‘direct action.’ ‘Direct Action is when you take collective action to make social change without giving power over to an authority or

middle person. We don’t ask permission or put our faith in electoral politics, instead, we use our bodies to stop the smooth operation of the system we oppose. Examples of direct action include the ongoing resistance at Standing Rock against the Dakota Access Pipeline, the street and highway blockades of Black Lives Matter, or the occupations of public squares during Occupy Wall Street.’ Anarchist-affiliated media sites such as Crimethinc.com... suggest the potential for violence.”

CNN reported that six police officers were injured, 217 protestors were arrested, and a limousine was set afire in Washington on Inauguration Day. Centrist Democrat Senator Claire McCaskill (D-Mo.) condemned the violence, in an interview with The Hill.

If these activities occurred spontaneously, some leeway might be given to the lack of coherence or logic in the course of their actions and statements. But the reality is this movement is well-funded and well-planned. Breitbart reports that “The Women’s March on Washington, a celebrity-endorsed event [was] backed by a who’s who of far-left organizations, including scores of groups financed by billionaire George Soros.”

The Washington Times reported “Republican strategist Michael McKenna said protesting the peaceful transition of power is ‘really an unhelpful thing’ for Democrats looking to establish the moral high ground and turn public opinion against Mr. Trump. ‘It’s pathological,’ said Mr. McKenna, who at one point advised

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the Trump transition. ‘Democrats need to realize that one-party rule doesn’t serve anyone’s purposes. Competition is what makes this whole thing work, and Democrats need to start being a competitive party again.’ ”

A careful review might disclose that the motivation for the protests could include a leadership struggle within the Democrat Party, the initial shots in a civil war brought about by the devastating loss of its power in the White House, the House of Representatives, the U.S. Sen-

ate, many state legislatures and governorships in recent years. Democrats seeking the survival of their party will be forced to note that the combination of extreme left-wing policies, divisive identity politics, back-door influence by billionaires such as Tom Steyer and George Soros, and Clinton-style corruption have not served their party well. Outrageous actions by New York Senator Charles Schumer, who introduced legislation to weaken First Amendment protections, have also harmed the party.

In addition to their losses at the ballot box, the embarrassing condition of many cities run by left-wing Democrat mayors across the nation (Chicago being a prime example) points to a clear need for sig-

nificant change—an alteration which will detrimentally affect the leftist who currently control the party.

It is becoming increasingly evident that the goal of the extreme leftists sponsoring this movement is not to effectuate specific policy changes. Part of it is a struggle to retain control of the Democrat Party despite a record of failure. And part of it is a rebellion—the word is used intentionally—against the constitutional election process which rendered a result the left did not want. It is, in its essence, a rejection of the entire concept of the electoral process itself.

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BCA PRESENTS 'NOIR: DEFINING THE MELODRAMA'

The Bronx Council on the Arts hosted an opening reception for its newest exhibition 'Noir: Defining the Melodrama' on Wednesday, February 1 at the Longwood Art Gallery. The exhibit drew inspiration from the classic film genre and detective stories to address such ongoing social concerns as crime, gender roles, isolation and displacement. Featured artists include Laura Alvarez, Tyrone Brown-Osborne, Carey Clark, Alyssa Clear, Roberto de Jesus, Ray Felix, Elizabeth Glushko, Steve Pavlovsky, Daniel Huben, Rasheed Humphrey, Patrick Jewell, Nikki Johnson, Jayson Keeling, Gabrielle Lopez, Jeanette may, Osjua Newton, Gelah Penn, Néstor Pérez-Molière, Jaime Permut, Ethan Shoshan, Shira Toren, Nitza Tufiño, Deenesa Usher, Boo Lynn Walsh, Joe Wippler and Michael Young. 'Noir: Defining the Melodrama' will be on view through Thursday, May 4. The 450 Grand Concourse gallery is open every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from noon to 5 p.m.



Alyssa Clear embodied the noir genre in both her attire and her work, 'Goodbye, Darling'.
Photo by Silvio Pacifico



Daniel Huben with his visually stunning work, 'Prospect Station'.
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BX. HEALTH NETWORK'S WEAR RED DAY

Bronx Community Health Network celebrated National Wear Red Day on Friday, February 3 at the organization's Fordham Plaza headquarters. In order to bring better awareness to heart health, BCHN and other organizations promoted small lifestyle changes people can make to positively impact their health such as being more physically active, controlling blood pressure and cholesterol and getting adequate amounts of sleep.

BCHN members wore their best red outfits to raise heart health awareness.

Photo by Eric Machicote, Bronx Community Health Network

BLINK FITNESS CLUB OPENS IN LONGWOOD

Longwood residents were excited to welcome premium quality, value-based fitness club Blink Fitness to their neighborhood on Monday, January 30. A fun-filled grand opening ceremony was held in honor of the fitness club's 52nd club located at 932 Southern Boulevard. In honor of this special occasion, Blink Fitness will donate 50 one-year memberships to two local non-profit organizations, Makers Point and South Bronx United.



Blink Fitness management and staff and Makers Point representatives were thrilled to cut the ribbon for the new Blink Fitness Southern Boulevard center.
Photo by Silvio Pacifico



Jacqueline Estrada (l), Blink Fitness area manager, presented Brenda Cabrera, Blink Fitness facility manager, the ceremonial key.

Photo by Silvio Pacifico

BY CHRYS NAPOLITANO

As a follow up to my last article, I wanted to offer some helpful information for those of you who want to make a concerted effort to buy American. If you have access to the Internet and like to shop online, all you have to do is Google 'made in USA' or 'made in America' or even, 'made in NYC'. I went on to Amazon because I knew I had some points to spend so I put in this search criteria and found a few companies that intrigued me. As I find companies that I feel are worth passing on to you, I will.

With that in mind, this week I will let you in on a company in Buford, GA that employs 100 people and makes women's shoes: Oka-B. The shoes come in a few basic styles: a sandal, a ballet flat and an open toed wedge heel, all in a huge variety of colors. All of the shoes are made from plastic, with 25% derived from recycled material. This will most certainly appeal to those who are trying to avoid wearing leather while still wanting to be stylish, as these are not your run of the mill plastic shoes.

I ordered a pair of coral colored ballet flats with a starfish shaped rhinestone embellishment at the toes. I was impressed at the quality of the craftsmanship. The edges of the shoes were clean, the padded insert was applied straight and the rhinestone embellishment was well made and securely applied; all implying good quality control and pride in workmanship. The shoes were comfortable and I am looking forward to rocking them this spring.

At retail, prices range from \$26 for sandals and slides to \$60 for the wedge heels. The website offers a sale section, albeit with limited colors and sizes available, but good bargains can be had. You can order via Amazon or direct from their website, www.oka-b.com. Their website is filled with information on the company and environmental practices, plus there's a great video with scenes from inside the factory.

Now back to food.

Our Locust Point CSA is up and running and we have already seen some new members signing up. As always, we have members who drop out for one reason or another. CSA is not perfect for everyone, but it seems that every year, about 1/3 of our members do not return and we get new members to replace them. No matter what we do, our membership seems to end up at an average of 35 full shares, with lots of those shares being split by two families. If you are interested in joining a CSA, Stoneledge Farm has two distribution sites in our area: Locust Point and City Island. Go to www.stoneledge.farm to sign up. If you have any questions or need a share partner, contact me at my new email address: cnapolitano491@gmail.com. You can also check out our Locust Point CSA page on Facebook.

One of the limits of our CSA program is that it only runs for 24 weeks, from June until November. Did you

food for thought

know that right here in the Bronx there are two locations for a year round CSA program? GrowNYC runs the Fresh Food Box program (www.grownyc.org/foodbox) which helps New Yorkers access \$25 worth of fresh local produce (six to nine different items each week, including greens and fruit) for only \$12 a week. There are a number of sites in Manhattan which may work for some of you if it's close to your office. There is a site in Hunts Point and another at BronxWorks, 1130 Grand Concourse.

This past Wednesday afternoon, my fellow CSA coordinator Sherrill and I were given a tour of the BronxWorks' Carolyn McLaughlin Community Center. The tour was given to us by Gianna Dell'Olio, BronxWorks' director of Advancement and Communications.

Gianna is a member of our CSA and we wanted to check out the Grow NYC Fresh Food Box program that has a distribution site at their facility on Wednesdays from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. Aside from the benefit of operating year round, the Fresh Food Box allows you to commit to the share on a week by week basis. Families who picked up their shares this particular week would be receiving apples, acorn squash, red onions, baby mixed leaf kale, Asian mixed greens, green beans and a bag of dried black beans. Shares were already bagged for members and included a handout detailing what was in the bag, information about the farms that supplied the produce and recipes using that week's items.

It put our CSA management skills to shame.

Anyone can sign up for the Fresh Food Box, they accept cash, credit, debit, EBT and HealthBucks. If you would like to utilize the BronxWorks site, stop by their distribution site at 1130 Grand Concourse on Wednesdays between 3:30 and 6:30 p.m. You can see what members are getting that week and if the program looks like it's for you, sign up for the next week's share and pay the site coordinator. The following week, you can pick up your share. Parking is not great in the area, so mass transit is better. If you have to drive, bring a buddy so you can run in while someone circles the block. The week we were there, they also had locally baked bread, eggs and honey available for sale. For more information on how the program works, how they are procuring local produce and how you can join the program go to www.grownyc.org/foodbox or contact the site coordinator, vvitanza@grownyc.org.

By the time we left BronxWorks, our heads were spinning with all of



This week's share from GrowNYC's Fresh Food Box.

the amazing programs that are offered by this terrific local organization. Over the course of the next few weeks, I will cover some of the programs that BronxWorks offers, especially those related to food insecurity, nutritional information and cooking

healthy and delicious food. Check out all that they do and consider making a donation to help them continue to build a stronger Bronx at www.bronxworks.org.

In the meantime, be the change you want to see in the world.

BY MARY JANE MUSANO

Has everyone gone crazy? Who, in their right mind, would put two light poles practically in the middle of a main street with traffic problems. The second I saw this I knew it would only be days before someone would hit it. They haven't even attached the light pole to the base and it has already caused an accident. Could you imagine if the light pole was attached when it was hit? Surely, someone would have been killed.

The situation on Tremont Avenue is getting worse by the minute thanks to those in a government that is supposed to protect us. Adding this insanity to an already insane plan which is called Vision Zero is just typical of what the mayor, the NYC Department of Transportation and Councilman James Vacca have done to the most traveled street in our community. Our community is putting our electeds and our government on notice. If those light poles remain in the street and someone is hurt or killed because of it, their blood will be on your hands.

I can only assume that placing the light poles there was an effort to increase the amount of lighting in the area. No one will dispute the fact that

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we need increased lighting along Tremont Avenue. As a matter of fact, we requested that the lighting be increased in the cemetery area many years ago. But when the solution is worse than

the problem, you lose every bit of confidence that our government has the ability to protect us.

This has to go down as the very worst solution that has been thrust upon us. Our government must rethink the entire Vision Zero program, especially because Commissioner Polly Trottenberg, head of DOT, has freely admitted that it is not working as they thought it would.

Dues

Thanks to the members that have sent in their dues. If you have not done so, please take the time to do it today. As I have said before, we never want to remove someone from our membership list but with the cost of everything going up, we will have to cancel the Bronx Times Reporter subscriptions of any member that has not paid their dues. So, please work with us and send your check for \$10 to 1145 Hobart Avenue, Bronx, NY 10461. Send it today because we want you to remain as a member of our great association.

Thanks.

Stop hating everyone who didn't vote like you

It seems like arguing — screaming, shouting or at the very least, extreme eye-rolling — is right up there with eating breakfast these days. Wake up, brush your teeth, glance at the latest news and ... *explode!*

Jeanne Johnson was sick of it.

Johnson is a mom of two in Ridgewood, New Jersey, and a local activist. A few years back, she got the city to make its crosswalks more obvious to encourage kids to walk — and cars to stop. Last week she wanted to encourage something else to stop: The demonization of everyone who voted for someone other than the someone *you* voted for. So to a local social hall she invited Guy Benson, a conservative author, Julie Roginsky, a Democratic strategist, and Kennedy, the mordantly hilarious libertarian who has a show on Fox Business. In fact, all three are on Fox all the time, often sparring, but also always happy to see each other.

That's what Johnson wanted her fellow citizens to witness with their own eyes: You can disagree

with someone's politics, even vehemently, and not despise them as humans.

As crazy as that sounds.

Kennedy moderated the chat by asking the kind of questions that can stop a, "You crazy s-----" in mid-air. For instance, she wondered, was there ever a time when either of her guests realized the other side was not evil incarnate?

Roginsky recalled a time back in college when she and her fellow feminists took a bus to a Rhode Island abortion clinic, where nuns and priests were protesting outside. As Roginsky and her retinue shouted, "Keep your R dorian2002@gmail.com ovaries!" she looked at the clergy, fervently praying, and suddenly it hit her: These folks weren't there to be judgmental jerks. They had come because they truly believe that a fetus is a life that must be saved. For them, blocking the clinic was no different from grabbing the gun from some nut holding a hostage. To this day, Roginsky remains adamantly pro-choice. But instead of seeing pro-life supporters as bad people, she sees them as people.

For his part, Benson flashed back on 2009, when Obama was sworn into office on a wave of Democratic euphoria. Con-



RHYMES WITH CRAZY

Lenore Skenazy

servatives were beside themselves: Here was a President who would pass every piece of liberal legislation this side of Sweden. The Republicans were on the outs, perhaps never to rise again.

So Benson said, smirk-free, he truly empathizes with what Democrats are feeling now. He obviously doesn't share their dismay (although he didn't sound very happy about Trump). But he gave a knowing nod to the people who, well, that's just the thing. The room was filled with ardent Democrats and Republicans, and probably some Libertarians

besides just Kennedy. And you couldn't tell who was who.

