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NYC Emergency Management And Health Department Urge New Yorkers To Stay Cool During Hot Weather This Week

Cooling centers will be open Wednesday and Thursday; to find the nearest cooling center, call 311 or visit www.nyc.gov/beattheheat

The New York City Emergency Management Department and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene urge New Yorkers to take precautions during the hot weather expected Wednesday, August 10 through Saturday, August 13. The National Weather Service has issued a Heat Advisory in effect from 2:00 PM Wednesday through 8:00 PM on Thursday. The heat index is forecast to be in the mid-90s on Wednesday afternoon and the upper 90s Thursday afternoon. New Yorkers should use air conditioning to stay cool, go to a place that has air conditioning if it is not available at home, drink water at regular intervals, and limit strenuous activity, especially during the hottest parts of the day. To help New Yorkers beat the heat, New York City will open cooling centers throughout the five boroughs on Wednesday and Thursday.

"The warm temperatures expected this week will be especially dangerous to vulnerable New Yorkers, so check in on older neighbors and friends with underlying medical conditions," said New York City Emergency Management Commissioner Joseph Esposito. "To stay cool, make sure you use air conditioning or

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Suozzi and Braunstein Attend Feast of La Madonna



Tom Suozzi candidate for the 3rd Congressional District and Assemblyman Ed Braunstein attended the Feast of La Madonna at St. Luke's Church in Whitestone and was joined by the members and friends of the Associazione Sacchesi D'America.

QDA Brown & QBP Katz Host First-Ever Hate Crimes Forum



Queens District Attorney Richard A. Brown, in collaboration with Queens Borough President Melinda Katz, hosted a Hate Crimes Forum on Wednesday, August 3, 2016, with featured speakers and organizers (from L to R) Assistant District Attorney Mariela Palomino Herring, Bureau Chief of the District Attorney's Gang Violence and Hate Crimes Bureau; Lead Advisor Rama Issa, Community Rela-

tions Board of the New York City Commission on Human Rights; Assistant Commissioner Sapna V. Raj, Law Enforcement Bureau of the New York City Commission on Human Rights Commission; Deputy Inspector Mark Magrone, Commanding Officer of the NYPD Hate Crimes Task Force; U.S. Attorney Robert L. Capers, Eastern District of New York; Queens Borough President Melinda Katz; Executive Assistant

District Attorney Jesse Sligh, Special Prosecutions Division; Assistant District Attorney Michael E. Brovner, Section Chief, Violent Criminal Enterprises of the Queens District Attorney's Gang Violence and Hate Crimes Bureau; and Joyce Moy, Esq., Executive Director of the Asian American/Asian Research Institute at CUNY, Founding Advisor, Borough President's Queens General Assembly.

Senator Peralta Hosts 7th Annual Back to School Giveaway



With the upcoming academic year just a month away, State Senator Jose Peralta, local organizations and volunteers distributed

backpacks and school supplies to students during the Senator's seventh annual Back to School Giveaway in Corona. More than 3,000

backpacks filled with school tools were handed out. The backpacks

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visit a cooling center, and drink lots of water.”

Cooling centers are air conditioned facilities, such as libraries, community centers, senior centers and NYCHA facilities that are open to the public during heat emergencies. To find the nearest cooling center – including accessible facilities – call 311 (TTY: 212-504-4115) or visit NYC Emergency Management’s Cooling Center Finder at www.nyc.gov/beattheheat.

NYC Emergency Management continues to monitor the weather and encourages New Yorkers to take the following steps to beat the heat this week:

CHECK ON THOSE PARTICULARLY VULNERABLE TO THE HEAT:

- A small but crucial gesture can help ensure that we all have a safe and healthy summer: Get to know your neighbors, and contact neighbors and relatives – in person or by phone – at least twice a day during heat waves.
- Pay special attention to the elderly, the very young and anyone with a pre-existing medical condition. New Yorkers should check in on older neighbors who may be isolated from friends and family.

- Air conditioning is the best way to keep cool when it is hot outside, but some people do not have an air conditioner or do not turn it on when they need it. Encourage them to use air conditioning. Help them get to an air-conditioned place if they cannot stay cool at home. Make sure they are drinking enough water.

ADDITIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY TIPS FOR PROTECTION AGAINST THE HEAT:

- Stay out of the sun and avoid extreme temperature changes.
- Wear lightweight, light-colored clothing.
- Drink fluids, particularly water, even if you do not feel thirsty. Your body needs water to keep cool. Those on fluid-restricted diets or taking diuretics should first consult their physician.
- Water is the safest liquid to drink during heat emergencies. Avoid beverages containing alcohol and/or caffeine.
- Eat small, frequent meals.
- Avoid strenuous activity, especially during the sun’s peak hours: 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. If you must do strenuous activity, do it during the coolest part of the day, which is usually in the morning between 4:00 AM and 7:00 AM.

- If possible, go to an air-conditioned building for several hours during the hottest parts of the day.

- Cool down with a cool bath or shower.
- Participate in activities that will keep you cool, such as going to the movies, shopping at a mall, or swimming at a pool or beach.
- Cover all exposed skin with an SPF sunscreen (15 or above) and wear a wide-brimmed hat to protect your face and head.
- Never leave your children or pets in the car.

FACTS ABOUT HEAT ILLNESS:

Heat illness is serious. Prolonged exposure to the heat can be harmful and potentially fatal. The added stress caused by heat can also aggravate heart or lung disease even without symptoms of heat illness. The risk for getting sick during a heat wave is increased for people who:

- Do not have or do not use air conditioning
- Are age 65 or older
- Have chronic medical or mental health conditions
- Take certain medications, which can disrupt the regulation

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were distributed to the students on a first-come, first-serve basis.

There was a limit of one backpack per student present at the event. Backpacks contain classroom necessities, such as notebooks, pens, calculators, rulers and markers. Besides receiving vital learning tools, kids were also able to jump into a bouncing house and take on a rock-climbing wall.

“Education is a top priority, and providing critical learning tools to local students allows them to be confident as they face the challenges of the new academic year,” said Senator Peralta. “As many hard-working families continue to face hardships to make ends meet, and cannot afford to buy the necessary school supplies for their children, we must ensure we provide students with the proper school necessities,” said Senator Peralta.

“I want to thank all the sponsors and collaborators for making this traditional back to school supplies giveaway a reality another year. This annual event helps hundreds and hundreds of local students and their families as they gear up for the school year,” said Senator Peralta. “During the Back to School event, kids not only get school supplies, they are able to play and spend time with friends and classmates.”

“Proper school supplies are essential, but unfortunately, many families struggle to pay for all the tools necessary for success. That is why Senator Peralta’s annual backpack and school supply giveaway is so important; it removes some of the financial pressure of

back-to-school shopping and allows parents and children to focus on having a productive school year. I am proud to stand with my colleague Senator Peralta and I wish all of the students luck on their first days back to school,” said Senator Toby Ann Stavisky.

“I am proud to join Senator Peralta at this Back to School event today. No student should have to start school without the proper supplies. Events like this not only help us ensure that every child in New York City has the supplies that they need to have a successful academic year, but get kids excited to go back to school in the fall. I would like to thank Senator Peralta for hosting this event and for his dedication to our children,” Assemblymember Michael DenDekker (D-East Elmhurst) said.

Amy Paul, Executive Director of Woodside on the Move, noted, “Woodside on the Move is thrilled to partner on Back to School day. Bookbags are not just school supplies, they are opportunities to close the learning gap for so many Queens’ children.”

“As New York’s largest airline, our commitment to serving the community is strong – both by offering the most service from New York City and by giving back to the community,” said Henry Kuykendall, Delta’s Vice President – New York. “We are proud to again partner with Senator Peralta, Woodside On The Move and the Learning Multi-Cultural School to provide children back to school supplies.”

“As a leading health plan in New York State, Fidelis Care is committed to the health of children and making sure we play an active

role in the community,” said Chief Marketing Officer Pamela Hassen of Fidelis. “We are proud to partner with Senator Peralta, Woodside On The Move, and The Learning Multi-Cultural School to support families as the back to school season kicks off.”

“I applaud State Senator Peralta and his staff for reaching out to sponsors to obtain free school supplies for children. Many struggling families will benefit from this gift. I am proud to be a sponsor and appreciate all that Senator Peralta continues to do,” said Nicole Bailey, Principal of The Learning Tree.

“It is always our pleasure to partner with Senator Peralta on his annual Back-to-School event. So many children in our local community go back to school inadequately supplied with the tools they need to succeed. Queens Center is pleased to contribute 500 backpacks with school supplies and know that through Senator Peralta’s event, these supplies will get to kids who need them most. Queens Center is a proud sponsor of this important annual event for the children in our community,” said John Scaturro, Senior Manager of Marketing at the Queens Center Mall.

“Con Edison is pleased to participate in the Back to School Backpack Giveaway,” said Kyle Kimball, Con Edison Vice President of Government, Regional and Community Affairs. “Making sure children have a backpack and supplies helps to ensure they begin the school year with the right resources. It is also tremendously gratifying to see their eyes light up

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Gillibrand Tours Boyce Technologies, Announces New Bipartisan "Made In America Manufacturing Communities Act" To Grow Manufacturing Industry in Queens

Gillibrand's Legislation Would Put Designated "Manufacturing Communities" like Queens in Front of the Line to Receive Federal Economic Development Funding

U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand recently toured Boyce Technologies in Queens and announced her bipartisan Made in America Manufacturing Communities Act legislation. Senator Gillibrand's legislation would grow the manufacturing industry and help create good-paying jobs in Queens by creating a permanent program that designates local regions as "Manufacturing Communities," which would put them in the front of the line to receive federal economic development funding specifically for the purpose of investing in manufacturing.

"New York City has one of the most diverse and talented workforces in the entire country, and that makes us perfectly positioned for a manufacturing boom," said Senator Gillibrand. "This bipartisan legislation would unlock millions of dollars in federal economic development funds for smart investments in high-impact projects and leverage public-private partnerships to help create good-paying manufacturing jobs in Queens, jumpstart new businesses, and grow our economy for years to come."

