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Six local students from Ultimate Champions Taekwondo in Flushing will represent the United States in the German Open in April 2019.

Courtesy of Master Michael Ro

Six Flushing martial artists qualify for national team

BY CARLOTTA MOHAMED

Six local students from the Ultimate Champions Taekwondo martial arts school in Flushing will compete in Germany next year after qualifying for the 2019 AAU Taekwondo National team last weekend.

The students competed for their spots on the national team in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Sept. 7-9 at the AAU Sport Sparring National Championship.

There are a total of 20 spots per age group on the national team. Ultimate Champions Taekwondo — located at 141-20 Northern Blvd. — has students competing with the national team in the 12-14 and 15-17 age groups, according to Master Michael Ro, who has been running the martial arts school for 12 years.

Students Jodie Gao, Michael Lantino, and Matthew Mancuso earned a spot on the A team, while Christopher Yook, Cory Dong, and Devin Lee qualified for the backup (B) team.

"All of the students maintain good grades in school and their parents are happy," said Ro. "The kids are staying out of the streets and are doing something productive with their time and staying positive. It's a great feeling as their teacher and great to have students like that as well."

The students have been trained by Ro, and Master Andrew Oh, who is charge of the Bayside Ultimate Champions Taekwondo martial arts school located at 213-18 48th Ave.

To be eligible to compete at team trials, the students competed at the state champion-

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Down goes Avella

John Liu earns primary victory to oust incumbent

BY NAEISHA ROSE

"True blue Liu" was what a crowd of supporters of former City Comptroller John Liu chanted as he became the Democratic nominee to represent northeast Queens in the state Senate last week after besting state Sen. Tony Avella (D-Bayside) in their second primary bout.

With 100 percent of the districts reporting, Liu captured 50.73 percent of the votes, while Avella trailed with 45.3 percent, according to unofficial results from the city Board of Elections. There were 23,939 votes cast, 12,133 of which were in favor of Liu and 10,846 for Avella.

Liu and Avella — a former member of the renegade Independent Democratic Conference member from 2014 to 2018 — previously went head-to-head in the 2014 primary, which Avella won by a narrow margin of 894 votes.

"I'm honored and humbled that fellow Democrats in Senate District 11 have entrusted me with their nomination, and congratulate Tony Avella on a spirited and hard-fought race. In the coming weeks, I will continue talking about the challenges we face in northeast Queens, in our state and in our nation, and how I plan to help people and tackle these issues as state senator. I'll work hard to earn the support and confidence of all voters in the Nov. 6 general election, and I'll work even harder once I take

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John Liu delivers his victory speech at Bourbon Street in Bayside after defeating state Sen. Tony Avella in the Democratic primary.

Photo by Naeisha Rose

Meng wants quiet skies

Study says TNNIS flight pattern harms Queens residents

LaGuardia Airport's noisy TNNIS Climb, a controversial flight pattern over Queens, has caused disruption in quiet neighborhoods and affected the health of residents, according to a recent study. Photo by Michael Shain

BY CARLOTTA MOHAMED

U.S. Rep. Grace Meng (D-Flushing) is continuing her fight against the disturbance of aircraft noise in Queens.

The congresswoman sent a letter to U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine Chao Sept. 6 to eliminate LaGuardia Airport's noisy TNNIS Climb, a controversial flight pattern over Queens that negatively impacts the health of borough residents, according to a new study.

The study, "The Trade-Off between Optimizing Flight Patterns and Human Health: A Case Study of Aircraft Noise in Queens, NY, USA," was published Aug. 15 in the recent edition of the International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health.

According to the study, Next Gen is an automated flight system that uses GPS, data from other flights, and atmospheric conditions to optimize flight patterns. Its changes in flight patterns have the potential to reduce pollution, flight time, costs and accidents.

However, it can also cause serious health concerns, as Meng outlined in her letter its destruction of her constituents' quality of life and leading to premature deaths, according to the study.

"The route has unfairly burdened our borough with blistering aircraft noise ever since it was implemented by the FAA in 2012, and this study confirms our suspicions about the adverse health impacts of combating the excessive airplane noise over Queens," said Meng. "In America 2018, this should not be happening. There are alternative routes, some of which were regularly relied upon as recently as this decade."

Meng said she hopes that Chao will consider reviewing and eliminating the use of the TNNIS Climb flight path to provide her constituents the relief they desperately need.

According to the study, the TNNIS Climb was historically used during the US Open tennis tournament in Flushing Meadows Corona Park adjacent to LaGuardia Airport, where runway 13 has become a common route of departure.

As a result of the jet engines disrupting the matches, flights were instead diverted over densely populated residential neighborhoods in Queens – consisting of mainly Community Boards 7 and 11 – producing large increases in aircraft noise, the study said.

Additionally, high levels of exposure to aircraft noise has been linked to the development of serious physical

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Queens College among best public colleges

BY NAEISHA ROSE

The U.S. News & World Report's 2019 Best Colleges edition featured several City University of New York institutions in its list for top public colleges, including one from Queens.

Ranking 14th out of the 47 schools on the list was Queens College — located at 65-30 Kissena Blvd in Flushing.

The 81-year-old public college has more than 100 majors and career building programs in the arts, humanities, education, mathematics, natural sciences and social sciences, according to U.S. News.

The school has a campus that spans 84 acres and has a total undergraduate enrollment of 16,680 in a borough where the locals speak more than 170 languages, according to the school's website. Graduate students are offered programs in business, library and information studies, speech-language pathology and many others.

The school ranked sixth out of 10 among the schools with the best English as a Second Language programs, according to schools.com, a resource for individuals searching for undergraduate, graduate and certificate and diploma programs in 2017.

The school provides flexibility for students, including inexpensive day care services for students with children and a weekend college, which helps a student body in which a quarter of the students are ages 25 or older, according to U.S. News.

There are more than 100 clubs, intramural sports and varsity athletic programs for students to explore on the campus, and its 20 intercollegiate Queens College Knights teams compete in the NCAA Division II East Coast Conference.

In 2014, Washington Monthly, a bimonthly nonprofit magazine, ranked Queens College second out of 386 schools for its "Best-Bang-For-The-Buck" college after analyzing 1,540 universities.

The college is also known for its affordable tuition rates. According to U.S. News, tuition for an in-state student is $7,138 and $18,008 for an out-of-state student.

In 2017, Gov. Andrew Cuomo launched the Excelsior Scholarship to provide free public college tuition for in-state students whose families earn below $100,000. In 2017, 400 Queens

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Queens College was named one of the top public schools throughout the United States. Courtesy of Queens College

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Housing Works brings thrift store to Forest Hills

Nonprofit will be hosting grand opening for new location on Austin Street Sept. 29

BY CARLOTTA MOHAMED

Housing Works is set to open a new thrift store Sept. 29 in Forest Hills — the nonprofit's first in Queens.

Housing Works Thrift Shop will be located at 71-54 Austin St. and will offer men's and women's clothing and accessories, in addition to small home accessories, books and an art section, according to Katherine Oaks, the associate director of marketing and communications at Housing Works.

"We're thrilled we can introduce Forest Hills to our beloved Thrift Shops," Vice President of Thrift Retail Cheryl Grimm said. "It has been a long time coming but we're excited to finally have a shop in Queens!"

Housing Works, a nonprofit founded in 1990 to fight AIDS and homelessness, is known for its upscale thrift shops located throughout New York City, and also runs a reputable bookstore located in Soho on Crosby Street.

Housing Works Thrift Shop will make its grand opening Sept. 29 at 71-54 Austin St. in Forest Hills.
Courtesy of Google Maps

The Austin Street location will be Housing Works' 14th thrift shop — the organization operates 11 locations in Manhattan and two in Brooklyn, according to Oaks.

Like its other shops, the Forest Hills location is expected to be beautifully merchandised and curated with upscale goods — all donated from the community, said Oaks, who added that one of the best things about a Thrift Shop is that a customer will never know what they're going to find when they walk in.

"You might find a pair of Prada shoes or a collection of perfect for fall J.Crew sweaters to a Karen Millen dress and Michael Kors bag," she said. "Forest Hills will carry both men's and women's clothing and shoes. Men might find a pair of Cole Haan shoes, or a brand new pair of sneakers, or a Ferragamo tie. We'll also have a small homeware section, where you might find anything from crystal whiskey glasses to sterling silver picture frames."

According to Oaks, prices vary with items for sale for just a few dollars and beautiful art pieces available for a couple hundred of dollars.

All proceeds from the thrift shop will help fund Housing Works' effort to provide life-saving services and housing to individuals living with and affected by HIV/AIDS and other chronic conditions.

The nonprofit has served more than 30,000 homeless and low-income New Yorkers with HIV/AIDS and has advocacy offices in Albany, Washington, Mississippi, Puerto Rico and Haiti.

Housing Works opened its first Thrift Shop in 1992 in Manhattan's Chelsea neighborhood. The shop was among the first of its kind to pioneer the idea of retail enterprises to sus-

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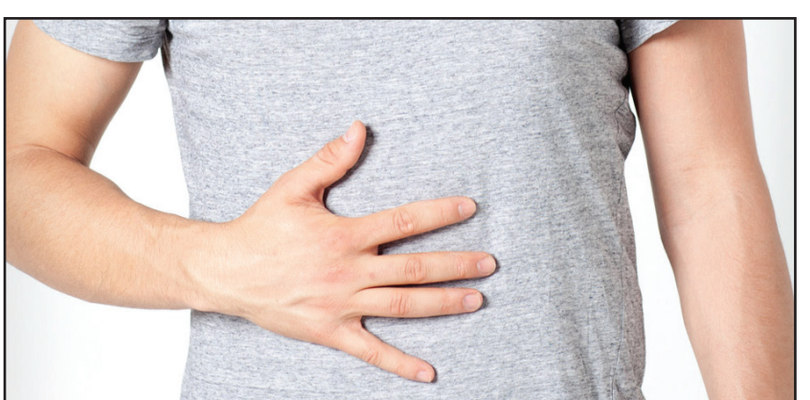

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Ramos upsets Peralta

Challenger bests former IDC member in Dem primary

Jessica Ramos filled the house at Barriles in Jackson Heights with supporters and family celebrating her victory over "entrenched" former IDC member state Sen. Jose Peralta. Photo by Mark Hallum

BY MARK HALLUM

Auribal Ramos stood in front of a panel of TVs last Thursday night, watching numbers from the polls roll in for his daughter, Jessica Ramos, at a crowded Jackson Heights watering hole as she was pulling ahead over "entrenched" state Sen. Jose Peralta (D-East Elmhurst).

The Ramos family's journey to the United States from Colombia had been met with setbacks with the patriarch once being deported in a law enforcement raid in the 1980s and the matriarch crossing the Mexican border on a four-day trip on foot.

But on the night of the Democratic primary, Jessica Ramos pulled off a major upset by defeating the eight-year incumbent, a former member of the controversial Independent Democratic Conference, which became a trend across the state as two other former IDC officials — including state Sen. Tony Avella (D-Bayside) — also fell in the primary.

"We've unseated an entrenched incumbent," Ramos said, handing credit to her staff during her victory party speech at Barriles — located at 83-14 37th Ave. "This was an incredible ordeal. I was having a ball at City Hall — I was, I was really enjoying my job — but sometimes, it's time to come home and make sure your community is taken care of. Having lived in this district my entire life, having served on the community board, having been district leader for so many of you, we needed to make sure we were making a statement about how we couldn't accept a turncoat Democrat as our state senator."

Ramos secured a clear victory, getting 12,181 votes compared to 10,021 for Peralta, according to results from the city Board of Elections.

The Jackson Heights activist's campaign has leaned heavily on a progressive, anti-IDC platform that put intense scrutiny on the breakaway Democrats for caucusing separately from the main line of the party and negotiating with the GOP to move left wing bills through the Republican-held state Senate.

Ramos has said she will work to create and pass bills that enact rent reform, such as eliminating "major capital improvement" rent increases, as well as address over-development in the district, which stretches from Corona to Ditmars.

Peralta switched over to the renegade IDC not long after the victory of Donald Trump in the 2016 presidential election, igniting a hailstorm of criticism against the state senator.

IDC members were viewed by progressive activists as turncoats to Republicans, particularly in Peralta's case where outrage toward the Muslim ban issued by the White House had immigrant communities in uproar following negotiations made between the two groups to pass progressive legislation.

In April, however, Gov. Andrew Cuomo negotiated a truce between the warring Democratic groups by issuing an ultimatum: the IDC members dissolve their conference and help the mainline party win the majority in the state Senate, or face primary challenges.

Although the IDC members complied and returned to the party, the former renegade Democrats faced challengers anyway.

While Ramos raked in important endorsements from the likes of Mayor Bill de Blasio, City Council Speaker Cory Johnson (D-Manhattan) and gubernatorial candidate Cynthia Nixon, Peralta had support of his own from a variety of differ-

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Vanel coasts to victory in bid for re-election

BY NAEISHA ROSE

State Assemblyman Clyde Vanel (D-Queens Village) rode the Democratic blue wave to victory as he beat out his challenger, community leader Oster Bryan, for his re-election bid to continue representing southeast Queens.

With 100 percent of the precincts reporting, Vanel compiled 68.3 percent of the votes, while Bryan tallied 17.7 percent, according to unofficial results from the city's Board of Elections. In total, 16,029 votes were cast with 10,959 for Vanel and 2,794 for Bryan.

"Today was a major victory," said Vanel at his victory party, located at the Guy R. Brewer United Democratic Club at 197-09 Linden Blvd. "It was about y'all. In New York state, we showed how strong Democrats are. It's very important for Democrats to get back on top."

Vanel, who currently represents District 33 — which covers St. Albans, Hollis, Bellerose, parts of Floral Park and Queens Village — will now go on to face Republican opponent Lalita Etwaroo, a 2016 graduate of John Jay College who has a master's degree in Public Administration and was an intern for state Assemblyman Robert Castelli (R-Westchester), in the Nov. 6 general election.

Bryan, who is also a teacher at the Long Island Business Institute in Flushing, campaigned to build up the black community by bringing hospitals back to the district, improving schools and creating and supporting small local businesses in the area.

"The beautiful thing about politics is it's not about liking one another, it's not about getting along, it's not about being friends, it is about bringing issues to the table, and we are both supposed to walk away upset." said Bryan in an interview with the TimesLedger editorial staff. "These are adversarial relationships and that is okay."

Bryan is also very proud about how he ran his campaign.

"We don't treat politics or political involvement like a basketball or football game," said Bryan. "It's about making sure you put your issues on the table and making sure they remain there regardless of what happens. We got 2,800 votes in a Democratic primary and we did no fund-raising. Our only issue was fighting for the black community."

He hopes that the issues he laid out during his campaign will be picked up by Vanel.

"The struggle doesn't end here," said Bryan. "I hope that he connects more with the community. You should put the community first before the Queens Democratic machine. You should put the people before the Democratic Party."

Vanel campaigned to better educate students, create more jobs, tackle quality-of-life issues and retain and

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Vanel poses with Roslin Spigner on Election Day. Vanel won his primary for the District 33 Assembly seat, while Spigner was victorious in her re-election bid for Democratic district leader. Courtesy of Vanel's office

Cruz defeats Espinal, keeps Sosa at bay

BY CARLOTTA MOHAMED

(From l. to r.) City Comptroller Scott Stringer celebrates with Catalina Cruz and City Councilman Daniel Dromm at Cruz's victory party, held at Club Evolution in Jackson Heights. Photo by Carlotta Mohamed

"Dreamer" Catalina Cruz celebrated her victory at a Jackson Heights club after unseating state Assemblywoman Ari Espinal (D-Jackson Heights) and fending off fellow challenger Yonel Letellier Sosa in last week's Democratic primary.

With 100 percent of the precincts reporting, Cruz secured 53.4 percent of the votes, while Espinal obtained 43.1 percent and Sosa tallied just 3.22 percent, according to unofficial results from the city Board of Elections.

Cruz was cheerful as she stood on the platform in Club Evolution — located at 76-19 Roosevelt Ave. — where she was joined by a sea of upbeat supporters — including City Councilmen Daniel Dromm (D-Jackson Heights) and Jimmy Van Bramer (D-Sunnyside), as well as City Comptroller Scott Stringer — as they chanted "Catalina!"

"The hard work was not the last six months. The hard work is coming in January," Cruz said. "Making sure we'll be able to push through legislation, make budgetary changes, we're able to fight for our dreamers, parents, workers, our sisters and brothers in the Muslim community...that we make sure everyone is protected — this is the beginning."

Espinal, a Corona native, ran unopposed and won an April special election to fill the vacated District 39 Assembly seat previously held by City Councilman Francisco Moya (D-Jackson Heights) before he was elected to the City Council last year. Espinal had previously served as an aide on Moya's staff. The 39th District covers parts of Corona, Jackson Heights and Elmhurst.

"This win today is for all of those undocumented parents that are still out there fighting for kids like me. This is for them," Cruz said. "This one is for all of those parents and children who are in those detention centers separated. This one is for all the Dreamers who still have to work two jobs to pay for school... we got this, baby."

"I'm over the moon about Catalina's win," said Divya Sundaram, who is a part of Amplify Her, an organization that endorses women running for office. "She's run such a strong positive campaign, and it's built on pure people power. She's the first Dreamer and I think she's going to be a strong advocate for immigrant rights. I want immigrants to have a better experience in this community."

Aliya Latif, of Elmhurst, and a board member of the Muslim Democratic Club of New York, said from fund-raising to getting out the vote, the Muslim American community rallied behind Catalina's vision and the power of her story.

"We are witnessing a progressive blue wave in politics lead by women of color and it is changing the game," said Latif.

Michael Goldfried, of Jackson Heights, shared the same sentiments saying he's thrilled women of color are on the ascendency of the Democratic Party.

"I think the heart of the Democratic Party is a passion for justice and these women like Jessica Ramos and Catalina

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Barnwell secures healthy win over Sklarz

BY MARK HALLUM

State Assemblyman Brian Barnwell (D-Maspeth) solidified his position in Albany after defeating Melissa Sklarz in last week's Democratic primary.

Barnwell's political career began as an insurgent against the Queens political machine, winning a primary in 2016 in what was considered a big upset over long-time incumbent Margaret Markey.

Barnwell's stance against engaging in the politics of being a legislator seems to have resonated with voters when he handily beat Sklarz, a transgender activist, by almost twice the number of votes, according to unofficial results from the city Board of Elections.

With the primary victory in hand, Barnwell will look to defeat Republican Eric Butkiewicz in the Nov. 6 general election.

Barnwell secured with 5,214 votes, while Sklarz received 2,902 votes, according to the Board of Elections.

"It is an honor that the constituents of the 30th Assembly District voted me to be their democratic nominee for state Assembly in November," Barnwell said. "I never forget that I work for them, and I look forward to continue fighting for them to make New York more affordable for all."

True to his style, there was no party celebrating his victory on election night. According to the legislator, he simply went back to his district office and worked.

During the campaign, Sklarz aimed to bridge the gap between the liberal northern part of her district, which stretches from parts of Astoria down to Middle Village, and the more conservative southern section by campaigning on fairer property taxes for seniors, more reliable public transportation and better health care.

State Assemblyman Brian Barnwell cruised to victory over Melissa Sklarz in the Democratic primary. Photo by Michael Shain

Barnwell had discussed making affordable housing less costly by adjusting the formula used to calculate area median income, which incorporates income levels throughout the region, as opposed to the zip code of the development, which he sees as a better indicator of overall financial standing for individual communities.

"I have parts of Long Island City and I have parts of Astoria, so you see [gentrification] starting to creep in, and now the next big area the developers are trying to move into are Sunnyside and Woodside, and it's my job to fight against that in my opinion," Barnwell said in an August interview with TimesLedger Newspaper's editorial staff. "We're at a breaking point, and not just my district, where schools are overcrowded, subways are overcrowded, the buses are overcrowded, and [developers] are building high luxury condos. Where are these people going to go? Where are these kids going to go to school?"

Sklarz threw criticism Barnwell's way during the campaign by claiming he had voted against the Women's Reproductive Health Act, believing that with the national political climate and in the face of the a controversial White House administration, it is critical for New York state to codify Roe v. Wade into law.

Barnwell said he would prefer to vote for Roe v. Wade to be codified into state law exactly as the abortion measure is at the federal level.

Elections show Queens County Dems losing power

BY MARK HALLUM

Voters across the borough followed suit on a trend that indicates the waning influence of the Queens County Democratic Party under the leadership of outgoing U.S. Rep. Joseph Crowley (D-Jackson Heights) by voting against state Assemblywoman Ari Espinal (D-Jackson Heights).

Espinal took office in an April special election to replace Francisco Moya who was elected to City Council and will have just a short run in Albany after attorney and activist Catalina Cruz defeated her by 7,000 votes in the Sept. 13 primary.

Espinal is the latest in a line of Queens County Democratic Party picks to suffer defeats from insurgent Democrats. The trend is preceded by the loss of Elizabeth Crowley in the City Council to now-City Councilman Robert Holden (D-Middle Village) as well as Margaret Markey, who had served for decades before state Assemblyman Brian Barnwell (D-Maspeth) defeated her in 2016.

State Assemblywoman Nily Rozic (D-Flushing) was optimistic about the political future across the state as Jackson Heights activist Jessica Ramos defeated state Sen. Jose Peralta (D-East Elmhurst), a former member the controversial Independent Democratic Conference, something she said indicated that New York was closer to becoming a truly progressive stronghold.

"Victories from last week's state primary elections reflect the shift in local politics that has been building for quite some time," Rozic said. "Voters want representation in state government that hasn't always reflected the diversity of their communities... What we witnessed is proof that when progressive candidates launch community driven campaigns, they will win."

Crowley, the chairman of the Queens County Democratic Party, even fell victim to an insurgent challenger in June, when 28-year-old Bronxite Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez pulled ahead of him in the congressional Democratic primary and earned her spot as the nominee going into the Nov. 6 general election.

The defeat of state Assemblywoman Ari Espinal in Thursday's primary election could be a sign to some that the influence of Joseph Crowley's Queens political machine has been lifted. Photo by Mark Hallum

But it will not be the last Queens residents have seen of Crowley, currently the fourth-ranking Democrat in Congress, who was rumored to be in line to replace Nancy Pelosi as Minority Leader until his defeat.

Crowley was re-elected as chair of the county party Monday morning, despite pressure from Ocasio-Cortez and the Working Families Party for him to change his residency to Virginia, where he keeps a home.

"It's an honor to be re-elected chairman, and I'm humbled by my colleagues' faith in my leadership," Crowley said. "Together, we will ensure our borough's values and diversity is reflected in the work we commit ourselves to every day. I look forward to reaching across the Queens community to elect progressive leaders up and down the ballot who will advance policies that lift up working families both here in New York and across the country."

The intense 2018 election season has claimed a number of incumbents, including six of the eight former IDC members, and has seen a whirlwind of conflict within the Democratic Party.

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(Left) Spanglish Fly Boogaloo, an ethnically diverse band, created a fun vibe with its unique sound. (Right) Viva La Comida brings the people of the surrounding areas out to 82nd Street, between Roosevelt and Baxter Avenues, to discover what Jackson Heights has to offer.

Photos by Bruce Adler, Mark Hallum and Luis Zapata

Viva La Comida festival brings Latin soul to Jackson Heights

BY MARK HALLUM

Viva La Comida returned to the streets of Jackson Heights last Saturday to showcase some of the best Queens has to offer in terms food, music and, more food.

But more than that was the community building aspect of the street fair featuring local businesses and bands.

Katha Cato, Executive Director of the Queens World Film Festival, rolled out a miniature red carpet for attendees to learn the best methods for creating eye-catching imagery using only their smartphones.

"The world is hungry for media, look at all these stories," Cato said, indicating the vibrancy of the street around her. "Everybody's got a story and the more we can be a part of influencing these people to forward and share, I feel the better off all of us are."

Last year, QWFF screened 189 films from 31 nations, all Queens residents. About 65 of the films were made by women and 14 children under 14 years old, according to Cato. QWFF has been in the borough for nine years now and still operates out of Cato's home something she says she is proud and embarrassed of as she has sacrificed her home for the organization.

"Everybody is learning how to be part of the community while pushing your own art and your own story and finding out how much connectivity there is," Cato continued. "The thing about Queens; I have an audience for any film in the world in any language... That is what is what is important to us. Storytellers right now need to be supported, and it's very hard. They're holding the mirror up and saying look who we are."

Some of the tastings to be had at the Sept. 15 event were from the Arepa Lady, a Colombian eatery that is quickly becoming a Jackson Heights staple at 77-17 37th Ave., and Casa Rivera, an old-style butcher shop that also sells groceries and has a restaurant with many traditional South American plates on the menu. The establishment is located at 40-15 82nd St.

Delicias Colombianas — located at 37-03 82nd St. — served up their famous morcillas — also known as blood sausages — and bandeja paisa, which is a plate that typical consists of beans, rice, chicharrón, plantain and pork.

The John Lennon Educational Tour Bus also made a stop at Viva La Comida to offering tours while raffling off a guitar.

Founded by Executive Director Brian Rothschild and Yoko Ono Lennon, the bus introduces many students to the work of John Lennon and Yoko Ono as musicians and peace activists and how they used their art and celebrity to focus on peace. Activism is also a talking point for each visit, but is far from the main objective.

Rothschild was an artist with Atlantic Records in the 1980s, but later switched to music management and worked with music groups such as the Fugees. Eventually, he crossed paths with Ono, who expressed interest in his concept of a mobile studio.

Three technicians work and live on the bus about 10 months out of the year and are the main instructors for the program, which spends one day with a group of students of varying experience.

The 82nd Street Partnership, a neighborhood development group founded in 1990, was behind organizing Viva La Comida and works to promote commerce in the area.

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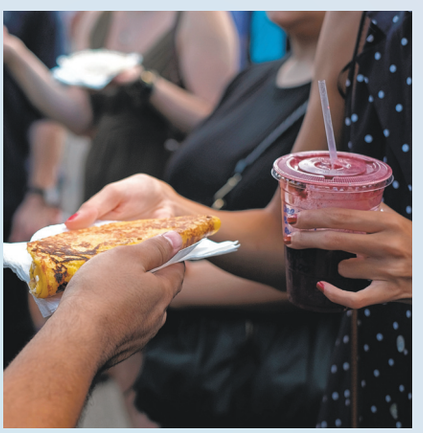

(Clockwise from top left) The Arepa Lady, quickly becoming a Jackson Heights staple, was serving up fluffy corn snacks as attendees enjoyed fruit juice smoothies. Elote just like grandma made it. Smoke filled the air from grills cooking up corn and a variety of meats. The Malaysian Project's pop-up truck was on hand to provide the eats. The Queens World Film Festival set up a booth where guests could walk the red carpet. NYC Gaita Club, a music collective based in Williamsburg, moved the crowd with vibes from Colombia.

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A Bronx man was sentenced after pleading guilty to fishing from a U.S. Postal Service mailbox in Queens. Photo by Michael Shain

Mailbox fishing suspect sentenced: DA

KEW GARDENS — A Bronx man who attempted to steal mail from a U.S. Postal Service mailbox in Woodhaven was sentenced to jail last week, Queens District Attorney Richard Brown said.

Orbik Gutierrez, 21, of Valentine Street, was sentenced to 11 months in jail by Queens Criminal Court Judge Michelle Johnson last Friday after pleading guilty to criminal trespass for "fishing" in a U.S. Postal Service mailbox on March 29, 2017, according to the DA's office.

"When residents place their mail — envelopes containing checks and sometimes cash — into mailboxes, they have an expectation that the blue boxes are secure," said Brown. "This defendant, however, found a way to swipe mail from this box using a makeshift "fishing" rod. The defendant was observed by law enforcement officers pulling mail out of the blue mailbox and was arrested."

According to Brown, Orbik was observed by law enforcement placing something within a blue mailbox outside the Forest Parkway Post Office in Woodhaven at approximately 1 a.m. on March 29, 2017. Orbik then walked away from the box and returned moments later appearing to be removing something from the mailbox.

The incident was caught on surveillance video, which showed Gutierrez pulling a string attached to a bottle. The bottle had a sticky substance on it and several pieces of mail were stuck to the bottle, said Brown.

"Orbik will be incarcerated as a result of his criminal acts," said Brown.

— Carlotta Mohamed

Cops search for Jax Hgts jewelry thief

JACKSON HEIGHTS — Police from the 115th Precinct were searching for a suspect wanted for questioning in connection with burglaries at two homes near Travers Park in Jackson Heights late last month.

On the night of Friday, Aug. 31, an unidentified man entered a residential building in the vicinity of 81st Street and 34th Avenue around 8 p.m. and made off with nearly $7,200 worth of jewelry from an apartment before fleeing in an unknown direction, police said.

Later that same evening, investigators said the suspect entered another apartment near 81st Street and 35th Avenue where he removed nearly $4,000 worth on jewelry, according to the NYPD.

Police described the suspect as a man approximately 30 years old who was last seen wearing a multi-colored baseball hat backwards, a black shirt, blue jeans, black sneakers and an earring.

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Monserrate marks comeback with district leader victory

BY BILL PARRY

Former City Councilman and state Sen. Hiram Monserrate won an election to become Democratic district leader last Thursday in East Elmhurst.

Monserrate defeated incumbent George R. Dixon by 329 votes to take the position as an unpaid, volunteer party official. The election was the second time Monserrate campaigned against Dixon for the post, having lost in 2016 by just 57 votes.

Monserrate declined to comment until the city Board of Elections certifies the results, according to his spokesman.

District leaders identify and champion the community's needs before elected officials and government agencies. They also work with community organizations like block associations and government agencies.

Monserrate has failed in several elections over the years as he tried to stage a political comeback after he was expelled from the state Senate in 2009 after he was convicted of the misdemeanor assault of his girlfriend.

He later served two years in prison after being convicted of a felony on conspiracy and mail fraud charges for misusing $100,000 in City Council grants to fund a political campaign for the Senate.

Monserrate has seen support in East Elmhurst and LeFrak City despite his troubled past, but it wasn't enough to help him win an election last year against City Councilman Francisco Moya (D-Corona). The two fought a contentious battle to replace the retiring Julissa Ferreras Copeland that saw Moya captured 55.6 percent of the vote, while Monserrate tallied 44.4 percent.

Moya's office declined to comment on Monserrate winning the district leader post.

In the run up to the election against Moya, Monserrate told TimesLedger Newspapers he was running because "this is my borough and someone has to be a voice piece for the community."

For now he waits for the election to be certified by the BOE, which is expected to occur before the end of September

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Queens represented well in Vendy Awards

BY BILL PARRY

Queens will be well represented at the 14th annual Vendy Awards on Governors Island Saturday.

Ten of the 25 finalists at the popular street food competition that draws thousands of food-savvy guests are residents of the borough, who prepare and sell everything from traditional Mexican tamales to Burmese flatbread.

