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### State to repave expressways in eastern Queens

#### BY MARK HALLUM

Gov. Andrew Cuomo announce repaying projects from three major roadways serving Queens and the Bronx. A total of \$43.5 million will be set aside to resurface Throgs Neck and Clearview Expressways in both directions and portions of Grand Central Parkway.

'These roadways are crucial parts of the transportation network for the entire metropolitan region, which thousands upon thousands of New Yorkers depend upon each day," Cuomo said. "With these resurfacing and preventative maintenance projects, we will help ensure they remain drivable and in good repair for years to come.

Throgs Neck Expressway will have \$20 million set aside for its renovation, which will run the full length of the bridge and the Bruckner Expressway. Work will take place at night to limit the impact on traffic conditions and is expected to be completed by fall.

Clearview Expressway will undergo similar treatment. Milling and paving will take place in both directions between Hillside Avenue and Willets Point Boulevard, both directions between 34th Street and 82nd Street, and eastbound only between 168th Street and Clearview Expressway. Work is scheduled to begin this week and is expected to be finished

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### PUTTING UP THE BIG TOP—



It's a task that can't be automated, out-sourced or done by smart phone. Raising the Big Top at the circus is still a job that has to be carried out by hand, pretty much the same way it's been done for the past 150 years. The Big Apple Circus, which opens a month-long run Sunday in Cunningham Park, takes two days for 40 workers to erect its tent. Photo by Michael Shain

#### BY MADINA TOURE

Although the Spa Castle in College Point has reopened following an incident in which a girl nearly drowned in one of its pools, state Sen. Tony Avella (D-Bayside) is renewing pressure on the city to create a task force that would assess and monitor such establish-

On its Facebook page, Spa Castle, located at 131-10 11th Ave., announced April 22 all its pools would be reopening the next day and supervised by lifeguards.

Spa Castle could not be reached for comment.

In March, the city Health Department ordered the spa to close all of its pools after a 6-year-old girl almost drowned in February.

The Health Department found the facility was out of compliance with its safety plan and there was excessive suction by a water-return feature that was enough to draw the victim toward it and keep her underwater.

In December 2014, Forest Hills resident Hock Ma, 80, died of natural causes after he was discovered unconscious in a jacuzzi at the spa.

A Health Department spokesman said Spa Castle was given permission to re-open April 22 after meeting certain conditions.

"Since the Health Department closed the pools at Spa Castle in February, the establishment has undergone a rigorous process to correct violations and has met our requirement to implement a new safety plan," the spokesman said. "The Health Department has also required Spa Castle to sign an agreement that will allow us to intervene swiftly,

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## Ash Ave. plan rejected

CB 7 blasts incomplete proposal for two-family home



Community Board 7 First Vice Chairman Chuck Apelian (I-r), Chairman Gene Kelty and attorney Michael Nacmias listen as board members weigh in on the proposal. Photo by Madina Toure

#### BY MADINA TOURE

Community Board 7 turned down an application seeking to construct a three-story, two-family home in Flushing at its monthly board meeting Monday night. Board members were confused about the number of bedrooms due to a lack of visual rendering of the

At the meeting at Union Care Plaza Center in downtown Flushing, board members expressed concern about the missing official letters signing off on the proposal from two out of three city agencies and confusion over the number of bedrooms.

The attorney representing the developer, Michael Nacmias, seemed to be mixing up numbers and kept flipping through his notes throughout the presentation as multiple members spoke out at once.

forms that we were required to have, the DOT letter and the Fire Department letter," CB 7 Chairman Gene Kelty said. "On the other side, we'll send out a letter to BSA ... saying why we disapprove with this use, how this should be reevaluated.'

The proposal seeks to build a three-story family dwelling at 42-29/31 149th Street. The first and second floor are one apartment duplex.

The first floor has two bedrooms, the second floor has four bedrooms and the third floor has three bedrooms. There is also a boiler room in the cellar. The number of bathrooms is unknown.

John Tsavalos, a member of the board's Zoning and Land Use Committee, said Nacmias presented the proposal to the committee April 6.

Tsavalos said the commit-

"We don't have the official tee asked him to provide letters from the city Department of Transportation and the Fire Department but only got a letter from the city Department of Environmental Protection.

> He also said Nacmias told him he could not supply a rendering because it costs \$1,000 and that the statement of facts dated Nov. 4, 2015 indicated that the proposed development is for two, three-story twofamily homes.

> "The applicant must provide clarification as to whether the proposal is for a single or multiple residential building and the total number of residential units," Tsavalos said.

> Nacmias did not bring any visual board or rendering showing the proposal, which made it more difficult for board members to understand the proposal.

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### Astorians first to have BQX street car session

#### BY BILL PARRY

The city pitched its Brooklyn-Queens Connector streetcar proposal in its first public visioning session Monday in Astoria. Many in the crowd of 75 at the Variety Boys & Girls Club were skeptical of the cost-benefit of the \$2.5 billion project that would connect 16 miles of East River waterfront from Astoria to Sunset Park, Brooklyn.

"It's not a little amount of money and you have to wonder why can't you just send a bus along the route," retired construction worker Pete Trivias asked. "Why do all this cost now when you could provide the buses and you're done?"

According to 2014 census data presented at the meeting, 58 percent of residents living along the route do not own cars and 67 percent use public transit to get to work, but many of the commuters live more than a half mile away from a subway stop and could use a more efficient way to travel between boroughs.

"The MTA can be a pain sometimes," Astoria resident Andre Stithe said. "Trains are hard. Buses are hard. You know it gives you a faster way

of moving around and for me it will be good."

Officials from the city's Economic Development Corporation and Department of Transportation made a presentation to the crowd.

'The mode of transit, in part, needs to be responsive to density," Deputy Commissioner Ryan Russo said. "We have to think hard about the best way over the long term to serve what is an exiting amount of development, change and job generation so that's where the vision comes from.'

A combined 700,000 live or work along the route that NYCEDC President Maria Torres-Springer called "the spine" of the city's new economy.

"The Brooklyn-Queens waterfront is one of the fastest growing parts of the city's new economy," she said. "The BQX will connect neighborhoods that are traditionally underserved by mass transit with access to new opportunities in both boroughs. We will continue to engage communities throughout this process to ensure every need and concern is throroughly considered."

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Astoria residents question the Brooklyn-Queens Connector project during a visioning session with city officials Monday.

Photo courtesy Constantinides' office

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### Mary Louis students honored for community work

Board of directors at Jamaica Estates apartment complex lauds school's service program

#### BY PATRICK DONACHIE

Students in the Service Learning and Leadership Program at Mary Louis Academy were honored for their efforts to enact positive change in the Jamaica Estates neighborhood by the board of directors of a nearby apartment complex last week.

"The girls were so happy to be recognized," said Allyson Gutierrez, an English teacher at the all-girls high school and the coordinator of the service program. "They do so much work throughout the year and it's nice for that to be noticed."

According to Gutierrez, the program started seven years ago and consists of eight homerooms of approximately 250 students. In these classes, the students learn about global issues and discuss how best to bring about changes in their own community. Gutierrez said the students focus on health, social justice and environmental issues, and much of the work they do is guided by



Students and faculty from the Service Learning and Leadership Program at Mary Louis Academy join Camelot Board Treasurer Rose Scalia (far left) and others in celebrating the students for their community service.

Photo courtesy of Rita Piro

the students' own interest.

"It doesn't take much to get them excited to act and effect really positive change. They just need the opportunity to learn where these challenges exist," she said. "It's nice to introduce them to issues like education for girls and see them run."

The Service Learning program also works with Million Trees NYC, a private/public partnership that has plans to plant a million trees in the city by 2017. In 2015, the Service Learning program was the recipient of a \$780 grant from Million Trees to tend to 25 city-planted trees in Jamai-

ca Estates.

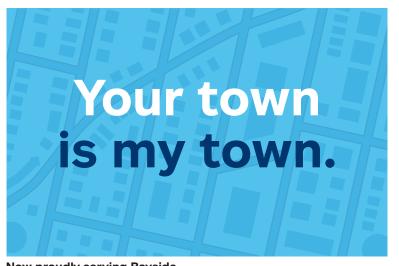
Rose Scalia, the treasurer of the board of directors at the Camelot, an apartment complex in the neighborhood, noticed signs on these trees specifying their caretakers. After inquiring about the Service Learning program, she said she was struck by the sheer

amount of volunteer work the students did.

About 200 people attended the ceremony held in the school's auditorium to celebrate the students' work. In addition to the trees they maintain, the students in the program run a community garden, have helped to design and sell reusable water bottles and have raised funds to donate clean water to a parish in Flint, Michigan.

Later this month, the program will hold a program to inform students about how to wisely and securely utilize the Internet, and will have their annual Fair Trade Christmas Bazaar this December. Gutierrez said the students' future plans for service stretches far beyond the end of the program.

"The girls almost all go on to continue their service when they go to college," she said. "It's a way of bringing the Mary Louis mission out into the world."



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## Nail salons owe \$2M to employees

Assemblyman Kim says only 143 of 5,000 establishments ordered to pay back workers

BY MADINA TOURE

State Assemblyman Ron Kim (D-Flushing) said Gov. Andrew Cuomo's announcement that only 143 out of 5,000 nail salons are guilty of wage violations indicates that he has been unfairly demonizing Asian nail salon owners. Most of the salons are in Queens and Brooklyn.

Cuomo said Monday the New York State Nail Salon Industry Enforcement Task Force has directed 143 nail salons to pay \$2 million in unpaid wages and damages to 652 employees.

"New York state is cracking down like never before on the unscrupulous individuals that take advantage of the hardworking people they employ," Cuomo said. "A fair day's wage for a fair day's work is a principle that this state was built upon and this administration is committed to stopping employers who exploit workers and deny them what they are rightfully owed."

Kim said the announcement lacked transparency be-



Gov. Andrew Cuomo has ordered 143 nail salons to pay \$2 million in damages and back wages to 600 employees.

cause Cuomo has not indicated how the figures were obtained. including comprehensive data for all the business owners in- for each employee." spected.

\$2 million amount is divided up among the 600 employees, "it's like roughly \$2 to \$3 a day

"Those workers that are He also said that when the getting the back wages, even if

there's one store, those workers deserve (it)...I'm not trying to downplay any of the bad operators and what they're guilty of," Kim said. "What I am questioning, though, is the

one year of selective enforcement and the outcome that the governor produced. Does that warrant the decision making?'

After a New York Times investigative report in May on nail salon abuses of personnel, Cuomo launched a task force and imposed emergency regulations May 18 to crack down on violations.

Kim has argued that Cuomo has extended his state of emergency three times to unilaterally take punitive measures against nail salon workers and owners.

The assembly man and state Sen. Jesse Hamilton (D-Brooklyn) are pushing for new legislation that would require the task force and other relevant state agencies to disclose more specific information about the sites probed.

Kim said Cuomo and his task force's use of state resources likely led to micro-targeting of mostly Asian-American small business owners.

The Transparency in Enforcement Act would require Continued on Page 26

### CUNY staff takes strike vote to negotiate new labor pact

BY PATRICK DONACHIE

Faculty who work for the schools that make up the City University of New York system are voting this week on whether to authorize a strike because of the lack of a contract, according to the union representing them.

The Professional Staff Congress, which represents more than 25,000 CUNY employees, began conducting a vote May 2 to authorize a strike. The vote was held online, as well as by phone or mail and continued until May 11 at midnight. The decision was scheduled to be announced late this week. More than 5,000 members of the PSC have publicly pledged to vote yes on the strike autho-

The vote to authorize a



CUNY faculty votes on whether to authorize a strike after working without a contract for the past six years. Courtesy of thedailyelephant.com

inevitable, but gives union leadership leverage during contract negotiations. In a letter to union members, Barbara Bowen, the president of the PSC, stressed that a strike strike does not make a strike would not be called at any

point during the current academic year or during the summer. The earliest the strike would come, she wrote, would be in the fall of 2016.

"We will work with CUNY Continued on Page 26

### Law guards caregivers from discrimination

BY PATRICK DONACHIE

Caregivers of ill or disabled family members living in New York City have new protections under the law, and most private and public employers will be barred from discriminating against someone because they have caregiving responsibilities outside the workplace.

Several Queens legislators, included Councilwoman Karen Koslowitz (D-Forest Hills), were strong supporters of the legislation.

"Imagine an employee with a parent at home who requires constant care and attention due to some mental or physical condition. And, the individual or agency that cares for the parent in the absence of the working child, serves notice that the hours of service have to change," said

Koslowitz, who co-sponsored the bill. "Should that employee lose their job because an employer does not want to change a work schedule enabling the employee to be at home at a different time?"

The new protections, which were signed into law by Mayor Bill de Blasio in January and enacted May 4, pertain to people caring for children under the age of 18, as well as those who care for parents, children, siblings, spouses, grandparents or grandchildren who have a disability. Any employer with four or more employees must follow the new regulations, and they protect both employees and job applicants.

Councilwoman Deborah Rose (D-Staten Island) was the primary sponsor of the bill. She said that many par-

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# Queens pols divided over grocery bag fee

BY MADINA TOURE

Although Mayor Bill de Blasio, City Council Speaker Melissa Mark-Viverito and others praised the passage of a bill instituting a minimum 5-cent grocery bag fee, some maintain it will adversely affect low- and middle-income individuals and families.

The City Council passed the bill, which advocates contend will reduce plastic-bag waste in New York City, by a vote of 28-20. The legislation will go into effect in October 2016.

The mayor said his administration has committed to sending zero waste to landfills by 2030 in the OneNYC plan and that the city is partnering with the Food Industry Alliance and the New York Metropolitan Retail Association to distribute reusable bags to New Yorkers.

"The Department of Sanitation projects that this 5-cent fee could reduce plastic and paper bag waste by approximately 60 percent, based on the experiences of other cities," de Blasio said.

Queens Council members who voted in favor of the bill include Councilmen Costa Constantinides (D-Astoria), Peter Koo (D-Flushing), Daniel Dromm (D-Jackson Heights), Jimmy Van Bramer (D-Sunnyside), Paul Vallone (D-Bayside), Donovan Richards (D-Laurelton), I. Daneek Miller (D-St. Albans), Elizabeth Crowley (D-Middle Village) and Julissa Ferreras (D-East Elmhurst).

"The unsustainable status quo must be addressed by finding ways to encourage sustainable habits," Constantinides said.

Councilwoman Karen Koslowitz (D-Forest Hills) and Councilmen Rory Lancman (D-Hillcrest), Barry Grodenchik (D-Oakland Gardens) and Eric Ulrich (R-Ozone Park) voted against the bill. Councilman Ruben Wills (D-South Ozone Park) was not present for the vote due to medical reasons.

Koslowitz said a better incentive would have been a 5-cent discount for customers who bring a bag with them to the grocery store.

She said there are people in her district who live on fixed incomes and she had received "so many phone calls" about the bill.

"Even now when I'm walking in the street, people stop and say, 'Thank you for voting against it,'" she said.

Ahead of the vote, Grodenchik said the City Council is placing "yet another burden" on working men, women and seniors.

"If this intro passes and is signed into law and three-quarters of the bags are no longer dispensed, that would still leave us with 2,325,000,000 bags being dispensed annually," Grodenchik said. "At a nickel a pop, that is \$116,250,000 flowing directly out of the wallets of New Yorkers and into merchants' hands."

City Council Speaker Melissa Mark-Viverito said the city has always worked toward the goal of being an environmentally responsible city.

"With this legislation, we can take a step toward a cleaner and sustainable city by incentivizing New Yorkers to not add to the billions Continued on Page 26



Council members are split over a new minimum 5-cent grocery bag fee.

Photo by Richard Drew/AP

### De Blasio ignores CB4

Orders Queens Boulevard bike lane extension despite vote

BY BILL PARRY

Mayor Bill de Blasio told officials at the city DOT Wednesday to ignore Community Board 4 and to include bike lanes when the \$100 million reconstruction project for Queens Boulevard begins Phase Two in July. On Tuesday night, CB4 Chairman Louis Walker pushed a motion to vote on the plan without including the bike lanes and it passed by a 31-1 vote.

Following a DOT presentation of the plan, board members questioned the loss of 88 parking spots along the commercial to make way for the bike lanes, one questioned if there had been enough outreach to Elmhurst's large immigrant community, and District Manager Christian Cassagnol pointed out that there had been "zero bicycle death" on the boulevard from 74th Strret to Eliot Avenue where Phase Two will be implemented.

That's when Walker dropped his bombshell.

"I don't think Queens Boulevard is necessarily the place for a bike lane. Put it on Woodside Avenue or Grand Avenue" he said. "This is not a park, this is a heavily traveled vehicular roadway."



Safe streets advocate Lizi Rahman is relieved that Mayor de Blasio overruled CB4's rejection of a bike lane while Councilman Daniel Dromm called it an essential component to providing a safer Queens Boulevard.

That set off a chaotic scene inside the ballroom of Italian Charities of America where the vote was held. Cycling and street safety advocates, who had been shouted down by board members all evening, erupted in anger as several members of the board who supported the bikes lane stormed out of the meeting. Some didn't notice the vote taking place.

Less than a day later, the

mayor put his foot down.

"I respect those who disagree with us, but in the end, the safety of our neighbors and our children is the most fundamental responsibility we have in this work," de Blasio said. "Today, I have instructed the Department of Transportation to move forward on the next phase of safety enhancements to Queens Boulevard, includ-

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### De Blasio touts school control

BY PATRICK DONACHIE

State Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan (R-Smithtown) offered a harsh assessment of Mayor Bill de Blasio's and Schools Chancellor Carmen Fariña's testimony before the Senate's education committee in Albany last week in support of an extension ofmayoral control of the city's public school system.

The critique comes before a second meeting to be held in the city May 19 to determine whether the mayor should have direct accountability for the city's public schools.

"Too often, the mayor showed a disturbing lack of personal knowledge about the city schools. In addition, he has left too many unanswered



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questions and failed to provide specifics on many of the issues raised by my colleagues on both sides of the aisle," Flanagan said in a statement after the testimony. "Until that occurs, I will not entrust this mayor with the awesome responsibility of operating the New York City school system."

De Blasio testified before the Education Committee to urge them to extend mayoral control for another seven years. Last year, the state Legislature passed a one-year extension of mayoral control after a series of negotiations between de Blasio and Gov. Andrew Cuomo. The one-year extension was considered a defeat for the mayor, and the agreement also boosted the number of charter schools that would be allowed to open in New York City.

A spokesman for the mayor responded to Flangan's statement by touting de Blasio's educational record.

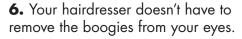
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The U.S. Postal Service announced some new improvements to enhance mail delivery service in Kew Gardens Hills.

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# Mail service upgraded in Kew Gardens Hills

BY MADINA TOURE

U.S. Rep. Grace Meng (D-Flushing) said she received a letter from the U.S. Postal Service last week outlining a series of actions the Postal Service has undertaken to improve mail delivery in Kew Gardens Hills following complaints she received from her constituents.

On May 5 Meng said she got a letter from the Postal Service about mail delivery in Kew Gardens Hills that was dated April 12 but marked received April 25. In the letter Zahava Colicelli, government relations representativae for the Postal Service, said the blizzard on Jan. 23 caused a delivery and collection backlog and that operational and management changes have gone into effect to address delivery problems.

A spokesman for Meng explained that when mail arrives at the United States Capitol Complex in Washington, D.C., it is screened so there is a delay until it physically reaches the congresswoman's office.