For Johnson, that was the point.

"Those [feuding] people ended up having to sit at the same tables together," she said. She'd deliberately chosen round tables, so everyone would be looking at everyone else, and purple table cloths. Not red. Not blue. Purple. The cookies for the event were iced in purple frosting, "Together." Cookies are always an ice breaker.

And so was this event. Up on stage, Roginsky and Benson were discussing free speech. They'd just gotten word about the unrest — riots? — at the University of California Berkeley, where masked agitators had caused \$100,000 in damage as they protested a speech to be given by the right-wing agitator Milo Yiannopoulos. Roginsky was appalled. She is hardly a fan of Yiannopoulos, but free speech wins, she said. "Always."

For his part, Benson was ready with some good advice for the Democrats. "If everything is an outrage, nothing is." In other words, if the left rejects absolutely everyone and everything Trump proposes, their message will get tuned out. Pick your battles, he

advised, to get more traction.

How did the two opposites manage to stay friends through this election and post-election season? The same way they handle the Twitter taunts the come their way. The trick is to "listen generously," said Benson. Don't assume the person who didn't vote your way chose the other candidate out of bigotry, stupidity, or calumny. Assume they had their varied reasons, just like you had yours. Give folks the benefit of the doubt.

By the end of the night, said Johnson, she thought she saw that happening. "I know how contentious things were, or are, in our community — horrible. Just like we're seeing on the national stage." But afterward the event, the audience hung around for almost an hour, talking, laughing, and eating those cookies. "Let's do this again!" they said.

That's an idea no one could argue with.

Lenore Skenazy is a keynote speaker, author of the book and blog *Free-Range Kids*, and a contributor at *Reason.com*.

East Bronx History Forum news and highlights

BY THOMAS X. CASEY

The Huntington Free Library and Reading Room announces the East Bronx History Forum will hold its 118th meeting on Wednesday, February 15 at 7:30 p.m.

Last month, president Richard Vitacco and vice president Tom Vasti presented a tour of the Morris Park Racetrack which was later developed into the residential neighborhood we know today as Morris Park. They touched on the story of the closing of the Jerome Park Racetrack and how the expansion of the Croton Aqueduct system led to Morris Park.

Now, you will hear the rest of the story.

Anne Marie Garti, during the past two decades, has been using her talents as an attorney, environmentalist and historian to advocate for

the return of the Jerome Reservoir, back to the original plan of the Jerome Park Reservoir. In other words, she wants to put the 'park' back into the Jerome Reservoir with her presentation 'The Historic Jerome Park Reservoir.'

Garti has used her research talents to uncover historic maps and images of the Jerome Park Reservoir to secure agreements from the NYC Department of Environmental Protection to allow public access to this wonderful resource.

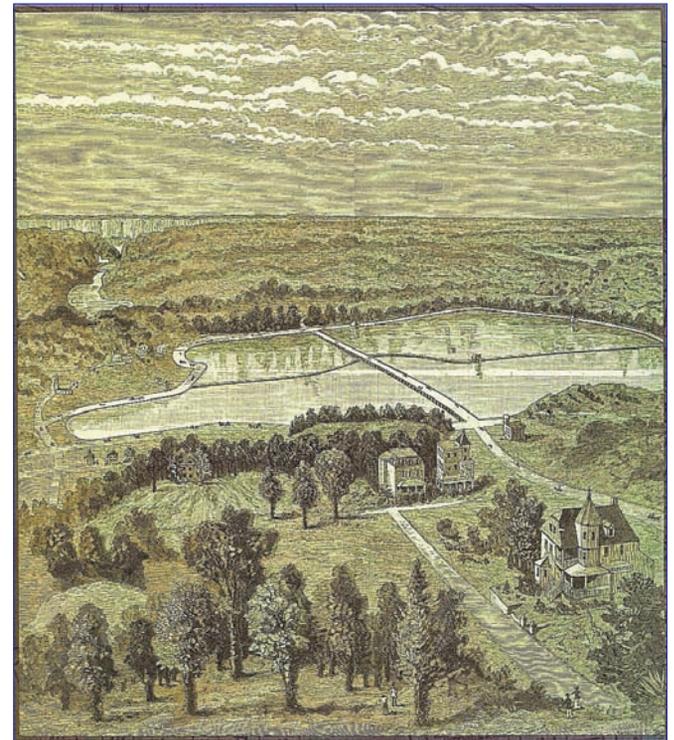
The Department of Environmental Protection and various other agencies have continued to restrict the public, but at least full access is beginning with two days per year.

The great fire in New York City of 1835, led to construction in 1837 of the High

Bridge and Croton Aqueduct system. The High Bridge which recently reopened to the public as well as the Jerome Reservoir are landmarked. Garti is also president of the Jerome Park Conservancy, which submitted the landmarked application in 1998 for the Reservoir. There has been a lot of drama in the past 180 years, but be sure to find out what is currently going on at this important presentation. There will also be a vote - 'City Gin' or 'Croton Cocktail'.

All meetings are free and open to the public at The Huntington Free Library and Reading Room, located next to Apple Bank at 9 Westchester Square. Street parking is free after 7 p.m.

Please view the East Bronx History Forum web page at BronxNYC.com for details, follow us on Facebook.



1898 Jerome Reservoir Park.

BRONX NARRATIVES DEBUTS PRINT MAGAZINE

Bronx Narratives hosted an exhilarating launch party for its limited edition print magazine on Saturday, January 28 at the Gun Hill Tavern on 780 E. 133rd Street. The online publication debuted the physical magazine at its celebration which included live art by local artists Andre Trenier and Annie Leginni, an in-depth keynote presentation on the magazine and an opportunity for attendees to purchase a copy.



Dondre Green, Bronx Narratives co-founder and creative director, signed a copy of the online publication's limited edition print magazine for a fan.

Photo by Kevin de los Santos



SUV RALLIES AT BRONX RIVER HOUSES

Local community, clergy and residents joined Jacobi Medical Center's violence interruption program Stand Up to Violence to rally against gun violence on Friday, February 3 at Bronx River Houses Community Center and Watson and Boynton avenues. The rally was held in response to two separate shootings on Wednesday, January 25 in which two men were shot and injured at East 174th Street and Bronx River Avenue and on the corner of Watson and Boynton avenues.

Pastor Jay Gooding, (l) SUV director of community outreach and founder, and minister Kwame Thompson, SUV outreach director, led the rally in protest of two recent shootings.

Photo by Ray Maldonado

BAY PLAZA VALENTINE'S DAY FOR KIDS

Children and their families celebrated the upcoming Valentine's Day holiday by exploring their artistic side at an arts and crafts event held on Friday, February 3 at the Mall at Bay Plaza. Kids created their own sweetheart bears door hangers, a colorful Valentine's Day gift for their friends or family members, danced to music performed by DJ Omar and played games.



(l-r) Anthony and Jody Castaldo and JeanMarie and Joseph Vittoreage made a gift from the heart creating some sweetheart bear door hangers.

Photo by Miriam Quin

POE PARK EXHIBITS 'COLOR OF COMICS'



Bronxites and art aficionados 'got animated' at the 'Color of Comics' opening reception on Saturday, February 4 at the Poe Park Visitor Center. The action-packed exhibition showcased private art collections from artist Ray Felix and writer Alex Simmons along with several talented African American comic book artists such as Paris Cullins, Trevor Vonnie Eden, N. Steven Harris, Carl Kent, Corey Fields, Jerry Craft, Christopher Duckett, Khary Randolph, Jamal Ingle, Alitha E. Martinez and Sha-Nea Williams among many others.

(l-r) N. Steven Harris, 'Brotherhood of The Fringe' comic book creator and artist; Alex Simmons, writer consultant; Alitha E. Martinez, 'Yume and Ever' comic book creator and artist; Julian Voloj and Ray Felix, curator.

'Ghetto Brother: Warrior to Peacemaker', a graphic novel by author Julian Voloj, was proudly displayed at the exhibition.

Photo by Miriam Quin



Bronx Chamber of Commerce highlights

BY NUNZIO DEL GRECO

My goal is to provide more opportunities for businesses in to grow in the Bronx. We have expanded our programs and services to include:

- The Annual Bronx Business Directory and Resource Guide to drive more business to your company and increase economic activity in the Bronx;

- Networking events and business card exchanges;

- Informative workshops and seminars;

- Bronx HIRE Program – employment assistance: participate in interview and job fairs;

- MWBE Certification: The commerce assists businesses with the extensive application process to become certified by New York City as minority and women business enterprises;

- Advocate on behalf of small to mid-sized businesses and members to promote economic development;

- Small business in addition to corporate sponsorship opportunities;

- Promotion of grand openings and ribbon cutting ceremonies;

- Special recognition and awards presented to select companies at chamber events;

- Special discounts and exclusive offers for chamber members;

- Provides opportunities to give back to the Bronx community through our charity events;

- Promote and encourage patronizing chamber members to strengthen our community.

Members and friends of the Bronx Chamber of Commerce are encouraged to nominate up to six companies or organizations to receive Special Recognition and Distinguished Awards at the 2017 Bronx heritage awards and veterans awards luncheons. To process nominations,



NUNZIO DEL GRECO

please forward name, contact information and biography up to 150 words for each nominee as soon as possible for the upcoming 2017 awards luncheons that include: Black Heritage Awards Luncheon, February 24, noon to 3 p.m. at F&J Pine Restaurant; Irish Heritage Awards Luncheon, March 23, noon to 3 p.m., at

Rambling House; Hispanic Heritage Awards Luncheon, September 28, noon to 3 p.m., at Tosca Marquee; Italian Heritage Awards Luncheon, October 12, noon to 3 p.m., at F&J Pine Restaurant; and the Veteran's Awards Luncheon, November 16, noon to 3 p.m., at Maestro's Caterers.

For each heritage award luncheon and veteran's awards luncheon, we honor up to six award recipients. Based on the overwhelming response when nominations were opened up for the upcoming Bronx Business Awards, I expect a significant number of nominations for the luncheons.

As a reminder, The Bronx Business Awards 2017 Gala Celebration is scheduled for Thursday, March 9, at the elegant Marina del Rey Caterers. The distinguished honorees are: John Catsimatis, Red Apple Group; Ensign Engineering, Woodlawn Cemetery, Ridgewood Savings

Bank, Montefiore Medical Center, and Metro Optics.

The Bronx version of the Academy Awards is The Bronx Business Awards 2017 Gala Celebration and excitement for this fabulous event continues to grow each day. There are limited number of exclusive sponsorship opportunities available.

Members and businesses can take advantage of advertising in the journal to promote their services and or salute the distinguished 2017 honorees.

For more information on advertising in the journal or reservations to attend the 2017 gala celebration contact Phil Cardone at (718) 828-3900 or email: Events@BronxChamber.org.

I am proud to be leading the Bronx Chamber of Commerce and actively participating in the renaissance taking place in the Bronx.

Visit: www.BronxChamber.org.

Carpenters union to hire one hundred apprentices

The Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee for the High-Rise Concrete Carpenters of New York City will begin taking applications

Wednesday for 100 carpenter apprenticeships, officials said.

Applications must be obtained in person at the carpenters' training center, 395

Hudson Street, in Manhattan, from 7 to 7:30 a.m. on the second Wednesday of every month through November 8.

Applicants must have

a valid government-issued photo ID. The forms must be mailed to the New York City District Council of Carpenters Training Center, 395 Hudson

Street, second floor, New York, NY 10014. They must be post-marked no later than five business days after the application was picked up.

BY AL D'ANGELO

What happened to my America? I feel my country has been hijacked by partisan politics. Both Democrats and Republicans are more interested in their party than the American people. When Republicans refused to hold hearings on President Obama's pick for the Supreme Court the Democrats were up in arms. Now President Trump puts up a nominee for the court and the Democrats decided to vote against the nominee before his name was even mentioned.

How does this reprisal help the business of governing our country? It doesn't, it just serves party politics. Doing whatever it takes to make the other party look bad is hurting our ability to come together for the betterment of our country.

When did it become wrong to express an opposing opinion in the United States? When did it become fashionable to burn and destroy when thing don't go our way? Peaceful protests are part of the American fabric. Freedom of speech is



one of our most fundamental rights yet college campuses erupt in violence to decry an opposing view.

The educational system in our inner cities is a disgrace, yet unions fight change because it does not serve their purposes and the children suf-

fer.

We are a democracy and should be touting a peaceful transition of power; what happened after our last election was disgraceful. Where is our moral compass? When do our leaders regardless of party stand up against injustice, or is it OK for them to look the other way because it serves their political agenda to downgrade a member of the opposition party.

How does allowing violence and destruction of property to bring attention to a

cause, serve our nation? We have elected representatives to serve and represent the people, not to play politics with our futures. How do we expect the country to come together when those we elected are calling each other racists, homophobes, and xenophobes?

Does anyone remember the adage, 'Lead by example'? Our country faces some serious issues and we need our elected officials to put aside partisan politics for the good of the nation.

BY TONY SALIMBENE

Another reminder, there will be a Veterans' Services Committee Meeting, Friday, February 24, 7 p.m. at the Samuel Young American Legion Post 620, Erickson Place by the Tremont East Dinner. All are welcome to attend, you don't have to be a military veteran. Maybe you have a ques-

tion or would like guidance with a patriotic project, please feel free to stop by and help us remember and assist the vets in our neighborhood.

Our Post 253 meeting will be, as always, the third Sunday, that's February 19, starting at 10:30 a.m. for coffee, 11 a.m. meeting, noon at the club room. Auxiliary, Sons and



Riders members will join us in keeping with the concept of 'American Legion Family.'

