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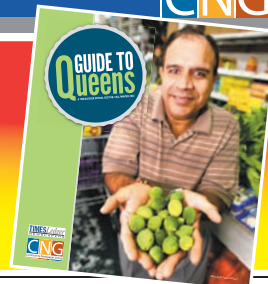


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Pit bull attack batters Bayside park pedestrian

BY PHIL CORSO

Ann Infranca said she was never much of a dog person, even despite living with several canine pals throughout her decades in Bayside, but after a close encounter unlike any she had experienced before last week, the 85-year-old has more reason to move away whenever a dog is near.

On Sept. 19 around 1 p.m., Infranca was walking alone to a friend's house in Little Bay Park toward Fort Totten, where she once lived, when she suddenly found herself under attack. She noticed a large, cream-colored pit bull standing near its owner before the dog started charging toward her.

Before she could realize what was happening, the pit bull had run into her, biting her arm and nearly knocking her over, Infranca said.

"There was saliva all over me," she said. "I took my arm out of my sleeve and then I saw blood."

After the sudden attack, Infranca said she saw a woman pull the dog away by its leash and begin walking away. By the time she noticed the blood on her arm, Infranca said the dog's owner had yelled over, "Are you okay?"

Infranca said she did not
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Avella calls on Silver to resign

Fellow Democrat wants state Assembly speaker to quit over Lopez sex scandal

BY PHIL CORSO

Going against one of his own, one northeast Queens Democrat called on state Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver (D-Manhattan) to step down in the wake of a heated

scandal.

In a statement, state Sen. Tony Avella (D-Bayside) said Silver no longer belonged in Albany as the speaker faced accusations of his handling of taxpayer dollars amid sexual harassment

claims involving Assemblyman Vito Lopez (D-Brooklyn).

"The culture in Albany of 'what happens in Albany stays in Albany' has to stop," Avella said. "Assembly member Silver has had a great career serving our state,

but he is now seen as the classic example of the dysfunction and backroom deals that has plagued Albany for decades."

Last month, Lopez was censured after a bipartisan As-
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WALKING FOR WOMEN



Center for the Women of New York President Sue Salzberg (l.) and founder Ann Jawin chat during the organization's fourth annual 3K walkathon for women in Fort Totten. Funds raised during the event were slated to go to the renovation of the center's new headquarters in Fort Totten.

Photo by Christina Santucci

Panel trashes garbage plant

But boro scientist says College Pt. facility will not add to bird strikes

BY JOE ANUTA

The group contending a garbage processing plant in College Point will increase the risk of bird strikes at LaGuardia Airport assembled a panel of experts to bolster their cause last week in Flushing, where a lone dissenting opinion came from a neighborhood environmentalist in favor of the facility.

Friends of LaGuardia is a nonprofit opposed to the North Shore Marine Transfer Station, which will serve as a drop-off point for garbage collected by trucks trolling eastern Queens and the Rockaways. That garbage will then be sorted and shipped away by barge should the mayor's plan come to fruition, but the organization contends it will make the airport more dangerous by increasing the risk of bird strikes.

"This facility is not just a threat to air safety, it will threaten our personal safety, our quality of life and our regional economy," said Ken Paskar, president of Friends of LaGuardia, introducing the panel gathered at the Flushing branch of Queens Public Library, at 41-17 Main St.

The friends said they invited representatives from the Federal Aviation Administration and the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, who authorized the project, and invited a representa-



James Hall (far l.) gives his testimony on why a garbage facility in College Point poses a danger to LaGuardia Airport.

Photo by Joe Anuta

tive from Mayor Michael Bloomberg's office as well, though no one from the three agencies showed.

The experts assembled at the long table in the basement of the library rehearsed many of the organizations' opinions about why the garbage will attract winged creatures searching for food.

A heavy hitter was James Hall, former chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, appointed by former President Bill Clinton, who detailed his experience in dealing with natural disasters and expressed disbelief that the agencies involved would allow a hazard to be introduced to the airport.

"I'm calling on Mayor Bloomberg and [City Council] Speaker [Christine] Quinn to stop this program now," he said.

James Cervino, a marine scientist who is also a Community Board 7 member and chairman of its Environmental Committee, was not formally part of the panel, but talked about the ecological benefits of the transfer station and took issue with many of the panel's points.

"This facility won't pose as a hazardous threat that is going to be bringing down airliners," said Cervino, who cited a study showing gulls, which according to the panel are the species most likely to be attracted to the trash, are not likely to cause crashes.

And in addition, the state-of-the-art transfer station would be constructed so no bird-attracting odors escape during operation, according to Cervino, a point hotly contested by some of the other panel members.

But the rest of the panelists took turns trashing the station.

One member said populations of large birds that may be attracted to garbage are increasing as airline companies are adding more flights to the rosters at LaGuardia, which creates a recipe for disaster.

In addition, the facility, slated to be completed in 2013, is so close to one of the airport's runways that it would interfere with a technology designed to help pilots land in inclement weather. This guidance system is installed on other runways at the airport, but its absence on the approach over College Point means LaGuardia will not be able to operate at its full potential during rain, snow or fog, according to Charles Hannon, a former controller at LaGuardia.

MacNeil Pk. cleanup revitalizes shoreline

BY PHIL CORSO

For a beautiful Saturday morning, it made sense for Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution marine scientist James M. Cervino and 20 of his Columbia University students to take to the beach.

But this group was not in the sun for fun — they were working to repair the shoreline through experimentation and hands-on education.

Cervino joined with students and volunteers to trudge through a battered waterfront at MacNeil Park in College Point with hopes of strengthening and regrowing the beach by cleaning up its water and bringing oysters back to the area.

"We could save the city millions if we keep up the fight to prevent against erosion," Cervino said. "Progress has been great."

To combat contaminants contributing to what Cervino called an eroding water line at the location — many other waterfronts throughout the city — he and his students hoped to refurbish the shoreline through different methods. One experiment included using a low-voltage electrical current to regrow coral by growing limestone in salt water to sink pollutants.

Grad student Mollie Thurman approached her professor with a grin on her face, happy to report some good news as the class traveled along the shoreline: They had found some living organisms.

"It is great to see things happily living here because it shows progress," Thurman said. "You don't see too many ecosystems like this in New York City."

City Councilman Dan

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Chloé Muñoz, 7, helps to plant cordgrass at MacNeill Park.

Photo by Christina Santucci

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St. Mary's Hospital for Children opens patient pavilion

New, larger wing with improved rehab facilities and cutting-edge technology designed to aid healing

BY KAREN FRANTZ

A new patient pavilion opens this week at St. Mary's Healthcare System for Children, the renowned Bayside facility that cares for children who require highly specialized medical care, and it looks like a facility out of the future.

Children's rooms come equipped with entertainment consoles that connect them to the Internet, provide movies and music on demand and will double as a workstation for nurses.

The expansive rehabilitation center has a musical therapy room that has a digital jukebox, karaoke and a DJ booth that allows children to broadcast music to patients' rooms.

Even the grounds surrounding the facility are cutting-edge, including a therapeutic playground designed to mimic a New York City street, complete with potholes and lampposts, for children who need to relearn how to navigate the city's tricky land-



St. Mary's Healthcare System for Children's chief medical officer, Ewin Simpser, stands in one of the new patient pavilion's socializing rooms, decorated with art created by local artists and child patients.

Photo by Karen Frantz

scape.

"[The pavilion is] designed to be a total healing environment," St. Mary's Communication Director Leslie Johnson said at a walk-through of the new facility, at 29-

01 216th St.

The construction project, which broke ground about two years ago and just completed its first phase, will double the size of St. Mary's to 178,000 square feet.

All the children will move into the new pavilion, and the second phase of construction will include renovating the old facility, built in the 1950s, to hold a school, support services and space for parents to sleep.

At the time of the walk-through, children were sleeping about four or five to a room in the old portion of the building, where the hallways, cluttered with equipment, added to a cramped feeling.

Ewin Simpser, St. Mary's chief medical officer, said someone once compared it to "providing health care in a submarine, it's so crowded."

In total, the project cost \$114 million, the bulk of which was made possible through financing of a bond and the rest of which was provided through philanthropy.

Although the number of beds in the facility will not change — it will still hold just about 100 beds as it had before — the space available to the children will expand

dramatically.

In addition, the design of the pavilion is intended to aid in the healing process, with the residential floors constructed to create a warm and welcoming environment and to allow easy mobility and socializing for the children, many of whom require wheelchairs or other walking aids.

"This has to be much more homelike than a hospital would be," said Simpser, who also was the team leader of the group that designed the new pavilion.

He said because the in-patient children stay for such a long time, often three to six months or longer, having that environment is vital in aiding their care.

"We work very hard to get the kids from the hospital to here, to home," he said.

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Nobel laureate brings message of hope

In first trip to America after years of house arrest, Aung San Suu Kyi addresses Queens College

BY PHIL CORSO

In a moving display of the human spirit, Nobel Peace Prize winner and Congressional Gold Medal recipient Daw Aung San Suu Kyi visited Queens over the weekend and urged the borough's young people not to take their political opportunities for granted.

Kyi, 67, spoke before a packed audience inside the Queens College Aaron Copland School of Music, at 65-30 Kissena Blvd. in Flushing, Saturday to meet with supporters of human rights for her home country of Myanmar, formerly known as Burma, and to speak of her experiences while under house arrest for 15 years as a result of her opposition to military rule.

"You must vote. You must practice your democratic rights or they will fade away," Kyi said to the young people of both the

borough and the country. "The privileges that you have in this country are such that young people in my country could not imagine."

Joining the prominent guest were City Council Speaker Christine Quinn, U.S. Rep. Joe Crowley (D-Jackson Heights), actress Anjelica Huston and Queens College alumna and singer Carole King to welcome Kyi back to the United States, and to New York City.

"If you asked me one year ago if she would be in New York, at any time soon, I wouldn't think it was possible," Queens College graduate Crowley said of how thankful he was to have Kyi visit Queens. "She always believed in human rights and the rights of people everywhere."

With Crowley's help, Kyi received the U.S. Congressional Gold Medal, the



U.S. Rep. Joseph Crowley (l.-r.) presents Aung San Suu Kyi with a Unisphere as Queens College President James Muyskens, singer Carole King, City Council Speaker Christine Quinn and actress Anjelica Huston look on.

Photo by Christina Santucci

country's most notable civilian award, Sept. 19.

Kyi, chairwoman of the National League of Democracy in Myanmar, joked about how she enjoyed her first visit to New York City, where she lived

for three years back in the 1960s, and how she never would get lost — even with her self-proclaimed poor sense of direction — because the streets were laid out in a grid pattern.

"She always believed

in human rights and the rights of people everywhere," Crowley said of Kyi, whom he referred to as his personal hero. "We are truly in the presence of greatness."

In 1989, Kyi was placed

under house arrest without being charged or facing trial as she led an opposition movement against the military junta. She remained imprisoned for 15 years and refused to give up her political stance, even in exchange for her freedom. While under house arrest, the NLD party won the country's first free election in 30 years, but the military still refused to give up power.

"It gives all of us strength and courage and reminds us that faith and perseverance are always rewarded," Quinn said while speaking in front of the political icon. "We are in your debt every day."

While fielding questions from Queens College students, Kyi said she found peace in following a strict timetable throughout the week while under house arrest. She said she would

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Income gap between poor, rich widens in Queens: U.S. Census

BY KAREN FRANTZ

The income gap between the rich and the poor widened in Queens last year from 2010, while poor households in the borough experienced a larger drop in income than the same category of people in the city as a whole, according to new data released by the U.S. Census Bureau last Thursday.

Despite these setbacks, Queens still did not have as great a disparity in incomes as the city in general.

According to the American Community Survey, which measures statistics about people, the economy and housing throughout the country, the top fifth of

Queens households made nearly 15 times more in income than did the lowest fifth in 2011, with the top fifth making on average \$168,450 and the lowest fifth making \$11,448.

That gap between the rich and the poor also widened by about \$1,800 since 2010, when the top fifth of households made average incomes only 12 times higher than the lowest fifth.

In addition, the top 20 percent of Queens households were taking home a slightly larger share of the borough's overall wealth in 2011 than they were the year before. In 2011, the top fifth made 48 percent of all income earned in the borough, up from 47 percent in

2010. But the lowest fifth's share of income also dipped slightly in 2011 to about 3 percent.

The census figures for Queens, although stark, are not quite as grim as those for New York City. In 2011, the city's top fifth of households made average incomes of more than 40 times higher than the lowest fifth, a figure also slightly higher than in 2010, when the fifth made 38 times as much.

In addition, the top fifth's share of the city's income was 57 percent in 2011, compared to the lower fifth's 2.26 percent, numbers that were also shifting more to the top fifth's favor

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Mayor's annual city report charts felony crime increase

BY JOE ANUTA

An assessment of city agencies was released last week showing positive shifts, like shorter Fire Department response times, but ground lost in other areas such as major felony crime, which rose by 4 percent.

The Mayor's Management Report, which is released annually, details numerous measurements of 44 agencies covering the fiscal year from July 2001 through June 2012.

Mayor Michael Bloomberg focused on the positive in a news release, indicating that nearly 60 percent of critical indicators held steady or were



Major felony crime is up by 4 percent in this year's report on city agencies overseen by Mayor Michael Bloomberg (l.), including the NYPD, helmed by Commissioner Ray Kelly (r.).

better this year compared to last.

"New York City services and operations have consistently improved over the last 10 years even through difficult economic cycles that required cost-cutting

measures because of our commitment to finding innovative ways to deliver better services at a lower cost," the mayor said in a statement.

And Bloomberg had *Continued on Page 56*

Holocaust center asks Asians for their stories

BY JOE ANUTA

The head of a college program that pairs students with Holocaust survivors in order to document tales from World War II wants to gather more stories from Asia.

Since 2006, students from Queensborough Community College have taken on internships where they meet with Holocaust survivors once a week for a semester and document their subjects' life stories. Until now, the program has been a venue largely for European survivors to provide personal accounts to complement the broader strokes in history books.

But due to the rapid influx of Asian immigrants in the Flushing area in the last few decades, the Harriet and Kenneth Kupferberg Holocaust Resource Center & Archives saw an opportunity to explore a side of the global conflict not often discussed in the Western World.

"It provides a guarantee that these stories will not be forgotten," said Arthur Flug, executive director of the center.

But Flug cannot do it on his own.

A coalition of groups announced the start of the program last week at the offices of City Councilman Peter Koo (D-Flushing), who provided a grant to fund the program.

The organizers are seeking residents who lived anywhere in Asia to participate and weave their experiences into the larger fabric of history — especially

since many survivors are reaching old age.

World War II ended in 1945, typically putting anyone old enough to remember details at least in their 70s.

"At this point, it's urgent," said Su Lia, a member of the Organization of Chinese Americans, which is also participating in the project.

Ten students will participate in the semester-long internship program, where they will also take history courses to put the stories they hear in context.

At the end of the semester they will give a presentation on their findings.

According to Chejin Park, of Korean American Civic Empowerment, a different historical perspective not often covered in American schools could promote more understanding in a borough that is packed with residents from all over the world.

"I think it will create a better relationship within our community," he said.

Koo is also involved in a controversial quest to rename a downtown Flushing street after Comfort Women, who were from Asian countries and used as sex slaves by the Japanese Army during World War II, but a spokesman said the two projects were unrelated.

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Jimin Kim (l.-r.), Su Lia, City Councilman Peter Koo's Chief of Staff James McClelland, Arthur Flug and Chejin Park call on the community to volunteer their life stories.

Photo by Joe Anuta

House rivals clash on issues

Halloran, Meng at odds on energy, Social Security at boro debate

BY JOE ANUTA

The Republican and Democratic candidates for the Queens congressional seat based in Flushing took different stands on both energy policy and Social Security at a Flushing candidate forum last week.

All three candidates competing for the seat, which extends east and west from Flushing as far as Bayside and Elmhurst, talked about energy independence in tame debate between City Councilman Dan Halloran (R-Whitestone), Assemblywoman Grace Meng (D-Flushing) and the Green Party's Evergreen Chou.

Halloran promised to lower gas prices by weening the country off global oil supplies. He championed projects like the Keystone XL Pipeline, which would pump oil from Canada down to Texas, as a way to use domestic resources instead of reaching abroad, and allowing hydrofracking, the controversial method of releasing natural gas from subterranean rock, in cer-



Congressional hopefuls City Councilman Dan Halloran (l. photo) and state Assemblywoman Grace Meng (r. photo) greet residents who attended a candidate forum.

Photos by Joe Anuta

tain upstate counties not located near the vast reservoir where the city obtains its drinking water.

Meng, on the other hand, said she wanted to try and get the country off oil altogether and floated the idea of offering tax credits to companies that research alternative forms of energy.

Several tax credits for energy companies investing in alternative fuels already exist and are part of the House of Representatives' Tax Relief, Unemployment Insurance Reauthorization, and Job Creation Act of 2010, an extension of

the Bush-era tax cuts.

Meng was not asked about hydrofracking, but Chou gave the process an emphatic thumbs-down and said it should not be allowed.

A question asked to all candidates was how to ensure that Social Security and Medicare remain solvent.

Halloran wanted to see all taxpayer dollars from Social Security go into a fund that is invested wisely and cannot be used for any other government expenditures, an idea Chou agreed with.

There is now a Social

Security trust fund managed by investors, but the money earned goes into the U.S. Department of the Treasury's coffers and can be used to cover deficits in other parts of the budget, according to the Social Security Administration.

Meng suggested cutting defense spending to put more money in the government's piggybank. In January, about \$1 trillion in controversial federal cuts, called sequestering, could be automatically triggered if the divided Congress cannot reach agreement. The cuts would take a

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Kingsland site reopens in Flushing

BY PHIL CORSO

A newly restored Kingsland Homestead was on full display over the weekend as the Queens Historical Society celebrated a new beginning in Flushing with the completion of its 2012 capital project. Members of the group joined with city residents and officials Sunday to celebrate the restoration of its old roots while also establishing some new ones.

On the heels of its annual meeting, the Queens Historical Society took to Weeping Beech Park, which surrounds the Kingsland Homestead, at 143-35 37th

Ave. in Flushing, to plant a special Newtown Pippin apple tree and reflect on its historical significance. According to the society, the tree was first grown in the village of Newtown in Massachusetts in the early 18th century and was deemed the official apple of New York City in 2009 by a City Council resolution.