Colicelli also wrote that Flushing Acting Customer Service Operations Manager Edward Choy instituted changes such as a new customer services manager assigned to the Kew Gardens Hills Post Office at 75-23 Main St. and six new substitute carriers to help with staffing needs.

"I understand your interest in ensuring that your constituents receive

quality mail service, and regret reading of the difficulties they report experiencing with their delivery," Colicelli wrote. "Please know we always attempt to deliver every piece of mail in a timely, accurate, and efficient manner."

Meng, who first sent a letter to U.S. Postmaster General Megan Brennan in March about poor mail service in the neighborhood, said Kew Gardens Hills residents should have reliable service.

"I thank affected constituents for raising this issue with Assemblyman Simanowitz and me so that we were able to address the problem, and I appreciate the Postal Service for taking action to fix it," Meng said. "I look forward to mail being delivered in a dependable and effective manner for all residents of Kew Gardens Hills."

State Assemblyman Michael Simanowitz (D-Flushing) said the community depends on quality mail service for its homes and small businesses.

"Working with Congresswoman Meng, we were able to come to a resolution with the Postal Service to address issues raised by our constituents," Simanowitz said. "I am confident that their response will result in the efficient and dependable service our residents deserve."

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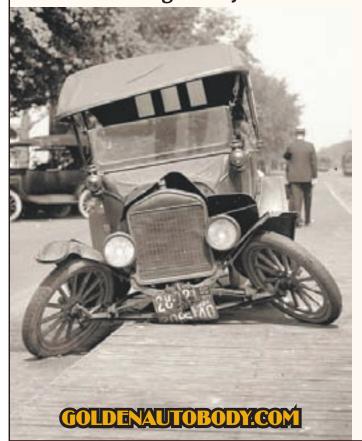






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### Two streets co-named to honor civic leaders

BY BILL PARRY

An Astoria street was conamed in honor of the late community leader Demetris Kastanas last Saturday. Family members and community leaders joined City Councilman Costa Constantinides (D-Astoria) and state Assemblywoman Aravella Simotas (D-Astoria) at the intersection of 31st Avenue and Steinway Street where "Demetris Kastanas Way" was unveiled.

Kastanas founded the National Greek Channel program in 1975 and expanded the program into its own channel in 1987. He also founded Eseis Magazine, a biweekly publication that focused on issues affecting the Greek-American community as a whole.

Through these forms of media, he created an opportunity for the Greek-American community, many of whom were not native English speakers, to directly engage with news and current events.

"Demetris Kastanas helped promote Hellenism and democratic values throughout his life," Constantinides said. "We honor him because he served as a great example of civic engagement. As the founder of the first Greek-language channel, he made news and entertainment accessible to Greek Americans throughout our city and our country."

Kastanas also spread awareness of charitable causes and helped raise donations for worthy organizations such as the Greek Children's Cancer Fund.

"Kastanas was a television pioneer whose hard work and dedication touched and bettered the lives of so many Greek immigrants and Greek Americans," Simotas said. "I have such fond memories of my time visiting his station to express my best wishes to his listeners for the holidays and special occasions, both as a young student and in my current role representing our Astoria community."

Kastanas died in 2013 at the age of 70 due to complications following open heart surgery.

State Sen. Michael Gianaris (D-Astoria) said there is not a single Greek American in New York whose life was not touched by Kastanas.

"I have fond memories of watching his Saturday afternoon television show with my grandmother when I was a child, as it was the center of the Greek community at the time," he said. "It is an honor to continue his legacy through the addition of 'Demetris Kastanas Way' right here in Astoria."

Meanwhile, 104th Street and 48th Avenue in Corona was co-named for the late Edward Guida Satuday. Guida, born and raised in Corona, was a longtime city marshal who had a difficult job evicting people from their businesses and apartments, but would slow his jobs down for holidays, according to City Councilwoman Julissa Ferreras-Copelend (D-East Elmhurst).

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The family of Demetris Kastana holds his street sign alongside Councilman Costa Constantinides and Assemblywoman Aravella Photo courtesy Constantinides' office Simotas

## Kitty's death revisited

### Author studies media coverage of Genovese slaying

BY MADINA TOURE

A University of Nevada, Las Vegas professor who wrote a book exploring the circumstances surrounding the death of 29-year-old Kew Gardens resident Kitty Genovese, an Italian-American woman stabbed to death in 1964, attacked and outlined the media coverage of the crime at a discussion at Queens College Monday afternoon.

Marcia Gallo, associate professor of history at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, published "'No One Helped': Kitty Genovese, New York City and the Myth of Urban Apathy" in 2015, which explores the story of Catherine "Kitty" Genovese, whose rape and murder in Kew Gardens shaped the narrative of bystanders who failed to help their neighbors.

Gallo said she wanted her book to focus more on the life of Genovese, which she said "was basically erased from the story." Genovese was raised in Brooklyn but spent more than half of her life in Queens.

But she could not find sources, especially in Genovese's own words.

"I had to try to understand the story and as I became more and more fascinated by the story and the way it was constructed, I realized there was a story behind the story as there often is and that I had to start with the contradictions in the narrative," Gallo said.

Genovese, the manager of a Hollis bar, arrived home at 3:20 a.m. at 82-62 Austin St., an apartment house in Kew Gardens next to the LIRR station on March 13, 1964. Winston Moseley, then 29 and a South Ozone Park business machine operator, who recently died after 52 years in prison, was driving a Covair, got out, chased after Genovese and stabbed her.

A New York Times story written by Martin Gansberg under the direction of A.M. Rosenthal, the metro editor at the time, in March 1964 claimed that "38 respectable, law-abiding citizens in Queens watched a killer stalk and stab a woman in three separate attacks in Kew Gardens." The story was headlined "37 Who Saw Murder Didn't Call the

Gallo said the fact that Gen-



University of Nevada-Las Vegas professor Marcia Gallo said Kitty Genovese's neighbors were vilified by the news media.

Photo by Madina Toure

lover, Mary Ann Zielonko, with whom she shared her apartment, was not included in stories about the crime.

She also said there was little attention given to Moseley's other victims, also Queens residents.

After Moseley was arrested on March 19, 1964, he confessed to killing Genovese as well as South Ozone Park resident Annie Mae Johnson, 24, an African-American woman, in February 1964, and Springfield Gardens resident Barbara Kralik, 15, in July 1963.

She noted that at the time there was a lot of civil rights activism, which was reflected in New York Times headlines at the time.

Changing white liberal attitudes about race and the silences surrounding Moseley's other victims shaped the Genovese narrative, she said, which Rosenthal reflected on in his book, "Thirty-Eight Witnesses: The Kitty Geno-

"In his writings, Rosenthal is equating anti-racist activism with 'impersonal social action' and charging both black and white New Yorkers

ovese was a lesbian and had a who were involved in the integration fight with insensitivity and indifference," she said.

There are a number of details about her neighbors' actions that are now known, Gallo said.

For example, the noisy bar right up the street from where Genovese was attacked twice by Moseley ended up getting closed that night due to loud fights, a regular occurrence at the bar. Some neighbors thought Genovese's screams when she was attacked came from people leaving the noisy bar right or a domestic dis-

She also noted that two of her neighbors called the police and it was in response to the last that the police finally arrived "to find Kitty bleeding profusely and being cradled in her neighbor's arms as they waited for an ambulance."

"She died on the way to the hospital but she was not alone in those final moments of her life," she said.

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# POLICE Blotter

### Police seek help in finding Hollis resident

HOLLIS — The NYPD was seeking the public's help in trying to locate a Hollis resident who was reported missing.

Police said Max Telesford, 50, was last seen at his residence on 203rd Street at about 3 p.m., April 19.

Telesford was described as a black man, 5-feet-10, weighing 150 pounds, with a very thin build, a medium complexion, brown eyes and graying beard and hair. According to the NYPD, he was last seen wearing blue jeans and a black sweater.

The NYPD also released a photo of the missing man, and requested that anyone with information about Telesford to call the NYPD's Crime Stoppers Hotline at 1 (800)-577 TIPS. People can also submit tips to www.nypd-crimestoppers.com.



MAX TELESFORD

### Woodside assault suspect sought by cops

WOODSIDE — The NYPD was asking for the public's assistance identifying an individual with ties to an assault that happened within the confines of the 108th Precinct.

On Sunday, May 1, at about 5:15 p.m., a 74-year-old woman was walking down the stairs of the 65th Street subway station when an unknown male walking the opposite direction punched her in head, according to police.

The victim was treated at Elmhurst General Hospital and released.

The man was described as black, about 5-foot-10 and last seen wearing a red jacket with blue jeans, police said.

Surveillance footage captured the incident, which took place at the intersection of 69th Street and 38th Avenue, police said.



Police are looking for this man suspected of punching a 74-year-old woman in Woodside.

Anyone with information regarding the man depicted in the police photograph is urged to contact NYPD.

### St. John's dorm is scene of shooting incident

JAMAICA ESTATES — Three men were arrested after they entered a residence hall at St. John's University and fired a weapon during a dispute with four other men, police said.

The incident took place in Room 510 of the Hollis Dormitory Wednesday afternoon, according to police.

Police said the three suspects fled the scene but were apprehended later only one block from the university.

Police said it was a robbery attempt that spurred the argument between

the men. A weapon was brandished and one shot was fired, which hit a wall, police said. The NYPD responded to an emergency call about the fired shot at around 1:25 p.m. The three suspects were arrested at about 2:45 p.m. by officers in the NYPD School Safety Unit. A weapon was recovered during the arrest, police said.

A statement from the university's public safety unit said that there were no injuries and stressed that there was no continuing threat to the school.



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### JUSTICE FOR D'AJA

A Rosedale man was convicted this week of murdering a 14-year-old girl who was riding home on a bus in South Jamaica after a Sweet Sixteen party in 2013. The senseless shooting sent a shudder through the city, shocked by the random nature of the attack.

Crime rates were steadily declining and New Yorkers no longer had the knee-jerk reaction that murder was business as usual and could not be reversed. The image of an innocent teenager dying from gunfire on a city bus appalled many residents of Queens.

Adding to the public outrage, she was the fourth member of an extended family in southeast Queens to die from gun violence.

A Queens jury found Kevin McClinton, 24, guilty of second-degree murder in the death of D'aja Robinson, who was on the Q6 in Jamaica when multiple rounds were fired at the bus on May 18, 2013. One bullet struck her in the head in a barrage prosecutors believed was aimed at another passenger.

An only child, D'aja was a student at Cambria Heights Magnet School and one of seven homicide victims in the 113th Precinct that year.

Less than three weeks later, McClinton was arrested in South Carolina and held without bail until conviction. A second suspect, 15 at the time, still awaits trial.

How does a community cope when children kill children? Days after D'aja was killed the 113th Precinct Community Council put a \$22,000 bounty on the suspects. Then Borough President Helen Marshall earmarked \$50,000 from her office to hold a gun buyback in honor of the teen.

In 2014 on what would have been D'aja's 16th birthday, her family, friends and neighbors held a walk on a rainy Tuesday. D'aja's grandmother led the somber marchers to the site where the shooting cut short a young life. The 113th Precinct joined the vigil.

It took nearly three years for D'aja's family to get some sense of relief from the criminal justice system. But murder claims more than just the victims—it leaves other wounds that never heal.

Less than a year after D'aja died, her 17-year-old cousin Khalil Bowlin was killed in a drive-by shooting in South Jamaica in 2014. His mother said he never recovered from D'aja's murder. Bowlin's uncle, a former NYPD officer, died in a shooting in South Jamaica in 2011, while his father was gunned down in a Richmond Hill barber shop in 2010.

McClinton is facing 25 years to life when he is sentenced in June. D'aja's family is facing a lifetime without the loved ones who shaped their lives, but at least a guilty verdict has brought some solace to the survivors haunted by bloodshed.

### From tennis court to basketball court



Tennis great John McEnroe takes a jump shot during a charity game at St. John's Carnesecca Arena honoring Joe Lemm, an NYPD vet who was killed in December while serving in Afghanistan. See story on Page 49.

Photo by Gina Palermo

### New York's finest keep the bees

What started out as a hobby has become a citywide job. Officer Darren Mays of the 104th Precinct harvests bees in his upstate New York home and owns approximately 500,000 bees. He uses these bees to make honey for his family and many of his honeyloving friends.

Last year, the police department's only beekeeper, known as "Tony Bees," who would be called in to take care of reported bee hives throughout the city, retired. Officer Mays was one of three guys who were assigned to handle these jobs. According to Mays, bees are to be protected and not just discarded so when



Tending to the bees at the 104th Precinct. Courtesy of Jon Kablack

he would be called to handle a hive, he would take it down and then transport them to their new home upstate to start making honey. Due to the over whelming demand from his precinct for honey, Officer Mays talked with his Commanding Officer, and it was decided that they would move approximately 10,000-15,000 bees to a homemade hive on the roof of the 104th Precinct.

"It will be a good learning experience for officers to see what goes into harvesting the bees for honey and preserving their lives. Plus they can take part in making their own honey." Said Mays. Because of the height of the precinct, neighbors will never even know the hive is there. When Mays was asked for any advice if one was to come across a hive in the city, he said report it to 911 and BEE careful.

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### Can we solve the airplane-noise problem?



Bob Harris The Civic Scene

decades residents of Queens have complained about the noise of airplane takeoffs from JFK and La Guardia airports. I remember attending meetings called by the late Congressman Ben Rosenthal at a hotel near La Guardia Airport. The only thing we remember about those meetings were people from Nassau County saying that they should not have airplane noise over their homes because they paid a lot of money for their homes.

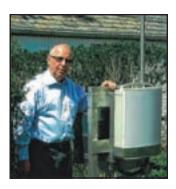
Today, the airplane noise

is still there when planes take off from our two local airports in a fan-like pattern over our houses every minute or so for about an hour. The current solution to controlling the airplane noise is to create a roundtable consisting of community members, local legislative members, industry members, the Federal Aviation Authority, Port Authority representatives, and people from Nassau who will find solutions to the problem. Airports around the country have had such organizations for years.

There are problems. Groups from LaGuardia and JFK each wanted their own roundtable. It was realized that areas across the United States only have one roundtable, so it was decided to have only one in Queens, but people representing each airport keep pressing for their own roundtable to solve their own needs. This has led to squabbling, which takes up valuable time needed to write by-laws and get the Queens roundtable functioning. It is understandable but frustrating.

Reading the newspaper reports and listening to reports given at the Queens Civic Congress, I heard about loud sounds and their health implications on people living near the airports, but I don't remember hearing or reading about the health hazards of airplane fuel released by the airplanes. Years ago I read about residents near the airports complaining about a layer of aviation gasoline on cars, houses and the land nearby airports. Is this still a problem? If so, it should be solved.

One way to gather statistics about airplane noise is to place noise monitors



You can see me standing next to the noise monitor in my backyard. Photo courtesy of Bob Harris

around the airports. These noise monitors leave a permanent record of airplane noise. Since the southern area of Flushing around Fresh Meadows, is where the LaGuardia planes streak into the sky at the Whitestone Climb, the FAA has just placed one in my backyard.

I hope it stays longer than the one placed there about 15 years ago. It was recording all those take-offs, then one day someone called my house to ask about noise and my wife Edna made the smart remark, "Do you think there is a noise problem if I can read the serial numbers on the plane"? They took it away a few days later.

Congresswoman Meng is busy introducing legislation to help solve the problem. We need the roundtable fully implemented so it can give her official input and she can introduce bills in Congress which will work to solve the problem. Actually, the activist members on the roundtable have been fighting for years and they do visit their legislators, the Queens Civic Congress and member civics.

### READERS WRITE

### The PS 130 community wants its school back

On April 20, the District 26 leviate overcrowding. Community Education Council held a hearing regarding the proposed rezoned elementary school lines in Bayside. The lines were redrawn to take into account PS 332, the new elementary school currently under construction on the former Keil property on 48th Avenue and 211th Street.

The school is slated to open in September 2017 with only a kindergarten grade the first year. Each subsequent year another grade will be added. How does that address the pressing overcrowded conditions currently at PS 31, 41, 159, 162 and 203? Those five schools will continue to operate at over 100 percent capacity even after PS 332 is fully operational. The new school is supposed to al- PS 31 stood out. This new area

The Office of District Planning sent two reps who worked on the rezoning to the hearing to explain the parameters of the plan. Neither rep lives in the area. Nor does the person who came to explain the busing plans to get the children to and from school. He doesn't even live in Queens. Illegible maps were given to the public who attended. Apparently, local residents were not asked for their input or advice when the plan was developed. The Department of Education orchestrated all of the decisions that will affect our communities for years. On May 31, a vote on the plan will be taken by the CEC.

The new boundary lines for

is banana-shaped, and I later found out when I finally saw a legible map that it stretches from Utopia Parkway in Flushing to Springfield Boulevard in Bayside and is only a few blocks wide. In my opinion, it makes no sense.

My civic organization, the Auburndale Improvement Association, which extends into western Bayside, has taken the position that PS 130 on 42nd Avenue and Francis Lewis Boulevard on the Auburndale/ Bayside border should be returned for use by local children living around the school. Currently, local children are bused to overcrowded schools, including PS 31, 159 and 162. The students currently attending the special K-3 school for science and technology at PS 130, mostly District 25 children who are transported into the community, could potentially be transferred to the new PS 332. The new school should also be opened to District 26 children living near that building. Rezoning of boundary lines for the other elementary schools in the area would then be largely unnecessary.

Of crucial importance is how to safely ensure that children attending PS 332 can be dropped off and picked up at that congested location. I heard no mention of that at the hearing. Of course, residents living around the new school should be consulted for their input. Perhaps they may have different thoughts of how the school should be utilized, which then would necessitate a new school

being constructed in District 25 for those children currently attending PS 130.

In any case, the community around PS 130 wants its school back. This would also reduce the overcrowding at PS 31, 159 and 162. My civic organization wants only the best for all children, and we feel in particular, that it is time for the children who live around PS 130 to stop being exiled from their neighborhood school. Open dialogue and input from all segments of the Bayside community should lead to a solution that benefits all, especially our most important asset, our children.

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### We add a few holidays to the growing list



Skenazy Rhymes with Crazy

Lenore

here are now 34 holidays on which New York City suspends its streetcleaning parking rules, including Ash Wednesday, Asian New Year, Eid al-Adha and Diwali. That's quite the holiday buffet.

Which is not to mention Martin Luther King Day, Abraham Lincoln's Birthday, Washington's Birthday and Veterans Day.

There are a bunch of standard-issue holidays, too, like Labor Day and Thanksgiving, and a bunch of Jewish holidays beyond those. Since I'm Jewish, I can confide in you: Many of us don't even know what these holidays are. Shemini Atzereth? I've got to ask Rabbi

Google. (Then again, what reports: "Lumpy Rug Day is percentage of Christians are familiar with the Solemnity of the Ascension, which was just a few days ago? That solemn day was cause for auto-owner awe as alternate side of the street parking requirements miraculously disappeared!)

Since this list seems to be growing faster than the Monday morning line for Metro-Cards, I couldn't help but add a few more suggestions for holiday parking consideration:

Thigh-Knees New Year: A holiday celebrated the first sunny day of spring, when New Yorkers suddenly realize their knees and even thighs will soon be visible in shorts. Day is devoted to squats.

Howard Stern's Birthday: Jan 12. Any car parked at a meter may remain there for 24 hours, but any person walking by the meter must dance around it, one leg up, and lean backwards.