"We come from the most ethnically diverse neighborhoods in the whole world. You go down Roosevelt Avenue from 46th Street all the way to 108th Street end you'll find every kind of cuisine in the world being served by street vendors in this big melting pot that is Queens," Nansense food truck owner Mo Rahmati, 32, said. "There's everything you would ever want right there under the 7 train."

Rahmati would know, having grown up on 69th Street and Northern Boulevard in Woodside. After graduating from Bryant High School in Astoria, Rahmati took a series of jobs in retail, drove for Uber and worked at Citibank. The son of Afghan refugees who fled their country in the 1980s during the Soviet-Afghan War decided to sell real Afghan food just like his mother, Veiagul, makes — from kormas to salata, to his favorite mantu: steamed dumplings stuffed with beef and onions.

"It's just something I wanted to do. I grew up in Woodside visiting different street vendors along Roosevelt Avenue and I thought they were cool," Rahmati said. "I wanted to introduce my mom's cooking to the public."

Rahmati is nominated in the Rookie of the Year category.

"It would be great to win Rookie of the Year," he said. "It would mean my mom's recipes are being received well in the public and that her food is being enjoyed."

Twister Cake, owned by Radu Sirbu, is a family owned and operated bakery which sells their namesake dessert also known as Chimney Cakes, which originated in Romania over 400 years ago.

Woodside's Mo Rahmati is a finalist for the Rookie of the Year award at Saturday's Vendy Awards, an annual celebration of street food.

Courtesy of The Vendys

"I grew up in Transylvania eating my grandmother's cakes but when I came to the USA in 2002 I couldn't find them anywhere," Sirbu said. "So I decided to start making them myself."

Sirbu works as a chauffeur during the week and spends his weekends making Twister Cakes, which consist of hand-rolled dough, shaped into a cone and then baked over a firepit and sprinkled with sweet toppings. He began selling them at street festivals and private events but found a wider audience as a vendor at the Queens Night Market at Flushing Meadows Corona Park.

"You want to know why there are so many Vendy finalists from Queens?" the Astoria resident asked." It's very simple. It's because Queens is the most diverse borough in the world."

Myo Lin Thway came to the United States from Burma to continue his education in 1994 and settled in Elmhurst. Long before customers flocked to his stand at the Queens Night Market, he got his degree in mechanical engineering and then worked in the diamond district as an operations manager before starting Burmese Bites.

He operates his stand alone food cart that is open five days a week in Long Island City serving his signature Keema Palata, flatbread filled with seasoned chicken, as well as mango salad and Ohno Kaukswe, a coconut curry chicken noodle soup.

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Kim aims to tackle statewide student debt crisis

BY CARLOTTA MOHAMED

State Assemblyman Ron Kim (D-Flushing) met with Brooklyn City Councilman Jumaane Williams (D-Flatbush) to discuss a number of statewide issues affecting immigrants and minorities.

At a roundtable discussion held Sept. 10 at Mulan restaurant — located at 136-17 39th Ave. in Flushing — Kim addressed issues including quality healthcare, helping small businesses and affordable housing. Above all, Kim focused on tackling the state and nation's rising student debt crisis.

According to Kim, there are about three million borrowers in the state of New York in student debt totaling $82 billion and a total of 13 percent of that debt has not been paid on time.

"That's around $10 billion and 400,000 New Yorkers who are delinquent," said Kim. "At the national level, by the conclusion of this year's general election, there will be close to $1.6 trillion dollars of student debt and 45 million education borrowers in America."

There are millions of talented and hard-working New Yorkers and Americans across the nation who are stuck in a lifetime of debt, defaulting on billions of dollars to the government and banks, according to Kim.

"We had a real chance to take the right steps in New York through Gov. (Andrew) Cuomo's Excelsior Program to bring more affordable higher education to more students, freeing them from student debt," said Kim. "However, this administration's unwillingness to collaborate and listen to the members of the legislature who foresaw some of the problems with the program has led to a colossal failure."

Williams weighed in on the issue, saying debt is an unfortunate and sometimes inescapable reality for New Yorkers.

"I myself have dealt with debt, and I know that far too often, we demean those with financial difficulties rather than lifting them up or enacting policies to help insulate against such debt," said Williams. "For students in particular, debt is a crushing weight that hinders future opportunities, and our current state policies from this administration have not delivered on their promises. We need real action, not photo ops and headlines."

State Assemblyman Ron Kim is attempting to tackle New York's education debt crisis with his sponsorship of new legislation to help create an office dedicated to helping more money flow to students in financial debt.
Photo by Michael Shain

In their efforts to help alleviate the statewide student debt crisis, Kim and state Sen. Kevin Parker (D-Flatbush) have sponsored statewide legislation to establish a full-time office dedicated to helping more money flow to their constituents in debt, instead of being constantly extracted from local communities by large corporations.

The Office of Financial Resiliency (A.11309) bill introduced Aug. 15 in the Assembly will help design local cooperatives and peer-to-peer community economies that will attract, retain, and circulate as much revenue as frequently as possible on a local level, said Kim.

Instead of letting the revenue be siphoned away into corporate vertical supply chains, ultimately feeding a relentless cycle of borrowing, debt, and leveraging, the resilient programs will create local jobs and stimulate regional economic growth, according to Kim.

The Office of Financial Resiliency will be part of the New York State Department of Financial Services and run by a

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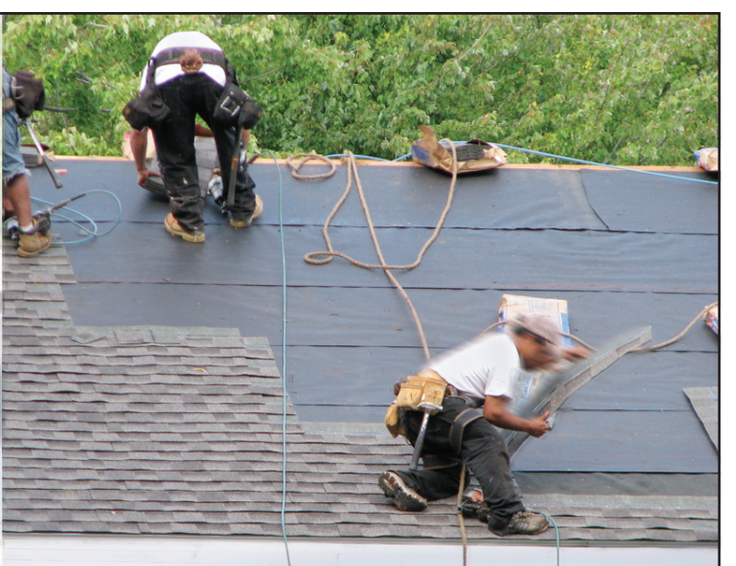
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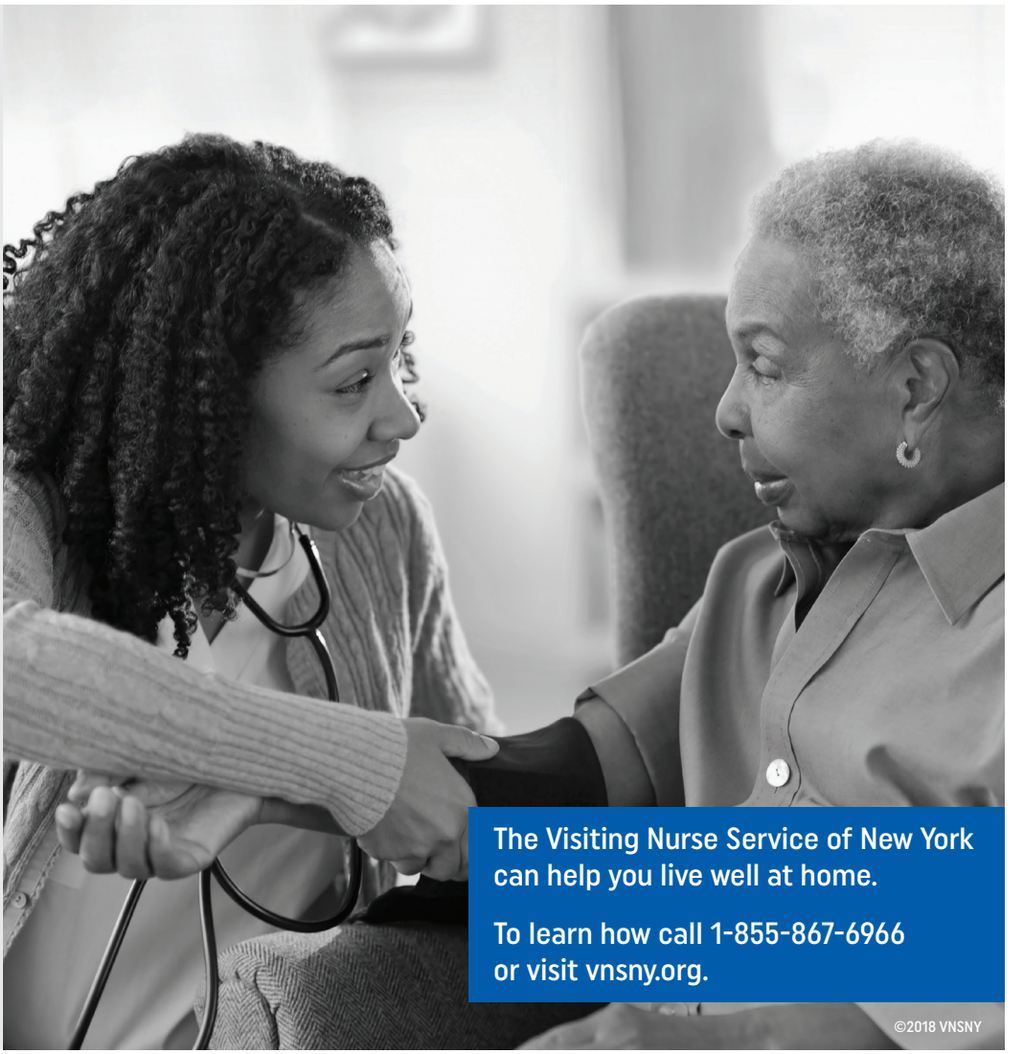

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City to invest $4B in climate change solutions

BY MARK HALLUM

Prior to attending the Global Climate Action Summit in San Francisco, Mayor Bill de Blasio announced New York City would be investing $4 billion from pension funds over the next three years into climate change solutions and divesting from fossil fuels.

The $4 billion only accounts for 2 percent of the city's $195 billion pension portfolio for government employees to retire, according to city Comptroller Scott Stringer, who said investing in clean energy would pay out in the long more than fossil fuels.

During the Sept. 13 news conference in Breezy Point, De Blasio used Hurricane Sandy to illustrate the need for investing in climate change mitigation after the unprecedented storm hit the city particularly hard and left many along Queens' waterways without homes for years.

"We remember that Sandy left an extraordinarily negative impact on this city — we lost 44 lives because of Sandy. We lost $19 billion-worth of property. The impact was $19 billion on our city. This is one storm, and we're having this discussion on a day when, as you said, the Carolinas are facing something that could be as bad or worse, all because of climate change," de Blasio said. "This is a crucial, crucial step, and we're going to be looking for more and more as we continue on our mission of 80 percent reduction in emissions by 2050. Once upon a time, that also sounded like an outlandish goal. Now, all over the world it's being accepted as the norm."

Mayor Bill de Blasio and City Comptroller Scott Stringer committed to investing $4 billion in climate change solutions over the next three years. Photo by Ed Reed/Mayoral Photography Office

The city is looking to "change the paradigm" for public pension plans by investing in the programs that threaten other investments, such as fossil fuels, according to Stringer, who added that new investments will be reviewed by boards of individual pension systems to ensure they are consistent with their portfolio strategy.

"We have every intention of divesting from fossil fuel. Obviously there is a road map and a process to do that," Stringer said. "We believe through our modeling, using our computer models and our pre-existing investments we can get to the two percent in three years. That's why we calculated that would could add two billion dollars, right? So we actually went out and looked at where we are with our existing asset allocation. So we don't have to go back to the trustees we believe and chain to the allocation. We believe we can add to it without radically changing it. Keep in mind that everything the Mayor and I do is with the full support of the trustees."

Michael Mulgrew, president of the United Federation of Teachers, said the divestment from fossil fuels follows the trend of the city transferring investments from firearm and ammunitions manufacturing, in that

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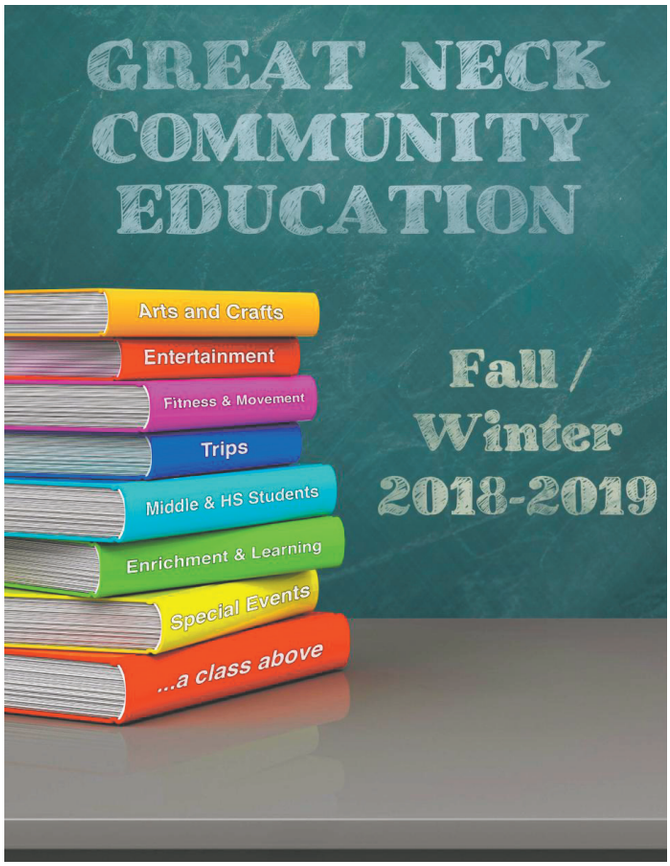

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Bayside resident builds homes in Puerto Rico

BY CARLOTTA MOHAMED

When Kristen Cheung of Bayside traveled to Puerto Rico in August to help rebuild homes damaged by the wrath of Hurricanes Irma and Maria last year, it was definitely an eye-opening experience.

"It's one thing to actually hear about it and see videos and photos," said Cheung, 19. "I remember one woman who didn't have electricity from September through May, and she's an elderly lady who lives alone. I don't know how I would be able to survive through that."

Cheung traveled to the mountainous region of Barranquitas in Puerto Rico, from Aug. 5-18 along with 12 CUNY students who volunteered for the "NY Stands with Puerto Rico Recovery and Rebuilding Initiative," launched in April by Gov. Andrew Cuomo.

Under Cuomo's initiative, approximately 500 SUNY and CUNY student volunteers and skilled trade workers from the building and construction trades were deployed in June to work with nonprofit organizations on the ground to help rebuild homes across Puerto Rico, according to the office of Gov. Cuomo.

A total of 196 students from the City University of New York have traveled to the island since June on two-week trips to fix ravaged homes, repairing doors, windows and roofs and removing mold.

Cheung, a neuroscience major at Macaulay Honors College at CUNY, spent two weeks building roofs for damaged houses with 60 members from the volunteer organization "All Hands and Hearts," a nonprofit founded in 2005 to provide relief to residents in areas affected by natural disasters in the United States and abroad.

"They were one of the first volunteer nonprofits to actually ask the people what they needed and the response was roofs for their homes," said Cheung. "We stayed with them and they were extremely hospitable. They treated you like family, cooking lunch and giving us coffee."

Cheung worked everyday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. building houses, often in the hot sun.

Although Cheung didn't have any construction experience, she received on-the-job training using tools such as circular saws and building roofs using harnesses.

According to Cheung, 72 roofs were completed by the nonprofit and 110 families were helped.

"They did a survey and homeowners would give feedback on how we did," said Cheung. "None of them had anything bad to say. We called about 15 people every few days and they were all really kind and grateful to the organization for helping them out."

While in Barranquitas, Cheung connected with the homeowners sharing stories with each other about their families, and the hardships of locals living in Puerto Rico after the hurricanes.

(From l. to r.) CUNY Trustee Kevin D. Kim with Macaulay Honors student Kristen Cheung, CUNY Trustee Lorraine Cortés-Vázquez and CUNY Trustee Michael Arvanites in Puerto Rico. Courtesy of CUNY

"What we saw was completely different from New York City. Everything was so natural," Cheung said. "There are so many colors in San Juan, but in Barranquitas so many trees and mountains. And it was a bit humid and rainy and it was just very open."

Cheung lived with about 30 people in one room with limited access to WiFi, no cell service, cold showers, and many bugs, she said.

"I think most people would turn away from the idea of actually going there and working eight hours under the boiling sun, because we were on roofs it was extremely hot," said Cheung. "The people who I met were so special because they were willing to give up their comfort to help others."

After spending two weeks with the families at Barranquitas learning about Puerto Rican culture and traveling with locals around the area, Cheung had formed an everlasting bond with the people and CUNY students she met on the trip.

"By the end of it all we were all really emotional about leaving," said Cheung. "Nothing at home really mattered when we were there. We all had a common goal. We all just wanted to help out and do the right thing... we were focused on building homes and spending time with each other."

Cheung said she plans on returning to Puerto Rico sometime in the future.

"I really feel like it made me grow as a person," said Cheung. "I guess I reevaluated how privileged and well off I am to be able to have all of my basic needs met. "It really opened my eyes to how different life can be, so I'm really grateful for that and for this trip."

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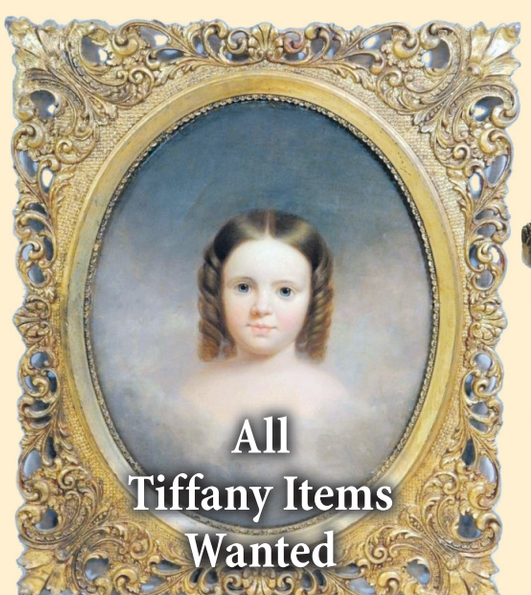

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NYPD officers busted in prostitution probe: DA

BY CARLOTTA MOHAMED

A retired NYPD vice detective and seven active NYPD officers were indicted last week for allegedly operating a prostitution ring and gambling enterprise involving nearly three dozen civilians, according Queens District Attorney Richard Brown and Police Commissioner James O'Neill.

"The vast majority of NYPD police officers are honest and dedicated to enforcing and upholding the law," Brown said. "However, today's indictments of one former detective and seven current police officers of the NYPD dishonor the badge."

Brown identified the mastermind of the enterprise and main defendant Ludwig Paz — also known as Agua — 51, of Queens Village, along with 49 other individuals who were indicted Sept. 13 at Queens County Criminal Court located in Kew Gardens.

Paz was charged with enterprise corruption, promoting prostitution, conspiracy, bribery, rewarding official misconduct, promoting gambling and hindering prosecution, according to Brown.

The retired detective was ordered held on $525K bond/$325K cash bail along with a bail sufficiency hearing. He was ordered to surrender his passport and return to court Oct. 30.

According to Brown, Paz allegedly used his knowledge of the inner workings of the New York City Police Department to run the brothels. Paz is alleged to have operated or was partnered with and assisted with the day-to-day business of seven out of eight brothels with his wife, Arelis Peralta, raking in more than $2 million between August 2016 and September 2017.

The brothels are located on Liberty and Onderdonk Avenues in Queens, on Gates, Foster and Fourth Avenues and 42nd Street in Brooklyn, and on Front Street in Hempstead, L.I., according to Brown.

The illegal enterprise also included using established lotteries to run illegal gambling at a deli on Springfield Boulevard and within a beauty salon on 243rd Street, both in Queens, as well as a beauty salon on Flatbush Avenue in Brooklyn, and other undisclosed locations, according to Brown.

The operations included managers, runners and agents with working offices to place illegal bets on legal lotteries, Brown said.

The seven accomplices — consisting of two NYPD detectives, four sergeants and one police officer — who allegedly worked with Paz in the prostitution ring, were all charged with enterprise corruption, Brown said.

Brooklyn South Vice Det. Rene Samaniego, 43, is accused of aiding Paz with both the prostitution ring and the gambling organizations. Sgt. Carlos Cruz, 41, and Det. Giovanny Rojas Acosta, 40, allegedly aided Paz by providing information on law enforcement activities related to prostitution, Brown said.

Sgts. Cliff Nieves, 37, of Brooklyn and his brother, Steven Nieves, 32, of Queens, were charged with promoting prostitution and other charges for allegedly operating a brothel for the sole purpose of a bachelor party.

NYPD police officers were indicted for allegedly operating a prostitution and gambling ring in Queens, Brooklyn, and Hempstead, Long Island, according to the Queens DA's office.

Photo by Mary Altaffer/AP

Police Officer Giancarlo Raspanti is also accused of providing Paz with confidential police information in exchange for discounted sex at a brothel, and Sgt. Louis Failla is charged in connection with allegedly assisting Paz following a brothel raid, Brown said.

The police officers will return to court Oct. 25, according to Brown.

The investigation began in April 2015 after a fellow police officer tipped the NYPD's Internal Affairs Bureau that active police officers and a retired detective were engaged in illegal operations. Investigators utilized court-authorized wiretaps, surveillance and other investigative techniques to identify the structure and individuals involved in the enterprises.

Paz used his knowledge of NYPD Vice procedures to set up protocols for new prostitution clients, according to Brown. Knowing that detectives could not expose their genitals during their interactions with prostitutes, Paz required the new clients to undress and allow themselves to be fondled to pass the brothel's security screening, Brown said. He also allegedly used his contacts within the NYPD to thwart raids by paying for confidential police information.

The brothels used online ads to attract customers and after passing the screenings, clients would be allowed to choose

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St. Albans man charged in Richmond Hill murder

BY NAEISHA ROSE

Days after a candlelight vigil was held for slain Correction Officer Jonathan Narain, who was killed last week in South Richmond Hill, a suspect from St. Albans was charged with second-degree murder and two counts of criminal possession of a weapon, according to Queens District Attorney Richard Brown's office.

The suspect, Gifford Hunter, 30, is being held on the three counts without bail and was ordered Monday to return to court Oct. 10 by Queens Criminal Court Judge Toni Cimino.

Department of Correction Commissioner Cynthia Brann issued a statement on Twitter Sunday morning thanking the Correction Intelligence Bureau, the NYPD and the Regional Fugitive Task Force for finding the suspect swiftly for their "brother."

Brann had previously issued a statement offering her condolences to those who knew Narain.

"The entire Department of Corrections is grieving upon learning the tragic shooting death of our brother in blue while off duty," Brann said last Friday after Narain was killed. "My deepest sympathy and heartfelt condolences go out to his family, friends, and colleagues throughout the Department."

On the early morning of Sept. 14, Narain, 27, was at the intersection of 120th Street and 103rd Avenue heading to work, when at approximately 1:36 a.m. he was shot after the suspect allegedly fired a weapon into a vehicle driven by Narain, fatally striking him once in the head, according to the complaint.

"The defendant is accused of firing a single shot into the head of an off-duty NYC Corrections officer, mortally wounding him," Brown said.

Narain was transported to Jamaica Hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

A candlelight vigil was held at the site of the incident and a wake was held at 104-52 111 St. in South Richmond Hill Sept. 14. The funeral was scheduled to be held Thursday, Sept. 20, at Bergen Funeral Service at 114-30 Rockaway Blvd. in South Ozone Park from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

A St. Albans was charged with the murder of Correction Officer Jonathan Narain, according to the Queens DA's office.

After learning of the shooting, the Correction Officers' Benevolent Association — a correctional officer union — issued a $10,000 reward for any information on the suspect.

"This was a cold-hearted and senseless act of violence that will not be tolerated in Queens County," Brown said.

Before his death, Narain had taken the Correction Captain exam, according to DOC co-workers on Facebook.

Mauricio Londono, a friend and co-worker of Narain started a change.org petition on the social media platform to have his colleague promoted posthumously to the rank of captain. As of Wednesday, it received 5,403 signatures for its original goal of 5,000, and had its goal moved to 7,500.

"If anyone knew Jonathan, one of his goals was to be promoted to the rank of Correction Captain since he took the promotional exam," Londono wrote on the change.org website. "As is the practice by NYPD, FDNY, and other Civil Servant agencies, officers killed in the Line of Duty are promoted posthumously as a sign of respect, gratitude and honor to the families they have left behind."

If Hunter is convicted he could face up to 25-years to life in prison, according to the complaint.

"My office will continue to work tirelessly to combat the proliferation of illegal guns in our community and will vigorously prosecute those who disobey our laws," said Brown.

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A NEW DAWN

Last week's Democratic primary proved that we are truly in a new age of politics in Queens.

While a handful of incumbent state Senators and Assembly members did not face opponents, those who did may have been surprised at the results, specifically the former IDC members.

State Sens. Tony Avella and Jose Peralta — both former IDC members — lost their respective primaries to challengers John Liu and Jessica Ramos, respectively. And it wasn't even close.

Liu secured 50.7 percent of the votes to defeat Avella by 1,287 votes, while Ramos also tallied 50.73 percent of the votes compared to Peralta's 41.7 percent, according to the Board of Elections.

Also proof of a new dawn in Queens politics is Catalina Cruz's victory over Ari Espinal in the District 39 state Assembly race. Espinal was handpicked by Joe Crowley — before he was stunned himself by Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez in the June 26 primary.

Crowley, the chairman of the Queens Democratic Party, has seen his influence dwindle since his defeat. The fact that Espinal — who won the Assembly seat in an uncontested special election in April — was defeated in her first challenge shows that voters have had enough of the norm and want new blood to lead their districts.

Voter turnout was up across the borough, which saw increased numbers in District 11 — which includes Bayside, Little Neck, Whitestone, College Point and parts of Flushing —and District 30 — which covers Astoria, Long Island City, Maspeth, Middle Village, Sunnyside and Woodside.

Liu bested Avella in District 11, while State Assemblyman Brian Barnwell fended off a challenge from Melissa Sklarz in District 30.

The voting trends in Queens are similar to those of the neighboring boroughs, as well.

While Avella and Peralta were the only former IDC members in Queens, the Bronx and Brooklyn saw their former IDC members bested in the primary, too.

State Sen. Jeff Klein was defeated by challenger Alessandra Biaggi in the Bronx, while state Sen. Jesse Hamilton fell in Brooklyn and state Sen. Marisol Alcántara was ousted in Manhattan.

The only former IDC member to survive in New York City was state Sen. Diane Savino of Staten Island.

Ocasio-Cortez's victory in June launched a new era of politics: one where voters will demand change and hold elected officials responsible for their actions. We saw it in June and again last week.

There's no reason to think the Nov. 6 general election will be any different.

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Suicide Prevention Photos--September is Suicide Prevention Month. To raise awareness regarding this important mental health issue, NYC Health + Hospitals/Elmhurst's Department of Behavioral Health hosted suicide prevention discussions in English and Spanish at the Forest Hills and Corona Queens Library branches. The discussions were led by Drs. Basilisa Canto and Maria De Pena-Nowak.

On September 13th, Doctors and nurses from NYC Health + Hospitals/Elmhurst's Stroke Team celebrated receiving the American Heart Association's/American Stroke Association's Get With the Guidelines Stroke Gold Plus Quality Achievement Award for the 7th year in a row. This award recognizes the hospital's commitment to ensuring stroke patients receive the most appropriate treatment according to nationally recognized guidelines. The hospital's Stroke Program also recently received certification from The Joint Commission, a nonprofit organization that assesses and monitors the quality of hospitals around the nation. For more information on Elmhurst's s Stroke Program, please call 718 334-4000 or visit nychealthandhospitals.org/elmhurst.

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Your backyard: Where the wild things are

Lenore Skenazy
▪
Rhymes with Crazy

Giving mice a re-think. That's what I'm doing, having just watched the amazing new 3D film now playing hourly at the American Museum of Natural History: "Backyard Wilderness."

It is hard — well, let's say a little harder — to hate the whiskered nibblers once you see what they're up against, including freezing, starving, and staring down the family dog as it peers inquisitively into the mouse hole. Give it up for these mice! Backyard Wilderness is a movie that makes you so thrilled to be part of all the living things on earth, you feel a kinship not just to rodents, but to salamanders, frogs, and even some bugs.

Heck, even to a dead deer.

Let me explain.

The movie is about a year in the life of a suburban New York home and its backyard. But rather than a tale of the family that lives there, the humans are almost comic extras in the film, often seen tapping away at screens — or driving off in their big red cars — oblivious to the gobsmacking drama happening all around them in the natural world.

And that, say husband-and-wife filmmakers Susan Todd and Andrew Young, was pretty much true of their own family. Although the couple spent several years making nature documentaries in places like Madagascar and Alaska, home was just, well, home. They lived in New York City for a while — land of pigeons and squirrels — then moved up to Croton-on-Hudson, land of deer and squirrels. Nothing that remarkable.

But once they had kids and read Richard Louv's "Last Child in the Woods," they realized this generation wasn't growing up as connected to the outdoors as previous ones.

"It gave us a feeling of urgency," says Young.

They wanted their kids — and everyone else's — to understand that nature isn't only in exotic locations. It's everywhere, from vacant lots in the city to the lush lawns of Larchmont. There are beavers in the Bronx River, says Todd. And hawks and falcons throughout the five boroughs. Snowy owls have been spotted in Central Park, as have coyotes.

"There's all these amazing animal actions happening right outside, some of them at night, and you're going to miss them if you glued to your screen," she said.

They set out to prove it.

And so, over the course of four years of filming, they managed to get footage of things even they hadn't realized were happening, like a duck family living in their backyard tree (yes, some ducks live in tree holes).

Thanks to a camera they managed to wedge into the hole, we get to watch as the duck eggs hatch, all at once. Downy little critters peck through their shells to emerge cute as kittens, but braver than Braveheart. How brave is that? Later the very same day of their birth they waddle over to the hole their mom has just blithely flown out of, look up, look down — and jump.

Duckling after duckling takes floppy flight, an amazing sight captured by the cameras (and vastly enhanced by Tom Petty's "Free Fallin'"). All told, about 10 ducklings leave the nest, find their mom down below, follow her to the local pond and then, in yet another act of derring-do, jump in and start swimming. Triatheletes got nothing on them.

And that's just one species! The film burrows into a raccoon home and shows a mama with her babies. It soars above a hawk and shows him flying in slow motion. The filmmakers manage to document a caterpillar as it morphs into a chrysalis — so weird — and then into a butterfly. Seeing that makes you want to pump your fist in the air and give it up for Mother Nature. She is unstoppable!

