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Tips to Make Owning a Car More Affordable

(StatePoint) From gas, parking permits and insurance premiums, to maintenance and repairs, owning a car can be an expensive prospect. But motorists can pave the way to lower costs by following a few clever rules of the road:

Reduce Your Rate

Shop around for auto insurance, as prices can vary widely between companies. For a cheaper rate, avoid purchasing a sporty or expensive vehicle. Insurance companies are more likely to give low rates to drivers of reliable cars that have safety features. Inquire into any discounts associated with a clean driving record. And if you don't log too many miles per week, you may also be eligible for a low-mileage discount.

Make Smart Repairs

The next time your vehicle needs a part replaced after a fender bender, opt for alternative collision repair parts, which are anywhere from 26 to 50 percent less expensive than parts issued by car companies. Such parts also often have warranties that exceed those offered by the car companies.

On average, competition in the collision parts industry saves consumers approximately \$1.5 billion a year. Car companies,

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Mayor Bill de Blasio Swears in Borough President Melinda Katz During Inauguration Ceremony at Queens College



New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio administers the oath of office to Melinda Katz during Katz's inauguration as the 19th President of the Borough of Queens. The inauguration was held in the LeFrak Concert Hall at Queens College. Holding the Old Testament used for the swearing-in was U.S. Rep. Joseph Crowley, the chairman of the Queens County Democratic Organization. The copy of the Old Testament they used had been given to Katz's late father David (the founder of the Queens Symphony Orchestra) by Frank O'Connor, a former Queens County District Attorney. Photo by Bob Grant.

New York State Assembly Unanimously Passes the Religious Garb Bill to Protect Employees against Religious Discrimination in the Workplace



On Tuesday, January 14, 2014, the New York State Assembly passed legislation sponsored by Assemblyman David I. Weprin (D-Fresh Meadows) as Assembly Bill A864-A, which prohibits discrimination in the workplace against attire that is worn for a religious purpose. The legislation passed by a vote of 112-1. Assemblyman David I. Weprin (D-Fresh Meadows),

proposed Assembly Bill A864-A in response to a series of cases and concerns from religious communities throughout New York who were discriminated in the workplace due to their religious garb or facial grooming.

Assemblyman Weprin stated, "Through the passing of the Reli-

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Queens Borough President Melinda Katz is shown with Deputy Borough President Leroy Comrie following the inauguration ceremony in which Katz was sworn in as the 19th President of the Borough of Queens. The ceremony was held in the LeFrak Concert Hall at Queens College. See story on page 2.



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however, are trying to prevent drivers from utilizing these less expensive parts by enforcing design patents on things like bumpers, hoods and mirrors, say experts.

Supporting consumer-friendly legislation, such as the Promoting Automotive Repair, Trade, and Sales (PARTS) Act, would mean more consumer choices and access to affordable repair parts in the future. More information about the PARTS Act can be found at www.KeepAutoPartsAffordable.org.

Fuel Up Efficiently

Regular maintenance to your vehicle will help it run more smoothly and efficiently. So take care of your car.

Pay attention to your route. With the right apps, you can make bumper-to-bumper traffic a thing of the past. Sophisticated GPS-based technologies can steer you clear of the road blocks and jam-ups that leave you idling and wasting fuel.

For short trips, consider us-

ing your own two feet. It's great exercise and will save you a few pennies in the process.

Make trips to the gas station worth your while by filling the tank completely. After all, you are using gas every time you idle waiting for a pump.

For most people, owning a car is not a luxury, but a necessity. While some expenses associated with driving are unavoidable, there are steps you can take to make it a more affordable mode of transportation.

Mayor Bill de Blasio Swears in Borough President Melinda Katz During Inauguration Ceremony at Queens College

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The Honorable Melinda Katz, the 19th President of the Borough of Queens, was formally sworn-in to her new office during an inauguration ceremony held Thursday evening, January 9, in the LeFrak Concert Hall in the Aaron Copland School of Music at Queens College in Flushing, Queens.

Administering the oath of office to Katz was the Mayor of the City of New York, the Honorable Bill de Blasio.

Katz took the oath on an Old Testament held by the Honorable Joseph Crowley, U.S. Representative from the 14th District of New York and chairman of the Queens County Democratic Organization. The copy of the Old Testament they used belonged to Katz's late father, David, and had been given to him by Frank O'Connor, a former District Attorney of Queens County.

Katz's partner, Curtis Sliwa; their sons, Carter and Hunter, and her brothers, Michael and Matthew, were also in attendance.

Among the dignitaries at the ceremony were two former Queens Borough Presidents; the Honorable Helen M. Marshall and the Honorable Claire Shulman, and the Queens County District Attorney, the Honorable Richard A. Brown. Also in attendance were the senior U.S. Senator from New York, the Honorable Charles Schumer; the Public Advocate, the Honorable Letitia James; the City Comptroller, the Honorable Scott M. Stringer, and the City Council Speaker, Melissa Mark-Viverito. Members of the Queens delegations of the City Council, the New York State Assembly and the New York State Senate were also in attendance. Community board chairpersons and district managers from across the bor-

ough were also represented.

In her inaugural address, Katz discussed what she hopes to accomplish during her term in office as chief executive of the most ethnically diverse county in America. Her key objectives include shaping Queens into a healthy, diverse and thriving hub for arts, culture, education, business, and creativity. She said she envisioned a borough where all residents had the opportunity to work and do everything they need to build their lives and raise their families "without having to cross over a bridge or go through a tunnel."

A lifelong Queens resident who has spent her life giving back to the community, Katz stressed that she planned to encourage economic development across the entire borough, saying that all Queens residents deserved a chance to succeed and prosper, regardless of their neighborhood, ethnicity or family situation.

"We are the Bangladeshi small business owner on Hillside Avenue. We are the Ecuadorian mother who is balancing two jobs and raising two children. We are the senior couple from Laurelton trying to figure out how to keep our home on a fixed income. We are a newly married gay couple making a life in Jackson Heights and raising a family, and we are a fourth-generation Italian family tasked with keeping our traditions," said Ms. Katz as she vividly described the diversity of Queens.

Katz also pledged in her address to: Reinstate an education "war room" that will monitor school construction projects, track overcrowding, move to lease classroom space when necessary and ensure that arts, culture and science are included in the curricula of all Queens schools. The war room will also work with Mayor de Blasio to

help fulfill his vision for universal pre-K. Fight to expand bus service and to make sure the Rockaway ferry service becomes permanent. Form a Storm Relief Task Force in Borough Hall that will make sure all of the areas of Queens impacted by Hurricane Sandy are rebuilt better and smarter than before. Improve health care by expanding access to preventative care, investing in primary and urgent health services and fighting to reopen the hospitals that have recently closed in Queens. Katz plans to push for more primary and urgent care centers to be opened in Queens to help serve the residents that have been shortchanged as a result of the hospital closures. And, support Governor Cuomo's plan to revitalize Kennedy and LaGuardia airports, while at the same time ensuring that the noise concerns of residents living near the airports are addressed.

The Master of Ceremonies for the inauguration was the Honorable Jeffrion Aubry, Member of the New York State Assembly from the 35th District.

Rabbi Gerald Skolnik of the Forest Hills Jewish Center delivered the invocation for the ceremony, while the benediction was delivered by the Honorable Rev. Floyd H. Flake, pastor of the Greater Allen African Methodist Episcopal Cathedral in Jamaica, Queens. The event included a scripture reading from Imam Ahmed Hamid, president of the Queens Council of Masjid. The national anthem was sung by Pastor Tracey Johnson of the Holiness Center Cathedral in St. Albans.

The ceremony included a performance by the choir of the Frank Sinatra School of the Arts, located in Astoria. The JROTC from Francis Lewis High School in Fresh Meadows provided the color guard.

CONG. MENG MOURNS DEATH OF FORMER ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER ARIEL SHARON

U.S. Rep. Grace Meng (D-NY), a member of the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa, today mourned the death of former Israeli

Prime Minister Ariel Sharon.

"I am deeply saddened to learn about the passing of Ariel Sharon," said Meng. "He was a warrior and a statesman who was indispensable

to the creation and development of the State of Israel. I send my heartfelt condolences to his family and the people of Israel during this difficult time."

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Assembly Moves To Accelerate Increase In Minimum Wage

Assemblyman Miller (D-Queens) announced his support for legislation introduced today to increase New York State's minimum wage to \$9.00 per hour a full year ahead of schedule and index future increases to inflation (A.8343).

"A higher minimum wage helps everyone," from workers to businesses," Assemblyman Miller said. "Putting more money into the pockets of those most likely to spend it increases demand for products, and in turn, jobs. Statistics back up this claim. Ten states already index their minimum wage to inflation, and those states have reported positive economic results – high rates of growth in companies, job creation and payroll. Higher, fairer wages also result in better worker productivity and less worker turnover."

Last year, the Assembly passed a law to increase the minimum wage to \$8.00 per hour starting on Dec. 31, 2013, and to subsequently increase it to \$8.75 per hour at the end of 2014 and \$9.00 per hour on Dec. 31, 2015. The legislation in-

roduced today would require the full increase to \$9.00 per hour to take effect on December 31, 2014, a full year in advance, and would tie future increases to the annual rate of inflation according to the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

"Waiting two more years to earn \$9.00 an hour is a long time," Assemblyman Miller said. "It's a long time to try and support a family on wages that leave a worker below the poverty line. It's a long time to agonize over how to afford prescription drugs and heating costs while still putting food on the table. It's a long time to worry about how to pay the rent or mortgage on a full-time salary of less than \$17,000 per year. Simply put, it's too long for hardworking Queens families to wait."