Lumpy Rug Day: Actual holiday—look it up! It is May 3. intended to appreciate a good rug. A rug should be smooth, even, and definitely not lumpy. Many of us stretch out on a rug to watch TV, play games, and even catch 40 winks. If the rug is lumpy, you'll know it. There are a number of ways to enjoy Lumpy Rug Day:

"If you have a lumpy rug, toss it out and get a nice, lump-

"If you once had a lumpy rug, take a minute to remember the soft, comfortable feel of the new rug when it arrived.

"If you never had a lumpy rug, count your blessings. You don't know what you're miss-

I'm counting! But since that exciting day won't come around for almost another year, let's move on to:

Sick Passenger Monday: The first Monday after Labor Day, when everyone has slept a little late and is rushing to get to school or work on time. shall be dedicated to the mys-The website Holiday Insights terious Sick Passenger who is

us. Not that car drivers care. But they get the free parking day anyway. Just like the rich get richer.

Pranksgiving: A day we give thanks for practical jokes. Note: Although this will appear as a holiday on city-issued alternate side of the street suspension calendars, it really *isn't* and you will be *towed*.

Kwanzadanukkah: A day that falls on Hanukkah and Kwanza, when everyone is so busy lighting candles that they can't get to their cars.

Happy Halaladays: Day dedicated to the Halal carts around the city, which have made lamb over rice as New York as a Sabrett's dog. Celebrated the Thursday after Thanksgiving, when people are willing to start thinking about food again.

Too Heavy Purse Tuesday: A day we pause to reflect on the fact we are carrying around way too much junk, including candy bars, letters we keep forgetting to mail, re-

always on the train ahead of ceipts in cuneiform, and two dozen pens (one leaking). Why do we celebrate this by suspending parking regulations? How else would you propose we celebrate? What says "Too heavy purse" to *you*? Do you even have a purse? If you did, you'd know.

> All Saints Weekend: Expansion of popular day.

Mayor's Wild Card: A day chosen by the mayor on which all parking tickets are torn up as soon as they are issued. Wildly popular. Often celebrated after the indictment of a crony, dis by a sitting governor, or disconcerting New York Post cover.

Trump Day: Nov. 8. You wouldn't cast your vote for someone just because they're promising to give you an extra day of parking freedom, would you? Would you?

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### The lessons a world-class city can teach New York



Tom Allon Mayoral Spin Cycle

rowing up in New York. I had a view of the world similar to the famous old New Yorker cover by Saul Steinberg: after Ninth Avenue came the Hudson, then a brief stretch of America with Japan, China and Russia in the distant horizon.

It is easy to be a myopic New Yorker and think that the world revolves around the issues that concern us. So to get far away from the city, as I did last week, is refreshing.

Last Thursday I took an overnight flight to Munich, Germany, a beautiful city that is home to my 93-year-old uncle and a place where I spent 18 months of my childhood; I had not been back there since

1975—and much has changed.

I was struck by how much nicer the Munich airport is than rundown JFK. Arriving to a new, clean facility drove home the fact that our crumbling infrastructure is a bigger problem that we acknowledge. When we talk about losing our edge in the global economic race, our subpar transportation grid is one reason.

The Lufthansa airplane that I took to Munich provided the most efficient aviation experience I've ever had. With the winds at our back, the entire flight was a mere seven hours, and with an impressive menu of newly released films in my private screen, the time flew by — literally.

Munich is truly a bicyclist's paradise — the lanes for cycling are as wide as many car lanes in Manhattan, and in some places the riders outnumbered the drivers. Munich is the city we should emulate for its bike-friendly grid.

incredibly helpful and friendlv. The street traffic seemed orderly, the locals and tourists mixed gracefully and the city exuded a sense of calm. Maybe it was the perfect 75-degree sunny weather, but I suspect that the dog-eat-dog nature of New York is in short supply in Germany's large cities.

My cousin was my guide, bringing me to the new hot spots in Munich as well as my old haunts from the mid '70s. The outdoor dining was delectable and the omnipresent "conditoreis" — dessert stores dotted the streets, giving the city a festive feel.

The biggest surprise for me was how much changed around the American military base on the outskirts of town. In the 1970s, thousands of American military personnel were stationed all around Germany, and now there are but a few. In Munich, I attended the American military school in a place called Perlacher Forest. The people of Munich are Today, there aren't any Ameri-

cans there, and my old school has been converted to a German kindergarten. The housing for military personnel is now affordable units for the German middle class.

A big topic of discussion in Germany is the flooding in of Syrian and African refugees and the controversial opendoor policy of Prime Minister Angela Merkel. The million refugees who are being acclimated are an expensive government project, and German citizens are concerned whether the economy and tax base can absorb this influx of needy citizens.

It is quite an ironic situation that the country responsible for much of the destruction and misery in the 20th century has become a paragon of enlightenment in the early 21st century. Germany has become the national embodiment of our Statue of Liberty's hopeful message. America has taken in fewer than 20,000 refugees (50 times

fewer than Germany), and Donald Trump is talking about deporting more than 10 million immigrants and banning an entire religion from our shores.

I never thought I'd be living in a world where America could take lessons in compassion and humanity from our Teutonic allies. When I discussed the horrors of the Holocaust with my 93-year-old uncle, a survivor of Hitler's death camps, I was overcome by the enormous burden our generation bears for trying to repair the world and ensuring that this century's history is one of hope and healing rather than war and genocide.

It was almost exactly a century ago that our European ancestors began a bloody, epochal-changing world war that set in motion the tragic events on the next four decades.

Munich may be a world away — but a quick hop over the Atlantic opened up a wide, wide world to me last week.

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### Plastic-bag fee is victory for social engineers



Friedrich

he disciples of social engineering and behavior modification were at it again last week in the City Council with passage of the 5-cent plastic bag fee. With the mayor's blessing, the New York City Council decided to add a few hundred dollars to every family's annual shopping bill. All done in the name of the "environment," a pretext to justify imposing new taxes and fees on already tapped-out New Yorkers.

This bill will surely shake out whatever loose change remains in your pocket after the speed cameras and (possibility of) bridge tolls on the free East River crossings have gotten you. It's just the latest

day New Yorkers and, truth be told, the plastic bag fee also applies to non-polluting, biodegradable paper bags, making it obvious that the bill is more about social engineering than reducing pollution. Using the environment as an excuse to pluck every last dollar out of our pockets and squeeze the family budget is deceptive and unfair. Want to change our habits, try education or a 5-cent credit for using a reus-

The arrogance of Council member Brad Lander (D-Brooklyn), the bill's chief sponsor, is stunning, when he says, "It works by irritating people into bringing reusable bags, so we understand it's irritating." Personally, I find it insulting for a Council member to knowingly pass a bill with the intention to irritate me into modifying my behavior, as if I am a child unable to make thoughtful decisions on my own. The City Council must stop using us as guinea assault on the wallets of every- pigs in their social engineer-

ing experiments.

This bill also engenders a new class warfare. SNAP (food stamp) card users are exempt and may use as many bags as they wish cost-free, while taxpayers who pay for those SNAP cards are taxed for each plastic or paper bag they use. Two individuals on the same grocery line: one receives the bags free while the other must pay. Is this the Tale of Two Cities De Blasio had in mind? It is surely an acknowledgment that there is a financial burden associated with this bill. Supporters may believe the bill is "eco-friendly," but it is eco-nomically unfriendly.

Eastern Queens Councilmen Donovan Richards, I. Daneek Miller, Peter Koo and Paul Vallone could have made a huge difference had they voted to oppose the bag-tax bill. Instead, they chose to impose this cost burden on the seniors and working-class families of their district. Their constituents, many on fixed incomes, can thank them for adding 10

other heavy items requiring a double bag and hundreds of dollars to their annual food bill. These families struggle daily to pay rent and make ends meet, the last thing they need is to pay for something that used to be free at the local grocery counter.

Bucking the trend was newly elected Queens Councilman Barry Grodenchik, who called it "one of the most regressive pieces of legislation to ever come before this council." He knows that many folks in transit-starved eastern Queens drive to the supermarket and load up grocery bags, some double-bagged, into their cars. It's simply impractical for them to carry enough reusable bags.

Most of us resourcefully reuse grocery store bags and keep them stashed in plastic bag receptacles until they're needed again -- as wastebasket liners, trash bags or for dog of Glen Oaks Village, a Civic pickup. They are not "single-

cents to the cost of water and bill claim. Pushing individuals to use reusable bags creates another type of environmental hazard. These reusable bags are often petroleum or lead based and require regular cleaning to eliminate foodborne toxins. Are we simply trading one set of problems for another?

The ideological crusade to micromanage the minutia of plastic- and paper-bag consumption is another example of the city's misplaced priorities. Our city is the most heavily taxed in the nation, nickel-anddiming its residents for everything. The City Council works overtime to create regulations and petty annoyances in our daily lives while the serious work of ethics reform, cost containment and infrastructure repair is ignored. As I wrote in a similar column back in 2014, the fix is in the bag.

Bob Friedrich is President Leader and former candidate use bags," as proponents of the for the New York City Council.

### Best-selling author started his career in Queens



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est-sellingauthor, sports journalist and musician Mitch Albom was born on May 23, 1958 in Passaic, N.J. Best known for his 1997 bestseller "Tuesdays with Morrie," which shares insights from a terminally ill college professor, Albom is also one of the premier sports writers of his generation as well as an accomplished pianist and songwriter. He has founded eight charities focused on helping the neediest in Detroit, where he currently resides. Mitch

In conjunction with the career as a volunteer for the weekly Queens Tribune.

The future acclaimed writer grew up in a middleclass neighborhood in Oaklyn, N.J., a suburb of Philadelphia. While many people spent their lives in the insular community, Albom's parents urged their children toward broader horizons, often reminding them "Don't expect your life to finish here. There's a big world out there. Go out and see it."

Following his graduation from Brandeis University in Massachusetts, Albom moved to New York City and worked in the music industry. With a newfound interest in journalism, his work in Queens Tribune earned him entry Albom began his journalistic into the prestigious Columbia

of Journalism, and he later added an MBA from the same Ivv League school. With his journalism degree in hand, news outlets across the nation quickly took note of the talented young writer. In his first full-time position with The Fort Lauderdale News and Sun Sentinel, Albom earned the coveted Associated Press Sports Editors award in 1985. He then moved to the Detroit Free Press, where his columns on sports and his editorial commentaries on American life and values quickly gained a broad, loyal following. As a sports writer, Albom has garnered over 200 awards. The Associated Press Sports Editors have named him the best sports columnist in the nation a record 13 times.

Although Albom's first New York Times bestselling book was a biography of former University of Michigan football coach Bo Schembechler published in 1989,

University Graduate School his breakthrough work came eight years later in "Tuesdays with Morrie." The book relates a series of visits with Morrie Schwartz, a college professor of the author who was dying of Lou Gehrig's disease. His story remained on the New York Times bestseller list for 205 weeks, selling 14 million copies in 41 languages.

> The former struggling musician followed up on his 1997 success with a series of fiction books examining the human condition, the meaning of our existence and the afterlife. Among his deeply moving works are "The Five People You Meet in Heaven." "For One More Day" and "The Time Keeper," which related the story of the inventor of the first clock, who is punished by God for trying to measure his greatest gift and must redeem himself by teaching people its true meaning.

When he is not writing, Mitch Albom devotes his time to charity, including efforts to promote literacy. He raised money for this worthy cause by performing with The Rock Bottom Remainders, a rock-and-roll band made up of writers including Albom, Stephen King, Amy Tan and Matt Groening.

Notable quote: "Sometimes when you sacrifice something precious, you're not really losing it. You're just passing it on to someone else.'

For further information, contact the Greater Astoria Historical Society at 718-278-0700 or visit their website at www. astorialic.org.

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### Airport workers start contract negotiations

BY BILL PARRY

After three years of rallies, sit-ins, marches and civil disobedience, thousands of airport workers began bargaining for their first-ever union contract Tuesday. More than 7,000 workers, over half of all those employed by subcontractors at three area airports, have won the right to collective bargaining, including 4,300 workers at Kennedy and 1,200 at LaGuardia Airport.

"When we started organizing three years ago, I was struggling to survive on poverty wages," Balfor Smith, a baggage handler at JFK, said. "Today my co-workers and I have a path to \$15 an hour and we began bargaining for our first union contract. It has been an amazing journey and I know we can keep fighting until this contract is negotiated and in place to protect the rights we have won on the job."

The workers are now members of Local 32BJ of the Service Employees International Union.

"Today was a historic moment for airport workers in New York, New Jersey and around the country," 32BJ President Hector Figueroa said. "But there is still more to do. There are still thousands of airport workers in the region whose contractors have not recognized the workers' right to a union. Airport workers across the region have vowed to keep fighting until all airport workers win union representation."

The campaign began in 2014 with a Martin Luther King Day march at LaGuardia, in which 37 union leaders, clergy and elected officials were arrested for civil disobedience after they shut down the 94th Street Bridge approach to the airport. Among them was City Councilman Jimmy Van Bramer (D-Sunnyside), a son of union workers.

"Airportworkers—baggage handlers, security officers, sky caps, cabin and terminal cleaners—work hard to keep our airports safe and running smoothly," Van Bramer said. "The people who protect us



Airport workers are bargaining for their first-ever union contract after a three-year rights campaign. Photo by Bill Parry

when we travel should make enough money to support their families, not have to take another job or rely on public assistance to make ends meet. I stand in solidarity with the 7,000 airport workers in New York and New Jersey who began bargaining for their first contract this week. Together we can win high wages, needed benefits, and a strong union for the airport workers who keep us safe."

While the workers continue to negotiate for a contract that

will cover workplace rights, it is still up to the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey to raise wages and benefits for all workers in the region. City Councilman Donovan Richards (D-Laurelton), another son of union workers, joined Van Bramer and other elected officials at 32BJ's headquarters in Manhattan Tuesday.

"Airport jobs used to be good jobs that you could support your family with, but unfortunately for the last three years, airport workers have had to fight to make airport jobs good jobs once again," Richards said. "The wages (many) of these workers make are simply not livable in New York City. As one of the largest employers in Queens, we need our airports to negotiate in good faith to ensure that all New Yorkers can afford to pay rent and put food on the table without having to make essential sacrifices.'

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### **Bayside tasting event**



Taste of Bayside will take place May 17, between 6-9 p.m. in the parking lot of Vivaldi Ristorante.

#### BY MARK HALLUM

The Bayside Business Association is hosting its annual Taste of Bayside and Beyond, an event that will showcase culinary delights from various restaurants from around the neighbor-

Vivaldi Ristorante will be holding the event in a tent outside its restaurant at 201-10 Cross Island Parkway on Tuesday, May 17, from 6-9 p.m.

Restaurants featured at this year's Taste of Bayside are Agra, Bayside Milk Farm, Big Green Apple Market, Bourbon Street, Krave It, Papazzio, Tequila Sunrise and Vivaldi.

Attendees will experience a variety of Indian, Mexican and Italian cuisine among others at the event.

According to the group's website, BBA makes building local commerce a priority through commercial and economic programs, educating businesses in publicity and marketing, and being the voice of business owners when it comes to bringing issues to government agencies.

Tickets are \$40 per person and can be purchased at the Bayside Business Association website.

### Athletics fest in Bayside

#### BY MARK HALLUM

The Bayside Village BID is holding its second annual Sports and Health Festival on Bell Boulevard.

The event will take place Sunday, May 15, and will include activities such as a rock wall, nine-hole mini golf, relay races, hopscotch and jump rope, bean bag toss and wiffle ball.

The Sports and Health Festival is part of the NYC DOT Weekend Walks program, which closes streets and block for community events organized by local business improvement dis-

tricts, cultural organizations and other groups. The partnership between DOT and community organizations creates a car-free environment that is safe and family-friendly.

The festival will be held between 42nd and 43rd streets on Bell Boulevard, which will be closed to traffic for attendees to walk freely.

The event will run from noon to 5

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### Harsher penalties for graffiti vandals

#### BY MADINA TOURE

The New York State Senate passed a bill sponsored by state Sen. Toby Stavisky (D-Flushing) that would toughen penalties for people convicted of defacing public or private property with graffiti.

The bill raises the penalty for anyone convicted of causing more than \$1,000 worth of damage three or more times over the course of 10 years to a Class E felony.

"Graffiti vandalism is not a victimless crime," Stavisky said. "It can result in substantial costs to homeowners, property owners and taxpayers. This legislation is an important deterrent to destructive acts against public and private property."

State Assemblyman Michael Simanowitz (D-Flushing) is the Assembly sponsor for the bill. It is currently with the Assembly Codes Committee.

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# Queens colleges prepare for Graduation Day

In spring an undergraduate's fancy turns to Commencement Day.

The strains of "Pomp and Circumstance" will soon fill the air around the borough as Queens' colleges and university send the Class of 2016 off into the world.

Vaughn College of Aeronautics and Technology kicks off graduation season with its commencement scheduled for Saturday, May 21, at 10 a.m. on the Flushing Campus, 86-01 23rd Ave.

Michael P. Huerta, administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, will address the graduates.

The following day, St. John's University holds its undergraduate ceremony.

Proceedings for the May 22 event begin at 10 a.m. on the Great Lawn of the Queens Campus in Jamaica Estates.

Queens College holds its graduation ceremony Thursday, June 2, on the College Quad beginning at 9 a.m.

Darren Walker, president of the Ford Foundation, is scheduled to deliver the keynote commencement address.

The event takes place rain or shine. On Friday, June 3, York College will hold its 46th commencement exercises on its campus at the Health & Physical Education Field, 160-30 Liberty Ave., Jamaica.

The program gets underway at 9 a m

U.S. Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Julián Castro will



give the keynote speech.

On that same day, Queensborough Community College graduates its Class of 2016 with a ceremony on the college's Athletic Field beginning at 10 a.m.

LaGuardia Community College has scheduled its graduation ceremony for Monday, June 13, beginning at 10 a.m.

The ceremony will be held in The Quad at Queens College, 65-30 Kissena Blvd., in Flushing.

Queens Borough President Melinda Katz will be the keynote speaker.

# Rochdale Village school to renovate playground

BY PATRICK DONACHIE

Elected officials, community leaders, students and faculty from Catherine and Count Basie Middle School 72 in Rochdale Village broke ground on construction of a new playground at a ceremony Tuesday.

The reconstruction of the school playground at 33-25 Guy R. Brewer Blvd. will cost \$2.5 million and will be paid for by capital improvement project grants from the offices of Councilman Ruben Wills (D-Jamaica) and Queens Borough President Melinda Katz. The school is near the Rochdale Village housing complex

"A playground is a vital element of a child's education. If it's neglected, not only will it decay, but our young men and women's minds and bodies will do the same," Wills said in a statement. "The playground at Catherine and Count Basie had been lacking in upkeep for more than a decade, and its dilapidated condition came to attract attention from negative influences."

The reconstruction of the playground is expected to be completed by next April and will include an interchangeable basketball and volleyball court, an outdoor classroom and a turf field with a three-lane track.

The remaking of the playground was spurred by a letter Wills wrote to the city Department of Education, according to Wills' office. The chain link fence surrounding the playground is also set to be taken out and replaced with a steel gate fence. The playground will include new trees as well as benches that are created in the style of the 1964 World's Fair. The playground will

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# The Walter Strauss Stroke Center Opens at The Grand Healthcare System at Queens in Whitestone



April 28, 2016 - Whitestone, Queens, NY - The incidence of strokes in the U.S. is rising rapidly, and statistics show some 800,000 people suffer a stroke each year. As we approach May's American Stroke Month, the need for rehabilitation and care for stroke survivors has never been greater. In response to the increasing demand for stroke rehabilitation centers in New York City, The Grand Healthcare System announced today the opening of The Walter Strauss Stroke Center.