"It is a pleasure to present this wonderful tree to the Queens Historical Society," said Wilhelmena Rhodes Kelly, of the Increase Carpenter Daughters of the American Revolution Chapter, which helped arrange the tree planting at the location. "The fruit from this



City Councilman Dan Halloran (r.) joins Wilhelmena Rhodes Kelly in throwing fresh soil on a Newtown Pippin apple tree outside the Kingsland Homestead in Flushing.

Photo courtesy Phil Corso

tree is unique and we are wishing for decades of positive growth."

Kelly said the apples grown from the special tree could be picked in September, but still taste the best come January. The long-lasting life of the fruit enabled it to become popular in the 1800s so that it could be shipped throughout the world.

"Given the history of this fruit, we figured there was not a more appropriate place to bring it than right here," Kelly said.

Historical society members joined in with

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Thousands flock to 30th fair at Queens County's only farm

BY PHIL CORSO

Hayrides, petting zoos, pie-eating contests, blue-ribbon veggies and more found a common home over the weekend as the Queens County Farm Museum in Floral Park opened its gates for the 30th annual county fair.

Thousands of borough residents filtered through the scenic celebration of agriculture Saturday and Sunday for their piece of the festivities, ranging from an Amazing Maize Maze, countless food vendors, live music and carnival rides.

Just inside the fair, an agriculture tent kept one of the event's best secrets: a diverse display of award-winning vegetables, condiments and other showcases of the culinary arts.

Valerie Lang, of Bel-lerose, started taking pic-tures of the award-winning

entries to the fair and laughed with excitement when she saw her name on her first-prize Caribbean jerk sauce.

"It takes a whole day to make it," said Lang, who enters the contest every year with different items like butter cookies or tomatoes. "I just entered in the spirit of the fair. I didn't expect to get first place."

Deeper steps into the tent also unveiled displays of various farm animals, including turtles, snakes, bees and award-winning roosters, which livened up the day with their squawks.

Douglaston's Ruth Harrigan, who has become known in northeast Queens for her work in beekeeping, visited the fair Sunday to share another one of her passions: raising chickens. Harrigan, whose family currently has two chick-

ens, said she found a lot of joy in teaching fair-goers how it could be done in New York City.

"A lot of people don't know that it is legal to raise female chickens in the city," said Harrigan, who distrib-uted a brochure she made educating her neighbors on how to raise a chicken. "Everyone loves it. The kids have a ball and when people see the mother hen with her chicks, they get so intrigued and happy."

Harrigan also joined in on the festivities by sharing her artwork — a mosaic she had been work-ing on for more than a year showcasing her love for both chickens and bees. Her work won best in show at the county fair, and Har-rigan was treated to an award ceremony recogniz-ing her talent.

"It made my day," she said.

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POLICE Blotter

Police seek man who robbed Capitol One Bank



Police released surveillance images of a suspect wanted in a bank robbery of the College Point branch of Capitol One. Images courtesy NYPD

COLLEGE POINT — The New York Police Department was looking for the public's assistance in identifying one suspect wanted for a bank robbery within the 109th Precinct, police said.

According to police, a white male in his early 30s entered the Capitol One Bank, at 122-03 14th Ave., around 10:30 a.m. Sept. 17, passed a brown bag to a bank teller and demanded money. The teller refused and the suspect then retrieved the brown bag

and fled on foot eastbound on the Van Wyck Expressway service road toward Queens Boulevard, police said.

There were no injuries as a result of the incident, police said.

The NYPD described the suspect as 5-foot-9 with a medium build and being clean shaven and last seen wearing a brown jacket, blue jeans, dark sunglasses and a gray cap.

L.I. man pleads guilty to Mets game interference

FLUSHING — A man from Massapequa, L.I., pleaded guilty to interfering with a professional sporting event after running onto Citi Field in June after New York Mets pitcher Johan Santana threw a no-hitter, the Queens district attorney said.

District Attorney Richard A. Brown said 33-year-old Rafael Diaz pleaded guilty to the misdemeanor crime of interference with a professional sporting event and was sentenced to a conditional discharge under conditions that he pay a \$1,000 fine to the city and \$4,000 in civil penalties to the Mets.

Brown also said Diaz must perform 100 hours of community service in Queens and cannot visit Citi Field for one year.

If he fails to complete any of those conditions, Brown said, Diaz can be resented to a minimum of 15 days in jail to a maximum of one year.

"The defendants' antics have resulted in a criminal record, the paying of thousands of dollars in fines and civil penalties, and — perhaps the worst punishment for any true Mets fan — precludes him from ever again visiting Citi Field," Brown said.



Rafael Diaz leaves Queens Criminal Court after his arraignment earlier this year.

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Class of '12 graduates as LaGuardia hits 40

BY PHILIP NEWMAN

With screams of joy from many, a thousand graduates of LaGuardia Community College filed across the stage at the Javits Center in Manhattan in a highlight of the school's 40th anniversary.

Dr. Sandra Hanson, who joined the faculty in its early days, was the keynote speaker at the commencement Friday. She quoted New York Times columnist Charles Blow, who mentioned a teacher "who lit a fire under him," and said "teachers did not become teachers to make a world of money. They became teachers to make a world of difference."

She concluded her remarks by telling the graduates that "one day, your life will flash before your eyes. Make sure it's worth watching."

The professor, chairwoman of the English Department, said "those were the colleagues I found at LaGuardia" when she started at in 1974.

Among the speakers was Borough President Helen Marshall, who got a thunderous response when she reminded the grads that "you made it!"

"As a LaGuardia graduate, you can be a model for world peace," Marshall said. "Do not forget how to care and to feel and to be open to others who think differently than you. God bless and godspeed."

The class of 2012 representative and honor student graduate was T. Harmonie Kobanghe, of St. Albans, recipient of the Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship. She plans to finish her undergraduate work at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. and then study for a law degree there,

Kobanghe, a native of Paris, maintained a 3.9 grade point average at LaGuardia. She said she hopes to ultimately create

an international organization to help women of the Congo who were victims of violence and war reclaim their lives and gain a voice in governing their country.

At the conclusion of the commencement at the Jacob Javits Center, clouds of confetti rained down on the graduates for the first time in a LaGuardia commencement.

Although there were a few shouts of "Happy Birthday, Mom" and "I did it" from graduates on stage, the good-natured boisterousness appeared to have been louder from delighted families in the audience this year.

The graduates totaled 2,487 with about 1,000 taking part in the graduation exercises.

LaGuardia opened in Long Island City in 1971 and the first graduating class numbered 254 students at the commencement at Colden Auditorium at Queens College in Flushing.

Several speakers referred to "College No. 9," the impersonal appellation for LaGuardia until it was named for Fiorello LaGuardia, a Republican U.S. representative, colorful, three-term mayor and dedicated advocate of public education.



T. Harmonie Kobanghe, of St. Albans, received the Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship.

Photo by Philip Newman

Broadway Bill remembered

Bateman, staple at Bayside LIRR station, dearly missed by family

BY STEVE MOSCO

New Yorkers pounding the pavement every day on their way to work have grown accustomed to the city's homeless population. Sometimes spare change is given, while other times eyes are averted as the commuters dutifully board trains and buses to their jobs.

When William "Broadway Bill" Bateman died on a bench near the Bayside railroad station Aug. 24, residents in the neighborhood noted that even though he was homeless, Bateman was never one to cause trouble and was always up for a conversation about life.

"We see him here every day," said one resident as she stopped her car at the scene where police were examining Bateman's body. "He was also so pleasant — such a shame."

A shame — many passersby used that word to describe Bateman's lot in life. Many were sorry the man, who got his nickname Broadway Bill from his days working at Broadway Lumber in Bayside, had to live his life with nowhere to go, no house to call his own and no loved ones to care for him.

But after he died at age 70 from what a friend believed was complications from heavy drinking, family remembrances emerged from his hometown of Montgomery, Ala., and the picture that came into focus was far different than that of an unloved, unnamed homeless man.

"Some may have known him as Broadway Bill, but he was Billy to us," said his cousin, Zelda Ross. "Billy is a son, a brother, a nephew, a cousin, an uncle and an in-law to many who loved him."

And, most of all, Ross said, he was a human being.

"Allow me to take a



His family recalls William Bateman as a vastly loved individual.

Photo courtesy Zelda Ross

moment to dispel a term that was used to describe him — homeless. There are many people who are tagged with this label that are not really homeless. Despite the offer of permanent residences they choose, for whatever reason — mentally, physically or emotionally — to wander and reside on the streets of many of our country's cities," she said. "Technically, Bill was not homeless. He had options to reside in many homes."

Unfortunately, Bateman also suffered from alcoholism, according to his cousin. She said the disease that millions fight on a daily basis was a foe Bateman could not overcome. She said the disease caused him to make decisions in his life that were clearly not in his best interest, at times estranged him from loved ones and ravaged his physical and mental health.

"Regardless of his flaws, he was a human and he has a family that loves him and will miss

him," Ross said. "He has a mother that never gave up on her son. She will grieve his death as long as there is breath in her body."

Bateman was her first born and he had two brothers, including one who had died and another who lives in New York.

Family members grieved together in Montgomery during a memorial for Bateman Sept. 9. The man known as Broadway Bill was remembered by close family as an avid reader of newspapers and novels, a sports lover most fond of baseball and a kind-hearted joker who loved Christmas.

Bateman was also recalled as a great thinker — a socially conscious man who participated in the Selma to Montgomery marches in 1965 at the political and emotional peak of the civil rights movement.

In a letter read at his memorial service, family members marveled at Bateman's steely resolve in the face of possible danger.

"Although there was danger and uncertainty that surrounded those changing times, we never once saw him display a sense of fear while forging towards the common goal of equality for all mankind," the letter read.

And that courage was on display as Bateman decided to move his life to New York. His Aunt Laura Smith recalled Bateman's intricate knowledge of the city — he always knew which sites needed to be seen and the best possible route to get there.

"Believe me when I say he was a wonderful tour guide," she said. "He saw to it that we visited the various important sites in the city. We rode the yellow cabs, the subway and walked, walked and walked. If you did not have the opportunity for Billy to serve as your tour guide, you missed an awesome experience."

The awesome experience of knowing Bateman on a personal level is a privilege shared by family and a few lucky residents of Bayside. One resident who had many conversations with him said Bateman had been talking about returning to his hometown in Alabama in an effort to kick his drinking habit and reconnect with his family.

"The visit home he was determined to make was obviously far more important than any of us could have possibly realized," Ross said.

But even though he never made it home to get sober or renew his roots, his family will always remember him with a love that stretches more than a thousand miles from Alabama to New York.

"We knew he loved us despite the distance and life's situations," the family said. "We loved him and because of our love, he is not forgotten and never will be."



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Port Authority to open new JFK animal center

BY RICH BOCKMANN

Southeast Queens is already known to have floods of near-Biblical proportions, and now it will be getting an ark to match.

The Port Authority announced last week it had approved plans for a \$32 million veterinary, kenneling and quarantine facility for animals at John F. Kennedy International Airport, which will be called ARK.

"While most of our airport passengers walk on two legs, this new center will serve the important travel needs of our four-legged and winged friends, while helping to create regional jobs and significant revenue for the Port Authority," Port Authority Executive Director Pat Foye said. "This is another example of agency staff seeking new ways to meet niche markets and maintaining a leadership role in the aviation industry."

Animals in transit in and out of JFK are currently boarded at the 1.25-acre Vetport. When completed, the new ARK will span 14.4 acres and handle roughly 70,000 animals a year.

The center, which will be paid for and built by ARK Development LLC, will be housed in the vacant Building 78 and feature dog and cat grooming and kenneling services, an aviary, a three-day equine quarantine area, lawn space



John F. Kennedy International Airport is set to get a new animal-handling facility.
AP Photo by Mark Lennihan

for animals to stretch their legs and a veterinary hospital/rehabilitation center for horses and other large animals. The PA said no animal testing will be done at the facility.

The Port Authority anticipates it will receive more than \$108 million in rent over the 20-year lease and the project will create 190 jobs, \$12.3 million in wages and \$50.5 million in economic activity.

"The Port Authority is proud to partner with ARK to make air travel at JFK

more humane for animals and convenient for pet owners," Port Authority Chairman David Samson said. "ARK, our private sector partner, will invest \$32 million that will result in a world-class animal handling facility and establish a preeminent equine medical and surgical practice."

The Port Authority said ARK is in negotiations with the veterinary school at Cornell University to serve as the operator of the animal hospital.

Braunstein sponsors Halloween essay, drawing contest

State Assemblyman Edward Braunstein (D-Bayside) is sponsoring a Halloween essay and drawing contest.

Students from Grades 2 through 5 are invited to participate. The essay or drawing should have a Halloween theme, such as an account of your favorite trick-or-treat experience or why you picked your Halloween costume this year.

District-wide prizes will be awarded to the winner in each grade. State Certifi-

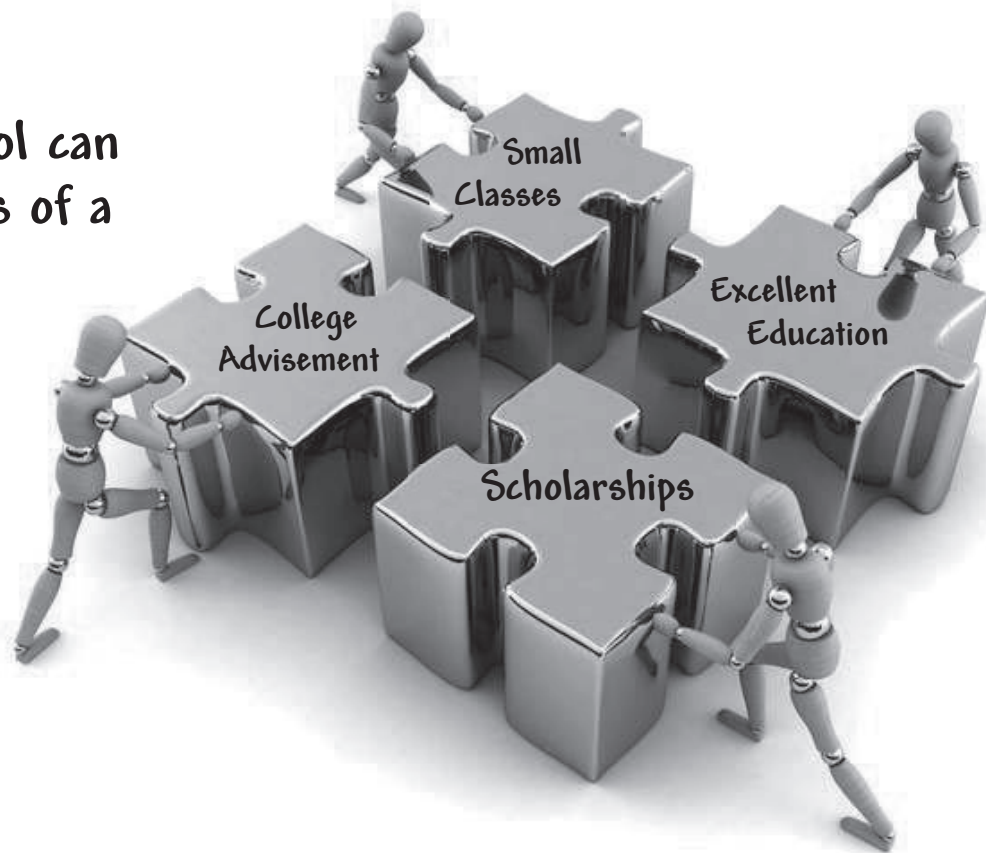
cates of Merit will be awarded to all students who participate.

If you are interested in participating, print your name, grade, class and school on your entry and submit your essay to Braunstein's district office at 213-33 39th Ave., Suite 238, Bayside, NY 11361 or by e-mail at braunsteine@assembly.state.ny.us by Nov. 1.

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EDITORIALS

SOCCER STADIUM RIGHT FOR QUEENS

We applaud the plan to build of a 25,000-seat Major League Soccer stadium in Queens.

Queens is home to the most diverse community in the world, and that community loves soccer.

Visit Flushing Meadows on any weekend afternoon and you will see soccer games played. The games are played by people from around the world. The one thing that unites these groups is the love of “futbol.”

There is some debate whether Flushing Meadows is the best site or whether it should be moved to nearby Willets Point, which is facing a major redevelopment. Some community groups claim the soccer stadium will take away greenspace and create increased traffic in an area already congested. They are also concerned about the negative effects of the construction.

Flushing Meadows has served a purpose ever since it hosted World’s Fairs in 1939 and 1964. There are other nature preserves in Queens, including Alley Pond and Jamaica Bay.

State Sen. Jose Peralta argues the proposed soccer stadium enjoys widespread support in the community.

MLS has promised to replace any parkland lost by the building of stadium. The new stadium should include the creation of fields on which amateur soccer teams can play.

MLS is still working with the city to iron out a deal. We hope that happens.

MESSY IS GOOD

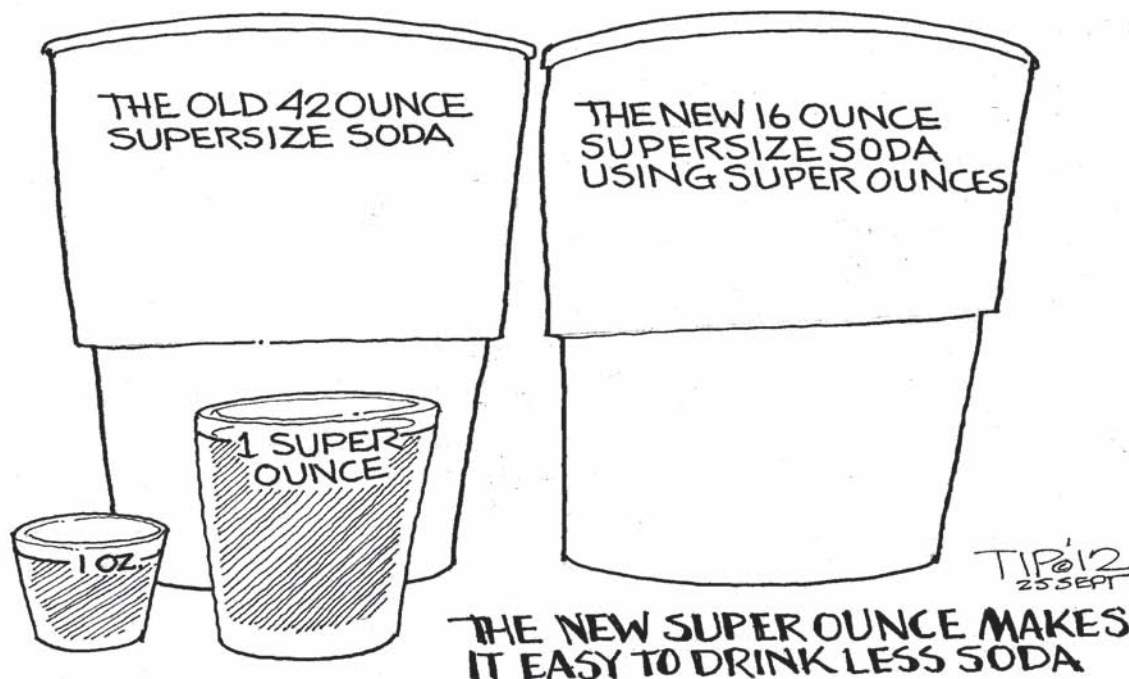
In a recent article, we reported on Bronx sculptor John Ahearn, who visited St. Mary’s Hospital for Children in Bayside, where he made sculpted hand portraits of the children.