Of course, that doesn't mean the animals themselves are unstoppable. We watch a pack of coyotes track a deer. Dear readers, the deer does not win — but we do. Using time-lapse photography the film actually shows us, over the course of just a minute or two, the six months it takes for the carcass to decay into the earth. It's a little unsettling to see the bones so bare, but at the end, wonder of wonders, the deer has truly disappeared. And precisely where it died, we see, in the spring, new plants, green and glorious, shooting up. It is remarkable to the point of prayer-like: World without end, amen.

The movie makes you laugh, too, especially when you see the parallel existence of the mice, just trying to live their life in the wall, and the suburban kids just trying to do their homework.

Let's hope that the homework for many a New York City school child this year is to see this film and go home to look for nature. Hint, kids: You got this.

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The 1948 presidential election and its lasting effect

William Lewis
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Political Action

World War II was a time of unity in our country among various political factions. With the end of the war, political interest seemed to come to pass.

The presidential election of 1948 brought into play these various groups, all working toward obtaining the White House. In that year, the Democratic Party split into three groups. One saw Harry Truman running as a more mainstream Democratic candidate, Strom Thurmond running as a States Rights candidate, and Henry Wallace running as the Progressive Party candidate.

Prior to 1948, all three of these groups had displayed loyalty to the regular Democratic Party organization. However, in the 1948 convention held in Philadelphia, political interest came strongly into being. The States Rights Party candidate separated from the main party organization to run a separate slate led by Gov. Thurmond.

There was also Henry Wallace breaking off from the Democratic Party and forming the Progressive Party, which split the Democratic Party three ways. It looked bad for the incumbent, Truman, who had not been elected on his own, but had succeeded to the presidency after the death of President Franklin Roosevelt.

In 1948, the Republicans also held their convention in Philadelphia. There had been a series of primaries among Republicans seeking the presidential nomination. However when Gov. Thomas Dewey of New York won the Oregon primary, it seemed he had wrapped up the nomination.

As we look at the political situation as it existed then, it appeared to most political observers that Dewey would win the race easily since the Democratic Party was so widely split.

All the major polls seemed to indicate that Dewey would win. The campaign that year brought many surprises, including Thurmond and Wallace getting a very small percentage of the vote, less than six percent.

Truman received more than 24 million votes, while Dewey secured more than 21 million. Truman carried 28 states, Dewey carried 16 states, Thurmond carried four states, and Wallace didn't carry any.

Truman waged a more comprehensive and all-out campaign than the other candidates combined. He had the advantage of directing the American foreign policy and taking hard stands against communist China and communist Russia. Additionally, there was a low turnout that year with most people believing that Dewey would win easily.

When we look at the election from the standpoint of election victories, Truman carried most of the western states, and won a decisive victory. Wallace had been Vice President of the United States and Secretary of Commerce, and preached liberal philosophy in dealing with America's potential enemies abroad and encouraging changes in our social environment. It was an election for change in terms of organized labor, civil rights, and foreign policy.

Future presidential elections would base their actions on what happened in the 1948 presidential election.

Administration's approach to trafficking still lacking

Prem Calvin Prashad
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New Voices

A chilling news story from the border has made national headlines.

A border patrol agent in Laredo, Texas, Juan David Ortiz, is accused of murdering four women over a two-week span. He was discovered after a fifth woman escaped and was able to alert authorities. All of the victims identified so far are suspected to be sex workers.

The case highlights the potential vulnerability of these women, as well as increasing doubts for the Customs and Border Patrol to vet its agents at a time when the federal government has demanded massive increases to the workforce stationed on the border.

Though there is no indication yet whether any of the victims were victims of human trafficking, trafficking is a major issue for the area. However, it is difficult to get accurate numbers on the size and scope of the problem.

Many crossing the border rely on traffickers for their routes and connections to safely make it across. Some may make it through and proceed onward to build a life in the United States, but many are forced into servitude, generally to pay back the huge sums traffickers demand.

A 2011 report from the Department of Justice indicated 2,515 cases of human trafficking from 2008–2010, 82 percent of which were suspected sex trafficking. The National Human Trafficking Hotline indicated 8,524 reported cases in 2017.

Though many trafficking victims arrive through the southern border, it is also possible to be trafficked by way of legitimate visas and simply arrive at an airport.

For instance, for labor trafficking, one may have arrived on a student visa, only to have their passport confiscated when they exit. Other trafficking victims include runaway children, who represent the bulk of minors who are trafficking around the country.

While the problem remains serious, the Trump administration wildly overreacted to the trafficking issue by seizing all children at the border, those crossing illegally, as well as those legally requesting asylum at a border crossing. Many of the parents were deported but the children remain in internment camps, despite a court order which gave the administration until July 26 to reunite families.

There is widespread suspicion that trafficking was a convenient cover to implement harsh, punitive measures against them. By the CBP's own numbers, half of one percent of border crossings represented so-called "family fraud," where a child was traveling with unrelated persons in order to cross the border. Arguably, by fixating on taking the children and punishing even those that legally present themselves at the border, the administration has done very little to combat actual traffickers.

Part of the reason why the problem of human trafficking is hard to quantify is that victims have to be willing and able to work with law enforcement. In many high-profile trafficking cases, especially those pertaining to live-in domestic labor, the victim's situation was only discovered when they were able to escape.

Typically, victims of trafficking have been able to apply for a "T" visa, which provides a stay of deportation. In June, the Trump administration issued new guidelines that, upon the denial of a T visa, commences deportation proceedings.

It is notoriously difficult to prove one was a victim of trafficking, even moreso without English skills or access to a translator. For immigrant victims of sex trafficking, some are not presented with the opportunity to apply for said visa or cooperate with authorities before deportation proceeding begin, therefore sparing the trafficker to victimize others.

The case of Juan David Ortiz is certain to spread fear across region. Potential victims of trafficking are already fearful of the authorities and this case, as well as recent shootings of undocumented immigrants are certain to cause victims to remain in hiding.

Meanwhile, CBP — under pressure to recruit — runs the risk of inviting predators and others unfit to be armed and work in law enforcement. Furthermore, until the administration enhances protection for trafficked victims, including putting an end of automatic deportation proceedings, investigators will be able to make inroads in infiltrating and stopping these networks.

Actress Hillary Brooke was raised in Astoria

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The Greater Astoria Historical Society

In conjunction with the Greater Astoria Historical Society, TimesLedger Newspapers presents noteworthy events in the borough's history.

Born Beatrice Sofia Mathilda Peterson on Sept. 8, 1914, and raised in Astoria, actress Hillary Brooke appeared in more than 50 films and television shows from the 1930s to the 1950s.

Best known for her polished British accent on screen and regal, upper-class image, she appeared in roles alongside greats including Bob Hope, James Stewart and Doris Day. She died in 1999 in California.

After attending Columbia University, the striking blonde worked as a model for agent Johnny Powers. On her way to Australia from California in 1936, Brooke found herself stranded in Hollywood due to a boat strike. She visited RKO Pictures and asked if she could be cast in a movie and soon landed her first role in Tinseltown in the musical comedy, "New Faces of 1937."

The aspiring actress had mostly uncredited bit parts in the late 1930s and early '40s, but also co-starred alongside Basil Rathbone and Nigel Bruce in several Sherlock Holmes movies including "Sherlock Holmes Faces Death," in 1943 and "The Woman in Green," two years later. The young actress also appeared in the 1943 film adaptation of the Charlotte Bronte novel, "Jane Eyre," with Orson Welles and Joan Fontaine.

Later in her career on the silver screen, the Queens native appeared in the sci-fi B-movie classic "Invaders from Mars" in 1953, a 3-D film called "The Maze" in the same year and the Alfred Hitchcock thriller "The Man Who Knew Too Much" in 1956. With her studied British accent, she usually portrayed English women on screen, and was even cast as a local in the 1954 British crime drama "The House Across the Lake."

Brooke claimed her favorite film was the 1945 production "The Enchanted Cottage," where she played the fiancée of a man badly disfigured by wounds suffered in the war. She fondly recalled the story of two ordinary people who are beautiful in each other's eyes.

"I thought that was a very nice film," she said. "I played Robert Young's fiancée, the girl who couldn't bear him after he was disfigured during the war. I was a society dame."

In the '50s, Brooke also enjoyed a degree of success in several television shows. The former model appeared regularly in the sitcom, "My Little Margie," as the love interest of Margie's father. At the same time, Brooke starred in "The Abbott and Costello Show," another popular situational comedy.

With the main actors appearing as themselves, Brooke portrayed a straight laced, refined tenant in the boarding house shared by the title characters who was also a prospective amour of Lou Costello.

The talented actress largely disappeared from film and television after the late 1950s. In her personal life, Brooke was married to film director Jack Voglin in the 1940s and they had a son together named Donald.

In 1960, she married MGM executive Raymond Klune and they remained together until his death in 1988. When the actress died in 1999, her ashes were scattered at sea.

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

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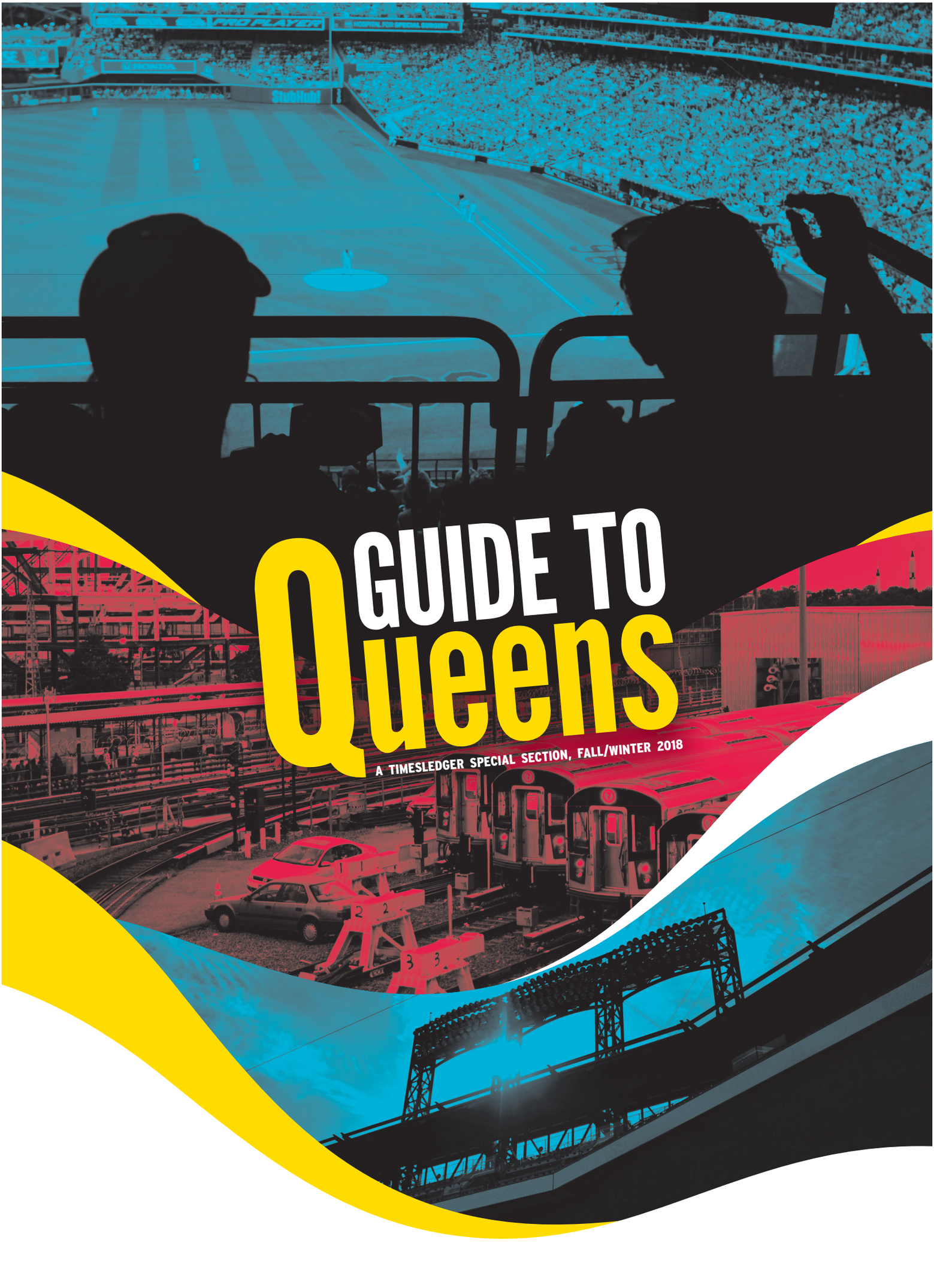

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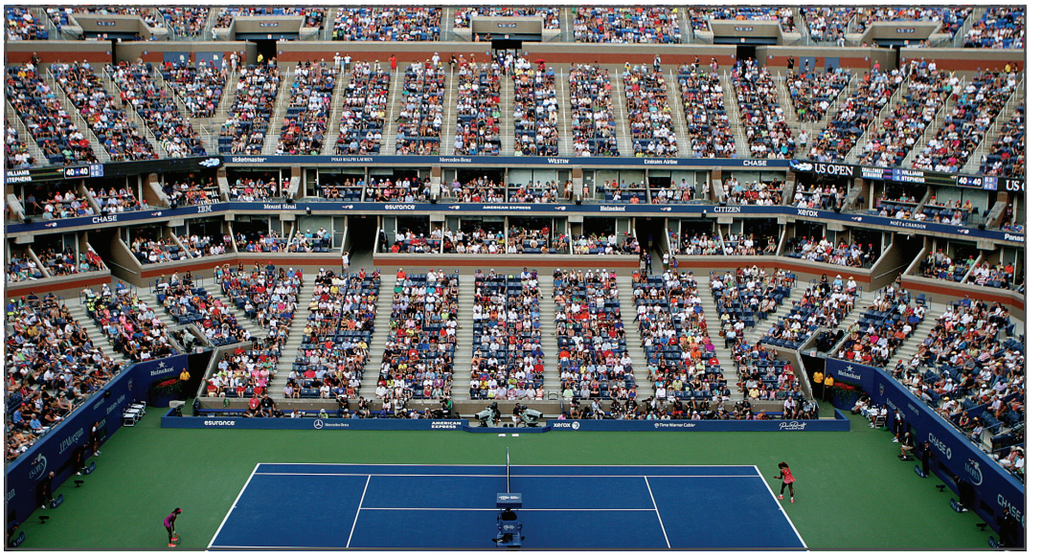

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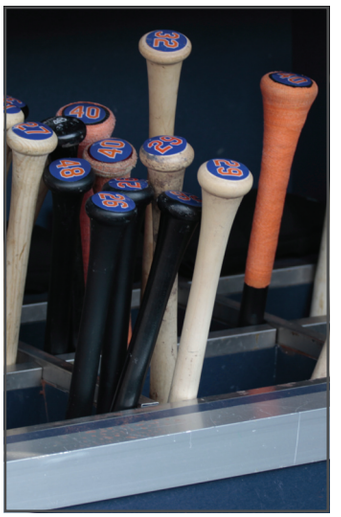
Queens may not be home to the World's Most Famous Arena, but the borough does boast some iconic sports venues.

There are plenty of options for residents and tourists alike who come to Queens looking to take in some high-quality sports action.

The borough plays host to Citi Field, Belmont Park, Carnesecca Arena and the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center, among others, with a new hockey arena for the New York Islanders expected in 2021.

We've highlighted four of Queens' historic sports venues, each offering different forms of entertainment to the borough.



Citi Field, which opened in 2009 replacing Shea Stadium, is not only home to the New York Mets, but plays hosts to sold-out concerts, soccer contests and even outdoor NHL games. The ballpark also played host to the World Series in 2015, when the Mets represented the National League but ultimately lost to the Kansas City Royals.

Perhaps the most iconic sports venue in Queens is the Billie Jean King National Tennis Center, which has hosted the US Open since 1964.

The venue consists of three main stadiums, which houses more than 45,000 seats combined. Formerly known as the USTA National Tennis Center, the venue was named in honor of iconic American female tennis player Billie Jean King in 2006.

This year, attendance at the US Open reached an all-time high with more than 800,000 people passing through the gates throughout the tournament.

The athletic facilities at Queens College have been a staple in the borough, as well.

The Maurice Fitzgerald Gymnasium, a three-story superstructure, has been a go-to destination for sporting events since its inception of 1958.

The basketball court has seen its fair share of history and was recently renamed after legendary women's hoops coach Lucille Kyvallos.

There are also three main athletic fields and an indoor-outdoor tennis center that calls Queens College home.

Straddling the border of Nassau and Queens counties is Belmont Park, which has been making history in the borough for more 150 years.

Host of the third leg of the Triple Crown, crowds have cheered on many of horse racing's greatest legends at Belmont, which has attracted millions of fans, visitors and tourists to the borough.

The race track will soon be accompanied by a brand-new hockey arena as the New York Islanders are slated to come to town in 2021.

These are just four of the several sports venues in Queens. Each lends a special quality to the borough, but above all else, these venues share a common trait: They help bring people together.

— Zach Gewelb
Editor

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Dorsky Gallery Curatorial Programs
11-03 45th Ave., Long Island City
718-937-6317
www.dorsky.org
This not-for-profit arts organization is dedicated to promoting contemporary visual arts to a broad audience. Admission to all exhibitions and related events is free and open to the public. Dorsky is open Thursday - Monday from 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Flushing Council on Culture and the Arts at Flushing Town Hall
137-35 Northern Blvd., Flushing, NY 11354
718-463-7700 x222
www.flushingtownhall.org
The council offers a performing arts and visual center where visitors can attend live music and dance events as well as view contemporary art and historical exhibitions in three art galleries in Town Hall, a Flushing national landmark building. The galleries are handicapped-accessible and free parking is available. Galleries are open Saturday and Sunday from noon-5 p.m. Performance tickets can be purchased at the box office Tuesday-Friday from noon-5 p.m. and two hours prior to shows.

Flux Factory
39-31 29th St., Long Island City
347-669-1406
www.fluxfactory.org
This non-profit arts organization supports and promotes emerging artists through exhibitions, commissions, residences and collaborative opportunities. It produces four major shows and dozens of smaller exhibitions each year.

Foundation for Filipino Artists
34-67 60th St., Woodside
646-415-1853
www.filartist.org
The foundation works to improve artistry and creativity among the local Filipino community.

Art House Astoria
23-35 Broadway, Astoria
347-738-4148
www.arthouseastoria.org
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Jackson Heights Art Club Studio located in St. Mark's Church, 33-50 82nd St., Jackson Heights
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www.jacksonheightsartclub.org
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Jamaica Center for Arts and Learning
161-04 Jamaica Ave., Jamaica
718-658-7400
www.jcal.org
Housed in a neo-Renaissance structure built in 1898, the center was founded in 1972 to provide arts education and cultural programs to the southeastern Queens community. It offers workshops, performances and classes that focus on performing arts disciplines and understanding cultural differences through the arts. The center is handicapped-accessible.

LIC Artists Inc.
5-25 46th Ave., Long Island City
347-848-0030
www.licartists.org
LICA is a member-driven organization that celebrates art and artists from around the borough. It sponsors events and showings throughout the year.

National Art League
44-21 Douglaston Parkway, Douglaston
718-224-3957
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Queens Council on the Arts
28-18 Steinway St., Astoria
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Queens Historical Society
143-35 37th Ave., Flushing
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www.queenshistoricalsociety.org
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The Rajkumari Cultural Center
122-09 Liberty Ave, 2nd Floor, Richmond Hill
646-240-9917
rajkumari.weebly.com
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Rockaway Artists Alliance
260 Beach 116th St., Rockaway Park
718-474-0861
www.rockawayartistsalliance.org
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Selma and Max Kupferberg Center for the Visual and Performing Arts
Queens College
65-30 Kissena Blvd., Flushing
718-570-0920
www.kupferbergcenter.org
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Topaz Arts
55-03 39th Ave., Woodside
718-505-0440
www.topazarts.org
Founded by Todd Richmond and Paz Tanjuaquio, Topaz is both a dance company and a multi-arts nonprofit offering public programs in a transformed warehouse space. Hours are by appointment via phone and e-mail.

DANCE

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718-527-2011
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info@sldt.org

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Astoria Performing Arts Center
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Office: Kaufman Astoria Studios, 34-12 36th St., Astoria
718-706-5750
apacny.org
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Black Spectrum Theatre
177-01th Street and Baisley Boulevard, Jamaica
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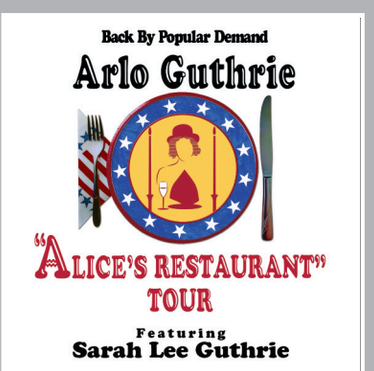

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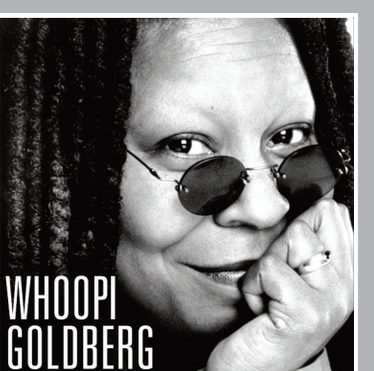

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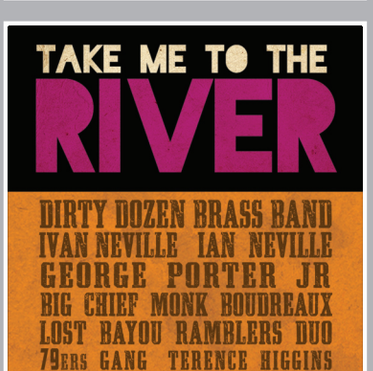

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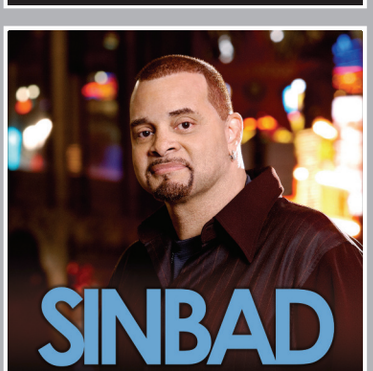

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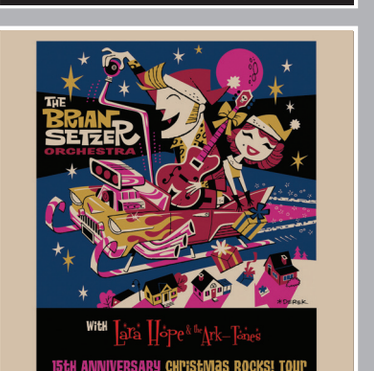

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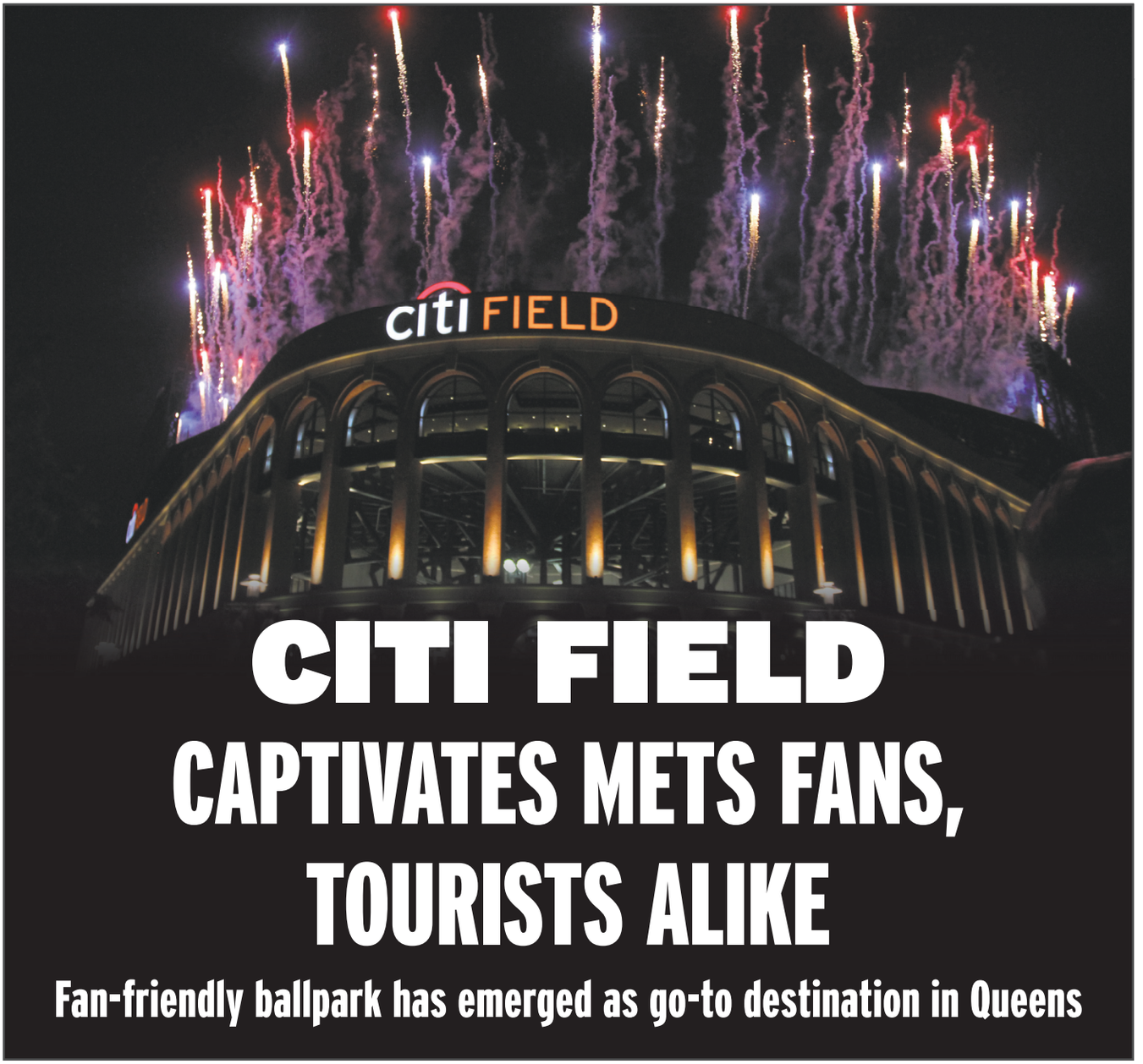

CITI FIELD CAPTIVATES METS FANS, TOURISTS ALIKE

Fan-friendly ballpark has emerged as go-to destination in Queens

Post-game fireworks at Citi Field light up the night sky. Photo by Bruce Adler

BY TAMMY SCILEPPI

In a sea of blue and orange at Citi Field, Mets fans celebrate their hometown team and stay true through thick and thin.

But some renegades and others, are starting to wonder about the so-called Mystery of Flushing.

Rumor has it something weird has been going on at the Mets' home since the team opened Citi Field back in 2009. For some strange reason, in their 10 seasons playing there, they've posted six of the 13 lowest home BABIP marks in baseball, according to writer Tom Verducci, who points out, "The rest of baseball has the other seven out of their combined 290 seasons."

His compelling "investigative" Sports Illustrated piece, "Let us introduce you to the Mystery of Flushing," reveals puzzling details that show a pattern which seems to confirm that The Amazins have consistently lost their mojo when playing at home. He writes, "'The Mystery of Flushing' is that the Mets' hitters fare far worse on balls in play at home than they do on the road. Not one year. Not the occasional year. Not by a little bit. Every stinking year. By a lot."

He adds: "This year the Mets are hitting .305 when they put the ball in play on the road. That makes them the fifth best team in all of baseball in that regard. If they hit anywhere close to that at home, they might have been a wild card contender."

He says the team has launched an internal research project to try to solve this mystery and find out what the heck's going on.

On the field

Like the 2017 campaign, 2018 has not been a good year for the Mets. Underproduction from core players and the injury bug to many others, have put them on pace to miss the playoffs again this year. The Mets last made the playoffs in 2016, where they were quickly eliminated in the Wild Card round by the San Francisco Giants. The most recent deep playoff run for the team came three years ago in that memorable World Series run in 2015, which die-hard fans hold onto as they watch another under-performing season come to an uneventful end.

In 2015, the Mets made a splash and acquired star outfielder Yoenis Cespedes at the trade deadline. This was a move that paid major dividends because he carried them into the playoffs, and ultimately helped lead the Mets on a run through the playoffs, and into to the World Series.

They went on to win the National League Division Series against the Los Angeles Dodgers. And then proceeded to win the National League Championship Series against the Chicago Cubs in a stunning four game sweep. But their improbable playoff run fell short as they ended up losing to the Kansas City Royals in the World Series.

It sure feels like a long time ago for Mets fans, and it begs this question: Has their window for winning a World Series with this core come to a close?

Cespedes, the team's biggest bat, has been injured often and missed most of this year. The Mets' roster still boasts a strong pitching staff — though the group has had trouble staying healthy — and the team lacks young talented position players on the major league roster, or in the pipe line in the minors.

Citi Field happenings

Citi Field is not just a baseball stadium.

Last year, workers put down a board surface over the entire field and began building a hockey rink that extended roughly from third to first base, prepping for the 10th annual NHL Winter Classic between the New York Rangers and Buffalo Sabres on New Year's Day 2018.

Since 2008, the NHL has hosted at least one regular-season outdoor game each year.

But that is hardly the first non-baseball event at Citi Field, which has hosted sold-out concerts by Beyonce, Dave Matthews Band, Paul McCartney and the Zac Brown Band, as well as soccer matches between European clubs and national teams.

Wearing red dresses, a local committee to raise awareness of women's heart disease gathered at Citi Field in May 2012, and went out on the baseball diamond and in one of the dugouts.

And while the baseball season is coming to a close, there are still several events planned coming up at Citi Field couple of upcoming events once the Mets season ends this month.

First, there was The Color Run, which was held Sept. 15. Also known as the Happiest 5k on the Planet, it's a unique paint race that celebrates healthiness, happiness, and individuality. Runners had the opportunity to run through the ballpark.

There's the BTS World Tour 'Love Yourself' scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 6, that is already sold out.

For the fans

The Mets' take a lot of pride in making Citi Field the ultimate fan-friendly experience. Even though the Mets' have struggled the last couple of seasons, there is still plenty for fans to cheer about at the ballpark.

The team has never been shy about promotional giveaways. In fact, the Mets offered a different giveaway every Sunday home game during the 2018 season.

There's also the Mr. Met Dash, which has become a fan favorite event. Kids can run the bases at Citi Field after every Sunday home game, meet Mr. Met and practice your home run trot — weather permitting.

Citi Field features an unprecedented amount of amenities and comfort for fans and visitors to the New York metro area. The open-air ballpark connects the Mets'

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Here are some tips offered by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:

1) PREPARE A KIT.