Thanks for participation in 4 Chaplains Sunday, a Legion tradition and an important lesson in history and in life. I was humbled by the turnout. Thanks also to Morris Perk for the reception and Victoria for baking and serving.

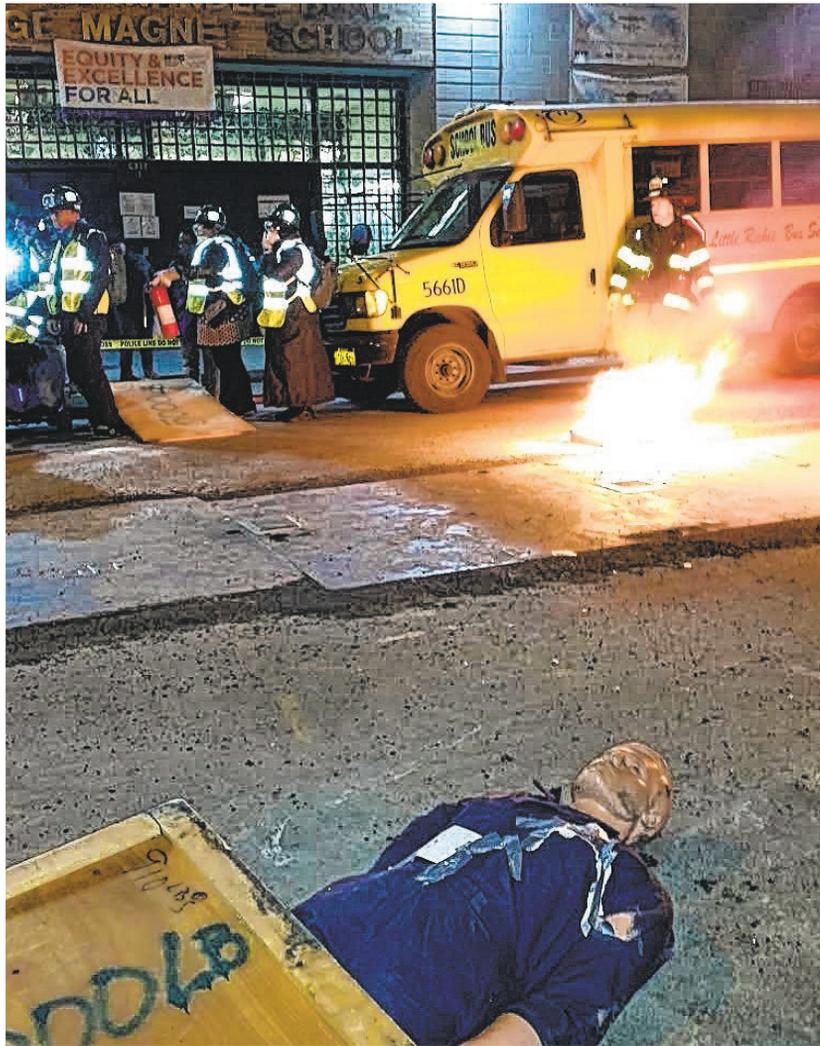
Sunday, March 12 it's the St. Patrick's Day Parade down

the avenue, East Tremont with a 9 a.m. Mass then step-off at Lafayette Avenue at noon. If you feel like having some green beer, please leave the car at home!

Until Next Time: Remember the upcoming holidays are St. Valentine's Day and St. Patrick's Day, sometimes we forget the saint part.

CERT HOLDS DISASTER SIMULATION EXERCISE

The NYC Emergency Management Department hosted a disaster simulation exercise for Community Emergency Response Team volunteers on Thursday, February 2 at the Rafael Hernandez Dual Language Magnet School in Mott Haven. Instructors from Emergency Management, FDNY and NYPD tested and reviewed the volunteers' emergency preparedness and response skills in fire suppression, search and rescue, medical operations and traffic management.



Bronx CERT volunteers practiced basic fire safety response, search and rescue and triage skills during a disaster simulation exercise. Photo courtesy of NYC Emergency Management



SORORITIES HOST 'PINK GOES RED' EVENT

Members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., Eta Omega Omega Chapter and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc., Bronx Alumnae Chapter hosted the annual 'Pink Goes Red', a free community healthy heart awareness event on Saturday, February 4 at Wings Academy. Held in observance of American Heart Month, the event featured healthy cooking presentations, hands-on CPR demonstrations and aerobics.

(l-r) Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Eta Omega Omega Chapter members Stephannia Cleaton; Marie Whitehead, president; Rashida Richards, Pink Goes Red chairwoman and Donna Joseph, vice president celebrated American Heart Month in style. Photo by Silvio Pacifico



GJONAJ, NY CARDIAC CARE ASSOCIATES GO RED

Assemblyman Mark Gjonaj and NY Cardiac Care Associates doctors and patients celebrated For Red for Women Day, a day of women heart health awareness, on Friday, February 3. Both Gjonaj and NY Cardiac Care Associates are collaborating on a district awareness campaign of screenings, healthy eating demonstrations, educational talks and workshops designed to promote women's heart health free and open to all.

Assemblyman Gjonaj (c) met with patients and doctors of NY Cardiac Care and Montefiore who are working on a women heart health awareness initiative.

Photo courtesy of Assemblyman Mark Gjonaj's Office

SALAMANCA FUNDS BRONX LEGAL SERVICES

This past January, Councilman Rafael Salamanca presented Bronx Legal Services with a generous \$60,000 check to be used for constituent legal assistance in the south Bronx. These funds will be specifically used to help with housing or landlord issues in addition to assisting with combating domestic violence in the community.



Councilman Salamanca presented a hefty ceremonial check to Bronx Legal Services.

Photo courtesy of Councilman Rafael Salamanca's Office



SALAMANCA FIGHTS SOUTH BRONX HUNGER

As a member of the Council Committee on General Welfare, Councilman Rafael Salamanca recently attended a hearing to request additional resources be contributed for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and Emergency Food Assistance Program.

Councilman Salamanca (2nd row, l) promised to allocate more resources to food pantries, fresh food services, school lunch programs and senior meal programs at the hearing.

Photo courtesy of Councilman Rafael Salamanca's Office



SALAMANCA VISITS LAFAYETTE ESTATES SENIORS

Councilman Rafael Salamanca recently visited Lafayette Estates to update seniors on City Hall related current events and address community concerns. With the Bronx's ever-growing senior population in mind, Salamanca, a Council Aging Committee member, is prioritizing senior needs and programming in the upcoming city budget.

Salamanca spoke with seniors about their needs and concerns.

Photo courtesy of Councilman Rafael Salamanca's Office

SALAMANCA MEETS WITH LOCAL STUDENTS

Councilman Rafael Salamanca recently had the honor of greeting and meeting with several students from the Center for Urban Pedagogy and South Bronx Community Charter High School. Center for Urban Pedagogy students did a professional interview with Salamanca while South Bronx Community Charter students visited City Hall to learn how to emulate the council through their own student government.



Councilman Salamanca conducted an interview with Center for Urban Pedagogy students.

Photo courtesy of Councilman Rafael Salamanca's Office



BP DIAZ, DISCUSSES USDA SNAP PROGRAM

Borough President Ruben Diaz, Jr.; Congressman Sean Patrick Maloney and hunger advocates met on Monday, January 30 at Part of the Solution on 2759 Webster Avenue to discuss the state's participation in a new nationwide pilot program which will allow Supplement Nutrition Assistance Program participants to purchase their groceries online.

Joel Berg (l), Hunger Free America CEO; Congressman Maloney (3rd from l); Borough President Diaz (c); Christopher Bean (2nd from r), POTS executive director and local resident Louis Vivarina (r) who will be positively impacted by the new law.

Photo courtesy of Borough President Ruben Diaz, Jr.'s Office

BRONX GOP OPENS NEW FIELD OFFICE

The Bronx GOP celebrated the grand opening of its new field office on Sunday, January 29 at 3029 Middletown Road with a day long community celebration.



John Cerini (2nd from l) who recently announced his candidacy for the 13th Councilmatic District, joins members of the club at the field office's grand opening. Photo by Walter Pofeldt



NYISE HOSTS WINTER OLYMPICS

Nearly 100 developmentally delayed Bronx preschoolers at New York Institute for Special Education's Readiness Program skated, bowled, glided and threw paper snow balls while celebrating their school's annual Winter Olympics on Thursday, January 26. The children, ages three to five-years-old, enjoyed fun winter-themed activities designed to improve their motor skills.

NYISE students had a blast engaging in some indoor winter skiing. Photo courtesy of NYISE

MONTEFIORE FETES AMERICAN HEART MONTH

Montefiore Einstein Center for Heart and Vascular Care gave a 'hearty welcome' to American Heart Month on Thursday, February 2 at the Henry and Lucy Moses Division of Montefiore. The health conscious celebration featured a group walk of the 'Montefiore Mile', a designated indoor one-mile path.



(l-r) Steven Safyer, M.D., Montefiore Medicine president; Luigi Di Biase, M.D., Ph.D, F.A.A.C., F.H.R.S., cardiologist, section head of electrophysiology and director of arrhythmia services at the Montefiore Einstein Center for Heart & Vascular Care; Peter Semczuk, D.D.S., M.P.H., senior vice president, clinical affairs and acute care and executive director, Moses and Donald Stark, Montefiore Einstein Center for Heart & Vascular Care director of cardiology. Photo courtesy of Montefiore Health System



Montefiore employees walked the 'Montefiore Mile' to stay heart healthy in recognition of American Heart Month. Photo courtesy of Montefiore Health System

CONFETTI PARTY PLACE HOLDS VISION BRUNCH

Women from all over New York and even New Jersey attended Confetti Party Place's second annual Vision Board Brunch on Saturday, January 28 to define their goals and harness their purpose. The Havana Cafe sponsored celebration featured guest motivational speaker Dhyllis Davis, award-winning actor and author Andres Rodriguez and energy healer Sherrill Cropper.

Thirty Vision Board Brunch attendees proudly displayed their impressive vision boards.

Photo courtesy of Confetti Party Place



Bronx scene

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Upcoming Wave Hill events

Saturday, February 18; Sunday, February 19: Family Art Project: Kindred Totem Poles: Using colorful paper and vibrant, bold designs, sculpt the characters around us, and then step into a "photo booth" to make an interactive family totem.

Saturday, February 18; Sunday, February 19: Garden & Conservatory Highlights Walk; Join in for an hour-long tour of seasonal garden highlights.

Sunday, February 19: Pre-Concert Tea: Enjoy Afternoon Tea in the Mark Twain Room prior to concert in Armor Hall. The menu, presented by Great Performances, includes an array of tea sandwiches, scones and bite-sized desserts. Afternoon Tea also includes a glass of sparkling wine.

Sunday, February 19: Concert: Canellakis-Brown Duo: Hailed as "a pair of adventurous young talents" (Time Out New York), the Canellakis-Brown Duo, comprised of cellist Nicholas Canellakis and composer/pianist Michael Brown, has been captivating audiences with its superb musicianship and thrilling performances of innovative programs that combine masterpieces from the standard repertoire with original compositions and arrangements.

In Fall 2017, the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center presents the Duo's American Romantic program in its Art of the Recital Series.

At Wave Hill, the artists offer works by Beethoven, Mendelssohn, Shostakovich, Brown and Bulgarian folk

tunes arranged by Canellakis.

Adults \$28/\$22 Wave Hill Member, children (ages 8-18) \$15/\$12 Member child. Order tickets online at wavehill.org or onsite at the Perkins Visitors Center.

Tuesday, February 21: Family Workshop: Winter Weather Tapestries.

Wednesday, February 22: Family Workshop: Snowy, Felted Sculptures.

Thursday, February 23: Family Workshop: Frosty, 3-D Landscapes.

Family Sale In The Shop: Visitors enjoy 20% discounts on all kids' merchandise.

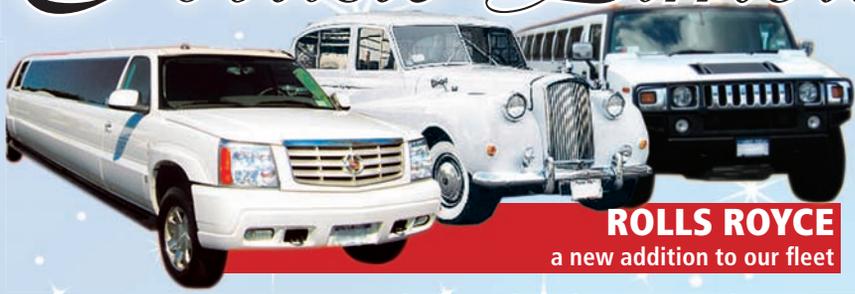
Wave Hill, A public garden and cultural center, is located at 675 West 252nd Street.

For further information call (718) 549-3200 ext. 232.



Concerts at Wave Hill featuring the Canellakis Brown Duo 2. Photo by Sophie Zhai

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Jane Hill and Edgewater Park's Fat Runway

I recently gave a brief talk about Bronx swimmers and included the relatively unknown Jane Hill of Edgewater Park. She was the woman who taught my cousins, brothers and me how to swim at the dock known as the "Fat Runway." It was known by that name because it was twice the width of the adjacent jetty to its east which was appropriately referred to as the "Skinny Runway."

My family moved out of Edgewater when I was in my teens and in the ensuing years, my visits to the waterfront of my youth became less and less frequent. I will always remember it, however, with very fond memories that I wouldn't trade for anything. It was a summertime paradise where bare feet were the norm and a bathing suit was all the garb you needed for most of the day.

Life in Edgewater revolved around the tides and youngsters learned how to swim shortly after they learned how to walk. It was not an option, but a necessity in a coastal community. I grew up in the 1940s and 50s when very few women worked. It was not unusual,

do you remember

by Bill Twomey



The Fat Runway in Edgewater Park's "D" Section circa 1950 looking south from Eastchester Bay.

therefore, to have one or more mothers down at the beach acting as unofficial lifeguards.