"The most important business issues we face here in Queens revolve around diversity, innovation and jobs. This bill sponsored by Senator Gillibrand will go a long way to help keep and grow businesses in Queens. Boyce Technologies is a wonderful example of each of these three key components. The Queens Chamber is steadfast in its resolve to support initiatives that encourage and allow businesses such as Boyce to flourish; locally, domestically and internationally," said Thomas J. Grech, Executive Director, Queens Chamber of Commerce.

"Long Island City is the customization capital of the world, where manufacturing companies

from design/build engineering, to architectural lighting and glass, to industrial 3D printers, to specialty food and beverage - take advantage of our central location and unparalleled transportation access to serve customers across the region and the globe," said Elizabeth Lusskin, President of the Long Island City Partnership. "They also access the best workforce in the world, from PhD engineers to production workers, providing them family supporting jobs. And when you put some of the smartest people in the world, together with some of the best workers in the world, and give them support to produce, you get innovations that change our world. But costs are high and global competition fierce, so it is only right that the federal government help these companies, as a community. We thank Senator Gillibrand for leading the charge to help manufacturing communities like LIC and companies like Boyce succeed, and we are so honored to have her make this announcement in Long Island City, an original Made in America Community."

"We were honored to host US Senator Kirsten Gillibrand at one of our Long Island City manufacturing facilities today. Sen. Gillibrand is committed to ensuring that the development and production of advanced technology remain in New York. When we started Boyce Technologies, we made a commitment to design and manufacture our Public Safety Security and Communications Systems in New York. We understood that combining the talent, diversity, and dedication of New Yorkers with the most advanced machining and design capabilities would be a phenomenal asset. But manufacturing in New York is expensive. Senator

Gillibrand's bipartisan initiative allows companies like ours to better leverage federal programs and resources to remain competitive in a global marketplace," said Charles E. Boyce, President of Boyce Technologies.

The manufacturing sector in New York City has stabilized and is beginning to grow again after a decade of decline, according to the Center for an Urban Future. Senator Gillibrand's bill would help the manufacturing industry in New York City continue to grow by creating a permanent program to competitively award regions with the "Manufacturing Communities" designation. This designation would give these communities preferred consideration when applying for up to \$1.3 billion in currently available federal economic development funding for manufacturing. This legislation encourages a regionally-driven approach to strengthening the manufacturing industry. To compete for funding through this program and earn the "Manufacturing Communities" designation, communities would create regional partnerships with key stakeholders such as local and state economic development officials, local governments, manufacturers, labor organizations, and higher education or other training providers.

Senator Gillibrand's bipartisan legislation is cosponsored by Senators Mark Kirk (R-IL), Jerry Moran (R-KS), Richard Blumenthal (D-CT), and Christopher A. Coons (D-DE), and a bipartisan House version was introduced by U.S. Representatives David Cicilline (D-RI), Richard Hanna (R-NY), Tom Reed (R-NY), Tim Ryan (D-OH), John Katko (R-NY), Cheri Bustos (D-IL), John Garamendi (D-CA), and Lloyd Doggett (D-TX)

Statement by Assemblywoman Margaret Markey on City Proposal for Homeless Shelter in a Local Hotel

The proposal to use a Holiday Inn Express hotel in Maspeth to provide temporary space for homeless couples may be a mistake. All of us need to learn more about the plan than we heard from city officials last week. I am concerned about the opportunity for adequate community review of the proposal. We need time to

hear about the job placement and counseling services that will be provided to ensure that the shelter is truly 'temporary' for residents. I am also concerned about the track record of the proposed provider. We need answers to our questions and I am opposed to moving forward with this plan until we hear them.

Van Bramer, DOE Announce 36 New Pre-K Seats in Long Island City

76 seats added in total this summer, eliminating the Pre-K wait list at PS78

Majority Leader Jimmy Van Bramer and the Department of Education announced the addition of 36 Pre-K seats in Hunters Point. This follows Council Member Van Bramer's July 8 announcement of 40 new seats in the neighborhood, bringing the total of additional students who will be able to attend Pre-K in Hunters Point to 76 and eliminating the Pre-K waitlist in Hunters Point.

"I'm very pleased that after much advocacy and pushing from parents and my office, the DOE confirmed that they have found room for an additional 36 children to attend Pre-K in Hunters Point," said Council Majority Leader Jimmy Van Bramer. "Because of our

urging, the DOE has added a total of 76 Pre-K seats, eliminating the PS 78 Pre-K waitlist and ensuring that all of the neighborhood's children can attend Pre-K close to home. I will continue to push for these seats to be made permanent. Additionally, last year, I helped secure \$225 million to build three new schools in Long Island City. I will be a strong advocate to ensure these schools are constructed and opened as quickly as possible so that all of our neighborhood's children have a place to learn."

The new classrooms will be located at 5-14/16 49th Avenue and serve Pre-K students from Hunters Point for the 2016/2017 school year.

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when they get their new backpack and supplies."

Dennis Walcott, President and CEO of the Queens Library, said, "Queens Library is happy to help Senator Peralta provide back-to-school supplies for the students of Queens. We look forward to seeing them at the library this fall."

"We at The Pinnacle Group are pleased to work with Senator Peralta on the 'Back to School' Event; a very important cause assisting children to prepare for the coming school year. Many of these children need this assistance, and we are proud to be a part of this special event," said Richard Harley, Director of Community Affairs of the Pinnacle Group.

"LeFrak City is dedicated to supporting the education and well-being of the children and families who live or go to school in Queens. The Back to School event hosted by Senator Jose Peralta, Woodside On The Move and The Learning Multi-Cultural School, exemplifies the growing neighborhood's willingness to work together to meet the needs of nearby residents. We are grateful to have the opportunity to lend a hand by passing out school supplies at this year's event," said a spokesperson for LeFrak City.

"Food Bazaar is proud to support back-to-school events across the State and help get essential school supplies into the hands of students. We are proud to work with community leaders and organizations to build grassroots partnerships that benefit local families," a representative from

Food Bazaar said.

"NYC Health + Hospitals/Elmhurst is honored to partner with State Senator Peralta, Woodside on the Move, and other community-based organizations to support this initiative," said Israel Rocha, Jr., Elmhurst's CEO. "Our providers, patients and volunteers were thrilled to donate items that will help children receive the supplies they need to have a healthy, happy school year."

"WellCare is proud to be a co-sponsor of Sen. Peralta's seventh annual Back-to-School event to help ensure students are outfitted for success when they return to school," said John J. Burke, President of WellCare of New York. "Education is a key component of health and to ensuring successful futures for all of our children."

This year's Back to School supplies give-away was co-sponsored by Woodside on the Move, Delta, Con Edison, LeFrak City Organization, the Learning Tree, New York Fire Department, The Madison Square Garden Company, Queens Library, USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center, Well Care Health Plans, Food Bazaar Supermarket, Queens Center, Mega Power, Inc., New York Mets, White Castle, Sherwood Village Tenants Association, Fidelis Care, United Healthcare, Elmhurst Hospital Center, FAB NY, New York Life, Variety Boys and Girls Club of Queens, North Queens Homeowners Association, the Pinnacle Group NY and HealthFirst. "I also want to thank the police officers from the NYPD Community Affairs Unit for their cooperation during the event," said Senator Peralta.

Vital Vaccine Clinical Trial to Beat Zika is Running Out of Money

Schumer Reveals: Faces Sudden Closure; Schumer Demands Congress Return—Only One Day Is Needed—To Fund Vaccine Trial; Window To Squash Zika Now Closing; Cities —Like NY—On Edge

Zika Vaccine Trials Started This Past Week, But Will Cease Without Zika Bill Dollars—Wasting The Money Already Spent & Irresponsibly Endangering Public Health; NYS Cases Now Approaching 500, With Over 400 In NYC

Schumer Push Comes On Heels Of Historic U.S. Zika Travel Warning; \$1.9 Billion In Emergency Fed Funding Is Vital To Preventing More Spread Now & In Future; Schumer Letter To Congressional Leaders Implores Action

Schumer: Real Shot At The Vaccine To Stop Zika Demands Congress Return To Washington And Pass This Bill

On the heels of an unprecedented U.S. travel warning, and the prospect that an essential clinical trial for the vaccine to contain the Zika virus will be terminated

for lack of funds, U.S. Senator Charles E. Schumer called on House and Senate leadership to suspend congressional recess—for even just one day—and pass a \$1.9 billion emergency funding bill that is needed to fight the Zika spread. Specifically, Schumer explained that phase one of Zika vaccine trials began this week but without passing this bill, the dollars for the next phases of vaccine clinical trials will cease.

"It has been more than 165 days since the President requested emergency funding to fight Zika, but Congress has yet to pass a bill and public health now hangs in the balance: the time to act is now," said U.S. Senator Charles Schumer.

"With clinical trials to beat Zika underway, we have a real shot at a vaccine, but unfortunately a Congress that went on recess

rather than approve emergency funding is about to pull the plug on this Zika vaccine effort," said U.S. Senator Charles Schumer. "Simply put, if Congress does not go back to Washington to pass this emergency funding package, we will regret it. This emergency funding package is an investment because the cost of doing nothing—which is what we are doing right now while Congress is on recess—will cost us even more in both dollars and in health consequences. That's why I've joined my colleagues in urging Congress to go back to Washington—even for just a day—to pass this \$1.9 billion emergency bill to help fight Zika."

Common symptoms of Zika include fever, rash, joint pain and conjunctivitis. However, the virus may cause more serious risks to those who are pregnant.



Whirl With Merle

Kennedy's Restaurant Makes a Breezy Point



by Merle Exit

Picture it. You are seated at a large window looking out on Jamaica Bay. Just outside people are dining at tables with umbrellas. The sand is a few feet away, but nobody is walking on it. There is one path that crosses in front of the tables. Mothers with strollers, walkers of all ages. The evening is warm with a breeze. Another path goes down to the water. One man comes walking up with his kayak. Families are arriving and leaving as the sunset waits its approach. Out in the near distance you can see the green of an area known as Jamaica Wildlife. Further out in the distance are some of the Manhattan buildings as the blue sky shows its clarity.