Put together a collection of critical basics, such as water, nonperishable and easy-to-prepare food, flashlights, batteries, a battery-powered or hand-crank radio, a first aid kit, medications, a multipurpose tool, sanitary and hygiene items, copies of personal documents, cell phones with chargers, emergency contact information and cash.

2) MAKE A PLAN.

Develop a family disaster plan and practice it. Contact your local American Red Cross chapter and find out what disasters are most likely to happen and how to prepare for them. Ask about animal care and how to care for the elderly or disabled. Develop an evacuation plan and pick two places to meet, one outside your home and one outside your neighborhood in case you cannot return home. Practice this plan with your family.

3) STAY INFORMED.

Learn how to "shelter in place" in your home, vehicle or place of work or in-between, in case chemical or radiological contaminants are released. Choose a large room with a water supply that can be sealed off at home. Develop a sheltering plan at work and put together a kit. Learn CPR, first aid and how to use an automated external defibrillator.

More detailed information on how best to prepare for an emergency can be found at emergency.cdc.gov/preparedness/shelter.

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City General Helpline: 311

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To contact the city collector: 212-504-4080
www1.nyc.gov/site/finance/index.page

Community Boards
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www.nyc.gov/html/cau/html/cb/queens.shtml

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www.coned.com

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Queens County Civil Court: 718-262-7100
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in July, presents rotating productions of Shakespeare plays each summer for free at various parks around Queens.

LaGuardia Performing Arts Center
31-10 Thomson Ave., Long Island City
718-482-5151
www.lpac.nyc
The center offers a variety of cultural and educational programs in music, dance and theater, including concerts and family matinees. The center features the 740-seat Main Stage Theatre and the 220-seat Little Theatre. The center is wheelchair-accessible. It does not offer bus parking. The center is in season from September to May.

Queensborough Performing Arts Center
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Queens Theatre
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718-392-0722
www.secrettheatre.com
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Built: 1924
Address: 145-15 Bayside Ave., Flushing
Built in 1924, the mansion features rusticated, irregularly shaped fieldstone walls, a multicolored slate roof, casement and leaded glass windows and picturesque massing. Large, suburban, picturesque revival-style houses from the 1920s were at one time prevalent throughout New York City's affluent residential outer neighborhoods, but have become increasingly rare.

Herman A. and Malvina Schleicher House
Built: around 1857
Address: 11-41 123rd St., College Point
The house stands on a circular site that was created around 1906, when the original 14-acre estate was subdivided into building lots and became part of the surrounding street grid. Morris A. Gescheidt, a German-born painter and architect, gave the building its neo-classical design.

The Unisphere, Pool and Fountains
Built: 1963-64
Address: Flushing Meadows Corona Park
Robert Moses had hired Gilmore D. Clarke to lay out the plan of the 1939-40 World's Fair, a series of major and minor boulevards and paths radiating out from a central point containing the Trylon and Perisphere, with major axes terminating at focal points that contained major pavilions, fountains and sculptures. In 1961, Clarke returned to modify the 1939 plan for the 1964-65 fair, placing the Unisphere at the same prominent position as the earlier Trylon and Perisphere.

Voelker Orth Museum, Bird Sanctuary and Victorian Garden
Built: around 1891
Address: 149-19 38th Ave., Flushing
The Voelker Orth Museum is significant as one of the few houses remaining from Flushing's early period of suburban development, the years around 1900. Its exuberantly picturesque design and large garden are typical of buildings of the late 19th century and recall the period when, due to expanding transportation networks, Flushing was transformed from a rural area to a suburban one.

Southern

Daniel and Abbie B. Eldridge House
Built: around 1870
Address: 87-61 111th St., Jamaica
Clarenceville, as the area was named, was promoted in the early 1850s for its beauty, convenient location and accessibility by public transportation, but little development had taken place when Daniel Eldridge, a clerk in the city Water Department and alleged member of the Tweed Ring, bought six lots in 1867 and 1869.

First Reformed Church of Jamaica
Built: 1858-59
Address: 153-10 Jamaica Ave., Jamaica
The existing building was the Dutch Reformed Church of Jamaica's third building on the site. The Jamaica Avenue facade consists of a central peaked-roof section flanked by two square towers, one of which is twice the size of the other.

Grace Episcopal Church and Graveyard
Built: 1702
Address: 155-03 Jamaica Ave., Jamaica
Designed by Cady, Berg & See and added in 1901, the chancel replicates the style of the earlier building. The surrounding graveyard dates to the early 18th century and contains tombstones and monuments of various styles and materials.

Jamaica Chamber of Commerce Building
Built: 1928-29
Address: 89-31 161st St., Jamaica
Founded in 1919 as the Jamaica Board of Trade to promote the area to businesses and residential developers, the chamber by 1926 had grown to a membership of nearly 500, when Secretary Max C. Bunyan suggested the organization would benefit from having a building of its own, part of which could be rented out to support the chamber's work.

Jamaica High School
Built: 1925-27
Address: 167-01 Gothic Drive, Jamaica
This large, classically styled public high school was designed by William Gompert and opened in 1927 to accommodate the rapidly expanding Jamaica population.

Jamaica Savings Bank (current)
Built: 1939
Address: 146-21 Jamaica Ave., Jamaica
Architect Morrell Smith, celebrated for his designs of commercial bank buildings, designed this branch of Jamaica Savings Bank in 1939. Set on a trapezoidal lot, the one-story building faces an intersection with an angled facade and corner entrance.

Jamaica Savings Bank (former)
Built: 1897-98
Address: 161-02 Jamaica Ave., Jamaica
Designed by the firm of Hough & Deuell, the building is an example of the classically inspired Beaux-Arts style, executed in carved limestone and wrought iron and is one of only a few buildings in Queens to embrace that aesthetic. Sited on Jamaica Avenue, the building is an urbane presence on the neighborhood's main commercial thoroughfare.

J. Kurtz and Sons Store
Built: 1931
Address: 162-24 Jamaica Ave., Jamaica
The ground floor storefront on Jamaica Avenue wraps around the corner onto Guy Brewer Boulevard. Corner windows on the upper floors add an additional modern design element to the building.

King Manor Museum
Built: 1900
Address: 150-03 Jamaica Ave., Jamaica
The King Manor Association of L.I. Inc. operates the historic house as a museum to preserve and interpret the home and legacy of Rufus King. The only historic house museum in southeast Queens, King Manor serves a largely minority and immigrant community and engages its audiences through historic site tours, interactive exhibits, lectures, public programs and school and community outreach.

La Casina
Built: around 1933
Address: 90-33 160th St., Jamaica
The building is a former nightclub built in the Modern style. It now houses the Jamaica Business Resource Center.

Loew's Valencia Theater
Built: 1928
Address: 165-11 Jamaica Ave., Jamaica
It currently houses the Tabernacle of Prayer for All People. Designed by John Eberson, the former theater was the first of five atmospheric movie palaces constructed by the Loew's Corp. outside Manhattan in the 1920s.

Prospect Cemetery
Built: around 1668
Address: 159th Street near York College and the Long Island Rail Road station, Jamaica
In the 19th century, the cemetery expanded through the purchase of individual lots. It contains tombstones and monuments of varying ages and styles and the burials of Revolutionary War veterans and early prominent families from Long Island and Queens.

Queens General Court House
Built: 1936-39
Address: 88-11 Sutphin Blvd., Jamaica
The Modern Classical style was selected for this building because it was thought to express the dignity and majesty of the law. An example of the style, the E-shaped, seven-story building is faced with Alabama limestone and articulated with neo-Classical ornament.

Ralph Bunche House
Built: 1927
Address: 115-24 Grosvenor Road, Kew Gardens
Dr. Ralph Bunche and his family lived for more than 30 years in a neo-Tudor style residence built in 1927 and designed by the architects Koch & Wagner. Bunche had an illustrious career in academia, international service and diplomacy, which included the 1950 Nobel Peace Prize for his role in negotiating armistice settlements between Israel and its Arab neighbors.

The Register
Built: 1898
Address: 161-04 Jamaica Ave., Jamaica
It was built in the year Queens was incorporated into Greater New York. The building is faced in limestone and has a tripartite design of base, piano nobile, and attic story.

Sidewalk Clock
Built: around 1900
Address: 161-11 Jamaica Ave., Jamaica
It is one of only two extant sidewalk clocks in Queens. The original manufacturer and installer are unknown, and the clock has been somewhat altered with the insertion of electric clock units and the installation of neon signs.

St. Monica's Church
Built: 1856
Address: 94-20 160th St., Jamaica
Typical Romanesque Revival-style elements include round-arched openings, turrets, a heavy cornice at the top of the campanile and corbelling. The new building has a square massing and a skin of brick piers and metal panels.

Suffolk Tile and Guarantee

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www.queensdaycare.com

Death Certificates
To get a death certificate, call the Department of Health: 212-788-4520
www.health.state.ny.us/vital_records/death.htm

Dental Referrals
To obtain emergency dentist referrals: 718-454-8344
www.yellowpages.com/queens-ny/dental-clinics

Disabilities
Mayor's office for people with disabilities: 212-788-2830
To get disabled parking permits, call the Department of Motor Vehicles: 718-433-3100
www.nyc.gov/html/dot/html/permits/nyc-pppd.shtml

Disabled Transportation
To get reduced fare bus/subway passes, call the MTA: 718-243 4999
To obtain an Access-A-Ride application: 646-252-5252
www.mta.info/nyct/paratran/guide.htm

Discrimination
To report discrimination, call the Human Rights Commission 212-306-7500
www1.nyc.gov/site/cchr/enforcement/complaint-process.page

District Attorney
Call Queens District Attorney Richard Brown: 718-286-6000
District Attorney's Squad (Hot Line): 718-286-6580
www.queensda.org

Dog Licenses
To get a license for your dog: 212-676-2100 or 311
www1.nyc.gov/nyc-resources/service/1531/dog-license

Domestic Violence
To report and get help for domestic violence: 800-621-HOPE
www.nyc.gov/html/ocdv/html/home/home.shtml

Drug Abuse
To get help for drug abuse: 718-661-4003
Drug Abuse Treatment Information (OSAS): 800-522-5353
www.oasas.ny.gov

E-Z Pass
To get E-Z PASS applications: 800-333-8655
www.e-zpassny.com

Elder Services
Dept. for the Aging: 212-442-1000

To find out about legal services for the elderly: 718-286-1500
www.eldercare.gov

Elections
To contact the Queens Board of Elections: 718-730-6730
vote.nyc.ny.us

Employment
To contact the Queens Workforce Career Centers: 718-557-6755
To contact the NYS Department of Labor: 800-HIRE-992
To contact the Department of Employment: 212-442-2356
To get job referrals: 718-523-4312
To file a complaint with OSHA for job safety: 718-279-9060
To start a business in New York: 800-782-8369
To file for unemployment benefits: 888-209-8124
www.labor.ny.gov/home

Environmental Complaints
Dept. of Environmental Protection: 718-595-7000
To file air, water, sewer and noise complaints: 311
www.epa.gov/tips

Excavations
To report planned excavations: 800-272-4480

Fire (Non-emergency)
To get information from the Fire Department of New York: 311
nyc.gov/fdny

Fishing Permits
To get fishing permits: 718-482-4900
www.dec.ny.gov/permits/6091.html

Food Complaints
To file a food complaint: 311
Health Department: 212-788-4646
www.nyc.gov/311

Food & Drug Administration
Food & Drug Administration: 718-340-7000
www.fda.gov

Food Stamps
To get food stamp applications: 718-557-1399
www.nyc.gov/html/nycfood/html/assistance/assistance.shtml

Fraud
To report fraud in city government: 212-825-5959
To report public assistance fraud: 212-825-5959
www.nyc.gov/html/doi/html/home/home.shtml

Garbage
To file a garbage removal complaint: 311
www1.nyc.gov/nyc-resources/service/2031/missed-garbage-recycling-or-organics-collection

Graffiti
To report graffiti: 311
To file a quality of life complaint: 311
If you see graffiti being done, call 911.
www.nyc.gov/html/dpr/html/graffiti_form.html

Health
Health Department complaints: 311
www.health.state.ny.us/nysdoh/healthinfo/complaint.htm

Heat & Hot Water
To file heat and hot water complaints: 212-NEW-YORK or 311.
www1.nyc.gov/nyc-resources/service/1813/heat-or-hot-water-complaint

Homeless
To file a complaint against the homeless: 311
www1.nyc.gov/nyc-resources/service/1849/homeless-person-complaint

Housing
To file a complaint about housing conditions, call the NYC Housing Authority: 718-657-8300
For Section 8 and Housing Applications, call the NYC Housing Authority: 212-828-7100
Attorney General for Co-ops and Condos: 212-416-8121
Building Inspectors: 718-286-0600
Central Complaints Bureau (Repairs): 718-592-5757
Code Enforcement: 718-286-0800
Emergency Housing/Relocation (after 5 p.m.): 212-289-8000
Fair Housing: 800-669-9777
Housing Authority Applications:
Housing, Preservation & Development: 311
Technical Service: 311
Real Property Assessment: 212-504-4080
Rent Administration Info: 718-739-6400
Rent Increase Exemptions (Seniors): 311
www.nyc.gov/apps/311

Income Maintenance
Call your local office – Jamaica: 718-523-3085; L.I.C.: 718-784-6766/67; Rockaway: 718-318-4110

Immigration
To call the U.S. Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services: 800-375-5283
www.uscis.gov/portal/site/uscis

Insurance
To file insurance policy complaints: 212-480-6400
www1.nyc.gov/nyc-resources/service/2974/insurance-complaint

Lead Poisoning
To get information about lead poisoning: 212-BAN-LEAD
www.weact.org

Legal Aid
To contact the Legal Aid Society: 212-577-3300
www.legal-aid.org

Library, Queens Branches
To find local library branches: 718-990-0700
www.queenslibrary.org

Lottery
To get winning lottery numbers: 518-388-3300
www.nylottery.org

Manhole Trouble
To report a misplaced cover: 311
www.nyc.gov/apps/311

Managed Care
To contact the Managed Care hotline: 800-206-8125
www.mhlac.org

Marriage Licenses
To obtain a marriage license: 718-286-2846
www.health.state.ny.us/vital_records/marriage.htm

Medicaid
To get Medicaid info: 718-291-1900
www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid

Medicare
To get Medicare info / reduced-fare passes: 800-541-2831
www.medicare.gov

Mental Health
To get help for the mentally ill: 212-219-5599
Dept. of Mental Health: 212-219-5400
www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/index.page

Movies
To get listings, call Moviefone: 718-777-FILM
www.moviefone.com

Pest Control
To find out about pest control call: 718-956-7103
www1.nyc.gov/nyc-resources/service/3465/pest-control-complaint

Parking Violations
For information on parking violations: 311
www1.nyc.gov/nyc-resources/service/2187/parking-ticket-assistance-and-payment

Parks and Recreation
To get information from the Department of Parks and Recreation: 718-520-5900
www.nycgovparks.org

Passports
To obtain a U.S. passport: 877-487-2778
travel.state.gov/passport

Poison
To contact the Poison Control Center: 212-POISONS
www.aapcc.org

Police
To get general information from the New York Police Department: 646-610-5000
To file a complaint about the New York Police Department: 800-341-2272
www.nyc.gov/nypd

Potholes
To report a pothole: 311
www.nyc.gov/apps/311

Planned Parenthood
For information on Planned Parenthood: 212-965-7000
www.plannedparenthood.org

Public Advocate
Public Advocate Letitia James complaint line: 212-669-7250
www.pubadvocate.nyc.gov

Public Assistance
To get information about public assistance: 718-291-1900
www1.nyc.gov/nyc-resources/service/1222/public-assistance-or-welfare

Railroads
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Belmont slated to grow with NHL coming to town

BY TAMMY SCILEPPI

Belmont was the site where Justify went wire to wire in 2018 to win the 150th Belmont Stakes, and become the 13th Triple Crown winner of in history. Photos by Bruce Adler

What has proven to be the most unpredictable and challenging race of the Triple Crown series and the oldest Triple Crown race?

Celebrating 150 years and counting, it's the Belmont Stakes, of course, whose iconic home is popular Belmont Park located at 2150 Hempstead Turnpike, Elmont, on the border of Nassau County and Queens.

From Man o' War to Curlin, Beldame to Rachel Alexandra, and Seabiscuit to Cigar, crowds have cheered on many of horse racing's greatest legends at Belmont, which has attracted millions of fans, visitors and tourists to the borough.

"New York Racing Association tracks are the cornerstone of New York state's thoroughbred industry, which is responsible for 19,000 jobs and more than $3 billion in annual economic impact to the state," NYRA Director of Communications Patrick McKenna said.

Tons of improvements have been made since 2012 to enhance the guest experience at Belmont, while preserving its historic architectural elements: the installation of hundreds of HD televisions everywhere and new video display boards in the Paddock, installing Trakus technology for horseplayers and enhancing and expanding the Belmont Cafe and the Top of the Stretch picnic area, a favorite spot for families.

Additionally, $5 million was provided for upgrades to the transit rotunda on the west end of the Grandstand last year, as well as new rail station platforms, which increased the Belmont Station train capacity from eight to 10 cars and improved egress from the track on major racing days.

For families

Enjoy a breakfast buffet at Belmont and watch the horses train all morning on the Big Sandy. Afterwards, take a free tram ride (weather permitting) through the stable area, watch a free Paddock Show and Starting Gate demonstration.

Buffet: Adults ($12.95)/Kids ages 5 & Under ($6)

Sept. 29 & 30, Oct. 6, 7, 20 & 21 (8:00 - 9:30 a.m.)

Family Fun Days: Sept. & Oct. 6 & 20

On a Sunday afternoon, the backyard and picnic area come alive with exciting activities and games. Kids can use the backyard playground and enjoy the duck pond, while mom and dad can watch and wager upon the races with numerous TV and betting windows. There are many picnic tables and plenty of food and drink available at concession stands.

A place to call their own

It's official: the NHL is coming to Belmont.

Fans take in the action at Belmont.

The New York Islanders will be saying adios to Barclays Center and making Belmont Park its home, with the development of a brand new 18,000-seat, 660,000 square foot arena, according to Gov. Andrew Cuomo.

The stadium will occupy the site of the Belmont Race Track's under-utilized parking lot near the Long Island Rail Road's Belmont Station, which was only used for the horse racing games, according to a representative of Empire State Development (ESD).

Islanders Co-owners Jon Ledecky and Scott Malkin are part of a group known as New York Arena Partners, LLC., which also includes Sterling Project Development and the Oak View Group. Sterling Project Development is controlled by the Wilpon family, which owns the New York Mets. Oak View Group has helped in the design and construction of arenas across North America.

"It's a New York metropolitan area team.," Ledecky said of the Islanders in October 2017. "When you think about the exodus from Long Island of fans generationally who are now living in Westchester, Connecticut, New Jersey, the boroughs and Long Island, Belmont actually, if you do surveys that we've done, is a perfect spot for that constituency versus Brooklyn. We're trying to be responsive to the fans."

Belmont will become a modern, lasting home for the team after spending decades at the Nassau Coliseum and the last few seasons in Brooklyn at the Barclays Center.

With 435,000 square feet of retail, hotel, recreational space slated to open between 2021 and 2022 — according to Gov. Cuomo, who has touted the stadium as a "win-win-win," — guests will enjoy all the promised amenities. And the arena can be transformed for year-round entertainment and other major events, including concerts, college sports, conferences and family events.

The $1 billion redevelopment project will provide Elmont with an economic boost that will include new jobs — about 12,300 construction jobs and 3,100 permanent ones.

An additional 20,000 square feet has been designated for conference space and a local community space. Nearby, visitors will enjoy six acres of outdoor recreation space for the public.

The retail village will contain pedestrian boulevards and squares lined with local, regional and international stores, boutiques and brands. An event space is planned for pop-ups installations, special live events, intimate performances and a boutique movie theater.

And for dining options, there are plans for a sports bar, fine dining, artisanal offerings and prepared food for takeout. The hotel at Belmont Park will be 150 feet tall and have up to 250 rooms, as well as a conference space.

According to ESD, other perks will include generous team facilities, quality spectator sightlines and top-of-the-line in-ice management.

As of June, the joint venture has been under contractual negotiations, an ESD director review, a Franchise Oversight Board review, and public approval requirements. But once approved, construction would most likely begin in 2019.

In the meantime, games for the Islanders will be held at Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum beginning this October, according to Cuomo.

The team moved to Barclays Center for the 2015-16 season after its lease with the Coliseum lapsed. While at Barclays, players complained of poor ice conditions and some seats for sale had obstructed views, upsetting fans, as well. Attendance numbers were also down, leading to both the team and the venue looking to part ways, which jumpstarted the move to Belmont.

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Bayside Historical Society
Fort Totten, 208 Totten Ave., Bayside, 11359
718-352-1548
baysidehistorical.org
The Bayside Historical Society was founded in 1964 to collect, preserve and disseminate information concerning the history of Bayside and its adjacent communities; advocate for the preservation and protection of its most historic structures and distinctive neighborhoods through the landmarking process; and strive to develop a broad constituency of like-minded preservation and educational organizations to protect the historic integrity of our communities and collections. **Hours:** Thursday and Friday 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday Noon-4 p.m. **Admission:** Suggested $5

Bowne House
37-01 Bowne St., Flushing, 11354
718-359-0528
bownehouse.org
Maintained by the Bowne House Historical Society, the house was built in 1661 and expanded in 1680 and 1696 by religious leader John Bowne and is filled with original furnishings of the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries. It is the oldest house in Queens, on the National Registry of Historic Places and designated a New York City landmark. **Tours by appointment.**

Flushing Quaker Meeting House
137-16 Northern Blvd., Flushing 11354
929-251-4301
flushingfriends.org
The Flushing Society of Friends maintains the meeting house, which is still in use, and a burial ground. **Hours:** Tours Sunday Noon-12:30 p.m. or by appointment

Godwin-Ternbach Museum
Queens College, 65-30 Kissena Blvd., 405 Klapper Hall, Flushing, 11367
718-997-4747
gtmuseum.org
A comprehensive permanent collection of 3,500 objects from all cultures, ranging from the ancient world to the present day, is used to organize exhibitions and programs as cultural and educational vehicles for students, faculty and public audiences alike. Presentations of contemporary and historical significance alternate between showcases of the collection and special exhibitions. **Hours:** Monday - Thursday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

The Harriet and Kenneth Kupferberg Holocaust Resource Center and Archives
Queensborough Community College, 222-05 56th Ave., Bayside, 11364
718-281-5770
khc.qcc.cuny.edu
The center houses an extensive and expanding collection of books, documents—including nearly 400 doctoral dissertations on microfilm—and audio-visual materials for use by students, teachers, scholars and others interested in events surrounding and relating to the Holocaust. **Hours:** Monday - Friday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

New York Hall of Science
47-01 111th St., Flushing, 11368
718-699-0005
nysci.org
Located in Flushing Meadows Corona Park, this museum has been ranked as one of the best in the country. It has more than 160 exhibits, most of which are hands-on for both children and adults. **Hours:** Monday - Friday 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. (Free Friday 2-5 p.m.), Saturday - Sunday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. (Free Sunday 10-11 a.m.). **Admission:** adults $16; children 2 to 17, college w/ID $13; senior citizens 62 and over $13. Science Playground fee: $5 per person, $4 for groups, plus general admission fee (free to Family Plus Members and higher). The Science Playground is open to children of all ages with adult supervision, March to December, weather permitting.

Poppenhusen Institute
114-04 14th Road, College Point 11356
718-358-0067
poppenhuseninstitute.org
Home of the first free kindergarten in the United States, Poppenhusen Institute was built as College Point's town hall and education center with money donated by Conrad Poppenhusen. Today, the city and national landmark is a cultural center and museum of local history. Tours, which can include slide presentations, are available of its old village jail cells, as well as native American and first free kindergarten exhibits. **Hours:** Monday 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Wednesday 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday 9 a.m.-6 p.m.. Saturday-Sunday open for special events only.

Queensborough Community College Art Gallery
222-05 56th Ave., Bayside
718-631-6396
www.qccartgallery.org
This gallery offers a permanent collection of 19th- and 20th-century works on paper and various temporary exhibits. It is handicapped-accessible and there is bus parking. **Hours:** Tuesday and Friday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Wednesday and Thursday 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday Noon - 5 p.m. **Admission:** Free.

Queens Botanical Garden
43-50 Main St., Flushing, 11355
718-886-3800
queensbotanical.org
The garden features 39 acres of seasonal displays, permanent living collections and an arboretum. There are also demonstration gardens, a rose garden, a Victorian-style wedding garden and a flowering cherry circle. **Hours:** April 1 through Oct. 31 Tuesday - Sunday, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Nov. 1 thru March 31, Tuesday - Sunday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. QBG is closed Mondays year-round except legal holidays. **Admission:** $6 adults, $4 seniors, $4 students with ID and children over 3. Free from Nov. 1 to March 31.

Queens County Farm Museum
73-50 Little Neck Pkwy., Floral Park, 11004
718-347-3276
queensfarm.org
The museum, which reflects the agricultural history of the city, features a landmark farmhouse that dates back to 1772, planting fields, an orchard, a farmyard and livestock on its 47 acres. Guided tours of the restored farmhouse are available, as are quilting courses, craft courses, educational tours and workshops. **Hours:** Daily 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Farmhouse tours: Saturday - Sunday 11 a.m.-4 p.m. **Admission:** Free except special events days.

Queens Museum
New York City Building, Flushing Meadows Corona Park, Flushing, 11368
718-592-9700
queensmuseum.org
The museum recently completed an expansion project that doubled its size. Various exhibits of contemporary art, architecture and design installations by both international and Queens-based artists. Be sure to see the Panorama of the City of New York, a 9,335-square-foot scale model of the city which includes skyscrapers, parks, rivers and bridges. It has been updated to include recent developments. **Hours:** Wednesday - Sunday 11-5 p.m. **Admission:** suggested $8 adults; $4 seniors; students, Department of Education employees and children under 18 admitted free.

Queens Zoo
Flushing Meadow Park
53-51 111th St., Flushing Meadows Corona Park
718-760-6565
queenszoo.com/
Of special note are the structures and inhabitants. The aviary is in fact a geodesic dome, designed by Buckminster Fuller and used in the 1964 World's Fair in Queens. The zoo's animal residents include Otis, the

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MUSEUMS

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famous coyote rescued in Manhattan's Central Park in 1999. The Zoo is open 365 days a year. **Summer Hours through Nov. 3:** Weekdays 10 a.m.-5 p.m., weekends and holidays: 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. **Winter Hours:** daily 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. **Admission:** $9.95 adults, $7.95 seniors 65 and over, $6.95 children 3-12, free for children 2 and under.

Dr. M. T. Geoffrey Yeh Art Gallery at St. John's University
81-50B Utopia Parkway, Jamaica NY 11432
Sun Yat Sen Hall, Jamaica Estates
718-990-7476
www.stjohns.edu
Features a variety of exhibits in contemporary art as well as ancient art and artifacts with an emphasis on Asian culture. The gallery also features work by St. John's art majors and faculty members. **Hours:** Tuesday - Thursday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Saturday Noon-5 p.m.

SOUTHERN QUEENS

King Manor Museum
153rd Street and Jamaica Avenue, Jamaica
718-206-0545
kingmanor.org
The 29-room house was the home, from 1805-27, of Rufus King, a signer of the U.S. Constitution, one of New York's first two senators and America's first ambassador to the United Kingdom. It is among the oldest historic house museums in the country. A brief introductory video and a guided tour of the early 19th-century period rooms are offered along with information about King and his family, the early history of Jamaica and daily life during the early 19th century. Special programs and activities for both children and adults are available. **Hours:** Monday - Friday Noon-2 p.m., Saturday - Sunday 1-5 p.m. Tours February-December. **Admission:** suggested adults $5, seniors and students $3, children 6 and under and members free.

Voelker Orth Museum
149-19 38th Ave., Flushing, 11354
718-359-6227
vomuseum.org
This museum is in a renovated Victorian house and offers Victorian tea parties and workshops. There is also a Victorian garden which houses a bird sanctuary. **Hours:** Tuesday, Saturday and Sunday 1-4 p.m. **Admission:** Suggested admission $2.

WESTERN QUEENS

Greater Astoria Historical Society
Quinn Building, 35-20 Broadway, 4th Floor, Long Island City, 11106
718-278-0700
astorialic.org
Dedicated to preserving our past and using it to promote our community's future. The society hosts field trips, walking tours, slide presentations and guest lectures to schools and the public. **Hours**: Monday and Wednesday 12-6 p.m., Saturday Noon-5 p.m.

LaGuardia and Wagner Archives
31-10 Thomson Ave., Room E238, Long Island City, 11101
718-482-5065
laguardiawagnerarchive.lagcc.cuny.edu
Features a variety of exhibits on the history of New York City with a major emphasis on its mayors. Visitors may use the archives for free by making an appointment with the archivist. **Hours:** Monday - Friday 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Louis Armstrong House and Archives
34-56 107th St., Corona, 11368
718-478-8274
louisarmstronghouse.org
Opened in 1998, this former home of jazz great Louis Armstrong has been converted into a museum and educational center. Entertaining and informative slide/tape presentations are based on treasures from the archives. View photographs, scrapbooks and manuscripts and listen to some of Armstrong's recordings. **Hours:** Tuesday - Friday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday - Sunday Noon-5 p.m. **Admission:** adults $12; seniors, students, children $8, group rate $7.

Museum of the Moving Image
36-01 35th Ave., Astoria, 11106
718-777-6800
movingimage.us
The only museum in the United States entirely devoted to the arts, history and technology of film, television and video. Offers exhibits, screenings, collections and interpretive programs. **Hours:** Wednesday - Thursday 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday 10:30 a.m.-8 p.m., Saturday - Sunday 10:30 a.m.-6 p.m. **Admission:** adults $15, children 3-12 $9, students and seniors $11. Museum members and children under 5 are admitted free. Free admission on Friday from 4-8 p.m.

MoMA PS1
22-25 Jackson Ave., Long Island City, 11101
718-784-2084
ps1.org
The center, which merged with Manhattan's Museum of Modern Art in 1999, features more than 80,000 square feet of exhibit space, making it the largest contemporary art center in the world. **Hours:** Open Thursday - Monday Noon-6 p.m. Admission: adults $10, seniors and students $5, children under 16 Free

The Noguchi Museum
9-01 33rd Road, Long Island City
718-204-7088
noguchi.org
Isamu Noguchi's work is on display in a garden setting. Museum also offers education and public programs. **Hours:** Wednesday - Friday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday - Sunday 11 a.m.-6 p.m. **Admission:** adults $10, seniors and students $5. First Friday of each month is free.