Located at The Grand Rehabilitation and Nursing at Queens, 157-15 19th Avenue, Whitestone, the Center in-

cludes a dedicated wing for individuals recovering from strokes. The Walter Strauss Stroke Center, the only one of its kind in Queens, has a professional nursing staff that specializes in stroke rehabilitation and recovery, with the prime focus on each guest's ability to walk, eat, dress, and communicate independently post-stroke. The Center includes a gym that houses state-of-the-art stroke rehabilitation equipment and machines to aid functional mobility training. Speech and communication rehabilitation is further evaluated and enhanced through the use of the Iowa Oral Performance Instrument (IOPI®). which is the premier measuring device to objectively evaluate muscle weakness and motor control.

"Caring for individuals recovering from strokes requires special attention," said Andrew Weissman, PA-C, Director of Clinical Initiatives. "Many must re-learn how to walk, talk, eat and take care



of themselves. Our team recognizes how challenging and stressful this time is for both patients and family members. Our caring, hands-on approach gives patients what they need to recover and eventually go home."

The Stroke Center was named for Walter Strauss, a stroke victim whose battle through recovery was both heartbreaking and inspiring. The Strauss Family witnessed firsthand the importance of after-stroke care and rehabilitation. Jeremy B. Strauss, CEO of

The Grand Healthcare System and grandson of Walter Strauss, has combined his personal experience with his decades of commitment to superior care in the nursing home and rehabilitation sector, to create this much needed Stroke Center.

"Stroke has directly impacted our family, and we understand how overwhelming it can be for individuals and families," said Jeremy B. Strauss, CEO of The Grand Healthcare System. "We have always provided care for those suffering from

stroke; however, we wanted to do more. Our colleagues and friends in the medical community as well as administrators from a number of local hospitals have encouraged us to move in this direction. Our ultimate goal is to make The Walter Strauss Stroke Center the gold standard for stroke rehabilitation in New York City."

The Walter Strauss Stroke Center is currently accepting patients. A special opening celebration and event will be held on May 12, 2016. Many local dignitaries, community leaders, medical professionals and representatives from regional hospitals will take part in the launch of the new program.

#### About The Grand Healthcare System

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across its state-of-the-art health facilities, regardless of whether an individual is there for an extended stay or for one of its premium specialty care services. Unique all-inclusive health facilities make it a preferred destination for individuals seeking high quality healthcare. Among the services and programs provided are: stroke rehabilitation - Walter Strauss Stroke Center (The Grand Queens), amputee therapy and training program, bariatric rehabilitation, cardiac therapy, complex medical care program, hip repair and joint replacement recovery program, IV antibiotic therapy medical nutrition therapy, medical shuttle service and transportation vans.

For more information about The Walter Strauss Stroke Center, its programs and services, please call (718) 746-0400, or visit: www. thegrandhealthcare.com/ StrokeCenter





# East Elmhurst man sentenced for promoting child sex crime

BY BILL PARRY

An East Elmhurst man has been sentenced to one to three years in prison after pleading guilty to promoting a sexual performance by a child, Queens DA Richard Brown announced last Thursday. Computer technicians discovered sexually explicit photographs of children on the defendant's computer after he dropped it off for repairs at a Long Island City Best Buy store in March 2014.

Michael Murray, 63, pleaded guilty Feb. 3 before Queens Supreme Court Justice Richard Buchter to promoting a sexual performance by a child. Buchter sentenced the defendant to one to three years in prison May 4.

"The defendant pleaded guilty to having vile, disturbing images of children on his computer hard drive," Brown said. "He even used these repugnant photos as a screen



An East Elmhurst man is sentenced for promoting a sexual performance by a child after photo were discovered on his laptop at a Best Buy in Long Island City.

Photo by Bill Parry

saver slide show."

According to the charges, a technician at the Best Buy located at 50-01 Northern Blvd. began to work on the laptop computer that Murray dropped off for repairs March 26, 2014. When the technician turned on the computer, it booted up and the laptop's screen saver

started displaying a slide show of multiple images of young girls posing provocatively.

Some of the images showed young girls engaged in sex acts with adult men. The technician alerted a supervisor to the slide show's content and after he, too, saw the images,

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### Northwell Health set to sponsor Mets dash

BY MARK HALLUM

A new partnership was announced in which Northwell Health will sponsor the New York Mets' "Mr. Met Dash" as well as a nursing station on the suite level of Citi Field.

Taking place after Sunday home games, "Mr. Met Dash" allows kids to run the bases in celebration of every win.

"The Mets are proud to partner with Northwell Health, New York's largest health care provider," Wes Engram, Mets Vice President of Corporate Sponsorship said. "Like Northwell, we are a community oriented team that is committed to New Yorkers and we look forward to our relationship in the years to come."

Formerly known as North Shore-LIJ, Northwell is also the creator of The Katz Institute for Women's Health, which specializes in providing education and health services to women of all ages. The new institute is named for Mets owner Saul Katz, who also serves on the board of trustees for Northwell.

"We're excited to be a sponsor of the National League Champion New York Mets," Michael Dowling, president and CEO of Northwell Health said. "We're also extremely pleased to be a presenter of the Mr. Met Dash, where kids run the bases after family home games. As New York's largest health provider, it gives us the opportunity to sponsor an event that shows area youngsters and their parents that exercise is not only important to their health but can also be exciting and fun."

According to Northwell, the healthcare company will be the "official sponsor of every Mets win."

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### City shows landings

BY BILL PARRY

The city provided a sneak peek at what 10 new ferry landings will look like as the upgrade of the Citywide Ferry Service begins next summer. The city's Economic Development Corporation released renderings of the 35-foot-by-90-foot docks that are being fabricated for the launch of the service to be operated by Hornblower.

New landings will be established nest summer in Astoria and Rockaway and at the north end of Gantry Plaza State Park in Long Island City in 2018.

"Citywide Ferry is going to connect New Yorkers in 21 neighborhoods around the city with new opportunities for jobs and recreation—all for the price of a subway ride," NYEDC President Maria Torres-Springer said. "Building the landings is another huge step as we work towards launching this exciting service in 2017."

When fully complete, the landings



The city released renderings that show newly designed landings that are being built for the Citywide Ferry Service.

Rendering courtesy NYCEDC

will be equipped with canopies and wind screens to provide shelter from inclement weather. Ticket machines and waiting areas will also be located on the barges.

The city is investing \$55 million in infrastructure upgrades, including the ferry landing, which are being constructed at a Staten Island facility.

### Astoria gentrifying: Report

BY BILL PARRY

A new study by the NYU Furman Center shows that Astoria is the only neighborhood in Queens that is classified as "gentrifying" based on its analysis of how housing and population have changed over the past two decades. The report, released Monday, defines "gentrifying" neighborhoods as areas that were relatively low-income in 1990, but then experienced higher than median neighborhood rent growth in the following 20 years.

Under the criteria, 15 of the city's 55 neighborhoods are classified as "gentrifying." Astoria finished in 11th place on the list with an average rent increase of 27.6 percent between 1990 and 2010 through 2014.

"The term 'gentrification' is often used to describe a number of different aspects of neighborhood change," NYU Furman Center Faculty Director Ingrid Gould Ellen said. "We wanted to create a definition that allowed us focus on dramatic rent growth, which is the change that is of greatest concern in lower-income neighborhoods."

As for racial and ethnic changes, the report shows that gentrifying neighborhoods saw an increase in white population despite a citywide decrease. Gentrifying neighborhoods also had a larger decrease in the black population through 2014 than the city as a whole.

"As demand grows and neighborhoods become more economically and racially integrated, longtime residents may benefit from new neighborhood amenities, reduced crime rates, and higher housing values," Ellen said. "However, rising rents threaten the long-run diversity of these communities."

### Hundreds attend DOC career fair

BY BILL PARRY

More than 800 job seekers attended a Department of Correction career fair at York College last Saturday. Of those who attended, 327 were given onthe-spot interviews for non-uniform, career-track positions ranging from cooks and mechanics to social workers and attorneys.

In addition, DOC offered 240 candidates a chance to take part in a 30-minute classroom session which provided an overview of the agency, adult and

youth programming, and the positions currently offered. The career fair provided an unprecedented opportunity to match talented New Yorkers with hundreds of career opportunities at the DOC.

"The Department of Correction is a major city agency with a workforce of more than 10,000," DOC Commissioner Joseph Ponte said. "Each staff member plays a pivotal role in helping the agency run seamlessly. We are recruiting the most qualified and dedicated candidates for our team."





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### Kastanas

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He was also a funeral director at the family-owned Guida Funeral Home and was active in the community, working with the Corona Lions Club and donating to charities. Guida diedin May, 2014 after a sudden illness.

Assemblyman Francisco Moya (D-Jackson Heights) called Guida a champion of the neighborhood and state Sen. Jose Peralta (D-East Elmhurst) said not only was Guida well liked in the community, he was also very well respected.

"When I first het him he didn't think twice about sitting down with me," Peralta said. "I was very fortunate that he liked me, because when I got elected to the Assembly, I received a lot of support in Corona after he spread the word about me. He was a caring

man, even when fulfillinghis duties as a City marshal. He would give people extra time to get their business in order before he would evict, and that is something he didn't have to do but shows how caring he was with others."

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### Nail salons

Continued from Page 4 state agencies to be more transparent in inspections by reporting on all closed or pending cases and making the region, gender and race of the business owners public information.

In May 2015, Cuomo formed the Nail Salon Industry Enforcement Task Force to tackle exploitation and abuse of nail salon workers.

The governor said the task force, which is led by the state Labor Department, has opened investigations into more than 450 nail salon businesses and has completed 383 to date.

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### **CUNY**

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negotiators and with allies
and legislators to achieve that
goal," Bowen wrote. She said
the strike authorization vote
would grant union negotiators
an advantage in disputes with
CUNY administrators. "While
we cannot promise that we will
achieve all we want, we will be
strategic and unrelenting in
pursuit of a funded contract
settlement."

CUNY faculty have been working without a contract since 2010, and the faculty's last raise was in October 2009. In November 2015 CUNY Chancellor James Milliken proposed a retroactive 6 percent pay increase during the six-year gap, which Bowen argued would for all intents and purposes amount to a salary cut because the increase in pay would not keep pace with the rate of inflation.

"A failure even to keep up with inflation—in the absence of other major improvements—will make CUNY increasingly non-competitive in attracting and keeping the faculty and staff the university needs," Bowen wrote.

The final budget presented by Gov. Andrew Cuomo March

31 did not include any funding specifically allocated toward underwriting pay raises for CUNY faculty, though state Budget Director Robert Mujica pledged that once the mediation between faculty and the university system was completed, they would be able to address the need for funding.

The PSC is a local for the American Federation of Teachers, according to the union's site.

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### Plastic bags

Continued from Page 5 of carry out bags currently being used each year," Mark-Viverito said.

The city pays an estimated \$12.5 million to transport 91,000 tons of plastic bags and paper carry-out bags to landfills in other states each year. New Yorkers use 9.37 billion carryout bags per year, the

vast majority of which are not recycled.

The commissioner for the city Department of Sanitation will have to establish an outreach and education program aimed at educating residents and covered stores by increasing the distribution of reusable carryout bags.

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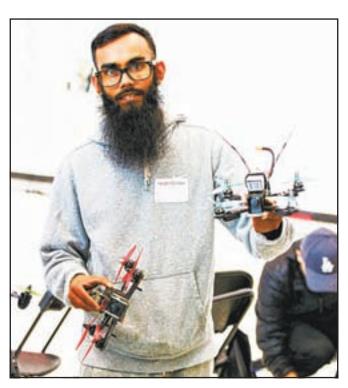


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### Queens teens get into drones and dresses

Photos by Michael Shain



At Vaughn College in East Elmhurst, Zafar Rahim of Hollis shows two of the drones he races at Drone Day, a special event the aviation school sponsors for students and enthusiasts.



Coming out of the dressing room at the PAL Center in South Jamaica (I-r) Cheyene Stobbs, Jasmine Gildon and Jade Matthews show off to friends and family the prom gowns they picked at this year's Prom Impact, a donation service in which high school students could find formal wear for their proms free of charge.



The idea behind indoor drone races is to guide the aircraft through a series of hoops and wickets—without bumping into other drones on the



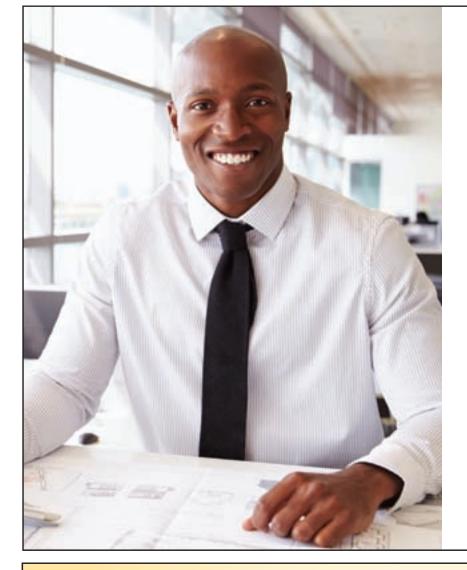
Drone down! A competitor reaches inside the net that encircles the Tamia Cantey tries on a pair of shoes to go with the drone obstacle course to retrieve his "bird."



light-green number she chose.



When Mom agrees that she found the right prom dress, this young lady gets a little emotional.





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### Caregiver

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ents, children and loved ones often feared that their jobs were endangered due to their caregiving responsibilities.

"I sponsored this bill because I know that most workers have limited control over their work hours, leaving little margin of error in the event of a family emergency or childcare crisis," she said. "And no one should be fired for fulfilling those responsibilities." Similar protections exist in Washington, D.C.; Philadelphia and several other cities. The caregiver law is an addition to the New York City Human Rights Law, which covers city residents who fall within 22 protected categories from various types of workplace and residential discrimination. The new law makes caregivers one of these protected classes.

Michael S. Arnold, an attorney with Mintz Levin, stressed in an article for the National Law Review that city employers must be studious in

understanding how the new laws can conceivably affect their businesses.

"It's one thing to make sure managers do not treat employees differently based on gender or parental status," he wrote. "It's another thing to make sure they realize that the law now goes one step further to protect anyone who has direct and ongoing caregiving responsibilities."

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### Porn

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police were notified.

When police went to the defendant's home soon afterwards, Murray admitted that he knew what was on his screen saver and had been exchang-

ing files of child pornography with others on the Internet for nearly five years, according to the charges. A forensic analysis by the NYPD's Computer Crime Squad revealed the defendant's computer had more than 300 images of children between the ages of 2 and 3 being sexually abused.

"It is vitally important for

the public to realize that these photographs depict real children who have been sexually abused," Brown said. "They are youngsters who will forever be emotionally and physically scarred by what happened to them, The defendant will be incarcerated and will be required to register as a sex offender upon his release."

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### **Schools**

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"Mayor de Blasio and Chancellor Fariña articulated a clear and compelling case for the state to grant a multi-year extension of mayoral control," he said. "From Pre-K for All, to graduation rates above 70%, the successes of a school system with direct, mayoral accountability cannot be denied," he said.

Mayoral control was started in 2002 by former Mayor Michael Bloomberg in an attempt to wrest control away from autonomous superintendents of school district. The move put more accountability for the success of the school system into the mayor's office, which de Blasio and Bloomberg both assert has been a benefit for the New York public school system.

In his testimony before the Legislature, de Blasio urged representatives not to let mayoral control lapse and risk a reversion to the old model.

"You don't have people saying let's go back to the bad old days. You don't have people saying let's go back to local school boards who are rife with corruption and inefficient," de Blasio said after his testimony. "And there's not some magical third way that anyone has put forward, including in that 3 1/2 hour hearing."

### Playground

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be open to the public before and after school hours.

Students and faculty, including MS 72 Principal Omotayo Cineus, were on hand to dip shovels into the freshly unearthed ground.

During the ceremony, Cineus expressed her appreciation for the allocation of funds to pay for the new playground.

"We look forward to the future use of this new playground, which will afford the young people of Catherine and Count Basie Middle School social, emotional, athletic and academic experiences and memories," she said.



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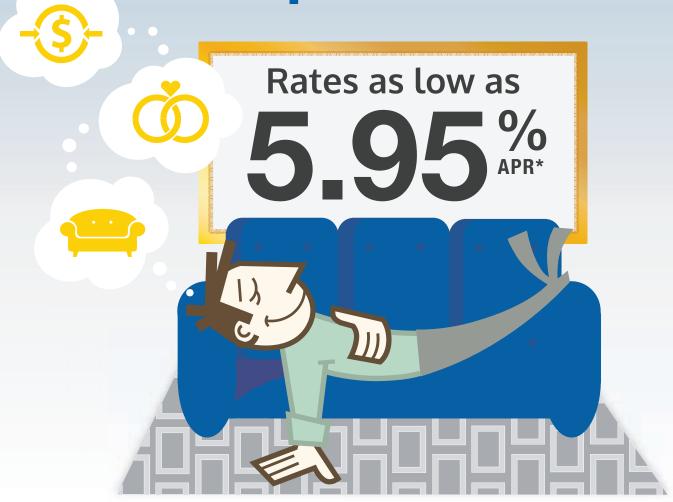
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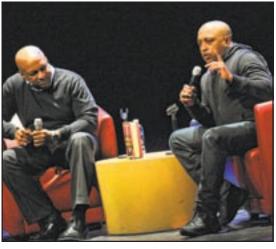
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# Borough Beat



After an insider's tour of the U.N. last month, the seventh grade class at PS 113 in Glendale gets a visit from, Singapore's ambassador about the work of diplomats, part of the NYC Junior Ambassador's program run by the Mayor's Office of International Affairs.

Photo by Michael Shain



That famous son of Hollis, "Shark Tank" star Daymon John (r), comes home to York College in a special interview series sponsored by the Queens Public Library. Decked out in his own fashion line, Fubu, the style entrepreneur talked to DJ Ralph McDaniels.

Photo by Nat Vaentine



Academy Award-winning actress Hilary Swank (I) congratulates Dimple Belani (c), 17, of Bellerose and Cole Faller (r), 13, of Roslyn Heights on being named New York's top two youth volunteers for 2016 by The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards.

Courtesy of Prudential



The Queens Bar Association, now in its 139th year, swore in the organization's new incoming president, Gregory Brown (r), during its annual dinner. George Nashak, Jr., the outgoing president, does the honors.

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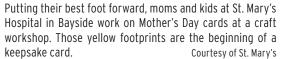
The Bangladesh Independence Day celebration in Jamaica Hills brings out hundreds of marchers to mark the nation's 45th anniversary.

Photo by Nehere Siddiqueee



At the Queens Public Library in Flushing, scores of adults who have earned their high school equivalency diplomas this year get the graduation ceremony they never had, with U.S. Rep. Grace Meng (r) and other officials leading the cheers.

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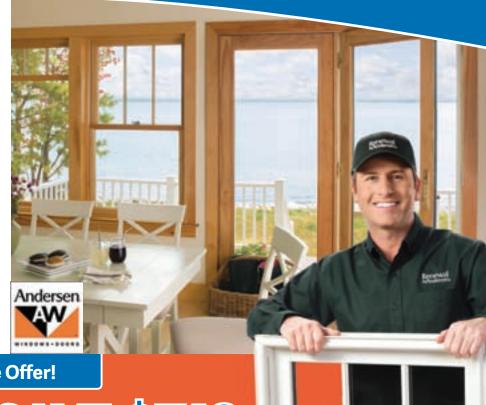
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### Technology meets education with design

Energy-efficient construction is celebrating one more milestone. It is now possible to build a facility — perhaps even a home — that is able to produce, on site, as much energy as it uses over the course of a year.