The new legislation would also benefit food service workers by increasing the cash wage to \$5.50 per hour immediately, to \$6.20 per hour on Dec. 31, 2014, and by subsequently tying the cash wage to annual inflation. Moreover, the bill requires a wage board to conduct a review to ensure that cash

wages are adequate to protect the health and livelihood of all workers in the hospitality industry.

Another piece of legislation introduced today would put an end to tax credits for employers who pay the minimum wage to students ages 16-19 years old (A.8344). Originally intended to help offset costs associated with the minimum wage increase, these tax credits have unintentionally resulted in certain employers taking advantage of the credit by laying off older workers or only hiring younger ones.

"Taxpayer dollars should not be used to subsidize large companies who can afford to pay their workers a modest minimum wage," Assemblyman Miller said. "Repealing the tax credits will save taxpayers millions and ensure that tax incentives are used to benefit workers, not hurt them."

The state of California recently increased its minimum wage to \$10 an hour, while New Jersey voters approved a measure to increase its minimum wage and index future increases to inflation.

NY State Assembly Unanimously Passes the Religious Garb Bill to Protect Employees against Religious Discrimination in the Workplace

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rious Garb bill in the New York State Assembly, we celebrate our state's long standing commitment to promoting religious freedom and equality for all people. People should not have to make a choice between working to provide for their families or observing their religion. It is unacceptable that workers have faced discrimination for wearing their religious attire or facial hair because it is an infringement on their civil liberties. I'm very proud that we passed this bill to ensure that all New Yorkers will be able to freely wear religious garments in the workplace such as hijabs, turbans, kippahs and beards without fear of persecution. Let us be a state that continues to promote diversity, leadership and service in

our communities and businesses."

The bill amends the civil-rights law, the executive law and the labor law in relation to prohibiting discrimination against religious attire, including facial hair. This legislation protects the rights of both uniformed employees and all New Yorkers from discrimination by allowing them to dress according to their religious customs. It will also protect workers against discrimination for wearing any sort of religiously motivated or mandated garb or appurtenances, including beards, as long as such garb or appearance does not pose a hazard to that person or to the public.

Rabbi Israel Rubin, Regional Director of Chabad of the Capital District stated, "We enthusiastically support the Religious Garb

bill calling for equal employment opportunities for all New Yorkers regardless of religious attire and facial grooming. This religious observance issue confronts many Orthodox Jewish New Yorkers, who ought to be protected against discrimination at their worksites. We strongly urge all NYS Legislators to enable the passage of this vital bill."

Mr. Gurdev Singh Kang, President of the Sikh Cultural Society stated, "New York State prides itself in being a place that embraces diversity in which all people are treated equally under the law regardless of their race, religion or ethnicity. We urge all of our state law makers to support the Religious Garb bill so that New York State can continue to lead the way for religious and racial tolerance."

BP Melinda Katz Visits Several Queens Neighborhoods During First Weekend Following Her Inauguration



Queens Borough President Melinda Katz participated in the annual legislative breakfast of the Queens Jewish Community Council (QJCC), spoke at the Taiwanese American Association of New York's annual dinner and attended religious services and two inaugural ceremonies during the weekend of January 11-12, the first weekend following her January 9 inauguration as Borough President.

"I am thrilled to have the opportunity as Borough President to visit the many diverse neighborhoods that make up our

wonderful borough," Katz said. "It is an honor and a privilege to get to meet with so many different people and to be able to hear their ideas and concerns."

The QJCC breakfast took place Sunday, January 12, at Young Israel of Kew Gardens Hills. There she and other elected officials joined with community leaders in exchanging ideas about how to address the challenges facing the borough in general and its Jewish community in particular.

Katz told the breakfast's attendees that her goals regarding economic development included channeling capital funding to the redevelopment of Queens' major commercial districts, building a sound infrastructure and creating a welcoming economic climate for business. She also expressed strong support for community policing and said she would fight to make sure funds and other assistance go to those who were affected by Hurricane Sandy.

Katz concluded her Sunday by attending the Taiwanese American Association of New York's dinner at the Mudan Banquet Hall in Flushing. There she spoke about her commitment to protecting diversity and her plans to promote further cultural interaction in the borough.

Also on Sunday, Katz attended morning services at the Calvary Baptist Church in Jamaica and at the Saint Albans Congregational Church.

On the afternoon of Saturday, January 11, Katz was honored to be in attendance when new City Councilmember I. Daneek Miller was formally sworn in to office during his inauguration ceremony at the Jamaica Performing Arts Center.

Katz did venture outside Queens on Sunday afternoon when she had the privilege of attending the inauguration of new Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer, Katz's former City Council colleague.

3 Signs It's Time to Call 9-1-1

Warnings Many Sadly ignore

Each year, about 600,000 Americans – one in four deaths -- in the United States are from heart disease, according to the Centers for Disease Control.

Of the 715,000 Americans who have a heart attack each year, about 525,000 are first-timers, says the CDC, and those individuals may not know what's happening. Sadly, many people do not get to the hospital on time, says paramedic Dale Hemstalk.

"If someone is having a heart attack, for example, they should get to the hospital without delay upon the initial onset of symptoms," says Hemstalk, who is also a software developer with Forté Holdings, Inc., a provider of health-care software that works closely with paramedics, emergency medical technicians and firefighters to speed delivery of medical services. The company's newest software, iPCR, (www.ipcrems.com), takes electronic patient-care reporting in the field to new levels of portability and affordability.

"We live in an age in which we should be taking greater advantage of our technology for health purposes – but you have to call for help first!" Hemstalk says. He shares warning signs that it's time dial 9-1-1.

- Symptoms for a heart attack: Men and women frequently report different symptoms. Men tend to have the "classic" signs, such as pressure, fullness, squeezing or pain in the center of the chest that goes away and comes back; pain that spreads to the shoulders, neck or arms; chest discomfort with lightheadedness, fainting, sweating, nausea or shortness of breath.

For women, symptoms tend to be back or jaw pain; difficulty breathing; nausea or dizziness; unexplainable anxiety or fatigue; mild flu-like symptoms; palpitations, cold sweats or dizziness. Triggers tend to be different between the sexes, too. In women, it's often stress; in men, it's physical exertion.

- Symptoms for a stroke: There are clear, telltale characteristics of a stroke, including sagging on one side of the face, an arm that's drifting down and garbled speech. But there are also more subtle signs from the onset, such as sudden numbness of one side of the body, including an arm,

leg and part of the face; sudden confusion, trouble speaking and understanding; sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes; sudden loss of balance; sudden headache for no apparent reason. Risk factors include diabetes, tobacco use, hypertension, heart disease, a previous stroke, irregular heart-beat, obesity, high cholesterol and heavy alcohol use.

- Symptoms for heart failure: This is not the same as a heart attack, which occurs when a vessel supplying the heart muscle with oxygen and nutrients becomes completely blocked. Heart failure is a chronic condition where the heart can't pump properly, which may be due to fluid in the lungs. Warning signs include shortness of breath, fatigue, swollen ankles, chest congestion and an overall limitation on activities. Just one of these symptoms may not be cause for alarm; but more than one certainly is. Risk factors include various heart problems, serious viral infections, drug or alcohol abuse, severe lung disease and chemotherapy.

"At no point should anyone be discouraged from calling 911; the bottom line is, if you feel it's an emergency and you need to call 911, call 911!" Hemstalk says. "There are many reasons to seek assistance from emergency responders, and they are not limited to those that I've mentioned." About Dale Hemstalk

A United States Air Force Veteran and Career Firefighter Paramedic, Hemstalk has been providing emergency care for over 20 years. During his tenure in EMS, Hemstalk has been an educator, Paramedic Preceptor and Field Training Officer. Working for government agencies and private companies alike, Hemstalk relies on his experiences to help design product features that improve efficiency, speed and accuracy while keeping the field provider's needs his highest priority. Joining Forte Holdings' team was a natural progression combining his love of the Emergency Medical Services industry and new technology along with his commitment to providing the best possible documentation on each and every call for service. To stay current in the industry, Hemstalk remains active in EMS, is still a full time Firefighter/Paramedic and continues his passion for treating those in need.

New York State Assembly Annual Tu B'Shevat Celebration



On January 14, 2014, the Chabad of Capital District joined the New York State Assembly in celebrating Tu B'Shevat, a Jewish holiday that marks the beginning of new year for trees and starts the new fruit-bearing cycle in Israel. It is a holiday that promotes charity and humility as family and friends gather together to share grapes, figs, pomegranates,

olives, dates and other fruits that will begin to grow in the upcoming session. Rabbi Yisroel Rubin gathered together with New York State Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver, Assemblyman David Weprin and Assemblywoman Nily Rozic for the annual celebration of Tu B'Shevat at the New York State Assembly.



Whirl With Merle

AS I PONDER by Merle Exit



Food prices are going to rise... "ma nish ta na"...a Jewish sarcastic expression that is short for "Why is this night different from all other nights?" Stop and Shop has a big ad going about "stocking up" with numerous items at 10 for \$10, etc. Is it really a bargain? Are any of them fresh? What is worth purchasing other than Friskies 5.5 ounce cans at 24 for \$10...for my cats?!