Socrates Sculpture Park
Broadway at Vernon Boulevard, Long Island City
718-956-1819
www.socratessculpturepark.org
The Socrates Sculpture Park is a remodeled outdoor museum where artists from around the world exhibit contemporary sculptures. The park is handicapped-accessible. Open daily year-round from 10 a.m. to sunset. **Admission:** Free

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City Department for the Aging
2 Lafayette St.
New York, NY 10007
311
nyc.gov/html/dfta/html/home/home.shtml
The DFTA is the coordinating and planning agency that monitors and develops programs and services for the elderly.
Senior citizen centers serve people 60 years and older by providing nutritious meals and a wide range of social, recreational, educational, counseling and other support services. Call the department or go online for more information and the location of a center in your neighborhood.
The department provides information and makes referrals regarding needed services, such as:

- home care
- screening for Medicaid and food stamps
- employment information
- Golden Park Passes
- home-delivered meals
- Home Energy Assistance Program
- Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption

State Office for the Aging
aging.ny.gov/
1-800-342-9871 (hotline to aid senior citizens with problems, information and referrals)

MEDICARE

medicare.gov/default.aspx
Medicare is a health insurance program for people 65 years and older and those under 65 who are disabled. It is a national program run by the federal government. Medicare has two parts: hospital insurance and medical insurance. It covers treatment of illnesses and the cost of most necessary hospital stays. If you are approaching 65, remember enrollment periods for Medicare are:
1. Three months before your 65th birthday
2. Between Jan. 1 and March 31 of each year. These are the only times you will be able to apply for the program. Bring your birth certificate and Social Security card when applying.
Call 1-800-772-1213 or visit your local Social Security office:

- 28-18 Steinway St., 4th Floor, Astoria, 11103
- 138-50 Barclay Ave., Flushing, 11355
- 155-10 Jamaica Ave., 3rd Floor, Jamaica, 11432
- 42-15 Crescent St., Long Island City, 11101

Medicare Beneficiaries Defense Fund
The Medicare Beneficiaries Defense Fund is a nonprofit that promotes and protects the rights of Medicare patients to quality, affordable health care coverage.
MBDF provides self-help educational materials, informational seminars, free counseling, advocacy and public education to seniors and people with disabilities statewide. For assistance or information regarding Medicare, call 212-869-3850.

MEDICAID

medicaid.gov/
Medicaid is a government program for financially needy persons. It covers doctors' services and provides for payment of prescribed medicines and other medical supplies. Contact the state Department of Social Services for additional information at 718-557-1399.

HRA INFO-LINE

This provides information about many city government social services, including eviction prevention, child care, Medicaid, services for People with AIDS, utility shutoffs, homeless shelters, family problems, etc.
Contact: 311

ELDERLY PHARMACEUTICAL INSURANCE COVERAGE PROGRAM

health.ny.gov/health_care/epic/
EPIC is a prescription drug insurance plan for the elderly sponsored by New York state. This program is intended for seniors who do not have adequate insurance coverage for prescription drug expenses. To qualify, you must be a New York state resident, 65 years of age and older, and you must meet the program's income guidelines. If eligible, you could save as much as 60 percent on the cost of prescription drugs. To obtain more information and an application, please call 1-800-332-3742.

QUEENSBRIDGE HEALTH MAINTENANCE SERVICE FOR THE ELDERLY

Health services are offered completely without charge to the elderly patient. It serves all people who are 62 years or older. Services are free and patients are billed if referred to a hospital for further services. For information, contact:

New York Hospital Queens
nyp.org
Subspecialty clinics include Dialysis and Arthritis
56-45 Main St.
Flushing 11355
Hours: Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
718-670-2000

Margaret Tietz Center for Nursing Care
margarettietz.org/
164-11 Chapin Parkway
Jamaica Hills 11432
718-298-7800

Flushing Hospital Medical Center
Geriatrics Division, Department of Medicine
Health Maintenance Clinic for the Elderly 60 Years and Older
45-00 Parsons Blvd.
Flushing 11355
Hours: Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Home Health Care Services: 718-670-5000

Jamaica Hospital
jamaicahospital.org
Geriatric Clinic Hours: Saturday, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Geriatric Care 60 years and older; transportation available
89-00 Van Wyck Expressway
Jamaica 11418
718-206-6000

Elmhurst Hospital Center
www.nychealthandhospitals.org/elmhurst/
79-01 Broadway
Elmhurst 11373
Hours: Monday- Thursday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; riday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
718-334-4000
Medical Clinic, Psychiatric Clinic: 718-334-2715

COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

Sometimes family members who are caring for a frail or disabled person would like a chance to get away for several hours or days. This relief from their care-giving responsibilities can be arranged through respite services. A trained volunteer or paid worker can stay with the frail person overnight, up to a maximum of several weeks. Respite care also provides support groups, counseling and training for family members. Some respite programs also offer a respite center to which a frail person can move for a while. Sometimes this enables caregivers to take a vacation or a trip.
Two respite options are available to some Queens residents:

RBSCC, Inc. Respite Care Program
217 Wyckoff Ave, Flushing
718-676-0876

Parker Jewish Geriatric Institute
271-11 76th Ave.
New Hyde Park 11040
718-289-2100

IN-HOME SUPPORT SERVICES

Home care services are designed to delay or prevent institutionalization and provide the extra help the frail and elderly need to remain in their own homes and communities. The following services may be available in your community:

HOME ATTENDANT PROGRAM

Home attendant services provide personal care and assistance in the activities of daily living to adults who are aged, disabled or handicapped. These services are provided at the request of a physician. Services are available to recipients of SSI, Medicaid and Public Assistance.

HOMEMAKER SERVICES

Homemaker services provide household management and personal care for aged or handicapped adults in order to prevent their placement in institutions. Homemakers deal with some of the fundamental housekeeping chores (cleaning, shopping, etc.), as well as some personal care and home management. Homemaker services can be provided up to 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

HOUSEKEEPER/CHORE SERVICES

Housekeeping is a part-time service—up to 12 hours per week for adults—generally provided to elderly or handicapped individuals who are medically in need of this service and are unable to perform basic household tasks. Recipients of this service must be able to direct and supervise the housekeeper assigned to them. Adults eligible for the service include those receiving Public Assistance, SSI and Medicaid. Contact your local Community Alternative Systems Agency II.
For people residing in Community Boards 1 through 7 and 11:
33-28 Northern Blvd., 6th Floor
Long Island City 11101

HOME HEALTH AIDE SERVICE

Home Health Aide Service provides personal health care to adults who are elderly, disabled or handicapped. These services are provided by aides who have been specially trained and certified and are supervised by nursing staff. These services are provided at the request of a physician for up to 24 hours a day to Medicaid-eligible recipients.

VISITING NURSE SERVICE

VNS serves Queens residents through its borough office in Flushing. VNS serves the homebound with nursing, home health aide and social work services, as well as physical, occupational and speech therapy. When you are accepted into the program, VNS Home Care and the Department of Social Services

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will work with you to determine which services you will need to remain at home safely. These services may include:

- professional nursing services
- home health aide services
- personal care or housekeeping services
- physical, occupational and respiratory therapy
- speech therapy and audiology
- medical social services
- nutritional services
- laboratory services
- medical supplies, equipment and appliances
- waived services, such as social day care, social transportation, respite care, home improvement and home maintenance tasks

EMERGENCY ALERT RESPONSE SYSTEM VNS

475 Park Ave #9, New York
311

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION EXTENDED CARE CENTER

This facility provides inpatient skilled nursing home care, inpatient intermediate care services and a geriatric evaluation unit. Outpatient medical care is provided by a scheduled primary care clinic. Walk-in patients are evaluated with acute problems being treated and non-acute problems scheduled into a clinic. The facility also offers an Adult Day Health Care program. Services are available for those veterans who have been honorably discharged from military service. To expedite processing, you need your DD214 discharge papers.

VA Extended Care Center
179-00 Linden Blvd. and 179th St.
Jamaica, NY 11425
718-526-1000

IN-HOME ELECTRONIC MONITORING DEVICES

A person with a home emergency response system simply presses a wireless button in times of trouble. When this button is pressed, a signal is received by trained personnel at a central unit. The trained personnel, who already have the person's name, address, telephone number and other important information, will contact responders who can go to the home and see what the problem is. The responders

are usually friends, neighbors or family who live close by and who have keys to the person's home.

SOCIAL SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS SERVING OLDER PEOPLE IN QUEENS

Flushing House
United Lifeline
38-20 Bowne St.
Flushing 11354
888-987-6205

Jamaica Service Program for Older Adults
Lifeline Alert
92-47 165th St.
Jamaica 11433
718-657-6500

Queens Jewish Community Council
Lifeline Support Program
119-45 Union Tnpk.
Forest Hills 11375
718-544-9033

HOME-DELIVERED MEALS

Home-delivered meals are available, in many communities, to help frail, older homebound people remain in their own homes. Through this program, homebound elderly residents age 60 and over are delivered hot meals daily or fresh frozen meals twice a week. Some programs offer kosher meals. Also, trained social workers may be available to the recipients for assistance in a crisis, to make linkages with other needed services and to assist in the completion of forms for other benefits and entitlements. A small contribution is generally requested.
For more information and to apply for home delivered meals, call the Department for the Aging at 311.

NURSING HOMES

The type of facility selected depends upon the level of care needed. For information and help on finding a facility, contact:

City Department for the Aging
2 Lafayette St.
New York, NY 10007
311

Friends and Relatives of Institutionalized Aged
18 John St. Suite 905
New York, NY 10038
212-732-5667

TO COMPLAIN ABOUT CARE:

State Office for the Aging
State Ombudsman Program:
212-812-211

New York Foundation for Senior Citizens
City Long Term Care Ombuds program
11 Park Place
New York, NY 10007
212-962-7559

Department of Health
Patient Care Investigation Unit
90 Church St.
New York, NY 10007
311 or 888-201-4563

SOCIAL SECURITY

Social Security is a federally administered pension plan for retired and disabled people and their families. If you have contributed to the Social Security Trust Fund and think you may qualify, contact your nearest Social Security Office (call 1-800-772-1213).

SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME

Supplemental Security Income is a federally administered program of cash assistance for the aged, the blind and the disabled of any age with limited income or resources. SSI is not the same as Social Security. Even if you now receive Social Security, you may also be eligible for SSI. If you think you may qualify for SSI, you should contact your nearest Social Security office.

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR ADULTS

This program provides cash assistance, such as money for rent, food or moving expenses, in emergencies, such as fire, flood, burglary, illness or other catastrophes which endanger the health, safety and well-being of older adults.
Contact the DSS Office of Income Maintenance at 311.

FOOD STAMPS

Food stamps allow people with limited income to receive coupons to purchase food. To find out if you are eligible to receive food stamps, call 311.

BURIAL INFORMATION

If a senior citizen dies, leaving no money, family or friends to pay for burial, contact:
Queens Morgue: 718-883-3865
Queens Public Administrator: 718-526-5037
Queens Medical Examiner: 718-883-3871

AGE DISCRIMINATION

It is a violation of city and state law for employers to discriminate against a person because of age. If you have been a victim of such discrimination, you may file a complaint with:

City Commission on Human Rights
153-01 Jamaica Ave., Room 203
Jamaica 11432
718-657-2465

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
33 Whitehall St., 5th Floor
New York, NY 10004

EDUCATION

A number of colleges and universities in Queens offer discounts on tuition or registration to older adults. For more information, contact the college of your choice:

City University of New York
cuny.edu
If you are 65 years or older and a city resident, you may enroll in all college courses for a $25 per semester registration fee on a space-available basis. The Center for Unlimited Enrichment Inc. provides educational, cultural and social experiences for older adults. There are no prerequisites, tests, pressure or course credits–just opportunities to learn for the pure joy of it!

Queens College ACE Program
qc.cuny.edu
The Adult Collegiate Education Program offers older adults an opportunity to earn an undergraduate degree, using credits given for life experience toward degree requirements. For more information, contact 718-997-5717.

York College
york.cuny.edu
York College offers a course within its Psychology Department called Human Development II. Students will learn how specific government policies and laws affect senior citizens, especially issues relating to housing, Medicare, Social Security, wills and estates.

St. John's University
stjohns.edu
St. John's allows senior citizens 62 years of age or older to enroll in any undergraduate course, excluding art and computers, on a space available-basis during the fall, spring and summer semesters for a flat $25 fee. Seniors may also register for noncredit courses in the St. John's School of Continuing Education at the full fee. Call 718-990-6161.

City Department of Education
schools.nyc.gov
The DOE offers courses through a continuing education program. There is a $25 fee for most eight-week courses.

Queens Adult Learning Center
27-35 Jackson Ave., Long Island City, 11101
718-361-9480
Educational Services
90-01 Sutphin Blvd., Jamaica, 11435
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Cohen Children's Medical Center
269-01 76th Ave., New Hyde Park
718-470-3000
ccmc.northshorelij.com

Creedmoor State Hospital
79-25 Winchester Blvd., Queens Village
718-464-7500
www.omh.ny.gov/omhweb/facilities/crpc

Elmhurst Hospital Center
79-01 Broadway, Elmhurst
718-334-4000
www.nychealthandhospitals.org/elmhurst/

Flushing Hospital Medical Center
4500 Parsons Blvd., Flushing
718-670-5000
www.flushinghospital.org

Long Island Jewish Forest Hills (formerly Forest Hills Hospital)
102-01 66th Road, Forest Hills
718-830-4000
https://www.northwell.edu/find-care/locations/forest-hills-hospital/about

Jamaica Hospital Medical Center
8900 Van Wyck Expressway, Jamaica
718-206-6000
www.jamaicahospital.org

Long Island Jewish Medical Center
270-05 76th Ave., New Hyde Park
718-470-7000
www.northwell.edu/find-care/locations/long-island-jewish-forest-hills/

Mount Sinai Queens
25-10 30th Ave., Astoria
718-932-1000
www.mshq.org

New York-Presbyterian Queens
56-45 Main St., Flushing
718-670-2000
www.nyp.org

Queens Boulevard Extended Care Facility
61-11 Queens Blvd., Woodside
718-205-0288
www.qbecf.com

Queens Hospital Center
82-68 164th St., Jamaica
718-380-2195
www.nychealthandhospitals.org/queens

St. John's Episcopal Hospital
327 Beach 19th St., Far Rockway
718-869-7000
www.ehs.org

St. Mary's Healthcare System for Children
29-01 216th St., Bayside
718-281-8800
www.stmaryskids.org

Wyckoff Heights Medical Center
(Serves Queens communities of Ridgewood, Glendale and Middle Village)
374 Stockholm St., Brooklyn
718-963-7272
www.wyckoffhospital.org

Zucker Hillside Hospital
75-59 263rd St., Glen Oaks
718-470-8100
zucker.northwell.edu

Adolescent AIDS Program
New York Get Tested! Hotline
718-882-0023
www.adolescentaids.org

AIDS Center of Queens County
718-896-2500
www.acqc.org

New York City Department of Health STD Program
Jamaica
90-37 Parsons Blvd. 1st Flr.
718-262-5570
Corona
34-33 Junction Blvd.
718-476-7627 or 476-7815
Rockaway
67-19 Rockaway Beach Blvd.
718-945-7150
www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/services/clinics.page

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800-633-3590
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Bayside Community Volunteer Ambulance Corp.
214-23 42nd Ave., Bayside
718-225-2828 / 718-631-3333
www.bvacems.tripod.com

Broad Channel Volunteer Fire Department and Ambulance Corps
15 Noel Road, Broad Channel
718-474-8888
www.broadchannelvfd.org

Century Ambulance Service
8730 123rd St., Apt. 1L, Richmond Hill
718-441-3899

College Point Community Ambulance Corps Inc.
123-06 18th Ave., College Point
emergency: 718-353-1230 /
business: 718-353-0199
www.freewebs.com/cpamb

Corona Community Volunteer Ambulance Corps
104-38 47th Ave., Corona
718-592-7964 / 347-992-4545

Forest Hills Volunteer Ambulance Corps
92-29 Metropolitan Ave., Forest Hills
emergency: 718-793-7747 /
business: 718-793-2055
www.fhvac.org

Glendale Volunteer Ambulance Corps
65-11 Myrtle Ave., Glendale
718-386-9898

Glen Oaks Volunteer Ambulance Corps
257-02 Union Turnpike, Floral Park
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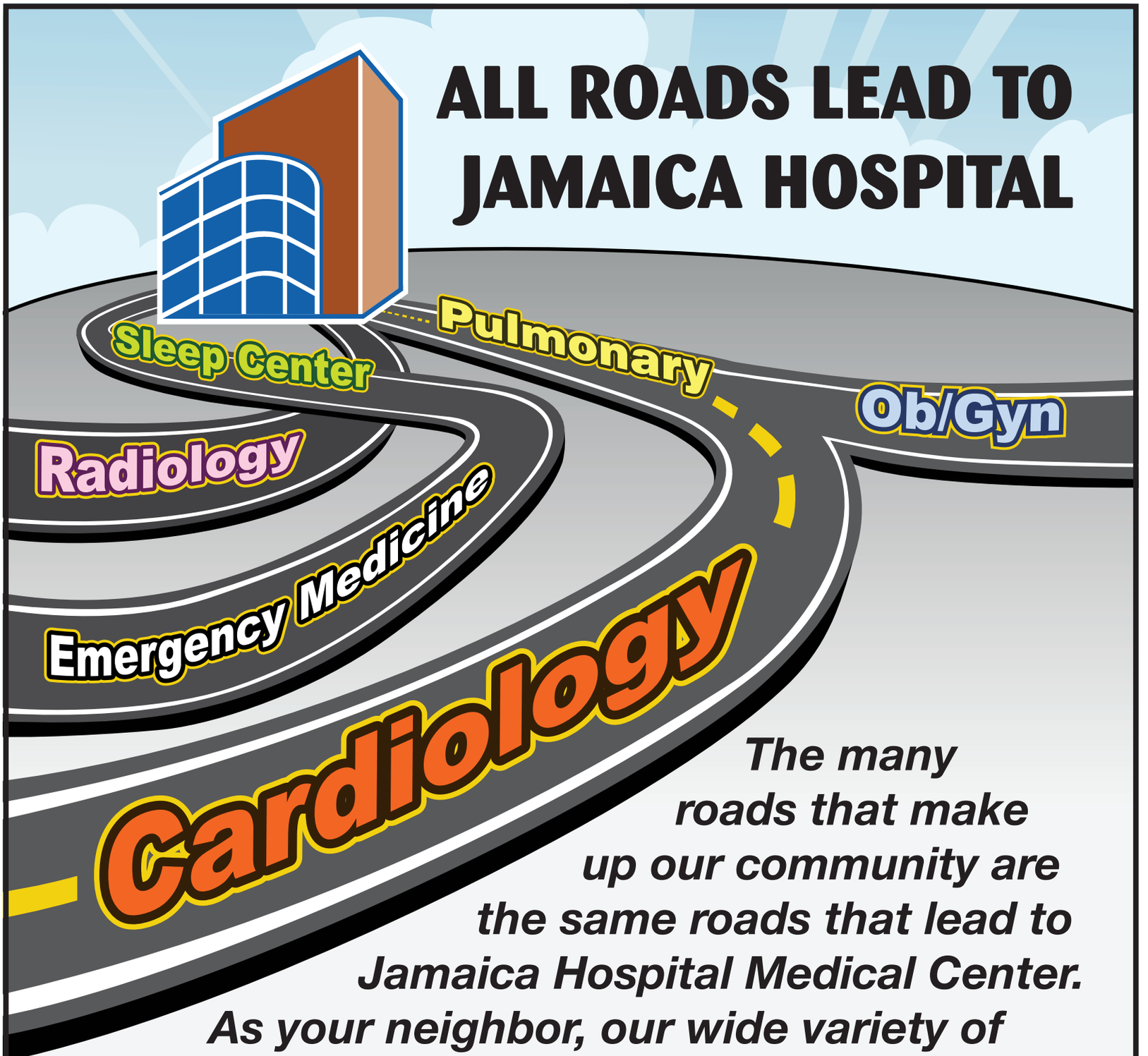

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http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/alleypondpark
Because of its glacier-formed moraine, the park has numerous unique natural features, like its freshwater and saltwater wetlands. The park is also home to the city's first public high-ropes adventure course. Has dog run.

Astoria Park
19th Street between Astoria Park South and Ditmars Boulevard
http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/AstoriaPark
Although widely known for the oldest and largest pool in the city, Astoria Park also offers a bandstand, multiple trails, basketball courts and playgrounds. Has dog run.

Baisley Pond Park
North Conduit Avenue, 116th Avenue between 150 Street, Sutphin Boulevard and Baisley Boulevard South
http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/baisleypondpark
While dredging the bottom of Baisley Pond shortly after its acquisition in the late 1800s, Brooklyn city workers unearthed the remains of an American mastodon. Today, a sculpture of a mastodon in Sutphin Playground commemorates the discovery and makes for a unique playmate. Has dog run.
Carlos R. Lillo Park
20th and 21st avenues between 76th and 77th streets
http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/carloslillopark
This park is named for Carlos R. Lillo, a paramedic who died while on duty Sept. 11, 2001. Lillo served as a paramedic for the FDNY's Emergency Medical Services Division.

Crocheron Park
214th Place, 214th Lane, 215th Place and Cross Island Parkway between 33rd and 35th avenues
http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/crocheronpark
The Crocheron family lived on the edge of Little Neck Bay for centuries, with the first family member to live in the area being John Crocheron, a farmer whose will dates from 1695. The park includes eateries, spray showers and tennis courts. Has dog run.

Cunningham Park
Long Island Expressway, 73rd Avenue, Union Turnpike and Grand Central Parkway between 193rd Street, Francis Lewis Boulevard, Hollis Hills Terrace and 210th Street
http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/cunninghampark
The park is 358 acres. Assembled between 1928 and 1944, the space has developed into the headquarters for athletic leagues, animals, playmates and barbecue enthusiasts. Has dog run.
Douglaston Park Golf Course
61st Avenue between Marathon Parkway, Commonwealth Boulevard and 242nd Street
http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/Q411/
In 1927, a group of members from the Belleclaire Country Club in Bayside founded the North Hills Golf Club. The group selected this site in the Douglaston neighborhood for its rolling and scenic terrain.

Flushing Meadows Corona Park
Grand Central Parkway and Whitestone Expressway between 111th Street, College Point Boulevard and Park Drive East
http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/fmcp
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Forest Park
Myrtle Avenue, Union Turnpike and Park Lane South between Brooklyn-Queens county line and Park Lane
http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/forestpark
Parkgoers interested in exploring Forest Park's natural settings firsthand often travel to its eastern portion, which abounds in hiking trails and bridle paths. Heading west, Forest Park transforms into an athlete's playground with softball, baseball, tennis, bocce, handball and golf being a few of your options. Has dog run.

Fort Totten Park
Cross Island Parkway between Totten Avenue and 15th Road
http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/forttotten
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Highland Park
Jackie Robinson Parkway, Vermont Avenue and Highland Boulevard between Bulwer Place and Cypress Hills Street
http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/highlandpark
Highland Park offers views of the surrounding neighborhoods, ocean and nearby cemeteries. Acquired in pieces over time, children's farm gardens act as hands-on classrooms, barbecue areas serve as meeting grounds and numerous tennis courts, baseball fields and handball and basketball courts provide spots for athletic recreation.

Idlewild Park
Rockaway and Springfield boulevards and 149th Avenue
http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/idlewildpark
The city acquired the property in three stages between 1956 and 1964. The first parcel was conveyed to the city through an agreement reached April 26, 1956, with the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey.
Jamaica Bay Park
Mott Basin to the city line
http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/Q309/
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Phil "Scooter" Rizzuto Park
Atlantic and 95th avenues between 125th and 127th streets
http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/Q129/
From the time the park opened in 1938, it has been known locally as Smokey Oval Park. It includes basketball and handball courts and baseball and football fields.

Poppenhusen Park
College Place and College Point Boulevard between 11th and 12th avenues
http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/Q042/
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Powell's Cove Park
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This park is named for the nearby Queensboro Bridge, which is also known as the Queensbridge or 59th Street Bridge. The 1960s band Simon and Garfunkel made the bridge famous in their song "Feelin' Groovy," also called "The 59th Street Bridge Song."
Railroad Park
129th Avenue between 172nd and 176th streets
http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/Q412/
This park takes its name from the Long Island Rail Road, whose tracks form the area's southwest boundary. The railroad began with the incorporation of the Brooklyn & Jamaica Railroad Co. April 25, 1832.

Rockaway Beach
Ocean Promenade, the Atlantic Ocean and Beach 110th Street
http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/Q050/
The origins of the name "Rockaway" is closely related to the language of the Delaware and Chippewa native Americans. Linguistic experts recognize both "reckonwacky," meaning "the place of our own people," and "reckanawahaha," meaning "the place of laughing waters," as the area's indigenous names.
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Travers Park
34th Avenue between 77th and 78th streets
http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/traverspark/
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Udalls Cove Park
Northern Boulevard, 244th to 247th streets and Douglas Road
http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/Q452/
The park is a 30-acre nature preserve that contains Aurora Pond.

Yellowstone Park
Yellowstone Boulevard between 68th Avenue and 68th Road
http://www.nycgovparks.org/parks/Q425/map
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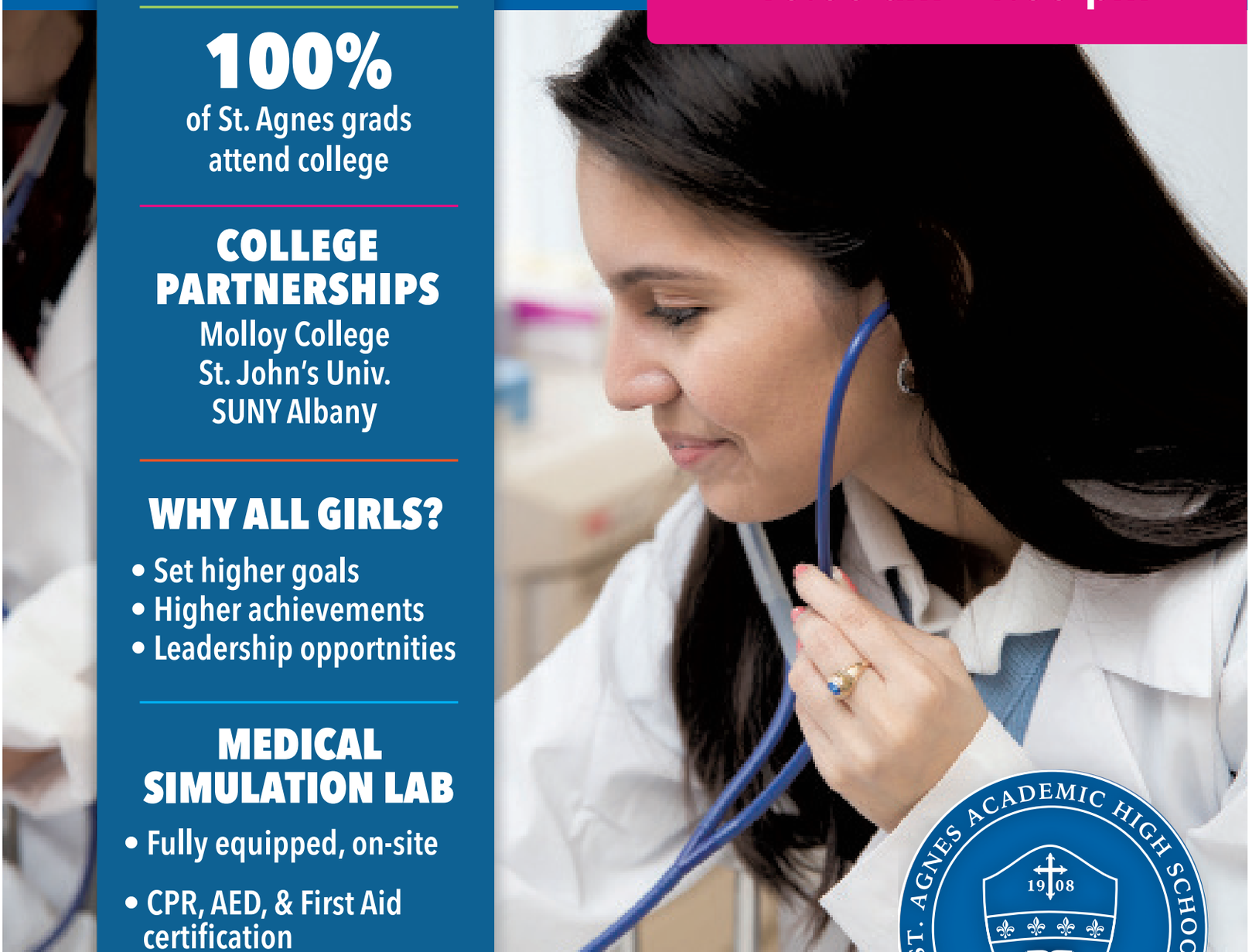

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EACH YEAR, THOUSANDS OF SPECTATORS GATHER AT FLUSHING MEADOWS CORONA PARK TO TAKE IN THE ACTION

BY CARLOTTA MOHAMED

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the US Open — and the 40th anniversary of the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center in Flushing Meadows Corona Park, where thousands of spectators gather every year to watch the world's best tennis players compete on the courts in the Grand Slam tournament.

The stadium, located near Citi Field and LaGuardia Airport, has been the home of the US Open — played every year in August and September — since 1978. It is operated by the United States Tennis Association, the national governing body for the sport of tennis, according to Danny Zausner, the chief operating officer of the Billie Jean King National Tennis Center.

The USTA hosted the US Open in a private tennis club located in Forest Hills for many years until 1977. After its lease expired, the organization decided to relocate to the grounds of the original 1964 World's Fair in Flushing, according to Zausner. The stadium, formerly called the USTA National Tennis Center, was rededicated for iconic American female tennis player Billie Jean King in 2006.

"The opportunity to move to a larger facility open to the public 11 months a year was a huge defining moment for the organization in '78," said Zausner. "It's home to 80-plus high schools and colleges that train and play their matches there, and a host for tournaments and tennis programs."

According to Zausner, the National Tennis Center has 12 indoor courts in its 46.5 acres, 22 outdoor courts, and 12 new courts located outside the east gate in the adjoining park that are utilized for one month as practice courts for players during the tournament.

Billie Jean King (l.) with Arthur Ashe's widow Jeanne Moutoussamy-Ashe, at the debut of the roof at Arthur Ashe Stadium in 2016.

Photo by Bruce Adler

Its three main stadiums in comparison to size — Arthur Ashe Stadium (23,711 seats), Louis Armstrong Stadium (14,000 seats), and Grandstand Court (8,125 seats) — are among the largest tennis venues in the world. Arthur Ashe Stadium tops the global list with the highest capacity of seats, Zausner said.

The newly transformed Louis Armstrong Stadium, the second largest venue in the complex, reopened its doors to the public in August and played host to some of the best and historical matches in this year's US Open.

Louis Armstrong Stadium was the main stadium before Arthur Ashe Stadium opened in 1997, after which it served as the No. 2 stadium. It is dedicated to noted jazz musician Louis Armstrong, who lived in Corona, Queens, until his death in 1971 and was a significant player in the Civil Rights Movement, according to the USTA.