Demonstrating this is the opening last year of the Richardsville Elementary School in Bowling Green, Ky., the first net-zero school in the United States. This achievement includes features like solar power and an innovative concrete wall system. To date, the entire building has achieved efficiencies beyond all expectations.

"Richardsville Elementary was built at costs comparable to other conventional schools in Kentucky," said principal architect Kenny Stanfield at the Louisville location of Sherman, Carter, Barnhart Architects, the lead firm on the project. "And yet, it has lower operating costs than compa-



rable schools; in fact, it has no energy costs. This school began saving dollars on its first day of operation."

One of the suppliers also explained that any construction project today can aim at net-zero, but to do it cost-efficiently, the building envelope must deliver maximum insulation. The walls of Richardsville, therefore, are built with a technology known as 'insulated concrete forms' (ICFs), a system that replaces the traditional building methods.

"This school sets a standard that can be applied to homebuilding too," says Todd Blyth at Nudura, supplier of the ICFs. "If, at the outset, all building decisions are made carefully regarding the walls, windows, roofing, water management, ventilation and indoor climate control, you are well on your way to completely offsetting energy consumption and big operating costs."

Here are a few of the net-zero design components of Richardsville Elementary:

- · A roof designed with 40,000 solar panels that convert solar power to electricity and deliver clean, renewable energy back to the community
- · Geothermal heating and cooling for environmentally responsible efficiency.
- · Walls of concrete. The Nudura system (nudura.com) is comprised of stay-in-place, pre-assembled blocks, steel reinforced, and then filled with concrete. It replaces traditional building methods.

The durability and energy efficiency of concrete has shown to reduce energy costs up to 70 percent. Better still, the entire structure (www.nudura.com) is reported to be up to nine times stronger, with far more fire protection and with far more sound insulation.

- · Ventilation includes a CO2 monitoring system to keep good air quality indoors and allow no more outdoor air than necessary.
- Positioning is north-south allowing for effective day lighting (without glare) so that all artificial lighting can be off during 70 percent of school
- · Computers are wireless. Five carts, each loaded with 30 laptops, save energy as well as the wiring and construction of a dedicated computer lab. Laptops use a fraction of the energy used to run a typical desktop computer.

### End of semester means it's time to move back home

If you or someone you care about is among the 20 million students the U.S. Department of Education predicts will graduate this year, congratulations.

Now, it's time to contemplate your next move: the one out of the dorm or campus apartment. To help, here are a few tips from the experts:

- · Reserve the right truck well in advance. For most students, a 12- or 16-foot truck is right for the job. Just remember, you're not the only one moving out. Try to reserve the truck and any accessories — boxes, packing tape, bubble packing material, moving blankets, hand trucks and so on - at least two weeks in ad-
- · Plan your travel time. Take into account the time of day, likely traffic patterns and
- Get used to the truck before you drive away. Familiarize yourself with the truck's switches and gauges. Adjust



they match your height and comfort zone.

Remember, it's likely to be taller, wider and heavier than the vehicle you're used to driving. That means you may have to drive more slowly and take larly on turns. Also, be aware that trucks have oversized blind spots. Know where these

· Take a close look at your rental agreement. Most include language from the U.S. the seat and side mirrors so extra precautions, particu- Department of Transportation

that prohibits the "carrying or hauling of explosives and other dangerous articles." That means you can't pack paint, chemicals and cleaning materials, flammable solvents, propane, gasoline and the like.

· Be sure to insure yourself.

Most insurance and credit card companies won't cover truck rentals. You may want to sign up for additional coverage options to protect yourself and your belongings.

- · Don't pack everything. Items you may need to grab in a hurry—such as paperwork, credit cards, identification, a change of clothes, drinks and snacks-should be kept close at hand in a travel bag with you in the cab.
- · Pack it right. Load the heaviest items on the truck first. Always bend your knees and lift with your legs, never your back.
- · Buddy up. Sharing the ride with a friend can help to defer some of your truck rental costs and the driving and provide some extra help with your boxes.
- · Use discounts through
- · For safety's sake, park only in well-lit areas and keep a padlock on the rear door.

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### Queens Council on the Arts celebrates 50th anniversary of bringing culture to residents

BY TAMMY SCILEPPI

The Queens Council on the Arts Dale Katz. is still fab at 50.

To mark QCA's 50th birthday, a celebration of Queens' cultural vibrancy is set for May 26 at LIC Land-

Since its inception, QCA has made the arts accessible to all Queens residents by expanding cultural opportunities—from concerts to dance performances and live theater-in neighborhoods throughout the borough.

to visionary and arts lover Jeanne

'My mother founded the Queens Council on the Arts with the objective of supporting our borough's artistic community and promoting the development of the arts right here in Queens," Borough President Melinda Katz said. "The council's mission remains as important today as it was when it was established nearly 50 years ago."

Jeanne Dale Katz knew she couldn't transform Queens' arts

It all started in April 1966, thanks scene on her own. So, she teamed up with the borough's leading organizations to help emerging artists and arts groups present diverse cultural resources.

The QCA chairwoman was a constant presence throughout the borough. In September 1967, a Long Island Press photo showed her at a tape-cutting ceremony with local officials to celebrate the launch of a new service at Macy's in Elmhurst, the NYC Queens Cultural Information Center booth. Sponsored by QCA, it provided the public with info

on music, art, theater, lectures and other events in New York City, especially in Queens.

Another L.I. Press photo that year captured Katz chatting with two members of QCA's steering committee during the planning of a fund-raising kickoff at which many different kinds of artists would be performing. The event was held a week before the council's first boroughwide arts festival.

The fest boasted a full production of Carmen by Messina Opera Continued on Page 45

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THEATER

#### **Productions**

"Disney's The Little Mermaid" - Take a dip under the sea with the Andrean Players as they present the musical adaptation of the hit Disney animated film about a mermaid who just wants to be part of our world. When: Through May 22

Where: Andrean Hall, 35-60 158th St., Flushing Website: www.andreanplayers

"Passing Strange" - This autobiographical musical, written by Stew, tells the story of a young African-American artist traveling through Europe on a journey of self-discovery.

When: Through May 21 Where: Little Theatre, LaGuardia Performing Arts Center, 31-10 Thomson Ave., Long Island City

Cost: \$10 Contact: (718) 482-5151 Website: www.lpac.nyc

"The Dining Room" - A. R. Gurney's comedy of manners takes the stage at the Douglas Community Theatre.

The play revolves various families who, at different times, own the same dining room furniture set.

When: Through May 21 Where: Zion Episcopal Church Parish Hall, Church Street and Douglaston Parkway, Douglaston

Cost: \$17/adults, \$15/seniors and students with ID Contact: (718) 482-3332

"The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" - The Astoria Performing Arts Center presents the recent Broadway musical about a group of sixth graders competing to be crowned top speller.

When: Through May 28 Where: APAC, Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, 30-44 Crescent St., Astoria

Cost: \$18/adults, \$12/ students and seniors **Contact:** (718) 706-5750 Website: www.apacny.org



### What's for dinner?

Cast members Daniel Bubbeo (clockwise from I), Annette Daiell, Joseph Pepe, Michael Wolf, Sharon Levine and Adrianne Noroian take a break from rehearsing the Douglaston Community Theatre's production of "The Dining Room." See listing under Productions for details.

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## Your attendance is now requested

Author David Rimmer stages his interactive work 'The Reunion Guy' at LaGuardia College

#### BY KEVIN ZIMMERMAN

For many graduates, the thought of going back for one of those reunions on campus is enough to send them into a downward spiral of could'ves, should'ves and would'ves.

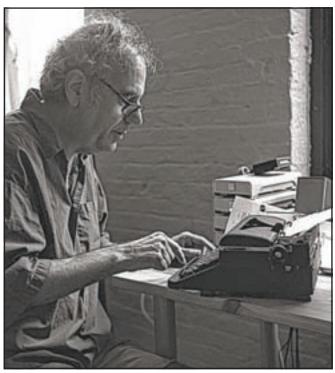
Playwright and LaGuardia Community College professor David Rimmer is not one of those people.

For Rimmer, those gatherings should not be about comparing job titles, summerhome locations or trophy-wife statistics, but instead are best used for rekindling relation-

"Reunions are very important," Rimmer said. "The connections you make at college can be very strong."

Not long ago, Rimmer, who graduated from Amherst College, tagged along with his wife to her class reunion at nearby Smith.

While in Western Massachusetts, he noticed Amherst



Playwright and LaGuardia Community College professor David Rimmer's new play, "The Reunion Guy," will be staged next week on the LIC cam-Photo courtesy David Rimmer

was buzzing with its own alumni weekend.

Although the party was not for his class of 1971, he knew some of the younger guys who had been on campus when he was there, so Rimmer decided to drop in and check things

It got the writer of the Pulitzer Prize-finalist play thinking—can a reunion mean something to a person who did not even attend that school?

He attempts to answer that with his newest play, "The Reunion Guy," which will be staged May 17 at LaGuardia Community College.

Rimmer calls the piece "very scripted and improvisational," which on the surface may not make sense, but dig a little bit and it is clear what he

Similar to the smash Off-Broadway show, "Tony and Tina's Wedding," Rimmer's play puts the audience at the

#### IF YOU GO

"The Reunion Guy"

When: Tuesday, May 17, at

Where: LaGuardia Community College Poolside Café,

Building E, enter on Van Dam Street near 47th Avenue, Long Island City

Cost: Free

Contact: (718) 482-5151

Website: lpac.nyc

center of a college reunion. It begins in the distant future with a 40th reunion for the Class of 2016 at the fictional Windsor College-which is not unlike LaGuardia, the author admits.

Instead of unfolding on a stage, the story is played out everywhere in the room all at once. When audience mem-

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#### Music

#### **Metis Concert Series:** "Music of Moonlight"

 Pianist Nina Siniakova performs a solo concert of works including Beethoven's "Moonlight Sonata," as well as pieces from Cesar Franck,

Robert Schumann, Serge Rachmaninov, James Cohn and her own compositions. When: Saturday, May 14, at

Where: Community Church Little Neck, 46-16 Little Neck Parkway, Little Neck Cost: \$30/general, \$15/

seniors Contact: (718) 229-2534

**Ba Ban Chinese Music** Society of New York - Take a trip "Along the Yangtze River" with pipa virtuoso Zhou Yi, whose instrument is sometimes called the Chinese lute, as she introduce performers of folk dance, musical storytelling and opera.

When: Saturday, May 14, at

Where: Flushing Town Hall, 137-35 Northern Blvd., Flushing

**Cost:** \$16/general admission, \$10/members, seniors and students

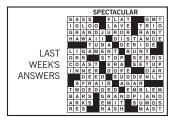
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#### CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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By Ed Canty

### Ritter & Others



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large lot?
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16. Which came first?
19. Storm area
20. Well-grounded
birds?
21. Civics, e.g.
22. Ladder part
23. Algonquian Indian
24. Owns up to

27. Like some photos 31. "... a good

night!' 32. Dog biter

33. Italian monk

34. Post-Thanksgiving meal

38. Fashion letters

39. Granny's other daughter

40. Slangy greetings

41. Mukluk material

44. Like bright nights

45. "Put on it!"

46. Gouge or chisel

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them

6. Accumulate, as a bill

7. Freudian topics

8. Always, in verse

9. Shots on lots 10. Broke ground? 11. Actress Swenson

12. Cribbage markers 15. Pumps and clogs

17. Whistler in the kitchen

18. Bad place for

a frog 22. Jockey shirt material

23. Chin indentation

24. A.B.A. members 25. Drench

26. An ex of the Donald

27. Senator-astronaut

28. "Alas,..." 29. Certain

computer message

30. Full of lip 32. Liquid 35. Washington city

53. Brief guesses? 55. "Apple cider" gal

36. Armed sea

37. Lab container

44. "And what is

46. California

47. Modern info

48. "Great" English

49. Academies: Abbr.

51. Bit of Windows

50. Dance for

plumbers?

dressing?

52. Adorable

border lake

42. Potato pancakes

creatures?

43. Tarts

-- as..."

holders

river

56. Brazilian port

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## Settle in for a good spell at APAC musical

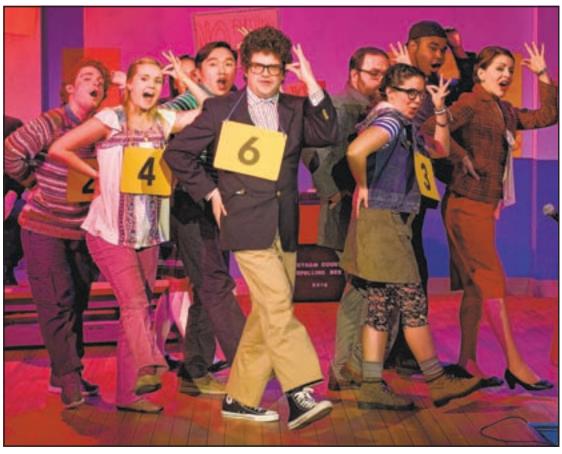
BY KEVIN ZIMMERMAN

During the last decade—well, pre"Hamilton"—Broadway developed a subgenre of seemingly lightweight musicals which touched upon surprisingly deep truths

"Avenue Q" and its Rrated puppetry explored the pain of finding your place in the world. The meta-musical "[title of show]" followed four characters as they saw their dreams come true before the audience's eyes. And "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" how a group of tweens struggle with disappointment and setbacks as they fight to find their voices.

To close its current season, the Astoria Performing Arts Center has mounted a delightful, fun version of "Spelling Bee," with some stellar performances.

As former spelling



The cast of Astoria Performing Arts Center's production of "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" performs one of the show's musical numbers.

Photo courtesy Michael Dekker

#### IF YOU GO

"The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee"

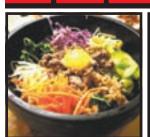
When: Through May 28 Where: Astoria Performing Arts Center, Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, 30-44 Crescent St., Astoria Cost: \$18 Contact: (718) 395-1575

Website: www.apacny.

champion and current emcee, Lindsie VanWinkle beautifully captures the personality of an individual clinging to—and constantly reminding everyone of—her past glories.

VanWinkle also brings a gorgeous singing voice to the stage, especially when pulling double duty as the self-centered, absentee mother of contestant

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## Spelling

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Olive Ostrovsky, an equally glorious Becca Andrews, in "The I Love You Song."

Billy Lowrimore as comfort counselor Mitch Mahoney—who provides a juice box and encouraging words to eliminated spellers—possesses one of the most magnificent singing voices heard on a Queens stage in quite some time.

And, while it would be easy to play Mitch, who is performing the community-service element of his parole at the bee, as a cartoon thug Lowrimore grounds Mitch in reality and finds the humor in the role organically.

Matt Welsh wrings plenty of laughs out of his role as Vice Principal Douglas Panch, who is returning to the bee after some sort of mental breakdown. Welsh also has most of the funniest lines as the official word pronouncer and definition provider. When one of the spellers receives



Billy Lowrimore plays comfort counselor Mitch Mahoney in APAC's production of "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee." Photo courtesy Michael Dekker

the word "cow" and asks for a definition, Welsh responds, "It's a cow."

Director Dev Bondarin keeps the evening humming along with the right mix of straight humor with a side of pathos. She has opted to split the usual one-act show into two with a 10-minute intermission and this new

version works just as well without a loss of momentum.

Tim McMath's set has perfectly nailed the fictional Putnam County's middle school gym/auditorium complete with basketball hoops and championship pennants hanging from the rafters

### Arts

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Contact: (718) 463-7700 Website: www. flushingtownhall.org

#### Music in the Garden: Quintet of the Americas

- The acclaimed group returns with "A Celebration of Nature," featuring works by Duke Ellington, George Gershwin, James Cohn, Villa-Lobos and other works from Latin and South America.

When: Sunday, May 15, at

**Where:** Queens Botanical Garden, 43-50 Main St., Flushing

**Cost:** \$4/adults, \$3/seniors, \$2/students with ID and children over 3

Contact: (718) 886-3800 Website: www. queensbotanical.org

#### Taikoza Concert in the

Park — Taikoza pays tribute to Japanese traditional music with the large Taiko drums and bamboo flutes. When: Friday, May 20, at

When: Friday, May 20, 6 pm

**Where:** Lost Battalion Playground, 93-29 Queens Blvd., Rego Park



### Sounds of China

Pipa performer Zhou Yi leads a program on the Chinese lute celebrating the music and culture of China at Flushing Town Hall this weekend.

See listing under Music for details.

Photo courtesy Jerry Lo

Cost: Free Contact: (718) 263-1163 Website: www.nycgovparks. org

#### FILM

#### And the Beat Goes On: Music Making on Film

 In conjunction with its exhibition about the Ramones, the Queens Museum has planned a nine-week film series exploring the evolution of musical performers on celluloid. On May 18, the film is "Music and Lyrics," starring Hugh Grant and Drew Barrymore.

When: Wednesday, May 18, at 2 pm

Where: Queens Museum, New York City Building, Flushing Meadows Corona Park

**Cost:** Free with museum admission, \$8/adults suggested, \$4/seniors



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Company and a students' opera appreciation presentation of excerpts from the same work. The Queens Symphony Orchestra, the Jamaica Symphony Orchestra and the Queens Festival Orchestra all had scheduled performances.

The 1970s saw Queens' early transformation into an arts and entertainment hub, as the council fostered the development of the Queens Museum of Art, Jamaica Center for Arts and Learning and Colden Center, among other vital institutions.

Great things started happening in 1977, when QCA began to administrate the city Department of Cultural Affairs' Greater New York Arts Development Fund, to which it soon added the New York State Council on the Arts Decentralization Program funds. QCA has always played a key role in directing city, state, federal and private funds to Queens' emerging artists and or-

#### IF YOU GO

Queens Council on the Arts 50th Anniversary Party

**When:** Thursday, May 26, from 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm

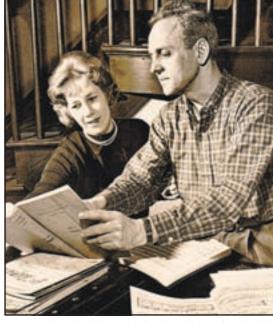
Where: L.I.C. Landing, 52-10 Center Blvd., Long Island City Cost: \$75 - \$125 Website: www. queenscouncilarts.org

ganizations for the benefit of the community.

Serving local communities over the decades, QCA has been an inspiration to thousands of creative New Yorkers and community-based nonprofit organizations who have benefited from its services. More than \$2 million in grants have been awarded to local artists and arts organizations since the Council's inception.

A key element of the council's raison d'etre is supporting diversity in the arts, as it reaches out to emerging immigrant artists who need a helping hand. In recent years, QCA has offered a vari-

bass-baritone



Jeanne Dale Katz with her husband David, who founded the Queens Symphony Orchestra, in an undated photograph.

Photo courtey Office of Queens Borough President Melinda Katz

ety of programming and events, including Project Diversity Queens, the Individual and Teaching Artist Initiatives and the Arts in the Schools grant program.

"Queens Council on the Arts is thrilled to be celebrating 50 years of supporting the arts in Queens at 'FAB@50,' our

50th anniversary dance party on the Long Island City waterfront," Executive Director Hoong Yee Krakauer, said. "Kick off the next 50 years of great art in Queens with local artists, creative professionals, art lovers and people who are part of the growing cultural scene in the borough."

## Reunion

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bers enter the space, each one will be given a name tag. Actors dressed as cater waiters will pass around trays of food and drinks.