He even made a plaster-cast portrait of the legs of a 5-year-old child as she sat in her wheelchair.

“I love it,” she said as the plaster hardened over her. “It’s messy. I like messy.”

A spokesman for the hospital said the art program takes “the kids from the everyday realities of sickness and helps them heal.”

Just one more reason to be proud that St. Mary’s calls Bayside home.



OTHER VOICES

Stop complaining about aircraft noise

Borough President Helen Marshall and other elected officials are upset about a change in flight patterns emanating from LaGuardia Airport because of noise complaints from Bayside and Whitestone residents, claiming the Federal Aviation Administration failed to inform them of the change (“Boro pols slam FAA over poor flight plan-

ning,” Flushing Times, Sept. 13-19).

I am not aware any of these politicians have the slightest expertise in flight planning, and pandering to two communities for political purposes does not anoint them with such knowledge. The residents of my community, Kew Garden Hills, have suffered for many years with LaGuardia Airport aircraft

noise without Marshall or any other official lifting a finger to assist us.

That Bayside and Whitestone will now share some of the discomfort we all endure is the price we all pay to derive substantial economic benefits to the city that flow from LaGuardia Airport.

It would be better for all of us if elected officials confine their activities to

legislating that benefits all the city residents, not a small group of complainers who fail to recognize life is a two-way street.

We share benefits and discomforts equally.

*Benjamin Haber
President
Civic Association of Kew
Garden Hills
Flushing*

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Halloran takes paper to task over Meng editorial

In response to your Sept. 14-20 editorial, let me take this opportunity to clarify the record of what I said and did not say, but before I do so, let me first say that your use of "Tea Potty" as your headline belies the overt bias in your editorial piece.

Since you feel the need to attack the Tea Party through my run for Congress, I would point out that the principles of smaller government, lower taxes and respect for the U.S. Constitution must be contrary to this paper's editorial board, since those are the only universally agreed upon planks in the Tea Party movement, which is neither a political party nor a social club.

It is merely the expression of millions of Americans' frustration with the governmental status quo. They have no organized or central leadership, no particular ethnic or religious

bent — they simply desire to return America to a better place.

As to the editorial itself, the facts as you presented them are not quite as clear. While in Israel, and through Hebrew translation, I said my opponent was of Chinese nationality who has almost exclusively raised money within the Chinese community.

A quick look at the campaign disclosures to the Federal Elections Commission proves that more than 94 percent of the donations are from within the Asian-American community. Considering this district's voting base is only 17 percent Asian American — 40 percent of the raw population — that number is quite askew for a candidate purportedly reaching out to the entire congressional district.

In addition, you take me to task for a comment I made on background that

was then reported in the body of the article regarding potential dual citizenship.

As the paper is, or should be aware of, Americans whose parents were born in Hong Kong, Macau or Taiwan can possess dual citizenship automatically by birth, despite the ban under Communist Chinese law. My point in the discussion was that while many have talked about Israel and its role in this election, no one has talked about China and its ongoing role. Shouldn't either candidate be concerned with the whole community, not simply one demographic within it?

To equate my opponent's promotion of a single piece of legislation, on a women's business initiative, as this paper did, to a 94 percent — reliance on one ethnic group for financial support is laughable at best but at worst a clear

bias in reporting.

Moreover, this paper wantonly disregarded the history of politics in downtown Flushing, as it absolves my opponent from any responsibility in her father's indictment. Need I remind this paper that my opponent was the campaign manager when her father left the state Assembly under a cloud of voter fraud — for which Mr. Ting, a staffer on the campaign, was convicted of the crime of registering people illegally to vote at Jimmy Meng's own business address?

Need I remind this paper that not only did my opponent accept a campaign donation from this convicted criminal, but refused to return it when called on the carpet by the Daily News? May I further remind this paper that my opponent has refused to disclose how much money her father has bundled for her despite the

scandal involving his arrest? In fact, at first my opponent denied bundlers existed at all, when they clearly do exist under federal guidelines and are required to be disclosed.

All this while my opponent has failed to file her required U.S. House of Representatives Ethics Disclosure in either her primary or the general election, despite making six-figure donations to her own campaign, which now, conveniently, have no way to be verified. As of this submission, despite being aware of the four-month lapse in her filing, she has still not filed. Talk about the 1 percent and non-transparency. Has your newspaper even covered this matter at all?

I take seriously your paper's request that we talk about our respective records, so let's do that. My opponent has missed 77 percent of the legislative session, and I have missed

only 12.7 percent, despite having surgery for a brain tumor with medical time that only amounted to 9 percent. I have introduced a score of bills and co-sponsored dozens, having had several pass, while I do not believe my opponent has had any prime sponsored bills ever pass and has introduced only a handful — this despite my being in office less time than she has. And while I have fought for and secured millions of dollars in capital funds for our district and hundreds of thousands in discretionary allotments, I do not believe my opponent can say the same.

So please, let's keep this race about our respective records. Perhaps then your paper will start to report the facts, too.

*Dan Halloran
City Councilman
(R-Whitestone)*

Give extra seats to Woodside school

I live in Woodside at 57th Street and Woodside Avenue. Presently there are two elementary schools in this area. One is St. Sebastian, at 57th Street and Woodside Avenue, which takes in students from three other parishes, and the other is PS 11, at 56th Street and Skillman Avenue.

The city School Construction Authority has a contract with the owner of the property, at 57th Street and 39th Avenue, which is on the same block as St. Sebastian, for a proposed 440-seat elementary school.

You can imagine the

amount of school buses and parents bringing their children to and from school from areas miles away. This would present a major problem of safety, parking and noise in a predominately two-family-home neighborhood.

City Councilman Jimmy Van Bramer (D-Sun-nyside), my councilman, whose body has fiscal approval on such matters, has not scheduled any meetings on the proposed school. The principal of PS 11 has been asking for an extension to her overcrowded school for many years to no avail, yet there will be addition to PS

287 in Corona of 432 seats, PS 87 in Middle Village of 140 seats and PS 70 in Sun-nyside of 508 seats.

Why not Woodside? The most logical thing to do would be an addition to PS 11 and forget the proposed 440-seat school at 57th Street and 39th Avenue, which would bring unneeded congestion in a confined area and change the complexion of the area permanently.

There are plenty of available properties in School District 30.

*James J. Condes
Woodside*

Theater group returns to Queens

This letter is in response to Ron Hellman's Sept. 13-19 Astoria Times article "Queens deserves another dedicated theater space," which called for more theater spaces in Queens.

Variations Theatre Group is a community of predominantly Queens-based artists who are in agreement with the sentiments he presents. The publishing of his article is

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Queens overrun by gangs of young people in September '59

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September 1959 in Queens began with news that police had thwarted a re-engagement in a war of gangs from Jamaica and Hollis. One innocent 14-year-old bystander was shot in the chest. Twelve boys, some under 15, were arrested and an arsenal of knives, broomsticks, chains and metal whips was seized. The boys were released into their parents' custody and were to appear in court in Jamaica.

Police in several precincts had been observed chasing youngsters from

street corners in the early evening. A sergeant in one precinct was assaulted when he stopped to question a group of men loitering on a corner. More than 60 additional policemen were patrolling Queens streets during the late evening and early morning hours as part of the police department's latest drive on teenage violence.

It was estimated there were more than 100 gangs in the city with a combined membership in the thousands. The overall juvenile delinquent problem had grown to such proportions

that the U.S. Senate Juvenile Delinquency Committee began hearings in Congress to study the nationwide problem of "teenage terrorists."

Mayor Robert Wagner vowed to put 1,080 more policemen on the streets. Gov. Nelson Rockefeller announced the state would move to curb the problem by setting up work camps for potential hoodlums.

Five hundred transit policemen stood ready to fight the rising teen violence on their own time and without pay, and the Queens Chapter of the Reserve Officers Association proposed forming an auxiliary force of war veterans to patrol city streets and amusement areas to ensure enforcement of a proposed 9 p.m. curfew for teenagers.

City Parks Commissioner Robert Moses warned that the proposed 1964 World's Fair would not be ready on time unless Congress acted swiftly to authorize President Dwight Eisenhower to invite other countries to participate.

At a luncheon, Moses declared the fair plans called for a \$10.5 million program to develop 35 acres, some of which was wasteland, and a \$35 million extension of the Van Wyck Expressway, which was to link it with the Whitestone Parkway. His proposals featured other major road improvements in Queens and the construction of a Major League Baseball stadium on the Willets Point parking field.

But New York had not been approved as the site of the fair yet, and Sen. Wil-

liam Fulbright of Arkansas had proposed appointing a committee to look at other sites before giving New York the nod. On Sept. 24, Rockefeller and Wagner called on Eisenhower to submit an application to the Bureau of International Expositions in Paris, asking that the body consider Flushing Meadows Corona Park as the site of the fair.

Eisenhower was not asked to exclude other cities from the application, as groups in Washington and Los Angeles had been pushing their cities. The bureau was to meet in November to select the fair site.

On the evening of Sept. 25, notorious gangster Anthony Carfano, 62, once No. 2 man in the nation's underworld and right-hand man to Al Capone, and his com-

panion Mrs. Janice Drake, 32, the beautiful blonde wife of Forest Hills comedian Allen Drake, were shot to death in a car on a street in Jackson Heights.

The killers, who may have been hiding in the back seat of the car, pumped several slugs into the back of their heads. Authorities surmised that Mrs. Drake was killed simply to silence her about the incident.

Queens District Attorney Frank O'Connor probed the possibility that Carfano was rubbed out to prevent his testimony before the Senate Rackets Investigating Committee.

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Halloran (R-Whitestone) was right alongside the group and provided a guest lecture on the importance of maintaining ecosystems for both the environmental and political motivations. The goal, Halloran said, is to prevent erosion and to allow nutrients to bring oyster beds back to life.

"This project is environmental, but is far more important for many reasons," Halloran said. "We are cleaning our local ecosystem and purifying water. Government should be looking at this because of its economic benefits by stabilizing infrastructure."

After his detailed outline of the benefits and the science of what brought the group to the waterfront,

Cervino joked as he graded the councilman with an A-on his report.

In March 2011, Mayor Michael Bloomberg joined with City Council Speaker Christine Quinn (D-Manhattan) to unveil the city's comprehensive waterfront plan, Vision 2020. The 10-year vision for the city's 520 miles of shoreline included a similar goal: to increase public access to the waterfront and provide economic opportunities to the city.

While projects like Cervino's received miniscule funding through discretionary spending, the Community Board 7 member and College Point resident said his biggest concern involved the illegal dumpers who contribute to pollution that lead to dirty waterfronts just like the one he was working on.

"We want enforcement. We need to bust these

illegal dumpers," Cervino said. "We are trying to establish a habitat and we will go after anyone who gets in the way of that."

Electronics engineer Rand Weeks worked nearby on a solar panel being used to help regrow estuaries for the shoreline, which he said would help clean the water, control erosion and attract shellfish to filter the water. The solar panels, he said, provided energy for an experiment to grow spartina, or cordgrass, through a harmless and low-voltage electrical current to help purify the water and rebuild the beach.

"We want to have a clean beach here that we may be able to one day go swimming in again," Weeks said. "Basically, we are setting up a whole ecosystem here."



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Meng files disclosure forms four months late

BY JOE ANUTA

State Assemblywoman Grace Meng (D-Flushing) put a federal financial disclosure statement in the mail Monday months after it was due to the House Ethics Committee. She made the trip to the post office after picking up the endorsement of Uniformed Fire Officers Association in Bayside.

Her opponent in the race for the Queens congressional seat based in Flushing, City Councilman Dan Halloran (R-Whitestone), took Meng to task for missing the May deadline, which the assemblywoman's campaign claimed was a "clerical oversight."

Halloran released a statement blasting Meng for giving herself \$122,000 be-

fore the June primary but not disclosing the source of her personal finances to the federal government. "Assembly member Meng somehow got through a primary without having to file her mandatory personal finance information. The leader of the Queens Democratic Party, who hand-picked her, is a congressman himself," he said in a statement.

"Are we to believe she didn't know she was supposed to file? Why hasn't she? Voters are wondering about the source of these hundreds of thousands of dollars in her campaign coffers."

Meng's camp countered: "This was simply a matter of an accidental, clerical oversight. Grace Meng gladly discloses this information on the state level every year and is proud to continue," spokesman Austin Finan said.



Congressional candidates state Assemblywoman Grace Meng (l.) and City Councilman Dan Halloran are at odds over several issues, including Meng's failure to file disclosure forms on time.

"Dan Halloran's reckless, baseless and insulting accusations and insinuations are consistent with his un-

fortunate habit of making things up and then pretending they're fact."

Meng said Monday

that she was on her way to mail the paperwork after she received the endorsement of the Uniformed Fire Officers Association outside of a firehouse in Bayside. The union cited Meng's commitment to the City's Bravest and the benefits they receive.

"Grace Meng knows each and every member of the FDNY has earned their pensions," said Capt. Patrick Reynolds, vice president of the union.

Meng also recently received the nod from the New York City Patrolmen's Benevolent Association earlier in the month, and her campaign called out Halloran for a slight against public sector unions that he said during a campaign event, according to an article in Queens Campaign, a blog run by graduate students at Columbia Univer-

sity.

In the story, Halloran is quoted as saying it is a "conflict of interest" when public sector unions endorse Democratic candidates who then approve pay raises and pension plans, adding that private sector unions would support him because "these are the people that actually want to work."

Finan shot back: "It says a lot about Dan Halloran that he would so

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brazenly attack and disparage unions and the hardworking men and women who comprise them. After all, we are talking about the teachers who educate our children, the police and fire officers who keep our neighborhoods safe, and the nurses who care for the hurt and the sick, including Mr. Halloran during his recent hospital stay."

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Silver

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sembly Ethics Committee concluded that there was strong evidence that he had sexually harassed two employees. He is the target of two investigations and several lawmakers have called on him to resign.

Avella said it was Silver's approval of a \$103,080 settlement to confidentially end the harassment claims that made him no longer suitable for public

office. Meanwhile, Assembly Democrats have largely stood behind the speaker.

Silver declined to comment on the senator's remarks, but has publicly said he would cooperate fully with any ethic inquiries.

The Joint Commission on Public Ethics has been investigating the Lopez scandal but has been unwilling to dig any deeper into Silver's actions, Avella said. The senator introduced new legislation this month to reform the inde-

pendent commission after failing what he called its first real test.

The legislation, Avella said, would give the commission authority to investigate legislators and staff while reducing the panel's membership from 14 to five.

"The culture of corruption in Albany will not and cannot change without a truly independent ethics commission," Avella said. "While JCOPE was a good start, it is clear from recent events that it has neither

the authority nor the backbone to go after the very people they are charged with investigating. That is simply unacceptable and the reason why my legislation is necessary."

On the local level, civic leaders in northeast Queens also called on Silver's resignation, including Bob Friedrich, the Glen Oaks Village president.

"We urge Assembly Speaker Silver to do the right thing and step down from his post," said a letter signed by six Queens

civic leaders, including Friedrich. "If he refuses to do so, we demand that he be removed as speaker by the Democratic Assembly delegation. Elected officials should not have to be reminded that their allegiance is to their constituents, not the Assembly speaker."

Avella said Silver, who has served as speaker for 18 years, has enjoyed a lengthy and largely successful career in politics, but has become an "inherent, almost omnipotent power" and

should be limited.

Earlier this month, the senator renewed a campaign promise by pushing for tougher laws on term limits in government. The bill, Avella said, would institute a maximum of 16 years of service for state legislators.

"If ever there was a time for change, it is now," Avella said.

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get a chance to respond before the owner was out of sight, unaware of whether she had been injured and without even exchanging names.

"There was no one around to help me," Infranca said. "It all happened so fast."

Infranca's daughter, Freda Sbordon, said she grew up near Little Bay Park and her mother frequently strolled through the area as many as three times a week.

"She calls it 'her park,'" Sbordon said. "Now I have to worry about her walking around alone."

Infranca filed a police report about the incident and made an immediate visit to her doctor, who then administered a tetanus shot and prescribed antibiotic pills for her. Days later, she was still sporting a marble-sized puncture wound below a large red spot on her right arm.

Little Bay Park cur-

rently sports its own dog run area for residents so they can take their canines to a safe haven, but according to Infranca that area is rarely used and her attack last week was a direct result of dog owners not being cautious enough with their pets.

"The dog run is hardly ever used," Infranca said. "The dog owners should really spend more time in there."

Since the incident, Infranca said she still goes on walks through the park to enjoy the Bayside she has lived in with her family for more than 30 years.

But during a walk in Crocheron Park over the weekend, she said she noticed a large dog quietly resting beside its owner and thought twice about her route.

"I had to take another way," Infranca said. "I won't let that happen again."

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Man charged with setting several Flushing blazes

BY JOE ANUTA

A Bronx man was arrested and charged with setting 13 fires in Flushing and Murray Hill over a span of about three weeks, the FDNY said, including one blaze that destroyed a Laundromat in August and injured 19 of the city's Bravest.

Thien Dinh, 43, of the Bronx, was cuffed and charged with multiple counts of arson, reckless endangerment and burglary, according to the city Fire Department.

