A BONE OF CONTENTION
Human remains exposed on Hart Is.

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO
A push to improve conditions on Hart Island, home to the city’s Potter’s Field, went into fourth gear after human remains were discovered on its off-limits beach.

The Hart Island Project, an advocacy group calling for more access to the gravesites on the island, said it has photographic evidence taken from water craft and from the air that confirms there are human bone fragments scattered on Hart Island’s northern beach.

The news comes as a campaign to get the island onto National Registry of Historic Places gains support, as the state appears to have green-lighted the designation in an October 2017 documentary study and archaeological assessment, said multiple sources.

HIP has been working with the City Island Historical Society on getting the island listed in the registry, said Barbara Dolensek, CIHS vice president.

Hart Island is rich in historical significance dating back to the Civil War, when it was a training location for Union troops and the site of a jail for prisoners of war, according to multiple sources with knowledge of the island’s history.

This month also marks the 150th anniversary of New York City’s purchase of the island, according to HIP and CIHS sources.

Melinda Hunt HIP trustee, said that according to information in possession of the organization and in media reports, 174 bones from buried indigent individuals were found exposed on an embankment on Monday, April 23 on Hart Island, located just off City Island in Long Island Sound.

The NYC Department of Corrections, which manages the island because Riker’s inmates are used to bury bodies there currently, confirmed that ‘exposure’ had taken place on the northern part of Hart Island.

A DOC spokesman stated that the agency knows that the island is subject to erosion, which is a natural process.

“The department takes the risk of exposure very seriously,” stated a DOC spokesman in an e-mail. “DOC and OCME (NYC Office of Chief

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Villa Maria’s Evening Of Champs
Villa Maria Academy saluted its elite student athletes and honored a fallen NYPD hero’s memory at its second annual Detective Steven McDonald Evening of Champions on Tuesday, April 17 and Wednesday, April 18 at the school’s Visitation Center. (l-r) Michael Bernard, VMA Physical Education director; Ryan, Kathleen and Stephen Campbell celebrated with retired professional heavyweight boxer Gerry Cooney. See photo spread on page 61.

Diaz, Serrano protest jail proposal
BY ALEX MITCHELL
Another battle in the war over Mayor de Blasio’s proposed Mott Haven jail was fought this week.

Borough President Ruben Diaz, Jr. joined Congressman Jose E. Serrano in a massive protest in front of the NYPD tow pound that would be converted into a jail if the mayor has his way, on Tuesday, May 1.

Also speaking and leading the fight was Alrine Parks, vice chair and CEO of Diego Beekman Mutual Housing.

Diego Beekman has acted as a saving grace for Mott Haven, providing affordable housing to the community and beginning its economic resurgence over recent years.

Parks had been eyeing the rubble-strewn square block for an affordable housing development, for over two years. She paraphrased a portion of the Declaration of Independence to start the protest and showcased renderings of the housing development she envisioned, prominently displayed behind her.

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A dedicated public servant who passed away much too soon received an early birthday present.

On Saturday, April 28, community leaders and elected officials joined relatives in dedicating the northwest corner of West 238th Street and Waldo Avenue as ‘Andrew Sandler Way.’

Borough President Ruben Diaz, Jr.’s office presented a proclamation to Sandler’s family declaring Saturday, April 28 as ‘Andrew Sandler Day.’

The heartfelt ceremony honored the late 31-year-old Community Board 7 district manager who passed away on Saturday, August 5, 2017 after a lengthy battle with an unspecified cancer.

Following his graduation, the Manhattan College Class of 2008 alumnus interned with Congressman Eliot Engel for a year.

From 2008 to 2009, he volunteered on former Councilman Oliver Koppell’s re-election campaign eventually leading to him to becoming Koppell’s director of community affairs.

During his tenure with the councilman, Sandler dealt with city agencies on behalf of Koppell’s 11th Council District’s residents including CB 7.

From 2014 to 2016, he worked with Koppell’s successor Councilman Andrew Cohen as his director of community affairs and constituent services.

With six years of governmental experience, Sandler oversaw many capital investment projects at Moshulu Parkway including Koppell’s $100,000 funding of energy efficient metal halide light system for the Bronx Victory World War I Memorial implemented under Cohen, Harris Field’s surface remediation, Williamsbridge Oval Park’s renovation and Whalen Park’s reconstruction.

He fought relentlessly when the Riverdale Temple required a new permit to renovate its kitchen after its old permit became invalid.

“Even here as I’m standing at this intersection, I can see the myriad of issues he worked on whether it was noise or tenant issues all within a stone’s throw from where we’re standing,” stated Cohen.

Sandler was unanimously elected as district manager during the board’s general meeting in January 2016.

On Monday, February 8, 2016, he officially began serving as a liaison for city agencies and constituents residing in Norwood, Jerome Park, University Heights, Kingsbridge, Bedford Park and Fordham.

The Kingsbridge resident succeeded Dustin Engelken who resigned in September 2015 after serving a year and a half in the position.

In early 2017, Sandler had been absent for a long duration due to an unspecified probationary issue.

He returned to work in July 2017 before resigning when his illness progressed.

His tragic passing came three weeks following his resignation.

“Andrew was a dedicated, well-informed servant of the community who was well-liked by our residents, CB 7 and elected officials,” Adaline Walker Santiago, the former CB 7 chairwoman said. “Our board unanimously supported this street renaming which honors all of the good Andrew achieved for the community.”

Sandler’s sister Stephanie described her brother as a ‘selfless’ public servant who wanted to make the Bronx a better place and give local underdogs a voice.

“In two weeks it would have been my brother’s 32nd birthday. It’s amazing how much he had accomplished in such a short amount of time,” she expressed. “He hated celebrating his birthday, but I know for a fact that he would have absolutely loved celebrating this.”
around town
by Patrick Rocchio

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Hello readers and welcome to another edition of Around Town!

Happy 106th Birthday!
Lorreta Gross celebrated her 106th birthday at Providence Rest Nursing Home with her daughter Susan Messina and one of her 11 great-grandchildren. Lorretta has six grandchildren as well.

Green-Thumb Volunteers
Pelham Bay shop owner John Scanlon of Pelham Bay Home Center is calling on community members to help him grow flowers in planters he built in 2017 to make street trees near his store at St. Theresa and Westchester avenues sparkle. Part of the planters include flowers which Scanlon said aren’t growing as he had hoped. He is looking for experienced gardeners in the community to volunteer their expertise to make the planters look their best, and in the process beautify a street in Pelham Bay. If you can help, give John a call at (718) 883-7529.

Touro College Dean
Dr. Jacob Easley, of Kingsbridge/Riverdale, was recently appointed the Dean of Touro College’s School of Education. Easley previously served as the dean of the School of Education and Professional Studies at Eastern Connecticut State University.

He was also the chairman of University of Pittsburg-Johnstown Education Division.

Serves Country In Hawaii
Ashlie Loyer, a U.S. Navy interior communications electrician from the borough is serving at the headquarters of the U.S. Pacific Fleet in Pearl Harbor-Hickham, HI as a petty officer second class. She is a 2008 graduate of Bronx School of Law and Finance.

Loyer is responsible for interior electronics as well as alarm systems, telephones, and announcement systems.
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Vigil held for fallen cyclist killed by hit n’ run driver

BY SARAH VALENZUELA

On Tuesday, May 1, a ‘ghost bike’ was placed near the Cross Bronx Expressway southbound entrance ramp on Webster Avenue.

A white-painted bicycle adorned with yellow flowers, chained to a pole, stood tribute to yet another fallen cyclist who was killed by a hit and run driver just one week earlier.

Carlos Vasquez, known by friends and family as ‘Lito,’ was riding his bike westbound on Webster Avenue, like he usually did during his free time.

“It was a hobby Vasquez did after a hard day’s work, according to his 42-year-old mother, Maria Ruiz.

Around 10:30 p.m., as he approached the intersection at Ittner Place, next to the entrance ramp for I-95, a truck hit Vasquez as the driver made a quick maneuver to enter the highway and kept going, according to police.

“He was a hard working person,” continued Ruiz as she clutched her 6-year-old son, one of Carlos’ two younger brothers who do not fully understand why their brother was no longer with them.

Ruiz said the brothers have not stopped asking where Carlos is and refuse to go to school because they keep looking for him.

“I lost my son, but in the future it could be anyone,” added Ruiz.

His mother explained Vasquez worked for a professional moving company and was not known for staying out late.

Now his family and the community are not only calling for justice, but for safer streets for bikers.

As fellow cyclists gathered with Vasquez’s family and other community leaders to mourn the death of their beloved Lito, they called on law enforcement and the city to add safety measures like speed cameras and bike lanes to address the safety of streets where speeding and reckless driving are prevalent, like along Webster Avenue.

“So many hit-and-run drivers are getting away with murder and the NYPD is not doing enough to investigate and track down those killers,” said Transportation Alternatives executive director, Paul Steely White.

“I’m heart broken and still lost for words,” said the victim’s friend Michael Torres as tears rolled down his face.

Torres said Vasquez inspired him and fellow friends to be better people, because of the type of person he was.

“Drivers need to be more careful. Look out for bikers, no matter the time of day,” Torres added. “They’re brothers, sisters, sons, daughters, fathers, mothers.”

NYC Department of Transportation plans to review the fatal intersection to determine what safety enhancements are warranted, such as installing speed cameras, according to a DOT spokesperson.

In 2013, the DOT implemented safety treatments along Webster Avenue as part of the Select Bus Service project.

“We've sent a message that it’s okay to kill someone as long as you do it in a vehicle,” said Councilman Ritchie Torres as he called for stricter enforcement of traffic laws.

“In the Bronx, we deserve the same standard of safety that’s available in the wealthiest parts of our city,” he continued.

Over the ‘ghost bike’ fellow cyclists hung balloons that spelled out 'Lito' and a white-colored sign with a bicycle painted inside a heart that read, “Cyclist Killed Here. Rest in Peace.”

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BY ALEX MITCHELL

A school on Webster Avenue is getting a first-of-its-kind renovation.

The Theater Arts Production Company School (TAPCo) has broken ground on a rooftop garden and soundstage that will be the first for any NYC Department of Education school.

On Friday, March 28, Councilman Ritchie Torres joined TAPCo principal Ron Link and others to put the ceremonial shovels in the ground to launch the project.

The project’s origin dates back to 2015, when Torres announced the allocation of $750,000 for the garden and soundstage. That number grew to $2.5 million with additional support coming from the 92nd Street Y as well as AT&T.

Since that time TAPCo students had created and submitted designs of the rooftop to Torres’ office with help from the 92nd Street Y.

“I was so taken by the vision and the passion of the students that I couldn’t help but say yes,” said Torres. The councilman also mentioned how he strictly instructs his staff to never guarantee a financial allocation during a proposal, but this was simply too compelling to turn down.

“The sooner that we put the tools in the hands of the children and young people, the better off things will be,” said Link. “We are so thrilled this is happening,” he added.

The school plans to use the garden to grow produce for the school’s cafeteria and Part of the Solution’s food pantry services down the street, said Link.

TAPCo students in the school’s gardening club explained to Torres and others how the garden will enhance their hands-on learning when built.

“The garden will also provide chances for interdisciplinary educational opportunities in the Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math fields.

The school’s technology club looks to create a state-of-the-art production studio, incorporating video and audio production along with editing within the soundstage’s space as well.

“Our teachers are working in a cross-curricular fashion to make the academics relevant,” said Link.

“The rooftop garden and performing space will offer even more opportunities to do that, as well as providing beautiful greenspace in a neighborhood where it’s lacking,” he added.

Other students performed numbers from Little Shop of Horrors, the production the school is currently performing and talked about their great experiences with the school and what this rooftop will mean.

TAPCo already focuses on incorporating STEM in student projects from creating a music video about exponents or building stage set designs.

The school and its students intend to push hands-on learning along with the new rooftop.

“The school had incorporated smaller projects in past years to offer students a taste of what will come with the eventual rooftop garden and performing space, which will offer opportunities for interdisciplinary learning,” said Ron Link.

Torres commended the persistence of Link and his students to propel this project forward, calling this a ‘perfect intersection of public and private.’

“We have to think of the arts not as an afterthought but as an essential element of public education,” said Torres. He also mentioned how TAPCo, and schools like it, also deserve equal amenities to the most privileged schools throughout the city.

The completion date is April 2019.

Councilman Ritchie Torres (seventh from right) joins TAPCo principal Ron Link (fifth from left) during ground-breaking ceremony. Courtesy of Ron Link
Morris Park Columbus Day Parade organizer passes baton

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

One of the borough's most popular parades is experiencing a ‘passing of the baton’ of leadership.

Tony Signorile, longtime steward of the Bronx Columbus Day Parade, who volunteered for 12 years as the parade committee chair, submitted a letter of resignation recently to the Morris Park Community Association, which sponsors the annual event.

Signorile, himself a former MPCA president from 2013 to 2017, told the Bronx Times that he had accomplished all he wanted to and said he longed to spend more time with his family, including his grandchildren and two adult-children who will soon be getting married.

“I feel that I owe it to the community that they should hear it from me,” said Signorile. “I want to thank them for their support over the years.”

According to Signorile, he was able to institute new honoree categories to the parade during his tenure, including Miss Columbus, a youth scholarship winner, as well as the parade’s honorary grand marshal, an educator from the community.

“I did all I had to do to make the parade a success and reached my goals,” said Signorile, adding “I grew this parade into the second largest Columbus parade in the city, if not the state.”

Signorile said he plans on remaining active with Italian-American causes, including a foundation dedicated to saving Columbus statues and the namesake’s holiday.

He thanked Senator Jeff Klein, former Councilman James Vacca and Al D’Angelo, MPCA president.

D’Angelo said Signorile was one of a long line of parade leaders who dedicated themselves over four decades.

Signorile maintained the standards set by the MPCA for parade, he said.

“Tony was a hard worker who put in the time and effort,” said D’Angelo.

Tony Vitaliano, Community Board 11 chairman, said he had urged Signorile to stay on when he heard that he was planning to step down, adding that Signorile knew everything, including all details large and small, of running the parade.

“I feel that the Bronx Columbus Day Parade is sorely going to miss him,” said Vitaliano.

Chris Alessandro, who Signorile brought on board as a volunteer and who had been parade treasurer, will replace the Signorile.

“Tony really gave a lot more than 100 percent every year,” said Alessandro. “It wasn’t a two-month thing: Tony and I began working on the parade in January.

Alessandro, who Signorile recommended as his successor, acknowledged that he has big shoes to fill, adding: “I am going to miss him for sure.”

“He pushed me to my limit, but that ‘never fail mentality’ motivated me,” said Alessandro.

Alessandro said he would keep striving to make the parade bigger and better every year, by involving more bands, schools and people from the community.

He also said he hopes to have representatives and marching bands from the U.S. Armed Forces back to the parade, and is working on a list of grand marshal possibilities for October.
THREE-ALARM FIRE ON WHITE PLAINS ROAD

Firefighters responded to a three-alarm fire that broke out inside a residential building at 1732 White Plains Road on Friday, April 27 at 12:30 a.m. According to the FDNY, two people suffered minor injuries and are expected to recover. Firefighters successfully gained control over the blaze by 2 a.m. Fire marshals are still investigating the fire’s cause.

Photo by Edwin Soto

AUTO SLAMS INTO UNMARKED POLICE CAR

A Kia Soul accidentally slammed into an unmarked patrol car which was responding to a call on Friday, April 27 at 12:35 p.m. between Rosedale and Lafayette avenues. Two police officers and a pregnant woman were taken to Jacobi Hospital with minor injuries.

Photo by Edwin Soto

40 Precinct

Friday, April 27 at 7:06 p.m. - Police responded to a 911 call about a person stabbed inside the Adams Houses project at 720 Westchester Avenue. When they arrived on the scene, cops found a 37-year-old man with multiple stab wounds to his body inside a first floor stairwell. EMS took the man to Lincoln Medical Center where he was pronounced dead.

47 Precinct

Thursday, April 27 at 11:37 p.m. -- Cops responded to an emergency call at 3305 Lurtning Avenue. When they arrived, they found a 31-year-old woman who was unconscious. She had trauma to her body and was lying face down in a bedroom. EMS, arriving on the scene, pronounced the woman dead. A person of interest was taken into custody at the location.

48 Precinct

Friday, April 27 at 6:39 a.m. -- A prisoner escaped from police custody while he was being medically treated at St. Barnabas Hospital. He was able to flee the hospital with a single handcuff applied to his wrist. He was identified by police as a man who had been arrested in the 52nd Precinct for criminal possession of a weapon, resisting arrest, criminal possession of a controlled substance and criminal possession of marijuana. He was later re-arrested by cops.

49 Precinct

Wednesday, April 18 at 9:30 a.m. -- Cops got a report of a robbery near Young Avenue and East Gun Hill Road. An individual approached a 58-year-old woman by coming up behind her and grabbing her purse on her left shoulder. The victim hung onto the purse but the individual managed to struggle with her and get it away from her. He then ran to a black four-door sedan and fled on Wilson Avenue. He is described as a black man, weighing 160 pounds, who was last seen wearing a black hooded sweater and gray jeans, along with white and black sneakers. He is described as being about five feet, six inches tall.