The jam-packed crowd has been noisier than ever at Arthur Ashe Stadium during this year's US Open, with the sound on the court amplified under the brand-new roof.

Photo by Robert Cole

Borough President Melinda Katz, who attended the grand opening of the stadium, said it's a great tribute to Louis Armstrong who chose Queens to make his home, and to the history of the USTA in the great borough of Queens.

"It's brand new. It has a retractable roof over the stadium and it went from 10,000 seats to having 14,000 new seats," said Zausner.

In addition to its retractable roof, the complex has natural ventilation that encourages air flow throughout the entire stadium. On each side of the stadium, there are facades that are covered with terracotta louvers, positioned to keep rain out, yet porous to maintain natural ventilation. Through its design, it will be the first naturally ventilated tennis stadium with a retractable roof in the world, according to the USTA website.

The 14,000 seat complex was demolished just after the champions were crowned in the 2016 US Open. It was the final project slated for completion a part of the USTA's five-year strategic transformation plan, that provided construction job opportunities for locals, said Zausner. Almost 250 construction workers were on the 286,000-square-foot site each day.

"In total, over the last five years, the USTA spent $600M and that includes the new Armstrong Stadium, the Grandstand Stadium, and the new south campus — which includes 10 of our courts and a new roof on top of the existing Arthur Ashe Stadium," said Zausner.

According to Zausner, the Billie Jean King National Tennis Center is open to the public to utilize throughout the course of the year except during the US Open, which is the largest annually attended sporting event in the world with more than 800,000 people that pour into the facility over the course of the three-week torunament.

And with the US Open comes a myriad of job opportunities for local residents, an economic boom for the borough, and the generation of more than $800 million dollars in total revenue for New York City, according to Zausner.

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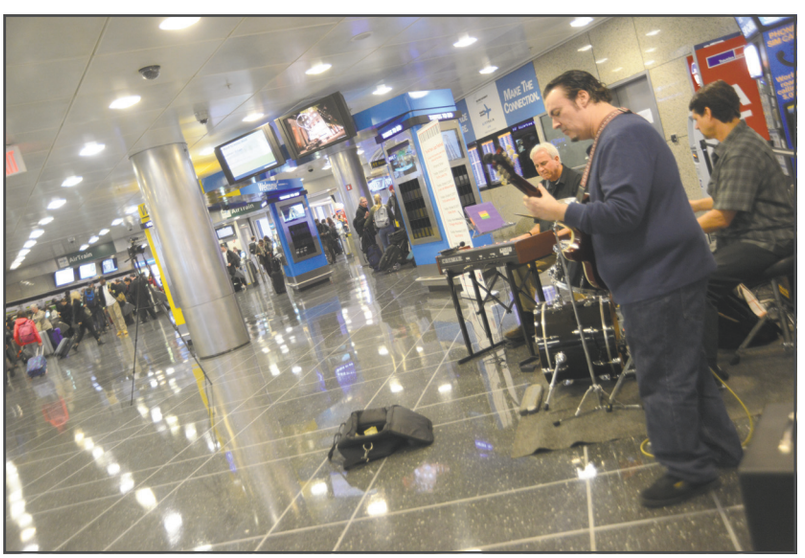

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"More than 15 percent of the spectators that come to the Open are international and more than 40 percent of all visitors come from outside the tri-state area that are here for days or weeks," said Zausner.

According to Zausner, a fair amount of revenue is allocated to Queens monopolizing every hotel and restaurant in the area. More than 7,000 people are employed seasonally for the US Open with jobs such as working at the ticket office, security, cleaning, food service, merchandise, vehicle operators, player transportation and guest services.

Rob MacKay, the director of public relations, marketing and tourism of the Queens Economic Development Corporation, said the US Open is a "great economic catalyst" for Queens that showcases the borough's local gems for visitors with a free kiosk used to give information and souvenirs to boost local tourism.

City Councilman Peter Koo (D-Flushing) said the US Open brings in more visitors to Flushing, which is near the site of the annual tournament.

"The Open is especially beneficial to the hotel and restaurant industries, which are frequently booked during this time," said Koo. "We want to continue to build this relationship so that our local businesses can take advantage of the influx of out-of-town visitors attending this annual event."

Novak Djokovic returns serve during U.S. Open Tennis Championship First Round action held at Arthur Ashe Stadium at the Billie Jean King National Tennis Center in 2016. Photo by Robert Cole

John Choe, director of the Greater Flushing Chamber of Commerce, said the goal is to proactively shift some of the economic benefits toward the surrounding host community and ensure continued support for the US Open.

During the course of the Open, the Chamber of Commerce organized free walking tours to welcome tennis fans to the community and better connect local businesses.

"Each year we get an opportunity to try and make it much better than the year before," said Zausner. "Without the support of the community boards at the local level, the council, assemblymen, the mayor's office and parks department, we would not have been able to achieve the success we've been able to do over the last five years with their support."

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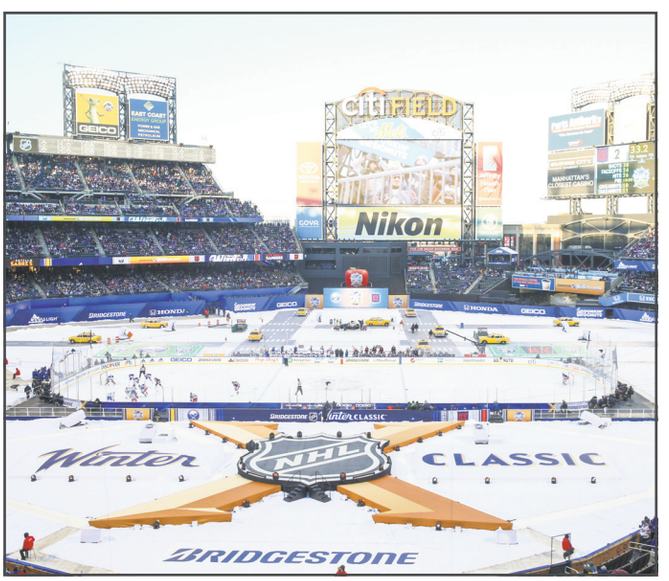
National League heritage to the future and to the city through a number of unique design elements.

The club offers a tour of Citi Field to give fans an insider's look at the ballpark. For the first time ever, Citi Field is opening its doors to the public for a behind the scenes, up close and personal look on game days. Fans can take a selfie tour throughout the stadium and get an up close look at batting practice from the seating bowl.

The game day tour stops also include an exclusive look at the Delta Sky 360 Club, a trip to the Jackie Robinson Rotunda, a tour of the press conference room and bullpens, and more.

Non-game day public tours stops gives fans an exclusive look at the Jackie Robinson Rotunda, a view of productions control room, stops in the Foxwoods Club, the media press box, the Porsche Suites, the Delta Sky 360 Club, the Sterling Suites, on the field, in the dugout and clubhouse and more.



While Citi Field has hosted an outdoor NHL game (l.), baseball is still the main draw. Photos by Bruce Adler

Stadium eats

If you ask the fans, food at Citi Field is among the best baseball has to offer.

Legions of NYC food fans know Leo's Latticini located in Corona and can't get enough of their famous Italian sandwiches. A variety of specialties are sold at Citi Field.

You can sample old food favorites — and some hot newcomers to the ballpark's dining scene.

According to Eater, Citi Field introduced a plethora of new food options this season, including chicken & waffles from Lil Sweet Chick (Promenade Club); Wowfulls Hong Kong egg waffles with strawberry ice cream (Field Level, Section 123); melted raclette over a baguette-swaddled brat Bryant Park's Baked Cheese Haus (Promenade Club); and Chomp Donut Co. bringing mini doughnuts tossed in cinnamon sugar or dipped in salted caramel (Promenade Club). On the drinking front, there's a massive new Mikkeller brewery, with its own entrance for non-ticket holders.

Those looking for a true taste of Queens inside the stadium can head to Fuku for chicken sandwiches from celebrity restaurateur David Chang, or pick up some Milk Bar cookies from Christina Tosi (Section 102). Hungry fans can also stop by Danny Meyer's Papa Rosso pizza stand for Neapolitan-style pies and Italian ice (Section 139), or Shake Shack — for obvious reasons (Section 139).

The 100-level at Citi Field is where all the best specialty food options are. Try to sit near the 130s to keep a close eye on the lines.

And if you're looking to spend a little extra, the filet mignon steak sandwich at the aptly named Pat LaFrieda's Original Filet Mignon Steak Sandwich (Sections 139 and 415) is the place to go.

For fans looking to step away from the action on the field, there are even sit-down restaurants inside the ballpark, including McFadden's, which serves waffle fries, buffalo wings, cheesesteak nachos, chicken tenders, calamari, soups and salads, ribeye steak, fish and chips, onion rings, and more. The entrance to the restaurant — which opens its doors three hours before home games — is located on 126th Street.

There are also specialty options available for fans, too.

There's vegan pizza at Two Boots (Section 412 and at the Foxwoods Club). Kosher stands (Sections 115, 130 and 408) are open Sunday through Thursday serving hot dogs, knishes, pretzels, and more. Fans can also get gluten-free hot dogs, burgers, Italian sausage, and chips at Hain Celestial (Section 105), and some healthy fruit- and vegetable-heavy options at Melissa's Produce (105).

Dining options are divided into the stadium/plaza level, field level, promenade level, and excelsior level. There are also limited-access areas, like the Promenade and Foxwood clubs, which visitors with certain tickets can check out.

The past and the future

Shea Stadium, which housed the Mets since 1964, closed its doors for the last time in 2008 to make way for the new $800 million-plus Citi Field. Shea was demolished in 2009 to create additional parking for the adjacent venue. The old ballpark was named in honor of William A. Shea, the man who was most responsible for bringing National League baseball back to New York.

In the 45 years since Shea had been the Mets' home, the team had won two world championships and the four National League pennants.

A visit by Pope John Paul II in 1979 and performances by the Beatles in 1965 and 1966, are among the memorable cultural events that have graced the stadium's field.

Shea Stadium has played host to some of the more iconic events in Queens' history before making way for Citi Field, which has become a true treasure of the borough in its own right and is ready to make some history of its own.

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Queens College's sports complexes usher in next generation of athletes

BY MERLE EXIT

Queens College, part of the City University of New York system, has an athletic department that sponsors 17 men's and women's championship eligible varsity teams in eight different sports with both indoor and outdoor facilities.

Although the longest running programs of men's basketball and baseball began back in 1939, the Maurice Fitzgerald Gymnasium, a three-story superstructure was not completed until 1958. A pool is located on the ground floor with two of the gyms located on the top floor and having a 30-foot-high ceiling. The complex also has an auxiliary gym and two dance studios, as well.

"It was the jewel of the whole CUNY system when it came down to facilities and a monument to Queens," said Richard A Rissetto, the athletics department director of communications. "At one time, the campus was the highest point in the entire borough with the landmark building standing high. We are about to celebrate the 60-year anniversary and recently celebrated the dedication and naming of the main basketball court to Lucille Kyvallos, a pioneer of women's basketball."

This multi-purpose facility is complete with an aquatic center that has an Olympic sized swimming pool with six lanes open both to the team, Queens College students and students attending the college's summer camp program.

Although Fitzgerald may house the indoor facilities, there are also three main athletic fields and an indoor-outdoor tennis center on campus.

"There is a softball field and a baseball field — known as Hennekens Stadium — located near IS 499, further down on Reeves Avenue near John Bowne High School," Rissetto said. "There is also a track that is open to the public for jogging when the track teams are not using it. It was recently given money to renovate as part of a large capital funding grant. Both the soccer and lacrosse field are near that area and where the Queens College teams play."

There are both regulation outdoor tennis courts as well as a six-court indoor bubble-shaped dome facility.

Lucille Kyvallos celebrates the unveiling of her name on the Queens College basketball court.
Photo by Merle Exit

College tennis is played two seasons, one for the men's tennis team, and one for the women's squad.

But the college's venues are used for events that go beyond sports as well.

"Facilities are rented out for events such as craft fairs, trade shows and, for instance last year's auditions for America's Got Talent," Rissetto said. "Then there are outside tournaments that prefer to use our facilities as well."

Queens College's athletic venues have proven to be a great entity to the borough.

"We are here and there is always someone working out or playing outdoors that you are free to attend," said Rissetto. "It's a chance for more residents of Queens to be able to embrace that community feel and do it at a level so that it doesn't cost you a lot and at the same time right in your own backyard insofar as the location. In fact tickets are only required to attend a basketball game."

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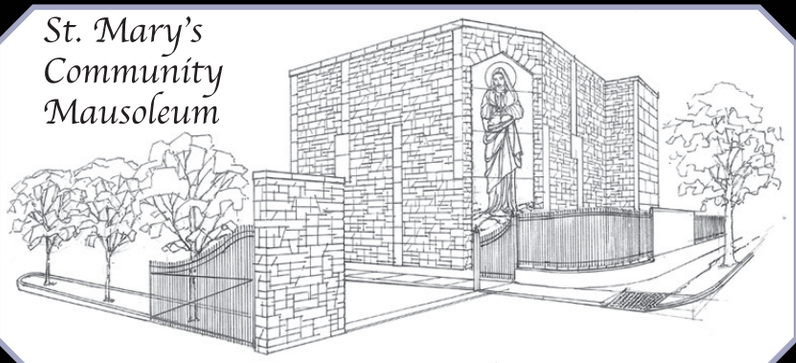

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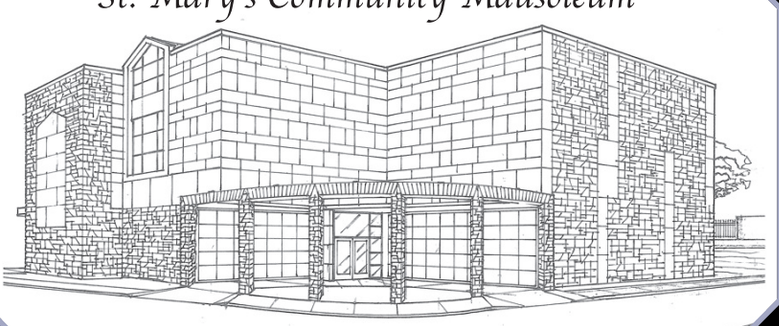

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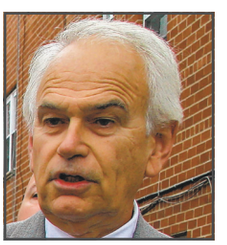

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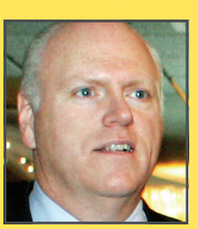

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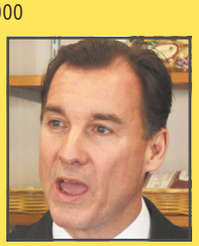

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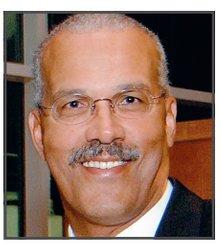

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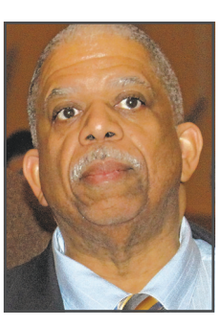

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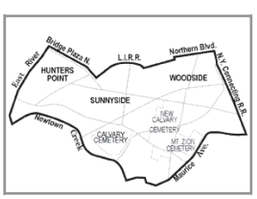
Location: Astoria World Manor, 25-22 Astoria Blvd.



Community Board 2
43-22 50th St., Room 2B, Woodside

718-533-8773
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Denise Keehan-Smith, chairwoman; Debra Markell Kleinert, district manager.
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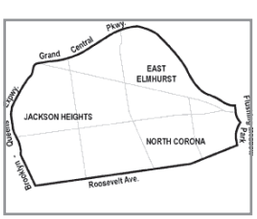
Meeting: First Thursday of every month, 6:30 p.m.
Location: Sunnyside Community Services, 43-31 39th St, ground floor, Sunnyside



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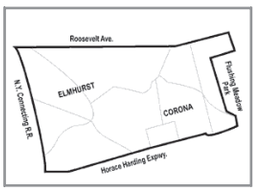
Location: Diversity Plaza, 37th Rd., Jackson Heights.



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Location: Flanders Field VFW Post, 51-11 108th St.

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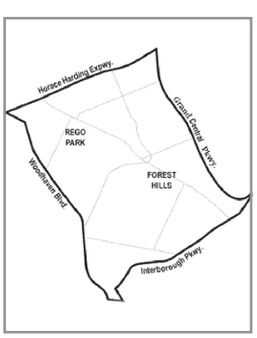
Location: Cafeteria of Christ the King High School, 68-02 Metropolitan Ave.



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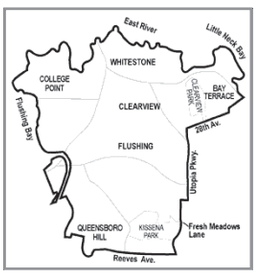
Location: Kew Gardens Community Center, 80-02 Kew Gardens Road



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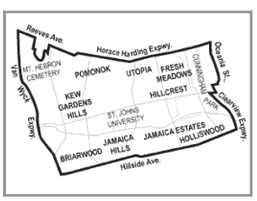
Location: Union Plaza Care Center, 33-23 Union St.



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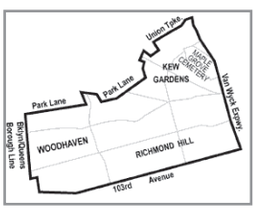
Meeting: Second Wednesday of every month, 7:30 p.m.
Location: Hillcrest Jewish Center, 183-02 Union Turnpike



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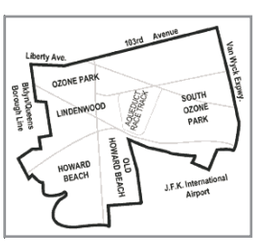
Location varies



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Location: Knights of Columbus Hall, 135-45 Lefferts Blvd.

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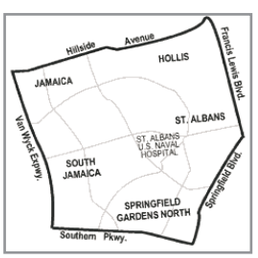
Meeting: First Monday of every month but not in July or August, 7:30 p.m.
Location: MS 158, 46-35 Oceania St.



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Meeting: Third Wednesday of every month but in December second Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Location: Robert Ross Johnson Family Life Center, 172-17 Linden Blvd., St. Albans

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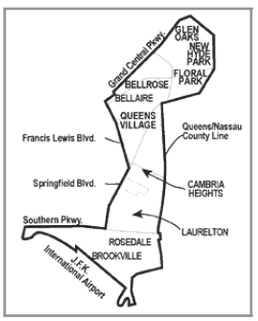

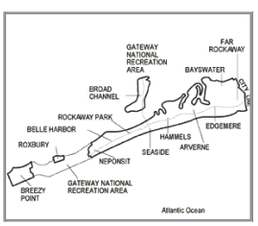

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Co. Building
Built: 1929
Address: 90-04 161st St., Jamaica
The two-story base is clad in brick and stone and the ground floor window and entrance bays are deeply recessed. The upper floors are faced in brick and articulated with projecting piers and decorative spandrel panels.

Western

Astoria Park Pool and Play Center
Built: 1934-36
Address: 19th Street between 22nd Drive and Hoyt Avenue North, Astoria
Many architects, landscape architects and engineers were hired to create the pool program and the hundreds of other new construction and rehabilitation projects undertaken between 1934 and 1936 by the then-new city Parks Department. Embedded into what has now become a wooded slope, the play center complex was designed to take advantage of its surroundings.

Congregation Tifereth Israel
Built: 1911
Address: 109-18 54th Ave., Corona
The oldest active synagogue in Corona, the Congregation Tifereth Israel is a survivor of the earliest Jewish synagogues built in Queens. This synagogue, whose full name is translated as "Congregation Independent Community, Glory of Israel, People of Corona," was built in 1911 to house a congregation of Jews that had relocated to Queens primarily from other parts of the city.

Fire Engine Co. No. 258/ Hook and Ladder Co. No. 115
Built: 1902-04
Address: 10-40 47th Ave., Long Island City
Designed by Bradford Lee Gilbert, the Dutch Renaissance Revival-style building was erected as part of a campaign to expand fire protection in Queens and improve working conditions for Queens firefighters. Long Island City was the first area in the borough to have a professional fire department and both companies trace their origins to an act by the state Legislature in 1890.

Newtown High School
Built: 1920-21
Address: 48-01 90th St., Elmhurst
The school was the result of several building campaigns, which began with the construction of a small, wooden school house in 1866 to serve children from the Village of Newtown and surrounding farms.

PS 66
Built: 1898
Address: 85-11 102nd St., Richmond Hill
The red brick building is Victorian Eclectic in style. Many of its features are characteristic of the Romanesque Revival style and give the building a fortress-like appearance, including prominent round arches highlighting window openings and the main entrance, a flared base and a distinctive, six-story tower, which was restored in 2001.

Richmond Hill Republican Club
Built: 1908
Address: 86-15 Lefferts Blvd., Richmond Hill
Vacant since the mid-1980s, the Richmond Hill Republican Club is an example of a clubhouse designed to serve the social, political and recreational needs of a local community and a prototype of small-scale Colonial Revival style civic architecture.

Ridgewood Theater Building
Built: 1916
Address: 55-27 Myrtle Ave., Ridgewood
This theater showed movies for more than 90 years, retaining its original use through numerous changes in the presentation of movies and the interior environment of the theater, including the addition of sound for "talkies" and in spite of the competition provided by television and other forms of entertainment.

Sohmer & Co. Piano Factory Building
Built: around 1886
Address: 31-01 Vernon Blvd., Long Island City
The original part of the building, which included the clock tower, was built as the piano factory for Sohmer & Co. It was designed by the firm Berger & Baylies, which produced plans for commercial and residential buildings throughout New York City, including several warehouses and store-and-loft buildings.

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Sage Music manager Veronica Towers-Dioso cuts the ribbon to officially re-open the facility.

MUSIC FEVER

POPULAR LIC MUSIC SCHOOL CELEBRATES EXPANSION

BY CASSIDY KLEIN

Sage Music, one of the most popular music schools in western Queens, didn't have enough room for the multitude of students that were applying to study there. But after undergoing a remodel and expansion of their space, Sage is opening its doors to new students and anticipating the promising future of the school.

"Due to the school's explosive rate of growth, we had to put a hold on the acceptance of new students," said Jason Sagebiel, founder of Sage Music. "However, because of the requests from the many folks who were turned away due to our limitation of space, we made the decision to expand our Queens location. Today, as I look around, I'm overjoyed that our new facility will now be able to accommodate the growing musical ambitions of our rapidly expanding body of students."

Students, instructors and their families celebrated the expansion at the grand reopening party last Saturday in Long Island City. The facility is located at 44-02 23rd St.

"I'm always trying to improve [the school], grow it," Sagebiel said. "We are unique in that we offer the ARPEGGIO system. We invest in teachers so much, we are very goal focused and will help them achieve their dreams."

Sage Music was founded in 2012 after Sagebiel had to "relearn how to learn" following a serious brain injury he suffered while in Iraq 2003 when he was serving as a U.S. Marine. He lost a lot of his memory and developed a unique method to re-learn music. This is the same method they teach at Sage, where they call it the ARPEGGIO system. The method was developed though the science and psychology of learning and allows students to set and achieve their own personal goals.

"I realized in that process [of re-learning] that educators aren't equipped with tools that help students make goals and truly learn," Sagebiel said. "At Sage we give our students tools to help them improve, and it's exciting that they reach goals they set for themselves. So the brain injury was the catalyst. I was already into music but that really pushed me to try these new teaching methods and start this school."

Sagebiel initially moved to Long Island City 12 years ago to work in the Humanities/Music Department at LaGuardia Community College. Soon after, he founded Sage, which has another location in Brooklyn.

(Top) Instructor Matt Kaplan (l.) with the families of some of his students. (Bottom) Jason Sagebiel (l.) founded Sage Music in 2012.

Photos courtesy of Jason Sagebiel

Michael Conklin, an instructor of woodwinds, started teaching at Sage in January, and has since improved, not only as an instructor, but as a musician, too.

"I was impressed by how much [Sage] cares about teachers," said Conklin. "It's always rewarding to help a student achieve and realize their goals. At first it took me a while to get used to the system—but it allowed me to grow."

Alexandre Ikama, 15, a student of Conklin's, has been learning to play the clarinet at Sage for three years. His goal is to "hopefully get a scholarship to a concert band."

"I'm not that good in school," he said. "Music is the one thing I'm really good at. I love the clarinet, I love the sound of it."

Matt Kaplan, a guitar instructor, has been at Sage for two years and is "grateful to teach and give back."

"It's cool seeing the school expand," said Kaplan. "Jason is always talking about his vision for the school."

Kaplan said many students have told him what they learn in their music lessons helps them in other areas in life, such as organization and time management.

"The process of making music and learning is helpful in many areas," said Kaplan. "Music in my life has brought me fruitful relationships, opportunities to travel, so many things. I'm grateful to teach and give back."

Nick Dinnerstein, who teaches strings, said he really likes the ARPEGGIO method and has seen it benefit both students and teachers.

"It's great that we have regular teacher training at the school," said Dinnerstein. "We check in with Jason regularly to establish our own goals."

Dinnerstein said he plays music because it allows him to "explore expression."

"It is an endless process," he said. "There is always more to learn which makes it satisfying. Music lessons bring all sorts of benefits to people's lives in general."

Maryam Kamsani, 14, a piano student at Sage, has been around to see the school expand and is excited for her future as a musician.

"For my vocal audition into a professional music school, the main thing I had to do was learn an Italian aria, which is so hard," said Kamsani. "But I learned it, I achieved my goal. Next I want to learn to sing and play piano at the same time."

Kamasi sees herself being a musician for life.

"I feel like music is a way that you can connect with the world," she said. "When there's a language barrier or something, you can always use music."

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HONORING A NEIGHBORHOOD ICON *Photos by Luis Zapata*

City Councilman Francisco Moya was on hand in East Elmhurst as the neighborhood honored late community advocate Patrick Beckles, who died in 2017, with a street co-naming ceremony.

Fresh off her primary victory over state Sen. Jose Peralta, Ramos attended the ceremony and fondly recalled her time working with Beckles at Community Board 3.

RECREATING THE PAST *Photos courtesy of Dromm's office*

City Councilwoman Karen Koslowitz and City Councilman Daniel Dromm kick off the John Lennon Educational Tour Bus' fifth annual Come Together NYC residency.

(From l. to r.) Dromm recreates 1960s John Lennon/Yoko Ono bed-in protest with Mayor Bill de Blasio, Yoko Ono, Ringo Starr and Jeff Bridges at City Hall.

A FINE DAY FOR ART *Photos by Bruce Adler*

This opening reception of the "I Dream in Blue and Green" exhibition drew quite a crowd last week at the LIC Arts Open in Long Island City.

The exhibition – including Tanya Levina's "True Blue" – showcases how different artists in different media work with color, including all shades of blue and green.

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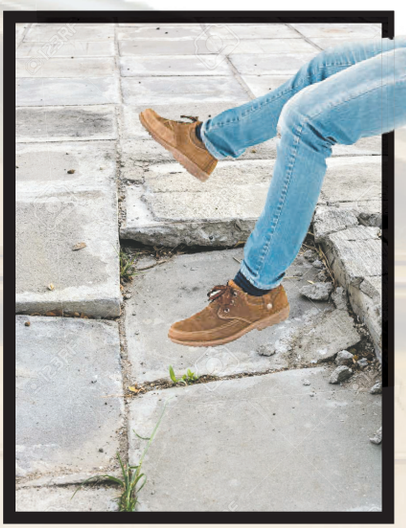

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The local multiplayer game Killer Queen Arcade will be featured in the exhibition "A Whole Different Ball Game: Playing through 60 Years of Sports Video Games" at MoMI. Photo by Ben Helmer/ Museum of the Moving Image

TRAVEL THROUGH TIME

MOMI EXHIBIT SHOWS PROGRESSION OF SPORTS VIDEOS GAMES

BY MERLE EXIT

Prepare to spend many hours at the Museum of the Moving Image with their new exhibit, "A Whole Different Ball Game, Playing Through 60 Years of Sports Video Games."

Featuring 44 playable video games from generations past, you can see how the relationship between game, sport, media and culture has grown over the years.

Curated by Digital Media Jason Eppink and guest curator John Sharp, the exhibition is being sponsored by Psyonix, developer of the sports-action hit, Rocket League.

"I'd like visitors to come away with two impressions: an appreciation for the often curious and exciting ways sports are turned into other kinds of games, and an awareness of how games in turn can become sports," said Sharp. "The exhibition is a consideration of America's relationship to sports and sports video games."

Upon entering the museum, glance at the 50-foot wide video installation as it presents screen recordings from 120 different sports video games from various countries around the globe.

Then head up to the third floor for the main exhibition, where the opening corridor presents a series of short videos of iconic moments in the medium.

"Visitors to the exhibition will have an opportunity to touch, see, and experience playing on a variety of platforms, such as an oscilloscope for 'Tennis for Two,' the original game created in 1958, handheld games in the 1970s and '80s, and today's popular home console games," said Director of Public Information Tomoko Kawamoto.

Sports video game enthusiasts may recognize many of the games. The exhibition is divided into seven sections, the first being "Early Adaptions." Games in the section include: "Tennis for Two" (playable), "Tudor Tru-action Electric Football Game," "Magnavox Odyssey console," "Pong," "Super Pong," "Milan European Foosball Table," "Football," "Electronic Baseball," "Coleco Head to Head Baseball," "Coleco Head to Head Basketball," "Tomy Tennis," "Bambino Basketball Dribble Away," "Tandy Championship Electronic Golf," and "Electronic Baseball."

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Bacon and Beer Classic takes over tennis center

BY MERLE EXIT

Wine and cheese have commonly been paired at events and restaurants, many of which have particular wines paired with certain cheeses. It is really up to the chef to match a cheese made with cow's, sheep's or goat's milk with a wine made from grapes.

Cannonball Productions has a different food and beverage pairing with their nationally-touring Bacon and Beer Classic coming to Queens on Sept. 29 at the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center located in Flushing Meadows Corona Park.

The all-inclusive experience was devised by 31-year-old Kate Levenstien, a lifetime foodie who is passionate about creating big, bold, one-of-a-kind experiences.

"I was living in Chicago planning events. While at a breakfast where I had a flight of bacon and thought how cool it would be to pair with craft beer," said Levenstien. "We decided to pair food items containing bacon along with a beer. Bacon has become the 'in food'. You can have bacon savory, sweet or spicy as well as simply a crispy topping."

Chef Melvin "Boots" Johnson prepares to smoke his own bacon. Photo by Merle Exit

This year's Bacon and Beer Classic is said to be the largest one yet, offering attendees a wide variety of new games and activities. Guests will also be given the opportunity to dance to live music, party in a biergarten, and compete in the Hormel bacon eating contest for the chance to win a year's supply of free Black Label bacon. There are approximately 50-60 restaurants participating — each one responsible for providing its own bacon — along with 100 different breweries.