"Arson is a callous crime that shows total disregard for the lives and property of those it impacts," said Fire Commissioner Salvatore Cassano. "I commend our fire marshals in the Bureau of Fire Investigation for their tireless efforts to apprehend this individual whose actions have endangered the lives of New York City residents, injured many firefighters and caused a tremendous amount of property damage."

The fires started Aug. 20 at

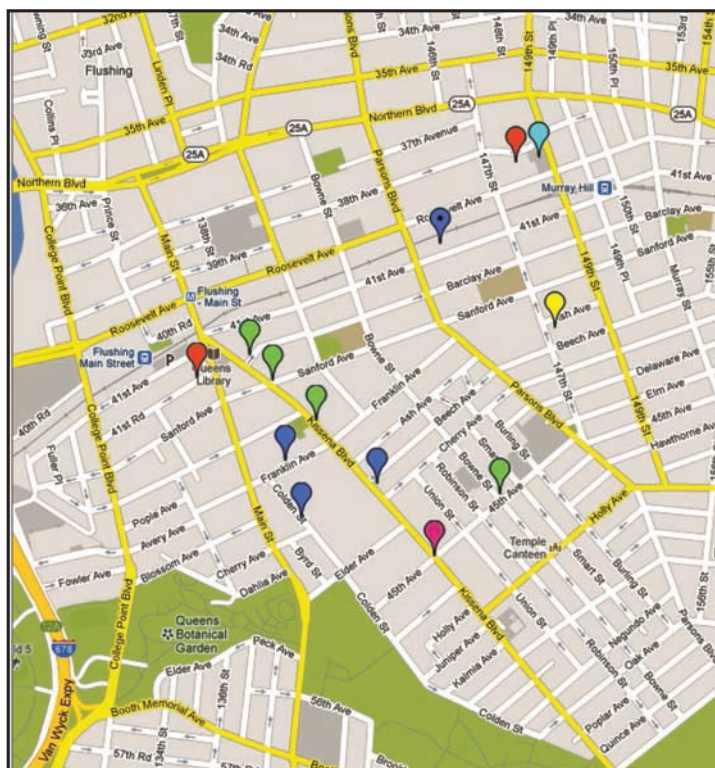
about 12:20 a.m., when Dinh allegedly started four fires, including three along Kissena Boulevard within a span of three hours.

After the Aug. 20 incidents, Dinh allegedly lit nine more fires between that night and Sept. 13, according to the FDNY.

In each case, the FDNY said the suspected firebug lit rubbish and other combustible material to get the flames started. Dinh is no stranger to handcuffs, according to the FDNY, which said he had 45 prior arrests for many crimes, including burglary, property damage and criminal mischief.

In the early hours of Aug. 20, a three-alarm fire allegedly lit by Dinh gutted a Flushing Laundromat near the corner of 45th Avenue and 143rd Street, according to the FDNY. The blaze started on the first floor, which houses the business, and the flames were soon licking at the windows of apartments above. Residents had to climb out of windows to escape the smoke and heat.

In the aftermath, building owner Chisei Han was devas-



A map provided by the FDNY shows the locations of some of the fires allegedly set by arson suspect Thien Dinh. Image courtesy FDNY

tated, but happy that no one was killed.

Han is a hardworking Taiwanese immigrant who toiled in kitchens and restaurants for years in order to save enough money to buy the Laundromat and the apartments above it in the 1990s, he said, renting them out to tenants who stayed there for decades.

He even managed to send two daughters to college by running the business and planned to retire in two years, although he is uncertain he will be able to pay for the remainder of their education after the blaze.

"Right before my perfect ending," he said standing outside of the charred skeleton of his business, clutching his dog Mu Qi, who survived the inferno by hiding behind a stove in Han's apartment on the second floor.

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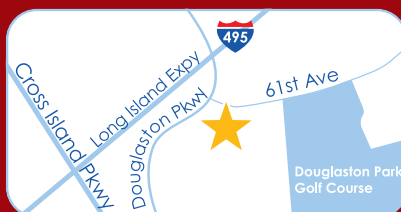
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NYHQ wins award for excellent maternity care

BY KAREN FRANTZ

New York Hospital Queens received two of the highest rankings in the nation for excellence in maternity care Tuesday, representing what leaders of the medical team said was a remarkable feat given the difficulty of the field.

"It doesn't just happen," said Stephen S. Mills,

president and CEO of the hospital. "It's all about the people who are involved in what can be a very dangerous and a happy business."

State Assemblywoman Grace Meng (D-Flushing), who delivered both of her sons at the hospital, lauded New York Hospital Queens for providing amazing care.

"From the team to the

nurses to the staff to the doctors and even the anesthesiologists, we had such a wonderful experience," she said.

HealthGrades, a leading health care ratings company, bestowed New York Hospital Queens with a Maternity Care Excellence Award at a ceremony held at the hospital, at 56-45 Main St. in Flushing. The

award is given to hospitals ranked in the top 10 percent for maternity care in the country — an award New York Hospital Queens has now won six years in a row.

Brody Westcot, strategic client manager of HealthGrades, said that out of the 5,000 hospitals the company ranks, only 149 are in the top 10 percent

for maternity care and less than 20 received the award six years in a row.

New York Hospital Queens also received a five-star rating from HealthGrades, a mark that goes to the country's top 15 percent of hospitals for maternity care.

Westcot said a 2012 study revealed that mothers and infants who received care from hospitals with a five-star rating had 62 percent fewer complications than those cared for at one-star hospitals.

"If all hospitals performed at the level of New York Hospital of Queens, there would have been 160,000 fewer women who had complications," he said. "That's very striking evidence of how good they are."

Mills underscored the challenges the hospital faces in delivering more than 4,000 infants a year in the diverse Queens com-

munity.

"It's a tough, tough business to be in," he said. "And we serve a vast community, an ethnically diverse community. So we've got new mothers from all walks of life in [the hospital]."

Gary Eglinton, chairman of obstetrics and gynecology, said the staff is as diverse as the patients they serve, a factor that promotes cultural and language sensitivity and aids the hospital in carrying out their mission to serve the community.

"We must adapt to them," he said.

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Manhole sensors to detect boro sewer blockage

BY KAREN FRANTZ

The city Department of Environmental Protection announced Monday it is installing manhole covers equipped with sensors in several Queens neighborhoods that will monitor flow levels in sewer pipes and alert the agency before a potentially problematic backup occurs.

"Maintaining our 7,400 miles of sewer lines requires the smart allocation of resources and this monitoring technology will alert us to the areas that are most in need of attention," said DEP Commissioner Carter Strickland in a statement.

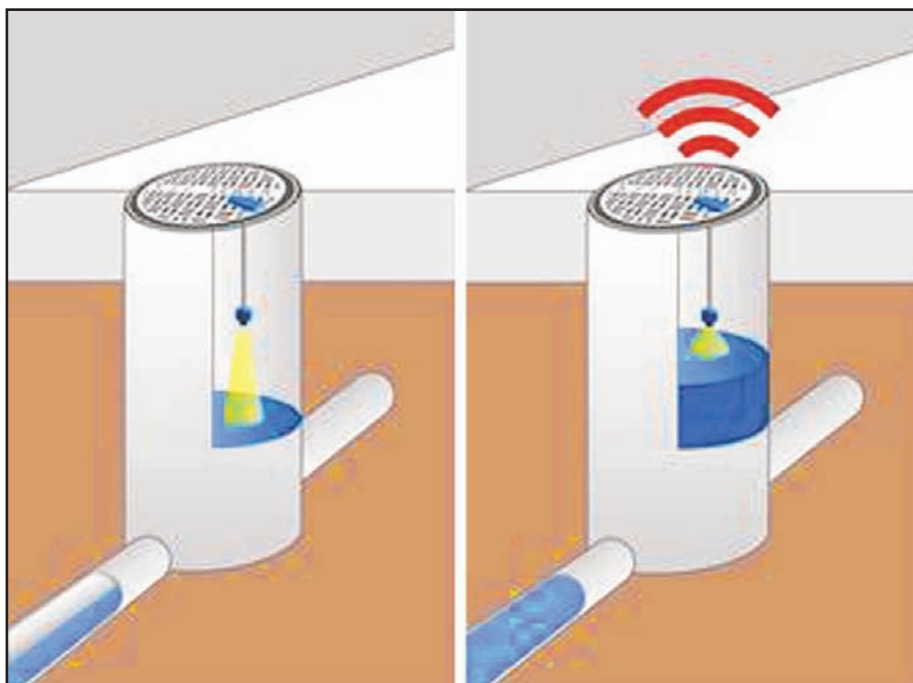
The pilot program, being launched with 11 installations in Queens, five in Brooklyn and five in Staten Island, will enable the DEP to better identify portions of the sewer system that need maintenance and repair, according to the

department.

"Preventative maintenance on sewer lines can enhance system capacity and improve the flow of wastewater, helping to prevent the system from being overwhelmed during heavy rain," said a DEP press release announcing the program.

A DEP official said when the sewer system is blocked, discharge wastewater can potentially flow into the streets and into residences, although how often and why the system gets blocked depend on the neighborhood. The official said a common cause of blockages is cooking grease getting poured down the drain and/or directly into a sewer grate.

The official said the manhole locations in Queens, which include Flushing, Jamaica, St. Albans and the Rockaways, were chosen after the DEP looked at its history of com-



Manhole covers equipped with sensors that detect sewer blockages are being installed in several Queens neighborhoods as part of a city Department of Environmental Protection pilot program.

Photo courtesy of DEP

plaints in order to identify potential problem areas.

The sensors are installed on the underside

of the manhole covers and send alerts to DEP borough command centers when elevated flow levels are

detected. Crews are then dispatched to inspect the sewer pipe and perform any necessary maintenance on

the system.

The DEP said the pilot program incorporates Geographic Information System technology as part of the department's wider effort to use its GIS tool in aiding sewer maintenance and repair. The DEP built the GIS tool in 2002, and it contains digital, searchable maps of the city's sewer lines, manholes and other infrastructure, according to the department.

The new monitoring technology installed on the manhole covers was funded through a \$300,000 capital investment to optimize the city's sewers, and the DEP said it plans to expand the pilot program by spring 2013 with an additional 20 installations.

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John Vincent Costanza, 93

John Vincent Costanza, a former Little Neck resident involved in area civic and cultural groups and politics, died May 11. He was 93.

He was born in Hazelhurst, Pa., June 25, 1918, and raised there and in other Pennsylvania and West Virginia towns.

Costanza received a scholarship from Bethany College in West Virginia and studied a year abroad at the University of San Marcos in Lima, Peru, improving his Spanish and learning about Peruvian culture and history. When World War II started, he left college and was posted to New York City to teach other servicemen Spanish en masse at Queens College in preparation for the potential retaking of continental Europe by the Allies through a Spanish landing instead of via Normandy in France.

While there, Costanza met Brunnhilde Stein. They kept in touch as he

was posted to the Pacific Theater to serve in communications in the Okinawa campaign and the Korean Theater. After demobilization, John and Stein married and in the early 1950s settled in Little Neck.

He earned a master's degree from Columbia University in the history of Spanish colonial trade in Florida. Costanza was an editor with Keller Publishing Co. of Manhattan and then of Great Neck, L.I.

He was predeceased by his wife and survived by their three children, two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Costanza was buried in a military service at Calverton National Cemetery, in Calverton, L.I. Donations in his memory may be made by check, phone or PayPal to Alley Pond Environmental Center, 228-06 Northern Blvd., Douglaston, NY 11362.

Long Island Tomahawks return

The Long Island Tomahawks launched the 2012 season with a game this past Saturday at Martin Van Buren High School's football field.

All but two players are rookies. They all played hard, but came up short against the Westbury Wolverines, the 2011 national champions.

The game was well-attended by family, friends, school officials and other members

of the community. Given its status as a new addition in the NY/LI Conference of the Gridiron National Youth Football League, the Tomahawks are allowed to continue signing up players during the season.

Practices are Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Alley Pond Park. The team's website can be found at eteamz.com/LITomahawks and the email address is litomahawks@yahoo.com.

Queens set to celebrate Moon Festival

One of the biggest holidays in Chinese culture is rapidly approaching, and several organizations in Flushing will be celebrating in style with concerts, a parade and fireworks.

The Moon Festival, which is Sept. 30 this year, is typically a time to gather with family and friends over a big meal and reminisce with each other under the glowing celestial orb.

Families all over the borough will be celebrating in their homes, but there will be no shortage of events downtown.

First, there will be an opportunity for youngsters to fly kites in Kissena Corridor Park from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., according to the Flushing Development Corp.

Queens Botanical Garden will also host an evening of family fun from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., beginning with arts and crafts for children followed by performances from the New York Chinese Cultural Center, which will have classic and folk dances as well as music. Families are encouraged to bring picnic blankets and summer chairs to enjoy the performances, according to the garden.

From 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., a Moon Festival parade will march down Main Street, from 40th Road to Elder Avenue. Groups from the parade will be performing at Kissena Corridor Park before a fireworks show at 8 p.m., according to the corporation.



"Dancing Princess" Inessa Fedorova, originally of Uzbekistan, leads the Fantasy Parade down Main Street during a past moon festival celebration in Flushing.

Enjoying the full moon with the family is a Chinese tradition dating back about 1,500 years and often compared to the western holidays of Thanksgiving and Christmas because of the family spirit involved. The most famous food associated with the festival is the moon cake.

Moon cakes are flaky, round, semi-sweet pastries often filled with bean or lotus-seed paste and topped with a duck egg, echoing the shape of the full moon.

The garden's event is free with the purchase of an admission ticket: \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors and \$2 for children. The remaining events organized by the Flushing Development Corp. are free.

— Joe Anuta

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Godwin-Ternbach shows Sigg works in new space

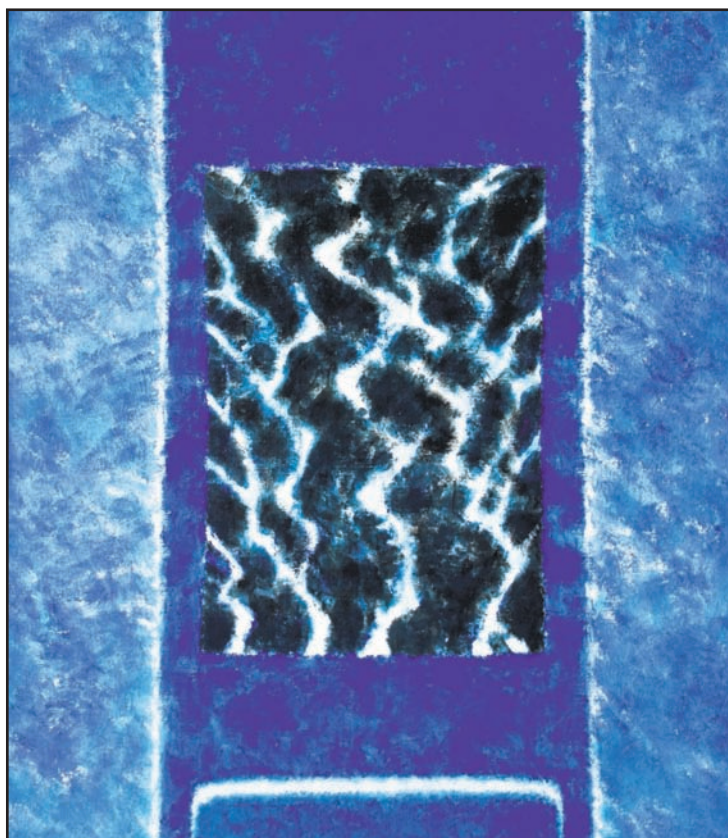
BY ALICIA TAYLOR-DOMVILLE

To commemorate its grand reopening, the Godwin-Ternbach Museum at Queens College's Kupferberg Center for the Arts will exhibit work from Swiss abstract artist Herman Alfred Sigg, better known as H.A. Sigg.

The Godwin-Ternbach Museum began as a teaching tool for students studying art and art history and has now grown to house more than 5,000 pieces from ancient to modern times. It is the only comprehensive collection of arts and artifacts in Queens.

In 2010, the museum underwent a two-phase extensive renovation. Phase 1 consisted of repainting Colden Auditorium and replacing the seats in Colden and the Goldstein Theatre. Phase 2 consisted of upgrades that were designed to enhance the audience experience in the Kupferberg arts complex.

Some of the enhancements included a state-of-the-art exterior and interior lighting, handicapped-accessibility upgrades and enlarged lobbies, to name a



A work by H.A. Sigg is entitled, The Course of the Rivers III.

Image courtesy Queens College

few.

During the exhibit, the museum will be unveiling the new "Lobby Gallery" that will have rotating displays from its permanent collection.

The H.A. Sigg exhibit will contain about 40 paintings and an abundance of collages that celebrate the artist's long career.

Sigg was born outside Zurich, Switzerland, in 1924. In his 20s he went to study cubism with theorist Andre Lhote. At age 88, Sigg is still creating art and his work has been on display throughout the United States and Europe.

His work has been purchased by many major collectors and institutions, such as the Betchler Family Collections and Pfizer Inc. in New York. He remains more popular in Europe than America.

Sigg's works is well-represented and respected by the popular Kouros Gallery in Manhattan. The Godwin-Ternbach exhibit is his largest to date, giving local audiences the chance to view and learn more about him and his art.

"The museum's abundant,

soaring space will allow viewers to experience Sigg's elegant abstract paintings to their fullest," said Amy Winter, director of the Godwin-Ternbach Museum and curator of the show. "The Godwin-Ternbach Museum is honored to be the setting for Sigg's profoundly beautiful works and the stage for presenting his rich legacy."

Winter has composed a 12-page article about Sigg's work, which can be found at hasigg.com/gtm.

The exhibit started Sept. 10 and will run until Oct. 26.

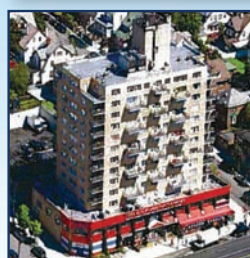
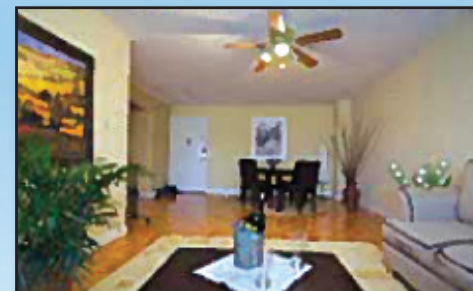
Alongside the H.A. Sigg exhibit will be "Representing South Asia," a festival of Indian cinema. This festival is part of Queens College's Year of India program, hosted by the Godwin-Ternbach Museum. The series began on Sept. 12 and presents free viewing of 16 different films open to the public. It will run through the academic year.