Tomatoes, for instance, are out of season and canned are best for cooking. Plain frozen vegetables may be a better choice than fresh. I avoid that ones in boxes as it is hard to use just the amount that you need. There is a brand called Today's Harvest (at Fairway) which sells them in 2-lb see through plastic bags. Sweet yellow kernel corn was about \$4 per bag.

Fairway, although noted for high quality foods, can be a bit pricey. Skinless, boneless chicken breasts were on sale at \$1.99 lb. My thought was that it is the least expensive for a meat or fish protein. I can portion it out and freeze. That really healthy stuff chicken...they had chicken backs and chicken bones, (with meat on them) each at \$.99 lb. Chicken stock, chicken soup. Use the chicken fat from the backs for "schmaltz". I like frying the backs and eating the meat off the bones.

Fresh cod fillets were going at about \$4 per pound. The least expensive fish (not much of a fish eater) and mild. Great for making fish cakes. Egglund's Best were going for 2 for \$3. The price of

eggs certainly vary on brands, size and whether the chickens are out exercising in the yard.

Rice is a great staple. Ordinary white rice may fill you up but about as good for you as white bread. Buy a good grain or substitute grain and a small amount will serve you well.

Bob's Red Mill had a package of garbanzo bean flour. A can of tahini and lemons...now I can make my own hummus. Cook up the flour with water to make a paste. I skipped the garlic and sprinkled it with sumac.

Lemons...wow are they pricey. No reconstituted lemon juice for me, though. You're not getting a bargain with large lemons that have thick skins. As it turned out, Meyer lemons were almost the same price. They are sweeter with a thin skin. Utilize the outer skin as a zest. Make your own lemonade.

Think of cheese as milk that something has been done to it to produce a different texture and taste. I know that you can't pour milk of chicken to make it "parm" or "enjoy" Velveeta "milk". Will experiment to get a good and inexpensive substitute.

Thoughts now turn to television and the big hype with this program called Downton Abbey. When I began watching All My Children, it was already years into the soap. It didn't take long before I got the stories of the main characters and just kept watching. Season 4 of DA recently started. I looked up a guide to the characters and viewed for the first time.

A few reasons will keep my being a fan. There are no commercials. It looks more "movie" and not with a camera that makes it look as if you think you're dizzy. The accent of England isn't annoying...more upper class. FYI the time period is just after WWI. If you miss it on channel 13, you have two other PBS stations to catch them and on another night. A rest from realty and "victim" shows.

Just got back from seeing Diane Schuur at Birdland's Jazz Club. It was her first show of the 4 nights there. I'm not sure...no pun intended...if she's doing the rest of the performances with her All Star Band from her recent recording session. Except for the last number, she sang seated on stools in the front. At the other performances she will be seated at the piano.

Schuur has been blindly singing jazz for many years and with an extremely wide vocal range. Lots of skatting and vocal imitations of the saxophone, almost like "dueling".

Here are the numbers that she sang: It's Wonderful! 'S Wonderful; Nice and Easy; Watch What Happens; I've Got You Under My Skin; How Insensitive; Here's That Rainy Day; Didn't We; I Remember You; I Get Along Without You Very Well; The Second Time Around; For Once In My Life; I'm In A New York State of Mind.

You can still catch her show on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week. Check it all out on www.birdlandjazz.com

Korean-American Youth Show Strong Ethnic Bonds

The ethnic bonds of Korean-Americans, both the "1.5" generation and second generation, are surprisingly strong, according to research conducted by Pyong Gap Min, professor and director of The Research Center for Korean Community at Queens College, CUNY, and Audrey Joo, a student at Boston University.

["First generation" Koreans are those who immigrated to the U.S. as adults, "1.5" generation are those who came here as children, and "second generation" Korean immigrants are those who were born in the U.S.]

According to the study, which was presented at the Korean Community Services auditorium in Flushing on January 7, 59 percent of young Korean immigrants consider themselves to be "Korean American," and 31 percent "Korean,"



Audrey Joo (far left) and Pyong Gap Min (second from left) presenting results of their study on ethnic attachment among second-generation Korean-American high school students. (Photo by Kim Youngoak)

which implies that 90 percent of them regard themselves as Korean. Only 3 percent responded that they are American. The study is based

on interviews conducted from November 2008 to March 2009

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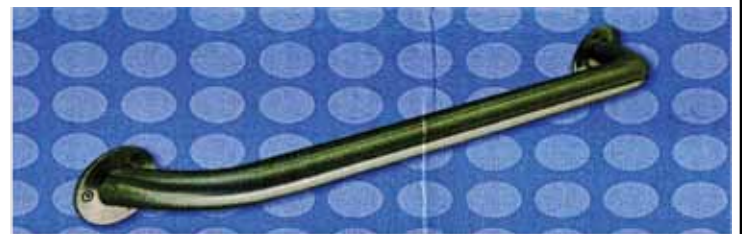
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TAURUS
 (Apr. 21 - May 21)
 Try redecorating your surroundings. Don't let people with get rich schemes talk you into a financial deal that is not likely to be successful. Your lucky numbers are 5,4,9.

GEMINI
 (May 22 - June 21)
 Your co-workers may try blaming you for work related mistakes. Exercise your talents and present your ideas to your boss. Your lucky numbers are 9,3,2.

CANCER
 (June 22 - July 22)
 Be aware that minor accidents may prevail if you are preoccupied. Be honest in your communication and don't lose your cool. Your lucky numbers are 7,3,2.

LEO
 (July 23 - Aug 22)
 Put your energy into home renovations or redecorating your surroundings. Make plans that with friends you haven't seen in awhile. Your lucky numbers are 6,7,8.

VIRGO
 (Aug. 23 - Sept. 23)
 You are best to stick to yourself this week. Friends that you're affiliated with may want you to contribute more cash than you can afford. Your lucky numbers are 2,9,1

LIBRA
 (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
 Money problems will get worse if you haven't been playing by the rules. You are better off visiting friends than entertaining at home. Your lucky numbers are 5,9,6.

SCORPIO
 (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
 Don't believe everything you hear. This will be a good week to invite friend over to visit. Try to get out and socialize. Check your investments. Your lucky numbers are 1,4,7.

SAGITTARIUS
 (Nov. 23 - Dec. 21)
 Put your energy into your work project. Try joining a club to work off that excess energy. Consider ways of spending less money. Your lucky numbers are 1,9,4.

CAPRICORN
 (Dec 22 - Jan. 20)
 Financial losses are likely if you take high risks. Try to avoid issues that you think may hurt someone's feelings. You need time to relax. Your lucky numbers are 4,7,9.

AQUARIUS
 (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
 You need to find something constructive to do with your spare time. Someone may confide in you. You must keep it a secret. Your lucky numbers are 9,1,7.

PISCES
 (Feb. 20 - Mar. 20)
 You should be open-minded to a family member's view of religious ideas. Children may pose a problem if they don't like suggestions. Your lucky numbers are 6,4,7.

Korean-American Youth Show Strong Ethnic Bonds

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with 179 next-generation Korean high school students who live in New York. The interviews took place online, on the telephone and in person.

Fifty-four percent of the respondents are second-generation Koreans born in the U.S. and 46 percent are the 1.5 generation brought to the U.S. between the ages of 1 and 15. Forty-three percent are male and 57 percent are female, and 53 percent of them live in Queens while the others reside in other areas of N.Y. such as Long Island.

When asked whether they were proud of Korea, 73 percent of the respondents answered affirmatively, only 1 percent saying they were ashamed of Korea. When asked which team they would cheer for between the U.S. and Korean soccer teams, 68 percent answered that they would cheer for Korea, showing their strong ethnic connection, while 21 percent took a neutral stance.

Upbringing has played a big part in forming bonds for the next generation of Korean Americans. About half of the respondents always speak in Korean with their family, whereas 6 percent of them communicate only in English. Nearly 90 percent of them have been encouraged to learn Korean by their parents so that they have a high level of proficiency, with 74 percent speaking Korean fluently (38 percent) or well (36 percent). This reflects that family is the main factor in establishing Korean identity.

On the other hand, just over half of the high school students surveyed always or usually communicate with friends in English, while only 15 percent speak exclusively in Korean.

Experiencing Korean culture through food was nearly universal. Ninety-five percent said that at dinnertime, more than half of the food is Korean style. The percentage of respondents who always have Korean food was 43 percent.

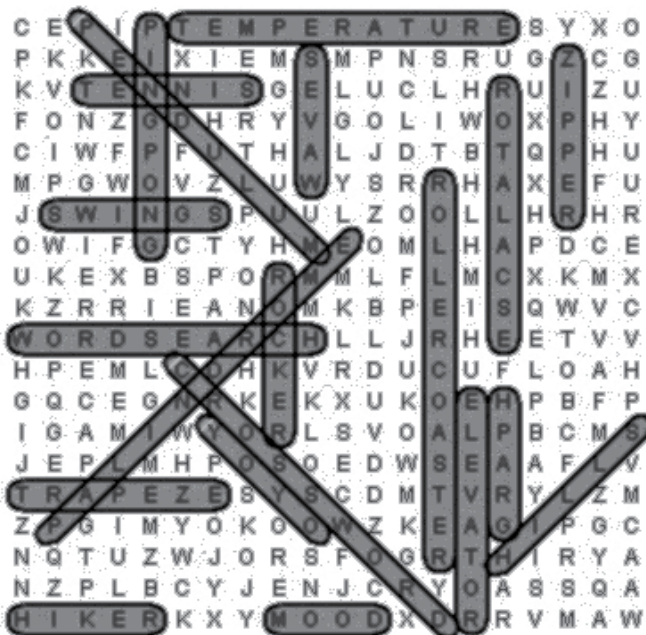
The pattern of cultural consumption also contributed to the formation of Korean bonds. Over half of those surveyed watch Korean channels on TV more than once a week, and the respondents who listen to Korean music more than any other genres accounted for 60 percent.