You have already been aware that you are in a private community in the Rockaways known as Breezy Point, prior to entering the parking lot of Kennedy's Restaurant. It is one of few historic places that have survived the hurricane and rebuilt by owners Christine Strehle and Gerard Casey.

Calming hues of royal blue and white line the inside of the restaurant. It is a busy Friday evening with local residents meeting up at the bar. A small band plays mood music, soft in sound so not to interfere with the customers' conversations. Tables are placed in a way that gives you some amount of privacy.

As one would expect, the bill of fare features much seafood. I am dining with a friend prior to attending a show at Rockaway Theatre Company just minutes away. There is plenty of time to relax and enjoy our meals.

We each order a glass of pinot grigio. Maggie, our waitperson, recites the specials of the day with complete descriptions and

price, not even having to look at her "cheat sheet". That is already a bit unusual as most places don't reveal the price unless you actually ask.

I have my favorites when it comes to oysters. However, one is located at an oyster farm on Cape Cod and the other in Apalachicola in Florida. Blue Point is my choice and probably the best in the area due to its size and brinness. I settle for 6.

We choose two appetizers to share. One is a tuna tartare over Hass avocado with ginger-lime-soy wasabi and homemade crisps (potato chips). It is the next best thing to sushi. I could not resist the second one, "Sea Scallops in Chilli-Accented Sriracha Beurre Blanc, accompanied by a Chorizo and Shrimp Risotto". Every time I watch Hell's Kitchen a meal always seems to call for Sea Scallops with risotto and hearing Gordon Ramsay cursing out the chefs for it not being perfect. Ramsay would have been proud of Kennedy's chef. I certainly loved it!

Having our taste buds dancing with the seafood, we switched to landlubbing. A New York strip steak was cooked exactly as ordered. I would have called it a bit "chewy" if it weren't my own fault of having older teeth, if you get my drift. It came with fresh string beans. I requested risotto vs having potatoes. This one seemed to be a wild mushroom with a bit of truffle oil. Executive Chef Orville Campbell adds aged parmesan cheese for an extra creaminess into the risotto.

One popular entrée is Chicken Puffed Pastry made with chicken breast and a slice of tomato. Mushroom gravy surrounds it so not to lose the crispiness of the pastry. Although I did enjoy it, it would not be a first choice, considering all of the specials.

Unfortunately our tummies

were getting full and I didn't think it would be a great idea to doggy bag it to the theatre. Oh well. There is still a little spot in the belly that saves room for dessert. With Crème Brulee being a running joke in my life (an anecdote that sounds as if Saturday Night Live scripted it), I ordered it. I personally did not find it to be one of the best. It wasn't as smooth as I would have liked it to be and the top was burnt a bit more than enough to taste the flamed char.

Bottom line. The food did not appear pretentious nor highly eye appealing, although the quality and flavor was certainly up there with my taste buds. The location is: 406 Bayside (718) 945-0202. www.kennedysbreezypoint.com On a negative note: This is not the fault of Kennedy's. I needed a taxi to Fort Tilden. They called for me with Belle Rock. I asked for a receipt and the driver did not have one other than Broker Service vouchers, nor even a business card. I called a few days later to speak with a dispatcher named Ilya. He said that I should have requested a receipt when I called and felt that the AAR broker service vouchers would have sufficed. Sure, let's place the blame on the customer rather than the person who should be doing his job correctly. I requested to have the dispatcher send a receipt in the mail rather than drop it off in my mail box. He refused ("I don't have time for this") and told me to call back on Monday to speak with either Willy or Yakov. I will do this as well as filing a complaint with the Better Business Bureau. Perhaps I should tell AAR that this company is giving out vouchers.

I did speak with someone from Kennedy's who said that they are considering my experience when someone requests a taxi service.

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of body temperature

- Are confined to their beds, have trouble with being mobile, or are unable to leave their homes

- Are overweight
- Consume alcohol or illegal drugs

Know the warning signs of heat stress. If you or someone you know feels weak or faint, go to a cool place and drink water. If there is no improvement, call a doctor or 911.

Call 911 immediately if you have, or someone you know has:

- Hot dry skin OR cold clammy skin
- Trouble breathing
- Rapid heartbeat
- Confusion, disorientation, or dizziness
- Nausea and vomiting

KEEPING YOUR PETS SAFE

- Avoid dehydration: Pets can dehydrate quickly, so give them plenty of fresh, clean water.

- Exercise early and late: When the temperature is very high, don't let your dog linger on hot asphalt. Your pet's body can heat up quickly, and sensitive paw pads can burn.

- Know when your pet is in danger: Symptoms of overheating in pets include excessive panting or difficulty breathing, increased heart and respiratory rate, drooling, mild weakness, stupor, or even collapse. Animals with flat faces like Pugs and Persian cats are more susceptible to heat stroke since they cannot pant as effectively. They should be kept cool in air-conditioned rooms as much as possible.

- Never leave a pet inside of a parked car on a hot day. Even with the windows open, extreme temperatures inside a parked car could quickly lead to fatal heat stroke for your pet.

- Keep cats safe by installing screens in your windows. Unscreened windows pose a real dan-

ger to cats, who fall out of them often during summer months.

- Prepare with your pet: Pet food, water, medications and supplies should always be included in your emergency preparedness plans and "go bags."

IMPROPER FIRE HYDRANT USE:

The improper opening of fire hydrants wastes 1,000 gallons of water per minute, causes flooding on city streets, and can lower water pressure to dangerous levels and hamper the ability of FDNY to fight fire safely and quickly.

Properly used "spray caps" reduce hydrant output to a safe 25 gallons per minute while still providing relief from the heat. To obtain a spray cap, an adult 18 years or older with proper identification can go to his or her local firehouse and request one.

ENERGY-SAVING TIPS:

During periods of intense electrical usage, such as on hot, humid days, it is important to conserve energy as much as possible to avoid brownouts and other electrical disruptions. While diminishing your power usage may seem like an inconvenience, your cooperation will help to ensure that utilities are able to continue to provide uninterrupted electrical service to you and your neighbors.

- Set air conditioners at 78 degrees Fahrenheit. A 75° F setting uses 18 percent more electricity and a 72° F setting uses 39 percent more electricity. This setting allows for sufficient cooling while still conserving electrical power.

- Use an air conditioner only when home. If you want to cool your room before you arrive home, use a timer to have it come on no more than one-half hour before you arrive.

For more information on coping with the heat, visit: www.nyc.gov/beattheheat or view NYC Emergency Management's Beat the Heat video here. The video is also available in both English and Spanish.

10 Tips for Becoming a Knowledgeable Renter

By Nathaniel Sillin

On the hunt for a new apartment? A move can be an exciting opportunity to explore a new area or meet new people. However, competitive rental markets can make it difficult to find a desirable place on a budget.

Keep these ten tips in mind to manage the process like a pro. They'll help you stand out from the crowd, get a good deal, enjoy the neighborhood and manage your rights and responsibilities as a renter.

1. Talk to Other Tenants. Speak with current or past renters to get a sense for the building and landlord. Ask about the neighborhood, noise, timeliness with repairs and any other pressing questions. Consider looking for online reviews of the landlord as well, and research the neighborhood.

2. Upgrade Your Application. Go beyond the basic application

requirements and include pictures, references, credit reports and a short bio about yourself and whoever else may be moving in. Try to catch the landlord's eye and show that you'll take care of the property. You can order a free credit report from each bureau (Equifax, TransUnion and Experian) once every 12 months at AnnualCreditReport.com.

3. Understand Your Lease. The lease may list the rent amount, terms of the security deposit, guest policies and other crucial details. Read it carefully and ask questions if you don't understand something. State laws regarding rent control or other regulations can impact your situation as well. If you can afford one, you could hire a lawyer to review and explain the lease.

4. Negotiate the Terms. You can't always negotiate lower rent (it's worth trying), but there may be

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For Entertainment Purposes Only

ARIES
 (March 21 - April 20)
 Erratic behavior may confuse others, and mood swings may result in isolation. Your ideas are right on the mark and your work commendable. Your lucky numbers are 5,4,9.

TAURUS
 (April 21 - May 21)
 Social activities that involve the whole family will be enjoyable. Keep a lookout for any individuals eager to confront you with unsavory situations. Your lucky numbers are 1,4,5.

GEMINI
 (May 22 - June 21)
 You can get your point across if you don't beat around the bush. Traveling will promote new business encounters. Uncertainties about your personal life are probable. Your lucky numbers are 2,6,8.

CANCER
 (June 22 - July 22)
 Control your emotions and everything will fall into place. Don't let others know about your private affairs. Don't rely on coworkers. lucky numbers are 5,3,9.

LEO
 (July 23 - August 22)
 Don't reveal anything about your personal life to those who may use such information against you. Don't put all your cash in one place. lucky numbers are 8,4,3.

VIRGO
 (August 23 - September 23)
 You may want to pull out some of those unfinished project you've got tucked away. Good investment situations may be apparent at home. Your lucky numbers are 4,8,3.

LIBRA
 (September 24 - October 23)
 Don't deny yourself enjoyment this week. A change of attitude is needed. You can make drastic changes in your business this week. Your lucky numbers are 7,4,3.

SCORPIO
 (October 24 - November 22)
 You may find that doing odd jobs around the house will be successful and appreciated by loved ones. Don't be too shy to promote your own interests. Your lucky numbers are 9,2,5.

SAGITTARIUS
 (November 23 - December 21)
 Talk to someone you trust and respect to sort out any problems. Children may be demanding, and entertainment could cost a lot more than you can really afford. Your lucky numbers are 3,2,7.

CAPRICORN
 (December 22 - January 20)
 It might be best to work on your own; if possible, do your job out of your home this week. You may find it difficult to communicate with someone at work. Your lucky numbers are 4,3,2.