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Small cars may be the future

Consumers have long operated under the presumption that “bigger is better,” which is often reflected in the size of the vehicles on the road. However, future mandates on fuel economy could significantly increase the number of compact cars being bought and sold, and big cars might get a run for their money.

In the past, bigger cars might have been the popular trend. Muscle cars of the 1960s, giant sedans of the '70s and even the pumped-up SUVs of modern day are all bigger vehicles. But with the advent of the fuel-efficient car and hybrid or electric models, many people could find themselves driving a compact car in the next few years.

According to U.S. federal requirements, automotive industry products must average 35.5 miles per gallon by 2016, and proposed regulations could increase

that number to 62 mpg by 2025. What this means for auto makers and consumers alike is that small cars could grow increasingly popular.

Automakers are already beginning to invest heavily in smaller vehicles. Compact cars were popular and prominently featured attractions at auto shows throughout 2010 and into 2011.

Consumers who once leaned toward larger vehicles may now purchase compact cars thanks to escalating fuel costs and more eco-conscious consumerism. Compact hybrids have already become trendy among the celebrity set, and many fans may choose to emulate their favorite A-listers. The “green” movement has certainly changed consumer perception of small cars.

What's more, automakers are revamping features that normally caused people to shy away from compact cars. Interior space

is being reconfigured to offer more headroom and legroom. Plus, automakers are packing compacts with innovative features and gadgets that make them appealing to an increasingly tech-savvy society.

Even people who are not fiscally or environmentally minded may lean toward the abundance of smaller cars at dealerships. That's because compact cars are affordable first cars or good options for singles and older couples looking to downsize. Young males may consider sporty, super-up coupes. With small cars, there certainly is a widespread market.

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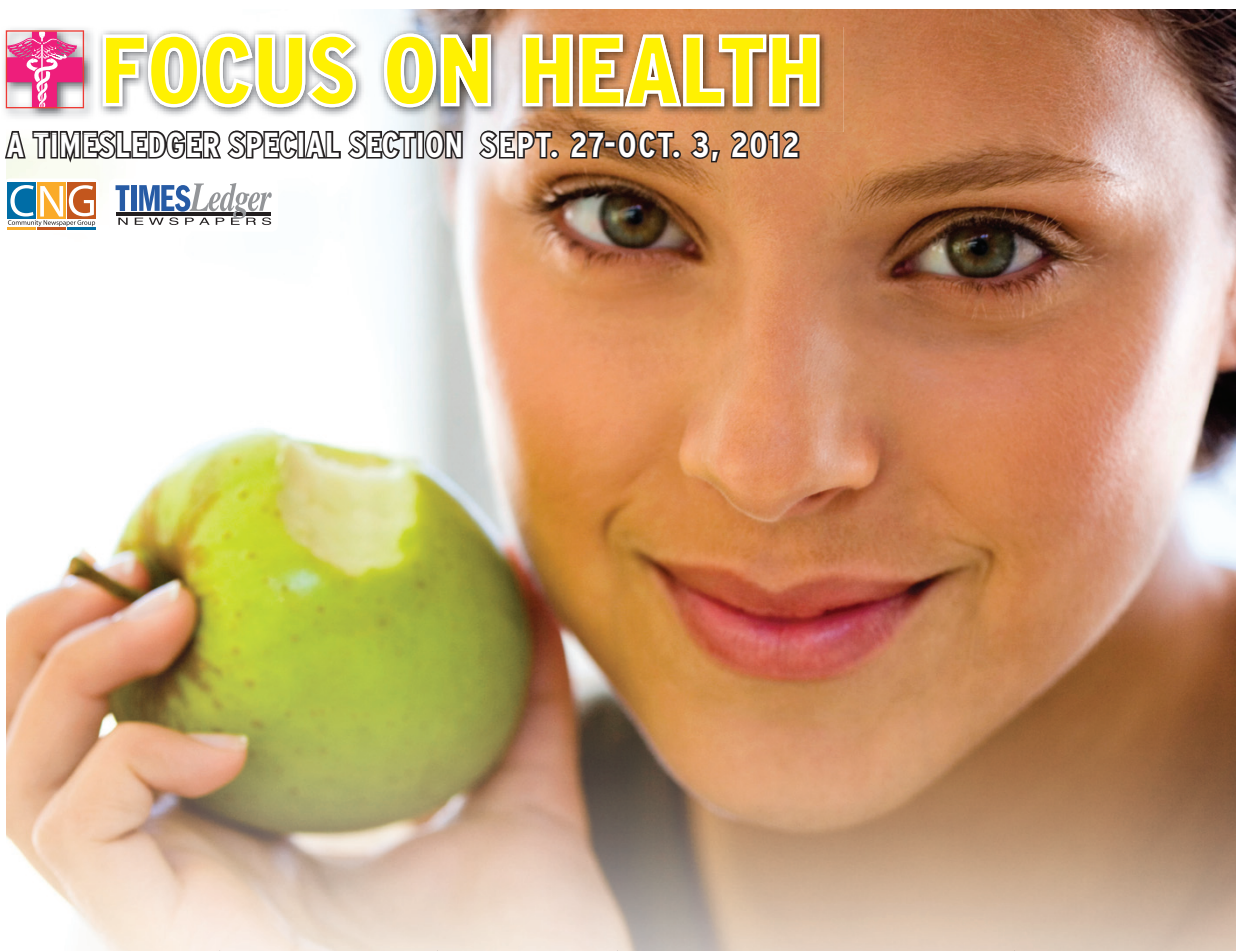


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Fruit and nuts provide best snacking nutrients

Snacking often elicits mixed reviews. Some health plans say that it is important to eat several small meals or snacks during the day to keep metabolism rates in check. Other information states that snacks can be a person's undoing, causing unnecessary weight gain — especially when snacking is frequent. These mixed feelings can be a little confusing.

The National Health and Nutrition Survey supports snacking. The survey found that people who eat snacks in addition to three meals a day had higher levels of nutrients in their diets. But not all snacks are a good idea. Consuming a fattening bag of potato chips is an unhealthy approach to snack-

ing. However, a piece of dark chocolate or a handful of nuts can add essential nutrients to a person's diet.

Many different snacks make healthy additions to a person's diet. Two to three snacks a day may be all that's needed to help keep a person feeling satiated and less likely to overeat at meals. Here are some healthy snack ideas.

•**Olives:** A handful of olives can quench a salty craving and provide essential fatty acids that may help to improve heart health.

•**Hummus:** Hummus is made from chickpeas, which are naturally low in fat and high in fiber. This dip will keep you feeling full.

•**Edamame:** These are a variety of soybeans that are sweeter, larger, and more

easily digested than other soybeans. They are a natural source of antioxidants and isoflavones.

•**Banana and chocolate:** Rolling a banana in semi-sweet chocolate chips can satisfy a fruit and chocolate craving.

•**Dark chocolate bark:** Melt dark chocolate and add a desired fruit, such as dried cranberries, cherries, or raisins. Enjoy a small piece, which will be high in antioxidants, to fend off hunger pangs.

•**String cheese:** An individual serving of low-fat mozzarella or Monterey Jack string cheese offers a serving of dairy and protein to keep you full.

•**Smoothie:** Whip up a smoothie made from protein-rich Greek yogurt and some

frozen fruit. Add a dash of fruit juice and blend. Enjoy as a meal replacement or a refreshing snack.

•**Fruit:** There's no better snack than fruit. Keep a bowl of fruit or some homemade fruit salad on hand and enjoy a small portion when you want to fill up without consuming too many calories.

•**Whole-grain crackers:** Fiber-full grain crackers can satisfy salty cravings as well as fill your stomach with something hearty.

You can choose among a variety of healthy snacks throughout the day. Smart snacking can mean reducing feelings of hunger and increasing the amount of nutrients in the body. Snacks also may be an integral component of a healthy weight-loss plan.

Dairy products good for bones

To some people, dairy's reputation for contributing to high cholesterol and weight gain is a misconception that's hard to let go of. But dairy's detractors should know the right dairy products enjoyed in moderation can actually be good for your health for a variety of reasons.

Consuming dairy products as part of a nutrient-rich diet is important for individuals of all ages. Dairy products have many nutrients and vitamins essential to good health. Calcium, protein, phosphorus, potassium, and supplemented vitamins A and D are all nutrients the body needs. Calcium, for example, is necessary to build and maintain strong bones.

Osteoporosis, a condition wherein the bones weaken and are more susceptible to injury, can affect anyone, but it is particularly common among women age 50 and older. The National Institutes of Health say as many as half of all women and a quarter of men older than 50 will break a bone due to osteoporosis. To keep bones strong, health professionals recommend eating a diet rich in calcium and vitamin D — both of which are found in dairy products.

Eating low-fat dairy products can reduce a person's risk of developing cancer. Studies have shown that populations that eat a high amount of calcium-rich foods have a lower incidence of colorectal cancer. According to child health authority Dr. Sears, calcium controls the multiplication of epithelial cells lining the colon. Fast multiplication of these cells increases a person's risk of developing cancer. The best sources of calcium include bony fish and dairy products like yogurt.

Dairy products, especially milk, are also essential for different health benefits. Drinking milk helps protect the enamel surface of teeth against acidic substances. This helps prevent tooth decay and weakening enamel.

Milk and other dairy products might also help maintain healthy skin.

Dairy also plays a role in digestive health. Consumption of milk products may help in reducing acidity in the stomach. Yogurts with active cultures have been known to promote healthy digestion and alleviate occasional irregularity.

Individuals with lactose intolerance, a food sensitivity where there are inadequate levels of lactase in the body necessary to break down the lactose sugar in dairy products, may avoid dairy foods. However, information from the Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board says that those with a lactose intolerance can still handle at least two cups of milk a day if taken with food and spread throughout the day. Research also indicates that consuming small amounts of lactose-containing foods may improve lactose tolerance over time.

How women around the world stay healthy

North American women may want to take health advice from women in other areas of the world. As it turns out, international women may have the secrets to living longer and avoiding medical conditions that seem to plague women in the United

States and Canada.

Here's how women across the globe are living longer, healthier lives.

•Practice portion control. Although you've probably heard it before, reducing the amount that you eat can have its benefits, including weight loss. Many people remark how the

French dine on cheese and butter and still manage to stay skinny. That is because they are eating in moderation, not making an entire meal out of two pounds of cheese. Smaller portions and maintaining an active lifestyle are two ways that many French women stay slim and healthy.

•Go heart-healthy. The "Mediterranean Diet" has been touted in recent years. Women in Italy and Greece set a good example by serving foods that are rich in heart-healthy antioxidants and good fats. Nuts, whole grains, fish, and olives are hearty and heart-healthy foods. Mediterranean cul-

tures also use wine to improve heart health, help prevent cancer, and slow the progression of neurological diseases, like Parkinson's and Alzheimer's. Studies have also shown that moderate amounts of alcohol can raise your good cholesterol and thin your blood.

•Stay active in your community. Japanese culture emphasizes family connections and maintaining an extensive support system. The Japanese stay active into older adulthood, which could be why the island region of Okinawa is known for having the highest concentration of centenarians in the world. According to research, Okinawans, when compared to Americans, have an 80 percent lower

rate of many cancers, including ovarian and breast cancer.

•Eat locally: Northern Europeans tend to eat farm-to-table, which means consuming things that they or their neighbors have grown and raised. Foods that are rich in omega-3 fatty acids, such as fish, in combination with native vegetables and berries help keep obesity statistics very low. Scandinavians also eat game birds and elk, which produce meat that tends to be leaner than the types of farm-raised livestock North Americans rely on.

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Dr. Shah received his B.S. in Chemistry with Honors from the University of Florida, Gainesville, FL. While there he was awarded the Anderson Scholar Award for Leadership, Academic Excellence and Highest Distinction, and was a member of Phi Kappa Phi and Phi Beta Kappa. He obtained his medical degree from the University of Miami School of Medicine, Miami, FL. Dr. Shah then completed his internship and residency in neurological surgery at Emory University Hospital, Atlanta, GA. He completed his spine fellowship at the University of Miami.

He has written numerous articles and book chapters and presented extensively. Dr. Shah co-authored "Complications associated with lumbar stenosis surgery in patients older than 75 years of age" for *Neurosurgery Focus* and "Clinical outcomes following cervical laminoplasty for 204 patients with cervical spondylotic myelopathy" for *Surgical Neurology*.

Dr. Shah is a member of the American Association of Neurological Surgeons (AANS), the Congress of Neurological Surgeons (CNS) and the American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin. He speaks fluent Hindi and Gujarati.

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Naomi Charles Martin Van Buren High School Rosedale, NY

Naomi Charles is Senior Vice President of the Student Organization and a member of the Borough Student Advisory Council. She represents her school at monthly meetings with students from other high schools under the guidance of Queens Department of Education officials. She is very generous with her time at MVBH and is a monitor for teachers and guidance staff. Extra-curriculum activities sponsored by the school are also a large part of Naomi's life. Among the many clubs she enjoys are the Drama Club, Piano Club, Desi International Club, P2P Mentoring—a big-brother/big-sister activity—Book Club, Yearbook, Key Club, Dance Team, Step Team, and the Cheerleader squad.

An activity Naomi was involved in through the Leadership Class was the three-day World of Difference Institute, presented by the Anti-Defamation League at her school. Speakers at the conference presented peer training and peer leadership programs to teach students how to teach tolerance.

Since the sixth grade, Naomi has been involved in the Girl Scouts. As a Scout Leader, Naomi helped children with homework, coordinates fundraisers, served in soup kitchens, assisted in planning trips, coordinated special events and shows, and learned CPR.

Naomi said, "I would like to thank all the staff and teachers at Martin Van Buren H.S. for always doing what they do best... help their students learn, grow, and be the best they can be."

Jaya Lisa Hariprasad Scholars Institute Queens Village, NY

Jaya Lisa Hariprasad, a resident of Queens Village, whose family emigrated from Guyana, is the Valedictorian of 2012. She is Vice President of the Scholars Institute, and is Treasurer of the Student



Organization. Among the many extra-curricular activities Jaya participates in are ARISTA National Honor Society, the Robotics Club, the Website Team, the Book Club, the Yearbook Committee, and Peer to Peer.

Every October Jaya participates in the Queens Breast Cancer Walk. She also has volunteered at the Queens Village Public Library during her summer vacations.

On the academic front, Jaya took a College Now class through Queensborough Community College in English 101 and a Speech Communication course at QCC. Also, she took part in the Jumpstart Program at Monroe College, where she is studied Information Technology. She has been accepted to all six colleges she applied to and will be attending CUNY Baruch, from which she obtained a scholarship for Academic Excellence.



Adrian Alberga Hillcrest High School South Jamaica, NY

Adrian Alberga, a resident of South Jamaica, Queens, is President of the Thespian Club of the Hillcrest H.S. Theatre Institute, Jamaica, Queens.

He was elected by his peers in a landslide. One of his duties was conducting their monthly meetings. Adrian took part in the August Wilson Monologue Competition, part of Learning by Expanded Arts Program. He is also in the Scene Design class, where he helped build sets for student plays.

He often helped teachers by making posters. His interest and talent segued into his forming a graphic design business, AMORTERIA, with a former teacher. They have patented a children's bracelet that dispenses sanitizer when pressed in a certain spot..

Ms. Amy Morrison, Director of the Hillcrest Theatre Institute, stated, "During rehearsals, he is a true professional who is dedicated to the process of theater – he enjoys trying out new things. He leads

his peers in a very respectful and caring way."

For himself, Adrian likes the philosophy of Bruce Lee, "Be like water. Be fluid and able to adapt to changes." Adrian applied for early admission to the Art Institute of New York. He was accepted.

Greg McKenzie Business, Computer Applications & Entrepreneurship High School Rosedale, NY



Greg McKenzie is the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of the innovative business Future Tech Office Supply Enterprise, Inc. The business is the Virtual Enterprise International program class.

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As CFO, Greg McKenzie made the financial decisions for the company and was responsible for the accounting department, where he reported on sales, expenses, and other financial activities. In addition, Greg headed up the Technology Department (ITT).

Greg was one of several students sent to the NYU Stern School of Business STEP Program where he took part in a business competition and, with three other Business H.S. students, won a free SAT course.

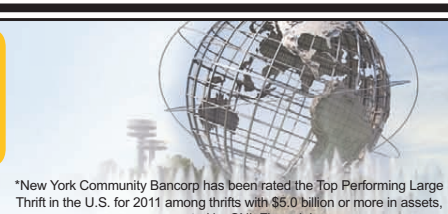
His philosophy of life is, "No matter where you come from, it should not decide where you are going to in the future."



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Reaching for the *stars*

Aspiring young Flushing violinist has toured Europe but Queens College's hall is still home

BY ALAN KRAWITZ

Already an accomplished violinist, coming off a successful tour of Europe, 22-year-old Adrianna Mateo is a textbook "Type A" personality whose idea of relaxation is doing the laundry and grocery shopping.

"I just can't seem to shut off my brain at night," says Mateo, who currently studies music at the Aaron Copland School of Music at Queens College.

Mateo is a solo, chamber, and orchestral performer who has played many venerable locations, including Carnegie Hall, the Times Center, Steinway Hall, the Jewish Museum, the CUNY New Music Festival and historic locations in Italy and France.

Growing up in Flushing and attending Townsend Harris High School, Mateo recalls that her parents were responsible for getting her interested in music. "At home we'd listen to the Beatles and Brahms in equal measure," she says.

Mateo says that her affinity for music may have been forged early on, when she first watched the Disney movie "The Little Mermaid." Impressed with the movie's soundtrack, she says she tried to mimic songs from the movie in a quiet part of her childhood home.

"I think that's when I first fell in love with music; feeling that sensation of warmth welling up in my chest, realizing

I could create something beautiful and powerful even if I was just a child," Mateo says.

And her love of music would eventually zero-in on a particular instrument: the violin.