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Dear editor,

On Saturday, April 14, Community Board 10 co-sponsored a Spring into Health Fair, along with Phipps/Beacon and Throggs Neck Community Action Partnership. It was a beautiful spring day, where neighbors and families experienced an ongoing assortment of food, music, exercise, and information that encompassed the fair’s theme of being healthy—in body, mind and spirit.

To that end, I would like to thank our co-sponsors, Edwin Scott, the director of the Beacon After-School Program and Shaniece Heath, community organizer of TNCAP as well as the Beacon advisory board, which they are part of, along with CB 10.

Everyone worked tirelessly for several weeks to make the fair a successful, whether with planning-ideas, logistics, securing events, donating supplies, or assisting the day of—decorating, food service, setup, clean up, and circulating to make sure the providers and visitors were enjoying the day.

We would also like to thank the following organizations who gave of their time to make the fair successful by educating us, entertaining us, exercising us and enriching us: BASE, Animal Care and Exercising us and enriching us to make the fair successful by educating us, entertaining us, exercising us and enriching us: BASE, Animal Care and Exercising us and enriching us to make the fair successful by educating us, entertaining us, exercising us and enriching us: BASE, Animal Care and Exercising us and enriching us to make the fair successful by educating us, entertaining us, exercising us and enriching us: BASE, Animal Care and Exercising us and enriching us to make the fair successful by educating us, entertaining us, exercising us and enriching us: BASE, Animal Care and Exercising us and enriching us to make the fair successful by educating us, entertaining us, exercising us and enriching us: BASE, Animal Care and Exercising us and enriching us.

I would also like to thank the following restaurants for donating a healthy fare that everyone enjoyed—trays of asorted salads, crudité, whole wheat pasta, wraps, granola bars, bottled water, plates, and utensils: Crosstown Diner, Tosca Marquée, Icehouse Café, Honey’s Thai Pavilion, Luca Restaurant and Trump Golf Links. The food was delicious, and enjoyed by all.

Patrick Caruso
Community Board 10

Station repair $$ disappear

Dear editor,

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority recently announced that the NYC Transit’s $936 million for the subway station renovation program will be reduced. Turns out, due to unforeseen site conditions, there is only sufficient funding to complete work at 19 of 32 stations originally scheduled for work under the MTA’s $2 billion 2018-2019 Five Year Capital Plan. This damages the MTA’s credibility with transit riders, taxpayers, transit advocacy groups, MTA board members and elected officials. It also doesn’t help make the case for more financial assistance from City Hall, Albany and Washington. How detailed, accurate and up to date is the information provided to City Hall, Albany and the Federal Transit Administration for ongoing capital projects and programs?

The MTA has to submit quarterly financial and milestone progress reports for projects and programs funded under $12 billion worth of active Federal Transit Administration grants. Everyone will now have to ask MTA leadership additional questions on a more frequent basis. Are MTA capital projects and programs which are also suffering budget increases or cost overruns which have resulted in a reduction from the original promised scope of work? What is the status for change orders to existing projects whose clearly is already under way? Have they been reviewed and approved as fair, reasonable and justified? Are there existing contingency funding within the project budget to cover these costs? Is work on projects being performed by in-house staff (known as force account) proceeding on time and within budget for the full planned scope of work? Has any employee overtime been required? If so, are there existing contingency funding within the project budget to cover these costs? Has all of this information been made public on a timely basis and shared with all interested parties?

Larry Penner
Misled by condo board

Dear editor,

Back in January 2017 you posted an article in regards to Parkchester South Condominium’s “temporary” maintenance increase that was only supposed to last two years and then it would be rolled back. The board mailed all unit owners a document indicating that.

But in November 2017, it seems as though they miscalculated the time frame of the increase and now they won’t be rolling back the common charge increase. From reading the November document, it seems like a common case of word play: they won’t be increasing the common charges in 2018 to compensate them not being able to roll back to where the common charges was originally.

I went to the main office and they told me that the earlier document promising the roll back is pretty much voided. I was under the impression, if it’s written, they need to stand by what they wrote. Now I feel they will write whatever they feel to write that’s beneficial to them and continue writing to us unit owners what they want and continue to make changes when they want.

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Ranaqua Park reopens after major renovations

BY ALEX MITCHELL
Ranaqua Park is officially open after closing for nearly a year, offering a playground for children ages 2-12, swings, and other amenities.

The groundbreaking on the project was held in late May of 2017.

"The improvements of this park will have an enormously positive impact on the community as a whole," said Mary Bellini, Mott Haven Academy Charter School’s director of external affairs. "I think it will be a big boost for our students and I hope it will be a symbol of leadership for this neighborhood," she added.

Along with Ranaqua Park, other Community Parks Initiative sites in the Bronx include Black Rock Playground, Hunts Point Playground, Little Claremont Park, Longfellow Garden, Lyons Square Playground, Melrose Commons Site 32, Ogden Plimpton Playground, Playground 52, Saw Mill Playground, Seabury Park and Walton Park.
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BY SARAH VALENZUELA

Monday, April 30 was officially declared ‘Yalow Tigers Chess Champions Day’ in the borough.

The day, named for the students from the Roslyn Yalow Charter School in Mount Eden, added to the school’s list of achievements in 2018.

The two-year-old institution for primary school children presents a unique educational curriculum.

Students at the school study chess at least once a week throughout the school year.

Though most of the students were introduced to the game after enrolling at the school, they claimed the title of 2018 New York State Scholastic Chess Champions in two of the divisions at the tournament.

“When I play chess, it makes me happy and it’s part of my life,” said 6-year-old Keyla Acevedo-Hernandez.

The kindergartener bested four of her six competitors during the two-day tournament.

“I get a little better every time, even if I lose,” she continued. “But I wasn’t nervous, I was excited.”

Keyla was one of 25 students from Roslyn Yalow Charter School that travelled to Saratoga, NY with the support of parents and school administrators, for the competition, which was held in March.

Roslyn Yalow CEO, Alec Diacou, said the purpose behind including chess in the school’s curriculum was to motivate kids to come to school.

More than that, Diacou said the game helps teach critical thinking, focus, and how to be competitors in life.

While the basics of chess examine vertical and horizontal patterns, the game also teaches self preservation, added the Chess director at the school, Jerald Times.

The win, though catching the attention of many in the community, also captured the attention of the office of the borough president.

And deputy borough president, Marricka Scott-McFadden, visited the school on Monday to deliver the proclamation, congratulate the youngsters and learn the game from the masters, themselves.

“I was astonished when I first heard what they accomplished,” exclaimed the deputy borough president. “I’m happy I don’t have to play against them.”

The students even gave her a copy of a guide book called, ‘How to Beat Your Kids at Chess.’

“There are not enough words to describe how we feel about our scholars,” said Letta Belle, principal of the school.

“These scholars defied the odds and socioeconomic stereotypes against students from urban communities like ours,” she added, speaking to the number of competitors the students beat out, who were from some of the top private schools in the city and the state.

More than a month after the competition, parents still beamed with excitement at the accomplishment that most of the students simply regarded as just another day and just another game of chess.

“When they won, we were so happy,” delighted Andres Acevedo, Keyla’s father, who had the pleasure of travelling to watch her and her classmates compete in Saratoga. “I’m so proud of them and Keyla.”

The school raised $15,000 to take the students and their parents to the New York State championship.

Next year, however, the school plans to raise double that amount to give the ‘Yalow Tigers’ the chance to checkmate their competitors at the next National Chess Championship, according to Diacou.
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BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

A young man from our borough with a talent for coding and computers got a boost from a youth program that teaches video game design.

Amadou Diallo, a 15-year-old recent immigrant who is a senior at Bronx International High School with a full scholarship to New York University’s Tandon School of Engineering, was honored at a gala hosted by Urban Arts Partnership on Monday, April 16, recognizing his exceptional work.

At UAP, a non-profit educational organization dedicated to closing achievement gaps for youth, Diallo is part of the School of Interactive Arts.

He was referred to the program by one of his teachers at Bronx International who noticed that he kept asking questions about programming, he said.

Diallo said his game design classes at SIA taught him coding, and fed an interest in computer science that the Morris Heights resident said began in his native country of Guinea in west Africa.

“When I joined and started classes, I realized this was the real deal,” said Diallo. “It was competitive, difficult work. We were learning college-level programming.”

Back in Guinea, Diallo learned about binary code and the basics of computers from articles he read on a cell phone his mother provided him, he said.

In his native land his curiosity was stymied because his parents could not afford a computer, and electricity was rationed, only being turned on every other day.

Watching animated movies like Iron Man piqued his imagination when he was in Guinea, said Diallo.

However, with no one knowledgeable enough to answer his questions, Diallo could not take his interests any further until he moved to the United States, he said.

Once here, he taught himself the computer language HTML, but computer science classes at his high school were limited, which made the UAP program helpful, he said.

He created a video game called Blind Runner, where a player has to collect coins, representing opportunities, and reach a final destination while avoiding obstacles, said Diallo.

Creating Blind Runner taught him a lot, from programming to working with others and getting feedback about how he could make his game work better, said Diallo.

Diallo said he hopes one day to attend Massachusetts Institute of Technology and work to improve education in Guinea.

“I would like to be the CEO of a technology start up and use technology...to improve education in my home country,” said Diallo.

AT&T has contributed $250,000 to the School of Interactive Arts to expand programming.

“Urban Arts is a unique program that equips students with both the practical and creative skills to succeed in computer science and design,” said Marissa Shorenstein, AT&T northeast region president.

Diallo, a student at Bronx International School who is a relatively recent immigrant from Guinea and future NYU student, addresses the Amplified Gala on Monday, April 16. Photo courtesy of Urban Arts Partnership

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BY SARAH VALENZUELA

Longfellow Park, also known as Longfellow Garden, was closed for 10 years.

But the first 70-degree day of the spring was met with children playing at a construction site on its lot.

The day, Tuesday, May 1, was the official groundbreaking ceremony for the community park and the students from P.S. 75 took a trip down the block to see it all first hand.

“I didn’t know what we were going to see, maybe some flowers,” said 8-year-old Ta-fari Campbell as he waited to hear the details of the coming attraction.

“I’m just excited to spin around in circles and play,” added 7-year-old Idalia Brown.

The park in Foxhurst was nothing impressive prior to its closing, merely a patch of land with a sprinkler system in its center.

Its foundation was breaking and over the years, the park began to sink into the ground.

None of the children attending the ceremony witnessed the park’s decay before it was closed, but long-time residents did, and they welcomed the construction sounds as the rehabilitation got under way.

“This park is for the kids and the community, so when it’s finished, I’ll be watching it to make sure it stays clean,” said Eliza, who has lived in the building across the street for nearly 15 years.

Eliza, her 80-year-old mother, and their fellow neighbors, also attended the ceremony to learn more about the plans for the project.

“Nobody’s going to come to our park and make it dirty,” she continued.

Slated for completion in the fall of 2018, the park will provide more green relief to the community, which sits only a block from the Sheridan and Bruckner expressways and the IRT #6 train at Whitlock Avenue.

Longfellow Park will be entirely bordered by trees in its inner perimeter while vegetation areas will expand outwards to the sidewalks.

The project, which cost $3.25 million funded by the Office of the Mayor through the Community Parks Initiative, will include tree houses for kids, new bike racks, ample seating areas, a new sprinkler system to cool down in warmer weather, and even a mini stage.

The students from P.S. 75 even got to ceremoniously toss the dirt from the plot, literally participating in the project’s breaking ground.

Afterwards the students did their own groundbreaking ceremony on the park, in the way they knew best: with some chalk, some quality games of tag, and venturing through imaginary lands while unofficially claiming the territory for kids throughout the community.

“Today’s groundbreaking means a great deal to me,” said Councilman Rafael Salamanc Jr, who recalled playing in the old sprinklers at Longfellow with his sister and friends. “I’m thrilled to see the first step in its revitalization.”

Most of the neighborhoods in the south and west Bronx were on the NYC Parks Department’s list for park renovations and restorations, like Lyons Playground down the block from Longfellow, which was completed in April.

While the CPI Capital Projects are not yet complete, the investment and attention to other parks not already listed, continues.
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Bruckner ShopRite opens hiring center amid fanfare

BY PATRICK ROCCHIO

Bruckner Commons will feature a prominent new supermarket before this summer is out.

ShopRite is coming to Bruckner Commons, the rebranded Bruckner Plaza, and opened a hiring center amid fanfare on Tuesday, April 24, 1998 Bruckner Boulevard.

The ShopRite will be the 30th store in a mostly family-owned supermarket chain called Village Supermarket Inc., and will create approximately 250 full-time and part-time positions.

The positions were open to both experienced and non-experienced applicants, and the company plans to team up with a local high school to make even more hires.

People interested in applying should visit the hiring center, located next door to the future store in the mall, or apply online at www.shoprite.com/career-opportunites by clicking on apply today and the selecting the location from the drop-down menu.

Perry Blatt, director of marketing and business development for Village Supermarket and a third-generation operator who is the grandson of the business founders Perry and Nick Sumas, said the company feels the borough is becoming a destination for new residents and is burgeoning.

“In general, we felt that the Bronx is exciting,” said Blatt.

“We really discovered that the area could use a good supermarket, a supermarket that the folks can be proud of.”

After surveying local shopping options, and conducting surveys of thousands of shoppers’ preferences in terms of what they are looking for in a supermarket, the company felt that they could offer something in the way of fresh food and value that was missing, said Blatt.

The surveys showed local residents in Soundview wanted above all else fresh items, including meat and produce, as well as an up-to-date produce, as well as an up-to-date

The 38,000-square-foot store is at the same location of a former Key Food supermarket, which also made it a good location because community members were already used to shopping there, he said.

Among those attending the hiring center opening were Assemblyman Luis Sepulveda; Councilman Ruben Diaz Sr.; Deputy Inspector Benjamin Gurley, 43rd Precinct commanding officer; Al Cimmino, ShopRite store manager and Amanda Fischer, marketing professional at the grand opening of the hiring center on Tuesday, April 24.

Rivera said that his first job when he was 16-years-old was at the mall’s Key Food, and that the job taught him about working for a living and earning a paycheck, as well as keeping him on track as a young man and started his progression to working as a professional today.

The district manager said that CB 9 has been working with the ShopRite operator for over a year and that they came to the board with a vision, while looking to engage the community.

He said the ShopRite is a good example of how every large business should work with the community when they open for business.

“When they talk about the 250 new jobs being created at the store, it is important not only for adults, but also young adults,” said Rivera, adding “The grand opening of the hiring center is something that is unique – a lot of businesses do have hiring centers but they don’t involve the community and have a ceremony the way that ShopRite did, which is a sign that the company is going to be a good neighbor.”

Members of the Sumas Family, whose family-owned regional supermarket company is opening the ShopRite in Bruckner Commons, stand with Assemblyman Luis Sepulveda; Councilman Ruben Diaz Sr.; William Rivera, Community Board 9 district manager; Deputy Inspector Benjamin Gurley, 43rd Precinct commanding officer; Al Cimmino, ShopRite store manager and Amanda Fischer, marketing professional at the grand opening of the hiring center on Tuesday, April 24.
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**Cardinal Hayes thanks teacher, mentor for undefeated JV season**

**BY SARAH VALENZUELA**

The greatest game ever played on East 161st Street did not involve the New York Yankees.

It was not a professional game, and it wasn’t played for money or fame, but for the admiration and respect for a mentor and a friend.

The 2017 season for the undefeated JV Cardinals, brought the team a City Championship, but the feat, which they hope to accomplish again in 2018, happened while the team was recovering from a tragedy.

“When adversity hit, we stuck together and grew stronger together,” said Hayesman, Zhaequon Brown.

At the beginning of the season, the team’s offensive coordinator and one of the school’s science teachers, Roy Rieser, lost his grandmother, 103-year-old Jean Bricker, who was dearer to him than anyone else in his life.

Rieser was supposed to spend the summer in Florida with her, like he did every year, but with her blessing, stayed on Grand Concourse to help the team, vowing to see her as soon as the season ended.

On the morning of their third game, still undefeated, he learned the sad news, Bricker had passed away.

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That game was played on one of the coldest days of November. Prior to starting warmups, every player poured their heart out to each other in the locker room, some even breaking out in tears, reaffirming their brotherly bond.

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Cardinal Hayes thanks teacher, mentor for undefeated JV season

said Davon Barnes, a JV player on the team.

The team beat Xaverian High School that afternoon 42 to 0, with two new angels looking over them, some of the players felt.

The team presented Rieser with a card extending their condolences, and afterwards attended the wake for Shawn’s grandmother.

“Life is about who you are when things go wrong and your ability to push through,” said Rieser of the advice he had given the students since he met them in 2016.

Through the season, the team started every game remembering their recently departed loved ones. They felt like family to Coach Rieser and Shawn Hylton.