Although Hormel's bacon will be featured, it is the responsibility of the restaurant to provide the bacon.

That's no problem for Chef Melvin "Boots" Johnson, the owner of Queens Bully who will be making bacon in his smoker. "Boots" recently won Food Network's Chopped Championship's Grill Master competition.

"I use pork belly to create the bacon first, placing it in a brine," Johnson explained. "The next step is to rub in the spices and let it smoke. It is a lengthy process but worth it. I would never use packaged bacon in any of my recipes.

Queens Bully is having Bayside Brewery, presently known as Fish Scale — located at 38-17 Bell Blvd. in Bayside — create a special beer to pair with a pastrami slider.

Some restaurants will be incorporating their bacon inspired food with beer, such as Route 66 Smokehouse — located in Manhattan — with its beer poached pork belly, crispy pork skin and spicy aioli.

BarBacon, a Manhattan restaurant that does not smoke their own bacon, will be offering its KF Bacon Bites of diced pieces of pork belly fried in a Kentucky batter. Bacon creations may not necessarily featured on the restaurant's menu as the chefs have the opportunity to let their creative juices flow for the event.

Tickets for the Bacon and Beer Classic allow guests to sample bacon and beer throughout without ever taking out their wallets.

Guests can choose from three ticket types: General Admission, Power Hour, or VIP. General Admission tickets begin at $69 and could cost as much as $135 for the Afternoon VIP session. Limited Pre-Sale tickets will range in price from $59 for general admission to $125 for VIP.

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Film

Movies Under the Stars: Wonder – A 10-year-old boy with a facial deformity attends school for the first time when he begins the fifth grade. With the support of his parents, he learns how to make friends and adjust to his new environment.
When: Friday, Sept. 21, from 7:15 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Where: Bayside Fields
Cost: Free
Contact: (718) 393-7370

Movies Under the Stars: Moana – A teen girl and a demigod embark on an adventure as they search for a legendary island.
When: Saturday, Sept. 22, from 7:15 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Where: Astoria Heights Playground
Cost: Free
Contact: (718) 393-7370

Events

Banda Magda – Banda Magda, led by Greek-born composer, arranger, singer and accordionist Magda Giannikou, takes the audience on a global journey of music, rhythm, and storytelling.
When: Friday, Sept. 21, at 8 p.m.
Where: Flushing Town Hall
Cost: $16; $10 for members and students; free for teens
Contact: (718) 463-7700 ext. 222

Bird Watching at the Reservoir – Start your day with an early morning bird watching walk led by the Brooklyn Bird Club. Binoculars are recommended.
When: Saturday, Sept. 22, from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Where: Ridgewood Reservoir
Cost: Free
Contact: (718) 235-4462

Queens County Fair – The traditional county fair boasts blue ribbon competitions in produce, livestock, arts and crafts and more. Enjoy ie eating and corn husking contests, pig races, acrobats, jugglers roaming performers, musical entertainment and shows.
When: Saturday, Sept. 22, and Sunday, Sept. 23, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Where: Queens County Farm Museum
Cost: $10 for adults; $5 for children ages 12 and under
Contact: (718) 347-3276

Family Fun Day – Meet and greet your officers from the

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•Small Meatballs
•Linguini, w/ Clam Sauce
•Eggplant
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THEATER CALENDAR

HAMLET (What Dreams May Come) – Prince Hamlet seeks to revenge his father's murder, but must sacrifice his love, his life and perhaps his very mind to accomplish it.
When: Friday, Sept. 21,at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Sept. 22, at 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, Sept. 23, at 3 p.m.; Wednesday, Sept. 26, at 7:30 p.m.; Thursday, Sept. 27, at 7:30 p.m.; Friday, Sept. 28,at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Sept. 29, at 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, Sept. 30, at 3 p.m.
Where: Secret Theatre
Cost: $25 at door; $22 advance sale7
Contact: (718) 392-0722

Pirate Pete's Parrot – The play revolves around Pirate Pete, a lovable rogue on a mission to find his beloved runaway parrot, Polly. Armed with an endearing crew of misfits, Pete embarks on a journey complete with songs, sword fights, and plenty of audience interaction.
When: Saturday, Sept. 22, at 2:30 p.m.
Where: The Secret Theatre, 44-02 23rd St., Long Island City
Cost: $10 for children, $15 for adults; $40 family four-pack
Contact: (718) 392-0722

Nrityagram Dance Ensemble – More than a dance company, Nrityagram was founded as a village devoted to dance. The all-female ensemble's daily life of intensive training and meditation brings to the stage compelling performances that are at once sensual and lyrical.
When: Saturday, Sept. 29, at 8 p.m.; Sunday, Sept. 30, at 3 p.m.
Where: Queens Theatre
Cost: $20-$42
Contact: (718) 760-0064

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By Ed Canty

Trifecta

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

PLAY ON WORDS

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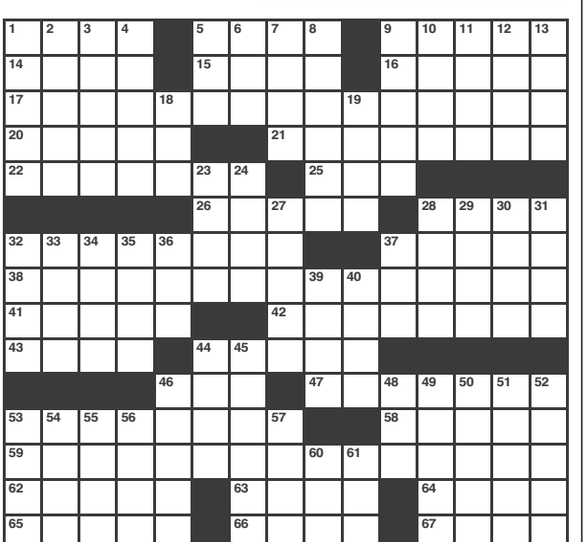

Across

1. "Graphic" opening
5. Air Force One VIP
9. No longer sick
14. Juicy tidbit?
15. Baker-Charlie precursor
16. Greek market of old
17. 1979 nuclear accident site
20. Northern forests
21. Dancing siblings
22. "The Heartland Province"
25. Small batteries
26. Swim stroke
28. One teaspoon, maybe
32. Arctic covering
37. Contradict
38. "As Phony as a _____"
41. Booker of Newark
42. Spray cans
43. R.N.'s habitat
44. No longer cool
46. Bacon feature
47. Airport areas
53. Data gatherers, for short
58. Actress Shirley
59. Basketball violation
62. Fast breaker?
63. Having all your marbles
64. Are you ___ out?
65. Gold of "Benson"
66. Bird house?
67. E-mailer's option

Down

1. "Likewise"
2. "___ Frome"
3. Like some raises
4. Alpha's opposite
5. Cooking spray brand
6. Credit for driving people home?
7. Ex-governor Grasso
8. School board?
9. Spanish houses
10. Good fruit with a bad name?
11. Arena sound
12. Crossword bird
13. Hires competition
18. Ring bearer, maybe
19. Emphatic type: Abbr.
23. Applied frosting
24. After-dinner sandwich?
27. Book of maps
28. Ball girls?
29. A hodgepodge Collection
30. Place for a catnap?
31. Slender fish
32. "The Seven Year ___"
33. Ah follower
34. Acts human?
35. Fall through the cracks?
36. "Yo!"
37. Pal, rapper-style
39. "___ we forget"
40. "Code" lead-in
44. Bridge declaration
45. Give one's word
46. Afire
48. Alert color?
49. Yankee great Roger
50. Carry ___ (sing on pitch)
51. :
52. Mortimer the dummy
53. Bud holder
54. Asian language
55. "Fine" follower
56. Caddie's bagful
57. Bad mark?
60. "___ moment"
61. Maiden designation?

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Arts

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109th Precinct, along with Mr. Met. Get involved with local civics and have fun with pony rides, inflatables, music games, giveaways and free food.
When: Saturday, Sept. 22, from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Where: Francis Lewis Park
Cost: Free to attend

Strawberry Planting Workshop — Learn how prepare and plant a fall strawberry bed for a small spring crop of strawberries and a larger fall crop. Strawberry plants will be provided to participants to start their own gardens.
When: Saturday, Sept. 22, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Where: Edgemere Farm
Cost: Free
Contact: (718) 440-0152

Kol Esperanza—To ring in the Jewish New Year, the Israeli based vocal group is back by popular demand as five classically trained world-class vocalists – backed by a live band – sing it all.
When: Sunday, Sept. 23, at 2 p.m.
Where: Queensborough Performing Arts Center
Cost: $34-$50
Contact: (718) 631-6311

Banda Magda takes the stage at Flushing Town Hall Friday at 8 p.m. Courtesy of Flushing Town Hall

Banned Books Week: Black Out Poetry — Stop by for a night of crafts as you make poetry out of blacked-out text. Patrons can use markers or other supplies to create either poetry or a zine about censorship or banned books.
When: Monday, Sept. 24, from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Where: Queens Library at 37-44 21 St., Long Island City
Cost: Free
Contact: (718) 752-3700

Zumba — Stop by Little Bay Park for Zumba, an aerobic exercise and cardio dance session that combines high-energy, motivational international music with unique movements.
When: Wednesday, Sept. 26, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Where: Hockey Rink in Little Bay Park
Cost: Free
Contact: (718) 352-4793

Bacon

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There will be two sessions — one running from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and the other lasting from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

VIP and Power Hour ticket holders can enter the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center an hour early through an expedited line. VIPs will also enjoy access to a Premium Show Court and Arthur Ashe Stadium for courtside photo opportunities, three exclusive dishes not featured anywhere else, limited-edition craft beer, stadium seating, a donut wall, a pork belly tasting and more.

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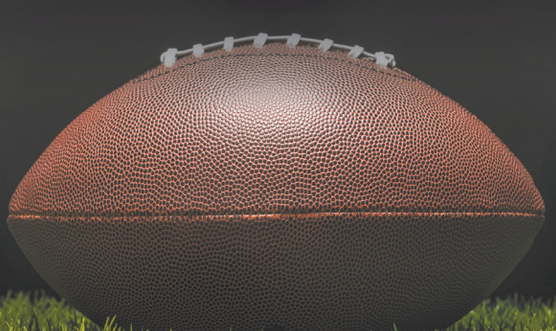

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Friends of Maple Grove Cemetery ends summer in style

BY MERLE EXIT

Friends of Maple Grove Cemetery is celebrating the end of summer with music, art and literature.

There are many events scheduled through the end of September, beginning with a free live concert featuring singer Mariel Pacific, with Naoko Aita accompanying her on the piano Saturday at 6 p.m. at 127-15 Kew Gardens Road in Kew Gardens.

Friends of Maple Grove historian Carl Ballenas said that the concert is dedicated to all the great singers who are found at Maple Grove, including one who will receive a direct tribute, Kyle Jean Baptist. "[He] came to Maple Grove at the age of 21. He was an incredible singer and achieved great heights in his short life," Ballenas said. "He was the first African-American actor and singer and the youngest performer take on the role of Jean Valjean in 'Les Miserables' on Broadway. In his honor Mariel will sing 'I Dreamed a Dream' from that Broadway show."

"Spirits Alive," a self-guided walking tour with more than 20 actors in period costumes portraying the roles of Maple Grove Cemetery's most illustrious and historical figures, is set to return Sept. 29.

Courtesy of Friends of Maple Grove

The cemetery will also mark the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I. Ballenas said there are many World War I veterans at Maple Grove, with some who also served in the War of 1812.

"Mariel will be singing 'Requiem for a Soldier' to honor all those in the military who are now at Maple Grove. Capt. Chris Kraft is an honored guest and has been asked to come and stand by Mariel as she sings this song. Capt. Kraft was one of the first Red Cross volunteers to aid first responders at ground zero after the Sept. 11 attacks."

A reception and light refreshments will follow the concert. To RSVP for the event, contact info@friendsofmaplegrove.org or call (347) 878-6614.

The World War I Centennial Exhibit is presently on view at the center. The exhibit includes photographs, books, letters and other artifacts related to the soldiers who fought in the Great War, as well as some who died.

Along with the exhibit comes Spirts Alive, a self-guided walking tour with more than 20 actors in period costumes portraying the roles of the cemetery's most illustrious and historical figures. The actors will be recounting tales of their lives through speeches and memories that include some new discoveries. Also included is a ceremony for the unveiling of a new monument dedicated to then 4-year-old Alfio Manninici, who died at Ellis Island. His niece, Judge Gloria Coco, wrote a one woman show, "Finding Uncle Alfio," which was performed at the cemetery in June.

"This is the one day a year that many of the notables at Maple Grove will be able to tell their story through these remarkable actors," Ballenas said. "Every year we make wonderful discoveries of people at Maple Grove and write scripts for the actors to tell their story. Since this is the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I, we have a number of the actors portraying veterans from the war who will talk about their experiences overseas."

The free event will be hosted Saturday, Sept. 29, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. The entrance to this event is located at Kew Gardens Road and Lefferts Boulevard. Visitors are encouraged to wear period costumes just for the fun of it.

Also on the ledger is the Kew Gardens Art Fair, which is planned for Sept. 30 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Lefferts Boulevard and Austin Street. Guests can expect various crafts, art and jewelry to be on sale as music performed by local musicians fills the air from 12:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. in the Cinema Courtyard next to the Post Office on Austin Street.

Then head on over to the Kew and Willow Book Shop — located at 81-63 Lefferts Blvd. — for Literary Sunday, as poet Sherese Francis and fiction writer Joe Okonkwo will read excerpts from their latest work. The event is free to attend, and those interested in attending are asked to RSVP at maplegroveliterarysundays@gmail.com.

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TRAVEL THROUGH TIME

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Section 2, titled "From Sports to Video," contains some of the more unique game designs, including "Atari Football," "Track and Field," "Wii Sports," "Tony Hawk Shred," "World Class Track Meet," "NHL '94," "Michael Phelps – Push the Limit," "QWOP," and "Shawn Johnson Gymnastics."

Other highlights can be seen in Section 4, which includes footage from three Mets games that are paired with contemporary video games and Section 7, which offers cartoon-like, sci-fi and even violent sports-themed games, such as "Mutant Football League," "Cyber Stadium Series – Base Wars," "Speedball 2 – Brutal Deluxe," "NBA Jam," "Wayne Gretzky's 3-D Hockey," and "NFL Blitz 2002."

There are two permanent exhibitions worth exploring.

There is a closed in area within the exhibition that has a set of bleachers called the Mini-Stadium, where you can view a 52-minute selection of ads, news reports, game highlights and a few short documentaries depicting sports video games projected on the wall.

"A Whole Different Ball Game" will run through March 10, 2019. General admission tickets are for the galleries and Fridays offer free admission from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Admission to all screenings require you to purchase separate tickets. Purchasing a ticket for a screening allows you to visit all of the exhibitions on display.

MOMI is located at 36-01 35th Ave. in Astoria. For further information visit www.movingimage.us

(Clockwise from top left) "A Whole Different Ball Game: Playing Through 60 Years of Sports Video Games" is on view at Museum of the Moving Image from Sept. 14, to March 10. "NHL '94" for Sega Genesis is featured in the exhibit. A guest plays "Tiger Woods PGA Tour 14."

Photos by Sachyn Mital/Museum of the Moving Image.

Vendys

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"The main reason is I wanted to be my own boss and run my own business," Thway said of his inspiration to open Burmese Bites. "I started at street fairs but the environment was not what I was looking for. A friend told me about Queens Night Market and I love everything about it. The culture, the variety, all at an affordable price. The whole thing is like one big family. Everybody tries each others food and joke and talk with one another."

Thway was nominates for Best of Market vendor in 2015 and now returns to Governors Island as a 2018 Vendy Cup finalist.

"Being nominated is something that I'm very proud of," he said. "It would be nice to win but I'm looking forward to meeting the other vendors and learn a lot of things I didn't know previously and it's good exposure."

The Vendy Awards benefit the Street Vendors Project at the Urban Justice Center, a non-profit organization that provides legal representation and advocacy for the 20,000 street vendors in New York City.

"They do really good work pushing the city to raise the cap on mobile food licenses and defend vendor's rights," Rahmati said. "They help individual vendors fight exorbitant fines for violations and even they help replace broken equipment. It's a fund-raising event for a good cause."

Other notable Queens vendors heading to Governors Island include Franky's Souvlaki from Astoria, El Saboroso De Aracataca from Jackson Heights and Evelia's Tamales Mexicanos from Corona.

The event is open to the public and draws nearly 2,000 visitors each year who pay $100 for a general admission ticket that includes unlimited samplings all day beginning at 12:30 p.m. VIP tickets are also available for early entry at 11:30 a.m. To purchase tickets, or for more information, visit www.vendyawards.org.

Vanel

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attract small business and new technology to southeast Queens.

"New York is a good place to have block-chain technology oriented businesses," said Vanel during an interview with TimesLedger editorial staff.

Vanel is also focused on local issues important to his constituents such as housing, benefit programs, school choices and preserving the SHSAT.

"African-Americans and other minorities have the ability to do well on such exams, but I believe if I can get into a fight and you put me in a ring with somebody with one hand tied behind my back, even if I'm strong I will have a tough time winning," said Vanel. "So if you prepare communities that historically haven't done well on these exams then that is one of the ways you help them get into these specialized schools."

Earlier this year he sponsored SHSAT practice exams for students in his district, which would have cost their families up to $2,000.

"We are a powerful group and our votes mean a lot," said Vanel. "We need to start this blue wave right here from Queens."

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NYPD bust

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a prostitute and paid anywhere from $40 for 15 minutes of sexual activity up to $160 for a full hour, Brown said.

"These NYPD police officers, who swore an oath to uphold ideals greater than themselves, have ruined their own careers and reputations," said O'Neill. "More importantly they have diminished the great work of tens of thousands of other honest and ethical cops. Everything we do in the policing profession is hugely dependent on the trust we build with the people who live and work in our neighborhoods. Whenever officers betray that trust by engaging in criminal behavior, they tarnish the shields they wear. The New Yorkers we serve will never tolerate this, and neither will this police department."

Climate

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in the coming years these financial assets will no long even be profitable.

"We believe those investments are going to be very, very bad in a short period of time, which is why we have also said we would like to get out. But it has to be done in a responsible way," Mulgrew said. "People get their work done when we make these announcements the boards understand that this is the direction we're asking them to do. We're giving them the authority to do this in a responsible way."

De Blasio said the city's new investment strategy will in line with the Paris Agreement, which the United States has pulled out of under President Trump.

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Cruz

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Cruz are going to reignite the heart of the Democratic Party and bring us back to what we believe in -- which is justice, equality and compassion in government," said Goldfried.

The 35-year-old Colombian-born "Dreamer" was undocumented for the first 13 years she lived in the United States before becoming a legal citizen in 2009. She fought for tenant, immigrant and workers' rights in her years as a lawyer and civil servant in both the Cuomo administration and office of City Councilwoman Julissa Ferreras-Copeland.

Both Cruz and Espinal ran grassroots campaigns to achieve their goals of making change by bringing more resources to their communities. Cruz pledged to help resolve community issues such as affordable housing, school overcrowding, and providing health care for poorer residents.

In her statement about the election primary results, Espinal said she will continue to be involved in the community.

"Local government matters, and I have devoted my life to empowering our community. I am proud of the work I've been able to accomplish so far and I will continue to do whatever I can to make Corona, Elmhurst, and Jackson Heights better for all of us," said Espinal.

She added, "We are in an important moment in our nation's history and this race saw historic voter turnout. Democrats are engaged and we must continue this momentum into the midterms and in 2020. I wish Catalina Cruz the best of luck in the Assembly."

Cruz, who currently does not have an opponent in the Nov. 6 general election, would be the first "Dreamer" to hold public office in New York state and the third "Dreamer" to serve in an elected office in the country.

In Nov. 2016, U.S. Reps. Adriano Espaillet (D-NY) and Ruben Kihuen (D-NV) — both Dreamers — were elected to Congress.

Stringer said he's looking forward to working with the Assemblywoman in Albany.

Kim

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Chief Cooperative Economist and Chief Financial Resiliency Officer. They will lead a team to help local communities design and sustain resilient economies, Kim said.

"We can no longer allow student debt to deter college graduates or even aspiring college students from moving forward in their career and become discouraged," said Parker. "The Office of Financial Resiliency will provide New Yorkers the support they deserve and build long term local communities such as the 21st Senate District I represent in Brooklyn."

According to Kim, from chain-stores, to e-commerce sites, to social media companies, to Uber, the government has supported entities that mine profits from communities while crippling local growth. The Office of Financial Resilience will help to reverse this trend and build stronger and more independent local economies.

"By rethinking the way we build the different levels of our economy and designing an entire office to create a more resilient system, I believe we can better prepare for the next inevitable global financial crisis," Kim said.

Douglas Rushkoff, a professor of Media Studies and Digital Economics at CUNY/Queens College, the host of Team Human, and author of Throwing Rocks at the Google Bus, said this solution is the one they've been long waiting for.

"Finally! Instead of using taxpayer dollars to bail out banks or provide subsidies to extractive corporations, New York state is exploring how to support bottom-up, local economic activity in our towns and cities," said Rushkoff.

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Liu

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office," said Liu.

Avella was not available to comment.

At Liu's victory party, which was held at 40-12 Bell Blvd. in Bayside, more than 200 attendees cheered and high-fived each other throughout the night.

"I'm going to try to ensure that no other person tries to pull the wool over the eyes of the voters and starts making side deals that only better themselves and not the greater cause. The greater cause are the people of New York state," said Liu.

On Election Day, Liu greeted voters at polling sites within the 11th Senate District — which covers Bayside, College Point, Auburndale, Beechhurst, Whitestone, Bay Terrace and parts of Flushing, Douglaston, Little Neck and Glen Oaks. He exuded confidence, believing his more progressive stance on issues could possibly turn the tide of votes in his favor.

"I think people are upset about what is happening in this country. Trump getting into the White House has woken people up about the sad state of affairs in New York state, particularly with this IDC collusion with Republicans blocking the legislation that people in New York state want," said Liu.

Daniel Randall, a Bay Terrace resident who attended the victory party, agreed.

"It goes to show that if you betray your values you have to pay the price," said Randall. "It has been a long time since we had a Democrat who represents us and represents our values."

Several elected officials attended Liu's victory party including, state Assemblyman Daniel Rosenthal (D-Flushing) and City Councilman Rory Lancman (D-Hillcrest).

"The IDC was empowering Republicans and blocking a lot of good Democratic legislation," said Rosenthal. "In the age of Trump we are not taking any chances anymore and we want real Democrats to represent us in Albany."

Lancman agreed with Rosenthal.

"I'm thrilled. John is a terrific guy and he is going to be my senator," said Lancman. "I'm going to have a senator that represents my values and who is not going to play footsies with the Republicans."

Liu will take on Vickie Paladino, who defeated Simon Minching with 55. 8 percent of the votes in the Republican primary — with 100 percent of the precincts reporting, according to the city Board of Elections — in the Nov. 6 general election.

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Ramos

ent labor unions.

Ramos continued to hold Peralta's feet to the fire for his IDC membership, claiming Peralta and his associates had caucused with Republicans, which Peralta denied, claiming the IDC had caucused separately from both Democrats and Republicans.

"Part of the reason I'm running is I'm emblematic of the voter who was hurt by this budget and the one before it," Ramos said in an April interview with the TimesLedger editorial staff. "There's no talk of real rent reform, there are no tenant protections in the last two budgets and the only fix that made it into the budget for the MTA was the surcharge on for hire vehicles, which is a drop in the bucket compared to the investment we have to make in our infrastructure."

Peralta spent July and August urging Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan (R-Smithtown) to call a bill to the floor to fund the speed camera program which was determined by the city Dept. of Transportation and City Comptroller Scott Stringer to reduce speeding and decrease the number of injuries and deaths across the city.

Eventually, Cuomo issued an executive order permitting the bill to be passed by City Hall and it was signed by de Blasio as school returned to session.

Despite the loss, Peralta offered his support to Ramos moving forward.

"If we want to move New York forward, all Democrats must work together," Peralta said in statement released last Friday. "In that spirit, I will be supporting Ms. Ramos in the general election, and I will assist her in whatever capacity to ensure a smooth transition so that our constituents do not go without the vital services they depend on."

With no Republican challenger in the Nov. 6 general election, Ramos is on track to represent District 13.

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Thrift

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tain non-profit efforts.

All members of the community are invited to stop by the shop's grand opening event planned for Sept. 29 at 11 a.m. to enjoy tasty treats and drinks provided by some of the neighborhood's restaurants. Guests can also enter raffles for a chance to win several prizes.

"We're really looking forward to welcoming to the community into our shop," said Oaks.

Following the grand opening, the shop will operate normal business hours Monday tjrough Friday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Donations are welcome during business hours.

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School

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College students were eligible for the scholarship, according to Elizabeth Bibi, a spokeswoman for the governor. In 2019, the cap will rise to $125,000.

Queens College has also been featured in U.S. News & World Report's lists for Best Value Schools, Best Undergraduate Teaching program, Best Colleges for Veterans and best Regional Universities North.

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Taekwondo

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ship in March at the Fitzgerald Gym in CUNY Queens College, and then advanced to the national championship in Florida, according to Ro.

"During the summer after nationals we had two months of three to five hours of training Monday through Saturday," said Ro. "They had to maintain their weight and condition and train everyday to prepare for team trials."

According to Ro, depending on their school schedule, the students will most likely average about three hours a day training for the German Open.

Gao, a sophomore at Townsend Harris High School, who won the 15-17 age group, has been practicing martial since she was eight years old. She made the national team last year and will be competing again in Germany next year.

"It feels really great. I'm really happy and grateful that I was able to make the team this year," said Gao. "This year I lost my first two fights and thought I had lost my chance to make the team, but then I went into a tiebreaker and that brought me back up."

Gao, who turned 15 in June, moved up an age group and entered this year's competition as an underdog before earning a spot on the A team.

Gao said taekwondo has helped build her self confidence and respect toward others, as well as self discipline.

"Before I started taekwondo, I never had much confidence in myself. I never liked talking to other people," she said. "It also gave me the discipline to study and actually care about school." Another student who secured a spot on the B team, Cory Dong, 12, of JHS 185 in Flushing, said she felt nervous while fighting.

"In my mind, I'm saying to myself that I can do it and make the team," said Dong, who started taking taekwondo classes when she was six years old.

Ro said his students are looking forward to competing in Germany, and of course, doing some sightseeing when off the mat.

"The goal is to get the gold medal," said Ro. "This is an international championship and it's a very elite high level competition, and the honorable thing is that they get to represent the United States."

The 2019 AAU National Team will be competing in Germany at the German Open in April 2019.

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Quiet skies

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and mental health conditions such as Cardiovascular Disease and anxiety, the study said.

According to the report, the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey measured the average day and night levels of noise affecting Queens communities outlining areas exposed to 55+, 60+, 70+, and 75+ decibels (dB) DNL. The allowable limit in the United States is 65 dB.

In her letter to Chao, Meng said it is likely that limiting the use of the TNNIS Climb flight path would be cost-effective relative to its year-round use.

"Doing so would prevent much more disease at a much lower cost than commonly used clinical health prevention modalities, such as colon cancer screening or mammography," said Meng. "We did not attempt to add further cost savings from productivity or other spill-over effects for people on ground, such as future lost tax revenue, social service consumption, and crime costs associated with lower educational attainment."

Meng is requesting a release of results and underlying data generated from the National Aircraft Annoyance Survey.

In addition, the congresswoman wants community representatives to become a part of the Next Gen Advisory Committee (NAC), and notice of information about relevant upcoming meetings at which the issue will be discussed

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David Wright (c.) announces his plan to retire after suiting up one last time Sept. 29. AP

Mets right to give Wright final goodbye

Zach Gewelb

HIGH HEAT

David Wright announced last week in an emotional news conference that he plans to retire after taking the field one last time against the Miami Marlins Sept. 29.

Wright will be activated from the disabled list Sept. 25 and may appear in a game prior as a pinch-hitter, but he will be in the starting lineup for the final time in his illustrious career on the last Saturday of the season.

"The goal when I was injured was to come back as the player I expected myself to be. Once things ramped up and baseball activities got tougher... it became apparent to me that goal was just I want to put this uniform on again," Wright said in the Sept. 13 news conference at Citi Field. "I needed the baseball stuff. I needed the [rehab] games for my body to finally tell me it's not working."

There had been talk that the Mets would not give Wright is final chance. The Mets have recovered 75 percent of his salary while Wright has been on the disabled list. When he's activated, the Mets — who don't have the best reputation when

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St. Francis prep draws

No winner determined in Catholic League showdown

BY ROBERT COLE

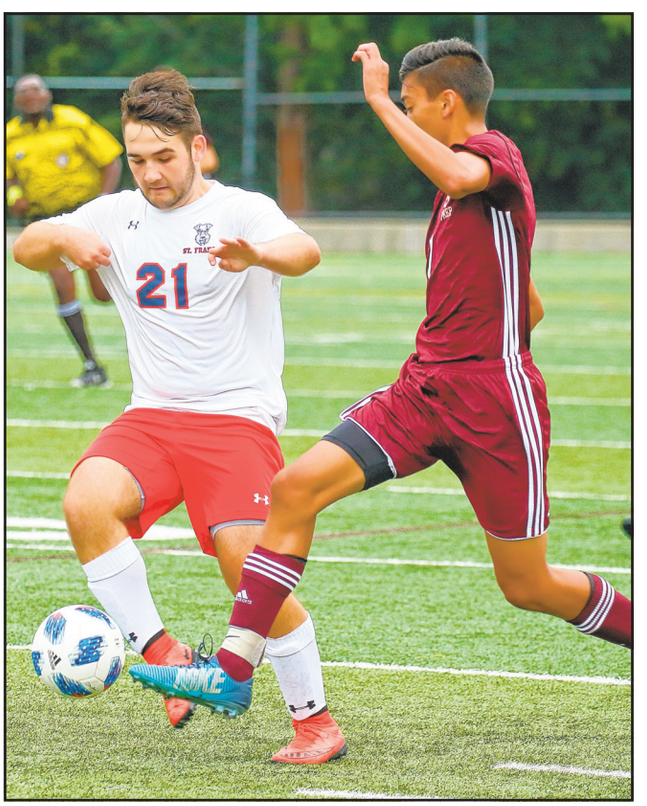
Fordham Prep and St. Francis Prep's soccer teams took to the pitch to battle for New York Catholic League's top spot Monday afternoon and although it is early in the season, the intensity of play did not disappoint the fans, who endured poor weather to witness a 2-2 draw at Fordham University in the Bronx.

The game was a tale of two halves, as the visiting Terriers dominated in the first half, building a 2-0 lead, only to see the home team control the ball and tie the score in the second.