As the proceedings get underway, the college bestows the title of "Best Alum" on the main character.

Then, through a series of flashbacks, it becomes clear that this man never attended the school.

The audience learns that years ago this "Reunion Guy" was taking a walk on the Windsor campus and came upon a reunion celebration. He noticed a beautiful woman, immediately fell in love with her, and decided to stick around.

"He is living a simple life," Rimmer said. "Everyone else is obsessed with making money, but he has peace and serenity. And he helps bring out the best in people."

Rimmer categorizes the script as a comedy which touches on issues of life and death, crisscrossing through 75 years.

Actors will stick to the basics of the script, but depending upon interactions with the "reunion attendees," anything could transpire, Rimmer said.

"That's the great thing about theater," Rimmer said. "It is the only [art form] left that you don't know what is going to happen."

The main cast includes 12 speaking roles, comprised of professional actors along with LaGuardia professors and staff members. Students will take on supporting, chorus-type roles and help move the audience to where the action is.

"They're from all disciplines of LaGuardia, including theater majors," Rimmer said, "and people from my English and liberal arts classes, whose major, or at least biggest extracurricular, is adventure."



# Holy Cross is Invited to the 26th Annual Legislative Student Exhibit in Albany

From May 16-18, the 26th Annual Legislative Student Exhibit sponsored by the New York State Art Teachers Association (NYSATA), with the support of the New York State United Teachers (NYSUT), presents the selected work of seniors, Joseph Affatato, Nicholas Aguilar, Rocco Odell, and William Onofre.

The exhibit, which features over 300 pieces of work from grades K-12, will be displayed from Monday to Wednesday, May 16-18 from 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. with the exception of Wednesday, May 18, when the time is 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. The opening reception is scheduled for Wednesday, May 18 from 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. on the third floor terrace of the legislative office building lobby located at: 198 State Street, Albany, New York 12248.

A special thanks to art teachers, Joanna Del Giudice and Angela Liotta for their consistent dedication to art education. Congratulations to our four students on their invitation to this wonderful event!

For more information, please visit: www.nysata.org/legislative-exhibit



Joseph Affatato



Nicholas Aguilar



William Onofre



Rocco Odel

## Holy Cross' 2016 Big East Blast Football Reunion

Eight-years ago, Peter Martin, former football coach at both Cardinal Hayes and Cardinal Spellman High Schools, began the Big East Blast – a celebration which recognizes the eight original schools that formed what is known today as the Catholic High School Football League (CHSFL).

Over 200 former and present football coaches and players are involved in the Big East Blast event and arrive from over 13 states across the nation. These men include many originals who have dedicated themselves to the game that comprises their



very soul - football.

Formed in the 1950s, the CHSFL's foundation was built as a result of many public high schools competing against one another, but not the Catholic institutions. At its beginning, the original eight schools were Archbishop Stepinac High School, Cardinal Hayes High School, Cardinal Spellman High School, Chaminade High School, Holy Cross High School, Iona Preparatory School, Mount Saint Michael



Academy, and St. Francis Preparatory School. Now, decades later, the CHSFL is made up of more than 20 local high schools.

This year's Big East Blast marked the highest turnout for the group. Everyone from original head coaches from Holy Cross' first graduating class in 1959 showed to 2006 alumnus and former Giants wide-receiver for the National Football League (NFL), Kevin Ogletree. Coaches and alumni had a wonderful time reminisc-

ing with lots of laughs at the 2016 Big East Blast. The football fanatics spoke of the glory days on the field and how their love of the game is truly embedded in what makes them who they were and who they have become.

We thank these men for their long-standing commitment to Holy Cross High School and all schools. Additionally, we thank them for expending much of their lives to playing many great games and forming thousands of amazing football players. Well done, gentlemen!

Authored by Dr. Teresa Augustyniak



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#### **Cyclists**

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- Watch out for parked cars. Oftentimes, drivers exit their vehicles and do not check for oncoming traffic or cyclists. You can be hit by a swinging car door.
- Make yourself as noticeable as possible. This could include using a light or horn on the bike to signal your presence to drivers.
- Always wear a helmet and other applicable safety equipment.

- Maintain your bike so that it is safe to ride.
- Do not carry others on your bike (such as a friend or a child) if it is not designed to do so. Riding on the handlebars or behind the cyclist can be dangerous.
- Avoid the use of ear buds or headphones while cycling. You want all of your senses to be available to avoid accidents.
- Cycle out of the way of drivers' blind spots so you'll be more visible.

• Do not ride your bike on the sidewalk where you could injure pedestrians.

#### **Pedestrians**

- Always use sidewalks and crosswalks when available.
   If no sidewalk is present, be sure to walk against the direction of traffic.
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# Sports



Construction shortstop Lizul Portugal had two hits and four RBI in a

## Red Hawks rack up the runs at Bayside

BY TROY MAURIELLO

The Construction offense celebrated Cinco de Mayo with a hit parade.

In a matchup featuring the top two softball teams in the PSAL Queens A Division, the Red Hawks scored early and often en route to a decisive 14-0 run-rule victory over host Bayside May 5.

"It was very good, because we score right from the beginning and kind of demoralize teams, so that's something we've been working on," Construction coach Marco Migliaccio said.

The win clinched a ninthstraight division championship for Construction over the A and B leagues as the young Red Hawks continue to exceed expectations this season. They will once again go into the postseason seemingly playing their best soft-

Shortstop Lizul Portugal went 2-for-2 with a pair of walks and a game-high four RBI. She played a big role in Red Hawks rallies in both the first and third innings. Construction jumped right on the board in the first with a seven-run opening frame, sending 11 batters to the plate.

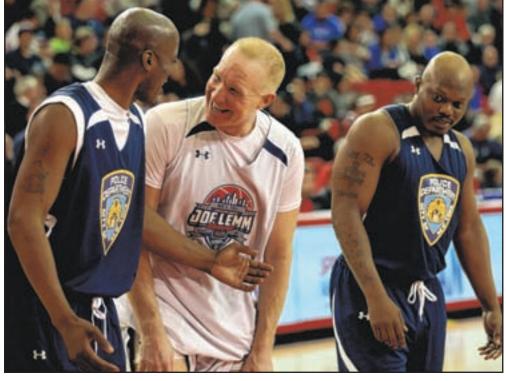
"As soon as we jumped on them, that took off the pressure, so... it makes it easier for our pitcher so she doesn't have as much stress on her," Portugal said.

Portugal got the scoring going with a double that plated catcher Kassandra Granobles, and that sparked a string of five straight batters reaching base for Construc-

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## A salute to a hero

St. John's hosts charity game for fallen detective



St. John's coach Chris Mullin (c) laughs with NYPD players during a foul shot.

Photo by Gina Palermo

#### BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Boomer Esiason kept the purpose for the night close to his heart.

Hanging from the CBS Sports football analyst and WFAN morning show personality's neck was a dog tag with Detective Joe Lemm's face on the front. The dog tag was given to him by Lemm's widow, Christine.

The inscription on the back included the date of Lemm's death and his line of duty with the military, along with the words "Heroes Live Forever." Lemm also assisted at Ground Zero after 9/11.

"Just sitting with Christine and talking about the whole thing, what her life has been like since Joe's death, brought me back to 9/11 and how many people we lost that day," Esiason said. "When you hear her voice, you just realize this is a great, great loss."

Carton wanted to help remember the life and help the famly of the former NYPD detective and Air National Guard member, who was killed on Dec. 21 when a suicide bomber rammed a motorcycle packed with explosives into his patrol car in Afghanistan. The duo, along with St. John's men's basketball coach Chris Mullin, hosted a celebrity basketball game in front of a crowd of 3,000 at Carnesecca Arena May 6 with all proceeds benefiting the Lemm family.

"Joe Lemm was a hero," said Esiason, who coached the celebrity team. "He was an American hero... So you can imagine what this loss means to his family and means to the family of the NYPD."

The 45-year-old Lemm, nicknamed Superman, did three tours of duty overseas and spent 15 years in the NYPD. He was known to play plenty of hoops with his Esiason and co-host Craig friends and colleagues.

His daughter Brooke sung the National Anthem and his son Ryan was carried on the shoulders of former Knicks center Herb Williams for a dunk before the game. Families of other NYPD officers who died in the line of duty were also on hand.

Mullin said hosting an event like this was natural for him, coming from a family with deep roots in the NYPD and FDNY and being part of a St. John's community with ties to blue-collar workers and those communities.

"When you see these stories, these are just regular hard working guys providing for their families and they are protecting us."

A host of celebrities and former athletes came out to support the cause and participate in the game against a team of police officers. The celebrity team included former New York Giants Justin Tuck and

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## Terriers win crucial game over Fontbonne

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Resiliency has been the defining characteristic of St. Francis Prep's season and it served the team well again in a game it had to win.

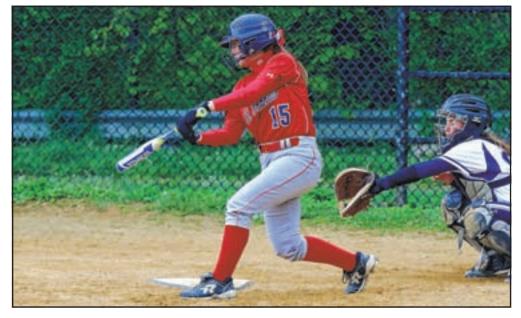
Each time it appeared that the Terriers, who began the league season with three straight losses, had taken control of the game, Fontbonne Hall scored a half-inning later. The Bonnies even led by a run heading to the top of the fifth, but St. Francis Prep never gave in.

It just kept scoring.

"We kept hitting. We kept getting those runs, hit after hit," said senior center fielder Taylor Russo, who was on base three times, drove in two and scored twice.

The Terriers scored three runs in the fifth and six more in the sixth to pull away for an important 15-11 victory over the Bonnies in CHSAA Brooklyn/Queens softball at Dyker Beach Park Tuesday. St. Francis Prep collected 15 hits on the afternoon.

"It shows how hard we are working and how badly we want to win," said sophomore second baseman Sarah Williams, who went 3-for-5 with



St. Francis Prep second baseman Sarah Williams drove in four runs during a win over Fontbonne Hall. Photo by Steven Schnibbe

three hits, four RBI and run

The win keeps SFP (4-4), which has won four of its last five games, in contention for a division title or earning second place outright with a win over Archbishop Molloy in its season finale.

"I'm glad they didn't get into a funk after the 0-3 start," St. Francis Prep coach Anne

Marie Rich said. "You would have expected from that kind of slump they would have just given up. They didn't give up."

Williams' two-RBI single capped the six-run sixth that put the Terriers up for good at 15-7. They collected four hits in the frame, including a runscoring single for Alyssa Siess (two hits and two runs scored)

and double from Russo that plated two. Williams, who has not played like an underclassman all season, also drove in runs in the third and fourth.

'We look at her as one of us [the upperclassmen]," Russo said. "She's a great hitter."

St. Francis Prep, which also got three runs scored from Rebecca Colak, struggled to hold leads before that. SFP was ahead 4-0 after the top of the third—a frame that saw four runs on five hits, including four straight against Bonnies ace Bianca Marlettaand 6-4 going to the bottom of the fourth. Miranda Cintron, who was on base four times, chipped in three hits, an RBI and two runs scored.

Fontbonne (4-4) rallied each time against Monica Zhivanaj. The Bonnies scored four times in the third, tying the score at 4-4, and three more in the fourth to grab a 7-6 advantage. Rich stuck with her ace at the behest of catcher Brianna Baglino. Moving forward, the senior allowed a three-run homer in the sixth to Marletta and a single run in the seventh to nail down the win.

"We were going to pull her and Baglino said leave her be," Rich said. "I'm going to go with my catcher."

The Terriers see the win as a chance to build some momentum heading into the doubleelimination playoffs that start next week. Their slow start is long behind them.

"It's impressive for us," Williams said. "We didn't start out well this season and then we are coming back.'

## For this season's Mets, the best is yet to come



Joseph Staszewski **Block** Shots

The Mets have picked up right where they left off after a trip to the World Series, but while there are few reasons to be extra optimistic about the Amazin's chances this season, things still look pretty good.

The Mets pitching depth is already a factor: Matt Harvey and Jacob deGrom have obviously felt the effects of the heavy workload through the playoffs-the largest of both of their careers-and have had disjointed early seasons thanks to injuries, illness and a baby for deGrom.

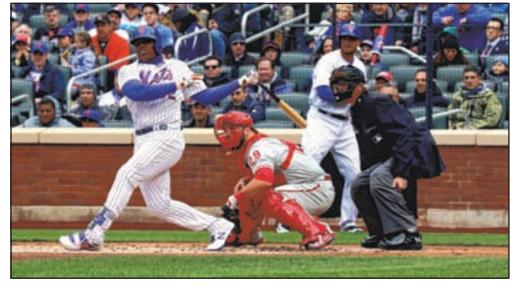
Still, their slow starts haven't been much of a factor thanks to the emergence of Noah Syndergaard and Steven natural aggressiveness—and

Matz, who both threw considerably less than the other two last season. Matz is 5-1 with a 2.86 ERA

and has been stellar since a shaky first start. Syndergaard is 2-2 with an 2.58 ERA and has 49 strikeouts in 38.1 innings. In addition, Bartolo Colonwell-he's just been Bartolo, as consistent as they come. All of that has taken some pressure off Harvey and deGrom, who appear to be rounding into form. We may see the Mets rotation running on all cylinders soon.

Yoenis Cespedes is a better hitter now than he was at any point last season: The slugger's wild swings found more air than ball during the World Series against the Royals. His .150 average and six strikeouts were one of the bigger reasons why the Mets order scuffled.

To Cespedes' credit, he's adjusted by working with hitting coach Kevin Long. He is being more selective—against his



Mets center fielder Yoenis Cespedes is much improved from last season and off to an MVP-like start.

Photo by Steven Schnibbe

the results are easy to see. He has only struck out 21 times in his 16 games, and has blasted six home runs and collected 17 RBI over his last 13 contests. His play, as much as Michael Conforto's, has really made Asdrubal Cabrera and that is

the Mets' lineup click.

The Mets' middle-infield defense is the best in more than a decade: There is nothing flashy about second baseman Neil Walker and shortstop

OK. The duo make the routine plays look exactly that, turn the double play well and have added range that will save Mets' pitchers plenty of outs and extra pitches. Both are Continued on Page 52

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## Holy Cross struggles in loss to Xaverian

BY JOSEPH STASZEWSKI

Pitching has been Holy Cross's biggest constant and strength this season, but has struggled to couple it with the other aspects of the games when playing against the elite teams in CHSAA bseball. The deficiencies were again evident against division leader Xaverian.

"We have struggled defensively all year," Knights coach Steven Adams said. "Today again we threw a run away and we really haven't hit all year."

The Clippers, who had just five hits and eight base runners, scored all of their runs with the help of the stolen base in a 3-1 victory over Holy Cross in CHSAA Brooklyn/Queens baseball in Bay Ridge May 5. It gave Xaverian the rubber game and its second victory by two runs over the Knights. Cross (7-6) had won six of seven before that.

We started slow. We got hot for a few weeks and now we struggled again this week," said Adams, who wants his

pitchers to hold runners better. "Hopefully, we can turn it around next week."

His ace Patrick Morrissey, who beat Xaverian (11-3) in the first meeting, allowed just four hits and a walk over five innings of work, yet found himself down 1-0 after the first. Phoenix Hernandez, who singled, stole second and third and came around to score on a Daniel Ryan sac fly. The hardthrowing Morrissey settled down from there, getting aggressive inside and throwing his curveball for strikes.

"He is going to go after you," Adams said. "He doesn't know what dial it down means."

The junior got a big double play to wiggle out of a jam in the fourth, but ran into trouble in the fifth on a cold, damp and drizzly day. The Clippers scored twice in the frame. They collected two singles, three stolen bases and an errant throw to third that brought home Joe Gallo. Joseph Scaramuzzino's RBI single made it 3-0.

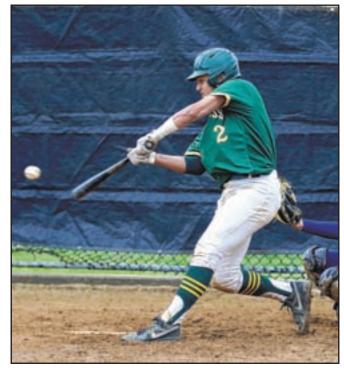
"The ball was hard to grip late in that inning," Morrissey

He got little support from the Knights' lineup, which managed just four hits and squandered some early opportunities to get on the board. Holy Cross left two men on with no outs in the first against Xaverian starter Christian Allegretti. Reliever Shamus Connolly came on and struck out Matt Morgan to leave two more runners on the bases in the third with his team up just

"If we get a single right there, the game is totally different," Morrissey said.

The Knights' lone run came against Alex Passarella in the top of the seventh, when a catcher's interference call scored Charlie Peponakis, who was hit by a pitch, from third. Holy Cross had the tying run on first with two outs, but Passarella got Shawn Harrison to fly out to short to end the game.

Harrison was on base twice and leading off in the sixth was robbed of a double on a stellar defensive play from Xaverian third baseman Pedro Fortoso. His team sits two games back



Holy Cross third baseman Shawn Harrison was on base twice in a loss to Xaverian. Photo by Steven Schnibbe

of second place in the loss column in the division, but feels it has proven it can play with league," Morrissey said

"By the end of the year, we can be a top team in the

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## Mets host youth camp



Big leaguer!: A St. Athanasius Little Leaguer goes to bat under hands-on instruction from New York Mets' Assistant Hitting Coach Pat Roessler during a youth baseball clinic at Citi Field. SportsNet New York

#### BY SHAVANA ABRUZZO

They were Amazin'!

Budding knuckleballers got tips from the top about how to improve their salads and salamis —while moonstruck moms and dads cooed and clapped from the bleachers when the New York Mets held a youth baseball clinic April 30 at Citi Field.

Former pitcher Nelson Figueroa teamed up with infielder Wilmer Flores, pitcher Logan Verrett, bench coach Dick Scott, and assistant hitting coach Pat Roessler to instruct and boost aspiring aces from St. Athanasius Little League in Brooklyn, leaving the pint-sized players and their parents with lasting memories, said the league director. "We loved the fact that the coaches and players took time out to give back," said Pat Lawler. "They were great, and it was a day we'll never for-

The Amazins' conducted pitching, hitting, and fielding drills as part of the Play Ball community partnership be-

tween the New York Mets and SportsNet New York, which also awards grants, donates equipment, and creates volunteer opportunities to turn kids' baseball dreams into major-league reality.

Sharing his know-how with the next generation was a winwin for Figueroa, who pitched for the Mets from 2008 to 2009, and is now a studio analyst for SportsNet New York's pre- and postgame shows.

"A price can't be placed on seeing the Mets players and Lawler said.

coaches up close at Citi Field." said the Coney Island-born exhurler who attended Lincoln High School. "It is a unique experience that they will talk about for the rest of their

SportsNet New York will air some of the day's footage during Play Ball Week on May 20, providing yet another home-run moment for the St. Athanasius community.

"We'll be watching the show in the coaches room,"



Haulers!: Bench coach Dick Scott plays to a crowd of eager catchers. SportsNet New York

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## Red Hawks

Continued from Page 49 tion to give the Red Hawks a 5-0 lead.

After the streak was broken, left fielder Kayla Steele drove in one more with an RBI triple, and she then came around to score on a single from Granobles, her second hit of the inning.

Once the first inning fireworks concluded, Construction extended its lead to 9-0 with two more in the second. From there, a five-run third inning put the run rule into effect.