They carried that motivation and the leadership imparted by head coach Abdurrahim Ali, and coaches Adrien Cabrera and Dana Wilmouth, to the semifinal game against St. Anthony’s High School.

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Bronx healthcare centers receive 5-star certification

BY ALEX MITCHELL

Bronx-based Centers Health Care, the largest and most complete post-acute health care continuum in the northeast, has announced that three of its Bronx facilities have been certified by Medicare.gov and US News & World Report with five stars, according to the results of the latest surveys completed this year.

The three Bronx based 5-star facilities include:

• Williamsbridge Center, was the first facility to begin the history in Center Health Care in 1996. The center still offers one of the top recreation therapy sessions anywhere in the Bronx.

• Hope Center, this 66-bed center on University Avenue mostly serves people who are HIV positive and those who have been troubled with drug addiction. Hope became part of Centers Health Care in 2015.

• University Center, a cozy 46-bed facility that became part of the Centers Health Care family in 2001 on Grand Avenue.

Centers Health Care had two additional non-Bronx facilities and Centers Urgent Care which provides walk-in medical care. More than 20,000 staffers and caregivers provide for the needs of over 7,000 long-term and short-term residents throughout the Centers Health Care family.

Rosenberg also expressed that his mission is to continue improving the overall health and wellness of the Bronx. “Although these three centers are certified 5-stars, we are also proud of our other Bronx facilities that have been also given high ratings by Medicare,” he added.

Frontal view of the 5-star certified Williamsbridge Center. Courtesy of Centers Healthcare

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The Taxi and Limousine Commission (TLC)'s Accessible Dispatch program is making it easier than ever to connect with wheelchair accessible taxis in all five boroughs. Here are five facts you'll want to know about the program, which helps individuals with disabilities access the city like never before.

1. The TLC first launched the Accessible Dispatch program in 2012 with 233 accessible cabs in Manhattan. There are now more than 2,000 green and yellow wheelchair accessible vehicles taking trips across New York City.

2. Service animals are permitted in all TLC-licensed vehicles. You never have to pay extra for a service animal, or for accessible service in a TLC-licensed vehicle.

3. Our dispatch team includes New Yorkers with disabilities, and all of our dispatchers are here to help you! If you need a ride, call 646-599-9999, 311, or 711 for NY Relay; visit www.accessibledispatch.com; or download the app: Accessible Dispatch NYC.

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The event’s full schedule includes: a legislative lunch, the “Made In The Bronx” exhibition, a buffet dinner created with Bronx ingredients, a Best Carrot Cake Challenge and a 2-hour cocktail reception on Tuesday, followed by a breakfast on Wednesday that will feature a guest speaker and the installation of the first 5 members of the Bronx Business Hall of Fame.

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Community Board 7 honored five local veterans with an ‘Eagle’ at its annual Veterans Brunch Awards on Friday, April 20 at Lehman College. This year’s exemplary honorees included sergeant Nestor Cabrera, U.S. Navy and U.S. Army National Guard veteran; Doug Condit, U.S. Army Reserve veteran; specialist Claude Copeland, U.S. Army veteran; specialist Marisa Estrella, U.S. Army chaplain assistant and Crystal Reveron, U.S. Army veteran and 52nd Precinct Community Affairs police officer. In return, the veterans honored the person that has supported them throughout their military journey with a ‘Wing.’
Mother’s Day Weekend Menu

Appetizers
FRESH TOMATO, MOZZARELLA & BASIL
CRAB CAKES
LOBSTER RAVIOLI IN A VODKA SAUCE
POTATO SKIN TOPPED WITH BROCCOLI & CHEDDAR CHEESE

Entrees
ALL ENTREES ARE SERVED WITH SOUP OF THE DAY OR SALAD & VEG.
RIB EYE SPECIAL topped with Mushroom & Onions
TWIN LOBSTER TAIL OREGANATA served with clarified butter
CHICKEN FLORENTINE stuffed with Spinach Mozzarella
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Desserts
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THEODORE KORONY AMERICAN LEGION POST 253 SUPPORTS THE TROOPS BINGO

Theodore Korony American Legion Post 253 hosted its time honored Support the Troops Bingo Night on Friday, April 27 at the Samuel Young American Legion Post 620. The event saluted Throggs Neck hero staff sergeant Christian Engeldrum who was killed in action in Iraq on November 29, 2004.

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Honoree Al D’Angelo, Morris Park Community Association president; Assemblyman Michael Benedetto; Judy Lanci, Post 253 Ladies Auxiliary president and Patrick Devine, Post 253 judge advocate.

Photo by Silvio Pacifico

(H-R) Colleen McCarthy, Post 253 Ladies Auxiliary first vice chairwoman, accepting for James McQuade, honoree Al D’Angelo and Judy Lanci.

Photo by Silvio Pacifico

BRONX JEWISH AND JEWISH COMMUNITY COUNCILS’ GALA

The Jewish Community Council of Pelham Parkway and Bronx Jewish Community Council honored several local leaders at its annual breakfast gala on Sunday, April 22 at Bronx House. This year’s honorees were Congressman Joseph Crowley; the 49th Precinct Community Council; Steven Glosser; Jane Chaney; Dr. Rebecca Kobrin; Ariele, Simone and Eitan Feinlaum; Diane Rosen; Marc Karell, Westchester Day School and Neil Schwartzreich and Larry Thaul.

(l-r) Councilman Mark Gjonaj; District Attorney Darcel Clark; Aleksander Nilaj, Albanian American Open Hand Association president and Senator Jeff Klein attended the gala.

Photo by Daniel Clark

(l-r) Councilman Gjonaj; Darcel Clark; Steven Glosser; Charles Landsberg, BJCC president; Senator Klein and David Edelstein, BJCC executive director.

Photo by Daniel Clark

GJONAJ SPEAKS AT 49TH PRECINCT CAREER DAY

Councilman Mark Gjonaj was the guest speaker for the 49th Precinct’s inaugural Career Day on Friday, April 27 at the precinct house.

Councilman Gjonaj (c) met with the 49th Precinct’s commanding officer captain Thomas Alps (2nd from r) and Community Affairs police officer David Lepore (2nd from l) and detective Jay Sturdivant (r). Photo courtesy of Councilman Mark Gjonaj’s Office
Mother’s Day Dinner Menu

$35 includes appetizer, salad, entrée, dessert, tea/coffee

APPETIZER Choose One
- Seasoned fried Calamari served with mainara sauce
- Sliced Tomato and Mozzarella with frantoiano olives & roasted red peppers
- Coconut Shrimp served with pina colada sauce
- Popcorn Shrimp served with tartar sauce
- Baked Clams Oreganata chopped clams mixed with seasoned breadcrumbs
- Golden fried chicken fingers served with a honey mustard sauce
- Potato skins topped with bacon & cheddar served with sour cream

SOUP OR SALAD Choose One
- Mixed Greens salad OR Soup Du Jour

ENTRÉES Choose One
- 10 oz. Filet Mignon (add $5) served with a mushroom demi glaze
- Roast Prime Rib of Angus Beef (add $5) slow roasted & served with Au jus
- Grilled Baby Lamb Chops (add $5) Served with mint jelly
- Chicken Francese lightly battered & sautéed filet of chicken with a lemon butter sauce
- Stuffed Filet of Sole seasoned crabmeat wrapped around tender filets of sole with a light lemon butter sauce
- Pistachio Crusted Salmon served with a Dijon mustard cream sauce
- Chicken Cordon Bleu Breaded chicken breast stuffed with ham and cheese and served with a light cream pan gravy

All above Entrees are served with family style creamed spinach and turnips

Seafood Penne shrimp, scallops, & sundried tomatoes in a mushroom cream sauce
Penne alla Vodka with Grilled Chicken or Shrimp

DESSERTS Choose one
- Deadly Chocolate Cake, Bread pudding
- OR New York cheesecake

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Message from Councilman Mark Gjonaj

This past week was national Small Business Week and as the chairman of the committee on small business I want to thank all of those who participated and demonstrated their commitment to our neighborhood mom and pop shops.

As the backbone of our city’s economy small businesses are vital to the strength and viability of community. In our city businesses with less than 10 employees make up 80% of all businesses and businesses with fewer than five employees gained 31,421 jobs between 2000 and 2013. While this was a week to celebrate and commemorate small businesses, it is important that we always support them regardless of the week or month of the year.

I vow to use my platform as the chair of my committee to do everything I can to make sure that small businesses owners receive the support they deserve from city government.

During economic downturns, the government relies on small businesses to help climb out of the tough times arguing that the small business community needs to do more.

During times of economic prosperity, the government taxes small businesses arguing that they owe something more and need to do their “fair share.”

These points raise a very interesting question: If it is difficult to be a small business during times of economic hardship as well as prosperity, then when is it ever a good time to be a small business?

With over 5,000 rules and regulations and countless more enforcement agents and officers, city hall can do a lot more to make this a truly business-friendly city.

If we really want to support small businesses we need to do more than support them a week a year, we need to make fundamental change to how we treat hardworking entrepreneurs.

We need to remove needless regulations and overcomplicated rules and replace them with a uniform standard that is easily and widely understood.

Council Member Mark Gjonaj represents the 18th Council District in the Bronx, which includes the Allerton, City Island, Country Club, Edgewater Park, Ferry Point, Locust Point, Morris Park, Pelham Bay, Pelham Gardens, Pelham Parkway, Schuylerville, Silver Beach, Spenser Estates, Throggs Neck, Van Nest, Waterbury LaSalle, Westchester Square, and Zerega neighborhoods.

COUNCILMAN MARK GJONAJ

A special ‘thank you’ to the Villa Barone Manor for hosting our April meeting. It turned out to be a very busy night for them but they were as accommodating and attentive as ever. Our dinner dance will be held in the Cellini Room; the same room we were in for our April meeting.

Another big thank you to our April sponsor, Barry Fitzgerald. He is a broker with F&F Insurance Services. Barry gave us some interesting information regarding health insurance. If you missed our April meeting and you want more information about Barry and F&F Insurance Services, call him directly at (914) 294-0224 or email him at fitz088@msn.com.

Not a member? Consider becoming a Throggs Neck Merchant Member. Our merchant association is one of the largest in the Bronx. As a TNMA member, your business will be featured on our website, your events and promotions will be listed in our TNMA column in the Bronx Times and you can network with other members at any of our meetings and events. Join with their fellow merchants to develop special promotions or projects designed to benefit the entire commercial strip, as well as the surrounding community. Ready to become a TNMA member? Go to our website, www.throggsneckmerchants.com for more information or download the membership application at www.throggsneckmerchants.com/membership_application.pdf.

TNMA is hosting our first Bowling Night Fundraiser on Saturday, May 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Van Nest Lanes at 1756 Bronxdale Avenue. You can set up teams of four or five in any category - men’s teams, women’s teams, family teams, busines teams, etc. Price is $50 per adult, $30 per child.

We will have food and drinks, trophies and food refreshments. Please call Rocky at (917) 589-7258 or Gerri at (646) 334-0127 for more information.

For merchants looking to promote their business, products and services in Throggs Neck and neighboring areas, consider sponsoring a TNMA meeting. It’s a great way to get your name out there. As a sponsor, you will be allowed to give a brief presentation to our members the night of the meeting. We also waive our dinner fee for sponsors and spotlight your business in our meeting announcements, in this column for the month and via our social media. Our Facebook page alone, which has over 1,000 likes, is liked by members, non-members and residents so your target audience goes further than just the attendees of our monthly meetings. If you or another member/merchant is interested in sponsoring one of our meetings this year, please ask them to email info@throggsneckmerchants.com or call Angela at (646) 657-1312.

Remember to put these other upcoming events on your calendar: our Annual Golf Outing will be held at Split Rock Golf Course on Thursday, July 19. If you would like to play, please speak to Gerri at our next meeting.

If you can’t play, consider sponsoring a hole to get your business on the green. Contact Gerri to discuss details of sponsorship for our golf outing.

Our Annual Dinner Dance on Thursday, October 25 at the Villa Barone Manor. Get a free journal ad when you buy a table.

BY MICHELE TORRIONI
Hello everyone,

It is with great sadness that we share with you the loss of one of the Pelham Bay Taxpayers Association’s long time members, Joan Gifford. Please join us in prayers for her eternal rest and for strength for her family in their time of sadness.

We have requested Community Board 10 to provide some information on some properties in the area at the request of some of our members.

One location is 2115 Burr Avenue. As of now, the plans are in disapproved status. This location is proposed for seven stories and the project consultant is seeking a zoning determination. CB 10 district manager Matt Cruz has requested a reason for this from the NYC Department of Buildings. Once we have more information we will provide that to our members.

The other location is directly behind the first location. The address is 2116 Colonial Avenue. A demolition application has been filed for this location but no permits have been issued at this point in time. Together with CB 10, we will keep checking on this location.

If you have any unusual at these locations please report it immediately to the association or CB 10 and put in a 311 complaint whenever possible.

Please note we have invited our new councilmen Mark Gjonaj and Nivardo Lopez from the NYC Department of Transportation to speak at our next meeting. Both have confirmed their attendance at this time. Put the date on your calendar to attend and bring your questions and concerns.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 15 at 7:30 p.m. in St. Theresa School cafeteria. If you haven’t paid your dues please make sure to do so as soon as possible to 1720 Mayflower Avenue, Bronx, NY 10461, Apt. 9H. We look forward to seeing you at our meetings. If you cannot attend our next meeting but have questions for our guests please send those to our email address pbta1965@gmail.com and we will present the questions for you.

BY STEVEN GLOSSER
The next meeting of the Pelham Parkway Neighborhood Association will be on Tuesday, May 8, starting at 7:15 p.m. at Bronx House, 990 Pelham Parkway South.

The guest speaker will be NYC Park Commissioner for the Bronx Iris Rodriguez-Rosa. Join us as the summer is upon us and find out the rules and regulations concerning enjoying your summer in our beautiful parks. She will address any questions, concerns, issues and problems you may have. The PPNA is committed to improving the quality of life in Pelham Parkway. Please join us and voice your concerns. Issues are addressed and action taken. Community involvement is vital to a safe, clean graffiti-free neighborhood. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month.

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St. Raymond High School for Boys’ 10th Annual De LaSalle Leadership Dinner

The St. Raymond High School for Boys community honored three deserving individuals at the school’s Tenth Annual De LaSalle Leadership Dinner on Thursday, April 19. Orlando Antigua ‘91, Dr. Thomas Davenport, MD, FACS ‘84 and Sergeant Paul Tuozzolo (in memoriam) were recognized, not only for their commitment to the young men of St. Raymond, but for the way they live their lives following the LaSallian traditions of St. John Baptist de LaSalle. The VIP Country Club in New Rochelle, NY hosted more than 120 guests, including St. Raymond students and faculty, alumni and supporters and esteemed members of the clergy.

“It is with great, great pleasure that I can say that each one of our honorees, through their life’s work truly reveals the spirit of St. John Baptiste de LaSalle and the Catholic commitment of service to others. Through their work and through their actions they continually affirm our commitment to a value-centered education”, said Judith Carew, principal of St. Raymond High School for Boys.

Orlando Antigua ‘91, Dr. Thomas Davenport, MD, FACS ‘84 and Sergeant Paul Tuozzolo each were recognized as a recipient of the 2018 De LaSalle Leadership Award:

Orlando Antigua has been highly acclaimed as both a basketball player and coach. He has been an integral part of the success at many of the top college basketball programs and has been a great and loyal supporter of St. Raymond. He is a true model of courage and achievement to the young men of St. Raymond.

Dr. Thomas Davenport is one of the top plastic surgeons in the country and is currently the director of Microsurgery and the director of Surgical Wound Care at Winthrop University Hospital. He is an active volunteer who travels to numerous developing countries to perform reconstructive surgeries and lecture on his field of expertise. Dr. Davenport is an exemplary role model and one who has truly lived the LaSallian tradition of Enter to Learn, Leave to Serve.

Sergeant Paul Tuozzolo, of the 43rd Precinct, had a strong bond with the St. Raymond High School community. He was one St. Raymond could depend on to protect and to be a role model for our students. On November 4, 2016 Sgt. Tuozzolo was shot and killed in the line of duty. In that instant St. Raymond lost a protector and a friend. Sgt. Tuozzolo, or commonly known around St. Raymond as ‘Tooos,’ was honored in memoriam for a life of service and sacrifice. He will always be remembered as a selfless man who simply wanted to make a difference in the world.

Thanks to an anonymous donor, this year’s dinner raised nearly $75,000 for the more than 550 current students that all live within the lower income bracket. All proceeds from this event will be used to help support student scholarships and offer students unprecedented tools to allow them to move the world and propel them into a life of success.