The high school students surveyed also showed an exclusive disposition in their relationships: 79 percent said their closest friends are Korean, 80 percent said that their girlfriend or boyfriend is Korean, and 72 percent answered it is important to marry a Korean.

Answer to Last Weeks "Sudoku"

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Council Member Jimmy Van Bramer & School Construction Authority Announce Plans To Build Annex At IS 125

On January 10th, Council Member Jimmy Van Bramer and Lorraine Grillo, President of the School Construction Authority, were joined by State Senator Michael Gianaris, Joe Conley, Chair of Community Board 2, Principal Judy Lynn Mittler and educational leaders to announce plans to build a 600 seat annex at IS 125 in Woodside.

"After years of hard work and advocacy I am proud to announce that we will be replacing the dilapidated trailers at IS 125 with a brand new 600 seat annex that will help alleviate overcrowding in Woodside," said Council Member Van Bramer. "Once this facility is complete we will mark a tremendous milestone in our efforts to build six new schools in Western Queens in just four years. IS 125 has continued to provide local children with the quality education they deserve. When completed, the new IS 125 will include a new cafeteria, a new gym and state-of-the-art technology in every classroom. Our children deserve nothing less."

With the completion of this new facility we will help continue the stellar legacy this school has created for future generations of students in Sunnyside and Woodside."

Overcrowding has been an issue at IS 125 for many years. IS 125 is currently 123% capacity. The new annex will replace the dilapidated trailers which currently exist on the IS 125's playground. The new \$50 million project will create a 600 seat facility that will include an additional cafeteria, gym and state-of-the-art classrooms for the intermediate school. The annex is scheduled to open by the fall of 2016.

The new annex is also one of six new schools Council Member Van Bramer helped secure in Western Queens that will be fully operational by 2016. The completion of the annex also marks a milestone in the Council Member's efforts to



Pictured: Council Member Van Bramer is joined by Principal Judy Lynn Mittler, Lorraine Grillo, President of the School Construction Authority, State Senator Michael Gianaris, and students from IS 125.

add over 2,600 school seats to the 26th Council District.

"The expansion of IS 125 is an exciting development for the families in the Woodside community," said Rep. Joe Crowley (D-Queens, the Bronx). "The school's annex will not only help to alleviate the overcrowding that currently exists but it will provide our children with an adequate learning environment that is necessary for them to succeed. I commend the efforts of our local elected officials and the School Construction Authority for listening to the concerns of the community and making the proper investments in our children's education."

"I am glad that after years of

bringing attention to the overcrowding at IS 125 the School Construction Authority listened to our community and funded a much needed expansion," said State Senator Gianaris. "However, my joy pales in comparison to that of the students who will no longer have to go to class in run-down trailers. As our neighborhood continues to grow, fighting overcrowding and ensuring every child has access to a quality education is of paramount importance. This expansion marks a giant step in the right direction, and I will continue working with Principal Mittler, parents, students, and teachers here to make sure this project is completed as soon as possible."

Cuomo Announces Former NYC Councilman James Gennaro Joins The Department Of Environmental Conservation



Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced the appointment of former New York City Councilman James F. Gennaro as Deputy Commissioner for New York City Sustainability and Resiliency at the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.

"This year, the State is reimagining New York for a new climate reality, building back better and more resilient after the major

storms from the last few years," Governor Cuomo said. "I am pleased to have Mr. Gennaro join our team at DEC where he will bring his many years of environmental experience to help protect and prepare New York City for extreme weather. Superstorm Sandy, which heavily impacted New York City, made clear that we have much to do to fortify the community for the future. Mr. Gennaro will be a valuable leader in those efforts, and I look forward to working with him."

"Jim's demonstrated passion for improving the environment and his leading role in shaping environmental policies to protect New Yorkers make him a natural fit for DEC," DEC Commissioner Joe Martens said. "Jim's breadth of experience will be put to good use as he works to ensure New York City is equipped to face future storm events. He will work directly with DEC's partners at the newly created NYS Resiliency Institute for Storms and Emergencies toward that goal."

In his new role, Mr. Gennaro will further DEC's efforts to prepare and make New York City more resilient to meet the challenges associated with climate change and to rebuild after recent storm events. Mr. Gennaro also will serve as DEC's liaison to the New York State Resiliency Institute for Storms & Emergencies (NYS RISE). Governor Cuomo announced the creation of NYS RISE in November to provide scientific information to policymakers and stakeholders to use in developing comprehensive plans to better protect communities from extreme weather and natural disasters.

Mr. Gennaro served as a New York City Councilman from 2002 to 2013, representing portions of the Borough of Queens. He chaired the Council's Committee on Environmental Protection and authored environmental laws on such issues as reducing New York City's greenhouse gas emissions

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NY CITY OK'S MASPETH "POPE JOHN PAUL II WAY"

.. Rev. Witold Mroziewski, pastor of Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church in Maspeth (center), is presented with one of the pens New York City Mayor Mike Bloomberg used to sign legislation renaming the street in front of the church as "Pope John Paul II Way." Mayor Bloomberg approved the law just days before his term of office ended on December 31st.

Presenting the official pen are Jeff Gottlieb, president of the Jewish Historical Society of Queens (left) and Chet Szarejko, vice president of the Downstate New York Division of the Polish American Congress and chairman of that organization's Political Activities Committee.

Mr. Gottlieb and Mr. Szarejko also are co-chairs of the Polish-Jewish Dialogue Committee which initiated the proposal to change the street name. As longtime friends whose participation in New York politics offered them repeated opportunities to work jointly on various projects, their impressive record of personal achievement convinced them to direct their future attention on Polish-Jewish relations.

With encouragement from Rabbi Moses Birnbaum of the Kew Gardens Hills Jewish Center, they formed the dialogue group five years ago and have already made important strides in promoting positive Polish-Jewish understanding and respect.

Rabbi Birnbaum and Monsignor Peter Zendzian act as spiritual advisors to the committee. Monsignor Zendzian preceded Rev. Mroziewski as pastor of Holy Cross until he transferred to St. Mathias Church in Ridgewood last June to act as pastor there.

A special ceremony placing the



sign for "Pope John Paul II Way" at the corner of 56th Road and 61st Street will be held sometime in early Spring. A firm date has not yet been set but it will be prior to April 27th, the day Pope John Paul II is scheduled to be canonized as a saint at the Vatican. The exact date of the street naming ceremony will be announced when it is finally set.

Before it was signed by Mayor Bloomberg, the bill proposing the name change at 56th Road was introduced in the City Council of New York by Council Member Elizabeth Crowley whose district encompasses Holy Cross Church. It also received the support of the local Community Board #5, headed by Mr. Gary Giordano.

The Polish-Jewish Dialogue Committee has also instituted its annual "Jan Karski Award" in memory of Jan Karski, a Polish Catholic member of Poland's

Home Army (Armia Krajowa), the largest and most effective anti-Nazi and anti-Communist underground resistance in all of German-occupied Europe during World War II.

Frequently referred to as "the man who tried to stop the Holocaust," Poland's government-in-exile ordered Mr. Karski to leave wartime Poland and travel to London and Washington and warn the Allies that Hitler had begun the Holocaust in occupied Poland. His trip to the Allies was a tragic one because his warnings were ignored.

The Polish-Jewish Dialogue Committee made its first "Jan Karski Award" in April, 2013 to the former Commissioner of Parks of the City of New York, Adrian Benepe. His grandfather was Antoni Wojcicki, a member of Poland's government-in-exile during World War II.

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NYC Parks Announces Record-Breaking Number of Christmas Trees Recycled At Mulchfest 2014

This weekend, New Yorkers brought their Christmas trees to over 80 locations across the city for the 18th annual MulchFest. NYC Parks, partnering with the Department of Sanitation, GreeNYC, and numerous community organizations, provides New Yorkers with the opportunity to mulch their Christmas trees into wood chips that will be used to nourish parks and gardens throughout the city. Participants were also invited to take a free bag of mulch home. This year's MulchFest recycled a record-breaking 30,109 trees.

"In addition to being a great way for New Yorkers to go green and recycle their Christmas trees, Mulchfest provides many benefits to the city's plant life," said NYC Parks First Deputy Commissioner Liam Kavanagh. "Mulch helps our city's trees and plants by deterring weeds, retaining moisture, and adding nutrients to the soil. Many thanks to the Department of Sanitation, GreeNYC, our community partners, and all New Yorkers who participated this weekend in keeping our city's trees and plants healthy!"

"The New York City Department of Sanitation takes great pride in helping to turn past Christmas trees into future



Mulchfest Astoria Park. Photo by Danny Avila

woodchips that will be used to green our parks, community gardens and other public spaces," said DSNY Commissioner John Doherty. "Everything that we can do to reduce, reuse and recycle our precious resources is a step in the right direction for a cleaner and greener New York City."

"I commend the City and the Parks Department for its work on the annual MulchFest, a very important environmental program in New York City. Thanks to MulchFest, many New Yorkers were able to responsibly dispose of their Christmas trees, which were chipped down to serve as a source of nourishment for gar-

dens, trees and plant-life all over the city," said Congresswoman Carolyn B. Maloney (NY-12).