My mother often filled that position and I have fond memories of her reinforcing the swimming skills taught to me by Jane Hill. She would face me and then backstroke, always staying just a couple of strokes ahead but ready to help me if I faltered. When the lesson was

over, she turned around changing to a breaststroke and I'd hold onto her shoulders as she towed me to shore. She then returned to her post on the beach keeping alert for any children in danger.

There always seemed to be one or more mothers on the beach watching for danger or bullying. The latter was not tolerated. Jane Hill was generally posted on the "Fat Runway," itself and her husband Charlie was also there teaching us how to fish and crab. He taught us the effective use of a crab net and how to spot a double-jointed blue claw by its coloring. Jane and Charlie didn't have any children so they adopted all the neighborhood kids teaching us how to swim, fish, crab, clam and dig for worms. They taught us well.

Occasionally they'd call for a beach cleanup and we'd all come with a rake and pull out seaweed, glass (no plastic bot-



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View of the Fat Runway from Eastchester Bay looking south toward Edgewater Park's "D" Section circa 1955.

tlers yet) and debris from the shoreline. When the work was done, we'd be sent clamming. We had to feel around with our toes for the cherrystones while others used pitchforks to dig up the chowder clams. Others scoured the old permanently moored barge and jetties for blue claws. The entire catch was handed over to Jane who brought out her pot of huge proportions which she readied to cook up a seafood feast for all who came by.

I met a fellow Edgewaterite from that era recently and inquired about Jane. I was told that she went a little daft in her

old age and chased people away yelling at them. I wonder if those people knew or were told about all the many good deeds she performed. I then regretted not going back to Edgewater to thank her for teaching me how to swim among other things.

Sometimes we just take people for granted and have to live with regrets. This is my public thank you to Jane and Charlie Hill for their many kindnesses to the children from D Section. I'm sure her eternal reward will be great but I couldn't help putting in my two cents. Thank you, Jane and Charlie, wherever you are.

*If funeral homes were all the same,
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LEGAL NOTICE

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SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF
BRONX**

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AGAINST

John Jackson a/k/a John H. Jackson; et al., Defendant(s)

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated March 21, 2016 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on February 27, 2017 at 2:00PM, premises known as 2753 Briggs Avenue, Bronx, NY 10458. 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 3301 Lot 104. Approximate amount of judgment \$488,220.79 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 35311/2013E.

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Notice of Formation of CF nails glam studio LLC, a domestic or foreign Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State on (7/05/2016). 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 to C/O Edwin Fernandez MBR 1450 parkchester rd. 7d Bronx NY 10462. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of UE Bruckner Shops LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 12/22/16. Office location: Bronx County. Princ. bus. addr.: 210 Route 4 East, Paramus, NJ 07652. LLC formed in DE on 10/5/16. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, regd. agent upon whom process may be served. DE addr. of LLC: The Corporation Trust Co., 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Convexity Solutions LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy.Of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/20/2017. Office location BX County. SSNY designated agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to principal business address: 3640 Johnson Ave. Bronx, NY 10463. Purpose: any lawful act.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of HomeSaver Services, LLC, a domestic Limited Liability Company. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State on 11/02/16. 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 Jeffrey Thompson, 2396 Morris Ave. #2E, Bronx, NY 10468. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of PELHAM PARKWAY, LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy of State of NY (SSNY) on 08/20/2009. Office Location: Bronx County. SSNY designated agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to principal business address: 912 Pelham Pkwy South, Bronx, NY 10462. Purpose: any lawful practice.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF Platinum Property Investors LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/22/2016. Office location: NY County. SSNY designated agent upon whom process may be served against LLC to: 4730 S. Fort Apache Rd., Ste. 300, Las Vegas, NV 89147. Principal business add: 100 Casals Pl., #26F Bronx NY 10475. Purpose: any lawful act. 0000186021.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of RES-NY ONE, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 1/11/17. Office location: Bronx County. Princ. bus. addr.: 790 NW 107th Ave., Ste. 400, Miami, FL 33172. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, regd. agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Second Farms Apartments LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 1/5/17. Office location: Bronx County. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o Comerford & Dougherty, LLP, 1122 Franklin Ave., Suite 406, Garden City, NY 11530, principal business address. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Upper Manhattan Forest Kids, LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/01/2016. Office location: Bronx County. SSNY is designated agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process against the LLC to: 200 East 205th St., Apt. 3J, Bronx, NY 10458. Purpose: any lawful act.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a license, #1299444 has been applied for by the undersigned to sell beer and wine at retail in a Restaurant under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 219 W 230th Street, Bronx, NY 10463, for on-premises consumption.

EL GALLITO PIZZA & DELI GROCERY CORP.

LEGAL NOTICE

**NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT: BRONX
COUNTY**

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.; Plaintiff(s)
vs. INNOCENTIA AKU GIDI; et al; Defendant(s)

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

Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale granted herein on or about November 9, 2016, I will sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder at The Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, New York.

On February 27, 2017 at 2:00 pm. Premises known as 1595 ODELL STREET, BRONX, NY 10462-7055

Block: 03943 Lot: 4120

The Unit known as Apartment No. 1D (hereinafter called the "Unit") in the building known as Number E-7, in the Borough and County of the Bronx, City and State of New York, designated and described as Unit 1D in the Declaration establishing condominium ownership known as the Parkchester South Condominium (hereinafter called the Property) made by the Parkchester Apts. Co under the Condominium Act of the State of New York (Article 9-B of the Real Property Law of the State of New York), dated November 1985 and recorded in the Office of the Register of the City of New York in the County of the Bronx on the 19th day of March, 1986 in Reel 638, page 1496 (hereinafter called the "Declaration") and designated also as Tax Lot No. 4120 in Block No. 3943 of Section 15 of the Department of the City of New York and on the Floor Plans and site plan certified by Hurley and Farinella, Architects filed in said Register's Office as Condominium Plan No. 23. TOGETHER with an undivided .0093 percent interest in the common elements of the property described in said Declaration.

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

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

Approximate amount of judgment \$98,625.46 plus interest and costs.

INDEX NO. 35997/2014E
Tara Goffney, Esq., Referee

LEGAL NOTICE

**NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT: BRONX
COUNTY**

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley Home Equity Loan Trust 2006-3, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-3; Plaintiff(s)

vs. EDWARD L STEWART; PAULINE B STEWART; et al; Defendant(s)

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

Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale granted herein on or about November 24, 2015, I will sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder at The Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, at 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, New York.

On February 27, 2017 at 2:00 pm. Premises known as 1224 UNION AVE, BRONX, NY 10459

Block: 2682 Lot: 8
ALL THAT CERTAIN PLOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Bronx, City and State of New York.

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

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

Approximate amount of judgment \$632,530.81 plus interest and costs.

INDEX NO. 382180/09
Edward Simon Zizmor, Esq., Referee

LEGAL NOTICE

**NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF
BRONX**

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK,
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,

Plaintiff,
Against
Index No.: 380055/13

JE-NEL HARRIOTT A/K/A JE,NEL HARRIOTT A/K/A JE'NEL HARRIOTT A/K/A JE NEL HARRIOTT, DONNA BRANDON, ET AL.,
Defendant(s).

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, duly entered in the Bronx County Clerk's Office on 12/28/2015, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction, at the Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on 03/13/2017 at 2:00 pm, premises known as 2023 Lurling Avenue, Bronx, NY 10461, 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 the Bronx, City and State of New York, and designated on the tax maps of the Bronx County Treasurer as Block 4303 and Lot 14.

The approximate amount of the current Judgment lien is \$596,555.85 plus interest and costs.

The premises will be sold subject to provisions of the aforesaid Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale; Index # 380055/13.

Pierre Janvier, Esq., Referee.
STIENE & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
(Attorneys for Plaintiff), 167 Main Street, Northport, NY 11768

Dated: 1/10/2017 File Number:
201001003 SLC

Longwood Arts Project exhibition

Longwood Arts Project, the visual arts program of Bronx Council on the Arts and Hostos Center for the Arts & Culture, invites you to *Noir: Defining the Melodrama*, an exhibition featuring works inspired by film noir and detective stories. Drawings, illustrations, paintings, photography and video exhibited revisit, reimagine and respond to symbols used in the noir style, while addressing ongoing social concerns such as crime, gender roles, isolation and displacement. This exhibit is being co-curated by Juanita Lanzo, Charlie Vazquez and Kimberly Vaquedano-Rose. It will be on view through May 4.

Noir: Defining the Melodrama will feature interactive creative writing workshops that connect the written word to works on display, in collaboration with BCA's Bronx Writers Center. Four contemporary genre-focused writing workshops will be held at Longwood Art Gallery as part of the exhibit's public programs as well as the Big Read. The writers facilitating these sessions include Regine Sawyer, Richie Narvaez, Sofia Quintero and BWC Director, Charlie Vazquez.

Participating artists include Laura Alvarez, Tyrone Brown-Osborne, Carey Clark, Alyssa Clear, Roberto De Jesus, Ray Felix, Elizabeth Glushko and Steve Pavlovsky, Daniel Hauben, Rasheed Humphrey, Patrick Jewell, Nikki Johnson, Jayson Keeling, Gabrielle Lopez, Jeanette May, Osjua New-

ton, Gelah Penn, Néstor Pérez-Molière, Jaime Permut, Ethan Shoshan, Shira Toren, Nitza Tufiño, Dennesa Usher, Boo Lynn Walsh, Joe Wippler, and Michael Young.

Juanita Lanzo is the director and Curator of Longwood Art Gallery @ Hostos. Kimberly Vaquedano-Rose is the gallery coordinator. author and editor Charlie Vazquez is the Bronx Writers Center director.

Events: Wednesday, March 1, reception and artists' talk, 5 to 9 p.m.; Wednesday, April 5, reception and Bronx Culture Trolley, 5 to 9 p.m.; and Wednesday, May 3, closing reception and Bronx Culture Trolley, 5 to 9 p.m.

Public Programs: Saturday, March 18 - Will Eisner's Theory of Sequential Art in Comics; and Saturday, April 8, 22 and 29, The Big Read genre workshops, organized by the Bronx Writers' Center.

For updated events and public programs visit website www.bronxarts.org
Gallery hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, noon to 5 p.m. Wednesday by appointment; closed on the weekends and major holidays.

Anthony McGill, NY Philharmonic principal clarinetist, will perform with members of the **Bronx Arts Ensemble** in a Chamber Music concert set in the historic home of Paula Luria and Bill Caplan.

The special concert, a benefit for the Bronx Arts Ensemble (BAE), pro-

vides listeners with a rare opportunity to hear McGill in a notable private home and chat with him after the performance.

BAE pianist Adrienne Kim, violinist Jorge Avila, and cellist Eliana Mendoza will join McGill in a performance of Beethoven's Trio for Clarinet, Cello and Piano in B flat, Opus 11, Bernstein's Sonata for Clarinet and Piano, and Fauré's Piano Trio, Opus 120.

Refreshments and champagne will be served. Address is 761 West 231 Street, Bronx. Tickets: \$90 (\$50 tax deductible). For more information go to bronxartsensemble.org.

Opening Saturday, February 18, at the **Bruce Museum**, the new exhibition *Street Smart: Photographs of New York City, 1945-1980* provides a glimpse at life in the Big Apple during the post-war period. Featuring 30 black-and-white works drawn from the Bruce Museum's permanent collection, the show records both cacophonous scenes of urban life and moments of quietude and respite from the chaos.

In the decades that followed World War II, New York City was a world cultural center hosting a whirlwind of activities from protests and race riots to jazz performances. At the same time, the role of photography in American life was changing. As exposure to wartime propaganda made the public question the objective truth of photographic im-

agery and as cameras became more affordable and easier to use, many American photographers began to imbue their pictures with a more personal approach. The exhibition features works by the five photographers Larry Fink, Herman Leonard, Leon Levinstein, John Shearer, and Gary Winogrand, who record in intimate detail how street-savvy New Yorkers navigate the bustling landscape.

In photographs like Stan Getz, Birdland, from 1949, Herman Leonard places the viewer in the center of the action, in the audience or right on stage, to see some of the most important musicians in American history perform.

In pictures of anonymous strangers like Leon Levinstein's *Man Holding Cup*, where the heads are cropped and the camera angle tilted, the impression may appear candid and off-the-cuff, but Levinstein carefully composed this photograph to create the impression that we are walking down the street ourselves.

Street Smart is presented with support from The Charles M. and Deborah G. Royce Exhibition Fund and the Connecticut Office of the Arts and will be on view through June 4. The Bruce Museum, 1 Museum Drive, Greenwich, CT, is open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call the Bruce Museum at (203) 869-0376 or visit www.brucemuseum.org.



P.P.N.A

The Pelham Parkway Neighborhood Association
Invites you to our
Community Meeting
Our guest this month is



Capt. Thomas Alps
of the 49th Precinct

Date:
Tuesday February 14th 2017

Time:
7:15PM

Location:
Bronx House at 990 Pelham Parkway South

**Keep up with the latest
News & Events in Our Community:**
Email us: PelhamParkwayNA@gmail.com

 **Also look us up on Facebook!** 

Sponsored by Pelham Parkway Neighborhood Association
(A not-for-profit corporation)

Bronx Polar Bears' dip

On Saturday February 11, dozens of people will join the Bronx Polar Bears for a dip into the brisk waters of Orchard Beach in the Bronx.

As with the 2016 event, this year's plunge will help BronxWorks and BronxNet bring awareness to the issue of homelessness, particularly street homelessness. Participants will bring new socks, gloves, hats and other items to donate to BronxWorks.