"I think I gravitated towards [the violin] not only because of its versatility — you can play almost any style of music and with such a wide variety of tone color — but moreover because of the violin's ability to sing. I've always been a melody person," Mateo says.

As for current projects, Mateo credits a highly supportive group of friends for helping to make her NUE/LUSH project possible. "I've been working with 15 composers to develop a new music repertoire that revolves around the violin in various instrumentations," she says.

She explains that the name NUE is a play on the word for "new" and also "nude," which reflects the pared-down resonance of the pieces for solo violin, while LUSH refers to the richness and power of the pieces for violin, piano, and (on some pieces) electronics.

"One (composer) even has me using distortion and loop pedals in a cool jazz/rock/experimental fusion."

While on tour in France and Italy this past summer, Mateo says she played several solo concerts with this newly de-



Adrianna Mateo, a graduate of Townsend Harris High School, has performed in Italy and France.
 Photo by Adrian Buckmaster

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Cana: Bayside's Korean answer to home cooking

BY SUZANNE PARKER

Who doesn't love mom's home cooking? If your mom happens to be Korean, you can refresh your childhood memories at Cana, a cozy Korean eatery occupying a quiet corner in a mostly residential part of Bayside.

It is a Kim family affair with Hyae Sook (mom) doing the cooking while her husband manages the restaurant and her daughters, Andrea and Cathy, wait tables (when not attending classes in grad school). What makes the uhn-nees (sisters) such an asset to Westerners is that they have a command of English as good as any native speaker, and are willing and able to answer questions, offer descriptions, and make thoughtful recommendations.

DINING OUT

Superficially, Cana is pretty similar to the many other small, casual Korean eateries that populate the area. The dark wood and white walls are typically Korean. The wooden tables are inset with electric grills. Multiple little dishes of banchan arrive unbidden at the table. All this is what you'd expect. What sets Cana apart are the little things. The fresh perfectly textured tofu, house made daily. The emphasis on soul satisfying soups and stews.

Most of the banchan here are vegetarian. Some of them cross the line into the appetizer category. Along with the ever present kimchees (pickled vegetables with chili pepper and garlic), we were served lovely homemade sliced tofu in soy sauce, slabs of an aspic-like egg-



Kimchi mando jeon gol (kimchee and dumpling hot pot) served at Cana Restaurant in Bayside.
Photo by Suzanne Parker

plant jelly, steamed eggs sizzling in a red-hot cast iron bowl and japchae (glass noodles sautee with veggies). It's a fluid, assortment, so expect different items at different times and on different days but plenty of variety.

Start off with the perennial crowd pleaser haemul pajun (seafood pancakes). Chock full of scallions, shrimp, scallops and other marine life, a 10-inch pancake is served in eight wedges, perfect for sharing like a

pizza. Cana's version is light, not too greasy, and generous with the good stuff.
Instead of galbi beef, the usual choice for Westerners in Korean

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Cana Restaurant

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Cuisine: Korean comfort food

Setting: Small, traditionally decorated.

Service: Friendly, efficient, informative.

Hours: 10 a.m.-10 p.m. daily

Reservations: Optional

Alcohol: Beer, magkeoli (Korean rice wine), Soju (Korean spirits)

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Adrianna Mateo

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repertoire and she plans an upcoming concert in November at Vaudeville Park in Brooklyn. She also says that a sneak preview of the project will be held in Sunnyside later this month, at Bliss on Bliss



Though sometimes against her family's wishes, Mateo has given her all to performing beautiful music.

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Art Projects.

In addition to her key musical influences, including Whitney Houston, Mariah Carey and Celine Dion for their "agility, and raw, emotional power," Mateo says that her mother's singing was perhaps among the most important.

"At night, while putting me to sleep, she'd sometimes sing to me, which I suppose is not very remarkable or unique in itself... but the quality of her singing is what affected me the most," she recalls. "It was kind of under her breath, plain and unaffected, sotto voce, just singing to me, as if nothing else existed except for this moment between mother and daughter."

Mateo adds, "When my mother sings, it's the most sincere, spontaneous, beautiful thing in the world."

But while Mateo's family may have provided the inspiration for a career in music, that didn't necessarily mean they were thrilled with the idea.

"My parents haven't always

been completely supportive of my music, which is understandable... I come from a medical family, and to put it bluntly, the success rate of musicians in the real world vs. that of nurses or physicians is a little dismal," she relates.

She adds that while her parents have always wanted her to succeed, they thought that music was a risky choice given her aptitude for other more financially rewarding subjects at school.

"But now that they've seen me making huge strides professionally and creatively, they're incredibly excited for me and very supportive."

Asked about her favorite places to play, Mateo says she prefers smaller, more intimate settings that allow her to truly experience the audience reacting to her music. But, she says, "playing in the Chappelle de la Trinité at the Fontainebleau Castle (in France) this summer was amazing not only because of its history (Louis the XV was married there), but also because the acoustic is so resonant and rich. It's like you're in heaven, playing in that space."

A bit closer to home, Mateo says that one local treasure is LeFrak Hall at Queens College. "I grew up using that hall and often still use it for recordings —



Actor and music enthusiast Adrian Grenier (l.) met Mateo (third from l.) after she performed at PowerHouse Arena in Brooklyn during the New York Photo Festival in May.

Photo courtesy Adrianna Mateo

as do groups such as the Orpheus Chamber Orchestra and the Emerson String Quartet. To me, [LeFrak] is home."

Looking ahead, Mateo says she's prepared to roll with the punches. But she also admits to having a few goals.

"I want to continue pursuing new music across genres, to study music in Paris for at least a year and maybe take a few classes

at Oxford while I'm at it, to tour, record movie soundtracks and albums or whatever the format has changed to by that point and branch into different creative ventures within and outside of music."

For more information on Adriana Mateo, including upcoming performances, visit: <https://www.facebook.com/adrianna.mateo.violin>.

QUEENS BUSINESS STYLE - ADVERTISEMENT

Bourbon Street is the stop for culinary gems

BY CAMILLE SPERRAZZA

You don't have to get on a plane to experience New Orleans-style cuisine.

The Bourbon Street Café on Belle Blvd. has been cookin' up these Southern favorites since 1998.

Dine here and taste Bourbon-style baby back ribs, just liked they're cooked in Louisiana. The meat is so tender, it falls off the bones, and it's smothered in a tangy house barbecue sauce.

Barbecues down south are noted for being huge events, with lots of food. You can experience the same with a Bourbon Street Pig Out - a quarter pound of chicken, generous portion of pulled pork, and half a rack of barbecued ribs, served with corn on the cob and coleslaw.

Blackened catfish and seafood gumbo are other traditional favorites offered on the menu. The catfish is pan fried and blackened,

then topped with a molasses roasted red pepper glaze. The seafood gumbo is the house specialty, prepared with sausage, shrimp, scallops, clams and mussels, swimming in a spicy sauce.

Dining outdoors on busy Bourbon Street is a must for tourists who visit the Big Easy. Here in Bayside, the French doors open up to bring the outdoor feeling inside, keeping patrons cool and comfortable.

Every sauce served at the Bourbon Street Café is made right on the premises, and cooked to order. Chef Joe Cannella is a graduate of the Culinary Institute in Hyde Park. He takes pride in creating Cajun-style dishes, in southwest style. He believes each region of the United States has its own unique cuisine, and he likes to adapt these flavors, using locally sourced ingredients and his own artistic flair. The result is innovative and flavorful dishes



Bourbon Street owners Mark Boccia and John Ryan.

like the ones offered at the Bourbon Street Café.

Cannella's business partner, Mark Boccia, oversees the restaurant, making sure customers are content. Boccia has been in the restaurant business since his teens, paying his dues as a bus boy, dishwasher, waiter, and a bartender at various establishments. After graduating college, he worked on Wall Street for a while, but he found that the flames on the stove were still simmering, and he returned

to the restaurant business. This time, he opened his own place -- Austin Ale House in Kew Gardens - in 1992. It's still around, pleasing patrons with its steaks, seafood burgers, and chops, not to mention 65 different beers on tap.

Running two restaurants is a Texas-sized job, but Boccia - and Cannella -- still find time to give back to the community. Bourbon Street Café has donated food, money, and time to local organizations such as

little leagues, NYPD fundraisers, FDNY fundraisers, Sacred Hearts and St. Robert's churches, just to name a few. They may be from Bayside, but they know that good southern hospitality is all about helping your neighbors.

The Bourbon Street Café has hosted many parties over the years - birthdays, showers, weddings, graduations, anniversaries, communions, and retirement celebrations. The party room holds 25-100 people. "Bourbon Street's catering services sets the standard for dining and private events," says Boccia. "Our dedication to serving only the freshest ingredients to create delicious meals, combined with our impeccable attention to detail and customer service, provides the perfect platform for an infinite scale of unforgettable special events in any setting of your choice."

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you to customize the event, making it a unique and unforgettable experience, says Boccia. "We know that you will be pleased with the professionalism, attention to detail and the unique spin on Cajun American fare we create."

Bourbon Street Café is also noted for its Sunday brunch, named "best brunch on a city budget," by the New York Post, says Boccia. All brunch selections include a complimentary Bloody Mary, Mimosa or Screwdriver plus you get assorted bagels, homemade muffins, fresh fruit cup, the chef's coffee cake, coffee, tea, and an entrée, starting at \$14.95. It's a steal.

Bourbon Street Café
[40-12 Belle Blvd, corner of 41st Avenue in Bayside, (718) 224-2200. Open noon to midnight, seven days a week; bar is open until 4 am. www.bourbonstreetnyc.com].

Cana Restaurant

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restaurants, we tried Ori Gui (barbecued duck). The circular slices of duck were very fatty, but once grilled on our tabletop burner, they turned out sort of like bacon. They were accompanied by a peppery sesame oil for dipping the duck in before wrapping it taco-style in lettuce along with a random assortment of the pickles and other banchan condiments on the table.

It was fatty, crunchy, zippy, zingy all held together with a bit of refreshing greenery. We ordered it as a combo for two, which includes a choice of either tofu and soybean stew or soft tofu soup, and a small bottle of soju (rice and barley spirits), big enough for two to get looped on or for four to feel pleasantly relaxed.

From the Jeon Gol category, Kimchi Mando (pickled cabbage and dumping hot pot) beckoned to

us. This is a kitchen sink of a dish with every component a worthy addition. In the mandoo (dumplings) meat, glass noodles, greens and tofu fill the most delicate of handmade dough enclosures. They swim in the company of kimchi, noodles, vegetables, rice cakes and more tofu in the paprika-colored broth, made spicy by the kimchee. The kitchen will gladly adjust the degree of spiciness to match your preferences. Our hot pot was just right.

Kimchi Jaeyook Bokeum is a stir-fry dish. Its main components, pork and kimchee, are stir-fried along with garlic and chili pepper, sprinkled with sesame seeds and topped with some fat slabs of Hyae Sook's lovely tofu. The flavor is spicy and garlicky, with a hint of sweetness.

Our one disappointment was the Cana Bossam: steamed-broiled pork belly served with cabbage wraps and oysters. Unfortunately,

there was a problem with their oyster supply that day. They served us the steamed pork without warning us that there weren't any oysters. The steaming didn't do much to render the fat on the pork belly, so what we were left with was fatty slices of pork belly, steamed cabbage leaves to wrap it in, and the same assortment of condiments. Had we known about the oyster problem, we would have switched to something else.

The Bottom Line

Cana serves the kind of food that would make any Uhm-ma (mom) proud. It's all good but the soups and stews are where Cana really shines. Make sure to try some of those divine dumplings. It makes me wonder how matzoh balls would go with kimchee.

Suzanne Parker is the TimesLedger's restaurant critic and author of "Eating Like Queens: A Guide to Ethnic Dining in America's Melting Pot, Queens, N.Y." She can be reached by e-mail at qnsfoodie@aol.com.

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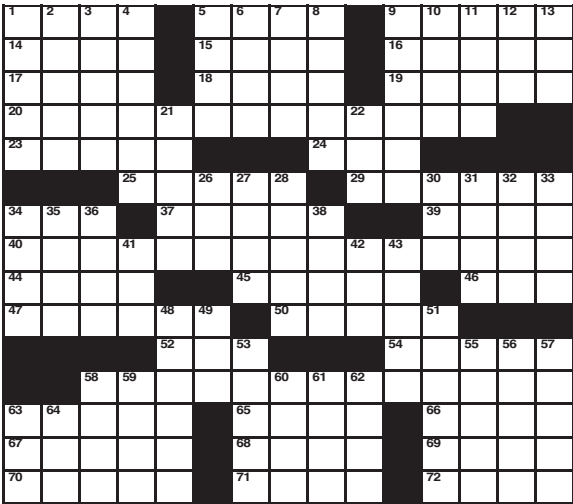
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- Model material
- " _____ together"
- Vice president before Gerald
- Not docked
- Food thickener
- Aromatic compound
- Knife wound
- "Encore!"
- Hayworth and Moreno
- Ballpark figs.
- Bermuda, e.g.



Down

- Trick-taking game
- Four-bagger
- Texas shrine, with "the"
- Baits
- Celeb
- Part of PAC 10
- BMW competitor
- The Patriot's Tom
- The "one percenters" have it
- Italian wine area
- Mil. addresses
- Rank above Maj.
- Fa follower
- Bar, legally
- Fair-hiring inits.
- "Go, team!"
- China setting
- Kitchen light
- Japan's largest active volcano
- Beat badly
- Basilica area
- Cousin of a herring
- Comet competitor
- Unit of pressure
- ____ Pet (novelty item)
- Filly's father
- King Cole the singer
- Bake sale org.
- Latin dance
- Goofs
- Datebook abbr.
- Deli offering
- New moon, e.g.
- Symbols of industry
- Tangle
- Be in harmony
- Gov. Romney
- District
- Followers: Suffix
- Straight, at the bar
- Gossips
- Sun. speech
- Greek letter

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KIDS & FAMILY

Moon festival – Celebrate the ancient holiday that reflects upon the bounty of summer harvest and the full moon.
When: Sept. 30, 4-6 pm
Where: Queens Botanical Garden, 43-50 Main Street, Flushing
Contact: (718) 539-5296
Website: queensbotanical.org

Fall Festival and Pumpkin Patch – Enjoy a fun day out and pick the pumpkin of your dreams.
When: Oct. 6, 9 am
Where: All Saint's Church, 214-35 40th Ave., Bayside
Contact: (718) 229-5631

EVENTS

Oktoberfest in the Garden – The festival honors the German-American heritage of the Voelker and Orth families who made Flushing their home for three generations.
When: Sept. 29, 5:30 pm
Where: Voelker Orth Museum, 149-19 38th Ave., Flushing
Contact: (718) 359-6227
Website: vomuseum.org

Invention convention – The World Maker Faire is an all-ages gathering of tech enthusiasts, crafters, educators, tinkers, hobbyists, engineers, science clubs, authors, artists, students, and commercial exhibitors gather to show what they have made and share what they have learned.
When: Sept. 29-30, 10 am-6 pm
Where: New York Hall of Science, 47-01 111th St., at Avenue of Science, Corona
Contact: (718) 699-0005 X353; info@makerfaire.com
Website: nyscience.org

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Autumn Moon festival – Celebrate the ancient holiday of bounty, harvest and the fullness of the moon and learn all about the myth of the immortal moon

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Astoria Comedy All Stars – Ben Rosenfeld hosts five different comics each week. Comics range from underground NYC acts to nationally touring headliners. The show is absolutely free, no cover charge and no drink minimum.
When: Tuesdays, 8 pm
Where: On the Rox Lounge, 43-03 Broadway, Astoria
Contact: Ben Rosenfeld ben@bigbencomedy.com
Website: bigbencomedy.com/blog/archives/astoria_comedy_all_stars

First Sundays for Families – The Queens Museum of Art and MetLife Foundation invite families of all ages to an exciting array of interactive dance, art and music workshops.
When: First Sunday of each month, 1:30-4:30 pm
Cost: Free
Where: Queens Museum of Art, New York City Building, Flushing Meadows Corona Park
Contact: (718) 592-9700

GALLERIES & EXHIBITS

The Artist Within: The Urge to Create – A diverse collection of art pieces from the Jamaica Estates Association. The exhibit will include sculpture, textile art, painters, photographers and various digital and multi-media art.
When: Through Sept. 30
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Folly – Socrates Sculpture Park and The Architectural League are pleased to present Folly, a new residency and commission for emerging architects and designers to produce and exhibit a full-scale project at Socrates Sculpture Park. Socrates, in partnership with the League, established the residency to explore the intersections between architecture and sculpture and the increasing overlaps in references, materials, and fabrication techniques between the two disciplines.
When: Through Oct. 21
Where: Socrates Sculpture Park, 32-01 Vernon Blvd., Astoria
Contact: (718) 956-1819
Website: socratessculpturepark.org

The Legacy: A Retrospective – H.A. Sigg's elegant abstract paintings engage in a mysterious and mystical dialogue between the forces of nature and his inner meditations.
When: Through Oct. 26
Where: Queens College, 65-30 Kissena Blvd., Flushing
Contact: (718) 997-5000

Godwin-Ternbach Museum Re-opening Exhibit – The Godwin-Ternbach Museum at Queens College will re-open with a special retrospective of nearly 40 paintings and collages by the important Swiss abstract artist H.A. Sigg. This occasion will also mark the unveiling of the museum's new lobby gallery, where rotating displays from its permanent collection will be on view year-round.
When: Through Oct. 26
Where: Godwin-Ternbach Museum, Queens College, 65-30 Kissena Blvd., Flushing
Contact: qcpages.qc.cuny.edu/godwin_ternbach

Trifects (x3) [Curators' Choice] – Celebrate the silver anniversary of the art center.
When: Through Oct. 26
Where: Queens College Arts Center, 65-30 Kissena Blvd., Flushing
Contact: (718) 997-3770

Website: qc.cuny.edu/Art_Library/artcenter.html

A Disagreeable Object – This exhibition brings together a group of international artists who similarly posit the object in relation to capitalist culture and technology, as well as the gendered oppositions between interior and exterior space.
When: Through Nov. 26
Where: SculptureCenter, 44-19 Purves St., Long Island City
Contact: (718) 361-1750; sculpture-center.org