MulchFest 2014 brought more than 30,109 trees from around the city, eclipsing the previous record of 26,373, which was set last year. New Yorkers from Manhattan brought out the most trees of any borough with 11,801, followed closely by Brooklyn's 9,406. The Bronx gathered 3,928 trees, an increase of more than 25% from last year. Queens' residents brought out 3,797 trees, while 1,177 were mulched in Staten Island. This year, the Bronx, Manhattan,

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Queens Sports *by Robert Elkin*

Holy Cross Takes Bowling Title

Holy Cross High School, more known as a football, basketball and baseball school that wins championships, added another title to its list. The team of Justin Boniello, Tyler Cacioppo, Bobby Fox, Matt Francois, and Thomas Strong, captured the Diocese of Brooklyn bowling championship. The schools belonging to this section of the Catholic High Schools Athletic Association include 11 schools from Brooklyn and Queens in Section 'A.'

"This is (maybe) our fifth year of hosting the league competition and the championship," said a spokesperson from the host Whitestone Lanes. "These bowlers are the best (around). Bowling is an entertaining sport. These are our 'future bowlers.'"

Some look very good and could be 'professionals' at another future time.

With Matthew Aniello rolling a 225 in the first game, McClancy from Jackson Heights overall won it by a 733-702 score. Holy Cross from Bayside came on thanks to a 216 by Cacioppo and

a 222 by Fox in the second game came out victorious 762-752 to send the match into a third game. Mike Sparacino bowled a 214 for McClancy in the middle game.

Then came the deciding third game was close for a while. Sparked by a 247 by Fox, Holy Cross won, 747-691 for the title. Thus Raymond Cullinan is in his fourth year as head coach at Holy Cross took his first Diocese of Brooklyn title. He was indeed very proud of his team and had nothing but praise for them.

"All of us played together as a team," said Fox "Winning (this title) feels good, after last year we finished in fifth place.

"There wasn't any pressure on us. (As for my bowling), I began it at the Woodhaven Lanes, (located in Ozone Park), until it closed (down). Then I moved my bowling to College Point (here at the Whitestone Lanes).

"My one strike and one spare in the last frame (helped to) win the match for us."

At the start of the season during the fall, no one predicted that Holy

Cross would take the Brooklyn-Queens title.

The competitors in the league had some outstanding individual performances and received special award after last week's play-off action. Thomas Cacioppo turned in a high average of 207 in the league during the regular season before the playoffs began. Jacob Bannon of Molloy finished second at 204.89. The latter turned in high scratch game of 276. And Julian Tablante of McClancy rolled a high scratch series, 712.

"No one picked us to win the title," said Holy Cross Coach Cullinan. "Everybody got better all year long. We have only one senior (on our roster) in Francois. He's four years on this team. We worked hard and got better."

And then there is Bob Fox only a sophomore.

"He'll only get better," added the coach.

Since bowling is an indoor sport, most of the boys stay in shape during the rest of the year and will be looking to repeat come 2015.

168th Street Armory Celebrates 100th Anniversary of Track & Field Meets

The Armory today celebrated 100 years of hosting track & field meets highlighted by an "Appreciation Day" Proclamation presented by Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer.

On January 10, 1914, The Armory made its debut in track & field when it hosted the Xavier Games. One of the memorable feats that day came in the featured half-mile event as Staten Island's 1912 silver medalist Abel Kiviat finished the race in less than two minutes.

"This is a great occasion, celebrating 100 years. We're just beginning," said Armory Foundation President Dr. Norbert Sander, who in 1993 took over the reins at The Armory. "It's a great start - the first 100 years. Of course, I haven't been here the whole time, but the time I've been here has been terrific."

Friday's celebration took place in front of thousands of fans at The Armory during the NYC Gotham Cup Meet.

"This is one of the wonders of the world," Brewer said. "There are very few people who you can say make a difference and Dr. Sander is one of them."

"I know what this place was like before and I've seen what he's done in the last 15 to 20 years



Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer presents Armory Foundation President Dr. Norbert Sander (far right) and The Armory an "Armory Appreciation Day" Proclamation. Also on hand from left to right are Armory Foundation Chairman of the Board Mike Frankfurt, longtime track & field announcer Ian Brooks and veteran track & field reporter Walt Murphy.

and how many lives he's shaped. There are so many special aspects about this space, it's not just about running."

About The Armory Foundation The Armory is a New York City non-profit institution, with the mission of "Keeping Kids on Track." Each season the Armory - the proud home of the NYRR Millrose Games - hosts more than 100 track & field meets and welcomes more

than 125,000 individual athletes. Besides its many youth sports and educational programs, The Armory runs the Hispanic Games, the New Balance Games, New Balance Nationals Indoors and the Armory Collegiate Invitational, the largest indoor college meet. The Armory is also the home to the National Track & Field Hall of Fame. For more: Please visit ArmoryTrack.com.

Driving With Google Glass? It Could Save Your Life

The jury is still out on if wearing Google Glass while driving is a smart idea. Falling asleep at the wheel is never a good thing though and DriveSafe, a new app for Glass, can alert you if you nod at the wheel.

Some cars can detect when a driver is falling asleep at the wheel and so too can Google

Glass. DriveSafe is a new app for Google's wearable headset that uses the sensors inside Glass to detect if you're nodding off while driving.

Google Glass owners will have to sideload the software directly on to Glass at the moment; it's not yet available through Google's

MyGlass application.

Once loaded, the app is enabled by speaking "OK Glass, keep me awake." From then on, the app monitors you as you drive around and send both an audible and visual alert to jolt your awareness if it detects you're falling asleep.

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IT'S IN QUEENS

Documentaries, mockumentaries, romantic comedies, painful emotional studies, joke fests and foreign flicks are on tap this week, as Queens hosts numerous movie fests around the borough. But there are also opportunities to stargaze, enjoy origami, soak in art, discuss MLK and even audition for a choral group. Here's the rundown.

Jan. 17, *Barbaric Genius*, 7:30 pm. This event includes the screening of a documentary on John Healy and a Q&A with the movie's director, Paul Duane. In the early 1990s, Healy was a star author, constantly being interviewed about his first book, *The Grass Arena*. This son of Irish immigrants had lived on London streets for 15 years, fighting and stealing to survive, until he discovered chess, gave up alcohol, and became a rated chess player and famous writer. Then he disappeared. In 2006, Duane found Healy. \$11/\$6 students, seniors unemployed. New York Irish Center, 10-40 Jackson Ave., LIC, www.nyirish.org.

Jan. 17, *Wavemaker*, 7 pm. The Museum of the Moving Image's First Look series showcases inventive new cinema. The documentary *Wavemakers* delves into the history and legacy of the Ondes Martenot, an electronic instrument with a haunting, ethereal sound. Director Caroline Martel will attend and Jean Laurendeau will play the instrument after the screening. MMI, 36-01 35th Ave., Astoria, www.movingimage.us.

Jan. 18, *Jamaica Bay Origami*, 2 pm (again on Jan. 19). Learn about the art of Origami and create paper versions of Jamaica Bay animals. Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge, Broad Channel, www.nyharbor-parks.org.

Jan. 18, *Star Safari: Astronomy Adventure*, 7 pm. Join professor/astronomer Mark Freilich for an exciting evening of star gazing. See the moon up close, view the Orion Nebular, the Pleiades Star Cluster and Deep Space Phenomenon. Participants may bring their own telescopes and binoculars. \$16. Alley Pond Environmental Center, 228-06 Northern Blvd., Douglaston, www.alleypond.org.

Jan. 18, *Rags and Tatters*, 1:30 pm; *Ape*, 4 pm. The Museum of the Moving Image presents First Look, an annual showcase for inventive new international cinema. Escaping after years in jail, a man tries to find his way home on the outskirts of a Cairo that has been turned upside down by protests of the 2011 Egyptian Revolution in *Rags and Tatters*. In *Ape*, the phrase "struggling comedian" has never been more fitting than to describe the fictional Grand Rapids standup comic and part-time arsonist Trevor Newandyke. Director Joel Potrykus will attend. MMI, 36-01 35th Ave., Astoria, www.movingimage.us.

Jan. 18, *MLK Day Discussion*, 2 pm. The New York Council for the Humanities' Conversations with Kids program will discuss Doreen Rappaport's book, *Martin's Big Words*, about one of the world's most influential leaders ever, Martin Luther King Jr. Free. Queens Historical Society, 143-35 37th Ave., Kingsland Homestead, Flushing, www.queenshistorical-society.org.

Jan. 19, *Short Film Fest*, 8 pm. Once a month, the Laughing Devil Comedy Club screens five-to-15 short films interspersed with Q&As with their creators, followed by a cocktail party so the audience and filmmakers can chat. The three best films will go on to compete in the finals in December. \$10. LDCC, 47-38 Vernon Blvd., LIC, www.laughingdevil.com.