In that third, all of the Red Hawks' scoring came from the long ball. A threerun shot from Portugal made it 12-0, and a two-run homer three batters later from third baseman Unique Salas completed the scoring. Bayside fell to 8-3.

Construction starter Claudia Migliaccio was effective through a complete-game shutout win. Working with such a large lead, she pitched to contact and struck out just four in five innings. She allowed two hits and three total base runners.

"That [the seven-run first estly."

inning] helped me a lot actually, because that put in my mind that we had this game," she said. "As long as I just hold them, keep them down, then we should be good.

The Red Hawks (12-1) have now won 11 straight league games since an 8-3 loss to Tottenville March 30. But the young Red Hawks and their coach still know that there are improvements to be made if they are to make another run at a city title.

When asked if his team was playing the best that it could at this point in the season, Marco Migliaccio was a bit cautious.

"Not yet. It's getting there, it's getting close, but not yet,' he said.

For all of their humility, the young Red Hawks still have to feel as though they have already met or exceeded their expectations this year, but now their focus is shifting towards making some noise in the postseason.

"I feel like we have the potential to make it all the way," Portugal said. "But that's only if we're playing our best and we're playing together, offense and defense. I'm smelling final four, hon-

### Lemm

Continued from Page 49 Tiki Barber, former Mets and SJU star John Franco, tennis great John McEnroe as well as Williams. Boomer and Carton's celebrity team beat the NYPD 66-61, with Mullin making two free throws in the final 1:30 to put his team up for good.

"It shows the great side of New Yorkers," Mullin said. "Guys from all different sports [coming together.]"

They did so to support the memories of a hero, those he loved and those with whom he helped protect the city.

"We are just honoring this man, who gave his life, left behind a wife and two kids, and there is no greater sacrifice than that," Carton said. "We are going to make sure people remember Joe, the way he probably wanted to be remembered as a great guy who likes to play basketball with his buddies on the

## **Block Shots**

Continued from Page 50 quality hitters as well.

But all is not rosy in Queens, despite the team being off to a 20-12 start after Tuesday night's 3-2 loss to the Dodgers. Catcher Travis d'Arnaud still appears to be brittle and injury-prone and teams—after seeing the Royals do it in the World Seriesare trying to run all over him. The team's starting pitcher's inability to hold on runners doesn't help.

You can even complain that the Mets hit too many home runs and haven't scored enough runs, by stringing together hits or small ball. It's style we saw the Mets conquer last postseason against

The good signs have far outweighed the bad early and you get the sense the Mets are still a bit away from playing at peak performance.

The Amazin's have been exactly that so far and are a better team than the one that nearly won it all last Octo-

## Throgs neck

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Grand Central Parkway will have \$5.5 million put towards making repairs sustain from snow removal and harsh winter conditions. Milling and repaving will take place at the Long Island Expressway and 111th Street, and eastbound between Clearview Expressway and Union Turnpike. These sections are set to be completed by the end of the year.

"Every winter leaves behind damaged roads and it is Driscoll said.

vital that New York's response is expedient and focused on where it is needed most. Motorists in my district will appreciate the improvements made and be safer as a result." State Sen. Tony Avella (D-Bayside) said.

DOT Commissioner Matthew Driscoll said the Cuomo's efforts to maintain roads statewide are part of a bigger attempt to keep New York competitive economically.

"Roadway upgrades like these keep people and commerce moving, and both are essential to a strong economy," Driscoll said Councilman Barry Grodenchik (D-Oakland Gardens) recognized the specific value of road repairs to his district.

"The repair and resurfacing of state highways is great news, and I am very grateful for Gov. Cuomo's dedication to eastern Queens" Grodenchik said. "These improvements will make travel safer and more convenient for the thousands of New Yorkers who traverse these roads each day."

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## Queens Blvd

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ing a protected lane for cyclists. Achieving Vision Zero means protecting the lives of everyone on our streets, whether they are walking, in a wheelchair, in a car or a bike. We are committed to ending the senseless loss of life on our streets, and there is no more potent symbol of that transformation than Queens Boulevard. Working together, we will close the book on the Boulevard of Death and make this roadway a Boulevard of Life."

CB4 had no further comment following the mayor's action. Cycling advocates were thrilled with the mayor's decree.

Transportation Alternatives, which points to DOT figures that show cycling in the city has increased 320 percent since 1990, had dozens of members in the ballroom.

"Mayor de Blasio has shown true Vision Zero leadership by restating his strong commitment to protected bike lanes on Queens Boulevard and clarifying that the DOT will move forward despite efforts by some community board members to undermine the safety project," TA Executive Director Paul Steely White said, calling into

question CB4's logic in leaving the bike lanes out of the second phase.

Rego Park resident Peter Beadle, a TA member and frequent cyclist on Queens Boulevard, shouted "you're going to get me killed" when the board voted.

"The mayor's decision will save lives," Beadle said. "The bike lane is an important component. Stats show when you put in a bike lane, everyone is safer because you create a road where drivers slow down and pay more attention."

Queens Bike Initiative, which advocates for bike lanes across the borough, was thankful for the mayor's maneuver.

"Queens Boulevard is a major transportation and commercial artery in our borough, and we believe that by including bike lanes in the DOT's plan, the city is acknowledging the larger social and economic benefit of providing cost-effective and safe transportation routes for cyclists," they said in a statement.

Jamaica resident Lizi Rahman held a rally on Queens Boulevard right before the CB4 vote, at the spot where her 22-year-old son Asif was struck and killed by a truck. She would campaign for a bike lane on the boulevard for the next eight years.

"I didn't stay for the vote, but when I heard about it this morning I was devastated. It broke my heart into pieces," Rahman said. "But then the mayor's office told me what he was doing and I was overjoyed. I'm so happy that all of the struggles and hard work during the last eight years wouldn't be overturned by those silly people."

With her son's bike lanes safe, Rahman is looking to support Mujeres en Movimiento, a mother's group battling CB4's resistance to a bike lane on 111th Street along the west side of Flushing Meadows Corona Park. On Saturday, 111 of the mothers stopped traffic on 111th Street for 111 seconds to create a symbolic "safe space" for their children, relatives, friends and neighbors to safely cross the dangerous street.

"We would like to see protected bike lanes where we don't feel afraid to ride our bikes with our children," Mujeres en Movimiento founder Veronica Ramirez said. "It is not a great sacrifice to reduce the number of car lanes on this street. Those that are protecting the high number of car lanes are forgetting about the potential cost in terms of lives lost, and the suffering of those that lose a loved one because of a crash."

## Street car

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Construction on the streetcar is not expected to begin until 2019 and it won't be up and running until 2024. Planning is still it the early stages and the EDC wants more public input with more visioning sessions scheduled over the next two months in neighborhoods along the route.

"I am excited to see the interest from our community and hear their input for the Brooklyn-Queens Connector," City Councilman Costa Constantinides (D-Astoria) said. "This visioning session helped to ensure our residents participate in the process from the beginning and have a voice in shaping this potential network. As we imagine a 21st

century streetscape and seek innovative transit solutions to better connect our waterfront, we must weave this project into the fabric of who were are as a community."

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## Spa castle

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To reopen Spa Castle had to submit a revised and updated safety plan, correct its violations, provide a proof of certification and train staff in the new safety plan, demonstrate sufficient staffing levels, pass a full inspection and adhere to Health Code engineering requirements, the spokesman said.

The spokesman also said the spa's Manhattan location is open and that no violations were found during the most recent inspection conducted Jan. 25.

Avella said the task force would be made up of relevant city agencies.

"The Health Department did shut them down, has come up with protocols, which is nice, but we cannot trust Spa Castle to self-monitor itself because they've been shown to consistently violate the regulations," he said.

The senator said he has been asking for the task force to be created for the past two years but has yet to receive a response from Mayor Bill de Blasio.

"It just boggles the mind that Mayor de Blasio doesn't seem to care," Avella said.

In March, Spa Castle CEO Steve Chon wrote a letter to the spa's guests noting that the spa was instituting a series of improved policies and procedures, including adjusting opening hours to 8 a.m. from 6 a.m., strengthening enforcement of the zero-tolerance policy on intoxication and increasing surveillance of the spa pool areas with more staffing.

He also said the spa was making a handful of upgrades to the facility's infrastructure and that most of the facility would be complete and ready to open by March 16.

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"I'm sorry I didn't bring a board," he said during the meeting. "This is the best that I have, I have elevations that show what the front of the house is going to look like, inside of the house and the back of the house."

But CB7 First Vice Chairman Chuck Apelian was not sympathetic.

"So much for the apology. It's not going to make any difference," Apelian said. "It's his problem when he gets to the BSA (city Board of Standards and Appeals). It's just disrespect at this point."

The attorney told TimesLedger after the meeting that his client thought an elevation—a black and white schematic of what the house would look like—was sufficient. He also said that during the meeting, he asked if anyone wanted to see the elevation but because there were so many followup questions, nobody ended up tak-

ing a copy.

David Schnakenberg, general counsel for the BSA, said the decision on whether to approve the proposal has been deferred to June 21 unless there is a change of circumstances.

The application is now with the BSA, which he said will be making a decision on whether to approve the proposal within the next month.

"Sometimes we'll draft a document and there'll be an error and we'll fix it," he said, referring to confusion over the number of homes.

Nacmias said the misunderstanding likely stemmed from the fact that he did not bring a visual outline of the plan.

"The confusion, I guess, was there weren't any visuals so it was hard for people to picture what was going on," Nacmias said.

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Z22-01 Jamaica Avenue LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 4/12/16. Office location: Queens. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Nassr Essa, 116-12 149th Ave., South Ozone Park, NY 11420. General purpose.

46-10 11TH Street LLC, currently known as 46-20 11TH Street LLC, a domestic LLC, filled with the SSNY on 12/22/2004. Office location: Queens. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC, 46-20 11TH St., Long Island City, NY 11101. General purpose.

747E187 LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/05/2016. Office loc: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 40-30 167th Street, Flushing, NY 11358. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

Bear Steel Holding LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 011/20/2015. Office location: Queens. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Law Office of Jimmy C Solomos, 3308 Broadway, Astoria, NY 11106. General purpose.

PROPERTY THREE, Arts. of Org. filed the SSNY on with 12/17/2004. Office Queens County SSNY has been designate upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail to: The LLC, havenue, 144-10 Roosevelt Avenue, Attn: Steven Krumholz Flushing, Purpose: Purpose. Any Lawful

BLUE STAR NYC ENTERPRISES, LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/14/16. Office: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 15-83 208th Street, Bayside, NY 11360. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

EM Training & Quanty Improvement LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY 3/23/16. Office location: Queens. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC, 100-11 67th Rd., unit 616, Forest Hills, NY 11375 General purpose

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HAROLD STARK 91-35 LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 3/28/2016. Queens Co. Office SSNY design agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy process to c/o Sontag & Hyman PC, 69 Roslyn Rd., Roslyn Heights, NY 11577 Any Principal purpose. business location: 197-30 Jamaica Queens, NY 11423

Journey Forward, LLC
Arts of Org filed with Secy.
of State of NY (SSNY) on
1/10/15. Office in Queens
Co. SSNY desig. agent of
LLC upon whom process
against it may be served &
shall mail process to
Duane R Moore,
130-22 150th St, Jamaica,
NY 11436. Purpose:
General.

Lifetime Building
Management LLC Arts of
Org filed with NY Sec of
State (SSNY) on 3/31/16.
Office: Queens County,
SSNY designated as agent
of LLC upon whom process
may be served. SSNY shall
mail process to:
35-16 154th St, Flushing,
NY 11354. General
Purposes.

Notice of Formation of 1339CH LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/19/16. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 13-39 College Point, NY 11356. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of 264 ESSEX STREET REALTY LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/31/16. Office location: Queens County. Princ. office of LLC: 114-14 14th Rd., College Point, NY 11356. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of formation of 4845 58 LANE, LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/7/16. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to: 48-45 58th Lane, Woodside, NY 11377. Purpose: any lawful act.

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Notice of Formation of JDS11, LLC, a domestic LLC. Arts. of Org. filled with the SSNY on 04/06/16. Office location: QUEENS County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: The LLC, 167-41 147TH AVENUE JAMAICA NY 11434. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: NYCTADO Articles Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York 01/05/2016. Office county. on Office location: SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: JEA FRANCOIS 208-05 JEAN AVENUE **QUEENS** VILLAGE Purpose: any lawful

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been designated as agent
upon whom process may
be serviced and shall mail
copy of process against
LLC to: 39-01 MAIN ST.,
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11354. Principal business
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Notice of Formation of Wanshida Realty LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 03/30/2016. Office Location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 161-01 Station Rd Apt 2, Flushing, NY 11358. Purpose: any lawful

Notice of Qualification of Interblock USA L.C. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 3/7/16. Office location: Queens County. LLC organized in NV on 5/15/02. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: CT Corporation 111 8th Ave., NY, c/o CT System, NY 10 NY 10011, regd. agent upon whom process may served. NV and principal business address: 711 Pilot Rd., Suite A, Las Vegas, NV 89119. Cert. of Org. filed with NV Sec. of State, 202 N. Carson St., Carson City, NV 89701. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

Risk Management
Services LLC, a domestic
LLC, filed with the SSNY
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Wright Way Care LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 3/15/16. Office location: Queens. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC, c/o Conza & Mcnamara LLC, 94-01 101 Ave., Ozone Park, NY 11416. General purpose.

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of State of NY (SSNY) on
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LLC upon whom process
against it may be served &
shall mail process to 147
Beatrice Ave, Oceanside,
NY 11572. Purpose:
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SSNY on 01/12/16. Office:
Queens County. SSNY
designated as agent of the
LLC upon whom process
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process to the LLC, 32-75
Steinway Street, Suite 211,
Astoria, NY 11103.
Purpose: Any lawful
purpose.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Queens County on APR 06 2016, bearing Index Number NC-001285-15/QU, a copy which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk located at 89-17 Sutphin Jamaica, New Boulevard. 11435, grants me the right to: Assume the name of (First) MOHAMMAD (First) MOHAMMAD ) RAFI. My present e is (First) MD (Last) AKA MOHAMMAD (Last) RAFI FI. My present address 90-39 201St Street RAFI. Hollis, NY 11423-2710. My place of birth is place of birth is BANGLADESH My date of birth is October 28, 1997.

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JAVIN (Last) SHIVCHARAN (infant). My address is 139th Street, VY 11436-1210 present 116-22 Jamaica, NY My place of birth is QUEENS, NY. My date of birth is May 01, 2012. birth is May 01, 2012.

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Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, duly entered in the Queens County Clerk's Office on 07/16/2014, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Queens County Supreme Court, 8811 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, NY in Courtroom #25 on 6/17/2016 at 10:00 am, premises known as 10139 126th Street, Richmond Hill, New York 11419, and described as follows:

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Dated: 4/11/2016 GNS

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Defendant(s)

NAZMA B. KHAN, SHAMEENA KHAN, NASEEM B. BEEN, SHADIA N. FAROOQ, et

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated December 09 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction in Queens Courthouse in Courtroom # Boulevard, Jamaica, York, on June 03, 2016 at 10:00AM, premises known as 76-04 97TH AVENUE, OZONE PARK, NY 11416. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the improvements erected situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Queens, City and State of New York, BLOCK 9048, LOT 2. Approximate of amount amount of judgment \$398,253.53 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 17891/10. Kerry J. Katsorhis, Esq.

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

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT
COUNTY OF QUEENS
HSBC BANK USA,
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
AS TRUSTEE FOR
DEUTSCHE ALT-A

SECURITIES MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, 2007-1, Plaintiff **AGAINST** ELTON JACOBS, et al., Defendant(s) Foreclosure and Sale duly dated January 06, 2016 I, referred and Sale duly dated January 106, 2016 I, referred to at 150 the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Queens Count Courthouse in Courtroom 88-11 Boulevard, Jamaica, York, on May 20, 2016 at 10:00AM, premises known as 118-07 14TH ROAD, COLLEGE POINT, NY 11356. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings improvements

situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Queens, City and State of New York, BLOCK 4053, LOT 3. Approximate amount of judgment \$1,044,351.47 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 20432/13. Kerry J. Katsorhis, Esq.,

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

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT
COUNTY OF QUEENS
WELLS FARGO BANK,
N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR
THE HOLDERS OF
SASCO 2007-MLN1.

Plaintiff
AGAINST
MIHAELA MEDINA, et al.,

Queens

Defendant(s)
Pursuant to a Judgment of
Foreclosure and Sale duly
dated May 15, 2008 I, the
undersigned Referee will
sell at public auction at the

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Courthouse # 25, County Courtroom Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica. May 27, 2016 at 10:00AM, premises known as 80-03 95TH AVENUE OZONE 11416. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, and improvements elected, situate, lying and being in the City of Ozone Park, Borough and County of Queens, City and State of New York, BLOCK 9006, LOT 27. Approximate Approximate of amount of judgment \$457,480.76 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 23137/07. T. Kerins, Esq. Richard Referee Gross Polowy, LLC Attorney for Plaintiff

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Williamsville, NY 14221

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compliance Federal and New State laws, The Grand Rehabilitation and Nursing discriminate based upor race, creed, color, age, national origin, sex, sexual preference, disability, marital status, handicap, veteran status, or any other sponsorship, or source of payment in the admission, or care of any individual.

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Action to Foreclose Mortgage Index #: 708163/2015. Mortgaged 102nd Street. Corona, New York 11368. BL #: 1974 – 34 FKA P/O 33 & 39. Supplemental Summons and Notice of Object of Action Supreme Court of the State of New York. County of Queens WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. Plaintiff. Al GU ZHANG if living, and if he/she be dead, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action. such unknown being herein described and persons generally intended to be included in wife. widow. husband. widower, heirs at law, next kin. descendants executors, administrators, devisees. legatees creditors committees, lienors, and of such and anv deceased. persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators legatees, devisees, trustees committees, lienors, and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as

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are unknown to Xiu Zhu Zhang, stated, Plaintiff; Mortgage E.R DBI/ASG Holdings, LLC, E.R. HoldingS LLC, Heritage Asset Management INC. as Assignee in Interest to MBNA America Bank, N.A., New York Environmental Control Board. New York Parking Violations Bureau, People of the State of New United America Acting Through the IRS John Doe (being fictitious, the names unknown to Plaintiff intended to persons or corporations having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the property described in the complaint or their heirs at distributees, executors, administrators. trustees, assignees, guardians, creditors or

successors), Defendant(s). above named Defendant:

You are hereby summoned to answer the Complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served Supplemental Summons, notice of to serve notice of appearance, the Plaintiff(s) attorne attornev(s) within twenty days after the service of Supplemental Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service complete this Supplemental Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York). In case of your York). In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

The attorney for Plaintiff has an office for business in the County of Erie. Trial to be held be held in the

County of Queens.
The basis of the venue designated above is the location of the Mortgaged Premises.

Gu Zhang Defendant in this Action. foregoing Supplemental Summons

with Notice is served upon by t to an vou publication pursuant to an order of HON. Cheree A. Buggs of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, dated the Eleventh day of April, 2016 and filed with the Complaint in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Queens, in the City Jamaica.

The object of this action is to foreclose a mortgage upon the described below, executed by Ai Gu Zhang and Xiu Zhu Zhang dated April 5, 2004, to secure the sum of \$499,000.00 and recorded at CRFN 204000360224 in the Office of the City Register of the City of New York, Queens County, on June 18, 2004.

The property in question is described as 102nd Corona, NY 11368.