AQUARIUS
 (January 21 - February 19)
 Romance will unfold through business trips. Relatives will be cordial. Don't be too quick to react. Do not yield to children or relatives. Your lucky numbers are 5,7,4.

PISCES
 (February 20 - March 20)
 Your mind will be wandering to exotic destinations. You can spend a passionate evening with someone you cherish if you make your plans early. Your investments are looking better this week. Your lucky numbers are 7,5,3.

Poets Corner

UPS ED

By Frederick R. Bedell Jr.

I know a UPS driver named Ed who's always using his head. He uses his smile as he goes around and once in awhile he uses a frown when things get tough. But wherever he treads Ed is known as a driver that always delivers his packages on time. No matter what toils lay ahead. UPS Ed, that hard working guy who is dressed in brown works to make his bread. It is drivers like Ed that makes UPS most proud.

Noshwalks 2016 Walking Tours

Friday in Flushing (Queens)
AUGUST 19th

Here's your chance to see Flushing when it's not quite as crowded as on weekends, and we meet a bit later in the day! The route we took on our June 5 tour turned out to be the best ever and I'm anxious to lead it again! Food will include South Asian, Chinese, Korean and Latin American (a new addition!); this tour will also incorporate some of Flushing's historic landmarks. If we luck out on beautiful weather, there's a lovely park for tasting! One of our most fun stops is a place that makes about a dozen (or more) different types of barbecue skewers! We'll visit a terrific Korean market and a wonderful new Korean bakery as well as a popular Chinese underground mall with small food stalls.
 Time: 2:30 PM
 Meeting Place: Al-Aziz Market, 43-27 Main Street, Flushing. map it
 Directions: Take the 7 train to Main Street, turn south (as address numbers ascend) until you reach the market, which is on the west side of Main Street opposite the Queens Botanical Garden. You can also take the LIRR to Flushing, which brings you a little closer to our meeting place. Please arrive early if you want to visit the garden.
 Fee: \$57 - includes all tastes but not beverages (and not tip if we have a sit-down tasting)



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Did you know ...?

- Elvis Presley made only 1 television commercial
- Tiger Woods' real first name is Eldrick
- Chevy Chase's real first name is Cornelius
- 'Topolino' is the name for Mickey Mouse Italy
- The TV sitcom Seinfeld was originally called 'The Seinfeld Chronicles'
- Sir Isaac Newton was 23 when he discovered the law of gravity
- August has the highest percentage of births
- Britain was the first country to use postage stamps

Answer to Last Weeks Puzzles

"Try and Find"

"Sudoku"

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Goldfeder, Kopel Fight to Save Beloved Family Business From Rising State Fees

In an effort to save a beloved family fun center from rising rents and crippling state bureaucracy, Assemblyman Phil Goldfeder (D - Far Rockaway) and Nassau County Legislator Howard Kopel (R - Lawrence) today called on the New York State Department of Transportation (DOT) to renegotiate steep Use & Occupancy fees applied to the Five Towns Mini-Golf and Batting Range on Rockaway Turnpike in Lawrence. The request came during a morning press conference with owner, Marty Rosen, that was held outside the popular local business.

"For nearly forty years, Five Towns Mini-Golf and Batting Range has provided wholesome fun and entertainment to thousands of families in our community, including my own," said Assemblyman Phil Goldfeder. "Local businesses like these are the backbone of our economy and we must ensure that they continue to grow and thrive. I urge the state DOT to step up to the plate and ensure the Rosen family remains a part of our community for years to come."

"This is a family-owned business that provides a unique service to the area. We should be attracting local businesses, not forcing them out. I am pleased to once again join Assemblyman Goldfeder in bipartisan advocacy



for our community," said Nassau County Legislator Howard Kopel.

During the press conference this morning outside Five Towns Mini-Golf and Batting Range, Assemblyman Goldfeder and Legislator Kopel called on DOT to renegotiate a 150% increase in Use & Occupancy permit fees applied to the small business beginning in April. The legislators warned state officials that the high fees could force the longstanding business to fail, leading to blight along the commercial district on Rockaway Turnpike. To back their claims, both Goldfeder and Kopel

pointed to an adjacent former car dealership also in state DOT hands which, for the better part of the last decade, has stood abandoned and covered in tall weeds

Goldfeder and Kopel were joined by batting range owner Marty Rosen, who opened the popular family fun center back in 1978 under a month-to-month lease, revocable at any time, from the state, which owns the land as highway right-of-way. Rosen spoke about the challenges he and his children faced over the years as they worked to build and grow a thriving small busin

Crowley Calls on FTC to Protect Consumers Against Zika-Related Scams



Rep. Joe Crowley (D-Queens, the Bronx), Vice Chair of the Democratic Caucus, sent a letter to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) urging the agency to take continued action to defend the public against businesses and products that are preying on fears of the Zika virus to defraud consumers.

In the letter addressed to FTC Chairwoman Edith Ramirez, Crowley points to reports of products promising to protect against mosquitos, or even Zika itself, without offering actual

science-based solutions or proof they work.

"Unfortunately, in times of fear and concern, we see opportunists who try to capitalize on these worries and cash in," said Rep. Crowley. "Americans are already increasingly concerned about the Zika virus, they shouldn't have to fear being taken advantage of as well. The FTC must remain vigilant and take any and all action to keep consumers aware of deceptive products and services, and keep companies honest."

This week, Florida state officials said 14 cases of locally transmitted Zika have been confirmed just outside Miami. The best way to prevent Zika is to prevent mosquito bites, by reducing standing water, keeping screens on windows and doors, and using Environmental Protection Agency-approved insect repellents, which have been evaluated for effectiveness. For more information on preventing and preparing for Zika, visit <http://www.cdc.gov/zika>.

Statement by Assemblywoman Margaret Markey on City Proposal for Homeless Shelter in a Local Hotel



The proposal to use a Holiday Inn Express hotel in Maspeth to provide temporary space for homeless couples may be a mistake. All of us need to learn more about the plan than we heard

from city officials last week. I am concerned about the opportunity for adequate community review of the proposal. We need time to hear about the job placement and counseling services that will be provided to ensure that the shelter is truly 'temporary' for residents. I am also concern about the track record of the proposed provider. We need answers to our questions and I am opposed to moving forward with this plan until we hear them.

Bayside Dentist Sponsors Humanitarian Drug Education & Prevention Program in Haiti

Dr. Bernard Fialkoff, Periodontist and Dental Implant Surgeon of Bayside, New York, and President and Founding Sponsor of Foundation for A Drug Free World of The Americas Chapter, traveled to Haiti to meet with the National Council of Drugs (CONALD) and sign an accord for national implementation of the Drug Free World program along with CONALD Director Dr. Martineau Guerrier. On the trip, Dr. Fialkoff also trained the national drug counselors along with Bishop Dr. Lubin Moise, Haiti Director of Drug Free World, and presented events throughout the city including to hundreds of the country's Scouts. Dozens of local television and radio covered the signing of the accord by Dr. Martineau Guerrier and other representatives of the Haitian government.

Dr. Fialkoff said, "It is important to share the knowledge we have gained as adults with our children. They are the future generation and can be helped to avoid problems that we went through in our lives. As a doctor, one of our roles is to help our community, and that's why I support the Drug Free World initiatives." Along with being Cuban born and valedictorian of his dental class of Stony Brook University, Dr. Fialkoff utilized his foreign language speaking skills and position as a doctor to help millions of those in need



as will now occur with the new Haitian accord. Drug Free World will provide free drug education materials, booklets, curricula and other supplies to the country in order to deter drug abuse in the country.

In addition to his work overseas, Dr. Fialkoff also sponsored more than 15 drug education booths citywide during National Night Out, then volunteers at the booths giving out more than 7500 free drug education booklets in one night. Dr. Fialkoff elicited the help from local dentists and their staffs to volunteer at the booths as well as members of the National Latino Officers Association of America, YMCA and others. Co-sponsors of the Drug Free World booth included CONALD, CG Consultants, International Human Rights

Commission, Bronx YMCA, PAL, Laterna Restaurant and the National Latino Officers Association of America under the leadership of President Anthony Miranda.

Dr. Fialkoff sponsors the humanitarian youth outreach and educational program Foundation for a Drug Free World. Through his office's sponsorship, more than 1100 free drug education events have been conducted at schools, after-schools and other community sites throughout NYC, NJ and Latin America where multitudes of our youth and kids have been safeguarded from the ravages of drugs. Dr. Fialkoff's mission is to safeguard our community, our families and our youth through his sponsorship of the anti-drug education program.



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Weprin Completes Tour of District Precincts on National Night Out

On National Night Out, Assemblyman David Weprin (D-Hollis) visited a number of events hosted by local Queens police precincts. During his tour of events hosted by the NYPD's 102nd, 105th, 106th, 107th, and 111th precincts; Weprin met with precinct captains, police officers, community leaders, neighborhood residents and fellow elected officials from the 24th Assembly District. Celebrating its 33rd Anniversary this year, National Night Out is an annual event seeking to strengthen police/community relations and increase awareness of anti-crime efforts across the country.

"National Night Out brings our dedicated NYPD officers face-to-face with community residents in casual and fun atmosphere," said Assemblyman David Weprin. "We all see what's been happening across our country recently and events like National Night Out go a long way towards building a positive relationship between police and the community."



Pictured at upper right: National Night Out 107th.Pct; Pictured at National Night Out 111th Pct

New Murals Help Beautify Astoria



Rep. Joe Crowley is joined by artist Marthalicia Matarrita, 501 See Streets Executive Director Noah Sheroff, Council Member Costa Constantinides, Senator Michael Gianaris, and Assemblymember Aravella Simotas at the unveiling of a new mural on 29th street in Astoria. See other photo on page 12.

On Tuesday, August 2, Congressman Joe Crowley (D-Queens, the Bronx), State Senator Michael Gianaris, State Assemblymember Aravella Simotas, and City Council Member Costa Constantinides unveiled a mural on 29th Street between 23rd Avenue and Ditmars Boulevard. The officials worked in conjunction with non-profit organization 501(See)(Streets) to coordinate the mural, which was painted during June of this year.