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CHILDREN AT OR BELOW GRADE LEVEL WILL BECOME THE BEST READERS IN THEIR CLASS
BY FRAN ARICO
Thanks to Assemblyman Michael Benedetto the MetroCard van will be on Ampere and Research avenues (near the Knights of Columbus Hall) on Thursday, May 11 between 1 and 3 p.m. We asked for the van to accommodate the residents in Spencer Estate, Country Club and Pelham Bay. You can have money put on your metro card or apply for a card and have your photo taken. Your metro card can be used on the MTA trains, buses and express buses and you don’t have to have the exact fare, so come out and use the van or we will lose this convenience in our area.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, May 16 at 7:15 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus hall at 3243 Ampere Avenue (corner of Ampere and Research avenues). Our guest speaker from Senator Jeff Klein’s office, Andy Salas will inform us of the happening on the 4-way stop sign on Stadium Avenue and Spencer Drive. It has come to our attention that some residents are parking at hydrants overnight. We ask you to please refrain from parking there, if there was ever a fire how would the FDNY get to the hydrant. This is our last warning or it will be brought to the attention of the 45th Precinct and you will be ticketed. Our annual dues are $10 which includes an annual subscription to the Bronx Times Reporter, a very informative newspaper with local news. Coffee and cake will be served after our meeting. Hoping you will join us and bring a friend or neighbor.

Mother’s Day free contest

Renown local Throggs Neck photographer, Richard Rosario, is at it again. He is doing his annual Mother’s Day giving away, in which three lucky moms will win a makeover, a photo session and prints. The winners will be selected on Mother’s Day, Sunday, May 13.

It is absolutely free to enter and free to win. Just visit www.richardrosario.com/mother.

“It time moms get out from behind the camera,” said Rosario.

Atlantic City bus trip

The Red Hat Divas will sponsor a bus ride to the Resorts in Atlantic City, NJ on Tuesday, May 15.

The bus departs at 8:15 a.m. from Ampere Avenue and Kennelworth Place; and at 8:30 a.m. at 965 Morris Park Avenue (in front of Morris Park Library).

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Assemblyman Michael Benedetto sponsors Driver Safety Program

As a service to his constituents, Assemblyman Michael Benedetto will be sponsoring an NYS DMV-Approved Insurance Reduction Program on Saturday, May 19, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The course is held at Fort Schuyler House, 3077, Cross Bronx Expressway.

To reserve a seat call (718) 892-2235. Space is limited.

The cost is for this class is $30. AARP discounts are not available for this class.

This 6-hour course will refresh your driving knowledge with a review of time-tested safe driving tips.

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Weekly insurance tips from John Cerini

As a Travelers Insurance Company Representative, I am proud to offer insurance from one of the best companies in the world. Here are some tips from Travelers Insurance Company.

For many, there is a better time of the year than summertime to be outside in the yard enjoying the weather and sunshine. Warm temperatures and longer days make the perfect backdrop for picnicking, barbecuing or just enjoying drinks and snacks on the deck or patio.

Your home in the summer should be a source of enjoyment, both inside and outside. The harsh winter, however, can leave its mark, which can temper or even ruin your summer enjoyment if you do not prepare. A bit of time spent on seasonal maintenance can keep your home in top shape for the warmest season.

**Start of the Season**

Preparing your home for the warmer months should produce a sense of enjoyment, not dread at what might be damaged, broken or need replacing. If you do find any damage, make any necessary repairs right away to mitigate further damage and help keep you and your family safe.

Be sure to check both inside and outside the home for damage or wear and tear, as well as evidence of any unwanted guests such as wildlife or rodents. Also, walk the property to make sure everything is where it should be, and do a long-range as well as close visual inspection of the house.

**Inside the House**

It is good practice to check the locks on your doors each season to make sure they are secure. Do this by opening the doors and make sure they close and latch properly. Inside the home, check all window locks to ensure they all function correctly. Check window and door screens for any holes.

Check electrical outlets and cords for potential fires, such as frayed wires or loose-fitting plugs. To avoid a potential fire, be sure not to overload electrical outlets, fuse boxes, extension cords or any other power service.

Carefully inspect your toilet. Look for the leaks or issues with the toilet float valve, and check all pipes connected with your machine hoses, and replace any hoses that show signs of cracking, wear or leakage.

Clean or replace your furnace filter to reduce any fire hazard. Likewise, with your dryer vent and lint trap, as well as the space under your dryer.

**Outside the House**

The living space beyond the four walls also may need a little TLC after the harsh winter. Check any wood structures, including steps and decks, for rot or other deterioration, and repair or replace any rotted or loose boards and protruding nails.

If you have a swing set or other type of recreational equipment on your property, inspect it for any potential dangers such as rusty bolts or sharp edges and make sure it is in good condition and operates properly.

Check the windows and doors, and their frames, for any evidence of damage, and walk the perimeter of the house for any obvious changes or damage. Also, have your roof inspected by a professional once every few years to identify areas of potential leakage.

Your home in the summer should be a place of relaxation and enjoyment. By taking steps to properly and regularly maintain your house, it will remain a source of pleasure for years to come.

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Elder question of the week

Dear Mr. Di Costanzo:

When someone says an account is in trust for someone else, does that mean it is in a trust?

The nomenclature used to title accounts can be daunting and quite frankly down right confusing. After creating trusts for our clients, we now our client’s financial accounts and advise them as to which accounts need to be transferred to the trust. It is a common misconception that accounts “in trust for” another individual are in a trust, but this is inaccurate. Let’s review some of the more common forms of ownership:

Probably the most common form of account ownership is joint ownership. There are two forms of joint ownership when dealing with financial accounts: joint tenancy with rights of survivorship (“JTWROS”) and tenancy in common (“TIC”). JTWROS means that when one account owner dies, the account automatically transfers to the surviving joint owner. TIC means that when one account owner dies, that deceased share of the account passes pursuant to the terms of the decedent’s estate planning documents, meaning it does not automatically pass to the surviving owner. In New York, there is a third form of joint ownership exclusive to real property owned by husband and a source of tenancy by the entirety. It is very similar to JTWROS with added creditor protection to each spouse.

Where a joint individual owns financial accounts with no joint owner, it is common to title the account so that it passes to a beneficiary upon death similar to a jointly owned account. To accomplish this, the title to the account might be changed to “transfer on death” or “in trust for”.

Like a beneficiary designation, one you would see on a life insurance policy or retirement account, this type of designation will accomplish the goal of transferring assets to another individual upon your death without naming them as a joint owner during your lifetime.

“Transfer on death” and “in trust for” designations should not be confused with placing assets into a trust. For instance, if you create a revocable trust or a Medicaid trust, you need to attend to retitling the assets intended to be owned by the Trust. This means that you need to go to your financial advisor and open a new account in the name of the trust. Too often, this final step is neglected which defeats the purpose of the trust.

SALVATORE M. DI COSTANZO

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A new web series, Ashley’s World The Series, debuted online in February 2018. The dramatically follows the journey of Ashley, a young single mother who is fighting to overcome poverty and follow her dreams of becoming a professional, working actress while caring for her demanding, yet loving family.

The series, created and produced by Janelle Stein and Domingo Martin, takes place within NYCHA’s Eastchester Gardens in the Bronx. The lead character, Ashley lives in an all-female multi-generational household with her old school, conservative, eccentric mother and her rebellious teenage daughter, Penny.

The original story arc follows Ashley throughout her day as she tackles various obstacles in her personal life and acting career. Throughout the season, there are various themes explored such as subliminal racism, dating, parenthood and marijuana use. These thematic episodes introduce us to interesting characters such as Katelyn, the snobby bi-coastal actor; the fame driven producer, Steve; the unapologetic unconsciously offensive casting director, Olivia; and the no-good teenage boyfriend of Penny, Andre.

As a single mom of a budding adolescent and sole caregiver of her overbearing mom, Ashley’s pursuit of success is anything but easy. However, her resilience and tenacity are her saving graces. Is this enough to help her accomplish her goals or will the reality of her situation force her to relinquish her childhood dream and become more logical about her life?

“Though the story is fictional, it is inspired by real circumstances in my life. It is reflective of many individuals spurred by real circumstances in my life.”

“Restocking the Bronx River with river herring”

NYC Parks, the Bronx River Alliance, the Wildlife Conservation Society and the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection came together to stock the Bronx River with 400 alewife, a type of river herring. The restocking is part of an ongoing effort to re-establish a population of these native fish in one of the nation’s most urbanized waterways.

CT DEEP trapped and transported the fish from Connecticut to the Bronx via a dedicated Fish Tank-er trunk, releasing the fish into the river through a large hose.

Alewife are an important food source for larger fish, birds and other wildlife in our ocean, estuaries and rivers. Stocking alewife in the Bronx River will provide the species as a whole with additional habitat and increase local biodiversity.

“The return of alewife herring to the river will re-establish a critical link in the river’s ecosystem, enabling species that depend on these fish to rebound as well,” said Bronx River Alliance executive director Maggie Greenfield. “A restored river is also good for the Bronx communities it surrounds. As we learn about this slice of nature that flows through the heart of the Bronx, we are inspired by its beauty and the life it supports. This, in turn, motivates us to take action to keep our parks, rivers and neighborhoods clean and beautiful.”

Alewife populations are declining throughout the northeast due to factors including pollution, poor fisheries management and barriers to migration—such as the 182nd Street Dam. In 2015, NYC Parks’ constructed a fish ladder over the 182nd Dam to allow fish to migrate upstream to spawn. This ladder gives fish access to 12 acres of freshwater habitat that have been blocked for centuries and allows them to pass from river to ocean.

As adults, Alewife live in the ocean and travel upstream into freshwater streams, rivers and lakes to spawn. After adults spawn in the spring, they leave the freshwater within weeks and return to the ocean. The freshly spawned eggs hatch into larvae and develop into juvenile fish that stay in freshwater to feed and grow for 1-4 months. By mid-fall, the juveniles migrate to the ocean where they remain for 3-5 years until they have reached reproductive maturity.

Free pet vaccines available

Crotona Park Pool House, 1700 Fulton Avenue, will host a vaccine clinic on Sunday, May 6, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., providing free vaccines to the area’s owned cats and dogs.

Vaccines include rabies and distemper shots, and pet owners are encouraged to pre-register for the event at www.nyc.gov/doglicense or by calling (347) 396-7998 during regular business hours.

Dog licensing will be available for purchase at the event via check, money order, or credit card. Those interested in more information about licensing should call 311.

Founded in 1866, the ASPCA® (The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals®) is the first animal welfare organization in North America and serves as the nation’s leading voice for animals. More than two million supporters strong, the ASPCA’s mission is to provide effective means for the prevention of cruelty to animals throughout the United States. As a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation, the ASPCA is a national leader in the areas of anti-cruelty, community outreach and animal health services. For more information, please visit www.aspca.org, and be sure to follow the ASPCA on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.
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Please join us in recognizing the 25 Bronx Influential Women of 2018!

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The fellowship is awarded by the Aspen Institute’s College Excellence Program, an educational and policy studies organization based in Washington, D.C. that aims to advance higher education practices, policies, and leadership that significantly improve student outcomes.

Dr. Mangino and the 39 other Aspen Presidential Fellows will embark on a 10-month fellowship beginning in July 2018. Delivered in collaboration with the Stanford Educational Leadership Initiative, the Fellows will be mentored by community college leaders who have had outstanding results for their students, learn from national experts about ways to use data to make their students more successful, and learn how to create strong external partnerships with K-12 schools, four-year colleges, and employers in their community.

The Aspen Fellowship responds to a growing need for a new generation of leaders who are well-equipped to meet the challenges facing community colleges:

- Nationally, nearly 80 percent of sitting presidents plan to retire in the next decade.
- Traditionally, the path to college presidency has excluded women and people of color: Currently, 71 percent of students in community college presidents are white and 64 percent are male.
- The incoming class of Aspen Presidential Fellows is composed of 65 percent women, 43 percent people of color and represents institutions of varying size and geographical spread.

Dr. Mangino was selected through a rigorous process that considered her ability to take strategic risks, lead successful teams, and cultivate partnerships, and focus on results-oriented improvements in student success and access.

With the average community college enrolling about 14,000 students, each Fellow who becomes a president has an opportunity to improve outcomes for hundreds of thousands of students. On or before this date, 20 Aspen Presidential Fellows are now sitting community college presidents at institutions that collectively serve more than 250,000 students nationwide.

The Aspen Presidential Fellowship for Community College Excellence is supported by the Charles and Lynn Schusterman Family Foundation, College Futures Foundation, ECMC Foundation, Greater Texas Foundation, the Joyce Foundation, the Kresge Foundation, and The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.

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The NYC Compost Project Hosted by the New York Botanical Garden invites You to the DSNY Compost Giveback Event on Saturday, May 12, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (rain or shine), at the Soundview Compost Facility, 1686 Randall Avenue.

NYC residents who pre-register are eligible to take up to ten 40-pound bags of free, high-quality New York City Compost made from your food scraps and yard waste. Registration is now open.

Be prepared to physically lift and place individual bags of compost into your own vehicle.

Compost is for NYC residents only. Businesses and commercial vehicles will not be served.

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In a survey of 11 restaurants in Clinton Hill, Brooklyn and the Norwood, section of the Bronx, students from The Urban Assembly Unison School in Brooklyn and DeWitt Clinton High School in the Bronx found that, although options in each community varied, there was a lack of restaurants that had both affordable and nutritious food options. While many local restaurant owners are catering to residents’ tastes, cultures, and health needs, there is still a long way to go. That’s why Teens for Food Justice and the American Heart Association have teamed up to make children’s restaurant menus healthier.

Earlier this month, the teens developed surveys that enabled them to get a full picture of the restaurant landscape in their communities and, with the information they collected, they created maps that detailed options. TFFJ students then visited restaurants and inquired about the types of food and drink items that were on children’s menus; availability of vegetables and portion sizes in staple menu items; food procurement and waste; and the cultural sensitivity of their menus. These teens came together for a Leadership Conference - along with students from Brownsville Collaborative Middle School in Brownsville, Brooklyn - and presented their survey results.

Throughout this semester, the American Heart Association and Teens for Food Justice are empowering young people to assess the availability of healthy options on restaurant menus in their neighborhoods, educate their peers, communities, and policymakers about the need for healthier options, and mobilize for change. The campaign will culminate in a leadership summit on Thursday, June 7 and community events on Saturday, June 2 and Saturday, June 23.

A 2016 analysis published in the American Journal of Public Health, 34 percent of parents purchased a soda or other sugary drink with their child’s meal at four common fastfood restaurants. Soda and other sugary drinks are the top source of added sugars in the American diet and account for nearly half of the added sugars consumed by Americans. Voluntary improvements by restaurants are slow, and most chain and independent restaurants continue to include sugary drinks on children’s menus.

For more information about healthy kids’ meals in New York City and to add your voice to the conversation, visit www.yourtheheartcure.org/NYC.

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The New Rochelle Chamber of Commerce announced that nominations are now open for the organization's 17th annual Women of Excellence awards. Each year, the chamber honors approximately four to five women whose efforts have made meaningful contributions to the vibrancy of the New Rochelle community. Nominees may live or work in New Rochelle, or they may be former residents who continue to make a significant impact on the city.

Nomination categories include: business/professional; entrepreneurial; humanitarian; community leadership; and exceptional community service. Named after Muriel Zaukas who was one of the original women to start the awards ceremony, the annual Muriel Zaukas Woman of Outstanding Achievement Award is the main award and is given for exceptional community involvement.

Entries for the nomination period will be accepted through Friday, May 18, and can be completed online at http://newrochellechamber.org/women-of-excellence-nomination-form/. Nominations are reviewed by a committee of past Women of Excellence honorees and the Executive Board of the Chamber of Commerce. The honorees will be announced in the week of June in preparation of the award dinner to take place in November where the Chamber of Commerce will also give out a scholarship to an outstanding female High School Senior in New Rochelle.

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Boogie Down At The Bronx Zoo

The Bronx Zoo is celebrating wildlife and the Boogie Down Bronx's diverse culture with a series of springtime events called 'Boogie Down at the Bronx Zoo.' The one-of-a-kind event's opening day was held on Saturday, April 21 and featured live musical performances by many famous hip hop legends, break dancing, world-class DJs and workshops teaching how to 'scratch' records and create an 8-meter rhyme. The cultural celebration will be held on weekends starting Saturday, May 5 through Sunday, June 3.
David W. Kaseman, DC, 3050 E. Tremont Avenue, has been selected for inclusion in the forthcoming Trademark Top Doctors of America 2018 Edition for demonstrating dedication, leadership and professional excellence in.

His compassion and expertise set the standard in the industry. He has truly dedicated himself to his profession.

Representing the state as one of the best requires talent, experience and integrity. There is humility and personal touch he adds to his relationship with everyone he does business with, more than the value of his service it’s his way of treating everyone like an extended member of his own family that people remember the most. As a talented disciplined professional he has maintained a proven track record of quality service, driven by his desire to succeed.

During the vetting process it was noted along with his exceptional reputation that he has also maintained a positive peer rating. His years of service along with his level of expertise and several other factors also contributed to his inclusion. He prides himself on honesty and integrity.

He is the kind of professional admired by colleagues and peers alike. His kindness and willingness to always help others and find solutions to most questions is both exemplary and honorable. He has made his mark on his profession as an expert and will become part of history as one of the top professionals in his field.