Others who are unable to participate in the plunge are encouraged to do the same and can view a link on the BronxWorks website for additional information: <http://www.bronxworks.org/dip-against-homelessness>.

Many factors may lead to individuals becoming homeless, including traumatic experiences, mental or emotional conditions, alcohol or substance abuse, and prolonged joblessness. Homeless men and women struggle to find a warm and safe place where they can lie down for a night's sleep. Deep sleep, which is essential to good health, is impossible and safety is often a concern.

Each year the BronxWorks Homeless Outreach Team (HOT) makes thousands of contacts with street homeless men and women, often providing them with a trip to their Living Room/Safe Haven or a safe bed at a church that

collaborates with BronxWorks.

"We are thrilled to partner for the 3rd year in a row with BronxNet and the Bronx Polar Bears to raise awareness of homelessness in the Bronx," states BronxWorks executive director Eileen Torres, "Each year this event grows in size and we are grateful to all who come together to show support for our most vulnerable neighbors."

Since 2011, the Coney Island Polar Bears and other participants have joined the Bronx Polar Bears for the fun, healthy weekend plunge. BronxNet has helped spotlight the issues and highlight the event on its channels.

"We continue to partner with BronxWorks in support of their homeless services while raising awareness about the issue. Thank you to NYC Department of Parks, the NYC Fire Department, and our friends the Coney Island Polar Bears for helping to make this fun and meaningful event possible," said BronxNet Executive Director and Bronx Polar Bears event co-founder Michael Max Knobbe.

The event will begin at 11:00 a.m. with safety tips from the lifeguard team and words of inspiration from some Bronx leaders followed by the plunge at noon. Participants will warm up after the plunge with hot soup provided by Havana Cafe.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF
BRONX

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.
SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, AS
TRUSTEE,

Plaintiff(s),
Against

Index # 17763/07
PAUL LOPEZ, et al.,
Defendant(s).

Pursuant to a Judgment of
Foreclosure and Sale duly entered in
the Bronx County Clerk's Office on
6/29/2010, I, the undersigned Referee
will sell at public auction at the Bronx
County Courthouse, Room 600, 851
Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on
2/27/2017 at 2:00 pm premises known
as 2869 Schley 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 of Bronx,
County of Bronx, City and State of New
York, and designated on the tax maps of
the Bronx County Treasurer as Section
18, Block 5562 and Lot 170.

The approximate amount of the
current Judgment lien is \$237,870.79
plus interest and costs. The premises
will be sold subject to provisions of the
aforesaid Judgment of Foreclosure and
Sale; Index # 17763/07.

Edmond J. Pryor, Esq., Referee.

Clarfield, Okon, Salomone, PL, 114
Old Country Road, Suite 400, Mineola,
NY 11501

Dated: 1/9/2017 NY97092464002
MNB

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF
BRONX

U.S. BANK TRUST, N.A., AS
TRUSTEE FOR LSF9 MASTER
PARTICIPATION TRUST,

Plaintiff,
Against

Index No.: 380042/13

DANIEL A. HOLGUIN A/K/A DANIEL
HOLGUIN, CARLOS E. PINELA A/K/A
CARLOS PINELA, ET AL.,
Defendant(s).

Pursuant to a Judgment of
Foreclosure and Sale, duly entered in
the Bronx County Clerk's Office on
5/23/2016, I, the undersigned Referee,
will sell at public auction, Bronx County
Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse
Room 600, Bronx, NY on 3/6/2017 at
2:00pm, premises known as 1048 Kelly
Street, Bronx, NY 10459, 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 of the
Bronx, County of the Bronx, City and
State of New York and designated on
the tax maps of the Bronx County
Treasurer as Block 2716 and Lot 110.

The approximate amount of the
current Judgment lien is \$612,920.26
plus interest and costs. The premises
will be sold subject to provisions of the
aforesaid Judgment of Foreclosure and
Sale; Index # 380042/13.

Irving Rosen, Esq., Referee.

STIENE & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
(Attorneys for Plaintiff), 167 Main Street,
Northport, NY 11768

Dated: 12/20/2016 File Number:
201101368 SLC

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME
COURT BRONX COUNTY

U.S. BANK TRUST, N.A. AS
TRUSTEE FOR LSF8 MASTER
PARTICIPATION TRUST, Plaintiff
against

DEBORAH JACKSON ,et al
Defendants

Attorney for Plaintiff(s) Fein, Such &
Crane LLP, 1400 Old Country Road,
Suite C103, Westbury, New York 11590,
Attorney(s) for Plaintiff(s).

Pursuant to a Judgment of
Foreclosure and Sale Entered MARCH
31, 2015

I will sell at Public Auction to the
highest bidder at the BRONX COUNTY
COURTHOUSE, ROOM 600, AT 2 P.M.
AT 851 GRAND CONCOURSE,
BRONX, NEW YORK ON ANY
MONDAY EXCEPT HOLIDAYS ON
FEBRUARY 27, 2017 at 2:00 P.M..
Premises known as 3996 ROMBOUS
AVENUE, BRONX, NY 10466. Block
4971 Lot 29. ALL that certain lot, piece
or parcel of land, with the buildings and
improvements thereon, situate, lying
and being in the Borough and County of
Bronx, City and State of New York.
Approximate Amount of Judgment is
\$572,309.91 plus interest and costs.
Premises will be sold subject to
provisions of filed Judgment Index No
380266/13.

JEFFREY E. DINOWITZ, ESQ. ,
Referee

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF
BRONX

EVERBANK,
Plaintiff
-against-

IBET HERNANDEZ, BOARD OF
MANAGERS OF PARKCHESTER
SOUTH CONDOMINIUM, INC., CITY
OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION PARKING
VIOLATIONS BUREAU, CITY OF NEW
YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL
BOARD, JOSE DIAZ, CLORIA DIAZ,
Defendant(s)

Pursuant to a judgment of
foreclosure and sale duly dated
DECEMBER 29, 2016

I, the undersigned Referee will sell at
public auction to the highest bidder at
BRONX COUNTY COURTHOUSE,
ROOM 600, 851 GRAND
CONCOURSE, BRONX, NEW YORK
on February 27, 2017 at 2:00 PM
premises known as 1514 UNIONPORT
ROAD, NO.7B, BRONX, NY 10462. The
Unit known as apartment No. 7B
(hereinafter called "the Unit") in the
Building known as number 53 and by
the street number 1514 Unionport Road
in the Borough and County of The
Bronx, the City and State of New York

Block: 3943 Lot: 3092 Together with
an undivided .0103 percent interest in
the common elements

Approximate amount of lien
\$58,029.87 plus interest and costs.

Premises will be sold subject to
provisions of filed judgment Index #
35420/2013E

CHRISTOPHER CHANG, ESQ.,
REFEREE

STEIN, WIENER AND ROTH,
L.L.P., ATTORNEYS FOR THE
PLAINTIFF

ONE OLD COUNTRY ROAD, SUITE
113 CARLE PLACE, NY 11514
DATED: January 20, 2017 FILE #:
RUSHMORE 62406

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
December 24, 2013 I, the undersigned
Referee will sell at public auction at the
Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600,
851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, on March
06, 2017 at 2:00PM, 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 for Index#
381055/11.

Heddyeh P. Broumand Esq.,
Referee

Gross Polowy, LLC
Attorney for Plaintiff
1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100
Williamsville, NY 14221

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF
BRONX, EXTRACO BANKS, N.A.,
Plaintiff, vs. JAIME RODRIGUEZ, ET
AL., Defendant(s).

Pursuant to a Judgment of
Foreclosure and Sale duly filed on
March 28, 2016, I, the undersigned
Referee will sell at public auction at the
Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600,
851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on
February 27, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.,
premises known as 179 Mosholu
Parkway A/K/A 179 E Mosholu Parkway
N, Bronx, NY. All that certain plot, piece
or parcel of land, with the buildings and
improvements thereon erected, situate,
lying and being in the Borough of Bronx,
County of Bronx, City and State of New
York, Block 3335 and Lot 139.

Approximate amount of judgment is
\$791,300.24 plus interest and costs.
Premises will be sold subject to
provisions of filed Judgment Index #
35079/2013E.

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, the Mortgagee's
attorney, or the Referee.

Philip Wayne Coleman, Esq.,
Referee

Peter T. Roach & Associates, P.C.,
6901 Jericho Turnpike, Suite 240,
Syosset, New York 11791, Attorneys for
Plaintiff

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF
BRONX

U.S. BANK, NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION, AS SUCCESSOR
TRUSTEE TO BANK OF AMERICA,
N.A., AS SUCCESSOR BY MERGER
TO LASALLE BANK, N.A. AS
TRUSTEE FOR THE
CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE
MLMI TRUST, MORTGAGE LOAN
ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES,
SERIES 2006-WMC2, Plaintiff

AGAINST
MOHAN P. JAGROOP, et al.,
Defendant(s)

Pursuant to a Judgment of
Foreclosure and Sale duly dated
December 29, 2016 I, the undersigned
Referee will sell at public auction at the
Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600,
851 Grand Concourse, City of Bronx, on
March 13, 2017 at 2:00PM, premises
known as 1147 ANDERSON AVENUE,
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 of
New York, BLOCK 2509, LOT 57.
Approximate amount of judgment
\$511,595.58 plus interest and costs.
Premises will be sold subject to
provisions of filed Judgment for Index#
381334/11.

Alberto Torres Esq., Referee
Gross Polowy, LLC
Attorney for Plaintiff
1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100
Williamsville, NY 14221

LEGAL NOTICE

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF
BRONX

U.S. BANK NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION solely in its capacity as
Trustee, as successor in interest to

WACHOVIA BANK, NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION as Trustee, Plaintiff -
against- FAMILY SUPPORT SYSTEMS
UNLIMITED, INC., et al Defendant(s).

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure
and Sale dated January 11, 2017 and
entered on January 18, 2017, I, the
undersigned Referee will sell at public
auction at the Bronx Supreme
Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand
Concourse, Bronx, NY on February 27,
2017 at 2:00 p.m. premises situate, lying
and being in the Borough and County of
The Bronx, City and State of New York,
known as Unit 1002 in the condominium
known as ("2516-2530GC
Condominium") together with an
undivided 50% percent interest in the
common elements.

Said premises known as 2516-2530
GRAND CONCOURSE, UNIT 1002,
BRONX, NY

Approximate amount of lien
\$12,712,616.67 plus interest & costs.

Premises will be sold subject to
provisions of filed Judgment and Terms
of Sale.

Index Number 35190/2015.

EDMOND J. PRYOR, ESQ., Referee
Robinson Brog Leinwand Greene
Genovese & Gluck PC.

Attorney(s) for Plaintiff
875 Third Avenue, New York, NY
10022

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME
COURT COUNTY OF BRONX

Nationstar Mortgage LLC, Plaintiff
AGAINST Donald Frances aka Donald
Francis, et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to
a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale
duly dated 11-22-2016 I, the
undersigned Referee will sell at public
auction at the Bronx Courthouse, Room
600, 851 Grand Concourse, NY on
2-27-2017 at 2:00PM, premises known
as 2221 Boller Avenue, Bronx, NY
10475. 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 the
Bronx, City and State of New York,
BLOCK: 5134, LOT: 123. Approximate
amount of judgment \$589,207.94 plus
interest and costs. Premises will be sold
subject to provisions of filed Judgment
Index#: 35410/2013E. Only cash or
certified funds payable to the Referee
will be accepted as deposit. Manuel
Sanchez Jr., Esq., Referee Frenkel
Lambert Weiss Weisman & Gordon,
LLP 53 Gibson Street Bay Shore, NY
11706 01-055421-F00

LEGAL NOTICE

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF
BRONX

U.S. BANK, NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION, AS SUCCESSOR
TRUSTEETO BANK OF AMERICA N.A.
AS SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO
LASALLE BANK, N.A., AS TRUSTEE
FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF
THE MLMI TRUST, MORTGAGE LOAN
ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES,
SERIES 2007-HE1,

V.
MYRA ROSADO AS
ADMINISTRATIX OF THE ESTATE OF
MAXINE GATHERS A/K/A MAXINE
GATHERS WHITE, et al.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
pursuant to a Final Judgment of
Foreclosure dated May 24, 2016, and
entered in the Office of the Clerk of the
County of BRONX, wherein U.S. BANK,
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS
SUCCESSOR TRUSTEETO BANK OF
AMERICA N.A. AS SUCCESSOR BY
MERGER TO LASALLE BANK, N.A.,
AS TRUSTEE FOR THE
CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE
MLMI TRUST, MORTGAGE LOAN
ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES,
SERIES 2007-HE1 is the Plaintiff and
MYRA ROSADO AS ADMINISTRATIX
OF THE ESTATE OF MAXINE
GATHERS A/K/A MAXINE GATHERS
WHITE, ET AL. are the Defendant(s). I,
the undersigned Referee will sell at
public auction at the BRONX COUNTY
COURTHOUSE, ROOM 600, 851
GRAND CONCOURSE, BRONX, NY
10451, on February 27, 2017, at 2:00
pm, premises known as 2149
PROSPECT AVENUE, BRONX, NY
10457: Block 3097 Lot 48:

ALL THAT CERTAIN PLOT, PIECE
OR PARCEL OF LAND, SITUATE,
LYING AND BEING IN THE BRONX,
CITY AND STATE OF NEW YORK

Premises will be sold subject to
provisions of filed Judgment Index #
35426/2014E. Philip W. Coleman, Esq. -
Referee. RAS Boriskin, LLC 900
Merchants Concourse, Suite 106,
Westbury, New York 11590, Attorneys
for Plaintiff



ST. RAYMONDS HOLDS SCIENCE FAIR

St. Raymond Elementary School hosted its annual science fair on Thursday, February 2 in the school's auditorium. Students from kindergarten through eighth grade whose projects were chosen as the best in their class exhibited them at the fair and made a presentation before a panel of judges. First place winners were announced the next day during an assembly.