The mural, painted by Marthalicia Matarrita, features portraits of Ancient Greek philosophers, Greek mythological figures, and architectural monuments. Located on the same block as the Federation of Hellenic Societies headquarters, the artwork pays tribute to Astoria's Greek-American heritage.

Rep. Crowley and Council Member Constantinides also worked with 501(See)(Streets) to coordinate a mural on 48th Street between 25th Avenue and 28th Avenue, which was painted in July of this year by muralist Tarsila Schubert. The 48th Street mural features a multi-colored display of abstract shapes, spirals, and designs in a modern art style.

The two projects were implemented as a step in continuing to combat graffiti and beautify the Astoria community. The murals expose residents and passersby to historical culture and modern art, while curbing unwanted outdoor graffiti.

"I'm thrilled to once again work with 501 See Streets and our local elected officials on this unique and creative way to not only beau-

tify our streets but also celebrate the rich, cultural heritage of our neighborhoods," said Rep. Crowley. "I thank Senator Gianaris, Assemblymember Simotas and Council Member Constantinides for their partnership and commitment to this project - one the Astoria community can be proud of!"

"Public art is the cultural window of a community, offering the unique ability to illuminate its past, present and future for residents and visitors alike," said Senator Michael Gianaris. "This mural, like the ancient Greek proverb describes, is an artistic sapling, planted by community leaders, that will provide inspiration for years to come."

"The Greek-American com-

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Meng Announces Signing of New Lease For Kew Gardens Post Office



U.S. Rep. Grace Meng (D-Queens) announced today that the United States Postal Service has renewed its lease for the Kew Gardens Post Office located at 83-30 Austin Street in Kew Gardens, Queens.

This past March, Meng asked the Postal Service about the future of the facility after residents in the area expressed concern that the lease may not be renewed. Postal officials replied by saying that the agency planned to renew the lease, and they have informed the Congresswoman that a new five year agreement has been signed by the Postal Service and the property's landlord. Postal officials signed the new lease yesterday, August 3rd. It expired on July 31st.

The Kew Gardens Post Office has been located at its Austin Street location since April 1951. The term of the new lease runs through July 31, 2021. The most recent lease was a five year term as well.

"The renewal of this lease is a relief for residents in Kew Gardens who had concerns about the future of this post office," said Meng. "These residents said loud

and clear that they wanted this facility to remain in their community, and I'm pleased to deliver the good news. I'm glad that those who live in the area will be able to continue to take advantage of the convenience and services that this postal facility provides."

"We are grateful to Congresswoman Meng for her efforts in ensuring that the post office lease was renewed for another five years," said Dominick Pistone, President of the Kew Gardens Civic Association. "We would also like to work with the Congresswoman on a long-term solution for our post office to avoid another last minute solution in 2021."

"Knowing that the lease for this post office was set to expire, we were concerned about it being renewed, and contacted Congresswoman Meng to find out if it would be," said Murray Berger, Executive Chairman of the Kew Gardens Civic Association. "We're extremely pleased to learn from her that it will remain in our neighborhood, and we thank her for inquiring with the Postal Service."

The Kew Gardens Post Office provides a wide array of services including international shipping, money orders, post office boxes, packaged stamps, pickup services, priority mail and other general postal services.

Retail hours of operation under the new lease will remain the same: Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lobby hours will remain the same as well: Monday-Friday from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 6 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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IT'S IN QUEENS
(August 11 to August 17)

Taiwanese orchids, Australian female surfers, Chinese mythology, German-Peruvian film, and local fashion are ready to rock in Queens this week. Other options are boundary-pushing theater, outdoor entertainment, wind chimes, and tea parties. Here's the rundown.

Aug. 11-21, 2016 UNfringed Festival, many shows. This annual festival presents daring new works from passionate artists who aren't afraid to push boundaries. This year's works explore such topics as racial violence, disability, and queer romance. \$18. The Secret Theatre, 44-02 23rd St., LIC, <http://bit.ly/2aPADLL>.

Aug. 11, H.O.M.E., dusk. The Queens World Film Festival screens H.O.M.E., a movie that was shot entirely in Queens that weaves together stories inspired by true events: A young boy is rescued from the subway while an Ecuadorian livery driver helps a Chinese woman desperate to get to her sick child. Free. Kissena Corridor Park, Main Street and Elder Avenue, Flushing, <http://bit.ly/2a6FvRl>.

Aug. 12-14, Taiwan: A World of Orchids, 10 am to 5 pm. A stunning display of orchids with live music and gardening tips. Queens Botanical Garden, 43-50 Main St., Flushing, <http://bit.ly/2ausTPt>.

Aug. 12-13, NYC Women's Surf Film Festival, 7 pm to late. This fourth annual festival celebrates women who love to surf and the filmmakers who capture their feats on camera. Event includes full-length and short films, Q&A sessions, and a photography show. Rockaway Beach Surf Club, 302 Beach 87th St., Rockaway, www.lavagirlsurf.com.

Aug. 12, Yuhan Su Jazz Quintet: Mythology, 8 pm. Taiwanese vibraphonist Yuhan Su has written a new series of compositions inspired by Chinese Mythology. \$16. Flushing Town Hall, 137-35 Northern Blvd., <http://bit.ly/2b1x3kT>.

Aug. 12, Lincoln Center's Opera, 8 pm. Queens Theatre is showing films of classic Lincoln Center performances. This week, it's the Richard Tucker Opera's 2015 Concert. Renée Fleming, Andrea Bocelli, Lawrence Brownlee, and other superstars join forces for one of the perennial highlights of the opera season. Free. Festival Lawn, Flushing Meadows Corona Park, <http://bit.ly/2a80jT1>.

Aug. 12, Flushing Summer Movie Extravaganza, 7 pm. While the animated film Minions shows, the audience samples such snacks as Korean fried chicken, Taiwanese pastry, Japanese don katsu, and real ginger ale from Bruce Coat. The first 200 guests receive free Hershey's Ice Cream. Free. One Fulton Square Outdoor Plaza, 39-16 Prince St., Flushing, <http://bit.ly/2aAr9TW>.

Aug. 12, Ska Orchestra, 5 pm. This band performs Caribbean-influenced tunes as part of an outdoor music series presented by Kupferberg Center for the Arts and the Queens Parks Department. Free. Windmuller Park, vicinity of 39th Road and 52nd Street, Woodside,

<http://bit.ly/29VcolW>.

Aug. 12, Flushing Night Out, 6 pm to 11 pm. Food, fashion, and music with a (718) Love theme. Free. Flushing High School, 35-01 Union St., <http://bit.ly/29IKmgi>.

Aug. 12, The Shining, 8 pm. A screening of the iconic Jack Nicholson film as part of Classic "Psycho" Film Fridays. Free. Rufus King Park, vicinity of Jamaica Avenue and 153rd Street, Jamaica, <http://bit.ly/29Kxcav>.

Aug. 12, The Hateful Eight, 7 pm (Aug. 14, 7 pm). Shown as part of the See It Big! Series, this Quentin Tarantino western is about bounty hunter and his fugitive captive who encounter an infamous bounty hunter and a supposed sheriff, before being stranded by a blizzard in

Minnie's Haberdashery, which harbors four more suspicious—and quite possibly murderous—characters. \$15. Museum of the Moving Image, 36-01 35th Ave., Kaufman Arts District, <http://bit.ly/2achrtS>.

Aug. 13, MAMI Market, noon-7 pm. Local designers and artists take residence at the Knockdown Center for a day-long market place, along with DJ sets, performances, workshops, and more. Free. Knockdown Center, 52-19 Flushing Ave., Maspeth, <http://bit.ly/2b3Jaiw>.

Aug. 13, Hot Jazz Cool Garden, 2 pm. Jane Monheit presents the Louis and Ella Verve Record Anniversary Tribute. The jazz is served with Satchmo's favorite dish: red beans 'n' rice and sweet tea. \$18. Louis Armstrong House Museum, 34-56 107th St., Corona, <http://bit.ly/2b1tdIo>.

Aug. 13, Gotham Fish Tales, 1 pm. This documentary focuses on people who fish in New York City. Free. Greater Astoria Historical Society, 35-20 Broadway, LIC, <http://bit.ly/2a4eZVn>.

Aug. 13, Jamaica Dance Festival, 7 pm. On this final date of a five-week festival, the Alpha Omega Theatrical Dance Company performs eclectic works. Free. Rufus King Park, vicinity of 150th Street and Jamaica Avenue, Jamaica, <http://bit.ly/29JOPXN>.

Aug. 13, Dance at Socrates, 4 pm. A performance with Gleich Dances and Greyzone with Kyle Marshall and Rebecca Kelly Ballet on an outdoor stage in a grove of trees. Free. Socrates Sculpture Park, 32-01 Vernon Blvd., LIC, <http://bit.ly/2aqJl5h>.

Aug. 13, Community Conversations for Kids, 10 am. The New York Council for the Humanities invites all upper elementary and middle school students to join a guided conversation on Democracy. Free. Queens Historical Society, 143-35 37th Ave., Flushing, <http://bit.ly/2auDY6D>.

Aug. 13, The Wild Bunch, 2 pm (Aug. 14, 3:30 pm). Screened as part of the See It Big! Series, this western follows a cadre of aging outlaws, fleeing the authorities, who attempt to make a final score for a Mexican general. Things go awry, and the gang finds itself in a wild and bloody shoot-out. \$15. Museum

of the Moving Image, 36-01 35th Ave., Kaufman Arts District, <http://bit.ly/2achrtS>.

Aug. 14, Tea Party—Slow Flow Performance and workshop with Lin Ceramics Studio, 1:30 pm. A performance entitled "Temperature" which captures the essence of Taiwan's tea culture. It opens with the tea master making a fire, preparing to welcome a friend with tea. As the warmth diffuses in the space, the tea master performs the classic tea ceremony. The first 30 participants receive a special gift from Lin Ceramics Studio. Free. Queens Museum, NYC Building, Flushing Meadows Corona Park, <http://bit.ly/2b9k4OE>.