With expert members representing every major industry, Trademark Top Doctors of America is the trusted resource and historic tool that facilitates the creation of new business relationships in all areas of business.

Following the same tradition of the now more than 100 year old concept, Trademark Top Doctors of America prides itself on preserving the stories of each member as each of them deserve his and her own place in history.

The talented professionals profiled in the historic registry share such virtues as determination, courage, patience and discipline. It is not these characteristics which set them apart from the rest of us, but their extremely high degree of accomplishment.

Now more than ever these people serve as an example, each of these extraordinary people documented in this book offer tangible evidence of the value of hard work, goal setting and passion.

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Few people can say they survived being hit by a train, especially after sustaining severe traumatic injury. But thanks to the Trauma Center team at NYC Health + Hospitals/Jacobi, 36-year-old White Plains resident Phillip Buffone can, although he has no memory of it or the three units of blood to make it through the repairs. I’m still amazed he’s alive.”

Buffone would remain heavily sedated and on a ventilator for three weeks to minimize his movements, thereby preventing the complex reconstruction of his abdomen from falling apart.

After being brought out of sedation, he spent an additional two weeks receiving rehabilitation in the Surgical Intensive Care Unit, under the care of Drs. John Bli-ton and Zachary Sharpman.

Once we got Mr. Buffone right to the OR,” said trauma surgeon Dr. Srinivas Reddy. “and, contrary to what you might expect, closing the huge laceration that nearly divided him in two was not the first priority. Repairing the internal damage and preventing infection from all that was introduced to his body were priorities. So, we washed out his abdomen, re-conjured his small bowel and removed a portion of his colon. We also inserted a shunt to maintain blood flow down his badly damaged left leg to his foot. Following these repairs, we then undertook a complicated closure of the major lacerations. It wasn’t easy, and he required 25 units of blood to make it through the repairs. I’m still amazed he’s alive.”

Buffone’s recovery was a testament to the power of teamwork and determination. During the vetting process it was noted along with his exceptional reputation that he has also maintained a positive peer rating.

The surgical team, and surgical intensive care unit fought so hard for.”

The doctors and nurses at Jacobi were great,” said Mr. Buffone, who wanted to share the graphic photo of how he was brought in to credit those who saved him. “I was almost cut completely in half, and they saved my life. They actually taught me how to walk again. I can’t say enough about them.”

On November 2, 2017, Philip had recovered enough to be transferred for rehabilitation to a facility near his home, in White Plains, New York.

“Mr. Buffone was able to walk out of our doors and go to rehab is nothing short of a miracle,” said Dr. Reddy. “But this is the kind of work our trauma team trains for and stands ready to provide every single day. After some accidents, we literally are able to put people back together again.”
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NEIGHBORHOOD OATH POP-UP COURTS

Councilman Fernando Cabrera and Administrative Law Judge Fidel Del Valle, NYC Office of Administrative Trials and Hearings commissioner, announced on Tuesday, April 24 in Mount Hope that the city will host ‘pop up court’ events where the city will hold hearings on summonses issued by various agencies. The OATH Neighborhood Pop Up Courts will be traveling to communities and holding trials and hearings at places like community boards, libraries and elected officials’ offices. OATH's next borough pop-up court is scheduled for Wednesday, May 23 at Councilman Ritchie Torres’ office.

CASTLE HILL BID INCHES TOWARD REALITY

The proposed Castle Hill Business Improvement District Steering Committee took a big step towards improving the neighborhood. The proposed CHBID formally signed a ‘Statement of Support’ on Thursday, April 26 as it took action towards the creation of BID to improve conditions, retain businesses and enhance the quality of life of Castle Hill.

Proposed Castle Hill BID commercial property owners (back, l-r) Nelson Ng, Awilda Lirianeo, Anthony DeRosa, Mark Irgang, Fernando Lopez, Mohabir Ramsahoye, (front, l-r) Barbara Sophier and Ruby Delgado.

BRONXITES PARTICIPATE IN MARCH FOR OUR LIVES

Community groups, Mary Mitchell Center, Health People and FIERCE, joined to take Bronx youth to the Washington, D.C. March for Our Lives on March 24. Many of the teens who participated were also involved in other community activities from mentoring to advocating for other youth issues. Members of the congregation thought the event was inspiring however, many thought the event was sad because it was organized as a result of the students killed in school shootings over the years.

COUNCILMAN MARK GJONAJ ATTENDS YOUNG DEMOCRATS GALA

Councilman Mark Gjonaj recently attended the Bronx Young Democrats third annual Spring Gala. This year’s honorees were Council Speaker Corey Johnson, Assemblywoman Nathalia Fernandez, former Deputy Borough President Aurelia Greene and business owners Eli Garcia and Gino Pacheco.

Councilman Gjonaj (3rd from l) celebrated with his political peers and this year’s honorees.

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Fordham University Hosts

Bronx Celebration Day

Fordham University hosted its second annual Bronx Celebration Day on Saturday, April 21 at the university’s Rose Hill Campus Walsh Lot. The event was an excellent opportunity for Bronxites to learn more about the borough’s diverse culture, enjoy live musical and dance performances from local artists, support local vendors, tour Fordham’s massive campus and sample delicious global cuisine. (insert left) Afro Puerto Rican ensemble Bámbula’s Norka Nadal serenaded the crowd.

The Mazarte Dance Company entertained everyone with their traditional Mexican dances. Photo by Edward Watkins

Alessandra Belloni and her band, ‘I GIULLARI DI PIAZZA,’ amazed the audience with her traditional southern Italian folk dances and percussion combined with singing she learned in southern Italy. Photo by Edward Watkins

Bondoma Garifuna Cultural Band and Natalie Wodniak (c), Fordham Club Bronx Collaboration Committee co-chairwoman had a great time celebrating the Boogie Down Bronx. Photo by Edward Watkins

Vivette Smitherman sold many of her handmade hats and scarves at the borough celebration. Photo by Edward Watkins

Bronxites of all ages bought shirts displaying their love for their hometown. Photo by Edward Watkins
Tax Lien Sale Outreach Session

Councilman Andy King will host an information session about the city’s upcoming tax lien sale on Thursday, May 10, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Williamsbridge NAACP Early Childhood Educational Center, 680 East 219th Street. The workshop will be conducted by representatives of the New York City Department of Finance, Environmental Protection, and Housing Preservation and Development, who will meet with property owners faced with a lien sale. Properties appearing on the tax lien sale list may be there because of overdue property tax, water or sewer charges. After a certain time, the city sells the tax liens. There are more than 800 properties within the boundaries of the councilman’s 12th District on the 2018 lien-sale list, according to the latest information from the city Department of Finance.

The last day for property owners on the tax lien sale list to pay their debt or enter into a payment agreement is on Thursday, May 17.

Certain current property tax exemptions or credits may result in the removal of property from the tax lien sale at risk pool. Anyone who believes that they are eligible for a senior citizen, disabled homeowner, or veterans exemption or if they have received the New York State circuit breaker credit for tax year 2017, then fill out a Lien Sale Property Exemption Application and return it to DOF no later than Thursday, May 17.

Active military personnel may request relief from the Lien Sale, Tax Waivers, Environmental Control Board judgments, and parking judgments.

Anyone unable to attend the information session should call 311 and state that they have a tax lien problem. The call will be transferred directly to the Department of Finance.

Donate your change at Macy’s

For the second year in a row, Macy’s is partnering with the YMCA of Greater NY to give kids a summer camp experience. From Tuesday, May 1, to Sunday, May 22, Macy’s in the Bronx invites shoppers to round-up their in-store purchase to the nearest dollar and donate the difference (up to $99) to support the Y’s camp scholar-ship program that sends kids to summer camp.

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Babies haven't changed much in about a million years. But how we view them, what we expect of them, and how we raise them is changing all the time and, in the process, changing us, says Janet Golden, a professor of history at Rutgers and author of the new book, "Babies Made Us Modern: How Infants Brought America into the 20th Century."

At the dawn of the 1900s, infant mortality was still so common that photographers routinely took pictures of babies in their coffins — eyes open — as a keepsake for the parents. It was only as mortality rates fell (and Kodak's Brownie camera brought photography to the masses) that another kind of picture became popular: Snapshots of babies very much alive, even giggly.

This was such a new notion that Kodak actually had to tell parents: "It makes no difference how often the baby goes to the photographer ... the record of his days is incomplete unless there are home pictures to supplement the more formal studio photographs."

And that, my friends, is the first dawning of our Facebook culture. You'll find it in baby books — diaries for moms to fill in with baby's word, first tooth, etc. — which started including a page where parents were told to paste a baby photo. The page proved a treasure trove for Golden who pored over hundreds of them (strangely enough, collected by one obsessed librarian at U.C.L.A.) to see what parents considered good childrearing.

"I really didn't know what I was going to find," Golden said in a phone interview. "But the thing that jumped out at me was that they used to have places where you wrote down, 'Baby's first accident.'"

One such book from Red Bud, Illinois, recorded the early life of a boy named Charlie Flood, born in 1914. At four months old, he suffered a burn to his face. Four months later he pulled off part of his tongue with a button hook — a common device in the days before zippers. By toddlerhood these baby books proved true and, later, glass in his hand from holding a bottle while he fell.

"Charlie's mother dutifully recorded each accident ... and he was hardly the only infant to have his calamities written down," writes Golden. "Babies fell down stairs, off porches, and out of high chairs and cribs. Some baby books even had places designed for writing down 'First Tumble.'"

Today, of course, babies still take tumbles, "But the standard of parental expectations have changed," Golden says. Accidents have gone from an ordinary part of childhood to something almost too shameful to admit. "And the same thing happened with discipline," says Golden. Some of the baby books have a page for "Baby's First Discipline," with moms filling in, "I spanked baby for _____.

You wouldn't find a page like that today. In fact, you wouldn't find a lot of the practices considered prudent 100 years ago. The U.S. Children's Bureau, a department of the government roughly akin to the Dept. of Agriculture, in that it instructed Americans on how to raise a healthy crop of kids, published pamphlets giving parents all sorts of “good” advice including:

"Don't kiss babies. Let them cry. Make sure they get a healthy tan. Don't give them pacifiers. Don't get them in the habit of being held," Golden synopsizes. Some of these strange-sounding tips made sense back then. Kissing spread germs which, before antibiotics, could have proven deadly. It was an era of tuberculosi, too. If crying possibly made lungs stronger, let those babies wail! And a tan? Before industry started adding Vitamin D to foods, kids got the bone-softening ailment called rickets. Sunshine prevented it.

In that era, too, moms routinely started toilet training their babies before age one, sometimes as early as two months. Why? No washing machines! How many dirty diapers did anyone want to scrub against a washboard? I'd have hurried up and trained my kids, too.

Parental norms really started changing after World War II. Not only were there more home conveniences, this was also a more permissive era. Instead of rigid rules, parents turned to Dr. Spock who famously told moms, "You know more than you think you do" — so just trust your gut. No need for a feeding schedule or anything like that.

But as loosey-goosey as the parenting style became, the standards of safety kept going up. The more babies that survived, the more Americans began to believe they could — and must — obliterate any childhood adversity.

Which brings us to today: the safest times in human history, when parents are nonetheless encouraged to buy things like devices that can monitor their babies' heart rate every single second, as if they're in constant peril. As safety has reached a new level, so has fear.

It doesn't get more modern than that.

Lenore Skenazy, president of Let Grow, and founder of Free-Range Kids.

Spellman’s National Honor Society inductees

Twenty-seven students from Cardinal Spellman High School were inducted into the Sequere Deum Chapter of the National Honor Society on Thursday, April 12.

Daniel O’Keefe, president and principal, began the ceremony with a prayer and congratulated the students for their accomplishments. He reminded the inductees that they are role models for the Spellman community as they embrace the Spellman spirit, and are recognized as leaders now, will be in college and then careers.

Trudy Keane, longtime moderator of the National Honor Society at Spellman, cited the dedication and leadership of the current National Honor Society members, and said that the achievements of the twenty-seven new students were due to their commitment to the four attributes required of acceptance into the National Honor Society: scholarship, character, leadership, and service. Faith in God is also a component of membership, as evidenced by the name of the Spellman Chapter: Sequere Deum — Follow God. Keane noted how all these students brought honor to their parents, community and school.

The current co-presidents of the National Honor Society, Brian Doan, Shade McFarlane, Eunice Nazar and Isaac Yearwood assisted with the ceremony. Candles representing the four attributes were lighted, and as their flames localized, the students then received the National Honor Society medallion.

The National Honor Society serves as a reflection on one’s high academic achievement as well as recognition of strong character, good citizenship, and service to others.

Membership in the elite and prestigious organization is recognized by colleges around the nation.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the school cafeteria for the new members, their families, school administrators, and faculty.

CO-OP CITY CELEBRATES EARTH DAY

Rivers Run Community Garden and Co-op City Little League celebrated Earth Day with its annual neighborhood parade on Saturday, April 21. Grand marshal Assemblyman Michael Benedetto joined many marching bands and residents for the yearly campaign emphasizing environmental literacy and taking action to save our planet by reducing, reusing and recycling.

Jayson Capuano and his mother Barbara Bartelsen celebrated Earth Day in Co-op City.

Photo by Silvio Pacifico

FORMER DR PREZ FERNANDEZ VISITS MAESTRO’S

Former Dominican Republic president Leonel Fernandez Reyna traveled to the Bronx on Thursday, April 26 to have a breakfast dialogue with the New York Hispanic Clergy Organization at Maestro’s Caterers.

Bronxites displayed banners and signs thanking Fernandez Reyna for his service.

Photo by Edwin Soto

JEWISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL HOSTS BREAKFAST

Councilman Mark Gjonaj had the pleasure to attend the Jewish Community Council of Pelham Parkway and the Bronx Jewish Community Council’s Legislative and Community Breakfast on Sunday, April 22 at Bronx House.

(1-r) Senator Jeff Klein; Assemblywoman Nathalia Fernandez; Congressman Joseph Crowley; District Attorney Darcel Clark; Councilman Gjonaj and David Edelstein, BJJCP executive director.

Photo courtesy of Councilman Mark Gjonaj’s Office
WHEDco to receive $500,000 Citi Foundation grant

The Citi Foundation announced that WHEDco was selected as the recipient of a $500,000 grant as part of the 2018 Community Progress Makers Fund. The fund is a $20 million, two-year initiative by the Citi Foundation to support high-impact community organizations that are driving economic opportunities in our communities by bringing together residents, nonprofits, businesses, and municipal agencies.

WHEDco joins a group of 40 change agents who are playing a key role in coordinating the efforts of multiple partners toward common goals and working in new ways to address urban challenges in Chicago, Los Angeles, Miami, New York City, San Francisco Bay Area, and Washington D.C.

Through the fund, WHEDco will provide Bronx residents increased opportunities to participate in economic changes and new investment coming to the borough. Core operating support will allow Citi Foundation to take a wider view of how to support businesses with technology, training and financial services, and meet the specific financial needs of Bronx businesses, entrepreneurs, and residents, including immigrants. The Bronx is at a critical turning point in its trajectory, and by addressing core issues of poverty and inequality now, they will ensure that the south Bronx has greater opportunities for health, education, income generation, and stable, vibrant communities in the future.

"We launched this program in 2015 as our version of 'venture philanthropy' – a chance to invest in the vision and mission of these organizations who are helping positively transform their communities," said Brandee Hale, president of the Citi Foundation. "We're pleased with the results from our inaugural Community Progress Makers and are looking forward to implementing the lessons we've learned with this next, impressive group of community leaders as they scale, innovate and drive impact."

"We are honored to have been selected as a Community Progress Maker and to join leading organizations working to increase economic opportunity for low-income residents," said Davon Russell, president of WHEDco. "This core operating support from the Citi Foundation is exceptional because it provides us the flexibility to really deep our work; it demonstrates trust in our leadership and our knowledge of the people we serve. I believe it will be transformative for WHEDco."

"On behalf of Council District 16, I congratulate WHEDco on being selected by Citi Foundation as a Community Progress Maker," said Councilwoman Vanessa L. Gibson. "WHEDco's longstanding presence and its proven track record in implementing programs that promote the overall wellbeing and economic empowerment of our communities have made it an invaluable ally in our efforts to build a greater Bronx. As proud partners and supporters of WHEDco, we look forward to seeing how Citi's support will translate into increased opportunities for our constituents across the borough."

In 2016-2017, the inaugural cohort of Community Progress Makers helped more than 14,700 low-income people secure financial assets; built over 10,500 affordable housing units; strengthened more than 1,100 small businesses; and connected 1,800 young people to jobs in their communities.

This year will feature DJ Gel Mix playing the best variety of Spanish music. They will also have a live Mexican band named 'Banda la Eje nuciosa de NY' and folkloric dancers from Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church.

Among the over 5,000 expected participants, the Cinco de Mayo Celebration in Bronx has hosted dignitaries such as Diaz, Senator Jefrey Klein, Senator Gustavo Rivera, and former Mexican Consulate Carlos Sada.

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BY PAUL GOLLUSCIO

Hello all!