Second grader Isabella Corniel gave a detailed explanation on how to 'remove a lime's life jacket'.

Photo by Walter Pofeldt



Sr. Patricia Brito (2nd row, l), Silvia D'Arco (3rd row, l), Sr. Josefa Marie Curcio (front, 2nd from r) and Eugene Scalon (front, r) with the first, second, third and fourth grade winners.

Photo by Aracelis Batista



Sr. Patricia Brito (front, l), Silvia D'Arco, (2nd row, l) and Eugene Scalon (2nd row, r) with the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grade winners.

Photo by Aracelis Batista



COMMUNITY SUPPORTS FORMER 49TH CO

Over 25 community members came out in support of former 49th Precinct commanding officer deputy inspector Keith Walton as he maintained his innocence in court on Tuesday, February 7. The prosecution submitted evidence which the defendant will review until the next court date on Tuesday, March 28. Walton's previous court date on Wednesday, December 14 had over 35 community members in attendance including clergy and uniformed officers to show their support for a NYPD commanding officer noted for holding police-community relations to a higher standard than his predecessors. As previously reported, Walton was indicted and arraigned in Bronx County Court before Supreme Court Justice Steven Barrett on three counts of first-degree sexual abuse, a Class D felony; two counts of forcible touching, a class A misdemeanor; three counts of third-degree sexual abuse, a class B misdemeanor; official misconduct, a class A misdemeanor and second-degree harassment, a violation for the alleged sexual abuse of a female officer.

(Above) Community and clergy members from the 46th and 49th precincts lent their full support for former 49th Precinct commanding officer Walton (2nd row, 2nd from l) in front of Bronx County Hall of Justice.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF
BRONX
NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC,
Plaintiff

AGAINST
Donna Farago AKA Donna M.
Farago, Lisa Marie Farago, et al.,
Defendant(s)

Pursuant to a Judgment of
Foreclosure and Sale duly dated
December 06, 2016 I, the undersigned
Referee will sell at public auction at the
Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600,
851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, New
York, on March 13, 2017 at 2:00PM,
premises known as 41 PENNYFIELD
CAMP, BRONX, NY 10465. 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 5519, LOT
167. Approximate amount of judgment
\$354,028.43 plus interest and costs.
Premises will be sold subject to
provisions of filed Judgment for Index#
35104/2013E.

Pierre M. Janvier Esq., Referee
Gross Polowy, LLC
Attorney for Plaintiff
1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100
Williamsville, NY 14221

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF
BRONX

HSBC Bank USA, National
Association, as Trustee for Nomura
Asset Acceptance Corporation
Mortgage Pass-through Certificates,
Series 2007-3, Plaintiff

AGAINST
Veejai Rajaram; et al., Defendant(s)

Pursuant to a Judgment of
Foreclosure and Sale duly dated
October 7, 2014 I, the undersigned
Referee will sell at public auction at the
Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600,
851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, New York
on February 27, 2017 at 2:00PM,
premises known as 1237 Boynton
Avenue, Bronx, NY 10472. 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 3773 Lot 59.
Approximate amount of judgment
\$528,123.79 plus interest and costs.
Premises will be sold subject to
provisions of filed Judgment Index#
381087-12.

Michael H. Maizes, Esq., Referee
Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC
Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff
175 Mile Crossing Boulevard
Rochester, New York 14624
(877) 759-1835
Dated: May 6, 2016- #90402

LEGAL NOTICE

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF
BRONX

INDY MAC BACK, FSB,
V.
MOHAMMAD R. ISLAM, et al.
NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
pursuant to a Final Judgment of
Foreclosure dated July 2, 2010, and
entered in the Office of the Clerk of the
County of BRONX, wherein INDY MAC

BACK, FSB are the Plaintiff and
MOHAMMAD R. ISLAM, ET AL. are the
Defendant(s). I, the undersigned
Referee will sell at public auction at the
BRONX COUNTY COURTHOUSE,
ROOM 600, 851 GRAND
CONCOURSE, BRONX, NY 10451, on
March 13, 2017 at 2pm, premises
known as 1243 COLLEGE AVENUE,
BRONX, NY 10456: Block 2439 Lot 67:

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

Premises will be sold subject to
provisions of filed Judgment Index #
380751/2008. Joseph Maria, Esq. -
Referee. RAS Boriskin, LLC 900
Merchants Concourse, Suite 106,
Westbury, New York 11590, Attorneys
for Plaintiff

LEGAL NOTICE

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF
BRONX

OCWEN LOAN SERVICING, LLC,
Plaintiff against
BENJAMIN ADEGBITE,
CATHERINE ADEGBITE, DLUFEMI
ADEGBITE, et al Defendant(s).

Pursuant to a Judgment of
Foreclosure and Sale entered on
November 3, 2016.

I, the undersigned Referee will sell at
public auction at the Bronx County
Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse,
Room 600, Bronx, N.Y. on the 27th day
of February, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. premises
described as follows: All that 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.

Said premises known as 4006 Bronx
Boulevard, Bronx, N.Y. 10466.
(Block: 4821, Lot: 34).

Approximate amount of lien \$
635,682.23 plus interest and costs.

Premises will be sold subject to
provisions of filed judgment and terms of
sale.

Index No.: 381596/08. Howard
Vargas, Esq., Referee.

McCabe, Weisberg, & Conway, P.C.
Attorney(s) for Plaintiff
145 Huguenot Street - Suite 210
New Rochelle, New York 10801
(914) 636-8900

LEGAL NOTICE

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF
BRONX

OCWEN LOAN SERVICING, LLC,
V.
FRANCES BROWN, et al.

NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

pursuant to a Final Judgment of
Foreclosure dated March 9, 2016, and
entered in the Office of the Clerk of the
County of BRONX, wherein OCWEN
LOAN SERVICING, LLC is the Plaintiff
and FRANCES BROWN, ET AL. are the
Defendant(s). I, the undersigned
Referee will sell at public auction at the
BRONX COUNTY COURTHOUSE,
ROOM 600, 851 GRAND
CONCOURSE, BRONX, NY 10451, on
February 27, 2017, at 2:00 pm,
premises known as 1007 EAST 217TH
STREET, BRONX, NY 10469: Block
4700 Lot 27:

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

Premises will be sold subject to
provisions of filed Judgment Index #
382885/2009. Harold B. Beeler, Esq.-
Referee. RAS Boriskin, LLC 900
Merchants Concourse, Suite 106,
Westbury, New York 11590, Attorneys
for Plaintiff

LEGAL NOTICE

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF
BRONX

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. AS
TRUSTEE FOR OPTION ONE
MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2005-4,
ASSET BACKED CERTIFICATES,
SERIES 2005-4, Plaintiff, against
EMMANUEL UFOMADUH A/K/A
EMMANUEL E. UFOMADUH,
ROSEMARY UFOMADUH, et al
Defendant(s).

Pursuant to a Judgment of
Foreclosure and Sale entered on
November 17, 2016.

I, the undersigned Referee will sell at
public auction at the Bronx County
Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse,
Room 600, Bronx, N.Y. on the 27th day
of February, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. premises
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.

Said premises known as 4602 Bronx
Boulevard, Bronx, N.Y. 10470.

(Block: 5078, Lot: 9).

Approximate amount of lien \$
568,405.08 plus interest and costs.

Premises will be sold subject to
provisions of filed judgment and terms of
sale.

Index No.: 380996-12. Daniel
Padernacht, Esq., Referee.

McCabe, Weisberg, & Conway, P.C.
Attorney(s) for Plaintiff
145 Huguenot Street - Suite 210
New Rochelle, New York 10801
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LEGAL NOTICE

New York City Department of
Transportation

Notice of Public Hearing

The New York City Department of
Transportation will hold a public hearing
on Wednesday February 22, 2017 at
2:00 P.M., at 55 Water St., 9th FL.,
Room 945 on the following petitions for
revocable consent in the Borough of the
Bronx.

#1Montefiore Medical Center - to
continue to maintain and use a tunnel
under and across Bainbridge Ave., north
of E 210th St.

#2Montefiore Medical Center - to
continue to maintain and use conduits
under and across Rochambeau Ave.,
Steuben Ave., Wayne Ave., and E 210th
St.

Interested parties can obtain a copy
of the proposed agreements or request
a sign-language interpreter (with at least
seven days prior notice) at 55 Water St.,
9 FL., New York, NY 10041, or by calling
(212) 839-6550.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST
RELEASE OF FUNDS NORTH TOWER
FIREHOUSE RESILIENCY
IMPROVEMENTS

1 Adeo Drive, Edgewater Park,
Bronx, NY 10465 Name of Responsible
Entity and Recipient: New York State
Homes and Community Renewal
(HCR), 38-40

State Street, Hampton Plaza,
Albany, NY 12207, in cooperation with
the New York State Housing Trust Fund
Corporation (HTFC), of the same
address. Contact: Lori A. Shirley
(518) 474-0755. The Governor's Office
of Storm Recovery (GOSR), an office of
HCR's HTFC, is responsible for the
direct administration of the United
States Department of Housing and
Urban Development (HUD) Community
Development Block Grant - Disaster
Recovery (CDBG-DR) program in New
York State.

On or about February 22, 2017, the
HCR certifying officer will submit a
request and certification to HUD for the
release of CDBG-DR funds appropriated
under Public Law 113-2, as amended
and as authorized by related laws and
policies for the purpose of implementing
the New York CDBG-DR Action Plan.

Project Description: GOSR proposes
to provide CDBG-DR funding to The
North Tower Firehouse Resiliency
Improvement Project (Proposed Project)
which involves the installation of fixed
backup generator and rehabilitation of
the North Tower Firehouse located in
Edgewater Park, New York. The
Proposed Project would include
construction activities designed to flood
proof the facility in order to strengthen it
against future storms and enhance
maintenance and operation of the facility
during flood, extreme weather, and
other emergency events. The proposed
project is needed to assist in the overall
recovery of the community of Edgewater
Park from the effects of Superstorm
Sandy. During the storm, Edgewater
Park and surrounding neighborhoods
were battered by wave surges resulting
in a storm surge which caused
substantial flooding to many of the roads
in the community, leaving residents
isolated during the storm. Hardening of
the facility would allow the Edgewater
Park community to better withstand
extreme conditions during future storm
events.

The estimated total HUD funded
amount would be \$1,645,000.

The Proposed Project is
categorically excluded from the National
Environmental Policy Act of 1969
(NEPA) by HUD regulations at 24
C.F.R. Part 58. An Environmental
Review Record (ERR) that documents
the environmental determinations for
this project is on file and available for
review and copying in person Monday -
Friday, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM at the
following address: Governor's Office of
Storm Recovery, 99 Washington
Avenue, Suite 1224, Albany, New York
12260. Contact: Lori A. Shirley
(518) 474-0755. The ERR is also
available upon written request by post or
email.

25 Beaver Street, New York, NY
10004 ; Recovery Hotline: 1-855- NYS-
Sandy ;www.stormrecovery.ny.gov

Public Review: Public viewing is
available in person Monday - Friday,
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM at the following
address: Governor's Office of Storm
Recovery, NYSHCR, 38-40 State Street,
Albany, New York 12207. Contact: Lori
A. Shirley (518) 474-0755.

Further information or a copy of the

ERR may be requested by writing to the
above address, emailing
NYS-CDBG_DR_ER@nys-hcr.org or by
calling (518) 474-0755. This combined
notice is being sent to individuals and
groups known to be interested in these
activities, local news media, appropriate
local, state and federal agencies, the
regional office of the U.S. Environmental
Protection Agency having jurisdiction,
and to the HUD Field Office, and is
being published in a newspaper of
general circulation in the affected
community.

Public Comments on NOIRROF: Any
individual, group or agency may submit
written comments on the Project.
Comments should be submitted via
email, in the proper format, on or before
February 21, 2017 at
NYS-CDBG_DR_ER@nys-hcr.org.
Written comments may also be
submitted at the following address, or by
mail, in the proper format, to be received
on or before February 21, 2017:
Governor's Office of Storm Recovery,
99 Washington Avenue, Suite 1224,
Albany, New York 12260. Comments
may be received by telephone by
contacting Lori A. Shirley
(518) 474-0755. All comments must be
received on or before 5pm on February
21, 2017 or they will not be considered.
If modifications result from public
comment, these will be made prior to
proceeding with the expenditure of
funds.

Environmental Certification: HCR
certifies to HUD that Lori A. Shirley, in
her capacity as Certifying Officer,
consents to accept the jurisdiction of the
U.S. federal courts if an action is
brought to enforce responsibilities in
relation to the environmental review
process and that these responsibilities
have been satisfied. HUD's approval of
the certification satisfies its
responsibilities under NEPA and related
laws and authorities, and allows GOSR
to use CDBG-DR program funds.

Objection to Release of Funds: HUD
will accept objections to its release of
funds and GOSR's certification for a
period of fifteen days following the
anticipated submission date or its actual
receipt of the request (whichever is
later). Potential objectors may contact
HUD or the GOSR Certifying Officer to
verify the actual last day of the objection
period.

The only permissible grounds for
objections claiming a responsible
entity's non-compliance with 24 CFR
Part 58 are: (a) Certification was not
executed by HCR's Certifying Officer;
(b) the responsible entity has omitted a
step or failed to make a decision or
finding required by HUD regulations at
24 CFR Part 58; (c) the responsible
entity or has committed funds or
incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR
Part 58 before release of funds and
approval of environmental certification;
or (d) another Federal agency acting
pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has
submitted a written finding that the
project is unsatisfactory from the
standpoint of environmental quality.