Ada Bobnis: Stages, Mountains, Water – Site-specific installation that transforms the museum's second-floor into a Caribbean landscape. Geometric compositions in hues of blue and green are either painted on the wall or adhered to the glass railing façade in the form of translucent color film. The work is inspired by the Panama Canal, one of the most transformative world events in the 19th century.
When: Through Jan. 6, 2013
Where: Queens Museum of Art, New York City Building, Flushing Meadows Corona Park, Corona
Contact: (718) 592-9700
Website: queensmuseum.org

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Caribbean: Crossroads of the World — A first-time collaborating with El Museo del Barrio to highlight over two centuries of rarely seen works from the Haitian Revolution (1804) to the present. The show features some 400 works including painting, sculpture, prints, books, photography, film, video and historic artifacts from Caribbean nations, Europe and the United States.
When: Through Jan. 6, 2013
Where: Queens Museum of Art, New York City Building, Flushing Meadows Corona Park, Corona
Contact: (718) 592-9700
Website: queensmuseum.org

Emerging Artist Fellowship Exhibition — Each year, Socrates Sculpture Park selects artists to produce outdoor artworks within the Park. Reflective of our time, these artists are making public sculptures that are subtly mysterious, visually compelling, and, at times, provocative.
When: Through March 31, 2013
Where: Socrates Sculpture Park, 32-01 Vernon Blvd., Astoria
Contact: (718) 956-1819
Website: socratessculpturepark.org

EDUCATION

Fall Pilates Program — A series of premier Pilates classes instructed by Robin Budnetz, who was trained by Joseph Pilates himself. The classes are designed to strengthen the core while developing overall flexibility. Beginners sessions, intermediate/advanced and sessions for teachers after school are available. Call to register.
When: Mondays, 12:30 pm and 7 pm, Tuesdays, 7 pm, Thursdays, 10:05 am, 11:10 am and 4:10 pm, through Thursday, Dec. 20
Where: Central Queens YM & YWHA, 67-09 108th St., between 67th Avenue, Forest Hills
Contact: (718) 268-5011 ext. 504
Website: centralqueens.org

FILM

See It Big! — Classic and contemporary films the way they were meant to be seen: on the big screen. Despite the increasing portability and decreasing size of consumer media, the museum remains committed to showing films

in the best available versions, whether it is a pristine digital restoration of “2001: A Space Odyssey” or a rare Technicolor 35mm print of “Vertigo.” In the Museum’s state-of-the-art theater, audiences are treated to a visually and aurally immersive experience like no other. RSVP.
When: Through Sept. 28
Where: Museum of the Moving Image, 36-01 35th Ave., Astoria
Contact: (718) 777-6888
Website: movingimage.us

Film After Film: Or, What Became of 21st Century Cinema? — In his new book Film After Film: Or, What Became of 21st Century Cinema? (2012, Verso), critic J. Hoberman suggests that the advent of digital technology has led to the displacement of the medium of film—and the very relationship between movies and reality. In conjunction with the publication of this new collection, Museum of the Moving Image will present Film After Film, an exhibition and screening series inspired by the book.
When: Through Oct. 8
Where: Museum of the Moving Image, 36-01 35th Ave., Astoria
Contact: (718) 777-6888
Website: movingimage.us

Representing South Asia on Film — A series of screenings and programs.
When: Through April 25, 2013
Where: Godwin-Ternbach Museum, Queens College, 65-30 Kissena Blvd., Flushing
Website: qcpages.qc.cuny.edu/godwin_ternbach

DANCE

Free Line Dance Lessons — Free line dance lessons given by professional dance instructor, Bernardo, every Monday.
When: Mondays, 1 pm
Cost: Free
Where: Pomonok Senior Center, 67-09 Kissena Boulevard, Flushing
Contact: Jennifer Buljan (718) 591-3377

POETRY

Poetry workshop — Budding poets perfect the craft with Bob Trabold and Amanda Konstantine Perlmutter.
When: Mondays, Through Nov. 26, 7:30 pm
Where: Barnes & Noble, 176-60 Union Tpke., Fresh Meadows
Contact: (718) 380-7077

Heritage Sunday — A sacred experience, invoking the liberating and resurrecting power of Pan African Theology Master Teachers.
When: Sundays
Where: Afrikan Poetry Theatre, 176-03 Jamaica Ave., Jamaica
Contact: (718) 523-3312
Website: afrikanpoetrytheatre.org

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Contact: (718) 380-7077

Poetry Group
When: Wednesdays, 1 pm
Where: Queens Community House, 80-02 Kew Gardens Road, Suite 202, Kew Gardens
Contact: (718) 268-5960

Early Poet Special, MAD Hour, Performances, and more — A performance blend of poetry and music for the multi-talented. The microphone will be open to the public. Sign-up is required.
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Cost: \$10; early poet special before 6:30 p.m. \$8; student \$6
Where: Jamaica Center for

Arts and Learning, 153 St. and Jamaica Ave., Jamaica
Contact: (718) 658-7400 ext. 152;
Website: jcal.org ormyspace.com/gimmeseries

First Tuesdays — Open to all who have a passion for poetry. Organized by the Jackson Heights Poetry Festival
When: First Tuesdays of the month
Cost: \$5
Where: Terraza Cafe, 40-19 Gleane St., Jackson Heights
Website: jhpfest.org/v2/readings.php

Open Mic Night
When: Last Friday of every other month. Doors open at 9 pm
Where: The Afrikan Poetry Theatre, Inc., 176-03 Jamaica Ave., Jamaica
Cost: \$10
Contact: (718) 523-3312

Poet Society — The Forest Hills senior center presents.
When: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month, 10:30 am to 11:30 am
Where: 108-25 62nd Drive, Forest Hills
Contact: (718) 699-1010

THEATER CALENDAR

Murder at the High School Reunion — A comedy murder mystery dinner show.
When: Sept. 27, 8 pm
Where: Riccardo’s, 21-01 24th Ave., Astoria
Contact: (718) 721-7777
Website: www.riccardos.com

Ella — The music of Ella Fitzgerald.
When: Sept. 28, 6 pm
Where: Queens Theatre, Flushing Meadows Corona Park, Corona
Contact: Box Office (718) 760-0064; Administration (718) 760-0686
Website: www.queenstheatre.org

Behead the Playwright — When the actors revolt who saves the playwright? Should he be beheaded or should the actors be on trial? What’s the verdict and why the revolt? Ticket sales go to the Children’s Developmental Center. Call for advance tickets.
When: Sept. 28-29, 8 pm; Sept. 30, 2 pm
Where: Flushing Town Hall, 137-35 Northern Blvd.

Cost: \$15
Contact: (718) 358-3341

Antimatter Collective presents Motherboard — Written by Adam Scott Mazer. Dir. Will Fulton. A post-apocalyptic sci-fi tragicomedy set in 2465, 20 years after a robot uprising was barely quashed. Humans live in an aggressively anti-technological society, relegated to scavenging the wasteland. Into this awakes C-12, a remnant nannybot, who must traverse the desertion in search of purpose in a world without machines.

When: Sept. 28 to Sunday, Oct. 14, Thursdays - Saturdays 8 pm and Sundays 3 pm
Where: The Secret Theatre, 44-02 23rd St., Long Island City
Contact: (718) 392-0722
Website: secrettheatre.com

Rob List - Play by Ear — Anti-conceptual movement dance and song from American expat mime Rob List, who has refined his craft in the Netherlands for

the past 20 years.
When: Daily, 8 pm, from Thursday, Oct. 4 to Saturday, Oct. 6
Where: The Chocolate Factory, 5-49 49th Ave., Long Island City
Contact: (718) 482-7069
Website: chocolatefactorytheater.org

Pat Cooper and the Wise Guys of Comedy — Pat Cooper, Jack Fontana and Joe Starr perform comedy.
When: Oct. 7, 3 pm
Where: Queensborough Performing Arts Center, 222-05 56th Ave., Bayside
Contact: 718-631-6311
Website: visitqpac.org

MEETINGS

North Shore Playwrights Circle Meeting — Formerly known as the Playwrights Circle of Great Neck, this open group features discussion, workshoping and writing exercises for playwrights in Queens and Nassau counties.
When: Every other Wednesday, 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm
Where: Atria, 96 Cutter Mill Road, Great Neck
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Any 2 Choices From B
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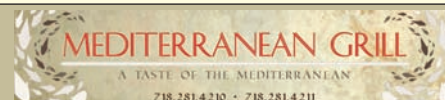
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County Fair

Hundreds flocked to the 30th annual Queens County Fair. (Clockwise from top l.) Irish step dancers take the stage in a Bavarian garden space; Kiara Verdejo learns to spin a plate; Emmanuel Polanco (top l.) and Ariel Polonia grip the restraining bars, as Erin Millerick (below l.) and Tamer Eltabib hold on tight; men demonstrate medieval combat; and goats are treated to alfalfa sprouts by visitors.

Photos by Christina Santucci



Flushing HS program receives funding grant



Schools Chancellor Dennis Walcott (second from l.) speaks at a ceremony at Flushing HS.

Photo courtesy SASF

BY JOE ANUTA

An after-school program designed to reduce the chances a Flushing High School freshman will fail recently got a \$300,000 shot in the arm thanks to a global communications provider, city Schools Chancellor Dennis Walcott announced last week.

The 9th Grade Academy is run by a Queens-based nonprofit and provides after-school services to incoming freshmen at risk of failing classes and not advancing to the next grade. Last year, about 85 percent of freshmen who participated for at least 30 days reached 10th-grade. For the rest of the school, that number was 41 percent.

"It is critical that our students receive support to help prepare them for college and a career," Walcott said, referring to the program run by the Sports and Arts in Schools Foundation.

The program works with 100 students at the

high school, at 35-01 Union St., and provides them with homework help, extra curricular activities and character-building exercises.

The program was started in the 2011-12 school year, but now they will have the monetary fuel to keep going, according to Walcott.

The \$300,000 grant was doled out by AT&T and will fund the program for the next two years.

"This grant provides major academic assistance during the after-school hours for the students of Flushing HS," said Jim O'Neill, president of the foundation.

AT&T dished out the cash as part of a philanthropic fund in the hundreds of millions of dollars that it uses to promote educational programs across the country.

"AT&T is proud to support a program that not only seeks to ensure that each and every student graduates on time, but ensures that they graduate with the skills and knowl-

edge to succeed in college and careers," said Marissa Shorenstein, president of the conglomerate's New York arm.

She announced the grant alongside Walcott and other Queens lawmakers at the school Sept. 19.

And in addition to the program's success at Flushing HS, other operations under O'Neill boasted city-wide success rates as well.

Last year 98 percent of 12th-graders in the program across the city graduated from high school in four years, while the city-wide rate was 61 percent, according to the foundation. And during the same time period, 88 percent of high school seniors in the program were accepted to college, according to the foundation.

In total, the foundation serves more than 25,000 students in more than 150 public schools annually.

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Business

Jackson Heights baristas bring big flavor

Espresso 77, at 77th Street and 37th Avenue, draws coffee connoisseurs for ethnic blends

BY RICH BOCKMANN

Jackson Heights has a new joint where the well-crafted cups of joe draw the accolades from coffee connoisseurs across the city.

At Espresso 77, located on 77th Street off 37th Avenue, owner Afzal Hossain and his crew of skilled baristas patiently fix up artful creations and they have some serious hardware to work with.

The cozy coffee shop employs a handcrafted La Marzocco espresso machine—considered to be the best of the best and priced that way—to brew up its Gimme! Coffee beans roasted in Ithaca.

Hossain said he spent about seven years living in Seattle, observing the local coffee scene before returning home to his eclectic, multi-ethnic neighborhood.

“No one is drinking flavored things in Seattle,” Hossain said, explaining that he and his staff regularly experiment with new flavors. “I know my neighborhood. They’re asking for a lot of flavored stuff.”

Seasonal flavors include the apple cider chai, the peppermint



Afzal Hossain steams some milk on Espresso 77's La Marzocco machine.

Photo by Rich Bockmann

midnight mocha and the pumpkin latte, which earned the coffee shop a tip of the hat from Time Out NY magazine. It has also been mentioned in AM New York as one of the trendy destinations in chic Queens.

If a heavy dose of caffeine is not enough to sate your appetite, Espresso 77 also offers menu

items that include a challah-bread french toast, curry chicken salad and a mushroom, goat cheese and fig wrap.

As the weather starts to turn for the fall, cozy up in one of the shop's comfy chairs with a grilled cheese sandwich and take in some of the visual stimulants of the spot's other incarnation, an

art space named Gallery 77.

Hossain, himself a painter, invites local artists to display their works, which range from oil paintings to bumper stickers to borough pride and T-shirts with a distinctive Jackson Heights flare.

Every two months the works hanging on the south wall are replaced with new ones and the

space hosts regular exhibitions and music performances at night, when patrons are more likely to imbibe the beer and wine offerings than they are weekend mornings, when mothers and strollers make up the clientele.

Hossain said the many personalities who visit his coffee shop reflected the neighborhood, where the children of multi-ethnic parents are liable to speak three or more languages. Such a diverse community, he said, was just crying out for a place to go.

“I live in the neighborhood, and I didn't see anywhere to go,” he said. “We all grew up here, we need a place to go and talk. It's got a real home feeling like a small living room for the neighborhood.”

Espresso 77, 35-57 77th St., will host an opening reception for an exhibit of Hossain's own work Sept. 28 beginning at 7 p.m. For more information visit espresso77.com or bangdesignnyc.com or call 718-424-1077.

Reach reporter Rich Bockmann by e-mail at rbockmann@cnglocal.com or by phone at 718-260-4574.

BUSINESS CALENDAR

Where There is a Will, There is a Way:

A Wage-hour Primer — A series of five business seminar will address a different critical issue in employment law. Save the date for fall seminars.

When: Oct. 3, 8 am-10 am

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Networking and Business Luncheon

Keynote speaker Jason Helgersen. RSVP by Sept. 17.

When: Oct. 5, 11:30 am

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Powerful You! Women's Network

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Contact: Gayle Naftaly, gnaftaly@accessoffice.net, (718) 217-0009

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Power Networking Group — Led by Harvey G. Beringer

When: Every Wednesday, 7 am

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Avella lauds decision to allow review of fracking health effects

BY KAREN FRANTZ

State Sen. Tony Avella (D-Bayside) lauded last Thursday's announcement by the state Department of Environmental Conservation commissioner that he has asked the state Department of Health to conduct a review of a health impact study on the controversial drilling technique known as hydraulic fracturing.

"While this decision is not the independent study that I and other environmental advocates have been calling for, it is a positive step in the right direction," he said. "Hydrofracking is an extremely dangerous drilling practice and this issue is too important and its effects too consequential to not have any type of expert health review."

Avella, a staunch opponent of fracking and ranking minority member of

the Senate Environmental Conservation Committee, has argued that allowing hydrofracking in New York state, which Gov. Andrew Cuomo is considering, would pose a threat to the city's drinking water supply.

When DEC Commissioner Joseph Martens announced the decision, he acknowledged the government review is not the type of independent assessment some people were calling for, but defended his decision not to go that route.

"I believe deferring to an outside group or entity would be an inappropriate delegation of a governmental responsibility," DEC Commissioner Joseph Martens said in a statement. "It is the government's responsibility to ensure objectivity and a review directed by DEC and the Department of Health is without bias."

The DEC is conducting a four-year study on the potential environmental and health impact of hydrofracking, and Cuomo is expected to allow limited drilling in the Marcellus Shale, a large rock formation that lies under parts of New York and other states, once the study concludes.

Fracking involves injecting high volumes of water and chemicals into the ground in order to break apart shale and extract natural gas.

Martens said the DEC received approximately 80,000 comments about the study, many of them focused on the potential health impacts of fracking, and he met with numerous groups who were not satisfied with the DEC's study and demanded an independent review.

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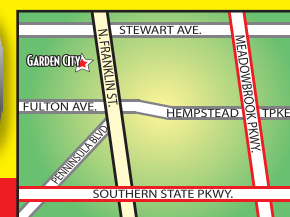


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Erasmus seals upset over strong Magnet



Campus Magnet's Stephon Hercules tries to grab a pass in the fourth quarter, but it is intercepted. Photo by Christina Santucci

BY JOE PANTORNO

It looked as though Campus Magnet's hot start would continue against Erasmus Hall.

A quick start with some big plays from quarterback Blessaun Austin had the Bulldogs headed for their third straight win, but a breakdown in the second half proved costly as Erasmus came away with a 26-12 victory in a PSAL Championship division football game in Queens Saturday.

"We played decent," Austin said. "But we didn't play like [a top team] in the city."

Austin had 67 yards rushing and one touchdown to complement 49 yards passing. Down 7-6 with time expiring in the first half, Austin drove his team down to the 1-yard

line where on his third attempt and as the clock hit zero, he hit pay dirt to give the Bulldogs a 12-7 halftime lead.

"They [Erasmus] had a pretty good zone defense going," Austin said. "They mixed things up pretty well."

Campus Magnet kept a balanced Erasmus offensive attack in check in the first half, but watched it run wild after the break. Erasmus back Khalil Lewin ended up rushing for 127 yards and quarterback Matthew Domina threw for 116.

Domina began to pick apart the Bulldogs' defense. He connected on a 24-yard pass to Shavar Brathwaite that gave the Dutchmen the lead, and then a 15-yard catch by Brathwaite, this time from Jonathan Samerson, put Erasmus up 20-12

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College boosts star power

Francis Lewis alum a force to be reckoned with at Iona College

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Stardom was never something Alicja Pawelec envisioned entering Iona College. The former Francis Lewis volleyball star joined the Gaels' volleyball team as a walk-on, unsure what lay ahead.

"I didn't think I would play at all," she said.

That notion didn't last long.

Pawelec, a junior and Glendale native, has turned herself into one of Iona's top players and a potential all-conference selection. The former high school middle hitter was moved to the outside as a freshman after excelling at the position in the preseason. She beat out a senior for a starting job, has played in every match for Iona since and was an All-MAAC second team selection last year. Pawelec is currently the team's captain and earned an athletic scholarship the second semester of her sophomore year.

"It was never guaranteed for me," she said. "To know that working hard paid off like that really gave me an extra boost of confidence."

It is that work ethic that impressed second-year Coach Jon Killingbeck. She watched her improve by not just trying to be a power hitter, but spread the ball around the court with varying degrees of force. Pawelec, who led Francis Lewis to three straight PSAL Class A city titles, has also developed into one of the Gaels' top serves. She had 23 kills in a conference



Alicja Pawelec, former Francis Lewis volleyball star, has hit her stride with Iona College and is making waves in the conference circuit. Photo courtesy icgaels.com

win over Manhattan last week and had 11 kills and three aces in a loss to Rutgers in late August.