The Bingo Party went super swell. These folk do a hang up job. All proceeds go to Veterans Affairs. Congrats to all. The turn out was fantastic.

The next post meeting will take place on Saturday, May 5, at 1 p.m. Show up and make your thoughts known.

Log on to www.buglesacrossamerica.com and get a lugger to play Taps at vets funerals free of charge.

The Pledge of Allegiance was written in August 1892 by Francis Bellamy. It was designed to be recited in 15 seconds.

Let's get this next historic fact out of the way. Years ago the Mexican people developed a craving for mayonnaise. Arrangements were made with a company in England and hundreds of jars were shipped to Mexico. The sad part was that they were shipped on the Titanic. When the Titanic went down, that was the beginning of Cinco-De-Mayo.

The finance for the roof replacement is still going on. Odd part is nothing can be done on the inside of the building until the replacement happens. There's plenty of plastering, painting and fixing up to do. Short column this week.

Trivia Time

Grant's Tomb was dedicated in New York City on April 27, 1889.

On the next day in 1945, Il Duce was killed.

The zipper was patented by G. Sundback on April 29, 1915.

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BY TONY SALIMBENE

Ok, ready for a busy May?

Friday, May 4, at 7:30 p.m. Community Board 10 Veteran's Services Committee meeting.

Sunday, May 6, Bronx County Blessing of the Colors, 9:30 a.m. Mass at St. Benedict Church, gathering at TN Memorial 1456 at 11:30 a.m.

Sunday, May 13 is Mothers Day.

Sunday, May 20, at 11 a.m., Korony Post 253 meeting, final nominations and elections. Evening officers will be sworn in on the 4th Sunday in June at our BBQ and awards day at 1456.

Sunday, May 27, Memorial Day weekend, it's a 9 a.m. at Sli- ver Beach, 11 a.m. Edgewater Pk. march from their Volunteer FD (where we started in 1927) to their Memorial Circle.

Then 1 p.m., Co-op City Veterans Park.

Monday, May 28, Memorial Day, 10 a.m. at Bicentennial Veterans Memorial Park, 10 a.m. at TN Memorial 1456 for 11 a.m. services, then break until the City Island Annual Parade, stepping off at 2 p.m.

We have Peace Plaza at 11 a.m. and Van Nest Memorial at noon, but we obviously can’t be in two places at the same time so we’ll have to decide. Hope we can get together for a better schedule next time...

Whether is getting nice (I hope) so get those flags flying.

Until next time: “We can’t help everyone but everyone can help someone.” -President Ronald Reagan
Castle Hill Little League’s Opening Day

Castle Hill Little League had a ball celebrating its Opening Day Ceremony on Saturday, April 28. The time-honored tradition began with a parade starting at the corner of Castle Hill and Lafayette avenues and proceeding to the league’s field on Zerega Avenue for the on-field ceremony.

CHLL players displayed a banner honoring fallen 43rd Precinct Sergeant Paul Tuozzolo.

CHLL Majors represented Paraco Gas at this year’s season opener.

Bronx Athletic Sports Department players represented Spunky Kids Entertainment on the field.

CHLL Minors proudly represented their sponsor Havana Cafe.

Cheerleaders provided good cheer for all at this year’s Opening Day celebration.

J & S Food Pantry lent its full support at CHLL’s Opening Day Ceremony.

Castle Hill Little League’s Opening Day
C.S. 55 students received a surprise visit from Adam Jacobs, currently starring as Aladdin in 'Disney's Aladdin on Broadway,' on Friday, April 27. Thirty children from C.S. 55 will perform their own Aladdin-inspired production, 'The Aladdin Kids' on Thursday, May 17 at 3 p.m. and Friday, May 18 at 6 p.m. at 450 St. Paul's Place.

Councilman Mark Gjonaj attended the Collegiate Institute for Math and Science Night of the Arts on Wednesday, April 25 to congratulate Larry Minetti, the students and the CIMS for the amazing show.

Gjonaj congratulated student artist Mary Garcia on her incredible artwork.

(top) Gjonaj (l) presented a certificate of appreciation to Larry Minetti.

(above) Gjonaj and Assemblywoman Nathalia Fernandez had a great time at the art show.
Villa Maria Academy

Honors the Fitest

Villa Maria Academy commemorated three decades of student NYS Physical Fitness Test achievements at its second annual Detective Steven McDonald Evening of Champions on Tuesday, April 17 and Wednesday, April 18 at the school’s Visitation Center. The gala recognized VMA’s kindergarten through eighth grade Fitness Champions, emphasized physical education and honored McDonald’s memory. Retired professional heavyweight boxer Gerry ‘Great White Hope’ Cooney presented this year’s Detective Steven McDonald Courageous Spirit Award to sixth grader Anthony Venturino for his calm-under-pressure temperament.
On Tuesday, May 15, Kingsbridge Heights Community Center will host their annual Spring Rooftop Cocktail event at Yotel NYC in the heart of midtown Manhattan. The fundraising event, which will be held from 6 to 8 p.m., will raise money to support KHCC’s work with low income families in the Bronx.

Raise the Roof is a highly-anticipated happy hour event bringing together leading executives, community leaders and key donors. The event, hosted by KHCC’s Board of Directors, will highlight the agency’s efforts to empower the Bronx’s most sidelined students including new immigrants, children with special needs, survivors of sexual assault and families living below the poverty line. All proceeds from the Raise the Roof event will support the agency’s programs.

“This event is a intimate way to get to know the incredible people of KHCC and the critical role KHCC plays in the lives of so many in the Bronx,” said Lisa Lindvall, the chair of the agency’s Board of Directors. “We hope that attendees will not only mingle and have fun but become equally impassioned about KHCC’s mission and offer their support and expertise to improve the quality of life for others.”

Attendees of the cocktail event will have the opportunity to donate to KHCC. The night will also include raffles to win exclusive packages with items such as custom jewelry, luxury beauty items, autographed memorabilia and meals prepared by a personal chef.

“KHCC has been an invaluable tool in educating our students seeking to protest abortion, and our administration… When a teacher was placed on leave for merely asking whether students seeking to protest abortion would be given the same rights as those demonstrating against the Second Amendment. Columnist Tom Knighton reported that an educator posed the question: if it was appropriate for the school to have been providing support for a politically motivated protest, [in this case, anti-2nd Amendment] would such support would be there for other causes. The teacher involved, Julianne Benzel, said “I just kind of used the example … [if] a group of students nation-wide, or even locally, decided ‘I want to walk out of school for 17 minutes’ and go in the quad area and protest abortion, would that be allowed by our administration… When a school makes it clear that it is willing to support some political speech but not all, students are learning that some opinions can be silenced in this country. They call it progressive, but that’s regression.”

The College Fix found that an ‘anti-oppression guide’ at Simmons College claims that saying “God bless you” after some sneezes is considered as a microagression, because it could offend Muslims.

As the New York Analysis of Policy and Government has reported, Walter Williams provided a disturbing report from the University of Hawaii:

“We need to think very, very clearly about who the enemy is. The enemy is the United States of America and everyone who supports it. That’s taught to University of Hawaii students by Professor Haunani-Kay Trask. Richard Falk, professor emeritus at Princeton University and the U.N. Human Rights Council’s Palestine monitor, believes stated that President George W. Bush ordered the destruction of the twin towers…”...Then there’s George-town law professor Louis Michael Seidman, who explained our national problems by saying, ‘But almost no one blames the culprit: our insistence on obedience to the Constitution, with all its archaic, idiosyn- cratic and downright evil pro- visions.’”

The Daily Wire reports that Karl Marx’s ‘Commu- nist Manifesto’ has been found to be the most taught text by economists on college campuses…”...The ‘Commun- nist Manifesto’ was most fre- quently taught by economists, receiving a total count of 3,189 and a ‘teaching score’ of 99.7. The overall data from all professors revealed that only ‘The Elements of Style,’ a com- mon writing guide by William Strunk and ‘The Republic’ by Plato were more assigned than the Karl Marx classic.

And if that’s not frightening enough, per Market Watch, the Bible did not show up in the list at all. Adolf Hitler’s ‘Mein Kampf’ received a count of 697 and a score of 75.7 and Vladimir Lenin’s ‘What Is To Be Done’ received a count of 361 and a teaching score of 45.9.

When U.S. history is taught, even on the lower school level, it is frequently from an extreme anti-American bias. The Federalist reported that in 2014, when award-winning history professor Larry Krieger reviewed Common Core’s AP American history curriculum, he was appalled. ‘Krieger… conducted a meticulous dissection of the anti-American themes and anti-knowledge gaps in the extensive new curriculum framework.’ These include emphasizing exploitation, racial conflict, and economic deter- minism, and omitting the Pilgrims, all Revolutionary War battles, Alexis de Tocqueville, Uncle Tom’s Cabin, and much more. Their analysis and Wood’s also make it quite clear that the new curriculum is nowhere near objective, or even even-handed, philosophically, and is, moreover, organiza- tionally incoherent.”

Will Grant, reporting for Times Higher Education explains that “Growing proportions of the academic workforce are employed in ever more precarious fashion; PhD graduates are produced at vol- umes scarcely related to aca- demic jobs; ... Among our stu- dents, we can see a growing trend of academic entitlement, ...growing political demands over the shape of the curricu- lum, and how the university should relate to them. Accu- sations of liberal bias among faculty are nothing new. Since before God and Man at Yale – William F. Buckley’s 1951 attack on his teachers at Yale – academics have been accused of seeking to indoctrinate students into liberal views. Yet in recent years, [ideologi- cal battles]...have taken on a new character...The tone of campus conversations has changed. Partisan divisions we see elsewhere in society seem to have made their way into the classroom...students...are...more likely to dis- ense from the classroom expe- rience, or to be disingenuous and parrot the instructors’ be- lies back to them. Neither of these behaviors is, of course, conducive to either quality classroom discussion or actual learning...these trends are worsened by the system that we have helped to create...Politics may currently be an unwelcome and potentially disruptive visitor to the classroom, but it doesn’t need to be that way...”

Allowing discussions and even protests are part of the educational process. But mandating that only one side of the ideological divide has that privilege is an affront to the American concept of free speech, and represents, in es- sence, a theft of taxpayer dol- lars or parental tuition funds for purposes unrelated to edu- cation.
The Forum of Italian American Educators celebrated its 34th annual FIAME Awards and Dinner Dance on Friday, April 20 at Villa Barone Manor.

Rosemary Mercora (back, c), FIAME president, celebrated with her fellow FIAME Executive Board members at Villa Barone Manor.

Mercora (c) congratulated honorees (l-r) Brandon Muccino, Tina Alessandro, Frank Viteritti, Michele Pasquale, Anthony Stiffler, Rosemary Mercora, Catherine Giordano Cirillo, Jessica Miano, Elisa Marie Toapha, Cristina D'Angelo and Neil Mattera on their success.

New Yorkers for Parks, the citywide independent champion of quality open space, honored extraordinary Daffodil Project volunteers from every borough at its annual Daffodil Breakfast on Tuesday, April 24 at the Battery Park Garden restaurant. Representing the Bronx were honorees Jaime O. Felliberty and Joan Barnes of Friends of Soundview Park.

Councilman Barry Grodenchik (l) with this year’s honorees.

(l-r) Joel Steinhaus, Chair of the Board of NY4P Board chairman and WeWork chief of staff; Joan Barnes, Friends of Soundview Park and Lynn Kelly, NY4P executive director.
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On the steps of City Hall and at a ceremony held at the Dr. Katharine Dodge Brownell School, Alan Mucatel, executive director of what was formerly known as Leake & Watts, one of New York City’s oldest and largest human services agencies, announced that the organization has changed its name to Rising Ground.

LEAKE & WATTS ANNOUNCES NEW NAME

Alan Mucatel (c), Rising Ground executive director, and staff with Dr. Katharine Dodge Brownell School students.

Photo courtesy of Harrison Edwards PR

ST. BARNABAS HS’ ‘ON THE TOWN’ MUSICAL

St. Barnabas High School performed its fun-filled musical, ‘On the Town’ on Friday, April 27 and Sunday, April 29.

Photo courtesy of St. Barnabas High School

COUNCILMAN SALAMANCA JOINS PIX11 NYCHA PANEL

After a fiery Committee on Public Housing hearing, Councilman Rafael Salamanca joined a PIX11 panel to discuss NYCHA on ‘Monica Makes It Happen.’

Photo courtesy of Councilman Rafael Salamanca’s Office

SALAMANCA, LIGHTHOUSE ACADEMY TOUR CITY HALL

Councilman Rafael Salamanca recently met with students from Bronx Lighthouse College Prep Academy who were touring City Hall as a part of their studies.

Salamanca (c) briefly discussed hot topics being debated at City Hall and the importance of civic efficacy with the students.

Photo courtesy of Councilman Rafael Salamanca’s Office

PINK PRINCESS NAILS PROM WEAR GIVEAWAY

Pink Princess Nails Party Boutique hosted its fifth annual Prom Wear Giveaway on Sunday, April 29 at 1470 Williamsbridge Road.

(l-r) Tanya Robles, Pink Princess Nails; Africa Francis; Gemesi Orelus; Thalina Rosario, Madelaina Reynoso and Milagros Lopez, Pink Princess Nails owner had fun preparing for prom.

Photo by Aracelis Batista

Mount St. Michael Academy senior Jamaal Spencer and St. Barnabas High School junior Rachael Richardson practiced their song, ‘Come Up To My Place’ as their best Chip and Hildy in the taxi scene from ‘On the Town.’

Photo courtesy of St. Barnabas High School
LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC AUCTION: Supreme Court of New York, BRONX COUNTY, USRO IV LEGAL TITLE TRUST 2015-1, by U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as LEGAL TITLE TRUSTEE, Plaintiff vs. SUSUKY E. ABHIVA A/K/A SUSUKY ABHIVA; NOSAKAREHA EBONDON; NEW YORK CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD; MARITIME ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. ACTING SOLELY AS A NOMINEE FOR THE GROUP/CONSUMER FINANCE, INC (NY); JACKLYN OWUSU: THOMAS JOHNSTON, Index No. 381312/2012. Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale duly dated, June 6, 2017, and entered with the Bronx County Clerk on July 6, 2017, Brian P. Nelson, Esq., the appointed Referee, will sell at the premises known as 2104 Lacombe Avenue, Bronx, New York 10473 at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, Bronx, New York 10451, on June 4, 2018 at 2:00 P.M. 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. 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 $215,330.25 plus interest and costs. INDEX NO. 3577/2015E Victor E. Negron, Esq., Referee

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: BRONX COUNTY
FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff(s) vs. VICTOR ORTEGA; et al; Defendant(s)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: BRONX COUNTY
HOMEBANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR WELLS FARGO ASSET SECURITIES CORPORATION, Pursuant to Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale granted herein on or about June 7, 2018, I will sell at auction to the highest bidder at the Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on June 4, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. prem. k/a 2584 Briggs Ave., Bronx, NY 10458 a/k/a Block 5293 Lot 33. Approx. of judgment $361,916.22 plus interest and costs. Sold subject to terms and conditions of judgment lien and terms of sale. MARK BERNSTEIN, Referee

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: BRONX COUNTY
PENNYMAC CORP; Plaintiff(s) vs. VALENTIN CHEVELIER; et al; Defendant(s)
Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale granted herein on or about June 14, 2018 at 2:00 pm, premises known as 2788 MARION AVENUE, BRONX, NY 10468. Approximate amount of judgment $513,660.46 plus interest and costs. Oshrie Zak, Esq., Referee

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: BRONX COUNTY
US BANK TRUST NA AS TRUSTEE FOR LSF9 MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST, Plaintiff(s) vs. LEMONT HASKINS; et al; Defendant(s)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: BRONX COUNTY
OWN LOAN SERVICING, LLC; Plaintiff(s) vs. CARLTON SMITH AS HEIR AT LAW OF Next of Kin of CARL SMITH; et al; Defendant(s)

LEGAL NOTICE

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OCWEN LOAN SERVICING, LLC; Plaintiff(s) vs. VALENTIN CHEVELIER; et al; Defendant(s)

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BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff vs. VALENTIN CHEVELIER; et al; Defendant(s)

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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: BRONX COUNTY
FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff against Richard Barba A/K/A Richard A. BARBA, et al Defendants

LEGAL NOTICE

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BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff vs. VALENTIN CHEVELIER; et al; Defendant(s)

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PENNYMAC CORP; Plaintiff(s) vs. VALENTIN CHEVELIER; et al; Defendant(s)

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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: BRONX COUNTY
BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff vs. VALENTIN CHEVELIER; et al; Defendant(s)
**BRONX Y HOSTS HEALTHY KIDS DAY CELEBRATION**

The Bronx YMCA hosted its Healthy Kids Day, a summer Olympic-theme extravaganza, on Saturday, April 21 at 2 Castle Hill Avenue.

(BTR)

**SALAMANCA AT RALLY TO CLOSE RIKERS**

Councilman Rafael Salamanca joined Just Leadership USA and criminal justice advocates to celebrate the two year anniversary of #CLOSErikers, the campaign that got Mayor de Blasio to commit to closing Rikers in ten years.