Aug. 14, JCKidz Back-to-School Fashion Show, 3 pm. A budding fashionista's paradise with young models on a red carpet, showcasing styles by local designer Tyran Williams. Plus, live entertainment. Free. Jamaica Coliseum Mall, 89-02 165th St., Jamaica, <http://bit.ly/2aAmxgB>.

Aug. 14, World's Fair History Walking Tour, 11 am to 2 pm. Offered continually, this one-hour walking tour explores sites from the 1964 World's Fair. Free. Meet at the Unisphere, Flushing Meadows Corona Park, <http://on.nyc.gov/2aGhnRX>.

Aug. 14, Make Your Own Wind Chime, 2 pm and 4 pm. Create musical wind chimes from found objects with Exploring the Metropolis Con Edison/Flushing Council on Culture and the Arts Composer-in-Residence and Wind Chime artist Skip LaPlante. \$10. Flushing Town Hall, 137-35 Northern Blvd., <http://bit.ly/2aV5PuX>.

Aug. 14, American Contemporary Music Ensemble, 3 pm. As part of the Bang on a Can series, this ensemble plays Philip Glass's luminous String Quartet No. 5 from 1991 and Meredith Monk's only string quartet Stringsongs from 2005. Free. Noguchi Museum, 09-01 33rd St., LIC, <http://bit.ly/2ahrLlw>.

Aug. 14, Red September, 1 pm. A book signing and Q&A with Marita Berry, author of Red September, a coming-of-age novel set in the Caribbean. Free. Lewis H. Latimer House Museum, 34-41 137th St., Flushing, www.latimernow.org.

Aug. 14, Contemporary and American Songbook, 4 pm. Wishing On Stars and Bethany Wild perform as part of the Summer Sundays in the Park series. Free. Travers Park, 78th Street between 34th Avenue and Northern Boulevard, Jackson Heights, <http://bit.ly/29JcS7O>.

Aug. 17, Aguirre, The Wrath of God, sundown. An outdoor cinema series presents a German-Peruvian dreamlike evocation of the real-life quest for the lost city of gold, El Dorado. Plus Peruvian delights from Inti Sumaq and music by Andes Fusion. Free. Socrates Sculpture Park, 32-01 Vernon Blvd., LIC, <http://bit.ly/2aMUwpg>.

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League to End Soon By Robert Elkin

It won't be long now before summer basketball programs, camps, and leagues will be over and the fall season meaning back to school will be upon us. It will thus mark the next step or next level up for the basketball players when they will join their school in quest of improving their games.

For the beginners, in the under 11 division of any league, the kids are still young and learning this round ball sport.

Right now here in Queens, the summer programs will be over, especially the one in the East Elmhurst-Corona area when the PS 127 courts hosted once again its summer program. However, basketball is not the only sport at this venue as kids and adults play soccer and baseball, as well. But most of the attention is focused on the round ball activity. This is a circuit going on for many years and it all started for some of the players who are now in the professional ranks,

Over recent summers, the league has not stressed a division for the men's Open, which includes college bound players or even those out of college to keep them in some

kind of basketball shape.

For the current high school players, college recruiters and/or representatives from colleges do come out keeping an eye on their future players during their 'Open' period. And they keep notes on such players.

After the departure of last year's Elm-Cor summer league director, who went elsewhere, a number of residents who have been very familiar with the Elm-Cor summer program got together and took over the league. Coaches from Elm-Cor and Ball Hogs, both with hoop programs, and teams in various age brackets, and both from Queens, got together and continued the league.

One of them was Darnell Childs, who grew up in the East Elmhurst area. In fact, he helped the director with last year's summer program. He was very familiar with its courts that were renovated during one past summer and its surroundings, and played his high school ball at nearby St. John's Prep of the Catholic High Schools Athletic Association and college ball at American International. He grew up and played his basketball during

the time of the late Cecil Watkins and his staff. It was Watkins and his staff who built an indoor facility for winter basketball programs and leagues.

The idea of Childs was to help the kids succeed and grow with the sport even though he was not a head coach of a college or high school. He puts in a lot of time with the players between ages eight and 16. During the time of being a co-director of the summer program, he tries to help the kids move up and improve on their play.

"As coach, I would give pointers to the players during their actual competition," he said after one of the games last Saturday before a heavy rain storm drove the players out. But the game was already completed.

Childs also works for the New York City Board of Education as a parent coordinator.

"My goal is to see the youngsters work hard, let them have the opportunity to get a college scholarship, if possible, and let them just play in college," he said. "The greatest thing is to watch the kids become decent basketball players and develop their skills."

NFL Greats Make History by Launching Professional Football in China

The schedules are set, the arenas booked, the teams have hometowns, logos, names, coaches, and now the players have been added.

The China Arena Football League will kick off its inaugural season in October 2016 with six teams. It's been three years in the making for the CAFL and organizers have been determined to build a strong foundation. The historic league is the brainchild of very successful businessman Marty Judge, owner of the Philadelphia Soul of the Arena Football League.

Judge has teamed up with partners and NFL Greats Ron Jaworski and Dick Vermeil. Other team executives include former NFL lineman Ed Wang (VP of League Development); former

rugby player, coach and developer David Niu (President, AFL Global), and the head of football operations, Ken Bozarth. Chief Executive Officer of the CAFL is Gary R. Morris, who is president of the Judge Group.

On June 10th the CAFL held the league's first ever player draft, which was streamed live around the world and was broadcast in English and Mandarin. Over 500 players have registered for the draft, including many current US AFL star players, as well as standouts from Germany, Spain and Italy.

The CAFL Draft Show was anchored in the US by veteran sports broadcaster Lou Tilley, who will be joined in the studio by football experts from both the US

and China. Ed Wang will serve as a studio analyst. The former Virginia Tech and NFL standout lineman is the son of two native China Olympic athletes, and heads the CAFL's Beijing office. Ed's brother David, also a standout at Virginia Tech, is expected to be selected in the first round. Clint Dolezel, the current head coach of the Philadelphia Soul, who will coach the Beijing Lions in the CAFL, will join the studio analysis, as will former NFL player and current AFL coach Phil Bogle. Other special guests will include CAFL and AFL-Global founder Marty Judge, along with founding partners Ron Jaworski and Dick Vermeil.

For more on the CAFL, log on to www.caflfootball.com.

10 Tips for Becoming a Knowledgeable Renter

flexibility when it comes to the security deposit, parking spaces, administrative fees, or the lease's length.

5. Learn Your Rights. Protect yourself by learning about your rights as a renter. They can vary by state, and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has a directory with links to tenants' rights websites for each state.

6. Do a Walkthrough. Walk through the apartment with the landlord, look for damages and document anything you find. You'll thank yourself later when you move out and ask for your full security deposit back.

7. Consider Renters Insurance. Renters insurance costs about \$15 to \$30 a month for a policy that

covers \$50,000 worth of losses. It reimburses you if your belongings are stolen, damaged or destroyed by a covered cause, such as a fire. The insurance also helps pay for legal fees if, for instance, someone sues after getting injured at your home.

8. Make Your Own Repairs. Prior to signing the lease, ask if you can take on some of the maintenance responsibilities in exchange for reduced rent. You could offer to handle and pay for basic upkeep, such as replacing lights or smoke detectors, and making minor repairs.

9. Pay Attention to Bills. Evaluate which bills you'll pay in addition to the rent, such as gas, heat, water, electricity, trash, Wi-Fi or parking. A more expensive apartment

that includes these can save you money overall.

10. Talk to Your Landlord. Hiding financial trouble helps no one. Talk to your landlord and ask for an extension if you can't make rent. Good tenants can be hard to come by, and your landlord will likely prefer open communication and a late check to being left in the dark.

Bottom Line: Being an informed renter is especially important in a competitive rental market. Take simple steps to improve your rental and money management skills and you'll benefit for years to come.

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Queens Library Unveils Plaque Honoring Frank D. Esposito at North Forest Park Library



Pictured: Queens Library President and CEO Dennis M. Walcott, Lisa Wong-Esposito, Queens Library Chief Librarian Nick Buron and North Forest Park Community Library Manager Leslie A. Dann unveil the memorial plaque for Frank D. Esposito.

Queens Library President and CEO Dennis M. Walcott joined the staff and community at the North Forest Park Community Library in Forest Hills to pay tribute to Frank D. Esposito, a beloved member of his community and devoted patron of Queens Library. Mr. Esposito passed away in 2013, leaving a \$50,000 bequest to the North Forest Park Library.

Mr. Esposito, who had lived in Forest Hills since 1969, served his country with distinction in Vietnam. When he returned from the war in 1971, he went to work for the New York City Board of Education as an electrician.

While he worked days, he went to the City College of New York at nights, and earned his college degree four years later. Receiving his degree enabled him to become a supervisor of mechanics, and at the end of his nearly 37-year career with the Board of Education, he was in charge of 300 people and served 1,100 schools all over the city.

"Mr. Esposito loved his library, and he loved the dedicated people at North Forest Park," said Mr. Walcott. "This plaque represents

the permanency of his engagement, and his contribution to the longevity of the library."

"Frank really cared about people, more than himself," said his wife, Lisa Wong-Esposito, as her husband's memorial plaque was unveiled. "He felt like the staff at North Forest Park were part of his family, and he believed that education and knowledge are the greatest foundations in anyone's life. What better place to give to than the library? I hope this gift encourages more people all over the city to give back to their local libraries."

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 website at www.queenslibrary.org or phone 718-990-0700. Queens Library. Enrich your life®.