Objections must be prepared and
submitted in accordance with the
required procedures (24 CFR Part 58)
and shall be addressed to Tennille
Smith Parker, Director, Disaster
Recovery and Special Issues Division,
Office of Block Grant Assistance, U.S.
Department of Housing & Urban
Development, 451 7 th Street SW,
Washington, DC 20410, Phone:
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LEGAL NOTICE

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE
OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF BRONX

INDEX NO. 35782/2015E

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE
ASSOCIATION ("FANNIE MAE"), A
CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND
EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff, Plaintiff designates BRONX
as the place of trial situs of the real
property

vs

THE HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTEES
OF THE ESTATE OF ROSELYN
SMITH; DOROTHY PRICE
BIEGELSON, AS HEIR AND
DISTRIBUTEES OF THE ESTATE OF
ROSELYN SMITH, any and all persons
unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who
may claim to have an interest in, or
general or specific lien upon the real
property described in this action; such
unknown persons being herein
generally described and intended to be
included in the following designation,
namely: the wife, widow, husband,
widower, heirs at law, next of kin,
descendants, executors, administrators,
devises, legatees, creditors, trustees,
committees, lienors, and assignees of
such deceased, any and all persons
deriving interest in or lien upon, or title
to said real property by, through or
under them, or either of them, and their
respective wives, widows, husbands,
widowers, heirs at law, next of kin,
descendants, executors, administrators,
devises, legatees, creditors, trustees,
committees, lienors and assigns, all of
whom and whose names, except as
stated, are unknown to plaintiff; THE
BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE
PARK CHESTER NORTH
CONDOMINIUM.

"JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN
DOE #12," the last twelve names being
fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the
persons or parties intended being the
tenants, occupants, persons or
corporations, if any, having or claiming
an interest in or lien upon the premises,
described in the complaint,
Defendants.

SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS
Mortgaged Premises:
1605 METROPOLITAN AVENUE,
UNIT 4H, BRONX, NY 10462

Block: 3944 Lot: 3741

To the above named Defendants
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to
answer the complaint in this action and
to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the
complaint is not served with this
summons, to serve a notice of
appearance on the Plaintiff's Attorney

within 20 days after the service of this
summons, exclusive of the day of
service (or within 30 days after the
service is complete if this summons is
not personally delivered to you within
the State of New York) in the event the
United States of America is made a
party defendant, the time to answer for
the said United States of America shall
not expire until (60) days after service of
the Summons; and in case of your
failure to appear or answer, judgment
will be taken against you by default for
the relief demanded in the complaint.

NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION
AND RELIEF SOUGHT

THE OBJECT of the above caption
action is to foreclose a Consolidated
Mortgage to secure the sum of
\$114,000.00 and interest, recorded on
April 18, 2008, in CRFN:
2008000155953, of the Public Records
of BRONX County, New York, covering
premises known as 1605
METROPOLITAN AVENUE, UNIT 4H,
BRONX, NY 10462.

The relief sought in the within action
is a final judgment directing the sale of
the premises described above to satisfy
the debt secured by the Mortgage
described above.

BRONX County is designated as the
place of trial because the real property
affected by this action is located in said
county.

THIS SPACE IS INTENTIONALLY
LEFT BLANK

NOTICE
YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING
YOUR HOME

If you do not respond to this
summons and complaint by serving a
copy of the answer on the attorney for
the mortgage company who filed this
foreclosure proceeding against you and
filing the answer with the court, a default
judgment may be entered and you can
lose your home.

Speak to an attorney or go to the
court where your case is pending for
further information on how to answer the
summons and protect your property.

Sending a payment to the mortgage
company will not stop the foreclosure
action.

YOU MUST RESPOND BY
SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER
ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE
PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY)
AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE
COURT.

HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS IN
FORECLOSURE; New York State law
requires that we send you this notice
about the foreclosure process. Please
read it carefully. SUMMONS AND
COMPLAINT You are in danger of
losing your home. If you fail to respond
to the Summons and Complaint in this
Foreclosure Action, you may lose your
home. Please read the Summons and
Complaint carefully. You should
immediately contact an attorney of your

local legal aid office to obtain advice on
how to protect yourself. SOURCES OF
INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE
The State encourages you to become
informed about your options in
foreclosure. In addition to seeking
assistance from an attorney or legal aid
office, there are government agencies
and non-profit organizations that you
may contact for information about
possible options, including trying to work
with your lender during this process. To
locate an entity near you, you may call
the toll-free helpline maintained by the
New York State Department of Financial
Services' at 1-800-269-0990 or visit the
Department's website at
<http://www.dfs.ny.gov>. FORECLOSURE
RESCUE SCAMS Be careful of people
who approach you with offers to "save"
your home. There are individuals who
watch for notices of foreclosure actions
in order to unfairly profit from a
homeowner's distress. You should be
extremely careful about any such
promises and any suggestions that you
pay them a fee or sign over your deed.
State law requires anyone offering such
services for profit to enter into a contract
which fully describes the services they
will perform and fees they will charge,
and which prohibits them from taking
any money from you until they have
completed all such promised services.

Dated: September 2, 2016
RAS BORISKIN, LLC
Attorney for Plaintiff
BY:
Natalia Roban, Esq.
900 Merchants Concourse, Suite
106
Westbury, NY 11590
(516) 280-7675

LEGAL NOTICE

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE
OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF BRONX
SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS AND
NOTICE Index No. 260353-14 Borough:
Bronx

Block: 4704 Lot: 46 NYCTL 1998-2
TRUST AND THE BANK OF NEW
YORK MELLON, AS COLLATERAL
AGENT AND CUSTODIAN, Plaintiffs, v.
The heirs-at-law, next of kin,
distributees, executors, administrators,
assignees, lienors, creditors,
successors-in-interest and generally all
persons having or claiming under, by
or through MARION MILLS A/K/A
MARION CYPRESS, by purchase,
inheritance, lien or otherwise of any
right, title or interest in and to the
premises described in the complaint
herein, and all creditors thereof, and
the respective husbands, or widowers
of hers, if any, all of whose names and
addresses are unknown to Plaintiffs;
NEW YORK CITY PARKING
VIOLATIONS BUREAU; NEW YORK
CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL
BOARD; NEW YORK STATE

DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND
FINANCE; UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA; RICHARD MILLS and
"JOHN DOE #2" through "JOHN DOE
#100", the names of the last 99
defendants being fictitious, the true
names of said defendants being
unknown to plaintiff, it being intended to
designate fee owners, tenants or
occupants of the lien premises and/or
persons or parties having or claiming an
interest in or lien upon the lien
premises, if the aforesaid individual
defendants are living, and if any or all of
said individual defendants be dead, their
heirs at law, next of kin, distributees,
executors, administrators, trustees,
committees, devisees, legatees, and the
assignees, lienors, creditors and
successors in interest of them, and
generally all persons having or claiming
under, by, through, or against the said
defendants named as a class, of any
right, title or interest in or lien upon the
premises described in the complaint
herein, Defendants. TO THE ABOVE
NAMED DEFENDANTS: YOU ARE
HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the
second amended complaint in the
above-entitled foreclosure action, and to
serve a copy of your answer on Plaintiffs
attorney within thirty (30) days after the
service of this supplemental summons,
exclusive of the day of service or within
thirty (30) days after completion of
service where service is made in any
other manner than by personal service
within the State. The United States of
America, if designated as a defendant in
this action, may answer or appear within
sixty (60) days of service hereof. In
case of your failure to appear or answer,
judgment will be taken against you by
default for the relief demanded in the
second amended complaint. Bronx
County is designated as the place of
trial. The basis of venue is the location
of the subject premises. Dated:
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Daydreaming

Many people will admit to daydreaming behind the wheel or looking at a person or object outside of the car for too long. Per-

haps they're checking out a house in a new neighborhood or thought they saw someone they knew on the street corner. It can be easy to veer into the direction your eyes are focused, causing an accident. In addition to trying to stay focused on the road, some drivers prefer the help of lane departure warning systems.

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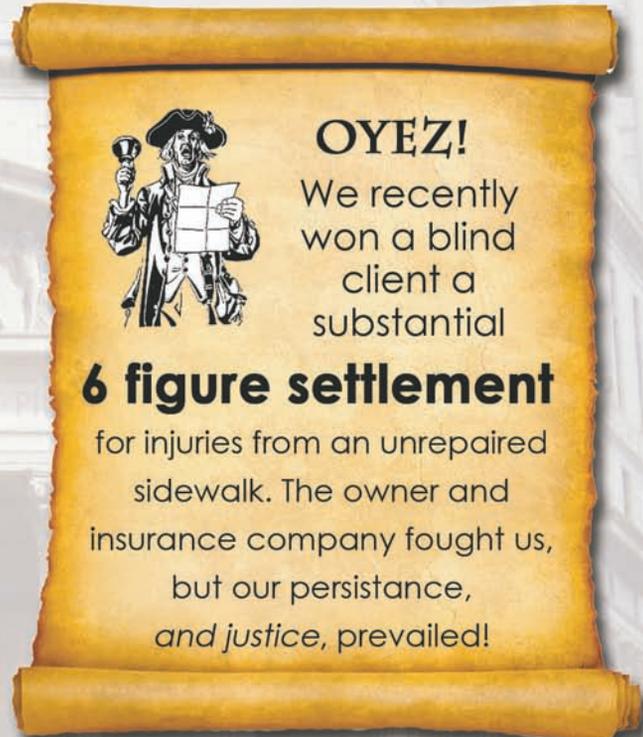
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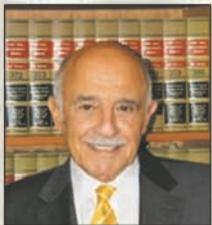
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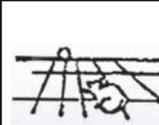
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Not so fast, pols to Blaz; questions arise over Rodman's Neck upgrade

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ensure that the reduction is significant.

Another priority that all three lawmakers stated they would like to see addressed is the future of the NYPD bomb detonation unit, which is currently housed at Rodman's Neck.

"There is still a lot more to do, such as cleaning up the contamination of our soil and water way and finding another home for the bomb detonation unit," said Benedetto.

Given the fact that the range was slated in 2007 to be moved to Queens, a plan that was later scuttled, some on City Island are doubtful that the sound remediation will even occur.

"Anything to get more information (on the plan) is helpful," said John Doyle, a CICA board member, adding "until there is a shovel in the ground," there should not be any celebration.

He believes that future mayors during the ten-year time frame, he or she could remove the funding for all or part of the Rodman's Neck project even if it is allocated in this coming year's fiscal budget.



Mayor de Blasio examines bullet resistant windows on police cars with James O'Neill, NYPD commissioner and cops at Rodman's Neck. This was before a press conference on Wednesday, February 1 where the mayor spoke of the future of Rodman's Neck and a possible \$275 million budget allocation for the major reconstruction of the NYPD facility.

Photo courtesy of Mayor de Blasio's office

that gunfire noise in nearby communities could be reduced to ambient levels, and thinks the construction of six new pistol ranges with sound baffling, a part of a much larger project, should be completed earlier on.

"The (gun noise) has been something that City Islanders have had to suffer and bear for an awful long time," said Klein. "If we can alleviate that as quickly as possible, that is really our top priority."

The senator also wants to see an environmental impact statement on the surrounding community.

For Assemblyman Mark Gjonaj, who said he lived on City Island for over a decade, environmental concerns and the overall effectiveness of sound mitigation stemming from the project are top issues.

"Our concern is that we make sure that \$275 million is going to cover everything, and that the money is spent wisely," said Gjonaj, added he wants to

2 mosques planned for CB 11 area

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quality of life issues the new mosque may bring if built on a very narrow

one-way street like Amethyst.

"A bigger building there will mean more people and less room," he said.



Plans to convert a house at 2501 Laconia Avenue into a mosque have stalled.

Community News Group/Arthur Cusano

"During services there will be more people and more traffic. There is no parking, and people will park illegally, or they might leave garbage."

Macmias said area business owners have offered to let congregation members park in their parking lots on Fridays afternoons, and that many members walk.

The majority of the members live within a mile of both sites in the area around Rhinelander Avenue that has become a hotspot for halal restaurants, markets and retail stores.

But Macmias said the congregation has worked to fit into the diverse Van Nest community.

"They are very conscientious neighbors," he said. "They are trying to do the best they can for the community and for their own members."

Meanwhile, plans for another mosque at 2501 Laconia Avenue in Allerton seem to have stalled in the application process.

The two-story brick house, located at 2501 Laconia Avenue, sits at the busy intersection with Mace Avenue and is two blocks away from a stretch of Williamsbridge Road with a strong retail presence.

A United States Post Office and the popular Mazzei playground are also nearby, making parking spaces an already precious commodity.

The property is zoned R4.

The home was purchased by Sagir Chaudhry in April of 2015, who submitted plans to convert the building into a mosque in March of last year.

That permit was rejected by the NYC Department of Buildings on Monday, January 9 due to the application being incomplete at the time of the scheduled plan exam, according to a department spokesman.

Chaudhry can schedule another examination once the application is complete.

He could not be reached for comment.

Warneke said inspectors found work had been done to remove a wall and staircase in the home without a permit, and that a complaint had been filed in December.

He said he was waiting on an update on the project from the DOB.

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BY LAURA AMATO

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ing the right things on and off the court."

Severe's basketball education began at Christ the King, leading the Royals to a Federation title as a senior. He was also named a Parade All-American and New York's Mr. Basketball, the state's highest honor, wrapping up his career with over 1,100 points.

"Christ the King was always a great program and they always find a way to win," Severe said. "There's just a ton of talent in that team. It really helped shape me as a player."

Severe learned even more at the college level – fine-tuning his game and his offensive presence to become one of the most dominant scorers in Fordham history. He set the Rams freshman scoring record with a whopping 536

points and, as a junior last season, racked up 10 games with double-digit points.