Salamanca (c) urged the City to close Rikers well within the 10 years and demanded the Vernon C. Bain Correctional Center be closed now.

Photo courtesy of Councilman Rafael Salamanca’s Office

**RENAISSANCE HS HOSTS SPELLING BEE PLAY**

Renaissance High School For Musical Theater and Technology hosted its ’25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee’ student production on Wednesday, April 25 inside the school’s auditorium.

(BTR)

**EVANGELINA WILLIAMS CELEBRATES 106TH**

Triboro Center resident Evangelina Williams celebrated her incredible 106th birthday on Friday, April 20!

Triboro Center staff and her 103-year-old sister Amparo Pérez joined 106-year-old Evangelina Williams (c) for her special day.

Photo courtesy of Centers Health Care/Triboro Center

(BTR)
LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF SALE - SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BRONX
HSBC BANK USA, N.A., AS INDEBTED PARTY TO THE REGISTERED NOTEHOLDERS OF RENAISSANCE HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST 2007-2, Plaintiff,

Against

Index No.: 35485/2015
ANGELA FRANCIS A/K/A ANGELA FRAZIER; A/K/A ANGELA FRANCIS; JOYCELYN MILLER; ET AL., Defendants.

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, duly entered on 3/13/2018, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, 85 Grand Concourse, Room 600, Bronx, NY on 5/14/2018 at 2:00 pm, premises known as 3577 Fish Avenue, Bronx, NY 10469, and described as follows:

ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Bronx, City and State of New York, and designated on the tax maps of the Bronx County Treasurer as Block 3932 De Reimer Avenue, Bronx, NY 10469, and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point on the Westerly side of Trafalgar Place, distant 149 feet Southerly from the corner formed by the side of Trafalgar Place, distant 149 feet from the side of Grand Concourse, distant 462 feet Westward from the corner of the said Grand Concourse and Trafalgar Place and lying and being in the Borough and County of Bronx, City and State of New York, and described as follows:

Lot 14. Approximate amount of judgment is $356,955.95 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 35656/2015E. Only cash or certified funds payable to the Referee will be accepted as a deposit in the amount of ten percent of the purchase price.

Victoria N. Espin, Esq., Referee, Shapiro, D’Caro & Barak, LLC, Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff
175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624
(775) 795-1835
Dated: April 12, 2018 - #94485

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF SALE - SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF BRONX
STRATFLEURS TRUST 2013-I-H-R BTR AGAINST Diana McNear; et al., Defendants.
Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered on March 01, 2018, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Room 600, Bronx, NY on May 14, 2018 at 2:00 p.m., premises known as 264 Lumina Avenue, 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, County of Bronx, City and State of New York, Block 5010 Lot 14. Approximate amount of judgment $125,289.71 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 35670/2015E. Only cash or certified funds payable to the Referee will be accepted as a deposit in the amount of ten percent of the purchase price.

Edward J. Pryor, Esq., Referee, Shapiro, D’Caro & Barak, LLC, Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff
175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624
(877) 759-1835
Dated April 12, 2018 - #94485

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF SALE - SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF BRONX
PASQUALE TRAFALGAR PLACE, BRONX, NY AGAINST Diana McNear; et al., Defendants.
Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered herein and dated June 28, 2017, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on May 14, 2018 at 2:00 p.m., premises lying and being in the Borough, County of Bronx, City and State of New York, Block 1454 Lot 13. Approximate amount of judgment $407,955.95 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 35505/2015E. Only cash or certified funds payable to the Referee will be accepted as a deposit in the amount of ten percent of the purchase price.

Lorraine Corsa, Esq., Referee, Shapiro, D’Caro & Barak, LLC, Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff
175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624
(877) 759-1835
Dated: April 12, 2018 - #94485
Councilman Rafael Salamanca (4th from l) and his colleagues enjoyed honing their tennis skills.

Photo courtesy of Councilman Rafael Salamanca’s Office

CALLAWAY GOLF DEMO AT TURTLE COVE GOLF CENTER

Callaway Golf hosted a ‘swinging’ golfing demo on Tuesday, April 24 at Turtle Cove Golf Center. Participants had the opportunity to try the newest Callaway Golf products and clubs, learn more about the latest golf technology and speak with Callaway equipment experts about the best science for their game and swing.

SALAMANCA TOURS CARY TENNIS CENTER

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UNIQLO PRE-OPENING RECEPTION AT THE MALL AT BAY PLAZA

Fashionable Bronxites enjoyed a Pre-Opening Reception celebrating Uniqlo’s first-ever Bronx store on Thursday, April 26 at the Mall at Bay Plaza. The stylish extravaganza featured live music by the legendary DJ Grandmaster Caz; a tour of the brand new 8,000 square foot store offering high-quality, innovative LifeWear apparel for men, women and children; meet and greets with Uniqlo staff and business professionals and shopping opportunities!

Uniqlo associate Ana Almanzar showed off some of Uniqlo’s stylish fashion options.

Photo by Miriam Quin

Maranda Ashkar (l), Prestige Properties & Development director of Mall Management and Marketing, met Etan Shalem, Welco Realty commercial real estate agent, at the party.

Photo by Miriam Quin

Kevin Caporaso (l) and Rick Nielson were ready to test out Callaway Golf’s state-of-the-art equipment.

Photo by Edward Watkins

(l-r) Eddie Groger, Kevin Caporaso, Trevor Cove, Jim Jubilee and Thomas geared up before hitting the driving range.

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LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF NEW YORK
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BROX
WELLS FARGO BANK, NA
Plaintiff,
vs.
ROSALYN L. RODRIGUEZ, WILSON VARGAS, et al.,
Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE IN FORECLOSURE
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the
Office of the County Clerk of Bronx County on July 21, 2017, I, Guy T. Phillips, Referee named in said
Judgment, will sell in one parcel at public auction on May 14, 2018 at the Bronx County Courthouse Room 600 at 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx County, State of New York, at 2:00 p.m., the premises described as follows:
533 Underhill Avenue
Bronx, New York 10462
SBL No.: Block: 3525 Lot: 64
ALL THAT TRACT OF PARCEL OF LAND situate in the Borough of the
County of Bronx, City and State of New York, known and designated as Block 3525, Lot 64, and
being a plot of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon described as follows: Approximate
amount of lien $513,096.26 plus interest & costs. Said premises known as 3956 DE REMIER AVENUE, BRONX, NY
Approximate amount of lien $513,096.26 plus interest & costs.
Pursuant to the provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale. Index No. 35136/2014.
Referee: Windels Marx Lane & Mittendorf, LLP
Attorney(s) for Plaintiff:
156 W 56 Street, New York, NY 10019
LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BROX
WILSON VARGAS, et al.,
Plaintiff,
vs.
Estate of CLAUDE H. MAXWELL, et al.,
Defendant(s).
LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BROX
NYCTL 2015-2 TRUST and THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON
as COLLATERAL AGENT and CUSTODIAN, PLAINTIFFS
vs.
ANABELL REYES, et al.,
Defendant(s).
LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BROX
NYCTL 2015-2 TRUST and THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON
as COLLATERAL AGENT and CUSTODIAN, PLAINTIFFS
vs.
Luis Feijoo; Flerida Feijoo, et al.,
Defendant(s).
LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BROX
NYCTL 2015-2 TRUST and THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON
as COLLATERAL AGENT and CUSTODIAN, PLAINTIFFS
vs.
SPRUCE CORPORATION, et al.,
Defendant(s).
LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BROX
NYCTL 2015-2 TRUST and THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON
as COLLATERAL AGENT and CUSTODIAN, PLAINTIFFS
vs.
LOAN TRUST 2006-39CB, Plaintiff against
BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE
CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE NYCTL 2006-39CB MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES,
Series 2006-39CB, Plaintiff against
ANABELL REYES, et al.,
Defendant(s).
LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BROX
BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK,
AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERs OF THE
NYCTL 2006-39CB MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES,
Series 2006-39CB, Plaintiff against
Luis Feijoo; Florida Feijoo, et al.,
Defendant(s).
LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BROX
WELLS FARGO BANK, NA
Plaintiff,
vs.
DANIEL CASSIDY, ESQ., Referee
Index Number 260548/2013.
LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BROX
WELLS FARGO BANK, NA
Plaintiff,
vs.
DAVID LESCH, ESQ., Referee
Index Number 2142012/2015.
LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BROX
WELLS FARGO BANK, NA
Plaintiff,
vs.
LISA BETH D’ALESSIO, ESQ., Referee
Index Number 2142017/2015.
LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BROX
THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON
f/k/a THE BANK OF NEW YORK,
AS TRUSTEE FOR THE
CERTIFICATEHOLDERs OF THE
NYCTL 2006-39CB MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES,
Series 2006-39CB, Plaintiff against
JOSEPH C. DANIELS, ESQ., Referee
Index Number 2142018/2015.
LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BROX
WELLS FARGO BANK, NA
Plaintiff,
vs.
LUIS FEIJOO; FLERIDA FEIJOO, et al.,
Defendant(s).
LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BROX
RENNIE, LLC
Plaintiff,
vs.
DANIEL CASSIDY, ESQ., Referee
Index Number 2142017/2015.
LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BROX
RENNIE, LLC
Plaintiff,
vs.
DAVID LESCH, ESQ., Referee
Index Number 2142012/2015.
LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BROX
CIT BANK, N.A.
Plaintiff,
vs.
Jeffrey E. Iselin, et al.,
Defendant(s).
LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BROX
CIT BANK, N.A.
Plaintiff,
vs.
DAVID LESCH, ESQ., Referee
Index Number 2142012/2015.
LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BROX
THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON
f/k/a THE BANK OF NEW YORK,
AS TRUSTEE FOR THE
CERTIFICATEHOLDERs OF THE
NYCTL 2006-39CB MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES,
Series 2006-39CB, Plaintiff against
LUIS FEIJOO; FLERIDA FEIJOO, et al.,
Defendant(s).
LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BROX
WELLS FARGO BANK, NA
Plaintiff,
vs.
ATTORNEY(s) FOR PLAINTIFF.
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Wave Hill programs

Saturday, May 12; Sunday, May 13: Family Art Project: Messages for Mother Earth and Mom: Celebrate all mothers this weekend, including mother earth! Bring photos of the moms in your life whom you wish to acknowledge through notes and images on special papers. Learn about Pachamama, revered in South America, who teaches moderation in what we take from the earth. Make an inspired painting on a card with pop-out elements. Place it in a translucent envelope for a gift Mom will treasure.

Saturday, May 12; Sunday, May 13: Garden Highlights Walk: Join a Wave Hill Garden guide for an hour-long tour of seasonal garden highlights.

Saturday, May 12: Gallery Tour: Learn about Glyndor Gallery exhibitions on a tour led by Wave Hill’s Curatorial Fellow. Avifauna: Interplay of Birds + Habitat features artworks that delve into the relationship between birds and their habitats—from the role birds play in propagating plants to changes in how natural and built environments affect migration patterns. Artists working in photography, video, artist books, wall painting, installation, drawing and sound include Tatiana Arocha, Tanya Chaly, Marna Chester, Nina Katchadourian, Paula McCartney, Jeff Mertz, Peter Morgan, Sarah Nicholas, James Prosek, Jenna Spevak and Fred Tomaselli. In the Sunroom Project Space, Adrienne Elise Tarver builds tactile plant sculptures that create an immersive, sheltering landscape.

Sunday, May 13: Spring Birding: Welcome migratory birds back to Wave Hill this spring. Explore the gardens and woodlands with naturalist Gabriel Willow on a quest to spot both resident and rare birds as they pass through on their northern journey or settle down for the season. Ages 10 and older welcome with an adult. Severe weather cancels.

Sunday, May 13: Yoga in the Garden: Through July, enjoy Sunday mornings in the garden as the setting for your yoga practice. Classes are led by certified Yoga Haven instructors. All levels welcome; please bring a mat and be on time. Indoor space is provided in case of rain. $25; 10% discount to Wave Hill Members. Registration online suggested, at wavehill.org.

Sunday, May 13: In The Shop: Jennifer Longworth Art Jewelry: Inspired by traditional Japanese keiran-nuri, or eggshell lacquer, Jennifer Longworth’s jewelry combines beautiful birds’ eggshells from around the world, seashells, precious metal leaf and tinted silver leaf. Locally handcrafted and responsibly sourced, each piece is a miniature artwork, your own talisman to carry with you or bestow on another! Many of her pieces are made within glass lockets, so you can turn (and wear) the piece reversed, and see the evolution of the gilding and the beautiful shades of the shells undersides. Mother’s Day event.

Sun, May 13: Mother’s Day Brunch: Provided by Wave Hill exclusive caterer Great Performances, brunch seatings take place at 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. in Armor Hall. Check out the menu and then make your reservation by noon, Wednesday, May 9, by emailing wavehillreservations@greatperformances.com or calling (718) 549-3200, ext. 395.

For an outdoor option, enjoy the rare opportunity to picnic on the Conifer Slope just north of Wave Hill House. Bring your own lunch, or pre-order a gourmet, boxed lunch from The Café. Check out the menu—prices vary—and be sure to place your order by Wednesday, May 9.


Wave Hill is located at 675 West 252nd Street. For further information call (718) 549-3200 ext. 232.

Summer Justice Academy for High School women

The Scales of Justice Academy, a not-for-profit that runs a three-week, free, program, has announced the summer session, from July 9, 2018, through July 27, at Fordham University School of Law, located at 150 West 62nd Street, New York, New York 10023.

Female high school students interested in the law profession are encouraged to submit their application for admission via http://scalesofjusticeacademy.org.

Juniors, lawyers, law professors among distinguished others will conduct lectures during the legal educational program.

Further inquiries may be made at scalesofjusticecy@gmail.com.

Lung Cancer Benefit

SHOW STARRING

Singing DJ, Bobby James

“Cadillac” Chris Ruggiero Mr. Johnny B Female Comedian/Sandy

ALL CHECKS TO BE MADE OUT & MAILED TO: JANE FOX, 3197 GIEBERICH PLACE, BRONX, N.Y. 10465 NO LATER THAN: May 1, 2018 (718) 684-1824 Write “Cancer Benefit” in the memo section.

CASH ONLY AT DOOR—subject to room availability

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SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BRONX


Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale of May 21, 2018, and entered on March 14, 2018, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Court House, Room 600, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY on May 21, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of Bronx, County of Bronx, City and State of New York, known and designated as Block 5417 and Lot 90 on the Bronx County Tax Assessment Map. Said premises are described as follows: All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, together with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Bronx, County of New York, and also known as 1014 E 213th Street, Bronx, N.Y. 10469.

Approximate amount of lien $ 599,408.73 plus interest and costs.

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

Index No. 2012/17. JOYCE BROWN, ESQ., Plaintiff.


For sale information, please visit www.auction.com or call (800) 280-2832.

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BRONX

DOCUMENTATION LLC, Plaintiff - against - S. Maurice Ormsby, ET AL., Defendants.

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Index No. 381796-10, Giannessa Delaini Halliard, Esq., Referee.


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SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF BRONX

ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR MORGAN STANLEY MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2007-3XS, is the Plaintiff and TONYA JAMES; ET AL, are the Defendant(s). I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the BRONX COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 851 GRAND CONCOURSE, ROOM 600, BRONX, NY 10451, on May 14, 2018 at 2:00 PM, premises known as 549 BRIGGS AVENUE, BRONX, NY 10458.

Approx. amount of lien $ 1,323,348 plus interest and costs.

Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 5559/2014. Sergio Marquez, Esq. - Referee. RAS Boriskin, LLC 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 106, Westbury, New York 11590, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

For sale information, please visit www.auction.com or call (800) 280-2832.
Bridge’s new namesake, Ed Koch, has Bronx roots

Now that it seems imminent that the Queensboro Bridge will have the name of our former mayor, Ed Koch, attached to it, it’s time to consider his Bronx connections.

When Ed Koch’s family moved from the cold-water flat at Jennings Street in the Bronx to 1660 Crotona Park East, it was a big step up the social ladder. Their new apartment not only had an elevator, but it also had a view of the park. His father, Louis, had been a pants maker but then went into the furrier business with his brother and was working long hours but getting by quite well. Then disaster struck as the Depression arrived and luxury items, such as furs, were no longer in demand.

The family had to leave their Bronx apartment when Ed was only about seven years old and they moved in with his brother at 90 Spruce Street in Newark, sharing the rent. The whole family found work running the hat check stand at Krueger’s Auditorium for a relative, existing only on the tips. They found this very demeaning but it paid the rent and after about a year Louis found other work and they were able to move into their own apartment.

There were several more moves but the family was getting by and Ed attended local schools graduating with honors from South Side High School in 1941 when only 16-years-old. He was rather bright and considered somewhat of a nerd with his only school involvement being the debating team and writing a couple of poems for the school magazine.