Jan. 19, *Queens International*, 1 pm and 3 pm. At 1 pm, the Queens World Film Festival presents films from around the world: *Old Angel* by Dony Chiang (Taiwan, 5 min.); *15 Summers Later* by Pedro Collantes (Spain); *Green Pencil* by Fayaz Bahram, Animation (Iran); *Of Guilt and Grief* by Tom van Den Broek (Wales, 15 min.); *Swing* by Yen-ting Kuo (Taiwan, 5 min.); *Curvas* by David Galan Galindo (Spain, 5 min.); *Drat* by Farzin Farzaneh (Canada); *At the Formal* by Andrew Kavanagh (Australia); *Le Tette di una Diciottenne* by Luca Gennari (Italy, 8 min); and *Pollicino* by Cristiano Anania (Italy). At 3 pm, QWFF presents films from around the corner: *Wyl-*

flower by Justin Staley (16 min); *Baby I Love You* by Faiyaz Jafri (3 min); *Charred* by Michael Chmiel (20 min); *My Emily* by Brandon Sanford (6 min); *The Love Permit* by Christopher Ludgate (13 min.); *Can't Dance* by Richard Ulig (16 min.); *Emma* by Anne Hue (5 min); and *My Day* by Paul Kelly (23 min). Panel discussions after screenings. Queens Museum, Flushing Meadows-Corona Park, www.queensworldfilmfestival.com.

Jan. 19, *Thaw*, 2 pm. Opening for an 11-artist exhibit featuring drawings, paintings, photographs, collage, sculpture and video that address the earth's natural-but-forced transformation, hinting at the potential scientific and geopolitical effects of natural disasters. Exhibit runs through April 6. Dorsky Gallery, 11-03 45th Ave., LIC, www.dorsky.org.

Jan. 19, *To the Wolf*, 2 pm; *Natan*, 4 pm; and *The Rendez-Vous of Déjà Vu*, 6:30 pm. Closing night of the Museum of the Moving Image's First Look showcase of inventive new international cinema. In *To the Wolf*, poverty and rain mark the grim lives of two goatherding families struggling to survive in the Greek mountains. The 4 pm movie is a documentary on Bernard Natan, a pioneer of French cinema and early director of silent, soft-core porn who died in Auschwitz. Fast-paced and silly, *The Rendez-Vous of Déjà Vu* is a romantic burlesque about a museum guard who tries to win a woman's heart during a beach vacation. Director Antonin Peretjatko will attend. MMI, 36-01 35th Ave., Astoria, www.movingimage.us.

Jan. 20, *Oratorio Society of Queens Auditions*, 6:50 pm. Experience the joy of choral singing. Reservations are required, call (718) 279-3006. Temple Beth Shalom, 172nd Street and Northern Boulevard, Flushing, www.queensoratorio.org.

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Goldfeder joins Broad Channel Athletic Club End of Year Appreciation Dinner

Assemblyman Phil Goldfeder (D- Broad Channel) joined Broad Channel Athletic Club (BCAC) President, Jim Mangan and hundreds of local residents at the End of Year Appreciation Dinner on Saturday night. The BCAC provides countless activities for local children and was on the forefront of Sandy relief in Broad Channel.



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Cuomo Announces Former NYC Councilman James Gennaro Joins The Department Of Environmental Conservation

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by 30 percent by 2030, reducing water and air pollution, creating climate change adaptation strategies, improving the City's resiliency to major storms, restoring Jamaica Bay, increasing clean and reliable energy, and increasing brownfields cleanup. In addition, Mr. Gennaro served on New York City's Sustainability Advisory Board. Before representing the 24th district, Mr. Gennaro acted

as an environmental policy analyst for the New York City Council for eleven years.

Mr. Gennaro has received numerous accolades and awards for his environmental leadership, including the 2013 Environmental Quality Award from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Mr. Gennaro earned his master's and bachelor's degrees from the State University of New York at Stony Brook.

110th Precinct Community Council January Meeting Information

The 110th Precinct Community Council will hold its next meeting on Monday, January 20 at Flanders Field VFW Post #150, 51-11 108th Street in Corona, Queens. The event will begin at 7:00 p.m.

The guest speaker will be a representative from Youth Services Section, a division of NYPD Community Affairs Bureau. The speaker will provide an overview

of the division, whose objectives are to reduce youth violence, prevent drug use, promote child safety, and improve relationships between police and young people.

Deputy Inspector Ronald D. Leyson, Commanding Officer of the 110th Precinct, will also be on hand to discuss crime and quality of life issues. Officers from the 110th Precinct will receive awards for their achievements.

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Early detection of breast cancer can save lives!
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24-15 Queens Plaza North, Long Island City, NY 11101
Sunday, January 19, 2014 (9am-4:30pm)
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Call 1-877-628-9090

A.G. Schneiderman Encourages New Yorkers to Take Advantage of Credit Protection For Target Shoppers

Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman today encouraged New Yorkers to take advantage of the free credit monitoring and identity theft protections now available in the wake of the Target security breach. In December, Target agreed to the Attorney General's demand to provide these services to potential victims, and it has now provided details for that implementation. According to today's announcement, anyone who has ever shopped at Target is eligible for free credit monitoring for a full year.

Attorney General Schneiderman also announced that his office's Consumer Protection Bureau is looking into recent reports of security breaches involving other retailers. The Attorney General called on those retailers to join Target in offering free consumer protections to their customers.

"Now that Target has agreed to our request to offer free credit monitoring, I strongly encourage any New Yorker who has ever shopped at Target to take advantage of Target's offer," said Attorney General Schneiderman. "Data breaches like this can make consumers vulnerable to identity theft and other crimes that can have devastating effects on their financial security. I strongly encourage other retailers that have seen large-scale data breaches to offer free credit monitoring to their customers as well. In the meantime, I will continue to work with my colleagues in other Attorneys General offices to investigate, so we can make sure that New Yorkers can shop without fear of their personal data being stolen."

Beginning today, Target customers can register for free credit monitoring at creditmonitoring.target.com. The free credit monitoring will be offered through Experian's ProtectMyID, and the service provides a copy of a credit report, daily credit monitoring, identity theft insurance (except where prohibited by law) and access to personalized assistance from a fraud resolution agent.

Target has provided the following information for consumers looking to take

advantage of this program:

- Consumers who shopped at Target in the U.S. may request an activation code by entering their name and email address at creditmonitoring.target.com before April 23, 2014.

- Consumers will then receive an email from Target within one to five days that will include the unique activation code and instructions on how to register the code with ProtectMyID.

- Consumers will have until April 30, 2014, to register their code with ProtectMyID.

- Emails collected during the process of creating activation codes will be used only for the purpose of sending an activation code to enroll in free credit monitoring.

Consumers with questions are encouraged to visit target.com/databreach or to contact Target directly at 866-852-8680.

Last month, Attorney General Schneiderman issued consumer protection tips to help New Yorkers prevent identity theft. For consumers who are or might be victims of identity fraud as a result of a data security breach at any retailer – including Target and others – the Attorney General has also provided the following list of tips:

If you are a victim:

- Create an identity theft fraud report. To do this, file a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission and print your Identity Theft Affidavit. You can call the FTC at 1-877-438-4338 or click here.

- Use that affidavit to file a police report and create your Identity Theft Report.

- An Identity Theft Report will help you deal with credit reporting companies, debt collectors and any fraudulent accounts that the identity thief opened in your name.

- Put a freeze on your credit report by notifying each of the credit reporting agencies (Equifax, TransUnion or Experian). This will block someone from obtaining credit using your name or personal information. You won't be able to apply for any new credit cards or loans while the freeze is in effect, but you can continue to use your

existing cards. To freeze your credit file, you must notify each of the three major credit bureaus. You can remove the freeze temporarily or permanently by contacting each of the three agencies. There is no fee if you have been the victim of identity theft. The freeze can be removed only by you.

- Get a copy of your credit report from each of the three agencies. You are entitled to free reports once you post a fraud alert (see below) or put a freeze on your account. Read the reports carefully to see whether other fraudulent transactions or accounts are listed, and then take steps to correct those errors.

- Check your credit card account frequently to look for any irregular activity.

If you might be a victim:

- Report to any of the three credit reporting agencies (Equifax, TransUnion or Experian) that you may have been a victim of identity theft. Make sure the credit reporting agency has your current contact information so it can get in contact with you.

- Ask the credit reporting agencies to put a fraud alert on your credit file. This will still allow you to use your credit card. If you put a fraud alert on your file, you may ask for a free credit report from each of the credit reporting agencies. Contacting any one of the three credit reporting agencies listed above is enough to file a credit alert with all of them. A credit alert must be renewed every 90 days.

- You also have a right to put a credit freeze on your file. You may be charged a fee of up to \$5 if you have not been a victim of identity theft.

- You should also check your credit activity regularly with each credit issuer. You don't need to wait for your monthly statement, though you should check that as well. Many banks provide online information to account holders about recent activity.

The contact information for the credit reporting agencies:

- Equifax, 1-800-525-6285
- Experian, 1-888-397-3742
- TransUnion, 1-800-680-7289

three others. Steinerman pointed me to a 2010 AAA report(PDF) that suggests 41 percent of all U.S. drivers admit to have "fallen asleep or nodded off" while driving. Clearly, there's need for alerting drowsy drivers.

Should Glass be part of the solution?

That's a tricky question

as some may think that wearing Glass can distract while driving. I can see their point, having worn Glass while behind the wheel myself. And we've already seen how some municipalities feel about that: A woman in California got a ticket in October for wearing Glass while driving.

BP Katz Announces That New Low-Income Housing Development in Jamaica is Now Accepting Applications

Queens Borough President Melinda Katz today announced that Rufus King Court Apartments, an affordable housing development nearing completion Jamaica, is accepting applications from low income families interested in moving into the 46-unit building.

Developed by the Arker Companies of Floral Park, Rufus King Court Apartments will offer all of its units to eligible low income families. Applications from interested households are being accepted from now until March 6, 2014. A lottery will be used to determine the winning applications.