SJ Jung Fails to File Financial Disclosure With JCOPE



Senator Toby Ann Stavisky's campaign recently requested the latest ethics filings from the New York State Joint Commission on Public Ethics. According to the Public Officers Law "every...candidate for statewide elected office or for member of the legislature shall file an annual statement of financial disclosure" on or before the tenth day after filing petitions, which is August 1st. Two years

ago, SJ Jung filed late, adding to his history of noncompliance. In 2009, he was cited by the city for failing to properly report more than \$20,000 in campaign spending - funds that were paid for by taxpayers.

Senator Stavisky's campaign is calling for an investigation into his chronic tardiness in filings. They also ask that JCOPE carefully reviews his filings to ensure its accuracy.

"We requested the latest filings from JCOPE and it seems the most recent filings from SJ Jung, were from 2013, not 2015. It's ironic SJ campaigns on ethics and good government yet can't follow the law. SJ's continued failure to obey the law has once again proven that the people of Queens cannot trust him," Campaign Manager Veronica Ng said

New Murals Help Beautify Astoria

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munity has deep roots in Astoria and it is wonderful to see those roots blossoming in this beautiful mural," said Assemblymember Aravella Simotas. "Whatever change may come, Astoria will always be connected to Greece and it makes me happy that connection is now immortalized and painted on stone, for all to see."

"Both the 29th Street and 48th Street mural projects will bring artistic beauty to our neighborhood, help curb graffiti, and improve quality-of-life for the residents and small business owners in their respective areas," said Council Member Costa Constantinides. "We're proud to honor our Hellenic culture and explore the beauty of modern art. I thank Congressman Crowley, Senator Gianaris, Assemblymember Simotas,

and 501 See Streets for their partnership."

"501 See Streets is proud to work in Astoria again," said Noah Sheroff, 501 (See) (Streets) Executive Director. It was an enjoyable experience - we received multiple thank-yous and compliments from local residents and merchants. Thank you to Rep. Joseph Crowley, Councilmember Constantinides, and the muralists for coming together."

501(See)(Streets) seeks to educate the public about street art and preserve existing street art. The organization also strives to engage at-risk youth to express themselves legally and creatively through the use of art and revitalize communities through the use of murals and sculptures, as well as fostering positive relationships between community residents and artists. See additional photo on page 12.

Watch For Signs of Medical Identity Theft

Did you know that health care is the number one target, nearly as much as retail, finance, and banking combined, for identity theft and fraud? Your health information is important to you and your health care provider. But in the wrong hands, it can be valuable to someone else. Would you know if someone stole your medical identity?

Identity theft affects millions of people year. The Federal Trade Commission offers several steps you can take to make sure your health care information remains secure.

First, read your medical and insurance statements regularly and completely. They can show warning signs of identity theft. Look for services you did not receive or providers you did not see. This is like seeing charges on your credit card statement that were not

yours.

Next, read the Explanation of Benefits (EOB) statement or Medicare Summary Notice that your health plan sends after each treatment. Again, check the name of the provider, the date of service, and the service provided. Do the claims paid match the care you received? If you see a mistake, contact your health plan and report the problem.

You should also watch for bills if you know part of your care was not covered. If a bill doesn't show up when you expect it, look into it.

Being cyber fit requires us to be mindful of your health information even when you're not using health IT. You are the center of your healthcare. Empower yourself to protect your information. For more information about cyber fitness, visit the TRICARE website.

Assemblyman Mike Miller is Sponsoring Free Mammography van

WHERE: District office - 83-91 Woodhaven Boulevard Woodhaven, NY 11421

WHAT: Italian American Cancer Foundation - Mobile Care Clinic

WHEN: Sunday, August 14th 8:30AM - 12:30PM

The Italian American Cancer Foundation's mobile care

clinic will be providing no cost breast exams and mammography's. Assemblyman Miller is hosting the mobile care clinic and is encouraging women to get screened. For resident's to schedule an appointment, they can call Assemblyman Mike Miller's office at 718-805-0950.



Meng-Engel Measure To Protect Public Housing Residents From Insufficient Heat Signed Into Law By President Obama

A measure authored by U.S. Reps. Grace Meng (D-Queens) and Eliot L. Engel (D-Bronx/Westchester) to protect public housing residents from insufficient heat during winter months has been signed into law by President Obama.

The amendment, which the President signed as part of the Housing Opportunity Through Modernization Act, requires the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to issue model guidelines for minimum heating requirements at public housing units that receive federal funds.

The Meng/Engel provision, which the House approved unanimously in February, will help ensure that tenants are not forced to endure frigid temperatures in the winter. The two lawmakers authored the language in response to reports that the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) had, as recently as 2013, shut down boilers in public housing properties unless outside temperatures dropped below 25 degrees Fahrenheit, forcing residents to go without heat during the coldest months of the year.

NYCHA is the largest housing agency in the United States. More than 400,000 New Yorkers live in NYCHA buildings, and more than half of those residents live below the poverty line.

"I am extremely pleased that our measure is now

the law of the land, and I thank President Obama for signing the Housing Opportunity Through Modernization Act," said Meng. "Our amendment will help ensure that heating standards used by public housing agencies are at levels that will protect tenants during cold and frigid weather. This past winter, several NYCHA tenants - including residents at NYCHA complexes in Queens - complained that they were without heat during several frigid nights. That is outrageous and 100 percent unacceptable. Nobody in public housing should be forced to endure freezing temperatures due to inadequate heat, and hopefully our measure will not allow that to happen in the future. Thanks to Congressman Engel for partnering with me on this important effort."

"As someone who grew up in a New York City housing project, I was shocked and saddened to learn of these reckless and demeaning practices," said Engel. "Every American living in public housing pays rent and, in return, depends on housing authority leadership to fulfill a very reasonable need: a safe and decent shelter. I thank Congresswoman Meng for partnering with me in this effort to ensure that public housing residents' health and safety are protected."

The President signed the Housing Opportunity Through Modernization Act last Friday, July 29th.

Long Island Heart Walk to Take Place this Fall on Long Island

The American Heart Association is encouraging physical activity this fall. The Long Island Heart Walk will take place on Sunday, September 18th at Jones Beach in Wantagh, NY. Registration and Health Fair begin at 8:30 a.m., the Walk begins at

10:00 a.m. For more information on how to become involved with the American Heart Association's 2016 Long Island Heart Walk, please contact the American Heart Association at 516-962-0790 or visit www.longislandheartwalk.org to register.

No-Cost Breast Cancer Screenings-Queens

The American-Italian Cancer Foundation's (AICF) mobile, No-Cost Breast Cancer Screening Program which provides mammograms and clinical breast exams to uninsured and medically underserved New York City women is scheduled to conduct

screenings in your neighborhood. Below is a list for our upcoming community no-cost Breast Cancer Screenings.

Sunday, August 14th, 2016 Office of Assemblyman Mike Miller 83-91 Woodhaven Blvd. Woodhaven, NY 11421



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Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Queens County on August 02, 2016, bearing Index Number NC-000355-16/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) JAZMIN (Middle) ELIZABETH (Last) VIZHNAY MENDOZA. My present name is (First) ELISABET (Middle) JASMIN (Last) VIZHNAY MENDOZA (infant). My present address is 9636 41ST AVENUE, 2ND FLOOR, Corona, NY 11368. My place of birth is QUEENS, NY. My date of birth is September 03, 2009. 8/11/2016

Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Name: Tree of Life 164, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of the State of New York ("SSNY") on July 27, 2016. 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 Tree of Life 164, LLC, c/o The Bluestone Organization, 90-11 160th Street, Suite 100, Jamaica, New York 11432. Purpose/character of LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. 8/11,18,25,9/1,8&15/2016

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Queens County on August 01, 2016, bearing Index Number NC-000342-16/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) ANTONIO (Middle) FELIX (Last) GARCIA. My present name is (First) FELIX (Middle) ANTONIO (Last) LOPEZ. My present address is 40-18 Hampton Street, Apt. #6K, Elmhurst, NY 11373-2056. My place of birth is QUEENS, NY. My date of birth is May 06, 1990. 8/11/2016

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NYC DOT Announces Important Repairs To The Woodhaven Boulevard Bridge Over Queens Boulevard

The NYC Department of Transportation today announced important repairs to the Woodhaven Boulevard Bridge over Queens Boulevard during the weekend of August 20th and 21st, 2016. The necessary repairs will require the full closure of Queens Boulevard's main roadway between 57th Avenue and 62nd Drive from Friday, August 19th, at 11:00 p.m. through Monday, August 22nd, at 5:00 a.m.

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Notice of Formation of WILFRID WEST GP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/13/16. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Mega Contracting Group LLC, 22-60 46th St., Astoria, NY 11105. Purpose: any lawful activity. 8/4,11,18,25,9/1&8/2016.

Made Homes-NY, LLC Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/6/16. Office in Queens Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served & shall mail process to 105-08 Jamaica Ave, Richmond Hill, NY 11418. Purpose: General. 8/11,18,25,9/1,8&15/2016

Chin Kong Family LLC Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/29/16. Office in Queens Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served & shall mail process to 229-14 53rd Ave, Oakland Gardens, NY 11364. Purpose: General. 8/11,18,25,9/1,8&15/2016

BRAVO'S GRILL LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/01/2016. Office loc: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Adrian Flores Bravo, 90-50 53rd Ave Bsmt, Elmhurst, NY 11373. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 8/11,18,25,9/1,8&15/2016

Creative Station LLC Arts of Org filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/9/16. Office in Queens Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served & shall mail process to Lashawna Harris, 2525 98th Street, East Elmhurst, NY 11369. Purpose: General. 8/11,18,25,9/1,8&15/2016

Deerfield Realty LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 7/20/16. 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, 103-19 104th St., Ozone Park, NY 11417. General purpose. 8/11,18,25,9/1,8&15/2016

Single-lane closures on Queens Boulevard will be in effect eastbound starting at Grand Avenue and westbound starting at Junction Boulevard. The exit ramp from the westbound Long Island Expressway to Queens Boulevard will also be closed.

In order to maintain two lanes of traffic on the Queens Boulevard service roads, parking will be restricted.