Severe credits his determination to learn more about the game for helping him on the court. He's worked on his shooting technique for as long as he can remember, but, as far as Severe is concerned, there's always room for improvement.

"I think I've improved my shot selection," he said. "It's easier to tell what's a good shot and what's a bad shot now. I'm still trying to be a bit more defensive-minded as a guard though, just trying to get better over all."

Severe graduated from Fordham in three years with a degree in communications, but he still wanted a brand-new challenge and it found it

– at Iona.

He's had to work to find a place in the Gaels starting lineup, but Severe believes he's hit his stride over the last few weeks. His 11.3 points per game are second on the team in scoring and Severe saw action in all of the team's first 23 games.

He's still learning, but he's also having some fun.

"I thought the team was really good for my style of play. I've had fun playing here," Severe said. "It's a score-first program and that's my kind of mentality."

Severe has been around the basketball block over the last decade or so and, now that he's at Iona, he's doing his best to impart a few of those lessons on to his teammates. The student, in this case, has become

the teacher.

"I've been in just about every situation on a basketball court," Severe said. "So I try to help the freshman out and help out teammates who haven't seen certain things before. I kind of see that as my role."

Severe has one more thing he'd like to learn at Iona – how to win a championship. The Gaels are the favorites to repeat as Metro Athletic champions and Severe is determined for one final basketball test on the national stage.

And he's ready to work for it.

"I've just been trying to come to practice every day and play hard," Severe said. "That's always been my mentality. I want to be consistent, come out and take over."

Eagle star doesn't let injury slow him down

BY LAURA AMATO

It hurt – that was the only thing DeMarley Smith could think.

It hurt and it was bleeding – a lot.

The Eagle Academy senior guard looked down at his hands a few weeks ago – in the middle of a league matchup at Gompers – and realized he had to get off the court. His hand had been stepped on, split open between his middle and ring finger and seven stitches later, Smith is still doing his best to ignore just how much it hurts.

He's also still playing basketball.

"I went up for a loose ball and the kid stepped on my hand," said Smith, who is averaging just over 18 points per game. "The doctors told me I wouldn't be able to play for like two weeks. But there were a lot of important games coming up though, so I just had to play. I wanted to play."

Smith, eventually, got off the court after his initial injury, but he refused to miss another moment with his team. In fact, he scored a team-high 20 points in the Eagles' very next matchup – an 81-73 victory over Wadleigh Secondary School.

It wasn't an easy return – Smith injured his shooting hand – but he and the coaching staff at Eagle did their best to make sure he could, at least, still grip the ball.

"They try to cushion it as much as possible and wrap it," Smith said. "They keep some of my fingers free so I can spread my fingers when I shoot."

Smith wasn't particularly concerned with re-aggravating his injury – confident in the amount of gauze and tape he has wrapped around his hand every

time he plays – he was simply determined to be an asset to his team. That is, after all, the role he's assumed for the Eagles this season.

"It's my last year," Smith said. "You've got to go hard. I don't feel like I have a real specific job, but I try to be a leader. I'm always trying to do whatever I can to help us win, no matter it takes."

Smith did his best to make sure his game didn't change at all, despite the injury and the stitches, trying to will himself to ignore how much it still hurt to shoot the ball. He didn't mind as much, however, when the ball kept going in.

"I've just got to stay focused and try to play through it," Smith said. "It depends on the game, sometimes it hurts and sometimes it doesn't. If the defender is playing me real close, if he's rough, then it starts to hurt and throb and stuff. I just try to play through it."

Smith's stitches came out on Feb. 7 and as far as he's concerned, it's just in time. After all, he's got more shots to make and a playoff run to help spark.

The Eagles have their sights set on a borough championship first and then are determined to make a run at a city title and Smith knows he needs to bring his best game – and shooting stroke – to lead the charge. It might still hurt to shoot, but Smith isn't letting that slow him down. He's got games to win.

"The playoffs are about to start and nothing is going to hold me back," he said. "We want to win the city, but we really want to win the boroughs.



Eagle Academy senior guard DeMarley Smith has played through injury for the last two weeks, but he hasn't let that keep him off the court. CNG/Laura Amato

Sweet 16: Fordham football announces incoming freshman class

BY LAURA AMATO

Sixteen players, eight different states, one goal – winning football games. Fordham University announced the commitment of 16 players as part of National Singing Day on Feb. 1, bringing in athletes from across the country as the Rams look to make a return to the postseason next year.

"We are thrilled to welcome the 16 new student-athletes to our program," said Rams coach Andrew Breiner in a statement released by the team.

"This group has great potential and brings a wealth of speed and size to our team," he added. "We can't wait for them to arrive on campus this summer and help us build on the tremendous accomplishments of the past four years."

The new class features seven defensive players, seven offensive players and two special teams standouts, including six signees from the state of Connecticut.

The complete signing list is: Marcus Alleyne (DB); Will Conley (OL); Glenn Cunningham (LB); Zach Davis

(RB); Anthony Diodato (DL); Hamze Elzayat (WR); Jack Gildea (TE); Hunter Harris (WR); Jeremy Iperati (LB); Mike Marinelli (DL); Andrew Mevis (K/P); Sawyer Schwarz (DL); Ellis Taylor (DL); Jake Trautman (OL); Paul Williams (LS) and Nick Zakelj (OL).

The group all boast a handful of high school accolades and many led their team's to postseason glory as seniors last fall. Davis, in particular, brings an impressive resume to the Bronx after earning All-American

honors from Max Preps at Sheehan High School in Connecticut.

Fordham's incoming freshman group will join 14 returning starters for the 2017 season.

Amongst those starters is rising senior running back Chase Edmonds, who will once again be the focal point of the Rams offense – and the unquestioned on-field leader for the freshman-16.

Edmonds led the NCAA FCS in rushing yards per game (163.5) and was second in total rushing yards.

He also finished second in all-purpose yards per game (194.6) and finished just 39 yards shy of his own single-season yards record.

The Rams will try to improve upon last season's success – their first year under Breiner – finishing fourth in the FCS in total offense and first in the Patriot League in points per game.

Fordham opens up the 2017 football season – and it's 118th season of varsity football – on Friday, Sept. 1 as the squad faces off against Army at West Point.

Jones heading to Rutgers after senior-season comeback

BY LAURA AMATO

If Shameen Jones is being totally honest with himself, he was a little nervous this moment wouldn't ever come. In fact, just a few months ago, he was nervous he wouldn't ever get back on the football field.

The Cardinal Hayes wide receiver, who suffered a knee injury before his senior season, refused to give into his pain or his doubt, working harder and longer than he has in his entire career and, on Feb. 1, it all paid off. Jones, surrounded by family, friends and coaches, signed his National Letter of Intent to play college football at Rutgers University.

"I realized after a while I have to get myself together and get back on the field to help my team," Jones said. "I made it happen. We won the championship and now I'm making a bigger milestone in my life."

Jones missed the entire regular season at Hayes and spending the year on the sideline was a devastating blow for the star. He was frustrated, unable to compete with his teammates, and, even more importantly, worried that he might miss out on the opportunity to compete at the next level.

Jones had only just verbally committed to Rutgers before getting in-

jured and his first concern was that the school wouldn't be quite as interested once they heard the news.

The Scarlet Knights, however, surprised Jones – they stuck with him, supporting his rehab regiment and providing a pillar of support when things got difficult.

"I was scared they were going to pull the scholarship," Jones said. "I stayed with Rutgers because they stuck with me and put faith in the process." Of course, that process was far from easy.

Jones didn't always enjoy rehab, didn't appreciate the hours in the gym or the time spent trying to strengthen his knee, but it all paid off when he, finally, managed to get back on the field.

He suited up for Hayes in the 'AAA' championship and capped off his improbable comeback story with a storybook ending – hauling in the game-winning touchdown reception to lift the Cardinals to their first-ever 'AAA' city title.

"My favorite thing to say about the championship game and he didn't he play a good game except for that game winning touchdown at the end," Hayes coach CJ O'Neil said. "We called a timeout and it was third down and 8, we



Cardinal Hayes wide receiver Shameen Hayes (left) signed his NLI to Rutgers University on Feb. 1, capping off a comeback season for the gridiron standout. CNG/Laura Amato

were deciding what to do and Christian [Anderson] and Shameen, they were on their own page and made a big decision to override myself and the offensive coordinator and we all agreed when we left that timeout. It was great to see."

Jones and Anderson teamed up one more time during their NLI signings – with the quarterback cementing his future at Army after one of the most prolific passing seasons in Hayes history.

It was a picture-perfect moment for

Jones, a metaphorical bow on the gift this season actually ended up being. It wasn't always easy and he wasn't always certain, but Jones knows, if he can conquer this injury and that doubt, he can do just about anything – even grab a few more touchdown passes against Big 10 competition.

"Its just another time to compete," Jones said. "I feel like everyone on the schedule is a step to get better there is no fear or disregard for any team but I just want to get better on the college level."

Velocity Track Club New York highlights

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Velocity Track Club New York racks up awards at the USATF Connecticut Youth Indoor Invitational at the Floyd Little Athletic Center, New Haven CT and the YMCA Youth Series at the Brooklyn Armory on February 5th, 2017. Most of our 14 & under children went to the New Haven CT for the USATF Youth Invitation. The following events were contested: 55, 200 (8 & under only), 400, 800, 1500 and 3000 meters, shot put, long jump, high jump, pole vault and 55 meter hurdles. Medals were given to the top 3 athletes in their event / age division & gender. Most of the best teams north of New York City were competing. I'm pleased to note that we won 18 medals (3 Gold, 7 Silver and 8 Bronze)

The following student athletes won medals: In the 8 & under boy's division: Justice Wilmington won a silver medal in the 400 meters race. Malik Smith, bronze medal in the shot put. In the Girl's 9 & 10 age division, Saniah Caldwell won bronze medals in the 400 & 800 meters race. In the Boy's 9 & 10 division, Pierce Parker won gold medals in the 1500 and 800 meters race. Dillon Hampton won Silver in 1500 meters and bronze in the 800 meter race.



Velocity Track Club's 2017 Colgate Women's Games finalist.

Kassir Gayle won a bronze in the shot put. In the girl's 11 & 12 division, Aysya Brown won silver medal in the 400 meters and bronze in the 800 meters. Adonijah Washington won a sil-

ver medal in the 800 meter race walk and Messiah Jean won a silver medal in the girl's 13 & 14 age division 800 meter race walk. In the 11 & 12 division: Dontae Lindo won gold in the 800 meter and silver in the 1500 meters race. Matthiaius Love-Anderson won bronze medal in the shot put. Kyle Reinoso won a silver medal in the 55 meter dash. In the boy's 13 & 14 age division, Kabir Gaydarik won bronze medal in the high jump. Great job to all that competed.

At the YMCA Youth Series, where our 15 & older athletes attended with some of our younger athletes. The following events were contested: LJ-11-12 & 13-14 Only, HJ-9/10 & 15-18 Only, 4x800-11/12, 13/14, 15-18 Only, 200 meters, 1500 meters, 400 meters, 4x200-Parent/Coach Relay 4x200-All Divisions. Medals went to the top 5 individuals and top 3 relays in all divisions. Most of the top teams from New York were competing. The following

VTC Athletes earned medals: In the girls 9 & 10 division, Dakota Hickman won a silver medal in the high jump. In the girl's 11 & 12 division, Saagi Hemmings won a gold medal in the long jump. In the girls 13 & 14 division, Hannah Gadpaille won bronze medals in the 200 and 400 meter dash. In the boy's 15 – 18 age division, Darius Gordon won a gold medal in the 400 meters. Great job to all!

Our next meet will be on Sunday, February 12th, we will be taking a charter bus to the Reggie Lewis

Track and Athletic Center in Boston, Massachusetts for the Northeast Indoor Classic.

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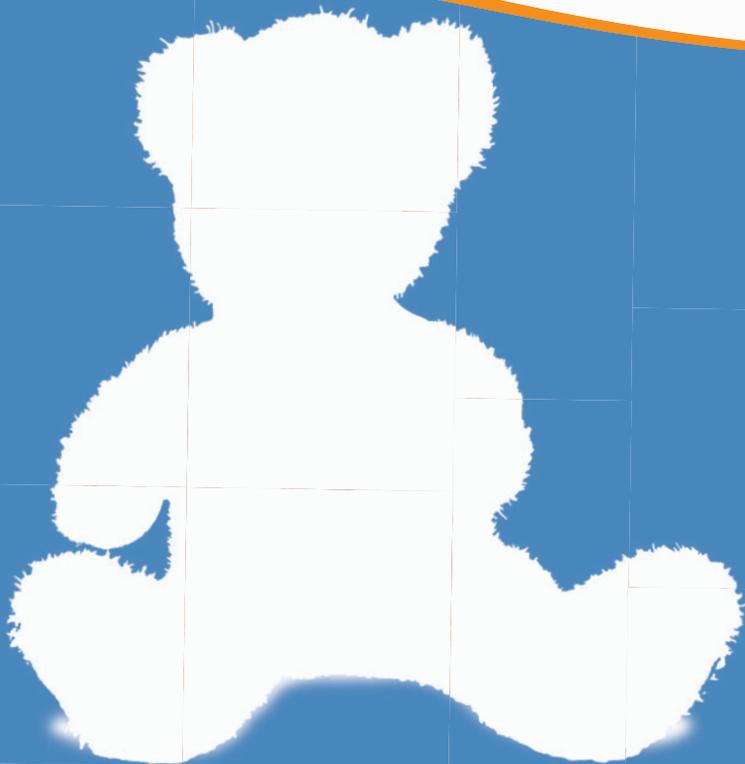
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