"Rufus King Court Apartments will offer quality affordable housing at a location near the Jamaica commercial core just a few blocks from one of the nation's busiest transportation hubs," Katz said. "I recommend that eligible families take advantage of

this opportunity and begin the process of applying to live in the Rufus King Court Apartments as soon as possible."

The Rufus King Court Apartments are located at 148-19 90th Avenue in Jamaica. When construction is completed later this year it will offer four studios, 14 one-bedroom apartments, 23 two-bedroom apartments and five three-bedroom apartments.

Building amenities will include an outdoor recreation area, a community room, laundry room, bulk storage space for tenants, air conditioning for each unit, indoor bicycle storage, parking for 23 cars and a comprehensive security and surveillance system. The developer will also arrange for social services to be provided to senior residents and other residents with special needs.

The energy-efficient and environmentally friendly building will include roof-

top solar panels that will produce up to 50 percent of the electricity needed for the building's common areas.

Income eligibility requirements will range from \$24,515 a year for those seeking to rent a studio to \$59,820 a year for those seeking a three-bedroom apartment. Monthly rents for the apartments will range from \$659 for a studio to \$1,199 for a three-bedroom.

Applications from interested households are being accepted online and via mail. Online applications can be filed by March 6, 2014 by visiting www.nyc.gov/housingconnect and selecting "Apply for Housing." A mail application can be requested by sending a self-addressed envelope to Rufus King Court Apartments, P.O. Box 390, Floral Park, NY 11002. All mail applications must be returned by regular mail and be postmarked by March 6, 2014.

NYC Parks Announces Record-Breaking Number of Christmas Trees Recycled At Mulchfest 2014

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Queens, and Staten Island set new all-time records for trees mulched.

On Thursday, January 9, Parks First Deputy Commissioner Liam Kavanaugh joined Sanitation Deputy Commissioner Ron Gonen, Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer, State Senator Brad Hoylman, State Assemblymember Brian Kavanaugh, GrowNYC Director David Hurd, Executive Director of the Lower East Side Ecology Center Christine Datz-Romero, and members of the community in Tompkins Square Park to kick off MulchFest 2014.

In clear, sunny weather, the group chipped the first trees of MulchFest 2014.

"Three cheers for Mulchfest -- a great way to 'chip in' and help Manhattan go green!" said Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer. "Mulching is a fun and easy way to recycle old trees and provide nourishment for new ones. It's a pleasure to join Parks in getting the word out."

"I am proud to support this year's MulchFest, which turns New Yorkers' Christmas trees into gifts that keep on giving to our trees and parks," said Senator Brad Hoylman (D,WFP – Manhattan). "Thank you to the Parks Department,

the Department of Sanitation and GreenNYC for making this event happen year after year. Mulching is a great reuse of trees that would otherwise end up in landfills and helps to make our city cleaner and greener."

"MulchFest is a terrific annual opportunity for New Yorkers to recycle and help keep our parks green," said Assemblymember Brian Kavanaugh. "Kudos to the Parks and Sanitation Departments and all of our residents who brought out their trees for this excellent tradition."

MulchFest 2014 is sponsored by Whole Foods Market New York City.

Ridgewood Democratic Club Membership Brunch

37th Assembly District - Part B | Organized 1908
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Democratic District Leaders - Diane Ballek & Tom Bornemann
NYS Committeeman - Jimmy Van Bramer
Club President - Jim Grayshaw

Saturday, January 25, 2014
11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Guest Speakers
Hon. Congressman Joseph Crowley Chair, Queens County Democratic Party
Hon. Antonio Reynoso New York City Council Member
For more information call: Tom (347) 432-3511

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Notice is hereby given that an order entered by the Civil Court, Queens County, on December 03, 2013 bearing Index Number NC-001124-13/QU, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk, located at 89-17 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, NY 11435, grants me the right to: Assume the name of (First) JARELL (Middle) DELIO (Last) FERNANDEZ. My present name is (First) DELIO (Middle) JARELL (Last) FERNANDEZ (infant). My present address is 108-27 41th Avenue, Corona, NY 11368. My place of birth is Queens, NY. My date of birth is November 29, 2008. 1/16/2013

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Notice is hereby given that an order entered by the Civil Court, Queens County, on January 10, 2014 bearing Index Number NC-001284-13/QU, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk, located at 89-17 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, NY 11435, grants me the right to: Assume the name of (First) WILSON (Middle) ESTEBAN (Last) PIEDRA. My present name is (First) WILSON (Middle) ESTEBAN (Last) PIEDRA ARGUDO AKA WILSON PIEDRA, AKA WILSON E. PIEDRA. My present address is 102-10 32 AVE, East Elmhurst, NY 11369. My place of birth is ECUADOR. My date of birth is May 05, 1993. 1/16/2013

Driving With Google Glass? It Could Save Your Life

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The software can then help guide you to the nearest rest stop for a break. Users can turn off the sleep detection function by swiping to a Stop option in DriveSafe.

DriveSafe is the brainchild of Jake Steinerman, a frequent long-distance driver, and a small team of



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Notice of Qualification of 32-52 33RD STREET, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/13/13. Office location: Queens County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 09/11/13. Princ. office of LLC: c/o A & E Real Estate Holdings, LLC, 1065 Ave. of the Americas, NY, NY 10018. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Douglas F. Eisenberg at the princ. office of the LLC. DE addr. of LLC: Corporation Service Co., 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 12/19,26/2013,1/2,9,16&23/2014

Notice of Qualification of 37-06 81ST STREET, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/13/13. Office location: Queens County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 09/11/13. Princ. office of LLC: c/o A & E Real Estate Holdings, LLC, 1065 Ave. of the Americas, NY, NY 10018. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Douglas F. Eisenberg at the princ. office of the LLC. DE addr. of LLC: Corporation Service Co., 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 12/19,26/2013,1/2,9,16&23/2014

GOSM LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 12/10/2013. Office in Queens Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to c/o Melvin Kreines & Assoc., P.C., 1979 Marcus Ave., Ste, 210, Lake Success, NY 11042, which is also the registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 12/26/2013,1/2,9,16,23&30/2014

Notice of Formation of Long Island Dream Garden, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/27/13. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Guang Jun Gao, Esq., 36-44 Main St., 3 Fl., Flushing, NY 11354. Purpose: any lawful activity. 12/12,19,26/2013,1/2,9&16/2014

Notice is hereby given that a license, serial #1275856 for beer, wine and liquor has been applied for by the undersigned to sell beer, wine and liquor at retail in a bar under the alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 21-59 44th Dr., Long Island City, NY 11101 for on-premises consumption; ALY Incorporated. 1/9&16/2014

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF CLINTON 69 REALTY LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/26/2013. Office location: Queens County. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process served against the LLC to the LLC at 55-26 69th Street, Maspeth, NY 11378. Purpose: any lawful purpose. 12/12,19,26/2013,1/2,9&16/2014

Notice of Formation of LOOK AT THE WALL PRODUCTIONS LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/08/2013. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be serviced. SSNY shall mail process to: James Medina, 47-06 46th St., Apt D3, Woodside, NY 11377. Purpose: any lawful activity. 12/12,19,26/2013,1/2,9&16/2014

Notice of Formation of DAVID SCHNALL, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 08/22/13. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 12/12,19,26/2013,1/2,9&16/2014

FORMATION OF Calvert, Wade & George LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/10/2009. 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: 175-21 88th Ave-1T, Jamaica NY 11432 for any lawful purpose. 12/19,26/2013,1/2,9,16&23/2014

MANPOINT ASSOCIATES, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 11/20/13. Office in Queens Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to c/o Cornicello, Tendler & Baumel-Cornicello, LLP, 2 Wall St., 20th Fl., NY, NY 10005. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 12/12,19,26/2013,1/2,9&16/2014

Notice of Qualification of 37-40 81ST STREET, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/13/13. Office location: Queens County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 09/11/13. Princ. office of LLC: c/o A & E Real Estate Holdings, LLC, 1065 Ave. of the Americas, NY, NY 10018. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Douglas F. Eisenberg at the princ. office of the LLC. DE addr. of LLC: Corporation Service Co., 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 12/19,26/2013,1/2,9,16&23/2014

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Notice of formation of CASSETTE BLEU, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/08/2013. Office location: Queens County. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of any process served against the LLC to 27-28 Thomson Avenue, Apt #627, Long Island City, NY 11101. Purpose: any lawful purpose. 1/9,16,23,30,2/6&13/2014

Notice is hereby given that a license, # Pending for on premise wine, and beer has been applied for by the undersigned to sell wine, and beer at retail in a restaurant under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 107-25 Liberty Avenue, Ozone Park, NY 11419. Applicant's Name: T&G INT'S CUISINE LLC. 1/9&16/2014

RELIABLE CARE CONSULTING LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 10/31/2013. Office location: Queens County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC, 1606 Caffrey Ave., Apt. 2, Far Rockaway, NY 11691. General Purpose. 1/9,16,23,30,2/6&13/2014

QUEENS CLUB REALTY LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/05/2013. Office loc: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Dimitra Tzortzatos, 277 Broadway, Ste 510, NY, NY 10007. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 1/9,16,23,30,2/6&13/2014

105-23 LIBERTY AVE LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 12/6/2013. Office location: Queens County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC, 113-01 Liberty Ave., Richmond Hill, NY 11419. General Purpose. 1/9,16,23,30,2/6&13/2014

ALMONDMADE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 10/03/13. Off. Loc.: Queens Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 68-60 108 St., Forest Hills, NY 11375. General Purposes. 1/9,16,23,30,2/6&13/2014