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company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how

protect your property.
Sending a payment to you mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY PLAINTIFF FOR THE (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE

answer the summons and

COURT. Dated: April 14, 2016 Gross Polowy, LLC Attorney(s) For Plaintiff(s) 1775 Wehrle Drive Suite 100

Suite 100
Willamsville, N.Y. 14221
The law firm of Gross
Polowy, LLC and the
attorneys whom it employs are debt collectors who are attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained by them will be used for that purpose.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL

SUMMONS
Plaintiffs Address: 888 E.
Walnut Street Pasadena, CA 91101 Tο Action Foreclose Mortgage Property QUEENS Situated In SUPREME COURT

THE STATE OF YORK COUNTY OF QUEENS

OneWest Bank N.A.. Plaintiffs -against-

Martin. Edris Antonio A Martin, and all the heirs at next of distributees, devisees, grantees, trustees, lienors, creditors, assignees and successors in interest of any of the aforesaid defendants at law, next of kin, distributees, devisees grantees, trustees, lienors grantees, trustees, liertors, creditors, assignees and successors in interest of the aforesaid classes of persons, if they or any of them be dead, and their respective husbands, wives or widows, if any, all of whom and whose names and places of residence unknown to plaintiff, except as herein stated, Secretary of Urban Housing and Criminal Development, Court of the City of New York, City of New York Adjudication York State of Taxation Transit New Bureau, Department of Compliance Division-C.O. ATC, Internal Reve Service-United States America Quincy Austin, Leomi Mars, Clifton Austin, Anthony Austin, Austin, Defendants.

**ABOVE** DEFENDANTS: HEREBY SUMMONED SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer, or if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a

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Summons exclusive of the day of service or within (30) days after completion where service is made in any other manner than by personal delivery within the State. In case of your failure to appear answer, judgment will be taken against for you the bv demanded Complaint.
TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: foregoing Sur served upon Summons publication pursuant to Order of the Hon. Valerie Brathwaite Nelson, a Brathwaite Brathwaite Nelson, a Justice of the Supreme Court, Queens County, entered Mar. 9, 2016 and filed with the complaint and other papers in the Queens County Clerk's Office. THE OBJECT OF THE ACTION is to foreclose a mortgage recorded in the Queens County Office of the Register on August 4, CRFN#2006000443269, covering premises known as 114-52 145th Street, Jamaica, NY 11436 a/k/a Block 11974, Lot 31. 11436 a/k/a YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME If you do not respond to this summons and this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to information on answer the summons and protect your property.
Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR (MORTGAGE **PLAINTIFF** COMPANY) THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. Dated: Carle Place, New March 21, 2016 Mojdeh Malekan, Esq. Roth. Wiener & Stein. Attornevs for Plaintiff One Óld Suite 113 Óld Country Road, Carle Place, New 11514 (516)-742-1212 66965/INDY-FF STATE OF SUPREME OF NEW COUNTY OF THE YORK

QUEENS 705090/2015 INDEX FILED: 3/17/2016 SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS AND NOTICE Plaintiff designates Queens County as the place of trial Venue is based upon the County in which the wnich writing which premises situated. HSBC EUSA, N ^ N.A., TRUSTEE INDENTURE FOR THE RENOTEHOLDERS REGISTERED If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage after the service of the C H R I S T O P H E R

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JOHNSON CRYSTAL JOHNSON, Unknown heirs at law of GAIL JOHNSON, and if they be dead, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or generally or specific lien upon the real property described in this action: such unknown persons being herein described generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at descendants. executors. administrators, legatees. creditors. committees lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbangs, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, administrators, executors, administrators, devisees. legatees creditors. trustees lienors and committees assigns, all of who and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; CRIMINAL COURT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, NYC E N V I R O N M E N T CONTROL BOARD, NEW YORK YORK DEPARTMENT TAXATION NEW FINANCE, YORK CITY TRANSIT ADJUDICATION BUREAU, YORK CITY VIOLATIONS NFW PARKING BUREAU, THE BROOKLYN UNION GAS COMPANY NATIONAL PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT, CLOVER EQUITY COMMERCIAL "JOHN DOE CORP "JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last pames being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, persons parties intended being the occupants, tenants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises, described in the complaint, Defendant(s).
TO THE ABOVE NAMED
DEFENDANTS: NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME IF YOU DO NOT RESPOND TO THIS SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT BY
SERVING A COPY OF
THE ANSWER ON THE
ATTORNEYS FOR THE
MORTGAGE COMPANY MORTGAGE COMPANY
WHO FILED THIS
FORECLOSURE
PROCEEDING AGAINST AND FILING THE VER WITH THE YOU ANSWER DEFAULT COURT, A DEFAULT JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED AND YOU CAN YOUR HOME SPEAK TO ATTORNEY OR GO TO THE COURT WHERE YOU CASE IS PENDING FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON HOW TO ANSWER THE SUMMONS PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY. PAYMENT SENDING A TO YOUR MORTGAGE COMPANY USED FOR THAT WILL BE FOR THAT WILL NOT STOP THIS PURPOSE. By reason of FORECLOSURE ACTION. The default in the payment of the monthly installment of principal and interest, among other things, as

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ATTORNEY (MORTGAGE COMPANY? ΑND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action and to serve a HEREBY SUMMONED copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this summons, serve a notice notice appearance on Plaintiff's attorney within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); The Ur States of America, designated as a Defendant in this action, may appear within (60) days of service thereof; and in case of your failure to appear or answer judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT: NATURE AND RELIC.
THE OBJECT of the Captioned action is to foreclose on a mortgage March 17, 2006, GAIL GAITA JOHNSON tó DELTA F U N D I N G
CORPORATION to secure the sum of \$225,000.00 and recorded in City Register File 2006000179772, Number 2006000179772, in the Office of the CLERK of the County of QUEENS on March 31, 2006, which mortgage was thereafter mortgage was modified. Said mortgage to HSBC was assigned to HSBC BANK USA, N.A., AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE FOR THE REGISTERED NOTEHOLDERS OF HOME RENAISSANCE LOAN TRUST 2006-2, by assignment of mortgage which is dated December 18. 2007 covering premises known as 185-30 Fonda Avenue, Jamaica, NY 11412 (Block 10422 and Lot 62). The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt the To to satisfy the above named Defendants The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Hon. Allan Weiss, Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, and filed along with the supporting papers in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Queens on 3/14/2016. This is an action to freedens and is an action to foreclose on a mortgage. ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Queens, County of Queens, and State of New York, Block 10422 and Lot 62, said premises known as 185-30 Fonda Avenue, Jamaica, NY 11412. YOU ARE HEREBY PUT ON NOTICE THAT WE ARE ATTEMPTING COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE

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hereinafter Plaintiff, the holder and owner of aforementioned note mortgage, or their agents have elected and hereby accelerate ....
and declare the enure
indebtedness accelerate the mortgage and declare the entire mortgage immediately payable. By virtue thereof plaintiff has heretofore heretofore and by the elected presents accelerate the unpaid principal balance of \$291,941.26 to be immediately pavable under herein . mortgage foreclosed, plus interest at calculated accordance with provisions of the note from May 1, 2011, together with unpaid late amount of charges in the \$266.94 that have accrued action as of prior to this October 17, UNLESS 2014 DISPUTE THE VALIDITY
OF THE DEBT, OR ANY
PORTION THEREOF, THIRTY WITHIN RECEIPT HEREOF THAT THE DEBT, OR PORTION THEREOF, DISPUTED, THE DEE JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU AND A COPY OF SUCH VERIFICATION OR JUDGMENT MAILED TO YOU BY THE HEREIN COLLECTOR. APPLICABLE, WRITTEN YOUR REQUEST, WITHIN SAID THIRTY (30)THE PERIOD, THE HEREIN DEBT COLLECTOR WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR. IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED DISCHARGE FROM LIMITED BANKRUPTCY YOU ARE PERSONALLY LIABLE FOR THE UNDERLYING INDESTEDNESS OWED TO PLAINTIFF/CREDITOR NOTICE/DISCLOSURE FOR COMPLIANCE AND IN FOR MATION A L PURPOSES ONLY. HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS IN FORECLOSURE York State requires that we send you this notice about the foreclosure process. Please read it SUMMONS COMPLAINT You danger of losing home. If you fail to respond the Summons Complaint action. foreclosure may lose your home. Please read the Summons and You Complaint carefully. should immediately contact an attorney or your local legal aid office to obtain advice on how protect SOURCES yourself INFORMATION The ASSISTANCE encourages you to become informed about your options in foreclosure. In addition to seeking assistance attorney or legal aid, there are government agencies and organizations that information contact for about possible includina to trying with your lender during this process.

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entity near you, you may call the toll-free helpline helpline maintained by New York state Banking Department at 1-877-Bank-NYS or visit the Department's website at www.banking.state.ny.us FORECLOSURE RESCUE SCAMS Be careful of people who approach you with offers to "save" your home. There are individuals who watch for notices of foreclosure actions in order to unfairly profit from a homeowner's distress. You should be careful any such promises and any suggestions that you pay them a fee or sign over requires anyone offering such services for profit to enter into a contract which fully describes the services will perform and fees they will perform and lees they will charge, and which prohibits them from taking any money from you until they have completed all promised 1303 YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME you do not respond to this Summons and Complaint by serving the copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against and filing the answer court. default judgment may be entered and you may lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop foreclosure action. RESPOND SERVING A COPY THE ANSWER ON ATTORNEY FOR (MORTGAGE AND AN ANSWER WITH THE Leopold PLLC, Associates, Business Park 110, Armonk, NY 10504

THE STATE OF YORK -705090/2015 FILED: 3/17/2016 S U P P L E M E N T A L SUMMONS AND NOTICE Plaintiff designates Queens County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the in which the mortgaged premises situated. HSBC USA, INDENTURE TRUSILL THE REGISTERED OF NOTEHOLDERS RENAISSANCE EQUITY LOAN INCO. 2006-2, Plaintiff(s), against CHRISTINA JOHNSON, C H R I S T O P H E R JOHNSON, CRYSTAL JOHNSON, Unknown heirs at law of GAIL JOHNSON, and if they be dead, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who

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interest in, or generally or specific lien upon the real property described in this property described in action: such unknown persons herein generally described intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, namely: trie wile, which, husband, widower, heirs at law next of kin, descendants. executors. legatees. creditors. lienors. and assignees persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective widows, widowers, he next of kin, heirs at executors, administrators. creditors trustees. committees, lienors assigns, all of who whose names, except stated, are unknown and except as unknown to Plaintiff, CRIMINAL
COURT OF THE CITY OF
NEW YORK, NYC
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CONTROL BOARD, NEW DEPARTMENT NEW FINANCE. YORK CITY TRANSIT ADJUDICATION BUREAU, PARKING VIOLATIONS BUREAU, BROOKLYN UNION GAS COMPANY NATIONAL PORTFOLIÓ MANAGEMENT, CLOVER COMMERCIAL "JOHN DOE CORP, through "JOHN DOE #12," the last twe ve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or plaintiff, parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises, described in the complaint, Defendant(s).
TO THE ABOVE NAMED
DEFENDANTS: NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME IF YOU DO NOT RESPOND TO THIS SUMMONS AND SERVING THE ANSWER ON ATTORNEYS FOR ALIOHNEYS FOR THE
MORTGAGE COMPANY
WHO FILED THIS
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YOU AND FILING THE
ANSWER WITH THE
COURT A DEFAULT COURT, A JUDGMENT DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AND YOU CAN LOSE YOUR HOME. SPEAK TO AN ATTORNEY OR GO THE COURT WHERE YOU CASE IS PENDING **FURTHER** INFORMATION ON HOW TO ANSWER SUMMONS THE PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY. SENDING A PAYMENT TO YOUR

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YOU MUST RESPOND BY ING A COPY OF ANSWER ON THE SERVING PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE THE ANSWER WITH THE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, the Complaint is not served this summons, serve notice appearance on the Plaintiff's attorney within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); The United States of America, if States of America, if designated as a Defendant in this action, may appear within (60) days of service thereof; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. NOTICE OF NATURE ACTION NATÜRE THE OBJECT of the above THE Object captioned action is confidence on a mortgage confidence of the confidence of the caption of the capt by to I JOHNSON DELTA F U N D I N G CORPORATION to secure the sum of \$225,000.00 and recorded in City in City Number Register Register File Number 2006000179772, in the Office of the CLERK of the County of QUEENS on March 31, 2006, which March mortgage was modified. Said thereafter modified. Said mortgage was assigned to HSBC BANK USA, N.A., AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE FOR THE REGISTERED **NOTEHOLDERS** RENAISSANCE FOUITY LOAN TRUST 2006-2, by assignment of mortgage December is dated 2007, which covering premises known as 185-30 Fonda Avenue, Jamaica, NY 11412 (Block 10422 and Lot 62). The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of described above premises to satisfy th described above. the above named Defendants: The foregoing summons is served upon publication pursuant to an order of the Hon. Allan Justice Weiss, Supreme Court of the State of New York, and filed along with the supporting papers in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Queens on 3/14/2016. This is an action to foreclose on a mortgage. ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Queens, County of Queens, and State of New to

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said premises as 185-30 Fonda Avenue Jamaica, NY 11412. ARE HEREBY PUT NOTICE **ATTEMPTING** TO COLLECT A ANY INFORMATION USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. By reason of the default in the payment of the monthly installment FOR of principal and interest, among other things, as hereinafter set forth, Plaintiff, the holder and owner aforementioned mortgage, or their agents have elected and hereby the mortgagé are the entire accelerate declare the ending indebtedness and mortgage payable. By virtue thereof, has in heretofore these elected presents hereby accelerate unpaid principal balance of \$291,941.26 to be immediately payable mortgage herein foreclosed, plus interest at calculated accordance provisions of the note from May 1, 2011, together with unpaid late charges in the amount of \$266.94 that amount of have accrued prior to this action as of October 17, 2014. UNLESS YOU DISPUTE THE VALIDITY DISPUTE THE VALIDITY
OF THE DEBT, OR ANY PORTION THEREOF THIRTY WITHIN (30) DAYS AFTER YOUR RECEIPT HEREOF THAT THE DEBT, OR ANY PORTION THEREOF, IS DISPUTED, THE DEBTOR JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU AND A COPY OF SUCH VERIFICATION OR JUDGMENT WILL BE MAILED TO YOU BY THE HEREIN DEBT APPLICABLE, UPON REQUEST, WITHIN SAID THIRTY (30) DAY (30) THE HEREIN PERIOD. DEBT COLLECTOR WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR. IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED DISCHARGE FROM STATES UNITED BANKRUPTCY YOU ARE NOT YOU AHE NOT PERSONALLY LIABLE FOR THE UNDERLYING INDEBTEDNESS OWED TO PLAINTIFF/CREDITOR AND NOTICE/DISCLOSURE FOR COMPLIANCE AND INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY. HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS IN New FORECLOSURE York State requires that we send you this notice about the foreclosure process. Please read it carefully. AND COMPLAINT You are in ng your danger of losing your home. If you fail to respond to the Summons and

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action, foreclosure YORK vou your home. Please read the Summons QUEENS Complaint should im and carefully immediately You contact an attorney or your local legal aid office to obtain advice on how to protect SOURCES yourself. ASSISTANCE The State encourages you to become informed about options in foreclosure. legatees, addition to seekina lienors attorney or legal aid, there are government agencies, and non-profit organizations that defendant information contact for deceased possible about options including trying with your lender during this To process. locate an entity near you, you may call the toll-free helpline complaint, RAINBOW call maintained by New York state Banking Department at 1-877-Bank-NYS or visit INSURANCE the Department's website at www.banking.state.ny.us FORECLOSURE RESCUE BURFALL SCAMS Be careful of people who approach you with offers to "save" your home. There are BUREAU, individuals who watch for notices of foreclosure notices or iorectiosure actions in order to unfairly profit from a homeowner's distress. You should be extremely careful about DEPARTMENT any such promises and any suggestions that you pay FINANCE, INTERNAL them a fee or sign over State requires anyone offerina such services for profit to ARTURO CARLOS enter into a contract which fully describes the services SANCHEZ AGUIRRE. they will perform and fees they will charge, and which prohibits them from taking AL DANA BARRETO, any money from you until they have completed all AL DANA ESCOBAR, promised n 1303 defendants: YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME IF HEREBY answer you do not respond to this Summons and Complaint by serving the copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure with. this proceeding against and filing the answer proceeding court. default supplemental exclusive of and you may lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on summons and protect your property. payment to Sending vour mortgage company will not stop foreclosure action. MUST RESPOND taken default SERVING demanded THE ANSWER ON ATTORNEY FOR complaint. ARE IN PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AN ANSWER WITH THE Leopold Associates. PLLC Business Park Drive

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**SUPREME** COURT COUNTY Index SUMMONS WITH NOTICE CITIMORTGAGE, Plaintiff, -against- MOHI U. KHANDAKER, if he be living and if he be dead, the respective heirs-at-law, the respection next of kin, distributed administrators, administrators, devisees. assignees creditors. generally all persons having or claiming under persons through who may by po purchase, otherwise, any right, title or interest in and to the premises described in the escribeu ACENY, INC., REALTY YORK LIQUIDATION OFFICE OF NS COUNTY THE QUEENS COUNTY CLERK, NEW YORK CITY VIOLATIONS NFW ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD, NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT ADJUDICATION BUREAU UNITED AMERICA REVENUE SERVICE, AMANDO NINO PENA, CARLOS ALDANA, ALDANA ROSALBA ALICIA ANGELICA ANGELICA and ZAIDA Defendants, above-named YOU ARE SUMMONED to amended complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the amended complaint is not served supplemental summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on within 20 days service of after the summons, service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summer is not as summons, is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear answer, judgment against vou NOTICE DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME you do not respond to this serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with

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interest, which shall be duly recorded in the Office of the City Register of Queens County, which shall be shall be citiMortgage assigned to CitiMortgage Inc., by assignment of mortgage and which shall be duly recorded in the Office of the City Register Queens covering premises knowr as 24-42 86TH STREET A/K/A 24-44 86TH STREET ELMHURST. 11369, (BLOCK 1097, LOT 44 (FORMERLY P/O LOT 31)). The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above. The Plaintiff also seeks deficiency а judgment Defendant, KHANDAKER, for any debt secured by said Mortgage which is not satisfied by the proceeds of the sale of said premises, unless discharged in bankruptcy. Premises lying and being in the Borough and County of Queens. BEGINNING at a point on the westerly side of 86th Street, 90.75 feet southerly from the formed by the intersection of the southerly side Astoria Boulevard and Astoria bourth westerly side of bour Street; being a plot 100 feet by 30.89 feet by 100.00 feet by 30.89 feet. BLOCK 1097, LOT 44 BLOCK 1097, LOT 31 (FORMERLY P/O LOT 31 Dated:Rego Park, 2016

GALLO & ASSOCIATES LLP By: Robert M. Link, Esq. Attorneys for Plaintiff 95-25 11th Floor Park, 95-25 Queens Boulevard,

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In this episode of *Power Women of Queens*, Luchia Dragosh meets Maureen Fonseca, the president of Sports and Arts in Schools Foundation, the largest provider of afterschool programs to NYC public schools, based in Woodside, Queens! A graduate of Vassar College, Maureen holds a master's degree and a PhD in French Literature from Fordham University. She began her educational career as a French and Spanish high school teacher and college professor. In tribute, the Masters School, where she was headmaster for many years, recently named their new Athletics and Arts Center after her. Maureen Fonseca has spent her life helping young people succeed and she still continues to serve that mission.

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