"It's really just allowed her to explode onto the scene," Killingbeck said of her drive to improve.

That same ideal applies in the classroom. Pawelec majors in chemistry and is an honors student, which means she has extra required courses. Last year she took physics, calculus and organic chemistry, and this semester is

taking on physical chemistry, biochemistry and computer science. It's a load that gets overwhelming at times. Like everything else, Pawelec pushed through it and excelled to the tune of a 3.5 GPA.

"She should be an example of what the NCAA wants its student athletes to be," Killingbeck said.

Pawelec and sophomore middle Cartina Warren have the Gaels primed to be one of the MAAC's top teams and were already off

to a 3-0 start in conference play as of last week. Iona has played a brutal non-league schedule, including a win over UConn and a trip to St. John's last week. She feels like her team has talked enough about what it needs to do and now it's time to make it happen.

"We have to push through and get those wins," Pawelec said. "I think we definitely can do it."

St. Francis Prep senior leads young soccer squad

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Success isn't supposed to come this early for a roster dependent on the play of a host of freshmen and sophomores. That's why Aimée Kasmally couldn't help but crack a smile of approval when asked about this year's St. Francis Prep soccer squad.

"It's a very young team and it's crazy how much they have picked up in a matter of two weeks," the senior sweeper said. "It's amazing."

Terriers girls' soccer Coach John Jenkins still fancies his club a defense-first bunch with Kasmally, arguably the best player in the city at her position, and fellow senior Gina Baglieri in the back line along with sophomore goalie Samantha Cobotic. It's something they will need to be up against the best clubs in

top division CHSAA Nassau/Suffolk.

But unlike recent St. Francis Prep teams there isn't a reliance on one or two players to score goals. They can come from anyone, at any moment and from any part of the field because of veteran-like chemistry they have developed on offense.

"We keep getting better, knowing where each other is going to be," sophomore midfielder Angela Careddu said. "We are getting used to one another."

St. Francis Prep has six different goal scorers — Careddu tallied twice — in a dominant 7-1 win over rival Archbishop Molloy last week. Lightning-quick senior Allison Ferraris, freshman Sabrina Blaskovic and sophomores Sophia DeLeon and Teresa Colletti outran defenders at the front of the attack.



St. Francis Prep's Aimee Kasmally (r.) kicks the ball away from Molloy's Kristen Loyer at a match between St. Francis Prep and Archbishop Molloy High School at Fort Totten last year.

Photo by Philip Hall

Each game we get better and better. It's just amazing to watch.

Aimée Kasmally

Junior Alyssa Argento and freshman Autumn Brown showed great poise at mid-field feeding the wings.

"Now not only are we amazing defensively, we also have a strong attack," Kasmally said. "It really even's it out."

The balance is a key to the early success that hasn't surprised Jenkins. He praised his seniors, especially Baglieri for her steadiness. Jenkins also believes the Terriers focus-

ing on ball skills and working for two weeks with New York Fury strength and conditioning Coach Mike Dimakis in the preseason is a big reason for their start. SFP is 3-0-2 as of this week, including a scoreless tie with league power Kel- lenberg.

"I think the difference with this group is they were nurtured last year," Jenkins said. "A lot of the kids who were on the team last year and didn't do much suddenly came into their own."

Even so, the squad's youth means they will only get better and further the growth they already have to shown, especially as the competition stiffens.

"Each game we get better and better," Kasmally said. "It's just amazing to watch."

Jamaica is handed first loss after run-in with Lafayette

BY MIKE MCAVOY

With his team huddled around him, Jamaica High School head Coach Calvin Whitfield stressed one phrase after their loss to Lafayette: mental mistakes.

Lafayette defeated host Jamaica 26-8, in a Saturday matchup of two undefeated Public Schools Athletic League Bowl Division football teams. Whitfield stressed the concept of being responsible for errors, citing that as the main reason for their first loss of the season.

"We beat ourselves today," he said. "We didn't play Jamaica football today."

His defense allowed Lafayette quarterback Nileaj Hills to throw for 142 yards and three touch-

downs. Hills connected on touchdown passes of 14, 39 and 66 yards. Their run defense didn't fare any better as Lafayette (3-0) used four different rushers to compile 108 yards and one touchdown.

"They're a pretty good team," Whitfield said of Lafayette. "Athletically, we can play with anyone but mental mistakes beat us."

Whitfield did not sugar coat his message to his team. He went throughout the huddle and pointed out what every single player needed to improve on. He highlighted the secondary's missed coverage, the offensive line's shaky protection, and wide receivers dropping passes. All three resulted in Lafayette's lopsided victory.

Jamaica (2-1) did lead early in the second quarter,

answering back to Lafayette's long touchdown drive on the first possession of the game. Tylik Lawrie caught a tipped pass from quarterback Christopher Harris, streaking 49 yards down the right sideline for a score. Harris would also add a two-point conversion run to give Jamaica an 8-7 lead with 11:49 left in the second quarter.

That was all the Jamaica offense could muster, though, failing to find the end zone again while watching Hills and Lafayette do it with ease.

"I felt great coming into the game," Harris said. "We came in undefeated and I thought we would beat them. Our line had some problems, and our receivers dropped the ball. It just wasn't a good day."

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Red Storm's team of killers intimidates college circuit

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

St. John's' array of volleyball hitters have been a nightmarish group for opponents in the early season, leaving other teams to wonder where the next kill will come from. The Red Storm players themselves are asking the same thing at times. The team's competition for kills has bred success.

"We are fighting for those spots," sophomore outside hitter Aleksandra Wachowicz said. "It motivates us. We work harder. We never know who is going to start the game."

Wachowicz's spot is relatively safe as one of the team's leaders in kills, thanks to her big and accurate arm. She is joined by blossoming freshman Karin Palgutova and Milica Krstojevic, both of whom have more than 100 kills 18 games into the season. Middle hitter Ashley Bour-siquot and freshman Shaw-na Lei-Santos can also be counted on to put it down with authority. St. John's is off to a 15-3 start and 2-0 in the Big East.

"They are growing



St. John's' Aleksandra Wachowicz, a feared outside hitter, leaps for a spike against Sienna.

Photo courtesy St. John's Communications/Vincent Dusovic

together as a unit," head Coach Joanne Persico said. "Those freshman are a good class."

From that group, Palgutova has been the rising star. She came off the bench early in the season and is battling Wachowicz for the team lead in kills, including 19 against Long Island University and 14 last week in a three-set win over Iona.

She is one of the Big East's most consistent servers. Palgutova was named to the Big East honor roll for the second time last week and became the first St. John's freshman to do so since 2005. Smith believes she and setter Sabina Piegza have forged a connection and it's relaxed.

"She can be even better," Piegza said. "She's young."

Palgutova is one of nine underclassmen on the Red Storm roster, but there is a core of veterans around them, which has led to a balanced attack. Piegza has meshed the hitters together and senior libero Gabriela Petkova is currently fourth on the school's assists lists. They are part of a squad that forms a unique blend of old and young along with foreign born and American players.

"They have different challenges, different cultures, different languages, but we all have volleyball in common," Perisco said. "I think that's helped them and they are pretty good. They have confidence."

SJU tennis makes it to Cissie Leary quarterfinal

The doubles partners of junior Diamond Adams and freshman Amber Washington and senior Nevena Selakovic led the St. John's women's tennis team to the quarterfinal round this past weekend at the Cissie Leary Invitational in Philadelphia.

Adams and Washington opened doubles flight play with a win over University of Pennsylvania's Kasia Jania and Jaime Yapp-Shing 8-6 and then went on to defeat Cornell's Courtney Malinchak and Lauren Michaels 8-6 in the round of 16. The duo's run was cut short by eventual doubles finalists Amber Li and Hanna Yu of Yale in quarterfinals 8-2.

After dropping her first round match, Washington took the flight "C"

singles consolation championship by winning four straight matches, including the final where she defeated Drexel's Nicole Pivonka 6-4, 6-2.

In the top singles flight, Selakovic bounced Dena Tanenbaum of Cornell 6-3, 6-1 in the round of 32 to set up a matchup against Annie Sullivan of Yale. After Selakovic took the first set 7-5, Sullivan came back to take the second 6-3 and final set 10-3.

The St. John's women's tennis team will return to action this weekend, Sept. 28-30, for the annual USTA Women's College Invitational at the National Tennis Center in Flushing Meadows Corona Park.

Knights soccer beats Nyack in second OT

The Knights women's soccer team earned a hard-fought 2-1 double-overtime victory on the road against the host Nyack Warriors last week to move to 4-1-1 in the 2012 season.

Queens controlled the early going Sept. 17 and created good goal-scoring opportunities for forwards Janine Guerra and Nicolette Scrozzo, neither of whom was able to capitalize. Nyack picked up some momentum halfway through the first half, but was stopped by solid play from Knights defensemen Lisa Cassata and Bernadette Wyndham. The game remained 0-0 at half-time.

The Nyack Warriors would untie things at 62:17 in the second half with a goal by Stacey Cervantes from inside the box. The Knights knotted things up with less than 10 minutes remaining when senior Sarah Boucher put a rebound off the post and into the net to tie the game. With the game tied 1-1 at the end of regulation, the teams headed into overtime.

Though neither team scored in the first overtime, Nicolette Scrozzo sealed the deal for Queens College in the second, when she rounded the keeper and slid the ball home to secure the Knights' victory.

Magnet

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in the fourth quarter.

Still a one-possession game and with time winding down, Austin drove Campus Magnet down to the Erasmus 16-yard line, but his luck ran out when his pass was tipped and in-

tercepted in the end zone by Samerson.

"We did well, but it just wasn't enough," Austin said. "Once they knew we were passing it, they stopped us."

His team's defense broke down the next play, letting Lewin run free for 84 yards down the left sideline to put the game away within the last two min-

utes. It was the first setback of the season after wins over Sheephead Bay and Susan Wagner. The young Bulldogs team has exceeded expectations early.

"We just have to forget about it," Austin said. "They're a good team, too. Hopefully, we see them in the playoffs."

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Census

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since the previous year. The top fifth of city households made on average \$214,441 more in income than the lowest fifth.

But the situation still remains dire for Queens' middle and lower classes. The median household income in Queens was \$53,572 in 2011, down \$3,019 from 2010. The median earnings for workers were also down by \$1,791 from the previous year to \$31,054 in 2011.

The poor are also getting poorer in Queens and have seen a larger drop in income than the city's poor, although the borough still did not hit the lows of the city's poor. The average income for the lowest fifth of Queens households was down by \$1,109 to \$11,448 since 2010, compared to a



The American Community Survey, released by the U.S. Census Bureau last Thursday, showed a widening gap between the rich and poor in Queens in 2011.

drop of \$463 to \$8,844 for the same category in the city as a whole. But the lowest fifth in Queens still outearns the lowest fifth in the city by an average of more than \$2,500.

The number of Queens families that fell below the poverty level in 2011 was 13 percent and approximately

116,000 households received cash public assistance or Food Stamps, both figures slightly higher than in 2010.

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several feathers in his cap after the report was released.

FDNY response times decreased by two seconds to four minutes one second, according to the report. In the education field, math and reading scores of high school students rose by 3 percent, the report said.

One of Bloomberg's hallmarks has been the promotion of tourism in the city, and the report indicated that the number of visitors increased yet again to more than 50 million. The number of adults who consume one or more sugary beverages dropped slightly — less than 1 percent — to 29.9 percent, while the number has dropped from about 36 percent in 2008, according to the report.

But not all the numbers were an improvement over last year.

Average police response time increase by nearly 45 seconds, and major felony crime rose 4 percent since last year, according to the report, but even within that category there were positive and negative shifts.

For instance, there were 474 murders over the last year compared with 526 the year before, a decrease of nearly 10 percent.

The number of auto thefts also dropped. While the number of forcible rapes decreased slightly, the numbers over a five-year period indicate an upward trend, according to the report.

Other crime indicators rose, including burglary, robbery, assault and grand larceny, as did the number of felonies committed on the city's public transpor-

tation network and in its housing projects.

But in other areas the city saw significant gains.

The mild winter brought good news for the city Sanitation Department. The department paid \$7.8 million in snow overtime last year compared with \$62.4 million the year before when the city was hit by a blizzard. In fact, the inches of snow — nearly 7 this year compared with 61 the year before — corresponded almost exactly to the amount of overtime pay.

The number of streets rated clean also jumped up a percentage point to 95.5 percent, according to the report.

As far as the cleanliness of the city's parks is concerned, 88 percent were rated acceptable this year, the same number as last year.

Kingsland

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Councilman Dan Halloran (R-Whitestone) to toss fresh soil onto the new tree outside of the newly restored Kingsland Homestead. The councilman spoke at the group's annual meeting in support of its restored building and its historical significance in Queens.

"Flushing encapsulates the history of the entire city," Halloran said, speaking of the rich history

of both Flushing and the several historical buildings in Queens preserved by the society.

After the tree planting, QHS launched a special reception in support of a new exhibition, "Permanent Residence: Uncovering the Cemeteries of Queens." Executive Director Marisa Berman introduced the new exhibit to the group's members, saying she was happy to share the new perspective on the borough's cemeteries.

"This is more than just a dark kind of display," Berman said, acknowledg-

ing that cemeteries were not the most cheerful of talking points. "This new exhibition gives so much information about the history of Queens and the history of people who are still here."

Berman said that by looking into the rich history of Queens' cemeteries, QHS could delve into discussions on iconography, businesses that flourished because of cemeteries and notable people buried throughout the borough.

"It is a great example of what life was like in the past," she said.

Award

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wake up and meditate before exercising, reading and listening to news radio to remain involved in political affairs.

"It was like a five-star residence, by Burmese prison standards," Kyi said.

Kyi was finally freed Nov. 13, 2010, and was elected to the Myanmar parliament earlier this year. In her closing remarks, she urged Queens College students to strive for a well-rounded education, which is not available in her country.

The lack of education has plagued the young

people who will be Burma's next generation's leaders, she said.

"Education is the foundation of human dignity," Kyi said. "We have to know how to uphold our human dignity. We must start giving our young people their rightful place in society. We must prepare them."

Auburndale

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significant chunk out of the country's defense spending, though it is unclear how this would directly affect Social Security, since the safety net program is funded exclusively through the payroll tax and the investments made with that money.

The night was largely an exercise in Republican vs. Democratic ideals, but things did get off topic on several occasions.

Halloran also took sides in an ongoing contro-

versy surrounding the Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney, who recently said at a private fund-raiser 47 percent of Americans do not pay federal taxes and he does not need to win them over.

"I'm going to say something some of my advisers said I shouldn't say," Halloran told the crowd. "Romney's right."

Much of the analysis of Romney's statement has concluded that, indeed, 47 of Americans do not pay federal income tax, though most still pay a payroll tax

along with any state levies.

Meng was asked how many votes she missed during her last session, with one audience member bearing pamphlets pegging the number at 188, or upward of 75 percent.

All candidates were also asked what they did on Sept. 11 this year, and Meng mentioned attending various lunches, one of which was with state Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver (D-Manhattan), which was criticized by Halloran as a fund-raiser, though Meng's camp said it was not an event designed to raise money.



City Councilman Mark Weprin (c.) celebrates the opening of a new playground at PS 46, the Alley Pond School, at 64-45 218th St.

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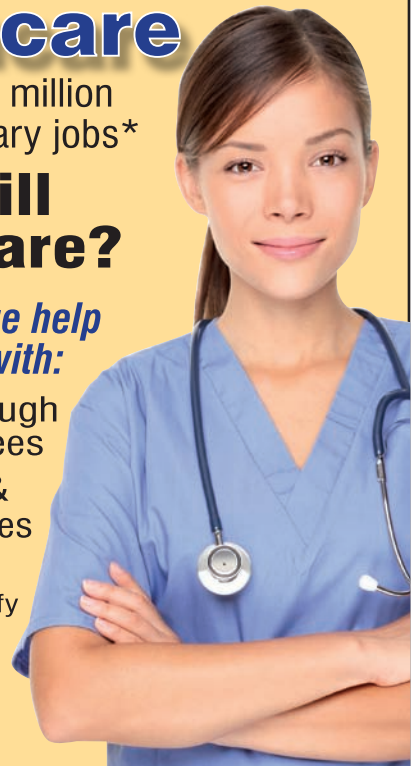
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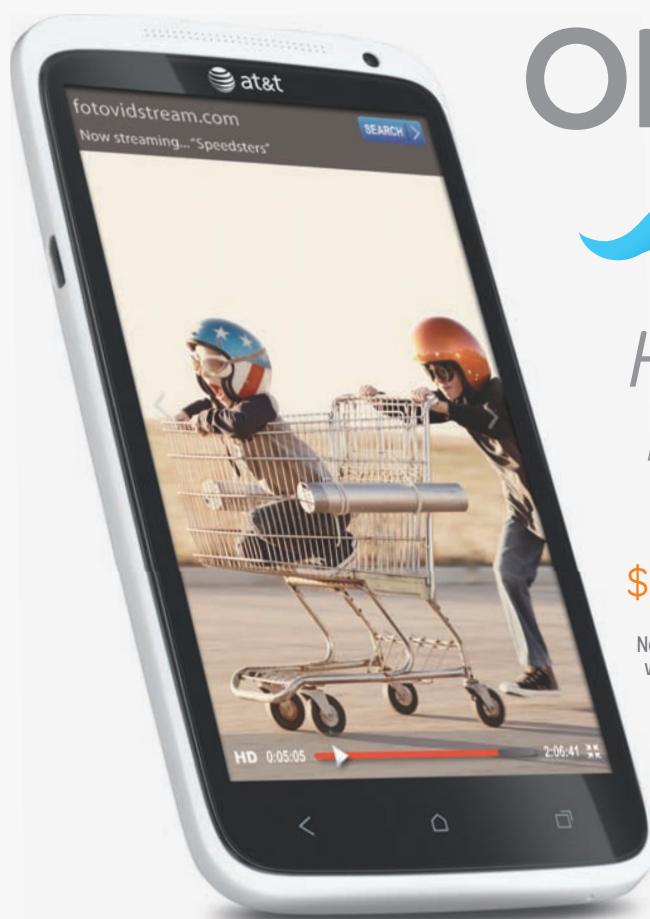
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