After Ed graduated from high school, the family moved from Newark to Ocean Parkway in Brooklyn making him eligible to attend City College tuition free. He enrolled and attended, but World War II was now raging and in April of 1943 after he reached age 18, he was drafted into the army. He was shipped overseas on August 27, 1944 with the 415th Infantry Regiment and saw action in Belgium and Holland as a member of the Timberwolf Division.

He received an honorable discharge as a sergeant in 1946 and since he was now a veteran, he was eligible to enter NYU law school even though he had not graduated from City College. He completed law school in 1948 and was admitted to the bar the following year.

He went into private practice as a lawyer but it wasn’t long before he found a certain amount of joy and excitement in politics. His first political success was as district leader in Greenwich Village ousting Carmine DiSapio, the incumbent, in 1963.

He then sought and won a seat on the City Council. His election to Congress in 1968 was important as it restored a Democrat to that seat and he managed to hold it for four terms. Then in 1977 he took on the Liberal Party candidate, Mario Cuomo, for the mayoralty and won becoming the 105th Mayor of New York City.

Koch inherited a city without funds and a reputation that was also running on empty. He restored sanity to the city budget and pulled New York City up by the boot straps restoring its credibility.

He was also very instrumental in rebuilding the Bronx through his support of Charlotte Gardens. That was a tough struggle and delayed for several years due to the unforeseen soil settlement, but it was, and still is, a rousing success. He proved that pride in ownership can revitalize a community. There was a time you wouldn’t want to live, or even walk, anywhere near Charlotte Street but today you can’t find a homeowner who wants to leave. I’d call that a success.

Edward I. Koch was, after all, a Bronx boy doing the right thing for the borough of his birth.
LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF BRONX
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, V.
JUAN TABOADA, et al.
NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 5, 2018, and entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Bronx, wherein U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION is the Plaintiff and JUAN TABOADA, et al. are the Defendant(s), I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Room 600, Bronx, NY 10451, on June 4, 2018, at 2:00PM, premises known as 1357 INTERVALLE AVENUE, Bronx, NY 10459. Block: 2966, Lot: 218.

ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE, PLOT OR PARCEL OF LAND, WITH THE BUILDINGS, IMPROVEMENTS THEREON ERECTED, SITUATED, LYING AND BEING IN THE BOROUGH OF THE COUNTY OF BRONX, CITY AND STATE OF NEW YORK.

Premises will be sold subject to any existing encumbrances and provisions of the Judgment herein, including being subject to a mortgage held by Plaintiff.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated May 15, 2018, and entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Bronx, wherein U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION is the Plaintiff and HEEDYEH P. BROUMAND, ESQ., ET AL. are the Defendant(s), I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Room 600, Bronx, NY 10451, on June 4, 2018, at 2:00PM, premises known as 1938 EAST TREMONT AVENUE, Bronx, NY 10467. Block: 4709, Lot: 218.

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LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF BRONX
NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC, V.
ISMAEL GARCIA, ET AL.
NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 15, 2018, and entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Bronx, wherein NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC is the Plaintiff and ISMAEL GARCIA, ET AL. are the Defendant(s), I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Room 600, Bronx, NY 10451, on April 11, 2018, at 9:00AM, premises known as 2150 EAST TREMONT AVENUE, Bronx, NY 10458. Block: 3091, Lot: 218.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 15, 2018, and entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Bronx, wherein NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC is the Plaintiff and ISMAEL GARCIA, ET AL. are the Defendant(s), I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Room 600, Bronx, NY 10451, on April 11, 2018, at 9:00AM, premises known as 2150 EAST TREMONT AVENUE, Bronx, NY 10458. Block: 3091, Lot: 218.

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LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF BRONX
COUNTY OF BRONX
INDEX NO. 260712-16
NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated May 16, 2018, and entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Bronx, wherein PHILIP EHRHARDT COYLE, ET AL. are the Plaintiff(s). I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Room 600, Bronx, NY 10451, on June 14, 2018, at 9:00AM, premises known as 1045 VIRGINIA AVENUE, Bronx, NY 10451. Block: 875, Lot: 218.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated May 16, 2018, and entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Bronx, wherein PHILIP EHRHARDT COYLE, ET AL. are the Plaintiff(s). I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Room 600, Bronx, NY 10451, on June 14, 2018, at 9:00AM, premises known as 1045 VIRGINIA AVENUE, Bronx, NY 10451. Block: 875, Lot: 218.

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LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF BRONX
COUNTY OF BRONX
INDEX NO. 260039/17
NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated November 21, 2017, and entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Bronx, wherein PHILIP EHRHARDT COYLE, ET AL. are the Plaintiff(s). I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Room 600, Bronx, NY 10451, on March 15, 2018, at 9:00AM, premises known as 27 ACORN AVENUE, Clifton Park, NY 12015. Block: 32, Lot: 17.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated November 21, 2017, and entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Bronx, wherein PHILIP EHRHARDT COYLE, ET AL. are the Plaintiff(s). I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Room 600, Bronx, NY 10451, on March 15, 2018, at 9:00AM, premises known as 27 ACORN AVENUE, Clifton Park, NY 12015. Block: 32, Lot: 17.

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LEGAL NOTICE
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF BRONX
COUNTY OF BRONX
INDEX NO. 260008/17
NOTICE OF SALE
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 17, 2017, and entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Bronx, wherein PHILIP EHRHARDT COYLE, ET AL. are the Plaintiff(s). I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Bronx County Courthouse, 851 Grand Concourse, Room 600, Bronx, NY 10451, on May 22, 2018, at 9:00AM, premises known as 857 MORRISON AVE., Bronx, NY 10473.

ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE, PLOT OR PARCEL OF LAND, WITH THE BUILDINGS, IMPROVEMENTS THEREON ERECTED, SITUATED, LYING AND BEING IN THE BOROUGH OF THE COUNTY OF BRONX, CITY AND STATE OF NEW YORK.

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Hostos presents RudduR Dance; Lehman Jazz Ensemble concert; My Yellow Balloon book release; Bronx Terminal Market ‘Spring into Fitness’

As part of the CUNY Dance Initiative, the Hostos Center for the Arts & Culture presents RudduR Dance on Friday, May 11, 7:30 p.m. in the Main Theater, 450 Grand Concourse. Under the direction of artistic director Christopher Rudd, formerly of Les Grands Ballets Canadiens de Montréal and Cirque du Soleil, RudduR Dance blends contemporary ballet with theatricality and aerial artistry to create provocative experiences that address timely social and political landscapes.

In its first single-billed performance, Empowered, the Company will showcase the world premiere of Witness: Part I – Yesterday along with audience favorites The Place Between, A Night in the Life of Us, and Doubt of the Devout.

For more information, please contact the Lehman Music Department by calling (718) 960-8247, emailing music.department@lehman.cuny.edu, or visiting lehman.edu/music. ** ***

The Lehman College and Community Latin Jazz Ensemble will be performing the music of Ray Barretto, the Beatles, Henry Mancini, Noro Morales, Perez Prado, and more at its spring concert on Tuesday, May 8, at 4:30 p.m. in the Music Building on the Lehman College campus. Entitled ‘Vamonos a Bailar: Let’s Go Dancing!’ with music, dancing, and refreshments in a cabaret-style setting, the concert is open to the public and admission is free; donations are welcome.

Co-directed by Victor Rendón and Armando Rodriguez, the Lehman College and Community Latin Jazz Ensemble was founded in September 2003, and performs Latin music of many different styles, arranged especially for this group by the directors and members. The ensemble, which consists of alumni, faculty, students and community members, gives two formal concerts during the school year, and also performs at college events and celebrations.

Refreshments will be on sale at the concert, with proceeds benefiting the Lehman L.I.F.E. student service project in Malawi.

Lehman College is located at Goulden Avenue and Bedford Park Boulevard. The campus is accessible by public transportation (bus as well as the #4 and “D” subway lines). Attended parking is also available.

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Tiffany Papageorge, the acclaimed author of the inspirational children’s book, My Yellow Balloon, is reaching out to a wider audience by launching a Spanish version of the book. The moving, motivational and entertaining story about loss and recovery through the eyes of a child will now be available to the growing Spanish speaking audience in the United States. The release of Mi globulito amarillo is taking place on Saturday, May 5, at The Bronx Book Fair with a simultaneous distribution operation in New York, California, and other states with significant Spanish speaking presence. ** ***

May is Wellness Month in the Bronx! Bronx Terminal Market is celebrating with the introduction of a new health and wellness experience, ‘Spring into Fitness.’ The series will run for four consecutive Thursdays: May 3, May 10, May 17, and May 24 beginning at 5 p.m. on parking Level 6 roof deck. Each week, a top Bronx fitness studio will offer an exclusive, free, 30-minute interactive workout. All fitness levels are welcome to participate! Guests are invited to stay after to join local community organizations for our “Wellness Walkabout” highlighting key information for a healthy and happy lifestyle.

Spring into Fitness kicks off with the ultimate blend of culture and movement from well-known Bronx Studio, EyeCycle. On May 3, get your heart pounding with their Afrokick Cardio fitness dance class that utilizes choreography for a dynamic and electrifying workout. The following week, on May 10, meet the illustrious instructors of CrossFit SoBro for an introductory class to this new fitness craze. Combine the rhythm and footwork of Latin dance with the sensational Sweetwater Dance and Yoga, on May 17, and McKay Strength will close out “Spring into Fitness” on May 24 with a special martial arts training session. Classes begin at 5:30 p.m. each week and feature healthy eating and living tips with Ngo Okafor, celebrity trainer frequently published in Oprah.com and Elle.com.

After getting into shape, attend our Wellness Walkabout! Walkabout highlights include MetroPlus with free health screenings, blood pressure monitoring and information about health insurance. Learn it, Grow it, Eat it and NYC Greenmarket will provide healthy eating tips and how to shop for quality produce. The Bronx’s own Born Juice will provide samples of juice and the Bronx Salad. The Bronx Rox will raffle off T-shirts and tank tops and Edible Bronx will host sign-ups for their flourishing community garden.

In the event of cancellation, an announcement will be posted on the Bronx Terminal Market website and social media platforms the day of the event. For the most updated schedule, visit www.bronxterminalmarket.com. Bronx Terminal Market is located at 610 Exterior Street.

Please call seven days a week for a free same day consultation.

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STATE OF VERMONT
SUPERIOR COURT
CIVIL DIVISION
RUTLAND UNIT
DOCKET NO. 299-6-17 Rdcv

KILLINGTON TOWNHOUSES
CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.,
PAUL KAUFMAN and GREGORY J. CAVA,
Plaintiffs,
v.
INTERVAL OWNERS OF KILLINGTON TOWNHOUSES
Defendants.

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF SERVICE
BY PUBLICATION

IN THE NAME OF THE
CITY OF BRONX

AND IN THIS ACTION SHOWS THAT SERVICE OF THE
SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS, a copy of your Answer to A. Jay Kenlan,
Esq., the Plaintiffs’ attorney, at 25
Croes Avenue, Bronx, NY 10472.

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

BRONX COUNTY is designated as the
place of trial. Venue is based upon
the County in which the mortgaged
premises is situated.

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to
serve a copy of the Answer on
the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this
foreclosure action.

YOU MUST RESPOND BY
SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER
TO THE ATTORNEY FOR THE
MORTGAGE COMPANY
AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.

Failure to appear or answer, judgment will be
taken against you by default for
the relief demanded in the
Complaint.

Not expire until (60) days after service is complete if this
Complaint is not served with this
Answer in accordance with
the Rules of Civil Procedure.

Defendants.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS:
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to
answer the Complaint in this action and
serve a copy of your Answer or, if the
Complaint is not served with this
Summons, to serve a Notice of Appearance on the Attorney for the
mortgage company who filed this
foreclosure action.

YOU MUST RESPOND BY
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Dated: Bayshore, New York
April 9, 2018
FRENKEL, LAMBERT, WEISS,
WEISMAN & GORDON, LLP
By: Linda P. Manfredi, Esq.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
33 Bowery Street
Bay Shore, New York 11706
(631) 969-3100
Our File No.: 01-052437-F01

NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION
AND RELIEF SOUGHT

THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure $293,000.00 and
interest, recorded on June 11, 2009, at
CMF 2009001777049, of the Public
Records of BRONX County, New York,
covering premises known as 1345
Croes Avenue, Bronx, NY 10472.

YOU MAY SERVE A COPY OF THE NOTICE OF APPEARANCE ON
the attorneys for the mortgage company who filed this
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NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION
AND FINANCE - CHILD SUPPORT TAX - INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
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A bone of contention; human remains exposed on Hart Island

Borough President Diaz, Congressman Serrano protest jail plan

Medical Examiner (recently visited the island to assess any remains in need of reburial, and we are doing everything we can to limit future exposures and expedite the firming up of the shoreline.”

DOC has also hired an archeologist who, along with a DOC representative, will visit the Hart Island shoreline at least once a month to remove and re-bury any exposed remains as necessary, stated the spokesman.

Both the DOC spokesman and Hunt said the agency has expedited a $13.2 million Federal Emergency Management Agency project approved after Hurricane Sandy that would shore-up parts of the island, moving up the projected start date from 2019 to 2020.

That project is currently in a procurement phase, an agency rep stated.

Hunt said that the bones found are further evidence that the management of the island should be moved to the NYC Parks Department, a long-time goal of her organization.

She said that a pediatrician who was out on his boat noticed the remains, and that on another date the HIP confirmed this visual by boat and photographed some of the bones with a long-range camera lens.

HIP also had a drone flyover and photograph the location on Sunday, April 29, and former military personnel who fly the drone and usually photograph disaster areas such as hurricanes said they couldn’t believe that the location with the exposed bones was actually in New York City, according to Hunt.

“There have been skeletal remains falling onto the beach for 33 years,” said Hunt. “I have a sanitation report from 1985 saying it was a common occurrence.”

A spokesman for Councilman Mark Gjonaj, indicated in a statement that the councilman is monitoring the situation.

“The most immediate concern regarding Hart Island is the need to address the issue of human remains washing up ashore in neighboring communities,” said the Gjonaj spokesman. “Long term, Councilman Gjonaj will continue to engage with local residents, leaders and impacted stakeholders on the question of designating the island an historic site.”

Dolensek said that in a conversation with Gjonaj at a recent Viacommunity Day volunteer event, the councilman indicated he might be amenable to supporting a historic registry designation for the island, which needs to be approved by the city council.

Among the historical artifacts on the island that would be targeted for preservation are a Civil War-era cistern, a water storage tank, that still remains intact, said Dolensek, who added that she is gratified that the preservation effort has reached this point.

The DOC spokesman stated that it has managed Hart Island for over 100 years, in accordance with the NYC City Charter, and that DOC “considers this a solemn responsibility and will continue to do so as long as the city mandates it.”

Borough President Ruben Diaz, Jr. joins Congressman Jose E. Serrano to during a protest of the mayor’s jail proposed for Mott Haven.

Community News Group/ Alex Mitchell

residents approached her saying they would likely move if the jail is built, including herself.

“Everybody is scared of this, they’re terrified, it’s sad,” Johnson said.

Courtney McGowan and Ronald Leslie live on Concord Avenue and would literally face the jail if built.

“My three-year-old daughter Annastasia just started going to school, I would like my daughter to not pass a jail and criminals on her way there everyday,” said Leslie.

Their next door neighbor Wally Nash called Concord Avenue his home since his birthday on November 21, 1944. Wally pointed to Annastasia saying “doesn’t she deserve better?”

Diaz is aware that a community somewhere in the Bronx will have to host the jail, but he along with many others believe it should be somewhere else.

“What we’re saying is the way they went about selecting this site, the fact that this community has already toughed it out and that the community has an actual plan for (this spot), this is just not an acceptable location,” Diaz stated after the protest.
LEGAL NOTICE

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF KINGS
SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS AND NOTICE

Index No. 511831/2017
Date Filed: 4/3/2018

Wilmington Trust, National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as successor trustee to Citibank, N.A. as Trustee to Lehman XS Trust Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-5, Plaintiff,

-against-

Martinita Alago, if she be living or dead, her spouse, heirs, devisees, distributees and successors in interest, all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to Plaintiff; Elk 25 Management LLC; City of New York Environmental Control Board; City of New York Parking Violations Bureau; City of New York Transit Adjudication Bureau; State of New York; and DOE; said name being fictitious, it being the intention of Plaintiff to designate any and all occupants of premises being foreclosed herein, and any parties, corporations or entities, if any, having or claiming an interest or lien upon the mortgaged premises,

Defendants.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 85 A Utica Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11213

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 a notice of appearance on the attorneys for the Plaintiff within thirty (30) days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may 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 complaint.

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AND RELIEF SOUGHT
THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure $372,000.00 and interest, recorded in the Kings County Office of the City Register on April 25, 2012, in CRFN: 2012000163795 covering premises known as 85 A Utica Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11213 a/k/a Block 1343, Lot 2. Further, to secure the cancellation and discharge of a certain mortgage recorded in the Kings County Office of the City Register on November 24, 2009 in Index number 29939/2009.

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.

Plaintiff designates Kings County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the mortgaged premises is situated.

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Dated: October 31, 2017
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