Notice of formation of PRODIS, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/22/2013. Office location: Queens County. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of any process served against the LLC to 66-18 Myrtle Avenue, Glendale, NY 11385. Purpose: any lawful purpose. 1/9,16,23,30,2/6&13/2014

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Star International Evaluations LLC Arts of Org. filed NY Secy of State (SSNY) 10/24/13. Office:Queens Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy to 44-16 Macnash St. #3E Elmhurst, NY 11373. Purpose: any lawful activity. 1/9,16,23,30,2/6&13/2014

Notice of formation of HAZELL LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) On 12/02/2013. Office location: Queens County. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of any process served against the LLC to 107-12 Guy R Brewer Blvd, Jamaica, NY 11433. Purpose: any lawful purpose. 1/2,9,16,23,30&2/6/2014

240-10 LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/7/13. Office in Queens Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 102-10 Metropolitan Ave Ste 200, Forest Hills, NY 11375. Purpose: General. 1/2,9,16,23,30&2/6/2014

Legal Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC): Name: K&O Partners, LLC, Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on November 21, 2013. Office location: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of any process to: K&O Partners, LLC, c/o Pliskin, Rubano, Baum & Vitulli, 137-11 Northern Boulevard, Flushing, NY 11354. Purpose: any lawful purpose. Latest date upon which LLC is to dissolve: No specific date. 1/2,9,16,23,30&2/6/2014

Notice is hereby given that an order entered by the Civil Court, Queens County, on December 16, 2013 bearing Index Number NC-001146-13/QU, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk, located at 89-17 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, NY 11435, grants me the right to: Assume the name of (First) LILIA (Middle) XIUHUA (Last) JOAZHAO. My present name is (First) LILIA (Middle) XIUHUA (Last) JOA. My present address is 5311 97th Street, Corona, NY 11368-3031. My place of birth is China. My date of birth is November 14, 1973. 1/16/2013

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File No.: 2012-3117/A CITATION THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK BY THE GRACE OF GOD, FREE AND INDEPENDENT TO:

Carrie Hull, Naomi Davis, Brenda Byrd, Virginia Done, Robert Earl McNeary, Lola Taylor, Jessie McNeary, Aminah Yahya, Tommy Byrd, Theresa Byrd, Elizabeth Wills, Shrie Wedd, Shelly Byrd, Taiwana Byrd, Avante Byrd, Cordell Morgan, Tamika Thomas, Johnna Byrd, Attorney General of the State of New York

The unknown distributees, legatees, devisees, heirs at law and assignees of Marguerite Watson, deceased, or their estates, if any there be, whose names, places of residence and post office addresses are unknown to the petitioner and cannot with due diligence be ascertained.

Being the persons interested as creditors, legatees, distributees or otherwise in the Estate of Marguerite Watson, deceased, who at the time of death was a resident of 97-05 Horace Harding Expressway, #6E, Corona, NY 11368, 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 Administrator of the Estate of Marguerite Watson, 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 6th day of March, 2014 at 9:30 o'clock in the forenoon, why the Account of Proceedings of the Public Administrator of Queens County, as 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 petitioner herein in the amount of \$20,550.04 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 6% of assets or income collected after the date of the within accounting; and why the Surrogate should not fix and

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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(4); and why each of you claiming to be a distributee of the decedent should not establish proof of your kinship; and why the balance of said funds should not be paid to said alleged distributees upon proof of kinship, or deposited with the Commissioner of Finance of the City of New York should said alleged distributees default herein, or fail to establish proof of kinship,

Dated, Attested and Sealed 9th day of January, 2014 HON. PETER J. KELLY Surrogate, Queens County Margaret M. Gribbon Clerk of the Surrogate's Court GERARD J. SWEENEY, ESQ. (718) 459-9000 95-25 Queens Boulevard 11th Floor Rego Park, New York 11374

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.

Accounting Citation 1/16,23,30&2/6/2014

Notice is hereby given that an order entered by the Civil Court, Queens County, on January 10, 2014 bearing Index Number NC-001186-13/QU, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk, located at 89-17 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, NY 11435, grants me the right to: Assume the name of (First) VALERIE (Middle) ELIZABETH (Last) SIMADIS. My present name is (First) ELIZABETH (Last) SIMADIS. My present address is 14-63 BURTON STREET, BEECHURST, NY 11357. My place of birth is MANHASSET, NY. My date of birth is February 10, 1993. 1/16/2013

Notice is hereby given that an order entered by the Civil Court, Queens County, on December 16, 2013 bearing Index Number NC-001162-13/QU, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the Clerk, located at 89-17 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, NY 11435, grants me the right to: Assume the name of (First) SAMUEL (Middle) MANUEL (Last) SERRATA. My present name is (First) SAMUEL (Middle) MANUEL (Last) SERRATA ROSARIO AKA SAMUEL MANUEL SERRATA. My present address is 9713 31ST AVE, APT 2, East Elmhurst, NY 11369. My place of birth is DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. My date of birth is July 18, 1995. 1/16/2013



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Avella Met With Mayor Bill De Blasio



On Wednesday, January 8th, State Senator Tony Avella met with Mayor Bill De Blasio before the Governors State of the State address in Albany.

Council Member Crowley Checks Out Library Check-Outs



Queens Library President and CEO Thomas W. Galante demonstrated the library's newly installed self-service check-out and check-in equipment for Council Member Elizabeth Crowley at Queens Library at Glendale today. Council Member Crowley has committed more than \$2.5 million for upgrades to this library. Thanks to her support, the library will also receive additional renovations to the first floor, an elevator and additional handicap accessibility features. It is projected to be complete in 2015.

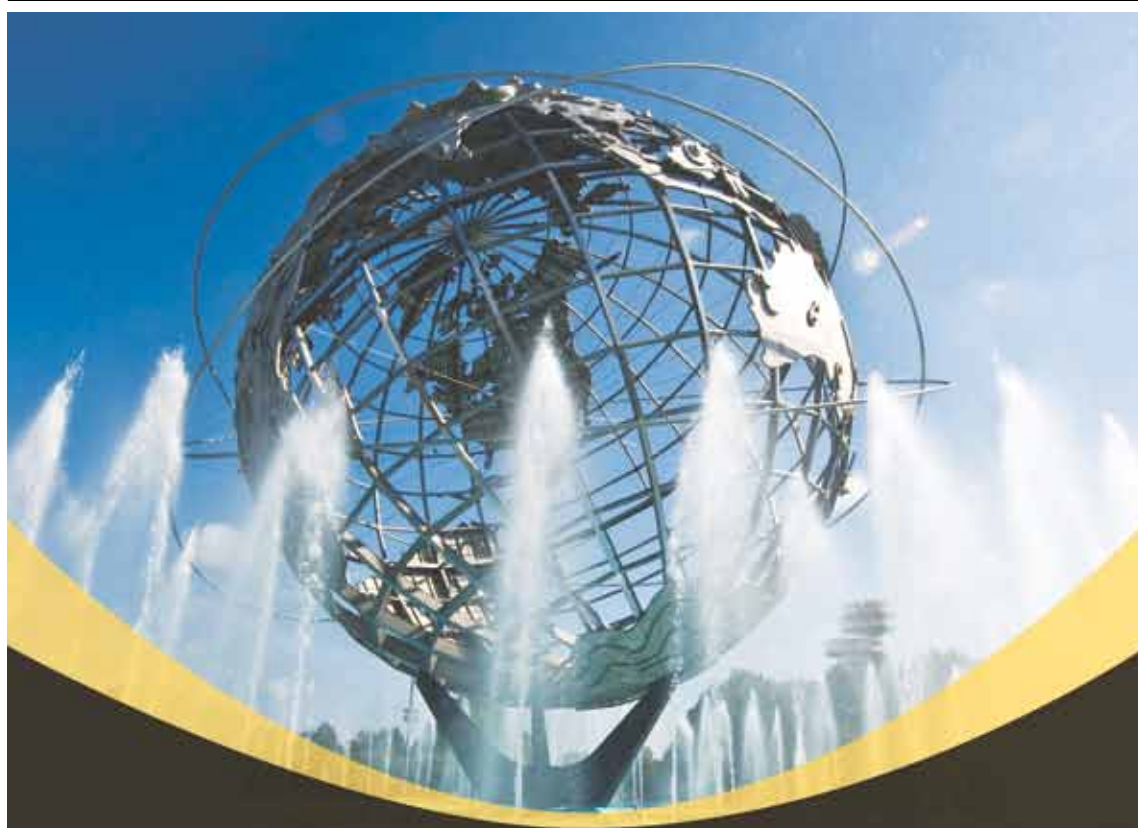
Ridgewood Friends Installation

Shown in the photo on the right (l. to r.) State Sen. Joseph P. Addabbo; Councilmember Elizabeth Crowley, Maryellen Borello, President; Kathleen Kelly, Vice President; Rosemary Gimmler, Treasurer and Colette Slagle, Secretary on Monday, January 6, 2014 to celebrate Friends of Queens Library at Ridgewood Installation Ceremony.

Queens Library is an independent, not-for-profit corporation and is not affiliated with any other library. Queens Library serves a population of 2.3 million in one of the most ethnically diverse counties in the U.S. and has among the highest circulations of any public library system in the world. For more information about programs, services, locations, events and



news, visit the Queens Library web site at www.queenslibrary.org or phone 718-990-0700. Queens Library. Enrich your life®.



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