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Notice of formation of DIXTRITAL STYLE, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York SSNY on 03/25/2016. Office located in Queens. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of any process served against the LLC to 24-26 89th Street, 3FL, East Elmhurst, NY 11369. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 7/21,28,8/4,11,18&25/2016

38-05 20th Road Realty LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 6/13/16. 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, 38-05 20th Rd., Astoria, NY 11105. General purpose. 7/21,28,8/4,11,18&25/2016

ELIAS326 LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 6/7/2016. Office in Queens Co. SSNY design. agent upon whom process may be served. SSNY to mail copy of process to 387 Chestnut St., Oneonta, NY 13820. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 6/23,30,7/7,14,21&28/2016

HONEY BUNNY, LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/13/16. Office: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 15-83 208th Street, Bayside, NY 11360. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 8/4,11,18,25,9/1&8/2016

Notice of formation of ESTHER KANANURA LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York SSNY on 5/23/2016. Office located in Queens. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of any process served against the LLC to 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 202, Brooklyn, NY. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 7/14,21,28,8/4,11&18/2016

Notice of formation of Gnova NY LLC Articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on June 9, 2016. Office location: 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, 133-36 41st Road Ste 2F, Flushing, NY 11355. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 7/7,14,21,28,8/4&11/2016

Notice of Formation of Fleet Street (Brenda), LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 2/19/08. 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 Moss & Kalish, 122 E. 42nd St., Ste. 2100, NY, NY 10168. Purpose: any lawful activities. 7/28,8/4,11,18,25&9/1/2016

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PARKASH 2907 LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 5/13/2016. Office in Queens Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 172-14 89th Ave., Jamaica, NY 11432. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 8/4,11,18,25,9/1&8/2016

Notice of formation of THREE CATS GROUP LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York SSNY on 05/24/2016. Office located in Queens. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of any process served against the LLC to 144-80 Sanford Ave, #3P, Flushing, NY 11355. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 7/21,28,8/4,11,18&25/2016

MESTA TEL AVIV LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/15/15. Office: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 24-11 41st Avenue, Long Island City, NY 11101. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 7/7,14,21,28,8/4&11/2016

Notice of Formation of 37-32 107 Queens LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 7/08/2016. 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 the LLC: 86-16 57th Road, 3rd Fl., Elmhurst, NY 11373. Purpose: any lawful activities. 8/4,11,18,25,9/1&8/2016

Notice of formation of Royal Chateau Hall LLC. Articles of Org. filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/10/2016. Office located in Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC, 247-11 Francis Lewis Blvd., Rosedale, NY 11422. Purpose: Any lawful activity or purpose. 7/7,14,21,28,8/4&11/2016

Crane Maiden Books LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on June 1, 2016. Office loc: 34-15 31st Avenue, #6E, Astoria, NY 11106 in Queens County, is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. General Purpose. 7/7,14,21,28,8/4&11/2016

Notice of Formation of GOLDEN STAR INTERNATIONAL, LLC d/b/a GSI Global, LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 6/30/2016. 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 THE LLC: 17920 Benchmark Drive, Dallas, TX 75252. Purpose: any lawful activities. 8/4,11,18,25,9/1&8/2016.

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Notice of Formation of NYC COOLING TOWER INSPECTIONS AND SERVICES LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/29/16. Office location: Queens County. Princ. office of LLC: 96-59 222nd St., Queens Village, NY 11429. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 7/14,21,28,8/4,11&18/2016

Notice of formation of MODERN PETS LLC. Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 4/12/16. 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: United States Corporation Agents, Inc. 7014 13th Ave, Ste 202 Brooklyn, NY 11228, the Reg. Agt. upon whom process may be served. Purpose: any lawful purpose. 7/14,21,28,8/4,11&18/2016

30-12 LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 5/24/16. 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, 30-12 45th St., Apt. L, Astoria, NY 11103. General purpose. 7/14,21,28,8/4,11&18/2016

Notice of formation of SILVER DOOR, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York SSNY on 5/23/2016. Office located in Queens. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of any process served against the LLC 8724 87th St., Woodhaven, NY 11421. Purpose: any lawful purpose. 7/14,21,28,8/4,11&18/2016

30-12 LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 5/24/16. 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, 30-12 45th St., Apt. L, Astoria, NY 11103. General purpose. 7/14,21,28,8/4,11&18/2016

Meiko Group LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 04/27/16. Off. Loc.: Queens Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 61-17 184th St., Fresh Meadows, NY 11365. General Purposes. 7/21,28,8/4,11,18&25/2016

Notice of formation of PARMA MANAGEMENT, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York SSNY on 06/07/2016. Office located in Queens. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of any process served against the LLC to 7014 13th Avenue, Ste 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 7/21,28,8/4,11,18&25/2016

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222 JAMAICA DRUG LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/09/16. Latest date to dissolve: 12/31/2116. Office: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Kalb & Rosenfeld P.C., 283 Commack Road, Commack, NY 11725. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 7/21,28,8/4,11,18&25/2016

Notice of formation of Gold Life Industries LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York SSNY on [7/1/2016]. Office located in Queens. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of any process served against the LLC 116-07 Springfield Blvd., #E1 Cambria Heights, N.Y. 11411. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 7/14,21,28,8/4,11&18/2016

REALTY J & S LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 5/10/16. Office in Queens Co. SSNY design. Agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC 43-11 163rd St Flushing, NY 11358. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 7/21,28,8/4,11,18&25/2016

Notice of formation of Baskin Events LLC. Articles of Org. filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/27/2016, Exist Date 6/28/2016. 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: 4555 41st St., Apt 1A, Sunnyside, NY 11104. Purpose: Any lawful activity or purpose. 8/4,11,18,25,9/1&8/2016

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABI LIT Y COMPANY. NAME: NEHAL FAROUKY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed under the original name Spectrafem LLC with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on February 19, 2016. Office location: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the Business Filings Incorporated, 187 Wolf Rd., Ste 101, Albany NY 12205. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. 8/4,11,18,25,9/1&8/2016

Notice of formation of Happy Pets NYC, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York SSNY on 5/10/16. Office located in Queens County. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of any process served against the LLC (6309 108th St., Apt. 5K, Forest Hills, NY 11375). Purpose: any lawful purpose. 7/28,8/4,11,18,25&9/1/2016

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Notice of Formation of REY VENTURES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/13/16. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Robert D. Frawley, 64 Maple Avenue, Morristown, NJ 07960. Purpose: any lawful activity. 7/7,14,21,28,8/4&11/2016

Notice of Formation of UPPER DITMARS DENTAL PLLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 07/12/2016. 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 the LLC: 21-28 80th Street, East Elmhurst, NY 11370. Purpose: any lawful activities. 8/4,11,18,25,9/1&8/2016.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: NEHAL FAROUKY LLC. Articles of Organization were originally filed under Spectrafem LLC with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 2/19/16. Office location: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the Business Filings Incorporated, 187 Wolf Rd., Ste 101, Albany NY 12205. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 7/28,8/4,11,18,25&9/1/2016

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF QUEENS SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS Plaintiff designates QUEENS as the place of trial situs of the real property Mortgaged Premises: 85-37 67TH ROAD REGO PARK, NY 11374 Block: 3142 Lot: 34 DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR RESIDENTIAL ASSET SECURITIZATION TRUST SERIES 2007-A1 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2007-A, INDEX NO. 713208/2015 Plaintiff, -against- FLORENTINA ANDRONOVICI if living, and if she/he be deceased, the heirs at law, next of kin, distributes, executors, administrators, trustees, devisees, legatees, assignees, lienors, creditors, and successors in interest, and generally all persons having or claiming, under, by or through said defendant who may be deceased, by purchase, inheritance, lien or otherwise, any right title or interest in and to the premises described in the complaint herein, all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to the plaintiff and cannot after diligent inquiry be ascertained; "JOHN DOE" (REFUSED NAME) # 1 through 4; PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; and "JOHN DOE #5" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last

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eight 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 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 secure the sum of \$525,000.00 and interest, recorded on December 1, 2006, at Instrument number 2006000663310, of the Public Records of QUEENS County, New York, covering premises known as 85-37 67TH ROAD REGO PARK, NY 11374. 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 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 the mortgage company will not stop the 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: June 29, 2016 RAS BORISKIN, LLC Attorney for Plaintiff BY: Sean Howland, Esq. 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 106 Westbury, NY 11590 516-280-7675. 8/4,11,18&25/2016

Senator James Sanders Jr. Announces Handicapped Accessibility Renovations to Baisley Park Community Library



Senator Sanders joins Kelvin Watson, Chief Operating Officer and Senior Vice President of Queens Library, and Kevin Livingston of 100 Suits For 100 Men, in announcing new handicapped accessible features which will allow even more residents to take advantage of the library's many services and programs.

Senator James Sanders Jr. (D-Rochdale Village) today joined with representatives of Queens Library and community leaders in celebrating new renovations which will improve handicapped accessibility at the Baisley Park Community Library.

"We're about to take a library that has been an oasis of knowledge for many different people and open it up to even more people," Sanders said. "Sadly, this library was built at a time when we didn't think about making sure that the disabled could utilize this space also. So, we are going to straighten that out. They are part of our family too, and we want to make sure that everybody in our family is allowed in. We are going to take away every impediment that has prevented the disabled from coming to this library. We as a society have pledged that we are not going to handicap the disabled."

The branch has been allocated nearly a half million dollars from the State Education Department to update the first floor interior of the library and public restrooms to be in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and reconfigure its meeting room. The funding was facilitated through the state budget process in which Senator Sanders played a role. It will be dispersed in Spring 2017.

"We appreciate this investment in our libraries," said Kelvin Watson, Chief Operating Officer and Senior Vice President of Queens Library. "Libraries have a profound impact on our state and our local communities through the lifelong learning that we provide through our books and through our programs and services. We have a need to modernize libraries to meet the ever growing needs and changes of the community."

New Murals Help Beautify Astoria



Rep. Joe Crowley is joined by 501 See Streets Executive Director Noah Sheroff and Council Member Costa Constantinides at the 48th street mural in Astoria.

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