"Anytime you come to Fordham Prep, it's always going to be a battle," St. Francis Prep coach Franco Purificato said. "We dominated the first half and then fell asleep. Maybe we thought it was over, but we can't sleep on anybody, we have to keep that intensity up for the entire game. The game is 80 minutes not 20."

St. Francis Prep's Randolf Gotz scored the game's first goal five-plus minutes into the game when he raced down the right sideline and beat the defender into the penalty box, where he unleashed a shot that found the back of the net to give the Terriers a 1-0 lead.

St. Francis added to its advantage minutes later, when Vasilios Mastoras broke free down the middle of the field and fired a shot from the top of the box that beat the Rams' goalie to put the Terriers on top 2-0.



St. Francis Prep's Chris Neubauer keeps the ball away from a Fordham Prep defender during a CHSAA Boys' Soccer match at Fordham University in the Bronx. Photo by Robert Cole

Fordham had its opportunities to get back in the game later in the first half.

With 22:36 remaining, Eddie Perez-Palaez fired a shot on net that bounced off the post. Then with 35 seconds left to play in the first half, St. Francis Prep goalie Justin Silva thwarted a late attempt on goal to preserve the Terriers' 2-0 lead heading into halftime.

"Was I expecting to go up 2-0 early? No. But that was great. The kids came out with a couple of nice shots," Purifi-

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Mets

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it comes to finances and payroll — will assume the $641,711 remaining on his contract this year.

Wright has $27 million remaining on his contract through 2020, but the club is expected to reach an insurance settlement.

With the finances taken care of, it made too much sense for the Mets to give Wright an opportunity to ride off into the sunset. It doesn't benefit just Wright, as fans will also have one final chance to say goodbye to their captain.

Fans will have one final chance to say goodbye to their team captain. AP

"Giving him the chance to return to the field is the right thing to do for David, our organization and for the fans," COO Jeff Wilpon said.

Wright deserves this opportunity. He has dedicated so much time and effort to get back on the field and was rightfully crushed when it became apparent resuming his career was nothing more than a dream.

And the fans deserve a chance to see Wright return to the field — even if it is only for one game.

The Mets come out as winners in this, too. The team has played well-below expectations, and drawing fans have proven to be difficult as the season has progressed. But ticket sales for Wright's final game have soared.

According to Sean Burns, the Market Director at ticketclub.com, the average price per ticket sold Sept. 13 — the day of Wright's news conference — rose from an average of $20.87 to $116.57. In fact, the number of tickets sold Sept. 13 beat all but April, May and June in total sales, according to Burns.

There are three winners in Wright's send off. Wright gets his chance to say goodbye to the fans, and the Mets get to honor a franchise hero while boosting their ticket sales.

It's been a long time coming, but this is truly a best-case scenario for all parties involved given the circumstances.

Now, it's up to Wright to write a happy ending to his storybook career.

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Soccer

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cato said of his team's performance in the first half.

Fordham came out strong in the second half, playing with an increased tempo and sense of urgency. Aidan Feeney, broke through to score the Rams' first goal of the game at the 37:19 mark, which cut the Terriers lead in half.

Both teams continued their intense play, which forced the referee to issue a number of yellow cards as players became more physical.

But Fordham continued to attack on the offensive end of the field, which led to a game-tying breakaway goal by Eddie Perez-Palaez at the 24:52 mark.

With the game tied 2-2, the Rams continued to pressure the St. Francis Prep defense. But Silva, the Terriers' senior captain, became a brick wall between the posts to keep Fordham from taking the lead.

"Justin is phenomenal," Purificato said. "He was on top of everything. He kept us in that game the entire game."

While Silva said he was happy with his effort, he felt he could have done more to help the team.

"I felt I did the best I could, but I could have made more adjustments to help out the team a little more," Silva said. "I felt I could have made a better attempt on the first goal, but it happens. I will learn and I will fix it the next time."

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Blueberry Cab LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 8/29/2018. Cty: Queens. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to: 54-11 Queens Blvd., Woodside, NY 11377. General Purpose.

ELITE RELOCATION GROUP LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/12/2017. Office loc: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Vincent A. Imbrosciano, 58-40 230th Street, Oakland Gardens, NY 11364. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

Gamma Service LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 8/20/2018. Cty: Queens. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to: Salomon Israel, 320 Ruckman Rd., Closter, NJ 07624. General Purpose.

Notice of Formation: April Flower LLC, Art. Of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on 08/07/2018. Office Loc.: QUEENS County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 110-43 15th Ave, College Point, NY 11354 Purpose: Any lawful activity.

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Himalayan Group LLC, Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State of NY(SSNY) on 01/29/2018, Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail service of process to the LLC 3749 75th Street Floor 2nd Jackson Heights New York 11372 for lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: LOVE TO SMILE PHOTO BOOTH LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/02/2018. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: LOVE TO SMILE PHOTO BOOTH LLC 19807 56TH AVE QUEENS, NY 11365. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: 45 RD HOLDINGS, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/17/2018. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: GEORGE XU 35-06 LEAVITT ST. STE. CF-A FLUSHING, NY 11354. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: ICON VALLEY EMPIRE LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/07/2018. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: RAMON O SALAM 91-50 191ST STREET, #2E HOLLIS, NY 11423. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION of limited liability company (LLC). Name: HAIR RENOVATION & NAILS STUDIO LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/26/2018. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: HENRY MALDONADO 135-03 LEFFERTS BLVD SOUTH OZONE PARK, NY 11420. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Name: WFHA Park Avenue LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of the State of New York ("SSNY") on August 13, 2018. N.Y. office location: Queens County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to WFHA Park Avenue LLC, c/o Workforce Housing Group, 5-14 51st Avenue, Long Island City, New York 11101. Purpose/character of LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity.

Notice of formation of LIVE FROM QUEENS LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/28/18. Office in Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 35-41 80th St Jackson Heights, NY, 11372. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of Rolo's LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York SSNY on 4/3/18. Office located in Queens County. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of any process served against the LLC to 6 Wildbriar Ct, Mount Sinai, NY 11766. Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of ZELUS REALTY LLC. Arts of Org filed with Secy of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/17/18. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process against LLC to: 135-50 Roosevelt Ave., Ste. 307, Flushing, NY 11354. Purpose: any lawful act.

Portabella Jamaica 162, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 8/16/2018. Cty: Queens. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to Karl Ashmawy, 38 W. 34th St., NY, NY 10001. General Purpose.

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Richard Olson, LCSW, PLLC, filed Articles of Organization with the New York Department of State on 8/22/18. Office Location: Queens County. Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. Secretary of State shall mail a copy of process to the PLLC, 95-20 Queens Boulevard, Suite J, Rego Park, NY 11374. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Queens County on May 15, 2018, bearing Index Number NC-000416-18/QU, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk, located at 89-17 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, New York, 11435, grants me the right to: Assume the name of (First) OMAR (Middle) SHAIKH (Last) ABEDIN. My present name is (First) MISR (Middle) SHALKH (Last) ABEDIN (infant). The city and state of my present address are Jamaica, NY. My place of birth is QUEENS, NY. The month and year of my birth are June 2017.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Queens County on August 26, 2018, bearing Index Number NC-000681-18/QU, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk, located at 89-17 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, New York, 11435, grants me the right to: Assume the name of (First) IVE (Last) JERAS. My present name is (First) IVO (Last) JERAS AKA IVE JERAS. The city and state of my present address are Bayside, NY. My place of birth is LJUBAC, CROATIA. The month and year of my birth are January 1942.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Queens County on September 11, 2018, bearing Index Number NC-000723-18/QU, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk, located at 89-17 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, New York, 11435, grants me the right to: Assume the name of (First) AIDEN (Last) LIANG. My present name is (First) ZHILIANG (Last) LIANG AKA ZHI LIANG LIANG. The city and state of my present address are Flushing, NY. My place of birth is CHINA. The month and year of my birth are April 2000.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Queens County on August 20, 2018, bearing Index Number NC-000675-18/QU, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk, located at 89-17 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, New York, 11435, grants me the right to: Assume the name of (First) KHATERIN (Middle) SARAI (Last) ESCOBAR GONZALES. My present name is (First) KHATERIN (Middle) SARAI (Last) ESCOBAR (infant). The city and state of my present address are Jamaica, NY. My place of birth is QUEENS, NY. The month and year of my birth are November 2013.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Queens County on June 14, 2018, bearing Index Number NC-000562-18/QU, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk, located at 89-17 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, New York, 11435, grants me the right to: Assume the name of (First) DAVID (Middle) CHRISTOPHER (Last) CONNELLY. My present name is (First) DAVID (Middle) WEISHUAI (Last) PAN. The city and state of my present address are Flushing, NY. My place of birth is CHINA. The month and year of my birth are June 1990.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Queens County on September 4, 2018, bearing Index Number NC-000698-18/QU, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk, located at 89-17 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, New York, 11435, grants me the right to: Assume the name of (First) ANA (Middle) B (Last) GOMEZ GUZMAN. My present name is (First) ANA (Middle) B (Last) BELEGRINOS AKA ANA B GOMEZ GUZMAN AKA ANA B. GOMEZ-GUZMAN. The city and state of my present address are Astoria, NY. My place of birth is BONAO, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. The month and year of my birth are October 1985.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Queens County on May 23, 2018, bearing Index Number NC-000442-18/QU, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk, located at 89-17 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, New York, 11435, grants me the right to: Assume the name of (First) CHERIE (Middle) NICKOLE (Last) MOORE. My present name is (Last) RANDOLPH AKA FEMALE RANDOLPH, AKA CHERIE RANDOLPH, AKA CHERIE NICKOLE RANDOLPH, AKA CHERIE NICKOLE MOORE, AKA CHERIE MOORE. The city and state of my address are Hollis, NY. My place of birth is QUEENS, NY. The month and year of my birth are February 1971.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Queens County on 9/10/2018, bearing Index Number NC-000978-18/QU, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk, located at 89-17 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, New York, 11435, grants me the right to: Assume the name of (First) MONICA (Middle) DENSE (Last) ADAMS. My present name is (First) MONICA (Middle) D (Last) PASSARELLA AKA MONICA DENISE ADAMS AKA MONICA PASSARELLA. The city and state of my present address are Astoria, NY. My place of birth is QUEENS, NY. The month and year of my birth are August 1969.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Queens County on August 27, 2018, bearing Index Number NC-000571-18/QU, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk, located at 89-17 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, New York, 11435, grants me the right to: Assume the name of (First) TUANH (Last) TRAN. My present name is (First) ANH (Middle) T. (Last) TRAN AKA TUANH TRAN. The city and state of my present address are Flushing, NY. My place of birth is VIETNAM. The month and year of my birth are January 1969.

Notice is hereby given that an Order granted by the Civil Court, Queens County, on the 30th day of August, 2018 bearing Index number 661/18, a copy of which may be examined at the office of the Clerk of the Civil Court, County of Queens, grants me the right to assume the name of JULY H. CHOI. My present address is 207-18 Melissa Court, Bayside, NY 11360, county of Queens; the date of my birth is April 30, 1995; the place of my birth is City of New York, State of New York, Country of the United States; my present name is JUDY H. CHOI a/k/a JUDY CHOI

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF A COOPERATIVE APARTMENT
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: by Virtue of default under Loan Security Agreements, and other Security Documents, held by New Penn Financial, LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, as Secured Creditor, Kim Carrino, DCA # 1004275, will sell at public auction, with reserve, at the Queens County Supreme Court, Front Steps, 88-11 Sutphin Blvd, Jamaica, NY 11435, at 9:00 am, on October 10, 2018, 670 shares of the capital stock of Le Havre Owners Corp (a Cooperative Housing Corporation), issued in the name of Vincent Strano and Camille Strano, and all right, title and interest in a Proprietary Lease to 166-40 Powells Cove Boulevard, Unit 7B, Whitestone, NY 11357.
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The Cooperative Apartment will be sold "AS IS," and possession is to be obtained by the purchaser(s).
Dated: July 9, 2018
Pincus Law Group, PLLC.
425 RXR Plaza
Uniondale, NY 11556

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF QUEENS
The Bank of New York Mellon FKA The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the certificateholders of the CWABS, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-22, Plaintiff AGAINST Anthony Boucaud; et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated June 26, 2018 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Queens County Supreme Courthouse, Courtroom #25, 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, New York on October 12, 2018 at 10:00AM, premises known as 130-19 218th Street, Springfield Gardens, NY 11413. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Queens, City and State of NY, Block 12894 Lot 27. Approximate amount of judgment $669,909.25 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 704940/2015. Gregory M. LaSpina, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: August 9, 2018 56535

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF QUEENS
PennyMac Corp., Plaintiff AGAINST Melissa Surpris; et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated August 4, 2017 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Queens County Supreme Courthouse, Courtroom #25, 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, New York on October 19, 2018 at 10:00AM, premises known as 137-53 174th Street a/k/a 13753 174th Street, Jamaica, NY 11434. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Queens, City and State of NY, Block 12580 Lot 12. Approximate amount of judgment $500,222.52 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 26351/2010. Anthony V. Lombardino, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: August 23, 2018 56981

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF QUEENS, CITIMORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff, vs. JAVIER HENAO, ET AL., Defendant(s).
Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly filed on June 13, 2017, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Queens County Supreme Courthouse, Courtroom 25, 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, NY on October 12, 2018 at 10:00 a.m., premises known as 83-01 149th Avenue, Howard Beach, NY. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Queens, County of Queens, City and State of New York, Block 11388 and Lot 44. Approximate amount of judgment is $819,020.40 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions

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of filed Judgment Index # 13099-09.
Rhonda K. Lowe, Esq., Referee
Knuckles, Komosinski & Manfro, LLP, 565 Taxter Road, Ste. 590, Elmsford, NY 10523, Attorneys for Plaintiff
Cash will not be accepted.

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT
QUEENS COUNTY
FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION ("FANNIE MAE"), A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff against
NICHOLAS PAPAMICHAEL, et al Defendants
Attorney for Plaintiff(s) Knuckles, Komosinski & Manfro, LLP 565 Taxter Road, Suite 590, Elmsford, NY 10523 Attorney (s) for Plaintiff (s).
Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale Entered July 13, 2018 I will sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder at the Queens County Supreme Court, 88-11 Sutphin Blvd., Jamaica, New York 11435, in Courtroom #25 on September 28, 2018 at 10:00 AM. Premises known as 53-08 211th Street, Bayside, NY 11364 a/k/a Bayside Hills, NY 11364. Block 7419 Lot 40. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Queens, City and State of New York. Approximate Amount of Judgment is $430,634.16 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index No 710504/2016. Cash will not be accepted at the sale.
Frank Bruno Jr., Esq., Referee 2296-002924

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT
QUEENS COUNTY
JP MORGAN CHASE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff against
NOBLIN A. HAMILTON, et al Defendants
Attorney for Plaintiff(s) Fein, Such & Crane, LLP 28 East Main Street Suite 1800, Rochester, NY 14614 Attorney (s) for Plaintiff (s).
Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale Entered July 12, 2018 I will sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder at the Queens County Supreme Court, 88-11 Sutphin Blvd., Jamaica, New York 11435, in Courtroom #25 on October 19, 2018 at 10:00 AM. Premises known as 109-35 205th Place, Saint Albans, NY 11412. Block 10912 Lot 39. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Queens, City and State of New York. Approximate Amount of Judgment is $514,107.04 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of

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filed Judgment
Index No 15428/11.
Peter E Tommaso, Esq., Referee YCHJC057

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF QUEENS
SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS AND NOTICE
Index No. 706322/2016
Date Filed: 9/4/2018
The Bank of New York Mellon FKA The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the Certificateholders of the CWABS, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-9,
Plaintiff,
-against-
Michael McNeil; Taylor Sweet; 'Any unknown heirs, devisees, distributees or successors in interest of the late Tracey Sweet a/k/a Tracey Lyn Sweet a/k/a Tracey Sweet-McNeil, if they be living or, if they be dead, their spouses, heirs, devisees, distributees and successors in interest, all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to the Plaintiff'; State of New York; City of New York Environmental Control Board; City of New York Parking Violations Bureau; City of New York Transit Adjudication Bureau; Ingrid McNeil; Heather McNeil,
Defendants.
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 13036 148 th Street, Jamaica, NY 11436
TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS:
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or a notice of appearance on the attorneys for the Plaintiff within thirty (30) days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may appear within sixty (60) days of service hereof. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.
TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Hon. Marguerite A. Grays, a Justice of the Supreme Court, Queens County, entered August 24, 2018 and filed with the complaint and other papers in the Queens County Clerk's Office.
NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure $345,000.00 and interest, recorded in the Queens County Office of the City Register on May 24, 2007, in CRFN 2007000270841 covering premises known as 13036 148th Street, Jamaica, NY 11436 a/k/a Block 12110, lot 64.
The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage

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described above.
Plaintiff designates Queens County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the mortgaged premises is situated.
NOTICE
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IF YOU DO NOT RESPOND TO THIS SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE MORTGAGE COMPANY WHO FILED THIS FORECLOSURE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT, A DEFAULT JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED AND YOU CAN LOSE YOUR HOME.
SPEAK TO AN ATTORNEY OR GO TO THE COURT WUERE YOUR CASE IS PENDING FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON HOW TO 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 THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.
Dated: May 19, 2017
Steven M. Palmer, Esq.
Associate Attorney
SHAPIRO, DICARO & BARAK, LLC
Attorneys for Plaintiff
175 Mile Crossing Boulevard
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File No.: 2017-1705/D
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Being the persons interested, a copy of this citation and the full account shall be served on Constantina Papageorgiou, Esq., as creditors, legatees, distributees or otherwise in the Estate of Helene Marie Lyons aka Helene M. Lyons,

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deceased, who at the time of death was a resident of 110-34 73rd Road, apt 2H, Forest Hills, NY 11475, in the County of Queens, State of New York.
SEND GREETING:
Upon the petition of LOIS M. ROSENBLATT, Public Administrator of Queens County, who maintains her office at 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, Queens County, New York 11435, as Temporary Administrator of the Estate of Helene Marie Lyons aka Helene M. Lyons, deceased, you and each of you are hereby cited to show cause before the Surrogate at the Surrogate's Court of the County of Queens, to be held at the Queens General Courthouse, 6th Floor, 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, City and State of New York, on the 18th day of October, 2018 at 9:30 o'clock in the forenoon, why the Account of Proceedings of the Public Administrator of Queens County, as Temporary Administrator of the Estate of said deceased, a copy of which is attached, should not be judicially settled, and why the Surrogate should not fix and allow a reasonable amount of compensation to GERARD J. SWEENEY, ESQ., for legal services rendered to petitioner herein in the amount of $45,842.25 and that the Court fix the fair and reasonable additional fee for any services to be rendered by GERARD J. SWEENEY, ESQ., hereafter in connection with proceedings on kinship, claims etc., prior to entry of a final Decree on this accounting in the amount of 5.5% of assets or income collected after the date of the within accounting; and why the Surrogate should not fix and allow an amount equal to one percent on said Schedules of the total assets on Schedules A, A1, and A2 plus any additional monies received subsequent to the date of this account, as the fair and reasonable amount payable to the Office of the Public Administrator for the expenses of said office pursuant to S.C.P.A. §1106(3); and why the Last Will and Testament dated November 19, 2002, copy attached, should not be admitted to Probate; and why the Letters of Temporary Administration issued to the Public Administrator should not be revoked; and why Letters of Administration CTA should not be issued to the Public Administrator; and why the net residuary estate should not be paid pursuant to the Last Will and Testament as follows;
STATEMENT OF PROPOSED DISTRIBUTION
50% to the New York Public Library, Astor, Lennox and Tilden Foundations for its use to acquire research materials and additional research libraries, but on the condition that said bequest is not to be used for the purpose of paying any salaries,
50% to Columbia

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Presbyterian Hospital in Washington Heights, NY for its use in acquiring materials and equipment for its cancer research program, but said bequest is not to be used for the purpose of paying any salaries.
Dated, Attested and Sealed
24th day of August, 2018
HON. PETER J. KELLY
Surrogate, Queens County
James Lim Becker
Clerk of the Surrogate's Court
GERARD J. SWEENEY, ESQ.
(718) 459-9000
1981 Marcus Avenue,
Suite 200
Lake Success, New York 11042
This citation is served upon you as required by law. You are not obliged to appear in person. If you fail to appear it will be assumed that you do not object to the relief requested unless you file formal legal, verified objections. You have a right to have an attorney-at-law appear for you.
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Plaintiff designates QUEENS as the place of trial situs of the real property
SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS
Mortgaged Premises:
104-17 199TH STREET
SAINT ALBANS, NY 11412
Block: 10895 Lot: 47
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF QUEENS

JAMES B. NUTTER AND COMPANY,
Plaintiff,
-against-
JEAN HOLLON AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES HALLON, STEPHEN HOLLON AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES HALLON, ROBERT HOLLON AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES HOLLON if living, and if she/he be dead, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and

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whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTORS OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES HOLLON any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff, SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE, DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK ACTING BY AND THROUGH THE COMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SERVICES OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD, BRANDON JAMES, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, in its capacity as creditor by virtue of possible estate taxes that may be, or become, due and owing by the ESTATE OF JAMES HOLLON,
Defendants.

To the above named Defendants
..... YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance on the Plaintiff's Attorney within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York) in the event the United States of America is made a party defendant, the time to answer for the said United States of America shall not expire until (60) days after service of the Summons; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.
NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT
THE OBJECT of the above caption action is to foreclose a Mortgage to

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secure the sum of $540,000.00 and interest, recorded on June 10, 2009, at Instrument number 2009000174783, of the Public Records of QUEENS County, New York, covering premises known as 104-17 199TH STREET SAINT ALBANS, NY 11412.
The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above.
QUEENS County is designated as the place of trial because the real property affected by this action is located in said county.
NOTICE
YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME
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Plaintiff designates QUEENS as the place of trial situs of the real property
SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS
Mortgaged Premises:
116-12 217TH STREET
JAMAICA, NY 11411
District: Section:
Block: 11317 Lot: 40
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF QUEENS

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC,
Plaintiff,
vs.
SOKOLA MCCORMICK A/K/A SOKOLA MCCORMICK-DANIEL, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE OF ESTATE WEBBIE MCCORMICK; KAUNIKA MCCORMICK, AS ADMINISTRATOR, HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF WEBBIE MCCORMICK; WEBBIE MCCORMICK, JR., AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF WEBBIE MCCORMICK; TANYA MCCORMICK, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF WEBBIE MCCORMICK; TAMICKA MCCORMICK A/K/A TIMIKA L. MURRAY, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF WEBBIE MCCORMICK; UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF WEBBIE MCCORMICK; any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; MIDLAND FUNDING, LLC; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA-INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE,
"JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises, described in the complaint,
Defendants.

To the above named Defendants
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NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT
THE OBJECT of the above caption action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure the sum of $137,532.00 and interest, recorded on January 25, 2002, at Liber 6184 Page 1000, of the Public Records of QUEENS County, New York, covering premises known as 116-12 217TH STREET JAMAICA, NY 11411.
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Defendants.

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INDEX NO. 709620/2015
Plaintiff designates QUEENS as the place of trial situs of the real property
SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS
Mortgaged Premises:
13039 231ST ST
LAURELTON, NY 11413
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF QUEENS

CIT BANK N.A., F/K/A ONEWEST BANK N.A.,
Plaintiff,
-against-
WILLIAM LAMB, JR., AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE TO THE ESTATE OF MAVIS LAMB; HELYN LAMB AKA HELYN BRYANT, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE TO THE ESTATE OF MAVIS LAMB; JOYCE LAMB, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE TO THE ESTATE OF MAVIS LAMB; UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF MAVIS LAMB; any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; THE BROOKLYN UNION GAS COMPANY D/B/A NATIONAL GRID; LVNV FUNDING, LLC ASSIGNEE OF DIRECT MERCHANTS BANK; CITY OF NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD; THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA;
"JOHN DOE #1" through and including "JOHN DOE #25," the defendants last named in quotation marks being intended to designated tenants or occupants in possession of the herein described premises of portions thereof, if any there be, said names being fictitious, their true name being unknown to plaintiff,
Defendants.

To the above named Defendants
..... YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance on the Plaintiff's Attorney within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York) in the event the United States of America is made a party defendant, the time to answer for the said United States of America shall not expire until (60) days after service of the Summons; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.
NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT
THE OBJECT of the above caption action is to foreclose a Mortgage to

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secure the sum of $544,185.00 and interest, recorded on October 2, 2006, in CRFN #2006000551366, of the Public Records of QUEENS County, New York, covering premises known as 13039 231ST ST LAURELTON, NY 11413.
The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above.
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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF QUEENS SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS AND NOTICE Index No. 700239/2016

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Date Filed: U.S. Bank NA, successor trustee to Bank of America, NA, successor in interest to LaSalle Bank NA, as trustee, on behalf of the holders of the Washington Mutual Mortgage Pass-through Certificates, WMAL T Series 2005-8, Plaintiff, -against- Swee Tong a/k/a Swee Hee Toong, if he be living or dead, his spouse, heirs, devisees, distributees and successors in interest, all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to Plaintiff; Chia Chang a/k/a Chia Ping Chang, If he be living or dead, his spouse, heirs, devisees, distributees and successors in interest, all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to Plaintiff; Lily Lin; City of New York Environmental Control Board; City of New York Parking Violations Bureau; City of New York Transit Adjudication Bureau; State of New York; and "JOHN DOE", said name being fictitious, it being the intention of Plaintiff to designate any and all occupants of premises being foreclosed herein, and any parties, corporations or entities, if any, having or claiming an interest or lien upon the mortgaged premises, Defendants. PROPERTY ADDRESS: 46-16 160th Street, Flushing, NY 11358 TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or a notice of appearance on the attorneys for the Plaintiff within thirty (30) days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may appear within sixty (60) days of service hereof. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint. TO THE

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ABOVE DEFENEDANTS: The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to the order of HON. Rudolph E. Greco, Jr., acting Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, signed on August 24, 2018 in Jamaica, New York and entered in the Queens County Clerk's office, in Jamaica, New York on August 24, 2018. NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure $427,000.00 and interest, recorded in the Queens County Office of the City Register on February 17, 2005, in CRFN: 2005000101835 covering premises known as 46 -16 160th Street, Flushing, NY 11358. The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above. Plaintiff designates Queens County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the mortgaged premises is situated. NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME IF YOU DO NOT RESPOND TO THIS SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE MORTGAGE COMPANY WHO FILED THIS FORECLOSURE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT, A DEFAULT JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED, AND YOU CAN LOSE YOUR HOME. SPEAK TO AN ATTORNEY OR GO TO THE COURT WHERE YOUR CASE IS PENDING FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON HOW TO ANSWER THE SUMMONS AND PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY. SENDING A PAYMENT TO YOUR MORTGAGE COMP ANY

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WILL NOT STOP THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. DATED: SEPTEMBER 8, 2016. Frank M. Cassara, Esq. Senior Associate Attorney SHAPIRO, DICARO & BARAK, LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (585) 247-9000 Fax: (585) 247-7380 Our File No. 15-044662 57373

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF QUEENS
Index No. 712175/2017
Date of Filing: 8/23/2018
Plaintiff designates Queens County as the place of trial.
Venue is based upon County in which premises are situated.
SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS
Tax Lien Foreclosure
Block: 3968; Lot: 13
a/k/a 7-12 125 Street
NYCTL 1998-2 TRUST and THE BANK OF NEW YORK
MELLON as Collateral Agent and Custodian,
Plaintiffs,
-against-
JOHN F. MUNZ, MARGUERITE KOHLHEPP, CYNTHIA REILLY, NANCY MOEBES GILMORE AS EXECUTOR AND SPECIFIC DEVISEE OF THE ESTATE OF JOAN MOEBES, MARK MOEBES AS SPECIFIC DEVISEE OF THE ESTATE OF JOAN MOEBES, JOYCE HOREN, EDWARD MOEBES, NANCY MOEBES GILMORE, MARK MOEBES, RICHARD MOEBES, RICHARD FRENZ, DONNA LETTANG AS EXECUTOR AND SPECIFIC DEVISEE OF THE ESTATE OF KENNETH LETTANG, ROSE MARIE ROMANO, ROCCO ROMANO, CATHERINE YONKERS,

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DORIS BAKER, as heirs and distributees of the Estate of Jacob John Munz, POSSIBLE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTEES OF THE ESTATE OF JACOB JOHN MUNZ, and generally all persons having or claiming under, by or through said Estate, by purchase, inheritance, lien or otherwise, any right, title or interest in and to the premises described in the complaint, all of whose names and addresses are unknown to the Plaintiffs, E. GEISSMAN if living, and if he/she be dead, his/her representative heirs at law, next of kin, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, devisees, legatees, assignees, lienors, creditors, and successors in interest, and generally all persons having or claiming under, by or through said defendants who may be deceased, by purchase, inheritance, lien or otherwise, any right, title or interest in and to the premises described in the amended complaint herein, STEPHEN SHEARD, MARYANN SHEARD, CITY OF NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD, NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION & FINANCE, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, "John Doe No. 1" through "John Doe No. 100" inclusive, the names of the last 100 defendants being unknown to plaintiff, it being intended to designate fee owners, tenants or occupants of the tax lien premises and/or persons or parties having or claiming an interest in or a lien upon the subject property, if the aforesaid individual defendants are living, and if any or all of said individual defendants be dead, their heirs at law, next of kin, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, committees, devisees, legatees, and the assignees, lienors, creditors and successors in interest of them, and generally all persons

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having or claiming under, by, through, or against the said defendants named as a class, of any right, title, or interest in or lien upon the premises described in the complaint herein, Defendants.
To the above named Defendants:
You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff's Attorney(s) within twenty (20) days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within thirty (30) days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.
Notice of Nature of Action and Relief Sought
The Object of the above entitled action is to foreclose a Tax Lien in the original Tax Lien Principal Balance of $9,795.03 with interest as described in a certain Tax Lien Certificate dated November 16, 2011 and recorded in the Office of the City Register for the Borough of Queens, County of Queens, on November 23, 2011 in City Register File Number ("CRFN") 2011000408634, which was assigned by Tax Lien Certificate Assignment dated November 29, 2013 and recorded in the Office of the City Register for the Borough of Queens, County of Queens, on December 27, 2013 in CRFN 2013000530290 upon premises described as follows:
ADDRESS: .....7-12 125 Street
BLOCK:.....3968
LOT:.....13
COUNTY:.....Queens
The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described

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above to satisfy the debt secured by the Tax Lien described above. Plaintiff designates Queens County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the county where the Property being foreclosed upon is located.
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If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the Plaintiff who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you may lose your home.
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YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.
Dated: ...New York, New York
August 17, 2018
THE LAW OFFICE OF THOMAS P. MALONE, PLLC
By:.....

Thomas P. Malone, Esq.
Attorneys for Plaintiffs
60 East 42nd Street, Suite 553
New York, New York 10165
Ph: (212) 867-0500
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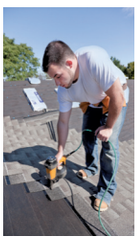

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